

TPS54494 Dual Channel SWIFT™ Evaluation Module

This user's guide contains information for the TPS54494EVM-057 evaluation module as well as for the TPS54494. Included are the performance specifications, schematic, and the bill of materials of the TPS54494EVM-057.

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1 Introduction

The TPS54494 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 TPS54494 package along with the gate drive circuitry. The low, drain-to-source on-resistance of the MOSFETs allows the TPS54494 to achieve high efficiencies and helps keep the junction temperature low at high-output currents. The TPS54494 also features auto-skip Eco-mode[™] operation for improved light-load efficiency. The TPS54494 dual DC/DC synchronous converter is designed to provide up to 4 A output on CH1 and 2 A output on CH2 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 TPS54494EVM evaluation module is a dual, synchronous buck converter providing 3.3 V at 4 A on CH1 and 1.5 V at 2 A on CH2. This user's guide describes the TPS54494 EVM performance.

NOTE: Throughout the document, x means 1 or 2, for example, VFBx means VFB1 or VFB2.

TPS54494EVM	Input Voltage Range	Output Voltage	Output Current Range
CH1	$V_{IN1} = 6 V \text{ to } 18 V$	3.3 V	0 A to 4 A
CH2	V _{IN2} = 5 V to 18 V	1.5 V	0 A to 2 A

Table 1. Input Voltage, Output Voltage and Output Current Summary

2 Performance Specification Summary

A summary of the TPS54494 EVM performance specifications is provided in Table 2. Specifications are given for an input voltage of $V_{INx} = 12$ V and an output voltage of 3.3 V and 1.5 V, unless otherwise noted. The ambient temperature is 25°C for all measurement, unless otherwise noted.

Table 2. TPS54494 EV	M Performance	Specifications	Summary	

	Specifications	Test Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Input voltage r	ange (V _{INx})			⁽¹⁾ 12	18	V
Output	V _{OUT1}			3.3		V
voltages	V _{OUT2}			1.5		V
Operating freq	uency	$V_{IN1}, V_{IN2} = 12 \text{ V}, I_{OUT1} = 2 \text{ A}, I_{OUT2} = 1 \text{ A}$		700		kHz
Output	CH1		0		4	А
current range	CH2		0		2	
Line regulation, V _{OUT1}		$I_{OUT1} = 2 \text{ A}, I_{OUT2} = 0 \text{ A}, V_{IN1}, V_{IN2} = 6 \text{ V}$ to 18 V		+0.25, -0.52		%
Line regulation, V _{OUT2}		$I_{OUT2} = 1 \text{ A}, I_{OUT1} = 0 \text{ A}, V_{IN1}, V_{IN2} = 5 \text{ V}$ to 18 V		+0.2, - 0.4		%
Load regulatio	n, V _{out1}	$V_{IN1}, V_{IN2} = 12 \text{ V}, I_{OUT1} = 0 \text{ A to 4 A}$		+0.65, -0.1		%
Load regulatio	n, V _{OUT2}	$V_{IN1}, V_{IN2} = 12 V, I_{OUT2} = 0 A \text{ to } 2 A$		+0.6, - 0.05		%
Over current li	mit, V _{OUT1}	V _{IN1} = 12 V, L ₁ = 2.2 µH	4.5	5.7	7.0	А
Over current limit, V _{OUT2}		V _{IN2} = 12 V, L ₁ = 1.5 µH	2.8	3.9	5.0	А
Output ripple voltage, V _{OUT1}		V _{IN1} = 12 V, I _{OUTx} = 4 A		15		$\mathrm{mV}_{\mathrm{PP}}$
Output ripple voltage, V _{OUT2}		V _{IN2} = 12 V, I _{OUTx} = 2 A		25		$\mathrm{mV}_{\mathrm{PP}}$
Maximum efficiency, V _{OUT1}		V _{IN1} = 5 V, I _{OUTx} = 0.7 A		94.9%		
Maximum effic	eincy, V _{OUT2}	V _{IN2} = 5 V, I _{OUTx} = 0.7 A		90.1%		

⁽¹⁾ See Table 1

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3 Modifications

This evaluation module is designed to provide access to the features of the TPS54494. 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 20 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:

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

Output Voltage (V)	R1, R3 (kΩ)	R2, R4 (kΩ)	C21, C20 (pF)	L1, L2 (μΗ)	C14, C15, C18 Total Capacitance, C16, C17, C19 Total Capacitance (μF)
1	6.81	22.1		1.5 - 2.2	22 - 68
1.05	8.25	22.1		1.5 - 2.2	22 - 68
1.2	12.7	22.1		1.5 - 2.2	22 - 68
1.5	21.5	22.1		1.5 - 2.2	22 - 68
1.8	30.1	22.1	5 - 22	2.2 - 3.3	22 - 68
2.5	49.9	22.1	5 - 22	2.2 - 3.3	22 - 68
3.3	73.2	22.1	5 - 22	2.2 - 3.3	22 - 68
5	124	22.1	5 - 22	4.7	22 - 68
6.5	165	22.1	5 - 22	4.7	22 - 68

Table 3. Output Voltages

3.2 Output Filter and Closed-Loop Response

The TPS54494 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.



4 Test Setup and Results

This section describes how to properly connect, set up, and use the TPS54494EVM. 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 TPS54494EVM 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.

Reference Designator	Function
J1	V _{IN} (see Table 1 for V _{IN} range)
J2	V _{OUT2} , 1.5 V at 2 A maximum
J3	V _{OUT1} , 3.3 V at 4 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	PG1 test point.
TP14	PG2 test point.
TP15	Analog ground test point.

Table 4. Connection and Test Points

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 TPS54494EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

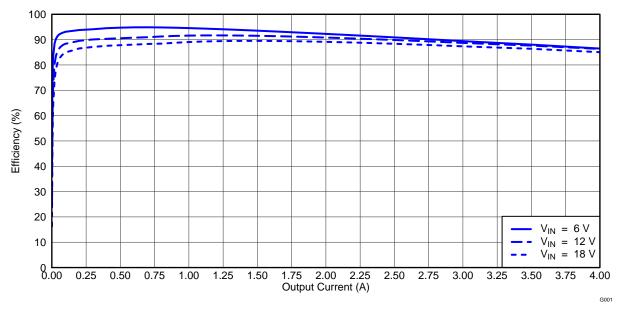




Figure 2 shows the light load efficiency for converter 1 on the TPS54494EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

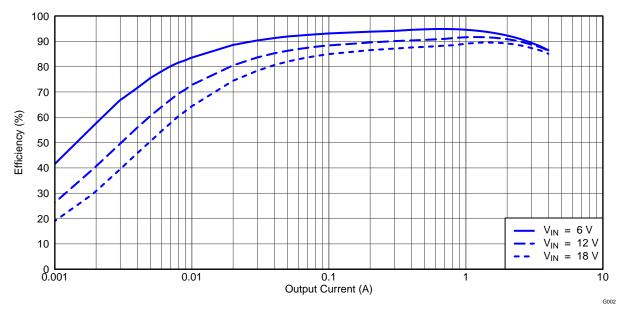


Figure 2. TPS54494EVM Converter 1 Light Load Efficiency



4.3.2 Efficiency of Converter 2

Figure 3 shows the efficiency for the converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

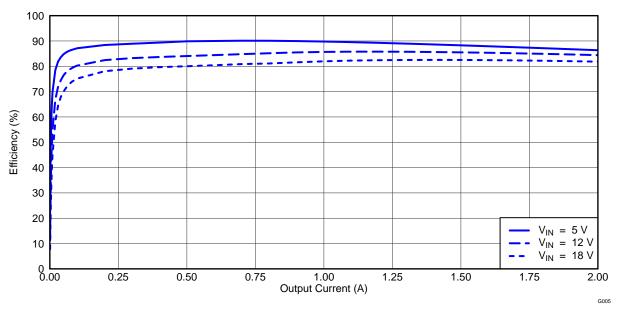




Figure 4 shows the light load efficiency for the converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM at an ambient temperature of 25°C.

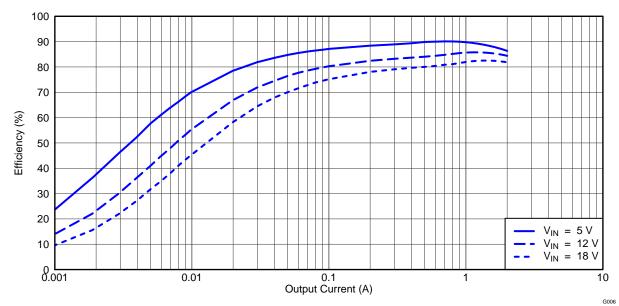


Figure 4. TPS54494EVM Converter 2 Light Load Efficiency



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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 TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 5. On the EVM, the load regulation of converter 1 is independent on the load of converter 2.

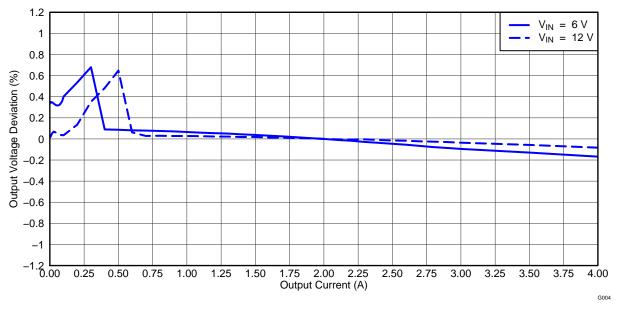
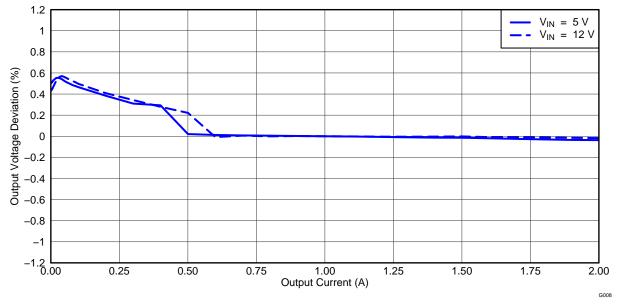


Figure 5. TPS54494EVM Converter 1 Load Regulation

4.4.2 Load Regulation of Converter 2

The load regulation for the converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 6. For 5V input voltage, the converter 2 shows on the EVM some dependency on the load of converter 1.



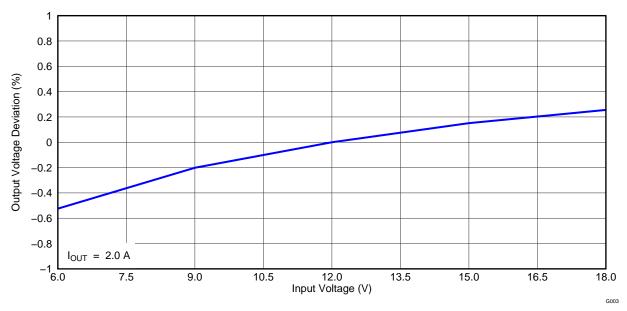




4.5 Line Regulation

4.5.1 Line Regulation Converter 1

The line regulation of converter 1 on the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 7.





4.5.2 Line Regulation Converter 2

The line regulation of converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 8.

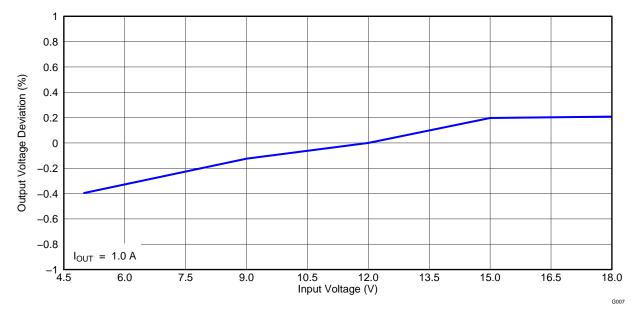


Figure 8. TPS54494EVM Converter 2 Line Regulation

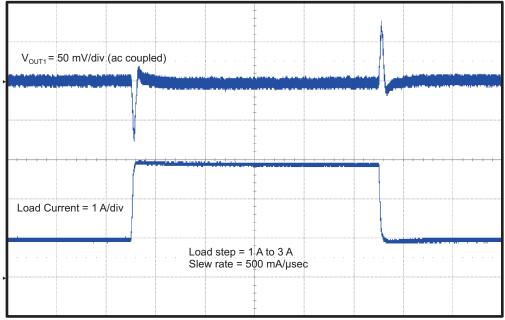


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4.6 Load Transient Response

4.6.1 Load Transient Response Converter 1

The response of converter 1 on the TPS54494EVM to a load transient is shown in Figure 9.

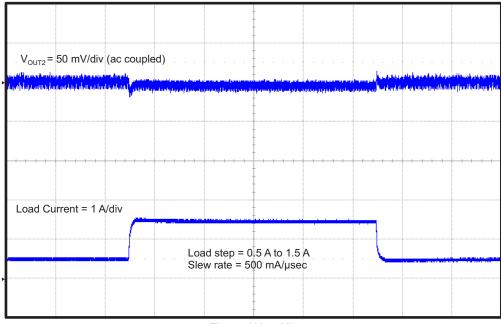


Time = 100 µs/div

Figure 9. TPS54494EVM Converter 1 Load Transient Response

4.6.2 Load Transient Response Converter 2

The response of converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM to a load transient is shown in Figure 10.



Time = 100 µs/div

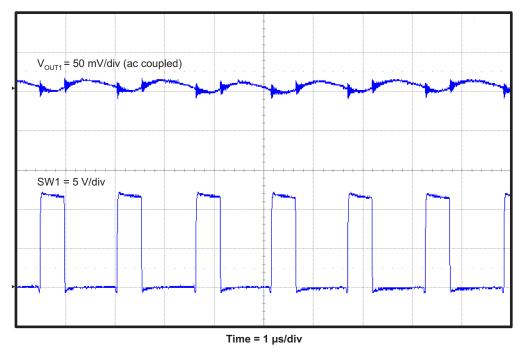




4.7 Output Voltage Ripple

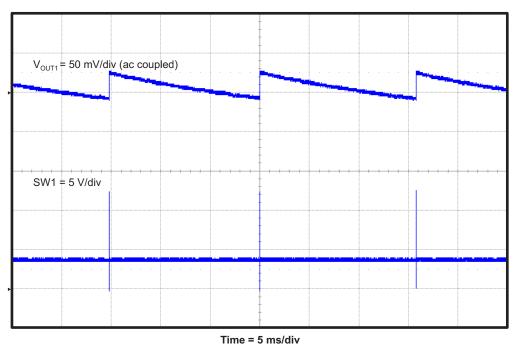
4.7.1 Output Voltage Ripple Converter 1

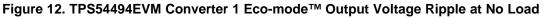
The output voltage ripple of converter 1 on the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 11. The output current is the rated full load of 4 A.





The output voltage ripple of converter 1 on the TPS54494EVM during Eco-mode[™] operation at no load is shown in Figure 12.





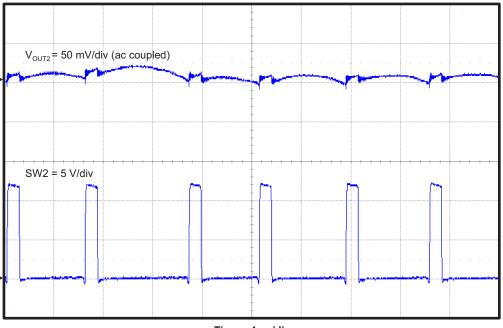


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4.7.2 Output Voltage Ripple Converter 2

The output voltage ripple of converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 13. The output current is the rated full load of 2 A.



Time = 1 µs/div

Figure 13. TPS54494EVM Converter 2 Output Voltage Ripple

The output voltage ripple of converter 2 on the TPS54494EVM during Eco-mode[™] operation at no load is shown in Figure 14.

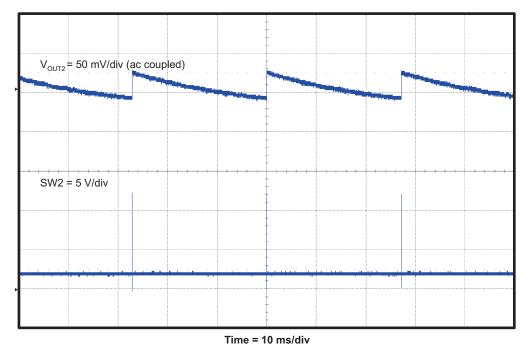


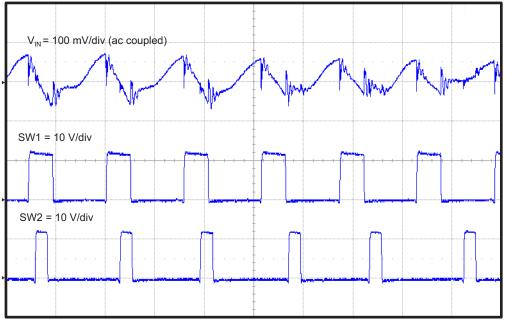
Figure 14. TPS54494EVM Converter 2 Eco-mode™ Output Voltage Ripple at No Load



4.8 Input Voltage Ripple

The TPS54494EVM input voltage ripple is shown in Figure 15. The output currents are the rated full load currents of 4 A CH1 and 2 A CH2.

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Time = 1 µs/div

Figure 15. TPS54494EVM Input Voltage Ripple

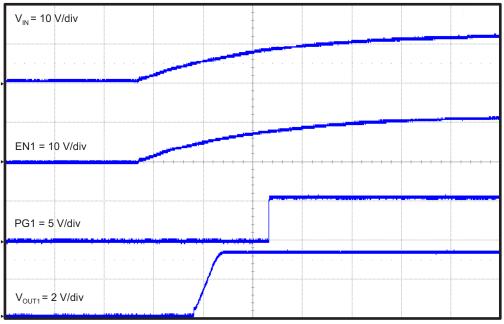


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4.9 Start-Up

4.9.1 Converter 1 Start-Up

The TPS54494EVM start-up waveform of converter 1 relative to V_{IN} is shown in Figure 16.







The TPS54494EVM start-up waveform of converter 1 relative to EN1 is shown in Figure 17.

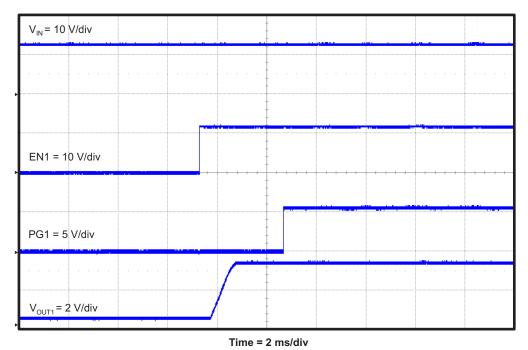
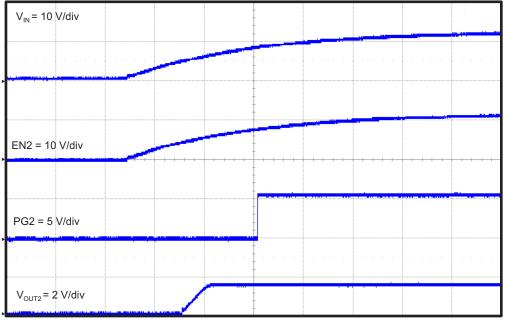


Figure 17. TPS54494EVM Start-Up Relative to EN1



4.9.2 Converter 2 Start-Up

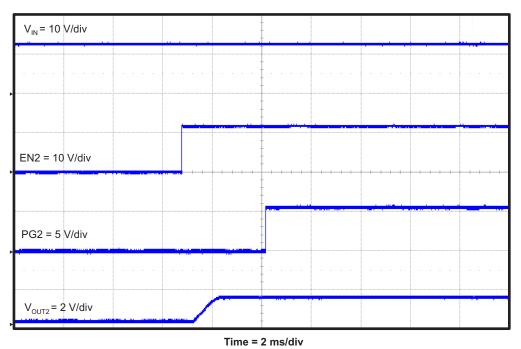
The TPS54494EVM start-up waveform of converter 2 relative to V_{IN} is shown in Figure 18.



Time = 2 ms/div



The TPS54494EVM start-up waveform of converter 2 relative to EN2 is shown in Figure 19.



5 Board Layout

This section provides a description of the TPS54494EVM, board layout, and layer illustrations.

5.1 Layout

The board layout for the TPS54494EVM is shown in Figure 20 through Figure 25. The top layer contains the main power traces for VIN and VOUTx. Also on the top layer are connections for the pins of the TPS54494 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.

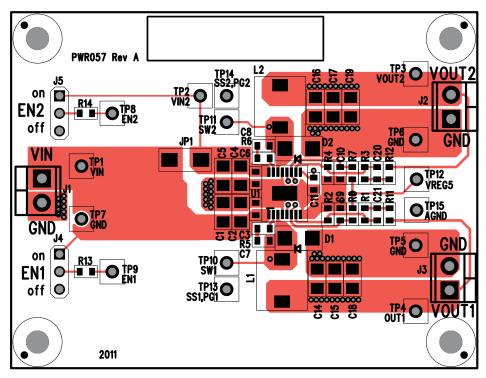


Figure 20. Top Assembly



Board Layout

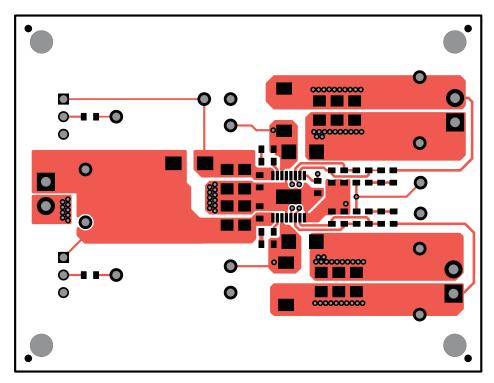


Figure 21. Top Layer

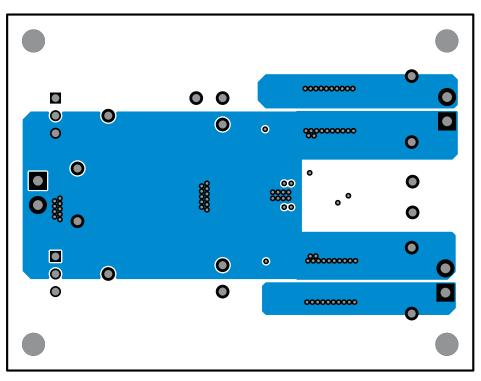


Figure 22. Internal 1 Layer



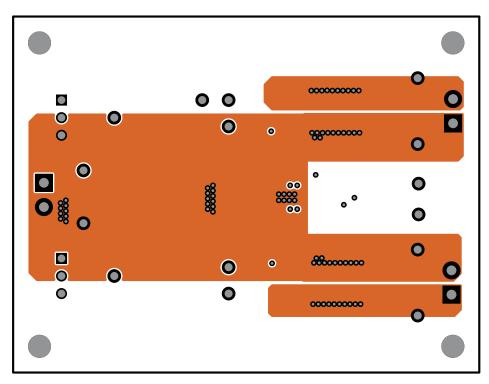


Figure 23. Internal 2 Layer

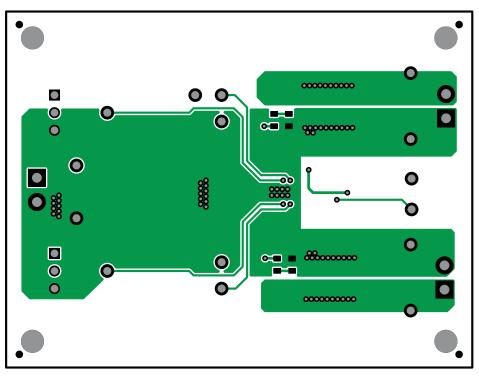


Figure 24. Bottom Layer



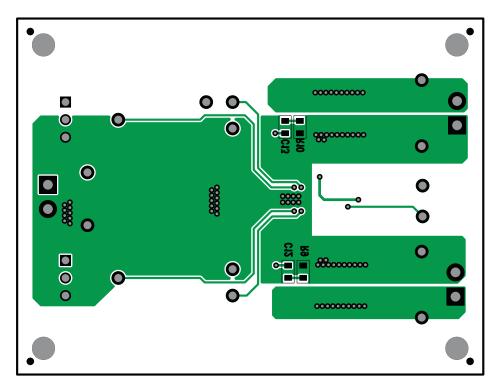


Figure 25. Bottom Assembly

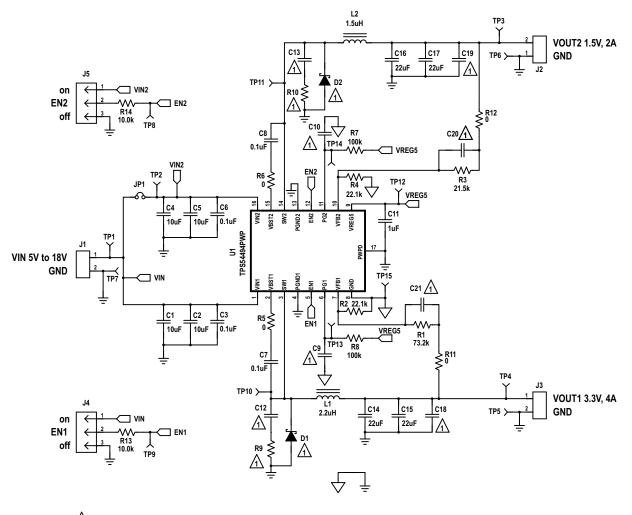


Schematic, Bill of Materials, and Reference

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6.1 Schematic

Figure 26 is the schematic for the TPS54494EVM.



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Figure 26. TPS54494EVM Schematic Diagram

6.2 Bill of Materials

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Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	Manufacture
1	C11	1 µF	Capacitor, ceramic, 16 V, X7R, 10%	0603	GRM188R71C105KA12	Murata
4	C1-2 C4-5	10 µF	Capacitor, ceramic, 25 V, X7R, 10%	1206	GRM31CR71E106KA12	Murata
0	C12-13	open	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%	0603	GRM188R71H104KA93	Murata
4	C14-17	22 µF	Capacitor, ceramic, 6.3 V, X7R, 10%	1206	GRM31CR70J226KE19	Murata
0	C18-19	open	Capacitor, ceramic, 6.3 V, X7R, 10%	1206		
0	C20-21	open	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%	0603	Std	Std
4	C3 C6-8	0.1 µF	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%	00603	GRM188R71H104KA93	Murata
0	C9-10	open	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%	0603	Std	Std
0	D1-2	open	Diode, Schottky	SMA	STD	STD
1	L1	2.2 µH	Inductor, power line, magnetic shielded, ±30%, 4.3A	6.9 × 7.2 mm	SPM6530-2R2M	TDK
1	L2	1.5 µH	Inductor, power line, magnetic shielded, ±30%, 4.1A	6.9 × 7.2 mm	SPM6530-1R5M	TDK
1	R1	73.2 kΩ	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R11-12	0 Ω	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 5%	0603	STD	STD
2	R13-14	10.0 kΩ	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R2 R4	22.1 kΩ	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	R3	21.5 kΩ	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R5-6	0 Ω	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
2	R7-8	100 kΩ	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
0	R9-10	open	Resistor, chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	STD	STD
1	U1	TPS54494PW P	IC, 4A/2A, dual output fully synchronous buck converter with integrated FET	TSSOP	TPS54494PWP	ТІ

Table 5. Bill of Materials

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. TPS54494, 3-A Dual Channel Synchronous Step-Down Switcher With Integrated FETs data sheet (SLVSBH1)

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Caution

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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- · Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Concerning EVMs including radio transmitters

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Cet appareil numérique de la classe A ou B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

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