

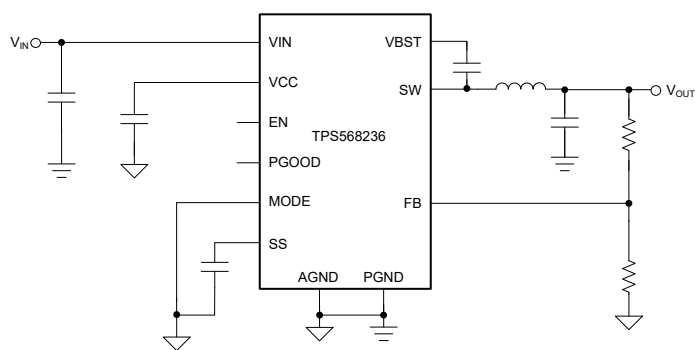
# TPS568236 4.5-V to 18-V Input, 8-A Synchronous Buck Converter With Hiccup OVP/UVP/OC, Adjustable Vout, and Soft-Start PSM/FCCM Modes

## 1 Features

- 4.5-V to 18-V input voltage range
- 0.6-V to 5.5-V output voltage range
- Integrated 22-mΩ and 11-mΩ MOSFETs
- Support 8-A continuous  $I_{OUT}$
- 84-μA low quiescent current
- ±1% reference voltage (0.6 V) at 25°C
- ±1.5% reference voltage (0.6 V) at -40°C to 125°C
- 600-kHz switching frequency
- D-CAP3™ control mode for fast transient response
- Supports POSCAP and all MLCC output capacitor
- Output discharge function
- Adjustable soft start
- Selectable PSM and FCCM under light load
- Power-good indicator to monitor output voltage
- Auto recover output OV and UV protection
- Non-latched UVLO and OT protection
- Cycle-by-cycle overcurrent protection
- Built-in output discharge feature
- Small 2.00-mm × 3.00-mm HotRod™ QFN package

## 2 Applications

- TV and STB, point-of-load (POL)
- Server, storage, and networking point-of-load
- Industrial PC and factory automation applications
- Distributed power systems with typical 5-V, 12-V, 15-V input



TPS568236 Typical Application

## 3 Description

The TPS568236 is monolithic, 8-A, synchronous buck converters with adaptive on-time D-CAP3 control mode. Integrated low  $R_{DS(on)}$  power MOSFETs enable high efficiency and offer ease-of-use with minimum external component count for space-constrained power systems. Features include an accurate reference voltage, fast load transient response, auto-skip mode operation for light load efficiency, forced PWM mode for fixed switching frequency, D-CAP3 control mode with good line, load regulation, and does not require external compensation.

The TPS568236 provides complete protection OVP, UVP, OCP, OTP and UVLO. The device is a combined power-good signal and output discharge function.

The TPS568236 supports both internal and external soft-start time option. The device has the internal fixed soft-start time 1 ms. If the application needs longer soft-start time, the external SS pin can be used to achieve it by connecting the external capacitor

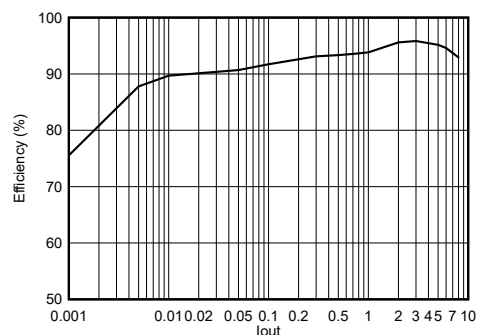
The TPS568236 is available in a thermally enhanced 12-pin QFN package and is designed to operate from -40°C to 125°C junction temperature.

### Package Information

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE <sup>(1)</sup>	PACKAGE SIZE <sup>(2)</sup>
TPS568236	RJN (VQFN-HR, 12)	3.00 mm × 2.00 mm

(1) For more information, see [Section 10](#).

(2) The package size (length × width) is a nominal value and includes pins, where applicable.



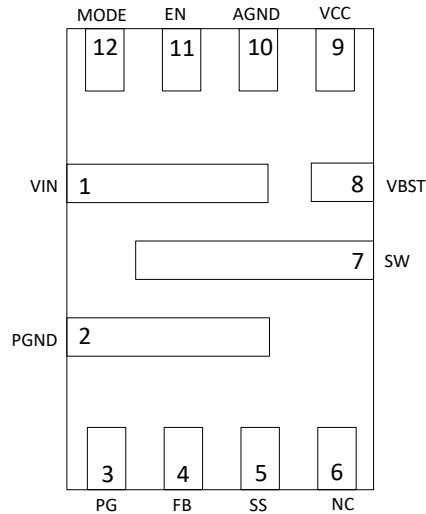
Efficiency Curve,  $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 5\text{ V}$ , PSM Mode



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## 4 Pin Configuration and Functions



**Figure 4-1. RJN Package 12-Pin VQFN-HR (Top View)**

**Table 4-1. Pin Functions**

PIN		TYPE <sup>(1)</sup>	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
VIN	1	P	Input voltage supply pin for the control circuitry. Connect the input decoupling capacitors between VIN and PGND.
PGND	2	G	Power ground terminal for the internal power FET.
PG	3	O	Open Drain Power-Good Indicator. This pin is asserted low if output voltage is out of PG threshold, overvoltage or if the device is under thermal shutdown, EN shutdown or during soft start.
FB	4	I	TPS568236 uses FB pin to regulate output voltage via feedback resistor divider network.
SS	5	I/O	Soft-start time selection pin. Connecting an external capacitor sets the soft-start time and if no external capacitor is connected, the soft-start time is approximately 1 ms.
NC	6	—	No connect pin
SW	7	O	Switch node terminal. Connect the output inductor to this pin.
VBST	8	I	Supply input for the high-side MOSFET gate drive. Connect the bootstrap capacitor between VBST and SW.
VCC	9	O	5-V internal VCC LDO output. This pin supplies voltage to the internal circuitry and gate driver. Bypass this pin with a 1- $\mu$ F capacitor.
AGND	10	G	Ground of internal analog circuitry. Connect AGND to PGND at a single point close to AGND.
EN	11	I	Enable pin of buck converter. EN pin is a digital input pin, pull up to enable the converter, pull down to disable. Internal pulldown if EN pin is floating.
MODE	12	I	Mode selection pin. Connect MODE pin to VCC, or pull above 0.8 V for OOA mode operation, connect MODE to AGND or float for Power Save Mode. Internal pulldown if MODE pin is floating.

(1) I = input, O = output, P = power, G = ground

## 5 Specifications

### 5.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Over operating junction temperature range (unless otherwise noted) <sup>(1)</sup>

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
Input voltage	VIN	-0.3	22	V
Input voltage	VBST	-0.3	27	V
Input voltage	VBST - SW	-0.3	6	V
Input voltage	EN, FB, MODE, SS	-0.3	6	V
Output voltage	SW (10-ns transient)	-4	23	V
Output voltage	SW	-1.0	22	V
Output voltage	PG	-0.3	6	V
Output voltage	VCC	0	6	V
Voltage	PGND, AGND	-0.3	0.3	V
Output voltage	VCC	0	6	V
T <sub>J</sub>	Operating junction temperature	-40	150	°C
T <sub>stg</sub>	Storage temperature	-55	150	°C

- (1) Operation outside the Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent device damage. Absolute Maximum Ratings do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those listed under Recommended Operating Conditions. If used outside the Recommended Operating Conditions but within the Absolute Maximum Ratings, the device may not be fully functional, and this may affect device reliability, functionality, performance, and shorten the device lifetime.

### 5.2 ESD Ratings

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

### 5.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

Over operating junction temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

		MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
Input voltage range	VIN	4.5		18	V
Input voltage range	VBST	-0.1		23	V
Input voltage range	VBST – SW	-0.1		5.5	V
Input voltage range	EN, FB, MODE, SS	-0.3		5.5	V
Output voltage range	SW	-1.0		18	V
Output voltage range	PG, VCC	-0.1		5.5	V
Output current range	I <sub>OUT</sub>			8	A
T <sub>J</sub>		-40		125	°C

## 5.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>		DEVICE		UNIT
		RJNR (QFN, JEDEC)	RJNR (QFN, TI EVM)	
		12 PINS	12 PINS	
R <sub>θJA</sub>	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	72.7	37.2	°C/W
R <sub>θJC(top)</sub>	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	50.1	Not Applicable <sup>(2)</sup>	°C/W
R <sub>θJB</sub>	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	18.7	Not Applicable <sup>(2)</sup>	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JT</sub>	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	1.8	3.7	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JB</sub>	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	18.4	18.5	°C/W

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the [Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics](#) application report.
- (2) The thermal simulation setup is not applicable to a TI EVM layout.

## 5.5 Electrical Characteristics

MODE connected to AGND, V<sub>EN</sub> = 3.3V; T<sub>J</sub> = -40°C to +125°C, Typical values are at T<sub>J</sub> = 25°C and V<sub>VIN</sub> = 12 V (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
<b>INPUT SUPPLY (VIN)</b>						
V <sub>IN</sub>	Input voltage range	V <sub>IN</sub>	4.5		18	V
I <sub>VIN</sub>	VIN supply current (Quiescent)	No load, V <sub>EN</sub> = 3.3 V, non-switching		84		μA
I <sub>INSDN</sub>	VIN shutdown current	No load, V <sub>EN</sub> = 0 V, PG open		3.7		μA
<b>UVLO</b>						
V <sub>VCC UVLO_R</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> undervoltage lockout	V <sub>VCC</sub> rising		4.2	4.42	V
V <sub>VCC UVLO_F</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> undervoltage lockout	V <sub>VCC</sub> falling	3.65	3.85		V
V <sub>VCC UVLO_H</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> undervoltage lockout	Hysteresis V <sub>CC</sub> voltage		350	650	mV
<b>ENABLE (EN), MODE</b>						
V <sub>EN_R</sub>	EN threshold high-level	V <sub>EN</sub> rising		1.31	1.5	V
V <sub>EN_F</sub>	EN threshold low-level	V <sub>EN</sub> falling	1.0	1.13		V
V <sub>EN_H</sub>	EN threshold low-level	Hysteresis		180		mV
I <sub>EN</sub>	EN pulldown current	V <sub>EN</sub> = 0.8 V	1.3	2.3		μA
V <sub>IL,MODE</sub>	Low-level input voltage at MODE Pin		0.4			V
V <sub>IH,MODE</sub>	High-level input voltage at MODE Pin				0.8	V
I <sub>MODE</sub>	MODE pulldown current	V <sub>MODE</sub> = 0.8 V	1.3	2.3	3.5	μA
<b>VCC</b>						
V <sub>VCC</sub>	VCC output voltage	V <sub>VIN</sub> > 5.2 V, I <sub>VCC</sub> ≤ 1 mA	4.85	5	5.15	V
<b>FEEDBACK VOLTAGE (FB)</b>						
V <sub>FB_REG</sub>	Feedback regulation voltage	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C	594	600	606	mV
	Feedback regulation voltage	-40°C ≤ T <sub>J</sub> ≤ 125°C	591	600	609	mV
<b>DUTY CYCLE and FREQUENCY CONTROL</b>						
f <sub>SW</sub>	Switching frequency	CCM operation		600		kHz
t <sub>ON(min)</sub>	Minimum ON pulse width	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C		65	75	ns
t <sub>OFF(min)</sub>	Minimum OFF pulse width	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C			190	ns
<b>SOFT-START</b>						
t <sub>SS</sub>	Internal fixed soft start		0.55	1	1.35	ms
I <sub>SS</sub>	Soft Start charge current		4	5	6	μA
<b>POWER SWITCHES (SW)</b>						
R <sub>DSON(HS)</sub>	High-side MOSFET on-resistance	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C		22		mΩ
R <sub>DSON(LS)</sub>	Low-side MOSFET on-resistance	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C		11		mΩ
<b>CURRENT LIMIT</b>						
I <sub>OCL</sub>	Low-side valley current limit	Valley current limit on LS FET	9.5	11	12.5	A
I <sub>NOCL</sub>	Low-side negative current limit	Sinking current limit on LS FET		3.9		A

## 5.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)

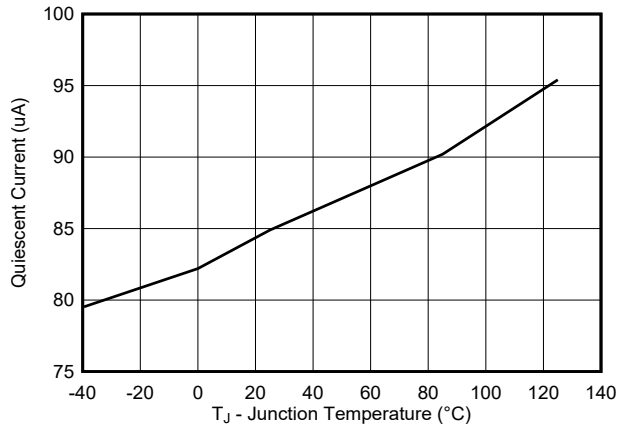
MODE connected to AGND,  $V_{EN} = 3.3V$ ;  $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$  to  $+125^{\circ}C$ , Typical values are at  $T_J = 25^{\circ}C$  and  $V_{VIN} = 12V$  (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
<b>OUTPUT UNDERVOLTAGE AND OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION</b>						
$V_{OVP}$	OVP trip threshold		117	120	123	%
$t_{OVPDLY}$	OVP prop deglitch			20		$\mu s$
$t_{OVPDLY}$	OVP latch-off prop deglitch			256		$\mu s$
$V_{UVP}$	UVP trip threshold		55	60	65	%
$t_{UVPDLY}$	UVP prop deglitch			256		$\mu s$
<b>POWER GOOD (PG)</b>						
$t_{PGDLY}$	PG start-up delay	PG from low to high		500		$\mu s$
$t_{PGDLY}$	PG delay time when $V_{FB}$ rising (fault)	PG from high to low		20		$\mu s$
$t_{PGDLY}$	PG delay time when $V_{FB}$ falling (fault)	PG from high to low		28		$\mu s$
$V_{PGTH}$	PG threshold when $V_{FB}$ falling (fault)	$V_{FB}$ falling (fault), percentage of $V_{FB}$	79	85	89	%
$V_{PGTH}$	PG threshold when $V_{FB}$ rising (good)	$V_{FB}$ rising (good), percentage of $V_{FB}$	86	90	94	%
$V_{PGTH}$	PG threshold when $V_{FB}$ rising (fault)	$V_{FB}$ rising (fault), percentage of $V_{FB}$	116	120	124	%
$V_{PGTH}$	PG threshold when $V_{FB}$ falling (good)	$V_{FB}$ falling (good), percentage of $V_{FB}$	109	115	119	%
$I_{PGMAX}$	PG sink current	$V_{PG} = 0.5V$		50		mA
$I_{PGLK}$	PG leak current	$V_{PG} = 5.5V$			1	$\mu A$
<b>OUTPUT DISCHARGE</b>						
$R_{DIS}$	Discharge resistance	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$ , $V_{EN} = 0V$		160		$\Omega$
<b>THERMAL SHUTDOWN</b>						
$T_{J(SD)}$	Thermal shutdown threshold			165		$^{\circ}C$
$T_{J(HYS)}$	Thermal shutdown hysteresis <sup>(1)</sup>			20		$^{\circ}C$

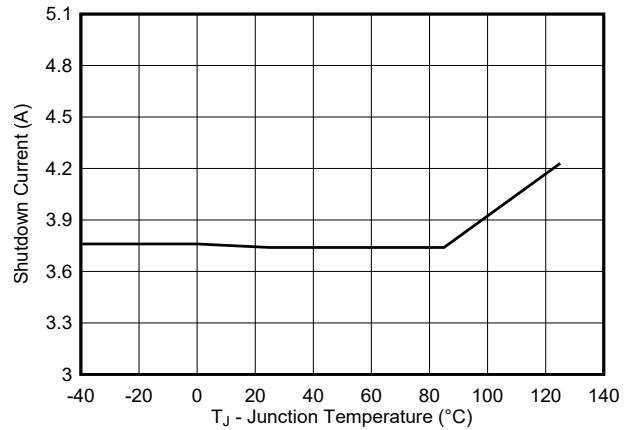
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## 5.6 Typical Characteristics

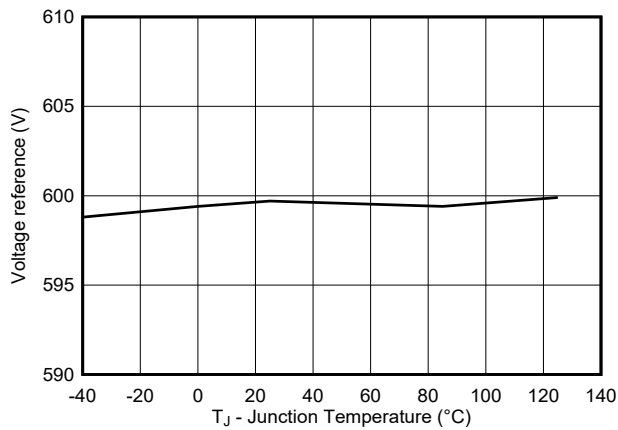
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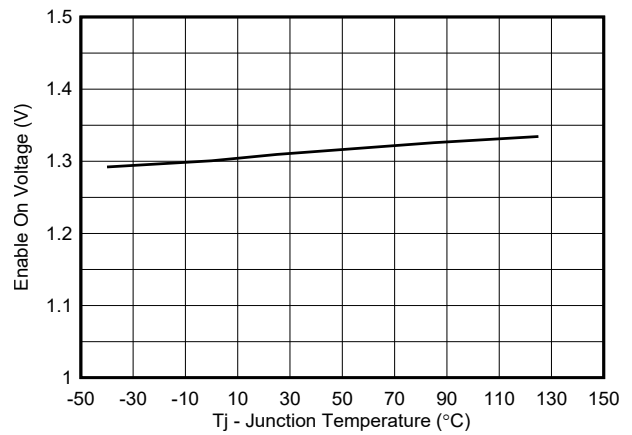
**Figure 5-1. Quiescent Current vs Temperature**



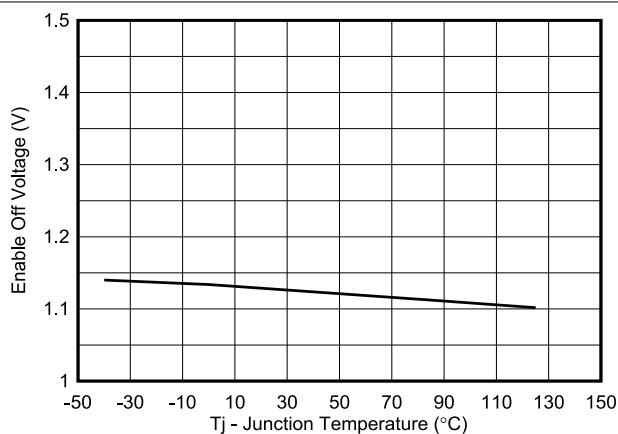
**Figure 5-2. Shutdown Current vs Temperature**



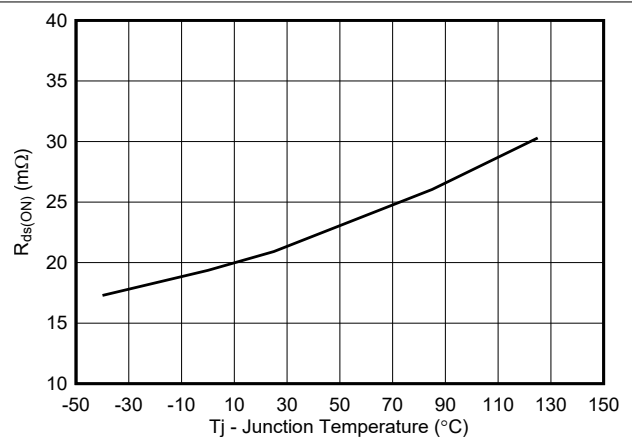
**Figure 5-3. Voltage Reference vs Temperature**



**Figure 5-4. Enable On Voltage vs Temperature**



**Figure 5-5. Enable Off Voltage vs Temperature**



**Figure 5-6. High-side R<sub>DS(on)</sub> vs Temperature**

### 5.6 Typical Characteristics (continued)

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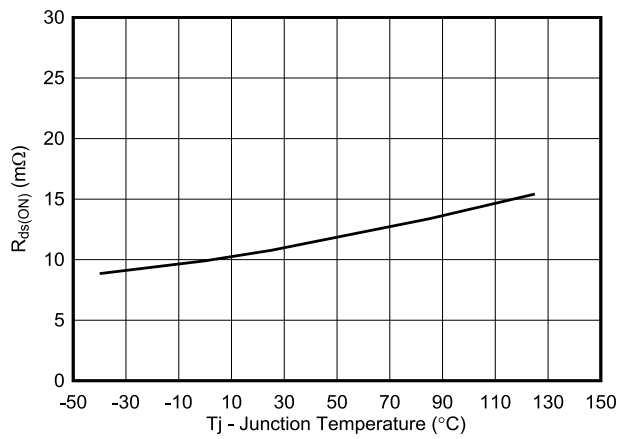


Figure 5-7. Low-side  $R_{DS(on)}$  vs Temperature

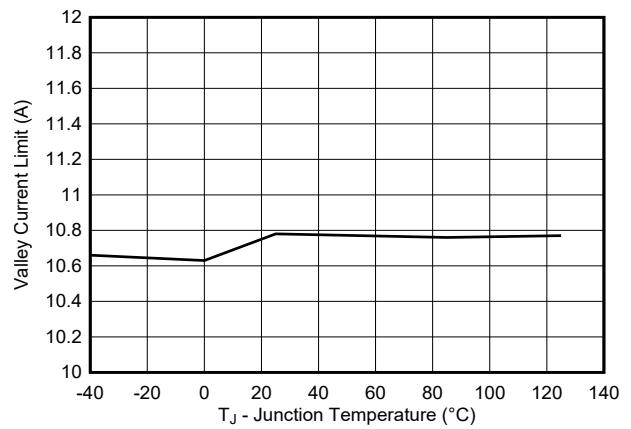


Figure 5-8. Valley Current Limit vs Temperature

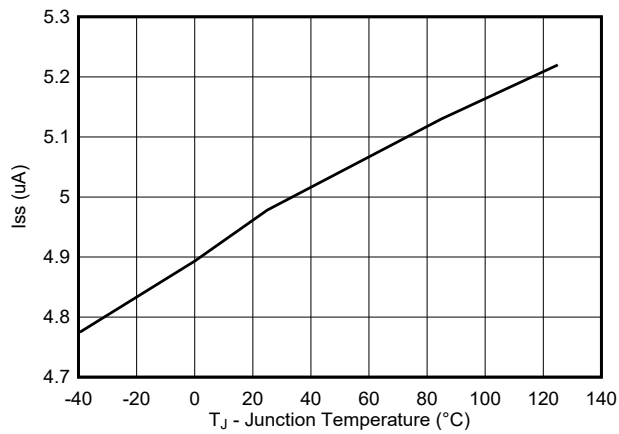


Figure 5-9.  $I_{SS}$  vs Temperature



## 6 Detailed Description

### 6.1 Overview

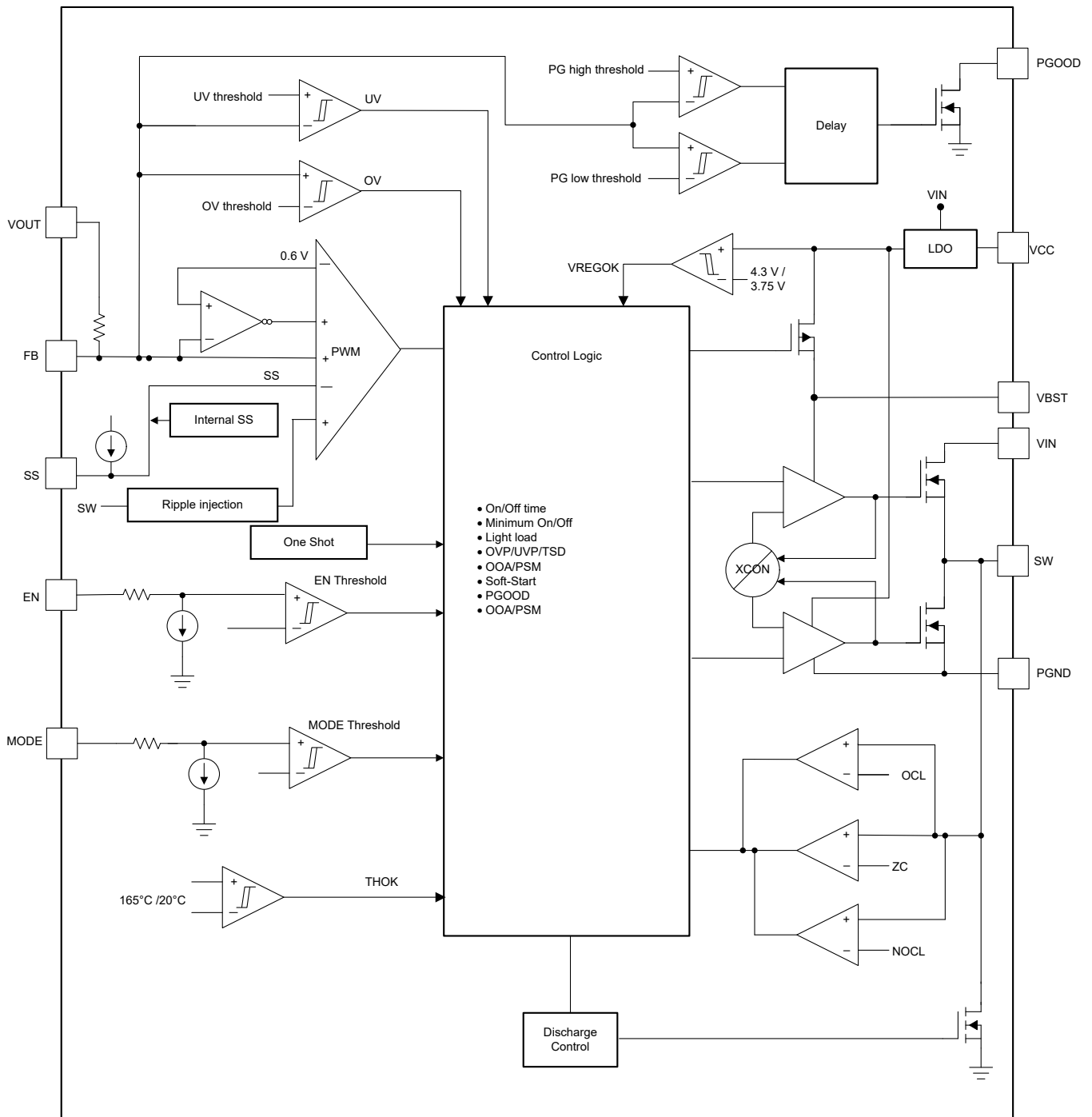
The TPS568236 is an 8-A, integrated, FET, synchronous buck converter which operates from 4.5-V to 18-V input voltage (VIN), and the output is from 0.6 V to 5.5 V. The proprietary D-CAP3 control mode enables low external component count, ease of design, optimization of the power design for cost, size, and efficiency.

The key feature of the TPS568236 is ultra-low quiescent current (ULQ™) DC/DC converters mode. This feature is beneficial for long battery life in system standby mode.

The device employs D-CAP3 control mode that provides fast transient response with no external compensation components and an accurate feedback voltage. The control topology provides seamless transition between CCM operating mode at higher load condition and DCM operation at lighter load condition. Eco-mode allows the TPS568236 to maintain high efficiency at light load. FCCM mode makes fixed switching frequency which maintains lower output ripple during all load conditions.

The TPS568236 is able to adapt to both low equivalent series resistance (ESR) output capacitors such as POSCAP or SP-CAP, and ultra-low ESR ceramic capacitors.

## 6.2 Functional Block Diagram



## 6.3 Feature Description

### 6.3.1 PWM Operation and D-CAP3™ Control Mode

The TPS568236 operates using the adaptive on-time PWM control with a proprietary D-CAP3 control mode which enables low external component count with a fast load transient response while maintaining a good output voltage accuracy. At the beginning of each switching cycle, the high side MOSFET is turned on for an on-time set by an internal one shot timer. This on-time is set based on the converter input voltage, output voltage, and the pseudo-fixed frequency hence this type of control topology is called an adaptive on-time control. The one shot timer resets and turns on again after the feedback voltage ( $V_{FB}$ ) falls below the internal reference voltage ( $V_{REF}$ ). An internal ramp is generated which is fed to the FB pin to simulate the output voltage ripple. This action enables the use of very low-ESR output capacitors such as multi-layered ceramic caps (MLCC). No external current sense network or loop compensation is required for D-CAP3 control mode topology.

The TPS568236 includes an error amplifier that makes the output voltage very accurate. For any control topology that is compensated internally, there is a range of the output filter it can support. The output filter used is a low pass L-C circuit. This L-C filter has double pole that is described in the following equation.

$$f_P = \frac{1}{2 \times \pi \times \sqrt{L_{OUT} \times C_{OUT}}} \quad (1)$$

At low frequencies, the overall loop gain is set by the output set-point resistor divider network and the internal gain. The low frequency L-C double pole has a 180 degree in phase. At the output filter frequency, the gain rolls off at a  $-40\text{dB}$  per decade rate and the phase drops rapidly. The internal ripple generation network introduces a high-frequency zero that reduces the gain roll off from  $-40\text{dB}$  to  $-20\text{dB}$  per decade and increases the phase to 90 degree one decade above the zero frequency. The internal ripple injection high frequency zero is optimized to provide fast transient response performance and also give an consideration to meet the stability requirement with typical external L-C filter. The inductor and capacitor selected for the output filter must be such that the double pole is located close enough to the high-frequency zero so that the phase boost provided by this high-frequency zero provides adequate phase margin for the stability requirement. The crossover frequency of the overall system must usually be targeted to be less than one-fifth of the switching frequency ( $F_{SW}$ ).

### 6.3.2 VCC LDO

The VCC pin is the output of the internal 5.0-V linear regulator that creates the bias for all the internal circuitry and MOSFET gate drivers. The VCC pin needs to be bypassed with a 1- $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor. The UVLO circuit monitors the VCC pin voltage and disables the output when VCC falls below the UVLO threshold.

### 6.3.3 Soft Start

The TPS568236 has an internal 1-ms soft start, and also an external SS pin is provided for setting higher soft-start time if needed. When the EN pin becomes high, the soft-start function begins ramping up the reference voltage to the PWM comparator.

If the application needs a larger soft-start time, this soft-start time can be set by connecting a capacitor on SS pin. When the EN pin becomes high, the soft-start charge current ( $I_{SS}$ ) begins charging the external capacitor ( $C_{SS}$ ) connected between SS and AGND. The devices tracks the lower of the internal soft-start voltage or the external soft-start voltage as the reference. The equation for the soft-start time ( $T_{SS}$ ) is shown in the following equation:

$$T_{SS} = \frac{C_{SS}(\text{nF}) \times V_{REF}(\text{V}) \times 1.4}{I_{SS}(\mu\text{A})} \quad (2)$$

where

- $V_{ref}$  is 0.6 V and  $I_{SS}$  is 5  $\mu\text{A}$
- 1.4 is typical value of correlation factor

### 6.3.4 Enable Control

The EN pin controls the turn-on and turn-off of the device. When the EN pin voltage is above the turn-on threshold, which is around 1.31 V, the device starts switching. When the EN pin voltage falls below the turn-off threshold, which is around 1.13 V, the device stops switching.

### 6.3.5 Power Good

The Power-Good (PGOOD) pin is an open drain output. After the FB pin voltage is between 90% and 115% of the internal reference voltage ( $V_{REF}$ ), the PGOOD is de-asserted and floats after a 500- $\mu$ s de-glitch time. TI recommends a pullup resistor of 100 k $\Omega$  to pull up to VCC. The PGOOD pin is pulled low when the FB pin voltage is lower than  $V_{UVP}$  or greater than  $V_{OVP}$  threshold or in an event of thermal shutdown or during the soft-start period.

### 6.3.6 Overcurrent Protection and Undervoltage Protection

The output overcurrent limit (OCL) is implemented using a cycle-by-cycle valley detect control circuit. The switch current is monitored during the OFF state by measuring the low-side FET drain to source voltage. This voltage is proportional to the switch current. During the on time of the high-side FET switch, the switch current increases at a linear rate determined by input voltage, output voltage, the on-time and the output inductor value. During the on time of the low-side FET switch, this current decreases linearly. The average value of the switch current is the load current  $I_{OUT}$ . If the measured drain to source voltage of the low-side FET is above the voltage proportional to current limit, the low side FET stays on until the current level becomes lower than the OCL level which reduces the output current available. When the current is limited the output voltage tends to drop because the load demand is higher than what the converter can support. When the output voltage falls below 60% of the target voltage, the UVP comparator detects it and shuts down the device after a wait time of 256  $\mu$ s. In this type of valley detect control, the load current is higher than the OCL threshold by one half of the peak to peak inductor ripple current. When the over current condition is removed, the output recovers.

### 6.3.7 UVLO Protection

Undervoltage Lock Out protection (UVLO) monitors the internal VCC regulator voltage. When the VCC voltage is lower than UVLO threshold voltage, the device is shut off. This protection is non-latching.

### 6.3.8 Overvoltage Protection

TPS568236 detects overvoltage and undervoltage conditions by monitoring the feedback voltage (VFB). When the feedback voltage becomes higher than 120% of the target voltage, the OVP comparator output goes high and output is discharged after a wait time of 20  $\mu$ s. When the OV fault comparator has been tripped for 256  $\mu$ s, the part latches off. When the overvoltage condition is removed, the output voltage recovers.

### 6.3.9 Output Voltage Discharge

TPS568236 has a 160-ohm discharge switch that discharges the output  $V_{OUT}$  through the Vout pin during any event of fault like output overvoltage, output undervoltage, TSD, or if VCC voltage is below the UVLO and when the EN pin voltage ( $V_{EN}$ ) is below the turn-on threshold.

### 6.3.10 Thermal Shutdown

The device monitors the internal die temperature. If this temperature exceeds the thermal shutdown threshold value ( $T_{SDN}$  typically 165°C) the device shuts off. This protection is a non-latch protection. The device re-starts switching when the temperature goes below the thermal shutdown threshold and 20°C hysteresis.

## 6.4 Device Functional Modes

### 6.4.1 MODE Pin

TPS568236 has a MODE pin that can be used to toggle mode of the device by pulling high (> 0.8 V) or low (< 0.4 V). When the MODE pin is pulled high, the pin enables the converter to operate in Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (FCCM). When the MODE pin is pulled low or float, the converter goes into Power Save Mode (PSM). The MODE pin can be toggled dynamically, even when the converter is in operation

#### **6.4.2 Forced Continuous Conduction Operation**

Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (FCCM) allows TPS568236 to maintain a constant switching frequency over the entire load range, which is designed for applications requiring tight control of the switching frequency and output voltage ripple at the cost of lower efficiency under light load. For some audio application, this mode can help avoid switching frequency drop into audible range that can introduce some noise.

#### **6.4.3 Power Save Mode (PSM)**

The TPS568236 can be placed in power save mode by floating the MODE pin or pulling the MODE pin low (< 0.4 V), which is helpful to improve efficiency at light load.

## 7 Application and Implementation

### Note

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### 7.1 Application Information

The schematic shows a typical application for TPS568236. This design converts an input voltage range of 6 V to 18 V down to 5.1 V with a maximum output current of 8 A.

### 7.2 Typical Application

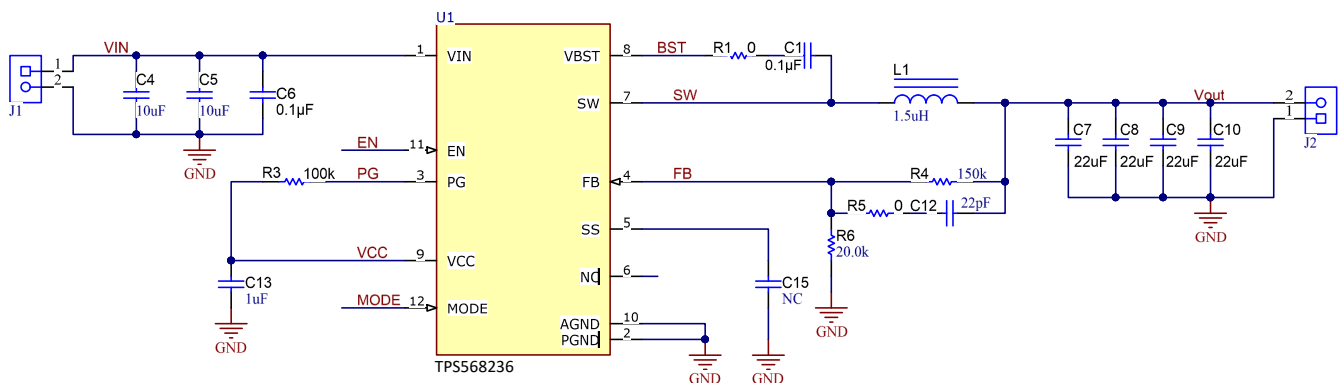


Figure 7-1. Application Schematic

#### 7.2.1 Design Requirements

Table 7-1. Design Parameters

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$V_{OUT}$	Output voltage		5.1		V
$I_{OUT}$	Output current			8	A
$V_{IN}$	Input voltage	6	12	18	V
$V_{OUT(ripple)}$	Output voltage ripple	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}, I_{OUT} = 8\text{ A}$		50	mV <sub>(P-P)</sub>
$F_{SW}$	Switching frequency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}, I_{OUT} = 8\text{ A}$		600	kHz
Operating Mode		Float MODE pin		PSM	
$T_A$	Ambient temperature		25		°C

#### 7.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

##### 7.2.2.1 External Component Selection

###### 7.2.2.1.1 Inductor Selection

The inductor ripple current is filtered by the output capacitor. A higher inductor ripple current means the output capacitor must have a ripple current rating higher than the inductor ripple current. See the [Recommended Operating Conditions](#) for recommended inductor values.

Calculate the RMS and peak currents through the inductor using [Equation 3](#) and [Equation 4](#). Make sure that the inductor is rated to handle these currents.

$$I_{L(\text{rms})} = \sqrt{\left( I_{\text{OUT}}^2 + \frac{1}{12} \times \left( \frac{V_{\text{OUT}} \times (V_{\text{IN}(\text{max})} - V_{\text{OUT}})}{V_{\text{IN}(\text{max})} \times L_{\text{OUT}} \times F_{\text{SW}}} \right)^2 \right)} \quad (3)$$

$$I_{L(\text{peak})} = I_{\text{OUT}} + \frac{I_{\text{OUT}(\text{ripple})}}{2} \quad (4)$$

During transient, short-circuit conditions, the inductor current can increase up to the current limit of the device, so choose an inductor with a saturation current higher than the peak current under current limit condition.

#### 7.2.2.1.2 Output Capacitor Selection

After selecting the inductor the output capacitor must be optimized. In D-CAP3 control mode, the regulator reacts within one cycle to the change in the duty cycle so the good transient performance can be achieved without needing large amounts of output capacitance. The recommended output capacitance range is given in [Table 7-2](#).

Ceramic capacitors have very low ESR, otherwise the maximum ESR of the capacitor must be less than  $V_{\text{OUT}(\text{ripple})} / I_{\text{OUT}(\text{ripple})}$

**Table 7-2. Recommended Component Values**

V <sub>OUT</sub> (V)	R <sub>LOWER</sub> (Kohm)	R <sub>UPPER</sub> (Kohm)	F <sub>sw</sub> (kHz)	Typical L <sub>OUT</sub> (μH)	C <sub>OUT(Range)</sub> (μF)	C <sub>FF(Range)</sub> (pF)
1	30	20	600	0.68/0.82	44-500	—
1.8	20	40	600	1/1.2	44-500	0-470
3.3	20	90	600	1.5/2.2	44-500	0-470
5	20	147	600	1.5/2.2	44-500	0-470

#### 7.2.2.1.3 Input Capacitor Selection

The minimum input capacitance required is given in [Equation 5](#).

$$C_{\text{IN}(\text{min})} = \frac{I_{\text{OUT}} \times V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}(\text{ripple})} \times V_{\text{IN}} \times F_{\text{SW}}} \quad (5)$$

TI recommends using a high quality X5R or X7R input decoupling capacitors of 22 μF on the input voltage pin. The voltage rating on the input capacitor must be greater than the maximum input voltage. The capacitor must also have a ripple current rating greater than the maximum input current ripple of the application. The input ripple current is calculated by [Equation 6](#) below:

$$I_{\text{CIN}(\text{rms})} = I_{\text{OUT}} \times \sqrt{\frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}(\text{min})}} \times \frac{(V_{\text{IN}(\text{min})} - V_{\text{OUT}})}{V_{\text{IN}(\text{min})}}} \quad (6)$$

### 7.2.3 Application Curves

$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.

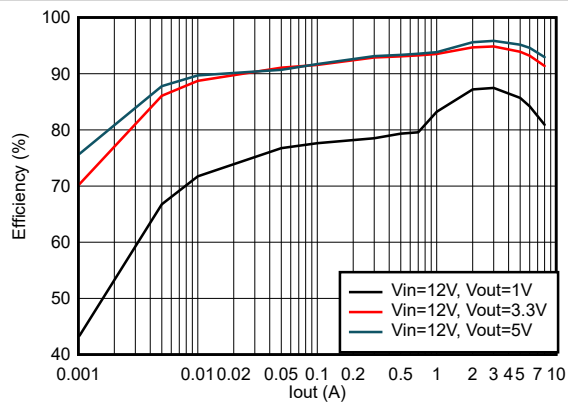


Figure 7-2. Efficiency, PSM Mode

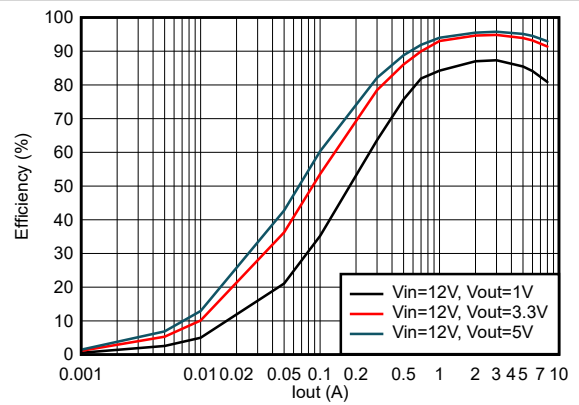


Figure 7-3. Efficiency, FCCM Mode

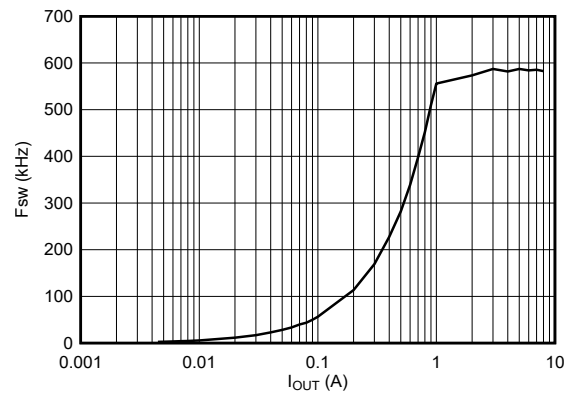


Figure 7-4. Switching Frequency, PSM Mode

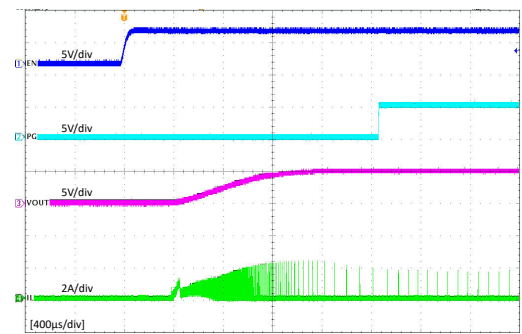


Figure 7-5. Start-Up Relative to EN Rising,  $I_{OUT} = 0.01\text{ A}$ , PSM Mode

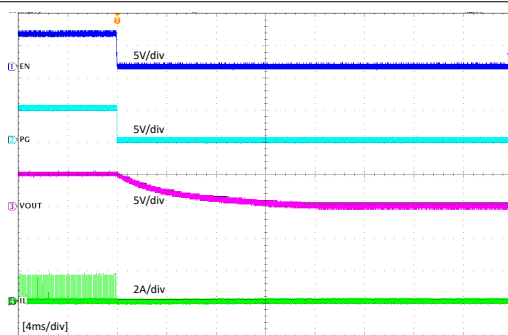


Figure 7-6. Shutdown Relative to EN Falling,  $I_{OUT} = 0.01\text{ A}$ , PSM Mode

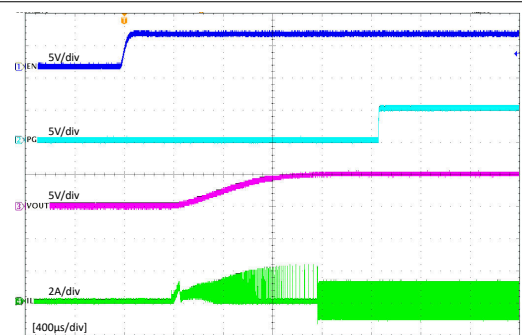
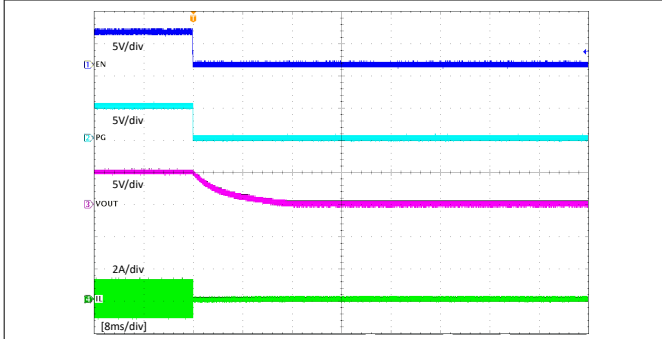
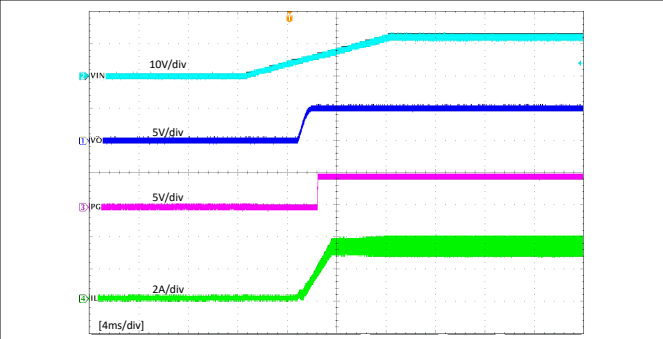


Figure 7-7. Start-Up Relative to EN Rising,  $I_{OUT} = 0.01\text{ A}$ , FCCM Mode

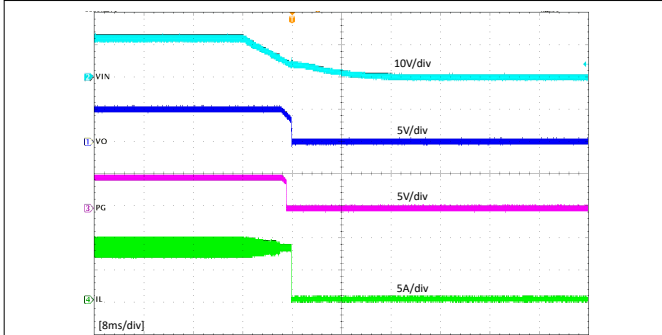




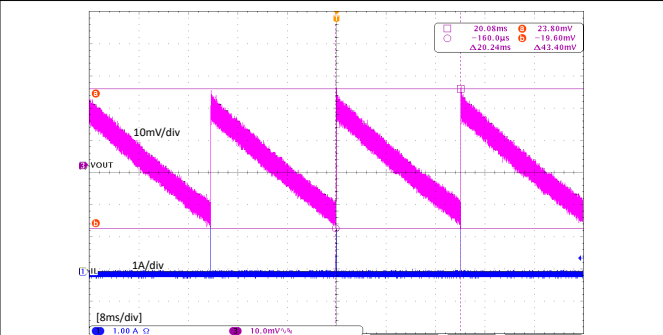
**Figure 7-8. Shutdown Relative to EN Falling, Iout = 0.01 A, FCCM Mode**



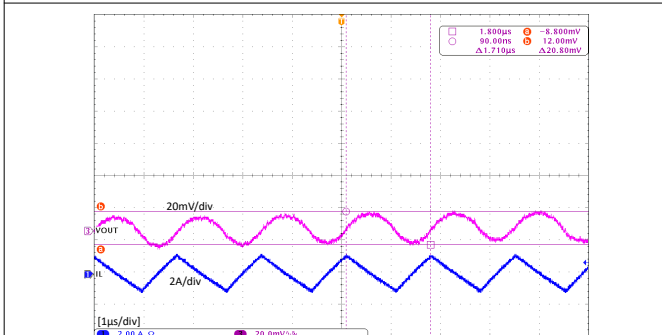
**Figure 7-9. Start-Up Relative to Vin Rising, Iout = 8 A**



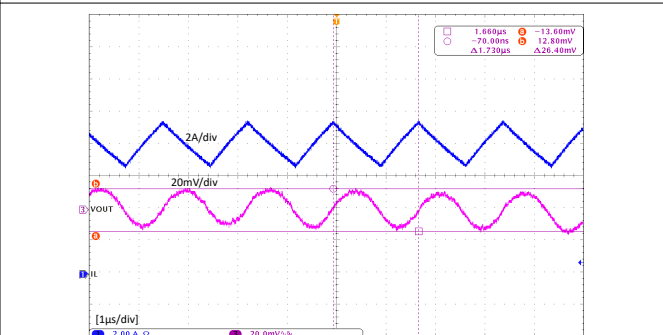
**Figure 7-10. Shutdown Relative to Vin Falling, Iout = 8 A**



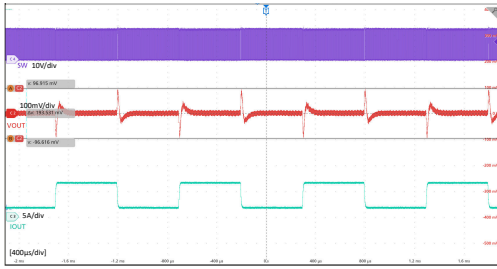
**Figure 7-11. Output Voltage Ripple, Iout = 0 A, PSM Mode**



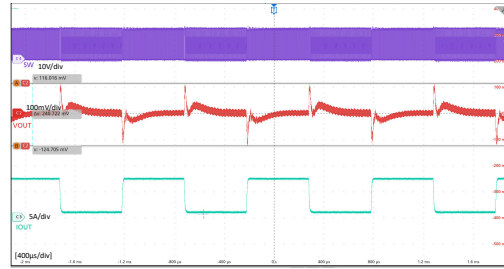
**Figure 7-12. Output Voltage Ripple, Iout = 0 A, FCCM Mode**



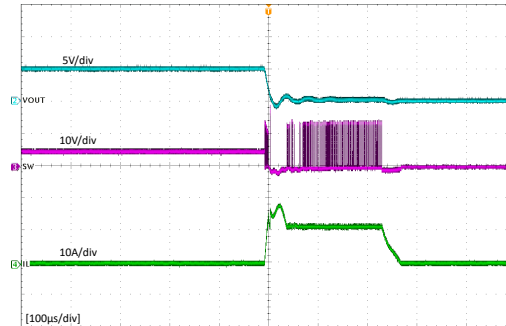
**Figure 7-13. Output Voltage Ripple, Iout = 8 A**



**Figure 7-14. Transient Response, 1.6 A to 6.4 A with 2.5 A/us SR**



**Figure 7-15. Transient Response, 0.8 A to 7.2 A with 2.5 A/us SR**



**Figure 7-16. Normal Operation to Output Hard Short**

### 7.3 Power Supply Recommendations

The TPS568236 are intended to be powered by a well regulated DC voltage. The input voltage range is 4.5 V to 18 V. TPS568236 are buck converters. The input supply voltage must be greater than the desired output voltage for proper operation. Input supply current must be appropriate for the desired output current. If the input voltage supply is located far from the TPS568236 circuit, TI recommends some additional input bulk capacitance. Typical values are 100  $\mu$ F to 470  $\mu$ F.

## 7.4 Layout

### 7.4.1 Layout Guidelines

- Use a four-layer PCB for good thermal performance and with maximum ground plane.
- Have a small bypass capacitor on VIN side of the IC. Place the capacitor as close to IC as possible.
- Route FB and VOUT traces away from the noisy switch node.
- Make VIN and VOUT traces wide to reduce the trace impedance.

### 7.4.2 Layout Example

The following figure shows the recommended top side layout.

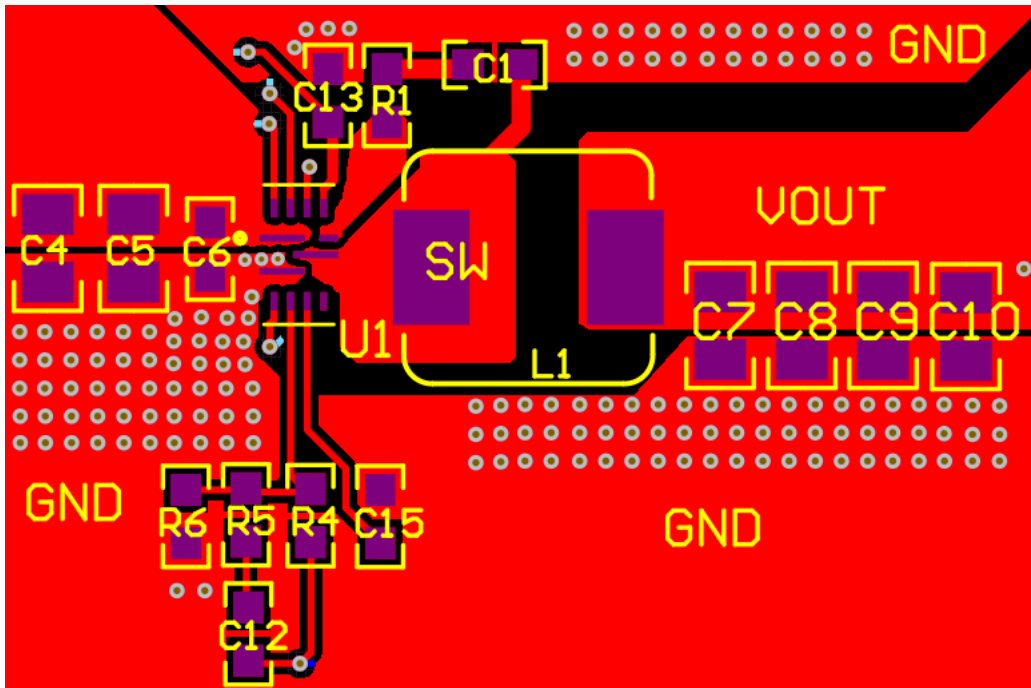


Figure 7-17. Top Side Layout

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#### 8.6 Glossary

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

## 9 Revision History

DATE	REVISION	NOTES
November 2023	*	Initial release

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<a href="#">TPS568236RJNR</a>	Active	Production	VQFN-HR (RJN)   12	3000   LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	568236
TPS568236RJNR.A	Active	Production	VQFN-HR (RJN)   12	3000   LARGE T&R	Yes	SN	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	568236

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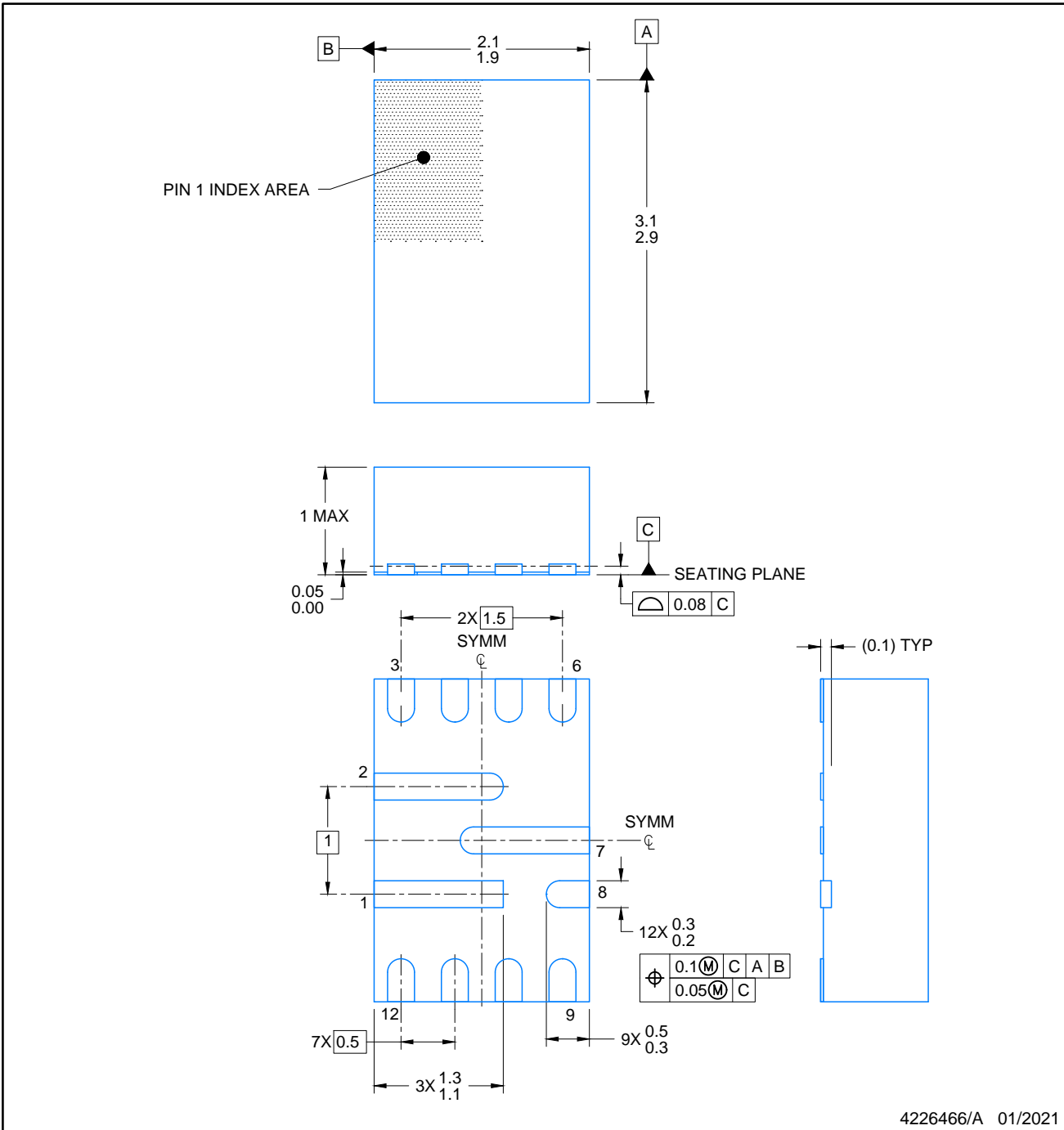
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**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


\*All dimensions are nominal

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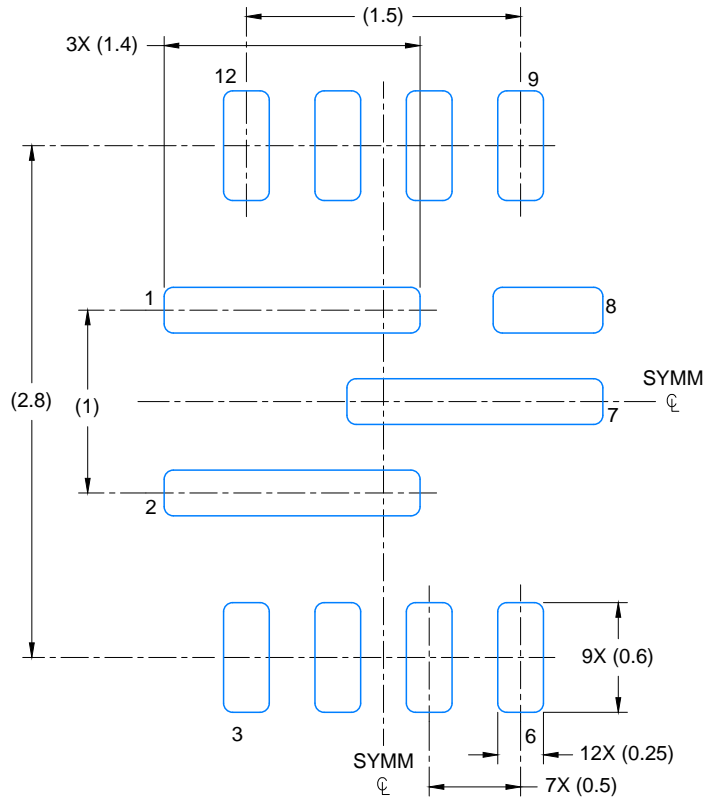
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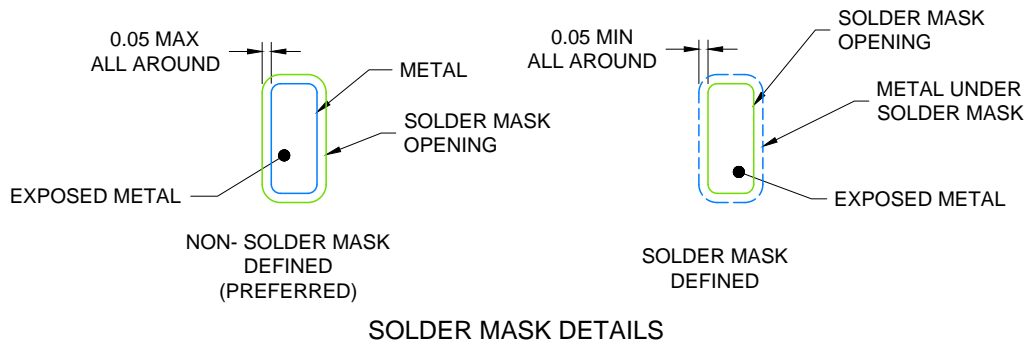
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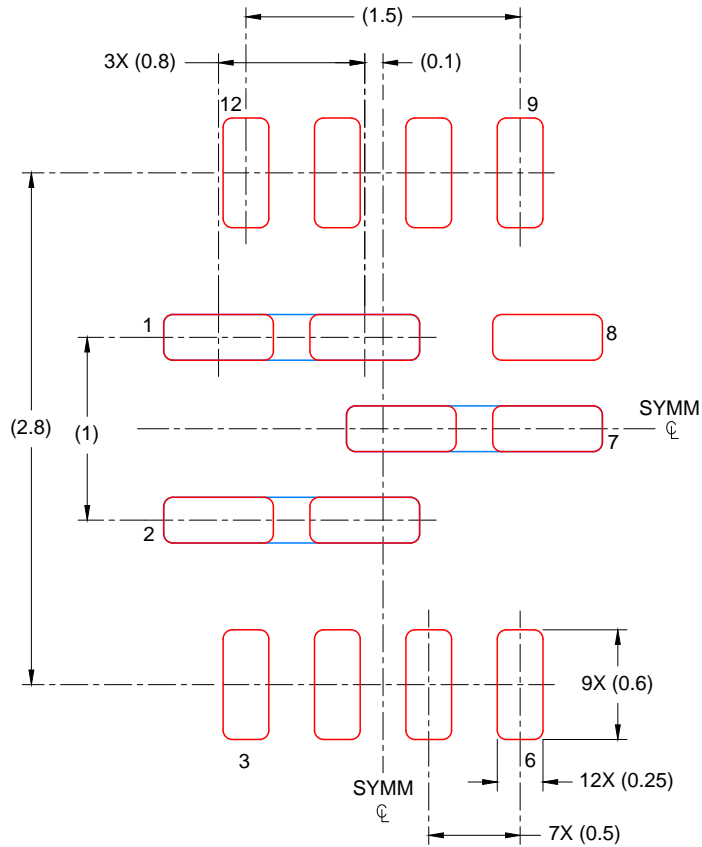
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SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
 BASED ON 0.1mm THICK STENCIL

EXPOSED PAD  
 PINS 1,2,7: 86%  
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