

Using the TPS53316EVM-075

User's Guide



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5-A Step-Down Regulator with Integrated Switcher

1 Introduction

The TPS53316EVM-075 evaluation module (EVM) is a step-down regulator featuring TPS53316. The TPS53316 is a fully integrated step-down regulator employing voltage mode control.

2 Description

The TPS53316EVM-075 is designed to use a 3.3-V or 5-V voltage rail to produce a regulated 1.5-V output at up to 5-A load current. The TPS53316EVM-075 is designed to demonstrate the TPS53316 in a typical low voltage application while providing a number of test points to evaluate the performance of the TPS53316.

2.1 Typical Applications

- Low-Voltage Applications for 5-V Step-Down Rails
- Low-Voltage Applications for 3.3-V Step-Down Rails

2.2 Features

The TPS53316EVM-075 features:

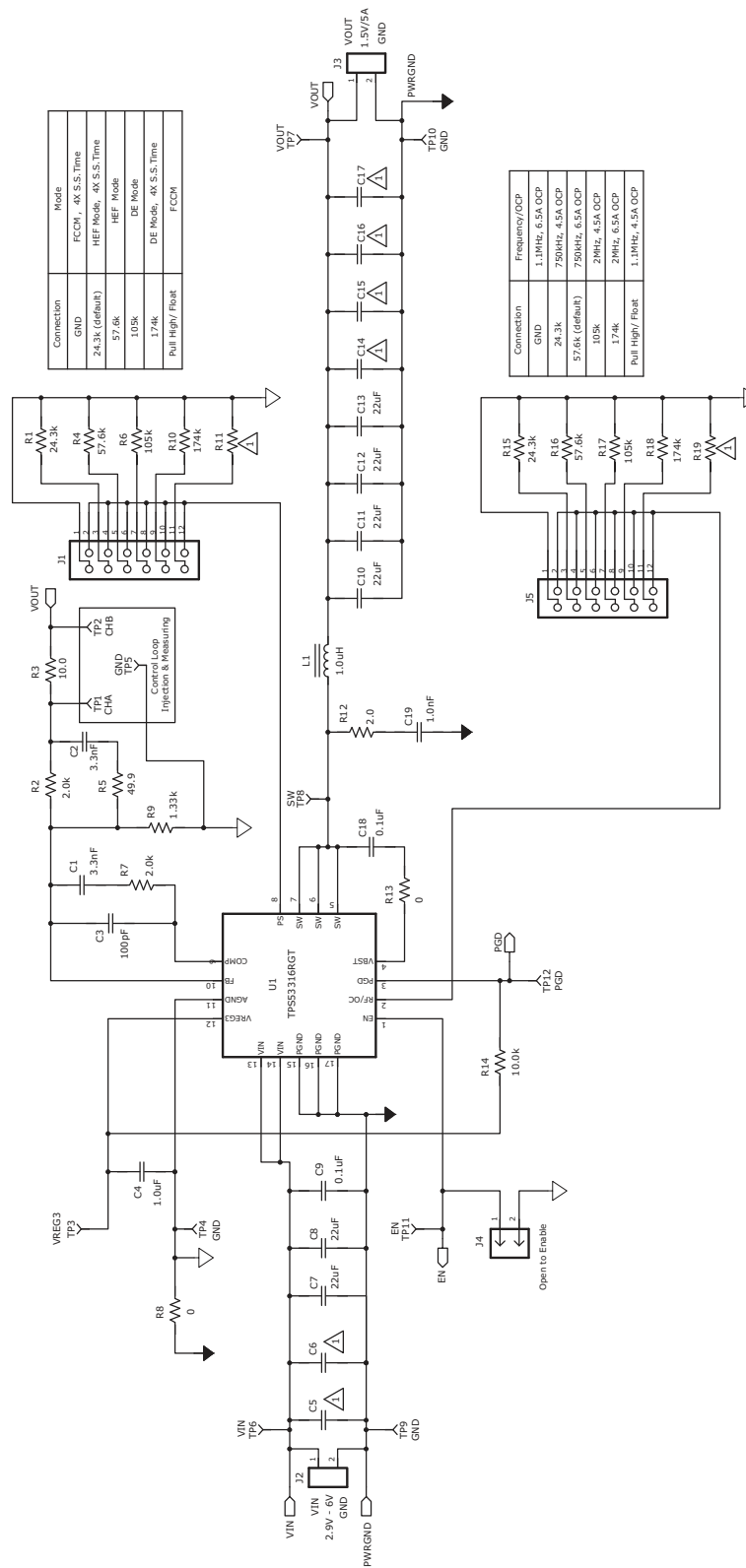
- Continuous 5-A Output Current Capability
- Supports all MLCC Output Capacitors
- Voltage Mode Control
- Selectable Light-Load Operation Modes (Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (FCCM), Diode-Emulation (DE) Mode and High-Efficiency (HEF) Mode)
- Selectable Switching Frequency Settings (750 kHz, 1.1 MHz, and 2.0 MHz)
- Selectable Overcurrent Threshold
- Soft-Stop Output Discharge During Disable
- Over Current, Over Voltage, Under voltage and Over Temperature Protections
- Power Good Indication
- Pre-Bias Output Voltage Start Up
- Convenient Test Points for Probing Critical Waveforms

3 Electrical Performance Specifications

Table 1. TPS53316EVM-075 Electrical Performance Specifications

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Input Characteristics					
Voltage range	V_{IN}	2.9	3.3/5.0	6.0	V
Maximum input current	$V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ A}$		1.76		A
No load input current	$V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$ under DE/HEF mode		3		mA
Output Characteristics					
Output voltage			1.5		V
Output voltage regulation	Setpoint accuracy ($V_{IN} = 2.9\text{ V} - 6.0\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A} - 5\text{ A}$)	-1%		1%	
	Line regulation ($V_{IN} = 2.9\text{ V} - 6.0\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ A}$)		0.1%		
	Load regulation ($V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A} - 5\text{ A}$)		0.1%		
Output voltage ripple	$V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ A}$		10		mV _{PP}
Output load current		0		5	A
Over current limit	$V_{IN} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $f_{SW} = 750\text{ kHz}$		6.5/4.5		
Systems Characteristics					
Switching frequency			0.75/1.1/ 2.0		MHz
Peak efficiency	$V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 1.8\text{ A}$, $f_{SW} = 750\text{ kHz}$		92.7%		
Full-load efficiency	$V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ A}$, $f_{SW} = 750\text{ kHz}$		89.0%		
Operating temperature			25		°C

4 Schematic



Notes: NOT POPULATED

Figure 1. TPS53316EVM-075 Schematic

5 Test Setup

5.1 Test Equipment

Voltage Source, VIN: The input voltage source VIN should be a 0-V to 6-V variable DC source capable of supplying 5 A_{DC}. Connect VIN to J2 as shown in [Figure 3](#).

Multimeters:

- **V1:** VIN at TP6 (VIN) and TP9 (GND), 0-V to 6-V voltmeter
- **V2:** VOUT at TP7 (VOUT) and TP10 (GND)
- **A1:** VIN input current, 0-A_{DC} to 5-A_{DC} Ammeter

Output Load: The output load should be an electronic constant resistance mode load capable of 0 A_{DC} to 5 A_{DC} at 1.5 V.

Oscilloscope: A digital or analog oscilloscope can be used to measure the output ripple. The oscilloscope should be set for 1-MΩ impedance, 20-MHz bandwidth, AC coupling, 1-μs/division horizontal resolution for 750-kHz switching frequency, 20-mV/division vertical resolution. Test points TP7 and TP10 can be used to measure the output ripple voltage by placing the oscilloscope probe tip through TP7 and holding the ground barrel on TP10 as shown in [Figure 2](#). Using a leaded ground connection may induce additional noise due to the large ground loop.

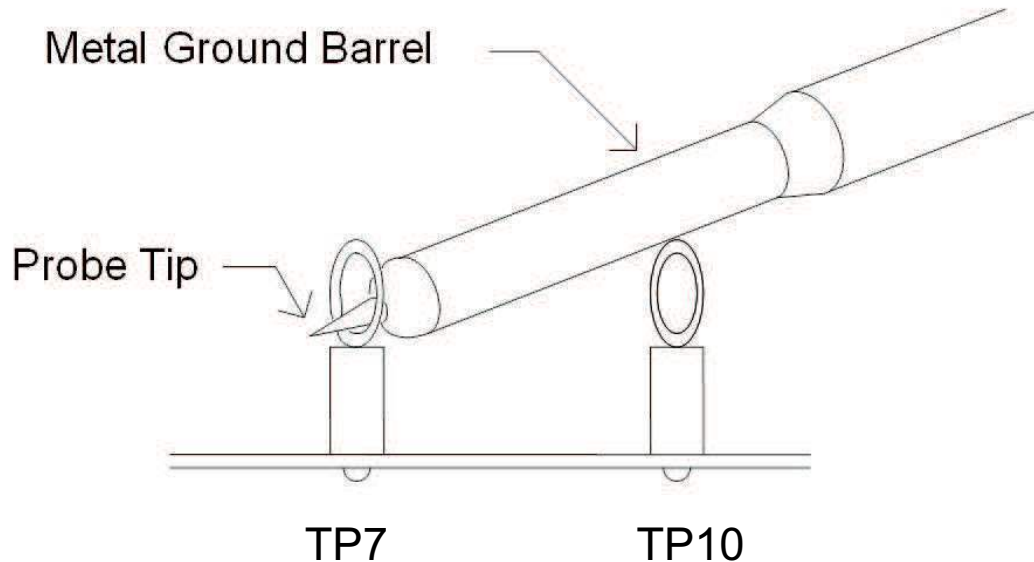


Figure 2. Tip and Barrel Measurement for VOUT Ripple

Fan: Some of the components in this EVM may approach temperatures of 55°C during operation. A small fan capable of 200 LFM to 400 LFM is recommended to reduce component temperatures while the EVM is operating. The EVM should not be probed while the fan is not running.

Recommended Wire Gauge:

- **VIN to J2:** The recommended wire size is 1x AWG #14 per input connection, with the total length of wire less than 4 feet (2 feet input, 2 feet return).
- **J3 to LOAD:** The minimum recommended wire size is 1x AWG #14, with the total length of wire less than 4 feet (2 feet output, 2 feet return)

5.2 Recommended Test Setup

Figure 3 is the recommended test set up to evaluate the TPS53316EVM-075. Working at an ESD workstation, make sure that any wrist straps, bootstraps or mats are connected referencing the user to earth ground before power is applied to the EVM.

Input Connections:

1. Prior to connecting the DC input source V_{IN} , it is advisable to limit the source current from V_{IN} to 5 A maximum. Make sure V_{IN} is initially set to 0 V and connected to J2 as shown in Figure 3.
2. Connect a current meter A1 between V_{IN} and J2 to measure the input current.
3. Connect a voltmeter V1 at TP6 (V_{IN}) and TP9 (GND) to measure the input voltage.

Output Connections:

1. Connect Load to J3 and set Load to constant resistance mode to sink 0 A_{DC} before V_{IN} is applied.
2. Connect a voltmeter V2 at TP7 (V_{OUT}) and TP10 (GND) to measure the output voltage.

Other Connections: Place a Fan as shown in Figure 3 and turn on, making sure air is flowing across the EVM.

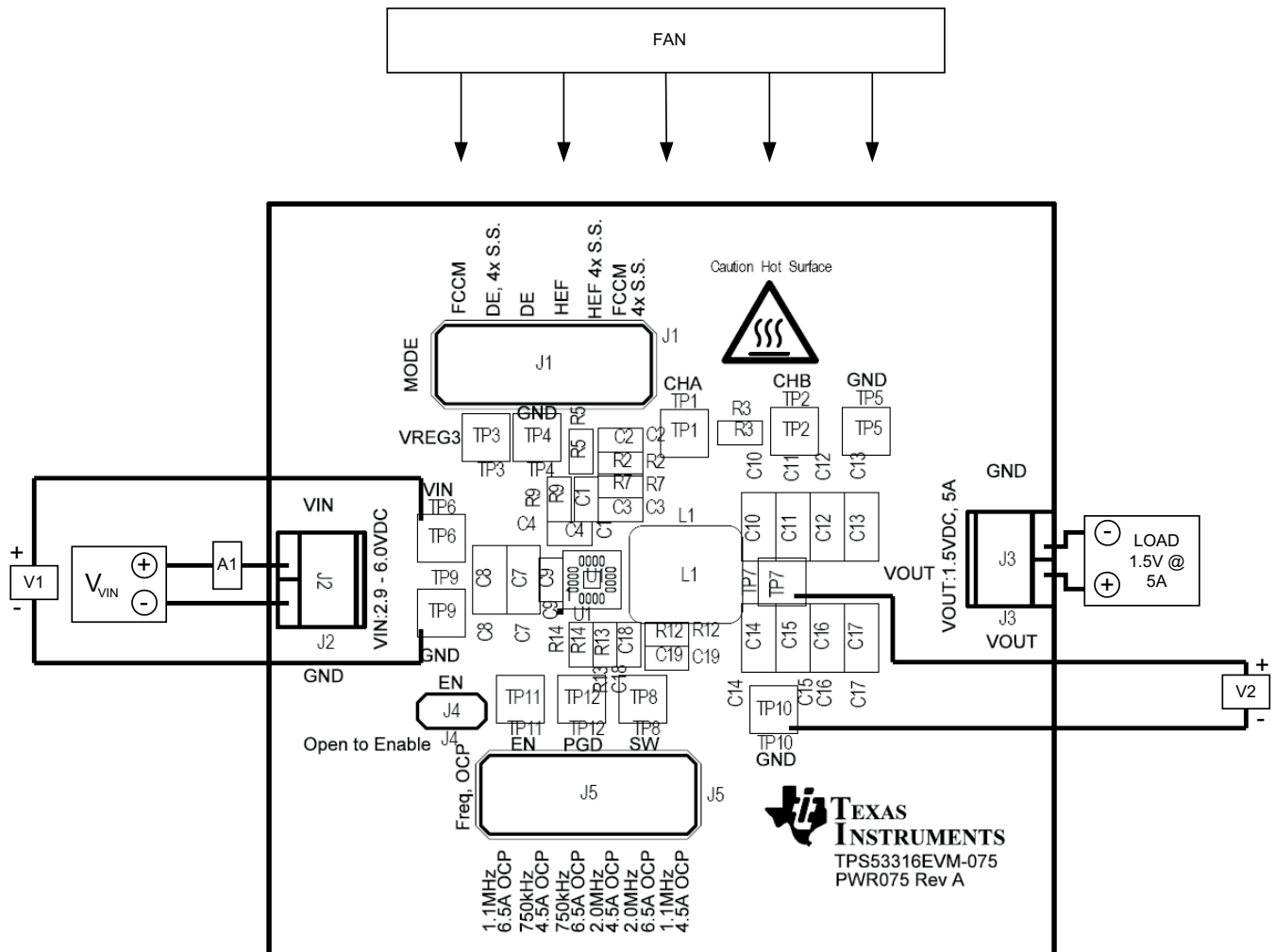


Figure 3. TPS53316EVM-075 Recommended Test Set Up

6 Configurations

The user can configure this EVM per following configurations. Jumper J1 and J5 configurations should be made prior to applying power to the EVM.

6.1 Mode Selection

The MODE can be set by J1.

6.1.1 Default Setting: HEF Mode, 4X S.S. Time

Table 2. MODE Selection

MODE RESISTANCES (k Ω)	MODE
GND	FCCM, 4X S.S. Time
24.3	HEF Mode, 4X S.S. Time
57.6	HEF Mode
105	DE Mode
174	DE Mode, 4X S.S. Time
Open	FCCM

6.2 Enable Selection

The controller can be enabled and disabled by J4.

6.2.1 Default Setting: Short to Disable the Controller

6.3 Switching Frequency and OCP Selection

The switching frequency and OCP threshold can be set by J5.

6.3.1 Default Setting: 750 kHz, 6.5-A OCP

Table 3. Switching Frequency and OCP Selection

MODE RESISTANCES	SWITCHING FREQUENCY	OVERCURRENT THRESHOLD
GND	1.1 MHz	6.5 A
24.3 k Ω	750 kHz	4.5 A
57.6 k Ω	750 kHz	6.5 A
105 k Ω	2.0 MHz	4.5 A
174 k Ω	2.0 MHz	6.5 A
Open	1.1 MHz	4.5 A

7 Test Procedure

7.1 Line/Load Regulation and Efficiency Measurement Procedure

1. Set up EVM as described in [Section 5](#) and [Figure 3](#).
2. Ensure load is set to constant resistance mode and to sink 0 A_{DC}.
3. Ensure all jumpers set per [Section 6](#).
4. Increase VIN from 0 V to 5 V. Using V1 to measure VIN voltage.
5. Open jumper J4 to enable the controller.
6. Use V2 to measure VOUT voltage, A1 to measure VIN current.
7. Vary Load from 0 A_{DC} to 5 A_{DC}, VOUT should remain in load regulation.
8. Vary VIN from 2.9 V to 6.0 V, VOUT should remain in line regulation.
9. Short jumper J4 to disable the controller.
10. Decrease Load to 0 A.
11. Decrease VIN to 0 V.

7.2 Control Loop Gain and Phase Measurement Procedure

TPS53316EVM-075 contains a 10-Ω series resistor in the feedback loop for loop response analysis.

1. Set up EVM as described in [Section 5](#) and [Figure 3](#).
2. Connect isolation transformer to test points marked TP1 and TP2.
3. Connect input signal amplitude measurement probe (channel A) to TP1. Connect output signal amplitude measurement probe (channel B) to TP2.
4. Connect ground lead of channel A and channel B to TP5.
5. Inject around 20-mV or less signal through the isolation transformer.
6. Sweep the frequency from 500 Hz to 500 kHz with 10-Hz or lower post filter. The control loop gain and phase margin can be measured.
7. Disconnect isolation transformer from bode plot test points before making other measurements (signal injection into feedback may interfere with accuracy of other measurements).

7.3 List of Test Points

Table 4. The Functions of Each Test Points

TEST POINTS	NAME	DESCRIPTION
TP1	CHA	Input A for Loop Injection
TP2	CHB	Input B for Loop Injection
TP3	VREG3	3.3-V Internal LDO Output
TP4	GND	GND
TP5	GND	GND
TP6	VIN	Input Voltage
TP7	VOUT	Output Voltage
TP8	SW	Switching Node
TP9	GND	GND
TP10	GND	GND
TP11	EN	Enable Pin
TP12	PGD	Power Good Output

7.4 Equipment Shutdown

1. Shut down VIN.
2. Shut down Load.
3. Shut down FAN.

8 Performance Data and Typical Characteristic Curves

Figure 4 through Figure 19 present typical performance curves for TPS53316EVM-075.

8.1 Efficiency

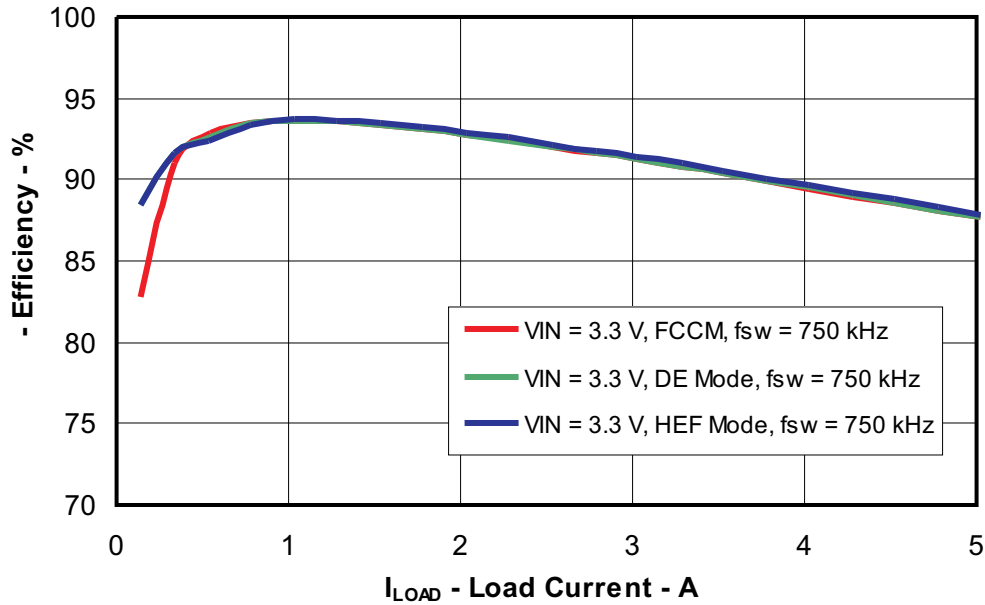


Figure 4. 3.3-V Input Efficiency

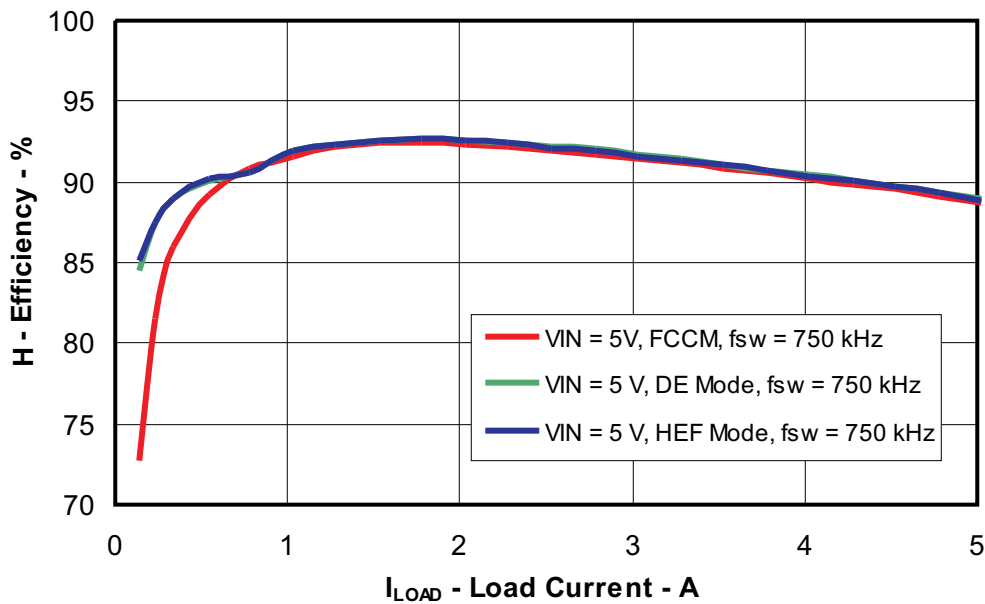


Figure 5. 5-V Input Efficiency

8.2 Load Regulation

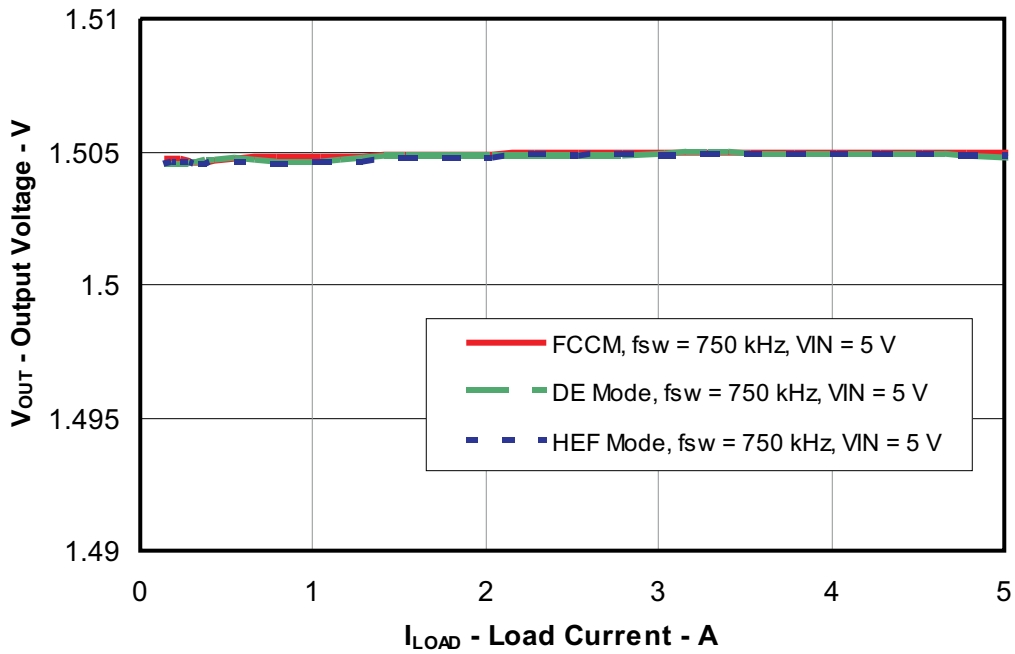


Figure 6. Load Regulation

8.3 Line Regulation

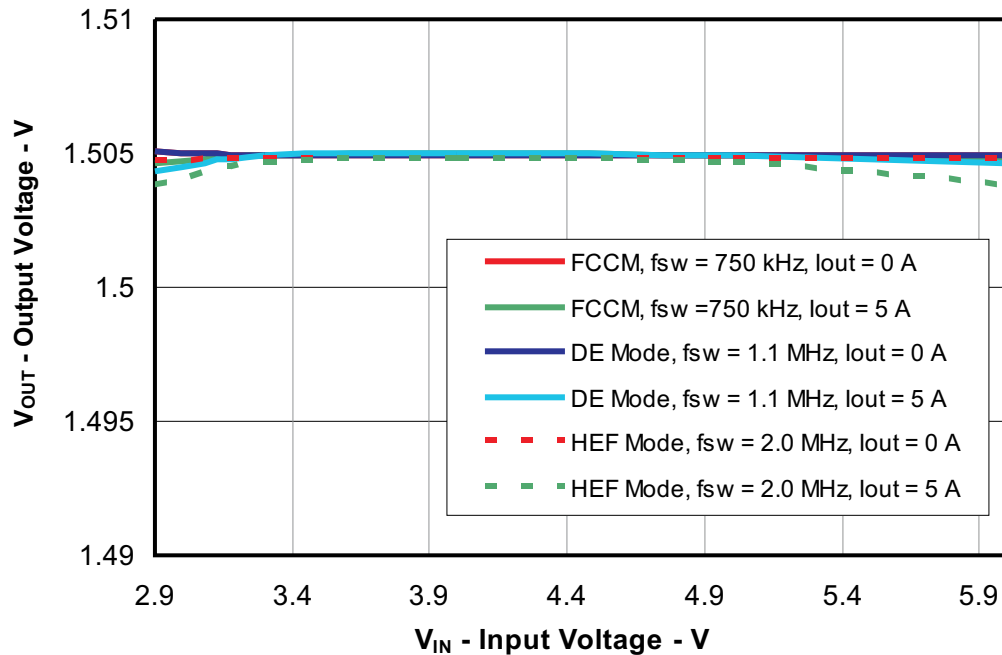


Figure 7. Line Regulation

8.4 Output Transient

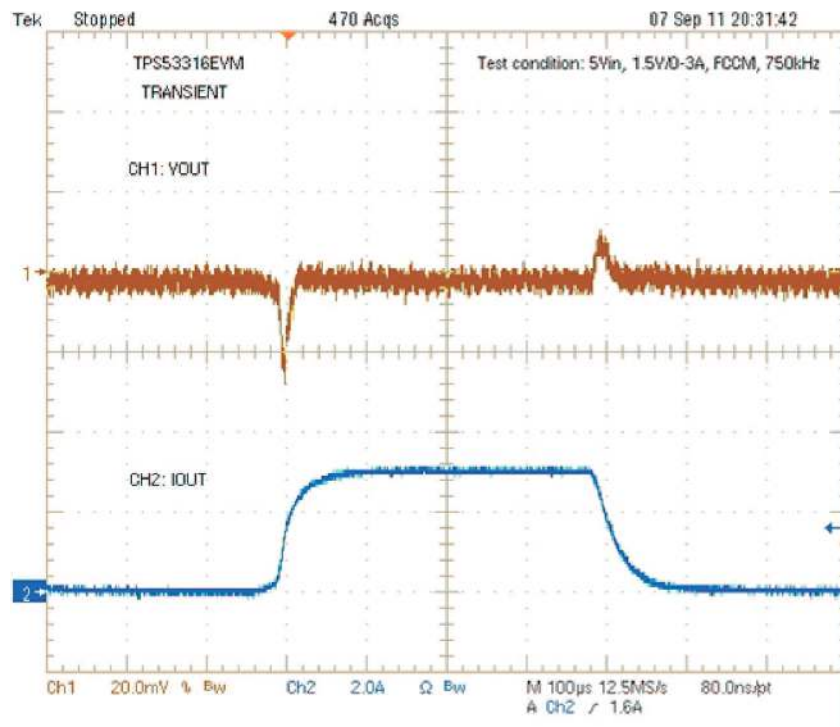


Figure 8. Load 0-3A Transient under FCCM (5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, FCCM, fsw = 750 kHz)

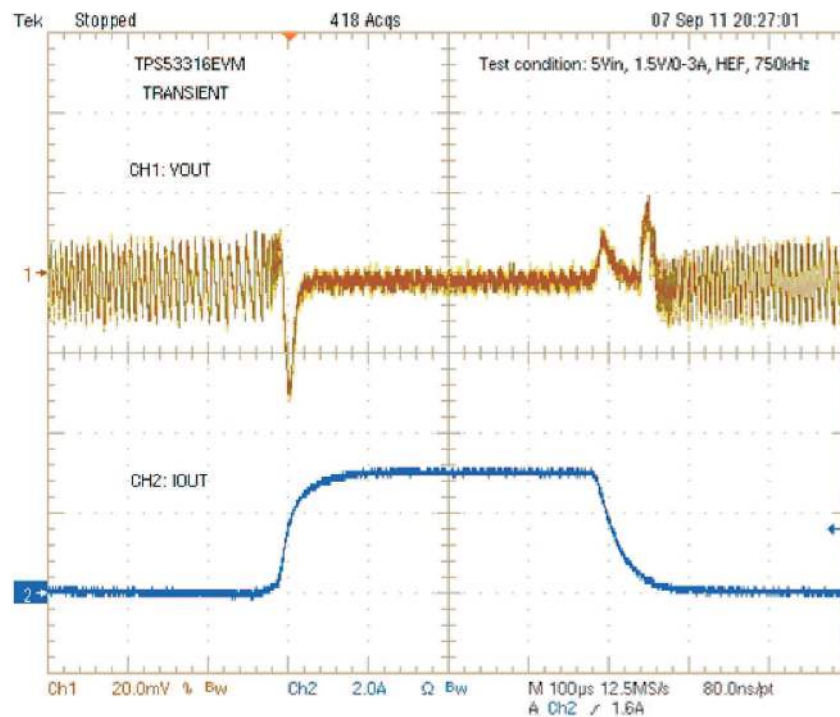
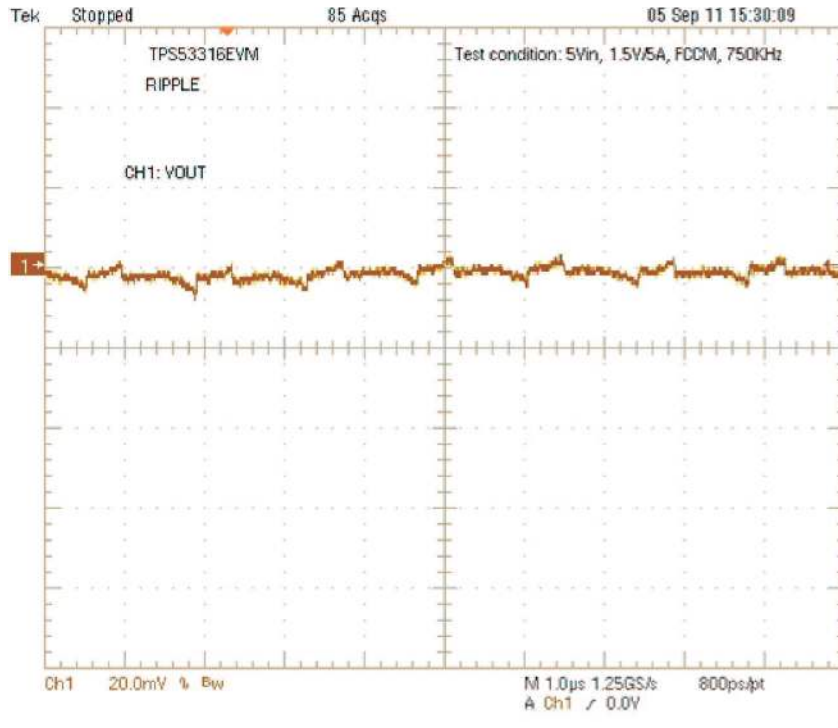
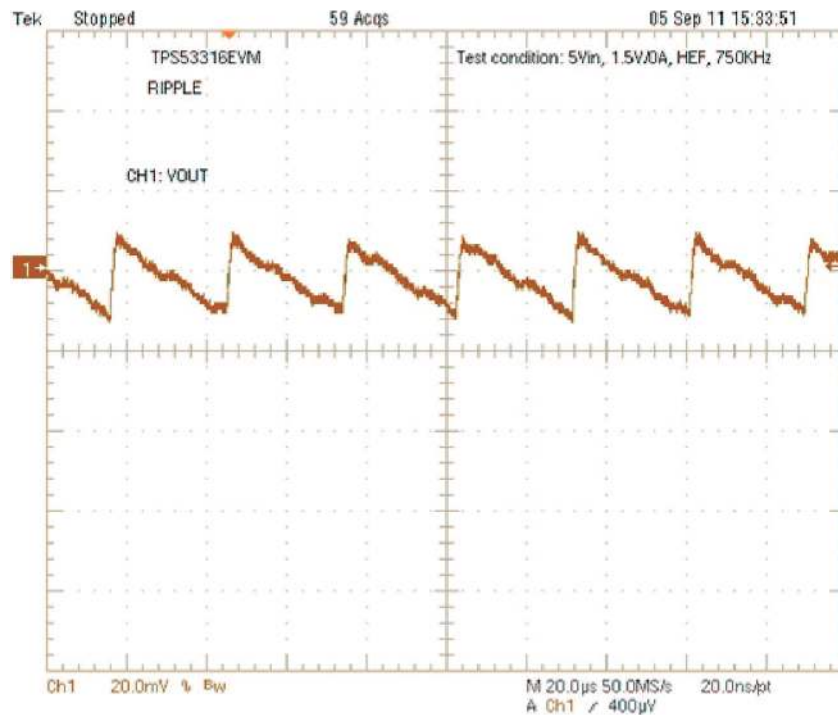


Figure 9. Load 0-3A Transient under HEF Mode (5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, HEF Mode, fsw = 750 kHz)

8.5 Output Ripple



**Figure 10. Output Ripple
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 5-A, FCCM, fsw = 750 kHz)**



**Figure 11. Output Ripple
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 0-A, HEF Mode, fsw = 750 kHz)**

8.6 Switching Node

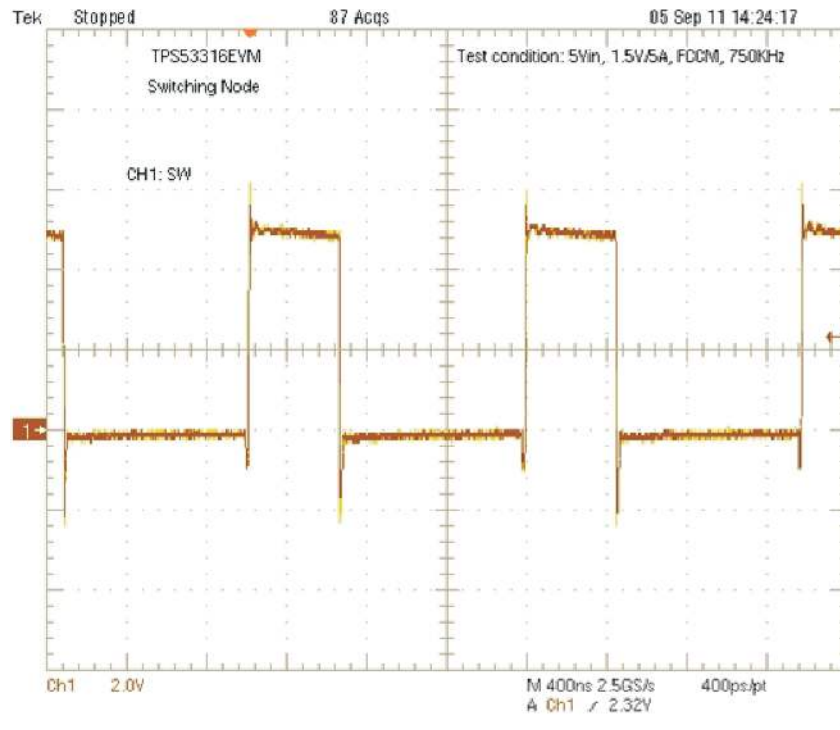


Figure 12. Switching Node
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 5-A, FCCM, fsw = 750 kHz)

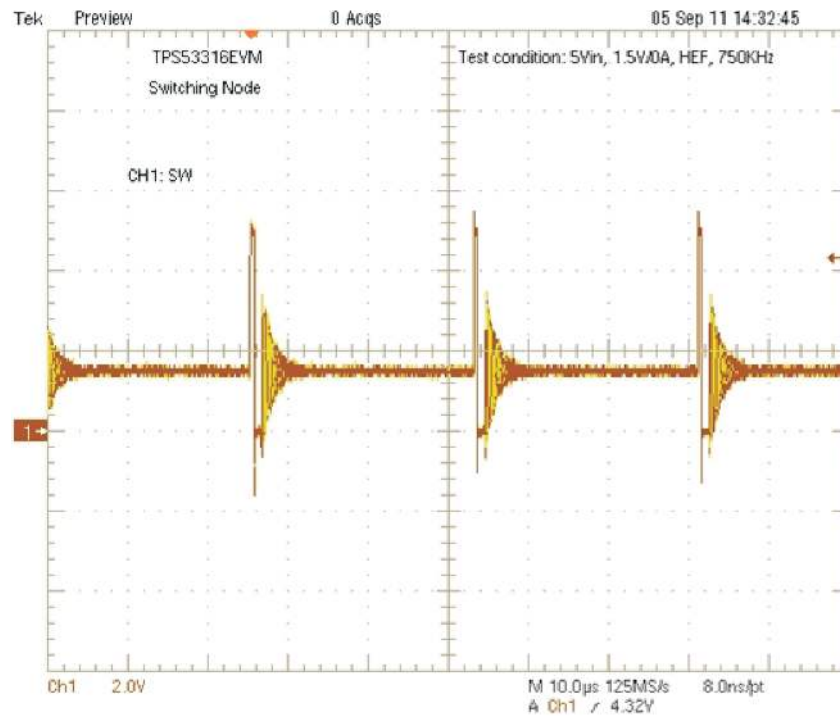
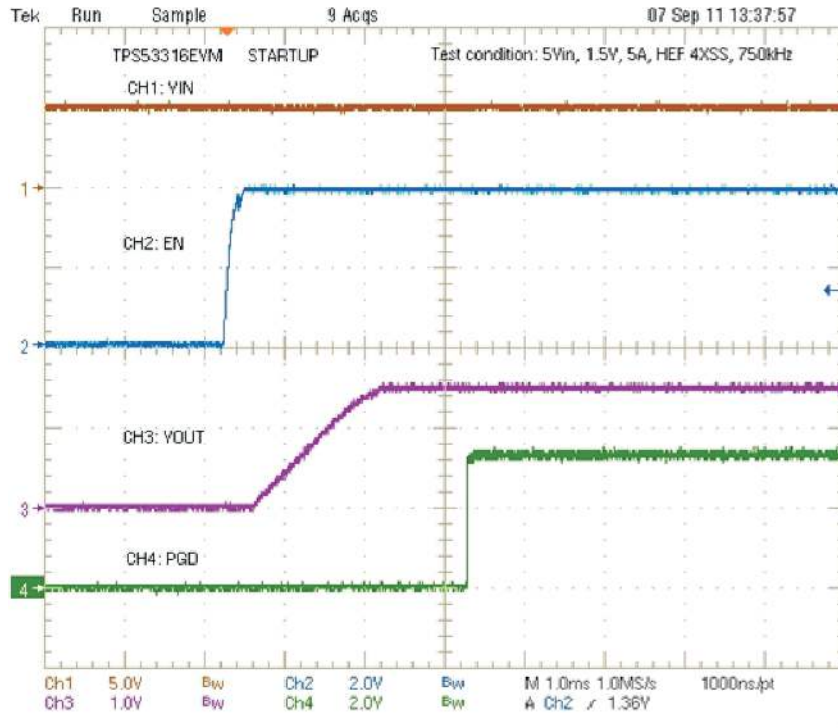
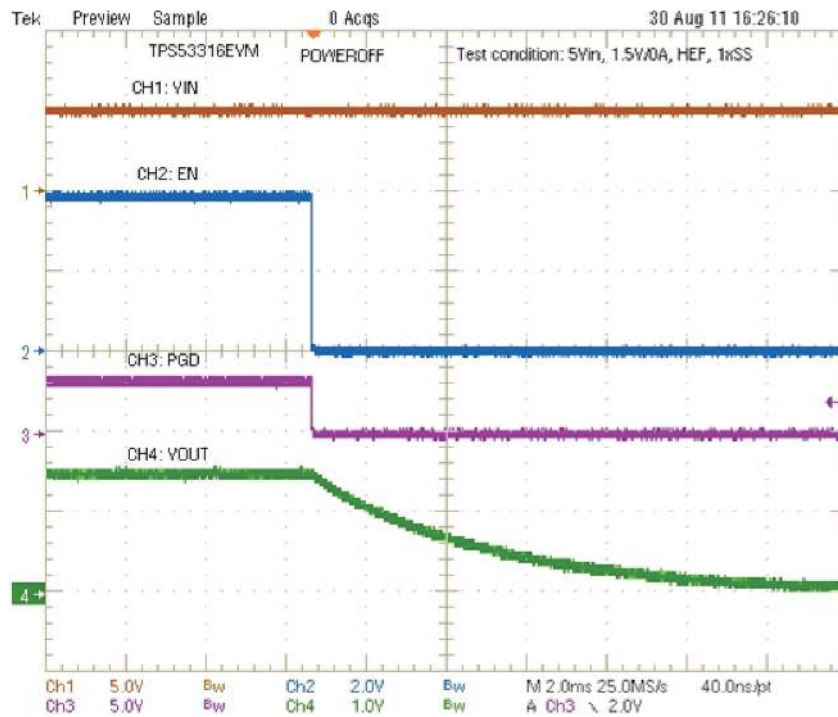


Figure 13. Switching Node
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 0-A, HEF Mode, fsw = 750 kHz)

8.7 Enable Turn On / Turn Off



**Figure 14. Turn-On Waveform
 (5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 5-A IOUT, 4XS.S.)**



**Figure 15. Turn-Off Waveform
 (5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 0-A IOUT)**

8.8 Pre-bias Turn-On

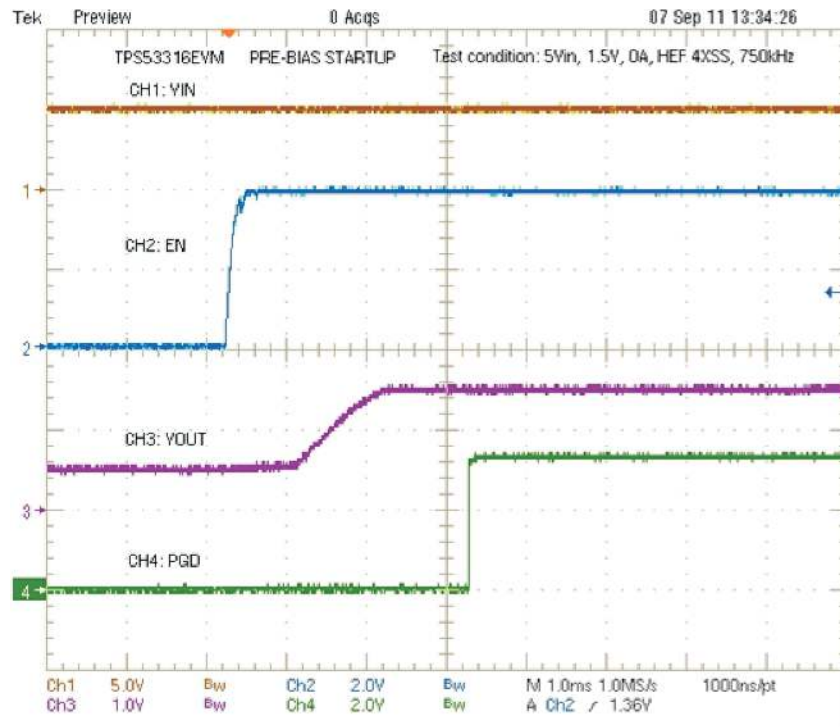


Figure 16. Pre-bias Turn-On Waveform
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 0-A IOUT, 4XS.S., 0.5-V pre-bias)

8.9 Overcurrent Protection

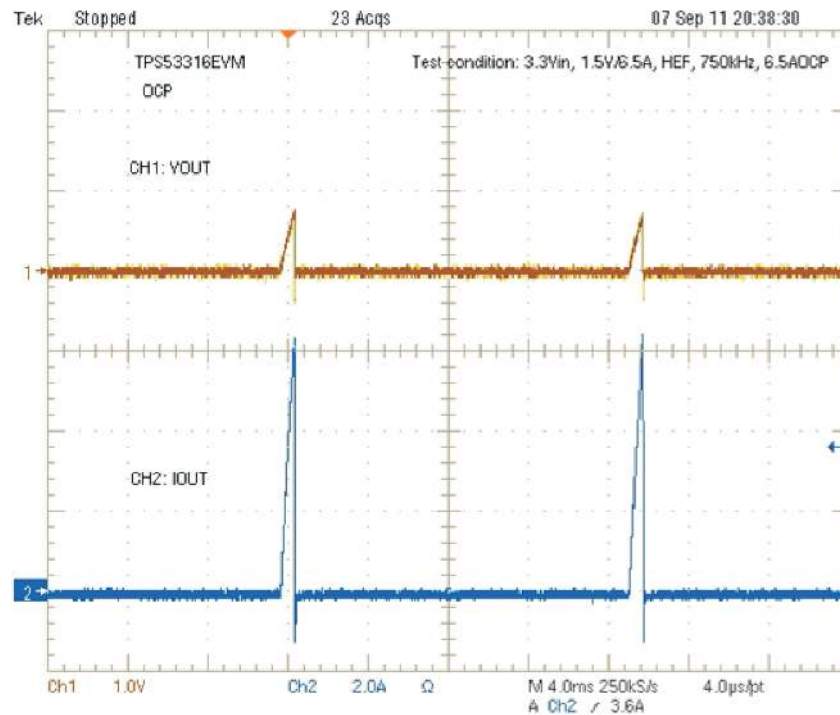


Figure 17. Overcurrent Protection Waveform
(3.3-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 6.5-A IOUT, 4XS.S., 750 kHz, 6.5-A OCP)

8.10 Bode Plot

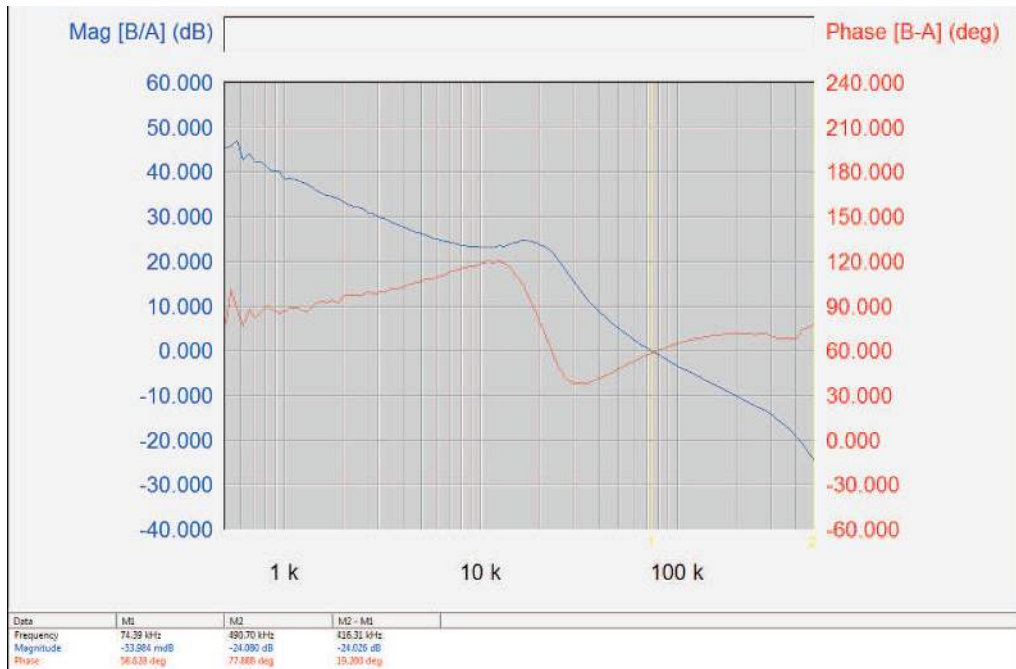


Figure 18. Loop Gain
(5-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 5-A IOU, HEF Mode, $f_{sw} = 750$ kHz)

8.11 Thermal Image

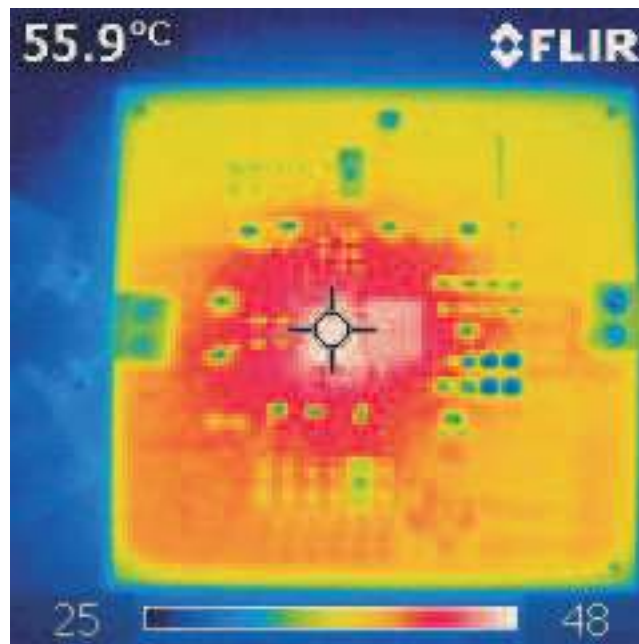


Figure 19. Thermal Image
(6-V VIN, 1.5-V VOUT, 5-A IOU, FCCM Mode, $f_{sw} = 2.0$ MHz)

9 EVM Assembly Drawing and PCB Layout

The following figures (Figure 20 through Figure 25) show the design of the TPS53316EVM-075 printed circuit board. The EVM has been designed using a 4-layer, 2-oz copper circuit board.

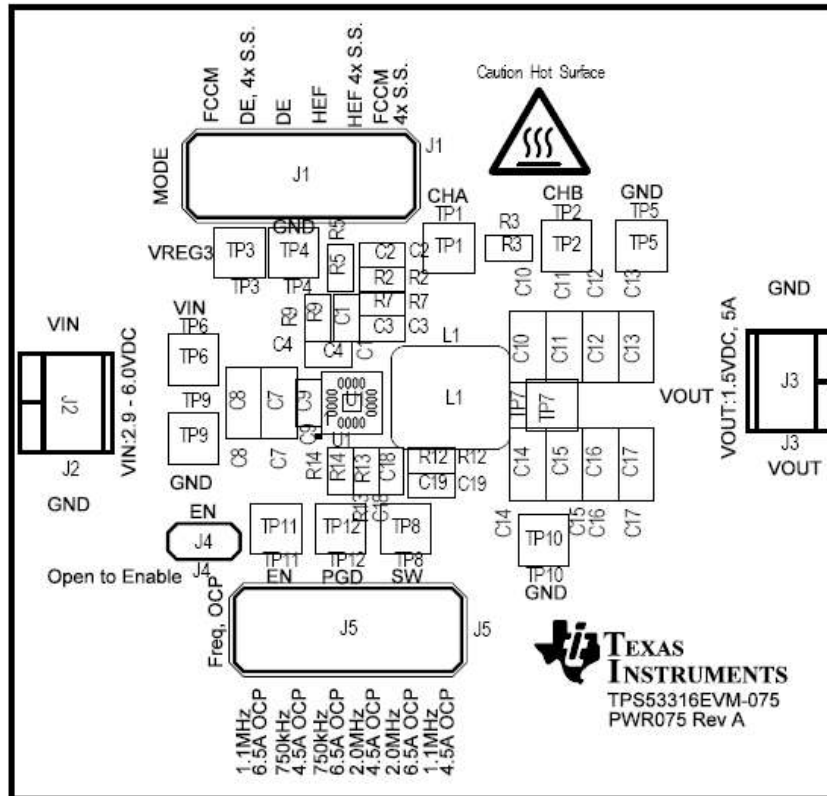


Figure 20. TPS53316EVM-075 Top Layer Assembly Drawing (top view)

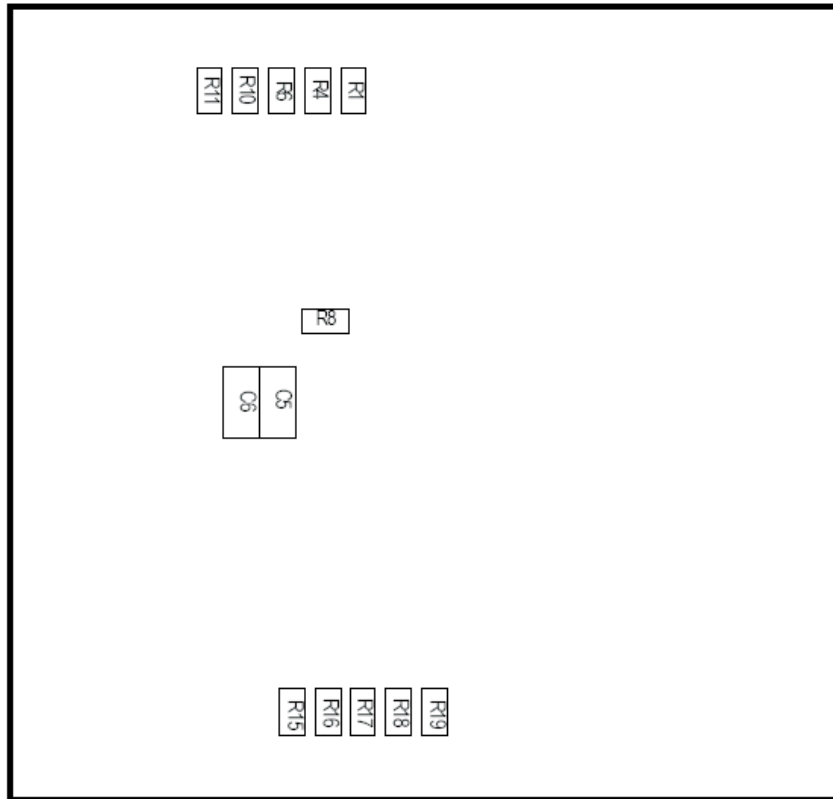


Figure 21. TPS53316EVM-075 Bottom Assembly Drawing (bottom view)

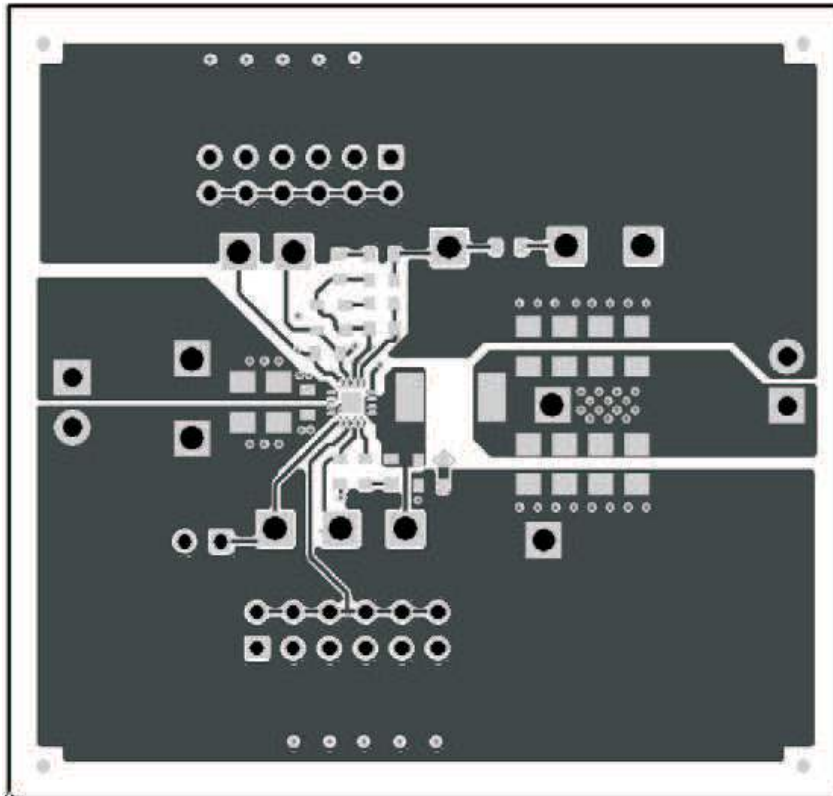


Figure 22. TPS53316EVM-075 Top Copper (top view)

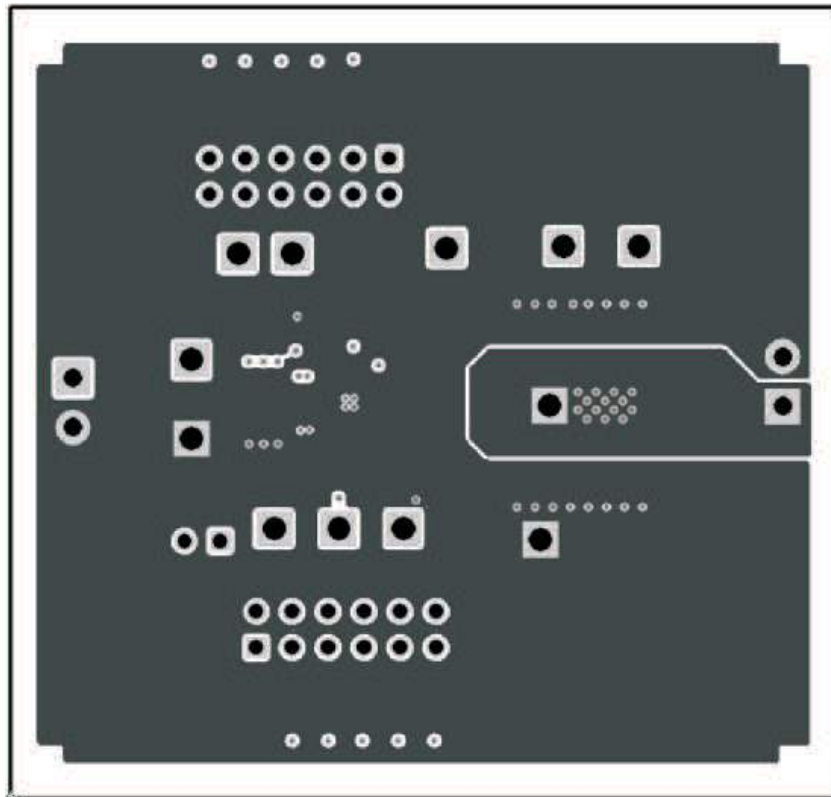


Figure 23. TPS53316EVM-075 Layer 2 (top view)

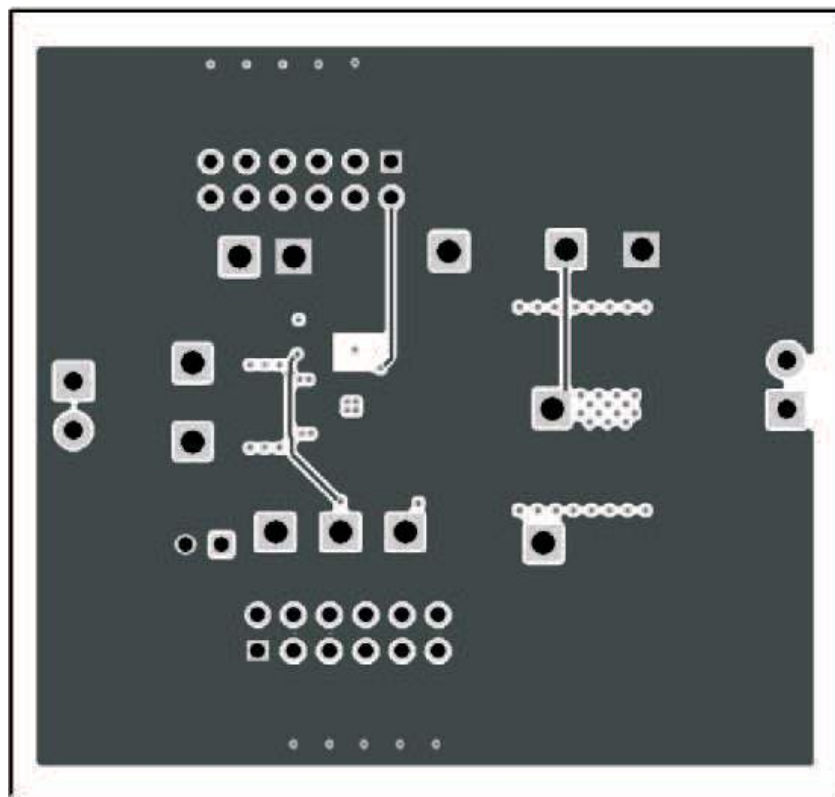


Figure 24. TPS53316EVM-075 Layer 3 (top view)

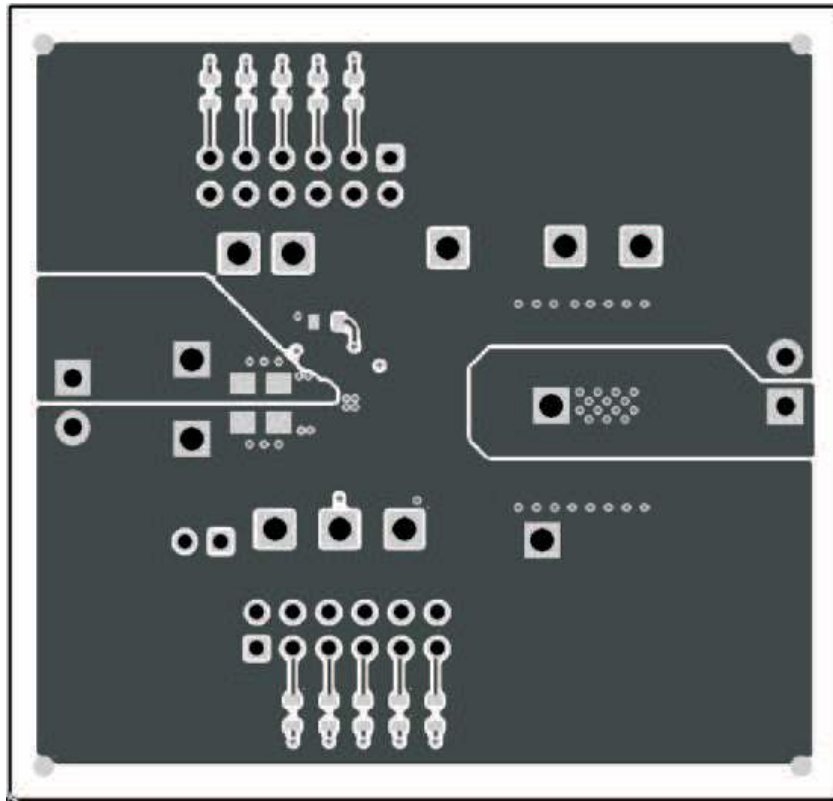


Figure 25. TPS53316EVM-075 Bottom Layer (top view)

10 List of Materials

The EVM components list according to the schematic shown in [Figure 1](#).

Table 5. TPS53316EVM-075 List of Materials

QTY	REF DES	DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	MFR
2	C1, C2	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%, 3.3 nF, 603	Std	Std
1	C3	Capacitor, ceramic, 50 V, X7R, 10%, 100 pF, 603	Std	Std
1	C4	Capacitor, ceramic, 16 V, X7R, 15%, 1.0 μ F, 603	Std	Std
0	C5, C6, C14, C15, C16, C17	Capacitor, ceramic, 10 V, X5R, 20%, 1206	Std	Std
6	C7, C8, C10, C11, C12, C13	Capacitor, ceramic, 10 V, X5R, 20%, 22 μ F, 1206	Std	Std
2	C9, C18	Capacitor, ceramic, 16 V, X7R, 10%, 0.1 μ F, 603	Std	Std
1	C19	Capacitor, ceramic, 16 V, X7R, 10%, 1.0 nF, 603	Std	Std
2	J1, J5	Header, male 2 x 6 pin, 100-mil spacing, 0.100 inch x 2 inch x 6 inch	PEC06DAAN	Sullins
2	J2, J3	Terminal block, 2 pin, 6 A, 3.5 mm, 0.27 inch x 0.25 inch	ED555/2DS	OST
1	J4	Header, male 2 pin, 100-mil spacing, 0.100 inch x 2 inch	PEC02SAAN	Sullins
1	L1	Inductor, 1.0 μ H, 5.6 m Ω , power, \pm 20%, 1.0 μ H, 6.6 mm x 7 mm	PCMC065T-1R0MN	Cyntec Co.
2	R1, R15	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 24.3 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
2	R2, R7	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 2.0 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
1	R3	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 10.0 Ω , 603	Std	Std
2	R4, R16	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 57.6 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
1	R5	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 49.9 Ω , 603	Std	Std
2	R6, R17	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 105 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
2	R8, R13	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 0 Ω , 603	Std	Std
1	R9	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 1.33 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
2	R10, R18	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 174 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
0	R11, R19	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 603	Std	Std
1	R12	Resistor, chip, 1/8 W, 1%, 2.0 Ω , 603	Std	Std
1	R14	Resistor, chip, 1/16 W, 1%, 10.0 k Ω , 603	Std	Std
4	TP1, TP2, TP11, TP12	Test point, white, thru hole, 0.125 inch x 0.125 inch	5012	Keystone
4	TP3, TP6, TP7, TP8	Test point, red, thru hole, 0.125 inch x 0.125 inch	5010	Keystone
4	TP4, TP5, TP9, TP10	Test point, black, thru hole, 0.125 inch x 0.125 inch	5011	Keystone
1	U1	5-A Step-down Regulator with Integrated Switcher, QFN-16	TPS53316RGT	TI
3	--	Shunt, 100 mil, black, 0.100 inch	929950-00	3M

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It is important to operate this EVM within the input voltage range of 2.9 VDC to 6.0 VDC and the output voltage range of 0 ADC to 5 ADC.

Exceeding the specified input range may cause unexpected operation and/or irreversible damage to the EVM. If there are questions concerning the input range, please contact a TI field representative prior to connecting the input power.

Applying loads outside of the specified output range may result in unintended operation and/or possible permanent damage to the EVM. Please consult the EVM User's Guide prior to connecting any load to the EVM output. If there is uncertainty as to the load specification, please contact a TI field representative.

During normal operation, some circuit components may have case temperatures greater than 55° C. The EVM is designed to operate properly with certain components above 55° C as long as the input and output ranges are maintained. These components include but are not limited to linear regulators, switching transistors, pass transistors, and current sense resistors. These types of devices can be identified using the EVM schematic located in the EVM User's Guide. When placing measurement probes near these devices during operation, please be aware that these devices may be very warm to the touch.

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Caution

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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- 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.

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