

Using the TPS548D22EVM-784

User's Guide



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TPS548D22EVM-784, 40-A Single Synchronous Step-Down Converter With Full Differential Sense

1 Introduction

The PWR784EVM evaluation module uses the TPS548D22 device. The TPS548D22 is a highly integrated synchronous buck converter that is designed for up to 40-A current output.

2 Description

The PWR784EVM is designed as a single output DC-DC converter that demonstrates the TPS548D22 in a typical low-voltage application while providing a number of test points to evaluate the performance. It uses a nominal 12-V input bus to produce a regulated 1-V output at up to 40-A load current.

2.1 *Typical End-User Applications*

- Enterprise Storage, SSD, NAS
- Wireless and Wired Communication Infrastructure
- Industrial PCs, Automation, ATE, PLC, Video Surveillance
- Enterprise Server, Switches, Routers
- AISIC, SoC, FPGA, DSP Core and I/O Rails

2.2 *EVM Features*

- Regulated 1-V output up to 40-A, steady-state output current
- Convenient Test Points for Probing Critical Waveforms

3 EVM Electrical Performance Specifications

Table 1. PWR-784EVM Electrical Performance Specifications

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Input Characteristics						
	Voltage range	V_{IN} tied to VDD	5	12	16	V
	Maximum input current	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $I_O = 40\text{ A}$			12	A
	No load input current	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $I_O = 0\text{ A}$		60		mA
Output Characteristics						
V_{OUT}	Output voltage	Output current = 10 A		1		V
I_{OUT}	Output load current	$I_{OUT(min)}$ to $I_{OUT(max)}$	0		40	A
	Output voltage regulation	Line regulation: input voltage = 5 V to 16 V		0.5%		
		Load regulation: output current = 0 A to $I_{OUT(max)}$		0.5%		
V_{OUT}	Output voltage ripple	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 40\text{ A}$		10		mV _{PP}
V_{OUT}	Output overcurrent			46		A
Systems Characteristics						
	Switching frequency	F_{SW}		650		kHz
V_{OUT}	Peak efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $I_O = 18\text{ A}$, $F_{SW} = 650\text{ kHz}$		89%		
	Operating temperature	T_{oper}	0		105	°C

4 Schematic

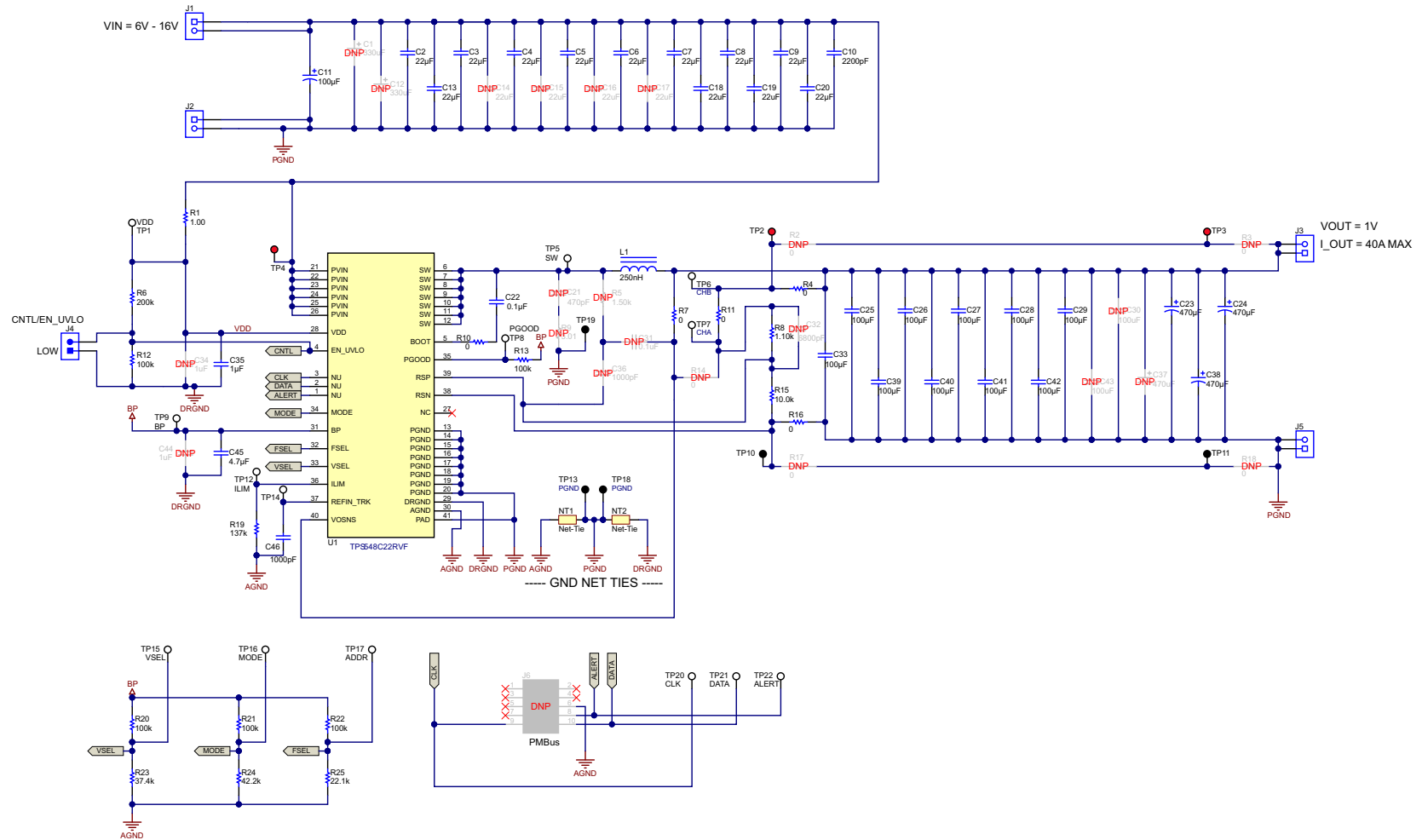


Figure 1. PWR-784EVM Schematic

5 Test Equipment

Voltage Source: The input voltage source VIN must be a 0-V to 18-V variable DC source capable of supplying at least 12 A_{DC}.

Multimeters: It is recommended to use two separate multimeters [Figure 2](#). One meter is used to measure V_{IN} and one to measure V_{OUT}.

Output Load: A variable electronic load is recommended for testing [Figure 2](#). It must be capable of 40 A at voltages as low as 0.6 V.

Oscilloscope: An oscilloscope is recommended for measuring output noise and ripple. Output ripple must be measured using a tip-and-barrel method or better as shown in [Figure 3](#). The scope must be adjusted to 20-MHz bandwidth, AC coupling at 50 mV/division, and must be set to 1-μs/division.

Fan: During prolonged operation at high loads, it may be necessary to provide forced air cooling with a small fan aimed at the EVM. Temperature of the devices on the EVM must be maintained below 105°C.

Recommended Wire Gauge: The voltage drop in the load wires must be kept as low as possible in order to keep the working voltage at the load within its operating range. Use the AWG 14 wire (2 wires parallel for VOUT positive and 2 wires parallel for the VOUT negative) of no more than 1.98 feet between the EVM and the load. This recommended wire gauge and length should achieve a voltage drop of no more than 0.2 V at the maximum 40-A load.

6 The PWR-784EVM

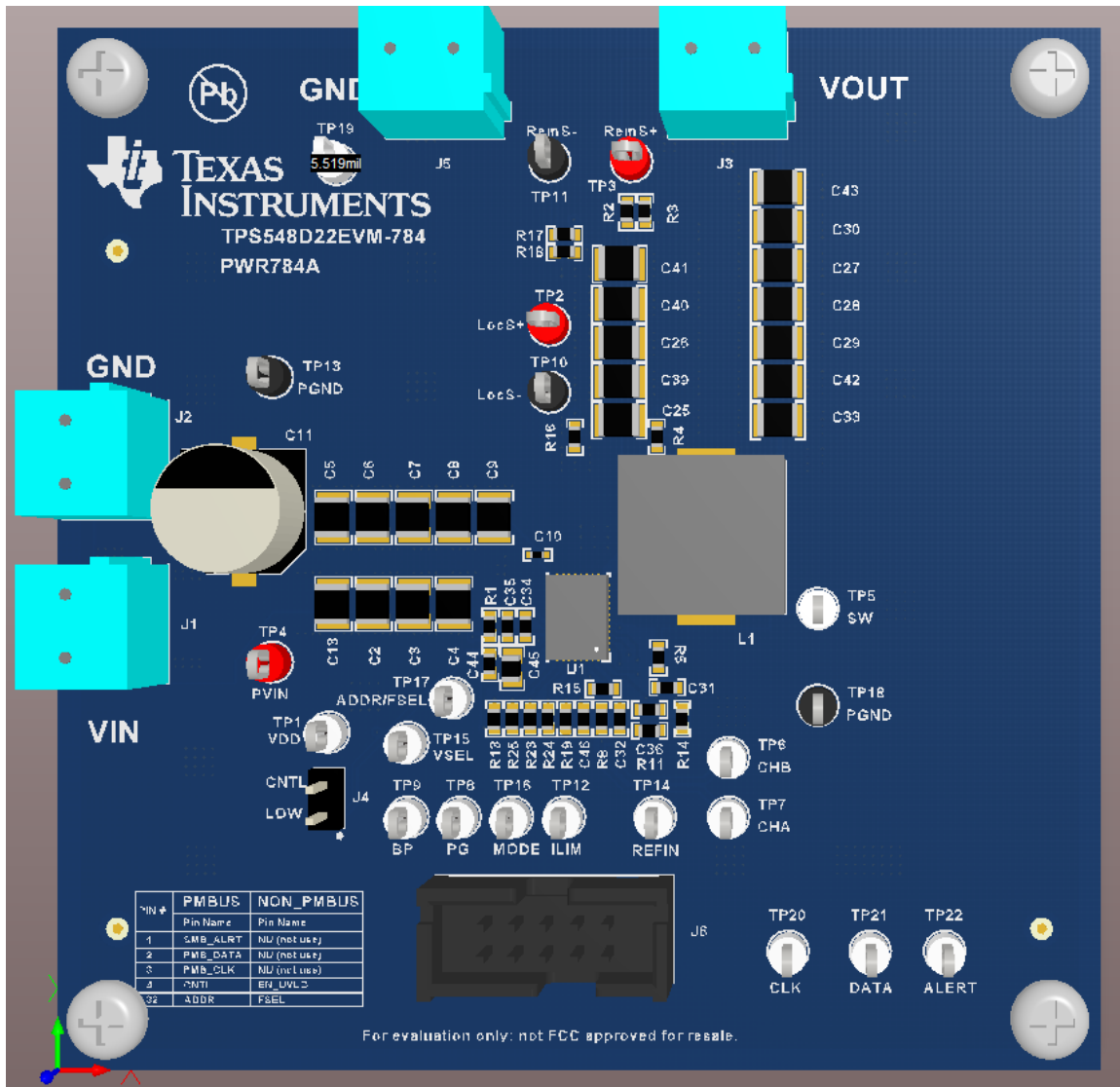
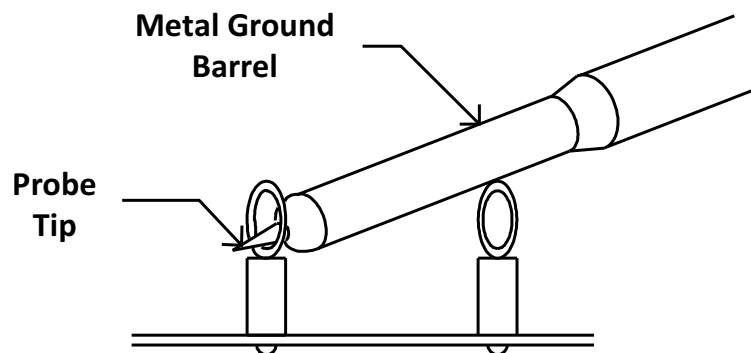


Figure 2. PWR-784EVM Overview



Tip and Barrel V_{OUT} Ripple Measurement

Figure 3. Tip and Barrel Measurement

7 List of Test Points, Jumpers, and Switch

Table 2. The Function of Each Test Point

ITEM	TYPE	NAME	DESCRIPTION
TP5	T-H loop	SW	Power supply Switch node
TP7	T-H loop	CH-A	Measure loop stability
TP6	T-H loop	CH-B	Measure loop stability
TP2	T-H loop	LocS+	Sense VOUT + locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP10	T-H loop	LocS-	Sense VOUT – locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP3	T-H loop	RemS+	Remote sense +
TP11	T-H loop	RemS-	Remote sense –
TP4	T-H loop	PVIN	Sense VIN + across C10
TP13	T-H loop	PGND	Sense VIN – across C10
TP1	T-H loop	VDD	Supplies the internal circuitry
TP17	T-H loop	FSEL	Monitor the FSEL external resistor divider ratio during initial power up.
TP15	T-H loop	VSEL	Monitor the VSEL external resistor divider ratio during initial power up.
TP9	T-H loop	BP	LDO output
TP8	T-H loop	PG	Power good
TP16	T-H loop	MODE	Monitor the MODE external resistor divider ratio during initial power up.
TP12	T-H loop	ILIM	Program over-current limit.
TP14	T-H loop	REFIN_TRK	Do not connect. ⁽¹⁾
TP19	T-H loop	PGND	Common GND
TP18	T-H loop	PGND	Common GND
TP20	T-H loop	CLK	Not used
TP21	T-H loop	DATA	Not used
TP22	T-H loop	ALERT	Not used
JP4	2-pin jumper	CNTL	Shunts control pin to GND

⁽¹⁾ Pin name changes to RESV_TRK.

8 Test Procedure

8.1 Line and Load Regulation Measurement Procedure

1. Connect VOUT to J3 and VOUT_GND to J5 [Figure 2](#).
2. Ensure that the electronic load is set to draw 0 A_{DC}.
3. Connect VIN to J1 and VIN_GND to J2 [Figure 2](#).
4. Increase V_{IN} from 0 V to 12 V using the digital multimeter to measure input voltage.
5. Use the other digital multimeter to measure output voltage V_{OUT} at TP2 and TP10.

Table 3. List of Test Points for Line and Load Measurements

TEST POINT	NODE NAME	DESCRIPTION
TP2	LocS+	Sense VOUT + locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP10	LocS-	Sense VOUT - locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP4	PVIN	Sense VIN + across C10
TP13	PGND	Sense VIN - across C10

6. Vary the load from 0 A_{DC} to maximum rated output 40 A_{DC}. V_{OUT} must remain in regulation as defined in [Table 1](#).
7. Vary V_{IN} from 5 V to 16 V. V_{OUT} must remain in regulation as defined in [Table 1](#).
8. Decrease the load to 0 A.
9. Decrease V_{IN} to 0 V or turn off the supply.

8.2 Efficiency

To measure the efficiency of the power train on the EVM, it is important to measure the voltages at the correct location. This is necessary because otherwise the measurements will include losses in efficiency that are not related to the power train itself. Losses incurred by the voltage drop in the copper traces and in the input and output connectors are not related to the efficiency of the power train, and they must not be included in efficiency measurements.

Table 4. List of Test Points for Efficiency Measurements

TEST POINT	NODE NAME	DESCRIPTION
TP2	LocS+	Sense VOUT + locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP10	LocS-	Sense VOUT - locally across C5. Use for efficiency and ripple measurements
TP4	PVIN	Sense VIN + across C10
TP13	PGND	Sense VIN - across C10

Input current can be measured at any point in the input wires, and output current can be measured anywhere in the output wires of the output being measured. Using these measurement points result in efficiency measurements that do not include losses due to the connectors and PCB traces.

8.3 Equipment Shutdown

1. Reduce the load current to 0 A.
2. Reduce input voltage to 0 V.
3. Shut down the external fan if in use.
4. Shut down equipment.

9 Performance Data and Typical Characteristic Curves

Figure 4 through Figure 13 present typical performance curves for the PWR-784EVM.

9.1 Efficiency

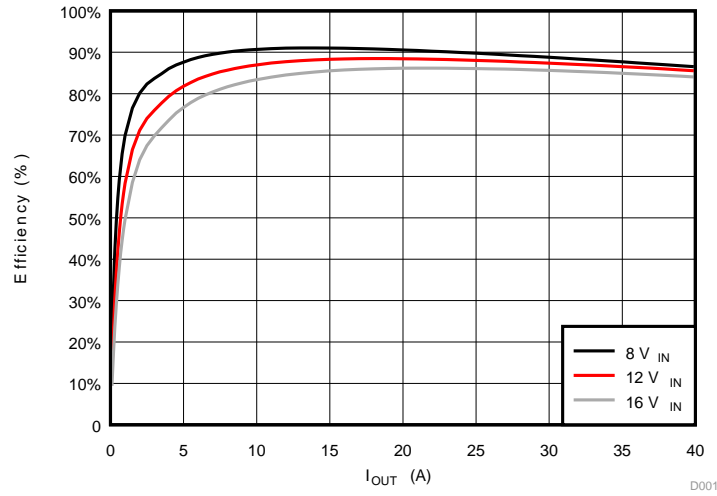


Figure 4. Efficiency of 1-V Output vs Load

9.2 Load Regulation

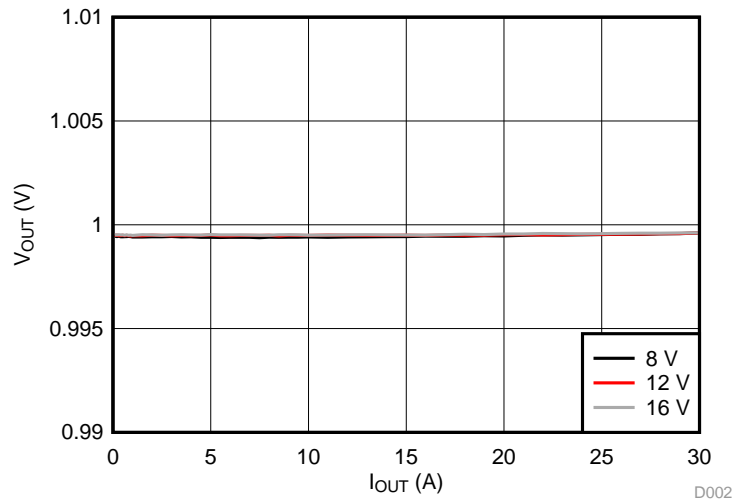


Figure 5. Load Regulation of 1-V Output

9.3 Line Regulation

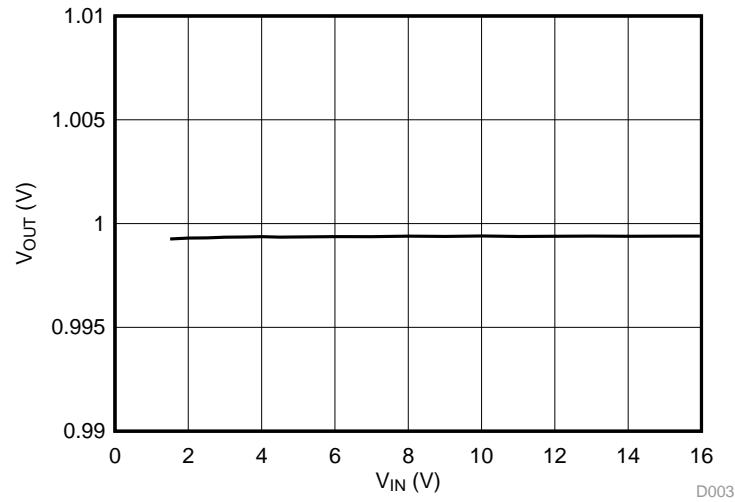


Figure 6. Line Regulation of 1-V Output

9.4 Transient Response

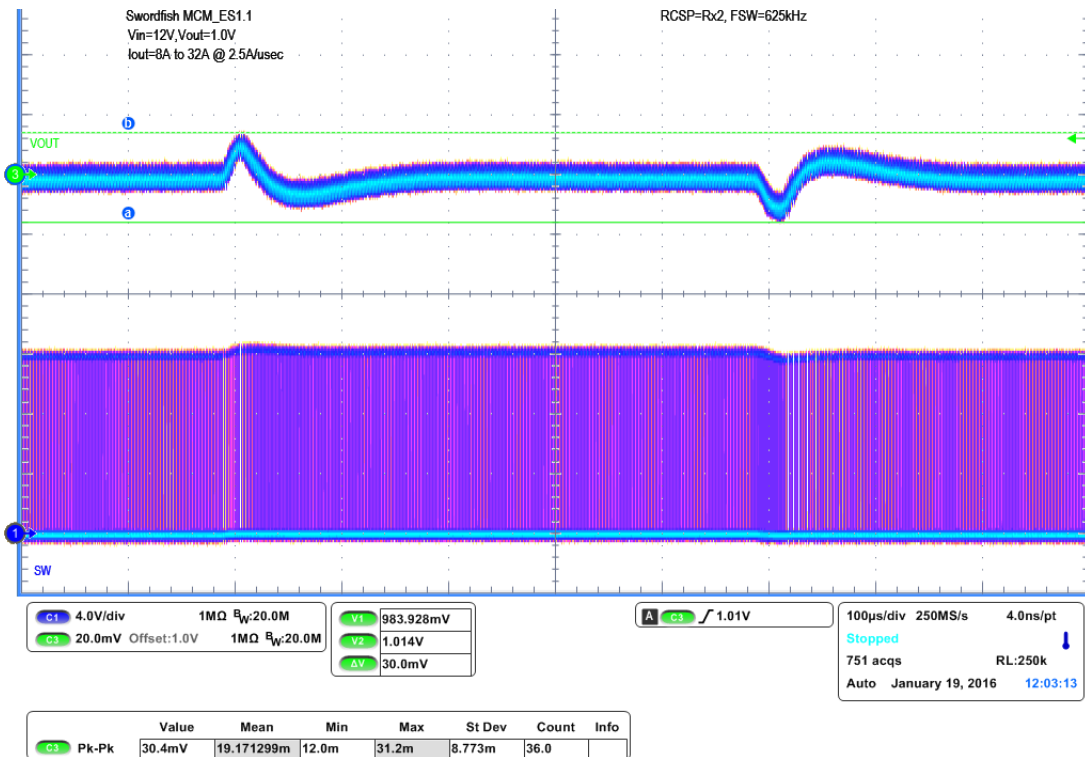


Figure 7. Transient Response of 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, Transient is 8 A to 32 A, 2.5 A/μs

9.5 Output Ripple

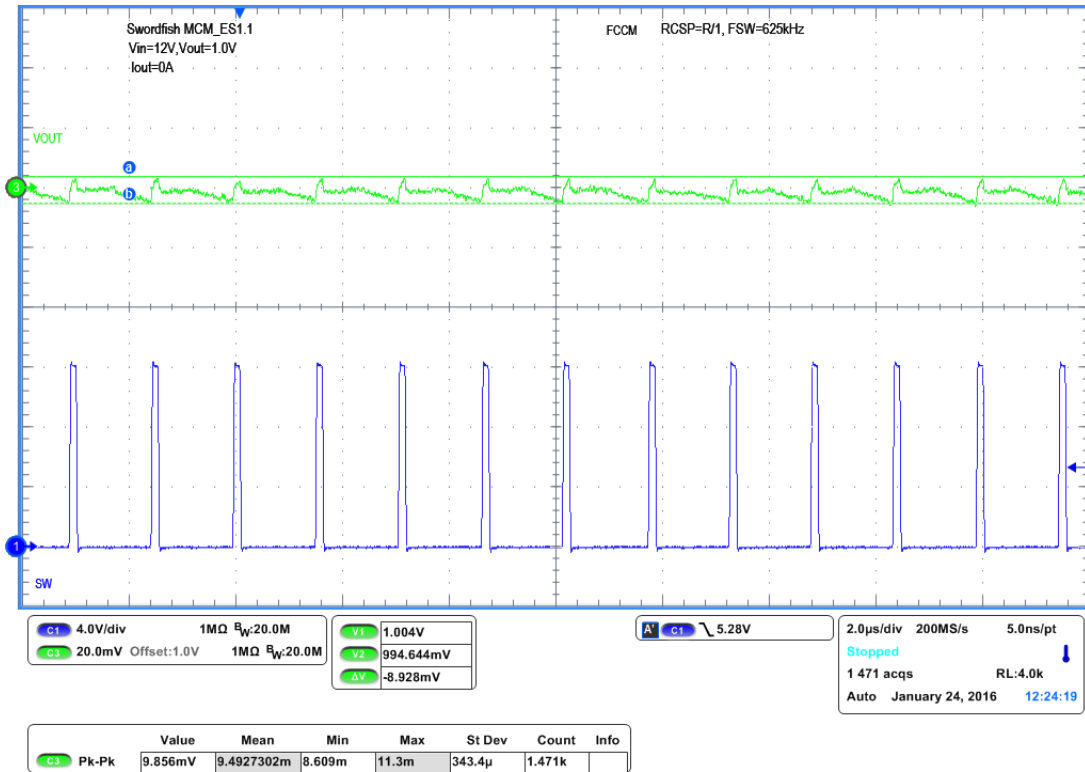


Figure 8. Output Ripple and SW Node of 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 0-A Output

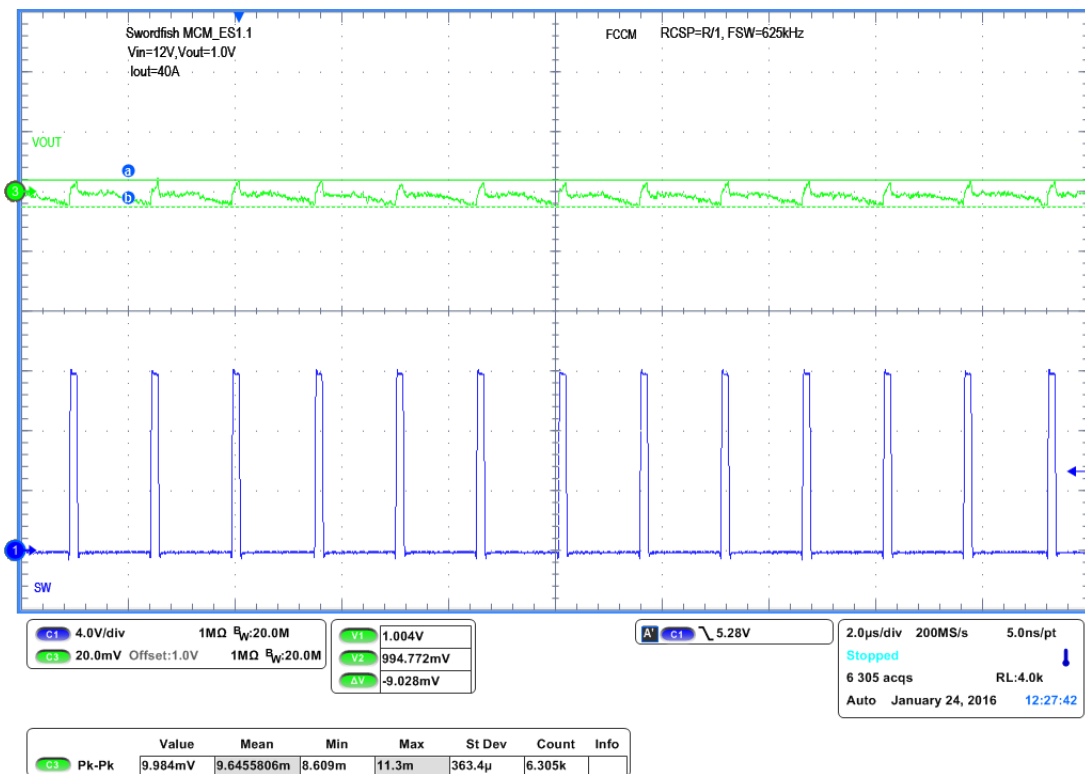


Figure 9. Output Ripple and SW Node of 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 40-A Output

9.6 Control On

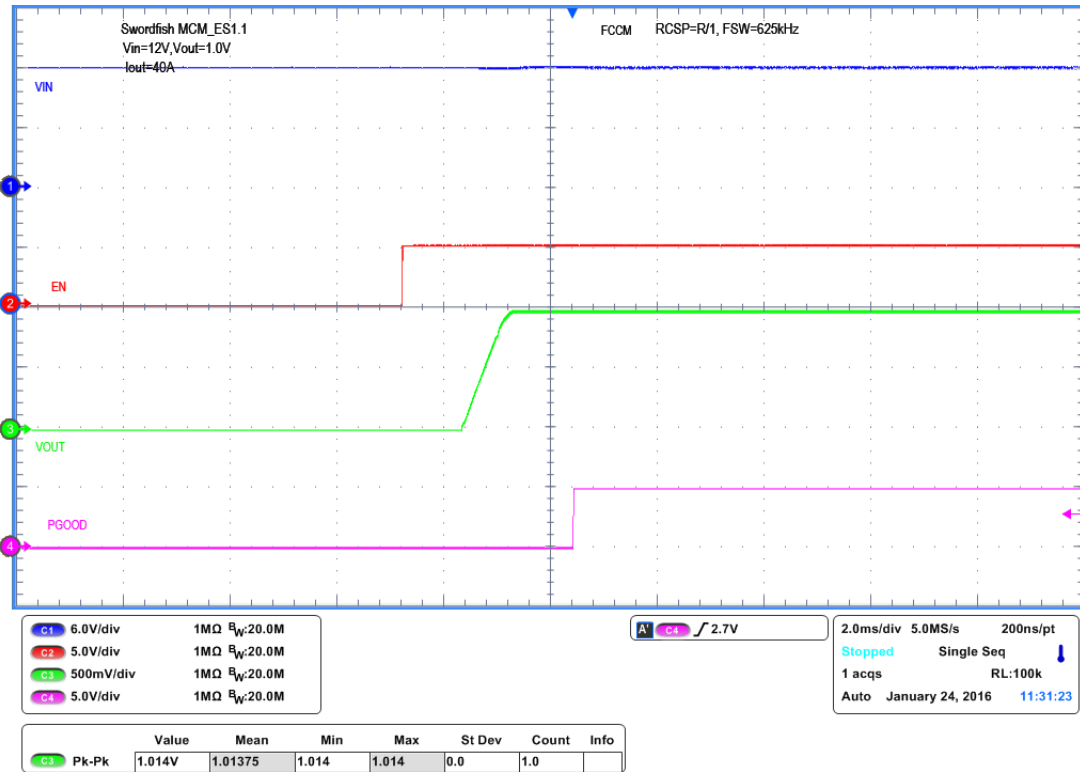


Figure 10. Start up from Control, 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 40-A Output

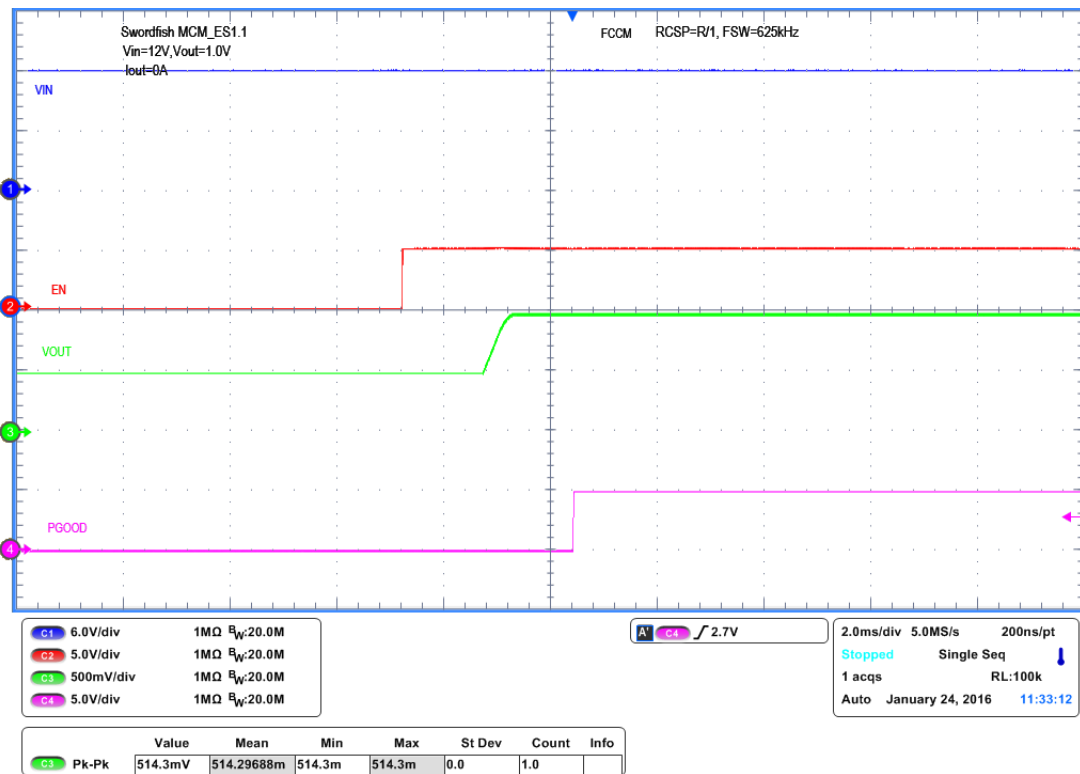


Figure 11. 0.5-V Pre-bias start up from Control, 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 40-A Output

9.7 Control Off

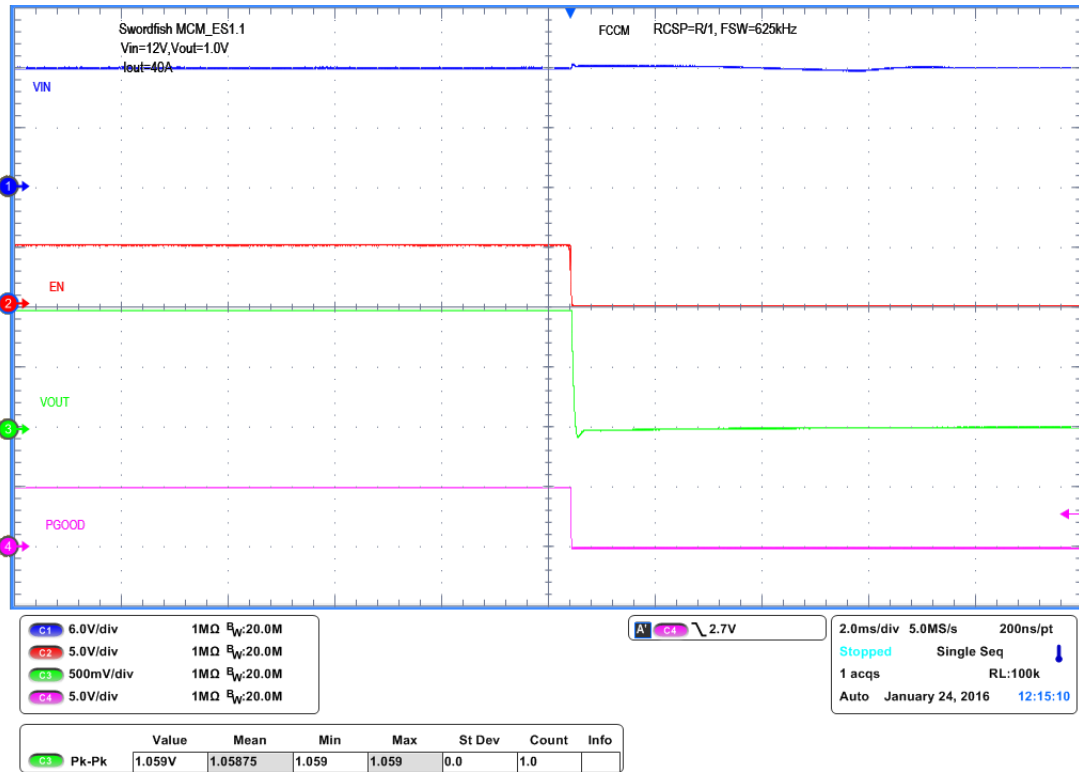


Figure 12. Soft Stop from Control, 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 40-A Output

9.8 Thermal Image

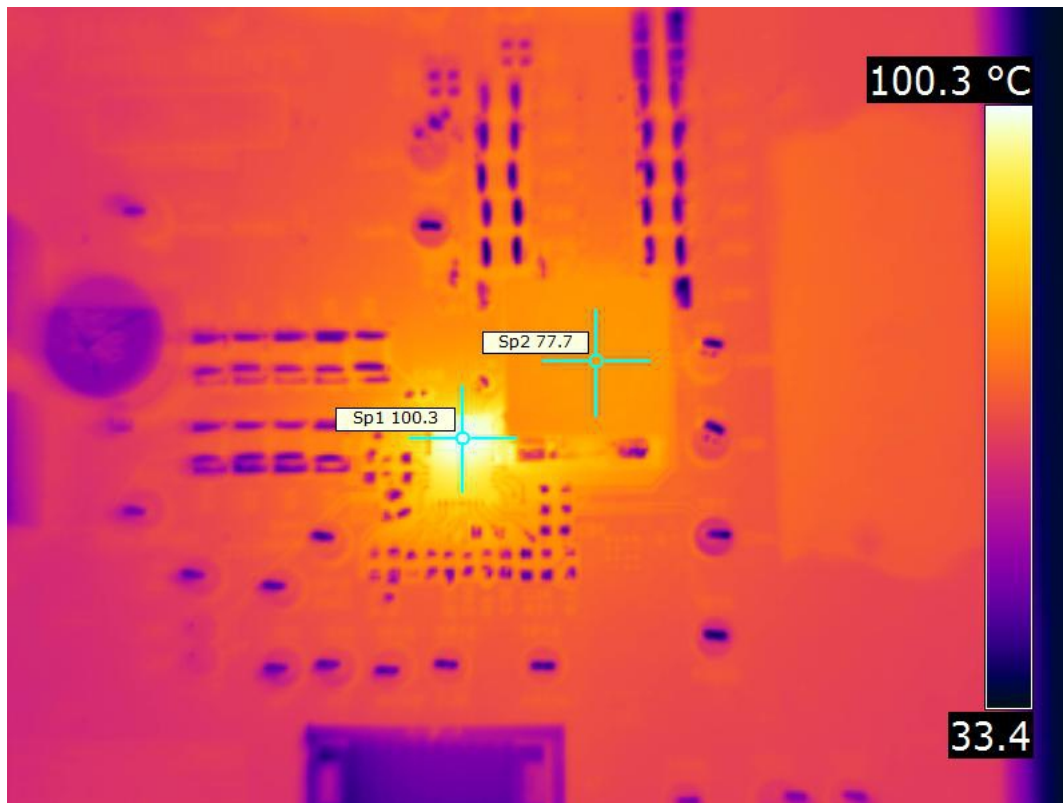


Figure 13. Thermal Image at 1-V Output at 12 V_{IN}, 40-A Output

10 EVM Assembly Drawing and PCB Layout

Figure 14 through Figure 21 show the design of the PWR-784EVM printed-circuit board (PCB). The PWR-784EVM has a 2-oz. copper finish for all layers.

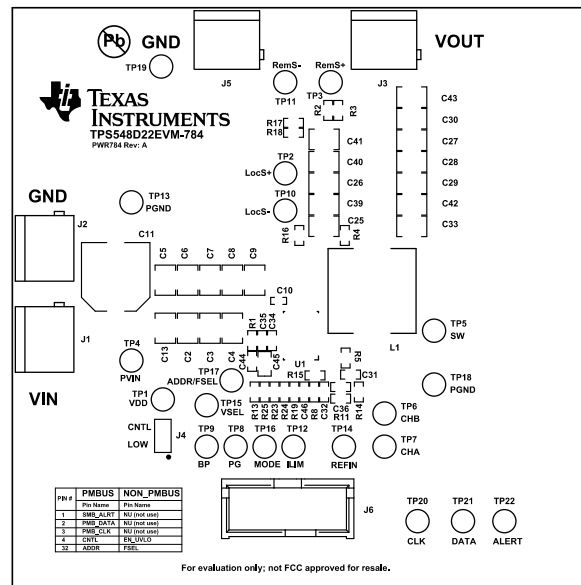


Figure 14. PWR-681EVM Top Layer Assembly Drawing (top view)

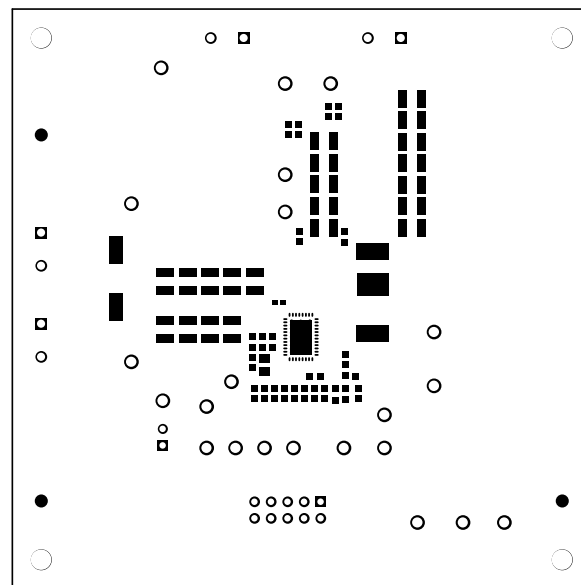


Figure 15. PWR-784EVM Top Solder Mask (top view)

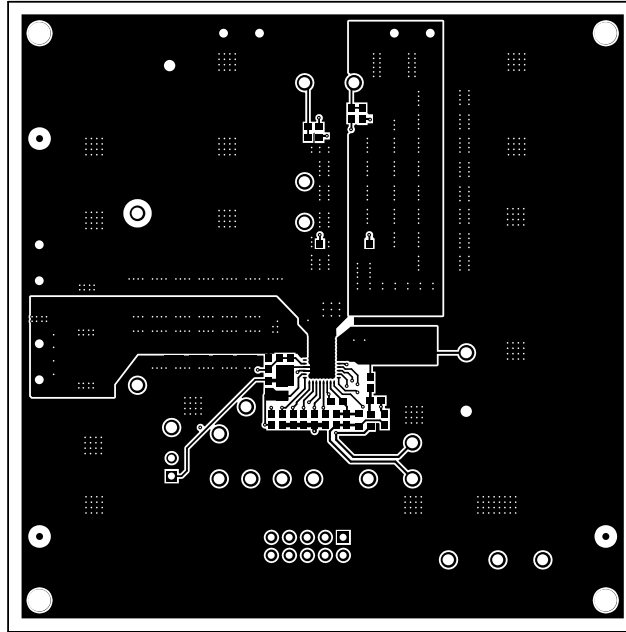


Figure 16. PWR-784EVM Top Layer (top view)

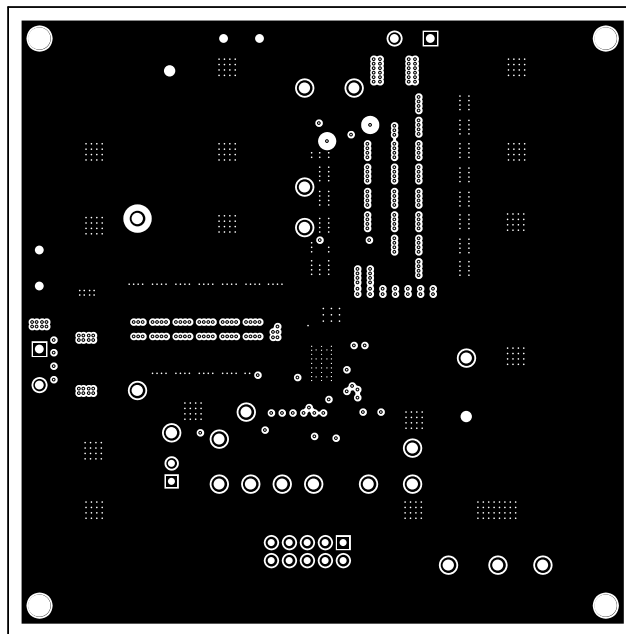


Figure 17. PWR-784EVM Inner Layer 1 (top view)

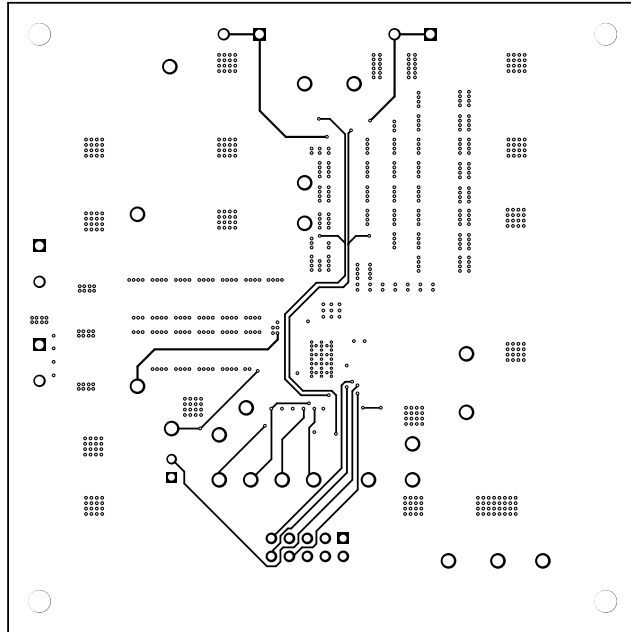


Figure 18. PWR-784EVM Inner Layer 2 (top view)

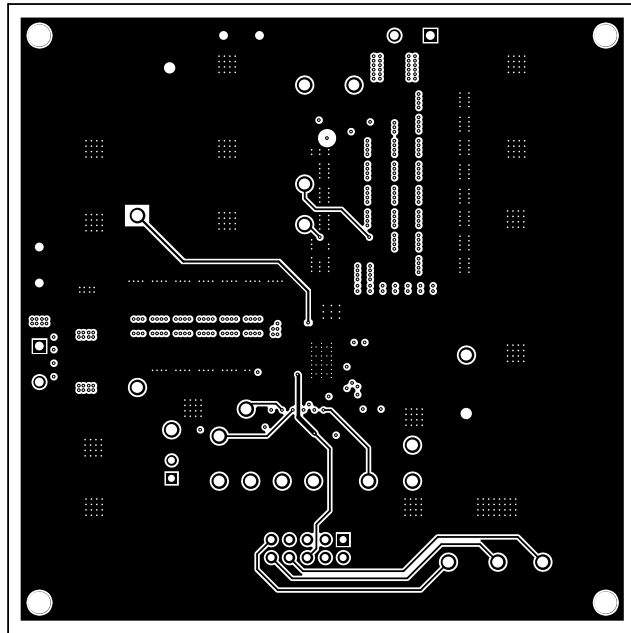


Figure 19. PWR-784EVM Inner Layer 3 (top view)

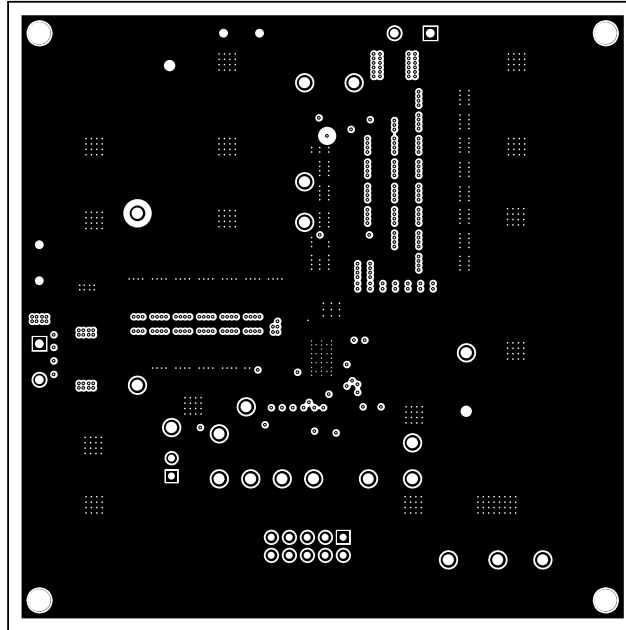


Figure 20. PWR-784EVM Inner Layer 4 (top view)

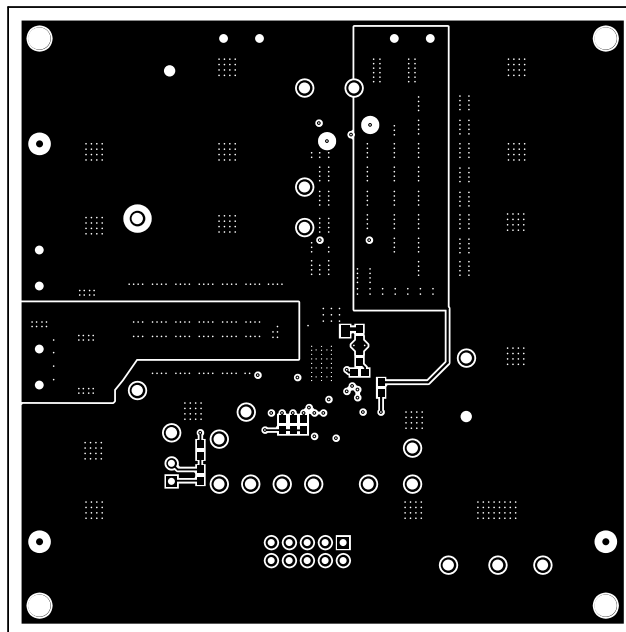


Figure 21. PWR-784EVM Bottom Layer (top view)

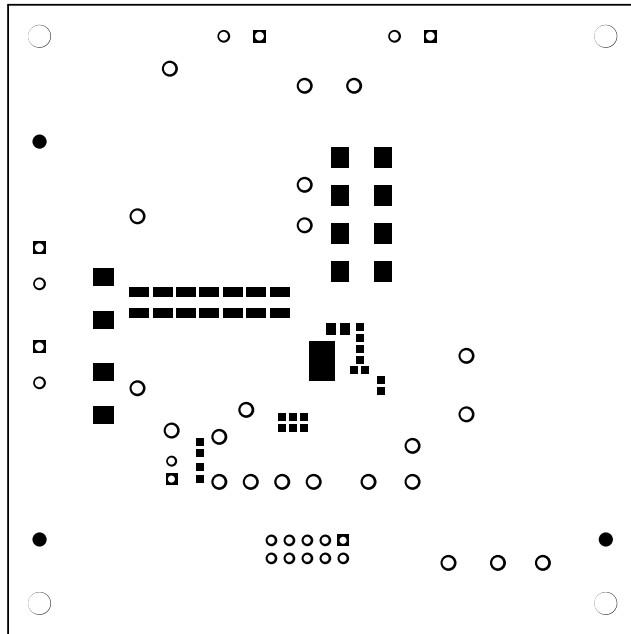


Figure 22. PWR-784EVM Bottom Solder Mask (top view)

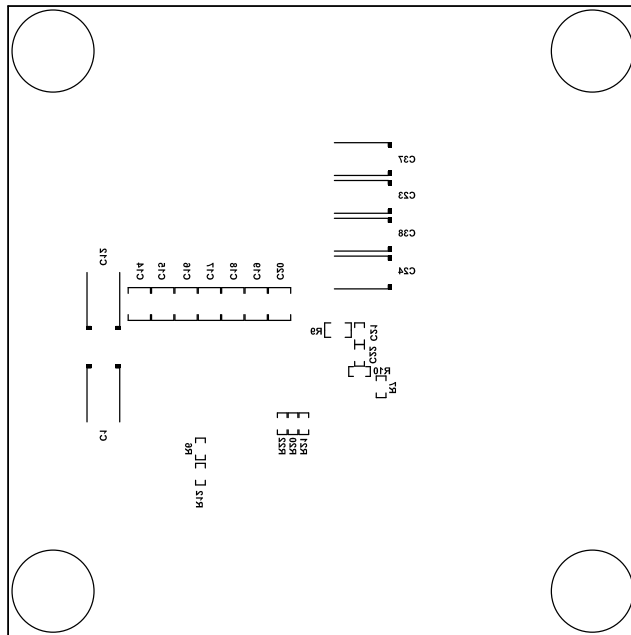


Figure 23. PWR-784EVM Bottom Overlay Layer (top view)

11 List of Materials

The EVM components list according to the schematic shown in [Table 5](#).

Table 5. PWR784 List of Materials

Quantity	Designator	Value	Description	Package Reference	Manufacturer	Part Number
12	C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C8, C9, C13, C18, C19, C20	22 μ F	CAP, CERM, 22 μ F, 25 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 1210	1210	MuRata	GRM32ER71E226KE15L
1	C10	2200 pF	CAP, CERM, 2200 pF, 25 V, +/- 10%, X5R, 0402	0402	MuRata	GRM155R61E222KA01D
1	C11	100 μ F	CAP, AL, 100 μ F, 35V, +/-20%, 0.15 ohm, SMD	SMT Radial G	Panasonic	EEE-FC1V101P
1	C22	0.1 μ F	CAP, CERM, 0.1 μ F, 50 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H104KA93D
3	C23, C24, C38	470 μ F	CAP, Tantalum Polymer, 470 μ F, 2.5 V, +/- 20%, 0.006 ohm, 7.3x2.8x4.3mm SMD	7.3x2.8x4.3mm	Panasonic	2R5TPF470M6L
10	C25, C26, C27, C28, C29, C33, C39, C40, C41, C42	100 μ F	CAP, CERM, 100 μ F, 6.3 V, +/- 20%, X5R, 1210	1210	MuRata	GRM32ER60J107ME20L
1	C35	1 μ F	CAP, CERM, 1 μ F, 16 V, +/- 10%, X5R, 0603	0603	Kemet	C0603C105K4PACTU
1	C45	4.7 μ F	CAP, CERM, 4.7 μ F, 16 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0805	0805	MuRata	GRM21BR71C475KA73L
1	C46	1000 pF	CAP, CERM, 1000 pF, 50 V, +/- 5%, C0G/NPO, 0603	0603	Kemet	C0603C102J5GACTU
4	J1, J2, J3, J5		TERMINAL BLOCK 5.08MM VERT 2POS, TH	TERM_BLK, 2pos, 5.08mm	On-Shore Technology	ED120/2DS
1	J4		Header, 100mil, 2x1, Tin, TH	Header, 2 PIN, 100mil, Tin	Sullins Connector Solutions	PEC02SAAN
1	L1	250 nH	Inductor, Shielded Drum Core, Ferrite, 250 nH, 50 A, 0.000165 ohm, SMD	12.5x13mm	Würth Elektronik	744309025
1	R1	1.00	RES, 1.00, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Yageo America	RC0603FR-071RL
5	R4, R7, R10, R11, R16	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW06030000Z0EA
1	R6	200 k	RES, 200 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW0603200KFKEA
1	R8	1.10 k	RES, 1.10 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW06031K10FKEA
5	R12, R13, R20, R21, R22	100 k	RES, 100 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW0603100KFKEA
1	R15	10.0 k	RES, 10.0k ohm, 1%, 0.1W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060310K0FKEA
1	R19	137 k	RES, 137 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW0603137KFKEA
1	R23	37.4 k	RES, 37.4 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060337K4FKEA
1	R24	42.2 k	RES, 42.2 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060342K2FKEA
1	R25	22.1 k	RES, 22.1 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060322K1FKEA
14	TP1, TP5, TP6, TP7, TP8, TP9, TP12, TP14, TP15, TP16, TP17, TP20, TP21, TP22	White	Test Point, Multipurpose, White, TH	White Multipurpose Testpoint	Keystone	5012
3	TP2, TP3, TP4	Red	Test Point, Multipurpose, Red, TH	Red Multipurpose Testpoint	Keystone	5010
5	TP10, TP11, TP13, TP18, TP19	Black	Test Point, Multipurpose, Black, TH	Black Multipurpose Testpoint	Keystone	5011
1	U1		High Performance, 40-A Single Synchronous Step-Down Converter with Analog REFIN, RVF0040A	RVF0040A	Texas Instruments	TPS548C22RVF
0	C1, C12	330 μ F	CAP, TA, 330 μ F, 6.3 V, +/- 20%, 0.025 ohm, SMD	7.3x2.8x4.3mm	Sanyo	6TPE330ML
0	C14, C15, C16, C17	22 μ F	CAP, CERM, 22 μ F, 25 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 1210	1210	MuRata	GRM32ER71E226KE15L

Table 5. PWR784 List of Materials (continued)

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0	C21	470 pF	CAP, CERM, 470 pF, 50 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H471KA01D
0	C30, C43	100 µF	CAP, CERM, 100 µF, 6.3 V, +/- 20%, X5R, 1210	1210	MuRata	GRM32ER60J107ME20L
0	C31	0.1 µF	CAP, CERM, 0.1 µF, 50 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H104KA93D
0	C32	6800 pF	CAP, CERM, 6800 pF, 50 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H682KA01D
0	C34, C44	1 µF	CAP, CERM, 1 µF, 16 V, +/- 10%, X5R, 0603	0603	Kemet	C0603C105K4PACTU
0	C36	1000 pF	CAP, CERM, 1000 pF, 25 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	MuRata	GRM188R71E102KA01D
0	C37	470 µF	CAP, Tantalum Polymer, 470 µF, 2.5 V, +/- 20%, 0.006 ohm, 7.3x2.8x4.3mm SMD	7.3x2.8x4.3mm	Panasonic	2R5TPF470M6L
0	J6		Header (shrouded), 100mil, 5x2, Gold, TH	5x2 Shrouded header	TE Connectivity	5103308-1
0	R2, R3, R14, R17, R18	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW06030000Z0EA
0	R5	1.50 k	RES, 1.50 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	Yageo America	RC0603FR-071K5L
0	R9	3.0 1	RES, 3.01 ohm, 1%, 0.125W, 0805	0805	Vishay-Dale	CRCW08053R01FKEA

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NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

FCC Interference Statement for Class B EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- 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.

3.2 Canada

3.2.1 For EVMs issued with an Industry Canada Certificate of Conformance to RSS-210

Concerning EVMs Including Radio Transmitters:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio:

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Concerning EVMs Including Detachable Antennas:

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication. This radio transmitter has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the antenna types listed in the user guide with the maximum permissible gain and required antenna impedance for each antenna type indicated. Antenna types not included in this list, having a gain greater than the maximum gain indicated for that type, are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

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3.3 Japan

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2. Use EVMs only after User obtains the license of Test Radio Station as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs, or
3. Use of EVMs only after User obtains the Technical Regulations Conformity Certification as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs. Also, do not transfer EVMs, unless User gives the same notice above to the transferee. Please note that if User does not follow the instructions above, User will be subject to penalties of Radio Law of Japan.

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