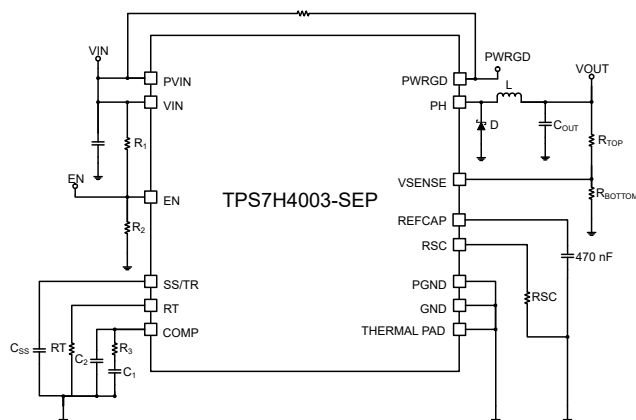


# TPS7H4003-SEP Radiation-Tolerant 3-V to 7-V Input

## 18-A Synchronous Buck Converter in Space Enhanced Plastic

### 1 Features

- Radiation performance:
  - SEL, SEB, and SEGR immune up to  $\text{LET} = 43 \text{ MeV-cm}^2/\text{mg}$
  - SET and SEFI characterized up to  $\text{LET} = 43 \text{ MeV-cm}^2/\text{mg}$
  - TID assured for every wafer lot up to 50 krad(Si)
- Peak efficiency: 94% ( $V_O = 1 \text{ V}$  at 100 kHz)
- Integrated 17-m $\Omega$  and 9-m $\Omega$  MOSFETs
- Power rail: 3 V to 7 V on VIN
- Flexible switching frequency options:
  - 100-kHz to 1-MHz adjustable internal oscillator
  - External sync capability: 100 kHz to 1 MHz
  - SYNC pins can be configured as 500-kHz clocks at 90° out of phase to parallel up to 4 devices
- 0.6-V  $\pm 1.7\%$  voltage reference over temperature, radiation, and line and load regulation
- Monotonic start-up into prebiased outputs
- Adjustable slope compensation and soft-start
- Adjustable input enable and power-good output for power sequencing
- 44-pin PowerPAD™ HTSSOP package
- Space Enhanced Plastic:
  - Controlled baseline
  - Au bondwire and NiPdAu lead finish
  - Enhanced mold compound for low outgassing
  - One fabrication, assembly, and test site
  - Extended product life cycle
  - Extended product change notification
  - Product traceability



**Functional Diagram**

### 2 Applications

- Space satellite point of load supply
- [Communications payload](#)
- [Optical imaging payload](#)

### 3 Description

The TPS7H4003-SEP is a radiation-tolerant, 7-V, 18-A synchronous buck converter with integrated low-resistance high-side and low-side MOSFETs in a thermally enhanced 34-pin ceramic flatpack package. High efficiency and reduced component count are achieved through current mode control.

The output voltage start-up ramp is controlled by the SS/TR pin which allows operation as either a stand alone power supply or in tracking situations. Power sequencing is possible by correctly configuring the enable and the power good pins. The TPS7H4003-SEP can be configured in primary-secondary mode and with the SYNC2 pin, four devices can be configured in parallel without an external clock.

Cycle-by-cycle current limiting on the high-side FET protects the device in overload situations and is enhanced by a low-side sourcing current protection which prevents current runaway. There is also a low-side sinking current protection which turns off the low-side MOSFET to prevent excessive reverse current. Thermal shutdown disables the part when die temperature exceeds thermal limit.

#### Device Information

| PART NUMBER <sup>(1)</sup> | GRADE               | PACKAGE                                              |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| TPS7H4003MDDWSEP           | 50-krad(Si)<br>RLAT | HTSSOP (44)                                          |
| TPS7H4003MDDWTSEP          |                     | 6.10 mm × 14.00 mm<br>Mass = 243.8 mg <sup>(2)</sup> |

- For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.
- Mass is accurate to  $\pm 10\%$ .



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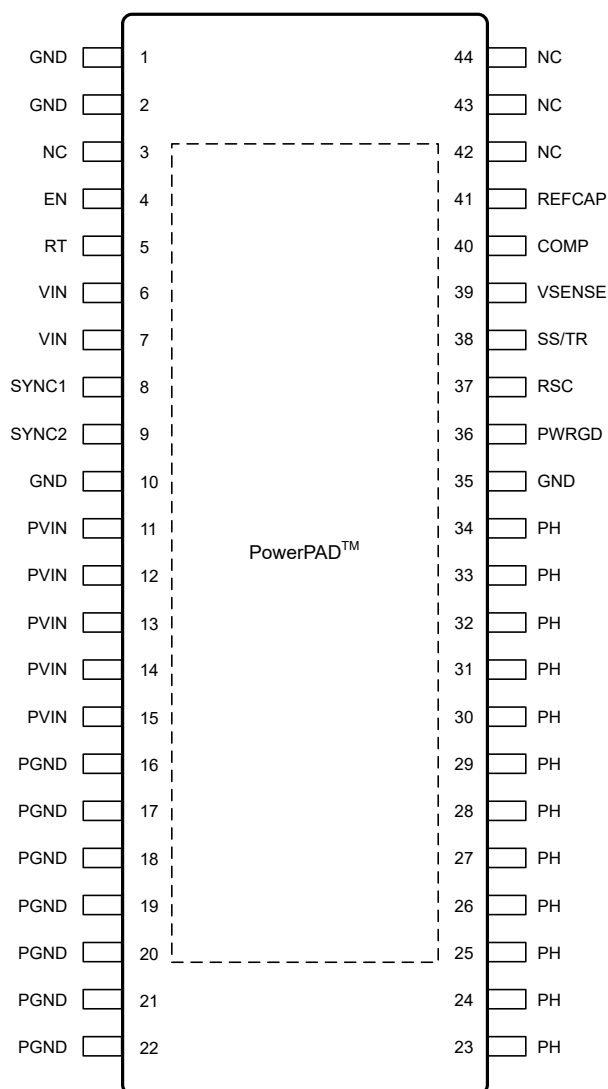
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| DATE         | REVISION | NOTES           |
|--------------|----------|-----------------|
| January 2022 | *        | Initial Release |

## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



**Figure 5-1. DDW Package  
44-Pin HTSSOP  
(Top View)**

**Table 5-1. Pin Functions**

| PIN          |      | I/O | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------|------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NO.          | NAME |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1, 2, 10, 35 | GND  | —   | Return for control circuitry.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 3, 42–44     | NC   | I   | No connect.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4            | EN   | I   | EN pin is internally pulled up allowing for the pin to be floated to enable the device.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5            | RT   | I/O | A resistor connected between RT and GND sets the switching frequency of the converter. The switching frequency range is 100 kHz to 1 MHz. When an external clock is used, RT must be selected such that the set switching frequency coincides with the frequency of the applied clock. Leaving this pin floating sets the internal switching frequency to 500 kHz and SYNC1 and SYNC2 become output clocks at 500 kHz, with SYNC1 aligned with the converter switching and SYNC2 90° out of phase. |
| 6, 7         | VIN  | I   | Input power for the control circuitry of the switching regulator.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

**Table 5-1. Pin Functions (continued)**

| PIN   |           | I/O | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------|-----------|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NO.   | NAME      |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 8     | SYNC1     | I/O | SYNC1 is an input when an external clock is provided. The frequency of the external clock should match the switching frequency that is set by the resistor between RT and GND. With an external clock applied, the converter switching action is 180° out of phase with the external clock. When RT is floating, SYNC1 serves as an output of a 500-kHz clock signal that is in phase with the converter switching action. SYNC1 can be used in combination with SYNC2 in order to connect up to four devices in parallel.         |
| 9     | SYNC2     | I/O | SYNC2 is used for connecting multiple devices in parallel. For the primary device, with RT floating, SYNC2 outputs 500-kHz signal that is 90° out of phase with the SYNC1 output clock. For the secondary devices, in which RT is populated, SYNC2 is used to configure the phase of the input clock signal on SYNC1. When SYNC2 is connected to VIN, the internal clock of the secondary device is in phase with clock provided at SYNC1. When SYNC2 is connected to GND, the input clock signal at SYNC1 is internally inverted. |
| 11–15 | PVIN      | I   | Input power for the output stage of the switching regulator.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 16–22 | PGND      | —   | Return for low-side power MOSFET.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 23–34 | PH        | O   | Switch phase node.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 36    | PWRGD     | O   | Power Good fault pin. Asserts low if output voltage is low due to thermal shutdown, dropout, overvoltage, or EN shutdown, or during soft-start.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 37    | RSC       | I/O | A resistor to GND sets the desired slope compensation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 38    | SS/TR     | I/O | Soft-start and tracking. An external capacitor connected to this pin sets the internal voltage reference rise time. The voltage on this pin overrides the internal reference. It can be used for tracking and sequencing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 39    | VSENSE    | I   | Inverting input of the gm error amplifier.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 40    | COMP      | I/O | Error amplifier output and input to the output switch current comparator. Connect frequency compensation to this pin.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 41    | REFCAP    | O   | Required 470-nF external capacitor for internal reference.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|       | PowerPAD™ | —   | Used for heat sinking by soldering to GND copper on printed circuit board.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

## 6 Specifications

### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup>

|                                       |                              | MIN  | MAX           | UNIT |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|------|---------------|------|
| Input voltage                         | VIN                          | −0.3 | 7.5           | V    |
|                                       | PVIN                         | −0.3 | 7.5           |      |
|                                       | EN                           | −0.3 | 7.5           |      |
|                                       | RSC                          | −0.3 | 3.3           |      |
|                                       | VSENSE                       | −0.3 | 3.3           |      |
|                                       | COMP                         | −0.3 | 3.3           |      |
|                                       | PWRGD                        | −0.3 | 7.5           |      |
|                                       | SS/TR                        | −0.3 | 3.3           |      |
|                                       | RT                           | −0.3 | 3.3           |      |
|                                       | SYNC1                        | −0.3 | 7.5           |      |
|                                       | SYNC2                        | −0.3 | 7.5           |      |
| Output voltage                        | REFCAP                       | −0.3 | 3.3           | V    |
|                                       | PH                           | −1   | 7.5           |      |
|                                       | PH 10-ns transient           | −3   | 7.5           |      |
| Vdiff                                 | (GND to exposed thermal pad) | −0.2 | 0.2           | V    |
| Source current                        | PH                           |      | Current limit | A    |
|                                       | RT                           |      | ±100          | μA   |
| Sink current                          | PH                           |      | Current limit | A    |
|                                       | PVIN                         |      | Current limit | A    |
|                                       | COMP                         |      | ±200          | μA   |
|                                       | PWRGD                        | −0.1 | 5             | mA   |
| Operating junction temperature        |                              | −55  | 150           | °C   |
| Storage temperature, T <sub>stg</sub> |                              | −65  | 150           | °C   |

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

### 6.2 ESD Ratings

|                    |                         | VALUE                                                                           | UNIT  |
|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| V <sub>(ESD)</sub> | Electrostatic discharge | Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001, all pins <sup>(1)</sup>     | ±2000 |
|                    |                         | Charged-device model (CDM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-002, all pins <sup>(2)</sup> | ±1000 |

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.  
 (2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

|                  |                                | MIN | NOM | MAX | UNIT |
|------------------|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| I <sub>OUT</sub> | Maximum switching current      |     |     | 18  | A    |
| T <sub>J</sub>   | Junction operating temperature | −55 |     | 125 | °C   |

## 6.4 Thermal Information

| THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup> |                                              | TPS7H4003-SEP | UNIT |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|---------------|------|
|                               |                                              | HTSSOP        |      |
|                               |                                              | 44 PINS       |      |
| R <sub>θJA</sub>              | Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance       | 23.7          | °C/W |
| R <sub>θJC(top)</sub>         | Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance    | 12.4          | °C/W |
| R <sub>θJC(bot)</sub>         | Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance | 1.2           | °C/W |
| R <sub>θJB</sub>              | Junction-to-board thermal resistance         | 6.8           | °C/W |
| Ψ <sub>JT</sub>               | Junction-to-top characterization parameter   | 0.2           | °C/W |
| Ψ <sub>JB</sub>               | Junction-to-board characterization parameter | 6.7           | °C/W |

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics application report ([SPRA953](#))

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics

T<sub>J</sub> = –55°C to 125°C, V<sub>IN</sub> = P<sub>VIN</sub> = 3 V to 7 V (unless otherwise noted)

| PARAMETER                                    | TEST CONDITIONS                                     |       | MIN   | TYP   | MAX   | UNIT |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| SUPPLY VOLTAGE (VIN AND PVIN PINS)           |                                                     |       |       |       |       |      |
| PVIN operating input voltage                 |                                                     |       | 3.0   |       | 7.0   | V    |
| PVIN internal UVLO threshold                 | PVIN rising                                         |       | 2.425 | 2.50  | 2.575 | V    |
| PVIN internal UVLO hysteresis                | Load = 0 A                                          |       | 425   | 450   | 475   | mV   |
| VIN operating input voltage                  |                                                     |       | 3.0   |       | 7.0   | V    |
| VIN internal UVLO threshold                  | VIN rising                                          |       | 2.71  | 2.75  | 2.80  | V    |
| VIN internal UVLO hysteresis                 |                                                     |       | 134   | 150   | 178   | mV   |
| VIN shutdown supply current                  | V <sub>EN</sub> = 0 V                               |       |       | 2.32  | 2.85  | mA   |
| VIN operating – non switching supply current | V <sub>SENSE</sub> = V <sub>BG</sub>                |       |       | 4     | 6     | mA   |
| ENABLE AND UVLO (EN PIN)                     |                                                     |       |       |       |       |      |
| Enable threshold                             | Rising                                              |       | 1.110 | 1.14  | 1.172 | V    |
|                                              | Falling                                             |       | 1.080 | 1.11  | 1.148 |      |
| Input current                                | V <sub>EN</sub> = 1.1 V                             |       | 4.8   | 6.1   | 7.6   | μA   |
| Hysteresis current                           | V <sub>EN</sub> = 1.3 V                             |       | 2.4   | 3.0   | 3.9   | μA   |
| VOLTAGE REFERENCE                            |                                                     |       |       |       |       |      |
| Internal voltage reference initial tolerance | 0 A ≤ I <sub>out</sub> ≤ 18 A, 25°C                 |       | 0.598 | 0.605 | 0.613 | V    |
| Internal voltage reference                   | 0 A ≤ I <sub>out</sub> ≤ 18 A                       | –55°C | 0.594 | 0.602 | 0.609 | V    |
|                                              |                                                     | –40°C | 0.596 | 0.602 | 0.608 |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 85°C  | 0.600 | 0.606 | 0.613 |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 125°C | 0.599 | 0.607 | 0.614 |      |
| REFCAP voltage                               | REFCAP = 470 nF                                     |       | 1.189 | 1.209 | 1.228 | V    |
| MOSFET                                       |                                                     |       |       |       |       |      |
| High-side switch resistance <sup>(1)</sup>   | PVIN = VIN = 3 V, lead length = 3 mm                | –55°C |       | 16    | 18    | mΩ   |
|                                              |                                                     | 25°C  |       | 19    | 21    |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 125°C |       | 23    | 27    |      |
|                                              | PVIN = VIN = 5 V, lead length = 3 mm                | –55°C |       | 14    | 16    |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 25°C  |       | 17    | 19    |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 125°C |       | 20    | 23    |      |
|                                              | PVIN = VIN = 7 V, lead length = 3 mm <sup>(3)</sup> | –55°C |       | 13    | 15    |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 25°C  |       | 15    | 18    |      |
|                                              |                                                     | 125°C |       | 19    | 22    |      |

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)

$T_J = -55^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $V_{IN} = P_{VIN} = 3\text{ V}$  to  $7\text{ V}$  (unless otherwise noted)

| PARAMETER                                                     | TEST CONDITIONS                                             |                       | MIN  | TYP   | MAX  | UNIT |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|-------|------|------|
| Low-side switch resistance <sup>(1)</sup>                     | PVIN = VIN = 3 V, lead length = 3 mm                        | –55°C                 |      | 7     | 11   | mΩ   |
|                                                               |                                                             | 25°C                  |      | 9     | 12   |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 125°C                 |      | 13    | 17   |      |
|                                                               | PVIN = VIN = 5 V, lead length = 3 mm                        | –55°C                 |      | 6     | 10   |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 25°C                  |      | 9     | 11   |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 125°C                 |      | 12    | 15   |      |
|                                                               | PVIN = VIN = 7 V, lead length = 3 mm <sup>(3)</sup>         | –55°C                 |      | 5     | 9    |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 25°C                  |      | 8     | 10   |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 125°C                 |      | 11    | 14   |      |
| ERROR AMPLIFIER                                               |                                                             |                       |      |       |      |      |
| Error amplifier input offset voltage                          | V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 0.6 V                                  |                       | –2   |       | 2.55 | mV   |
| V <sub>SENSE</sub> pin input current                          | V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 0.6 V                                  |                       | –15  |       | 15   | nA   |
| Error amplifier transconductance (g <sub>m</sub> )            | –2 μA < I <sub>COMP</sub> < 2 μA, V <sub>(COMP)</sub> = 1 V |                       | 1150 | 1800  | 2400 | μS   |
| Error amplifier DC gain <sup>(2)</sup>                        | V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 0.6 V                                  |                       |      | 10000 |      | V/V  |
| Error amplifier source                                        | V <sub>(COMP)</sub> = 1 V, 100-mV input overdrive           |                       | 100  | 140   | 190  | μA   |
| Error amplifier sink                                          |                                                             |                       | 100  | 140   | 190  | μA   |
| Error amplifier output resistance                             |                                                             |                       |      | 7     |      | MΩ   |
| COMP to I <sub>switch</sub> g <sub>m</sub> <sup>(3)</sup>     | COMP = 0.5 V                                                | –55°C                 | 28   | 38    | 49   | S    |
|                                                               |                                                             | 25°C                  | 29   | 40    | 50   |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | 125°C                 | 30   | 41    | 52   |      |
| OVERCURRENT PROTECTION                                        |                                                             |                       |      |       |      |      |
| High-side switch current limit threshold <sup>(3)</sup>       | V <sub>IN</sub> = 7 V                                       |                       |      | 27    | 34   | A    |
| Low-side switch sourcing overcurrent threshold <sup>(3)</sup> | V <sub>IN</sub> = 7 V                                       |                       |      | 25    | 32   | A    |
| Low-side switch sinking overcurrent threshold <sup>(3)</sup>  | V <sub>IN</sub> = 7 V                                       |                       | 3.5  | 6     |      | A    |
| SLOPE COMPENSATION                                            |                                                             |                       |      |       |      |      |
| Slope compensation <sup>(4)</sup>                             | f <sub>SW</sub> = 100 kHz, RSC = 1.1 MΩ                     |                       |      | –1.2  |      | A/μs |
|                                                               | f <sub>SW</sub> = 500 kHz, RSC = 196 kΩ                     |                       |      | –6.0  |      |      |
|                                                               | f <sub>SW</sub> = 1000 kHz, RSC = 80.6 kΩ                   |                       |      | –16.0 |      |      |
| THERMAL SHUTDOWN                                              |                                                             |                       |      |       |      |      |
| Thermal shutdown                                              |                                                             |                       |      | 190   |      | °C   |
| Thermal shutdown hysteresis                                   |                                                             |                       |      | 18    |      | °C   |
| INTERNAL SWITCHING FREQUENCY                                  |                                                             |                       |      |       |      |      |
| Internally set frequency                                      | RT = Open                                                   | V <sub>IN</sub> = 3 V | 444  | 473   | 515  | kHz  |
|                                                               |                                                             | V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V | 449  | 502   | 560  |      |
| Externally set frequency                                      | RT = 1.07 MΩ (1%)                                           | V <sub>IN</sub> = 3 V | 80   | 98    | 125  | kHz  |
|                                                               |                                                             | V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V | 80   | 100   | 125  |      |
|                                                               | RT = 165 kΩ (1%)                                            | V <sub>IN</sub> = 3 V | 455  | 495   | 535  |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V | 475  | 523   | 615  |      |
|                                                               | RT = 73.2 kΩ (1%)                                           | V <sub>IN</sub> = 3 V | 689  | 850   | 1011 |      |
|                                                               |                                                             | V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V | 760  | 986   | 1212 |      |

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)

$T_J = -55^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $V_{IN} = P_{VIN} = 3\text{ V}$  to  $7\text{ V}$  (unless otherwise noted)

| PARAMETER                                       | TEST CONDITIONS                                                    | MIN                   | TYP | MAX  | UNIT  |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|------|-------|
| EXTERNAL SYNCHRONIZATION                        |                                                                    |                       |     |      |       |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 out low-to-high rise time (10%/90%) | Cload = 25 pF                                                      |                       | 70  | 180  | ns    |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 out high-to-low fall time (90%/10%) | Cload = 25 pF                                                      |                       | 10  | 21   | ns    |
| SYNC2 to SYNC1 rising edge phase shift          |                                                                    | 77                    | 85  | 94   | °     |
| SYNC1 falling edge delay <sup>(3)</sup>         |                                                                    | 165                   | 180 | 185  | °     |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 out high level threshold            | I <sub>OH</sub> = 50 μA                                            | V <sub>IN</sub> – 0.3 |     |      | V     |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 out low level threshold             | I <sub>OL</sub> = 50 μA                                            |                       |     | 600  | mV    |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 in low level threshold              | PVIN = VIN = 3 V                                                   |                       |     | 800  | mV    |
|                                                 | PVIN = VIN = 5 V                                                   |                       |     | 800  |       |
|                                                 | PVIN = VIN = 7 V <sup>(3)</sup>                                    |                       |     | 800  |       |
| SYNC1/SYNC2 in high level threshold             | PVIN = VIN = 3 V                                                   | 2.25                  |     |      | V     |
|                                                 | PVIN = VIN = 5 V                                                   | 3.5                   |     |      |       |
|                                                 | PVIN = VIN = 7 V <sup>(3)</sup>                                    | 4.9                   |     |      |       |
| SYNC1 in frequency range                        | PVIN = VIN = 5 V                                                   | 100                   |     | 1000 | kHz   |
| SYNC1 in duty cycle range                       | Duty cycle of external clock                                       | 40                    |     | 60   | %     |
| PH (PH PIN)                                     |                                                                    |                       |     |      |       |
| Minimum on time                                 | Measured at 10% to 90% of VIN,<br>I <sub>PH</sub> = 2 A, VIN = 3 V |                       | 190 | 235  | ns    |
|                                                 | Measured at 10% to 90% of VIN,<br>I <sub>PH</sub> = 2 A, VIN = 5 V |                       | 190 | 225  |       |
| SOFT START AND TRACKING (SS/TR PIN)             |                                                                    |                       |     |      |       |
| SS charge current                               |                                                                    | 1.5                   | 2.5 | 3    | μA    |
| SS/TR to VSENSE matching <sup>(3)</sup>         | V <sub>(SS/TR)</sub> = 0.3 V                                       |                       | 30  | 90   | mV    |
| POWER GOOD (PWRGD PIN)                          |                                                                    |                       |     |      |       |
| VSENSE threshold                                | V <sub>SENSE</sub> falling (fault)                                 | 90                    | 91  |      | %VREF |
|                                                 | V <sub>SENSE</sub> rising (good)                                   |                       | 94  | 97   |       |
|                                                 | V <sub>SENSE</sub> rising (fault)                                  |                       | 109 | 111  |       |
|                                                 | V <sub>SENSE</sub> falling (good)                                  | 103                   | 106 |      |       |
| Output high leakage                             | V <sub>SENSE</sub> = VREF, V(PWRGD) = 5 V                          |                       | 30  | 181  | nA    |
| Output low                                      | I <sub>(PWRGD)</sub> = 2 mA                                        |                       |     | 0.3  | V     |
| Minimum VIN for valid output                    | V <sub>(PWRGD)</sub> < 0.5 V at 100 μA                             |                       | 0.6 | 1    | V     |
| Minimum SS/TR voltage for PWRGD                 |                                                                    |                       |     | 1.1  | V     |

- (1) Measured at pins.
- (2) Ensured by design only. Not tested in production.
- (3) Bench verified. Not tested in production.
- (4) Example values are shown in the table. Actual values are application specific and should be calculated as detailed in the [Slope Compensation](#) section.

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics

Output inductor of  $L = 10\ \mu\text{H}$  (part number XAL1510-103MED) was used for all 100-kHz efficiency measurements. For 500-kHz and 1-MHz efficiency measurements, output inductor of  $L = 1\ \mu\text{H}$  (XAL1580-102MED) was used.

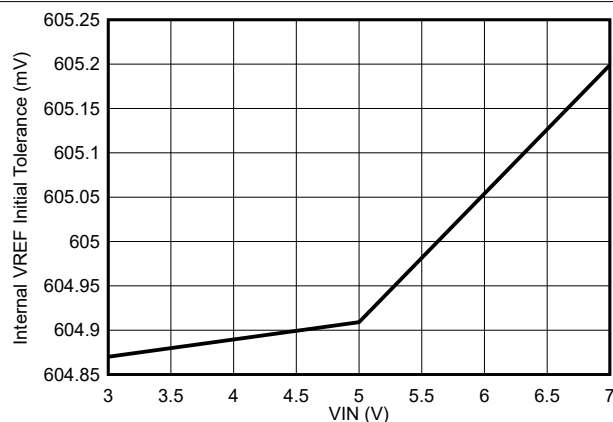


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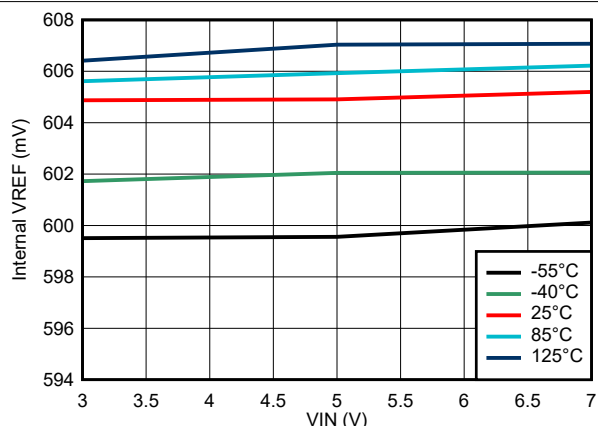


Figure 6-2. Internal VREF Variation

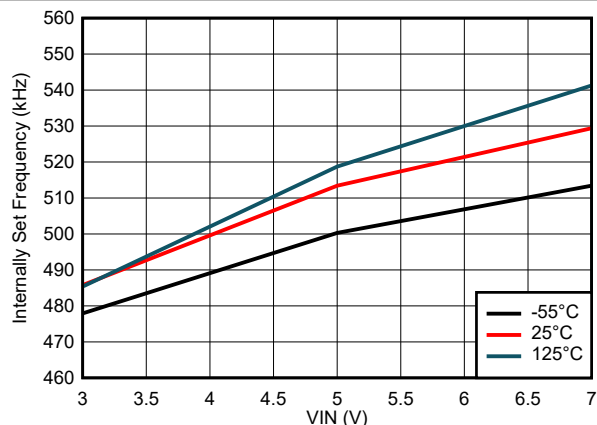


Figure 6-3. Internal Frequency Variation

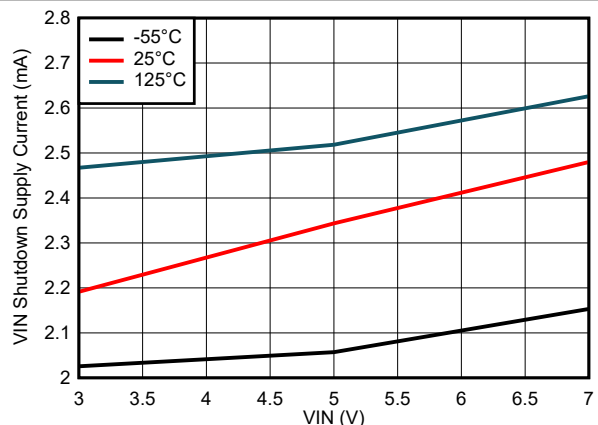


Figure 6-4. VIN Shutdown Supply Current Variation

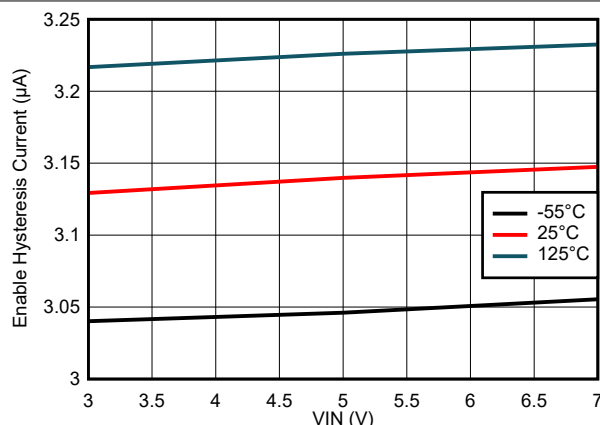


Figure 6-5. Enable Hysteresis Current Variation

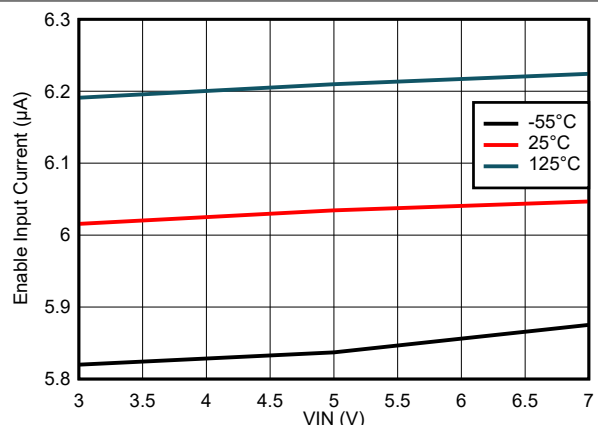


Figure 6-6. Enable Input Current Variation

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

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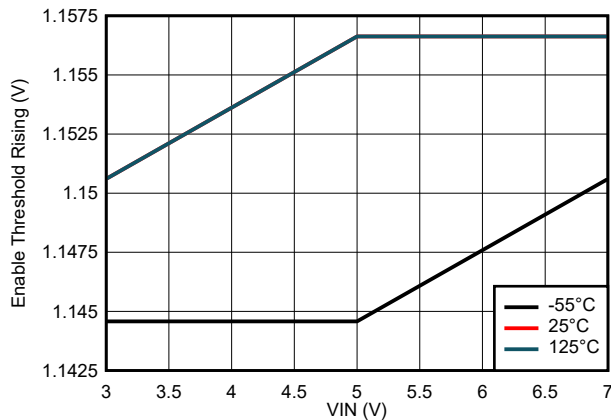


Figure 6-7. Enable Threshold Rising Variation

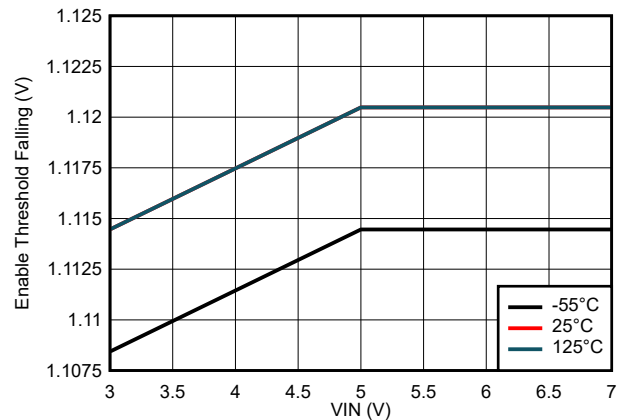


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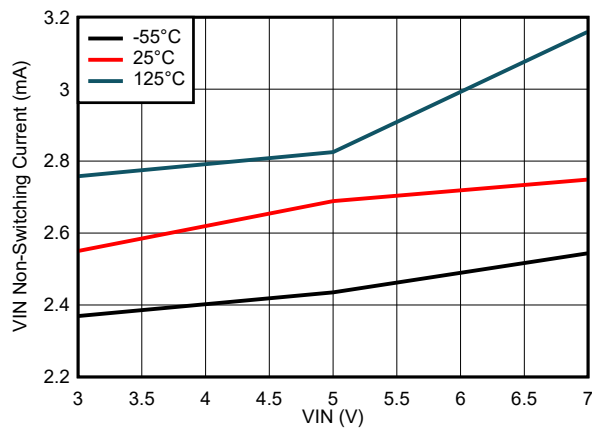


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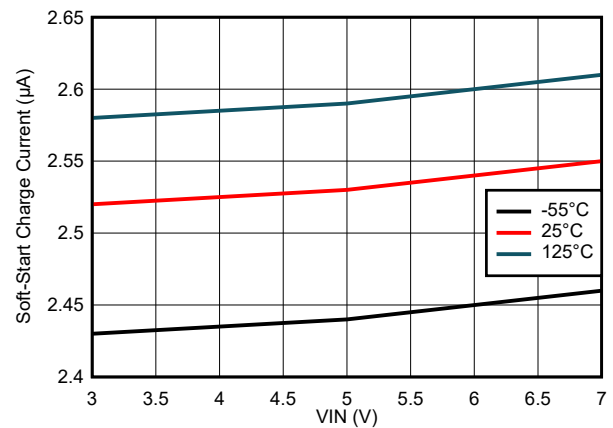


Figure 6-10. SS Charge Current Variation

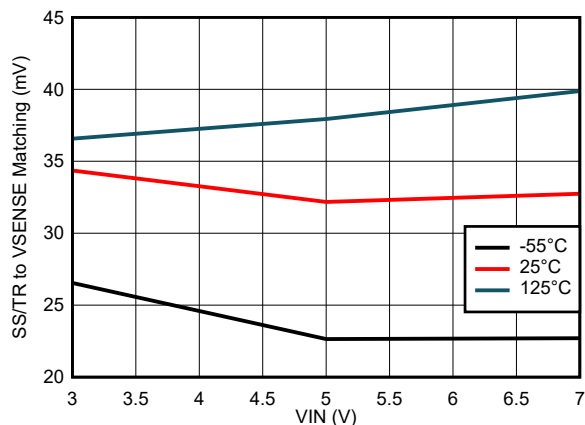


Figure 6-11. SS/TR to VSENSE Matching Variation

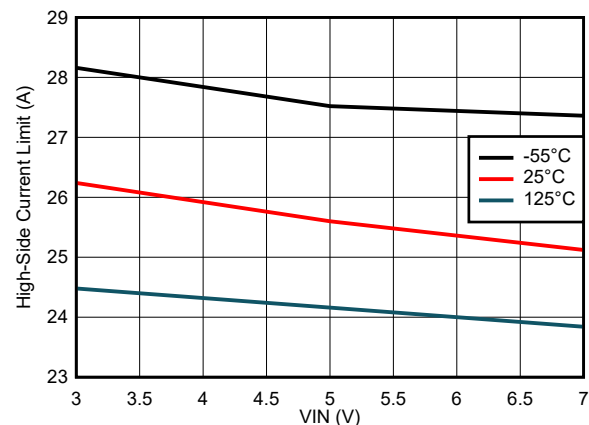
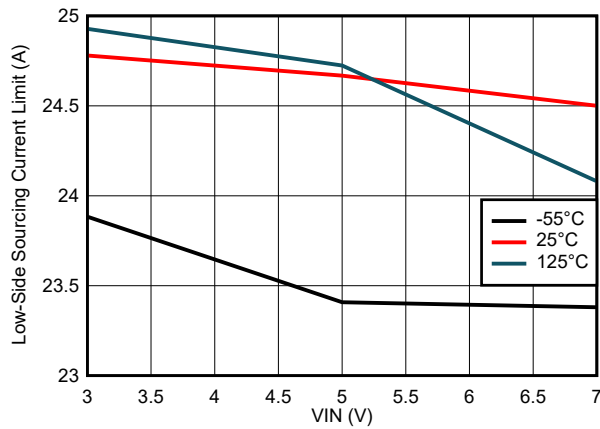


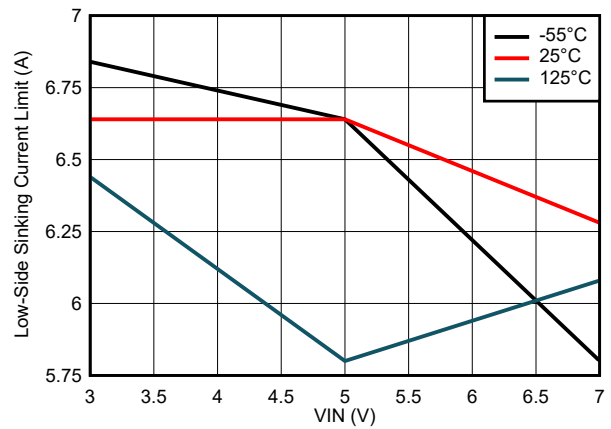
Figure 6-12. High-Side Current Limit Variation

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

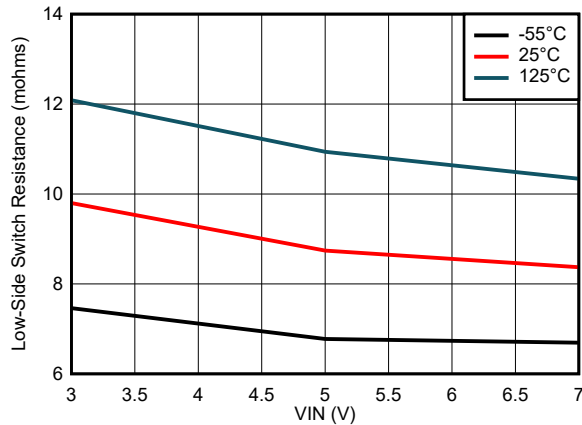
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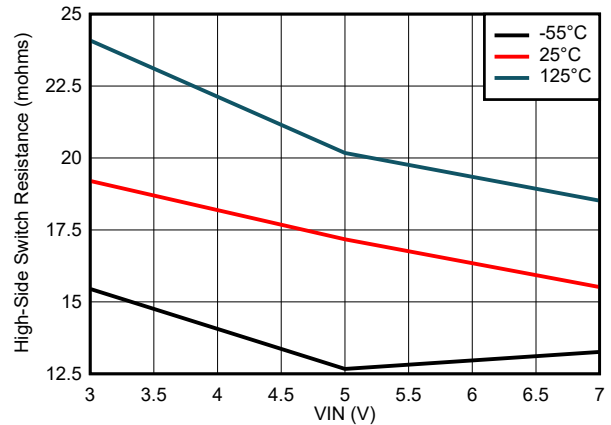
**Figure 6-13. Low-Side Sourcing Current Limit Variation**



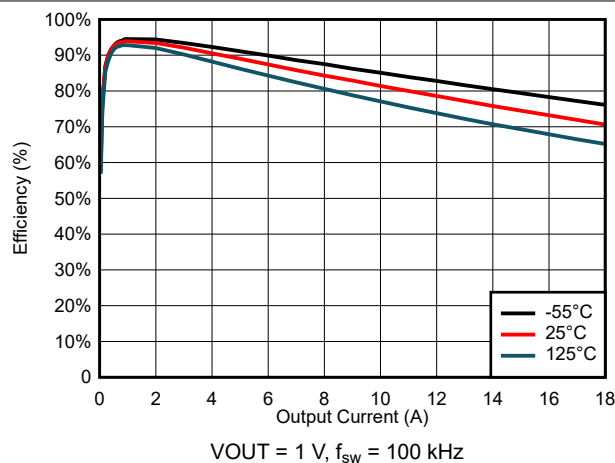
**Figure 6-14. Low-Side Sinking Current Limit Variation**



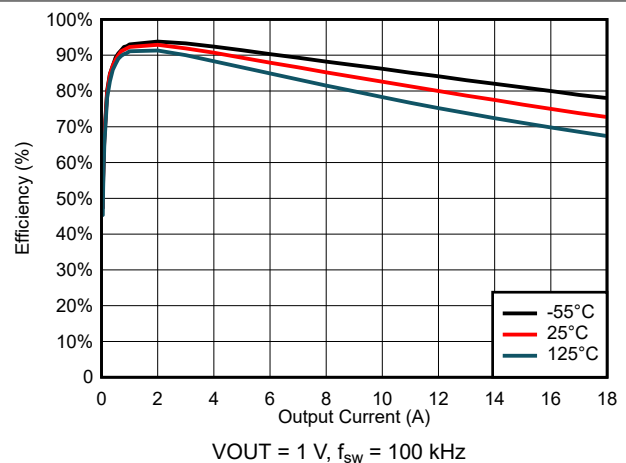
**Figure 6-15. Low-Side Switch Resistance Variation**



**Figure 6-16. High-Side Switch Resistance Variation**



**Figure 6-17. Efficiency for VIN = 3.3 V**



**Figure 6-18. Efficiency for VIN = 5 V**

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

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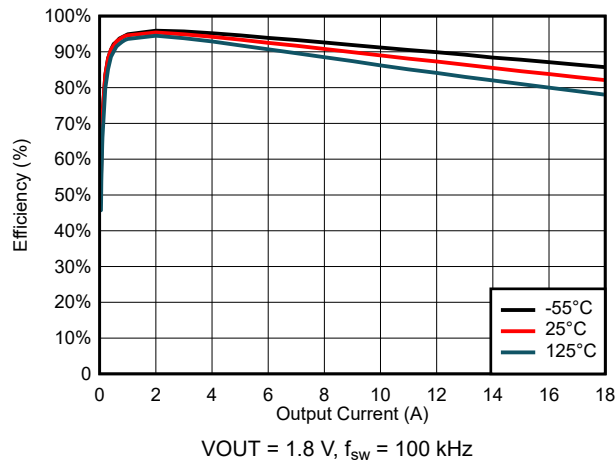


Figure 6-19. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

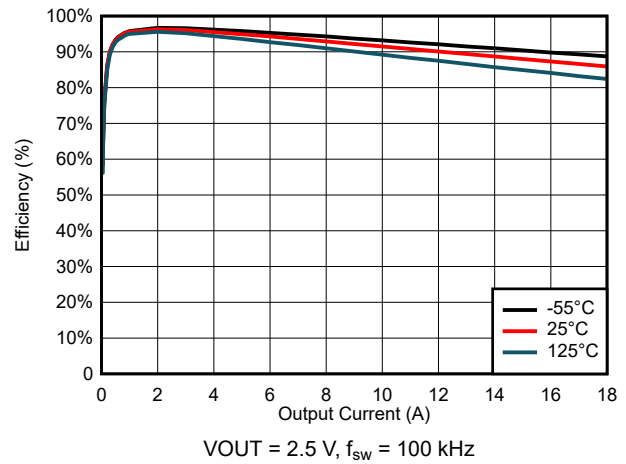


Figure 6-20. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

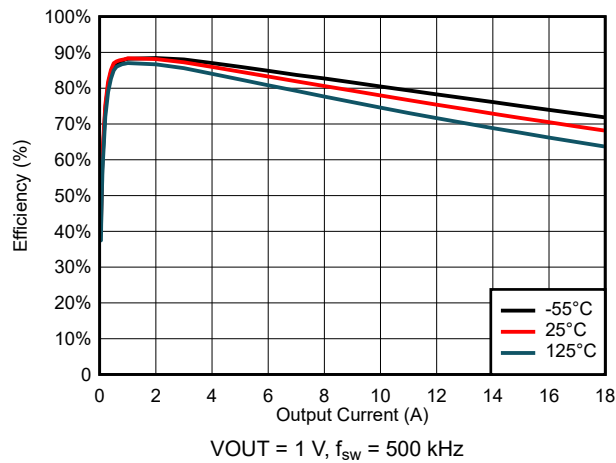


Figure 6-21. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 3\ \text{V}$

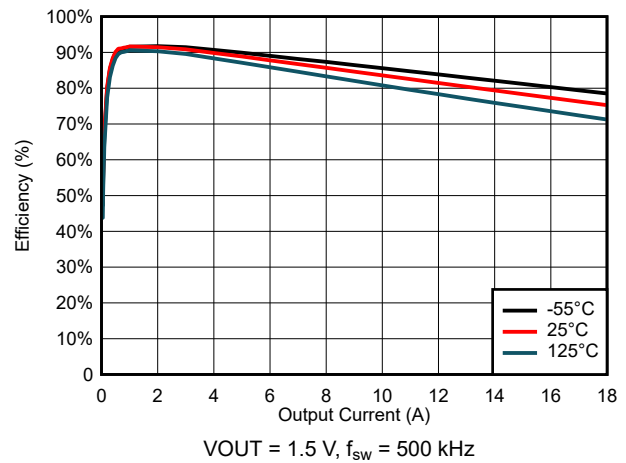


Figure 6-22. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 3\ \text{V}$

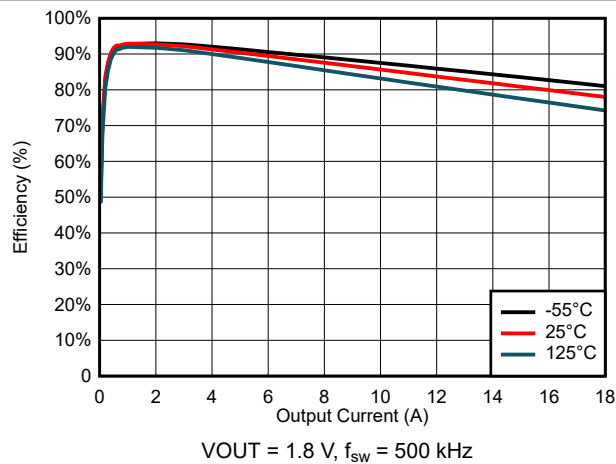


Figure 6-23. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 3\ \text{V}$

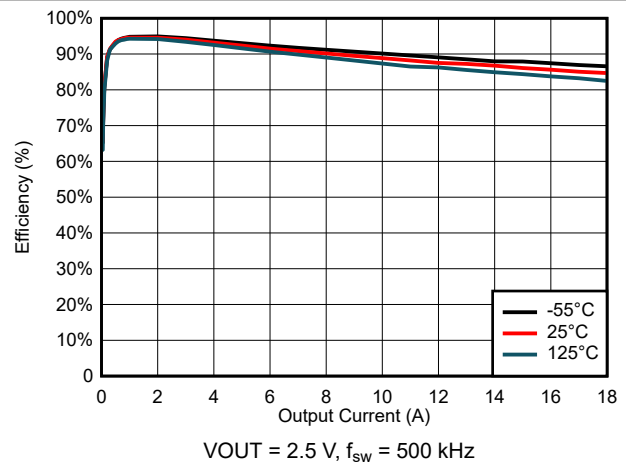


Figure 6-24. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 3\ \text{V}$

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

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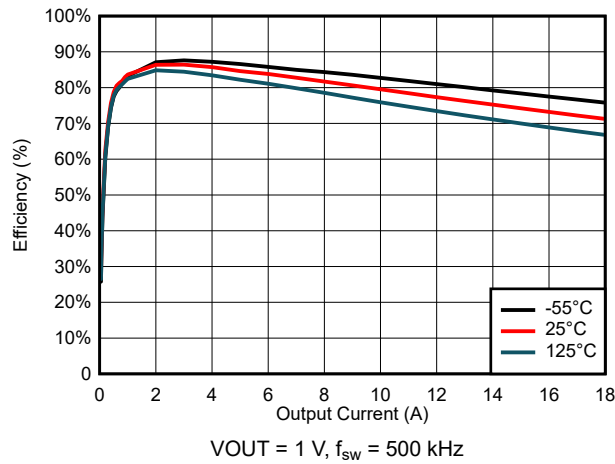


Figure 6-25. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

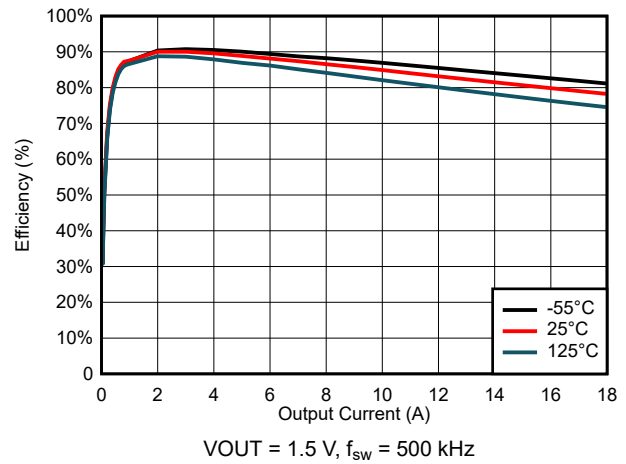


Figure 6-26. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

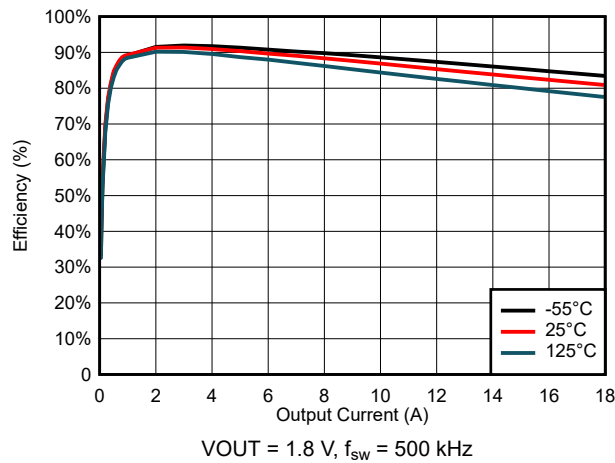


Figure 6-27. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

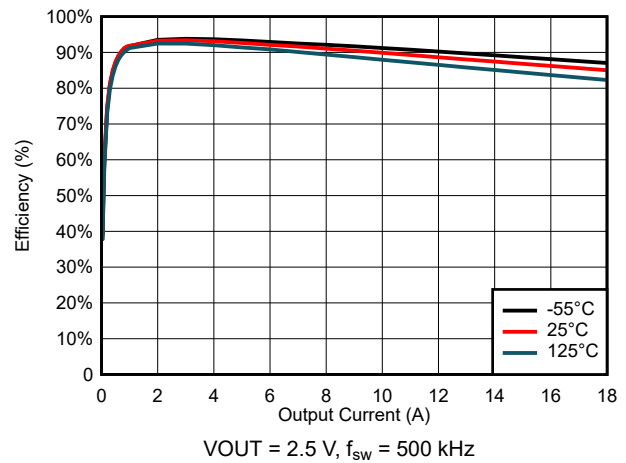


Figure 6-28. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

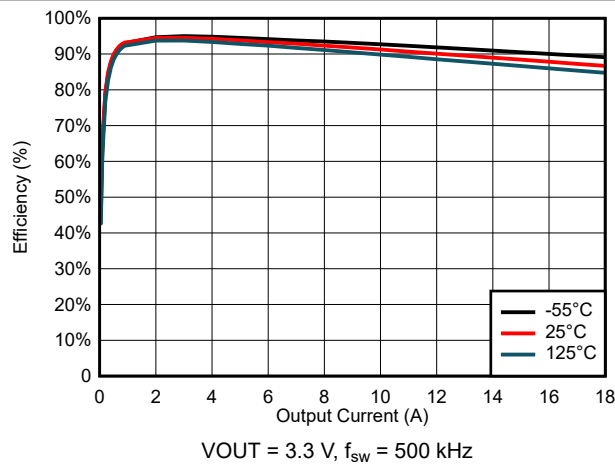


Figure 6-29. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

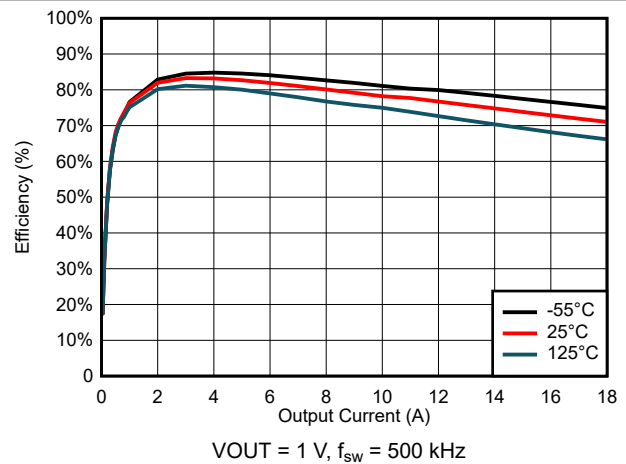
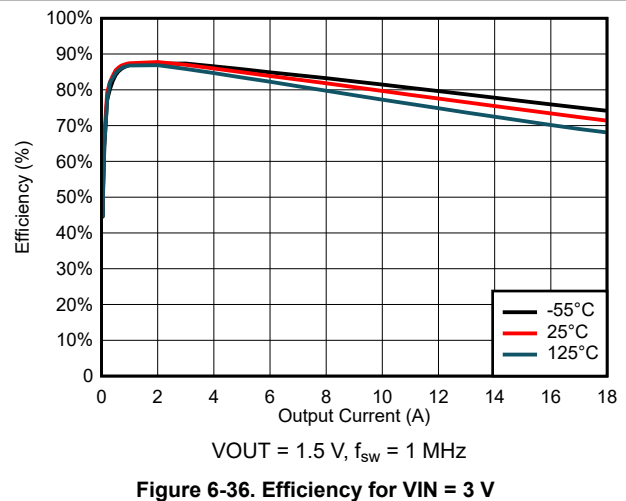
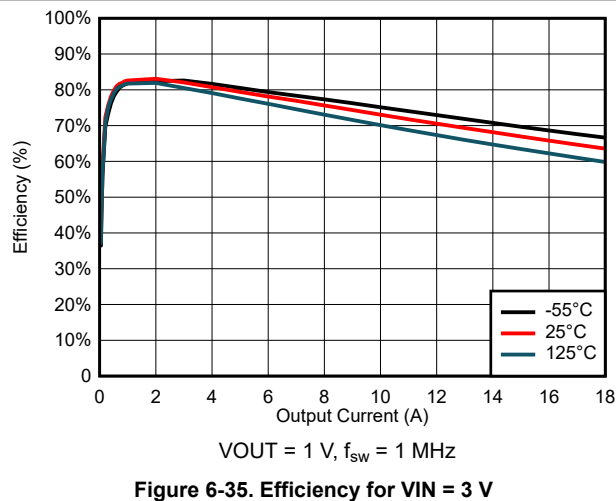
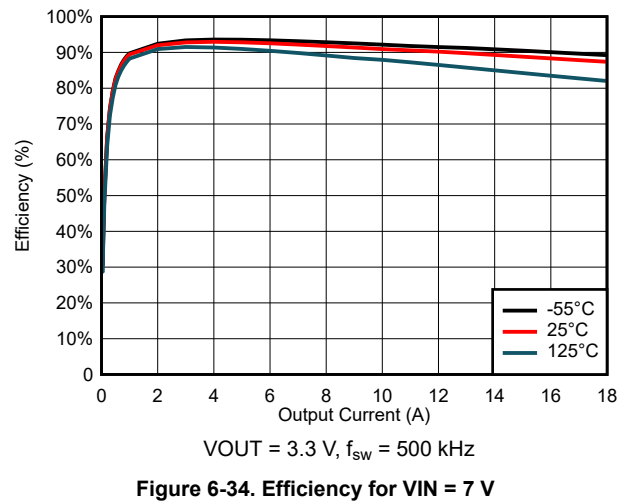
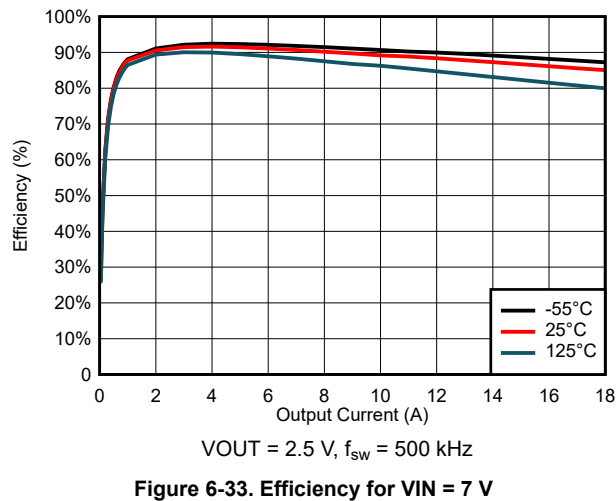
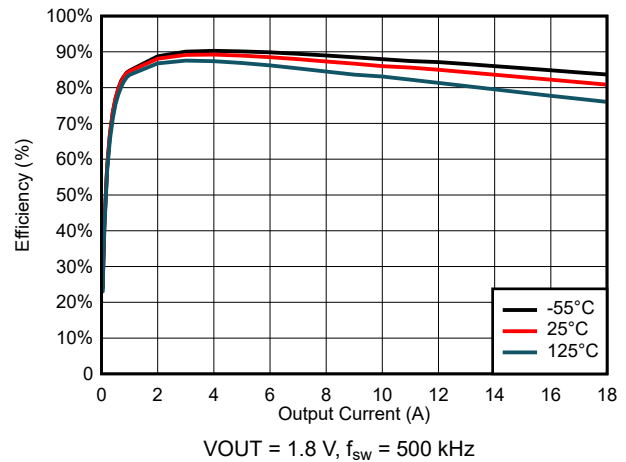
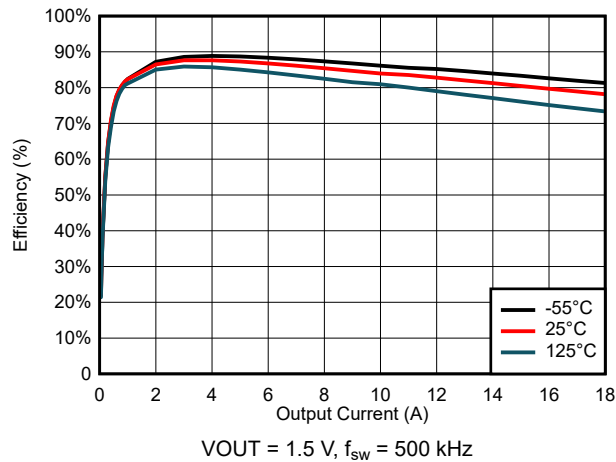


Figure 6-30. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 7\ \text{V}$

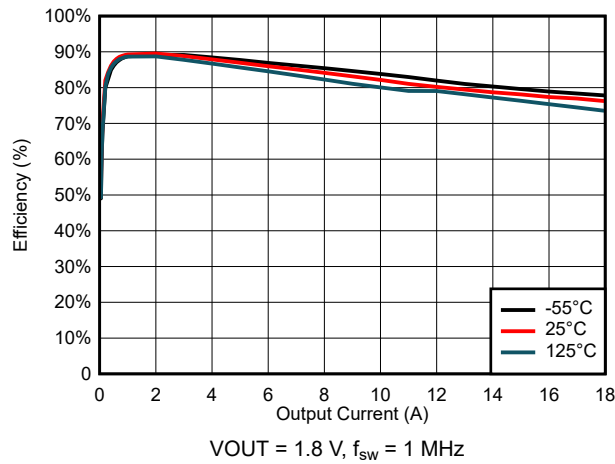
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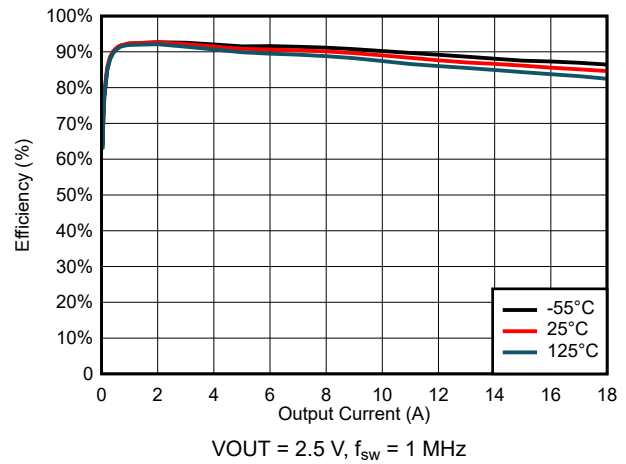


## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

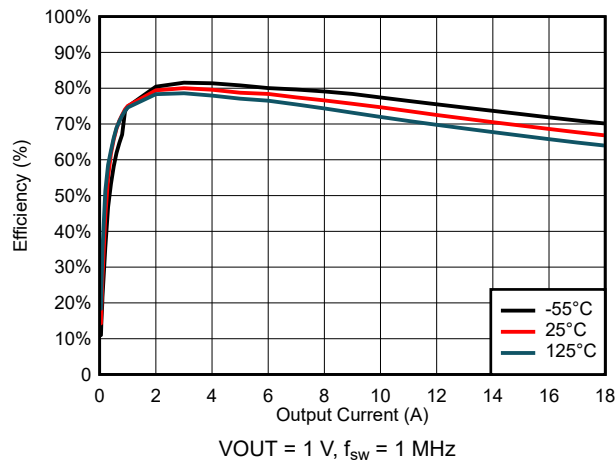
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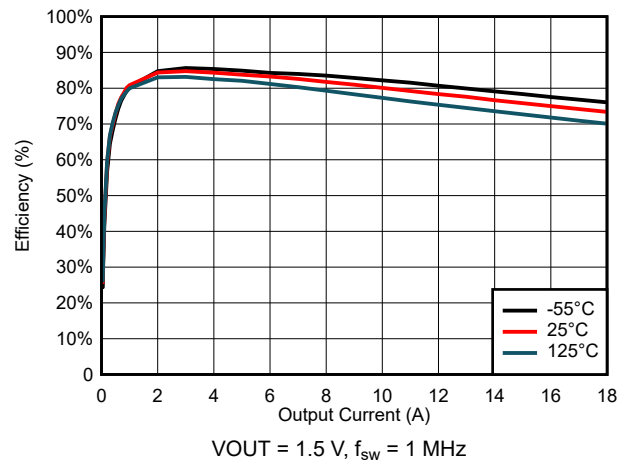
**Figure 6-37. Efficiency for VIN = 3 V**



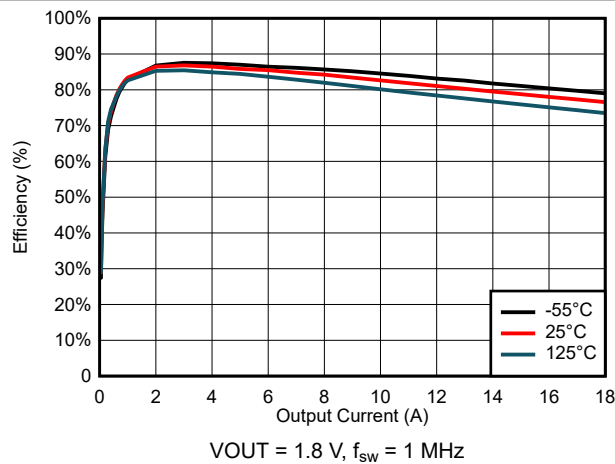
**Figure 6-38. Efficiency for VIN = 3 V**



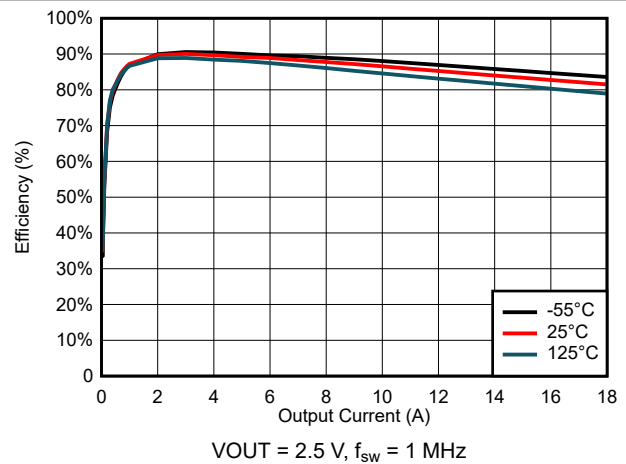
**Figure 6-39. Efficiency for VIN = 5 V**



**Figure 6-40. Efficiency for VIN = 5 V**



**Figure 6-41. Efficiency for VIN = 5 V**



**Figure 6-42. Efficiency for VIN = 5 V**

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

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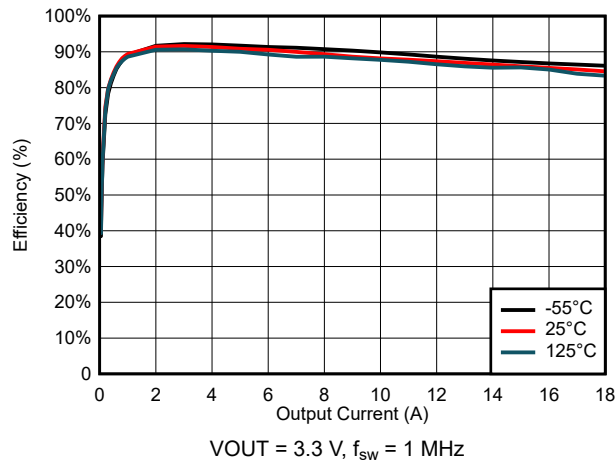


Figure 6-43. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

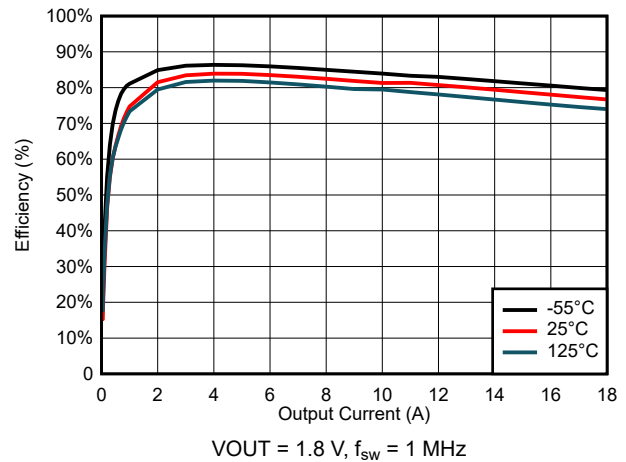


Figure 6-44. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 7\ \text{V}$

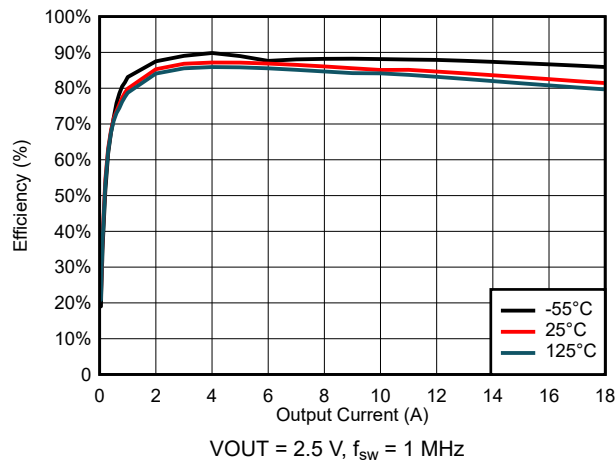


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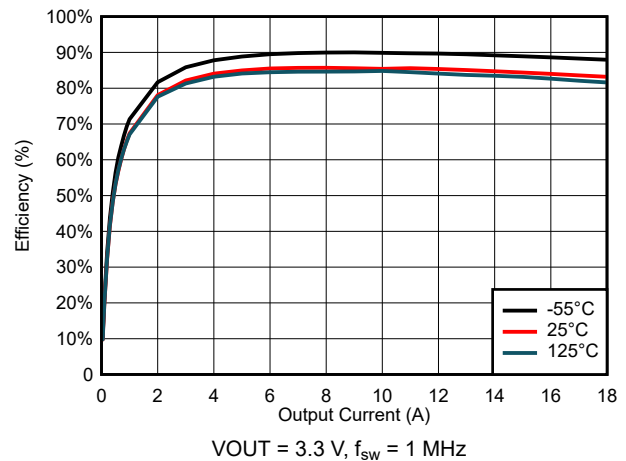


Figure 6-46. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 7\ \text{V}$

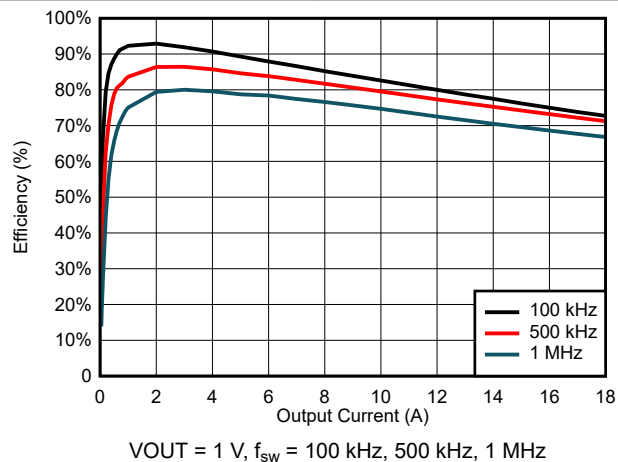


Figure 6-47. Efficiency for  $V_{\text{IN}} = 5\ \text{V}$

## 7 Detailed Description

### 7.1 Overview

The device is a 7-V, 18-A synchronous step-down (buck) converter with two integrated MOSFETs; a PMOS for the high side and a NMOS for the low side. To improve performance during line and load transients, the device implements a constant frequency, peak current mode control, which also simplifies external frequency compensation. The wide switching frequency, 100 kHz to 1 MHz, allows for efficiency and size optimization when selecting the output filter components. The integrated MOSFETs allow for high-efficiency power supply designs with continuous output currents up to 18 A. The MOSFETs have been sized to optimize efficiency for lower duty cycle applications.

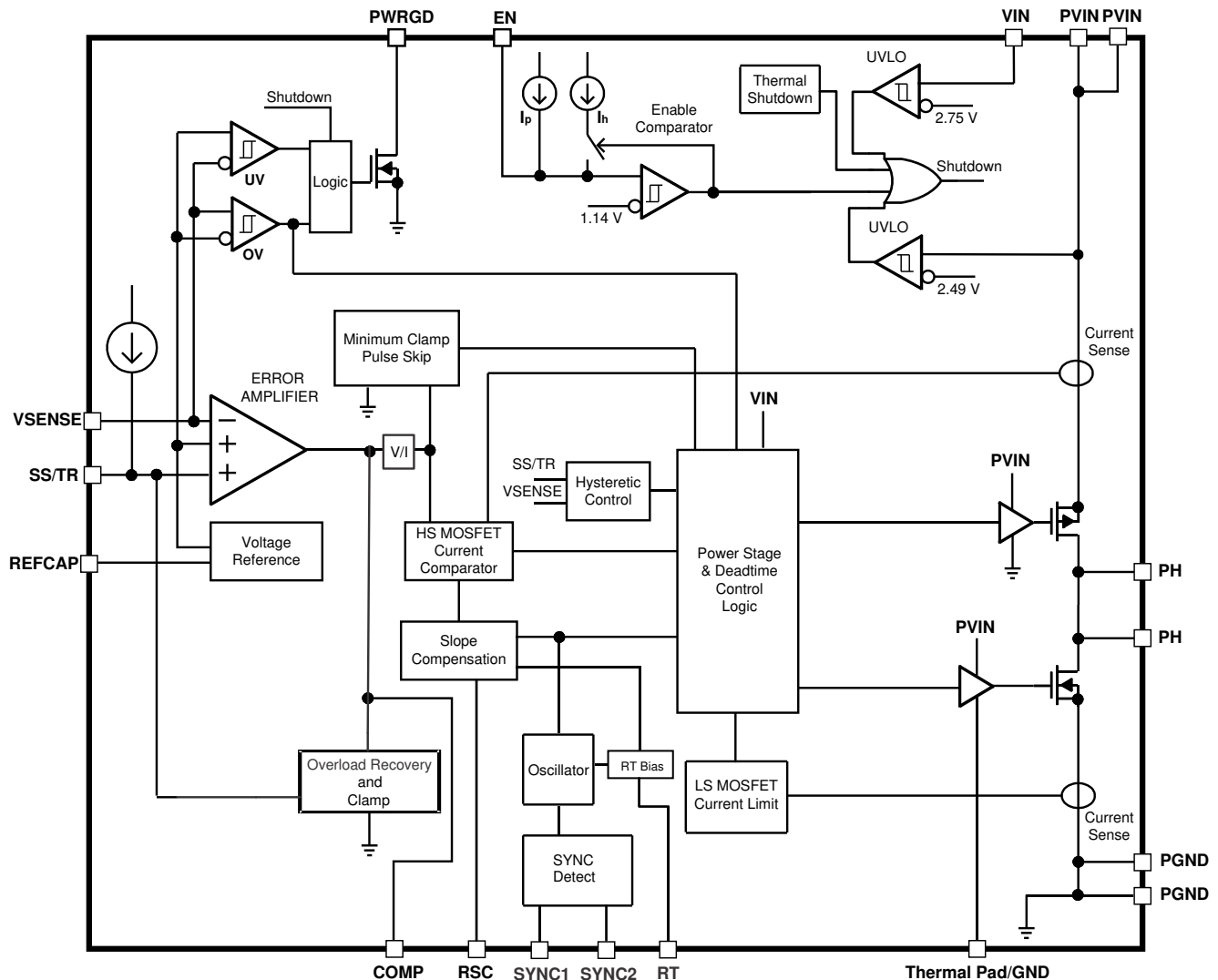
The device is designed for safe monotonic startup into prebiased loads. The default start up is when VIN is typically 2.75 V. The EN pin has an internal pullup current source that can be used to adjust the input voltage UVLO with two external resistors. In addition, the EN pin can be floating for the device to operate with the internal pullup current. The total operating current for the device is approximately 4 mA when not switching and under no load. When the device is disabled, the supply current is typically 2.3 mA.

The device has a power-good comparator (PWRGD) with hysteresis, which monitors the output voltage through the VSENSE pin. The PWRGD pin is an open-drain MOSFET, which is pulled low when the VSENSE pin voltage is less than 91% or greater than 109% of the reference voltage VREF and asserts high when the VSENSE pin voltage is 94% to 106% of the VREF.

The SS/TR (soft-start/tracking) pin is used to minimize inrush currents or provide power-supply sequencing during power-up. A small-value capacitor or resistor divider should be coupled to the pin for soft-start or critical power-supply sequencing requirements. If VSENSE is greater than the voltage at SS during startup, the device will enter into a pulse-skipping mode.

The device is protected from output overvoltage, overload, and thermal fault conditions. The device minimizes excessive output overvoltage transients by taking advantage of the overvoltage circuit power-good comparator. When the overvoltage comparator is activated, the high-side MOSFET is turned off and prevented from turning on until the VSENSE pin voltage is lower than 106% of the VREF. The device implements both high-side MOSFET overload protection and bidirectional low-side MOSFET overload protections, which help control the inductor current and avoid current runaway. The device also shuts down if the junction temperature is higher than thermal shutdown trip point. The device is restarted under control of the soft-start circuit automatically when the junction temperature drops 18°C (typical) below the thermal shutdown trip point.

## 7.2 Functional Block Diagram



## 7.3 Feature Description

### 7.3.1 VIN and Power VIN Pins (VIN and PVIN)

The device allows for a variety of applications by using the VIN and PVIN pins together or separately. The VIN pin voltage supplies the internal control circuits of the device. The PVIN pin voltage provides the input voltage to the power converter system. Both pins have an input voltage range from 3 V to 7 V. A voltage divider connected to the EN pin can adjust the input voltage UVLO appropriately. Adjusting the input voltage UVLO on the PVIN pin helps to provide consistent power-up behavior.

### 7.3.2 Voltage Reference

The device generates an internal 1.21-V bandgap reference that is utilized throughout the various control logic blocks. This is the voltage present on the REFCAP and SS/TR pins during steady state operation. This voltage is divided down to 0.605 V to produce the reference for the error amplifier. The error amplifier reference is measured at the COMP pin to account for offsets in the error amplifier and maintains regulation within  $\pm 1.7\%$  across line, load, temperature, and TID as shown in the [Electrical Characteristics](#). A 470-nF capacitor to ground is required at the REFCAP pin for proper electrical operation as well as to ensure robust SET performance of the device.

### 7.3.3 Adjusting the Output Voltage

The output voltage is set with a resistor divider from the output (VOUT) to the VSENSE pin. TI recommends to use 1% tolerance or better resistors. Start with a 10 kΩ for R<sub>TOP</sub> and use Equation 1 to calculate R<sub>BOTTOM</sub>. To improve efficiency at light loads, consider using larger-value resistors. If the values are too high, the regulator is more susceptible to noise and voltage errors from the VSENSE input current are noticeable.

$$R_{\text{BOTTOM}} = \frac{V_{\text{REF}}}{V_{\text{OUT}} - V_{\text{REF}}} \times R_{\text{TOP}} \quad (1)$$

where

- $V_{\text{REF}} = 0.605 \text{ V}$

### 7.3.4 Safe Start-Up Into Prebiased Outputs

The device prevents the low-side MOSFET from discharging a prebiased output lower than the configured output voltage through the VSENSE pin.

### 7.3.5 Error Amplifier

The device uses a transconductance error amplifier. The error amplifier compares the VSENSE pin voltage to the lower of the SS/TR pin voltage or the internal 0.605-V voltage reference. The transconductance of the error amplifier is 1800 μA/V during normal operation. The frequency compensation network is connected between the COMP pin and ground. The error amplifier DC gain is typically 10,000 V/V.

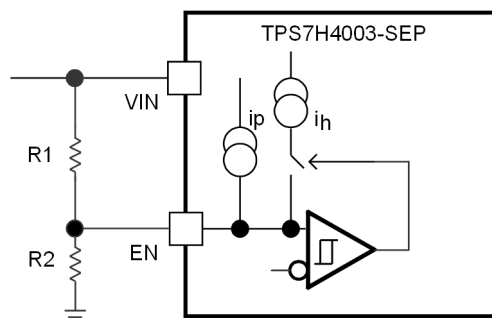
### 7.3.6 Enable and Adjust UVLO

The EN pin provides electrical on and off control of the device. When the EN pin voltage exceeds the threshold voltage, the device enables operation. If the EN pin voltage is pulled below the threshold voltage, the regulator stops switching and enters low I<sub>q</sub> state. The EN pin has an internal pullup current source, allowing the user to float the EN pin for enabling the device. If an application requires controlling the EN pin, use open-drain or open-collector output logic to interface with the pin.

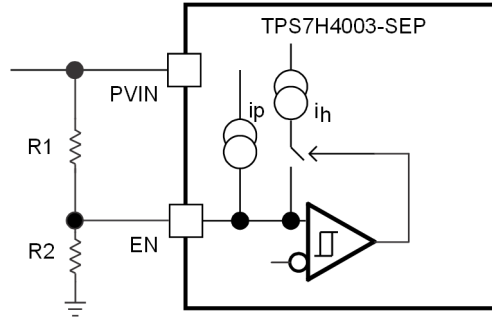
The device implements internal UVLO circuitry on the VIN pin. The device is disabled when the VIN pin voltage falls below the internal VIN UVLO threshold. The internal VIN UVLO threshold has a hysteresis of 150-mV typical.

If an application requires either a higher UVLO threshold on the VIN pin or a secondary UVLO on the PVIN in split-rail applications, then the EN pin can be configured as shown in Figure 7-1, Figure 7-2, and Figure 7-3. A ceramic capacitor in parallel with the bottom resistor R<sub>2</sub> is recommended to reduce noise on the EN pin as used in the TPS7H4003-SEP evaluation module (EVM). See the *TPS7H4003EVM-CVAL Evaluation Module (EVM) User's Guide* for more information.

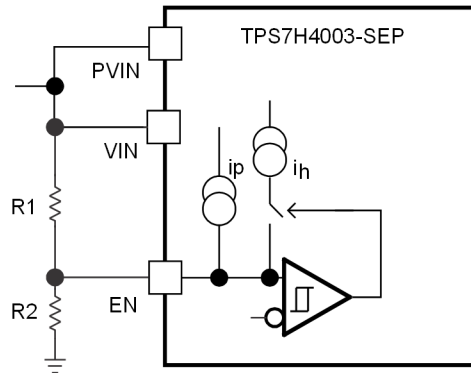
The EN pin has a small pullup current, I<sub>p</sub>, which sets the default state of the pin to enable when no external components are connected. The pullup current is also used to control the voltage hysteresis for the UVLO function because it increases by I<sub>h</sub> after the EN pin crosses the enable threshold. Calculate the UVLO thresholds with Equation 2 and Equation 3.



**Figure 7-1. Adjustable VIN UVLO**



**Figure 7-2. Adjustable PVIN UVLO**



**Figure 7-3. Adjustable VIN and PVIN UVLO**

$$R_1 = \frac{V_{\text{START}} \times \frac{V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{ENRISING}}} - V_{\text{STOP}}}{I_p \left( 1 - \frac{V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{ENRISING}}} \right) + I_h} \quad (2)$$

$$R_2 = \frac{R_1 \times V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{STOP}} - V_{\text{ENFALLING}} + R_1(I_p + I_h)} \quad (3)$$

where

- $I_h = 3 \mu\text{A}$
- $I_p = 6.1 \mu\text{A}$
- $V_{\text{ENRISING}} = 1.14 \text{ V}$
- $V_{\text{ENFALLING}} = 1.11 \text{ V}$

### 7.3.7 Adjustable Switching Frequency and Synchronization (SYNC)

The switching frequency of the device supports three modes of operations. The modes of operation are set by the conditions on the RT, SYNC1, and SYNC2 pins. At a high level, these modes can be described as internal oscillator, external synchronization, and primary-secondary operation modes.

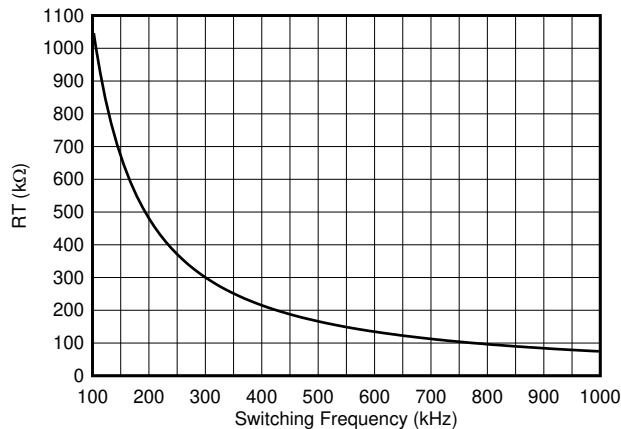
#### 7.3.7.1 Internal Oscillator Mode

In internal oscillator mode, a resistor is connected between the RT pin and GND to configure the switching frequency,  $f_{\text{SW}}$ , of the device. The switching frequency is adjustable from 100 kHz to 1 MHz depending on the RT resistor value, which can be calculated using Equation 4. Figure 7-4 shows the relationship curve between the RT resistor value and the configurable switching frequency range. It is recommended that the SYNC2 pin be connected to GND for this mode of operation.

$$RT = 223260 \times f_{SW}^{-1.159} \quad (4)$$

where

- RT in kΩ
- $f_{SW}$  in kHz



**Figure 7-4. RT vs Switching Frequency**

#### 7.3.7.2 External Synchronization Mode

In external synchronization mode, a resistor is connected between the RT pin and GND corresponding to the external clock frequency as indicated in Equation 4 and Figure 7-4. During this mode of operation, the SYNC1 pin connects to the input clock and the SYNC2 pin must be connected to either GND or VIN depending on whether it is desired to invert the clock SYNC1 receives. When SYNC2 is connected to GND, the clock provided on SYNC1 is inverted. When SYNC2 is connected to VIN, the input clock signal on SYNC1 does not get inverted. As a result, external synchronization mode can be used to connect 2, 3, or 4 devices in parallel using an external clock (at any frequency between 100 kHz and 1 MHz) as long as the clocks used for each device are in the proper out of phase configuration. If no external clock signal is detected for 20 μs, then the TPS7H4003-SEP transitions to its internal clock and a switching frequency that is determined by the value of the RT resistor. If no external clock is available, then the primary-secondary operation mode can also be used to connect devices in parallel.

#### 7.3.7.3 Primary-Secondary Operation Mode

In primary-secondary mode, the RT pin of the primary device must be left floating. This sets the internal switching frequency of the device,  $f_{SW}$  to a typical 500 kHz and the SYNC1 pin becomes an output clock at the same frequency and phase as  $f_{SW}$ . In addition, the SYNC2 pin becomes an output clock at the same frequency but at 90° out of phase with respect to SYNC1. These SYNC1 and SYNC2 output clock signals, in combination with the state of the SYNC2 pins of the secondary devices, can be used to connect 2, 3, or 4 devices in parallel configuration. Figure 7-5 shows the SYNC1 and SYNC2 clock signals when the RT pin is floating in the primary device and how the signals can be used to generate the 90° out of phase clocks needed to connect 4 devices in parallel configuration (1 primary and 3 secondaries). The SYNC1b and SYNC2b indicate the clock signals being inverted either internally or due to the state of the SYNC2 pin in the secondary devices. When SYNC2 is connected to GND, the inverse functionality of the input clock signal in SYNC1 remains the same. When SYNC2 is connected to VIN, the input clock signal in SYNC1 does not get inverted. The RT pin of the secondary devices must have a resistor to GND corresponding to 500 kHz as indicated in Equation 4 and Figure 7-4.



The schematic diagram illustrates a multi-channel SEP converter configuration. It consists of one Primary TPS7H4003-SEP and three Secondary TPS7H4003-SEP units. The Primary unit has an RT input and two SYNC outputs (SYNC1 and SYNC2). The Secondary units each have an RT input, a SYNC1 input, a SYNC2 input, and a VIN input. The Primary's SYNC2 output is connected to the SYNC1 inputs of all three Secondary units. The Primary's SYNC1 output is connected to the SYNC2 input of the first Secondary unit. The timing diagram shows the switching frequency  $f_{sw}$  and the SYNC signals for the Primary and Secondary units. The Primary's SYNC1 signal is shown with a 90° phase shift relative to the Primary's  $f_{sw}$ . The Secondary units' SYNC2 signals are shown with 180° and 270° phase shifts relative to the Primary's SYNC1 signal.

The 3 modes previously described are summarized in [Table 7-1](#).

**Table 7-1. Switching Frequency, SYNC, and RT Pin Usage Table**

| MODE                     | RT PIN                                              | SYNC1 PIN                                                        | SYNC2 PIN                                                                   | SWITCHING FREQUENCY                                                                         |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Internal oscillator      | Resistor to GND based on <a href="#">Figure 7-4</a> | Floating                                                         | GND                                                                         | Configurable using internal oscillator from 100 kHz to 1 MHz depending on RT resistor value |
| External synchronization |                                                     | External input clock. Signal will be inverted internally         | GND or VIN                                                                  | Internally synchronized to external clock between 100 kHz to 1 MHz                          |
| Primary                  | Float                                               | Outputs 500-kHz clock in phase with internal switching frequency | Outputs 500-kHz clock at 90° out of phase with internal switching frequency | 500 kHz                                                                                     |

### 7.3.8 Soft-Start (SS/TR)

The device uses the lower voltage of the internal voltage reference or the SS/TR pin voltage as the reference voltage and regulates the output accordingly. A  $C_{SS}$  capacitor on the SS/TR pin to GND implements a soft-start time. [Equation 5](#) shows the equation for the nominal soft-start time,  $t_{SS}$ . This is the time it will take  $V_{OUT}$  to go from 10% to 90% of the programmed voltage. The voltage reference ( $V_{REF}$ ) is 0.605 V and the soft-start charge current ( $I_{SS}$ ) is 2.5  $\mu A$ . When calculating the soft-start time  $t_{SS}$ , it is important to take into account the variation of the parameters  $C_{SS}$ ,  $V_{REF}$  and  $I_{SS}$  as these may cause  $t_{SS}$  to deviate from the nominal value in the actual implementation.

$$t_{SS}(\text{ms}) = \frac{0.8 \times C_{SS}(\text{nF}) \times V_{REF}(\text{V})}{I_{SS}(\mu A)} \quad (5)$$

When any of the following four scenarios occur the SS/TR pin is discharged:

- the input UVLO is triggered,
- the EN pin is pulled below 1.05 V,
- the high-side switch current limit threshold is exceeded, or
- a thermal shutdown event occurs.

With the exception of the scenario where the high-side current limit threshold is exceeded, the device will then stop switching and enter into low current operation. At the subsequent power-up, when the shutdown condition is removed, the device does not start switching until it has discharged its SS/TR pin to ground ensuring proper soft-start behavior.

The device will enter into a pulse-skipping mode during start-up in the event that  $V_{SENSE}$  is greater than the voltage at the SS/TR pin. During this period, the high-side switch will remain off and the low-side switch will remain on until  $V_{SENSE}$  again falls below the voltage at SS/TR.

### 7.3.9 Power Good (PWRGD)

The PWRGD pin is an open-drain output. When the  $V_{SENSE}$  pin is between 94% and 106% of the internal voltage reference, the PWRGD pin pulldown is deasserted and the pin floats. TI recommends to use a pullup resistor between 10 k $\Omega$  to 100 k $\Omega$  to a voltage source that is equal to or less than  $V_{IN}$ . The PWRGD is in a defined state when the  $V_{IN}$  input voltage is greater than 1 V but has reduced current sinking capability. The PWRGD achieves full current sinking capability when the  $V_{IN}$  input voltage is above 3 V.

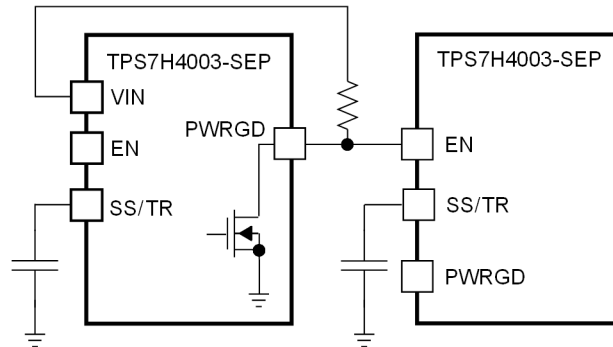
The PWRGD pin is pulled low when  $V_{SENSE}$  is lower than 91% or greater than 109% of the nominal internal reference voltage. Also, the PWRGD is pulled low if:

- the input UVLO or thermal shutdown are asserted,
- the EN pin is pulled low, or
- the SS/TR pin is below 1.1 V.

### 7.3.10 Sequencing

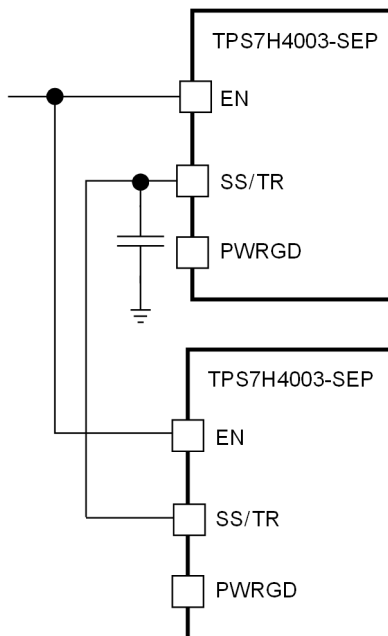
Many of the common power-supply sequencing methods can be implemented using the SS/TR, EN, and PWRGD pins.

The sequential method is shown in [Figure 7-7](#) using two TPS7H4003-SEP devices. The PWRGD pin of the first device is coupled to the EN pin of the second device, which enables the second power supply after the primary supply reaches regulation.



**Figure 7-7. Sequential Start-Up Sequence**

[Figure 7-8](#) shows the method implementing ratiometric sequencing by connecting the SS/TR pins of two devices together. The regulator outputs ramp up and reach regulation at the same time. When calculating the soft-start time, the pullup current source must be doubled in [Equation 5](#) as there is only one SS/TR capacitor. A similar situation applies if a resistor divider is used in the EN pin, that is, only one resistor divider is needed and the factor of 2 must be taken into account when calculating the resistor values. This ratiometric connection is the one used in primary mode as described in the [Adjustable Switching Frequency and Synchronization \(SYNC\)](#) section.



**Figure 7-8. Ratiometric Start-Up Sequence**

Ratiometric and simultaneous power-supply sequencing can be implemented by connecting the resistor network of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  (shown in [Figure 7-9](#)) to the output of the power supply that needs to be tracked or another voltage reference source. Using [Equation 6](#) and [Equation 7](#), the tracking resistors can be calculated to initiate the  $VOUT_2$  slightly before, after, or at the same time as  $VOUT_1$ . [Equation 8](#) is the voltage difference between  $VOUT_1$  and  $VOUT_2$ .

To design a ratiometric start-up in which the  $VOUT_2$  voltage is slightly greater than the  $VOUT_1$  voltage when  $VOUT_2$  reaches regulation, use a negative number in [Equation 6](#) and [Equation 7](#) for  $\Delta V$ . [Equation 8](#) results in a positive number for applications where the  $VOUT_2$  is slightly lower than  $VOUT_1$  when  $VOUT_2$  regulation is achieved.

The  $\Delta V$  variable is 0 V for simultaneous sequencing. To minimize the effect of the inherent SS/TR to VSENSE offset ( $V_{SS-OFFSET} = 30 \text{ mV}$ ) in the soft-start circuit and the offset created by the pullup current source ( $I_{SS} = 2.5 \mu\text{A}$ ) and tracking resistors, the  $V_{SS-OFFSET}$  and  $I_{SS}$  are included as variables in the equations.

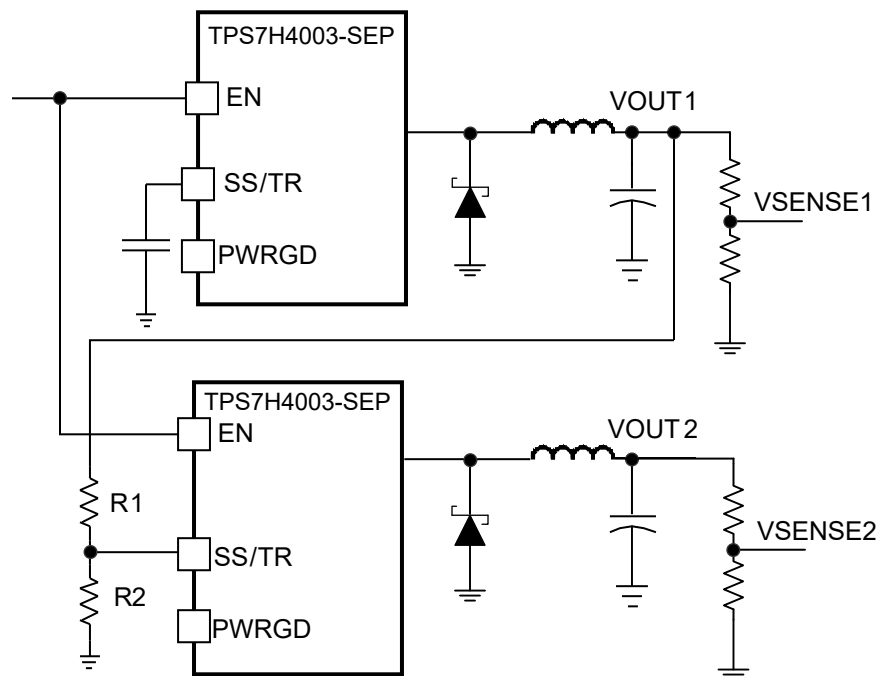
To ensure proper operation of the device, the calculated  $R_1$  value from Equation 6 must be greater than the value calculated in Equation 9.

$$R_1 = \frac{V_{OUT2} + \Delta V}{V_{REF}} \times \frac{V_{SS-OFFSET}}{I_{SS}} \quad (6)$$

$$R_2 = \frac{V_{REF} \times R_1}{V_{OUT2} + \Delta V - V_{REF}} \quad (7)$$

$$\Delta V = V_{OUT1} - V_{OUT2} \quad (8)$$

$$R_1 > 2800 \times V_{OUT1} - 180 \times \Delta V \quad (9)$$



**Figure 7-9. Ratiometric and Simultaneous Start-Up Sequence**

### 7.3.11 Output Overvoltage Protection (OVP)

The device incorporates an output OVP circuit to minimize output voltage overshoot. For example, when the power supply output is overloaded, the error amplifier compares the actual output voltage to the internal reference voltage. If the VSENSE pin voltage is lower than the internal reference voltage for a considerable time, the output of the error amplifier demands maximum output current. After the condition is removed, the regulator output rises and the error amplifier output transitions to the steady-state voltage. In some applications with small output capacitance, the power supply output voltage can respond faster than the error amplifier. This leads to the possibility of an output overshoot. The OVP feature minimizes the overshoot by comparing the VSENSE pin voltage to the OVP threshold. If the VSENSE pin voltage is greater than the OVP threshold, the high-side MOSFET is turned off, preventing current from flowing to the output and minimizing output overshoot. When the VSENSE voltage drops lower than the OVP threshold, the high-side MOSFET is allowed to turn on at the next clock cycle.

### 7.3.12 Overcurrent Protection

The device is protected from overcurrent conditions with cycle-by-cycle current limiting on both the high-side and low-side MOSFET.

#### 7.3.12.1 High-Side MOSFET Overcurrent Protection

The device implements current mode control, which uses the COMP pin voltage to control the turn off of the high-side MOSFET and the turn on of the low-side MOSFET on a cycle-by-cycle basis. Each cycle the switch current and the current reference generated by the COMP pin voltage are compared, when the peak switch current intersects the current reference, the high-side switch is turned off. In the event of an overcurrent detection, the following sequence of events occurs:

1. The SS/TR pin is discharged.
2. When the voltage at SS/TR falls below VSENSE, the device will stop switching.
3. As VOUT decreases, VSENSE does as well. At the point when VSENSE is equal to the voltage at SS/TR, the device will begin switching again.

#### 7.3.12.2 Low-Side MOSFET Overcurrent Protection

While the low-side MOSFET is turned on its conduction current is monitored by the internal circuitry. During normal operation the low-side MOSFET sources current to the load. At the end of every clock cycle, the low-side MOSFET sourcing current is compared to the internally set low-side sourcing current limit. If the low-side sourcing current is exceeded, the high-side MOSFET is not turned on and the low-side MOSFET stays on for the next cycle. The high-side MOSFET is turned on again when the low-side current is below the low-side sourcing current limit at the start of a cycle.

The low-side MOSFET may also sink current from the load. If the low-side sinking current limit is exceeded, the low-side MOSFET is turned off immediately for the rest of that clock cycle. In this scenario, both MOSFETs are off until the start of the next cycle.

When the low-side MOSFET turns off, the switch node voltage increases and forward biases the high-side MOSFET parallel diode (the high-side MOSFET is still off at this stage).

### 7.3.13 Thermal Shutdown

The internal thermal shutdown circuitry forces the device to stop switching if the junction temperature exceeds 190°C (typical). The device reinitiates the power-up sequence when the junction temperature drops below 172°C (typical).

### 7.3.14 Turn-On Behavior

Minimum on-time specification determines the maximum operating frequency of the design. During soft-start, if the required duty cycle is less than the minimum controllable on-time, the device can enter into a pulse-skipping mode. Thus, instantaneous output pulses can be higher or lower than the desired voltage. This behavior is only evident when operating at high frequency with high bandwidth. When the minimum on-pulse is greater than the minimum controllable on-time, the turn-on behavior is normal.

### 7.3.15 Slope Compensation

The device adds a compensating ramp to the switch current signal for all duty cycles. The slope compensation adjusts the peak current during the charging of the inductor to avoid instability of the system. As a result, the ideal slope compensation is defined as the output voltage divided by the inductor size as shown in Equation 10. The slope compensation, SC, can be configured with a resistor to GND connected to the RSC pin. The RSC resistor value, in kΩ, can be calculated using Equation 11, where SC is in A/μs and f<sub>SW</sub> is in kHz.

$$SC_{ideal} = \frac{di}{dt} = \frac{VOUT}{L} \quad (10)$$

$$RSC = \frac{24000}{f_{SW}} + \frac{1040}{SC} - 30 \quad (11)$$

### 7.3.15.1 Slope Compensation Requirements

All the design parameters are relevant when configuring the slope compensation. The first requirement is that the inductor peak current  $I_{Lpeak}$  must be less than the compensated maximum high side FET current,  $I_{Lmax}$  as shown in Equation 12.

$$I_{Lpeak} < I_{Lmax} \quad (12)$$

$I_{Lpeak}$  can be calculated as shown in Equation 13, where  $K_L$  relates  $I_{ripple}$  the inductor ripple current, to  $I_O$  the output current, as shown in Equation 14.

$$I_{Lpeak} = I_O + \frac{I_{ripple}}{2} = I_O + \frac{K_L \times I_O}{2} \quad (13)$$

$$K_L = \frac{I_{ripple}}{I_O} \quad (14)$$

$I_{Lmax}$  is defined as the difference between the high side current limit specified in the [Electrical Characteristics](#), and the change in current due to the ramp,  $I_{SC}$  as shown in Equation 15.  $I_{SC}$  can be calculated using Equation 16, where  $t_{ON}$  is the on time for the high side FET.  $t_{ON}$  depends on the switching frequency and is related to the duty cycle as shown in Equation 17.

$$I_{Lmax} = I_{HS\_IL} - I_{SC} \quad (15)$$

$$I_{SC} = SC \times t_{ON} \quad (16)$$

$$t_{ON} = \frac{1}{f_{SW}} \times D = \frac{1}{f_{SW}} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \quad (17)$$

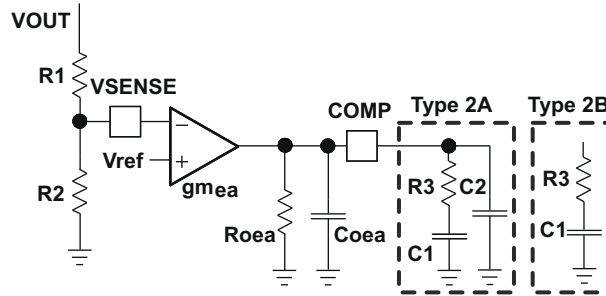
The last requirement related to the slope compensation is related to the maximum value for  $K_L$  depending on the SC value selected so that the desired  $I_O$  can be supported. In other words, the maximum value for  $K_L$  such that  $I_{Lpeak}$  is less than  $I_{Lmax}$ . By substituting Equation 16 and Equation 17 into the combinations of Equation 13 and Equation 15, the equation for the maximum value for  $K_L$  can be derived as shown in Equation 18.

$$K_{Lmax} < 2 \left[ \frac{I_{HS\_IL} - \frac{SC}{f_{SW}} \left( \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} - 0.25 \right)}{I_O} - 1 \right] \quad (18)$$

### 7.3.16 Small Signal Model for Frequency Compensation

The device uses a transconductance amplifier for the error amplifier and readily supports two of the commonly used frequency compensation circuits shown in Figure 7-10. In Type 2A, one additional high-frequency pole is added to attenuate high-frequency noise.

The following design guidelines are provided for advanced users who prefer to compensate using the general method.



**Figure 7-10. Types of Frequency Compensation**

The general design guidelines for device loop compensation are as follows:

1. Determine the crossover frequency  $f_{co}$ . A good starting point is one-tenth of the switching frequency,  $f_{sw}$ .
2.  $R_3$  can be determined by:

$$R_3 = \frac{2\pi \times f_{co} \times V_{OUT} \times C_{OUT}}{g_{m_{ea}} \times V_{REF} \times g_{m_{ps}}} \quad (19)$$

where  $g_{m_{ea}}$  is the transconductance of the error amplifier (1800  $\mu$ S),  $g_{m_{ps}}$  is the transconductance of the power stage (40 S) and  $V_{REF}$  is the reference voltage (0.605 V).

3. Place a compensation zero at the dominant pole calculated in Equation 20 using  $C_1$  and  $R_3$ .  $C_1$  can be determined by Equation 21.

$$f_p = \frac{1}{C_{OUT} \times R_L \times 2\pi} \quad (20)$$

$$C_1 = \frac{C_{OUT} \times R_L}{R_3} \quad (21)$$

4.  $C_2$  is optional. It can be used to cancel the zero from the equivalent series resistance (ESR) of the output capacitor  $C_{OUT}$ .

$$C_2 = \frac{C_{OUT} \times R_{ESR}}{R_3} \quad (22)$$

## 7.4 Device Functional Modes

### 7.4.1 Fixed-Frequency PWM Control

The device uses fixed frequency, peak current mode control. As a synchronous buck converter, the device normally operates in continuous current mode under all load conditions. The output voltage is compared through external resistors on the VSENSE pin to an internal voltage reference by an error amplifier, which drives the COMP pin. An internal oscillator initiates the turn on of the high-side power switch. The error amplifier output is converted into a current reference, which compares to the high-side power switch current. When the power switch current reaches the current reference generated by the COMP voltage level, the high-side power switch is turned off and the low-side power switch is turned on.

## 8 Application and Implementation

### Note

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### 8.1 Application Information

The TPS7H4003-SEP device is a highly-integrated synchronous step-down DC-DC converter. The device is used to convert a higher DC-DC input voltage to a lower DC output voltage with a maximum output current of 18 A.

The TPS7H4003-SEP user's guide is available on the TI website, *TPS7H4003EVM-CVAL Evaluation Module (EVM) User's Guide*. The guide highlights standard EVM test results, schematic, and BOM for reference.

### 8.2 Typical Application

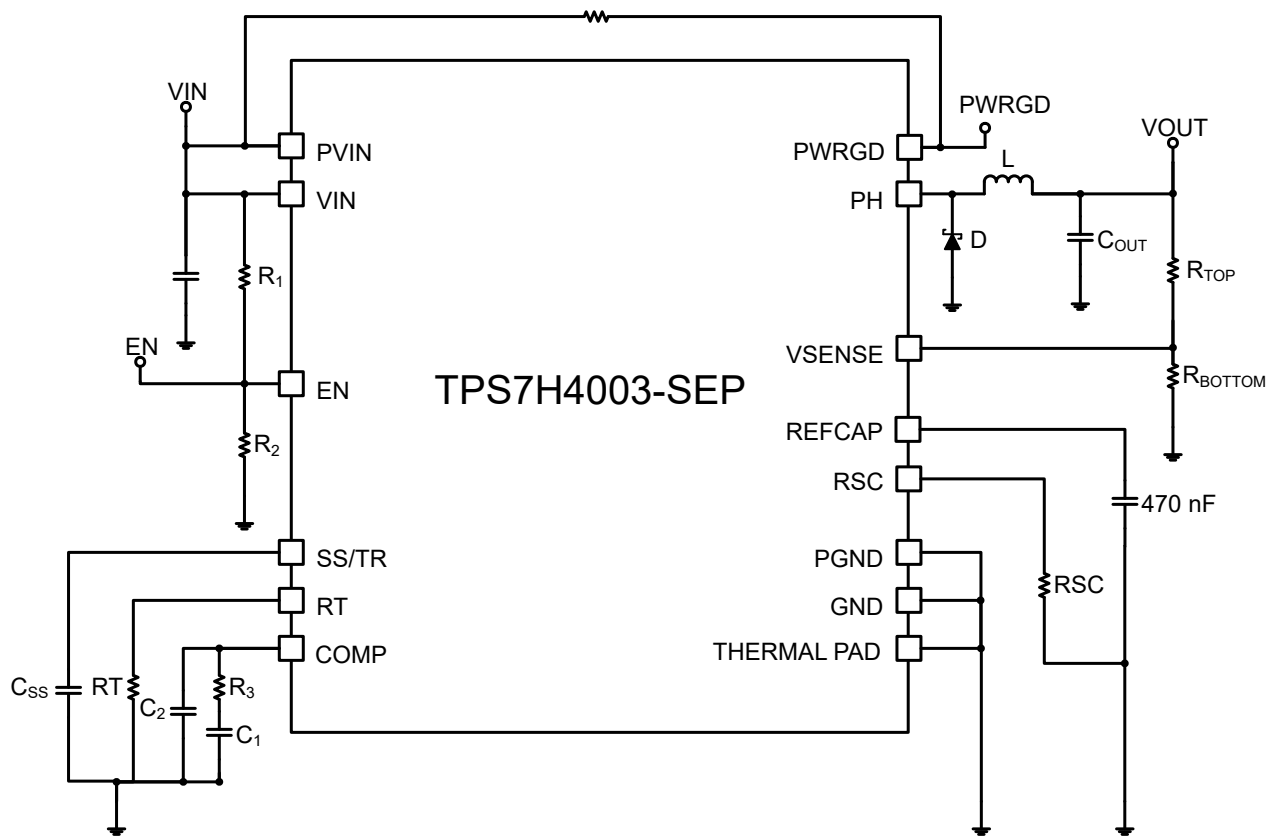


Figure 8-1. Typical Application Schematic

## 8.2.1 Design Requirements

This example highlights a design using the TPS7H4003-SEP based on its evaluation module. For more details, please refer to the EVM user's guide, *TPS7H4003EVM-CVAL Evaluation Module (EVM) User's Guide*. A few parameters must be known in order to start the design process. These parameters are typically determined at the system level. For this example, we start with the following known parameters:

**Table 8-1. Design Parameters**

| DESIGN PARAMETER                       | EXAMPLE VALUE          |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Output voltage                         | 1 V                    |
| Maximum output current                 | 18 A                   |
| Transient response 9-A load step       | $\Delta V_{OUT} = 5\%$ |
| Input voltage                          | 5 V                    |
| Output voltage ripple                  | 20 mVp-p               |
| Start input voltage (rising $V_{IN}$ ) | 4.5 V                  |
| Stop input voltage (falling $V_{IN}$ ) | 4.3 V                  |
| Switching frequency                    | 500 kHz                |

## 8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

### 8.2.2.1 Operating Frequency

The first step is to decide on a switching frequency for the regulator. There is a trade off between higher and lower switching frequencies. Higher switching frequencies may produce smaller a solution size using lower valued inductors and smaller output capacitors compared to a power supply that switches at a lower frequency. However, the higher switching frequency causes extra switching losses, which hurt the converter's efficiency and thermal performance. In this design, a switching frequency of 500 kHz is selected. Since the regulator can internally generate a 500-kHz switching frequency, no RT resistor is necessary but can be used if desired.

### 8.2.2.2 Output Inductor Selection

To calculate the value of the output inductor, use Equation 23.  $K_L$  is a coefficient that represents the amount of inductor ripple current relative to the maximum output current,  $I_O$  as shown in Equation 14. The inductor ripple current is filtered by the output capacitor, therefore, choosing high inductor ripple currents impact the selection of the output capacitor since the output capacitor must have a ripple current rating equal to or greater than the inductor ripple current. In general, the inductor ripple value is at the discretion of the designer depending on specific system needs. Typical values for  $K_L$  range from 0.1 to 0.5. For low output currents, the value of  $K_L$  could be increased to reduce the value of the output inductor.

$$L = \frac{V_{INMAX} - V_{OUT}}{I_O \times K_L} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{INMAX} \times f_{SW}} \quad (23)$$

For this design example, use  $K_L = 0.1$  and the inductor value is calculated to be 0.9  $\mu\text{H}$  for nominal  $V_{IN} = 5 \text{ V}$ .

For the output filter inductor, it is important that the RMS current and saturation current ratings not be exceeded. The RMS and peak inductor current can be found from Equation 25 and Equation 26.

$$I_{\text{ripple}} = \frac{V_{INMAX} - V_{OUT}}{L} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{INMAX} \times f_{SW}} \quad (24)$$

$$I_{L_{\text{rms}}} = \sqrt{I_O^2 + \frac{1}{12} \times \left( \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{INMAX} - V_{OUT})}{V_{INMAX} \times L \times f_{SW}} \right)^2} \quad (25)$$

$$I_{L_{\text{peak}}} = I_O + \frac{I_{\text{ripple}}}{2} \quad (26)$$

For this design, the RMS inductor current is 18 A and the peak inductor current is 18.9 A. In order to satisfy all requirements, a 1-μH Coilcraft XAL1580 inductor was used.

The current flowing through the inductor is the inductor ripple current plus the output current. During power up, faults or transient load conditions, the inductor current can increase above the calculated peak inductor current level calculated previously. In transient conditions, the inductor current can increase up to the switch current limit of the device. For this reason, the most conservative approach is to specify an inductor with a saturation current rating equal to or greater than the switch current limit rather than the peak inductor current.

### 8.2.2.3 Output Capacitor Selection

There are several considerations in determining the value of the output capacitor. The selection of the output capacitor is driven by both the desired output voltage ripple and the allowable voltage deviation due to a large and abrupt change in load current. For space applications, the value of capacitance also has to account for the mitigation of single-event effects (SEE). The output capacitance needs to be selected based on the more stringent of these three criteria. It is also important to note that the value of the output capacitor directly influences the modulator pole of the converter frequency response, as shown in [Small Signal Model for Frequency Compensation](#).

The desired response to a large change in the load current is the first criteria. The output capacitor needs to supply the load with current when the regulator can not. This situation would occur if there are desired hold-up times for the regulator where the output capacitor must hold the output voltage above a certain level for a specified amount of time after the input power is removed. The regulator is also temporarily not able to supply sufficient output current if there is a large, fast increase in the current needs of the load such as a transition from no load to full load. The output capacitor must be sized to supply the extra current to the load until the control loop responds to the load change. [Equation 27](#) shows the minimum output capacitance, from the electrical point of view, necessary to accomplish this.

$$C_{OUT} > \frac{2 \times \Delta I_O}{f_{SW} \times \Delta V_{OUT}} \quad (27)$$

Where  $\Delta I_O$  is the change in output current,  $f_{SW}$  is the regulator switching frequency, and  $\Delta V_{OUT}$  is the allowable change in the output voltage. For this example, the transient load response is specified as a 5% change in  $V_{OUT}$  for a load step of 9 A. Also in this example,  $\Delta I_O = 9$  A and  $\Delta V_{OUT} = 0.05 \times 1 = 0.05$  V. Using these numbers gives a minimum capacitance of 720 μF. This value does not take the ESR of the output capacitor into account in the output voltage change. For ceramic capacitors, the ESR is usually small enough to ignore in this calculation. However, for space applications and large capacitance values, tantalum capacitors are typically used, which have a certain ESR value to take into consideration.

[Equation 28](#) calculates the minimum output capacitance needed to meet the output voltage ripple specification. Where  $f_{SW}$  is the switching frequency,  $V_{OUT\_ripple}$  is the maximum allowable output voltage ripple, and  $I_{ripple}$  is the inductor ripple current. In this case, the maximum output voltage ripple is 20 mV and the inductor ripple current is 1.8 A. Under these conditions, [Equation 28](#) yields 22.5 μF.

$$C_{OUT} > \frac{1}{8 \times f_{SW}} \times \frac{I_{ripple}}{V_{OUT\_ripple}} \quad (28)$$

Additional capacitance de-ratings for aging, temperature and DC bias should be factored in, which increases this minimum value. Capacitors generally have limits to the amount of ripple current they can handle without failing or producing excess heat. An output capacitor that can support the inductor ripple current must be specified. Some capacitor data sheets specify the RMS (Root Mean Square) value of the maximum ripple current. [Equation 25](#) can be used to calculate the RMS ripple current the output capacitor needs to support. For this application, [Equation 25](#) yields 519 mA.

[Equation 29](#) calculates the maximum ESR an output capacitor can have to meet the output voltage ripple specification. [Equation 29](#) indicates the ESR should be less than 11.11 mΩ.

$$R_{ESR} < \frac{V_{OUT_{ripple}}}{I_{ripple}} \quad (29)$$

For this specific design, taking into consideration the stringent requirements for space applications, a total output capacitance of 2 mF with an equivalent ESR of approximately 2 mΩ has been selected. The output voltage deviation with this larger output capacitance was approximately 3.5% for a 9-A load step. This output voltage deviation can be further reduced by increasing the output capacitance.

#### 8.2.2.4 Output Schottky Diode

Figure 8-1 shows a Schottky diode between the phase node pin (PH) and GND of the TPS7H4003-SEP. This external diode is in parallel with the internal low-side power FET of the device and typically has superior reverse recovery characteristics when compared to the body diode of the internal low-side FET. This improved reverse recovery provides two key benefits. The first benefit is an better overall efficiency for the converter due to lower losses associated with the diode reverse recovery. The second key advantage is that the parasitic-induced noise associated with the reverse recovery current pulse (as detailed in Figure 5 of [Power Loss Calculation With Common Source Inductance Consideration for Synchronous Buck Converters](#)) is drastically reduced. In the absence of the Schottky diode, this noise can manifest itself on the power ground plane internal to the TPS7H4003-SEP. If significant enough, the noise can reduce the dynamic range of the error amplifier and result in higher output voltage ripple. For this reason, it is highly recommended to use the external Schottky diode in the converter design. At the least, a PCB footprint for the diode should be included in the PCB design phase in case it is needed to achieve the system requirements.

#### 8.2.2.5 Input Capacitor Selection

The TPS7H4003-SEP requires a high quality ceramic, type X5R or X7R, input decoupling capacitor of at least 4.7 μF of effective capacitance on the PVIN input voltage pins, and 4.7 μF on the VIN input voltage pin. In some applications additional bulk capacitance may also be required for the PVIN input. The effective capacitance includes any DC bias effects. The voltage rating of the input capacitor must be greater than the maximum input voltage. The capacitor must also have a ripple current rating greater than the maximum input current ripple of the TPS7H4003-SEP. The input ripple current can be calculated using [Equation 30](#).

$$I_{CIN_{rms}} = I_O \times \sqrt{\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN\_MIN}} \times \frac{(V_{IN\_MIN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN\_MIN}}} \quad (30)$$

The value of a ceramic capacitor varies significantly over temperature and the amount of DC bias applied to the capacitor. The capacitance variations due to temperature can be minimized by selecting a dielectric material that is stable over temperature. X5R and X7R ceramic dielectrics are usually selected for power regulator capacitors because they have a high capacitance to volume ratio and are fairly stable over temperature. The input capacitor must also be selected with the DC bias taken into account. The capacitance value of a capacitor decreases as the DC bias across a capacitor increases. For this example, six 16-V, 22-μF ceramic capacitors and two 10-V, 330-μF polymer tantalum capacitors in parallel have been selected as the VIN and PVIN inputs are tied together so the TPS7H4003-SEP may operate from a single supply. The input capacitance value determines the input ripple voltage of the regulator. The input voltage ripple can be calculated using [Equation 31](#). Using the design example values,  $I_{O_{MAX}} = 18$  A,  $C_{IN} = 792$  μF,  $f_{SW} = 500$  kHz, yields an input voltage ripple of 11.4 mV and a RMS input ripple current of 7.2 A.

$$\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{I_{O_{MAX}} \times 0.25}{C_{IN} \times f_{SW}} \quad (31)$$

#### 8.2.2.6 Soft-Start Capacitor Selection

The soft-start capacitor  $C_{SS}$ , determines the minimum amount of time it takes for the output voltage to reach its nominal programmed value during power up. This is useful if a load requires a controlled voltage slew rate. This is also used if the output capacitance is very large and would require large amounts of current to quickly

charge the capacitor to the output voltage level. The large currents necessary to charge the capacitor may make the TPS7H4003-SEP reach the current limit or excessive current draw from the input power supply may cause the input voltage rail to sag. Limiting the output voltage slew rate solves both of these problems. The soft-start capacitor value can be calculated using [Equation 5](#). The example circuit has the soft-start time set to an arbitrary value of about 2 ms, which requires a 10-nF capacitor. In TPS7H4003-SEP,  $I_{SS}$  is 2.5- $\mu$ A typical, and  $V_{REF}$  is 0.605 V.

#### 8.2.2.7 Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO) Set Point

The UVLO can be adjusted using the external voltage divider network formed by  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ .  $R_1$  is connected between VIN and the EN pin of the TPS7H4003-SEP and  $R_2$  is connected between EN and GND. The UVLO has two thresholds, one for power up when the input voltage is rising and one for power down or brown outs when the input voltage is falling. For the example design, the supply should turn on and start switching once the input voltage increases above selected voltage (UVLO start or enable). After the regulator starts switching, it should continue to do so until the input voltage falls below (UVLO stop or disable) voltage. [Equation 2](#) and [Equation 3](#) can be used to calculate the values for the upper and lower resistor values. For the stop voltages specified in [Table 8-1](#), the nearest standard resistor value for  $R_1$  is 10 k $\Omega$  and for  $R_2$  is 3.4 k $\Omega$ .

#### 8.2.2.8 Output Voltage Feedback Resistor Selection

The resistor divider network  $R_{TOP}$  and  $R_{BOTTOM}$  is used to set the output voltage. For the example design, 10 k $\Omega$  was selected for  $R_{TOP}$ . Using [Equation 1](#),  $R_{BOTTOM}$  is calculated as 15.32 k $\Omega$ . The nearest standard 1% resistor is 15.4 k $\Omega$ .

##### 8.2.2.8.1 Minimum Output Voltage

Due to the internal design of the TPS7H4003-SEP, there is a minimum output voltage limit for any given input voltage. The output voltage can never be lower than the internal voltage reference of 0.605 V. Above 0.605 V, the output voltage may be limited by the minimum controllable on time. The minimum output voltage in this case is given by [Equation 32](#).

$$V_{OUTMIN} = V_{INMIN} \times t_{ON,MIN} \times f_{sw} \quad (32)$$

In this equation:

- $V_{OUTMIN}$  is the minimum output voltage
- $V_{INMIN}$  is the minimum input voltage for the application
- $t_{ON,MIN}$  is the minimum on-time for the device, for which the maximum specification is 235 ns
- $f_{sw}$  is the switching frequency of the application.

#### 8.2.2.9 Compensation Component Selection

There are several industry techniques used to compensate DC-DC regulators. For this design, type 2B compensation is used as shown in the [Small Signal Model for Frequency Compensation](#) section.

A good starting rule of thumb is to set the crossover frequency to one-tenth of the switching frequency. This will generally provide good transient response and ensure that the modulator poles do not degrade phase margin.

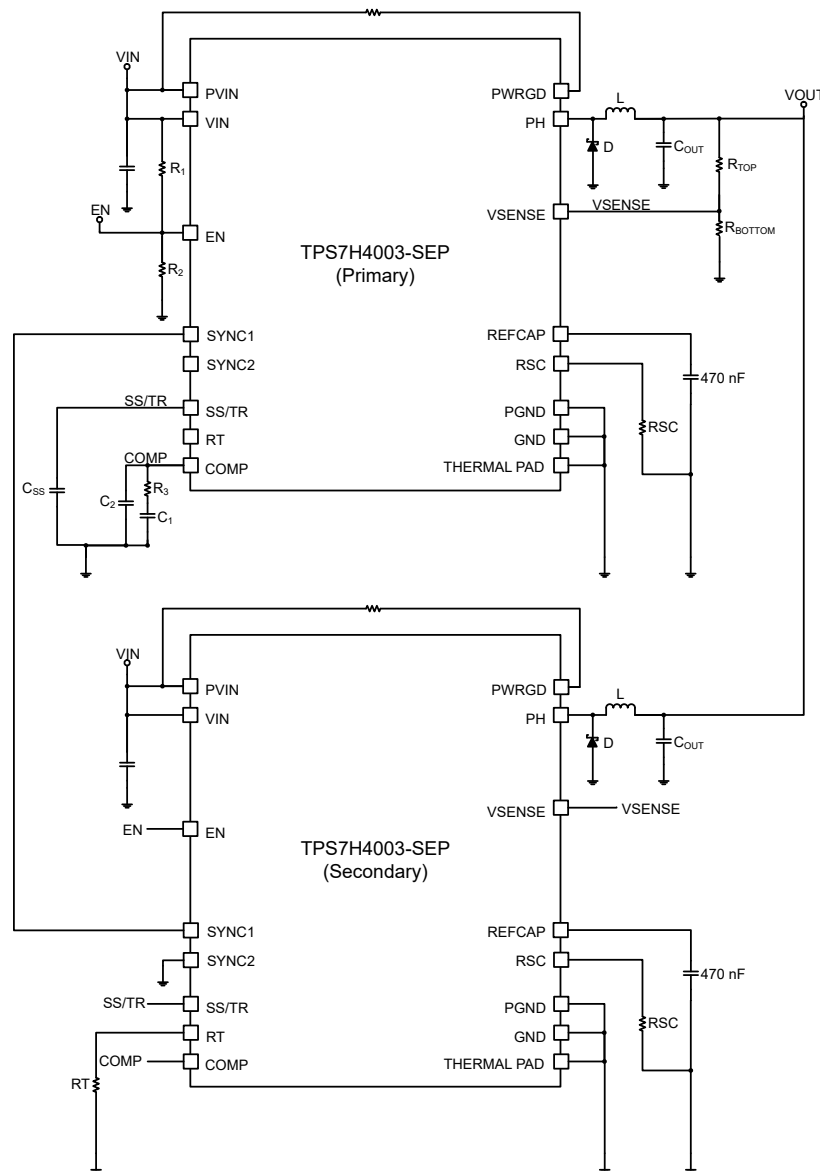
The compensation components can be calculated using [Equation 19](#) and [Equation 21](#). The values calculated for  $R_3$  and  $C_1$  are 8.66 k $\Omega$  and 12 nF, respectively. Note that frequency compensation is often tuned during testing in order to obtain the best possible performance.

An additional high frequency pole can be used if necessary by adding a capacitor in parallel with the series combination of  $R_3$  and  $C_1$ . The pole frequency is given by [Equation 33](#).

$$f_p = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_3 \times C_2} \quad (33)$$

### 8.2.3 Parallel Operation

The TPS7H4003-SEP can be configured in primary-secondary mode to provide up to 72-A output current. [Figure 8-2](#) shows a parallel configuration that can be used to provide 36-A output.



**Figure 8-2. Parallel Configuration Showing Primary and Secondary**

The design procedure to configure the primary-secondary operation using the internal oscillator is as follows:

- The RT pin of the primary device must be left floating. This achieves two purposes, to set the frequency to 500 kHz (typical) using the internal oscillator and to configure the SYNC1 and SYNC2 pins of the primary device as output pins with a 500-kHz clock, in-phase and 90° out of phase, respectively to the internal oscillator of the primary device. For more details, see [Adjustable Switching Frequency and Synchronization \(SYNC\)](#) section.
- The RT pin on secondary device should be connected to a resistor such that the frequency of the secondary device matches the primary's frequency, 500 kHz in this case. See [Figure 7-4](#) for reference.
- SYNC1 and/or SYNC2 pin of the primary device must be connected to the SYNC1 pin of the secondary device(s).

- Only a single feedback network is connected to the VSENSE pin of the primary device. Therefore, all VSENSE pins must be connected.
- Only a single compensation network is needed connected to the COMP pin of the primary device. Therefore all COMP pins must be connected.
- Only a single soft-start capacitor is needed connected to the SS pin of the primary device. Therefore all SS pins must be connected.
- Only a single enable signal (or resistor divider) is needed connected to the EN pin of the primary device. Therefore all EN pins must be connected.
- Since the primary device controls the compensation, soft-start and enable networks, the factor of n must be taken into account when calculating the components associated with these pins, where n is the number of devices in parallel.

The primary-secondary mode can also be implemented using an external clock. In such case, a different frequency other than 500 kHz can be used. When using an external clock, the RT and SYNC pin configurations vary as follows:

- RT pins of both primary and secondary device must be connected to a resistor matching the frequency of the external clock being used. See [Figure 7-4](#) for reference.
- The external clock is connected to the SYNC1 pin of the primary device. A 10-kΩ resistor to GND should be connected to the SYNC1 pin as well.
- For two devices in parallel, an inverted clock (180° out of phase respect to the primary device) must be connected to the SYNC1 pin of the secondary device. A 10-kΩ resistor to GND should be connected to the SYNC1 pin as well. The SYNC2 pins of the primary and secondary devices should be connected to VIN.
- Another option for two devices in parallel is to use a single clock connected to the SYNC1 pins of both devices, with the SYNC2 pin of the primary device connected to VIN and the SYNC2 pin of the secondary device connected to GND.
- For four devices in parallel, the SYNC1 pin of each device can be supplied with a separate clock, each phase shifted 90° with respect to the other. In this configuration, all SYNC2 pins should be connected to VIN. There is also an option where two clocks can be used, where the second clock is phase shifted 90° with respect to the first. In this instance, the table below details how the SYNC1 and SYNC2 pins of each device should be configured.



| Device | SYNC1 Pin | SYNC2 Pin |
|--------|-----------|-----------|
| 1      | Clock 1   | VIN       |
| 2      | Clock 2   | VIN       |
| 3      | Clock 1   | GND       |
| 4      | Clock 2   | GND       |

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$$R_1 = \frac{V_{\text{START}} \times \frac{V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{ENRISING}}} - V_{\text{STOP}}}{n \times I_p \left(1 - \frac{V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{ENRISING}}}\right) + (n \times I_h)} \quad (34)$$

$$R_2 = \frac{R_1 \times V_{\text{ENFALLING}}}{V_{\text{STOP}} - V_{\text{ENFALLING}} + (n \times R_1)(I_p + I_h)} \quad (35)$$

Also, since all SS/TR pins will be connected for the paralleled devices, the soft-start calculation presented in the [Soft-Start \(SS/TR\)](#) section will be modified according to the following equation:

$$t_{\text{SS}}(\text{ms}) = \frac{0.8 \times C_{\text{SS}}(\text{nF}) \times V_{\text{REF}}(\text{V})}{n \times I_{\text{SS}}(\mu\text{A})} \quad (36)$$

The compensation design is detailed in the [Small Signal Model for Frequency Compensation](#) section. The equation for  $R_3$  changes when the COMP pins of the devices in parallel are connected:

$$R_3 = \frac{2\pi \times f_{\text{co}} \times V_{\text{OUT}} \times C_{\text{OUT}}}{n \times g_{\text{m}_{\text{ea}}} \times V_{\text{REF}} \times n \times g_{\text{m}_{\text{ps}}}} = \frac{2\pi \times f_{\text{co}} \times V_{\text{OUT}} \times C_{\text{OUT}}}{n^2 \times g_{\text{m}_{\text{ea}}} \times V_{\text{REF}} \times g_{\text{m}_{\text{ps}}}} \quad (37)$$

Note that for parallel operation, the equations for the other compensation components, C1 and C2, will remain unchanged and still be calculated as shown in [Equation 21](#) and [Equation 22](#) due to the updated R3 calculation.

## 8.2.4 Application Curve

The evaluation module for the TPS7H4003-SEP was used to capture a load step response of the device. The testing conditions were:

- $V_{IN} = P_{VIN} = 5\text{ V}$
- $V_{OUT} = 1\text{ V}$
- Load step = 9 A to 18 A
- Switching frequency = 500 kHz

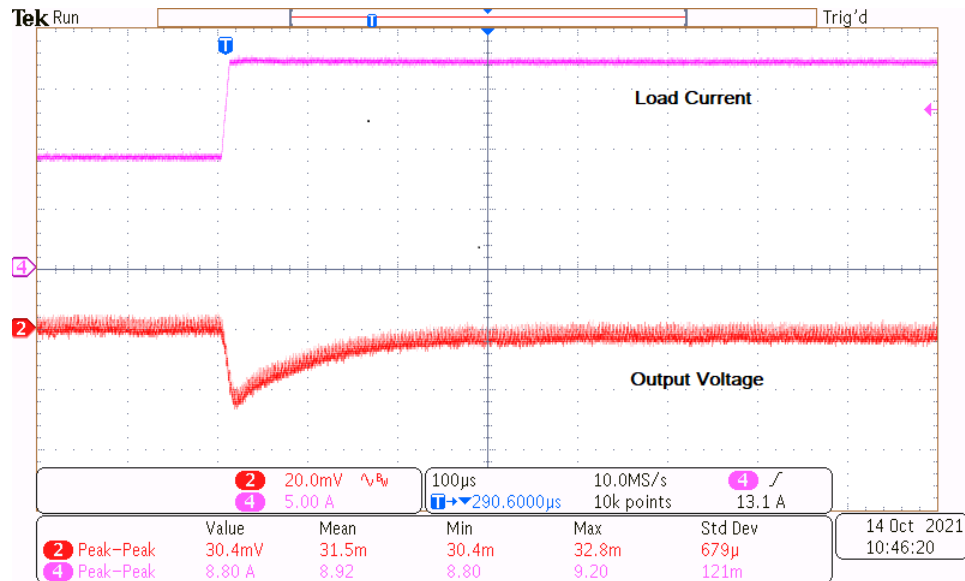


Figure 8-4. 9-A to 18-A Step Response for 500-kHz Switching Operation

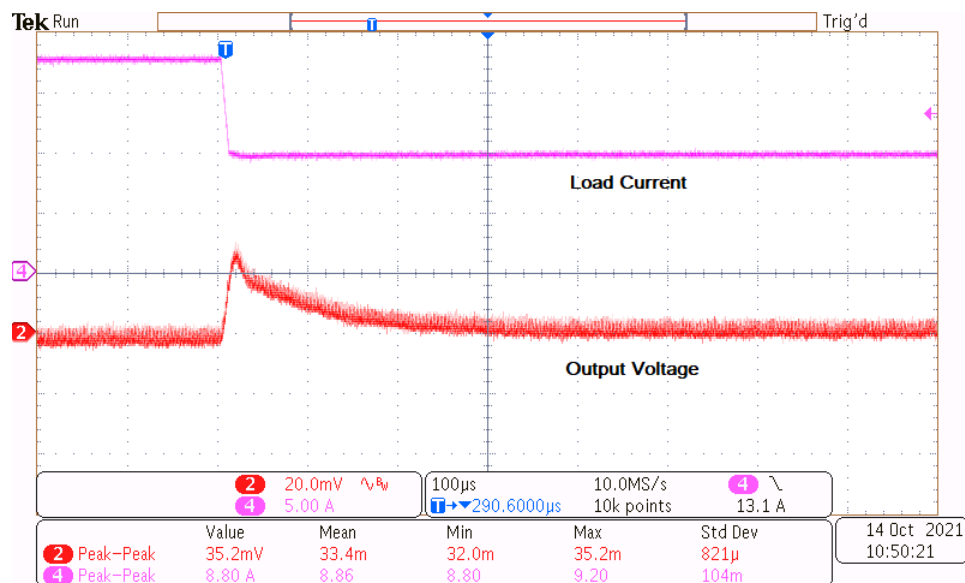


Figure 8-5. 18-A to 9-A Step Response for 500-kHz Switching Operation

## 9 Power Supply Recommendations

The TPS7H4003-SEP is designed to operate from an input voltage supply range between 3 V and 7 V. This supply voltage must be well regulated. Power supplies must be well bypassed for proper electrical performance. This includes a minimum of one 4.7  $\mu\text{F}$  (after de-rating) ceramic capacitor, type X5R or better from PVIN to GND, and from VIN to GND. Additional local ceramic bypass capacitance may be required in systems with small input ripple specifications, as well as additional bulk capacitance if the TPS7H4003-SEP device is located more than a few inches away from its input power supply. Bypass capacitors should be placed as close as possible to the input pins and have a low impedance path to GND.

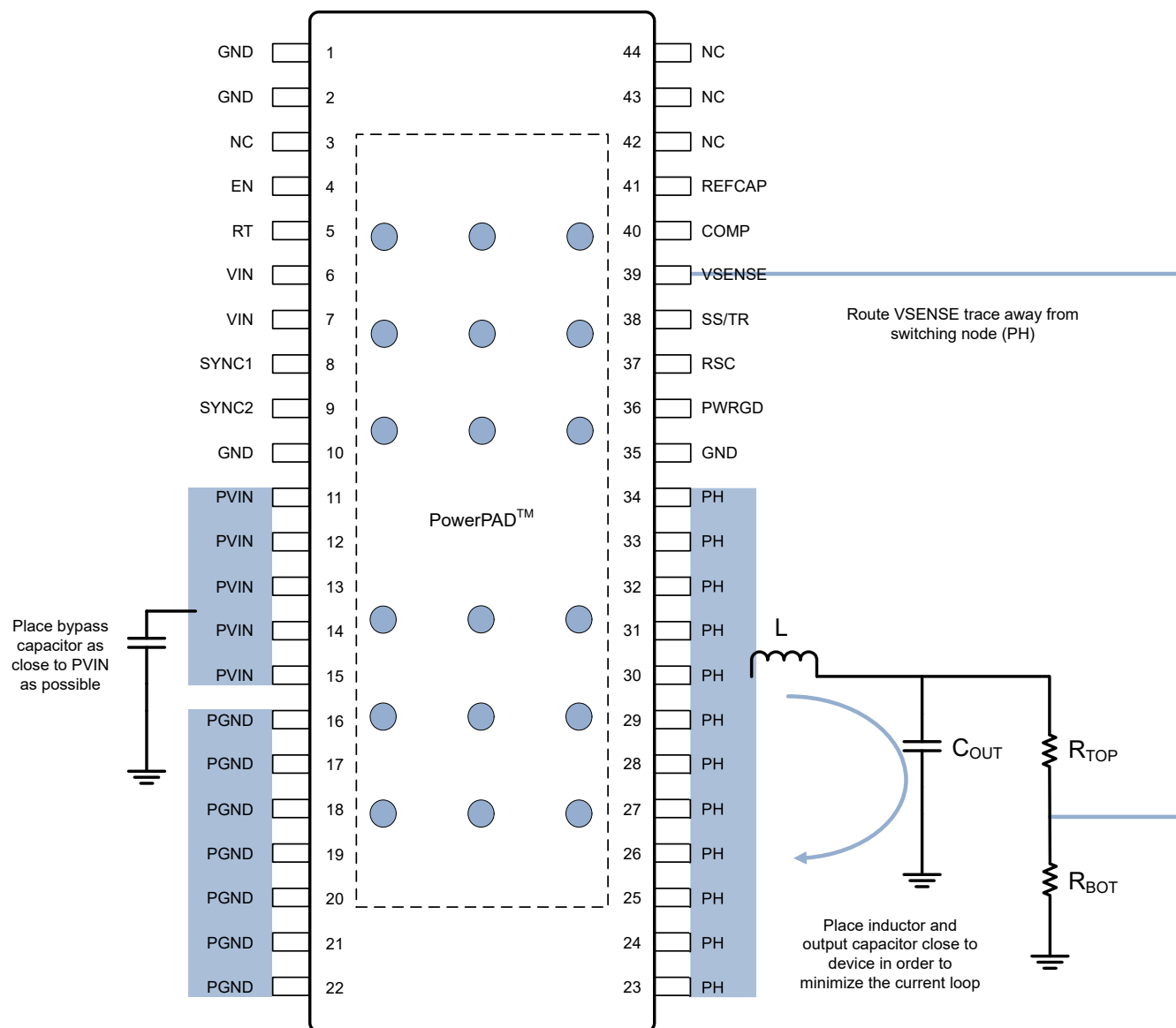
Larger values of bypass capacitance will improve the response to radiation induced transients. The TPS7H4003-SEP Evaluation Module uses  $6 \times 22\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitors in addition to  $2 \times 330\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  capacitors in parallel on the PVIN input. In systems with an auxiliary power rail available, the power stage input, PVIN, and the analog power input, VIN, may operate from separate input supplies.

## 10 Layout

### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

- Layout is a critical portion of good power supply design. See the [Layout Example](#) section for a PCB layout example.
- It is recommended to include a large topside area filled with ground. This top layer ground area should be connected to the internal ground layer(s) using vias at the input bypass capacitor, the output filter capacitor, and directly under the TPS7H4003-SEP device to provide a thermal path from the exposed thermal pad land to ground. For operation at full rated load, the top side ground area together with the internal ground plane must provide adequate heat dissipating area.
- The GND pin should be tied directly to the thermal pad under the IC.
- There are several signals paths that conduct fast changing currents or voltages that can interact with stray inductance or parasitic capacitance to generate noise or degrade the power supplies performance. To help eliminate these problems, the PVIN pin should be bypassed to ground with a low ESR ceramic bypass capacitor with X5R or X7R dielectric.
- Care should be taken to minimize the loop area formed by the bypass capacitor connections, the PVIN pins, and the ground connections.
- The VIN pin must also be bypassed to ground using a low ESR ceramic capacitor with X5R or X7R dielectric. Make sure to connect this capacitor to the quieter analog ground trace rather than the power ground trace of the PVIN bypass capacitor.
- Since the PH connection is the switching node, the output inductor should be located close to the PH pins and the area of the PCB conductor minimized to prevent excessive capacitive coupling.
- The output filter capacitor ground should use the same power ground trace as the PVIN input bypass capacitor. Try to minimize this conductor length while maintaining adequate width.
- It is critical to keep the feedback trace away from inductor EMI and other noise sources. Run the feedback trace as far from the inductor, phase (PH) node, and noisy power traces as possible. Avoid routing this trace directly under the output inductor if possible. If not possible, ensure that the trace is routed on another layer with a ground layer separating the trace and inductor.
- Keep the resistive divider used to generate VSENSE voltage as close to the device pin as possible in order to reduce noise pickup.
- The RT and COMP pins are sensitive to noise as well, so components around these pins should be located as close as possible to the IC and routed with minimal lengths of trace.
- Make all of the power (high current) traces as short, direct, and thick as possible.
- It may be possible to obtain acceptable performance with alternate PCB layouts, however this layout has been shown to produce good results and is meant as a guideline.

## 10.2 Layout Example



**Figure 10-1. PCB Layout Example**

## 11 Device and Documentation Support

### 11.1 Documentation Support

#### 11.1.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

- Texas Instruments, [TPS7H4003EVM Evaluation Module \(EVM\) user's guide](#)
- Texas Instruments, [TPS7H4003-SEP Single-Events Effect \(SEE\) radiation report](#)
- Texas Instruments, [TPS7H4003-SEP Total-Ionizing Dose \(TID\) radiation report](#)
- Texas Instruments, [TPS7H4003-SEP Neutron-Displacement Damage \(NDD\) Characterization radiation report](#)
- Texas Instruments, [TPS7H4003-SEP Production Flow and Reliability reliability report](#)

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#### 11.6 Glossary

[TI Glossary](#) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

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## PACKAGING INFORMATION

| Orderable part number             | Status<br>(1) | Material type<br>(2) | Package   Pins    | Package qty   Carrier | RoHS<br>(3) | Lead finish/<br>Ball material<br>(4) | MSL rating/<br>Peak reflow<br>(5) | Op temp (°C)             | Part marking<br>(6) |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| <a href="#">TPS7H4003MDDWSEP</a>  | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (DDW)   44 | 35   TUBE             | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -55 to 125               | 7H4003              |
| <a href="#">TPS7H4003MDDWTSEP</a> | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (DDW)   44 | 250   SMALL T&R       | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -55 to 125               | 7H4003              |
| V62/21609-01XE                    | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (DDW)   44 | 35   TUBE             | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | See<br>TPS7H4003MDDWSEP  | 7H4003              |
| V62/21609-01XE-T                  | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (DDW)   44 | 250   SMALL T&R       | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | See<br>TPS7H4003MDDWTSEF | 7H4003              |

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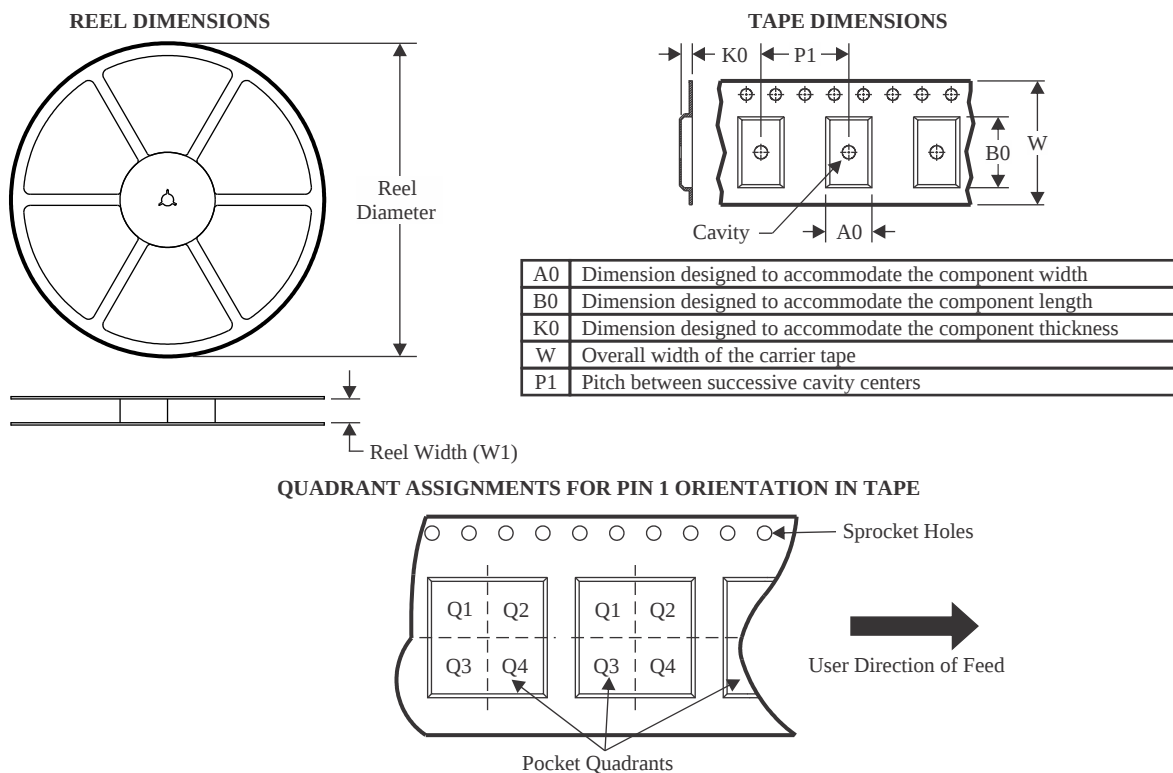
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| Device            | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Reel Diameter (mm) | Reel Width W1 (mm) | A0 (mm) | B0 (mm) | K0 (mm) | P1 (mm) | W (mm) | Pin1 Quadrant |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|------|-----|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|
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| Device            | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Length (mm) | Width (mm) | Height (mm) |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|------|-----|-------------|------------|-------------|
| TPS7H4003MDDWTSEP | HTSSOP       | DDW             | 44   | 250 | 213.0       | 191.0      | 55.0        |

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\*All dimensions are nominal

| Device           | Package Name | Package Type | Pins | SPQ | L (mm) | W (mm) | T (μm) | B (mm) |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| TPS7H4003MDDWSEP | DDW          | HTSSOP       | 44   | 35  | 530    | 11.89  | 3600   | 4.9    |
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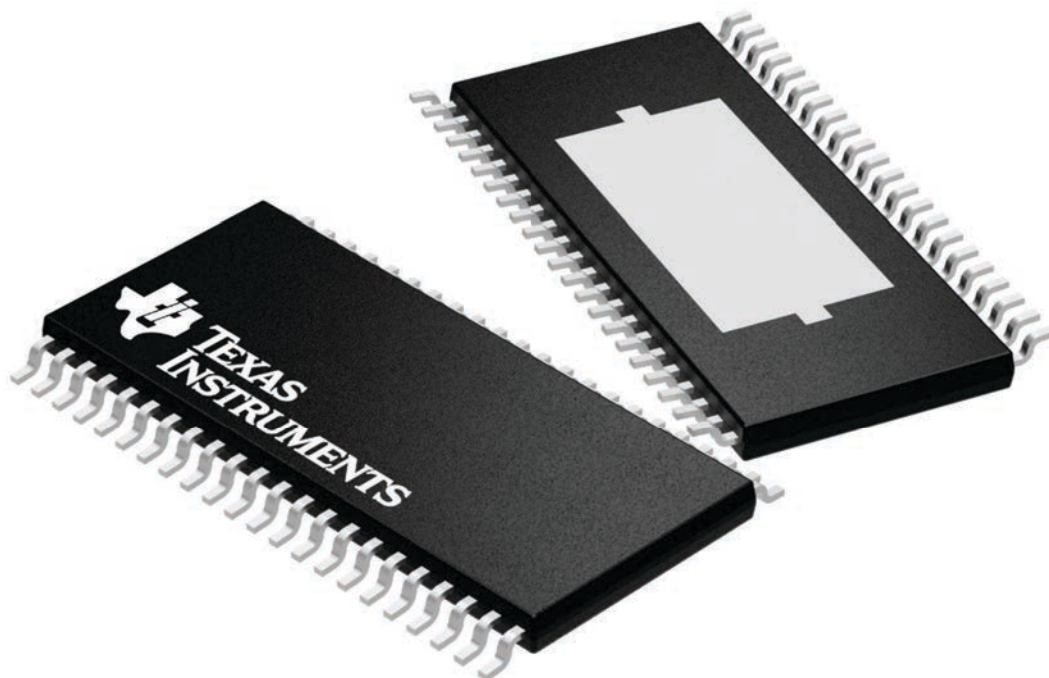
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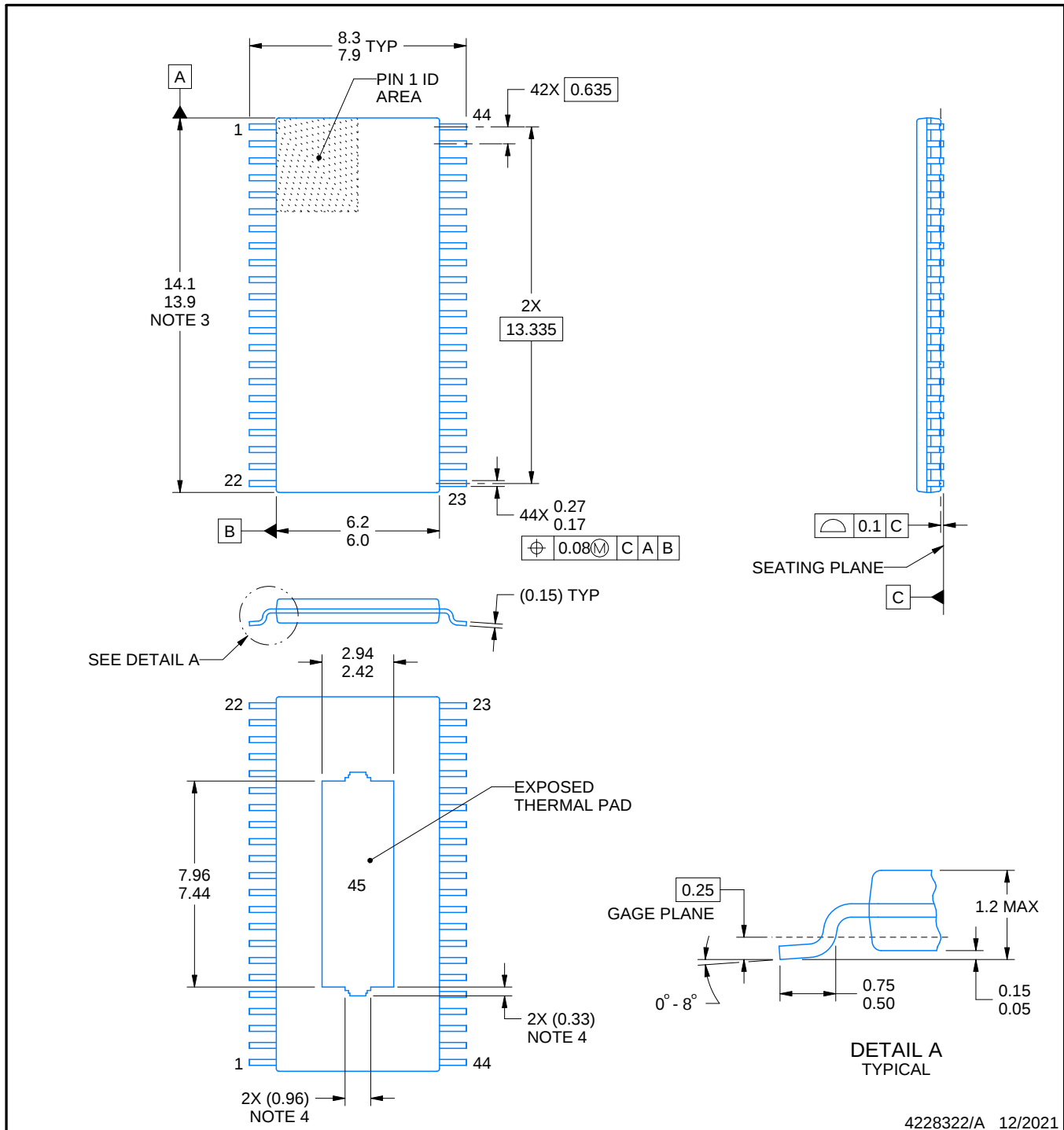
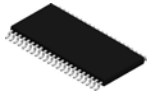
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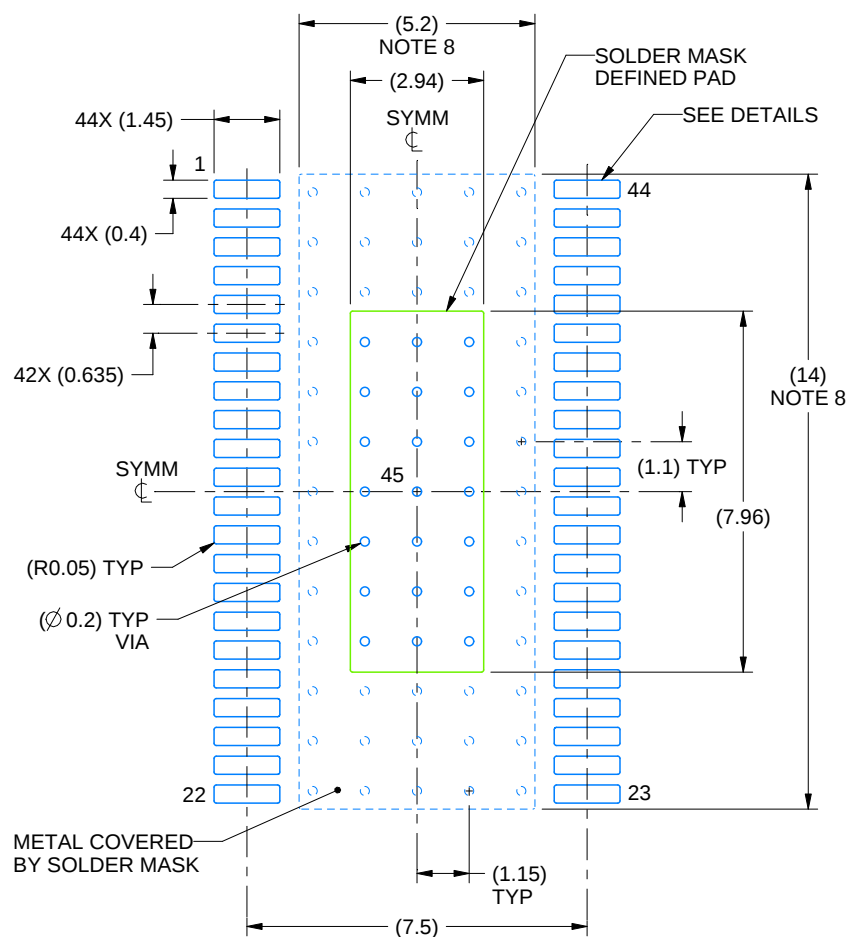
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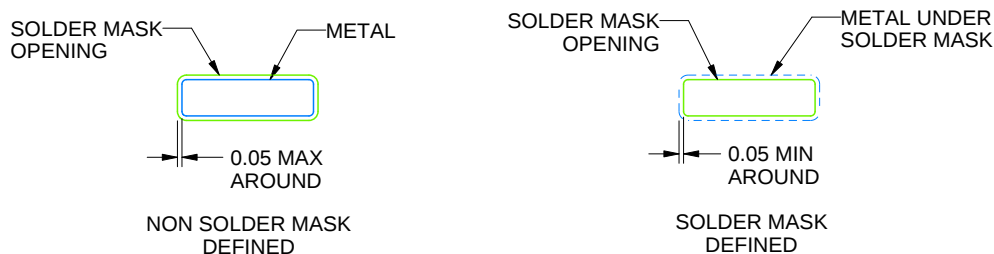
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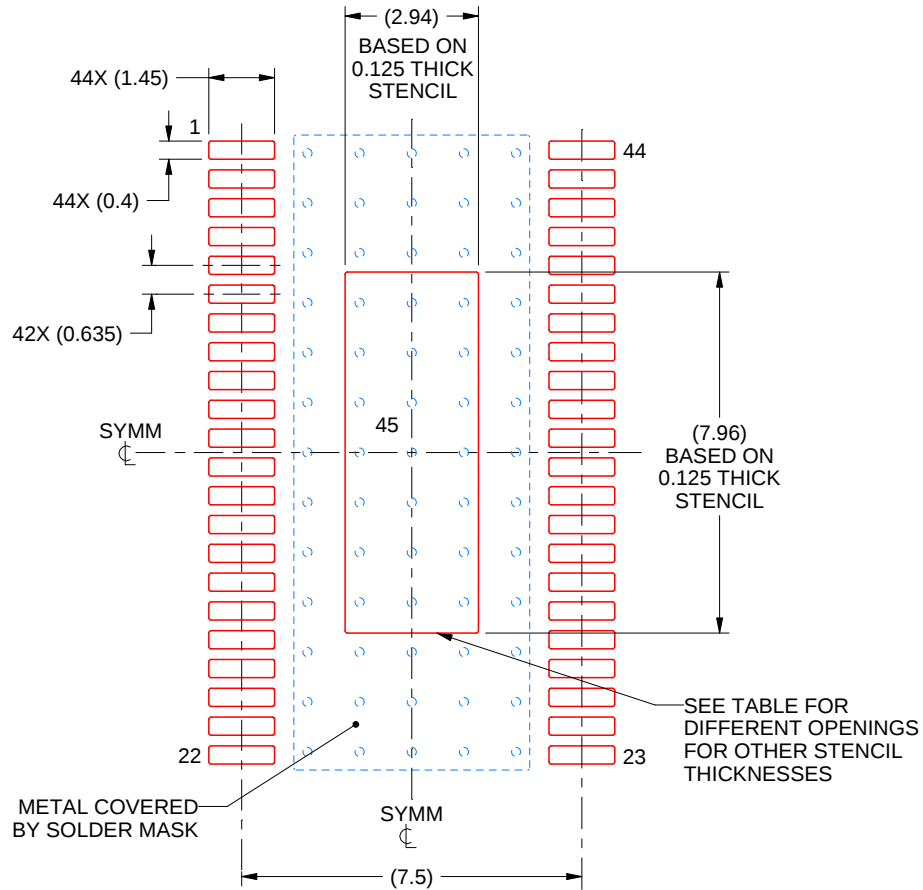
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# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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**SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE**  
 PAD 45:  
 100% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA  
 SCALE:6X

| STENCIL THICKNESS | SOLDER STENCIL OPENING |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 0.1               | 3.29 X 8.90            |
| 0.125             | 2.94 X 7.96 (SHOWN)    |
| 0.15              | 2.68 X 7.27            |
| 0.175             | 2.48 X 6.73            |

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10. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.

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