

TPS786 Ultralow-Noise, High-PSRR, Fast, RF, 1.5-A Low-Dropout Linear Regulators

1 Features

- 1.5-A Low-Dropout Regulator With Enable
- Available in Fixed and Adjustable (1.2 V to 5.5 V) Output Versions
- High PSRR (49 dB at 10 kHz)
- Ultralow Noise (48 μV_{RMS} , TPS78630)
- Fast Start-Up Time (50 μs)
- Stable With a 1- μF Ceramic Capacitor
- Excellent Load and Line Transient Response
- Very Low Dropout Voltage (390 mV at Full Load, TPS78630)
- 3 $\times$ 3 SON PowerPAD™, 6-Pin SOT223 and 5-Pin DDPAK Package

2 Applications

- RF: VCOs, Receivers, ADCs
- Audio
- Bluetooth®, Wireless LAN
- Cellular and Cordless Telephones
- Handheld Organizers, PDAs

3 Description

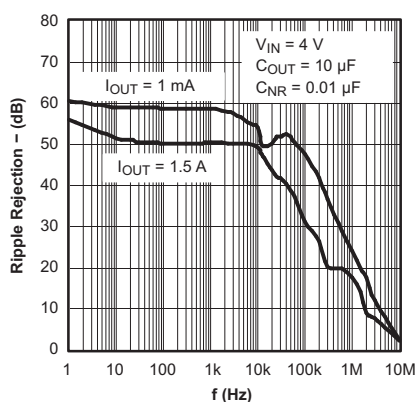
The TPS786 family of low-dropout (LDO) low-power linear voltage regulators features high power-supply rejection ratio (PSRR), ultralow noise, fast start-up, and excellent line and load transient responses in small outline, SOT223-6 and DDPAK-5 packages. Each device in the family is stable, with a small 1- μF ceramic capacitor on the output. The family uses an advanced, proprietary BiCMOS fabrication process to yield extremely low dropout voltages (for example, 390 mV at 1.5 A). Each device achieves fast start-up times (approximately 50 μs with a 0.001- μF bypass capacitor) while consuming very low quiescent current (265 μA , typical). Moreover, when the device is placed in standby mode, the supply current is reduced to less than 1 μA . The TPS78630 exhibits approximately 48 μV_{RMS} of output voltage at 3-V output noise with a 0.1- μF bypass capacitor. Applications with analog components that are noise sensitive, such as portable RF electronics, benefit from the high PSRR, low noise features, and the fast response time.

Device Information⁽¹⁾

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
TPS786	TO-263 (5)	10.16 mm $\times$ 8.42 mm
	SOT-223 (6)	6.50 mm $\times$ 3.50 mm
	SON (8)	3.00 mm $\times$ 3.00 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.

Ripple Rejection vs Frequency



Output Spectral Noise Density vs Frequency

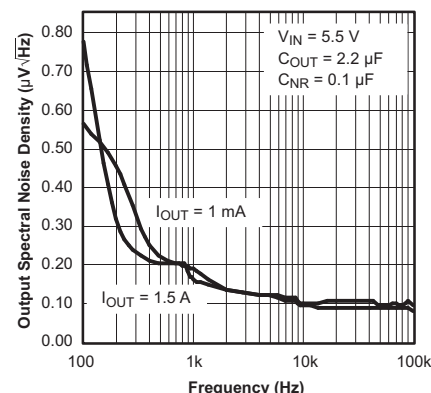


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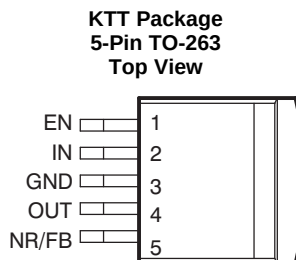
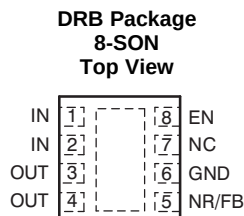
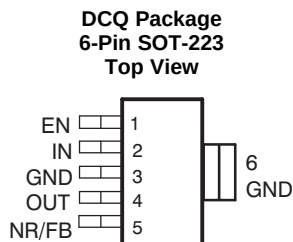
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4 Revision History

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- Added <i>ESD Ratings</i> table, <i>Feature Description</i> section, <i>Device Functional Modes</i>, <i>Application and Implementation</i> section, <i>Power Supply Recommendations</i> section, <i>Layout</i> section, <i>Device and Documentation Support</i> section, and <i>Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information</i> section - Updated <i>Thermal Information</i>	 1 5
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Corrected typo in Figure 34	20
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- Replaced the <i>Dissipation Ratings</i> table with the <i>Thermal Information</i> Table - Revised section	 5 17

5 Pin Configuration and Functions



Pin Functions

NAME	PIN			I/O	DESCRIPTION
	SOT-223	TO-263	SON		
NR	5	5	5	—	Noise-reduction pin for fixed versions only. An external bypass capacitor, connected to this terminal, in conjunction with an internal resistor, creates a low-pass filter to further reduce regulator noise.
EN	1	1	8	I	The EN terminal is an input that enables or shuts down the device. When EN is a logic high, the device is enabled. When the device is a logic low, the device is in shutdown mode.
FB	5	5	5	I	Feedback input voltage for the adjustable device.
GND	3, 6	3, TAB	6	—	Regulator ground
IN	2	2	1, 2	I	Input supply
OUT	4	4	3, 4	O	Regulator output

6 Specifications

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)⁽¹⁾

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
V_{IN}	–0.3	6	V
V_{EN}	–0.3	$V_{IN} + 0.3$	V
V_{OUT}		6	V
Peak output current	Internally limited		
Continuous total power dissipation	See Thermal Information		
Junction temperature, T_J	–40	150	°C
Storage temperature, T_{stg}	–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
$V_{(ESD)}$ Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001, all pins ⁽¹⁾	±2000	V
	Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101, all pins ⁽²⁾	±500	

- (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

over operating junction temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
V_{IN} Input supply voltage	2.7		5.5	V
I_{OUT} Output current	0		1.5	A
T_J Operating junction temperature	–40		125	°C

6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		TPS786 ⁽³⁾			UNIT
		DRB (SON)	DCQ (S0T-223)	KTT (TO-263)	
		8 PINS	6 PINS	5 PINS	
R _{θJA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	41.1	54.2	40.7	°C/W
R _{θJC(top)}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	49.1	33.3	43.1	°C/W
R _{θJB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	16.6	8.9	21.5	°C/W
ψ _{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	0.7	2.6	9.4	°C/W
ψ _{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	16.8	8.8	20	°C/W
R _{θJC(bot)}	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	5.2	N/A	2.1	°C/W

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](#).
- (2) For thermal estimates of this device based on PCB copper area, see the [TI PCB Thermal Calculator](#).
- (3) Thermal data for the DRB, DCQ, and DRV packages are derived by thermal simulations based on JEDEC-standard methodology as specified in the JESD51 series. The following assumptions are used in the simulations:
 - (a) i. DRB: The exposed pad is connected to the PCB ground layer through a 2×2 thermal via array.
 - ii. DCQ: The exposed pad is connected to the PCB ground layer through a 3×2 thermal via array.
 - iii. KTT: The exposed pad is connected to the PCB ground layer through a 5×4 thermal via array.
 - (b) i. DRB: The top and bottom copper layers are assumed to have a 20% thermal conductivity of copper representing a 20% copper coverage.
 - ii. DCQ: Each of top and bottom copper layers has a dedicated pattern for 20% copper coverage.
 - iii. KTT: The top and bottom copper layers are assumed to have a 20% thermal conductivity of copper representing a 20% copper coverage.
 - (c) These data were generated with only a single device at the center of a JEDEC high-K (2s2p) board with 3 inches × 3 inches copper area. To understand the effects of the copper area on thermal performance, see the [Power Dissipation](#) and [Estimating Junction Temperature](#) sections of this data sheet.

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6.5 Electrical Characteristics

Over recommended operating temperature range ($T_J = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$ to 125°C), $V_{EN} = V_{IN}$, $V_{IN} = V_{OUT(nom)} + 1\text{ V}^{(1)}$, $I_{OUT} = 1\text{ mA}$, $C_{OUT} = 10\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, and $C_{NR} = 0.01\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at 25°C .

PARAMETER			TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
Input voltage, V _{IN} ⁽¹⁾				2.7		5.5	V
Internal reference, V _{FB} (TPS78601)				1.200	1.225	1.250	V
Continuous output current I _{OUT}				0		1.5	A
Output voltage	Output voltage range	TPS78601		1.225		5.5 – V _{DO}	V
	Accuracy	TPS78601 ⁽²⁾	0 μA ≤ I _{OUT} ≤ 1.5 A, V _{OUT} + 1 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V ⁽¹⁾	(0.98)V _{OUT}	V _{OUT}	(1.02)V _{OUT}	V
		Fixed V _{OUT} < 5 V	0 μA ≤ I _{OUT} ≤ 1.5 A, V _{OUT} + 1 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V ⁽¹⁾	–2%		2%	
		Fixed V _{OUT} = 5 V	0 μA ≤ I _{OUT} ≤ 1.5 A, V _{OUT} + 1 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V ⁽¹⁾	–3%		3%	
Output voltage line regulation (ΔV _{OUT} %/V _{IN}) ⁽¹⁾			V _{OUT} + 1 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V		5	12	%/V
Load regulation (ΔV _{OUT} %/V _{OUT})			0 μA ≤ I _{OUT} ≤ 1.5 A		7		mV
Dropout voltage ⁽³⁾ V _{IN} = V _{OUT(nom)} – 0.1 V		TPS78628	I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		410	580	mV
		TPS78630	I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		390	550	
		TPS78633	I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		340	510	
		TPS78650	I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		310	470	
Output current limit			V _{OUT} = 0 V		2.4	4.2	A
Ground pin current			0 μA ≤ I _{OUT} ≤ 1.5 A		260	385	μA
Shutdown current ⁽⁴⁾			V _{EN} = 0 V, 2.7 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V		0.07	1	μA
FB pin current			V _{FB} = 1.225 V			1	μA
Power-supply ripple rejection		TPS78630	f = 100 Hz, I _{OUT} = 10 mA		59		dB
			f = 100 Hz, I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		52		
			f = 10 kHz, I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		49		
			f = 100 kHz, I _{OUT} = 1.5 A		32		
Output noise voltage (TPS78630)			BW = 100 Hz to 100 kHz, I _{OUT} = 1.5 A	C _{NR} = 0.001 μF	66		μV _{RMS}
				C _{NR} = 0.0047 μF	51		
				C _{NR} = 0.01 μF	49		
				C _{NR} = 0.1 μF	48		
Time, start-up (TPS78630)			R _L = 2 Ω, C _{OUT} = 1 μF	C _{NR} = 0.001 μF	50		μs
				C _{NR} = 0.0047 μF	75		
				C _{NR} = 0.01 μF	110		
High-level enable input voltage			2.7 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V		1.7	V _{IN}	V
Low-level enable input voltage			2.7 V ≤ V _{IN} ≤ 5.5 V		0	0.7	V
EN pin current			V _{EN} = 0		–1	1	μA
UVLO threshold			V _{CC} rising		2.25	2.65	V
UVLO hysteresis					100		mV

(1) Minimum $V_{IN} = V_{OUT} + V_{DO}$ or 2.7 V , whichever is greater. The TPS78650 is tested at $V_{IN} = 5.5\text{ V}$.

(2) Tolerance of external resistors not included in this specification.

(3) Dropout is not measured for TPS78618 or TPS78625 because minimum $V_{IN} = 2.7\text{ V}$.

(4) For adjustable version, this applies only after V_{IN} is applied; then V_{EN} transitions high to low.

6.6 Typical Characteristics

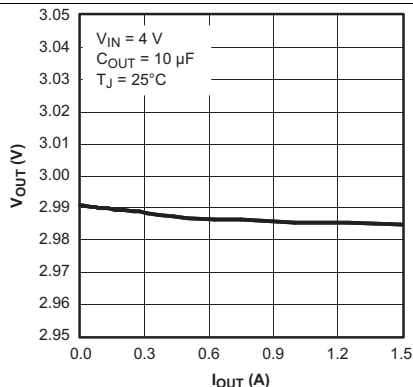


Figure 1. TPS78630 Output Voltage vs Output Current

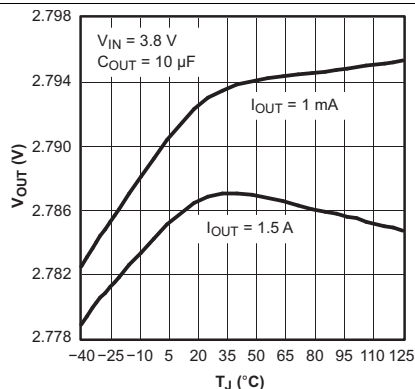


Figure 2. TPS78628 Output Voltage vs Junction Temperature

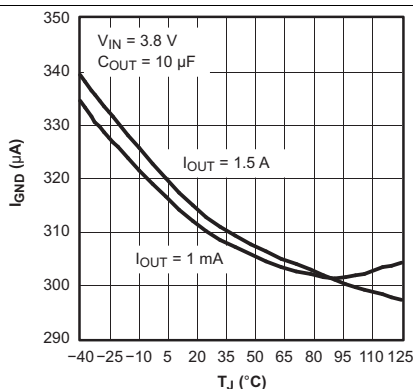


Figure 3. TPS78628 Ground Current vs Junction Temperature

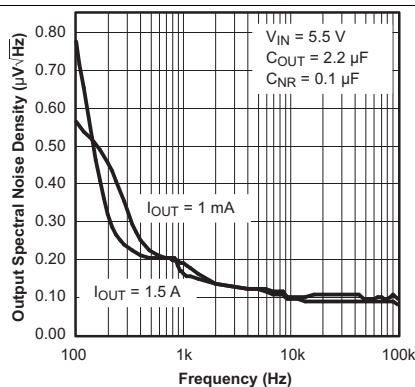


Figure 4. TPS78630 Output Spectral Noise Density vs Frequency

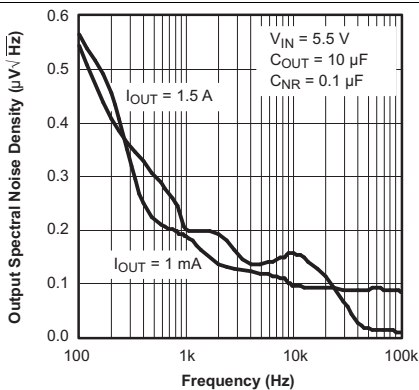


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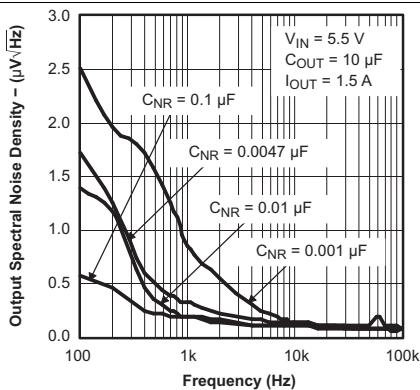


Figure 6. TPS78630 Output Spectral Noise Density vs Frequency

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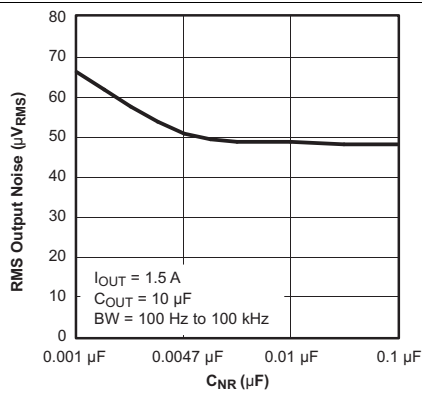


Figure 7. TPS78630 Root Mean Squared Output Noise vs Bypass Capacitance

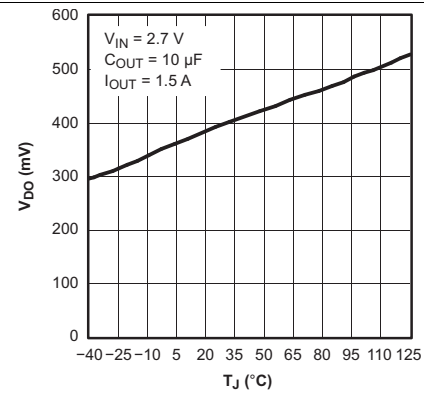


Figure 8. TPS78628 Dropout Voltage vs Junction Temperature

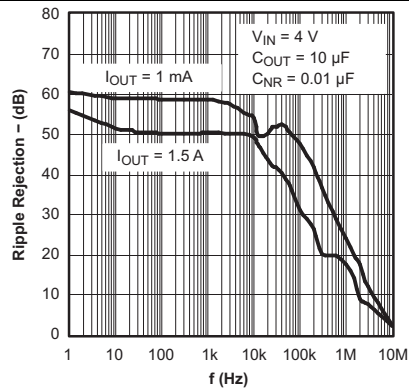


Figure 9. TPS78630 Ripple Rejection vs Frequency

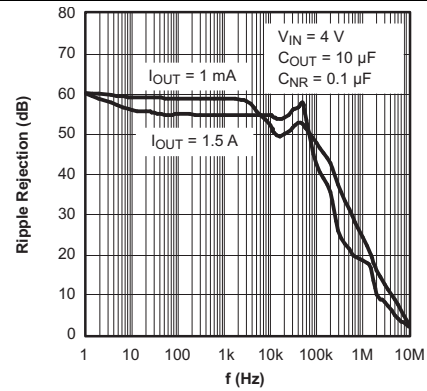


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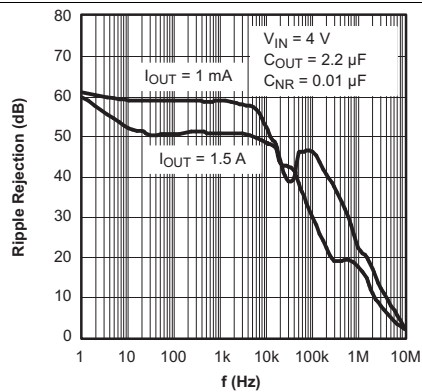


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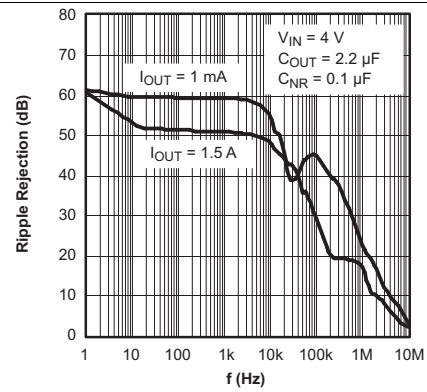


Figure 12. TPS78630 Ripple Rejection vs Frequency

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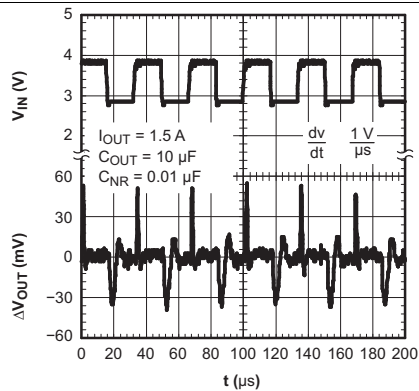


Figure 13. TPS78618 Line Transient Response

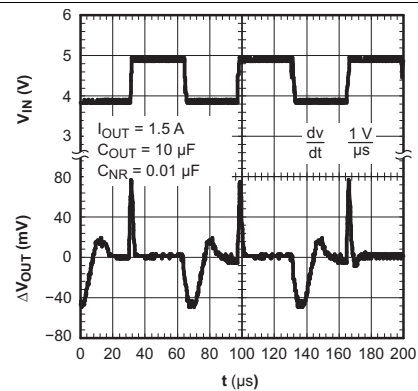


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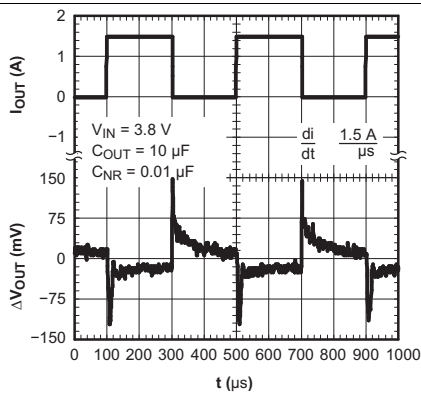


Figure 15. TPS78628 Load Transient Response

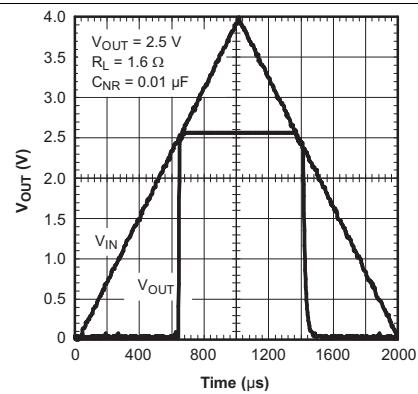


Figure 16. TPS78625 Power Up and Power Down

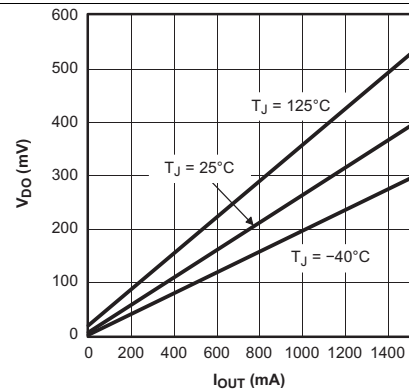


Figure 17. TPS78630 Dropout Voltage vs Output Current

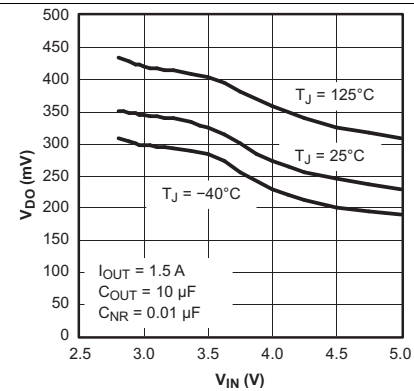


Figure 18. TPS78601 Dropout Voltage vs Input Voltage

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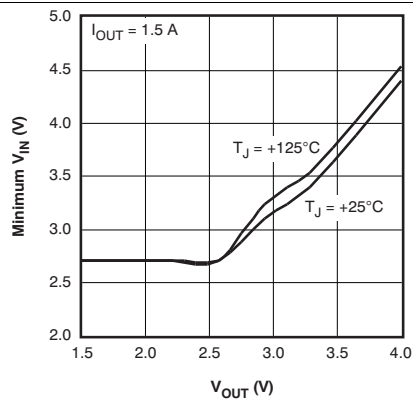


Figure 19. Minimum Required Input Voltage vs Output Voltage

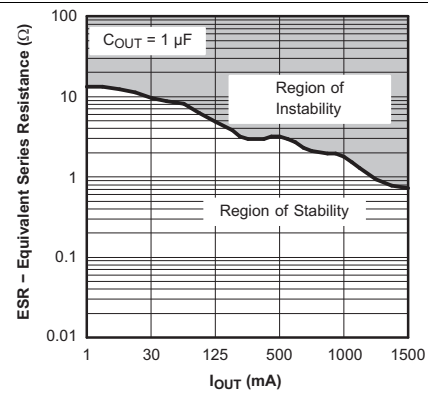


Figure 20. TPS78630 Typical Regions of Stability Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) vs Output Current

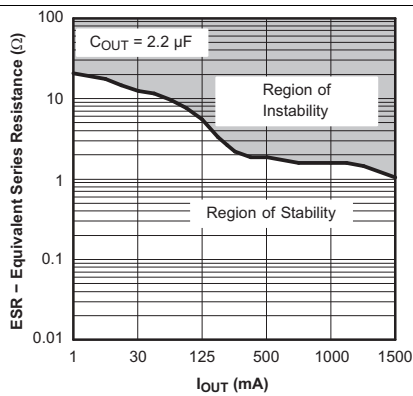


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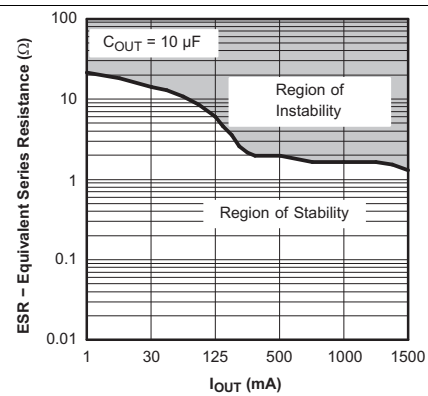


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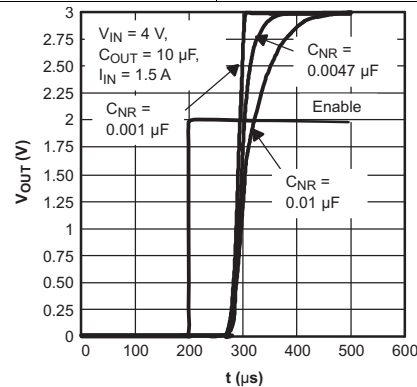


Figure 23. Start-Up

7 Detailed Description

7.1 Overview

The TPS786 family of low-dropout regulators offers low dropout voltages, high PSRR, and low-output noise.

7.2 Functional Block Diagrams

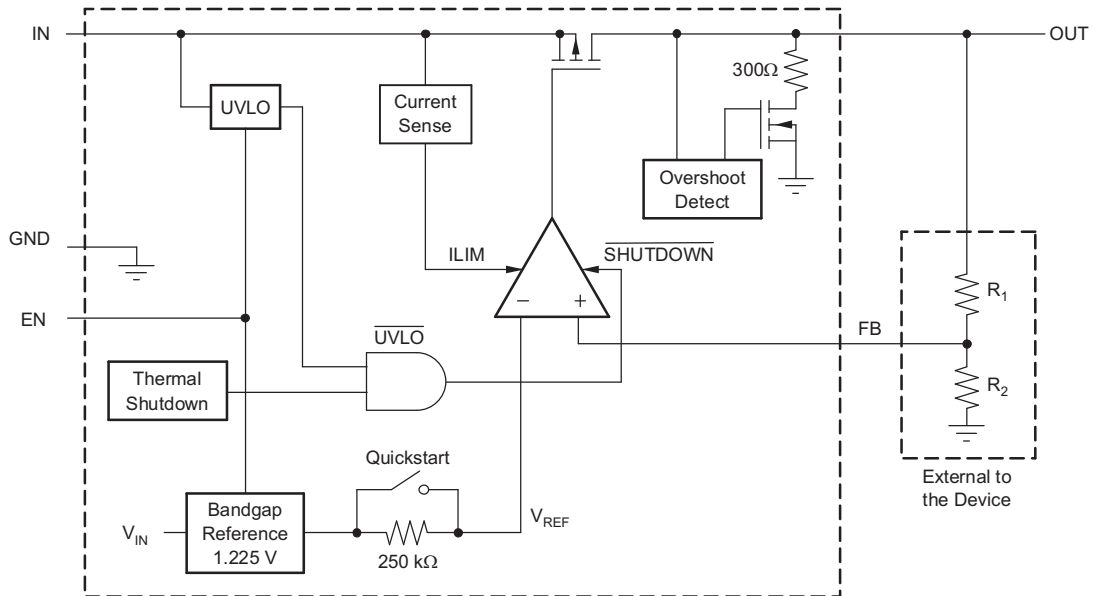


Figure 24. Functional Block Diagram—Adjustable Version

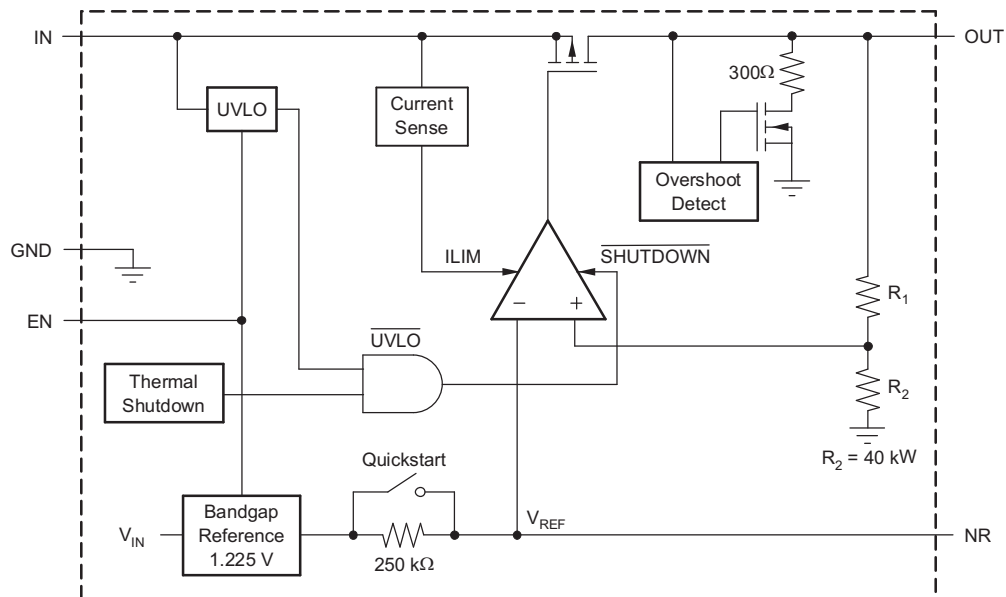


Figure 25. Functional Block Diagram—Fixed Version

7.3 Feature Description

7.3.1 Regulator Protection

The TPS786 PMOS-pass transistor has a built-in back diode that conducts reverse current when the input voltage drops below the output voltage (for example, during power down). Current is conducted from the output to the input and is not internally limited. If extended reverse voltage operation is anticipated, external limiting might be appropriate.

The TPS786 features internal current limiting and thermal protection. During normal operation, the TPS786 limits output current to approximately 2.8 A. When current limiting engages, the output voltage scales back linearly until the overcurrent condition ends. While current limiting is designed to prevent gross device failure, take care not to exceed the power dissipation ratings of the package. If the temperature of the device exceeds approximately 165°C, thermal-protection circuitry shuts it down. Once the device has cooled down to below approximately 140°C, regulator operation resumes.

7.4 Device Functional Modes

Driving EN over 1.7 V turns on the regulator. Driving EN below 0.7 V puts the regulator into shutdown mode, thus reducing the operating current to 70 nA, nominal.

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 TPS786 family of low-dropout (LDO) regulators has been optimized for use in noise-sensitive equipment. The device features extremely low dropout voltages, high PSRR, ultralow-output noise, low quiescent current (265 μ A, typically), and enable input to reduce supply currents to less than 1 μ A when the regulator is turned off.

8.1.1 Programming the TPS78601 Adjustable LDO Regulator

The output voltage of the TPS78601 adjustable regulator is programmed using an external resistor divider as shown in [Figure 26](#). The output voltage is calculated using [Equation 1](#):

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times \left(1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2} \right)$$

where

- $V_{REF} = 1.2246$ V typical (the internal reference voltage) (1)

Resistors R_1 and R_2 should be chosen for approximately 40- μ A divider current. Lower value resistors can be used for improved noise performance, but the device wastes more power. Higher values should be avoided, as leakage current at FB increases the output voltage error.

The recommended design procedure is to choose $R_2 = 30.1$ k Ω to set the divider current at 40 μ A, $C_1 = 15$ pF for stability, and then calculate R_1 using [Equation 2](#).

$$R_1 = \left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{REF}} - 1 \right) \times R_2$$
 (2)

To improve the stability of the adjustable version, TI suggests placing a small compensation capacitor between OUT and FB.

The approximate value of this capacitor can be calculated using [Equation 3](#):

$$C_1 = \frac{(3 \times 10^{-7}) \times (R_1 + R_2)}{(R_1 \times R_2)}$$
 (3)

The suggested value of this capacitor for several resistor ratios is shown in [Figure 26](#). If this capacitor is not used (such as in a unity-gain configuration), then the minimum recommended output capacitor is 2.2 μ F instead of 1 μ F.

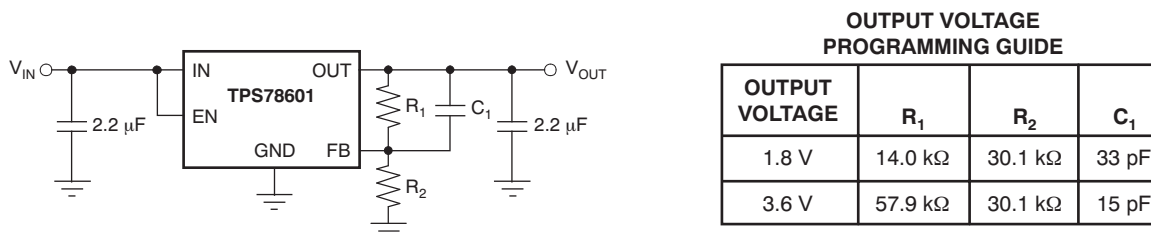


Figure 26. TPS78601 Adjustable LDO Regulator Programming

8.2 Typical Application

A typical application circuit is shown in [Figure 27](#).

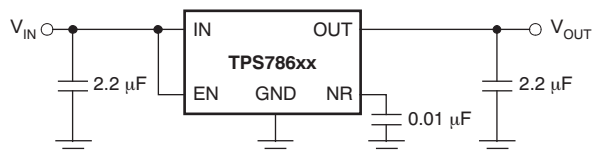


Figure 27. Typical Application Circuit

8.2.1 Design Requirements

[Table 1](#) shows the design parameters for this application.

Table 1. Design Parameters

DESIGN PARAMETERS	EXAMPLE VALUE
V_{IN} (from DCDC)	Minimum = 4 V Maximum = 5.5 V
V_{OUT}	3 V $\pm$ –1%
I_{OUT}	Minimum = 1 mA Maximum = 1.5 A
PSRR at 1K	>50 db
Noise at 1K	<20 μ V/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

Select TPS78630 to satisfy the V_{OUT} requirements. The fixed version of the device is chosen to save board space and reduce BOM cost.

Use a 2.2- μ F capacitor on both the input and output to satisfy the capacitor requirements. Select a 0.1- μ F NR capacitor to satisfy the noise requirement.

8.2.2.1 External Capacitor Requirements

A 2.2- μ F or larger ceramic input bypass capacitor, connected between IN and GND and located close to the TPS786, is required for stability and improves transient response, noise rejection, and ripple rejection. A higher-value input capacitor may be necessary if large, fast-rise-time load transients are anticipated and the device is located several inches from the power source.

Like most low-dropout regulators, the TPS786 requires an output capacitor connected between OUT and GND to stabilize the internal control loop. The minimum recommended capacitor is 1 μ F. Any 1- μ F or larger ceramic capacitor is suitable.

The internal voltage reference is a key source of noise in an LDO regulator. The TPS786 has an NR pin that is connected to the voltage reference through a 250-k Ω internal resistor. The 250-k Ω internal resistor, in conjunction with an external bypass capacitor connected to the NR pin, creates a low pass filter to reduce the voltage reference noise and, therefore, the noise at the regulator output. For the regulator to operate properly, the current flow out of the NR pin must be at a minimum, because any leakage current creates an IR drop across the internal resistor, thus creating an output error. Therefore, the bypass capacitor must have minimal leakage current. The bypass capacitor should be no more than 0.1- μ F to ensure that it is fully charged during the quickstart time provided by the internal switch shown in [Functional Block Diagrams](#).

For example, the TPS78630 exhibits only 48 μ V_{RMS} of output voltage noise using a 0.1- μ F ceramic bypass capacitor and a 10- μ F ceramic output capacitor. The output starts up slower as the bypass capacitance increases due to the RC time constant at the bypass pin that is created by the internal 250-k Ω resistor and external capacitor.

8.2.3 Application Curves

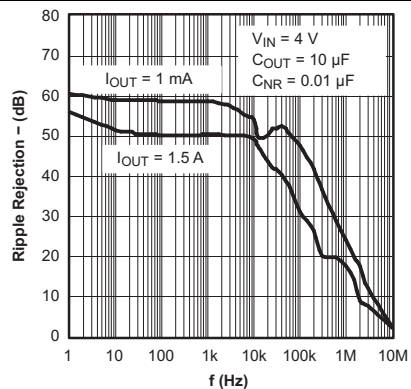


Figure 28. Ripple Rejection vs Frequency

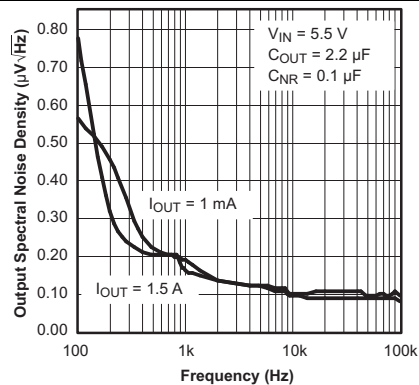


Figure 29. Output Spectral Noise Density vs Frequency

9 Power Supply Recommendations

These devices are designed to operate from an input voltage supply range from 2.7 V to 5.5 V. The input voltage range provides adequate headroom for the device to have a regulated output. This input supply is well-regulated and stable. If the input supply is noisy, additional input capacitors with low ESR can help improve the output noise performance.

10 Layout

10.1 Layout Guidelines

To improve AC measurements like PSRR, output noise, and transient response, TI recommends designing the board with separate ground planes for V_{IN} and V_{OUT} , with each ground plane connected only at the ground pin of the device. In addition, the ground connection for the bypass capacitor should connect directly to the ground pin of the device.

10.2 Layout Examples

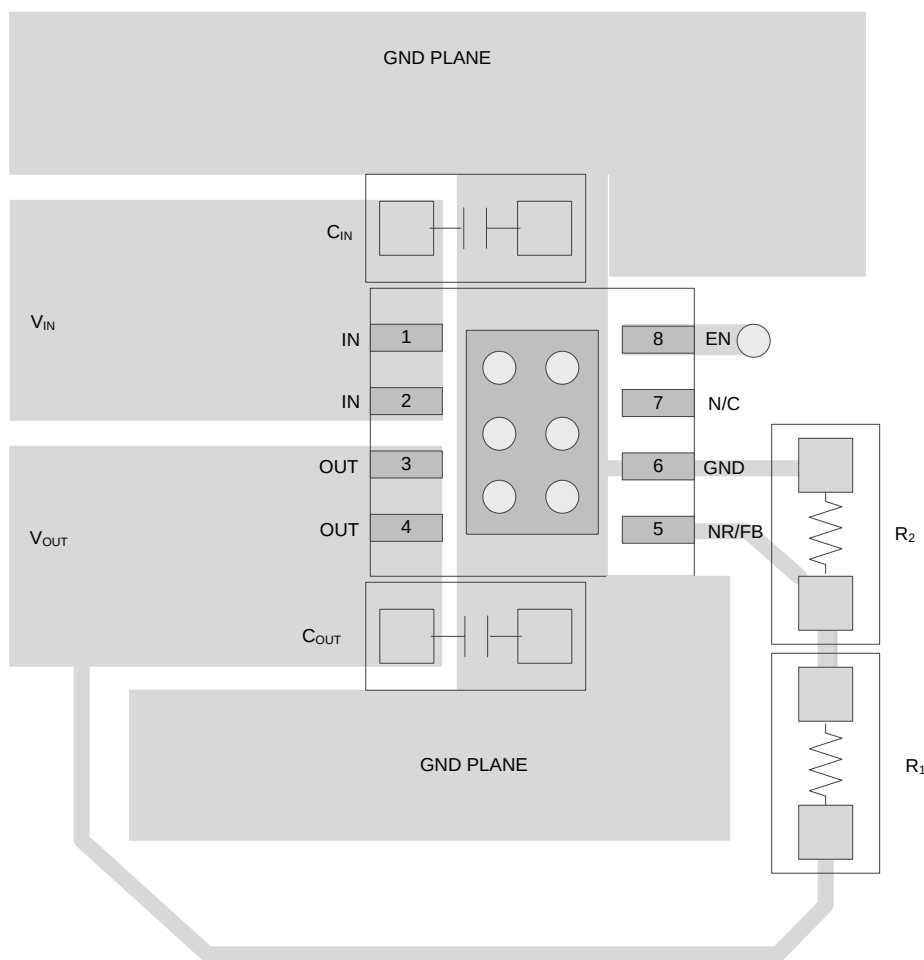


Figure 30. Recommended Layout – Adjustable-Voltage Version

Layout Examples (continued)

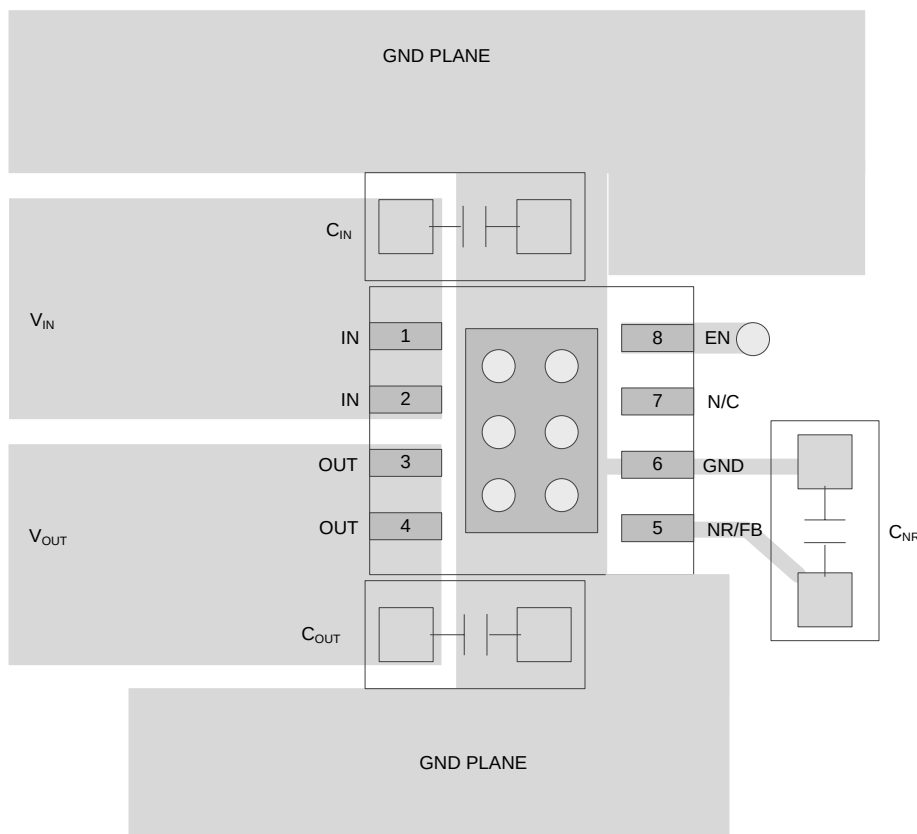


Figure 31. Recommended Layout – Fixed-Voltage Version

10.3 Regulator Mounting

The tab of the SOT223-6 package is electrically connected to ground. For best thermal performance, the tab of the surface-mount version should be soldered directly to a circuit-board copper area. Increasing the copper area improves heat dissipation.

Solder pad footprint recommendations for the devices are presented in Application Report [SBFA015](#), *Solder Pad Recommendations for Surface-Mount Devices*, available from the TI website at www.ti.com.

10.4 Power Dissipation

Knowing the device power dissipation and proper sizing of the thermal plane that is connected to the tab or pad is critical to avoiding thermal shutdown and ensuring reliable operation.

Power dissipation of the device depends on input voltage and load conditions and can be calculated using [Equation 4](#):

$$P_D = (V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) \times I_{OUT} \quad (4)$$

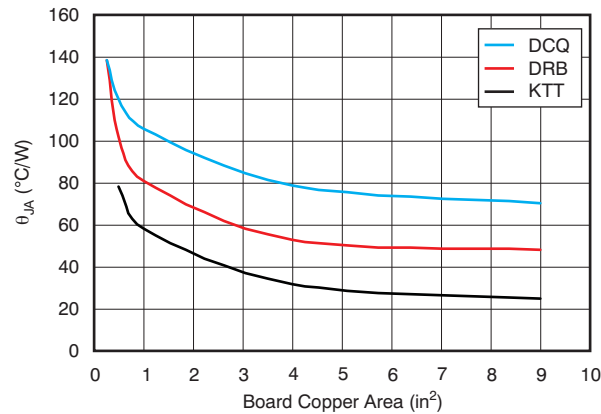
Power dissipation can be minimized and greater efficiency can be achieved by using the lowest possible input voltage necessary to achieve the required output voltage regulation.

Power Dissipation (continued)

On the SON (DRB) package, the primary conduction path for heat is through the exposed pad to the printed-circuit-board (PCB). The pad can be connected to ground or be left floating; however, it should be attached to an appropriate amount of copper PCB area to ensure the device does not overheat. On both SOT-223 (DCQ) and DDPAK (KTT) packages, the primary conduction path for heat is through the tab to the PCB. That tab should be connected to ground. The maximum junction-to-ambient thermal resistance depends on the maximum ambient temperature, maximum device junction temperature, and power dissipation of the device and can be calculated using [Equation 5](#):

$$R_{\theta JA} = \frac{(+125^{\circ}\text{C} - T_A)}{P_D} \quad (5)$$

Knowing the maximum $R_{\theta JA}$, the minimum amount of PCB copper area needed for appropriate heatsinking can be estimated using [Figure 32](#).



Note: θ_{JA} value at board size of 9in² (that is, 3in × 3in) is a JEDEC standard.

Figure 32. θ_{JA} vs Board Size

[Figure 32](#) shows the variation of θ_{JA} as a function of ground plane copper area in the board. It is intended only as a guideline to demonstrate the effects of heat spreading in the ground plane and should not be used to estimate actual thermal performance in real application environments.

NOTE

When the device is mounted on an application PCB, TI strongly recommends using Ψ_{JT} and Ψ_{JB} , as explained in the section.

10.4.1 Estimating Junction Temperature

Using the thermal metrics Ψ_{JT} and Ψ_{JB} , as shown in the [Thermal Information](#) table, the junction temperature can be estimated with corresponding formulas (given in [Equation 6](#)). For backwards compatibility, an older $\theta_{JC, Top}$ parameter is listed as well.

$$\Psi_{JT}: T_J = T_T + \Psi_{JT} \cdot P_D$$

$$\Psi_{JB}: T_J = T_B + \Psi_{JB} \cdot P_D$$

where

- P_D is the power dissipation shown by [Equation 5](#).
- T_T is the temperature at the center-top of the IC package.
- T_B is the PCB temperature measured 1mm away from the IC package *on the PCB surface* (as [Figure 34](#) shows). (6)

Power Dissipation (continued)

NOTE

Both T_T and T_B can be measured on actual application boards using a thermo-gun (an infrared thermometer).

For more information about measuring T_T and T_B , see the application note [SBVA025](#), *Using New Thermal Metrics*, available for download at [www.ti.com](#).

By looking at [Figure 33](#), the new thermal metrics (Ψ_{JT} and Ψ_{JB}) have very little dependency on board size. That is, using Ψ_{JT} or Ψ_{JB} with [Equation 6](#) is a good way to estimate T_J by simply measuring T_T or T_B , regardless of the application board size.

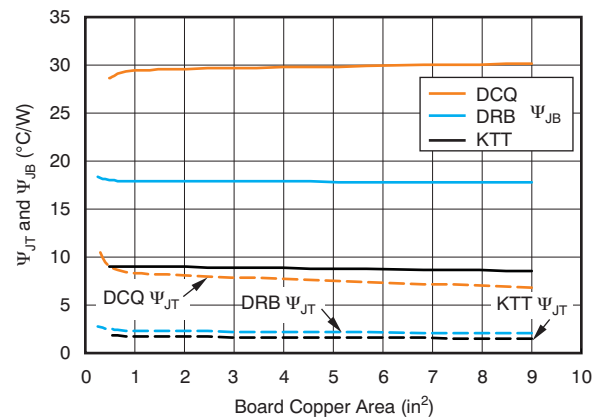
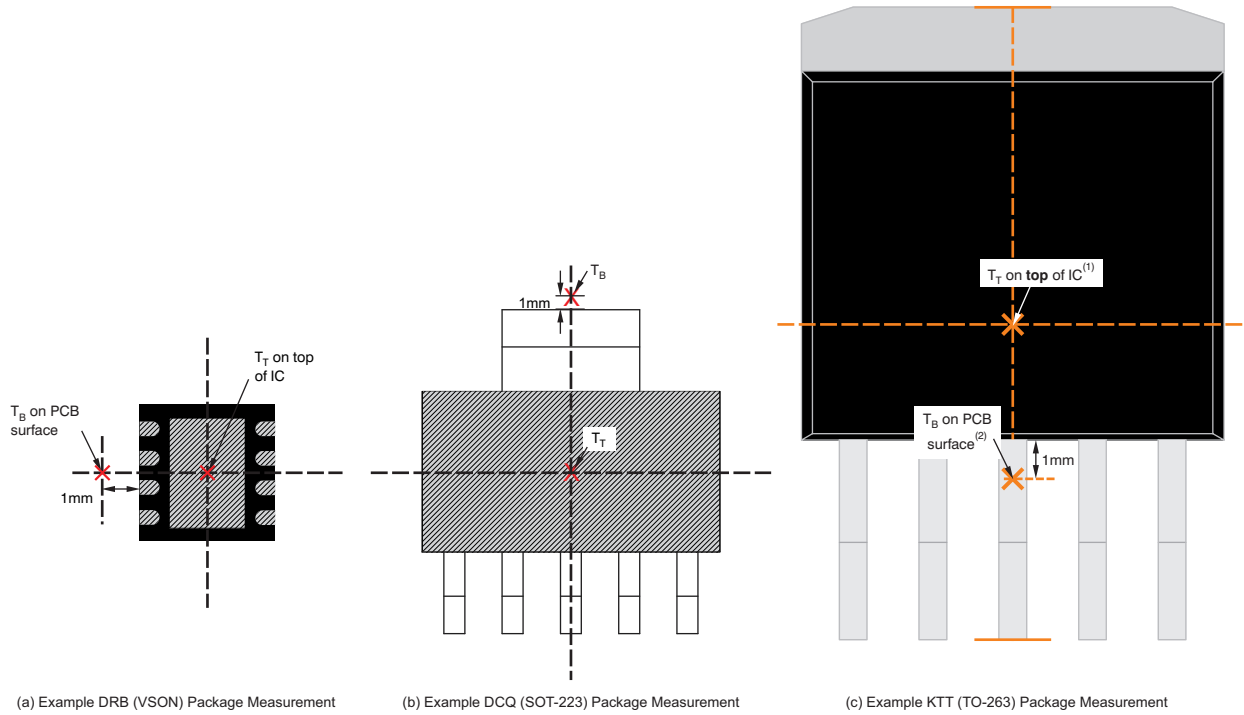


Figure 33. Ψ_{JT} and Ψ_{JB} vs Board Size

For a more detailed discussion of why TI does not recommend using $\theta_{JC(top)}$ to determine thermal characteristics, see application report *Using New Thermal Metrics*, [SBVA025](#), available for download at [www.ti.com](#). For further information, see application report *IC Package Thermal Metrics*, [SPRA953](#), also available on the TI website.



- (1) T_T is measured at the center of both the X- and Y-dimensional axes.
- (2) T_B is measured **below** the package lead on the PCB surface.

Figure 34. Measuring Points for T_T and T_B

11 Device and Documentation Support

11.1 Device Support

11.1.1 Development Support

11.1.1.1 Evaluation Modules

An evaluation module (EVM) is available to assist in the initial circuit performance evaluation using the TPS786. This EVM, [TPS78601DRBEVM](#) Single Output LDO, can be requested at the Texas Instruments website through the product folders or purchased directly from the [TI eStore](#).

11.1.1.2 Spice Models

Computer simulation of circuit performance using SPICE is often useful when analyzing the performance of analog circuits and systems. A SPICE model for the TPS786 devices are available through the product folders under simulation models.

11.1.2 Device Nomenclature

Table 2. Ordering Information

PRODUCT	V _{OUT} ⁽¹⁾
TPS786xyyyz	XX is nominal output voltage (for example, 28 = 2.8 V, 285 = 2.85 V, 01 = Adjustable). YYY is package designator. Z is package quantity.

(1) Output voltages from 1.3 V to 5.0 V in 100-mV increments are available; minimum order quantities may apply. Contact factory for details and availability.

11.2 Documentation Support

11.2.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

- *Using New Thermal Metrics*, [SBVA025](#).
- *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics*, [SPRA953](#).
- *Solder Pad Recommendations for Surface-Mount Devices*, [SBFA015](#).

11.3 Community Resources

The following links connect to TI community resources. Linked contents are provided "AS IS" by the respective contributors. They do not constitute TI specifications and do not necessarily reflect TI's views; see TI's [Terms of Use](#).

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Design Support *TI's Design Support* Quickly find helpful E2E forums along with design support tools and contact information for technical support.

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11.5 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



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.

11.6 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable part number	Status (1)	Material type (2)	Package Pins	Package qty Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material (4)	MSL rating/ Peak reflow (5)	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
TPS78601DCQ	Active	Production	SOT-223 (DCQ) 6	78 TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	PS78601
TPS78601DCQ.A	Active	Production	SOT-223 (DCQ) 6	78 TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	PS78601
TPS78601DCQR	Active	Production	SOT-223 (DCQ) 6	2500 LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	PS78601
TPS78601DCQR.A	Active	Production	SOT-223 (DCQ) 6	2500 LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	PS78601
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TPS78601DRBR	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601DRBR.A	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601DRBRG4	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601DRBRG4.A	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601DRBT	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	250 SMALL T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601DRBT.A	Active	Production	SON (DRB) 8	250 SMALL T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	OCI
TPS78601KTTR	Active	Production	DDPAK/ TO-263 (KTT) 5	500 LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-	TPS 78601
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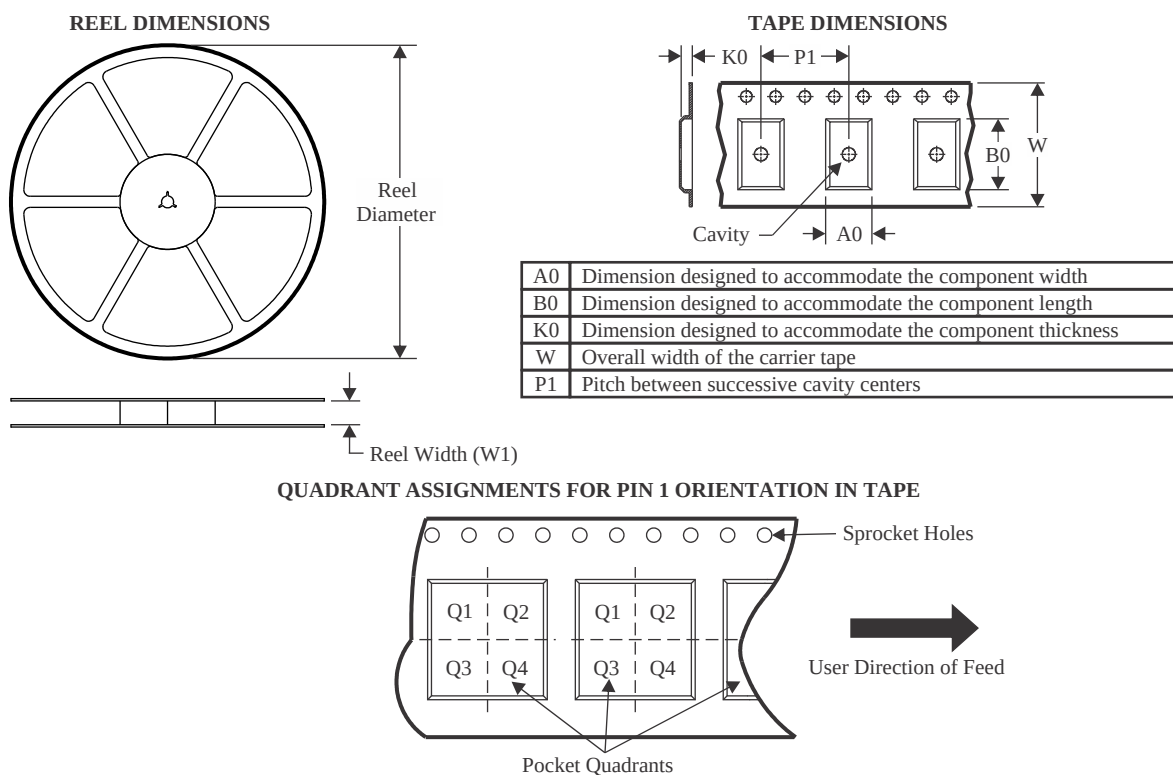
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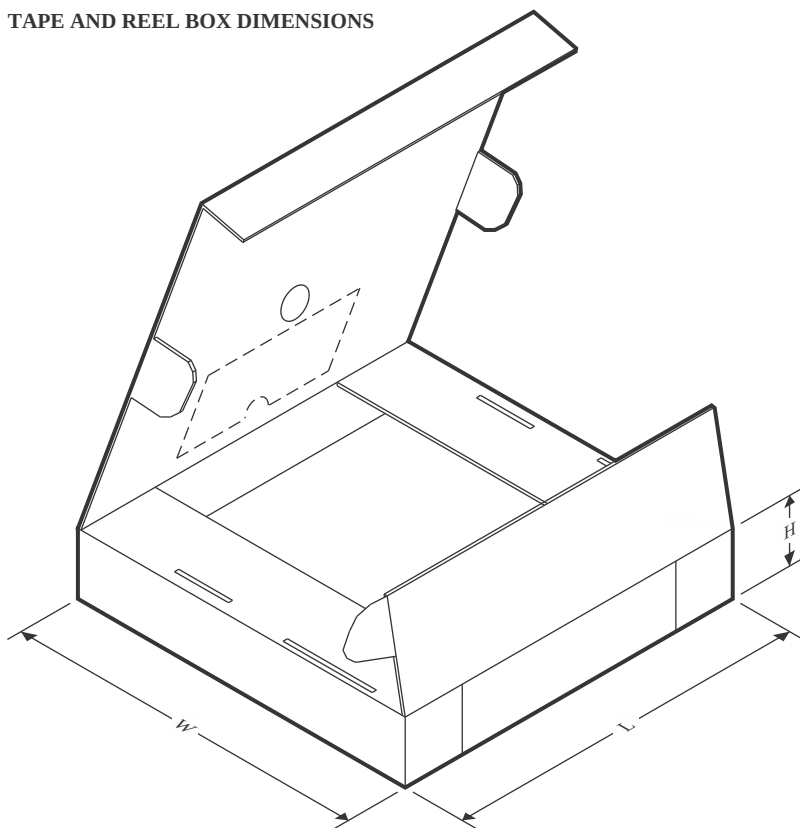


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TPS78601DRBRG4	SON	DRB	8	3000	330.0	12.4	3.3	3.3	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2
TPS78601DRBT	SON	DRB	8	250	180.0	12.4	3.3	3.3	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2
TPS78601KTTR	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	5	500	330.0	24.4	10.9	16.1	4.9	16.0	24.0	Q2
TPS78618DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	330.0	12.4	7.1	7.45	1.88	8.0	12.0	Q3
TPS78618KTTR	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	5	500	330.0	24.4	10.9	16.1	4.9	16.0	24.0	Q2
TPS78625DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	330.0	12.4	7.1	7.45	1.88	8.0	12.0	Q3
TPS78625KTTR	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	5	500	330.0	24.4	10.9	16.1	4.9	16.0	24.0	Q2
TPS78628DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	330.0	12.4	7.1	7.45	1.88	8.0	12.0	Q3
TPS78630DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	330.0	12.4	7.1	7.45	1.88	8.0	12.0	Q3
TPS78633DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	330.0	12.4	7.1	7.45	1.88	8.0	12.0	Q3

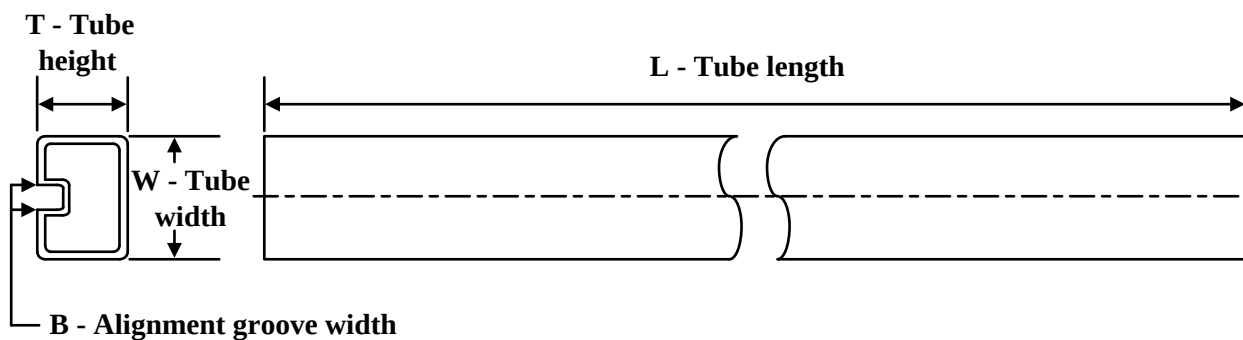
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TPS78633KTTR	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	5	500	330.0	24.4	10.9	16.1	4.9	16.0	24.0	Q2

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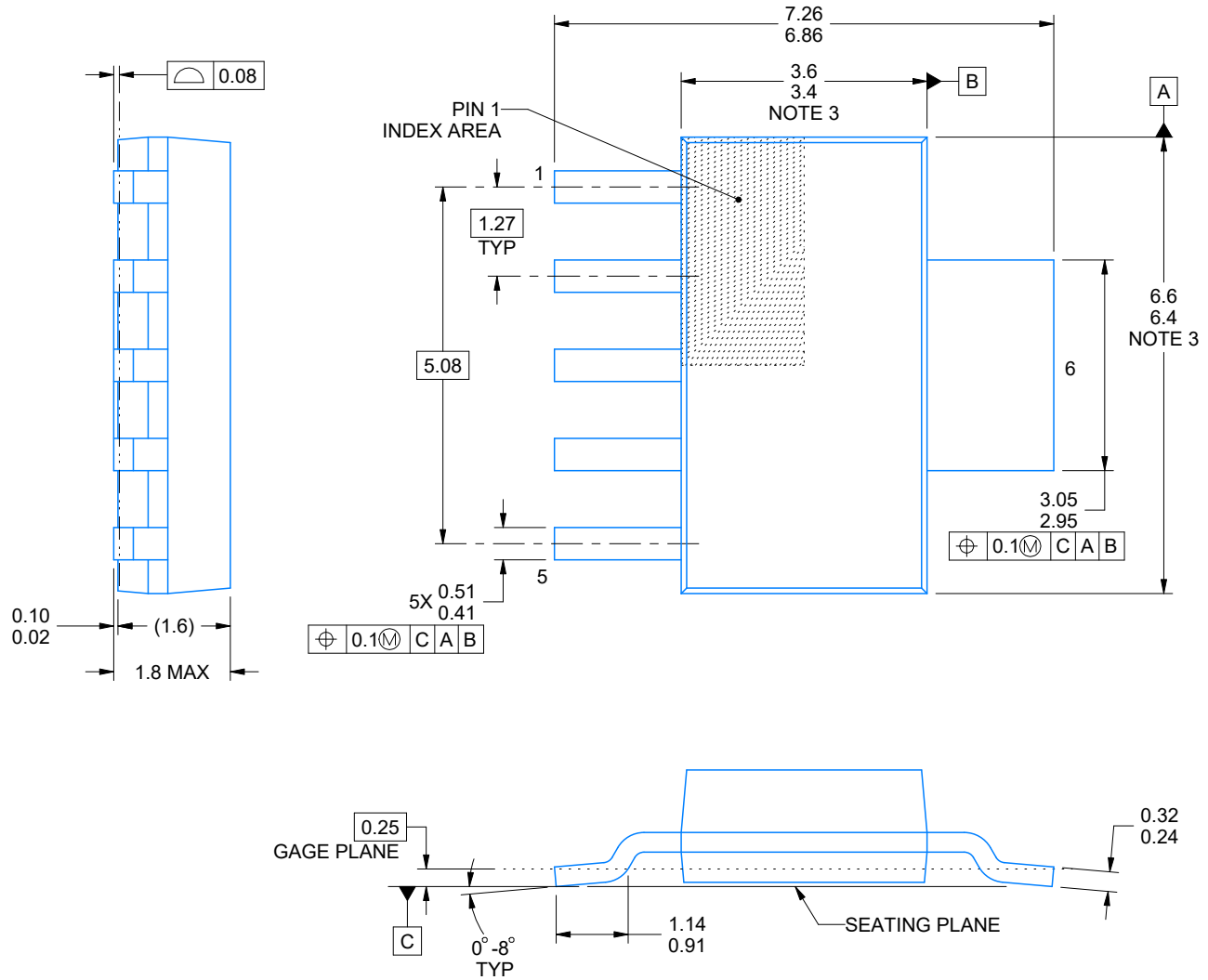
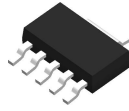
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TPS78601DRBR	SON	DRB	8	3000	353.0	353.0	32.0
TPS78601DRBRG4	SON	DRB	8	3000	353.0	353.0	32.0
TPS78601DRBT	SON	DRB	8	250	213.0	191.0	35.0
TPS78601KTTR	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	5	500	356.0	356.0	45.0
TPS78618DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	346.0	346.0	29.0
TPS78618KTTR	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	5	500	356.0	356.0	45.0
TPS78625DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	346.0	346.0	29.0
TPS78625KTTR	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	5	500	356.0	356.0	45.0
TPS78628DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	346.0	346.0	41.0
TPS78630DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	346.0	346.0	41.0
TPS78633DCQR	SOT-223	DCQ	6	2500	346.0	346.0	29.0
TPS78633KTTR	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	5	500	356.0	356.0	45.0

TUBE


*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Name	Package Type	Pins	SPQ	L (mm)	W (mm)	T (μm)	B (mm)
TPS78601DCQ	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	543	8.6	3606.8	2.67
TPS78601DCQ.A	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	543	8.6	3606.8	2.67
TPS78618DCQ	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78618DCQ.A	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78625DCQ	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78625DCQ.A	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78625DCQG4	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78630DCQ	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78630DCQ.A	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78633DCQ	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78633DCQ.A	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68
TPS78633DCQG4	DCQ	SOT-223	6	78	532.13	8.63	3.6	3.68



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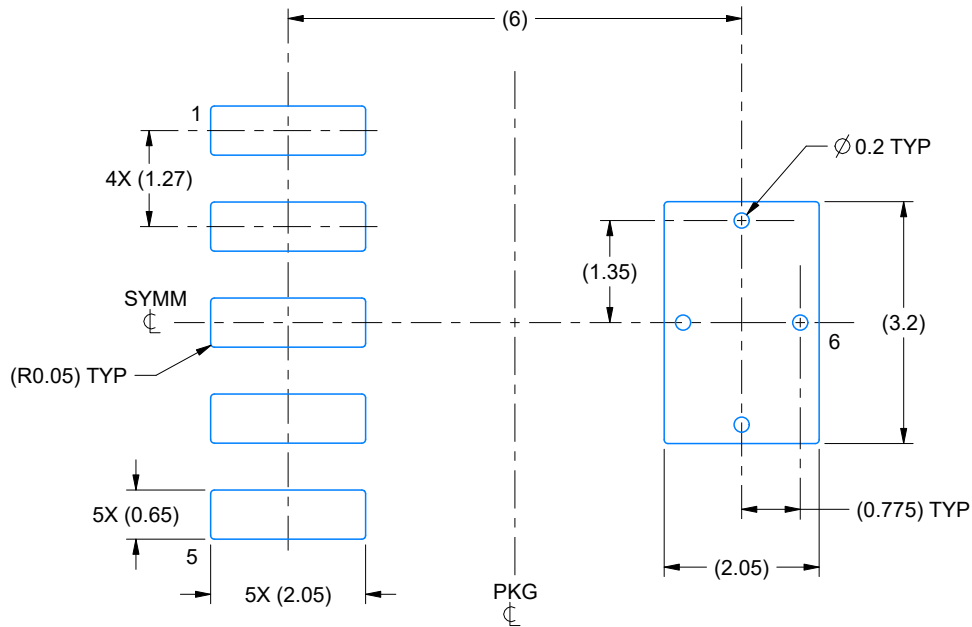
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EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

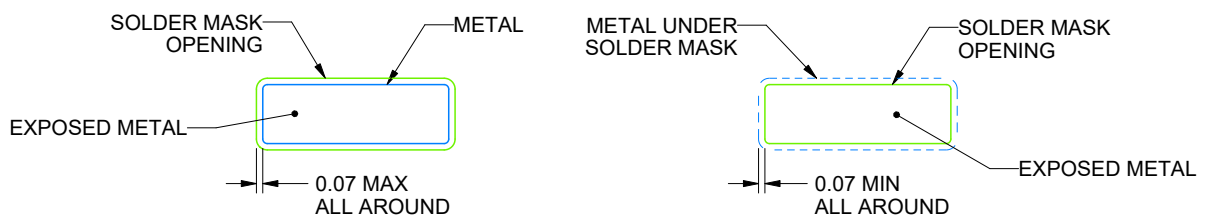
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SOT - 1.8 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE
EXPOSED METAL SHOWN
SCALE: 10X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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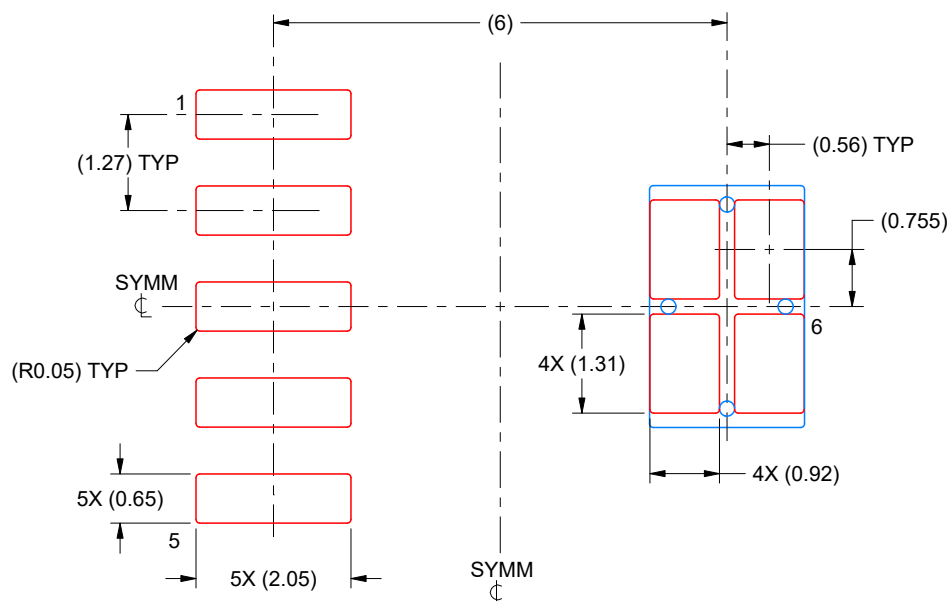
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4. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.
5. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.
6. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

DCQ0006A

SOT - 1.8 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE
BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL
SCALE: 10X

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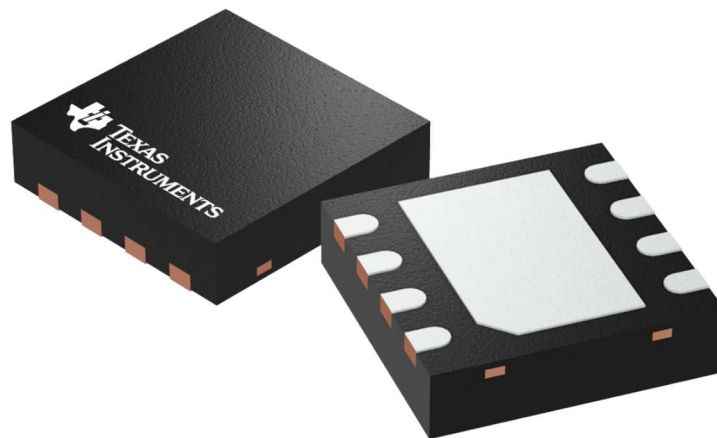
7. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.
8. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.

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GENERIC PACKAGE VIEW

VSON - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE - NO LEAD



Images above are just a representation of the package family, actual package may vary.
Refer to the product data sheet for package details.

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VSON - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE - NO LEAD

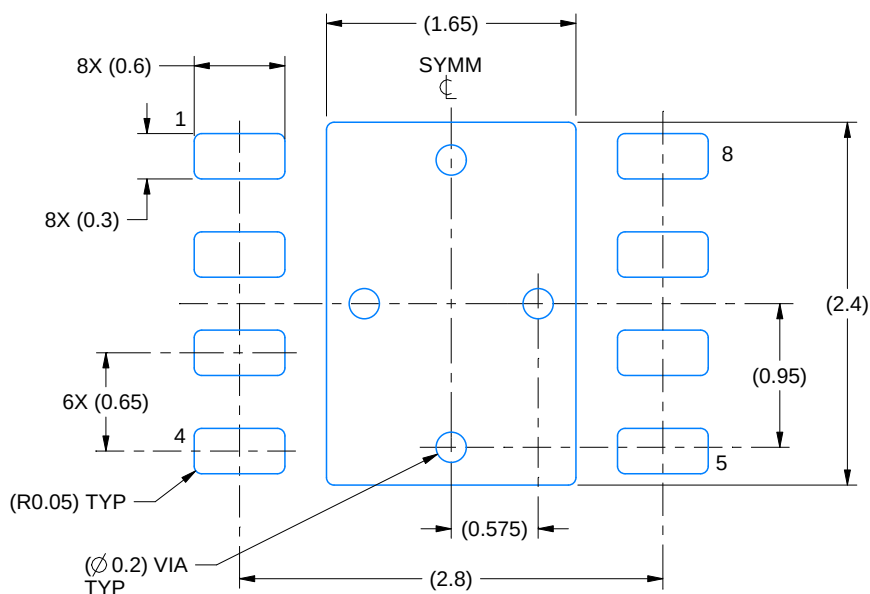


1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.

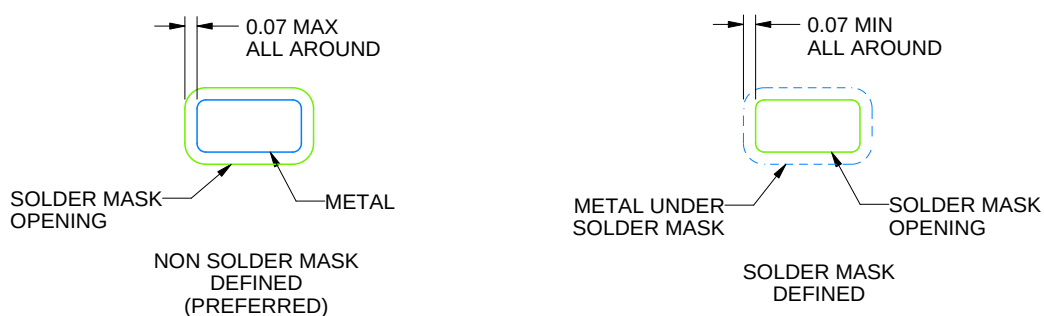
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VSON - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE - NO LEAD



LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE
SCALE:20X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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NOTES: (continued)

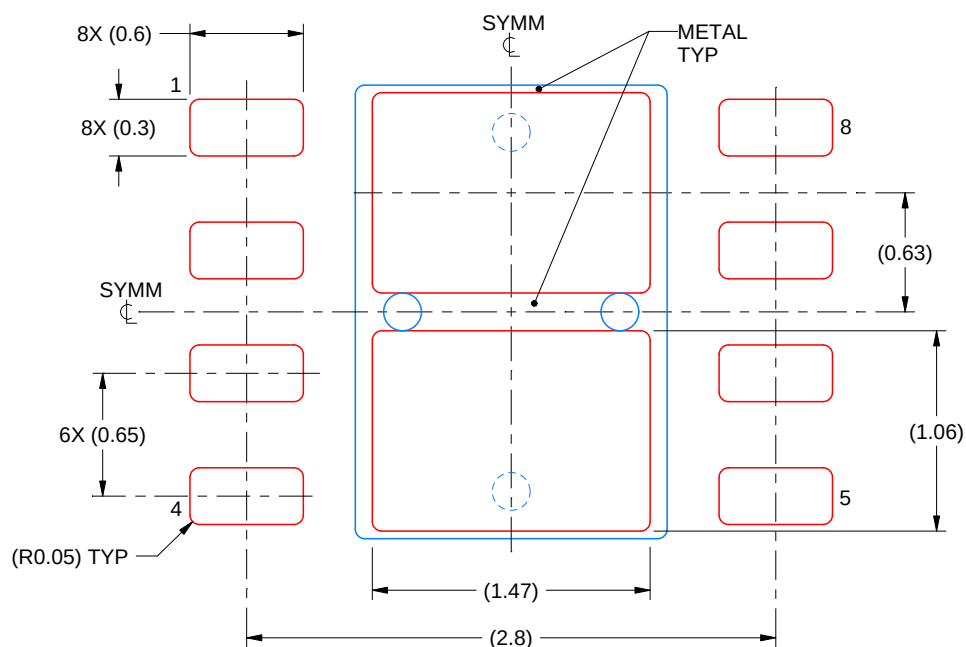
4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 (www.ti.com/lit/slua271).
5. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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VSON - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE - NO LEAD



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE
BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL

EXPOSED PAD
81% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA
SCALE:25X

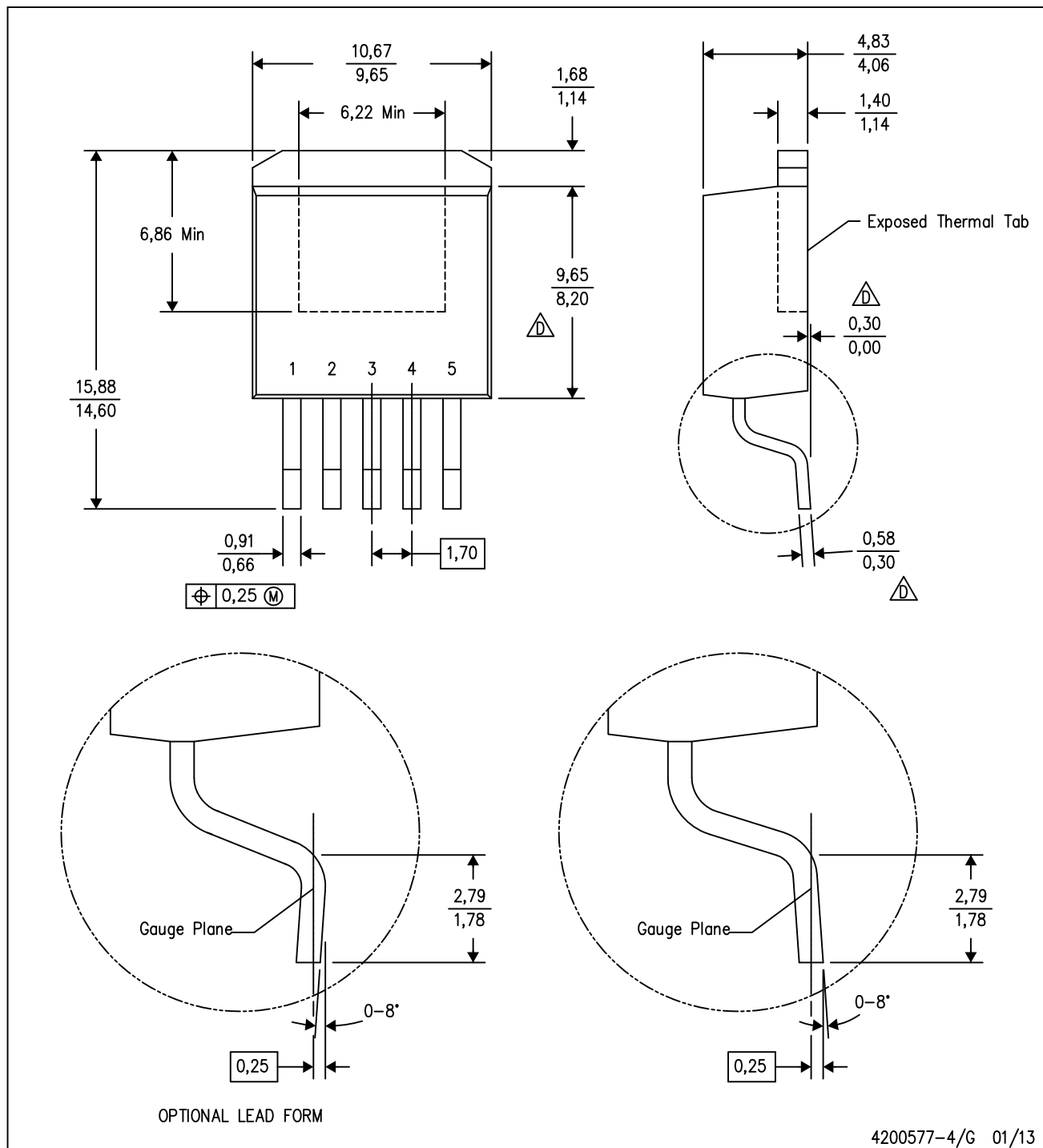
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NOTES: (continued)

6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.

KTT (R-PSFM-G5)

PLASTIC FLANGE-MOUNT PACKAGE

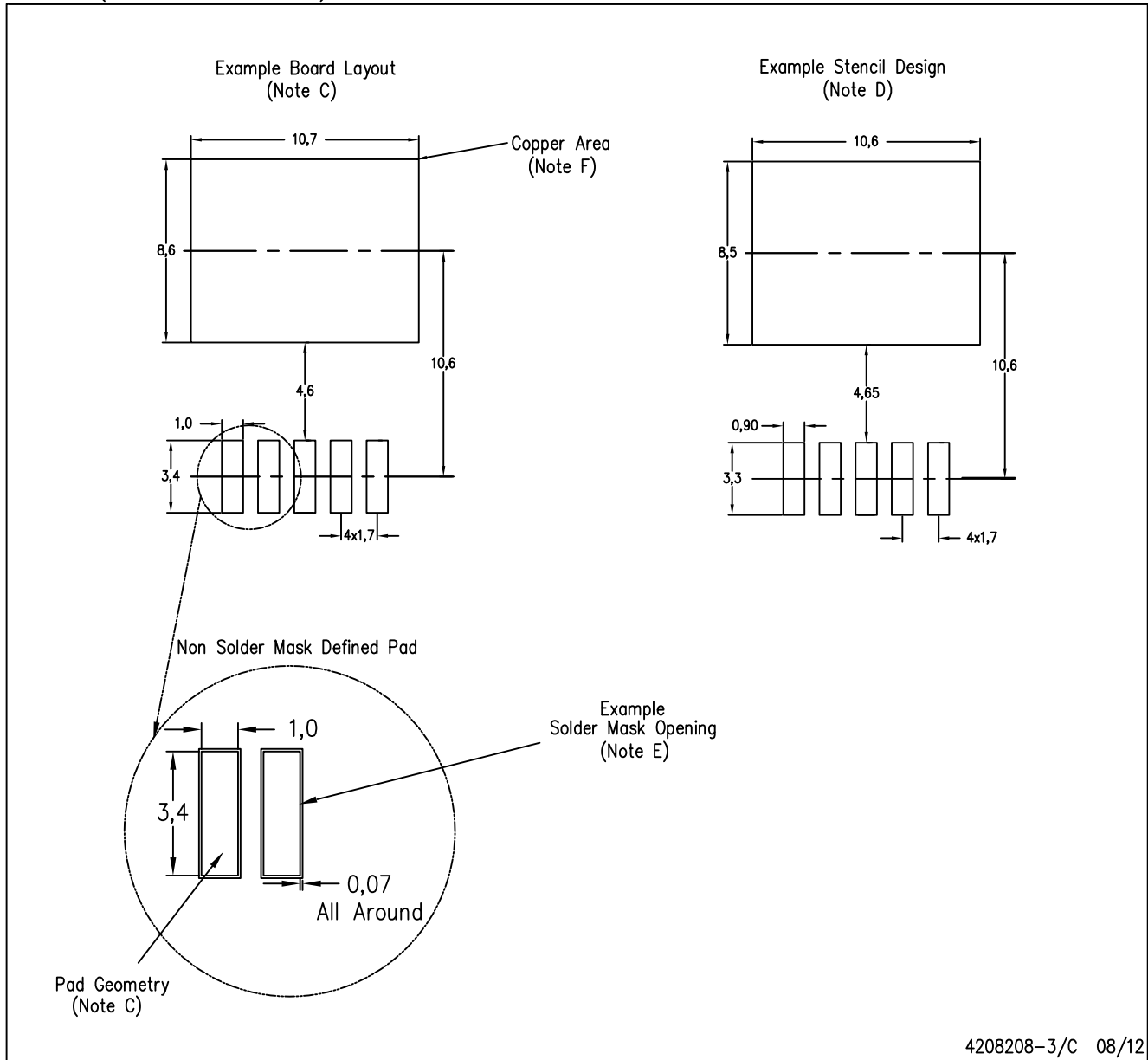


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- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion. Mold flash or protrusion not to exceed 0.005 (0,13) per side.
- $\triangle$ Falls within JEDEC TO-263 variation BA, except minimum lead thickness, maximum seating height, and minimum body length.

KTT (R-PSFM-G5)

PLASTIC FLANGE-MOUNT PACKAGE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Publication IPC-SM-782 is recommended for alternate designs.
 - D. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC-7525.
 - E. Customers should contact their board fabrication site for solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads.
 - F. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to the Product Datasheet for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended thermal pad size. For thermal pad sizes larger than shown a solder mask defined pad is recommended in order to maintain the solderable pad geometry while increasing copper area.

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