

LM9061EVM User's Guide

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1 Introduction

The Texas Instruments LM9061EVM evaluation module (EVM) helps designers evaluate the operation and performance of the LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller. The EVM demonstrates protection to a connected load from over-voltage and over-current. One high side N-channel power MOSFET is used. For more information about LM9061 functional and electrical characteristics, see the LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller data sheet ([SNOS738](#)).

The EVM contains one LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller (See [Table 1](#)).

Table 1. Device Package Configurations

REF DES	IC	PACKAGE
U1	LM9061M/NOPB	SOIC-8

1.1 Features

- INPUT Voltage Range: 0 V to 36 V, limited by transient suppressor diode (D1)
- Over-Voltage Protection: 30 V
- Load Current Range: 0 A to 15 A
- Over-Current Protection: 10 A
- ON/OFF Voltage Range: 0 V to INPUT Voltage
- Board Size: 1.65 in x 3.11 in

The over-current protection may be adjusted by changing the value of resistor R1. The LM9061EVM has not been tested for currents above 15 A. Therefore, changing the value of resistor R1 should be done with some degree of caution.

2 Setup

This section describes the connectors on the EVM as well as how to properly connect, set up and use the LM9061EVM. Ensure the external power supply is turned off while making connections on the board. Before applying power to the LM9061EVM, all external connectors should be verified.

2.1 Input/Output Connector Description

- **J1 – INPUT** is the power input connector to the positive rail of the input power supply.
- **J2 – OUTPUT** is the power output connector to the positive side of the load.
- **J3 – GND** is the ground connector to the ground side of the load.
- **J4 – GND** is the ground connector to the negative, or ground, rail of the input power supply.
- **TP1 – ON/OFF** is a digital input test point which controls the gate drive to the high-side N-channel MOSFET.

2.2 Board Setup

Before applying power to the LM9061EVM, all external connections should be verified. An external power supply should be turned off and connected with proper polarity to the INPUT (J1) and GND (J4) connectors. A load resistor should be connected between the OUTPUT (J2) and GND (J3). Electronic load equipment tends to be very low impedance during voltage rise so that the transistor Q1 might see very high currents during turn-on when using such loads. Electronic loads can be used with caution. Resistive loads are suggested for use with the LM9061EVM. Make sure that the external power supply source for the input voltage is capable of providing enough current to the output load so that the output voltage can be obtained.

The ON/OFF connector may be connected to the same external power supply as the INPUT. A separate power supply may also be used. If using a separate supply, ensure the voltage at the ON/OFF connector does not exceed the voltage at the INPUT. This also means that, during start up, power should be applied to the INPUT connector BEFORE the ON/OFF connector.

Once all the connections to the LM9061EVM are verified, power can be applied to the INPUT. For the EVM to begin operation, the ON/OFF test point needs to be pulled high. The ON/OFF threshold voltage is about 3.3 V.

The setup shown in [Figure 1](#) is an example setup that is used throughout this user guide.

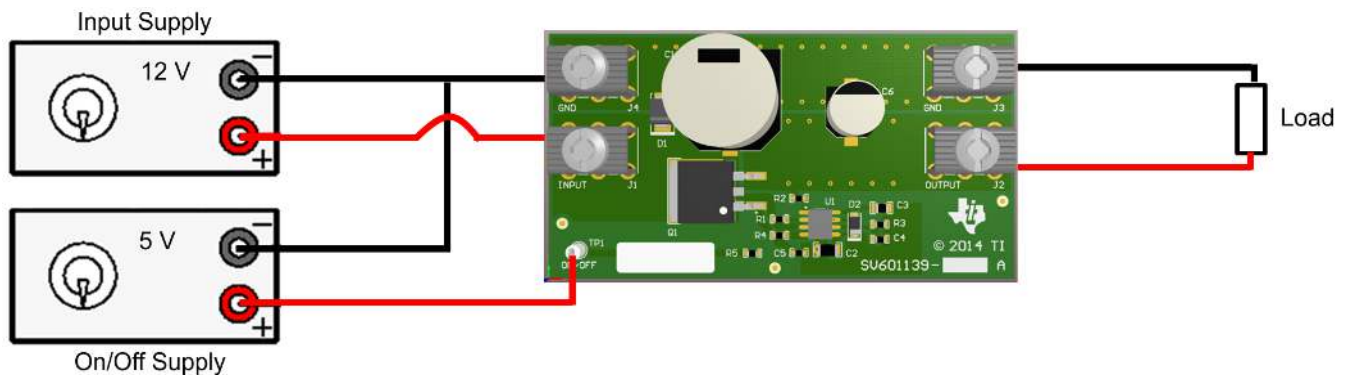


Figure 1. Test Setup Example

3 Operation

3.1 Start Up Using ON/OFF

The ON/OFF test point is used to start up the operation of the LM9061EVM. To begin operation and drive the high side MOSFET, a voltage greater than 3.3 V should be applied to the ON/OFF test point. As an alternative start up method the ON/OFF test point can be connected to the INPUT connector. When the ON/OFF test point is pulled high, the output voltage, output current, and gate voltage ramp up as shown in Figure 2 and Figure 3. The INPUT voltage is 12 V and the load resistor is 3 Ω .

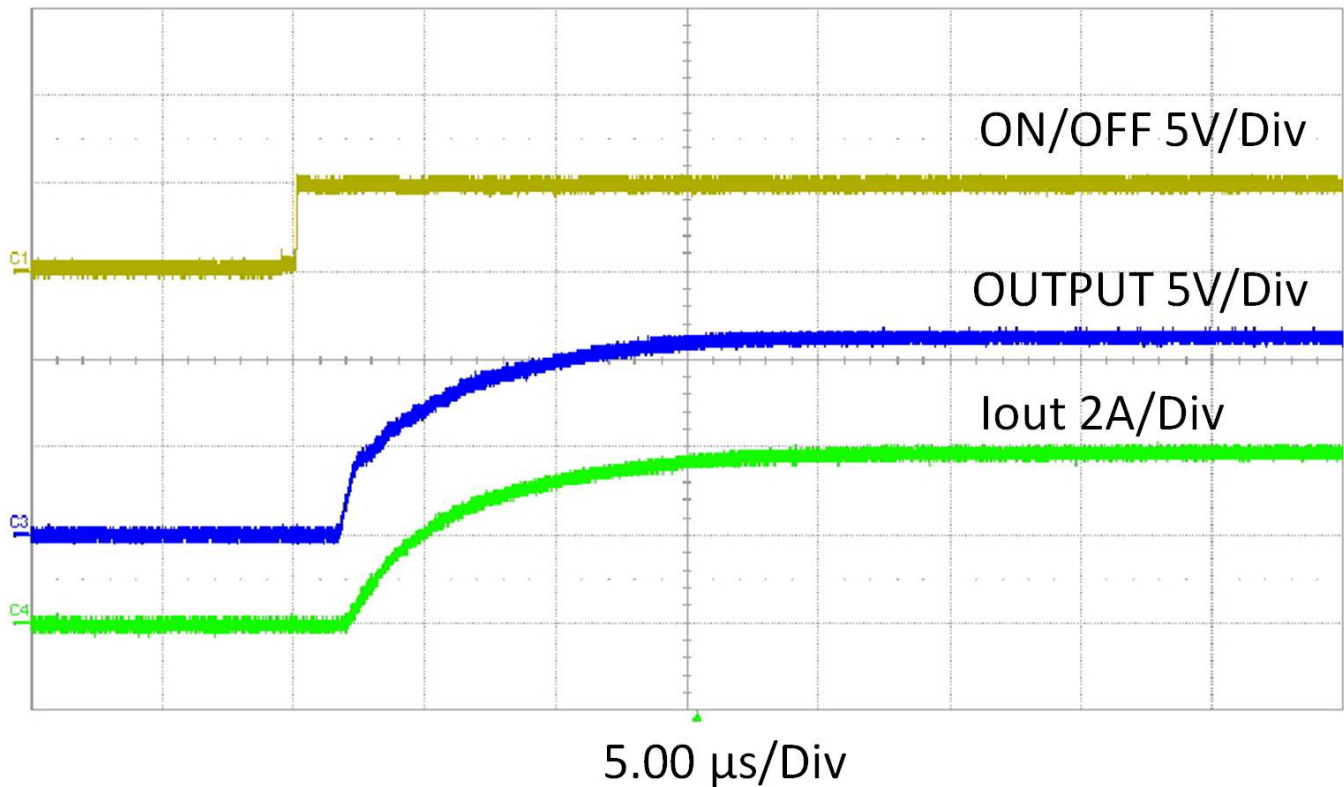


Figure 2. Output During Start Up

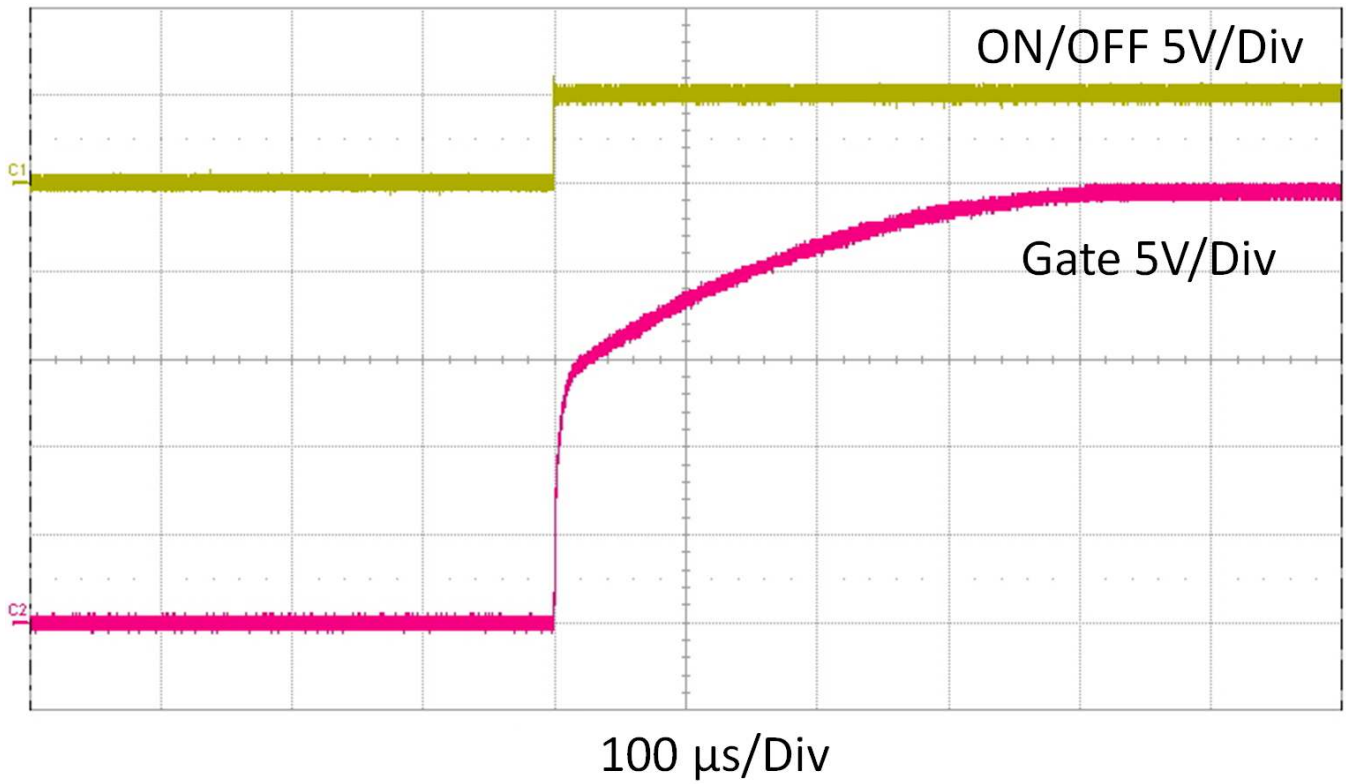


Figure 3. MOSFET Gate During Start Up

3.2 Shut Down Using ON/OFF

The ON/OFF test point is also used to shut down the operation of the LM9061EVM. A voltage less than 3.3 V should be applied to the ON/OFF test point to shut down the operation and sink the gate capacitance charge from the high side MOSFET. As an alternative shut down method, the ON/OFF test point can be left open, allowing the internal pull-down of the ON/OFF pin to bring the voltage down to ground level. When the ON/OFF test point is pulled low, the output voltage, output current, and gate voltage ramp down as shown in Figure 4 and Figure 5. The INPUT voltage is 12 V and the load resistor is 3 Ω .

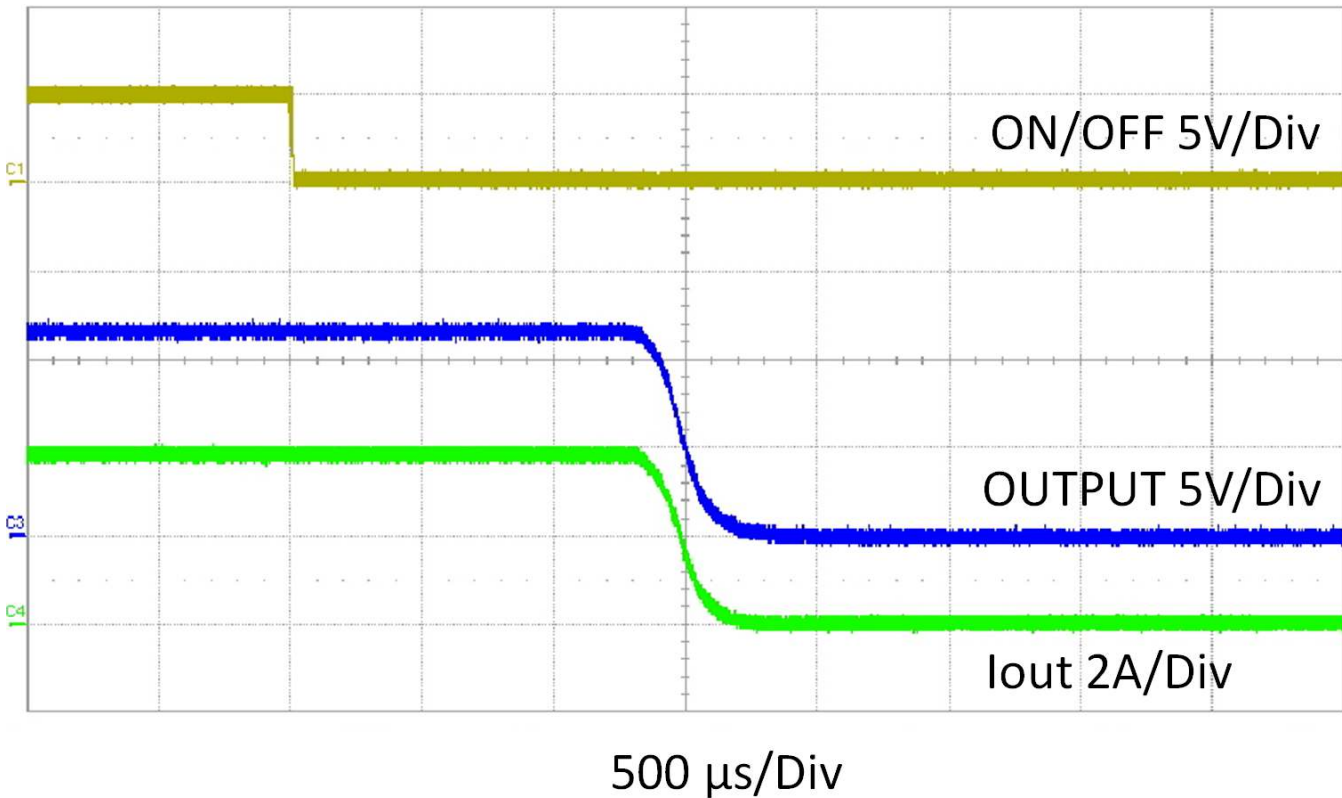


Figure 4. Output During Shut Down

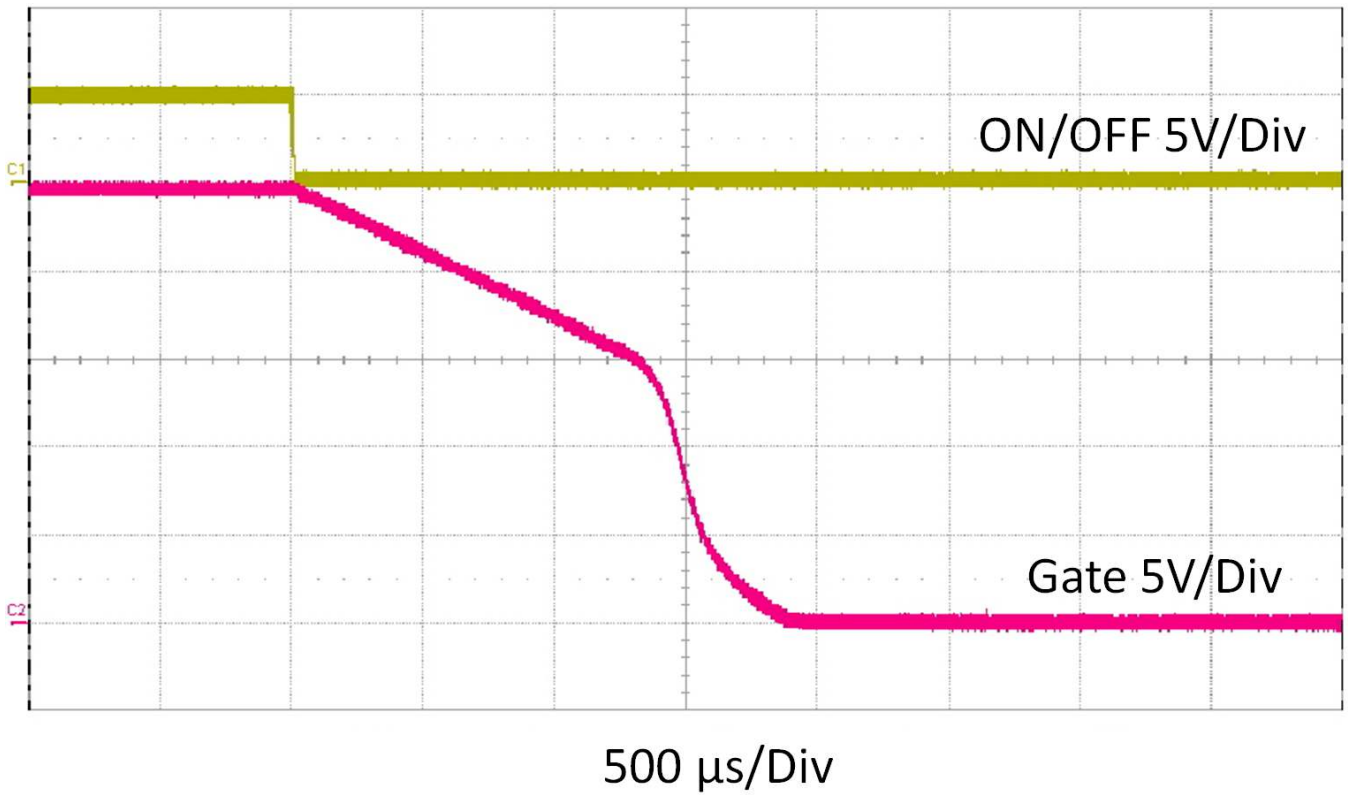


Figure 5. MOSFET Gate During Shut Down

3.3 Over-Voltage Protection

The LM9061 internal over-voltage protection is activated when the voltage at the INPUT becomes greater than 30 V. When this occurs, the LM9061 will turn off the MOSFET by sinking current from its gate. Once the INPUT has returned to the normal operating range, the device will return to normal operation without requiring toggling the ON/OFF test point. Figure 6 shows the behavior during an over-voltage condition. The ON/OFF test point is 5 V and the load resistor is 20 Ω .

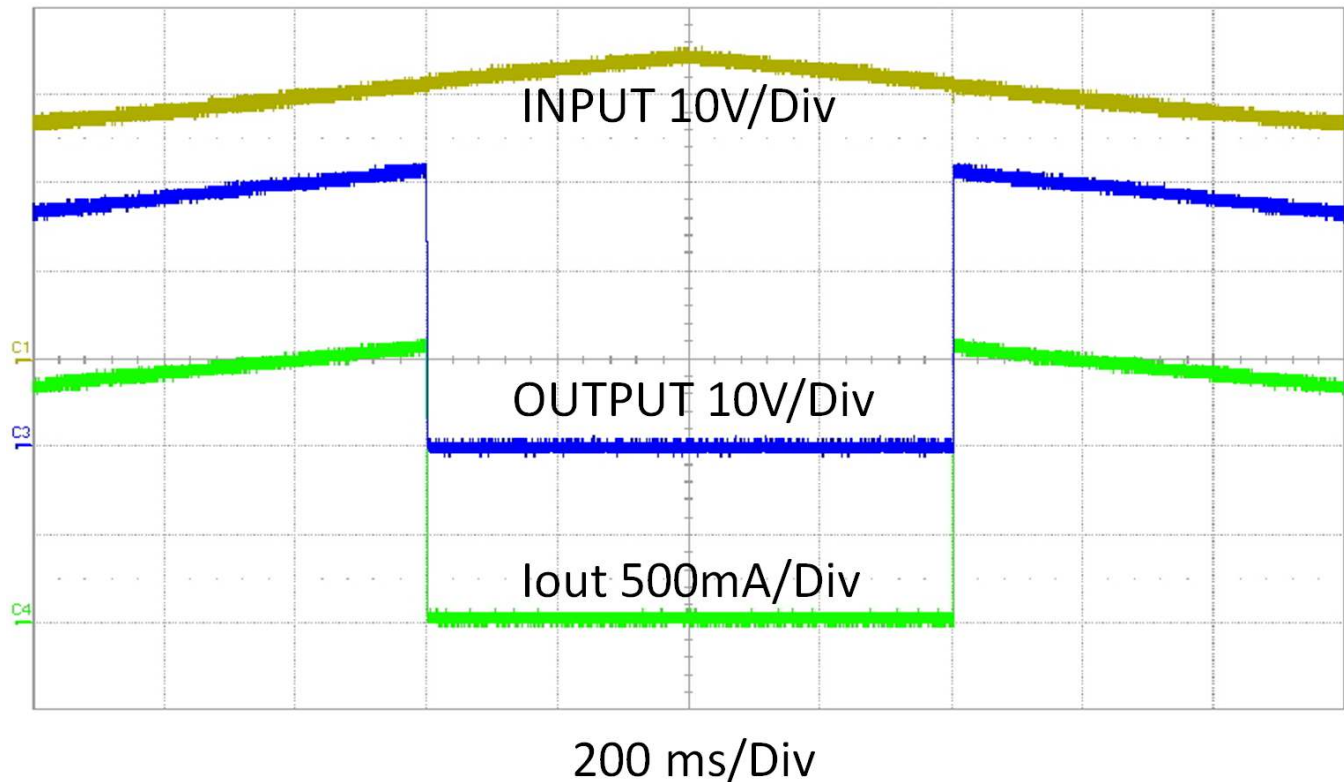


Figure 6. OUTPUT During Over-Voltage Protection

3.4 Over-Current Protection with Delay Timer

The LM9061 senses excessive current by monitoring the V_{DS} drop across the MOSFET. This allows all of the energy available from the supply to be conducted to the load as required. A sense resistor in series with the load is not required, which allows power loss to be minimized especially with high current loads. The 261 Ω resistor (R1) and the 2.3 m Ω $R_{DS(ON)}$ of the MOSFET (Q1) sets the over-current protection threshold to about 10 A on the LM9061EVM.

The LM9061 also features a delay timer function to allow the MOSFET to conduct currents beyond the protection threshold for a brief period of time. This feature is important to drive loads which require a surge of current in excess of the normal operating current upon start up, such as lamps and motors. The 0.022 μ F capacitor (C3) sets this protection delay time to about 12 ms, after which the LM9061 will begin sinking current from the MOSFET gate and latch the output off.

Figure 7 shows the behavior of the output and delay during an over-current condition. For equations to calculate component values for the over-current and delay thresholds, see the LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller data sheet ([SNOS738](#)).

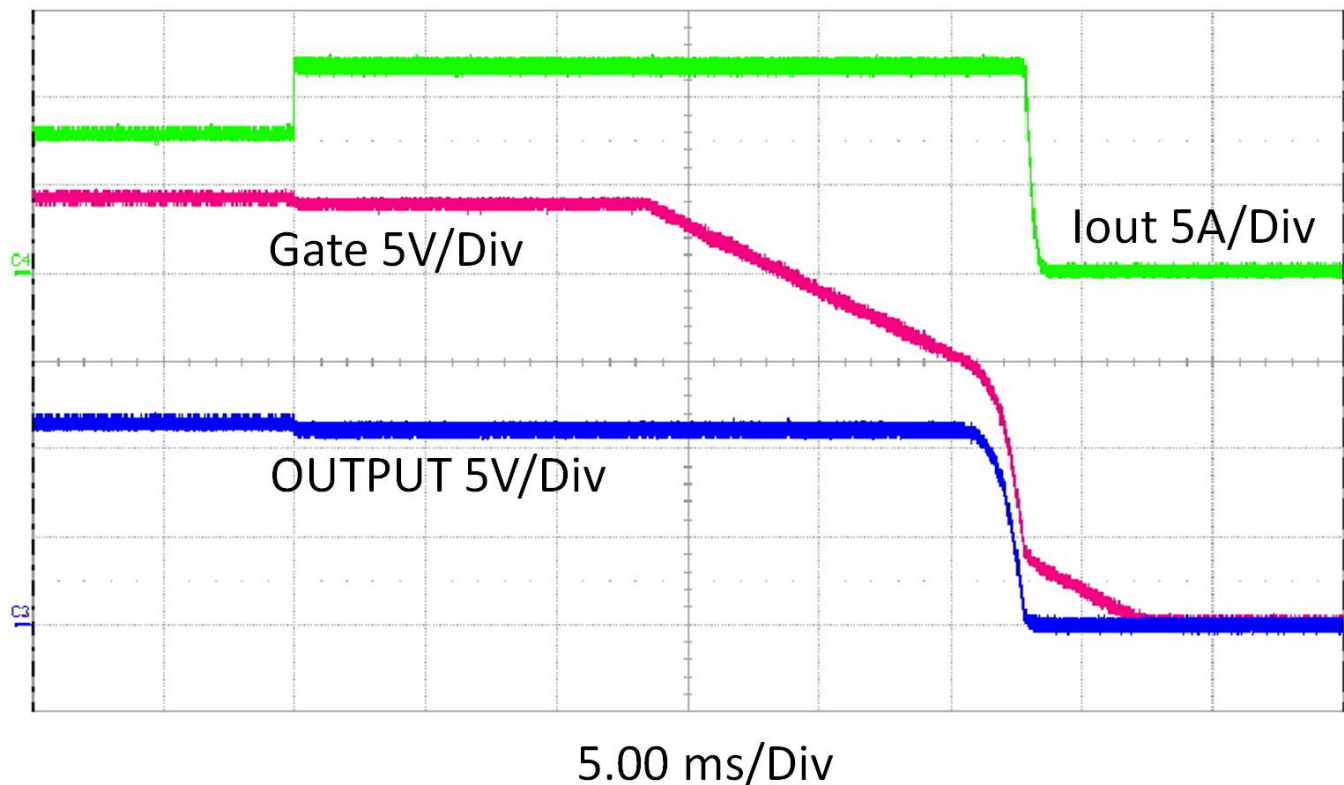


Figure 7. OUTPUT During Over-Current Protection

When the output is latched off due to over-current protection, the LM9061 will not re-start the MOSFET until the ON/OFF test point is toggled low then high.

3.5 Increasing MOSFET Turn On Time

The resistor R4 and capacitor C5 can be populated to form an RC circuit to slow down the MOSFET's gate voltage transition during turn on and turn off. This can be useful to evaluate driving a larger gate capacitance or to reduce potential inrush currents.

3.6 Voltage Transient Suppression at INPUT

The diode D1 and capacitor C1 provide protection from possible voltage spikes at the INPUT connector. The diode D1 limits the operating voltage range of the EVM to a maximum of 36 V.

3.7 ON/OFF Pin Protection

In accidental cases where the ON/OFF test point is pulled high without a voltage at the INPUT, the diode D2 and resistor R5 may protect the LM9061 from being damaged. Regardless of the protection provided on the EVM, the user must still ensure that the ON/OFF test point voltage be in the range of 0 V to INPUT voltage.

3.8 Component Modifications

Before changing the default components and for information regarding component selection, see the LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller data sheet ([SNOS738](#)).

4 Board Layout

Figure 8 and Figure 9 show the board layout for the LM9061EVM. The PCB provides 2 oz copper planes on the top and bottom as well as vias to help dissipate heat.

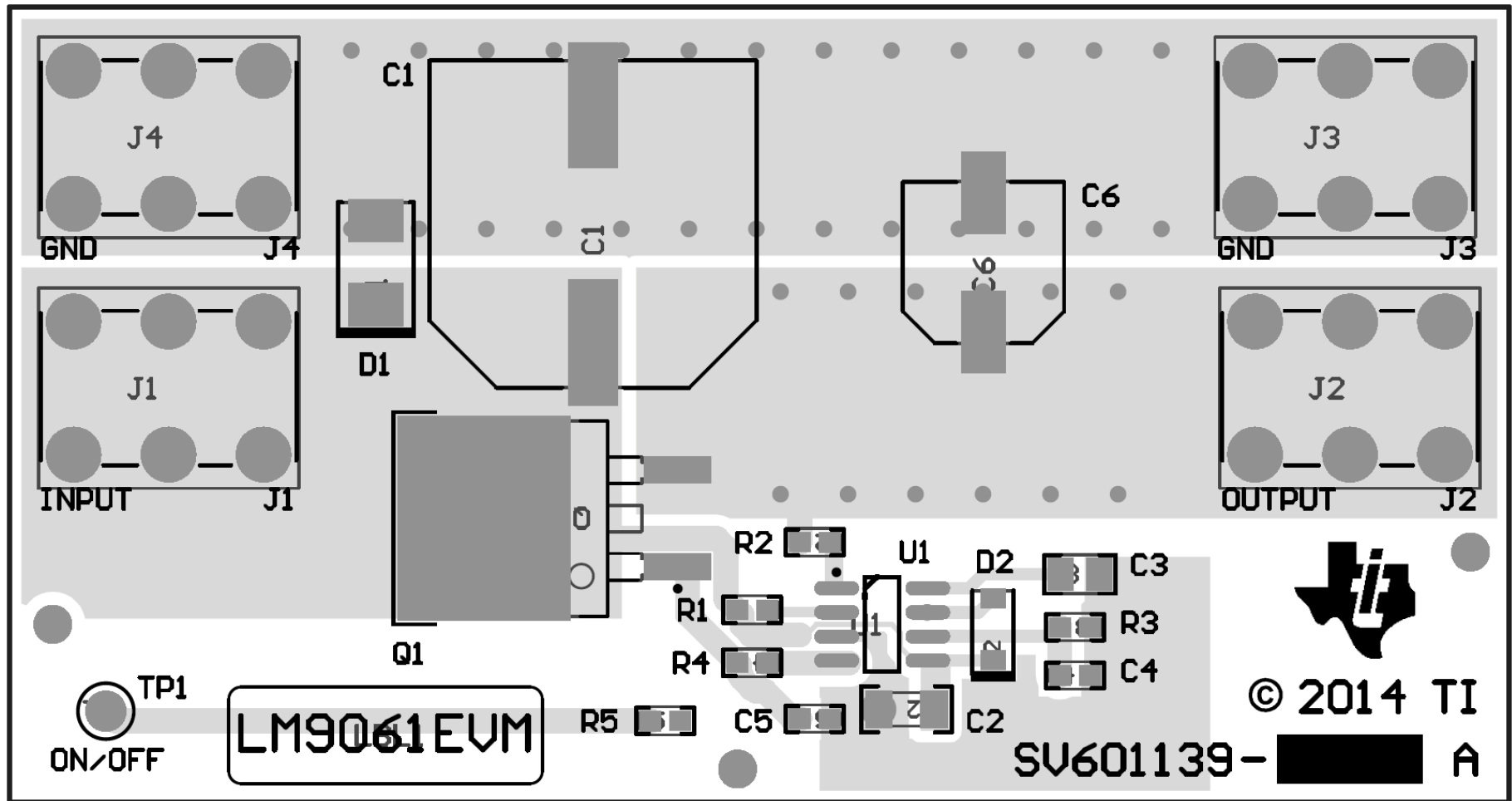


Figure 8. Layout, Top Layer

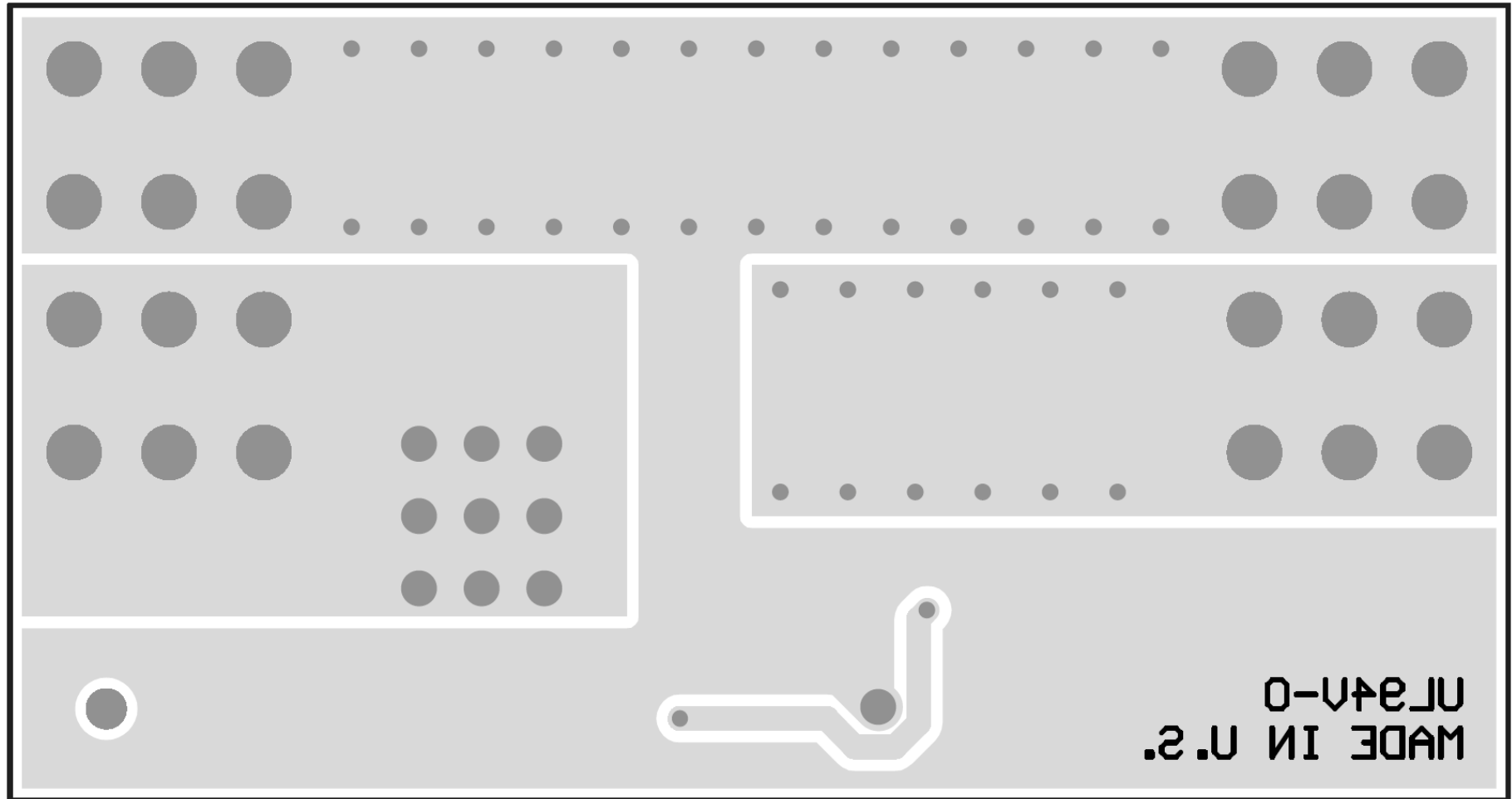


Figure 9. Layout, Bottom Layer

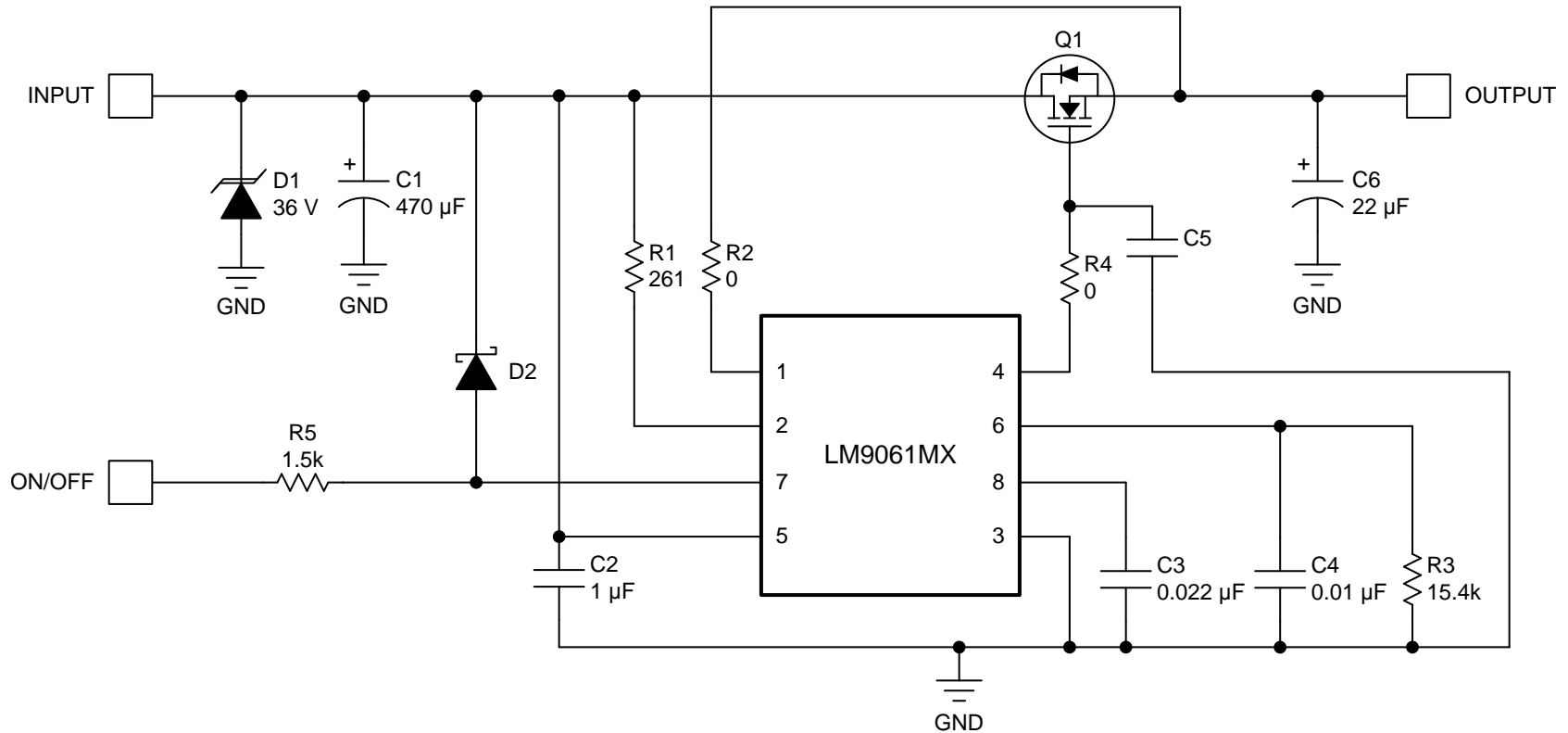


Figure 10. Schematic

5 Bill of Materials
Table 2. LM9061EVM Bill of Materials

REF DES	COUNT	DESCRIPTION	SIZE	PART NUMBER	MANUFACTURER
!PCB	1	Printed Circuit Board		SV601139	Any
C1	1	CAP, AL, 470 μ F, 63 V, +/- 20%, 0.082 Ω , SMD	SMT Radial J16	EEV-FK1J471M	Panasonic
C2	1	CAP, CERM, 1 μ F, 100 V, +/- 20%, X7R, 1206	1206	C3216X7R2A105M160A A	TDK
C3	1	CAP, CERM, 0.022 μ F, 100 V, +/- 5%, X7R, 0805	805	08051C223JAT2A	AVX
C4	1	CAP, CERM, 0.01 μ F, 100 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	603	C1608X7R2A103K	TDK
C6	1	CAP, AL, 22 μ F, 63 V, +/- 20%, 0.7 Ω , SMD	HA0	EMVH630ADA220MHA0 G	Nippon Chemi-Con
D1	1	Diode, TVS, Uni, 36V, 600W, SMB	SMB	SMBJ36A-13-F	Diodes Inc.
D2	1	Diode, Schottky, 60V, 3A, SOD-123	SOD-123	MBR0560-TP	Micro Commercial Components
J1, J2, J3, J4	4	TERMINAL SCREW PC 30AMP, TH	12.9x6.3x7.9 mm	8199	Keystone
LBL1	1	Thermal Transfer Printable Labels, 0.650" W x 0.200" H - 10,000 per roll	PCB Label 0.650"H x 0.200"W	THT-14-423-10	Brady
Q1	1	MOSFET, N-CH, 100V, 120A, DDPAK	DDPAK	IPB027N10N3 G	Infineon Technologies
R1	1	RES, 261, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	603	CRCW0603261RFKEA	Vishay-Dale
R2, R4	2	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	603	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale
R3	1	RES, 15.4 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	603	CRCW060315K4FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R5	1	RES, 1.5 k, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	603	CRCW06031K50JNEA	Vishay-Dale
TP1	1	Test Point, Miniature, White, TH	White Miniature Testpoint	5002	Keystone
U1	1	Power MOSFET Driver with Lossless Protection, 8-pin Narrow SOIC	M08A	LM9061MX	Texas Instruments
C5	0	CAP, CERM, 2200 pF, 100 V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	603	C1608X7R2A222K	TDK
FID1, FID2, FID3	0	Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount.	Fiducial	N/A	N/A

6 Related Documentation

- LM9061 High-Side Protection Controller data sheet ([SNOS738](#)).

7 Revision History

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