User's Guide
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TPS61178 Evaluation Board

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the TPS61178EVM board. This evaluation module (EVM) is optimized for 5.4-V to 12-V input voltage and 16-V output voltage applications. The feedback divider and compensation network can be modified for other application conditions, according to the data sheet

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1 Introduction

The TPS61178 device is a 20-V, 10-A, fully integrated, synchronous boost converter that can be used in a wide variety of applications such as portable speakers, power banks, LCD displays, and more. This EVM is designed to evaluate electrical and thermal performance at 5.4-V to approximately 12-V input voltage and 16-V output voltage conditions. The operating conditions of the EVM can easily be changed by modifying the external components of the TPS61178 device.

1.1 Performance Specification

Table 1 provides the summary of the TPS61178EVM performance specifications. All the specifications are given for an ambient temperature of 25°C.

Table 1. Performance Specification

Specification	Test Condition	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
Input voltage		5.4	7.6	12	V
Output voltage	V_{IN} = 7.6 V, I_{OUT} = 2 A	15.5	16	16.5	V
Output current	V_{IN} = 5.4 V			1.6	A
	V_{IN} = 7.6 V			2.2	A
Switching frequency	V_{IN} = 7.6 V, I_{OUT} = 1 A		500		KHz

1.2 Modification

The external components of the TPS61178 device can be modified to adjust the output voltage, input current limit, switching frequency, and response speed for real applications.

1.3 Input Capacitor C9

The 47-µF, 25-V, tantalum capacitor C9 is added as the input capacitor in the EVM. The ESR of the tantalum capacitor is 0.12 Ω, to damp the ringing of the input voltage when the EVM is powered by a power supply with a long cable. The capacitor is not required for proper operation and can be removed in a real application.

2 Test Setup

This section describes how to properly connect, set up, and use the TPS61178EVM-792.

J1– positive connection of the power supply

J2– negative connection of the power supply

J3– positive connection for the load

J4– negative connection for the load

J5– ground for waveform measurement

J6– EN pin input logic selection, to enable or disable the converter

J7– test point to accurately measure the input voltage

J8– test point to accurately measure the output voltage

TP1– SYNC pin signal input

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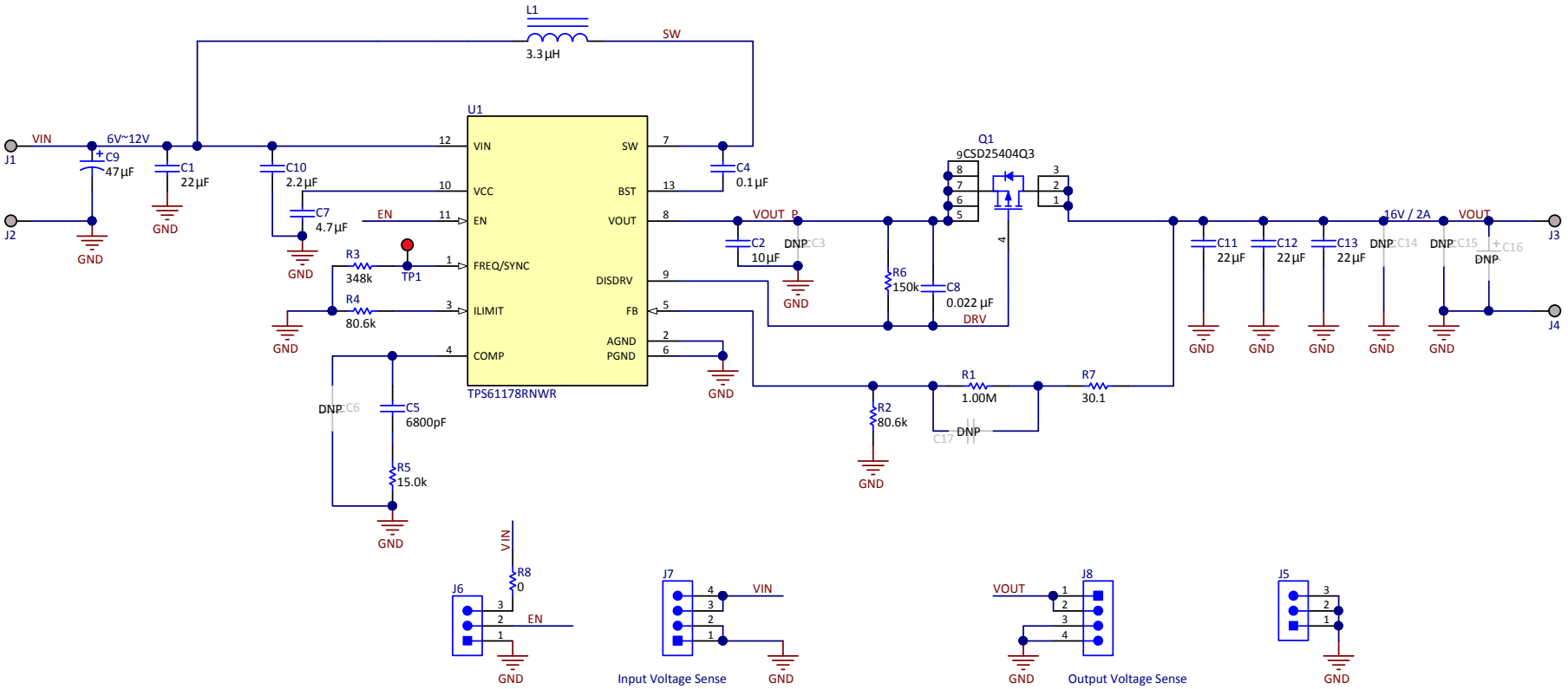
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3 Schematic and Bill of Materials

This section provides the TPS61178EVM-792 schematic and bill of materials (BOM).

3.1 Schematic

Figure 1 shows the schematic of the TPS61178EVM.



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Figure 1. Schematic of the TPS61178EVM-792

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3.2 Bill of Materials

Table 2 lists the BOM of the TPS61178EVM-792.

Table 2. Bill of Materials

Designator	Qty	Value	Description	Package	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1, C11, C12, C13	4	22 µF	CAP, CERM, 22 µF, 25 V, ±10%, X5R, 1210	1210	GRM32ER61E226KE15L	Murata
C2	1	10 µF	CAP, CERM, 10 µF, 25 V, ±20%, X5R, 0603	0603	GRM188R61E106MA73D	Murata
C4	1	0.1 µF	CAP, CERM, 0.1 µF, 16 V, ±10%, X5R, 0402	0402	GRM155R61C104KA88D	Murata
C5	1	6800 pF	CAP, CERM, 6800 pF, 25 V, ±10%, X7R, 0402	0402	GRM155R71E682KA01D	Murata
C7	1	4.7 µF	CAP, CERM, 4.7 µF, 10 V, ±20%, X5R, 0402	0402	GRM155R61A475MEAAD	Murata
C8	1	0.022 µF	CAP, CERM, 0.022 µF, 25 V, ±10%, X7R, 0402	0402	GRM155R71E223KA61D	Murata
C9	1	47 µF	CAP, TA, 47 µF, 25 V, ±20%, 0.12 Ω, SMD	7343-31	T495D476M025ATE120	Kemet
C10	1	2.2 µF	CAP, CERM, 2.2 µF, 25 V, ±10%, X5R, 0402	0402	GRM155R61E225KE11D	Murata
J1, J2, J3, J4	4	Double	Terminal, Turret, TH, Double	Keystone1502-2	1502-2	Keystone
J5, J6	2		Header, 100 mil, 3x1, Gold, TH	3 x 1 Header	TSW-103-07-G-S	Samtec
J7, J8	2		Header, 100 mil, 4x1, Gold, TH	4 x 1 Header	TSW-104-07-G-S	Samtec
L1	1	3.3 µH	Inductor, Shielded Drum Core, Powdered Iron, 3.3 µH, 8 A, 0.0108 Ω, SMD	10 x 3.8 x 10 mm	74437368033	Wurth Elektronik
Q1	1	-20 V	MOSFET, P-CH, -20 V, -60 A, DQG0008A	DQG0008A	CSD25404Q3	Texas Instruments
R1	1	1.00 Meg	RES, 1.00 M, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW04021M00FKED	Vishay-Dale
R2, R4	2	80.6 k	RES, 80.6 k, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW040280K6FKED	Vishay-Dale
R3	1	348 k	RES, 348 k, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW0402348KFKED	Vishay-Dale
R5	1	15.0 k	RES, 15.0 k, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW040215K0FKED	Vishay-Dale
R6	1	150 k	RES, 150 k, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW0402150KFKED	Vishay-Dale
R7	1	30.1	RES, 30.1, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	0402	CRCW040230R1FKED	Vishay-Dale
R8	1	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale
TP1	1	Red	Test Point, Multipurpose, Red, TH	Red Multipurpose Testpoint	5010	Keystone
U1	1		20-V_{out} Fully Integrated Synchronous Boost Converter with 8-A Switch Current, RNW0013A	RNW0013A	TPS61178RNWR	Texas Instruments
C3	0	10 µF	CAP, CERM, 10 µF, 25 V, ±20%, X5R, 0603	0603	GRM188R61E106MA73D	Murata
C6, C17	0	10 pF	CAP, CERM, 10 pF, 50 V, ±5%, C0G/NP0, 0402	0402	GRM1555C1H100JA01D	Murata
C14, C15	0	22 µF	CAP, CERM, 22 µF, 25 V, ±10%, X5R, 1210	1210	GRM32ER61E226KE15L	Murata
C16	0	220 µF	CAP, AL, 220 µF, 35 V, ±20%, TH	D8 x L11.5 mm	ECA-1VM221BJ	Panasonic

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4 Board Layout

The TPS61178EVM board is a 4-layer, 2-oz copper thick PCB. All the components are placed on the top layer. Figure 2 and Figure 3 show the top view and bottom view, respectively

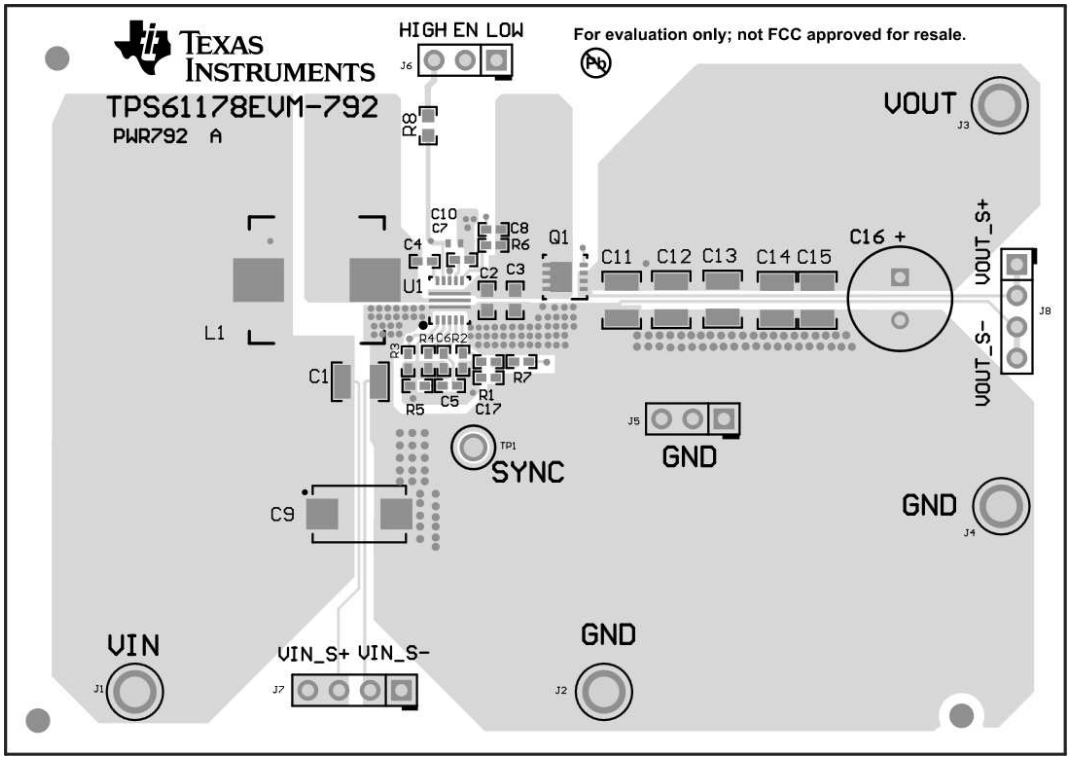


Figure 2. Top View of the TPS61178EVM-792

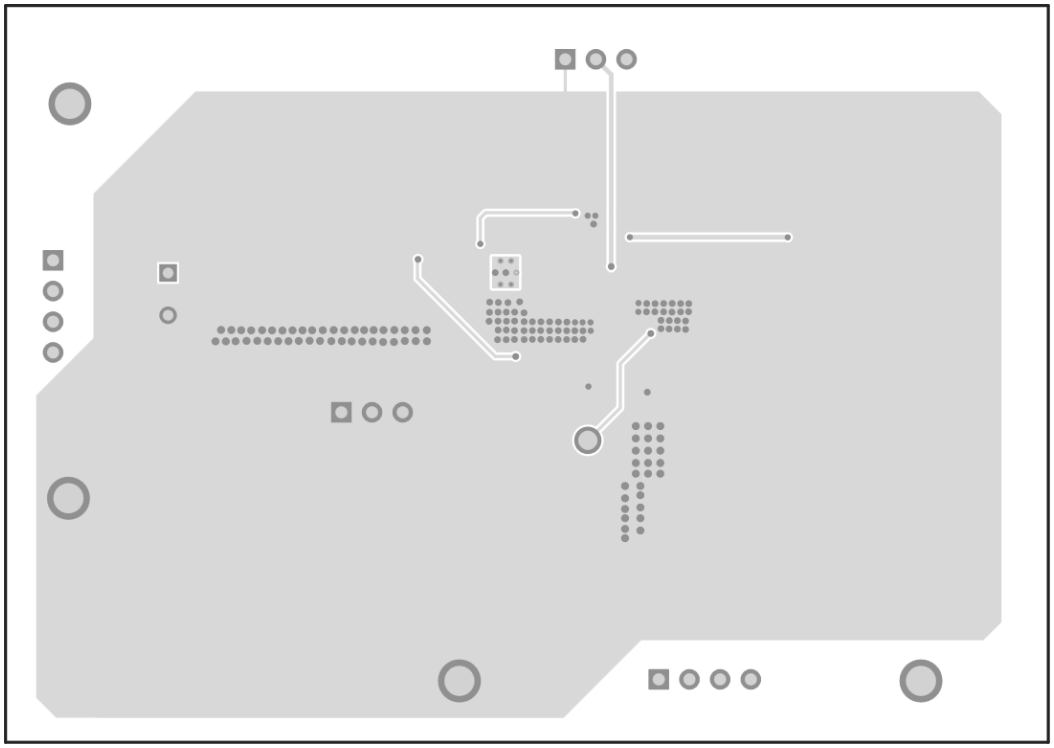


Figure 3. Bottom View of the TPS61178EVM-792

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Internal layer 1 and layer 2 are ground panels that help to improve the thermal performance, as illustrated in Figure 4 and Figure 5.

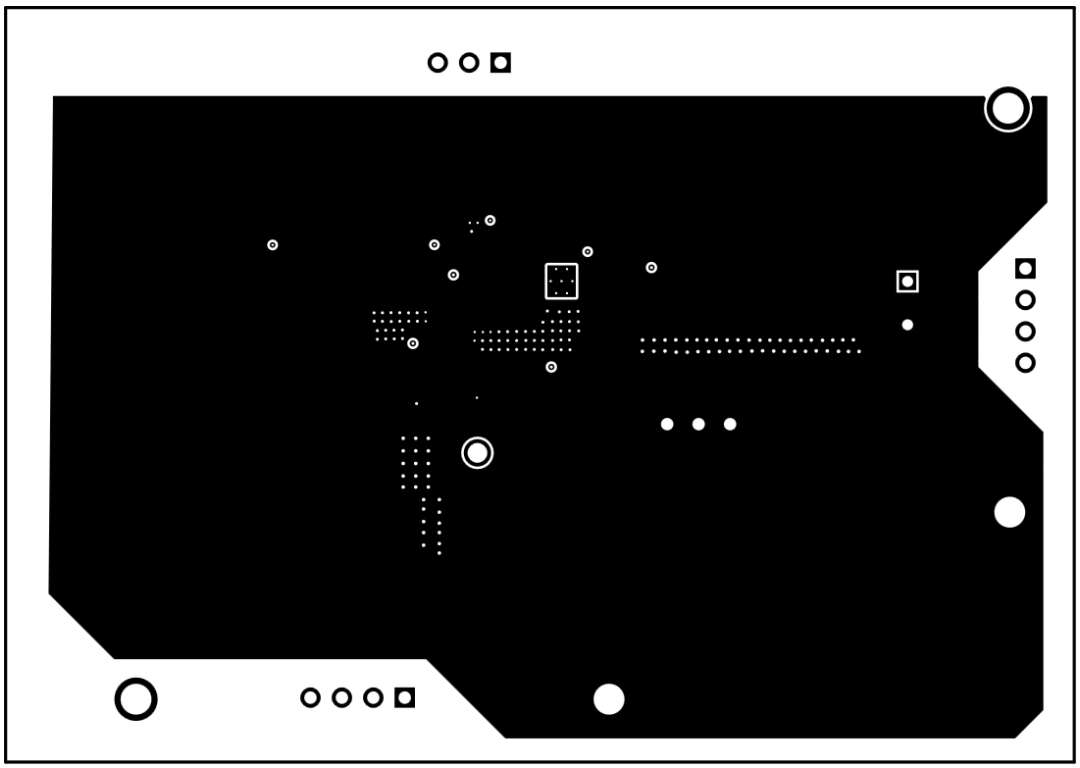


Figure 4. Internal Layer 1 of the TPS61178EVM-792

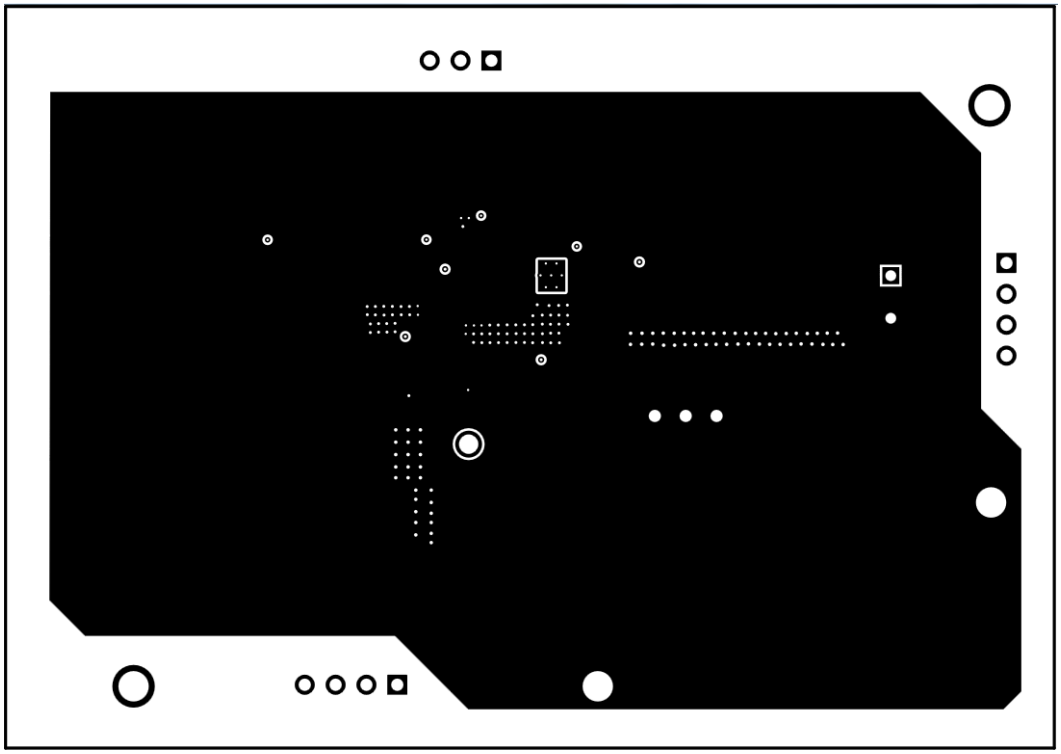


Figure 5. Internal Layer 2 of the TPS61178EVM-792

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