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Compensated SWIFT™
Regulator EVM***

User's Guide

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This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the TPS54314, 3-A, 1.8-V, internally compensated, SWIFT™ regulator evaluation module (EVM). This user's guide includes a schematic diagram and bill of materials.

How to Use This Manual

This document contains the following chapters:

- Chapter 1—Introduction
- Chapter 2—Test Setup and Results
- Chapter 3—Board Layout
- Chapter 4—Schematic and Bill of Materials

Related Documentation From Texas Instruments

- SWIFT™ Designer software tool
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Introduction

This chapter contains background information for the TPS54314 and support documentation for the TPS54314 evaluation module. The EVM performance specifications are also given.

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1.1 Background

The TPS54314EVM evaluation module uses the TPS54314 synchronous buck regulator to provide a 1.8-V output over an input range of 3 V to 6 V and over a load range of 0 A to 3 A. The electrical components of the TPS54314 circuit consume less than 0.6 square inches of board space. Additional pads are provided to support multiple input and output capacitors. A jumper is provided to allow the switching frequency to be easily changed from 350 kHz to 550 kHz.

The TPS54314 has two key features that reduce the number of additional components compared to traditional synchronous buck controllers. The first feature is that the MOSFETs are incorporated inside the TPS54314 package. This eliminates the need for external MOSFETs and their associated drivers. The second feature is that the compensation components that stabilize the feedback loop are also incorporated inside the TPS54314 package.

Because the internal compensation of the TPS54314 is fixed, loop stability is assured by the proper selection of an output inductor and output capacitor. For guidelines on selecting an output inductor and output capacitor for a specific application, refer to Texas Instruments application report, literature number SLVA111, *Designing With The TPS54311 Through TPS54316 Synchronous Buck Regulators*.

1.2 Performance Specification Summary

Table 1–1 provides a summary of the TPS54314EVM performance specifications. All specifications are given for an ambient temperature of 25°C, unless otherwise noted.

Table 1–1. Performance Specification Summary

Specification	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input voltage range		3	5	6	V
Output voltage set point			1.8		V
Output current range		0		3	A
Load regulation	$V_I = 5\text{ V}$	-7		7	mV
Load transient response	$I_O = 0\text{ A to }3\text{ A}$		-60		mV _{PK}
			30		μs
	$I_O = 3\text{ A to }0\text{ A}$		70		mV _{PK}
			30		μs
Loop bandwidth	$V_I = 5\text{ V}, I_O = 3\text{ A}$		70		kHz
Phase margin	$V_I = 5\text{ V}, I_O = 3\text{ A}$		49		°
Input ripple voltage			150		mV _{PP}
Output ripple voltage			15	30	mV _{PP}
Output rise time		2.6	3.6	4.1	ms
Operating frequency		640	700	760	kHz
Efficiency	$V_I = 5\text{ V}, I_O = 1\text{ A}$		91.5%		

1.3 Modifications

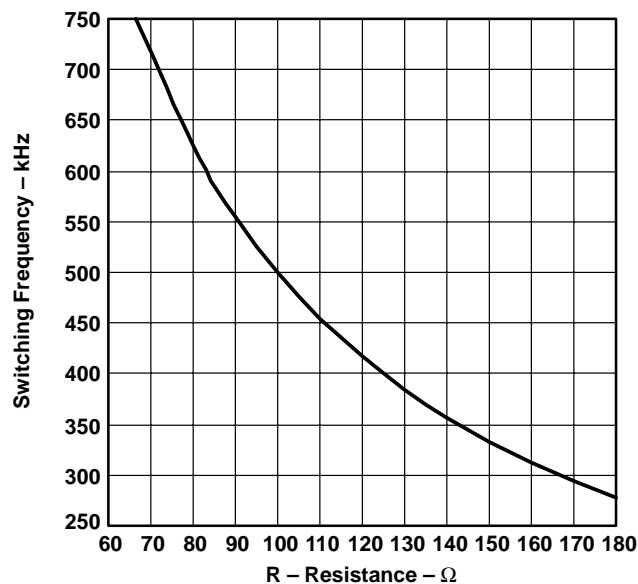
1.3.1 General

The TPS54314EVM is designed to demonstrate the small amount of board space taken up by the TPS54314 electrical components. In addition, the EVM can be used to evaluate different output filters by substituting an alternative inductor for L1, or by using the optional pads for capacitors C2 and C10 (see Figure 4–1). Because the feedback compensation is fixed by the internal circuitry of the TPS54314, proper selection of the output inductor and output capacitor ensures stability. The *SWIFT Designer* software tool or Texas Instruments application note SLVA111 can be used to assist in the selection of an output filter. Both SWIFT Designer and SLVA111 are available for download at the Texas Instruments web site.

1.3.2 Switching Frequency

The TPS54314 is configured to switch at a frequency of 700 kHz. Alternatively the EVM can be easily configured to switch at either 350 kHz or 550 kHz by removing the frequency trimming resistor R3 and placing the shunt on jumper JP1 in the proper location. Also, by changing the value of RT (R3), the switching frequency can be trimmed to any value between 280 kHz and 700 kHz. A plot of the value of RT versus the switching frequency is given in Figure 1–1.

Figure 1–1. Frequency Trimming Resistor Selection Graph



1.3.3 Output Voltage

The EVM can be modified for different preset output voltages by using other devices in the TPS5431x family. The only U1 component needs to be changed. Table 1–2 lists the devices required for U1 for different output voltage options.

Table 1–2. Device Modification

Output Voltage (V)	Device (U1)
0.9	TPS54311
1.2	TPS54312
1.5	TPS54313
1.8	TPS54314
2.5	TPS54315
3.3	TPS54316

1.3.4 Slow Start

The slow start time of the TPS54314EVM can be modified by changing the value of C1. Equation 1 can be used to calculate the value of C1 for a specific slow start time. With C1 left open, the slow start time is typically 3.6 ms. The slow start time can not be made faster than 3.6 ms.

$$C_1 = \frac{T_{SS} \times 5 \mu\text{A}}{0.891 \text{ V}} \quad (1)$$

Test Setup and Results

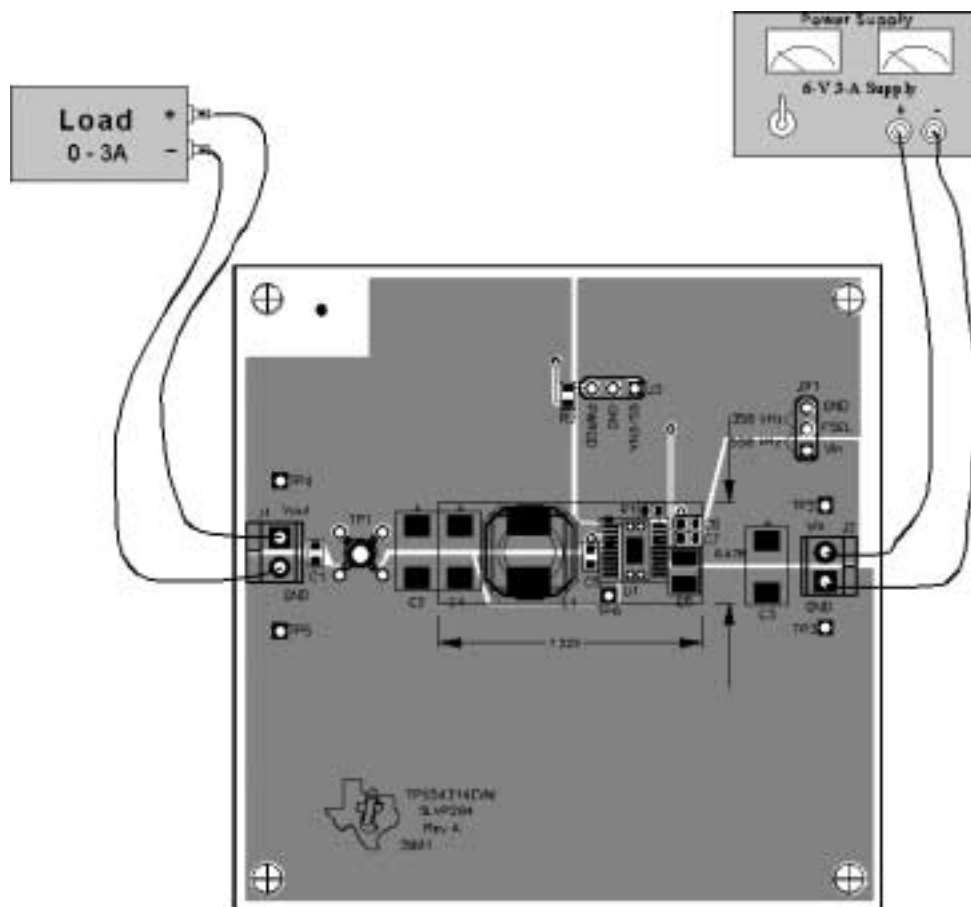
This chapter describes how to properly connect, setup, and use the TPS54314EVM. It also presents the test results and covers efficiency, output voltage regulation, load transients, loop response, output ripple, input ripple, and start-up

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2.1 Input/Output Connections

The TPS54314EVM has the following four input/output connections: J1 (V_I and GND) and J2 (V_O and GND). A diagram showing the connection points is shown in Figure 2–1. Connect a power supply capable of supplying 3 A to J1 through a pair of 20 AWG wires. Connect the load to J2 through a pair of 20 AWG wires. Minimize wire lengths to reduce losses in the wires. Test point TP8 provides easy connection for an oscilloscope voltage probe to monitor the output voltage.

Figure 2–1. Connection Diagram



2.2 Efficiency

The TPS54314EVM efficiency peaks at around 1 A of load current, with a 5-V input source. At full load this drops to around 85%. Figure 2–2 shows the typical efficiency for both a 5-V input and a 3.3-V input and an ambient temperature of 25°C. The efficiency is lower at higher ambient temperatures, due to temperature variation in the drain-to-source resistance of the MOSFETs. The efficiency is also slightly higher at lower switching frequencies due to the gate and switching losses in the MOSFETs. The efficiency is slightly higher with a 5-V input because the higher input voltage provides more drive voltage for the power MOSFETs, which leads to a lower drain-to-source resistance. The total board losses are shown in Figure 2–3.

Figure 2–2. Measured Efficiency

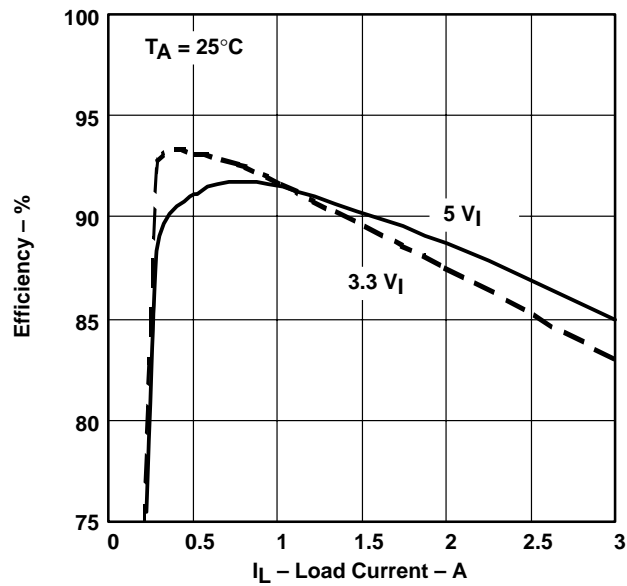
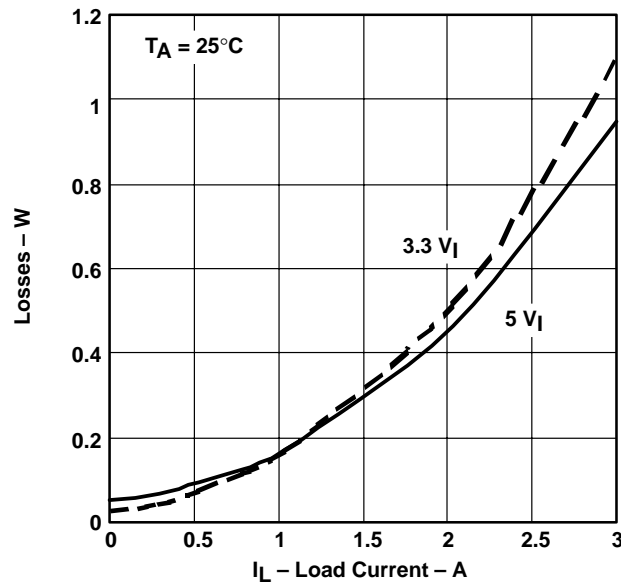


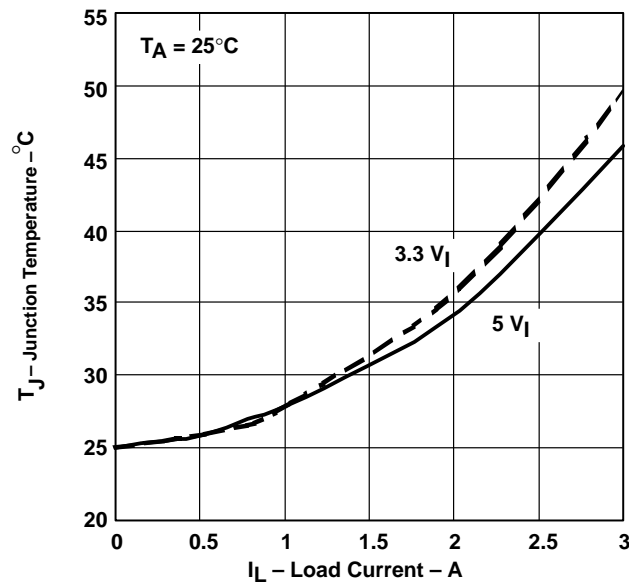
Figure 2–3. Measured Board Losses



2.3 Thermal Performance

The junction temperature is plotted versus the load current with a 25°C ambient temperature in Figure 2–4. The low junction-to-case thermal resistance of the PWP package, along with a good board layout, helps to keep the junction temperature low at high output currents. With a 5-V input source and a 3-A load, the junction temperature is approximately 45°C .

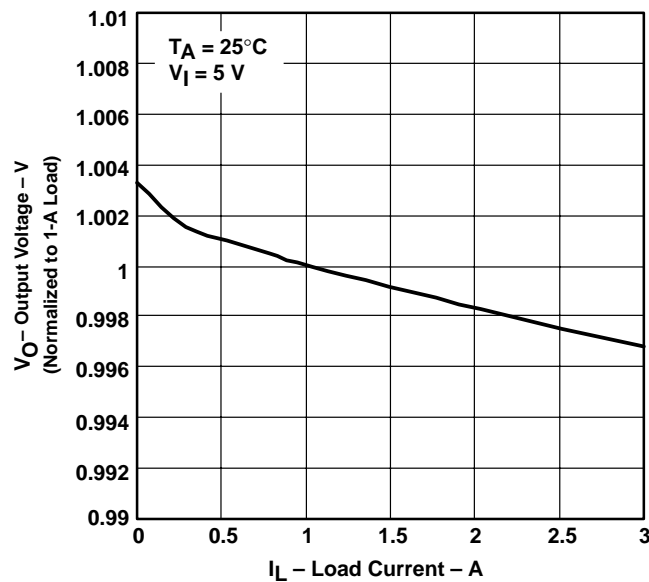
Figure 2–4. Measured Junction Temperature at 25°C Ambient



2.4 Output Voltage Regulation

The output voltage load regulation with a 5-V input and a 25°C ambient temperature is shown in Figure 2–5. Over the load range of 0 A to 3 A, the output voltage varies less than 0.35%.

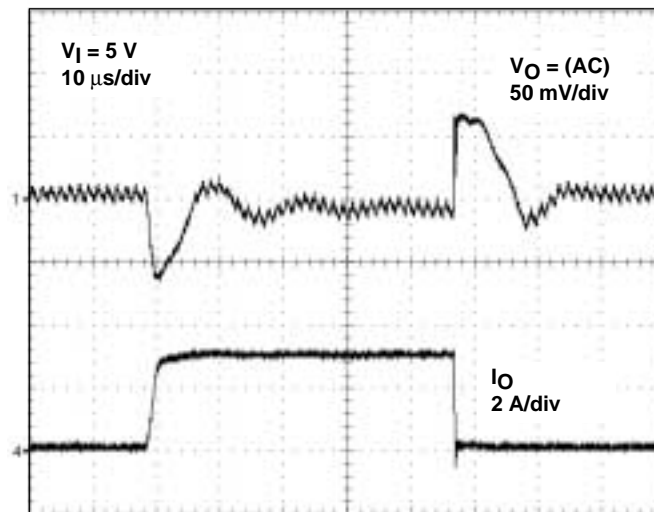
Figure 2–5. Measured Load Regulation



2.5 Load Transients

The TPS54314EVM response to load transients is shown in Figure 2–6. The load transient in Figure 2–6 transitions between 0 A and 3 A. The output voltage deviates approximately -60 mV (-3.3%) and 70 mV (3.9%) from its average value as a result of these transients. In Figure 2–6, the output voltage returns to a $\pm 2\%$ regulation band within 30 μ s.

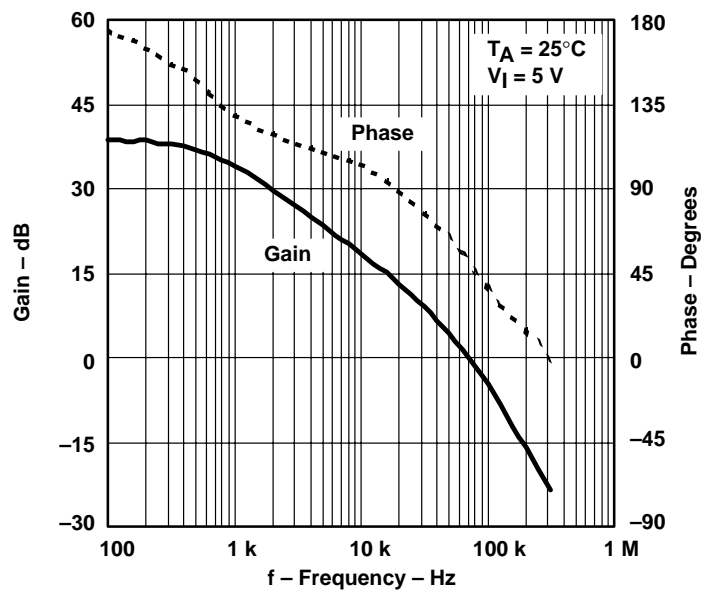
Figure 2–6. Measured Load Transient Response



2.6 Loop Characteristics

The loop gain and phase for a 5-V input and a 3-A load is shown in Figure 2–7. The loop crossover frequency is approximately 70 kHz, and the phase margin is approximately 49° .

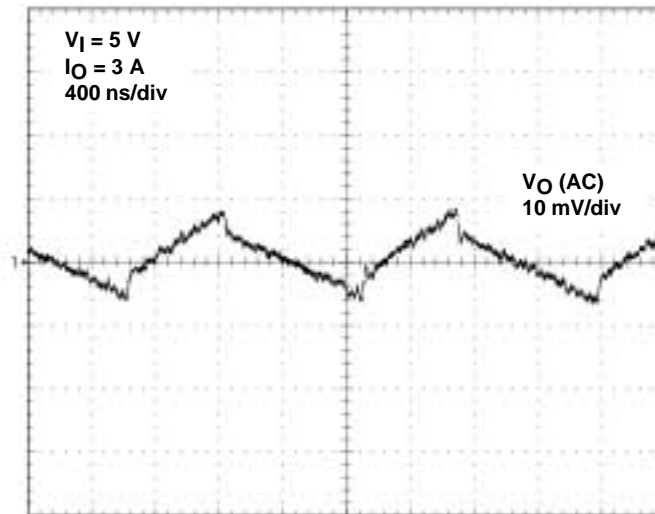
Figure 2–7. Measured Loop Gain and Phase



2.7 Output Ripple Voltage

The output ripple voltage is plotted in Figure 2–8 with an input voltage of 5 V and a load current of 3 A. The TPS54314EVM has a typical output voltage ripple of less than 20 mV_{pp}. If the switching frequency is reduced, the output ripple voltage is higher.

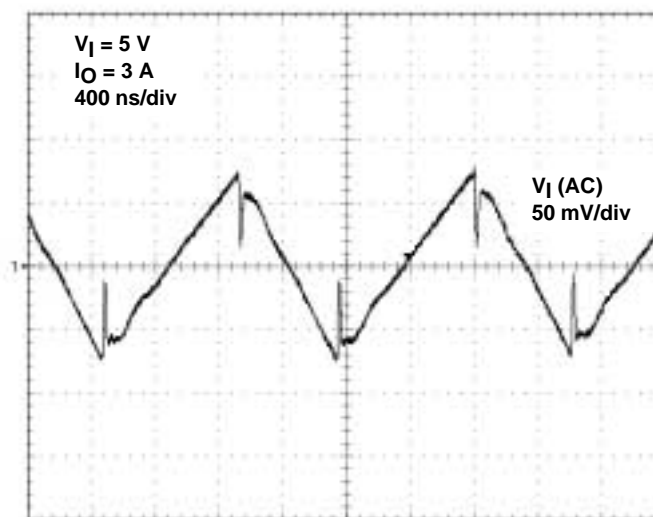
Figure 2–8. Measured Output Ripple Voltage



2.8 Input Ripple Voltage

The input ripple voltage for a 3-A load is shown in Figure 2–9. With an input voltage of 5 V, the input ripple is approximately 150 mV_{pp}. The input ripple voltage can be made lower by adding capacitance to the input.

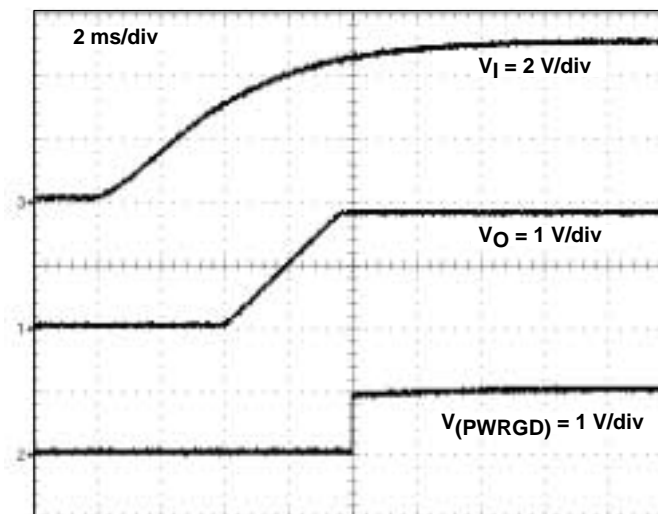
Figure 2–9. Measured Input Ripple Voltage



2.9 Start-Up

The start-up voltage waveform of the TPS54314EVM, with C1 left open, is shown in Figure 2–10. In Figure 2–10, the input voltage is displayed on channel 3, the output voltage is displayed on channel 1, and the power good signal is displayed on channel 2. Once the input voltage rises above the 2.9-V start-up threshold, the output voltage begins to rise linearly to 1.8 V in 3.6 ms. Once the output voltage has reached its final value, the open-drain power good signal rises to a high state. The start-up time can be extended by using an external slow start capacitor, C1. To program a specific slow start time, see section 1.3.4 *Slow Start*. The shorting jumper on J2 should not be used to enable the EVM. Using the J2 jumper may cause excessive voltage transients on the SS/ENA pin. Use an external enable signal, instead of J2 jumper.

Figure 2–10. Measured Start-Up Waveforms





Board Layout

This chapter provides a description of the TPS54314EVM board layout and layer illustrations.

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3.1 Layout

The top-side (component) layer for the TPS54314EVM is shown in Figure 3–1. The input capacitor (C6), bias decoupling capacitor (C7), and bootstrap capacitor (C5) are all located as close to the IC as possible.

The TPS54314EVM PWB consists of two layers of 1.5 oz. copper. The bottom half of the top layer is used as a power ground plane, while the bottom layer is used as a *quiet* (analog) ground plane. A wide power ground plane is used to keep the power ground current from degrading the load regulation. The two ground planes tie together at U1 to keep the ground current from injecting noise between the analog and power grounds. A total of 10 vias are used to tie the thermal land area under the TPS54314 device to the thermal plane on the backside of the board.

Figure 3–1. Top Side Assembly

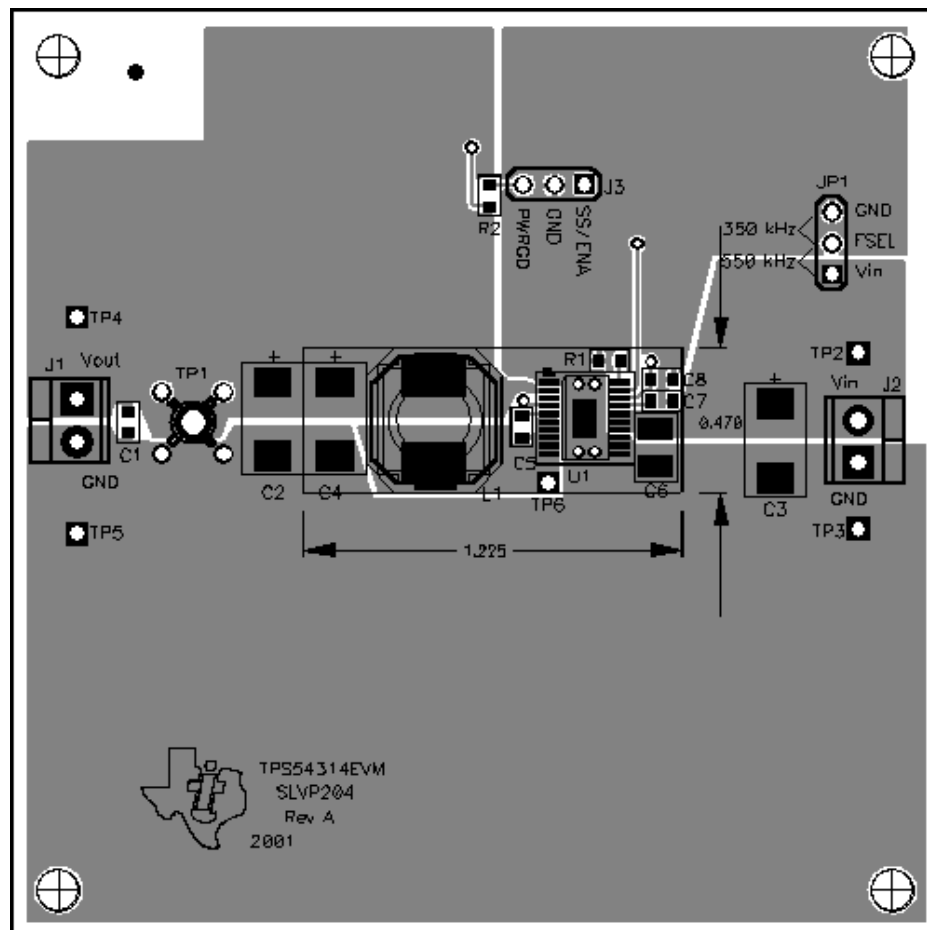


Figure 3-2. Top Side Layout

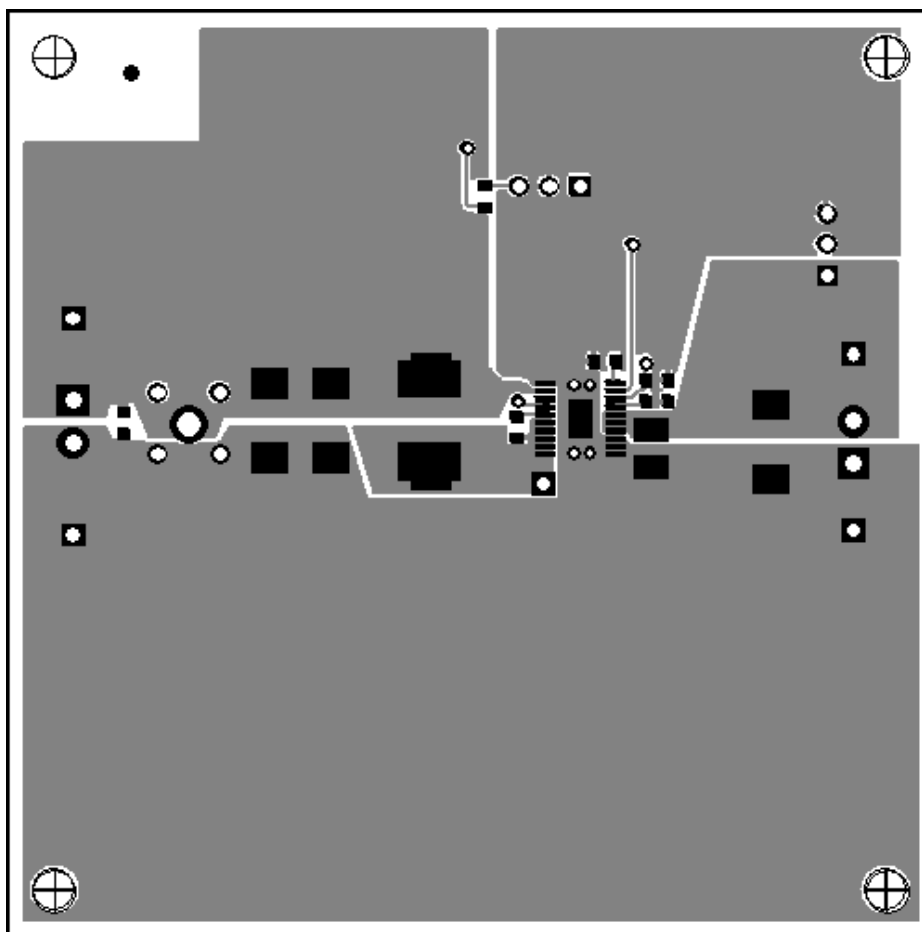
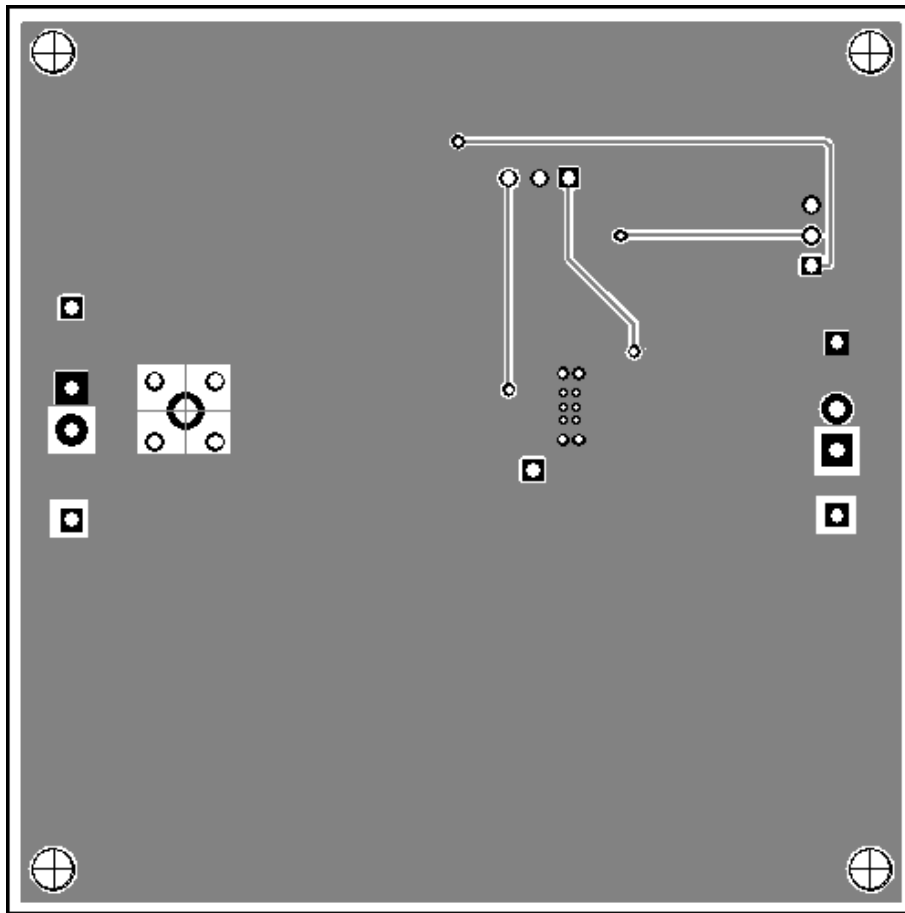


Figure 3–3. Bottom Side Layout



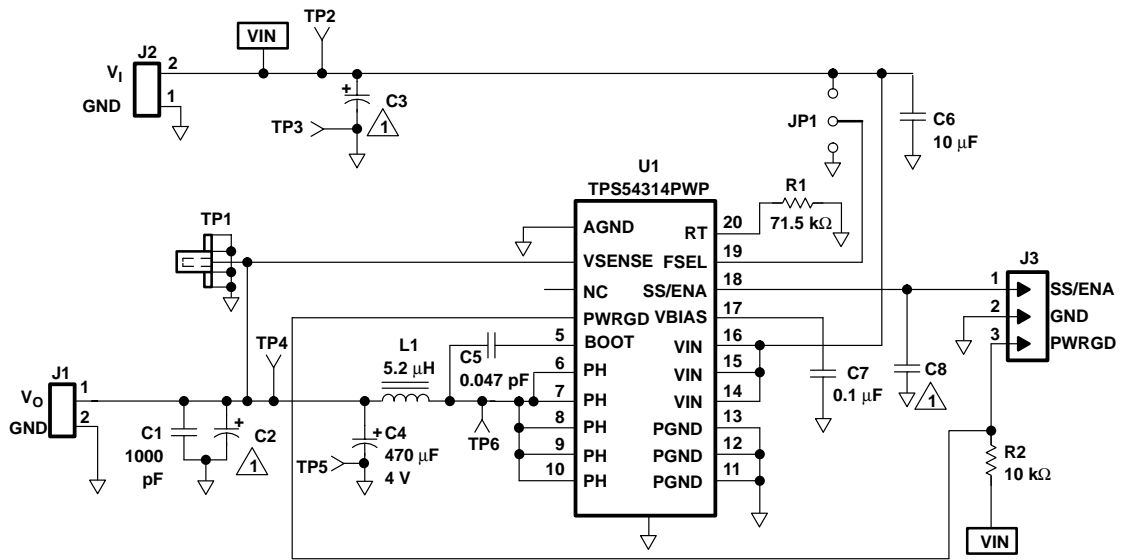
Schematic and Bill of Materials

The TPS54314EVM schematic and bill of materials are presented in this chapter.

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4.1 Schematic

Figure 4–1. TPS54314EVM Schematic



1 Optional

4.2 Bill of Materials

Table 4–1. TPS54314EVM Bill of Materials

Qty	Ref	Description	Size	MFR	Part Number
1	C1	Capacitor, ceramic, 1000 pF, 25 V, X7r, 10%	603	Murata	GRM39X7R102K25
2	C2, C3	Open	7343 (D)		
1	C4	Capacitor, POSCAP, 470 μ F, 4 V, 40 m Ω , 20%	7343 (D)	Sanyo	4TPB470M
1	C5	Capacitor, ceramic, 0.047 μ F, 25 V, X7R, 10%	603	Murata	GRM39X7R473K25
1	C6	Capacitor, ceramic, 10 μ F, 10 V, X5R, 20%	1210	Taiyo Yuden	LMK325BJ106MN
1	C7	Capacitor, ceramic, 0.1 μ F, 25 V, X7R, 10%	603	Murata	GRM39X7R104K25
1	C8	Open	603		
2	J1, J2	Terminal block, 2 pin, 6 A, 3,5 mm	0.27 x 0.25	OST	ED1514
1	J3	Header, 3 pin, 100 mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 x 3	Sullins	PTC36SAAN
1	JP1	Header, 3 pin, 100 mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 x 3	Sullins	PTC36SAAN
1	L1	Inductor, SMT, 5.2 μ H, 5.5 A, 16 m Ω	0.405 sq	Sumida	CDRH104R–5R2
1	R1	Resistor, chip, 71.5 k Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	R2	Resistor, chip, 10 k Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	TP1	Adaptor, 3,5-mm probe clip (or 131-5031-00)	0.2	Tektronix	131-4244-00
3	TP2, TP4, TP6	Test point, red, 1 mm	0.038	Farnell	240–345
2	TP3, TP5	Test Point, Black, 1 mm	0.038	Farnell	240–333
1	U1	IC, IFET power controller, 1.8 V, 3 A	PWP20	TI	TPS54314PWP
1	—	PCB, 3" x 3" x 0.062"		Any	SLVP204
2	—	Shunt, 100-mil, black	0.100	3M	929950–00

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- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

3.2 Canada

3.2.1 For EVMs issued with an Industry Canada Certificate of Conformance to RSS-210 or RSS-247

Concerning EVMs Including Radio Transmitters:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio:

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

Concerning EVMs Including Detachable Antennas:

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

Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

Conformément à la réglementation d'Industrie Canada, le présent émetteur radio peut fonctionner avec une antenne d'un type et d'un gain maximal (ou inférieur) approuvé pour l'émetteur par Industrie Canada. Dans le but de réduire les risques de brouillage radioélectrique à l'intention des autres utilisateurs, il faut choisir le type d'antenne et son gain de sorte que la puissance isotrope rayonnée équivalente (p.i.r.e.) ne dépasse pas l'intensité nécessaire à l'établissement d'une communication satisfaisante. Le présent émetteur radio a été approuvé par Industrie Canada pour fonctionner avec les types d'antenne énumérés dans le manuel d'usage et ayant un gain admissible maximal et l'impédance requise pour chaque type d'antenne. Les types d'antenne non inclus dans cette liste, ou dont le gain est supérieur au gain maximal indiqué, sont strictement interdits pour l'exploitation de l'émetteur.

3.3 Japan

3.3.1 *Notice for EVMs delivered in Japan:* Please see http://www.tij.co.jp/lstds/ti_ja/general/eStore/notice_01.page 日本国内に輸入される評価用キット、ボードについては、次のところをご覧ください。

<https://www.ti.com/ja-jp/legal/notice-for-evaluation-kits-delivered-in-japan.html>

3.3.2 *Notice for Users of EVMs Considered "Radio Frequency Products" in Japan:* EVMs entering Japan may not be certified by TI as conforming to Technical Regulations of Radio Law of Japan.

If User uses EVMs in Japan, not certified to Technical Regulations of Radio Law of Japan, User is required to follow the instructions set forth by Radio Law of Japan, which includes, but is not limited to, the instructions below with respect to EVMs (which for the avoidance of doubt are stated strictly for convenience and should be verified by User):

1. Use EVMs in a shielded room or any other test facility as defined in the notification #173 issued by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications on March 28, 2006, based on Sub-section 1.1 of Article 6 of the Ministry's Rule for Enforcement of Radio Law of Japan,
2. Use EVMs only after User obtains the license of Test Radio Station as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs, or
3. Use of EVMs only after User obtains the Technical Regulations Conformity Certification as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs. Also, do not transfer EVMs, unless User gives the same notice above to the transferee. Please note that if User does not follow the instructions above, User will be subject to penalties of Radio Law of Japan.

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3.4 European Union

3.4.1 *For EVMs subject to EU Directive 2014/30/EU (Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive):*

This is a class A product intended for use in environments other than domestic environments that are connected to a low-voltage power-supply network that supplies buildings used for domestic purposes. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

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- 4 *EVM Use Restrictions and Warnings:*
 - 4.1 EVMS ARE NOT FOR USE IN FUNCTIONAL SAFETY AND/OR SAFETY CRITICAL EVALUATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO EVALUATIONS OF LIFE SUPPORT APPLICATIONS.
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 - 4.3.2 EVMs are intended solely for use by technically qualified, professional electronics experts who are familiar with the dangers and application risks associated with handling electrical mechanical components, systems, and subsystems. User assumes all responsibility and liability for proper and safe handling and use of the EVM by User or its employees, affiliates, contractors or designees. User assumes all responsibility and liability to ensure that any interfaces (electronic and/or mechanical) between the EVM and any human body are designed with suitable isolation and means to safely limit accessible leakage currents to minimize the risk of electrical shock hazard. User assumes all responsibility and liability for any improper or unsafe handling or use of the EVM by User or its employees, affiliates, contractors or designees.
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