

QUICK START GUIDE FOR DEMONSTRATION CIRCUIT 898

2-PHASE DUAL OUTPUT HIGH DENSITY POWER SUPPLY

LTC3728LCUH

DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 898 is a high current density supply featuring the dual-output, 2-phase synchronous buck regulator LTC3728L. The input voltage of the demo board is designed from 4.5V to 13.2V, though the LTC3728L controller can take up to 30V_{MAX} Vin. There are two assemblies of the demo board, DC898A-A and DC898A-B. DC898A-A is a cost effective design with 2.0V/10A and 1.8V/10A outputs. DC898A-B is a high current design with 1.5V/15A and 1.2V/15A outputs. All the critical power and controller IC circuit are within a 1.35" x 0.9" "drop-in" layout space to delivery up to 25A/inch² current density solution. The outputs can be easily configured to have two separated output voltages or

a single high current output voltage with two phases in paralleling.

The supply can also be synchronized by an external clock signal. The LTC3728LCUH regulator IC is in a small 5 mm x 5 mm package with exposed thermal pad for low thermal impedance, with an integrated 5V bias LDO.

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Table 1. Performance Summary (T_A = 25°C)

PARAMETER	CONDITION	VALUE
Input Voltage	Typical	4.5V-13.2V (15V abs_max)
Demo Board DC898A-A		
Output Voltage V _{OUT1}	I _{OUT1} = 0A to 10A	2.0V ± 2%
Output Voltage V _{OUT2}	I _{OUT2} = 0A to 10A	1.8V ± 2%
Maximum Output Current	V _{IN} = 4.5V-13.2V	10A Each Output
Switching frequency	5V-12Vin	450kHz
Full Load Efficiency	V _{IN} = 12V, V _{OUT1} = 2.0V, I _{OUT1} = 10A	88.2% Typical
	V _{IN} = 12V, V _{OUT2} = 1.8V, I _{OUT2} = 10A	87.5 % Typical
Demo Board DC898A-B		
Output Voltage V _{OUT1}	I _{OUT1} = 0A to 15A	1.5V ± 2%
Output Voltage V _{OUT2}	I _{OUT2} = 0A to 15A	1.2V ± 2%
Maximum Output Current	V _{IN} = 4.5V-13.2V	15A Each Output
Switching frequency	5V-12Vin	400kHz
Full Load Efficiency	V _{IN} = 12V, V _{OUT1} = 1.5V, I _{OUT1} = 15A	86.5% Typical
	V _{IN} = 12V, V _{OUT2} = 1.2V, I _{OUT2} = 15A	83.5 % Typical

QUICK START PROCEDURE

Demonstration circuit 898 is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of the LTC3728LCUH. Refer to Figure 1 for proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below:

NOTE: When measuring the input or output voltage ripple, care must be taken to avoid a long ground lead on the oscilloscope probe. Measure the input or output voltage ripple by touching the probe tip directly across the Vin or Vout and GND terminals. See Figure 2 for proper scope probe technique.

1. With power off, connect the input power supply to VIN and GND. Connect the load between VOUT1, VOUT2 and GND. Preset the load current at 0A (minimum). Refer to Figure 1 for correct test set up. The RUN/SS1 and RUN/SS2 jumpers should be at “on” position.

2. Turn on the input power.

NOTE: Make sure that the input voltage does not exceed 15V.

3. Check for the proper output voltages:

	V _{OUT1}	V _{OUT2}
DC898A-A	1.96V – 2.04V	1.76V – 1.84V
DC898A-B	1.47V – 1.53V	1.17V – 1.23V

NOTE: If there is no output, temporarily disconnect the load to make sure that the load is not set too high.

4. Once the proper output voltages are established, adjust the loads within the operating range and observe the output voltage regulation, ripple voltage, efficiency and other parameters.

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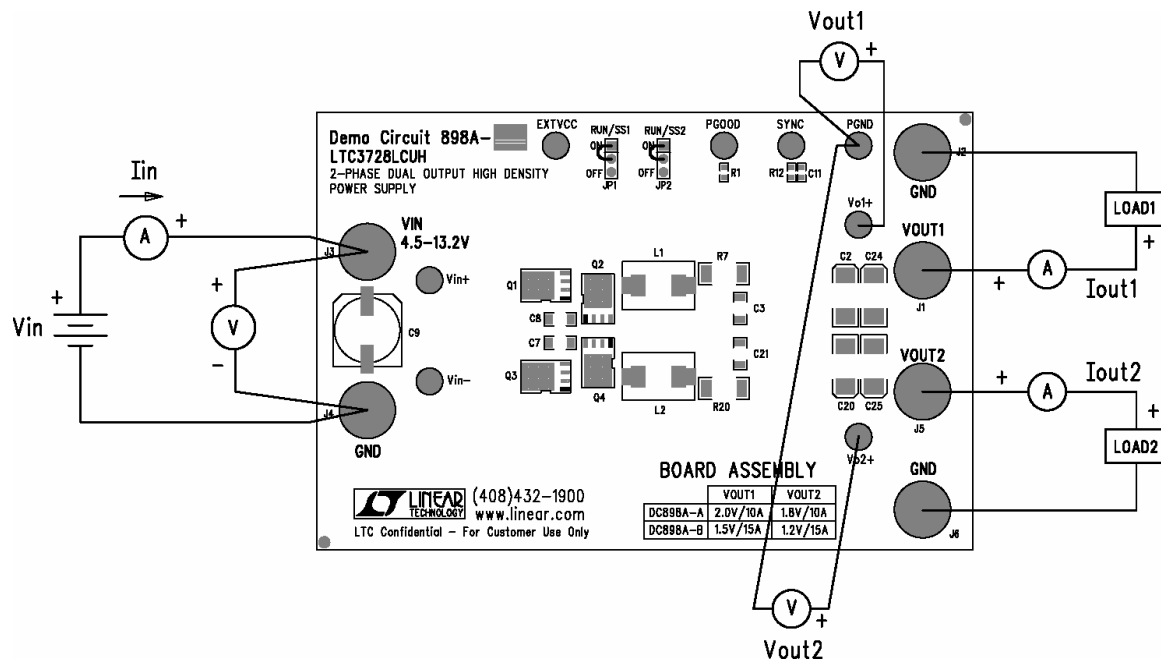


Figure 1. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

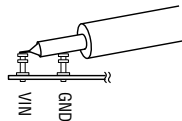


Figure 2. Measuring Input or Output Ripple

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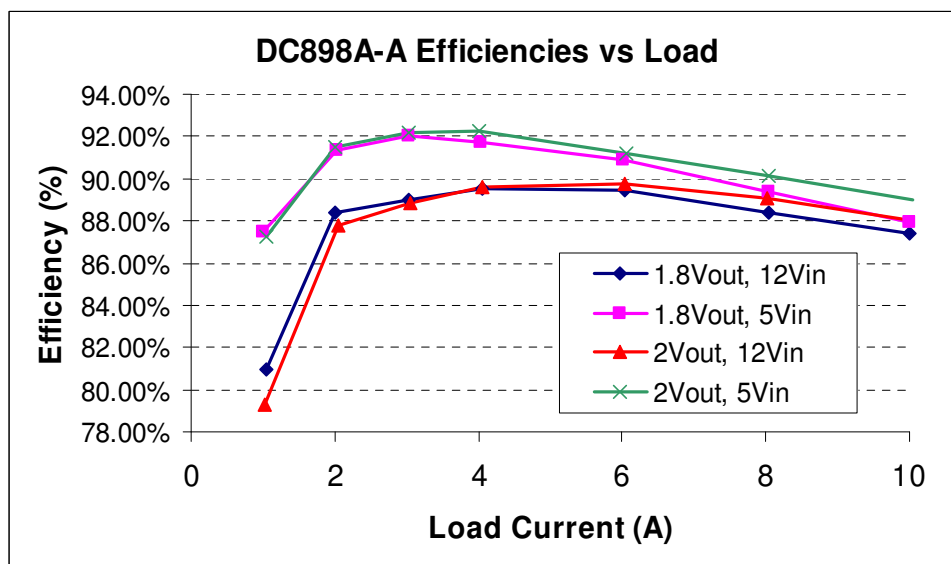


Figure 3. Typical Supply Efficiency vs Load Current of DC898A-A

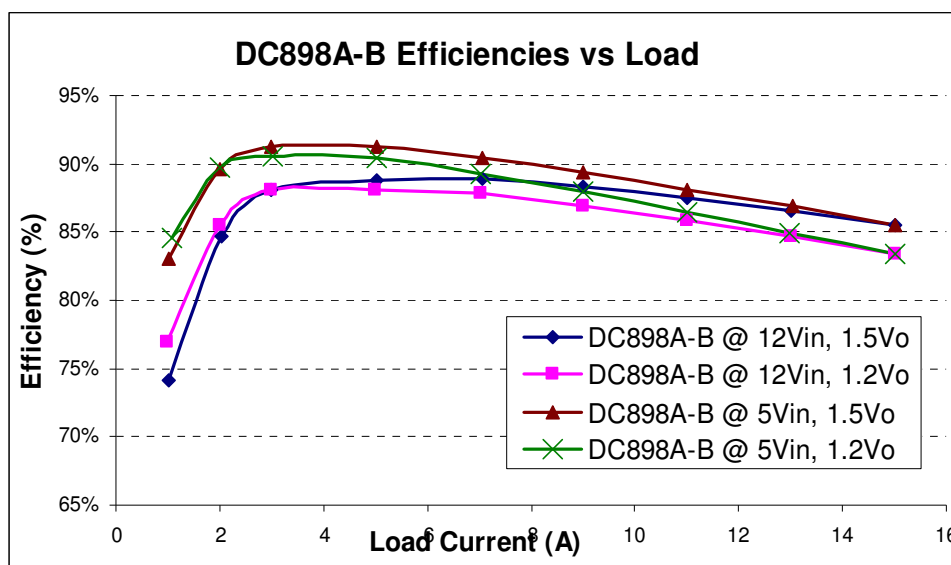
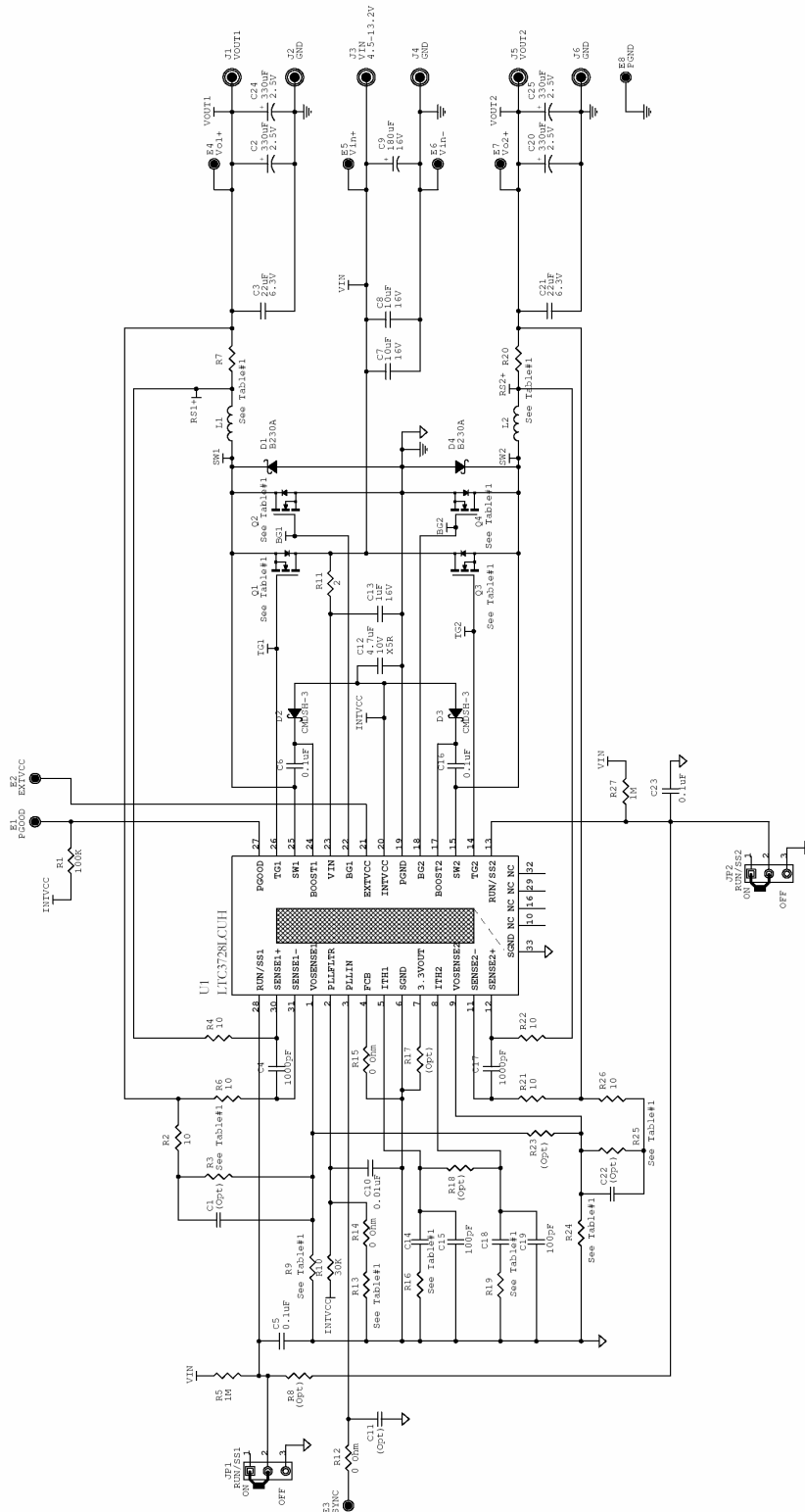


Figure 4. Typical Supply Efficiency vs Load Current of DC898A-B

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BOARD ASSEMBLY

	VOUT1	VOUT2
DC898A-A	2.0V/10A	1.8V/10A
DC898A-B	1.5V/15A	1.2V/15A

TABLE #1

OUTPUT	INDUCTOR	Rsense	MOSFET	FEEDBACK DIVIDER	fsw	ITH COMP
VOUT1	L1, L2	R7, R20	Q1, Q3	R3, R9	R13	R16, R19
VOUT2	Toko FD0650-0.003	0.003	Vishay S44336	R4, R10	R14	C14, C18
DC898A-A	0.56uH	IREC/2010	IRF540	15K	15K	39K, 58
DC898A-B	0.44uH	IREC/2010	IRF540	10K	10K	15K, 58

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