

Programmable Quad Supply Monitor with Adjustable Reset and Watchdog Timers

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FEATURES

- Simultaneously Monitors Four Supplies
- 16 User Selectable Combinations of 5V, 3.3V, 3V, 2.5V, 1.8V, 1.5V and/or $\pm$ Adjustable Voltage Thresholds
- Guaranteed Threshold Accuracy: $\pm 1.5\%$ of Monitored Voltage Over Temperature
- Low Supply Current: 43 μ A Typ
- Adjustable Reset Time
- Adjustable Watchdog Time
- Open-Drain $\overline{\text{RST}}$ Output (LTC2901-1)
- Push-Pull $\overline{\text{RST}}$ Output (LTC2901-2)
- Individual Nondelayed Monitor Output for Each Supply
- Power Supply Glitch Immunity
- Guaranteed $\overline{\text{RST}}$ for $V_{\text{CC}} \geq 1\text{V}$

APPLICATIONS

- Desktop and Notebook Computers
- Multivoltage Systems
- Telecom Equipment
- Portable Battery-Powered Equipment
- Network Servers

DESCRIPTION

The LTC[®]2901 is a programmable supply monitor for systems with up to four supply voltages. One of 16 preset or adjustable voltage monitor combinations can be selected using an external resistor divider connected to the program pin. The preset voltage thresholds are accurate to 1.5% over temperature. All four voltage comparator outputs are connected to separate pins for individual supply monitoring.

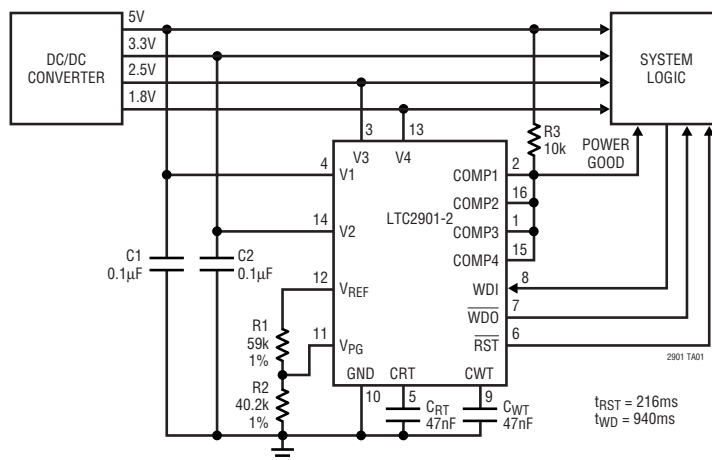
The reset and watchdog delay times are adjustable using external capacitors. Tight voltage threshold accuracy and glitch immunity ensure reliable reset operation without false triggering. The $\overline{\text{RST}}$ output is guaranteed to be in the correct state for V_{CC} down to 1V. The LTC2901-1 features an open-drain $\overline{\text{RST}}$ output, while the LTC2901-2 has a push-pull $\overline{\text{RST}}$ output.

The 43 μ A supply current makes the LTC2901 ideal for power conscious systems and it may be configured to monitor less than four inputs. The parts are available in the 16-lead narrow SSOP package.

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TYPICAL APPLICATION

Quadruple Supply Monitor (5V, 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V)



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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

(Notes 1, 2, 3)

V1, V2, V3, V4, V _{PG}	–0.3V to 7V
RST (LTC2901-1)	–0.3V to 7V
RST (LTC2901-2)	–0.3V to (V2 + 0.3V)
COMPX	–0.3V to 7V
CWT, WDO	–0.3V to 7V
V _{REF} , CRT, WDI	–0.3V to (V _{CC} + 0.3V)
Reference Load Current (I _{VREF})	±1mA
V4 Input Current (–ADJ Mode)	–1mA
Operating Temperature Range	
LTC2901-1C/LTC2901-2C	0°C to 70°C
LTC2901-1I/LTC2901-2I	–40°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature Range	–65°C to 150°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)	300°C

PACKAGE/ORDER INFORMATION

	ORDER PART NUMBER
	LTC2901-1CGN LTC2901-2CGN LTC2901-1IGN LTC2901-2IGN
	GN16 PART MARKING
	29011 29012 29011I 29012I

Consult LTC Marketing for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The ● denotes the specifications which apply over the full operating temperature range, otherwise specifications are at T_A = 25°C. V_{CC} = 5V, unless otherwise noted. (Note 3)

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V _{RT50}	5V, 5% Reset Threshold	V1 Input Threshold ●	4.600	4.675	4.750	V
V _{RT33}	3.3V, 5% Reset Threshold	V1, V2 Input Threshold ●	3.036	3.086	3.135	V
V _{RT30}	3V, 5% Reset Threshold	V2 Input Threshold ●	2.760	2.805	2.850	V
V _{RT25}	2.5V, 5% Reset Threshold	V2, V3 Input Threshold ●	2.300	2.338	2.375	V
V _{RT18}	1.8V, 5% Reset Threshold	V3, V4 Input Threshold ●	1.656	1.683	1.710	V
V _{RT15}	1.5V, 5% Reset Threshold	V3, V4 Input Threshold ●	1.380	1.403	1.425	V
V _{RTA}	ADJ Reset Threshold	V3, V4 Input Threshold ●	0.492	0.500	0.508	V
V _{RTAN}	–ADJ Reset Threshold	V4 Input Threshold ●	–18	0	18	mV
V _{CC}	Minimum Internal Operating Voltage	RST, COMPX in Correct Logic State; V _{CC} Rising Prior to Program ●			1	V
V _{CCMINP}	Minimum Required for Programming	V _{CC} Rising ●			2.42	V
V _{CCMINC}	Minimum Required for Comparators	V _{CC} Falling ●			2.32	V
V _{REF}	Reference Voltage	V _{CC} ≥ 2.3V, I _{VREF} = ±1mA, C _{REF} ≤ 1000pF ●	1.192	1.210	1.228	V
V _{PG}	Programming Voltage Range	V _{CC} ≥ V _{CCMINP} ●	0		V _{REF}	V
I _{VPG}	V _{PG} Input Current	V _{PG} = V _{REF} ●			±20	nA
I _{V1}	V1 Input Current	V1 = 5V, I _{VREF} = 12μA, (Note 4) ●		43	75	μA
I _{V2}	V2 Input Current	V2 = 3.3V ●		0.8	2	μA
I _{V3}	V3 Input Current	V3 = 2.5V ● V3 = 0.55V (ADJ Mode) ●	–15	0.52	1.2 15	μA nA
I _{V4}	V4 Input Current	V4 = 1.8V ● V4 = 0.55V (ADJ Mode) ● V4 = –0.05V (–ADJ Mode) ●	–15 –15	0.34	0.8 15 15	μA nA
I _{CRT(UP)}	CRT Pull-Up Current	V _{CRT} = 0V ●	–1.4	–2	–2.6	μA
I _{CRT(DN)}	CRT Pull-Down Current	V _{CRT} = 1.3V ●	10	20	30	μA
t _{RST}	Reset Time-Out Period	C _{RT} = 1500pF ●	4.9	6.9	8.9	ms

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
t_{UV}	V_X Undervoltage Detect to $\overline{\text{RST}}$ or COMPX	V_X Less Than Reset Threshold V_{RTX} by More Than 1%		150		μs
V_{OL}	Output Voltage Low $\overline{\text{RST}}$, COMPX	$I_{\text{SINK}} = 2.5\text{mA}$; $V_1 = 3\text{V}$, $V_2 = 3\text{V}$; $V_3, V_4 = 0\text{V}$; $V_{\text{PG}} = 0\text{V}$	●	0.15	0.4	V
		$I_{\text{SINK}} = 100\mu\text{A}$; $V_2 = 1\text{V}$; $V_1, V_3, V_4 = 0\text{V}$	●	0.05	0.3	V
		$I_{\text{SINK}} = 100\mu\text{A}$; $V_1 = 1\text{V}$; $V_2, V_3, V_4 = 0\text{V}$	●	0.05	0.3	V
V_{OH}	Output Voltage High $\overline{\text{RST}}$, $\overline{\text{WDO}}$, COMPX (Note 5)	$I_{\text{SOURCE}} = 1\mu\text{A}$	●	$V_2 - 1$		V
V_{OL}	Output Voltage Low $\overline{\text{WDO}}$	$I_{\text{SINK}} = 2.5\text{mA}$; $V_1 = 5\text{V}$, $V_2 = 3.3\text{V}$; $V_3, V_4 = 1\text{V}$; $V_{\text{PG}} = 0\text{V}$	●	0.15	0.4	V
V_{OH}	Output Voltage High $\overline{\text{RST}}$ (LTC2901-2) (Note 6)	$I_{\text{SOURCE}} = 200\mu\text{A}$	●	$0.8 \cdot V_2$		V
$I_{\text{CWT(UP)}}$	CWT Pull-Up Current	$V_{\text{CWT}} = 0\text{V}$	●	-1.4	-2	μA
$I_{\text{CWT(DN)}}$	CWT Pull-Down Current	$V_{\text{CWT}} = 1.3\text{V}$	●	10	20	μA
t_{WD}	Watchdog Time-Out Period	$C_{\text{WT}} = 1500\text{pF}$	●	20	30	ms
V_{IH}	WDI Input Threshold High	$V_{\text{CC}} = 3.3\text{V}$ to 5.5V	●		1.6	V
V_{IL}	WDI Input Threshold Low	$V_{\text{CC}} = 3.3\text{V}$ to 5.5V	●	0.4		V
t_{WP}	WDI Input Pulse Width	$V_{\text{CC}} = 3.3\text{V}$	●	150		ns
I_{WDI}	WDI Pull-Up Current	$V_{\text{WDI}} = 0\text{V}$		-10		μA

Note 1: Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which the life of a device may be impaired.

Note 2: All voltage values are with respect to GND.

Note 3: The greater of V_1 , V_2 is the internal supply voltage (V_{CC}).

Note 4: Under static no-fault conditions, V_1 will necessarily supply quiescent current. If at any time V_2 is larger than V_1 , V_2 must be capable of supplying the quiescent current, programming (transient) current and reference load current.

Note 5: The output pins $\overline{\text{RST}}$, $\overline{\text{WDO}}$ and COMPX have internal pull-ups to V_2 of typically $6\mu\text{A}$. However, external pull-up resistors may be used when faster rise times are required or for V_{OH} voltages greater than V_2 .

Note 6: The push-pull $\overline{\text{RST}}$ output pin on the LTC2901-2 is *actively* pulled up to V_2 .

TEST CIRCUITS

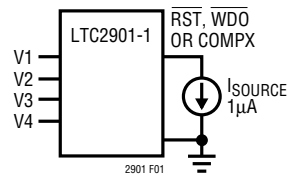


Figure 1. $\overline{\text{RST}}$, $\overline{\text{WDO}}$, COMPX V_{OH} Test

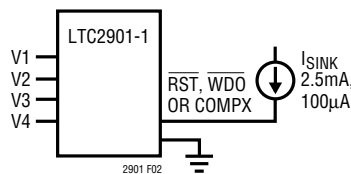


Figure 2. $\overline{\text{RST}}$, $\overline{\text{WDO}}$, COMPX V_{OL} Test

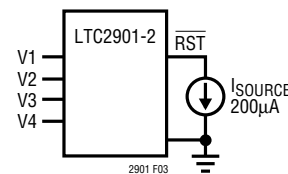
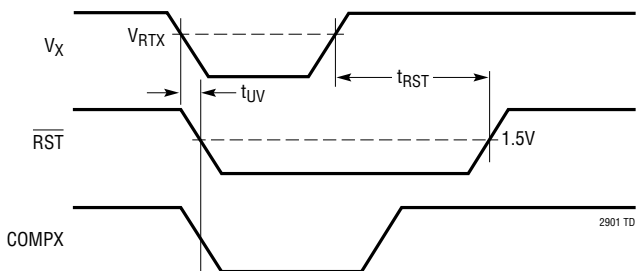


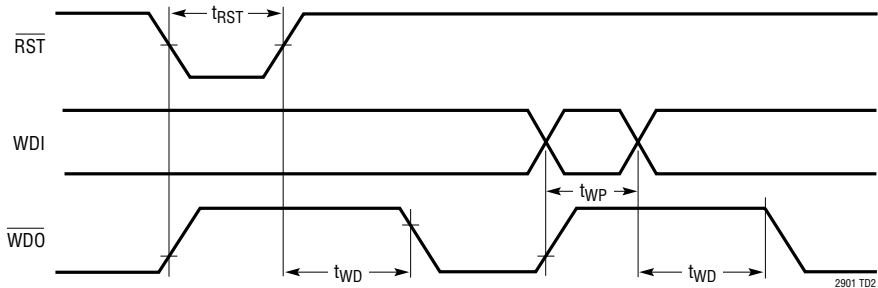
Figure 3. Active Pull-Up $\overline{\text{RST}}$ V_{OH} Test

TIMING DIAGRAMS

V_X Monitor Timing

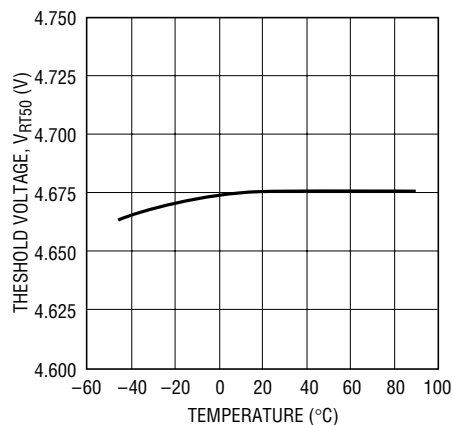


Watchdog Timing



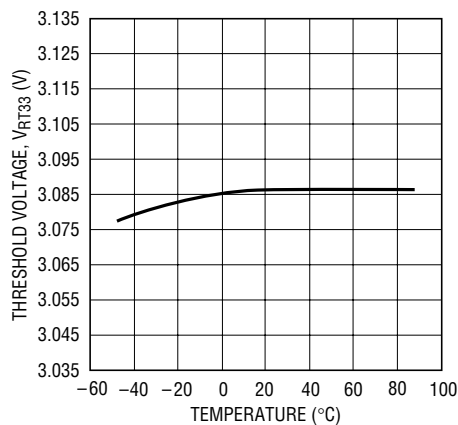
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**5V Threshold Voltage
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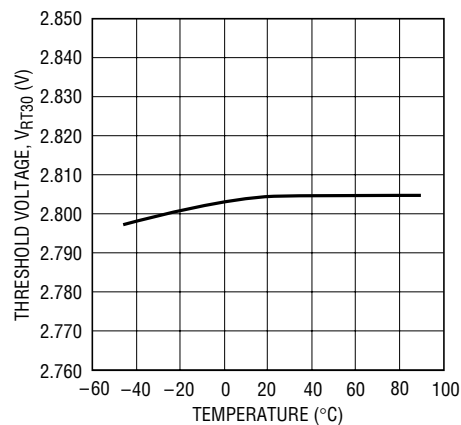
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**3.3V Threshold Voltage
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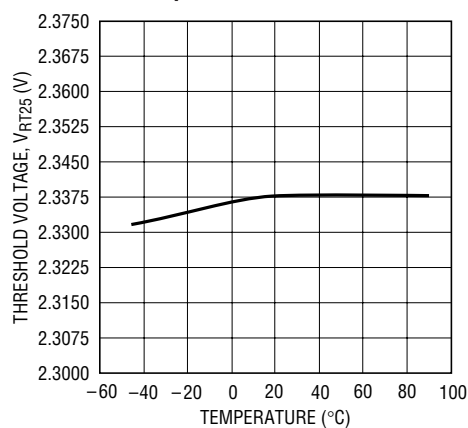
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**3V Threshold Voltage
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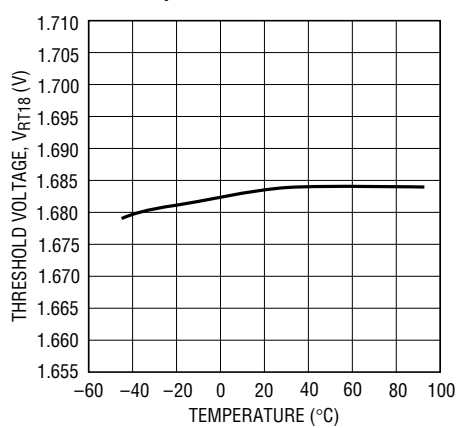
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**2.5V Threshold Voltage
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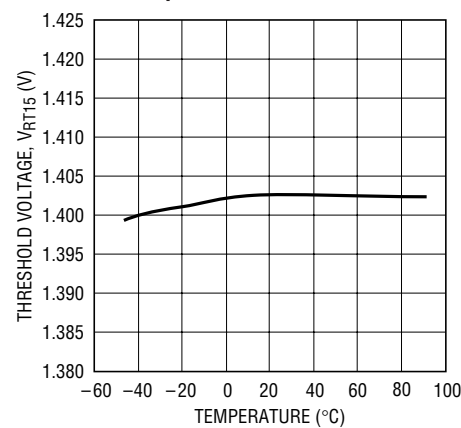
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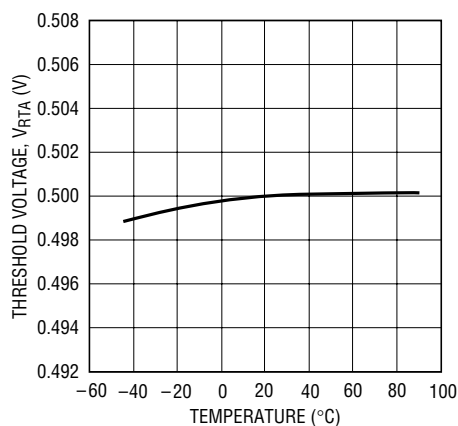
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**1.5V Threshold Voltage
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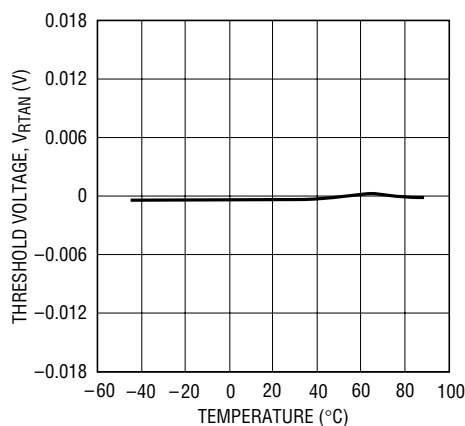
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**ADJ Threshold Voltage
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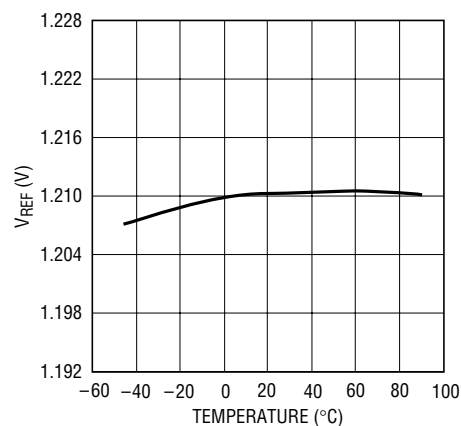
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**-ADJ Threshold Voltage
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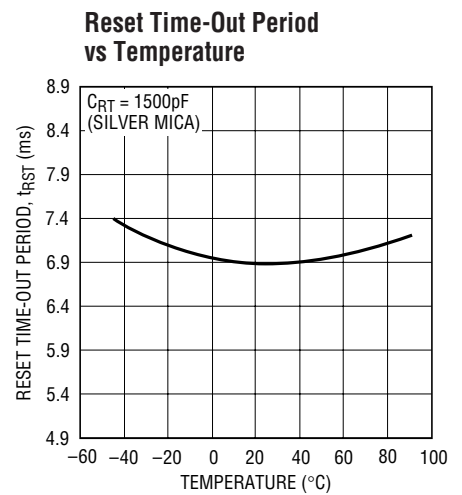
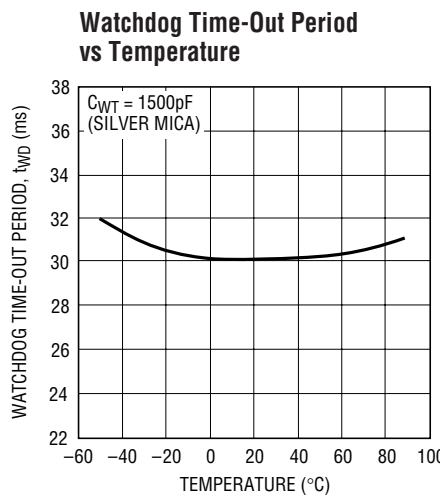
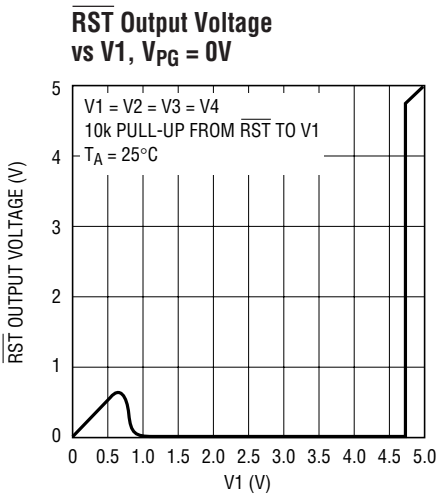
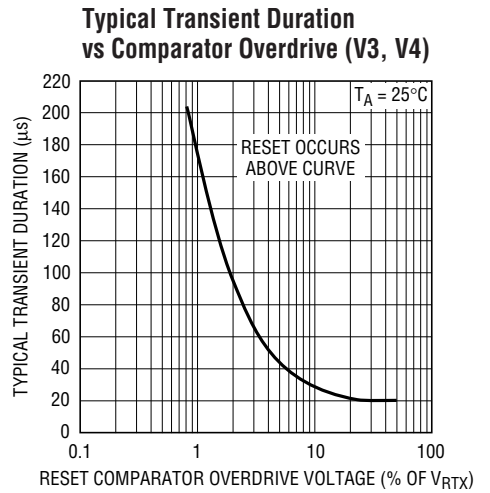
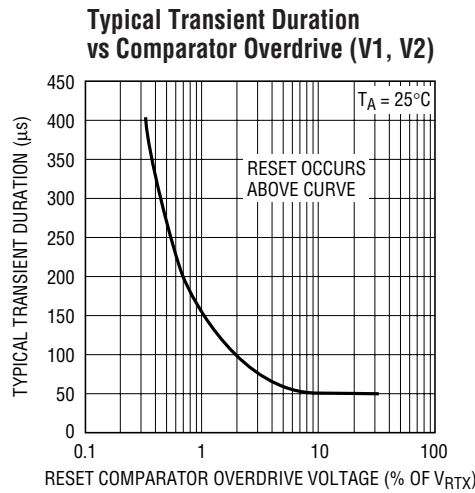
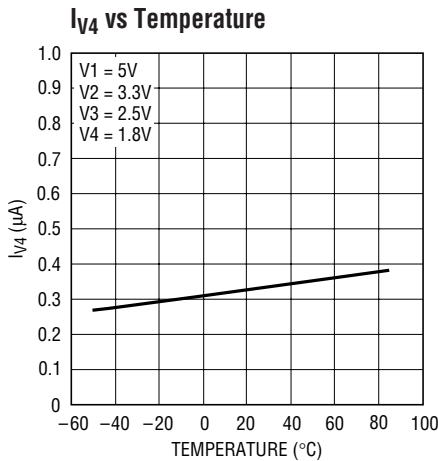
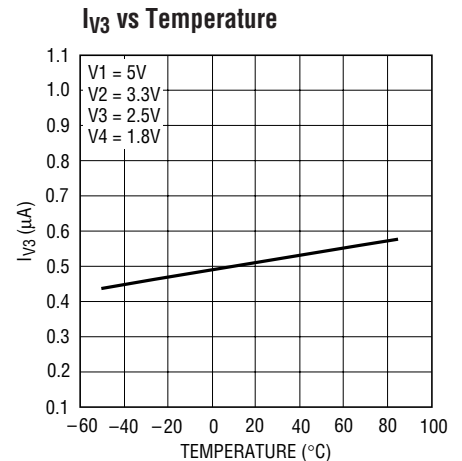
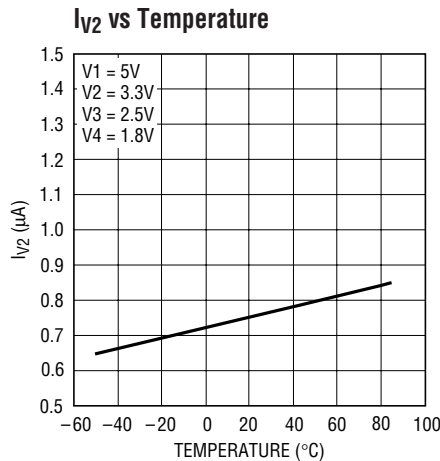
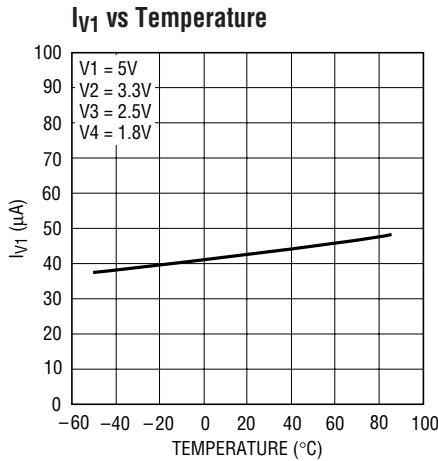
V_{REF} vs Temperature



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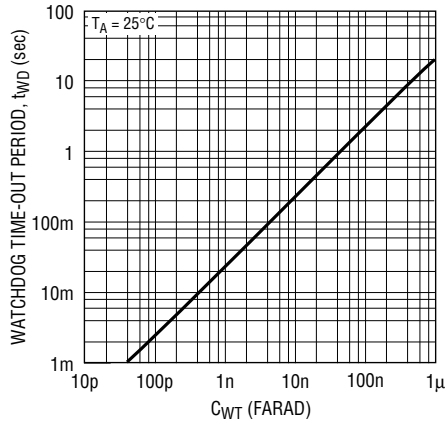
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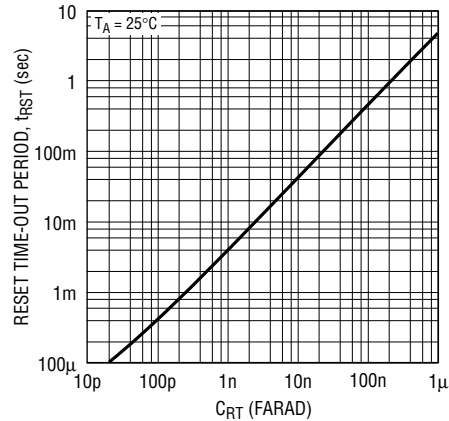
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Watchdog Time-Out Period vs Capacitance



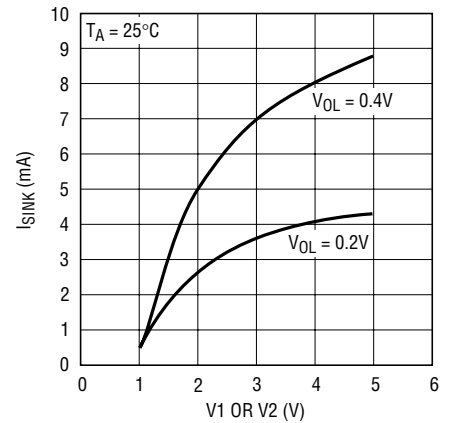
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Reset Time-Out Period vs Capacitance



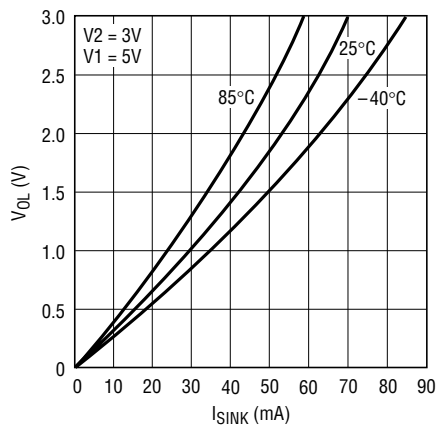
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RST, WDO, COMPX I_{SINK} vs Supply Voltage



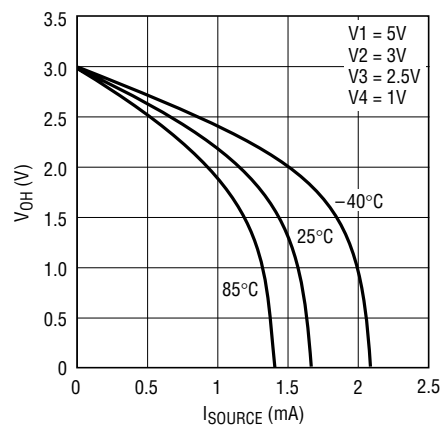
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RST, WDO, COMPX Voltage Output Low vs Output Sink Current



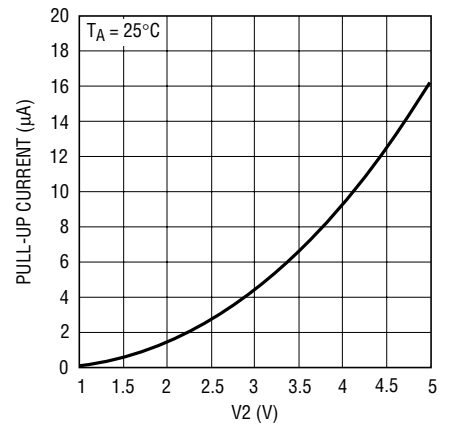
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RST High Level Output Voltage vs Output Source Current (LTC2901-2)



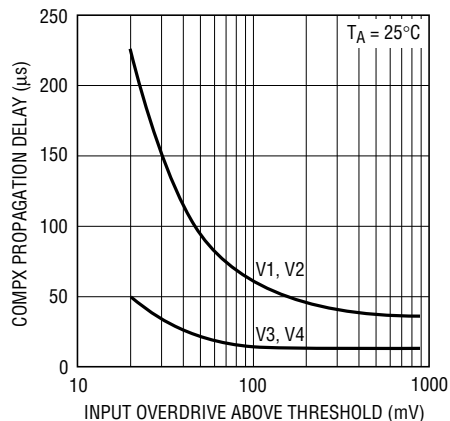
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COMPX and WDO Pull-Up Current vs V_2 (COMPX and WDO Held at 0V)



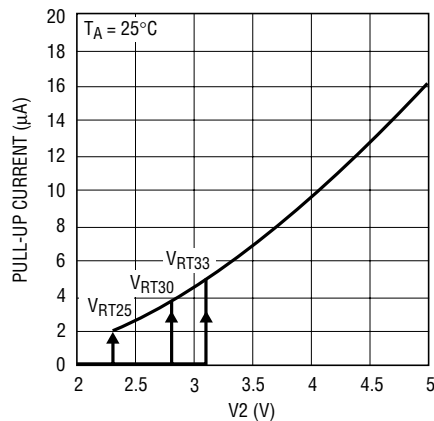
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COMPX Propagation Delay vs Input Overdrive Above Threshold



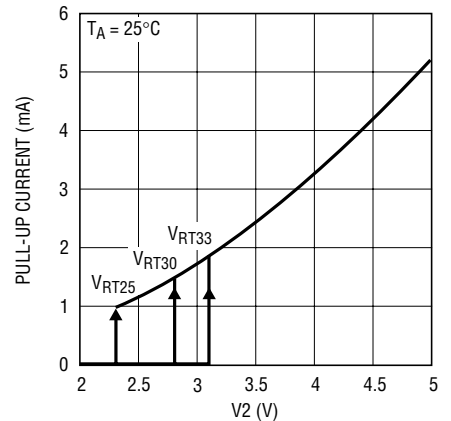
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RST Pull-Up Current vs V_2 (LTC2901-1)



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RST Pull-Up Current vs V_2 (LTC2901-2)



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PIN FUNCTIONS

COMP3 (Pin 1): Comparator Output 3. Nondelayed, active high logic output with weak pull-up to V2. Pulls high when V3 is above reset threshold. May be pulled greater than V2 using external pull-up.

COMP1 (Pin 2): Comparator Output 1. Nondelayed, active high logic output with weak pull-up to V2. Pulls high when V1 is above reset threshold. May be pulled greater than V2 using external pull-up.

V3 (Pin 3): Voltage Input 3. Select from 2.5V, 1.8V, 1.5V or ADJ. See Table 1 for details.

V1 (Pin 4): Voltage Input 1. Select from 5V or 3.3V. See Table 1 for details. The greater of (V1, V2) is also V_{CC} for the chip. Bypass this pin to ground with a 0.1 μ F (or greater) capacitor.

CRT (Pin 5): Reset Delay Time Programming Pin. Attach an external capacitor (C_{RT}) to GND to set a reset delay time of 4.6ms/nF. Leaving the pin open generates a minimum delay of approximately 50 μ s. A 47nF capacitor will generate a 216ms reset delay time.

RST (Pin 6): Reset Logic Output. Active low with weak pull-up to V2 (LTC2901-1) or active pull-up to V2 (LTC2901-2). Pulls low when any voltage input is below the reset threshold and held low for programmed delay time after all voltage inputs are above threshold. May be pulled above V2 using an external pull-up (LTC2901-1 only).

WDO (Pin 7): Watchdog Output. Active low logic output with weak pull-up to V2. May be pulled greater than V2 using external pull-up. The watchdog output pulls low if the watchdog timer is allowed to time out and remains low until set high by the next WDI transition or anytime RST is low. The watchdog timer is enabled when RST is high.

WDI (Pin 8): Watchdog Input. A logic input whose rising or falling edge must occur on this pin (while RST is high) within the selected watchdog time-out period, prohibiting a high-to-low transition on the WDO pin. The watchdog time-out period is set by the value of the capacitor that is attached to the CWT pin. A rising or falling edge on the WDI pin clears the voltage on the C_{WT} capacitor, preventing WDO from going low. When disabling the watchdog function, tie CWT to GND.

CWT (Pin 9): Watchdog Time-Out Programming Pin. Attach a capacitor (C_{WT}) between CWT and GND to set a watchdog time-out period of 20ms/nF. Leaving the pin open generates a minimum time-out of approximately 200 μ s. A 47nF capacitor will generate a 940ms watchdog time-out period.

GND (Pin 10): Ground.

V_{PG} (Pin 11): Voltage Threshold Combination Select Input. Connect to an external 1% resistive divider between V_{REF} and GND to select 1 of 16 combinations of preset and/or $\pm$ adjustable voltage thresholds (see Table 1). Do not add capacitance on the V_{PG} pin.

V_{REF} (Pin 12): Buffered Reference Voltage. A 1.210V nominal reference used for programming voltage (V_{PG}) and for the offset of negative adjustable applications. The buffered reference can source and sink up to 1mA. The reference can drive a bypass capacitor of up to 1000pF without oscillation.

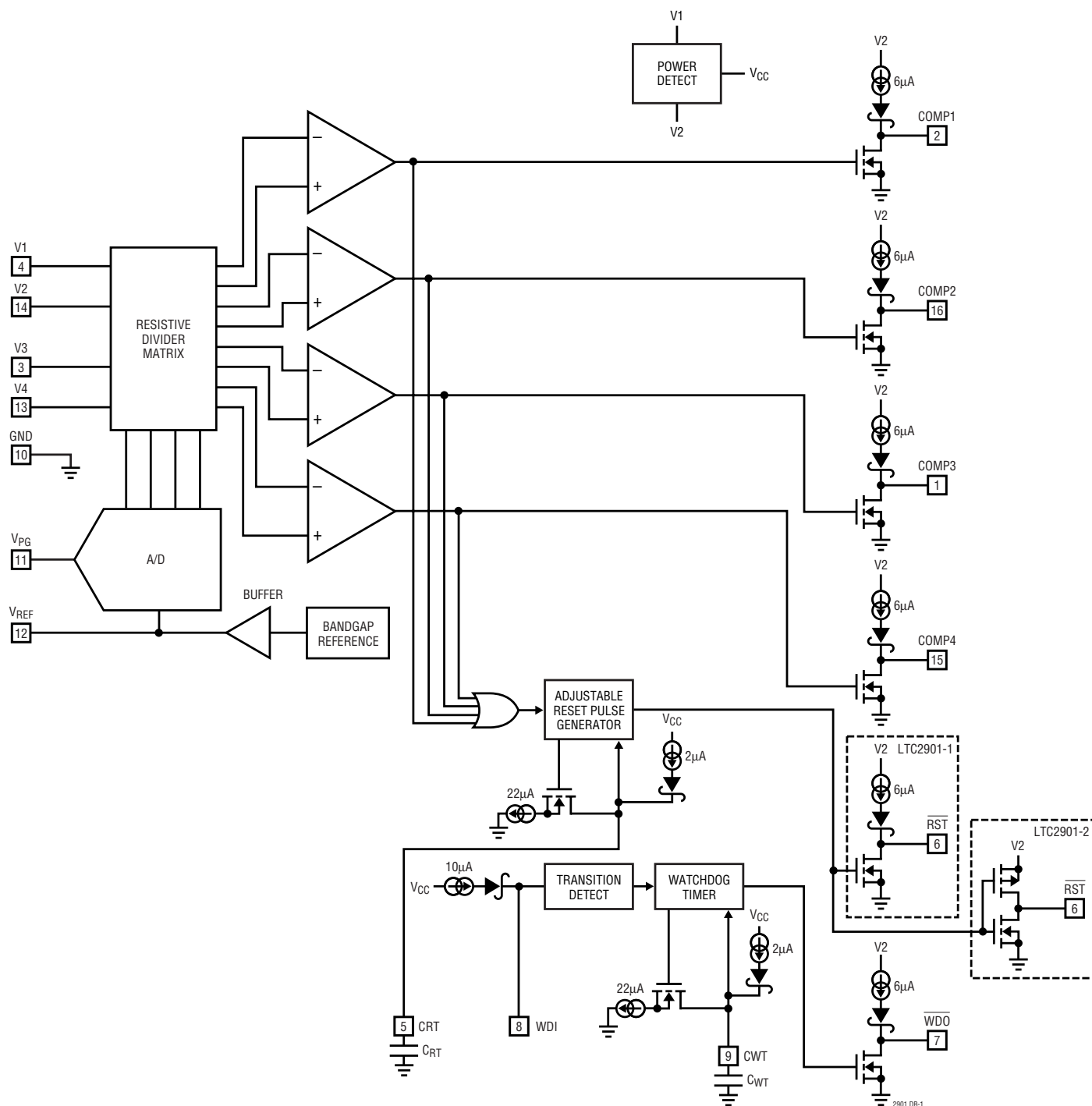
V4 (Pin 13): Voltage Input 4. Select from 1.8V, 1.5V, ADJ or –ADJ. See Table 1 for details.

V2 (Pin 14): Voltage Input 2. Select from 3.3V, 3V or 2.5V. See Table 1 for details. The greater of (V1, V2) is also V_{CC} for chip. Bypass this pin to ground with a 0.1 μ F (or greater) capacitor. All logic outputs (COMP1, COMP2, COMP3, COMP4, RST, WDO) are weakly pulled up to V2 (LTC2901-1). RST is actively pulled up to V2 in the LTC2901-2.

COMP4 (Pin 15): Comparator Output 4. Nondelayed, active high logic output with weak pull-up to V2. Pulls high when V4 is above reset threshold. May be pulled greater than V2 using external pull-up.

COMP2 (Pin 16): Comparator Output 2. Nondelayed, active high logic output with weak pull-up to V2. Pulls high when V2 is above reset threshold. May be pulled greater than V2 using external pull-up.

BLOCK DIAGRAM



APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

Power-Up

The greater of V1, V2 is the internal supply voltage (V_{CC}). On power-up, V_{CC} will power the drive circuits for the $\overline{RST}$ and the COMPX pins. This ensures that the $\overline{RST}$ and COMPX outputs will be low as soon as V1 or V2 reaches 1V. The $\overline{RST}$ and COMPX outputs will remain low until the part is programmed. After programming, if any one of the V_X inputs is below its programmed threshold, $\overline{RST}$ will be a logic low. Once all the V_X inputs rise above their thresholds, an internal timer is started and $\overline{RST}$ is released after the programmed delay time. If $V_{CC} < (V3 - 1)$ and $V_{CC} < 2.4V$, the V3 input impedance will be low ($1k\Omega$ typ).

Monitor Programming

The LTC2901 input voltage combination is selected by placing the recommended resistive divider from V_{REF} to GND and connecting the tap point to V_{PG} , as shown in Figure 4. Table 1 offers recommended 1% resistor values for the various modes. The last column in Table 1 specifies optimum V_{PG}/V_{REF} ratios (± 0.01) to be used when programming with a ratiometric DAC.

During power-up, once V1 or V2 reaches 2.4V max, the monitor enters a programming period of approximately

Table 1. Voltage Threshold Programming

MODE	V1 (V)	V2 (V)	V3 (V)	V4 (V)	R1 (k Ω)	R2 (k Ω)	V_{PG}/V_{REF}
0	5.0	3.3	ADJ	ADJ	Open	Short	0.000
1	5.0	3.3	ADJ	–ADJ	93.1	9.53	0.094
2	3.3	2.5	ADJ	ADJ	86.6	16.2	0.156
3	3.3	2.5	ADJ	–ADJ	78.7	22.1	0.219
4	3.3	2.5	1.5	ADJ	71.5	28.0	0.281
5	5.0	3.3	2.5	ADJ	66.5	34.8	0.344
6	5.0	3.3	2.5	1.8	59.0	40.2	0.406
7	5.0	3.3	2.5	1.5	53.6	47.5	0.469
8	5.0	3.0	2.5	ADJ	47.5	53.6	0.531
9	5.0	3.0	ADJ	ADJ	40.2	59.0	0.594
10	3.3	2.5	1.8	1.5	34.8	66.5	0.656
11	3.3	2.5	1.8	ADJ	28.0	71.5	0.719
12	3.3	2.5	1.8	–ADJ	22.1	78.7	0.781
13	5.0	3.3	1.8	–ADJ	16.2	86.6	0.844
14	5.0	3.3	1.8	ADJ	9.53	93.1	0.906
15	5.0	3.0	1.8	ADJ	Short	Open	1.000

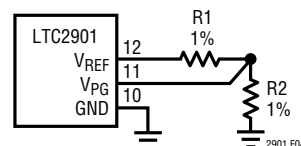


Figure 4. Monitor Programming

150 μ s during which the voltage on the V_{PG} pin is sampled and the monitor is configured to the desired input combination. Do not add capacitance to the V_{PG} pin. Immediately after programming, the comparators are enabled and supply monitoring will begin.

Supply Monitoring

The LTC2901 is a low power, high accuracy programmable quad supply monitoring circuit with four nondelayed monitor outputs, a common reset output and a watchdog timer. Watchdog and reset timing are both adjustable using external capacitors. Single pin programming selects 1 of 16 input voltage monitor combinations. All four voltage inputs must be above predetermined thresholds for the reset not to be invoked. The LTC2901 will assert the reset and comparator outputs during power-up, power-down and brownout conditions on any one of the voltage inputs.

The inverting inputs on the V3 and/or V4 comparators are set to 0.5V when the positive adjustable modes are selected (Figure 5). The tap point on an external resistive divider, connected between the positive voltage being sensed and ground, is connected to the high impedance noninverting inputs (V3, V4). The trip voltage is calculated from:

$$V_{TRIP} = 0.5V \left(1 + \frac{R3}{R4} \right)$$

In the negative adjustable mode, the noninverting input on the V4 comparator is connected to ground (Figure 6). The tap point on an external resistive divider, connected between the negative voltage being sensed and the V_{REF} pin, is connected to the high impedance inverting input (V4). V_{REF} provides the necessary level shift required to operate at ground. The trip voltage is calculated from:

$$V_{TRIP} = -V_{REF} \left(\frac{R3}{R4} \right); V_{REF} = 1.210V \text{ Nominal}$$

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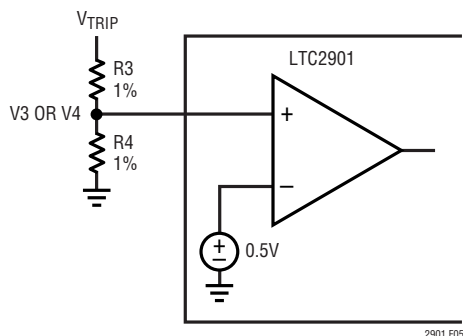


Figure 5. Setting the Positive Adjustable Trip Point

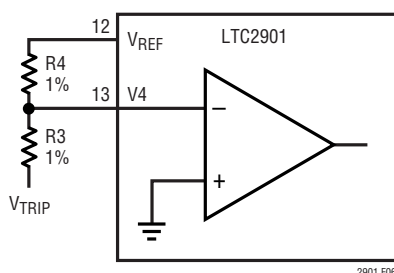


Figure 6. Setting the Negative Adjustable Trip Point

In a negative adjustable application, the minimum value for R4 is limited by the sourcing capability of V_{REF} ($\pm 1\text{mA}$). With no other load on V_{REF} , R4 (minimum) is:

$$1.21\text{V} \div 1\text{mA} = 1.21\text{k}\Omega.$$

Tables 2 and 3 offer suggested 1% resistor values for various adjustable applications.

Although all four supply monitor comparators have built-in glitch immunity, bypass capacitors on V1 and V2 are recommended because the greater of V1 or V2 is also the V_{CC} for the chip. Filter capacitors on the V3 and V4 inputs are allowed.

Power-Down

On power-down, once any of the V_X inputs drop below their threshold, $\overline{\text{RST}}$ and COMPX are held at a logic low. A logic low of 0.4V is guaranteed until both V1 and V2 drop below 1V. If the bandgap reference becomes invalid ($V_{CC} < 2\text{V}$ typ), the part will reprogram once V_{CC} rises above 2.4V max.

Table 2. Suggested 1% Resistor Values for the ADJ Inputs

V_{SUPPLY} (V)	V_{TRIP} (V)	R3 (k Ω)	R4 (k Ω)
12	11.25	2150	100
10	9.4	1780	100
8	7.5	1400	100
7.5	7	1300	100
6	5.6	1020	100
5	4.725	845	100
3.3	3.055	511	100
3	2.82	464	100
2.5	2.325	365	100
1.8	1.685	237	100
1.5	1.410	182	100
1.2	1.120	124	100
1	0.933	86.6	100
0.9	0.840	68.1	100

Table 3. Suggested 1% Resistor Values for the -ADJ Input

V_{SUPPLY} (V)	V_{TRIP} (V)	R3 (k Ω)	R4 (k Ω)
-2	-1.87	187	121
-5	-4.64	464	121
-5.2	-4.87	487	121
-10	-9.31	931	121
-12	-11.30	1130	121

Monitor Output Rise and Fall Time Estimation

All of the outputs ($\overline{\text{RST}}$, COMPX , $\overline{\text{WDO}}$) have strong pull-down capability. If the external load capacitance (C_{LOAD}) for a particular output is known, output fall time (10% to 90%) is estimated using:

$$t_{\text{FALL}} \approx 2.2 \cdot R_{\text{PD}} \cdot C_{\text{LOAD}}$$

where R_{PD} is the on-resistance of the internal pull-down transistor. The typical performance curve (V_{OL} vs I_{SINK}) demonstrates that the pull-down current is somewhat linear versus output voltage. Using the 25°C curve, R_{PD} is estimated to be approximately 40 Ω . Assuming a 150pF load capacitance, the fall time is about 13.2ns.

Although the outputs are considered to be “open-drain,” they do have a weak pull-up capability (see COMPX or $\overline{\text{RST}}$

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Pull-Up Current vs V2 curve). Output rise time (10% to 90%) is estimated using:

$$t_{RISE} \approx 2.2 \cdot R_{PU} \cdot C_{LOAD}$$

where R_{PU} is the on-resistance of the pull-up transistor. The on-resistance as a function of the V2 voltage at room temperature is estimated using:

$$R_{PU} = \frac{6 \cdot 10^5}{V2 - 1} \Omega$$

with $V2 = 3.3V$, R_{PU} is about 260k. Using 150pF for load capacitance, the rise time is 86μs. If the output needs to pull up faster and/or to a higher voltage, a smaller external pull-up resistor may be used. Using a 10k pull-up resistor, the rise time is reduced to 3.3μs for a 150pF load capacitance.

The LTC2901-2 has an active pull-up to V2 on the $\overline{RST}$ output. The typical performance curve ($\overline{RST}$ Pull-Up Current vs V2 curve) demonstrates that the pull-up current is somewhat linear versus the V2 voltage and R_{PU} is estimated to be approximately 625Ω. A 150pF load capacitance makes the rise time about 206ns.

Watchdog Timer

The watchdog circuit typically monitors a μP's activity. The μP is required to change the logic state of the WDI pin on a periodic basis in order to clear the watchdog timer and prevent the $\overline{WDO}$ pin from going low. Whenever $\overline{RST}$ is low, the watchdog timer is cleared and $\overline{WDO}$ is set high. The watchdog timer is started when $\overline{RST}$ pulls high. Subsequent edges received on the WDI pin will clear the watchdog timer. The timer will continue to run until the watchdog timer times out. Once the watchdog timer times out, internal circuitry will bring the $\overline{WDO}$ pin low. $\overline{WDO}$ will remain low and the watchdog timer will remain cleared until the next edge is received on the WDI pin or until $\overline{RST}$ goes low.

To disable the watchdog timer, simply ground the CWT pin (Pin 9). With CWT held at ground, any reset event will force $\overline{WDO}$ high indefinitely. It is safe to leave the WDI pin (Pin 8) unconnected because the weak internal pull-up (10μA typ) will pull WDI high. Tying WDI to V1 or ground is also allowed, but grounding the WDI pin will force the pull-up current to be drawn continuously.

Selecting the Reset Timing Capacitor

The reset time-out period is adjustable in order to accommodate a variety of microprocessor applications. The reset time-out period, t_{RST} , is adjusted by connecting a capacitor, C_{RT} , between the CRT pin and ground. The value of this capacitor is determined by:

$$C_{RT} = t_{RST} \cdot 217.4 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

with C_{RT} in Farads and t_{RST} in seconds. The C_{RT} value per millisecond of delay can also be expressed as $C_{RT/ms} = 217.4$ (pF/ms).

Leaving the CRT pin unconnected will generate a minimum reset time-out of approximately 50μs. Maximum reset time-out is limited by the largest available low leakage capacitor. The accuracy of the time-out period will be affected by capacitor leakage (the nominal charging current is 2μA) and capacitor tolerance. A low leakage ceramic capacitor is recommended.

Selecting the Watchdog Timing Capacitor

The watchdog time-out period is adjustable and can be optimized for software execution. The watchdog time-out period, t_{WD} , is adjusted by connecting a capacitor, C_{WT} , between the CWT pin and ground. Given a specified watchdog time-out period, the capacitor is determined by:

$$C_{WT} = t_{WD} \cdot 50 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

with C_{WT} in Farads and t_{WD} in seconds. The C_{WT} value per millisecond of delay can also be expressed as $C_{WT/ms} = 50$ (pF/ms).

Leaving the CWT pin unconnected will generate a minimum watchdog time-out of approximately 200μs. Maximum time-out is limited by the largest available low leakage capacitor. The accuracy of the time-out period will be affected by capacitor leakage (the nominal charging current is 2μA) and capacitor tolerance. A low leakage ceramic capacitor is recommended.

Monitoring Power Supply Controller Activity

Figure 7 demonstrates how the LTC2901 can be used to monitor switcher activity. The monitor is configured to supervise 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V and one adjustable input.

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Because 2.5V does not exist in this application, the V2 input is tied to the V1 (3.3V) input. The feedback voltage on the LTC1772 (0.8V typ) is monitored with the adjustable input (V4). The RST pin will go high 216ms ($C_{RT} = 47\text{nF}$) after the 3.3V and 1.8V supplies and the feedback voltage are above threshold. Individual input status is available at the COMPX pins.

While the voltage monitors can detect low voltage or shorted inputs, the watchdog circuit can be used to detect an open circuit to the primary load. With the CWT pin

unconnected, the watchdog time-out is approximately 200 μs . At low load currents on the 1.8V supply, the LTC1772 will go into Burst Mode[®] operation. With an open-circuit load, the duty cycle at the gate of M1 will drop, and the pulse spacing will exceed the watchdog time-out period. The WDO pin will go low indicating the low load condition. The WDO pin will return high on the next pulse to the gate of M1. The WDO pin will remain high if the load is restored.

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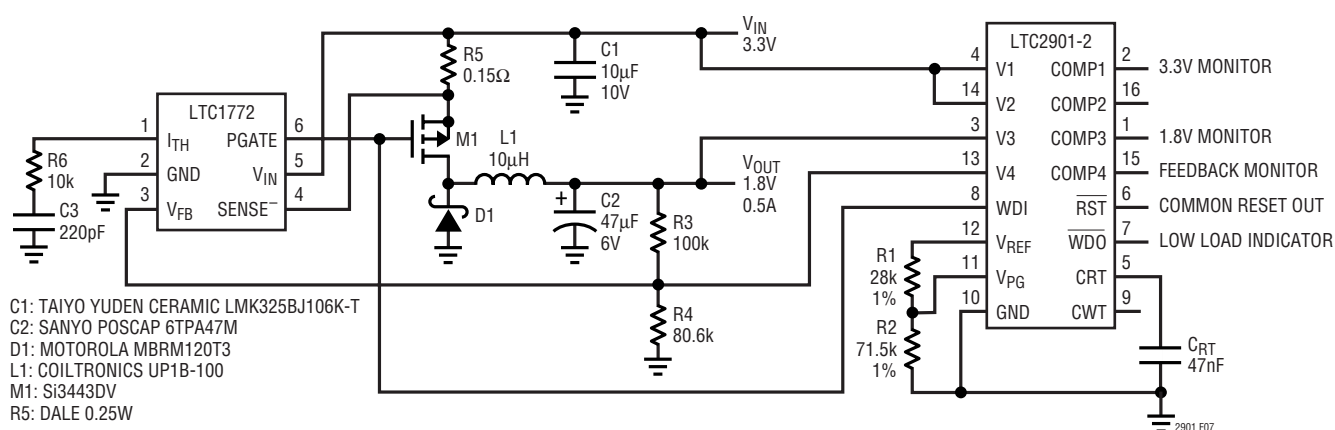
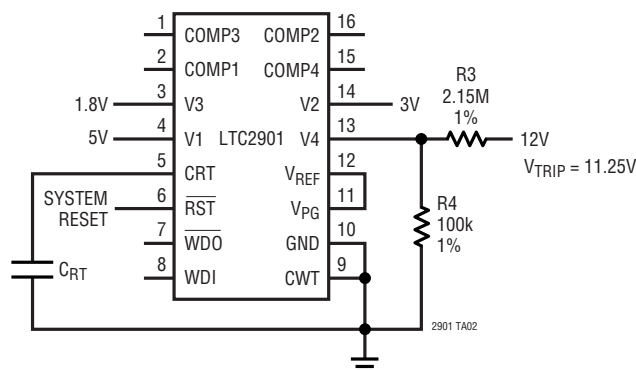


Figure 7. Monitor Input, Output, Feedback Voltage and Low Load Conditions on DC/DC Controller

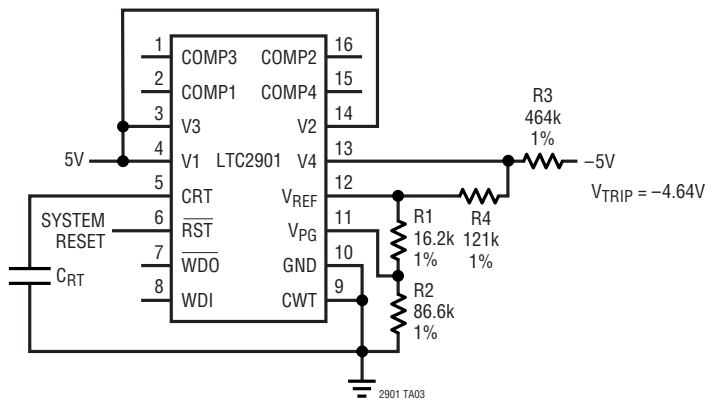
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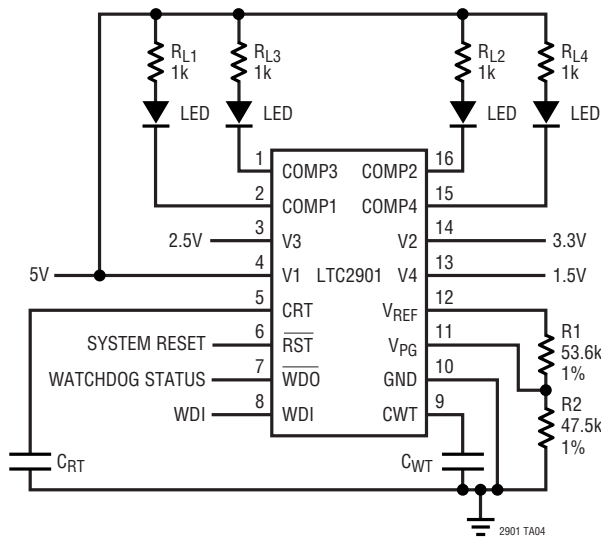


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5V, -5V Monitor with Watchdog Timer Disabled and Unused
V2, V3 Inputs Pulled Above Trip Thresholds

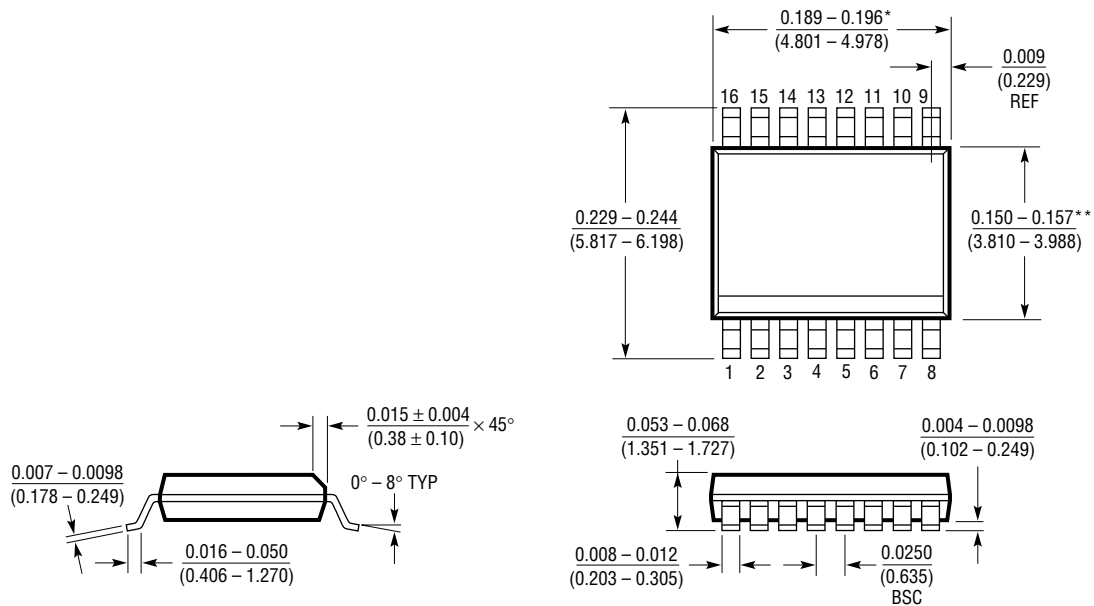


Quad Supply Monitor with LED Undervoltage Indicators
5V, 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.5V



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