

# LM2524D/LM3524D Regulating Pulse Width Modulator

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## **FEATURES**

- Fully Interchangeable With Standard LM3524 **Family**
- ±1% Precision 5V Reference With Thermal Shut-Down
- **Output Current to 200 mA DC**
- **60V Output Capability**
- Wide Common Mode Input Range for Error-
- One Pulse per Period (Noise Suppression)
- Improved Max. Duty Cycle at High Frequencies
- **Double Pulse Suppression**
- Synchronize Through Pin 3

## **DESCRIPTION**

The LM3524D family is an improved version of the industry standard LM3524. It has improved specifications and additional features yet is pin for pin compatible with existing 3524 families. New features reduce the need for additional external circuitry often required in the original version.

The LM3524D has a ±1% precision 5V reference. The current carrying capability of the output drive transistors has been raised to 200 mA while reducing V<sub>CEsat</sub> and increasing V<sub>CE</sub> breakdown to 60V. The common mode voltage range of the error-amp has been raised to 5.5V to eliminate the need for a resistive divider from the 5V reference.

In the LM3524D the circuit bias line has been isolated from the shut-down pin. This prevents the oscillator pulse amplitude and frequency from being disturbed by shut-down. Also at high frequencies (~300 kHz) the max. duty cycle per output has been improved to 44% compared to 35% max. duty cycle in other 3524s.

In addition, the LM3524D can now be synchronized externally, through pin 3. Also a latch has been added to insure one pulse per period even in noisy environments. The LM3524D includes double pulse suppression logic that insures when a shut-down condition is removed the state of the T-flip-flop will change only after the first clock pulse has arrived. This feature prevents the same output from being pulsed twice in a row, thus reducing the possibility of core saturation in push-pull designs.

# **Connection Diagram**

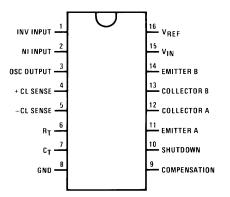
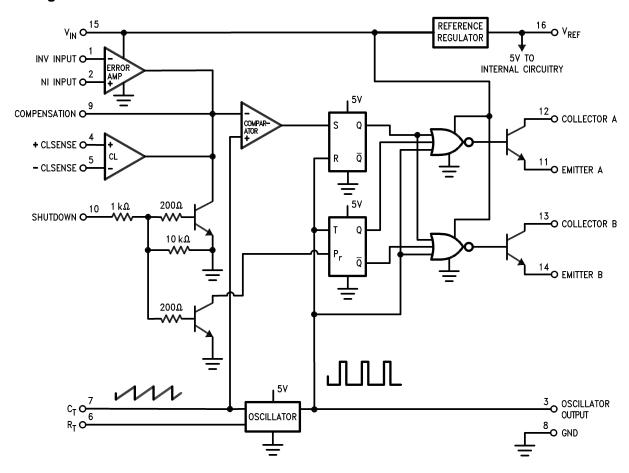


Figure 1. Top View See Package Number NFG See Package Number D

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# **Block Diagram**







These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

**Absolute Maximum Ratings**(1)(2)

Absolute Maximum Ratings		
Supply Voltage		40V
Collector Supply Voltage	LM2524D	55V
	LM3524D	40V
Output Current DC (each)		200 mA
Oscillator Charging Current (Pin 7)		5 mA
Internal Power Dissipation	1W	
Operating Junction Temperature Range (3)	LM2524D	−40°C to +125°C
	LM3524D	0°C to +125°C
Maximum Junction Temperature		150°
Storage Temperature Range		−65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering 4 sec.)	NFG, D Pkg.	260°C

- (1) Absolute maximum ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. DC and AC electrical specifications do not apply when operating the device beyond its rated operating conditions.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) For operation at elevated temperatures, devices in the NFG package must be derated based on a thermal resistance of 86°C/W, junction to ambient. Devices in the D package must be derated at 125°C/W, junction to ambient.

# Electrical Characteristics(1)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		LM2524[	)		LM35241	)	
			Тур	Tested Limit <sup>(2)</sup>	Design Limit <sup>(3)</sup>	Тур	Tested Limit <sup>(2)</sup>	Design Limit <sup>(3)</sup>	Units
REFERENC	E SECTION								
$V_{REF}$	Output Voltage		5	4.85	4.80	5	4.75		$V_{Min}$
				5.15	5.20		5.25		V <sub>Max</sub>
V <sub>RLine</sub>	Line Regulation	V <sub>IN</sub> = 8V to 40V	10	15	30	10	25	50	$mV_{Max}$
$V_{RLoad}$	Load Regulation	$I_L = 0$ mA to 20 mA	10	15	25	10	25	50	$mV_{Max}$
$\Delta V_{IN}/\Delta V_{REF}$	Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	66			66			dB
Ios	Short Circuit Current	V <sub>REF</sub> = 0		25			25		mA Min
			50			50			
				180			200		mA Max
N <sub>O</sub>	Output Noise	10 Hz ≤ f ≤ 10 kHz	40		100	40		100	μV <sub>rms</sub> Max
	Long Term Stability	T <sub>A</sub> = 125°C	20			20			mV/kHr
OSCILLATO	OR SECTION								
fosc	Max. Freq.	$R_T = 1k, C_T = 0.001 \mu F^{(4)}$	550		500	350			kHz <sub>Min</sub>
fosc	Initial Accuracy	$R_T = 5.6k, C_T = 0.01 \ \mu F^{(4)}$		17.5			17.5		kHz <sub>Min</sub>
			20			20			
				22.5			22.5		kHz <sub>Max</sub>
		$R_T = 2.7k$ , $C_T = 0.01 \ \mu F^{(4)}$		34			30		kHz <sub>Min</sub>
			38			38			
				42			46		kHz <sub>Max</sub>

<sup>(1)</sup> Unless otherwise stated, these specifications apply for  $T_A = T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Boldface numbers apply over the rated temperature range: LM2524D is  $-40^{\circ}$  to  $85^{\circ}\text{C}$  and LM3524D is  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$ .  $V_{\text{IN}} = 20\text{V}$  and  $f_{\text{OSC}} = 20\text{ kHz}$ .

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<sup>(2)</sup> Tested limits are ensured and 100% tested in production.

<sup>(3)</sup> Design limits are ensured (but not 100% production tested) over the indicated temperature and supply voltage range. These limits are not used to calculate outgoing quality level.

<sup>(4)</sup> The value of a C<sub>t</sub> capacitor can vary with frequency. Careful selection of this capacitor must be made for high frequency operation. Polystyrene was used in this test. NPO ceramic or polypropylene can also be used.



# Electrical Characteristics(1) (continued)

Δf <sub>OSC</sub> Fr  V <sub>OSC</sub> O <sub>(5)</sub> t <sub>PW</sub> O <sub>I</sub> Sε  ERROR-AMP S  V <sub>IO</sub> Inj  I <sub>IB</sub> Inj  I <sub>COSI</sub> Cc	output Amplitude (Pin 3) output Pulse Width (Pin 3) awtooth Peak Voltage awtooth Valley Voltage	$\begin{split} &V_{IN} = 8 \text{ to } 40V \\ &T_A = -55^{\circ}\text{C to } +125^{\circ}\text{C} \\ &\text{at } 20 \text{ kHz } R_T = 5.6\text{k}, \\ &C_T = 0.01  \mu\text{F} \\ &R_T = 5.6\text{k}, C_T = 0.01  \mu\text{F} \\ &V_{CM} = 2.5\text{V} \\ &V_{CM} = 2.5\text{V} \\ &V_{CM} = 2.5\text{V} \\ &V_{IN(I)} - V_{IN(NI)} = 150 \text{ mV} \end{split}$	7yp  0.5  5  3  0.5  3.4  1.1  2  1  0.5	1 2.4 1.5 3.6 0.8 8 8 1.0 65	3.8 0.6	7yp 0.5 5 3 0.5 2 1	1.0 2.4 1.5 3.8 0.6	Design Limit <sup>(3)</sup>	
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ERROR-AMP         S           V <sub>IO</sub> Inj           I <sub>IB</sub> Inj           I <sub>IO</sub> Inj           I <sub>COSI</sub> Co	SECTION  Aput Offset Voltage  Aput Bias Current  Aput Offset Current  Aput Offset Current  Compensation Current  Sink)	$V_{CM} = 2.5V$ $V_{CM} = 2.5V$ $V_{CM} = 2.5V$	2 1 0.5	8 8 1.0	10 10	1	10		${\sf mV}_{\sf Max}$
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I <sub>IO</sub> In	oput Offset Current compensation Current Sink)	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.5V	0.5	1.0			10		μA <sub>Max</sub>
I <sub>COSI</sub> Co	compensation Current Sink)				1	0.5			
000.	Sink)		95	65		0.5	1		$\mu A_{Max}$
	,		95	00			65		μA <sub>Min</sub>
	ompensation Current					95			
	ompensation Current			125			125		μA <sub>Max</sub>
I <sub>COSO</sub> Co		$V_{IN(NI)} - V_{IN(I)} = 150 \text{ mV}$		-125			-125		μA <sub>Min</sub>
	Source)	- 114(141) - 114(1)	-95	1.20		-95			PIVIIII
				-65			-65		μA <sub>Max</sub>
A <sub>VOL</sub> O	pen Loop Gain	R <sub>L</sub> = ∞, V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.5 V	80	74	60	80	70	60	dB <sub>Min</sub>
.02	common Mode Input	T(L = 13, VCM = 2.5 V	00	1.5	1.4	00	1.5	00	V <sub>Min</sub>
	oltage Range			5.5	5.4		5.5		V <sub>Min</sub>
	ommon Mode Rejection atio		90	80		90	80		$dB_{Min}$
G <sub>BW</sub> Ur	nity Gain Bandwidth	$A_{VOL} = 0$ dB, $V_{CM} = 2.5V$	3			2			MHz
V <sub>O</sub> Ou	output Voltage Swing	$R_L = \infty$		0.5			0.5		$V_{Min}$
				5.5			5.5		$V_{Max}$
	ower Supply Rejection atio	V <sub>IN</sub> = 8 to 40V	80		70	80	65		db <sub>Min</sub>
COMPARATOR	SECTION		-	!	*			'	
t <sub>ON</sub> /t <sub>OSC</sub> Mi	linimum Duty Cycle	Pin 9 = 0.8V, $[R_T = 5.6k, C_T = 0.01 \mu F]$	0	0		0	0		% <sub>Max</sub>
t <sub>ON</sub> /t <sub>OSC</sub> Ma	laximum Duty Cycle	Pin 9 = 3.9V, $[R_T = 5.6k, C_T = 0.01 \ \mu F]$	49	45		49	45		% <sub>Min</sub>
t <sub>ON</sub> /t <sub>OSC</sub> Ma	laximum Duty Cycle	Pin 9 = 3.9V, $[R_T = 1k, C_T = 0.001 \mu F]$	44	35		44	35		% <sub>Min</sub>
V <sub>COMPZ</sub> Inj	put Threshold	Zero Duty Cycle	1			1			V
(P	Pin 9)								
V <sub>COMPM</sub> Inj	put Threshold (Pin 9)	Maximum Duty Cycle	3.5			3.5			V
	put Bias Current		-1			-1			μA
CURRENT LIMI	IT SECTION		•				•		
V <sub>SEN</sub> Se	ense Voltage	$V_{(Pin 2)} - V_{(Pin 1)} \ge 150 \text{ mV}$		180			180		$mV_{Min}$
	-	( <u>-</u> )	200	220		200	220		
TC-V S	ense Voltage T.C.		0.2	220		0.2	220		mV <sub>Max</sub>
	ū	\/ -\/ - 200 m\/							
	ommon Mode Voltage ange	$V_5 - V_4 = 300 \text{ mV}$	-0.7 1			-0.7 1			V <sub>Min</sub>

<sup>(5)</sup> OSC amplitude is measured open circuit. Available current is limited to 1 mA so care must be exercised to limit capacitive loading of fast pulses.

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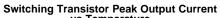
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			Тур	Tested Limit <sup>(2)</sup>	Design Limit <sup>(3)</sup>	Тур	Tested Limit <sup>(2)</sup>	Design Limit <sup>(3)</sup>	Units
SHUT DOW	N SECTION			*	'		*	<del>'</del>	
V <sub>SD</sub>	High Input Voltage	$V_{(Pin 2)} - V_{(Pin 1)} \ge 150 \text{ mV}$	1	0.5		1	0.5		$V_{Min}$
				1.5			1.5		$V_{Max}$
I <sub>SD</sub>	High Input Current	I <sub>(pin 10)</sub>	1			1			mA
OUTPUT SE	ECTION (EACH OUTPUT)	•	•	·	•		·	,	
V <sub>CES</sub>	Collector Emitter Voltage Breakdown	I <sub>C</sub> ≤ 100 μA		55			40		$V_{\text{Min}}$
I <sub>CES</sub>	Collector Leakage Current	V <sub>CE</sub> = 60V							
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 55V	0.1	50					μA <sub>Max</sub>
		V <sub>CE</sub> = 40V				0.1	50		
V <sub>CESAT</sub>	Saturation Voltage	I <sub>E</sub> = 20 mA	0.2	0.5		0.2	0.7		\/
		I <sub>E</sub> = 200 mA	1.5	2.2		1.5	2.5		$V_{Max}$
V <sub>EO</sub>	Emitter Output Voltage	I <sub>E</sub> = 50 mA	18	17		18	17		$V_{Min}$
t <sub>R</sub>	Rise Time	$V_{IN} = 20V,$ $I_E = -250 \mu A$ $R_C = 2k$	200			200			ns
t <sub>F</sub>	Fall Time	$R_C = 2k$	100			100			ns
SUPPLY CH	HARACTERISTICS SECTION	N		•			•		
V <sub>IN</sub>	Input Voltage Range	After Turn-on		8			8		$V_{Min}$
				40			40		$V_{\text{Max}}$
Т	Thermal Shutdown Temp.	(6)	160			160			°C
I <sub>IN</sub>	Stand By Current	$V_{IN} = 40V^{(7)}$	5	10		5	10		mA

For operation at elevated temperatures, devices in the NFG package must be derated based on a thermal resistance of 86°C/W, junction to ambient. Devices in the D package must be derated at 125°C/W, junction to ambient. Pins 1, 4, 7, 8, 11, and 14 are grounded; Pin 2 = 2V. All other inputs and outputs open.



# **Typical Performance Characteristics**



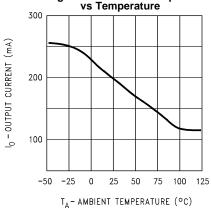


Figure 2.

#### Maximum & Minimum **Duty Cycle Threshold Voltage**

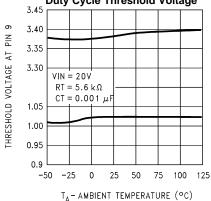


Figure 4.

#### **Output Transistor Emitter** Voltage

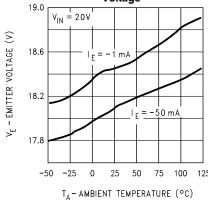


Figure 6.

# Maximum Average Power Dissipation (NFG, D Packages)

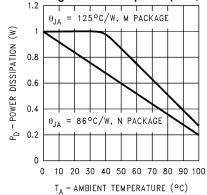
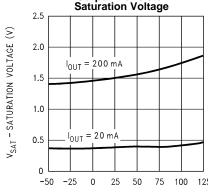


Figure 3.





 $T_A$  - AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C) Figure 5.

# **Reference Transistor**

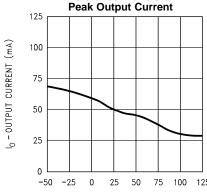
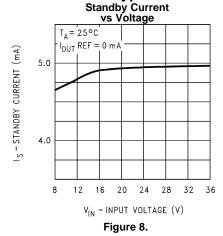


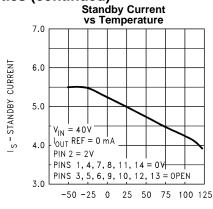
Figure 7.

 $T_A$  - AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C)



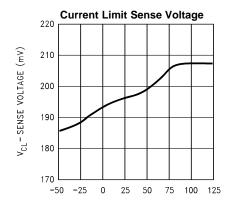
# Typical Performance Characteristics (continued) Standby Current vs Voltage Stand vs Te





 $T_A$  - AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C)

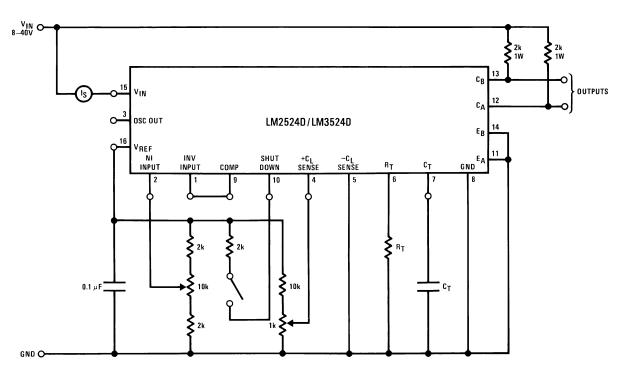
Figure 9.



T<sub>A</sub>- AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C) **Figure 10.** 



# **TEST CIRCUIT**



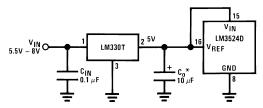


#### **Functional Description**

# **Internal Voltage Regulator**

The LM3524D has an on-chip 5V, 50 mA, short circuit protected voltage regulator. This voltage regulator provides a supply for all internal circuitry of the device and can be used as an external reference.

For input voltages of less than 8V the 5V output should be shorted to pin 15,  $V_{IN}$ , which disables the 5V regulator. With these pins shorted the input voltage must be limited to a maximum of 6V. If input voltages of 6V–8V are to be used, a pre-regulator, as shown in Figure 11, must be added.



\*Minimum CO of 10 µF required for stability

Figure 11.

#### Oscillator

The LM3524D provides a stable on-board oscillator. Its frequency is set by an external resistor,  $R_T$  and capacitor,  $C_T$ . A graph of  $R_T$ ,  $C_T$  vs oscillator frequency is shown is Figure 12. The oscillator's output provides the signals for triggering an internal flip-flop, which directs the PWM information to the outputs, and a blanking pulse to turn off both outputs during transitions to ensure that cross conduction does not occur. The width of the blanking pulse, or dead time, is controlled by the value of  $C_T$ , as shown in Figure 13. The recommended values of  $R_T$  are 1.8 k $\Omega$  to 100 k $\Omega$ , and for  $C_T$ , 0.001  $\mu F$  to 0.1  $\mu F$ .

If two or more LM3524D's must be synchronized together, the easiest method is to interconnect all pin 3 terminals, tie all pin 7's (together) to a single  $C_T$ , and leave all pin 6's open except one which is connected to a single  $R_T$ . This method works well unless the LM3524D's are more than 6" apart.

A second synchronization method is appropriate for any circuit layout. One LM3524D, designated as master, must have its  $R_TC_T$  set for the correct period. The other slave LM3524D(s) should each have an  $R_TC_T$  set for a 10% longer period. All pin 3's must then be interconnected to allow the master to properly reset the slave units.

The oscillator may be synchronized to an external clock source by setting the internal free-running oscillator frequency 10% slower than the external clock and driving pin 3 with a pulse train (approx. 3V) from the clock. Pulse width should be greater than 50 ns to insure full synchronization.

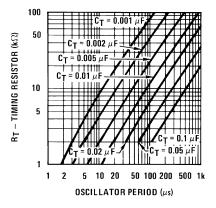


Figure 12.



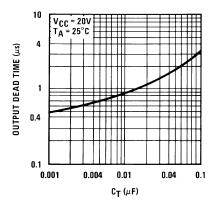


Figure 13.

# **Error Amplifier**

The error amplifier is a differential input, transconductance amplifier. Its gain, nominally 86 dB, is set by either feedback or output loading. This output loading can be done with either purely resistive or a combination of resistive and reactive components. A graph of the amplifier's gain vs output load resistance is shown in Figure 14.

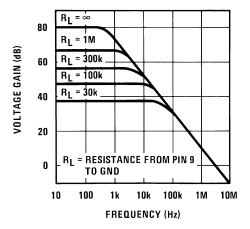


Figure 14.

The output of the amplifier, or input to the pulse width modulator, can be overridden easily as its output impedance is very high ( $Z_O \approx 5~\text{M}\Omega$ ). For this reason a DC voltage can be applied to pin 9 which will override the error amplifier and force a particular duty cycle to the outputs. An example of this could be a non-regulating motor speed control where a variable voltage was applied to pin 9 to control motor speed. A graph of the output duty cycle vs the voltage on pin 9 is shown in Figure 15.

The duty cycle is calculated as the percentage ratio of each output's ON-time to the oscillator period. Paralleling the outputs doubles the observed duty cycle.

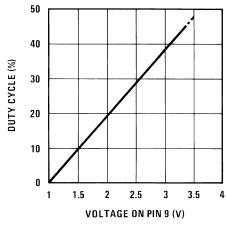


Figure 15.

The amplifier's inputs have a common-mode input range of 1.5V–5.5V. The on board regulator is useful for biasing the inputs to within this range.

# **Current Limiting**

The function of the current limit amplifier is to override the error amplifier's output and take control of the pulse width. The output duty cycle drops to about 25% when a current limit sense voltage of 200 mV is applied between the  $+C_L$  and  $-C_L$ sense terminals. Increasing the sense voltage approximately 5% results in a 0% output duty cycle. Care should be taken to ensure the -0.7V to +1.0V input common-mode range is not exceeded.

In most applications, the current limit sense voltage is produced by a current through a sense resistor. The accuracy of this measurement is limited by the accuracy of the sense resistor, and by a small offset current, typically  $100 \, \mu A$ , flowing from +CL to -CL.

# **Output Stages**

The outputs of the LM3524D are NPN transistors, capable of a maximum current of 200 mA. These transistors are driven 180° out of phase and have non-committed open collectors and emitters as shown in Figure 16.

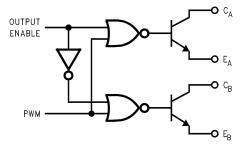


Figure 16.



# **Typical Applications**

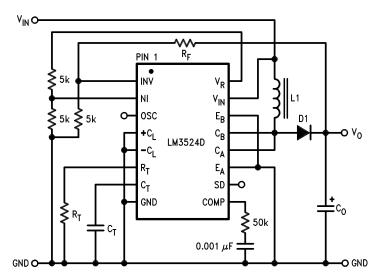


Figure 17. Positive Regulator, Step-Up Basic Configuration ( $I_{IN(MAX)} = 80 \text{ mA}$ )

#### **Design Equations**

$$R_F = 5k \left( \frac{V_0}{2.5} - 1 \right)$$

$$\begin{split} f_{OSC} &\cong \frac{1}{R_T C_T} \\ L1 &= \frac{2.5 V_{IN}^2 \left(V_O - V_{IN} \right)}{f_{OSC} l_O \, V_O^2} \\ C_o &= \frac{l_O \left(V_O - V_{IN} \right)}{f_{OSC} \, \Delta V_O \, V_O} \\ l_{o(MAX)} &= l_{IN} \frac{V_{IN}}{V_O} \end{split}$$

(1)

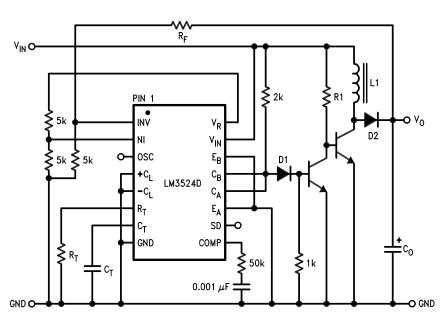


Figure 18. Positive Regulator, Step-Up Boosted Current Configuration



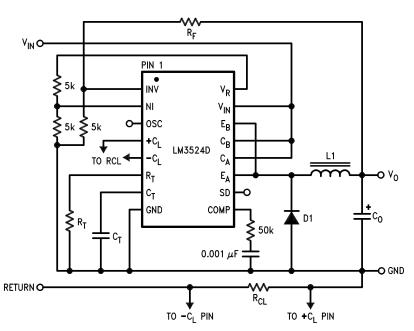


Figure 19. Positive Regulator, Step-Down Basic Configuration ( $I_{IN(MAX)} = 80 \text{ mA}$ )

#### **Design Equations**

$$\begin{split} & \mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{F}} = 5 \, \mathsf{k}\Omega \left(\frac{\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}}}{2.5} - 1\right) \\ & \mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{CL}} = \frac{\mathsf{Current \, Limit}}{\mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{O}(\mathsf{MAX})}} \\ & \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{OSC}} \cong \frac{1}{\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{T}}\mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{T}}} \\ & \mathsf{L1} = \frac{2.5 \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}} \left(\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{IN}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}}\right)}{\mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{O}} \, \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{IN}} \, \mathsf{f}_{\mathsf{OSC}}} \\ & \mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{O}} = \frac{\left(\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{IN}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}}\right) \, \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}} \mathsf{T}^{2}}{8 \, \Delta \, \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}} \, \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{IN}} \mathsf{L}^{1}} \\ & \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{O}(\mathsf{MAX})} = \mathsf{I}_{\mathsf{IN}} \frac{\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{IN}}}{\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{O}}} \end{split}$$

 $R_{F}$ VINO PIN 1 • INV  $V_R$ NI  $V_{IN}$ OSC  $E_{B}$ LM3524D  $C_{A}$  $\mathsf{E}_\mathsf{A}$ D1  $C_{\mathsf{T}}$ SD GND COMP  $\leq R_T$ **₹** 50k 0.001 μF :

Figure 20. Positive Regulator, Step-Down Boosted Current Configuration

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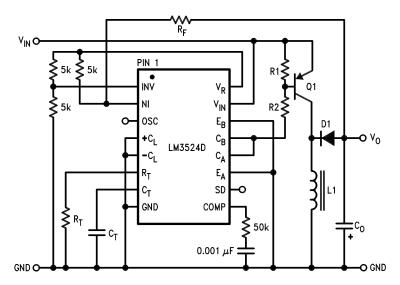


Figure 21. Boosted Current Polarity Inverter

#### **Design Equations**

$$\begin{split} R_F &= 5k\left(1 - \frac{V_o}{2.5}\right) \\ f_{OSC} &\cong \frac{1}{R_T C_T} \\ L1 &= \frac{2.5V_{IN}\,V_o}{f_{OSC}\left(V_o + V_{IN}\right)I_o} \\ C_o &= \frac{I_o V_o}{\Delta V_o f_{OSC}\left(V_o + V_{IN}\right)} \end{split}$$

(3)

### **Basic Switching Regulator Theory and Applications**

The basic circuit of a step-down switching regulator circuit is shown in Figure 22, along with a practical circuit design using the LM3524D in Figure 25.

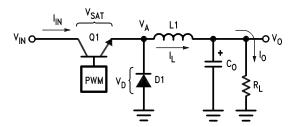


Figure 22. Basic Step-Down Switching Regulator

The circuit works as follows: Q1 is used as a switch, which has ON and OFF times controlled by the pulse width modulator. When Q1 is ON, power is drawn from  $V_{IN}$  and supplied to the load through L1;  $V_A$  is at approximately  $V_{IN}$ , D1 is reverse biased, and  $C_o$  is charging. When Q1 turns OFF the inductor L1 will force  $V_A$  negative to keep the current flowing in it, D1 will start conducting and the load current will flow through D1 and L1. The voltage at  $V_A$  is smoothed by the L1,  $C_o$  filter giving a clean DC output. The current flowing through L1 is equal to the nominal DC load current plus some  $\Delta I_L$  which is due to the changing voltage across it. A good rule of thumb is to set  $\Delta I_{LP-P} \approx 40\% \times I_o$ .



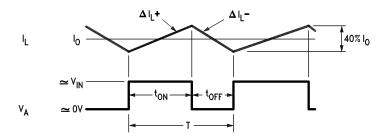


Figure 23. Relation of Switch Timing to Inductor Current in Step-Down Regulator

From the relation 
$$V_L = L \frac{d_i}{d_t}$$
,  $\Delta I_L \cong \frac{V_L T}{L1}$ 

$$\Delta I_L + = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) t_{ON}}{L1}; \Delta I_L - = \frac{V_o t_{OFF}}{L1}$$
(4)

Neglecting  $V_{SAT}$ ,  $V_{D}$ , and settling  $\Delta I_{L}^{+} = \Delta I_{L}^{-}$ ;

$$V_{o} \cong V_{IN} \left( \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF} + t_{ON}} \right) = V_{IN} \left( \frac{t_{ON}}{T} \right); \tag{5}$$

where T = Total Period

The above shows the relation between  $V_{IN}$ ,  $V_o$  and duty cycle.

$$I_{IN(DC)} = I_{OUT(DC)} \left( \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{ON} + t_{OFF}} \right), \tag{6}$$

as Q1 only conducts during ton.

$$P_{IN} = I_{IN(DC)} V_{IN} = (I_{o(DC)}) \left( \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{ON} + t_{OFF}} \right) V_{IN}$$

$$P_o = I_o V_o$$
(7)

The efficiency,  $\eta$ , of the circuit is:

$$\eta MAX = \frac{P_{O}}{P_{IN}} = \frac{I_{O}V_{O}}{I_{O}\frac{(t_{ON})}{T}V_{IN} + \frac{(V_{SAT}t_{ON} + V_{D1}t_{OFF})}{T}I_{O}}$$

$$= \frac{V_{O}}{V_{O} + 1} \text{for } V_{SAT} = V_{D1} = 1V.$$
(8)

 $\eta$ MAX will be further decreased due to switching losses in Q1. For this reason Q1 should be selected to have the maximum possible  $f_T$ , which implies very fast rise and fall times.

## Calculating Inductor L1

$$\begin{split} t_{ON} &\cong \frac{(\Delta I_L^+) \times L1}{(V_{IN} - V_o)}, t_{OFF} = \frac{(\Delta I_L^-) \times L1}{V_o} \\ t_{ON} + t_{OFF} &= T = \frac{(\Delta I_L^+) \times L1}{(V_{IN} - V_O)} + \frac{(\Delta I_L^-) \times L1}{V_o} \\ &= \frac{0.4 I_o L1}{(V_{IN} - V_o)} + \frac{0.4 I_o L1}{V_o} \end{split} \tag{9}$$

Since  $\Delta I_1 + = \Delta I_1^- = 0.4 I_0$ 

Solving the above for L1



$$L1 = \frac{2.5 \, V_{O} \, (V_{IN} - V_{O})}{I_{O} \, V_{IN} \, f} \tag{10}$$

where: L1 is in Henrys

f is switching frequency in Hz

Also, see LM1578 data sheet for graphical methods of inductor selection.

# Calculating Output Filter Capacitor Co

Figure 23 shows L1's current with respect to Q1's  $t_{ON}$  and  $t_{OFF}$  times ( $V_A$  is at the collector of Q1). This current must flow to the load and  $C_o$ .  $C_o$ 's current will then be the difference between  $I_L$ , and  $I_o$ .

$$Ic_0 = I_L - I_0 \tag{11}$$

From Figure 23 it can be seen that current will be flowing into  $C_o$  for the second half of  $t_{ON}$  through the first half of  $t_{OFF}$ , or a time,  $t_{ON}/2 + t_{OFF}/2$ . The current flowing for this time is  $\Delta I_L/4$ . The resulting  $\Delta V_c$  or  $\Delta V_o$  is described by:

$$\begin{split} \Delta V_{op\text{-}p} &= \frac{1}{C} \times \frac{\Delta I_L}{4} \times \left(\frac{t_{ON}}{2} + \frac{t_{OFF}}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\Delta I_L}{4C} \left(\frac{t_{ON} + t_{OFF}}{2}\right) \\ \text{Since } \Delta I_L &= \frac{V_o(T - t_{ON})}{L1} \text{ and } t_{ON} = \frac{V_oT}{V_{IN}} \\ \Delta V_{op\text{-}p} &= \frac{V_o\left(T - \frac{V_oT}{V_{IN}}\right)}{4C \; L1} \left(\frac{T}{2}\right) = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) \; V_oT^2}{8V_{IN}C_oL1} \text{ or } \\ \hline C_o &= \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) \; V_o \; T^2}{8\Delta V_oV_{IN}L1} \end{split}$$

where: C is in farads, T is  $\frac{1}{\text{switching frequency}}$ 

$$\Delta V_0$$
 is p-p output ripple (12)

For best regulation, the inductor's current cannot be allowed to fall to zero. Some minimum load current I<sub>o</sub>, and thus inductor current, is required as shown below:

$$I_{o(MIN)} = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) t_{ON}}{2L1} = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) V_o}{2f V_{IN} L1}$$

$$\Delta I_L + = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) t_{ON}}{L1}$$

$$I_{O} = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_o) t_{ON}}{L1}$$
(13)

Figure 24. Inductor Current Slope in Step-Down Regulator

A complete step-down switching regulator schematic, using the LM3524D, is illustrated in Figure 25. Transistors Q1 and Q2 have been added to boost the output to 1A. The 5V regulator of the LM3524D has been divided in half to bias the error amplifier's non-inverting input to within its common-mode range. Since each output transistor is on for half the period, actually 45%, they have been paralleled to allow longer possible duty cycle, up to 90%. This makes a lower possible input voltage. The output voltage is set by:

$$V_{o} = V_{NI} \left( 1 + \frac{R1}{R2} \right), \tag{14}$$

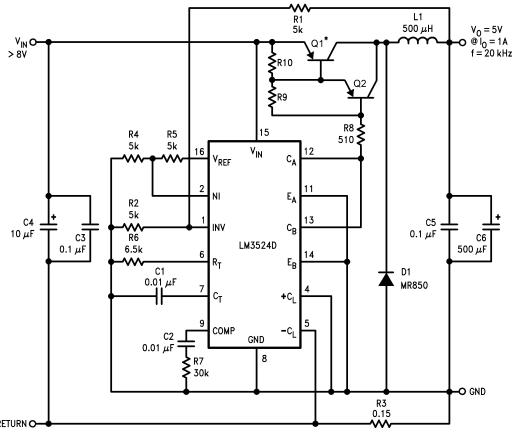
where  $V_{NI}$  is the voltage at the error amplifier's non-inverting input.



Resistor R3 sets the current limit to:

$$\frac{200 \text{ mV}}{\text{R3}} = \frac{200 \text{ mV}}{0.15} = 1.3\text{A}. \tag{15}$$

Figure 26 and Figure 27 show a PC board layout and stuffing diagram for the 5V, 1A regulator of Figure 25. The regulator's performance is listed in Table 1.



<sup>\*</sup>Mounted to Staver Heatsink No. V5-1.

L1 = >40 turns No. 22 wire on Ferroxcube No. K300502 Torroid core.

Figure 25. 5V, 1 Amp Step-Down Switching Regulator

Table 1.

Parameter	Conditions	Typical Characteristics
Output Voltage	V <sub>IN</sub> = 10V, I <sub>o</sub> = 1A	5V
Switching Frequency	V <sub>IN</sub> = 10V, I <sub>o</sub> = 1A	20 kHz
Short Circuit Current Limit	V <sub>IN</sub> = 10V	1.3A
Load Regulation	$V_{IN} = 10V$ $I_0 = 0.2 - 1A$	3 mV
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_{IN} = 10 - 20V,$ $I_0 = 1A$	6 mV
Efficiency	V <sub>IN</sub> = 10V, I <sub>o</sub> = 1A	80%
Output Ripple	V <sub>IN</sub> = 10V, I <sub>o</sub> = 1A	10 mVp-p

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Q1 = BD344

Q2 = 2N5023



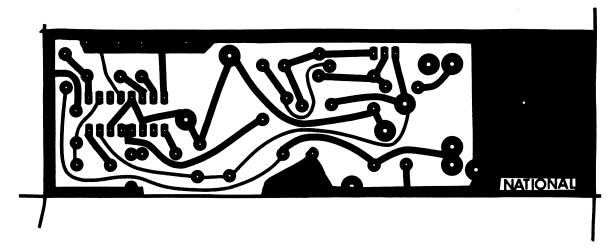


Figure 26. 5V, 1 Amp Switching Regulator, Foil Side

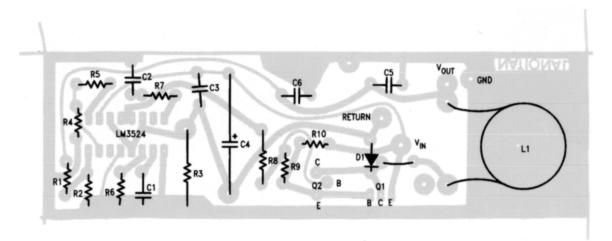


Figure 27. Stuffing Diagram, Component Side

#### The Step-Up Switching Regulator

Figure 28 shows the basic circuit for a step-up switching regulator. In this circuit Q1 is used as a switch to alternately apply  $V_{IN}$  across inductor L1. During the time,  $t_{ON}$ , Q1 is ON and energy is drawn from  $V_{IN}$  and stored in L1; D1 is reverse biased and  $I_o$  is supplied from the charge stored in  $C_o$ . When Q1 opens,  $t_{OFF}$ , voltage V1 will rise positively to the point where D1 turns ON. The output current is now supplied through L1, D1 to the load and any charge lost from  $C_o$  during  $t_{ON}$  is replenished. Here also, as in the step-down regulator, the current through L1 has a DC component plus some  $\Delta I_L$ .  $\Delta I_L$  is again selected to be approximately 40% of  $I_L$ . Figure 29 shows the inductor's current in relation to Q1's ON and OFF times.



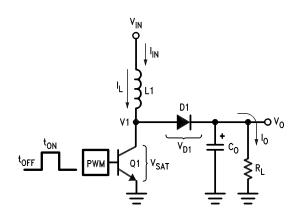


Figure 28. Basic Step-Up Switching Regulator

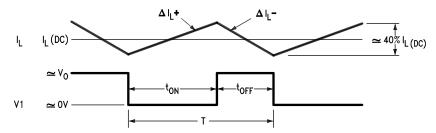


Figure 29. Relation of Switch Timing to Inductor Current in Step-Up Regulator

From 
$$\Delta I_L = \frac{V_L T}{L}$$
,  $\Delta I_L^+ \approx \frac{V_{IN} t_{ON}}{L1}$  and  $\Delta I_L^- \approx \frac{(V_0 - V_{IN}) t_{OFF}}{L1}$  (16)

Since  $\Delta I_L + = \Delta I_L -$ ,  $V_{IN}t_{ON} = V_o t_{OFF} - V_{IN}t_{OFF}$ ,

and neglecting  $V_{\text{SAT}}$  and  $V_{\text{D1}}$ 

$$V_{0} \cong V_{IN} \left( 1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}} \right)$$
(17)

The above equation shows the relationship between  $V_{IN}$ ,  $V_o$  and duty cycle.

In calculating input current  $I_{IN(DC)}$ , which equals the inductor's DC current, assume first 100% efficiency:

$$P_{IN} = I_{IN(DC)} V_{IN}$$

$$P_{OUT} = I_{o} V_{o} = I_{o} V_{IN} \left( 1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}} \right)$$
(18)

for  $\eta = 100\%$ ,  $P_{OUT} = P_{IN}$ 

$$I_{O} V_{IN} \left( 1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}} \right) = I_{IN(DC)} V_{IN}$$

$$I_{IN(DC)} = I_{O} \left( 1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}} \right)$$
(19)

This equation shows that the input, or inductor, current is larger than the output current by the factor (1 +  $t_{ON}/t_{OFF}$ ). Since this factor is the same as the relation between  $V_o$  and  $V_{IN}$ ,  $I_{IN(DC)}$  can also be expressed as:

$$I_{\text{IN(DC)}} = I_{\text{o}} \left( \frac{V_{\text{o}}}{V_{\text{IN}}} \right)$$
 (20)

(23)



So far it is assumed  $\eta$  = 100%, where the actual efficiency or  $\eta_{MAX}$  will be somewhat less due to the saturation voltage of Q1 and forward on voltage of D1. The internal power loss due to these voltages is the average I<sub>L</sub> current flowing, or  $I_{IN}$ , through either  $V_{SAT}$  or  $V_{D1}$ . For  $V_{SAT} = V_{D1} = 1V$  this power loss becomes  $I_{IN(DC)}$  (1V).  $\eta_{MAX}$ 

$$\eta_{MAX} = \frac{P_{O}}{P_{IN}} = \frac{V_{O}I_{O}}{V_{O}I_{O} + I_{IN} (1V)} = \frac{V_{O}I_{O}}{V_{O}I_{O} + I_{O} \left(1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}}\right)}$$
(21)

From 
$$V_0 = V_{IN} \left( 1 + \frac{t_{ON}}{t_{OFF}} \right)$$

$$\eta_{\text{max}} = \frac{V_{\text{IN}}}{V_{\text{IN}} + 1} \tag{22}$$

This equation assumes only DC losses, however  $\eta_{MAX}$  is further decreased because of the switching time of Q1 and D1.

In calculating the output capacitor  $C_o$  it can be seen that  $C_o$  supplies  $I_o$  during  $t_{ON}$ . The voltage change on  $C_o$  during this time will be some  $\Delta V_c = \Delta V_o$  or the output ripple of the regulator. Calculation of  $C_o$  is:

$$\begin{split} \Delta V_{o} &= \frac{I_{o}t_{ON}}{C_{o}} \text{ or } C_{o} = \frac{I_{o}t_{ON}}{\Delta V_{o}} \\ \text{From } V_{o} &= V_{IN} \left(\frac{T}{t_{OFF}}\right); t_{OFF} = \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{o}} T \\ \text{where } T &= t_{ON} + t_{OFF} = \frac{1}{f} \\ t_{ON} &= T - \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{o}} T = T \left(\frac{V_{o} - V_{IN}}{V_{o}}\right) \text{ therefore:} \\ C_{o} &= \frac{I_{o}T \left(\frac{V_{o} - V_{IN}}{V_{o}}\right)}{\Delta V_{o}} = \left[\frac{I_{o} \left(V_{o} - V_{IN}\right)}{f_{O}V_{o}V_{o}}\right] \end{split}$$

where: Co is in farads, f is the switching frequency,

 $\Delta V_0$  is the p-p output ripple

Calculation of inductor L1 is as follows:

$$L1 = \frac{V_{IN}t_{ON}}{\Delta I_L}$$
, since during  $t_{ON}$ , (24)

V<sub>IN</sub> is applied across L1

$$\Delta I_{Lp-p} = 0.4 \ I_{L} = 0.41 \ I_{IN} = 0.4 \ I_{o} \left( \frac{V_{o}}{V_{IN}} \right), \text{ therefore:}$$

$$L1 = \frac{V_{IN}t_{ON}}{0.4 \ I_{o} \left( \frac{V_{o}}{V_{IN}} \right)} \text{ and since } t_{ON} = \frac{T \ (V_{o} - V_{IN})}{V_{o}}$$

$$L1 = \frac{2.5 \ V_{IN}^{2} \ (V_{o} - V_{IN})}{f \ I_{o}V_{o}^{2}}$$

$$(25)$$

where: L1 is in henrys, f is the switching frequency in Hz

To apply the above theory, a complete step-up switching regulator is shown in Figure 30. Since  $V_{IN}$  is 5V,  $V_{REF}$  is tied to V<sub>IN</sub>. The input voltage is divided by 2 to bias the error amplifier's inverting input. The output voltage is:

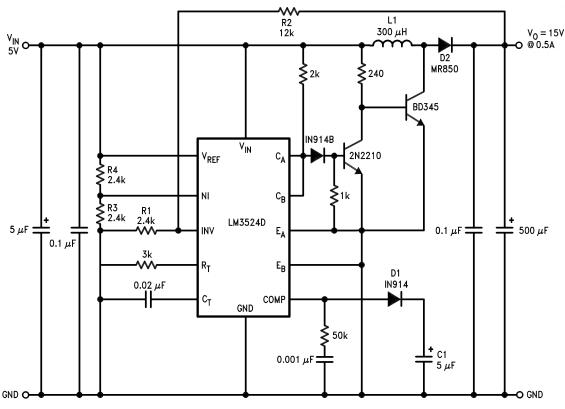
$$V_{OUT} = \left(1 + \frac{R2}{R1}\right) \times V_{INV} = 2.5 \times \left(1 + \frac{R2}{R1}\right)$$
(26)

The network D1, C1 forms a slow start circuit.



This holds the output of the error amplifier initially low thus reducing the duty-cycle to a minimum. Without the slow start circuit the inductor may saturate at turn-on because it has to supply high peak currents to charge the output capacitor from 0V. It should also be noted that this circuit has no supply rejection. By adding a reference voltage at the non-inverting input to the error amplifier, see Figure 31, the input voltage variations are rejected.

The LM3524D can also be used in inductorless switching regulators. Figure 32 shows a polarity inverter which if connected to Figure 30 provides a -15V unregulated output.



L1 = > 25 turns No. 24 wire on Ferroxcube No. K300502 Toroid core.

Figure 30. 15V, 0.5A Step-Up Switching Regulator

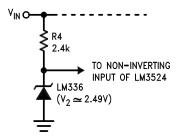


Figure 31. Replacing R3/R4 Divider in Figure 30 with Reference Circuit Improves Line Regulation

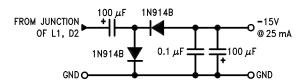


Figure 32. Polarity Inverter Provides Auxiliary -15V Unregulated Output from Circuit of Figure 30

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LM3524DM/NOPB	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	48   TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM3524DM
LM3524DM/NOPB.B	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	48   TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM3524DM
LM3524DMX/NOPB	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	2500   LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM3524DM
LM3524DMX/NOPB.B	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	2500   LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM3524DM

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# TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION





A0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component width
В0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component length
K0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness
W	Overall width of the carrier tape
P1	Pitch between successive cavity centers

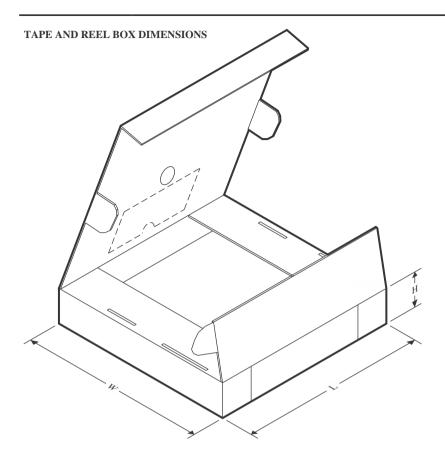
## QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



#### \*All dimensions are nominal

Device	U	Package Drawing		SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
LM3524DMX/NOPB	SOIC	D	16	2500	330.0	16.4	6.5	10.3	2.3	8.0	16.0	Q1

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# \*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
LM3524DMX/NOPB	SOIC	D	16	2500	356.0	356.0	35.0

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# **TUBE**



## \*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Name	Package Type	Pins	SPQ	L (mm)	W (mm)	T (µm)	B (mm)
LM3524DM/NOPB	D	SOIC	16	48	495	8	4064	3.05
LM3524DM/NOPB.B	D	SOIC	16	48	495	8	4064	3.05

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# PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



NOTES:

- A. All linear dimensions are in inches (millimeters).
- B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- Body length does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.006 (0,15) each side.
- Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.017 (0,43) each side.
- E. Reference JEDEC MS-012 variation AC.



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