TPS54295 Dual Channel SWIFT™ Evaluation Module

This user's guide contains information for the TPS54295EVM evaluation module as well as for the TPS54295. Included are the performance specifications, schematic, and the bill of materials of the TPS54295EVM.

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1 Introduction

The TPS54295 is a dual, adaptive on-time, D-CAP2™-mode, synchronous buck converter requiring a low, external component count. The D-CAP2™ control circuit is optimized for low-ESR output capacitors such as POSCAP, SP-CAP, or ceramic types and features fast transient response with no external compensation. The switching frequency is internally set at a nominal of 700 kHz. The high-side and low-side switching MOSFETs are incorporated inside the TPS54295 package along with the gate drive circuitry. The low, drain-to-source on-resistance of the MOSFETs allows the TPS54295 to achieve high efficiencies and helps keep the junction temperature low at high-output currents. The TPS54295 also features auto-skip Eco-mode™ operation for improved light-load efficiency. The TPS54295 dual DC/DC synchronous converter is designed to provide up to 2 times 2 A output from an input voltage source of 4.5 V to 18 V. The output voltage range is from 0.76 V to 7 V. Rated input voltage and output current range for the evaluation module are given in Table 1.

The TPS54295EVM evaluation module is a dual, synchronous buck converter providing 1.2 V and 3.3 V at 2 A from 4.5 V to 18 V input. This user's guide describes the TPS54295EVM performance.

NOTE: Throughout the document, x means 1 or 2, e.g., VFBx means VFB1 or VFB2.

Table 1. Input Voltage and Output Current Summary

EVM	Input Voltage Range	Output Current Range for both outputs
TPS54295EVM	V_{INx} = 4.5 V to 18 V	0 A to 2 A

2 Performance Specification Summary

A summary of the TPS54295EVM performance specifications is provided in Table 2. Specifications are given for an input voltage of V_{INx} = 12 V and an output voltage of 1.2 V and 3.3 V, unless otherwise noted. The ambient temperature is 25°C for all measurement, unless otherwise noted.

Table 2. TPS54295EVM Performance Specifications Summary

Specifications		Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input voltage range (V_{INx})			4.5	12	18	V
Output voltages	V_{OUT1}			1.2		V
	V_{OUT2}			3.3		
Operating frequency		V_{INx} = 12 V, I_{OUTx} = 1 A		700		kHz
Output current range			0		2	A
Line regulation, V_{OUT1}		I_{OUTx} = 1 A, V_{INx}= 4.5 V to 18 V		0.040		%/V
Line regulation, V_{OUT2}		I_{OUTx} = 1 A, V_{INx}= 5 V to 18 V		0.049		%/V
Load regulation, V_{OUT1}		V_{INx} = 12 V, I_{OUTx} = 0 A to 2 A		0.375		%/A
Load regulation, V_{OUT2}		V_{INx} = 12 V, I_{OUTx} = 0 A to 2 A		0.167		%/A
Over current limit, V_{OUTx}		V_{INx} = 12 V, L_x = 2.2 µH		4		A
Output ripple voltage, V_{OUTx}		V_{INx} = 12 V, I_{OUTx} = 2 A		15		mV_{PP}
Maximum efficiency, V_{OUT1}		V_{INx} = 5 V, I_{OUTx}= 0.4 A		88.1		%
Maximum efficiency, V_{OUT2}		V_{INx} = 5 V, I_{OUTx}= 0.3 A		95.1		%

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3 Modifications

This evaluation module is designed to provide access to the features of the TPS54295. Some modifications can be made to this module.

3.1 Output Voltage Setpoint

To change the output voltages of the EVM, it is necessary to change the value of the top resistor of the feedback divider, R1 or R3. Please refer to the top assembly in Figure 24 to locate the resistors close to the output connectors. Changing the value of R1 or R3 can change the output voltage above 0.765 V. The value of R1 or R3 for a specific output voltage can be calculated using Equation 1.

For output voltage from 0.76 V to 7 V:

$$V_{OUT1} = 0.765\ V \times \left(1 + \frac{R1}{R2}\right);\ V_{OUT2} = 0.765\ V \times \left(1 + \frac{R3}{R4}\right) \quad (1)$$

Table 3 lists the R1 or R3 values for some common output voltages. For output voltages of 1.8 V or above, a feedforward capacitor (C21 or C20) may be required to improve the phase margin. Pads for this component (C21 or C20) are provided on the printed-circuit board. Note that the resistor values given in Table 3 are standard values and not the exact values calculated using Equation 1.

Table 3. Output Voltages

Output Voltage (V)	R1, R3 (kΩ)	R2, R4 (kΩ)	C21, C20 (pF)	L1, L2 (µH)	C14. C15, C18 Total Capacitance, C16. C17, C19 Total Capacitance (µF)
1	6.81	22.1		1.0 - 1.5	22 - 68
1.05	8.25	22.1		1.0 - 1.5	22 - 68
1.2	12.7	22.1		1.0 - 1.5	22 - 68
1.5	21.5	22.1		1.5	22 - 68
1.8	30.1	22.1	5 - 22	1.5	22 - 68
2.5	49.9	22.1	5 - 22	2.2	22 - 68
3.3	73.2	22.1	5 - 22	2.2	22 - 68
5	124	22.1	5 - 22	3.3	22 - 68

3.2 Output Filter and Closed-Loop Response

The TPS54295 relies on the output filter characteristics to ensure stability of the control loop. The recommended output filter components for common output voltages are given in Table 3. It may be possible for other output filter component values to provide acceptable closed-loop characteristics. R11 and R12 are provided for convenience in breaking the control loop and measuring the closed-loop response.

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4 Test Setup and Results

This section describes how to properly connect, set up, and use the TPS54295EVM. The section also includes test results typical for the evaluation modules and efficiency, output load regulation, output line regulation, load transient response, output voltage ripple, input voltage ripple, start-up, and switching frequency.

4.1 Input/Output Connections

The TPS54295EVM is provided with input/output connectors and test points as shown in Table 4. A power supply capable of supplying 4 A must be connected to J1 through a pair of 20 AWG wires. The loads must be connected to J3 and/or J2 through a pair of 20 AWG wires. The maximum load current capability is 2 times 2 A. Wire lengths must be minimized to reduce losses in the wires. Test point TP1 provides a place to monitor the input voltage (V_{IN}) with TP7 providing a convenient ground reference. TP4 and TP3 are used to monitor the output voltages with TP5 and TP6 as the ground references.

Table 4. Connection and Test Points

Reference Designator	Function
J1	V_{IN} (see Table 1 for V_{IN} range)
J2	V_{OUT2}, 3.3 V at 2 A maximum
J3	V_{OUT1}, 1.2 V at 2 A maximum
J4	EN1 control. Connect EN1 to off to disable converter 1; connect EN1 to on to enable converter 1.
J5	EN2 control. Connect EN2 to off to disable converter 2; connect EN2 to on to enable converter 2.
JP1	Jumper to give the possibility to use another input voltage for converter 2.
TP1	V_{IN} test point at V_{IN} connector
TP2	V_{IN2} test point after JP1.
TP3	Output voltage test point for converter 2.
TP4	Output voltage test point for converter 1.
TP5, TP6, TP7	Ground test points at input and output connectors.
TP8	EN2 test point.
TP9	EN1 test point.
TP10	Switch node test point of converter 1.
TP11	Switch node test point of converter 2.
TP12	VREG5 test point.
TP13	SS1 test point.
TP14	SS2 test point.
TP15	Analog ground test point.

4.2 Start-Up Procedure

1. Ensure that the jumper at J4 and/or J5 (Enable control) are set from ENx to off.
2. Apply appropriate V_{IN} voltage to VIN and PGND terminals at J1.
3. Move the jumper at J4 and/or J5 (Enable control) to cover ENx and on. The EVM enables the according output voltage.

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4.3 Efficiency

4.3.1 Efficiency of Converter 1

Figure 1 shows the efficiency for the converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

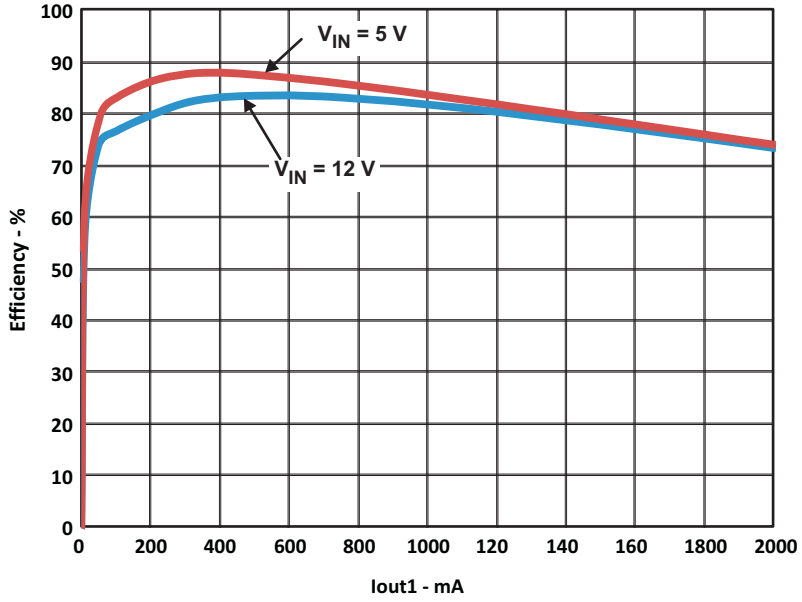


Figure 1. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Efficiency

4.3.2 Efficiency of Converter 2

Figure 2 shows the efficiency for the converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

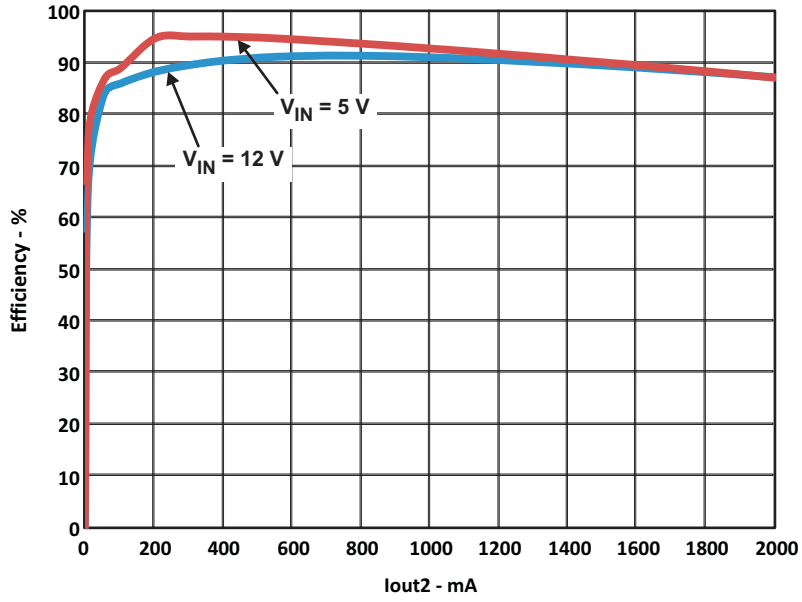


Figure 2. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Efficiency

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4.4 Load Regulation

4.4.1 Load Regulation of Converter 1

The load regulation for the converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 3 with the voltage axis set to 1.2V ± 1%. On the EVM, the load regulation of converter 1 is independent on the load of converter 2.

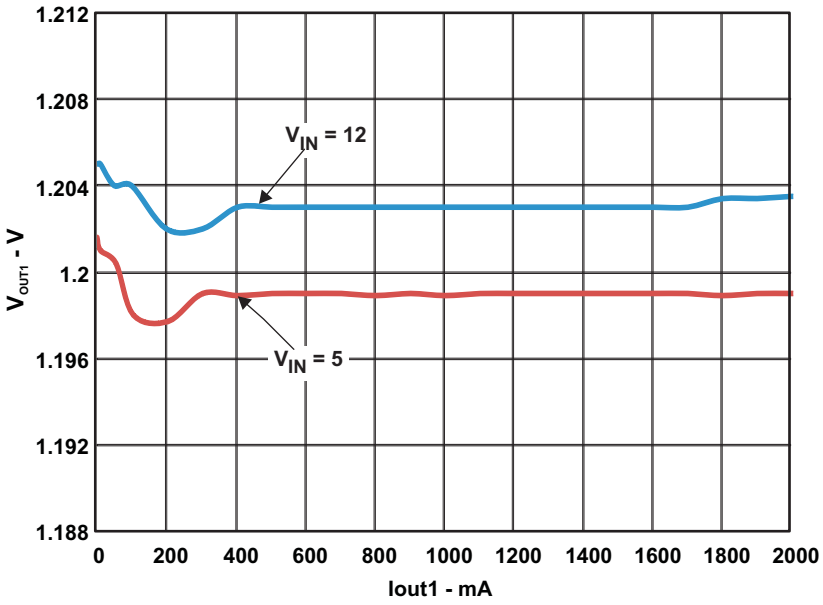


Figure 3. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Load Regulation

4.4.2 Load Regulation of Converter 2

The load regulation for the converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 4 with the voltage axis set to 3.3V ± 3%. For 5V input voltage, the converter 2 shows on the EVM some dependency on the load of converter 1.

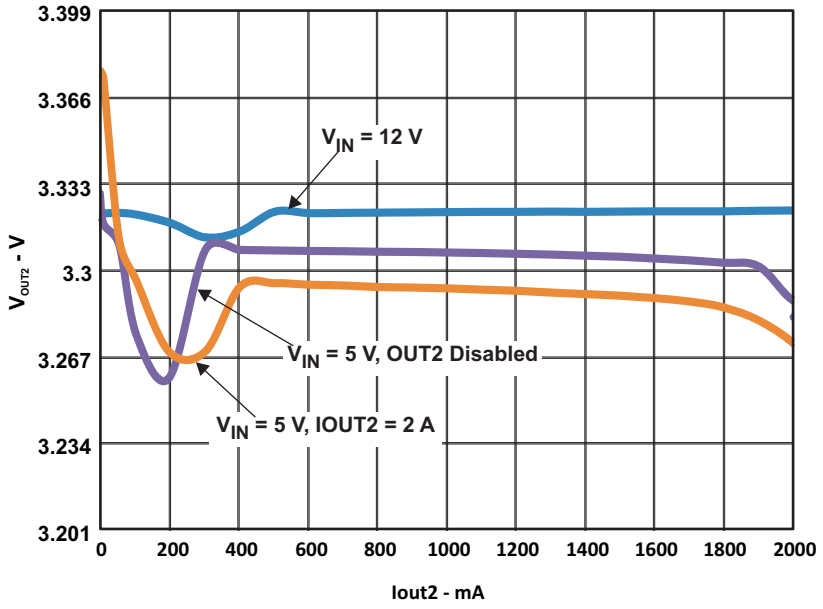


Figure 4. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Load Regulation

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4.5 Line Regulation

4.5.1 Line Regulation Converter 1

The line regulation of converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 5. The converter is well within 1% accuracy over the whole line and load ranges.

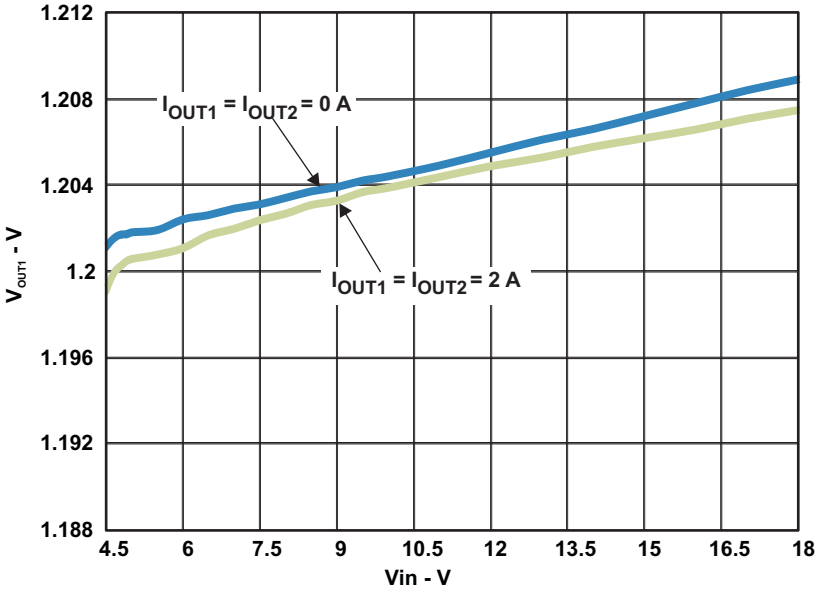


Figure 5. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Line Regulation

4.5.2 Line Regulation Converter 2

The line regulation of converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 6. On the EVM, for input voltages above 7V, the output voltage of converter 2 is well within 1% accuracy, at voltages below 7V, it is still within 5%.

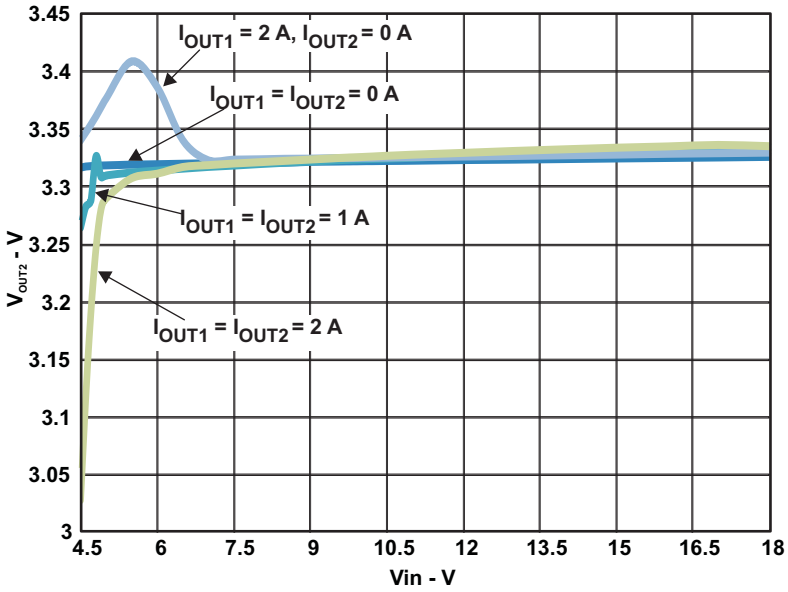


Figure 6. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Line Regulation

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4.6 Load Transient Response

4.6.1 Load Transient Response Converter 1

The response of converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM to a load transient is shown in Figure 7. The current step is from 0.25 A to 1.1 A. Total peak-to-peak voltage variation is as shown.

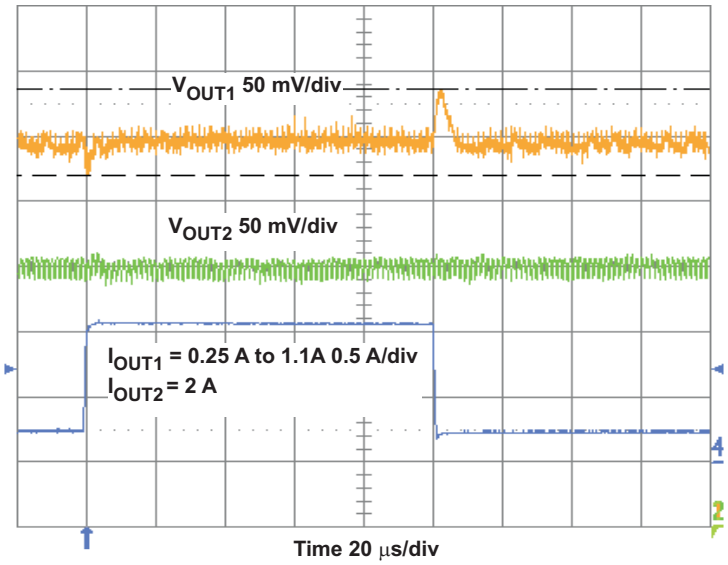


Figure 7. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Load Transient Response

4.6.2 Load Transient Response Converter 2

The response of converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM to a load transient is shown in Figure 8. The current step is from 0.5 A to 2 A. Total peak-to-peak voltage variation is as shown.

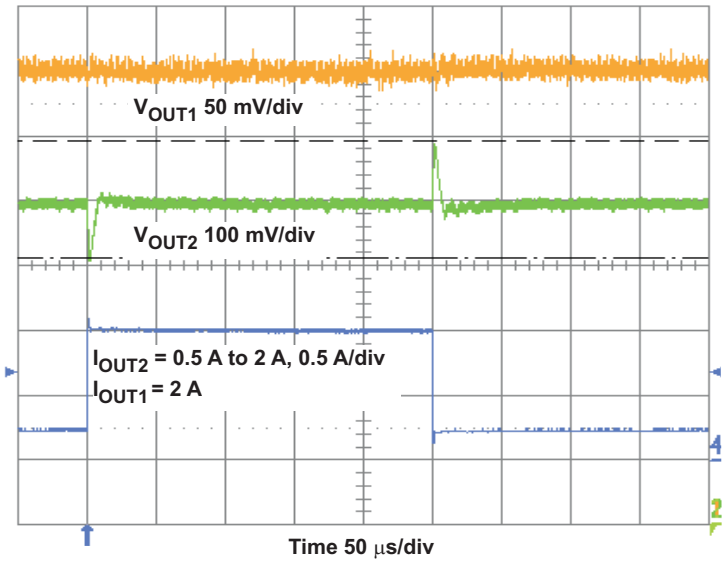


Figure 8. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Load Transient Response

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4.7 Output Voltage Ripple

4.7.1 Output Voltage Ripple Converter 1

The output voltage ripple of converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 9. The output current is the rated full load of 2 A.

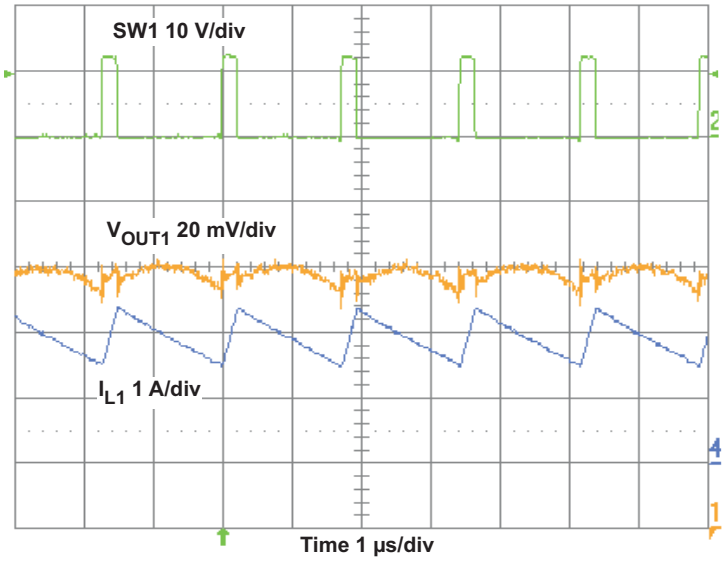


Figure 9. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Output Voltage Ripple

The output voltage ripple of converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM at the start of the Eco-mode™ operation is shown in Figure 10 . The output current is reduced to around 200 mA.

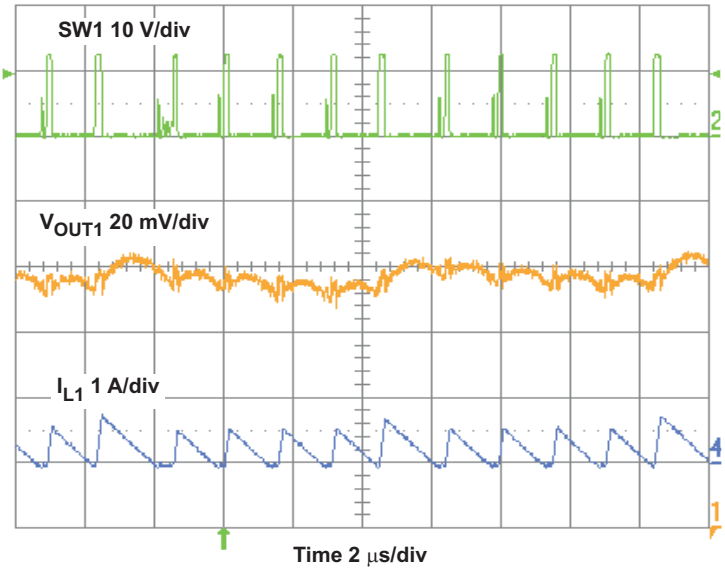


Figure 10. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Eco-mode™ Output Voltage Ripple

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The output voltage ripple of converter 1 on the TPS54295EVM during Eco-mode™ operation at no load is shown in Figure 11.

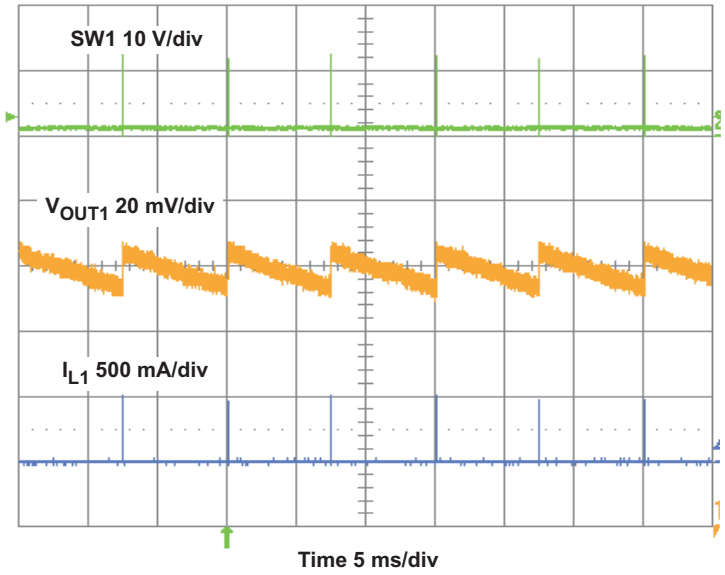


Figure 11. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Eco-mode™ Output Voltage Ripple at No Load

4.7.2 Output Voltage Ripple Converter 2

The output voltage ripple of converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 12. The output current is the rated full load of 2 A.

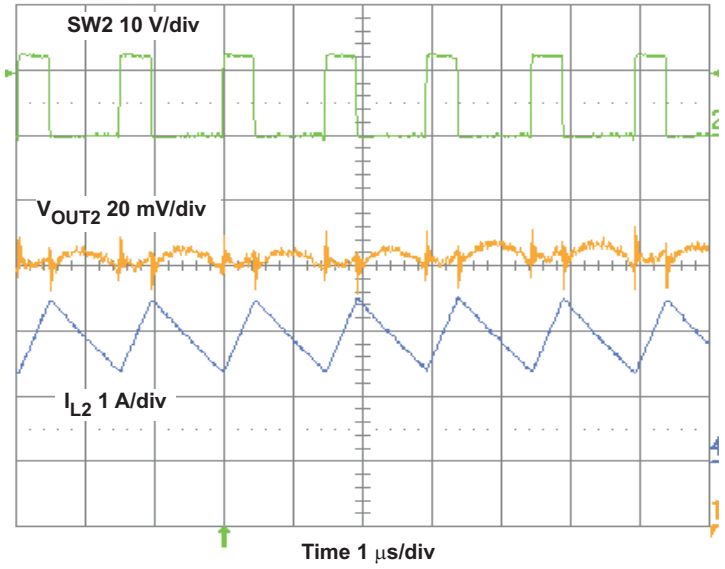


Figure 12. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Output Voltage Ripple

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The output voltage ripple of converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM at the start of the Eco-mode™ operation is shown in Figure 13 . The output current is reduced to around 200 mA.

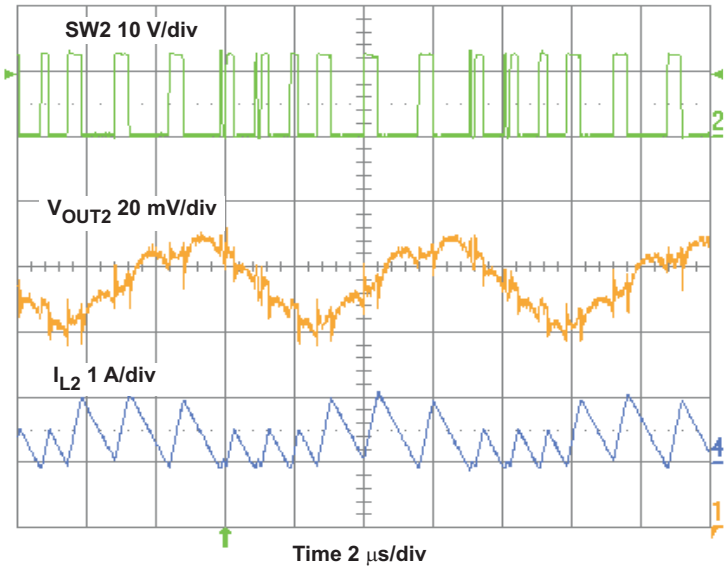


Figure 13. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Eco-mode™ Output Voltage Ripple

The output voltage ripple of converter 2 on the TPS54295EVM during Eco-mode™ operation at no load is shown in Figure 14.

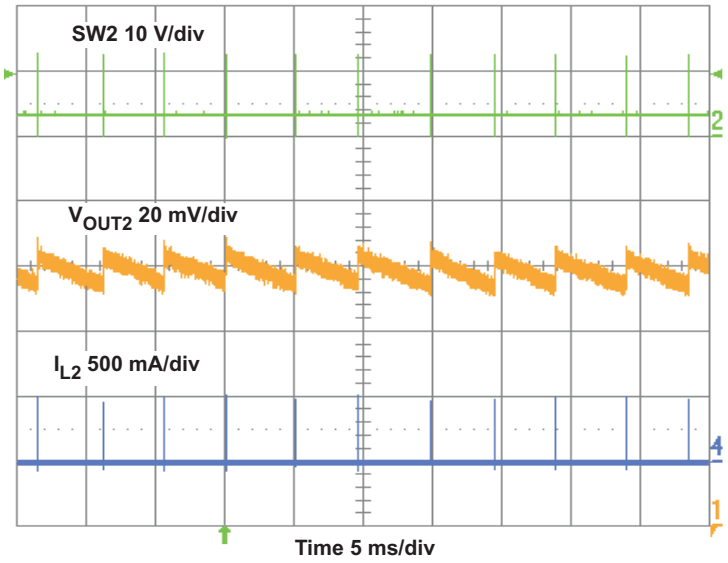


Figure 14. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Eco-mode™ Output Voltage Ripple at No Load

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4.8 Input Voltage Ripple

The TPS54295EVM input voltage ripple is shown in Figure 15. The output currents are the rated full load currents of 2 A.

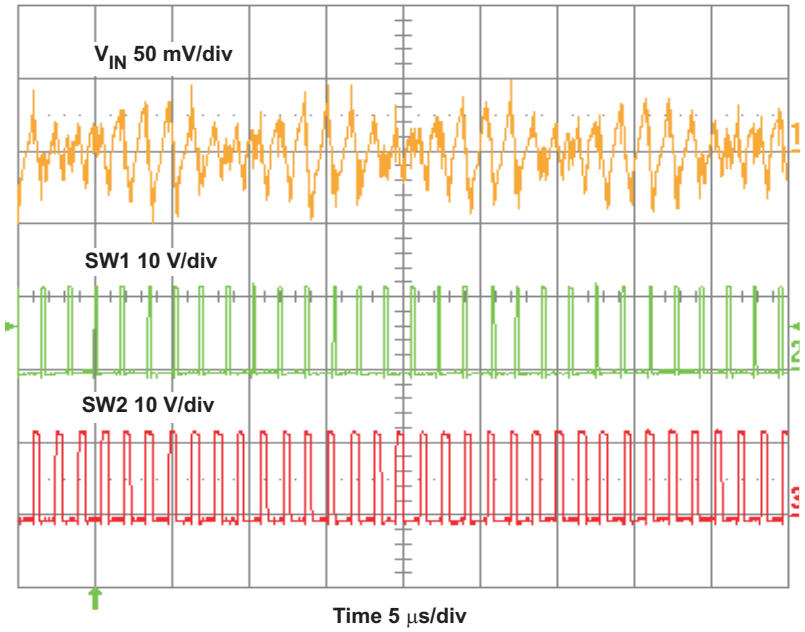


Figure 15. TPS54295EVM Input Voltage Ripple

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4.9 Start-Up and Shutdown

4.9.1 Start-Up and Shutdown Converter 1

The TPS54295EVM start-up waveform of converter 1 relative to V_{IN} is shown in Figure 16 and the shut-down waveform is shown in Figure 17.

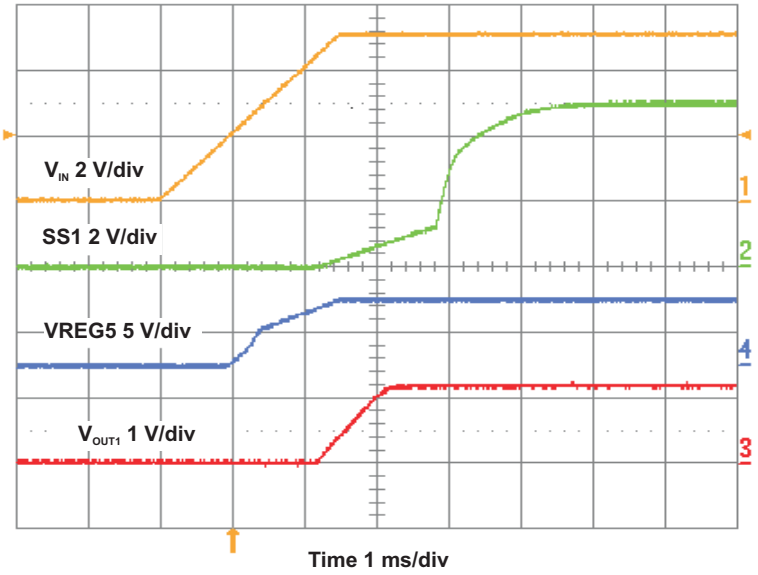


Figure 16. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Start-Up Relative to V_{IN}

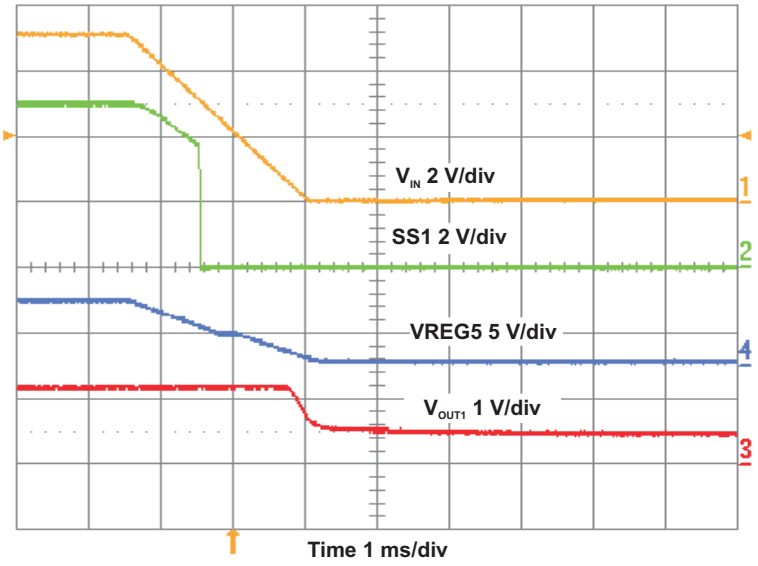


Figure 17. TPS54295EVM Converter 1 Shut-Down Relative to V_{IN}

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The TPS54295EVM start-up waveform of converter 1 relative to EN1 is shown in Figure 18 and the shut-down waveform is shown in Figure 19.

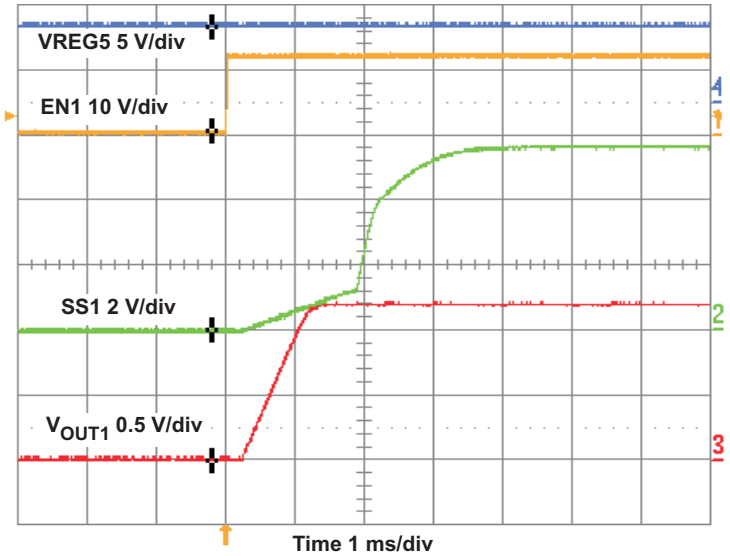


Figure 18. TPS54295EVM Start-Up Relative to EN1

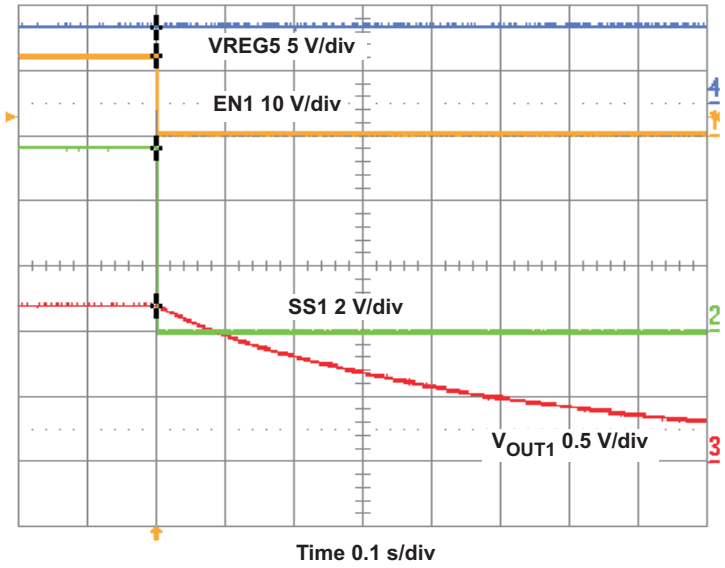


Figure 19. TPS54295EVM Shut-Down Relative to EN1

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4.9.2 Start-Up and Shutdown Converter 2

The TPS54295EVM start-up waveform of converter 2 relative to V_{IN} is shown in Figure 20 and the shut-down waveform is shown in Figure 21.

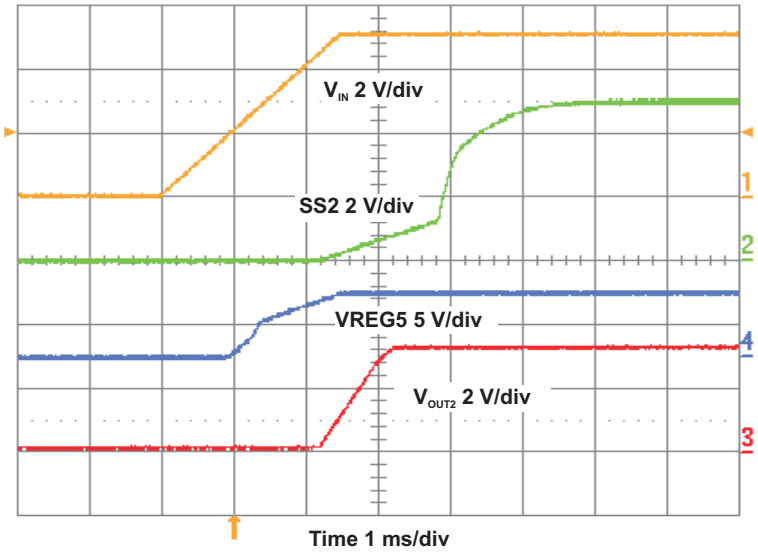


Figure 20. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Start-Up Relative to V_{IN}

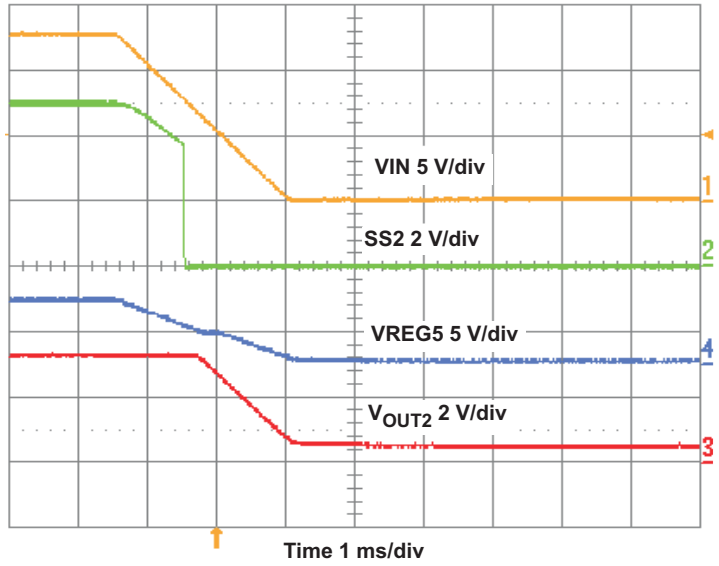


Figure 21. TPS54295EVM Converter 2 Shut-Down Relative to V_{IN}

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The TPS54295EVM start-up waveform of converter 2 relative to EN2 is shown in Figure 22 and the shut-down waveform is shown in Figure 23.

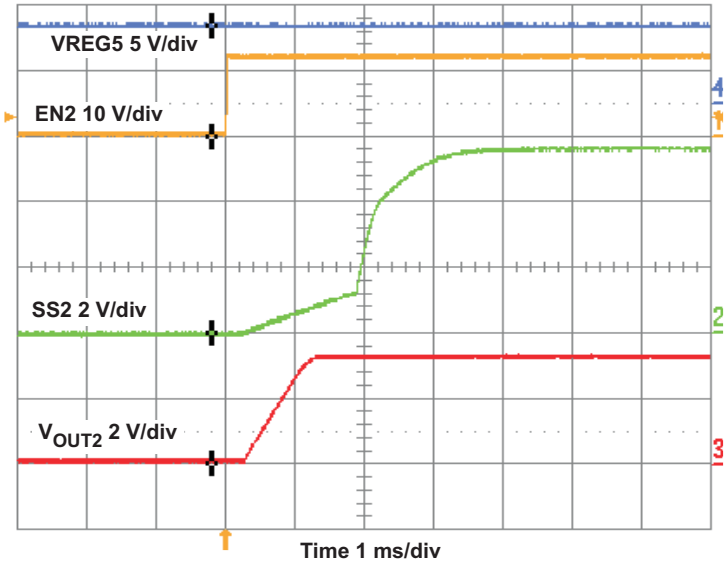


Figure 22. TPS54295EVM Start-Up Relative to EN2

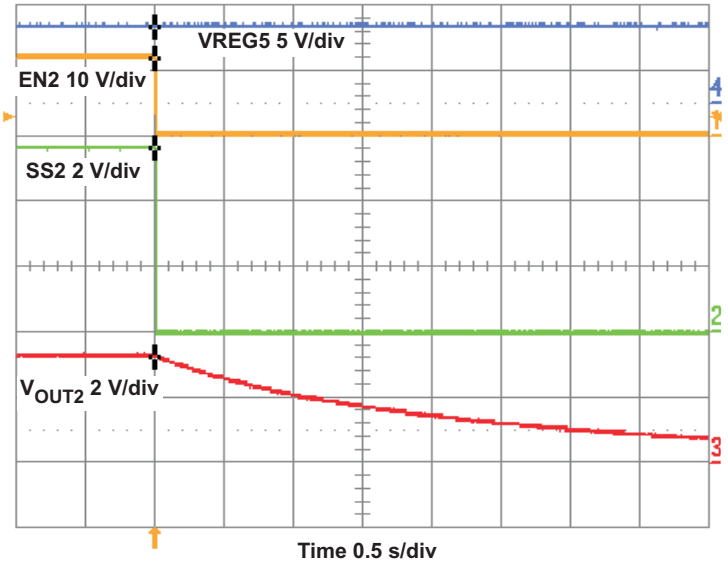


Figure 23. TPS54295EVM Shut-Down Relative to EN2

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5 Board Layout

This section provides a description of the TPS54295EVM, board layout, and layer illustrations.

5.1 Layout

The board layout for the TPS54295EVM is shown in Figure 24 through Figure 29. The top layer contains the main power traces for VIN and VOUTx. Also on the top layer are connections for the pins of the TPS54295 and a large area filled with ground. Many of the signal traces also are located on the top side. The input decoupling capacitors are located as close to the IC as possible. The input and output connectors, test points, and all of the assembled components are located on the top side. An analog ground (GND) area is provided on the top side. Analog ground (GND) and power ground (PGND) are connected at a single point on the top layer near the IC. The other layers are primarily power ground but the bottom layer has some traces to connect the test points for SSx and ENx.

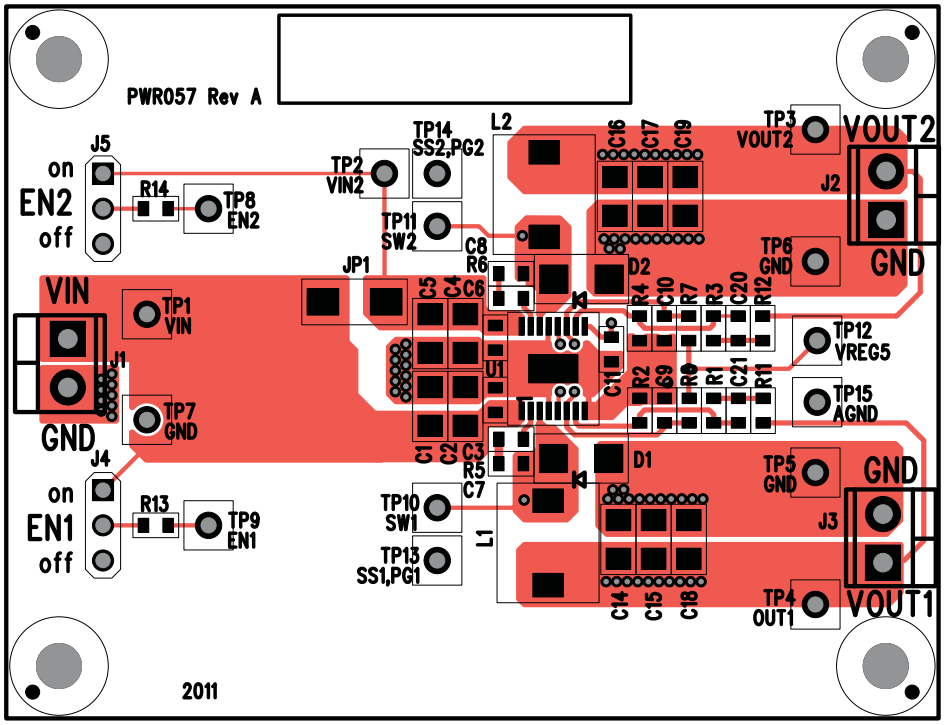


Figure 24. Top Assembly

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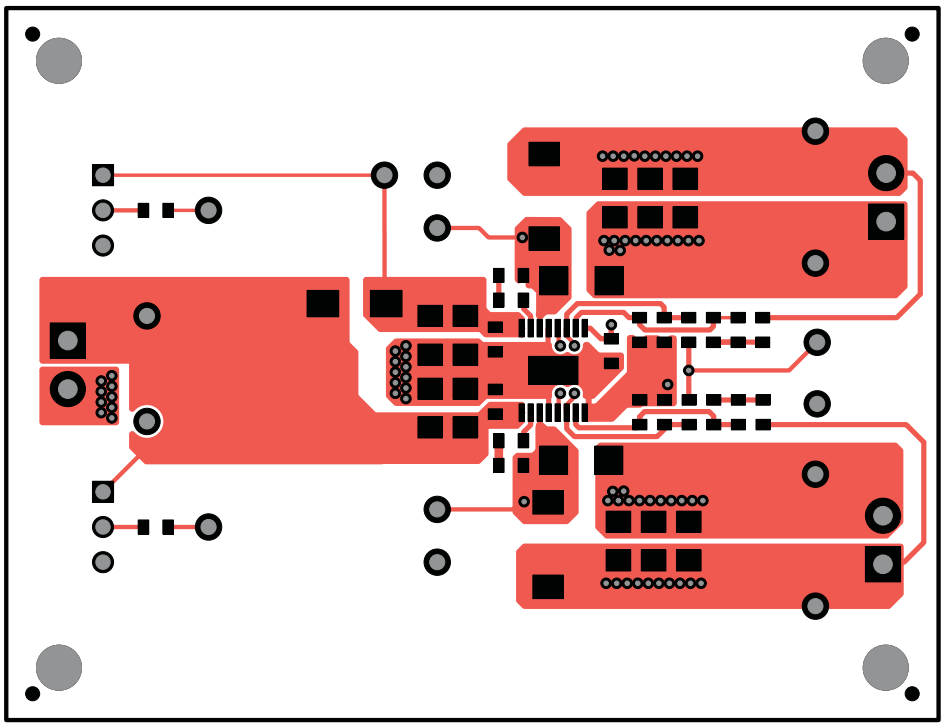


Figure 25. Top Layer

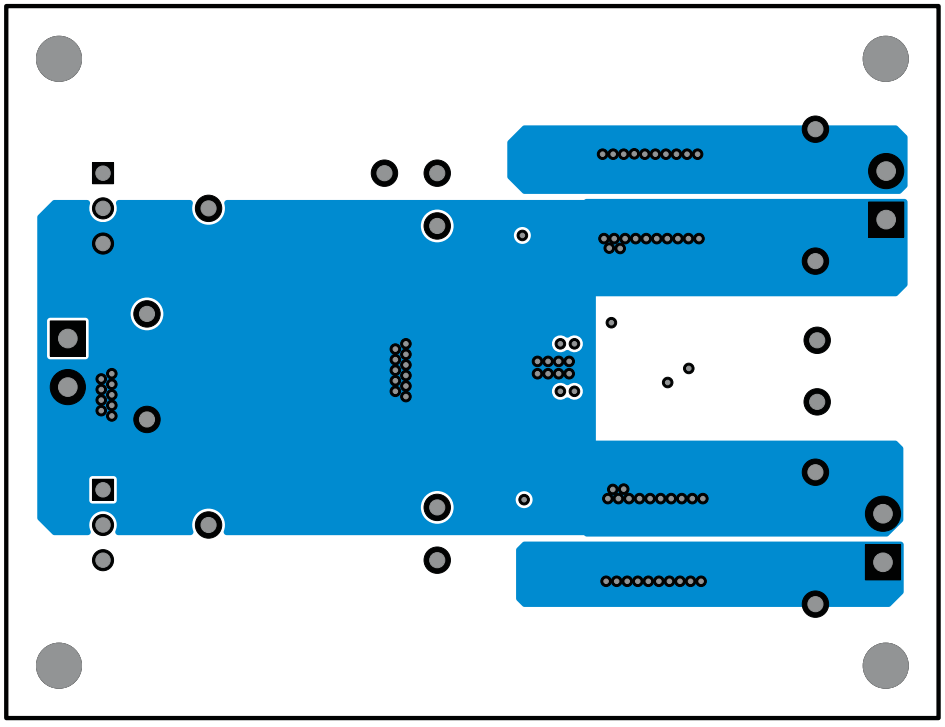


Figure 26. Internal 1 Layer

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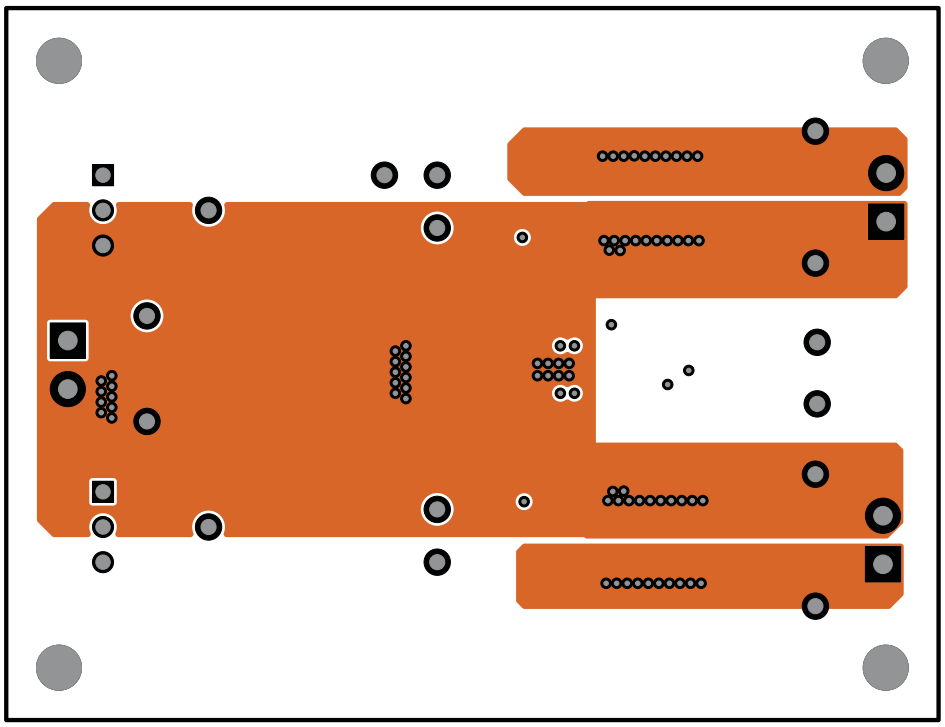


Figure 27. Internal 2 Layer

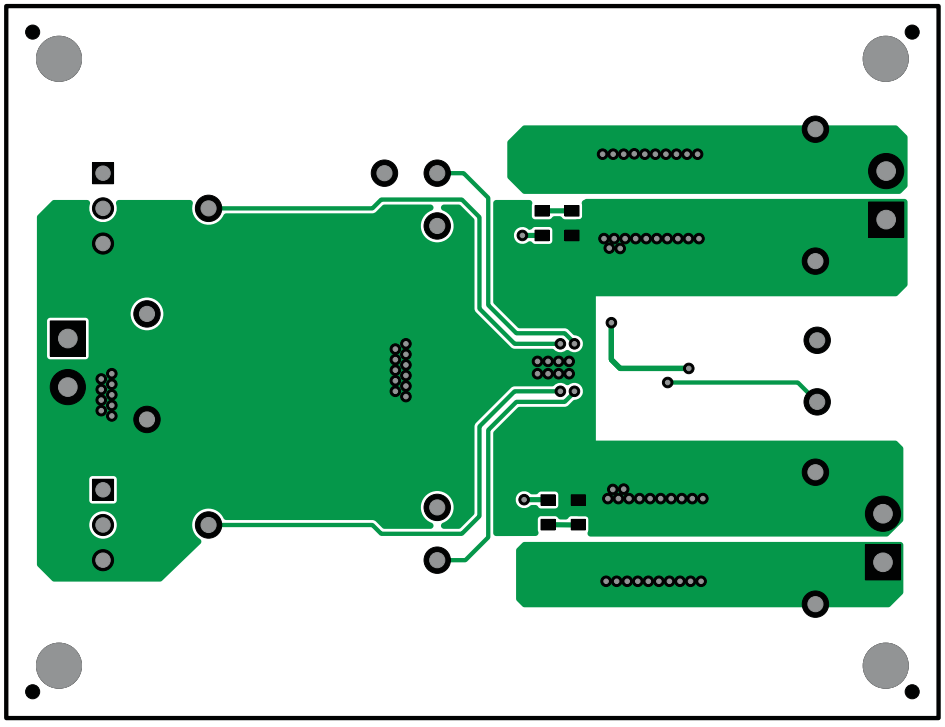


Figure 28. Bottom Layer

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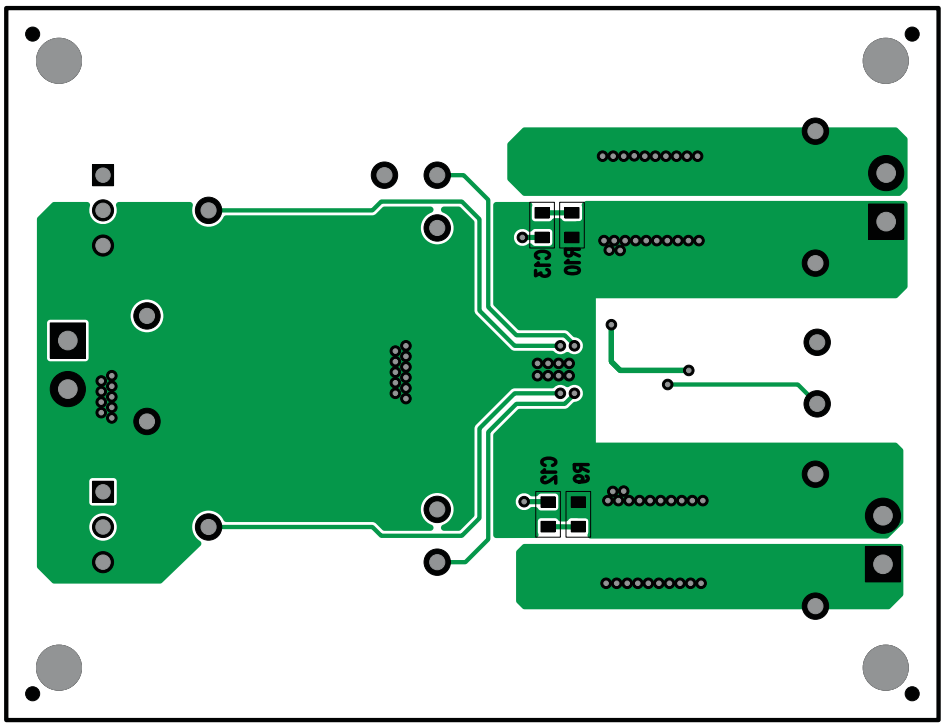


Figure 29. Bottom Assembly

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6 Schematic, Bill of Materials, and Reference

6.1 Schematic

Figure 30 is the schematic for the TPS54295EVM.

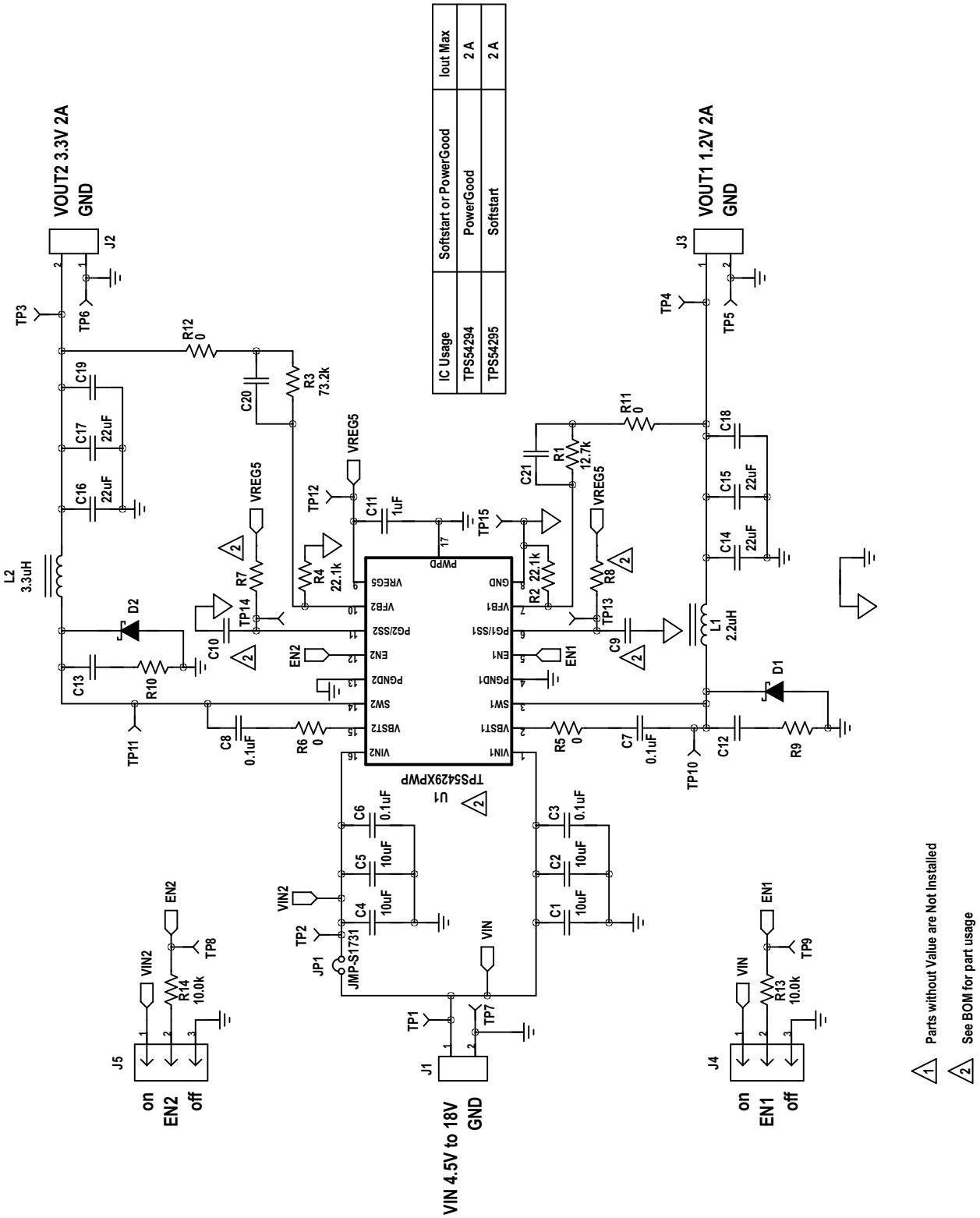


Figure 30. TPS54295EVM Schematic Diagram

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6.2 Bill of Materials

Table 5. Bill of Materials

Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	Manufacturer
1	C11	1uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 16V, X7R, 10%	0603	GRM188R71C105KA12	muRata
4	C1-2 C4-5	10uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 25V, X7R, 10%	1206	GRM31CR71E106KA12	muRata
0	C12-13	open	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%	0603	GRM188R71H104KA93	muRata
4	C14-17	22uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 6.3V, X7R, 10%	1206	GRM31CR70J226KE19	muRata
0	C18-19	open	Capacitor, Ceramic, 6.3V, X7R, 10%	1206		
0	C20-21	open	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%	0603	Std	Std
4	C3 C6-8	0.1uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%	00603	GRM188R71H104KA93	muRata
2	C9-10	10nF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%	0603	Std	Std
0	D1-2	open	Diode, Schottky	SMA	STD	STD
1	L1	2.2uH	Inductor, Power Line, Magnetic Shielded, ±30%, 4.3A	6.9x7.2 mm	CLF7045T-2R2N	TDK
1	L2	3.3uH	Inductor, Power Line, Magnetic Shielded, ±30%, 4.1A	6.9x7.2 mm	CLF7045T-3R3N	TDK
1	R1	12.7k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R11-12	0	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 5%	0603	STD	STD
2	R13-14	10.0k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R2 R4	22.1k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	R3	73.2k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R5-6	0	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
0	R7-8	100k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
0	R9-10	open	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	U1	TPS54295PWP	IC, 2A/2A, Dual Output Fully Synchronous Buck Converter W/ Integrated FET	TSSOP	TPS54295PWP	TI

C14-C19 must be replaced with capacitors which have a higher voltage rating when the output voltage is set above 4V.

6.3 Reference

1. *TPS54295, 2-A Dual Channel Synchronous Step-Down Switcher With Integrated FETs* data sheet (SLVSB01)

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