

# NCP81078

## High Performance Dual MOSFET Gate Driver

The NCP81078 is a high performance dual MOSFET gate driver optimized to drive half bridge N-Channel MOSFETs. The NCP81078 uses a bootstrap technique to ensure a proper drive of the high-side power switch. A high floating top driver design can accommodate HB voltage as high as 180 V. The NCP81078 has an internal anti-cross conduction circuit with a 135 ns fixed internal dead-time to prevent current shoot-through. The NCP81078 is available in 2x2 mm DFN package.

### Features

- Drives Two N-Channel MOSFETs in High-Side and Low-Side Configuration
- Floating Top Driver Accommodates Boost Voltage up to 180 V
- Switching Frequency up to 500 KHz
- Current Shoot-Through Protection
- 135 ns Fixed internal Dead-Time
- 44 ns Rising and 30 ns Falling Propagation Delay Times
- 1.0 A peak Source Current with 0.9 A Peak Sink Current
- 19 ns Rise/17 ns Fall Times with 1000-pF Load
- High-Side & Low-Side UVLO Protection

### Applications

- Telecom and Datacom
- Isolated Non-Isolated Power Supply Architectures
- Class-D Audio Amplifiers
- Two Switch and Active Clamp Forward Converters
- Motor Drives

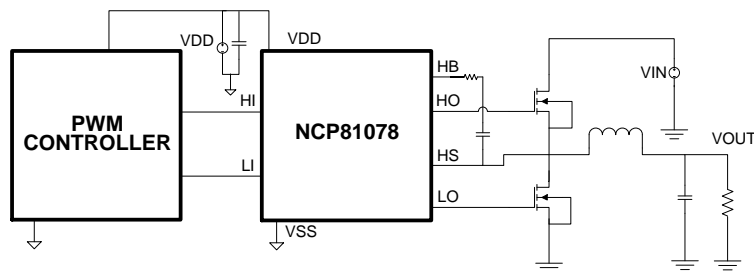


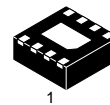
Figure 1. Typical Application Circuit



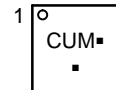
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### MARKING DIAGRAM



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MN SUFFIX  
CASE 506AA



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M = Date Code  
▪ = Pb-Free Device

(Note: Microdot may be in either location)

### ORDERING INFORMATION†

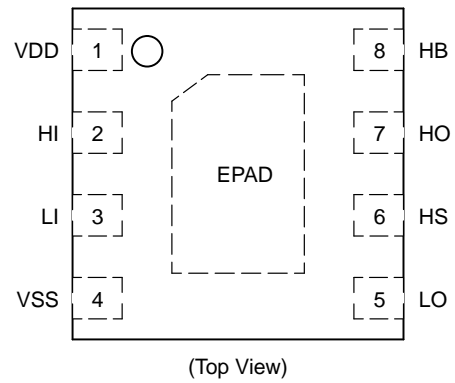
Device	Package	Shipping
NCP81078MNTBG	DFN8 (Pb-Free)	3000 / Tape & Reel

†For information on tape and reel specifications, including part orientation and tape sizes, please refer to our Tape and Reel Packaging Specification Brochure, BRD8011/D.

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**Table 1. PIN DESCRIPTION TABLE**

Pin No.	Symbol	Description
1	VDD	Positive supply for the low-side driver
2	HI	High-Side Input
3	LI	Low-Side Input
4	VSS	Negative Supply Return
5	LO	Low-Side Output
6	HS	High-Side Source
7	HO	High-Side Output
8	HB	High-Side Bootstrap
9	EPAD	Connect EPAD to VSS



**Table 2. MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Parameter		Value	Unit
VDD		-0.3 to 24	V
$V_{HB} - V_{SS}$		-0.3 to 200	V
$V_{HO} - V_{HS}$	DC	-0.3 to $V_{HB} + 0.3$	V
	Repetitive Pulse < 100 ns	-2 to $V_{HB} + 0.3$ , ( $V_{HB} - V_{HS} < 20$ )	
$V_{HS} - V_{SS}$	DC	-20 to 200 - VDD	V
$V_{LO} - V_{SS}$	DC	-0.3 to VDD + 0.3	V
	Repetitive pulse < 100 ns	-2 to VDD + 0.3	
$V_{HI}, V_{LI}$		-10 to 24	V
$V_{HB} - V_{HS}$		-0.3 to 24	V
$I_{Diode}$	AC (Peak current)	4	A
Operating virtual Junction Temp Range, $T_J$		-40 to 170	°C
Storage Temperature, $T_{STG}$		-65 to 150	°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)		+300	°C
HBM		500	V
CDM		2000	V

**Table 3. RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Parameter		Min	Nom	Max	Unit
$V_{DD}$	Supply Voltage Range	5.5	12	20	V
$V_{HS}$	Voltage on HS (DC)	-10		180	
$V_{HB}$	Voltage on HB	$V_{HS} + 5.5$		$V_{HS} + 20$	
	Voltage Slew Rate on HS			30	V / ns
$T_J$	Operating Junction Temperature Range	-40		+140	°C

**Table 4. ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Thermal Characteristic	DFN	Unit
$\theta_{JA}$ Junction to Ambient thermal resistance	97	°C/W
$\theta_{JCT}$ Junction to case (Top) thermal resistance	181	
$\theta_{JCB}$ Junction to case (Bottom) thermal resistance	1.9	
$\psi_{JT}$ Junction to top characterization parameter	2.2	
$\psi_{JB}$ Junction to board characterization parameter	2.0	
Moisture Sensitivity Level – QFN Package	1	

Stresses exceeding those listed in the Maximum Ratings table may damage the device. If any of these limits are exceeded, device functionality should not be assumed, damage may occur and reliability may be affected.

\*The maximum package power dissipation must be observed.

2) JESD 51-5 (1S2P Direct-Attach Method) with 0 LFM

3) JESD 51-7 (1S2P Direct-Attach Method) with 0 LFM

\*All signals referenced to VSS unless otherwise noted.

**Table 5. ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Unless otherwise stated:  $T_A = T_J = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $140^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $V_{DD} = V_{HB} = 12\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{HS} = V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ , No load on LO or HO

Parameter	Test Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
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**SUPPLY CURRENTS**

$I_{DD}$	VDD quiescent current	$V_{LI} = V_{HI} = 0$		0.85	1.6	mA
$I_{DDO}$	VDD operating current	$f = 500\text{ kHz}$ , $C_{LOAD} = 0$		5.1	9.0	
		$f = 300\text{ kHz}$ , $C_{LOAD} = 0$		3.5	6.5	
$I_{HB}$	Boot voltage quiescent current	$V_{LI} = V_{HI} = 0\text{ V}$		0.65	1.6	
$I_{HBO}$	Boot voltage operating current	$f = 500\text{ kHz}$ , $C_{LOAD} = 0$		4.8	9.0	
		$f = 300\text{ kHz}$ , $C_{LOAD} = 0$		3.4	6.5	
$I_{HBS}$	HB to Vss quiescent current	$V_{HS} = V_{HB} = 110\text{ V}$		8.0	100	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{HBSO}$	HB to Vss operating current	$f = 500\text{ kHz}$ , $C_{LOAD} = 0$		0.2		mA

**INPUT**

$V_{HIIH}$ , $V_{LIIH}$	Input voltage high		2.0			V
$V_{HIL}$ , $V_{LIL}$	Input voltage low				0.8	
$R_{IN}$	Input Pulldown Resistance		100	175	350	k $\Omega$

**UNDERVOLTAGE PROTECTION (UVLO)**

VDD	VDD rising threshold		3.4	4.4	5.4	V
VDD	VDD Threshold hysteresis			0.4		
VHB	VHB rising threshold		3.4	4.4	5.4	
VHB	VHB Threshold hysteresis			0.35		

**BOOTSTRAP DIODE**

$V_F$	Low-current forward voltage	$I_{VDD} - HB = 100\ \mu\text{A}$		0.61	0.85	V
$V_{FI}$	High-current forward voltage	$I_{VDD} - HB = 100\text{ mA}$		0.93	1.1	
$R_D$	Dynamic resistance, $\Delta V_F/\Delta I$	$I_{VDD} - HB = 100\text{ mA}$ and $80\text{ mA}$		2.1	3.5	$\Omega$

**LO GATE DRIVER**

$V_{LOL}$	Low level output voltage	$I_{LO} = 100\text{ mA}$		0.31	1.2	V
$V_{LOH}$	High level output voltage	$I_{LO} = -100\text{ mA}$ , $V_{LOH} = V_{DD} - V_{LO}$		0.75	1.6	
	Peak Pull-Up Current	$V_{LO} = 0\text{ V}$		1.0		A
	Peak Pull-Down Current	$V_{LO} = 12\text{ V}$		0.9		
$R_{O, \text{Unbiased}}$		$V_{CC} = V_{SS}$		20k		$\Omega$

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Parameter	Test Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
<b>HO GATE DRIVER</b>					
$V_{HOL}$	Low level output voltage	$I_{HO} = 100\text{ mA}$	0.3	1.2	V
$V_{HOH}$	High level output voltage	$I_{HO} = -100\text{ mA}$ , $V_{HOH} = V_{HB} - V_{HO}$	0.71	1.6	V
	Peak Pull-Up Current	$V_{HO} = 0\text{ V}$	1.0		A
	Peak Pull-Down Current	$V_{HO} = 12\text{ V}$	0.9		A
$R_{O, \text{Unbiased}}$		$HB - HS = 0\text{ V}$	20k		$\Omega$
<b>PROPAGATION DELAYS</b>					
$t_{DLFF}$	PWM falling to $V_{LO}$ falling	$C_{LOAD} = 0$	30		ns
$t_{DHFF}$	PWM falling to $V_{HO}$ falling	$C_{LOAD} = 0$	30		ns
$t_{DLRR}$	PWM rising to $V_{LO}$ rising	$C_{LOAD} = 0$	44		ns
$t_{DHRR}$	PWM rising to $V_{HO}$ rising	$C_{LOAD} = 0$	44		ns
<b>DEAD-TIME</b>					
Fixed Deadtime	Internal Fixed Dead-Time		135		ns
<b>DEAD-TIME MATCHING</b>					
$t_{DTM}$	LI OFF, HI ON		10		ns
<b>OUTPUT RISE AND FALL TIME</b>					
$t_R$	LO, HO	$C_{LOAD} = 1000\text{ pF}$	19		ns
$t_F$	LO, HO	$C_{LOAD} = 1000\text{ pF}$	17		ns
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>					
	Minimum input pulse width that changes the output		30		ns
	Bootstrap diode turn-off time	$I_F = 20\text{ mA}$ , $I_{REV} = 0.5\text{ A}$ (Notes 1, 2)	50		ns

Product parametric performance is indicated in the Electrical Characteristics for the listed test conditions, unless otherwise noted. Product performance may not be indicated by the Electrical Characteristics if operated under different conditions.

1. Typical values for  $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

2.  $I_F$ : Forward current applied to bootstrap diode,  $I_{REV}$ : Reverse current applied to bootstrap diode.

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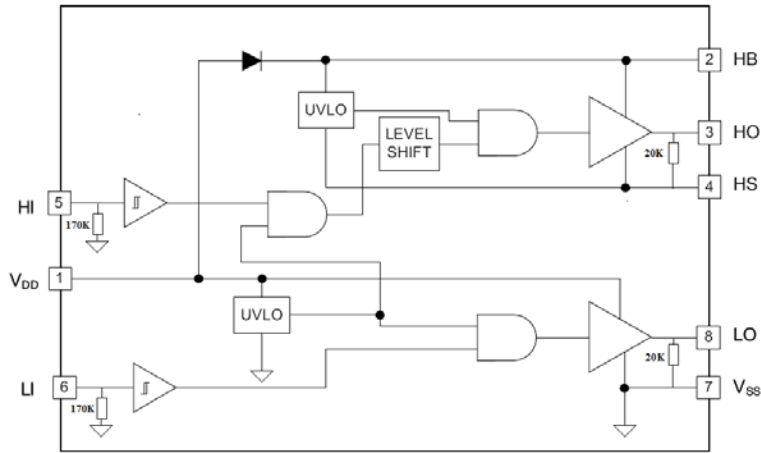


Figure 2. Internal Block Diagram

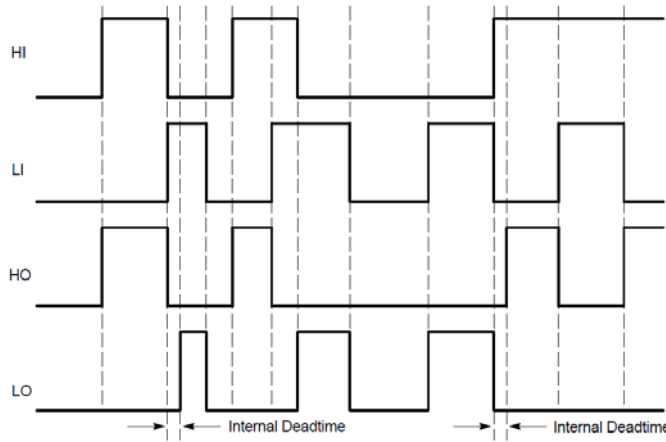


Figure 3. Timing Diagram

NOTE: The NCP81078 has a fixed internal dead-time of 135 ns.

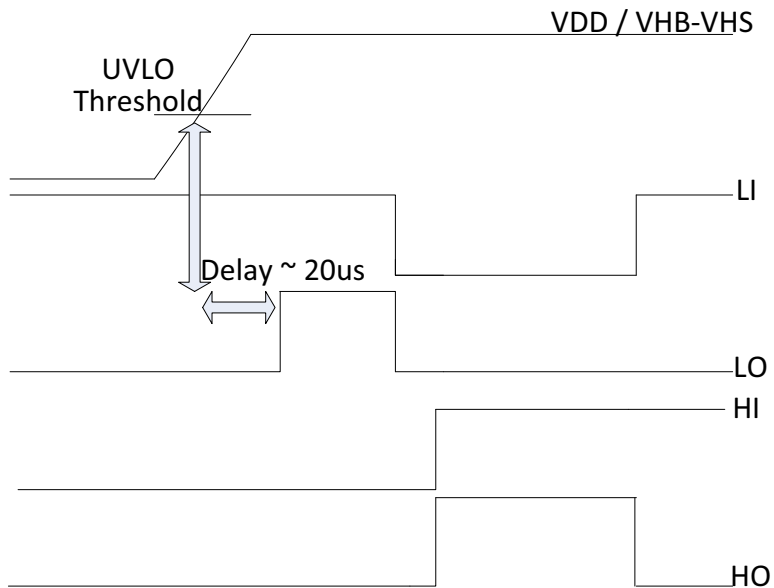


Figure 4. Output Logic at UVLO Crossing

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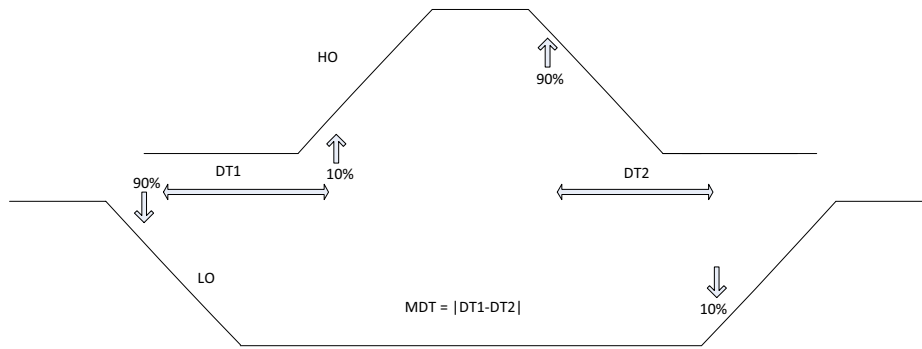


Figure 5. Dead-Time Matching

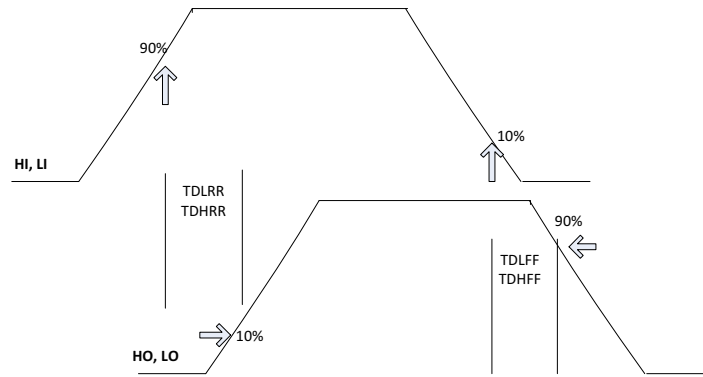


Figure 6. Propagation Delays

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

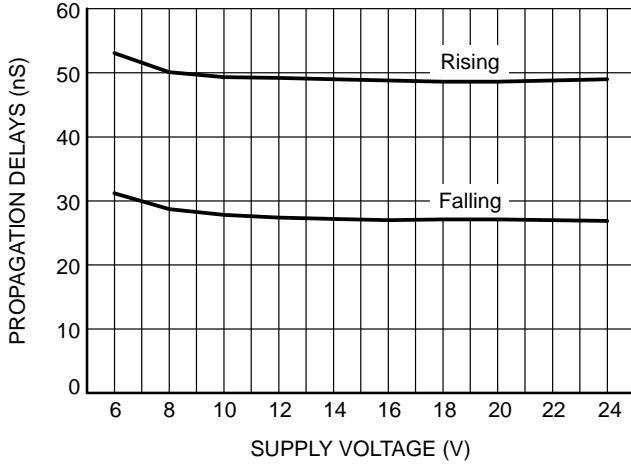


Figure 7. Propagation Delays vs. Supply Voltage

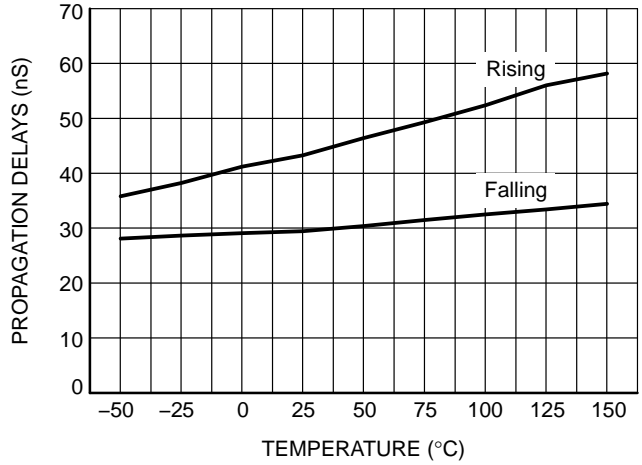


Figure 8. Propagation Delays vs. Temperature

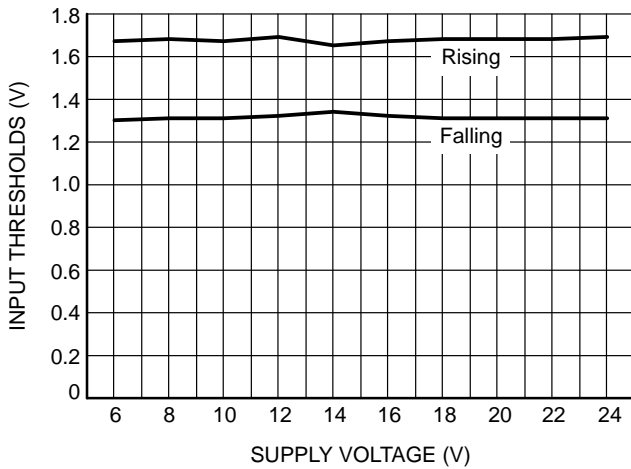


Figure 9. Input Thresholds vs. Supply Voltage

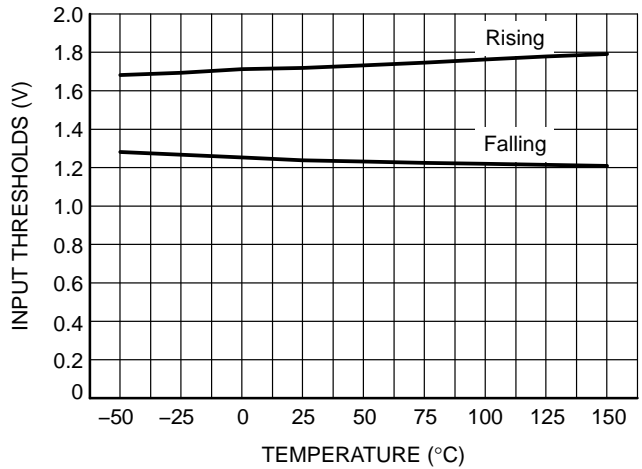


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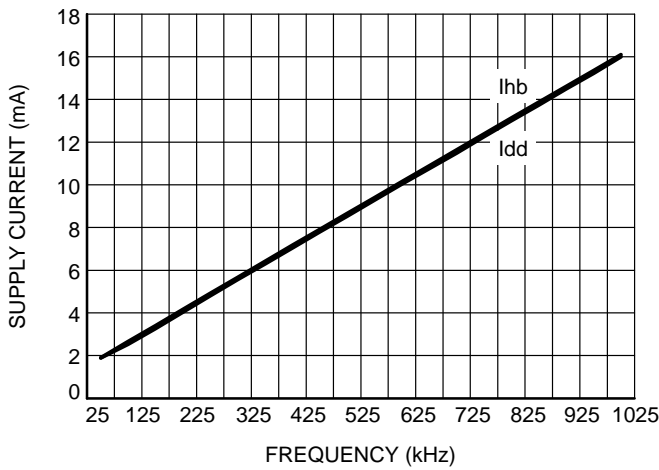


Figure 11. Supply Current vs. Frequency

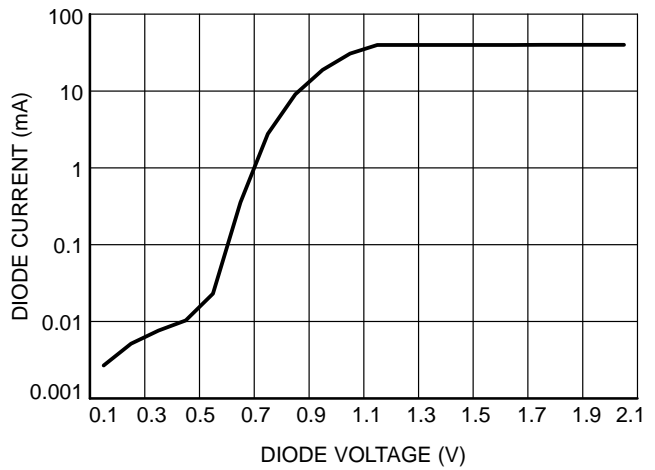


Figure 12. Diode Current vs. Diode Voltage

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

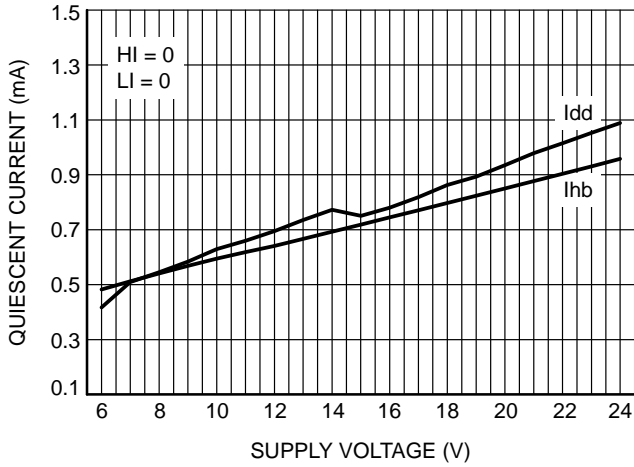


Figure 13. Quiescent Current vs. Supply Voltage

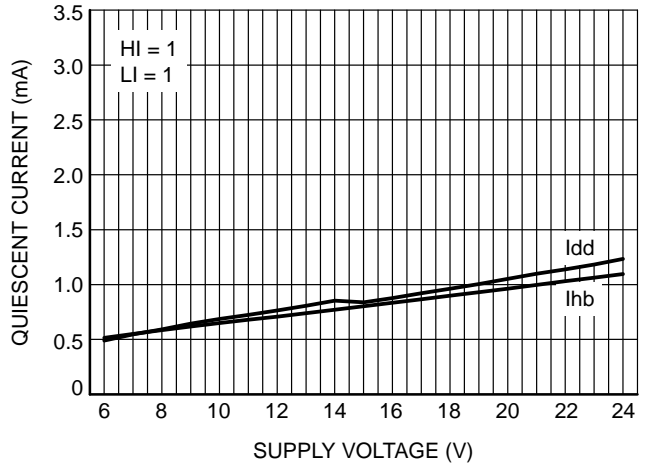


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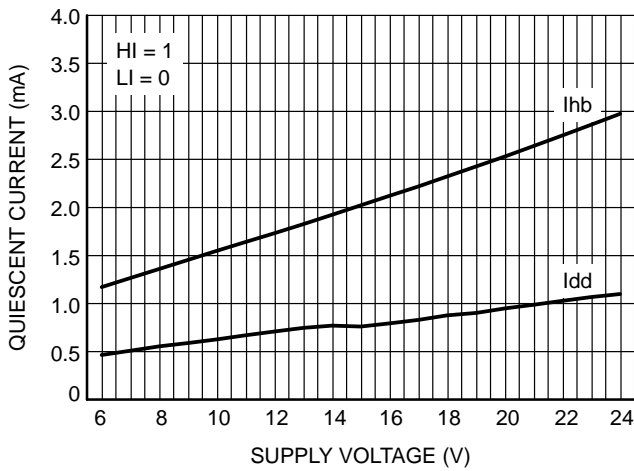


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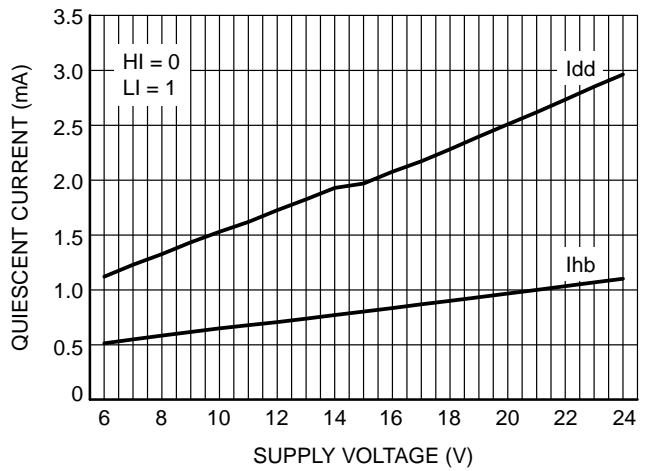


Figure 16. Quiescent Current vs. Supply Voltage



APPLICATION INFORMATION

The NCP81078 is a high performance dual MOSFET gate driver optimized to drive half bridge N-Channel MOSFETs. A high and a Low input signals are all that is required to properly drive the power stage. The input signals are independently controlled and monitored by an anti-cross conduction circuit in order to prevent current shoot through. The NCP81078 has UVLO protections for the high-side and low-side drivers forcing the outputs low if the bias supplies drop below the specified UVLO thresholds. The NCP81078 also features an on-chip high voltage bootstrap diode which reduces the external component count. The NCP81078 has a fixed internal dead-time of 135 ns.

**Driver Supply Voltage**

As a general rule of thumb the local bypass should be 20 times the bootstrap capacitor. It is recommended to use a 4.7  $\mu\text{F}$  bypass capacitor on VDD to VSS. The bootstrap capacitor is recharged on a cycle by cycle basis through the bootstrap diode from the VDD bypass capacitor. The charging cycle involves bursts in peak currents that require careful considerations by keeping a tight layout and short loops to avoid reliability issues.

If for any reason the application requires the VDD voltage to discharge to ground at rapid rates ( $3 + V/\mu\text{s}$ ) the user is required to add an external diode between the supply voltage and the bypass capacitor.

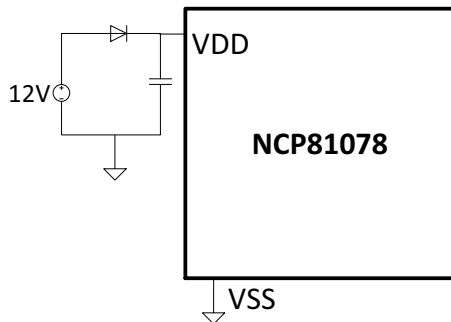


Figure 17. VDD Diode

**Low-Side Driver**

The low side driver is designed to drive low  $R_{\text{DS(ON)}}$  N-channel MOSFETs. The typical output resistances for the driver are 7.5 ohms for sourcing and 3.1 ohms for sinking gate current. The bias to the low side driver is internally connected to the VDD supply and VSS. When the driver is enabled, the driver’s output is in phase with LI. When the NCP81078 is disabled, the low side gate is held low.

**High-Side Driver**

The high side driver is designed to drive a floating low  $R_{\text{DS(ON)}}$  N-channel MOSFET. The output resistances for the driver are 7.1 ohms for sourcing and 3.1 ohms for sinking gate current. The bias voltage for the high side driver is realized by an external bootstrap supply circuit which is connected between the HB and HS Pins.

The peak diode current that the part can handle is 4 A. It is required to add an external limiting resistor in series with the bootstrap capacitor to prevent damaging the internal diode.

At power-up, the HS Pin is at ground, the bootstrap capacitor will charge up to VDD through the internal diode. The designer must factor in at least 3 time constants (RC) plus the internal UVLO delays (20  $\mu\text{s}$  typical) before the output can react to a logic input (Refer to Figure 4). If for any reason the voltage across the bootstrap capacitor drops below UVLO, it is required to charge the capacitor back up to VDD while accounting for 3 time constants and the 20  $\mu\text{s}$  UVLO delay before the High-Side channel can react to an HI input.

When the HI pin goes high, the high side driver will begin to turn the high side MOSFET ON by pulling charge out of the bootstrap capacitor. As the external MOSFET turns ON, the HS Pin will rise up to  $V_{\text{IN}}$ , forcing the HB Pin to  $V_{\text{IN}} + V_{\text{BstCap}}$  which is enough gate to source voltage to hold the switch On. To complete the cycle, the MOSFET is switched OFF by pulling the gate down to the voltage at the HS Pin. When the low side MOSFET turns On, the HS Pin is pulled to ground. This allows the bootstrap capacitor to charge back up to VDD. The high-side driver’s output is in phase with the HI input. When the driver is disabled, the high side gate is held low.

Table 6. TYPICAL EXTERNAL CURRENT LIMITING RESISTOR VALUES

VDD (V)	Bootstrap Capacitor ( $\mu\text{F}$ )	External Resistor (ohms)
12	0.1	2.2
12	1	4.7
18	0.1	4.7

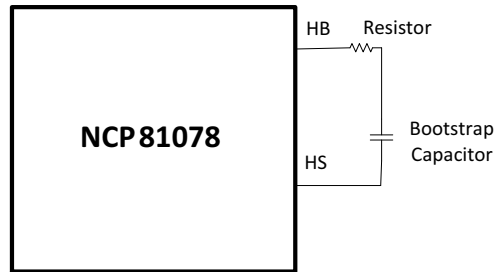


Figure 18. External Current Limiting Resistor

**UVLO (Under Voltage Lockout)**

The bias supplies of the high-side and low-side drivers have UVLO protection. The VDD UVLO disables both drivers when the VDD voltage crosses the specified threshold. The typical rising threshold is 4.4 V with 0.4 V hysteresis. The VHB UVLO disables only the high-side driver when the VHB to VHS is below the specified

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threshold. The typical VHB UVLO rising threshold is 4.4 V with 0.35 V hysteresis.

At power up, when the supply voltage ramps up to set VDD and crosses the UVLO thresholds, **users must take into account a 20  $\mu$ s delay** before the output drivers can react to a logic input. The 20  $\mu$ s delay applies to both High-side and Low-side drivers. Figure 4 only shows the delay for the low-side channel.

### Input Stage

The input stage of the NCP81078 is TTL compatible. The logic rising threshold level is 2.0 V and the logic falling threshold is 0.8 V.

### Cross-Conduction Protection

The NCP81078's inputs HI & LI are controlled independently. In order to prevent the power stage MOSFETs from turning on at the same time an internal logic circuit is implemented to monitor the state of HI & LI. If both

input signals are high at the same time, the output signals HO & LO are forced low. (See Timing Diagram)

### UVLO Crossing

When VDD & VHB cross their respective UVLO thresholds if HI and LI were already set the NCP81078 will keep HO pulled Low until it detects a rising edge on HI, however LO will follow LI allowing the Low-Side FET to turn on. (Refer to Figure 4)

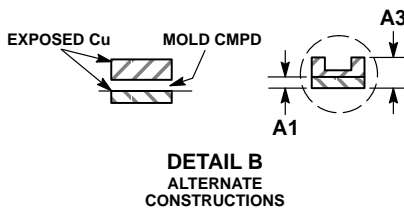
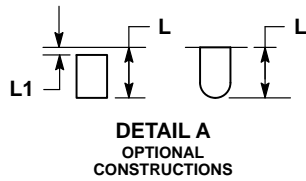
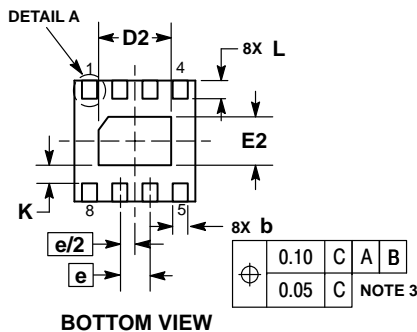
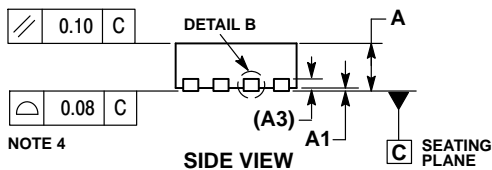
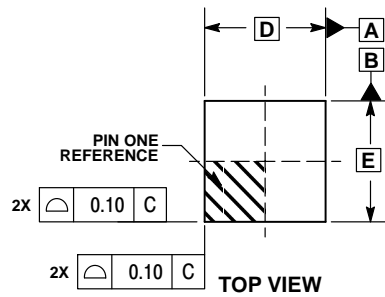
### Layout Guidelines

Gate drivers experience high di/dt during the switching transitions. So, the inductance at the gate drive traces must be minimized to avoid excessive ringing on the switch node. Gate drive traces should be kept as short and wide (>20 mil) as practical. The input capacitor must be placed as close as possible to the IC. Connect the VSS pin of the NCP81078 as close as possible to the source of the lower MOSFET. The use of vias is highly desirable to maximize thermal conduction away from driver.

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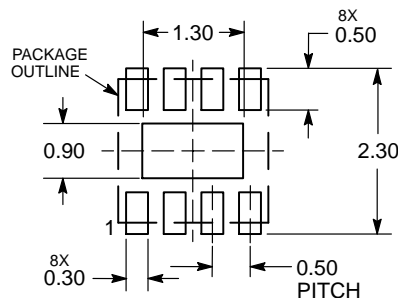


NOTES:

1. DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING PER ASME Y14.5M, 1994.
2. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: MILLIMETERS.
3. DIMENSION b APPLIES TO PLATED TERMINAL AND IS MEASURED BETWEEN 0.15 AND 0.20 MM FROM TERMINAL TIP.
4. COPLANARITY APPLIES TO THE EXPOSED PAD AS WELL AS THE TERMINALS.

DIM	MILLIMETERS	
	MIN	MAX
A	0.80	1.00
A1	0.00	0.05
A3	0.20	REF
b	0.20	0.30
D	2.00	BSC
D2	1.10	1.30
E	2.00	BSC
E2	0.70	0.90
e	0.50	BSC
K	0.30	REF
L	0.25	0.35
L1	---	0.10

### RECOMMENDED SOLDERING FOOTPRINT\*



DIMENSIONS: MILLIMETERS

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