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LGA80D Evaluation Board User Manual





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GENERAL

The LGA80D evaluation board allows the user to test and investigate the performance of the LGA80D non-isolated module.

Within the kit there are the following items:

- The evaluation board equipped with 2 LGA80D modules
- The Artesyn PMBus interface dongle
- The PMBus to USB interface cables



Fig. 1 – LGA80D evaluation kit

This equipment allows you monitor and control the modules via your computer, or you can apply settings to the modules by hardware configuration.



Equipment required

To run the evaluation board, the following equipment will be required to supply power to the board, apply load to the board, and to cool the dc-dc converters if the board is to be operated for long periods.

Recommended Test Equipment		
DC Source	7~14V, 80A	
Load	45A or above for Vo1 or Vo2, 90A or above for Vo3	
Cooling Fan	Please use fan cool if operate at full load for long time	

Table 1 – Test equipment required

Power cables with M6 ring terminations are required for the input and output connections to and from the evaluation board.

Test equipment that will be required will be:

- A personal computer with the LGA80D GUI software installed on it
 - o The GUI software is available on the Artesyn website

https://www.artesyn.com/power/LGA80D-eval-GUI

- Please refer to the GUI user manual for instructions on how to install and use this software
- Oscilloscope and associated test probes
- Digital multi-meter and associated test probes



Default settings

The evaluation board has been supplied with the following configuration and set-up by default.

If no changes are made to the hardware and firmware configuration of the unit then, the user will see that this board is equipped with 2 LGA80D modules with the following voltage settings:

- 1 module is configured for a single output
 - Output voltage setting is 1V via the dip switches on the PCB
- 1 module is configured for 2 independent outputs
 - Output A voltage is set to 1V via the dip switches on the PCB
 - Output B voltage is set to 1V via the dip switches on the PCB

The PCB has been equipped with the following value of capacitors. These have been selected to provide optimum performance under as many different test conditions as possible, but the user may change or optimize the values according to the specific conditions that are to be replicated:

- Input capacitance (per module)
- Output capacitance
 - In single O/P configuration
 - In dual O/P configuration



COMPONENT IDENTIFICATION

The key components and connection locations are shown in the picture of the evaluation board below.

Note that the LGA80D shown at the 'top' of this picture is the one that is configured as the single output unit, and the 'bottom' converter is configured as a dual output module.



Fig. 2 – LGA80D setup

Assumption: The user has made the power connections to and from the evaluation card. These will not be described further.



OPERATION

Here are the instructions to power up the PCB and modules.

Power up sequence

To power up and configure the evaluation card, please follow the steps as described below.

1. Initial set position of the enable switch

Please make sure the OUTPUT ENABLE toggle switch (S201) is in the "disable" orientation as shown below with the toggle of the switch leaning toward the modules and the output side of the PCB (and away from the input side of the board).



Fig. 3 – Initial enable switch orientation



2. Connection and configuration

Connect the input and output cables to the M6 terminations of the PCB.

Then connect the following:

- a. Connect the Vin1 and Vin2 connections to the DC power source with a voltage setting in the range of 7.5Vdc to 14Vdc
- b. Connect the Vo1, Vo2 and Vo3 connections to your E-load
- c. Add the enable jumpers to the En1, EN2 and EN3 locations on J203 this will ensure that the 3 outputs will be enabled. Note these are the jumper components located next to the enable switch they are shown below.



Fig. 4 – Enable jumper location and population



3. Connection of the I²C dongle to I²C connector

This is the interconnect cable between your PMBus dongle and the evaluation PCB. It is polarized and will only fit into the connected in 1 orientation

The other end of this cable should be plugged into your dongle. The dongle also has USB connections (and the cable is provided) to connect your dongle to the USB port of your computer.



Fig. 5 – I^2C cable connection to the evaluation board

4. Voltage setting

Select the suitable voltage for Vo1, Vo2 and Vo3 by the voltage selector DIP switches Vo setting. The silk screen marking shows the voltage settings that can be achieved by these switches.



Fig. 6 – Nominal output voltage settings by DIP switch setting



5. Power up sequence

To enable the DC-DC converters to work now that all connections to and from the evaluation board have been applied, take the following steps:

- a. Apply the input voltage to Vin1 and Vin2
- b. Operate the toggle enable switch (S201) so that the toggle is leaning toward the input connections and away from the output connections.-

The LGA80D modules should now be operating and supplying power to your E-load.



Fig. 7 – Toggle switch position to enable the outputs of the modules

6. The Power down sequence

To disable the outputs from the evaluation board, please take the following steps:

- Toggle Enable switch to disable Vout
- Turn off main voltage to Vin1 and Vin2

Note that not following power up/down sequence may damage the evaluation board.



Additional information

1. Initial set position of the enable switch

This demo board is designed to have two LGA80D modules which can be tested independently with 2 independent input supplies.

However, if the user wants to use one input (either Vin1 or Vin2) to power both modules, then this can be done by linking the 2 solder pads together as identified in the picture below:



Fig. 8 – Shorted pads required to use a single input to supply both LGA80D modules



2. Enabling each output

The outputs of the individual converters can be enabled or disabled by populating and de-populating the enable jumpers as required.



Fig. 9 – The enable jumpers – all 3 shown in place to enable all 3 outputs



Test functions

The evaluation board is also equipped with test points to provide easily accessible voltage measurement points.

1. Vin and Vout sense locations

Accurate input and output voltage measurements via pin-headers can be found on J205 and J1205.

Use J1205 for monitoring the input voltage and output voltage of the 'top' LGA80D (when the input connections are on the left). Note, this converter is configured for a single 80A maximum output.

The location of the connector and the location of the connections when viewing the connector from the top side (component side) is shown below.



Fig. 10 – Voltage sense locations for Vin-2 and Vout-3

Use J205 for monitoring the input voltage and output voltage of the 'bottom' LGA80D (when the input connections are on the left). Note that this converter is configured for 2 independent 40A maximum outputs.

The location of the connector and the location of the connections when viewing the connector from the top side (component side) is shown below.



Fig. 11 – Voltage sense locations for Vin-1 and Vout-2 and Vout-1



2. Ripple and regulation measurement locations

There are 3 test points provided to give accurate measurements of the output noise and ripple from the LGA80D.

The mating connector to the SMA connector found on the Evaluation board can be defined as "A Straight Cable Mount SMA Connector, Plug, Crimp Termination type RG174U".

• J1403 – Point of Measurement for Vout-3 ripple and regulation.



Fig. 12- Ripple measurement point for Vout-3

• J303 - Point of Measurement for Vout-2 ripple and regulation





• J403 Point of Measurement for Vout-1 ripple and regulation



Fig. 14- Ripple measurement point for Vout-1



3. Output voltage regulation measurement location

To measure the output voltage at the regulation point of the LGA80D units – the following straight pin header can be used.

Note that Vs3 will be output of the unit configured to be a single-output of up to a maximum of 80A.

Note that Vs2 will be Vout-2 from the LGA80D configured to be a dual-output unit of up to 40A maximum.



Fig. 14 – Output voltage regulation measurement point for Vout-3 and Vout-2

Errata: The silk screen on the demo-PCB has an error on J1206, VS1+ and VS1- are actually VS2+ and VS2- respectively as shown on the right in the figure above.

4. For any other measurements and configurations

Please contact your Artesyn representative or technical support for any further configurations or evaluation parameters that you wish to investigate.



Appendix A – Silk-screen layer of the evaluation board





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