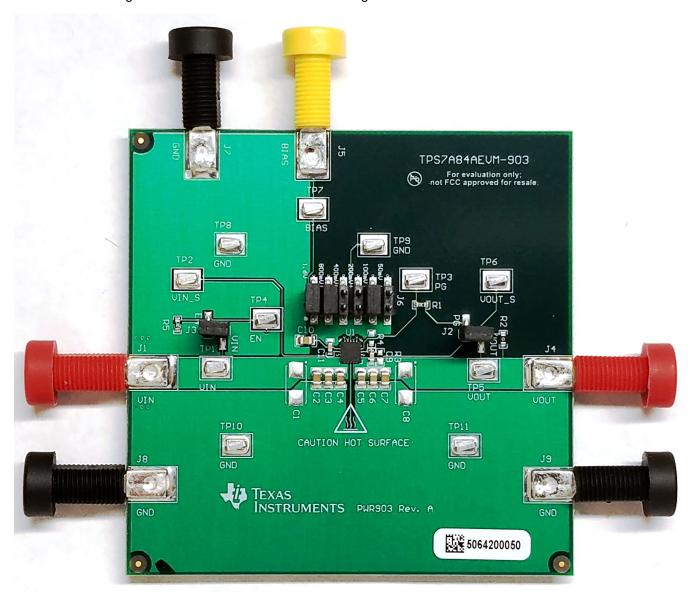


TPS7A84AEVM-903 Evaluation Module

This user's guide describes the operational use of the TPS7A84AEVM-903 evaluation module (EVM) as a reference design for engineering demonstration and evaluation of the TPS7A84A low-dropout linear regulator (LDO). Included in this user's guide are setup and operating instructions, thermal and layout guidelines, a printed circuit board (PCB) layout, a schematic diagram, and a bill of materials (BOM).

Throughout this document, the terms *demonstration kit*, *evaluation board*, and *evaluation module* are synonymous with the TPS7A84AEVM-903.

The following related documents are available through the Texas Instruments web site at www.ti.com.





Related Documentation

DEVICE	LITERATURE NUMBER		
TPS7A84A	SBVS291		

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1 Introduction

Texas Instruments' TPS7A84AEVM-903 EVM helps design engineers evaluate the operation and performance of the TPS7A84A family of linear regulators for possible use in their own circuit application. This particular EVM configuration contains a single low-noise, high-PSRR linear regulator for high-speed communication systems. The regulator is capable of delivering up to 3 A to the load with ultra-low VIN to VOUT dropout voltage. For stability, use a 47-μF (or larger) output capacitor for the TPS7A84A.

1.1 Before You Begin

The following warnings and cautions are noted for the safety of anyone using or working close to the TPS7A84AEVM-903. Observe all safety precautions.



Warning

Warning Hot surface. Contact may cause burns. Do not touch.

CAUTION

The circuit module may be damaged by overtemperature. To avoid damage, monitor the temperature during evaluation and provide cooling, as needed, for your system environment.

CAUTION

Some power supplies can be damaged by application of external voltages. If using more than one power supply, check your equipment requirements and use blocking diodes or other isolation techniques, as needed, to prevent damage to your equipment.

CAUTION

The circuit module is not a finished product or electrical appliance. The module does not contain current or voltage thresholds for circuit protection. It must be used by qualified personnel with additional equipment for evaluation only.



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2 EVM Setup

This section describes how to properly connect and setup the TPS7A84AEVM-903, including the jumpers and connectors on the EVM board.

2.1 Input/Output Connectors and Jumper Descriptions

2.1.1 J1 – VIN

Input power-supply voltage connector. Twist together the positive input lead and ground return lead from the input power supply, and keep them as short as possible to minimize input inductance. Add additional bulk capacitance between the input supply and ground (use the C1 footprint) if the supply leads are greater than six inches.

2.1.2 J2 - PG

Pullup-voltage selector for PG. This EVM is designed so that PG can be pulled up either to VOUT by shorting J2, or pulled up to another voltage by applying an external voltage to the PG post.

2.1.3 J3 - EN

Output enable. To enable the output, connect a jumper to short VIN to EN.

2.1.4 J4 – VOUT

Regulated output voltage connector.

2.1.5 J5 – VBIAS

If the input supply (VIN) voltage is less than 1.4 V but greater than 1.1 V, use a VBIAS voltage of 3.0 V to 6.5 V to provide power to the TPS7A84A. If the input voltage is greater than 1.4 V, the VBIAS pin does not have to be connected. The VBIAS supply pin typically consumes 2.3 mA.

2.1.6 **J6 – AnyOut**

The output voltage of the TPS7A84A is selectable in accordance with the names given to the output voltage setting pins: 50 mV, 100 mV, 200 mV, 400 mV, 800 mV, and 1.6 V. For each pin connected to the ground, the output voltage setting increases by the value associated with that pin name, starting from the value of the reference voltage of 0.8 V; floating the pins has no effect on the output voltage.

2.1.7 J7 - GND

Bias ground return connector.

2.1.8 J8 - GND

Input ground return connector.

2.1.9 J9 - GND

Output ground return connector.

2.1.10 TP1 - VIN

Input test point.

2.1.11 TP2 - VIN S

Input sense test point.



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2.1.12 TP3 - PG

PG test point.

2.1.13 TP4 - EN

Enable test point.

2.1.14 TP5 - VOUT

Output test point.

2.1.15 TP6 - VOUT_S

Output sense test point.

2.1.16 TP7 - BIAS

Bias test point.

2.1.17 TP8 - GND

Ground test point.

2.1.18 TP9 - GND

Ground test point.

2.1.19 TP10 - GND

Ground test point.

2.1.20 TP11 - GND

Ground test point.

2.2 Soldering Guidelines

To avoid damaging the integrated circuit (IC), use a hot-air system for any solder rework to modify the EVM for the purpose of repair or other application reasons.

2.3 Equipment Connection

- 1. Set the input and bias power supplies to 6.5 V (max), and turn the power supplies off.
- 2. Connect the positive voltage lead from the input power supply to VIN at the J1 connector of the EVM.
- 3. Connect the ground lead from the input power supply to GND at the J8 connector of the EVM.
- 4. Connect a 0-A to 3-A load between OUT and GND.
- 5. Disable the output by floating J3.

3 Operation

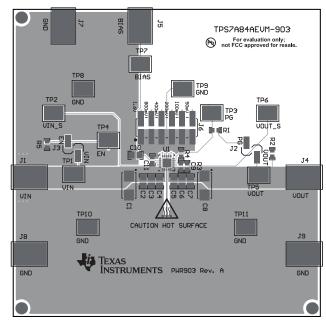
- 1. Turn on the power supplies.
- 2. Enable the output by shorting J3 (the EN pin) to VIN.
- 3. Vary the respective load and input voltage as necessary for test purposes.



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4 PCB Layout

Figure 1 to Figure 5 illustrate the PCB layout for this EVM.





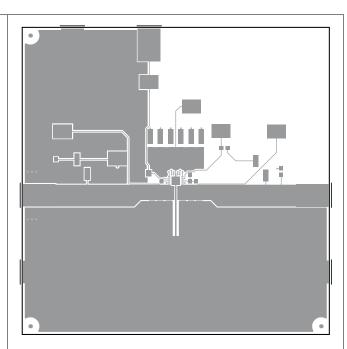


Figure 2. Top Layer Routing

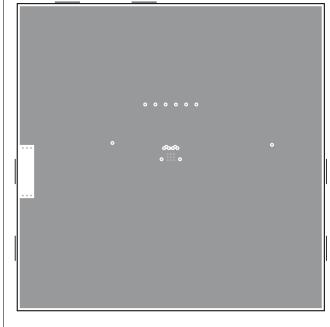


Figure 3. Signal Layer 1 Routing

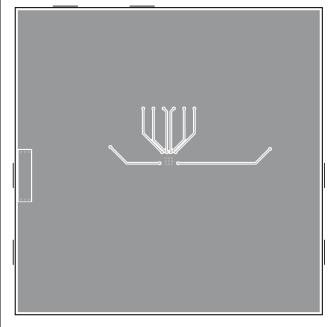
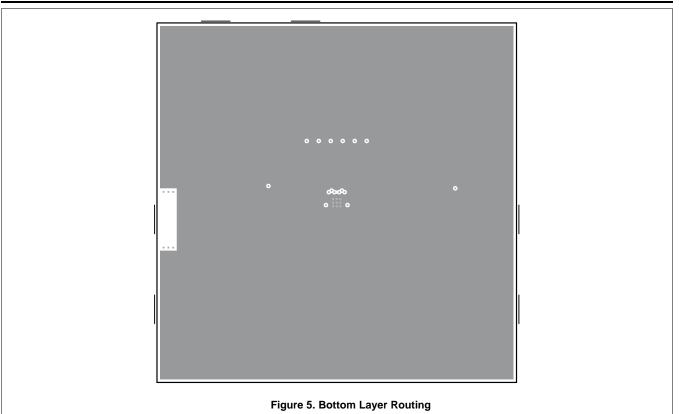


Figure 4. Signal Layer 2 Routing



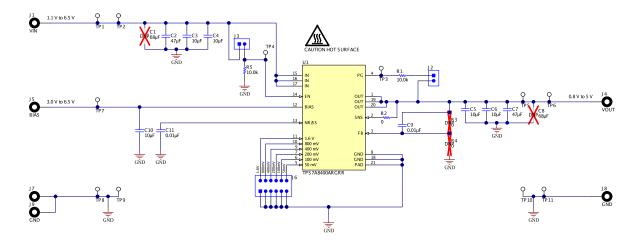
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NOTE: Capacitors C1 and C8 and resistors R3 and R4 do not come populated.

Figure 6. TPS7A84AEVM-903 Schematic



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6 Bill of Materials

The BOM for this EVM is shown in Table 1.



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Table 1. TPS7A84AEVM-903 BOM(1)(2)(3)(4)

Designator	Quantity	Value	Description	Package Reference	PartNumber	Manufacturer	Alternate PartNumber	Alternate Manufacturer
!PCB1	1		Printed Circuit Board		PWR903	Any	-	-
C2, C7	2	47uF	CAP, CERM, 47 μF, 10 V, + /- 20%, X5R, 0805	0805	GRM21BR61A476ME15	MuRata		
C3, C4, C5, C6, C10	5	10uF	CAP, CERM, 10 μF, 16 V, + /- 10%, X5R, 0805	0805	GRM21BR61C106KE15 L	MuRata		
C9, C11	2	0.01uF	CAP, CERM, 0.01 μF, 50 V, + /- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	GRM188R71 H103KA01D	MuRata		
J1, J4	2		Standard Banana Jack, Insulated, Red	6091	6091	Keystone		
J2, J3	2		Header, 2.54 mm, 2x1, Gold, R/A, SMT	Header, 2.54 mm, 2x1, R/A, SMT	87898-0204	Molex		
J5	1		BANANA JACK, 15A, Insulated, Nylon, Yellow	940x438x438 mil	108-0907-001	Emerson Network Power		
J6	1		Header, 100 mil, 6x2, SMT	Header, 6x2, SMT	0015912120	Molex		
J7, J8, J9	3		Standard Banana Jack, Insulated, Black	6092	6092	Keystone		
R1, R5	2	10.0k	RES, 10.0 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	CRCW060310K0FKEA	Vishay-Dale		
R2	1	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale		
SH-J1, SH-J2, SH-J3, SH-J4, SH-J5	5	1x2	Shunt, 100 mil, Gold plated, Black	Shunt	969102-0000-DA	3M	SNT-100-BK-G	Samtec
TP1, TP2, TP3, TP4, TP5, TP6, TP7, TP8, TP9, TP10, TP11	11	SMT	Test Point, Compact, SMT	Testpoint_Keyston e_Compact	5016	Keystone		
U1	1		High-Current (3 A), High- Accuracy (1%), Low-Noise (4.4 µVRMS), LDO Voltage Regulator, RGR0020A (VQFN-20)	RGR0020A	TPS7A8400ARGRR	Texas Instruments		Texas Instruments
C1, C8	0	68uF	CAP, TA, 68 µF, 16 V, + /- 10%, 0.2 ohm, SMD	6032-28	TPSC686K016R0200	AVX		
FID1, FID2, FID3	0		Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount.	Fiducial	N/A	N/A		
R3, R4	0	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale		

⁽¹⁾ These assemblies are ESD sensitive, observe ESD precautions.

⁽²⁾ These assemblies must be clean and free from flux and all contaminants. Use of no-clean flux is not acceptable.

⁽³⁾ These assemblies must comply with workmanship standards IPC-A-610 Class 2.

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