

4.5V to 18V Input, 3-A Synchronous Step-Down Converter with Eco-mode™

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FEATURES

- **D-CAP2™ Mode Enables Fast Transient Response**
- **Low Output Ripple and Allows Ceramic Output Capacitor**
- **Wide V_{CC} Input Voltage Range: 4.5 V to 18 V**
- **Wide V_{IN} Input Voltage Range: 2 V to 18 V**
- **Output Voltage Range: 0.76 V to 5.5 V**
- **Highly Efficient Integrated FET's Optimized for Lower Duty Cycle Applications**
- 120 m Ω (High Side) and 70 m Ω (Low Side)
- **High Efficiency, less than 10 μ A at Shutdown**
- **Auto-Skip Eco-mode™ for High Efficiency at Light Load**
- **High Initial Bandgap Reference Accuracy**
- **Adjustable Soft Start**
- **Pre-Biased Soft Start**
- **700-kHz Switching Frequency (f_{sw})**
- **Cycle-By-Cycle Overcurrent Limit**
- **Power Good Output**

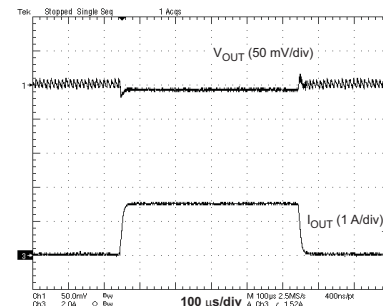
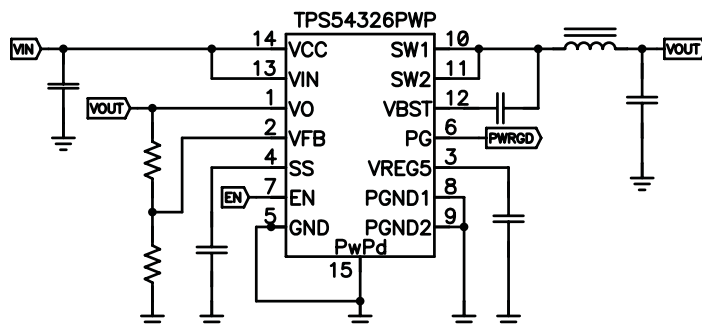
APPLICATIONS

- **Wide Range of Applications for Low Voltage System**
 - Digital TV Power Supply
 - High Definition Blu-ray Disc™ Players
 - Networking Home Terminal
 - Digital Set Top Box (STB)

DESCRIPTION

The TPS54326 is an adaptive on-time D-CAP2™ mode synchronous buck converter. The TPS54326 enables system designers to complete the suite of various end equipment's power bus regulators with a cost effective, low component count, low standby current solution. The main control loop for the TPS54326 uses the D-CAP2™ mode control which provides a fast transient response with no external components. The adoptive on-time control supports seamless operation between PWM mode at heavy load condition and reduced frequency Eco-mode™ operation at light load for high efficiency.

The TPS54326 also has a proprietary circuit that enables the device to adapt to both low equivalent series resistance (ESR) output capacitors, such as POSCAP or SP-CAP, and ultra-low ESR ceramic capacitors. The device operates from 4.5-V to 18-V V_{CC} input, and from 2-V to 18-V V_{IN} input power supply voltage. The output voltage can be programmed between 0.76 V and 5.5 V. The device also features an adjustable slow start time and a power good function. The TPS54326 is available in the 14 pin HTSSOP or 16 pin QFN package, and designed to operate from -40°C to 85°C .



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ORDERING INFORMATION⁽¹⁾

T _A	PACKAGE ⁽²⁾ (3)	ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	PIN	TRANSPORT MEDIA
–40°C to 85°C	PowerPAD™ (HTSSOP) – PWP	TPS54326PWP	14	Tube
		TPS54326PWPR		Tape and Reel
	Plastic Quad Flat Pack (QFN)	TPS54326RGTT	16	Tape and Reel
		TPS54326RGTR		Tape and Reel

- (1) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum at the end of this document, or see the TI web site at www.ti.com.
- (2) Package drawings, thermal data, and symbolization are available at www.ti.com/packaging.
- (3) All package options have Cu NIPDAU lead/ball finish.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) ⁽¹⁾

		VALUE	UNIT	
V _I	Input voltage range	V _{IN} , V _{CC} , EN	–0.3 to 20	V
		V _{BST}	–0.3 to 26	V
		V _{BST} (vs SW1, SW2)	–0.3 to 6.5	V
		V _{FB} , V _O , SS, PG	–0.3 to 6.5	V
		SW1, SW2	–2 to 20	V
		SW1, SW2 (10 ns transient)	–3 to 20	V
V _O	Output voltage range	V _{REG5}	–0.3 to 6.5	V
		P _{GND1} , P _{GND2}	–0.3 to 0.3	V
V _{diff}	Voltage from GND to POWERPAD		–0.2 to 0.2	V
ESD rating	Electrostatic discharge	Human Body Model (HBM)	2	kV
		Charged Device Model (CDM)	500	V
T _J	Operating junction temperature		–40 to 150	°C
T _{stg}	Storage temperature		–55 to 150	°C

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *absolute maximum ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *recommended operating conditions* is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

THERMAL INFORMATION

THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾		TPS54326	TPS54326	UNITS
		PWP	RGT	
		14 PINS	16 PINS	
θ _{JA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	55.6	46.1	°C/W
θ _{JCtop}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	51.3	58.1	
θ _{JB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	26.4	18.8	
ψ _{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	1.8	1.3	
ψ _{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	20.6	18.8	
θ _{JCbot}	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	4.3	4.8	

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](http://www.ti.com/lit/an/spra953).

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{CC}	Supply input voltage range		4.5	18	V
V _{IN}	Power input voltage range		2	18	V
V _I	Input voltage range	V _{BST}	–0.1	24	V
		V _{BST} (vs SW1, SW2)	–0.1	5.7	
		SS, PG	–0.1	5.7	
		EN	–0.1	18	
		V _O , V _{FB}	–0.1	5.5	
		SW1, SW2	–1.8	18	
		SW1, SW2 (10 ns transient)	–3	18	
		P _{GND1} , P _{GND2}	–0.1	0.1	
V _O	Output voltage range	V _{REG5}	–0.1	5.7	V
I _O	Output current range	I _{VREG5}	0	10	mA
T _A	Operating free-air temperature		–40	85	°C
T _J	Operating junction temperature		–40	125	°C

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

over operating free-air temperature range, V_{CC}, V_{IN} = 12V (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
SUPPLY CURRENT						
I _{VCC}	Operating - non-switching supply current	V _{CC} current, T _A = 25°C, EN = 5 V, V _{FB} = 0.8 V		850	1300	μA
I _{VCCSDN}	Shutdown supply current	V _{CC} current, T _A = 25°C, EN = 0 V		1.8	10	μA
LOGIC THRESHOLD						
V _{ENH}	EN high-level input voltage	EN	1.5			V
V _{ENL}	EN low-level input voltage	EN			0.4	V
V_{FB} VOLTAGE AND DISCHARGE RESISTANCE						
V _{FB}	Voltage light load mode	T _A = 25°C, V _O = 1.05 V, I _O = 10 mA		771		mV
V _{FB}	Threshold voltage, continuous mode	T _A = 25°C, V _O = 1.05 V	757	765	773	mV
		T _A = 0°C to 85°C, V _O = 1.05 V ⁽¹⁾	753		777	
		T _A = –40°C to 85°C, V _O = 1.05 V ⁽¹⁾	751		779	
I _{VFB}	Input current	V _{FB} = 0.8 V, T _A = 25°C		0	±0.1	μA
R _{Dischg}	V _O discharge resistance	EN = 0 V, V _O = 0.5 V, T _A = 25°C		50	100	Ω
V_{REG5} OUTPUT						
V _{VREG5}	Output voltage	T _A = 25°C, 6 V < V _{CC} < 18 V, 0 < I _{VREG5} < 5 mA	5.3	5.5	5.7	V
V _{LN5}	Line regulation	6 V < V _{CC} < 18 V, I _{VREG5} = 5 mA			20	mV
V _{LD5}	Load regulation	0 mA < I _{VREG5} < 5 mA			100	mV
I _{VREG5}	Output current	V _{CC} = 6 V, V _{REG5} = 4 V, T _A = 25°C		70		mA
MOSFET						
R _{DS(on)h}	High side switch resistance	25°C, V _{BST} - SW1, SW2 = 5.5 V		120		mΩ
R _{DS(on)l}	Low side switch resistance	25°C		70		mΩ
CURRENT LIMIT						
I _{ocl}	Current limit	L _{OUT} = 1.5μH ⁽¹⁾	3.5	4.1	5.5	A
THERMAL SHUTDOWN						
T _{SDN}	Thermal shutdown threshold	Shutdown temperature ⁽¹⁾		150		°C
		Hysteresis ⁽¹⁾		25		

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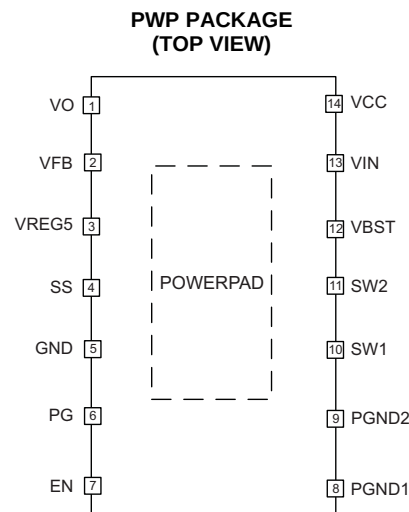
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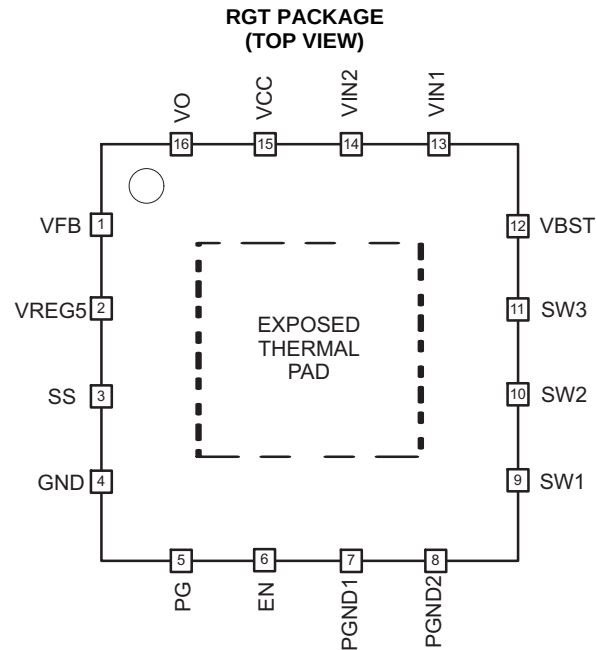
ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

over operating free-air temperature range, V_{CC} , $V_{IN} = 12V$ (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
ON-TIME TIMER CONTROL						
t_{ON}	On time	$V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_O = 1.05V$		145		ns
$t_{OFF(MIN)}$	Minimum off time	$T_A = 25^\circ C$, $V_{FB} = 0.7V$		260	310	ns
SOFT START						
I_{SSC}	SS charge current	$V_{SS} = 0V$	1.4	2	2.6	μA
I_{SSD}	SS discharge current	$V_{SS} = 0.5V$	0.1	0.2		mA
POWER GOOD						
V_{THPG}	Threshold	V_{FB} rising (good)	85	90	95	%
		V_{FB} falling (fault)		85		
I_{PG}	Sink current	$PG = 0.5V$	2.5	5		mA
OUTPUT UNDERVOLTAGE AND OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION						
V_{OVP}	Output OVP trip threshold	OVP detect	115	120	125	%
t_{OVPDEL}	Output OVP prop delay			5		μs
V_{UVP}	Output UVP trip threshold	UVP detect	65	70	75	%
		Hysteresis		10		
t_{UVPDEL}	Output UVP delay			0.25		ms
t_{UVPEN}	Output UVP enable delay	Relative to soft-start time		x 1.7		
UVLO						
UVLO	Threshold	Wake up V_{REG5} voltage	3.55	3.8	4.05	V
		Hysteresis V_{REG5} voltage	0.23	0.35	0.47	

DEVICE INFORMATION

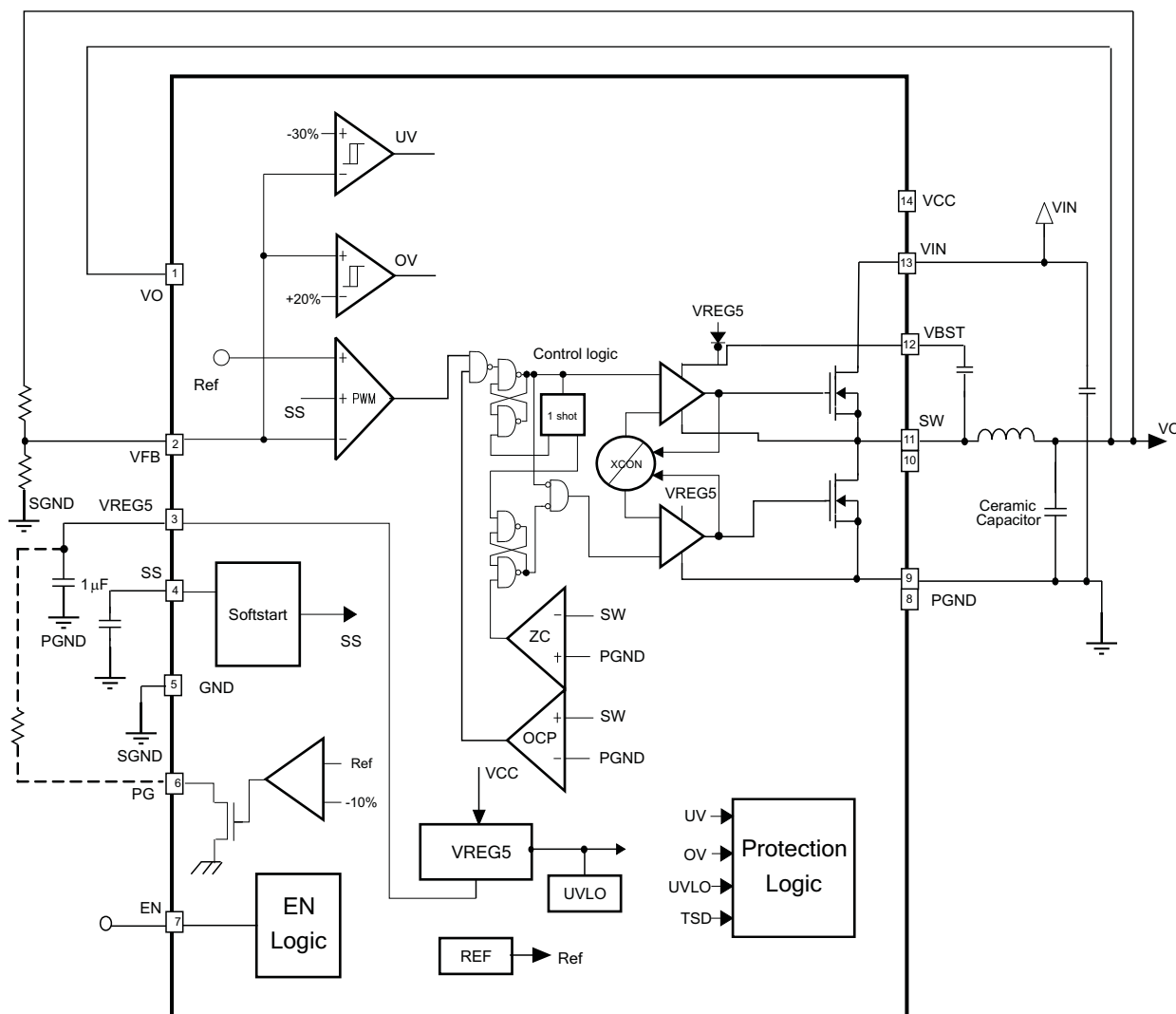




PIN FUNCTIONS

PIN			DESCRIPTION
NAME	PWP 14	RGT 16	
VO	1	16	Connect to output of converter. This pin is used for On-Time Adjustment.
VFB	2	1	Converter feedback input. Connect with feedback resistor divider.
VREG5	3	2	5.5 V power supply output. A capacitor (typical 1 μ F) should be connected to GND.
SS	4	3	Soft-start control. A external capacitor should be connected to GND.
GND	5	4	Signal ground pin
PG	6	5	Open drain power good output
EN	7	6	Enable control input
PGND1, PGND2	8, 9	7, 8	Ground returns for low-side MOSFET. Also serve as inputs of current comparators. Connect PGND and GND strongly together near the IC.
SW1, SW2	10, 11	9, 10, 11	Switch node connection between high-side NFET and low-side NFET. Also serve as inputs to current comparators.
VBST	12	12	Supply input for high-side NFET gate driver (boost terminal). Connect capacitor from this pin to respective SW1, SW2 terminals. An internal PN diode is connected between VREG5 to VBST pin.
VIN	13	13, 14	Power input and connected to high side NFET drain
VCC	14	15	Supply input for 5 V internal linear regulator for the control circuitry
Exposed Thermal Pad or PowerPAD™	Back side	Back side	Thermal pad of the package. Must be soldered to achieve appropriate dissipation. Should be connected to PGND.

Functional Block Diagram



A. Block diagram shown is for PWP 14 pin package. QFN 16 pin package block diagram is identical except for pin out.

OVERVIEW

The TPS54326 is a 3-A synchronous step-down (buck) converter with two integrated N-channel MOSFETs and Auto-Skip Eco-Mode™ to improve light load efficiency. It operates using D-CAP2™ mode control. The fast transient response of D-CAP2™ control reduces the output capacitance required to meet a specific level of performance. Proprietary internal circuitry allows the use of low ESR output capacitors including ceramic and special polymer types.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

PWM Operation

The main control loop of the TPS54326 is an adaptive on-time pulse width modulation (PWM) controller that supports a proprietary D-CAP2™ mode control. D-CAP2™ mode control combines constant on-time control with an internal compensation circuit for pseudo-fixed frequency and low external component count configuration with both low ESR and ceramic output capacitors. It is stable even with virtually no ripple at the output.

At the beginning of each cycle, the high-side MOSFET is turned on. This MOSFET is turned off after internal one shot timer expires. This one shot timer is set by the converter input voltage, V_{IN} , and the output voltage, V_O , to maintain a pseudo-fixed frequency over the input voltage range, hence it is called adaptive on-time control. The one-shot timer is reset and the high-side MOSFET is turned on again when the feedback voltage falls below the reference voltage. An internal ramp is added to the reference voltage to simulate output ripple, eliminating the need for ESR induced output ripple from D-CAP2™ mode control.

PWM Frequency and Adaptive On-Time Control

TPS54326 uses an adaptive on-time control scheme and does not have a dedicated on board oscillator. The TPS54326 runs with a pseudo-constant frequency of 700 kHz by using the input voltage and output voltage to set the on-time one-shot timer. The on-time is inversely proportional to the input voltage and proportional to the output voltage. The actual frequency may vary from 700 kHz depending on the off time, which is ended when the fed back portion of the output voltage falls to the V_{FB} threshold voltage.

Auto-Skip Eco-Mode™ Control

The TPS54326 is designed with Auto-Skip Eco-Mode™ to increase light load efficiency. As the output current decreases from heavy load condition, the inductor current is also reduced and eventually comes to point that its rippled valley touches zero level, which is the boundary between continuous conduction and discontinuous conduction modes. The rectifying MOSFET is turned off when its zero inductor current is detected. As the load current further decreases the converter run into discontinuous conduction mode. The on-time is kept almost the same as is was in the continuous conduction mode so that it takes longer time to discharge the output capacitor with smaller load current to the level of the reference voltage. The transition point to the light load operation $I_{OUT(LL)}$ current can be calculated in [Equation 1](#).

$$I_{OUT(LL)} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot L \cdot f_{ws}} \cdot \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) \cdot V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \quad (1)$$

Soft Start and Pre-Biased Soft Start

The soft start function is adjustable. When the EN pin becomes high, 2-μA current begins charging the capacitor which is connected from the SS pin to GND. Smooth control of the output voltage is maintained during start up. The equation for the slow start time is shown in [Equation 2](#). VFB voltage is 0.765 V and SS pin source current is 2 μA.

$$T_{ss}(ms) = \frac{C6(nF) \cdot V_{ref}}{I_{ss}(\mu A)} = \frac{C6(nF) \cdot 0.765}{2} \quad (2)$$

A unique circuit to prevent current from being pulled from the output during startup if the output is pre-biased. When the soft-start commands a voltage higher than the pre-bias level (internal soft start becomes greater than feedback voltage V_{FB}), the controller slowly activates synchronous rectification by starting the first low side FET gate driver pulses with a narrow on-time. It then increments that on-time on a cycle-by-cycle basis until it coincides with the time dictated by (1-D), where D is the duty cycle of the converter. This scheme prevents the initial sinking of the pre-bias output, and ensure that the out voltage (VO) starts and ramps up smoothly into regulation and the control loop is given time to transition from pre-biased start-up to normal mode operation.

Power Good

The power good function is activated after soft start has finished. The power good function becomes active after 1.7 times soft-start time. When the output voltage is within –10% of the target value, internal comparators detect power good state and the power good signal becomes high. Rpg resistor value, which is connected between PG and VREG5, is required from 20kΩ to 150kΩ. If the feedback voltage goes under 15% of the target value, the power good signal becomes low after a 10 ms internal delay.

Output Discharge Control

TPS54326 discharges the output when EN is low, or the controller is turned off by the protection functions (OVP, UVP, UVLO and thermal shutdown). The output is discharged by an internal 50-Ω MOSFET which is connected from VO to PGND. The internal low-side MOSFET is not turned on during the output discharge operation to avoid the possibility of causing negative voltage at the output.

Current Protection

The output over-current protection (OCP) is implemented using a cycle-by-cycle valley detect control circuit. The switch current is monitored by measuring the low-side FET switch voltage between the SW pin and GND. This voltage is proportional to the switch current. To improve accuracy, the voltage sensing is temperature compensated.

During the on time of the high-side FET switch, the switch current increases at a linear rate determined by V_{in} , V_{out} , the on-time and the output inductor value. During the on time of the low-side FET switch, this current decreases linearly. The average value of the switch current is the load current I_{out} . If the measured voltage is above the voltage proportional to the current limit, Then , the device constantly monitors the low-side FET switch voltage, which is proportional to the switch current, during the low-side on-time.

The converter maintains the low-side switch on until the measured voltage is below the voltage corresponding to the current limit at which time the switching cycle is terminated and a new switching cycle begins. In subsequent switching cycles, the on-time is set to a fixed value and the current is monitored in the same manner.

There are some important considerations for this type of over-current protection. The load current one half of the peak-to-peak inductor current higher than the over-current threshold. Also when the current is being limited, the output voltage tends to fall as the demanded load current may be higher than the current available from the converter. This may cause the output under-voltage protection circuit to be activated. When the over current condition is removed, the output voltage will return to the regulated value. This protection is non-latching.

Over/Undervoltage Protection

The TPS54326 detects over and undervoltage conditions by monitoring the feedback voltage (VFB). This function is enabled after approximately 1.7 times the soft-start time. When the feedback voltage becomes higher than 120% of the target voltage, the OVP comparator output goes high and the circuit latches the high-side MOSFET driver turns off and the low-side MOSFET turns on. When the feedback voltage becomes lower than 70% of the target voltage, the UVP comparator output goes high and an internal UVP delay counter begins. After 250 μ s, the device latches off both internal top and bottom MOSFET.

UVLO Protection

Undervoltage lock out protection (UVLO) monitors the voltage of the V_{REG5} pin. When the V_{REG5} voltage is lower than UVLO threshold voltage, the TPS54326 is shut off. This is protection is non-latching.

Thermal Shutdown

Thermal protection is self-activating. If the junction temperature exceeds the threshold value (typically 150°C), the TPS54326 shuts off. This protection is non-latching.

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

VIN = 12 V, TA = 25°C (unless otherwise noted)

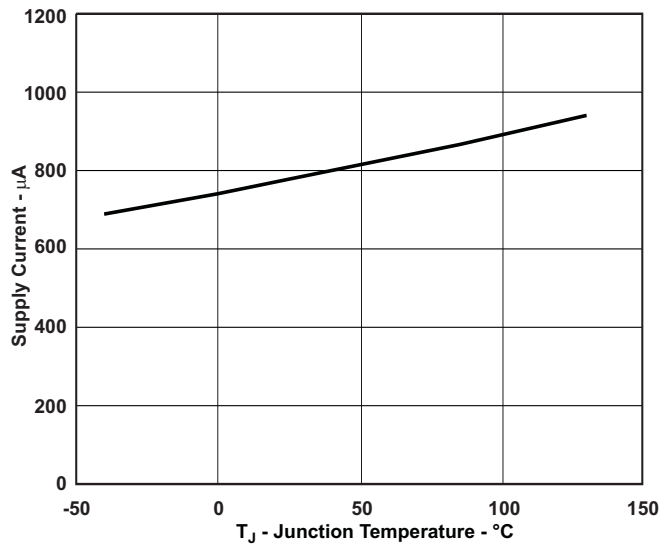


Figure 1. V_{CC} SUPPLY CURRENT vs. JUNCTION TEMPERATURE

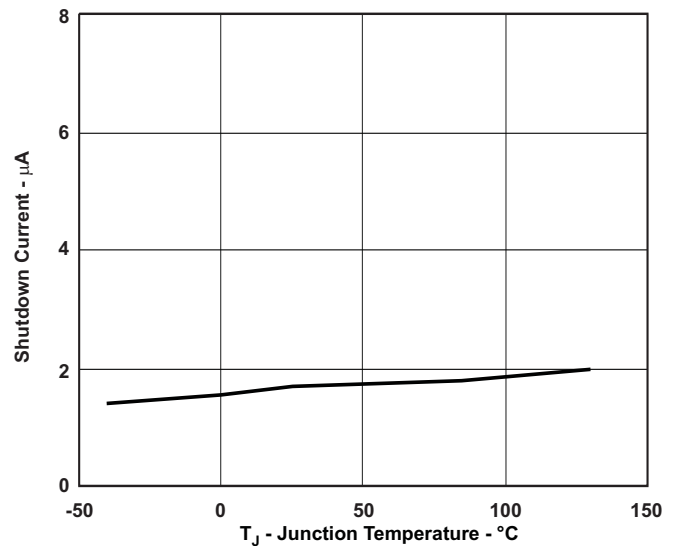


Figure 2. V_{CC} SHUTDOWN CURRENT vs. JUNCTION TEMPERATURE

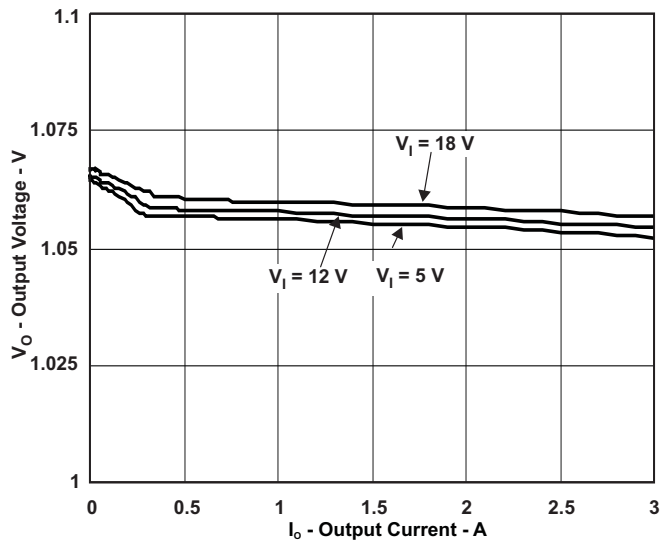


Figure 3. 1.05-V OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs. OUTPUT CURRENT

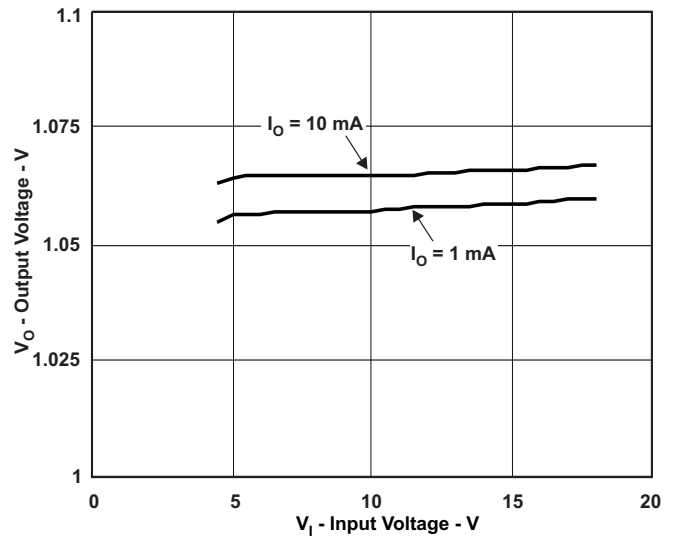


Figure 4. 1.05-V OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs. INPUT VOLTAGE

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

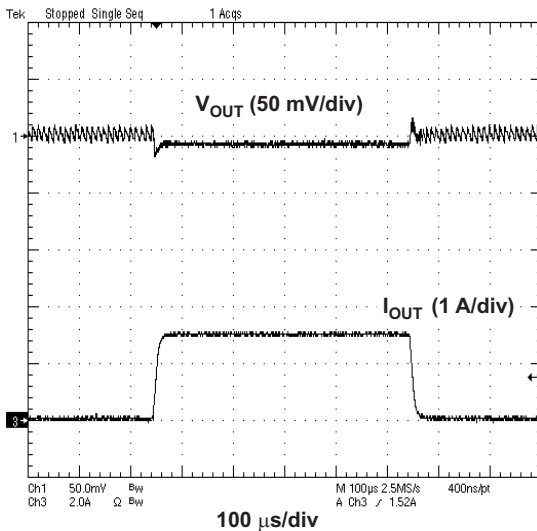


Figure 5. 1.05-V, 0-A TO 3-A LOAD TRANSIENT RESPONSE

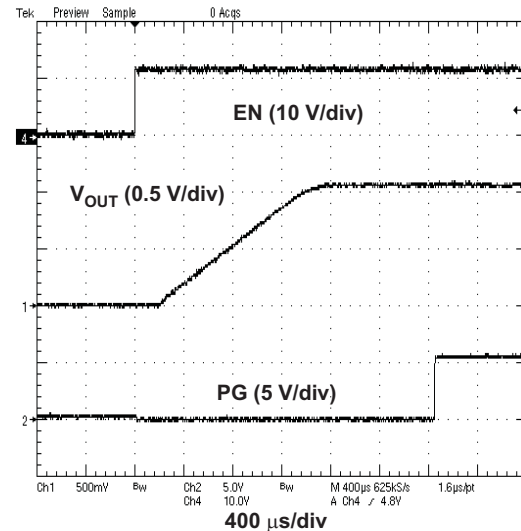


Figure 6. START-UP WAVE FORM

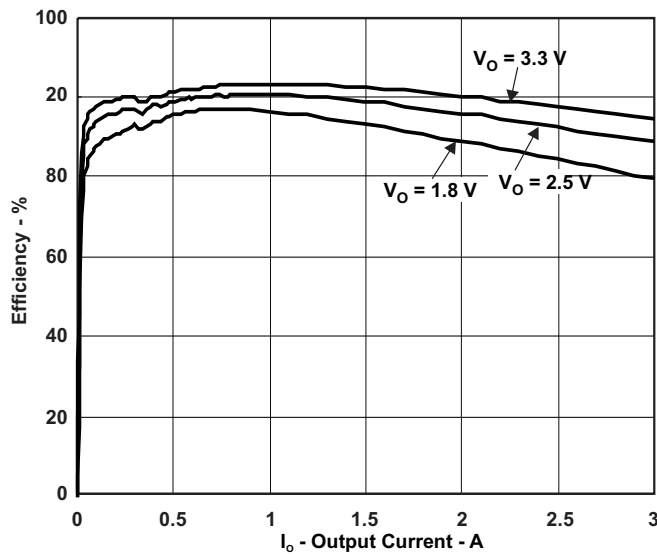


Figure 7. EFFICIENCY vs. OUTPUT CURRENT ($V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$)

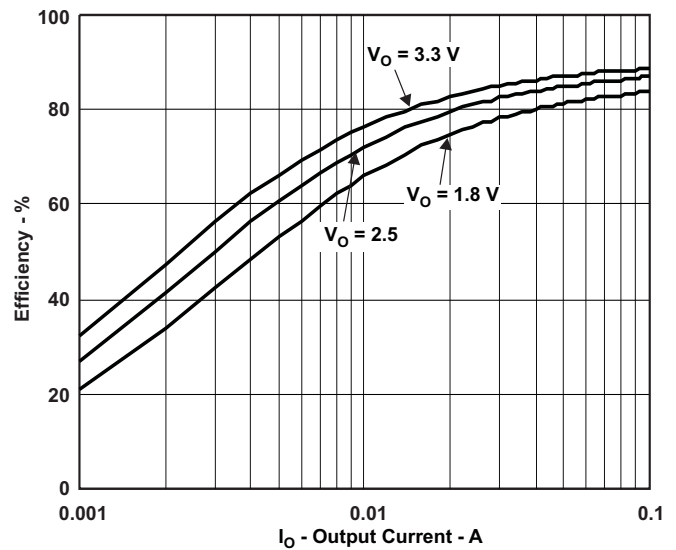


Figure 8. LIGHT LOAD EFFICIENCY vs. OUTPUT CURRENT

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

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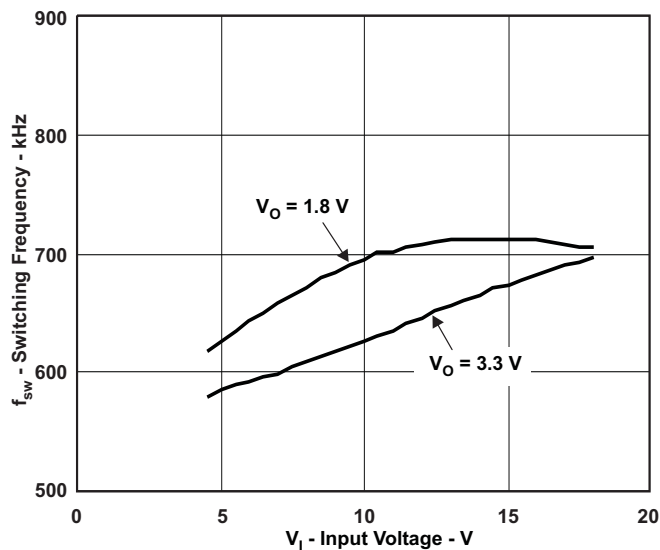


Figure 9. SWITCHING FREQUENCY vs INPUT VOLTAGE

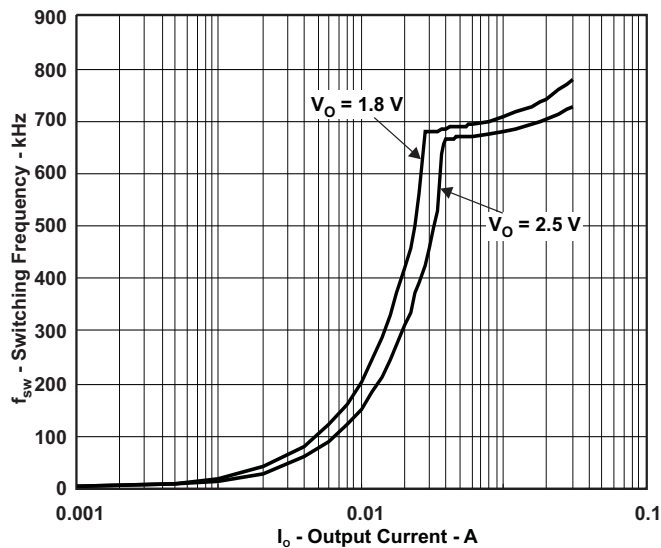


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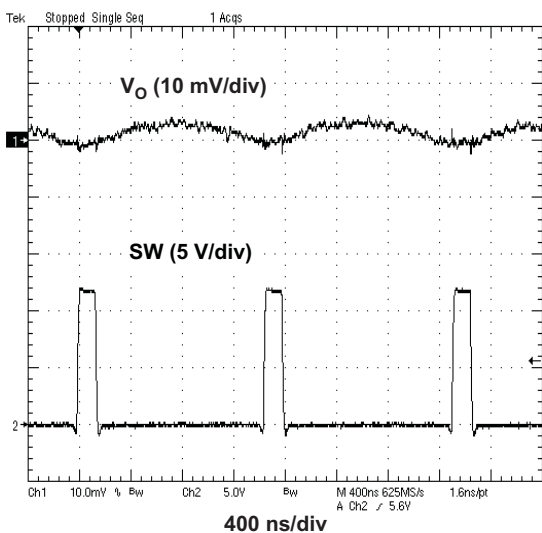


Figure 11. VOLTAGE RIPPLE At OUTPUT

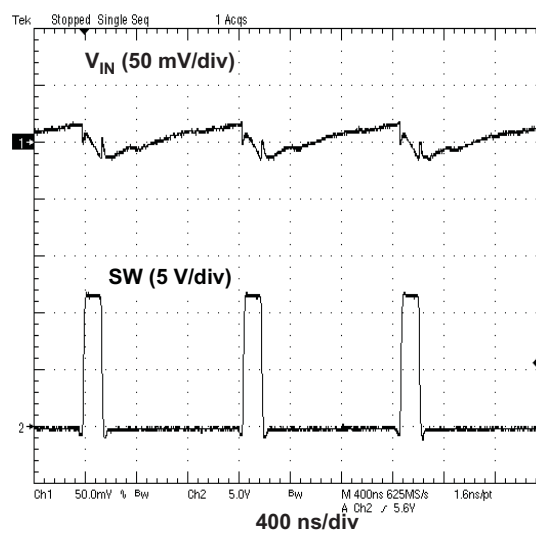


Figure 12. VOLTAGE RIPPLE At INPUT

DESIGN GUIDE

Step By Step Design Procedure

To begin the design process, the following application parameters must be known:

- Input voltage range
- Output voltage
- Output current
- Output voltage ripple
- Input voltage ripple

Figure 13 shows the schematic diagram for this design example.

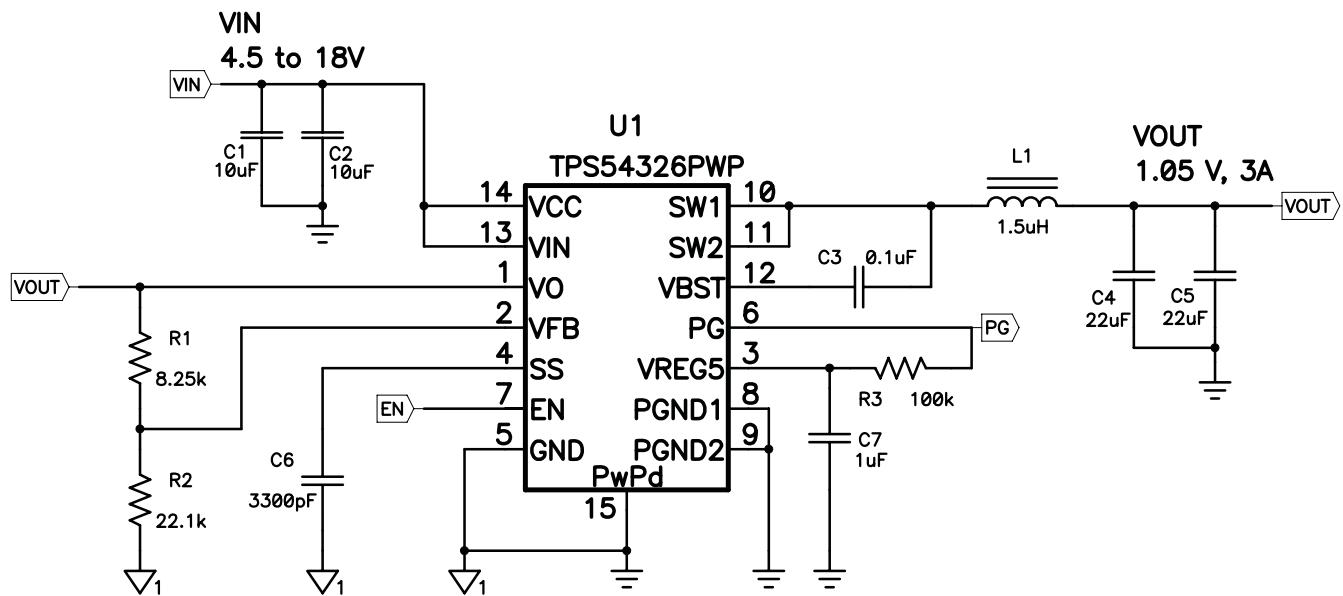


Figure 13. Schematic Diagram

Output Voltage Resistors Selection

The output voltage is set with a resistor divider from the output node to the VFB pin. It is recommended to use 1% tolerance or better divider resistors. Start by using [Equation 3](#) and [Equation 4](#) to calculate V_{OUT} .

To improve efficiency at light loads consider using larger value resistors, too high of resistance is more susceptible to noise and voltage errors from the VFB input current are more noticeable.

For output voltage from 0.76 V to 2.5 V:

$$V_{OUT} = 0.765 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R1}{R2}\right) \quad (3)$$

For output voltage over 2.5 V:

$$V_{OUT} = (0.763 + 0.0017 \cdot V_{OUT}) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{R1}{R2}\right) \quad (4)$$

Where:

$$V_{OUT\ SET} = \text{Target } V_{OUT} \text{ voltage}$$

Output Filter Selection

The output filter used with the TPS54326 is an LC circuit. This LC filter has double pole at:

$$F_p = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_{OUT} \times C_{OUT}}} \quad (5)$$

At low frequencies, the overall loop gain is set by the output set-point resistor divider network and the internal gain of the TPS54326. The low frequency phase is 180 degrees. At the output filter pole frequency, the gain rolls off at a –40 dB per decade rate and the phase drops rapidly. D-CAP2™ introduces a high frequency zero that reduces the gain roll off to –20 dB per decade and increases the phase to 90 degrees one decade above the zero frequency. The inductor and capacitor selected for the output filter must be selected so that the double pole of Equation 5 is located below the high frequency zero but close enough that the phase boost provided by the high frequency zero provides adequate phase margin for a stable circuit. To meet this requirement use the values recommended in Table 1.

Table 1. Recommended Component Values

OUTPUT VOLTAGE (V)	R1 (kΩ)	R2 (kΩ)	C4 (pF) ⁽¹⁾	L1 (μH)	C4 + C5 (μF)
1	6.81	22.1		1.5	22 - 68
1.05	8.25	22.1		1.5	22 - 68
1.2	12.7	22.1		1.5	22 - 68
1.8	30.1	22.1	10 - 47	2.2	22 - 68
2.5	49.9	22.1	10 - 47	2.2	22 - 68
3.3	73.2	22.1	10 - 47	2.2	22 - 68
5	121	22.1	10 - 47	3.3	22 - 68

(1) Optional

For higher output voltages at or above 1.8 V, additional phase boost can be achieved by adding a feed forward capacitor (C4) in parallel with R1.

The inductor peak-to-peak ripple current, peak current, and RMS current are calculated using Equation 6, Equation 7, and Equation 8. The inductor saturation current rating must be greater than the calculated peak current and the RMS or heating current rating must be greater than the calculated RMS current. Use 700 kHz for f_{SW} .

$$I_{lp-p} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN(max)}} \cdot \frac{V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT}}{L_O \cdot f_{SW}} \quad (6)$$

$$I_{lpeak} = I_O + \frac{I_{lp-p}}{2} \quad (7)$$

$$I_{Lo(RMS)} = \sqrt{I_O^2 + \frac{1}{12} I_{lp-p}^2} \quad (8)$$

For this design example, the calculated peak current is 3.47 A and the calculated RMS current is 3.01 A. The inductor used is a TDK SPM6530-1R5M100 with a peak current rating of 11.5 A and an RMS current rating of 11 A.

The capacitor value and ESR determines the amount of output voltage ripple. The TPS54326 is intended for use with ceramic or other low ESR capacitors. Recommended values range from 22 μF to 68 μF. Use Equation 9 to determine the required RMS current rating for the output capacitor.

$$I_{CO(RMS)} = \frac{V_{OUT} \cdot (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{\sqrt{12} \cdot V_{IN} \cdot L_O \cdot f_{SW}} \quad (9)$$

For this design two TDK C3216X5R0J226M 22 μF output capacitors are used. The typical ESR is 2 mΩ each. The calculated RMS current is 0.271 A and each output capacitor is rated for 4 A.

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Input Capacitor Selection

The TPS54326 requires an input decoupling capacitor and a bulk capacitor is needed depending on the application. A ceramic capacitor over 10 μF is recommended for the decoupling capacitor. An additional 0.1 μF capacitor from pin 14 to ground is recommended. The capacitor voltage rating needs to be greater than the maximum input voltage.

Bootstrap Capacitor Selection

A 0.1 μF ceramic capacitor must be connected between the VBST to SW pin for proper operation. It is recommended to use a ceramic capacitor.

VREG5 Capacitor Selection

A 1.0 μF ceramic capacitor must be connected between the VREG5 to GND pin for proper operation. It is recommended to use a ceramic capacitor.

THERMAL INFORMATION

The PWP 14 pin package incorporates an exposed PowerPAD™ and the QFN 16 pin package incorporates a similar exposed thermal pad. These exposed thermal pads are designed to be connected to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For additional information on the PowerPAD™ package and how to use the advantage of its heat dissipating abilities, see the Technical Brief, PowerPAD™ Thermally Enhanced Package, Texas Instruments Literature No. [SLMA002](#) and Application Brief, PowerPAD™ Made Easy, Texas Instruments Literature No. [SLMA004](#).

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for the PWP 14 pin and QFN 16 pin packages are shown in the Thermal Pad Mechanical Data section of this data sheet.

LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

The following layout guidelines are provided using the PWP 14 pin package as an example. The general guidelines and routing are also applicable to the QFN 16 pin package. Allowance should be made for the differences in the package pin configurations.

1. Keep the input switching current loop as small as possible.
2. Keep the SW node as physically small and short as possible to minimize parasitic capacitance and inductance and to minimize radiated emissions. Kelvin connections should be brought from the output to the feedback pin of the device.
3. Keep analog and non-switching components away from switching components.
4. Make a single point connection from the signal ground to power ground.
5. Do not allow switching current to flow under the device.
6. Keep the pattern lines for VIN and PGND broad.
7. Exposed pad of device must be connected to PGND with solder.
8. VREG5 capacitor should be placed near the device, and connected PGND.
9. Output capacitor should be connected to a broad pattern of the PGND.
10. Voltage feedback loop should be as short as possible, and preferably with ground shield.
11. Lower resistor of the voltage divider which is connected to the VFB pin should be tied to SGND.
12. Providing sufficient via is preferable for VIN, SW and PGND connection.
13. PCB pattern for VIN, SW, and PGND should be as broad as possible.
14. If VIN and VCC is shorted, VIN and VCC patterns need to be connected with broad pattern lines.
15. VIN Capacitor should be placed as near as possible to the device.

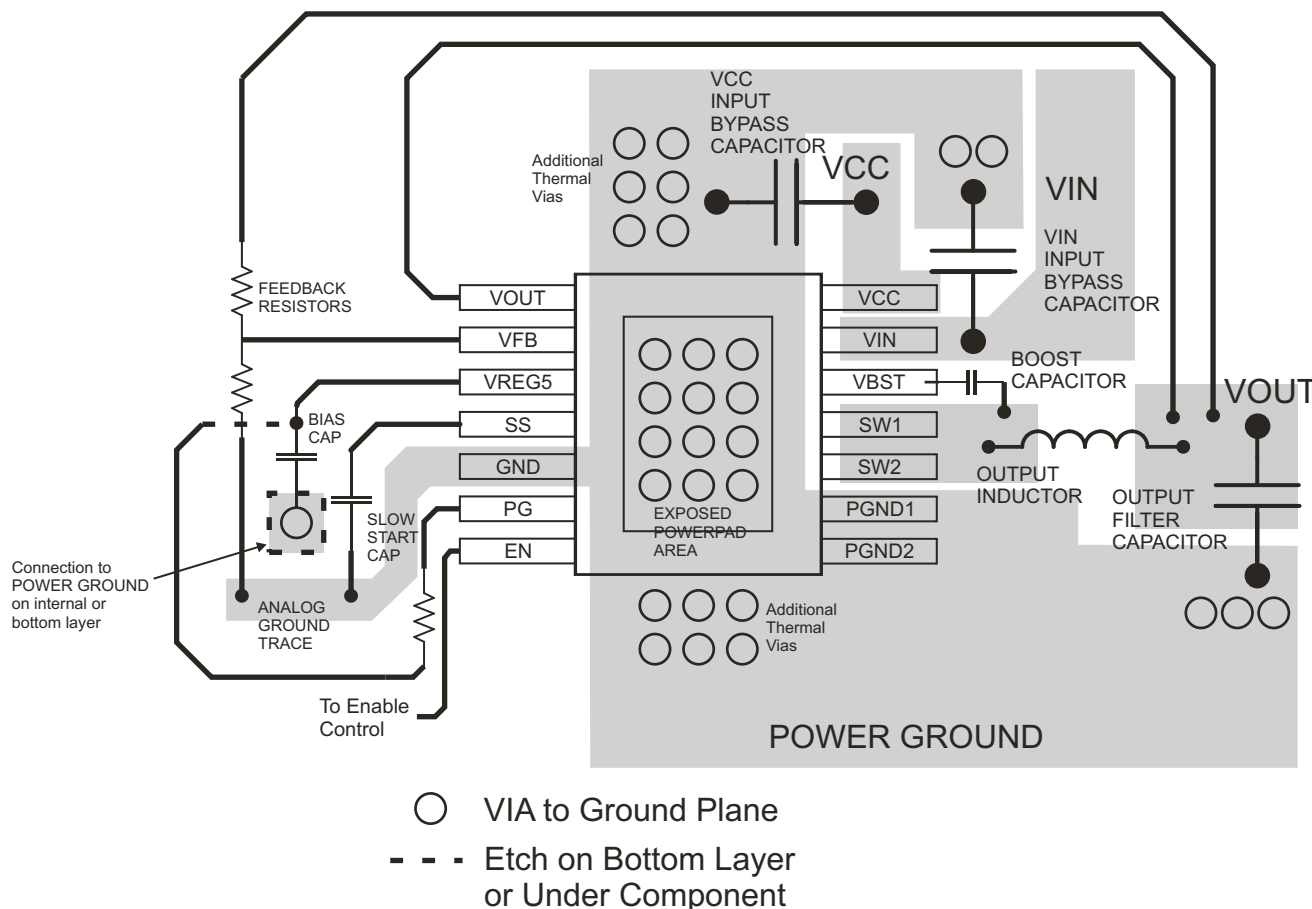


Figure 14. TPS54326 Layout

REVISION HISTORY

Changes from Original (October 2009) to Revision A Page

- Changed the data sheet From: Product Preview To: Production Data 1

Changes from Revision A (October 2009) to Revision B Page

- Changed the title to include Eco-Mode 1
- Changed features bullet to reference Eco-mode 1
- Added Eco-Mode text to the DESCRIPTION 1
- Added the QFN package to the DESCRIPTION 1
- Added the QFN package to the ORDERING INFORMATION table 2
- Added the RGT PACKAGE drawing 5
- Added the RGT 16 pin column to the PIN FUNCTIONS table 5
- Changed Functional Block Diagram 6
- Added text Note to the Functional Block Diagram 6
- Added Eco-Mode text to the OVERVIEW section 6
- Changed section title From: Light Load Mode Control To: Light Load Eco-Mode Control 7
- Added Eco-Mode to text in Light Load Eco-Mode Control section 7
- Added Note 1 to [Table 1](#) 13
- Added text to the THERMAL INFORMATION section for the QFN package. 14
- Deleted figure "Thermal Pad Dimensions" 14

Changes from Revision B (June 2010) to Revision C Page

- Changed TPS54326PWPR tape and reel quantity From: 3000 To: 2000 2
- Added V_{CC} , $V_{IN} = 12V$ to the condition statement in the Electrical Characteristics table 3

Changes from Revision C (October 2010) to Revision D Page

- Deleted quantities from Transport Media column 2
- Changed from $-45^{\circ}C$ to $85^{\circ}C$ to $-40^{\circ}C$ to $85^{\circ}C$ in Ordering Information 2
- Added Thermal Information table 2
- Added I_O row to the ROC table 3
- Changed Functional Block Diagram 6
- Changed section title From: Light Load Eco-Mode Control To: Auto-Skip Eco-Mode Control 7
- Added Auto-Skip to text in Auto-Skip Eco-Mode Control section 7
- Changed [Equation 1](#) 7
- Changed Power Good section text 7
- Changed Current Protection section text 8
- Changed Design Guide information 12
- Changed [Table 1](#) C4 values 13

Changes from Revision D (February 2011) to Revision E
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• Removed SWIFT from the data sheet title	1
• Changed V_{ENH} min value in ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS from 2 V to 1.5 V	3
• Changed Table 1 last column heading from C8 + C9 to C4 + C5	13
• Deleted text from the Input Capacitor Selection section - "to improve the stability of the over-current limit function."	14

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead/Ball Finish (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
TPS54326PWP	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	14	90	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	PS54326	Samples
TPS54326PWPR	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	14	2000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	PS54326	Samples
TPS54326RGTR	ACTIVE	VQFN	RGT	16	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	54326	Samples
TPS54326RGTT	ACTIVE	VQFN	RGT	16	250	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	54326	Samples

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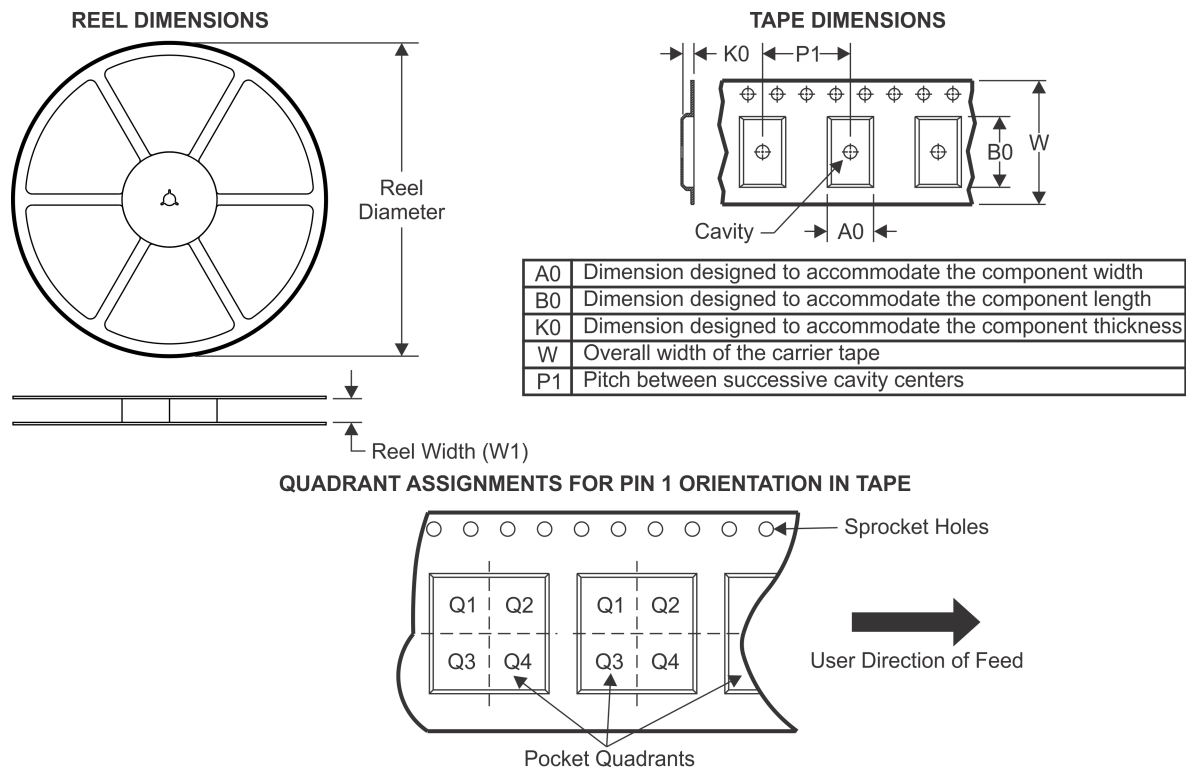
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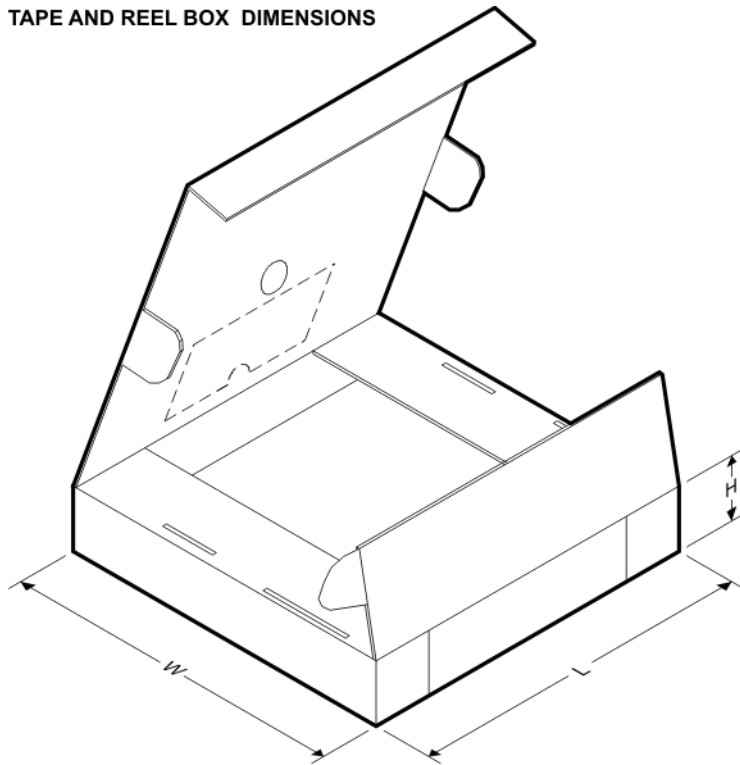
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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TPS54326PWPR	HTSSOP	PWP	14	2000	330.0	12.4	6.9	5.6	1.6	8.0	12.0	Q1
TPS54326RGTR	VQFN	RGT	16	3000	330.0	12.4	3.3	3.3	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2
TPS54326RGTT	VQFN	RGT	16	250	180.0	12.4	3.3	3.3	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS

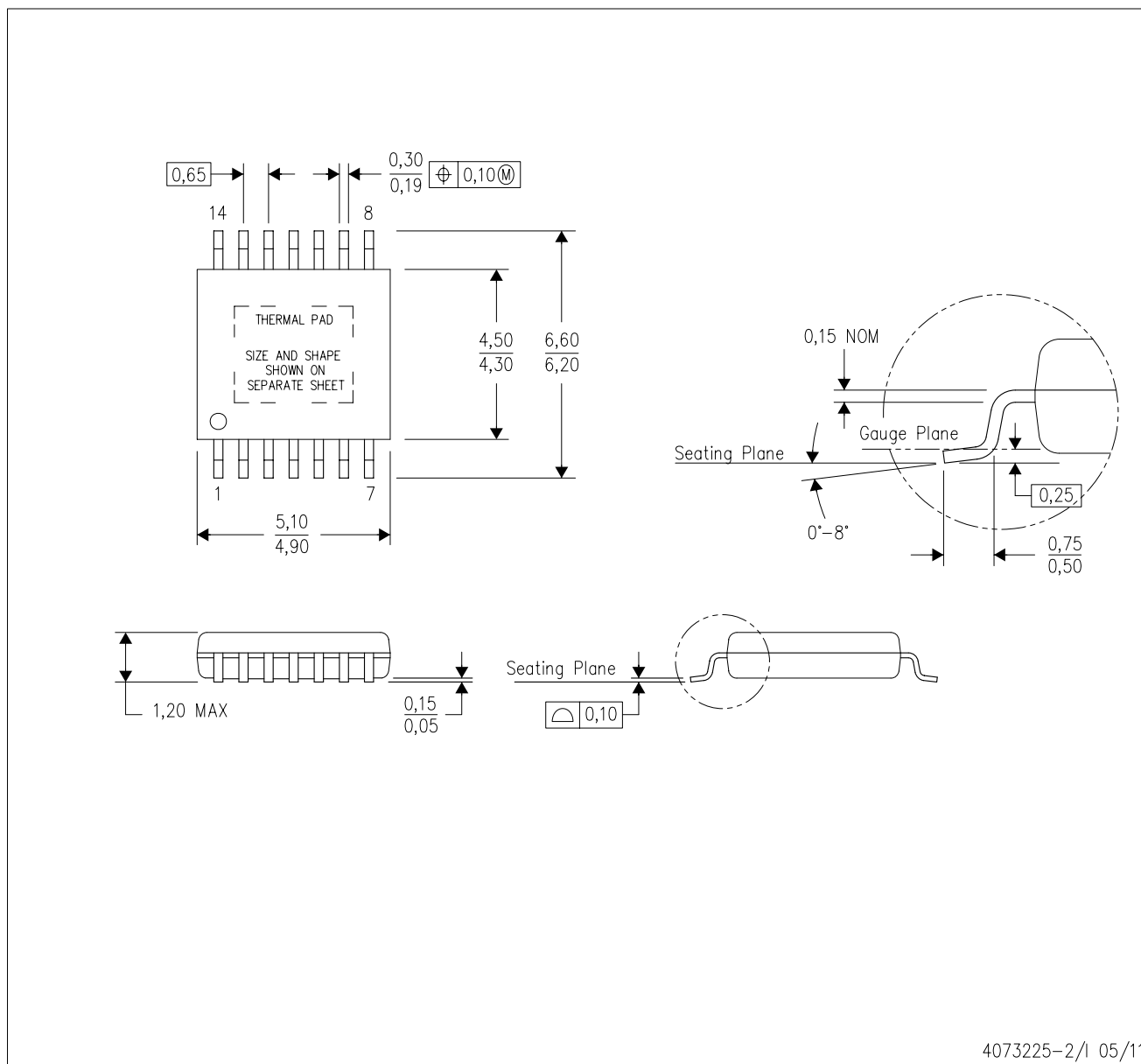


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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
TPS54326PWPR	HTSSOP	PWP	14	2000	350.0	350.0	43.0
TPS54326RGTR	VQFN	RGT	16	3000	367.0	367.0	35.0
TPS54326RGTT	VQFN	RGT	16	250	210.0	185.0	35.0

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PowerPAD™ PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash and protrusion shall not exceed 0.15 per side.
 - D. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Technical Brief, PowerPad Thermally Enhanced Package, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLMA002 for information regarding recommended board layout. This document is available at www.ti.com <<http://www.ti.com>>.
 - E. See the additional figure in the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad features and dimensions.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

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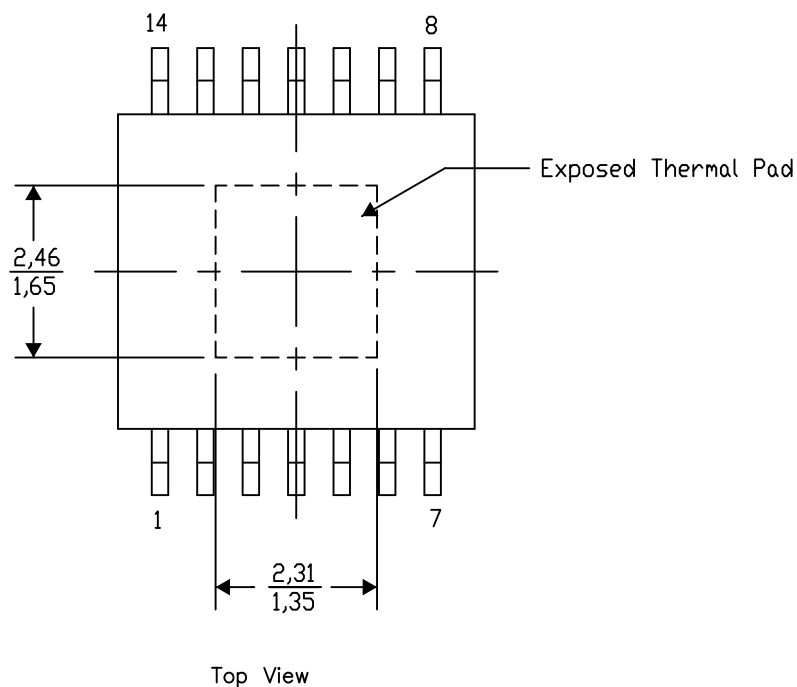
PowerPAD™ SMALL PLASTIC OUTLINE

THERMAL INFORMATION

This PowerPAD™ package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached to a printed circuit board (PCB). The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the PCB. After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

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The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

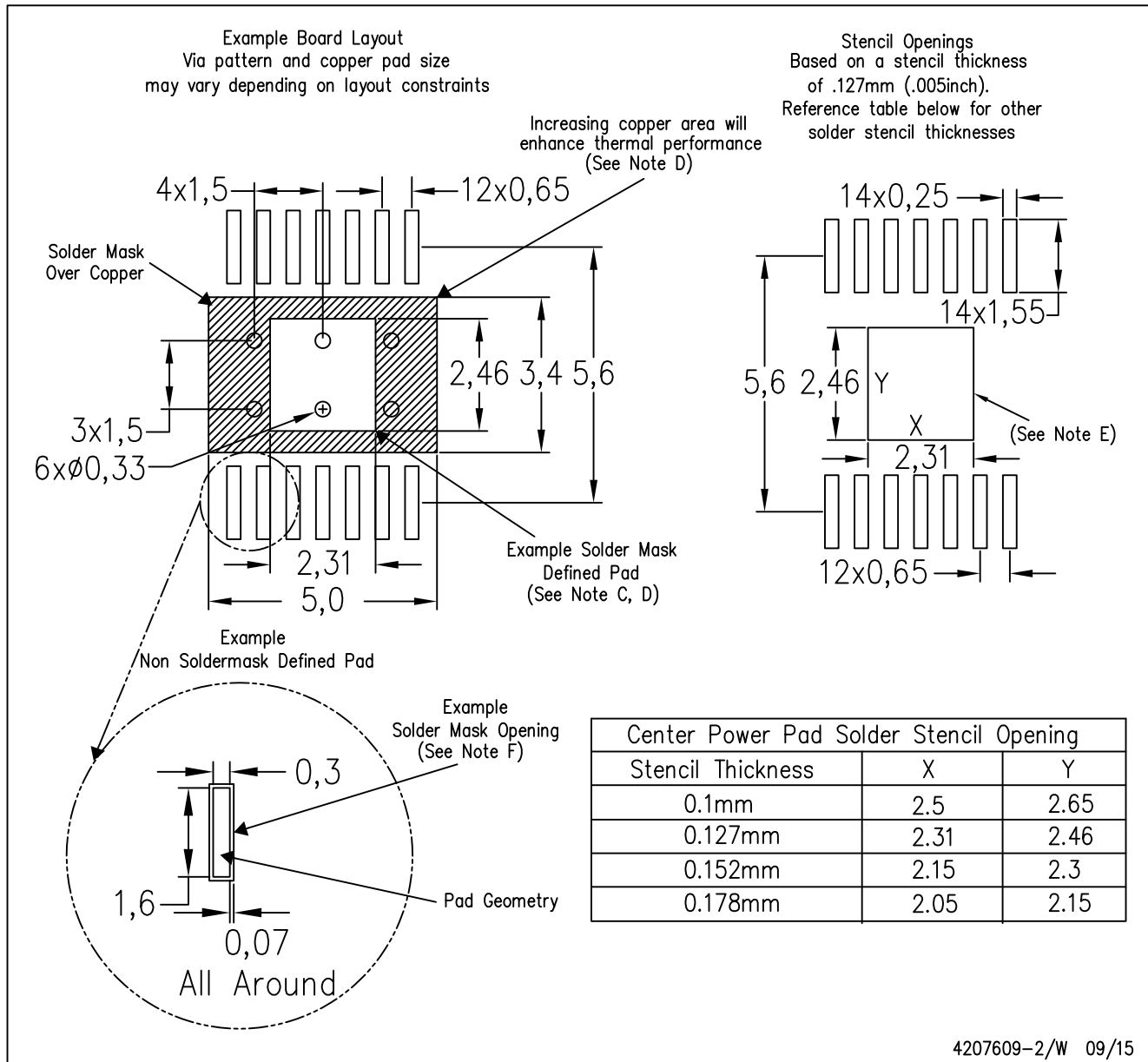
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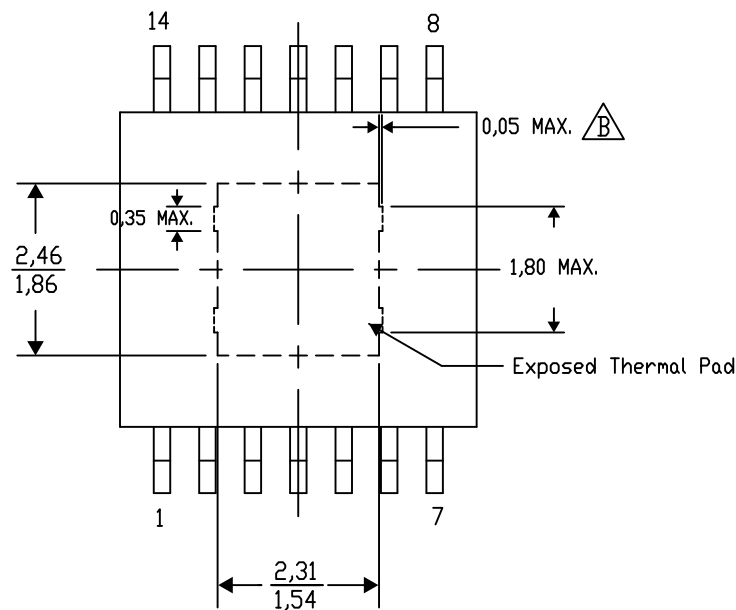
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THERMAL INFORMATION

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The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Top View

Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

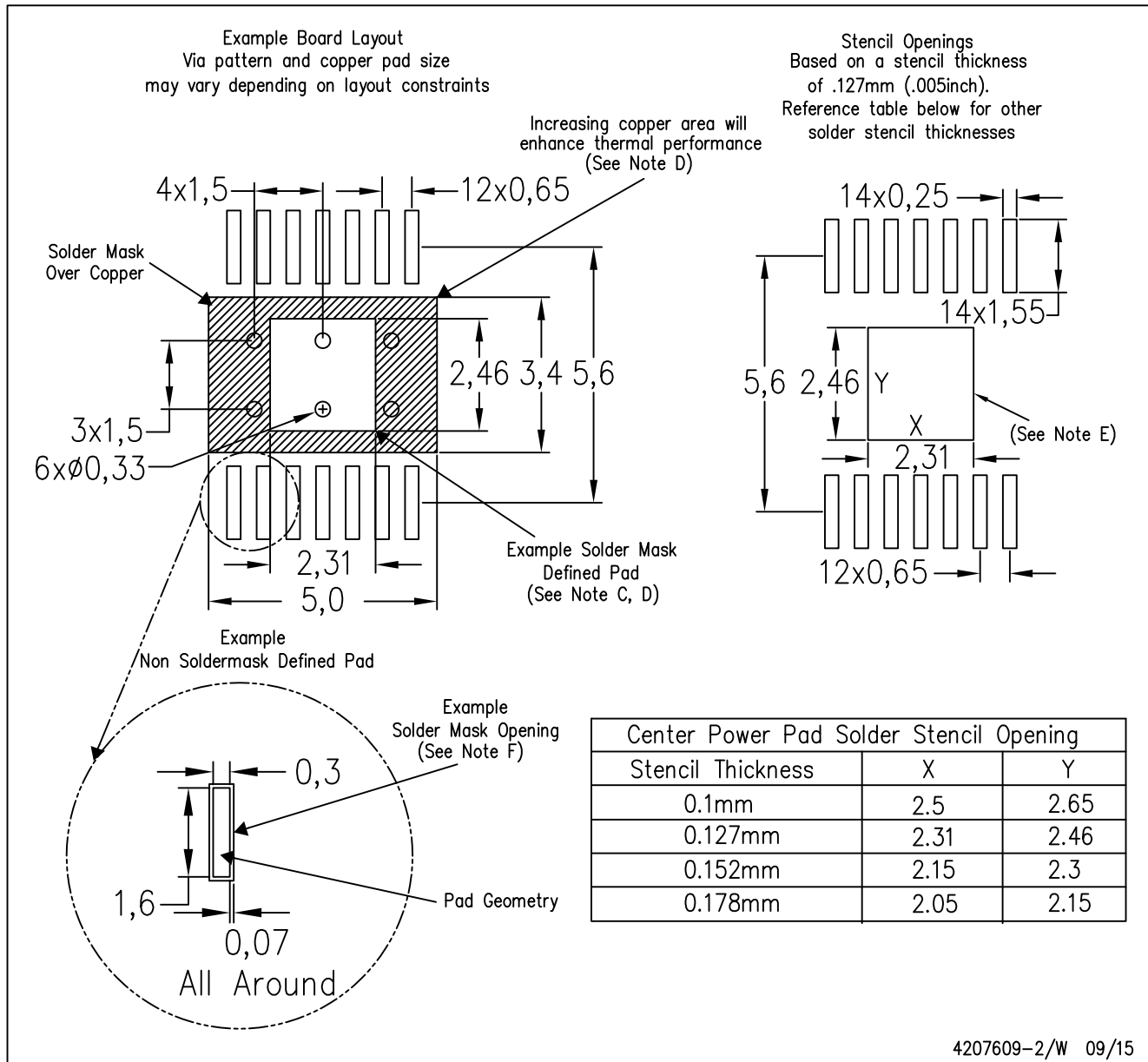
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NOTE: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters

 Exposed tie strap features may not be present.

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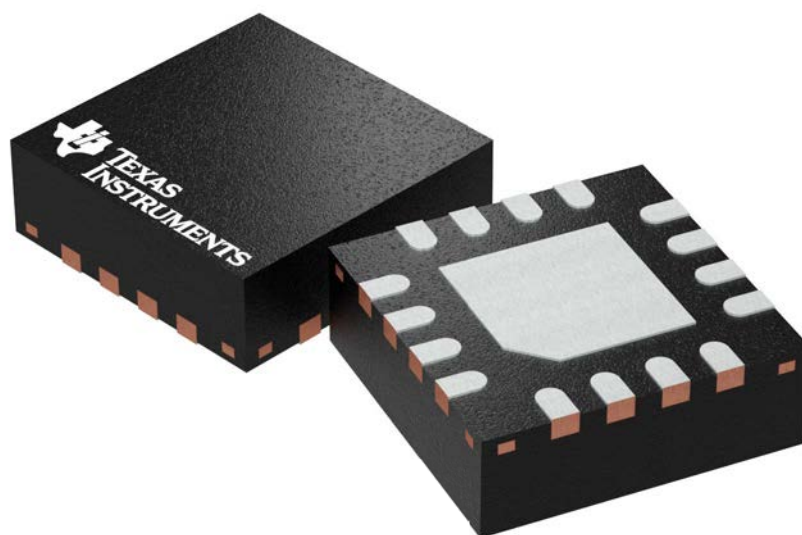
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GENERIC PACKAGE VIEW

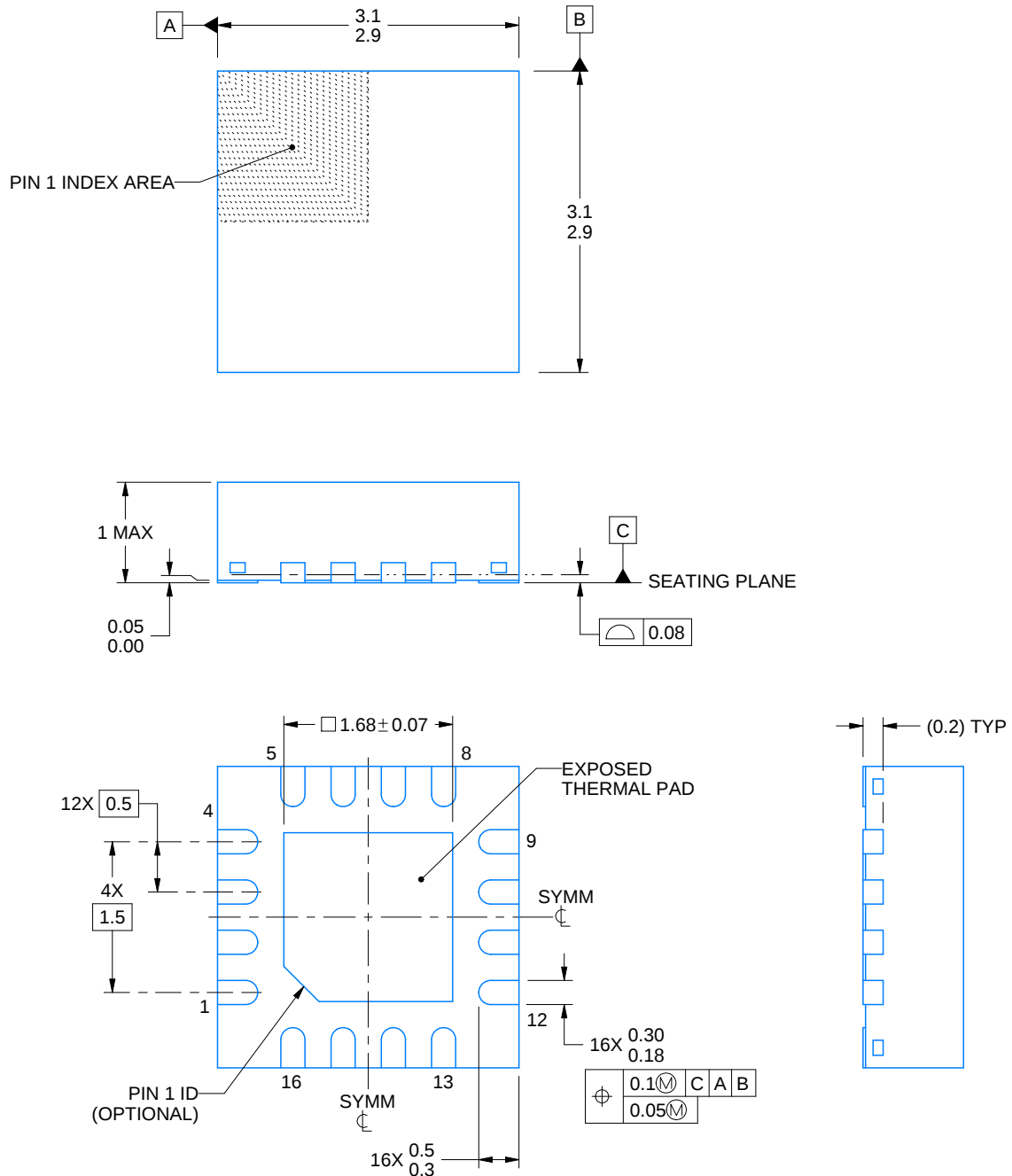
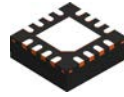
VQFN - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



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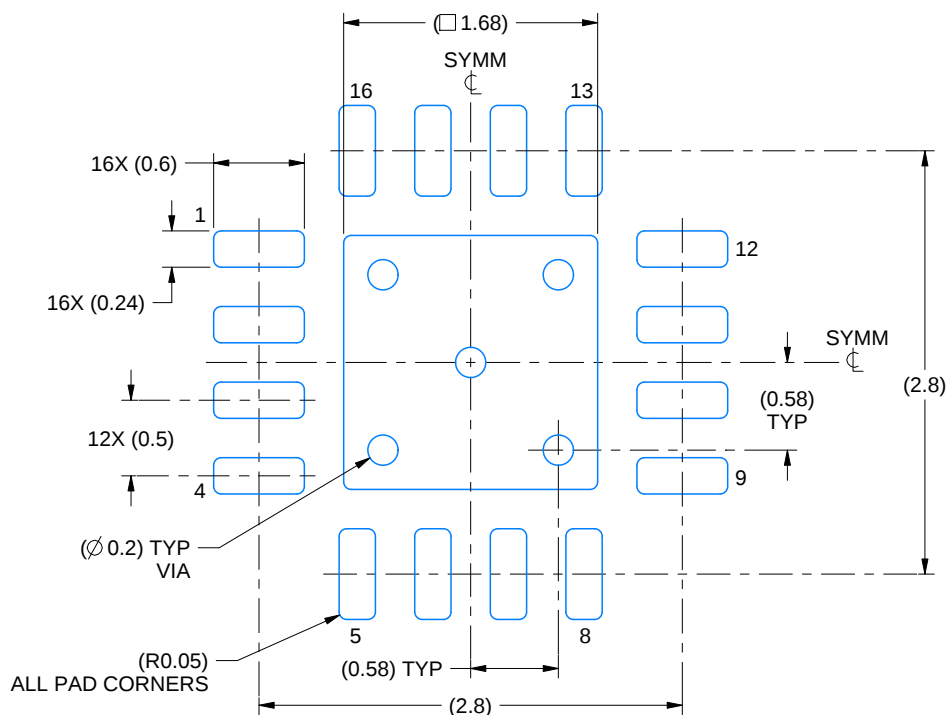
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3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.

EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

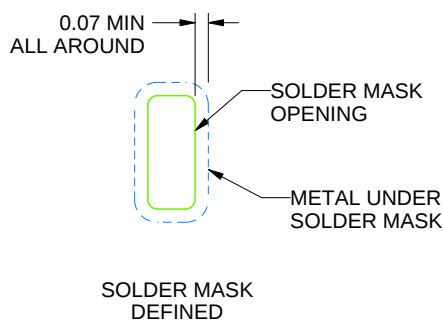
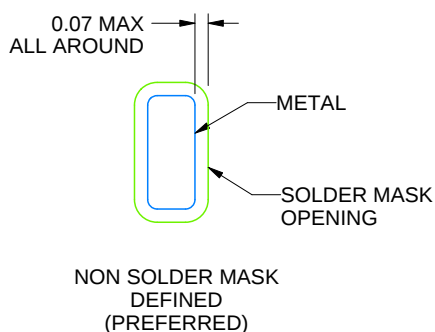
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VQFN - 1 mm max height

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LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE
SCALE:20X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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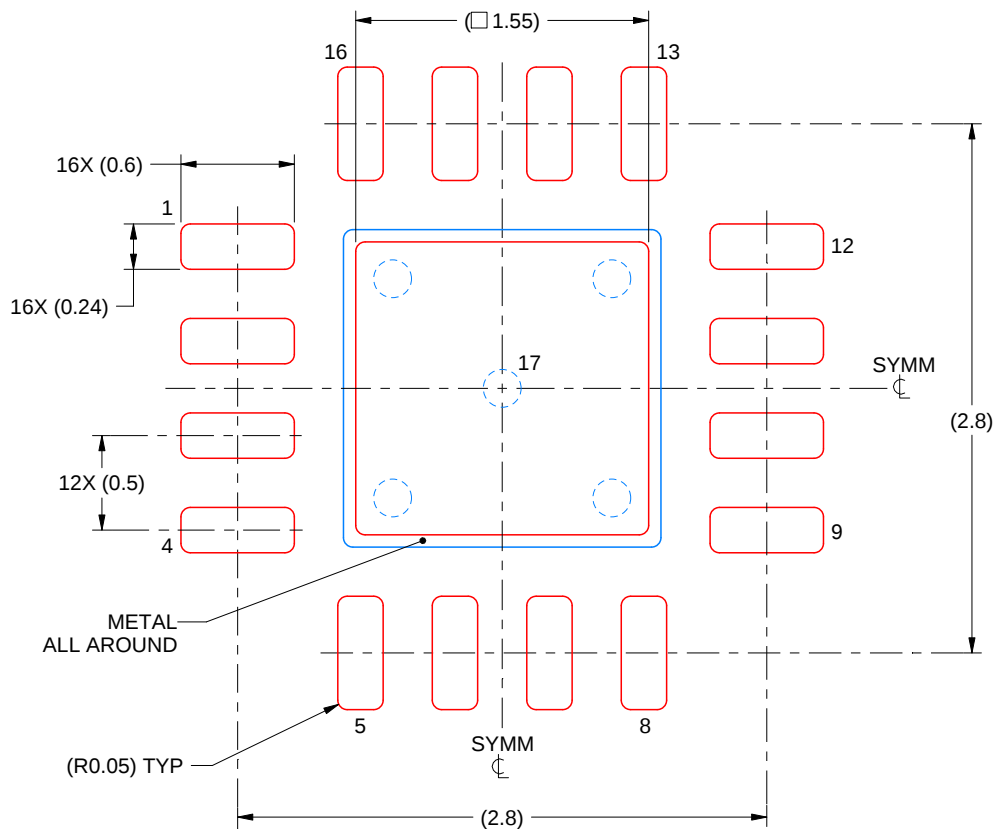
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5. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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VQFN - 1 mm max height

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SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL

EXPOSED PAD 17:
85% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA UNDER PACKAGE
SCALE:25X

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