

# LM4125 Precision Micropower Low Dropout Voltage Reference

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# **FEATURES**

- Small SOT23-5 Package
- Low Dropout Voltage: 120 mV Typ @ 1 mA
- High Output Voltage Accuracy: 0.2%
- Source and Sink Current Output: ±5 mA
- Supply Current: 160 μA Typ.
- Low Temperature Coefficient: 50 ppm/°C
- Fixed Output Voltages: 2.048, 2.5, and 4.096
- Industrial Temperature Range: -40°C to +85°C
- (For Extended Temperature Range, −40°C to 125°C, Contact TI)

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Portable, Battery Powered Equipment
- Instrumentation and Process Control
- Automotive & Industrial
- Test Equipment
- Data Acquisition Systems
- · Precision Regulators
- Battery Chargers
- Base Stations
- Communications
- Medical Equipment

# **Connection Diagram**

### DESCRIPTION

The LM4125 is a precision low power low dropout bandgap voltage reference with up to 5 mA output current source and sink capability.

This series reference operates with input voltages as low as 2V and up to 6V consuming 160  $\mu$ A (Typ.) supply current. In power down mode, device current drops to less than 2  $\mu$ A.

The LM4125 comes in two grades (A and Standard) and three voltage options for greater flexibility. The best grade devices (A) have an initial accuracy of 0.2%, while the standard have an initial accuracy of 0.5%, both with a tempco of 50ppm/°C ensured from -40°C to +125°C.

The very low dropout voltage, low supply current and power-down capability of the LM4125 makes this product an ideal choice for battery powered and portable applications.

The device performance is ensured over the industrial temperature range (-40°C to +85°C), while certain specs are ensured over the extended temperature range (-40°C to +125°C). Please contact TI for full specifications over the extended temperature range. The LM4125 is available in a standard 5-pin SOT-23 package.

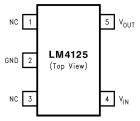


Figure 1. 5-Pin SOT-23 Surface Mount Package See Package Number DBV



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

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# Absolute Maximum Ratings (1)(2)

Maximum Voltage on input or enable pins	-		
Output Short-Circuit Duration		Indefinite	
Power Dissipation (T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C) <sup>(3)</sup>	DBV package - θ <sub>JA</sub>	280°C/W	
	Power Dissipation	350 mW	
ESD Susceptibility <sup>(4)</sup>	Human Body Model	2 kV	
	Machine Model	200V	
Lead Temperature:	Soldering, (10 sec.)	+260°C	
	Vapor Phase (60 sec.)	+215°C	
	Infrared (15 sec.)	+220°C	

- (1) "Absolute Maximum Ratings" indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating Ratings indicate conditions for which the device is intended to be functional, but do not ensure specific performance limits. For ensured specifications and test conditions, see Electrical Characteristics. The ensured specifications apply only for the test conditions listed. Some performance characteristics may degrade when the device is not operated under the listed test conditions.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) Without PCB copper enhancements. The maximum power dissipation must be de-rated at elevated temperatures and is limited by T<sub>JMAX</sub> (maximum junction temperature), θ<sub>J-A</sub> (junction to ambient thermal resistance) and T<sub>A</sub> (ambient temperature). The maximum power dissipation at any temperature is: PDiss<sub>MAX</sub> = (T<sub>IMAX</sub> T<sub>A</sub>)/θ<sub>I-A</sub> up to the value listed in the Absolute Maximum Ratings.
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  (4) The human body model is a 100 pF capacitor discharged through a 1.5 kΩ resistor into each pin. The machine model is a 200 pF capacitor discharged directly into each pin.

# Operating Range<sup>(1)</sup>

Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C
Ambient Temperature Range	−40°C to +85°C
Junction Temperature Range	-40°C to +125°C

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## Electrical Characteristics — LM4125-2.048V and 2.5V

Unless otherwise specified  $V_{IN}=3.3V$ ,  $I_{LOAD}=0$ ,  $C_{OUT}=0.01\mu F$ ,  $T_A=T_j=25^{\circ}C$ . Limits with standard typeface are for  $T_j=25^{\circ}C$ , and limits in **boldface type** apply over the  $-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +85^{\circ}C$  temperature range.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min (1)	Тур (2)	Max (1)	Units		
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage Initial Accuracy LM4125A-2.048 LM4125A-2.500				±0.2	%		
	LM4125-2.048 LM4125-2.500				±0.5	%		
TCV <sub>OUT</sub> /°C	Temperature Coefficient	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq +125$ °C		14	50	ppm/°c		
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta V_{IN}$	Line Regulation	$3.3V \le V_{IN} \le 6V$		0.0007	0.008 <b>0.01</b>	%/V		
		0 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 1 mA		0.03	0.08 <b>0.17</b>			
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta I_{LOAD}$	Load Regulation	1 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 5 mA		0.01	0.04 <b>0.1</b>	%/mA		
		-1 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 0 mA		0.04	0.12			
		-5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ -1 mA		0.01		1		
V <sub>IN</sub> -V <sub>OUT</sub>		$I_{LOAD} = 0 \text{ mA}$		45				
	Dropout Voltage (3)	$I_{LOAD} = +1 \text{ mA}$		120	150 <b>200</b>	mV		
		$I_{LOAD} = +5 \text{ mA}$		180	210 <b>300</b>	-		
V <sub>N</sub>	Output Noise Voltage (4)	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz		20		$\mu V_{PP}$		
		10 Hz to 10 kHz		36		$\mu V_{PP}$		
Supply Current				160	257 <b>290</b>	μΑ		
I <sub>sc</sub>		$V_{IN} = 3.3V, V_{OUT} = 0$		15				
	Short Circuit Current		6		30	mA		
	Short Circuit Current	$V_{IN} = 6V$ , $V_{OUT} = 0$		17		III/A		
			6		30			
Hyst	Thermal Hysteresis (5)	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 125°C		0.5		mV/V		
$\Delta V_{OUT}$	Long Term Stability <sup>(6)</sup>	1000 hrs. @ 25°C		100		ppm		

<sup>(1)</sup> Limits are 100% production tested at 25°C. Limits over the operating temperature range are ensured through correlation using Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods. The limits are used to calculate Outgoing Quality Level (AOQL).

Product Folder Links: LM4125

Typical numbers are at 25°C and represent the most likely parametric norm.

Dropout voltage is the differential voltage between  $V_{OUT}$  and  $V_{IN}$  at which  $V_{OUT}$  changes  $\leq$  1% from  $V_{OUT}$  at  $V_{IN} = 3.3V$  for 2.0V, 2.5V and 5V for 4.1V. A parasitic diode exists between input and output pins; it will conduct if  $V_{OUT}$  is pulled to a higher voltage than  $V_{IN}$ . Output noise voltage is proportional to  $V_{OUT}$ .  $V_N$  for other voltage option is calculated using  $(V_{N(1.8V)}/1.8) * V_{OUT}$ .  $V_N$  (2.5V) =

 $<sup>(36\</sup>mu V_{PP}/1.8) * 2.5 = 46\mu V_{PP}$ 

Thermal hysteresis is defined as the change in +25°C output voltage before and after exposing the device to temperature extremes.

Long term stability is change in V<sub>REF</sub> at 25°C measured continuously during 1000 hrs.



## Electrical Characteristics — LM4125-4.096V

Unless otherwise specified  $V_{IN}=5V$ ,  $I_{LOAD}=0$ ,  $C_{OUT}=0.01\mu F$ ,  $T_A=T_j=25^{\circ}C$ . Limits with standard typeface are for  $T_j=25^{\circ}C$ , and limits in **boldface type** apply over the  $-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +85^{\circ}C$  temperature range.

Symbol	Parameter	Parameter Conditions		Typ (2)	Max (1)	Units	
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Output Voltage Initial Accuracy LM4125A-4.096				±0.2	%	
	LM4125-4.096				±0.5	%	
TCV <sub>OUT</sub> /°C	Temperature Coefficient	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ +125°C		14	50	ppm/°c	
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta V_{IN}$	Line Regulation	5V ≤ V <sub>IN</sub> ≤ 6V		0.0007	0.008 <b>0.01</b>	%/V	
		0 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 1 mA		0.03	0.08 <b>0.17</b>	%/mA	
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta I_{LOAD}$	Load Regulation	1 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 5 mA		0.01	0.04 <b>0.1</b>		
		-1 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 0 mA		0.04	0.12		
		-5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ -1 mA		0.01			
V <sub>IN</sub> -V <sub>OUT</sub>		I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 0 mA		45	65 <b>100</b>		
	Dropout Voltage <sup>(3)</sup>	I <sub>LOAD</sub> = +1 mA		120	150 <b>200</b>	mV	
		$I_{LOAD} = +5 \text{ mA}$		180	210 <b>300</b>		
$V_N$	Output Noise Voltage (4)	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz		20		$\mu V_{PP}$	
		10 Hz to 10 kHz		36		$\mu V_{PP}$	
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current			160	257 <b>290</b>	μA	
		V <sub>OUT</sub> = 0		15			
I <sub>SC</sub>	Chart Circuit Current		6		30	A	
	Short Circuit Current	$V_{IN} = 6V$ , $V_{OUT} = 0$		17		mA	
			6		30		
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$\Delta V_{OUT}$	Long Term Stability <sup>(6)</sup>	1000 hrs. @ 25°C		100		ppm	

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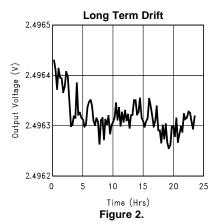
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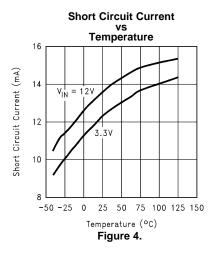
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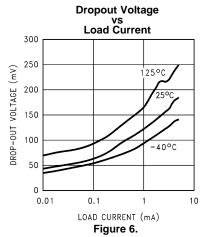


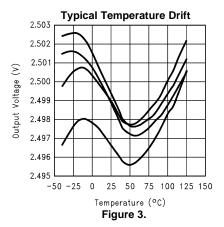
# **LM4125 Typical Operating Characteristics**

Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN}$  = 3.3V,  $V_{OUT}$  = 2.5V,  $I_{LOAD}$  = 0,  $C_{OUT}$  = 0.022 $\mu F$  and  $T_A$  = 25°C.









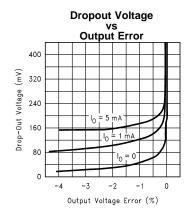
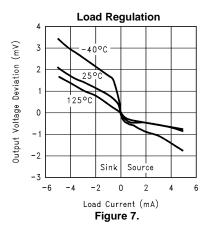


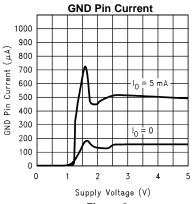
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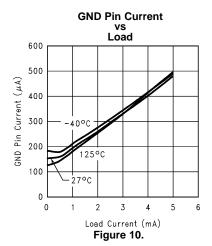


# **LM4125 Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)**

Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN}=3.3V$ ,  $V_{OUT}=2.5V$ ,  $I_{LOAD}=0$ ,  $C_{OUT}=0.022\mu F$  and  $T_A=25^{\circ}C$ .







#### Output Impedance vs Frequency

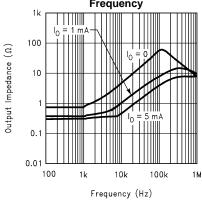


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# **GND Pin Current at No Load**

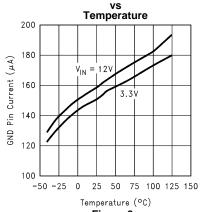


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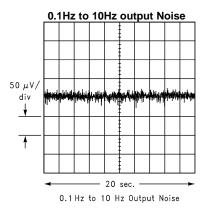


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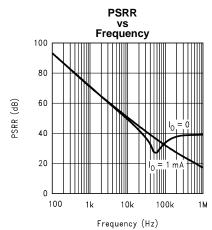


Figure 13.



# **LM4125 Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)**

Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN}$  = 3.3V,  $V_{OUT}$  = 2.5V,  $I_{LOAD}$  = 0,  $C_{OUT}$  = 0.022 $\mu$ F and  $T_A$  = 25°C.

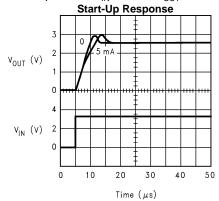
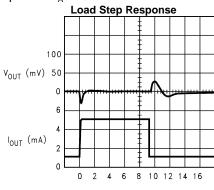


Figure 14.



Time  $(\mu s)$  Figure 15.

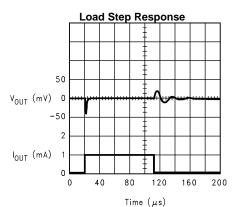


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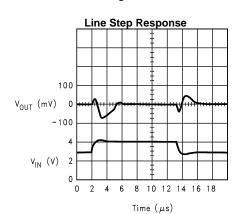
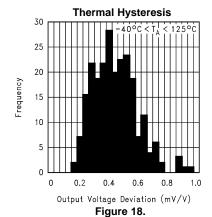


Figure 17.



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#### **PIN FUNCTIONS**

Output (Pin 5): Reference Output. Input (Pin 4): Positive Supply.

Ground (Pin 2): Negative Supply or Ground Connection.

#### **APPLICATION HINTS**

The standard application circuit for the LM4125 is shown in Figure 19. It is designed to be stable with ceramic output capacitors in the range of  $0.022\mu F$  to  $0.1\mu F$ . Note that  $0.022\mu F$  is the minimum required output capacitor. These capacitors typically have an ESR of about 0.1 to  $0.5\Omega$ . Smaller ESR can be tolerated, however larger ESR can not. The output capacitor can be increased to improve load transient response, up to about  $1\mu F$ . However, values above  $0.047\mu F$  must be tantalum. With tantalum capacitors, in the  $1\mu F$  range, a small capacitor between the output and the reference pin is required. This capacitor will typically be in the 50pF range. Care must be taken when using output capacitors of  $1\mu F$  or larger. These application must be thoroughly tested over temperature, line and load.

An input capacitor is typically not required. However, a  $0.1\mu F$  ceramic can be used to help prevent line transients from entering the LM4125. Larger input capacitors should be tantalum or aluminum.

The typical thermal hysteresis specification is defined as the change in +25°C voltage measured after thermal cycling. The device is thermal cycled to temperature -40°C and then measured at 25°C. Next the device is thermal cycled to temperature +125°C and again measured at 25°C. The resulting V<sub>OUT</sub> delta shift between the 25°C measurements is thermal hysteresis. Thermal hysteresis is common in precision references and is induced by thermal-mechanical package stress. Changes in environmental storage temperature, operating temperature and board mounting temperature are all factors that can contribute to thermal hysteresis.

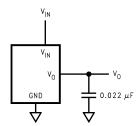


Figure 19. Standard Application Circuit

#### INPUT CAPACITOR

Noise on the power-supply input can effect the output noise, but can be reduced by using an optional bypass capacitor between the input pin and the ground.

## PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD LAYOUT CONSIDERATION

The mechanical stress due to PC board mounting can cause the output voltage to shift from its initial value. References in SOT packages are generally less prone to assembly stress than devices in Small Outline (SOIC) package.

To reduce the stress-related output voltage shifts, mount the reference on the low flex areas of the PC board such as near to the edge or the corner of the PC board.

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# **Typical Application Circuits**

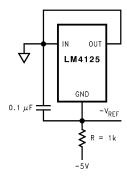


Figure 20. Voltage Reference with Negative Output

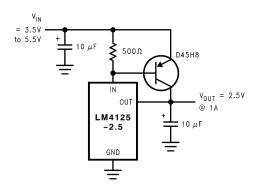
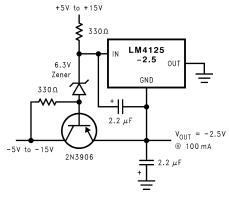


Figure 21. Precision High Current Low Dropout Regulator



V<sub>REF</sub>

IN OUT

LM4125

GND

R/2

R/2

Figure 22. Precision High Current Negative Voltage Regulator

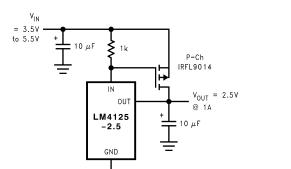


Figure 24. Precision High Current Low Droput Regulator

Figure 23. Voltage Reference with Complimentary Output

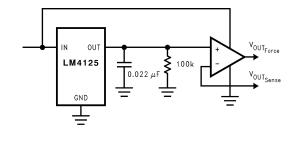


Figure 25. Precision Voltage Reference with Force and Sense Output



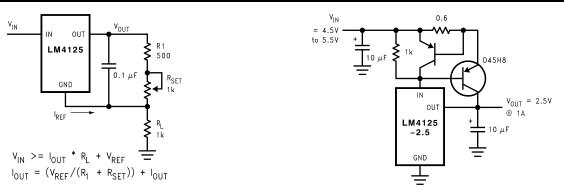


Figure 26. Programmable Current Source

Figure 27. Precision Regulator with Current Limiting Circuit

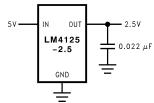


Figure 28. Power Supply Splitter





# **REVISION HISTORY**

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•	Changed layout of National Data Sheet to TI format		10

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#### PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable part number	Status (1)	Material type	Package   Pins	Package qty   Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material	MSL rating/ Peak reflow	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
LM4125AIM5-2.5/NOPB	Obsolete	Production	SOT-23 (DBV)   5	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	R81A
LM4125IM5-2.0/NOPB	Obsolete	Production	SOT-23 (DBV)   5	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	R80B

<sup>(1)</sup> Status: For more details on status, see our product life cycle.

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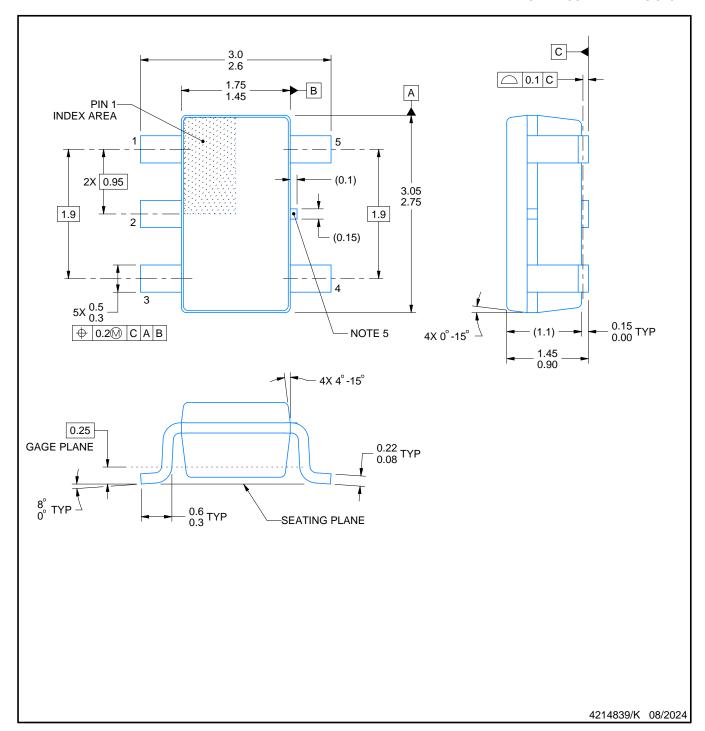
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<sup>(6)</sup> Part marking: There may be an additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category of the part.



SMALL OUTLINE TRANSISTOR



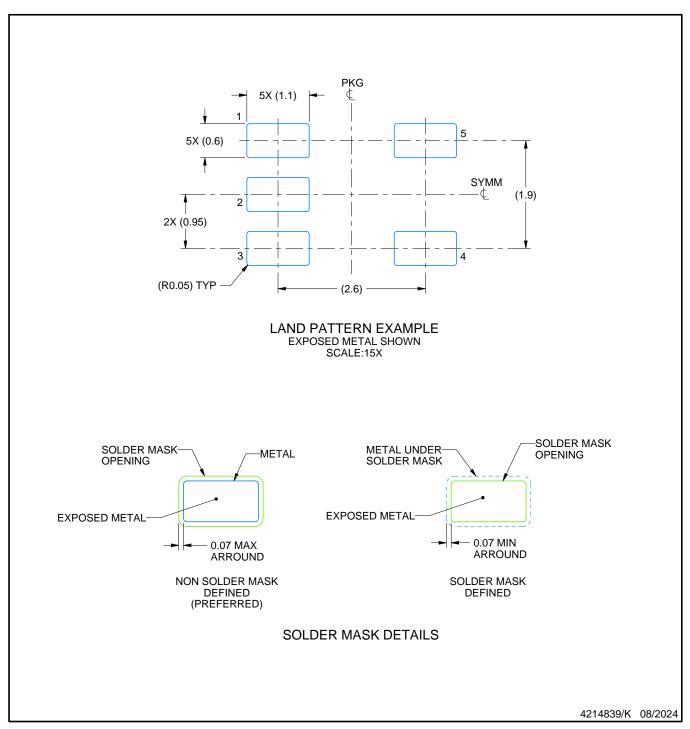
### NOTES:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
  2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
  3. Reference JEDEC MO-178.

- 4. Body dimensions do not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.25 mm per side.
- 5. Support pin may differ or may not be present.



SMALL OUTLINE TRANSISTOR



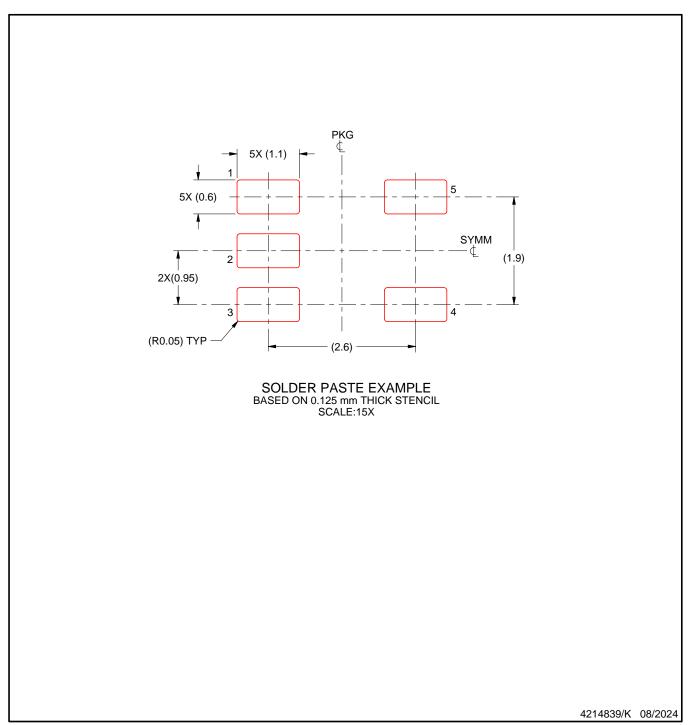
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6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.



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NOTES: (continued)

- 8. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.
- 9. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.



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