



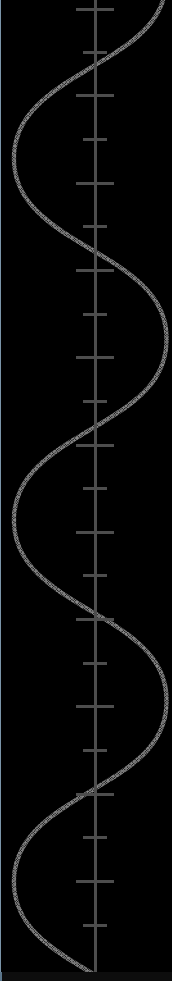
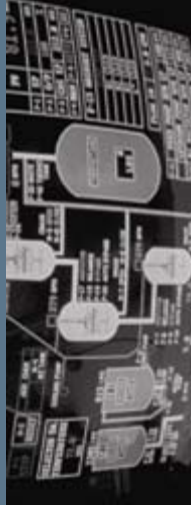
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# LTPowerCAD™ II

## Introduction & Quick Start

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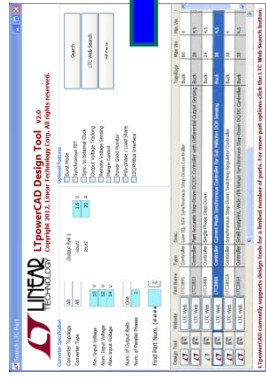
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# What is LTpowerCAD Design Tool

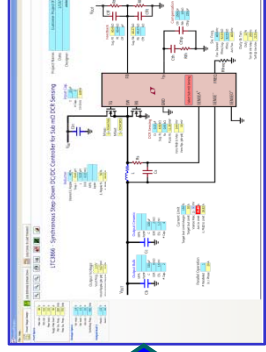
**A Complete, Step-by-Step Power Supply Design Tool:**



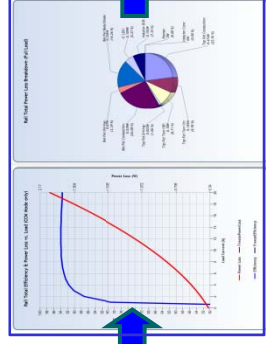
## Step-by-Step Power Supply Design:



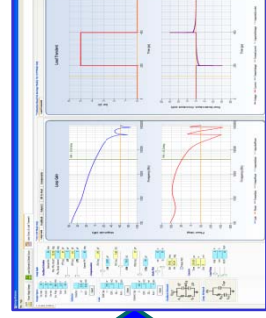
Enter specs,  
search solution.



Power Supply  
Schematic.



Efficiency &  
Power Loss



Loop Stability  
& Transient

LTpowerCAD

## How is LTpowerCAD Different from LTspice:

**LTspice:** A powerful circuit **simulation tool** with integrated models for Linear Technology products.

### LTpowerCAD Design Tool :

- A power supply **design tool** instead of **simulation tool**.
- **Searches for a solution** / LTC part for given power supply.
- Guides users to **select power stage components**.
- Provides detailed **power efficiency / loss** analysis.
- Provide quick **loop bode plot** stability and load transient analysis.
- Only supports **selected power products** (mostly buck & boost converters).
- Design file can be exported into LTspice simulation circuit.

## How to get your free *LTpowerCAD II*

- Go to <http://www.linear.com/LTpowerCAD>
- Download & install **LTpowerCAD II** on your Windows PC
- See later pages for installation instruction.

## Buck

## Buck Converters :

<b>Bold</b>

Green Cell Background - Excel tool available  
 Red Cell Background - LTpowerCAD Non-Excel Tool available  
 Bold - Polyphase single output compatible

### Controller

3-output	2-output	1 output
	LTC3838	LTC3829
	LTC3838-1	LTC3833
	LTC3838-2	LTC3839
	LTC3850	LTC3851A
	LTC3855	LTC3854
	LTC3857	LTC3856
	LTC3857-1	LTC3866
	LTC3858	LTC3883
	LTC3858-1	LTC3883
	LTC3858-2	
	LTC3869	LTC3864
	LTC3869-2	LTC3891
	LTC3880	
	LTC3890	
	LTC3890-1	

### Monolithic

3-output	2-output	1-output
	LTC3615	LTC3600
	LTC3615(CH1)	LTC3601
	LTC3615(CH2)	LTC3602
	LTC3633	LTC3603
	LTC3633A	LTC3604
	LTC3633A-1	LTC3605
	LTC3633A-2	LTC3605A
	LTC3633A-3	LTC3415
	LTC3407(CH1)	LTC3405A-1.375
	LTC3407(CH2)	LTC3405A-1.5
	LTC3407-2(CH1)	LTC3405A-1.8
	LTC3407-2(CH2)	LTC3406/3406B
	LTC3407-3(CH2)	LTC3405-1.2
	LTC3407-	LTC3405-1.5
	LTC3407-	LTC3405-1.8
	LTC3407-4(CH1)	LTC3406A
	LTC3407-4(CH2)	LTC3406AB
	LTC3417(CH1)	LTC3406AB-2
	LTC3417(CH2)	LTC3406B-1.2
	LTC3417A(CH1)	LTC3406B-2
	LTC3417A(CH2)	LTC3409
	LTC3417A-	LTC3409A
	LTC3417A-	LTC3410
	LTC3419(CH1)	LTC3410-1.2
	LTC3419(CH2)	LTC3410-1.65
	LTC3547(CH1)	LTC3410-1.875
	LTC3547(CH2)	LTC3410B
		LTC3411
		LTC3411A
		LTC3412
		LTC3412A
		LTC3413
		LTC3414
		LTC3416
		LTC3549
		LTC3561
		LTC3568

### µModule Regulator

3-output	2-output
	LTM
	LTM
	LTM
	LTM
	LTM
	LTM
	LTM

### Note:

This list was generated on 07/25/2013. **New parts** could be added to the library after that. Click **“Sync-Release”** to update LTpowerCAD library & functions.

## Boost Converters :

**Boost**  
Polyphase (Bold)

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Red Cell Background - LTpowerCAD Non-Excel Tool available
Bold - Polyphase single output compatible

Updated:

Controller

3-output	2-output	1-output
	LTC3788	LTC3787 LTC3862 LTC3786

Monolithic

3-output	2-output	1-output

μModule Regulator®

3-output	2-output

**Buck-Boost**  
Polyphase (Bold)

Green Cell Background - Excel tool available
Red Cell Background - LTpowerCAD Non-Excel Tool available
Bold - Polyphase single output compatible

Updated:

Controller

3-output	2-output	1-output

Monolithic

3-output	2-output	1-output

μModule Regulator®

3-output	2-output

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## *I. Installation*

# **LTpowerCAD II**

*Software Installation*

# Minimum Requirements

The following system and software is required for LTpowerCAD

- ✓ PC with **Microsoft Windows XP SP2** or later OS
- ✓ **Microsoft Office Excel 2000, 2003, 2007, 2010** or 2013
- ✓ **Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 SP1, 4.0** or Higher  
<http://www.microsoft.com/net/download>
- ✓ **Microsoft SQL Server Compact 3.5 Service Pack 2**  
<http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=5783>

\* Note : The LTpowerCAD installer is made to **automatically download and install these the Microsoft .NET and SQL Server** to your system if your system does not already have these installed. However, if for some reason they are not installed automatically, you need to install them manually from Microsoft download sites.

**\*\*Note:**

- Windows Vista or Windows 7, Windows 8 based PC has .NET Framework integrated.
- Some Windows XP based PC may need additional installation of the .NET Framework, which is freely downloaded at [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com).
- Many new computers may already have SQL Server Compact 3.5SP2 installed (check to see if it is installed)

# Minimum Requirements (cont'd)

Optional: check if .NET and SQL Server are installed:

Control Panel Home

View installed updates  
Turn Windows features on or off

Install a program from the network

Control Panel > Programs > Programs and Features

Uninstall or change a program

To uninstall a program, select it from the list and then click Uninstall, Change, or Repair.

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Microsoft .NET Framework 4 Client Profile	Microsoft Corporation	6/14/2010	38.8 MB	4.0.30319
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Microsoft Expression Studio 4	Microsoft Corporation	1/18/2011	4.0.20525.0	4.0.20525.0
Microsoft Expression Web 4	Microsoft Corporation	1/18/2011	4.0.1165.0	4.0.1165.0
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# Installing LTPowerCAD II v2.0™

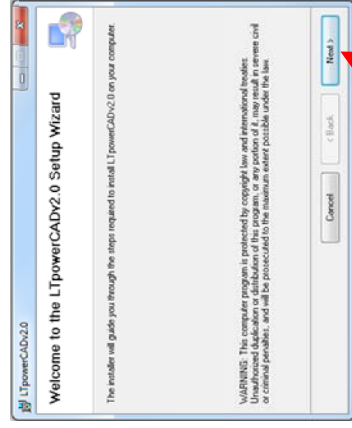
1. Double Click **“Setup.exe”** to Start LTPowerCAD II v2.0™ Design Tool Setup Wizard

*Note : Do not install by double clicking the “MS.msi” file as this will prevent the installer from checking to insure missing Microsoft requirements.*

2. Click **“Next”**

3. Select Installation Folder and Click **“Next”**

4. Click **“Next”** to Confirm Installation and then **“Close”** to complete the Installation

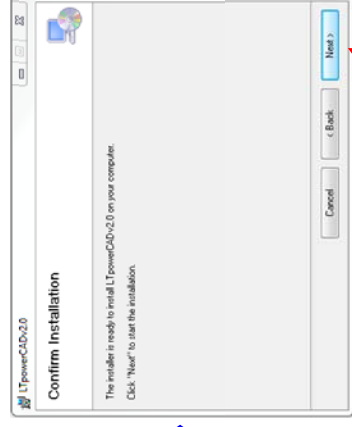


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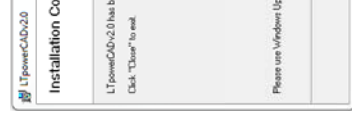


Select Folder

Click **“Next”**

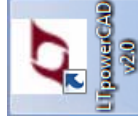


Click **“Next”**



5. Check the contents of the installation folder (see next slide)

**Note :** The installation will place shortcuts to the LTPowerCAD II v2.0



## *II. User Interface*

### **Getting Start with LTpowerCAD II**

# Main Page



The screenshot shows the main page of the LTpowerCAD II v2.0 software. The interface features a top navigation bar with several buttons. Yellow arrows point from descriptive text to these buttons:

- Start New Design**: Search for a part based on supply spec. and requirements
- Open Existing Design**: Open an existing LTpowerCAD II design file
- Help**: Open an existing Excel-Based design file
- LTC Sales Contacts**: View help file
- LTC Toolbox**: View LTC Sales Office contacts
- Sync Release**: Open LTC Toolbox

At the bottom of the page, there is a section for updates:

- Update LTpowerCAD II program & program library**

The bottom of the page features the Linear Technology logo and the text: **LTpowerCAD II Design Tool v2.0**, Copyright 2013, Linear Technology Corp. All rights reserved.

**Step 1. Enter power supply spec. and required functions.**

If you know the LT part# to use, you can enter the 4-digit part# and click "go" instead of search.

**Step 3. Select a Part from Search Results Table:**

Click LTC icon for LTPowerCAD II tool

Click Excel icon for Excel-Based tool

Note: if the icon is in grey color, it means the design tool is not available.

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Optional Features:  
 Burst Mode  
 Synchronous FET  
 Sync. to External Clock  
 Output Voltage Tracking  
 Remote Voltage Sensing  
 Margin Control  
 Power Good Monitor  
 Poly-phase / Load Share  
 I2C/PMBus Interface

Output Rail 1  
Vout1: 1.2 V  
Iout1: 5 A

Converter Specification  
Converter Topology: All  
Converter Type: All  
Min. Input Voltage: 10.8 V  
Nom. Input Voltage: 12 V  
Max. Input Voltage: 13.2 V  
Num. of Output Rails: One  
Num. of Parallel Phases: 1

Find Part Num. (####)

Design Tool	Website	Part Name	Type	Desc.
	LTC Web	LTM4612	uModule	Ultralow Noise 36VIN, 15VOUT, 5A, DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4603	uModule	6A DC/DC uModule Regulator with PLL, Output Tracking and Margining
	LTC Web	LTM4602HV	uModule	6A, 28VIN High Efficiency DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4602	uModule	6A High Efficiency DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4618	uModule	6A DC/DC uModule Regulator with Tracking and Frequency Synchronization
	LTC Web	LTM4606	uModule	Ultralow EMI 28VIN, 6A DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4603-1	uModule	6A DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4603HV	uModule	6A, 28VIN DC/DC uModule Regulator with PLL, Output Tracking and Margining
	LTC Web	LTM4613	uModule	EN55022B Compliant 36VIN, 15VOUT, 8A, DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4600HV	uModule	10A, 28VIN High Efficiency DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4607	uModule	36VIN, 24VOUT High Efficiency Buck-Boost DC/DC uModule Regulator
	LTC Web	LTM4609	uModule	36VIN, 34VOUT High Efficiency Buck-Boost DC/DC uModule Regulator

LTPowerCAD currently supports design tools for a limited number of parts. For more part options click the LTC Web Search

Two possible design tool formats:

## 1. Non-Excel LTpowerCAD Design Tool:

If available, an active LTC button is shown:



## 2. Excel-Based Design Tool:

If available, an active Excel button is shown:



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Search LTC Part



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Converter Specification

Converter Topology

Converter Type

Min. Input Voltage

Nom. Input Voltage

Max. Input Voltage

Num. of Output Rails

Num. of Parallel Phases

Find Part Num. (####)

Go

Optional Features

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Remote Voltage Sensing

Margin Control

Power Good Monitor

Poly-phase / Load Share

I2C/PMBus Interface

Output Rail 1

Vout1

1.2 V

Iout1

5 A

All

All

10.8 V

12 V

13.2 V

One

1

Go

Design Tool Website Part Name Type Desc.

LTC Web LTM4612 uModule

LTC Web LTM4603 uModule

LTC Web LTM4602HV uModule

LTC Web LTM4602 uModule

LTC Web LTM4618 uModule

LTC Web LTM4606 uModule

LTC Web LTM4603-1 uModule

LTC Web LTM4603HV uModule

LTC Web LTM4613 uModule

LTC Web LTM4600HV uModule

LTC Web LTM4607 uModule

LTC Web LTM4609 uModule

Ultralow Noise 36VIN, 15VOUT, 5A, DC/DC uModule Regulator

6A DC/DC uModule Regulator with PLL, Output Tracking and Margining

6A, 28VIN High Efficiency DC/DC uModule Regulator

6A High Efficiency DC/DC uModule Regulator

6A DC/DC uModule Regulator with Tracking and Frequency Synchronization

Ultralow EMI 28VIN, 6A DC/DC uModule Regulator

6A DC/DC uModule Regulator

6A, 28VIN DC/DC uModule Regulator with PLL, Output Tracking and Margining

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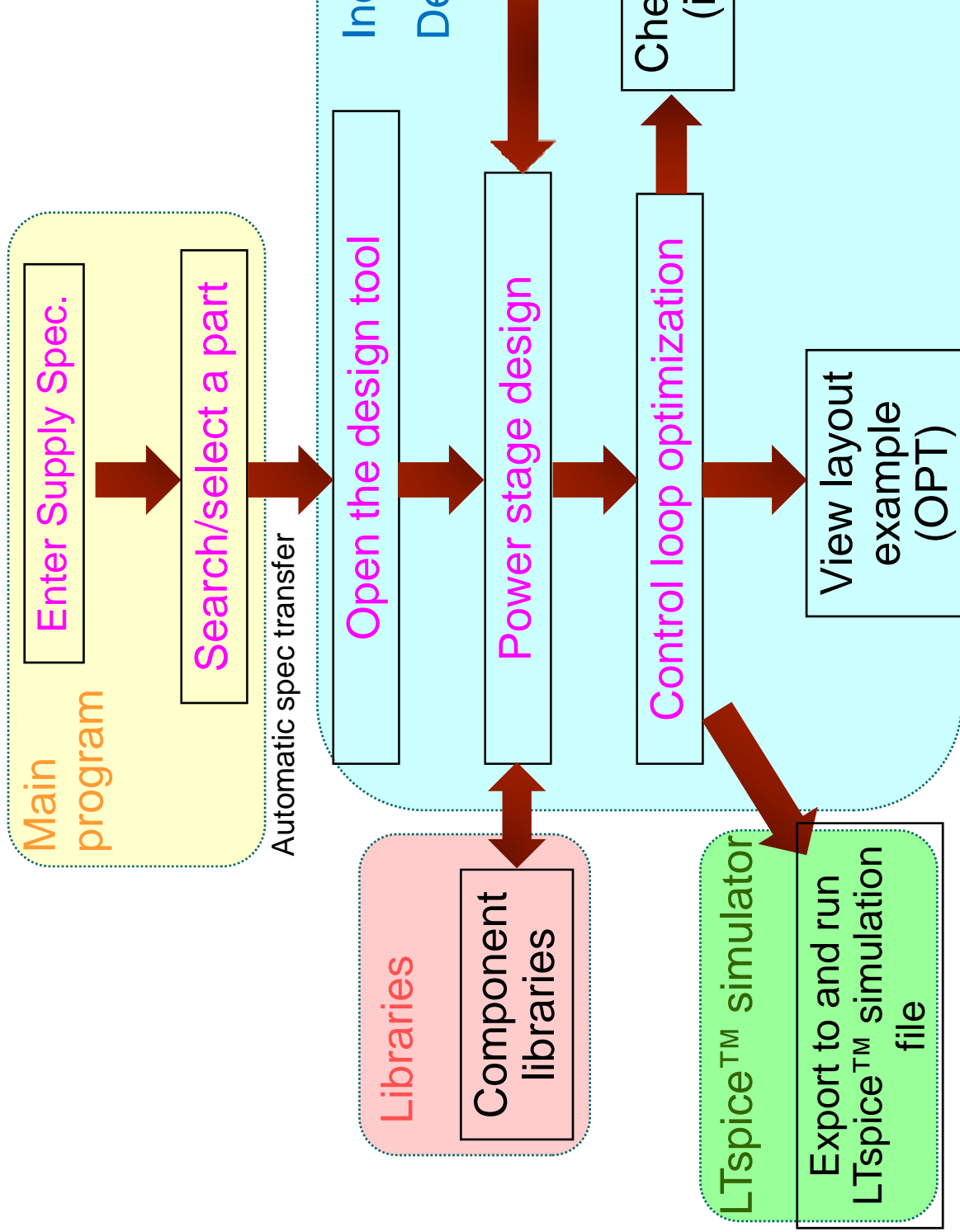
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# Step-By-Step Supply Design Process

## using the LTpowerCAD™ Design Process





# Example of a non-Excel **LTpowerCAD** d Tool

# Design Step 1 – Power Stage Design

Yellow Cells = Suggested values or calculated parameters

Blue Cells = User's chosen values

## Design Requirements & Part Limits

LTC3838 - Dual, Fast, Accurate Step-Down DC/DC Controller with Differential Output Sensing

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Designer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part Specs**

Max Vin:	38 V
Min Vin:	4.5 V
Max Vout:	5.5 V
Sugg. Max. Iout:	30 A
Min Sw. Freq.:	200 kHz
Max Sw. Freq.:	2000 kHz

**Design Specs**

Vin max:	15 V
Vin nom:	10 V
Vin min:	5 V
Switching Freq.:	370 kHz
Output Rail 1	
Vout1:	1.2 V
Iout1:	10 A
Output Rail 2	
Vout2:	1.8 V
Iout2:	8 A

**Output Bulk**

MFR:	
Part#:	
C:	330 µF
Cc1:	10 µF
ESR:	9 mΩ
ESL:	2 nH
# Cap:	1

**Output Ceramic**

MFR:	
Part#:	
C:	10 µF
ESR:	3 mΩ
ESL:	0.8 nH
# Cap:	1

**Inductor**

Desired L Ripple:	40 %
Sup. L1:	0.71 µH
L1:	1.5 µH
DCR:	10.4 mΩ
MFR:	
Part#:	
IL Ripple %:	33 %
IL Peak:	533 A
IL V <sub>ry</sub> :	687 A

**Current Limit**

Target Iout Limit Margin:	150 %
Target Iout Limit:	15 A
IL pk@ Target Iout Limit:	15.95 A
IL V <sub>ry</sub> @ Target Iout Limit:	14.05 A

**Output Voltage**

Vout,prog:	1.2 V
Vout,ripple (p-p):	19 mV
ΔIout/Vout,ripple:	1.6 %

**DCR Current Sensing**

Actual V <sub>INDG</sub> :	0.5 V
Vsense max,prog:	30 mV
IL Limit:	27.4 A
IL pk@ I <sub>OUT</sub> Limit:	33.9 A
Vout1 V <sub>ry</sub> @ I <sub>OUT</sub> Max:	74.1 mV
Vout1 V <sub>ry</sub> @ I <sub>OUT</sub> Min:	59 mV
Vout1 R <sub>ip</sub> (pk-pk):	15.1 mV

**DCR Current Sensing**

Actual V <sub>INDG</sub> :	0.5 V
Vsense max,prog:	30 mV
IL Limit:	27.4 A
IL pk@ I <sub>OUT</sub> Limit:	33.9 A
Vout2 V <sub>ry</sub> @ I <sub>OUT</sub> Max:	63.8 mV
Vout2 V <sub>ry</sub> @ I <sub>OUT</sub> Min:	42.7 mV
Vout2 R <sub>ip</sub> (pk-pk):	21.1 mV

**Feedback**

MFR:	
Part#:	
C:	604 nF
ESR:	9 mΩ
ESL:	0.8 nH
# Cap:	1

**Compensation**

MFR:	
Part#:	
Ch1:	220 pF
Rh1:	315 kΩ
Rb1:	315 kΩ

**Compensation**

MFR:	
Part#:	
Ch2:	2200 pF
Rh2:	315 kΩ
Rb2:	315 kΩ

**Duty & Ton**

Voutd Duty:	18 %
Ton <sub>2</sub> @ Vin Max:	324 ns
Ton <sub>2</sub> @ Vin Min:	1730 ns

**Duty & Ton**

Voutd Duty:	12 %
Ton <sub>1</sub> @ Vin Max:	216 ns
Ton <sub>1</sub> @ Vin Min:	2054 ns

**See Loop Comp & Load Transient Tab For Details**

Select different current

- User can only change blue-cell values and check calculated circuit parameters in yellow
- Red cells are for warnings. User needs to decide if following/correcting the warning or

# Design Step 2– Select L and FET, Optimize Eff % & Po

View data for each rail

Enter power stage component details & Test Conditions (enter manually or select

The screenshot displays the LTpowerCAD II v2.0 software interface. The top menu bar includes File, Help, Power Stage Design, Loss Estimate & Break Down, Loop Comp. & Load Transient, and a Freeze Plots button. The main workspace is divided into several sections:

- Design Specs:** Vin max: 15 V, Vin nom: 10 V, Vin min: 5 V, Sw. Freq: 370 kHz, Iout: 10 A, Vout: 1.2 V.
- Inductor:** L: 1.5 uH, DCR: 10.4 mΩ.
- Inductor Properties:** Vendor: Fairchild, Part: FDM8578, Vds: 25 V, Qg: 1.7 nC, Qgs: 3.7 nC, Rg: 1.2 Ω, Vmiller: 2.9 V, Vdiode: 0.83 V, Ploss: 0.194 W (Each FET), θj-x: °C/°C/W, ΔTj-x: °C.
- Bottom MOSFET Q1:** Vendor: Fairchild, Part: FDM8558E, Vds: 25 V, Qg: 38 nC, Qgs: 10 nC, Rg: 0.9 Ω, Vmiller: 2.1 V, Vdiode: 0.6 V, Ploss: 0.196 W (Each FET), θj-x: °C/°C/W, ΔTj-x: °C.
- Extensive Plots:** Includes a schematic diagram of a power stage and a table of rail power loss at full load:
 

Rail	Total Power Loss @ Full Load
Vin	13.629 W
Pin	12 W
Pout	1.629 W
Ploss	88.05 %
- Efficiency & Power Loss vs. Load (CCM Mode only):** A line graph showing Efficiency (%) on the y-axis (50 to 100) and Load Current (A) on the x-axis (0 to 10). A red line represents Power Loss and a blue line represents Efficiency. A vertical dashed yellow line is at 4.2 A, and a horizontal dashed yellow line is at 60 W.
- Rail Total Power Loss Breakdown:** A pie chart showing the distribution of power loss:
 

Component	Power Loss (W)	Percentage (%)
Inductor DCR	1.068W	(65.48 %)
IC LDO	0.08W	(4.90 %)
Bot Fet Body Diode	0.079W	(4.84 %)

Click "Update Plots" after component value changes.

Estimated Efficiency & Power Loss Curves with Data Point Cursors. Double-click to set axes Preferences

Estimated Power Loss Breakdown

# Power Component Library - FET

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File Help Power Stage Design Loss Estimate & Break Down Loop Comp. & Load Transient

Design Specs  
 Vin max: 12 V  
 Vin nom: 12 V  
 Vin min: 12 V  
 Sw. Freq: 500 kHz  
 Vout: 1 V  
 Iout: 20 A

Inductor  
 L: 0.3  $\mu$ H  
 DCR: 1 m $\Omega$

Inductor Loss  
 DCR Loss: W  
 Core Loss: W  
 Total Loss: W

Back

Top MOSFET QT  
 Vendor: Fairchild  
 Part: FDM55585  
 Vds: 25 V  
 Qg: 38 nC  
 Rds(on): 1.3 m $\Omega$   
 Rg: 0.9  $\Omega$   
 Vds: 25 V  
 Ploss: W (Each Fet)  
 Bypass:  $^{\circ}$ C/W  
 $\Delta$ Tj-x:  $^{\circ}$ C

Bottom MOSFET QB  
 Vendor: Fairchild  
 Part: FDM55585  
 Vds: 25 V  
 Qg: 38 nC  
 Rds(on): 1.3 m $\Omega$   
 Rg: 0.9  $\Omega$   
 Vds: 25 V  
 Ploss: W (Each Fet)  
 Bypass:  $^{\circ}$ C/W  
 $\Delta$ Tj-x:  $^{\circ}$ C

Estimate  
 Win: 12 V  
 Freeze Plot

External Bias  
 BTVCC: V  
 Rail Total Power Loss @ Full Load  
 Pin: W  
 Pout: W  
 Ploss: W  
 n: %

Curors  
 Iout: 0 A  
 Eff: 0 %  
 Ploss: 0 W

Update Plots

Output Rail # 1

\* Select MOSFETS then click UPDATE for new curves (For CCM Only)

Power MOSFET Library

Refresh Parts

Vendor	Part Name	Vds (V)	Rds(on) (m $\Omega$ )	Qg (nC)	Qgd (nC)	Qgs (nC)	Rg ( $\Omega$ )	Vdiode (V)	Vmiller (V)	Vth (V)	Package	Chan
Renesas	RJMG301	30	3	14.5	2	14.5	2	0.84	3	2.5	LFP4K	N
Renesas	RJMG305	30	10	8	1.5	3.6	0.6	0.85	3	2.5	LFP4K	N
Infineon	BSC019N02K	20	1.6	64	11	19	1.90	0.80	1.90	1.0	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC028N02K	20	2.1	40	7	11.4	1.50	0.85	1.90	1.0	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC046N02K	20	3.5	21	4	6.5	1.90	0.90	2.10	1.0	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC010N02L	25	1.1	31	6.8	11	0.60	0.80	2.40	1.6	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC010N02L	25	1.1	29	6.9	10	0.60	0.56	2.40	1.6	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC014N02L	25	1.6	18.7	4.7	6.8	0.60	0.56	2.50	1.6	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC018N02L	25	1.8	19	4.3	7	0.80	0.85	2.50	1.6	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC0911N0...	25	1.3	25	5.5	8.8	0.60	0.79	2.30	1.6	PG-TDSON	N
Infineon	BSC0911N0...	25	3.7	7.7	1.8	3	0.90	0.84	2.60	1.6	PG-TDSON	N

User Parts

Vendor	Part Name	Vds (V)	Rds(on) (m $\Omega$ )	Qg (nC)	Qgd (nC)	Qgs (nC)	Rg ( $\Omega$ )	Vdiode (V)	Vmiller (V)	Vth (V)	Package	Chan
Fairchild	FDM55585	25	1.3	38	9.7	10	0.90	0.60	2.10	1.7	POWER56 N	N
Fairchild	FDM57278	25	6.3	8	1.7	3.7	1.20	0.83	2.90	2.0	POWER56 N	N

Add A New User Part

Vendor	Part Name	Vds (V)	Rds(on) (m $\Omega$ )	Qg (nC)	Qgd (nC)	Qgs (nC)	Rg ( $\Omega$ )	Vdiode (V)	Vmiller (V)	Vth (V)	Package	Chan

Vendor Links

FAIRCHILD SEMICONDUCTOR  
 VISHAY  
 infineon  
 RENE

Cancel / Exit

Click "Select" to open MOSFET lib

Popular vendor weblinks

# Power Component Library - Inductor

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Power Stage Design

Loop Comp. & Load Transient

Design Specs

Output Ball # 1

Inductor

Inductor Loss

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Top MOSFET QT

Bottom MOSFET QB

Estimate

External Bias

Rail Total Power Loss @ Full Load

Cursors

Freeze Plot

Update Plots

Inductor: L: 0.3 uH, DCR: 1 mΩ

Inductor Loss: W, Core Loss: W, Total Loss: W

Top MOSFET QT: Vendor: Fairchild, Part: FDM5558S, Vds: 25 V, # Fets: 1, Pcs

Bottom MOSFET QB: Vendor: Fairchild, Part: FDM5558S, Vds: 25 V, # Fets: 1, Pcs

Estimate: Vin: 12 V, Iout: 20 A

External Bias: EXTCC: V

Rail Total Power Loss @ Full Load: PIn: W, Pout: W, Ploss: W, η: %

Cursors: Iout: 0 A, Eff: 0 %, PLoss: 0 W

Power INDUCTOR Library

**Build-In Parts:**

Vendor	Part Name	Inductance (uH)	L Tol. (%)	DCR (mΩ)	DCR Tol. (%)	ISat (A)	L Decrease (%)	IHeat (A)	Temp. Rise (C)	Core
VITEC	59P8903	0.32	10	0.17	10.00	50.00	20.00	80.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
VITEC	59P8904	0.44	10	0.17	10.00	35.00	20.00	80.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
VITEC	59P8973N	0.22	15	0.29	10.00	47.00	20.00	48.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
VITEC	59P8974N	0.30	15	0.29	10.00	34.00	20.00	48.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
VITEC	59P9075N	0.40	15	0.29	10.00	23.00	20.00	48.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
VITEC	59P9076N	0.51	15	0.29	10.00	17.00	20.00	48.00	40.00	Ferrite 1
WURTH	744 301 025	0.22	20	0.32	10.00	65.00	20.00	40.00	50.00	MnZn 1
WURTH	744 301 033	0.33	20	0.32	10.00	46.00	20.00	40.00	50.00	MnZn 1
WURTH	744 301 047	0.47	20	0.32	10.00	35.00	20.00	40.00	50.00	MnZn 1
WURTH	744 304 022	0.22	20	0.17	10.00	23.00	20.00	26.00	50.00	Ferrite 1
WURTH	744 306 030	0.30	20	0.26	10.00	24.00	20.00	26.00	50.00	Ferrite 1

**User Parts:**

Vendor	Part Name	Inductance (uH)	L Tol. (%)	DCR (mΩ)	DCR Tol. (%)	ISat (A)	L Decrease (%)	IHeat (A)	Temp. Rise (C)	Core
COLTRAF	SERLE90-333	0.33	20	0.77	20	43	20	16.9	40	Ferrite 1

**Add A New User Part:**

Vendor	Part Name	Inductance (uH)	L Tol. (%)	DCR (mΩ)	DCR Tol. (%)	ISat (A)	L Decrease (%)	IHeat (A)	Temp. Rise (C)	Core

Vendor Search Tools

Coilcraft, Vishay, VITEC, TDK, Murata, Sumida

Click "Select" to open inductor library.

Popular vendor weblink / web-search site.

# Design Step 3 – Optimize Loop Comp & Load Trans

Enter component details (enter manually or select from built-in library)

View data for each rail

The screenshot displays the LTpowerCAD II v2.0 software interface. At the top, the 'Design Specs' section lists: Vin max: 13.2 V, Vin nom: 12 V, Vin min: 10.8 V, Sw. Freq: 335 kHz, Vout: 1.2 V, Iout: 15 A. Below this, the 'Loop Gain' section shows: Desired BW: 66.88 kHz, Max. Pkts. Boost: 11.54 dB, Pkts. Boost Desired: 10 dB, Cff Sug: 47 pF, Ch Sug: 50 pF, Desired PM: 60 dB. The 'Compensation' section includes: Bulk Cap: C: 330 uF, ESR: 9 mΩ, ESL: 2 nH, Num: 1 pcs; Ceramic Cap: C: 10 uF, ESR: 3 mΩ, ESL: 0.8 nH, Num: 1 pcs; Inductor: L: 1 uH, DCR: 3 mΩ. The 'Feedback Network' section shows: Rf: 330 uF, Rg: 2200 pF, Rth Sug: 2 kΩ, Rth: 7.15 kΩ, Cth Sug: 83 pF, Cth: 320 nF. The 'Comp. Network' section shows: High: 7.5 A, Low: 0 A, ΔI/Δt: 10 A/μs. The bottom left shows a 'Capacitor library' with a 'Cout' capacitor selected. The main area contains three plots: 'Loop Gain' (Magnitude vs Frequency), 'Phase' (Phase vs Frequency), and 'Load Transient' (Iout and Vout Undershoot vs Time). The 'Loop Gain' plot shows a magnitude of approximately 60 dB at 100 kHz with a bandwidth (BW) of 34.67 kHz. The 'Phase' plot shows a phase margin (PM) of 65.78 deg at 100 kHz. The 'Load Transient' plot shows a current step from 0 to 15 A, with the output voltage (Vout) showing a transient response. The interface includes a 'File' menu, 'Power Stage Design' toolbar, and a 'Loop Comp. & Load Trans' window.

Loop Gain, Feedback, Output Impedance, Ith to Vout, and Compensator plots

Import plot data from data file (ie Ridley AP300) or Export data to data file or Excel.

Load Transient Estimation

# (Optional) Design Step 4 – Export to LTspice for Simulation

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File Help

Power Stage Design Loop Comp. & Load Transient

Loss Estimate & Break Down

Part Specs

Max Vin:	38 V
Min Vin:	4.5 V
Max Vout:	5.5 V
Sugg. Max Iout:	30 A
Min Sw. Freq.:	200 kHz
Max Sw. Freq.:	2000 kHz

Design Specs

Vin max:	15 V
Vin nom:	10 V
Vin min:	5 V
Switching Freq.:	370 kHz

Output Rail 1

Vout1:	1.2 V
Iout1:	10 A

Output Rail 2

Vout2:	1.8 V
Iout2:	8 A

Current Limit

Target Iout1 Limit (Amp)	10.0 A
I <sub>pk</sub> @ Target Iout1 Limit	15.85 A
I <sub>avg</sub> @ Target Iout1 Limit	14.05 A

Output Voltage

Vout1 Peak	1.2 V
Vout1 Ripple (p-p)	1.9 mV
ΔVout1/Vout1 Ripple	1.6 %

Output Bulk

MFR	
Part#	
C	330 μF
ESR	9 mΩ
ESL	2 nH
# Cap	1

Output Ceramic

MFR	
Part#	
C	10 μF
ESR	3 mΩ
ESL	0.8 nH
# Cap	1

DCR Current Sens

Act. I <sub>o1</sub> Limit	8.5 A
LL Pk@I <sub>o1</sub> Limit	6.59 A
Vinst1_Pk@I <sub>o1</sub> Max	74.1 mV
Vinst1_V <sub>avg</sub> @I <sub>o1</sub> Max	59 mV
Vinst1_Rip <sub>pk</sub> @I <sub>o1</sub> Max	15.1 mV

Duty & Ton

Vout2 Duty	11 %
Ton1 @ Vin Max	215 ns
Ton1 @ Vin Min	205 ns

LTC3838 - Dual Fast, Accurate Step-Down DC/DC Controller with Differential Output Sensing

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Designer: \_\_\_\_\_

File View Plot Settings Simulation Tools Window Help

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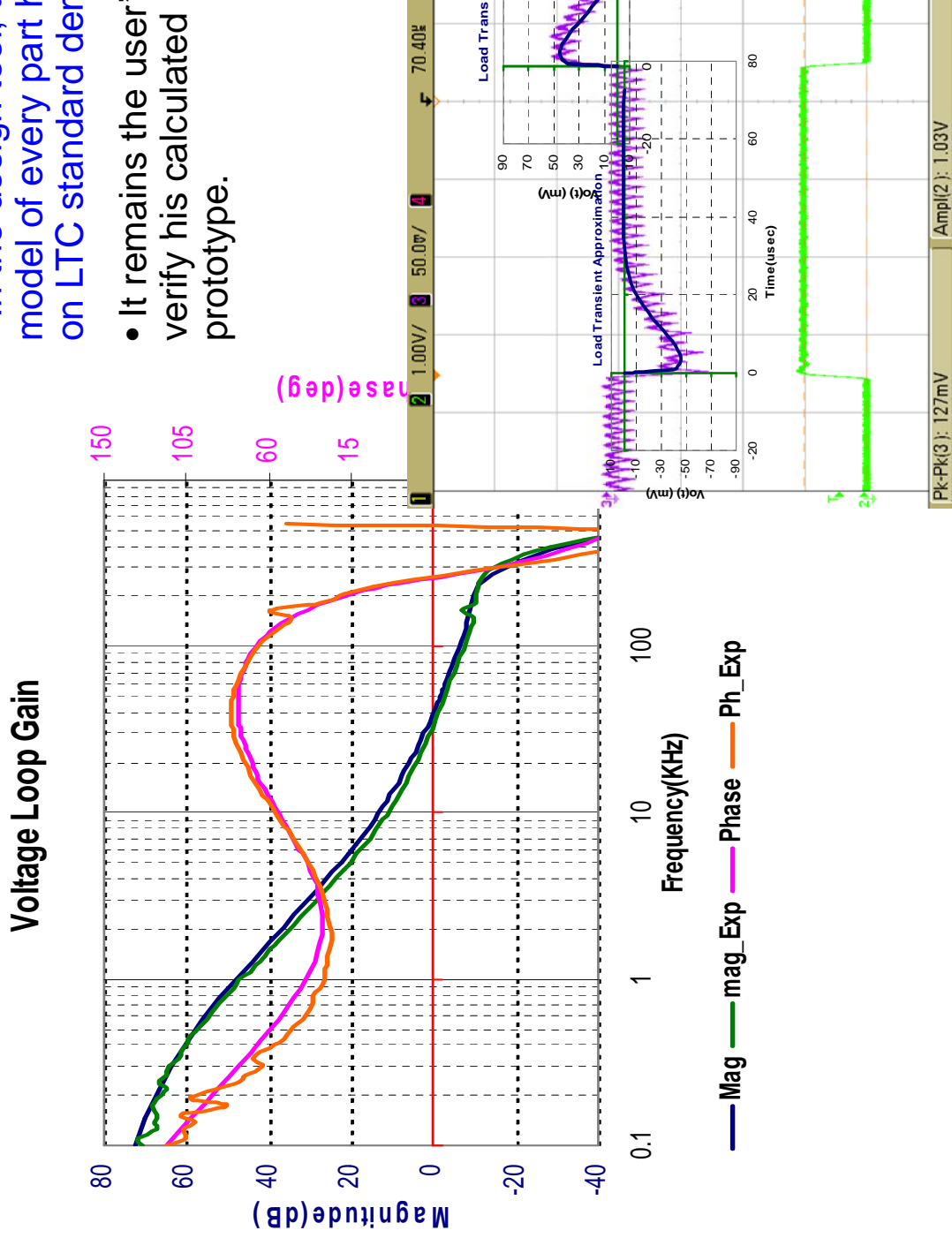
11V  
9V  
7V  
5V  
3V  
1V  
-1V

6.3A  
1.4A  
-3.6A  
0ps

80μs 160μs 240μs 320μs 400μs 480μs 560μs 640μs

# Bench Verified Loop and Load Transient

- In the design tool, the model of every part is on LTC standard der
- It remains the user verify his calculated prototype.



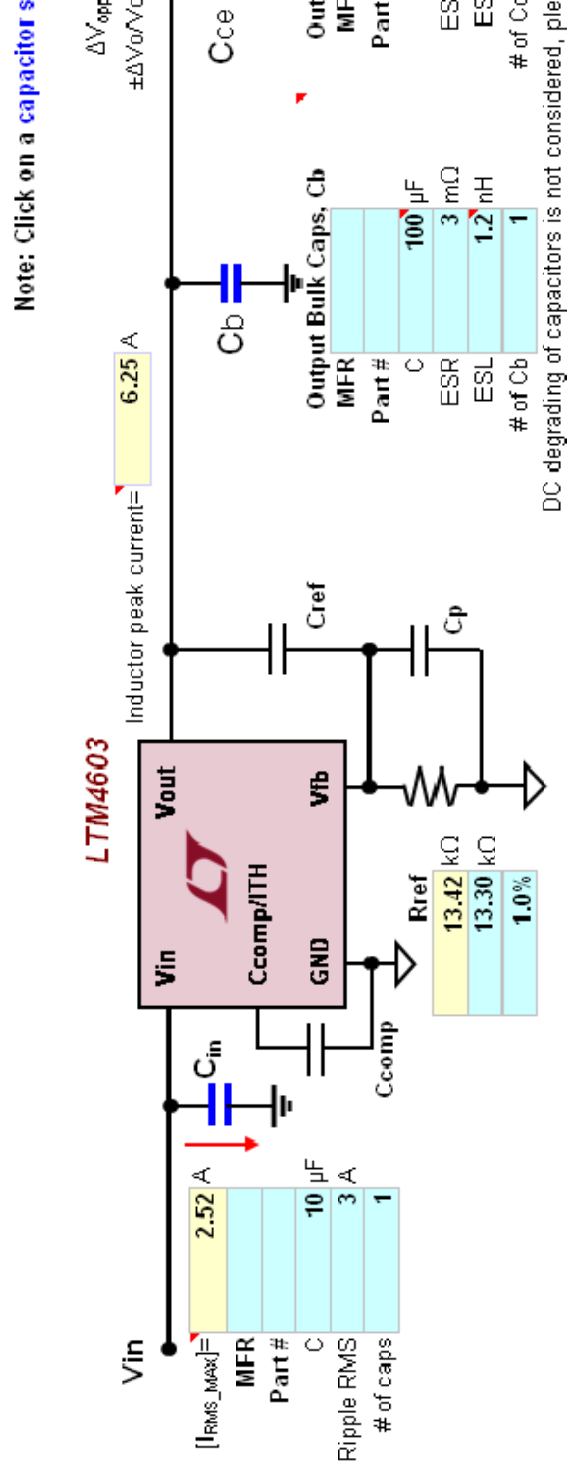


## Example of a **Excel-Based** design Tool

# Step 1: Power Components Selection

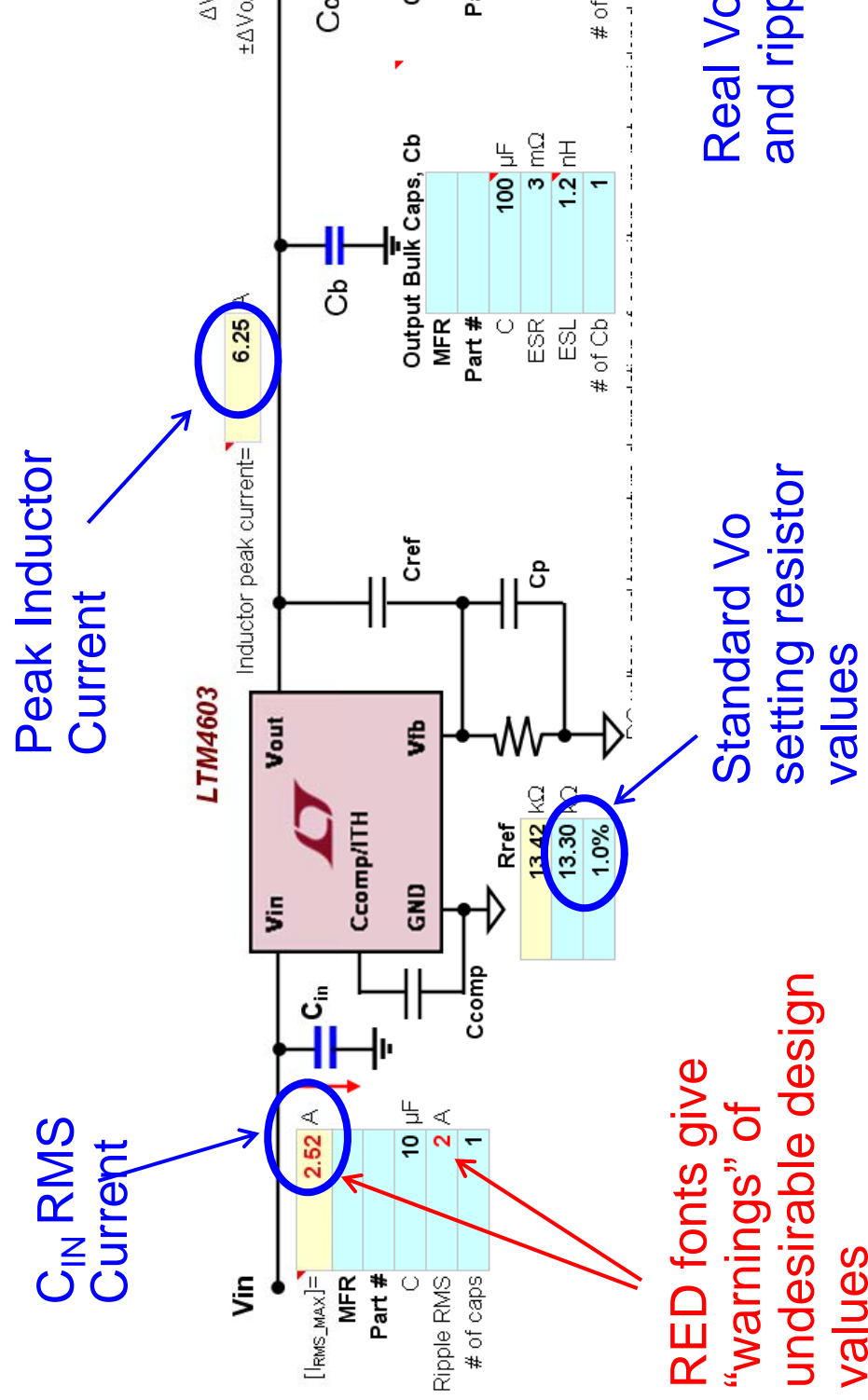
In the design spreadsheet, power components design is guided with schematic interface:

Values in yellow cells are calculated / recommended by design tool



Values in blue / entered

# Power Stage Performances



# Step 2: Control Loop Optimization

In the design spreadsheet, control loop design can be fine tuned

Sliding bar for compensation

**Part II - Small Signal Modeling and Compensation Tuning**  
Compensation Component Tuning and Design Verification

Remote sense	<input type="checkbox"/> Differential Sensing	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Local Sensing
C <sub>comp</sub>	<input type="text" value="47"/> pF	
V <sub>ref</sub>	<input type="text" value="9.79"/> V	
I <sub>ref</sub>	<input type="text" value="5.00"/> A	
Actual voltage loop bandwidth, [k <sub>v,actual</sub> ]	<input type="text" value="35.11"/> kHz	
Actual voltage loop phase margin, [φ <sub>v,actual</sub> ]	<input type="text" value="80"/> °	

Check if bandwidth exceeds load

**Voltage Loop Gain**

**Output Impedance**

Load Transient Approximation (Second Order Approximation; duty cycle and error amplifier saturation is not taken into account valid only with stable system)

Load Step, [Istep]= 4 A    Absolute Load Step slew rate, [dI/dt]= 1 A/μsec

**Converter**

**Load transient prediction**

Average Volt overshoot/under :shoot @ Load Transient

## Additional Feature (1):

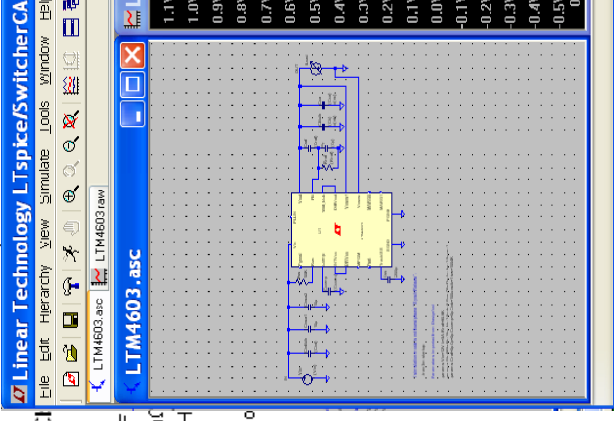
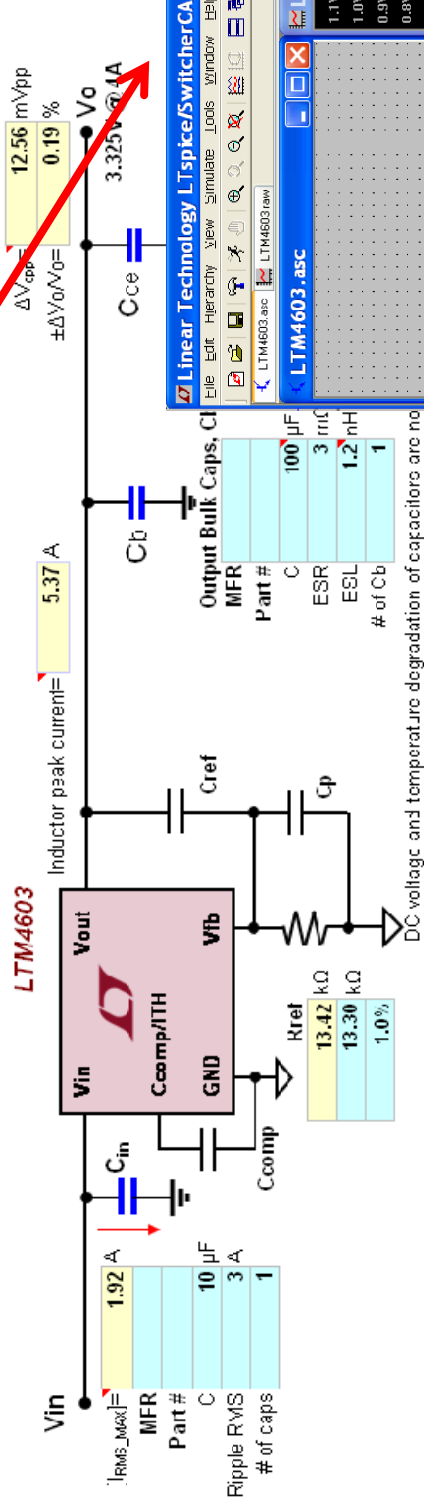
# Export to & Run LTspice™ Simula

In the design spreadsheet, click the “Export To LTspice” butto



View Layout Example

Note: Click on a capacitor symbol to link to the library



If the LTspice™ simulator is installed,  
it will be automatically opened:

Link to down load free LTSpice™ simulator:

<http://www.linear.com/designtools/software/ltspace.jsp>

## Additional Feature (2):

## Summary of design: BOM, size, cost and

In the design spreadsheet, click the “Summary” sheet:

### Summary of Design

#### Bill of Material of Power Components

Component	Part #	# of parts	Value	Unit	C mm		H	Unit Price	Total Price
					L	W			
Cin (bulk)	0	1	100 µF	1210		0.098	0.126	N/A	\$0.00
Cin (ceramic)			µF	1206		0.063	0.126	N/A	\$0.00
Cout (bulk)	2R5TPE220MC	0	220 µF	0805		0.049	0.079	N/A	\$0.00
Cout (ceramic)	0.00	1	72 µF	1210		0.098	0.126	N/A	\$0.00
MicroModule	LTM4603	1		LGA (15 X 15 X2.8)		0.591	0.591	0.110	\$0.00

#### Power Component Summary:

Foot print clearance factor= 1.5	
Total footprint are W/O output Bulk Capacitors	0.560 inch <sup>2</sup>
Total footprint	0.560 inch <sup>2</sup>
Total BOM cost W/O input and output Bulk Capacitors	\$0.00
Total BOM cost	\$0.00

#### Design Analysis

Parameters	Condition	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
Input Voltage		7.000	12.000	14.000	V
Output Voltage		0.984	0.999	1.014	V
Inductor peak-to-peak Ripple			0.909	0.921	A
Frequency			1004.016		KHz
Crossover freq.	Vin=8.09V		119.891		kHz
Phase Margin	Vin=8.09V		39.159		Deg.

It remains the customer's responsibility to verify proper and reliable operation in the actual application.

**Any feedback comments on the program or issues encountered are welcome.**

Please forward your comments to the addresses below.

[LTpowerCAD@Linear.com](mailto:LTpowerCAD@Linear.com)

# **LTpowerCAD II v2.0™**

*Installation*

*Troubleshooting*

## I. Microsoft SQL Server Compact 3.5 SP2 ENU requirement :

### 1) Possible issue: Microsoft SQL Server Compact 3.5 SP2 is requirement missing

LTpowerCAD II v2.0 requires Microsoft SQL Server Compact 3.5 SP2 to access the internal parts database. If this is not installed, the program may have issues accessing information for parts included in the product database. An example screenshot is shown below where this type of error has occurred. *If this is confirmed to be your system, make sure it was installed correctly which may require a repair of the installation or re-installation of this requirement.*



**\* Example shown above is on Windows XP**

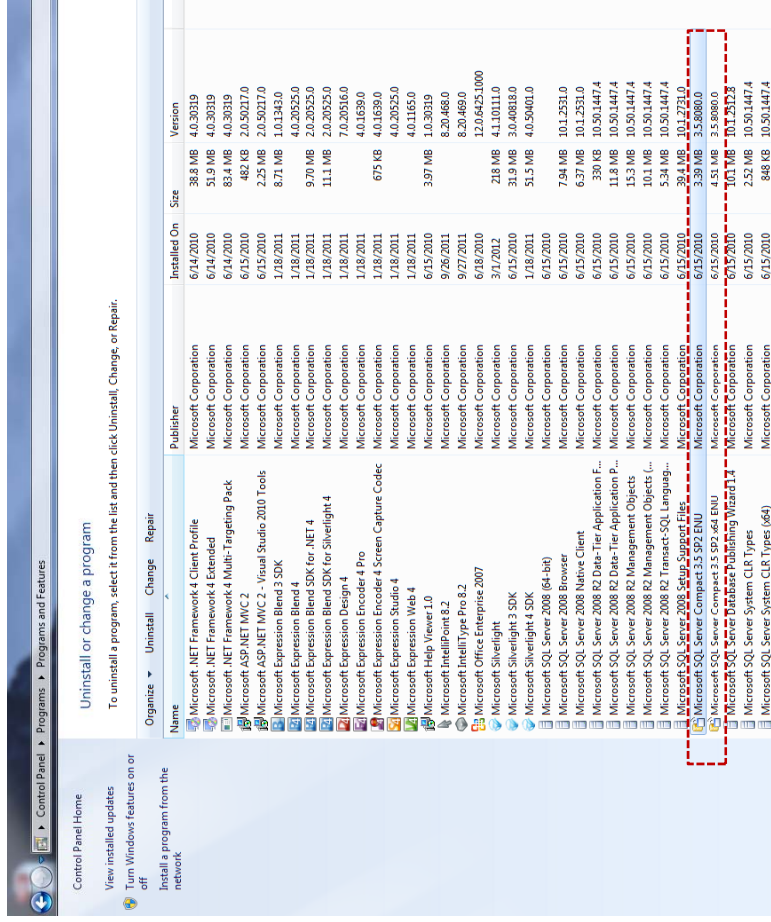
**Important : Make sure you installed using “setup.exe” file (not the MS.msi file)**

# Appendix : Installation Troubleshooting

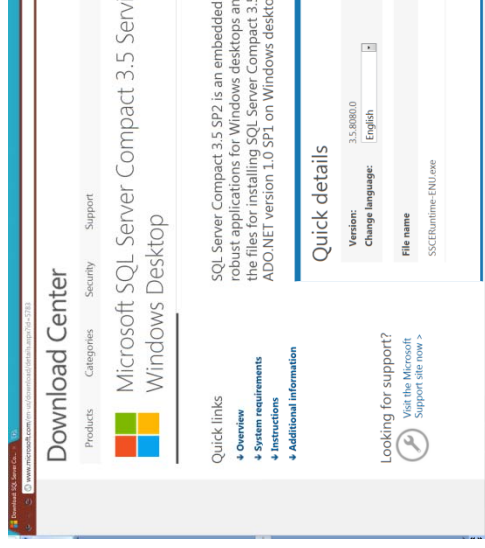
## Possible issue solution:

Check the programs you have currently installed on your system to see if Microsoft SQL Server Compact requirement is missing or not. The LTPowerCAD II v2.0 installer automatically checks if you have this requirement will download and install it automatically. This can also be freely downloaded at Microsoft at <http://www.microsoft.com/download/details.aspx?id=5783> *If this is confirmed to be installed on your system, make sure it was which may require a repair of the installation or new installation of this requirement.*

**Step 1)** Check the list of programs you have currently installed on your system by going to Start Menu → Control Panel → Programs and Features → Uninstall a program



**Step 2)** If this is not installed, this can be downloaded at <http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=5783> and install this package, then try to un-install / re-install LTPowerCAD II v2.0.



**\*\* Note :** The installer is made download and install these soft to your system if your system have these instal

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# Appendix : Installation Troubleshooting

## II. Microsoft Security Settings :

### 2) Possible issue: Microsoft Security Settings

Security default settings may prevent access of LTpowerCAD II v2.0 from its database causing an error message to pop up when searching for a part (see below).

The screenshot displays the LTpowerCAD II v2.0 software interface. The main window shows the 'Converter Specification' section with the following settings:

- Converter Topology: All
- Converter Type: All
- Output Rail 1: Vout1 (2.5 V, 5 A)
- Output Rail 2: Vout2 (1 V, 20 A)
- Min. Input Voltage: 12 V
- Nom. Input Voltage: 12 V
- Max. Input Voltage: 12 V
- Num. of Output Rails: Two
- Find Part by Num. (###): [ ] [Go]

The 'Optional Features' section includes:

- Burst Mode:
- Synchronous FET:
- Sync. to External Clock:

A search error dialog box is overlaid on the interface, displaying the following message:

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System.Data.EntityException: The underlying provider failed on Open. --->
System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCeException: Access to the database file is not
allowed. [ File name = C:\Program Files (x86)\LTC\LTpowerCAD2\LTDatBase.sdf
]
at System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCeConnection.ProcessResults(Int32 hr)
at System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCeConnection.Open(Boolean silent)
at System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCeConnection.Open()
at System.Data.EntityClient.EntityConnection.OpenStoreConnectionIf(Boolean
openCondition, DbConnection storeConnectionToOpen, DbConnection
originalConnection, String exceptionCode, String attemptedOperation, Boolean&
closeStoreConnectionOnFailure)
--- End of inner exception stack trace ---
at System.Data.EntityClient.EntityConnection.OpenStoreConnectionIf(Boolean
openCondition, DbConnection storeConnectionToOpen, DbConnection
originalConnection, String exceptionCode, String attemptedOperation, Boolean&
closeStoreConnectionOnFailure)
at System.Data.EntityClient.EntityConnection.Open()
at System.Data.Objects.ObjectContext.EnsureConnection()
at System.Data.Objects.ObjectQuery`1.GetResults(Nullable`1 forMergeOption)
at
System.Data.Objects.ObjectQuery`1.System.Collections.Generic.ICollection`1.
GetEnumerator()
at System.Collections.Generic.List`1..ctor(IEnumerable`1 collection)
at System.Linq.Enumerable.ToList[TSource](IEnumerable`1 source)
at LTpowerCAD.PartSearchWindow.SearchButton_Click(Object sender,
RoutedEventArgs e)
OK
```

**\*\* Note : The installer is made to automatically set up these folder settings. If for some reason you are still getting a similar error please read through the following slides to make sure.**

*LTpowerCAD currently supports design tools for a limited number of parts. For more part options click the Web Search button.*

**Important : Make sure you installed using “setup.exe” file (not the MS.msi file)**

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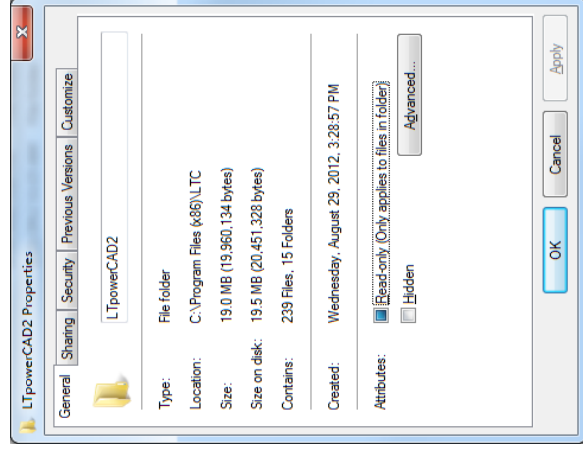
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## Possible issue solution:

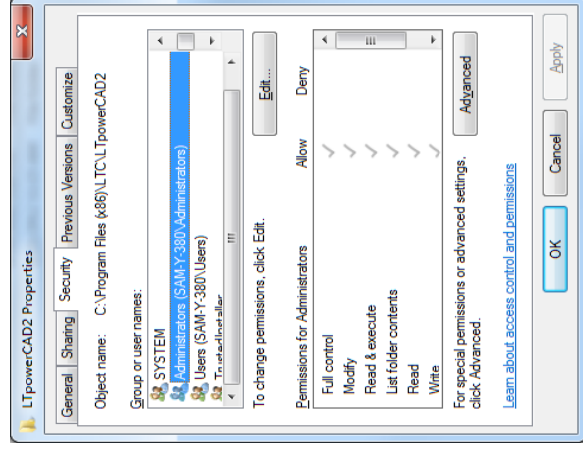
Run the program with an Administrator account , or try to modify your system's Users account security for now (see below).

**Step 1)** Go to the LTC folder location: (ie C:\Program Files (x86)\LTC)

**Step 2)** Right click on the LTPowerCAD 2 program folder → **Properties**



**Step 3)** Click on the **Security** tab. Click on your **Administrators** that the permissions should show Allow for all options (except permissions). The **SYSTEM** account should also have the same

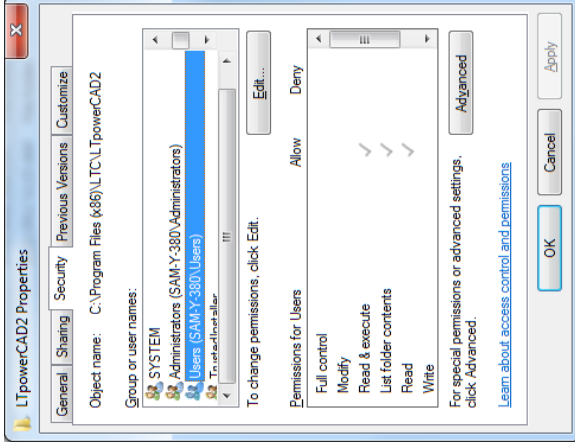


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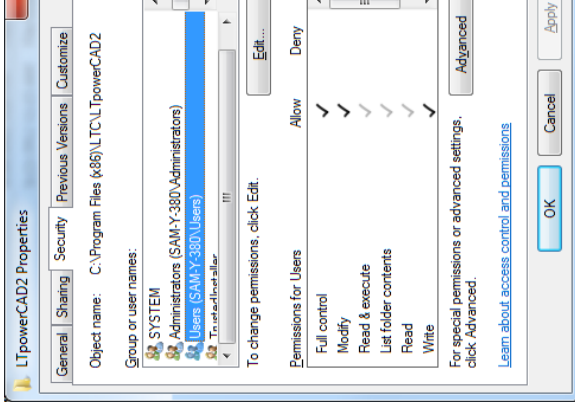
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## Possible issue solution (cont'd):

**Step 4)** Click on your **Users** account to see the user settings. Your user account may not have the permissions set (like shown below) that are needed. You can change these in the next step.



**Step5)** Click on the **Edit** button and click on your check boxes on the **Allow** column for **Full control**, settings should now be the same as you saw for the



**Important : Make sure you installed using “setup.exe” file (not the MS.msi file)**

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