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# **TPS51216-EP Complete DDR2, DDR3 and DDR3L Memory Power Solution Synchronous Buck Controller, 2-A LDO, Buffered Reference**

### **1 Features**

- Synchronous buck controller (VDDQ)
	- Conversion voltage range: 3 to 28 V
	- Output voltage range: 0.7 to 1.8 V
	- $-$  0.8%  $V_{RFF}$  accuracy
	- D-CAP™ mode for fast transient response
	- Selectable 300-kHz/400-kHz switching frequencies
	- Optimized efficiency at light and heavy loads with auto-skip function
	- Supports soft-off in S4/S5 states
	- OCL/OVP/UVP/UVLO protections
	- Powergood output
	- 2-A LDO (VTT), buffered reference (VTTREF)
	- 2-A (peak) sink and source current
	- Requires only 10-μF of ceramic output capacitance
	- Buffered, low noise, 10-mA VTTREF output
	- 0.8% VTTREF, 20-mV VTT accuracy
	- Support high-z in S3 and soft-off in S4/S5
- Thermal shutdown
	- 20-Pin, 3 mm × 3 mm, WQFN Package
- **Supports Defense, Aerospace, and Medical Applications**
	- Controlled baseline
	- One assembly/test site
	- One fabrication site
	- Available in military (–55°C to 125°C) temperature range 1
	- Extended product life cycle
	- Extended product-change notification
	- Product traceability

## **2 Applications**

- DDR2/DDR3/DDR3L memory power supplies
- SSTL\_18, SSTL\_15, SSTL\_135, and HSTL termination

### **3 Description**

The TPS51216-EP provides a complete power supply for DDR2, DDR3 and DDR3L memory systems in the lowest total cost and minimum space. It integrates a synchronous buck regulator controller (VDDQ) with a 2-A sink/source tracking LDO (VTT) and buffered low noise reference (VTTREF). The TPS51216-EP employs D-CAP™ mode coupled with 300 kHz/400 kHz frequencies for ease-of-use and fast transient response. The VTTREF tracks VDDQ/2 within excellent 0.8% accuracy. The VTT, which provides 2-A sink/source peak current capabilities, requires only 10-μF of ceramic capacitance. In addition, a dedicated LDO supply input is available.

The TPS51216-EP provides rich useful functions as well as excellent power supply performance. It supports flexible power state control, placing VTT at high-Z in S3 and discharging VDDQ, VTT, and VTTREF (soft-off) in S4/S5 state.

#### **Device Information**



(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.



**Application Diagram**

<sup>1</sup> Additional temperature ranges available - contact factory



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# **4 Revision History**



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## **5 Description (continued)**

Programmable OCL with low-side MOSFET R<sub>DS(on)</sub> sensing, OVP/UVP/UVLO and thermal shutdown protections are also available.

The TPS51216-EP is available in a 20-pin, 3 mm × 3 mm, WQFN package and is specified for junction temperature from –55°C to 125°C.



### <span id="page-3-0"></span>**6 Pin Configuration and Functions**



### **Figure 6-1. RUK Package 20-Pin WQFN Top View**

#### **Table 6-1. Pin Functions**



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## **7 Specifications**

### **7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings**

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup>



(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

(2) All voltage values are with respect to the network ground terminal unless otherwise noted.

(3) Voltage values are with respect to the SW terminal.

### **7.2 ESD Ratings**



(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.



#### <span id="page-5-0"></span>**7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions**



(1) This voltage should be applied for less than 30% of the repetitive period.

(2) Voltage values are with respect to the SW terminal.

### **7.4 Thermal Information**



(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spra953).

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### **7.5 Electrical Characteristics**

 $T_J$  = –55°C to 125°C, VV5IN = 5 V, VLDOIN is connected to VDDQ output, V<sub>MODE</sub> = 0 V, V<sub>S3</sub> = V<sub>S5</sub> = 5 V (unless otherwise noted)





### **7.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)**

 $T_J$  = –55°C to 125°C, VV5IN = 5 V, VLDOIN is connected to VDDQ output, V<sub>MODE</sub> = 0 V, V<sub>S3</sub> = V<sub>S5</sub> = 5 V (unless otherwise noted)



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### **7.5 Electrical Characteristics (continued)**

 $T_J$  = –55°C to 125°C, VV5IN = 5 V, VLDOIN is connected to VDDQ output, V<sub>MODE</sub> = 0 V, V<sub>S3</sub> = V<sub>S5</sub> = 5 V (unless otherwise noted)



#### 1. Ensured by design. Not production tested.



- A. See data sheet for absolute maximum and minimum recommended operating conditions.
- B. Silicon operating life design goal is 10 years at 105°C junction temperature (does not include package interconnect life).
- C. Enhanced plastic product disclaimer applies.

#### **Figure 7-1. TPS51216-EP Derating Chart**



### <span id="page-9-0"></span>**7.6 Typical Characteristics**

















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### **8 Detailed Description**

### **8.1 Overview**

TPS51216-EP provides complete Power Supply Solution for DDR2, DDR3 and DDR3L memory system.

### **8.2 Functional Block Diagram**



### **8.3 Feature Description**

### **8.3.1 VDDQ Switch Mode Power Supply Control**

TPS51216-EP supports D-CAP mode which does not require complex external compensation networks and is suitable for designs with small external components counts. The D-CAP mode provides fast transient response with appropriate amount of equivalent series resistance (ESR) on the output capacitors. An adaptive on-time control scheme is used to achieve pseudo-constant frequency. The TPS51216-EP adjusts the on-time  $(t_{ON})$  to be inversely proportional to the input voltage (V<sub>IN</sub>) and proportional to the output voltage (V<sub>DDQ</sub>). This makes a switching frequency fairy constant over the variation of input voltage at the steady state condition.



#### **8.3.2 VREF and REFIN, VDDQ Output Voltage**

The part provides a 1.8-V, ±0.8% accurate, voltage reference from VREF. This output has a 300-μA (max) current capability to drive the REFIN input voltage through a voltage divider circuit. A capacitor with a value of 0.1-μF or larger should be attached close to the VREF terminal.

The VDDQ switch-mode power supply (SMPS) output voltage is defined by REFIN voltage, within the range between 0.7 V and 1.8 V, programmed by the resister-divider connected between VREF and GND. (See *[Section](#page-22-0) [9.2.2.2](#page-22-0)*.) A few nano farads of capacitance from REFIN to GND is recommended for stable operation.

#### **8.3.3 Soft-Start and Powergood**

TPS51216-EP provides integrated VDDQ soft-start functions to suppress in-rush current at start-up. The softstart is achieved by controlling internal reference voltage ramping up. Figure 8-1 shows the start-up waveforms. The switching regulator waits for 400μs after S5 assertion. The MODE pin voltage is read in this period. A typical VDDQ ramp up duration is 700μs.

TPS51216-EP has a powergood open-drain output that indicates the VDDQ voltage is within the target range. The target voltage window and transition delay times of the PGOOD comparator are ±8% (typ) and 1-ms delay for assertion (low to high), and ±16% (typ) and 330-ns delay for de-assertion (high to low) during running. The PGOOD comparator is enabled 1.1 ms after VREF is raised high and the start-up delay is 2.5 ms. Note that the time constant which is composed of the REFIN capacitor and a resistor divider needs to be short enough to reach the target value before PGOOD comparator enabled.





#### **8.3.4 Power State Control**

The TPS51216-EP has two input pins, S3 and S5, to provide simple control scheme of power state. All of VDDQ, VTTREF and VTT are turned on at S0 state (S3 = S5 = high). In S3 state (S3 = low, S5 = high), VDDQ and VTTREF voltages are kept on while VTT is turned off and left at high impedance state (high-Z). The VTT output floats and does not sink or source current in this state. In S4/S5 states (S3=S5=low), all of the three outputs are turned off and discharged to GND according to the discharge mode selected by MODE pin. Each state code represents as follow; S0 = full ON, S3 = suspend to RAM (STR), S4 = suspend to disk (STD), S5 = soft OFF. (See [Table 8-1\)](#page-16-0)

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**Table 8-1. S3/S5 Power State Control**

### **8.3.5 Discharge Control**

In S4/S5 state, VDDQ, VTT, and VTTREF outputs are discharged based on the respective discharge mode selected above. The tracking discharge mode discharges VDDQ output through the internal VTT regulator transistors enabling quick discharge operation. The VTT output maintains tracking of the VTTREF voltage in this mode. (Refer to [Figure 7-26](#page-13-0).) After 4 ms of tracking discharge operation, the mode changes to non-tracking discharge. The VDDQ output must be connected to the VLDOIN pin in this mode. The non-tracking mode discharges the VDDQ and VTT pins using internal MOSFETs that are connected to corresponding output terminals. The non-tracking discharge is slow compared with the tracking discharge due to the lower current capability of these MOSFETs. (Refer to [Figure 7-27](#page-13-0).)

### **8.3.6 VTT Overcurrent Protection**

The LDO has an internally fixed constant overcurrent limiting of 3-A (typ) for both sink and source operation.

### **8.3.7 V5IN Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO) Protection**

TPS51216-EP has a 5-V supply UVLO protection threshold. When the V5IN voltage is lower than UVLO threshold voltage, typically 3.93 V, VDDQ, VTT, and VTTREF are shut off. This is a non-latch protection.

### **8.3.8 Thermal Shutdown**

TPS51216-EP includes an internal temperature monitor. If the temperature exceeds the threshold value, 140°C (typical), VDDQ, VTT and VTTREF are shut off. The thermal shutdown state of VDDQ is open, VTT and VTTREF are high impedance (high-Z) respectively, and the discharge functions are disabled. This is a non-latch protection and the operation is restarted with soft-start sequence when the device temperature is reduced by 10°C (typical).



### <span id="page-17-0"></span>**8.4 Device Functional Modes**

### **8.4.1 MODE Pin Configuration**

The TPS51216-EP reads the MODE pin voltage when the S5 signal is raised high and stores the status in a register. A 15-μA current is sourced from the MODE pin during this time to read the voltage across the resistor connected between the pin and GND. Table 8-2 shows resistor values, corresponding switching frequency, and discharge mode configurations.



#### **Table 8-2. MODE Selection**

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### **9 Application and Implementation**

**Note**

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes, as well as validating and testing their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### **9.1 Application Information**

TPS51216-EP is highly integrated synchronous step-down buck solution. The device is used to convert a higher DC-DC voltage to lower DC output voltage to provide VDDQ and VTT for various DDR memory power solutions.

#### **9.1.1 D-CAP Mode**

Figure 9-1 shows a simplified model of D-CAP mode architecture.



**Figure 9-1. Simplified D-CAP Model**

The VDDQSNS voltage is compared with REFIN voltage. The PWM comparator creates a set signal to turn on the high-side MOSFET. The gain and speed of the comparator is high enough to maintain the voltage at the beginning of each on-cycle (or the end of each off-cycle) to be substantially constant. The DC output voltage monitored at VDDQ may have line regulation due to ripple amplitude that slightly increases as the input voltage increase. The D-CAP mode offers flexibility on output inductance and capacitance selections and provides ease-of-use with a low external component count. However, it requires a sufficient amount of output ripple voltage for stable operation and good jitter performance.

The requirement for loop stability is simple and is described in Equation 1. The 0-dB frequency,  $f_0$  defined in Equation 1, is recommended to be lower than 1/3 of the switching frequency to secure proper phase margin.

$$
f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi \times \text{ESR} \times C_{\text{OUT}}} \le \frac{f_{\text{SW}}}{3}
$$
 (1)

where

- ESR is the effective series resistance of the output capacitor
- $C<sub>OUT</sub>$  is the capacitance of the output capacitor
- $f_{sw}$  is switching frequency



Jitter is another attribute caused by signal-to-noise ratio of the feedback signal. One of the major factors that determine jitter performance in D-CAP mode is the down-slope angle of the VDDQSNS ripple voltage. Figure 9-2 shows, in the same noise condition, a jitter is improved by making the slope angle larger.



**Figure 9-2. Ripple Voltage Slope and Jitter Performance**

For a good jitter performance, use the recommended down slope of approximately 20 mV per switching period as shown in Figure 9-2 and Equation 2.

$$
\frac{V_{OUT} \times ESR}{f_{SW} \times L_X} \ge 20 \text{ mV}
$$
 (2)

where

- $V<sub>OUT</sub>$  is the VDDQ output voltage
- $L_X$  is the inductance

### **9.1.2 Light-Load Operation**

In auto-skip mode, the TPS51216-EP SMPS control logic automatically reduces its switching frequency to improve light-load efficiency. To achieve this intelligence, a zero cross detection comparator is used to prevent negative inductor current by turning off the low-side MOSFET. Equation 3 shows the boundary load condition of this skip mode and continuous conduction operation.

$$
I_{\text{LOAD}}(LL) = \frac{(V_{\text{IN}} - V_{\text{OUT}})}{2 \times L_X} \times \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}}} \times \frac{1}{f_{\text{SW}}}
$$
(3)

### **9.1.3 VTT and VTTREF**

TPS51216-EP integrates two high performance, low-dropout linear regulators, VTT and VTTREF, to provide complete DDR2/DDR3/DDR3L power solutions. The VTTREF has a 10-mA sink/source current capability, and tracks ½ of VDDQSNS with ±1% accuracy using an on-chip ½ divider. A 0.22-μF (or larger) ceramic capacitor must be connected close to the VTTREF terminal for stable operation. The VTT responds quickly to track VTTREF within ±40 mV at all conditions, and the current capability is 2 A for both sink and source. A 10-μF (or larger) ceramic capacitor must be connected close to the VTT terminal for stable operation. To achieve tight regulation with minimum effect of wiring resistance, a remote sensing terminal, VTTSNS, should be connected



to the positive node of the VTT output capacitors as a separate trace from the high-current line to the VTT pin. (Refer to *[Section 11.1](#page-25-0)* for details.)

When VTT is not required in the design, the following treatments are strongly recommended.

- Connect VLDOIN to VDDQ.
- Tie VTTSNS to VTT, and remove capacitors from VTT to float.
- Connect VTTGND to GND.
- Select MODE 0 or MODE 1 shown in [Table 8-2](#page-17-0) (select non-tracking discharge mode).
- Maintain a 0.22-uF capacitor connected at VTTREF.
- Pull down S3 to GND with 1-kΩ resistance.



**Figure 9-3. Application Circuit When VTT is not Required**

#### **9.1.4 VDDQ Overvoltage and Undervoltage Protection**

TPS51216-EP sets the overvoltage protection (OVP) when the VDDQSNS voltage reaches a level 20% (typ) higher than the REFIN voltage. When an OV event is detected, the controller latches DRVH low and DRVL high. VTTREF and VTT are turned off and discharged using the non-tracking discharge MOSFETs regardless of the tracking mode.

The undervoltage protection (UVP) latch is set when the VDDQSNS voltage remains lower than 68% (typ) of the REFIN voltage for 1 ms or longer. In this fault condition, the controller latches DRVH low and DRVL low and discharges the VDDQ, VTT, and VTTREF outputs. UVP detection function is enabled after 1.2 ms of SMPS operation to ensure startup.

To release the OVP and UVP latches, toggle S5 or adjust the V5IN voltage down and up beyond the undervoltage lockout threshold.

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The VDDQ SMPS has cycle-by-cycle overcurrent limiting protection. The inductor current is monitored during the off-state using the low-side MOSFET  $R_{DS(on)}$  and the controller maintains the off-state while the voltage across the low-side MOSFET is larger than the overcurrent trip level. The current monitor circuit inputs are PGND and SW pins so that those should be properly connected to the source and drain terminals of low-side MOSFET. The overcurrent trip level,  $V_{TRIP}$ , is determined by Equation 4.

$$
V_{TRIP} = R_{TRIP} \times I_{TRIP}
$$
 (4)

where

- $R_{TRIP}$  is the value of the resistor connected between the TRIP pin and GND
- $I<sub>TRIP</sub>$  is the current sourced from the TRIP pin.  $I<sub>TRIP</sub>$  is 10 μA typically at room temperature, and has 4700 ppm/°C temperature coefficient to compensate the temperature dependency of the low-side MOSFET  $R_{DS(on)}$ .

Because the comparison is done during the off-state,  $V_{TRIP}$  sets the valley level of the inductor current. The load current OCL level, I<sub>OCL</sub>, can be calculated by considering the inductor ripple current as shown in Equation 5.

$$
I_{\text{OCL}} = \left(\frac{V_{\text{TRIP}}}{8 \times R_{\text{DS}(on)}}\right) + \frac{I_{\text{IND}(ripple)}}{2} = \left(\frac{V_{\text{TRIP}}}{8 \times R_{\text{DS}(on)}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{V_{\text{IN}} - V_{\text{OUT}}}{L_X} \times \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{f_{\text{SW}} \times V_{\text{IN}}}
$$
(5)

where

 $I_{\text{IND(ripple)}}$  is inductor ripple current

In an overcurrent condition, the current to the load exceeds the current to the output capacitor, thus the output voltage tends to fall down. Eventually, it crosses the undervoltage protection threshold and shuts down.

### **9.2 Typical Application**



**Figure 9-4. DDR3, 400-kHz Application Circuit, Tracking Discharge**

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#### **9.2.1 Design Requirements**

See Table 9-1 for the design parameters.

**Table 9-1. Design Parameters**

<b>V<sub>IN</sub></b>	<b>VDDC</b>	<b>IVDDQ</b>	$\mathbf{r}$	<b>IVTT</b> .	<b>F<sub>SW</sub></b>
` 20 <i>د</i> $R$ to	∽ 	20 A $\sim$	v.		400 kH2

#### **9.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure**

#### *9.2.2.1 List of Materials*





For this example, the bulk output capacitor ESR requirement for D-CAP mode is described in Equation 6, whichever is greater.

$$
ESR \ge \frac{20 \text{ mV} \times f_{SW} \times L}{V_{OUT}} \quad \text{or} \quad ESR \ge \frac{3}{2\pi \times f_{SW} \times C_{OUT}}
$$
(6)

#### *9.2.2.2 External Components Selection*

The external components selection is simple in D-CAP mode.

#### 1. **Determine the value of R4 and R5.**

The output voltage is determined by the value of the voltage-divider resistor, R4 and R5, as shown in [Figure](#page-21-0) [9-4.](#page-21-0) R4 is connected between VREF and REFIN pins, and R5 is connected between the REFIN pin and GND. Setting R4 as 10-kΩ is a good starting point. Determine R5 using Equation 7.



#### 2. **Choose the inductor.**

The inductance value should be determined to yield a ripple current of approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of maximum output current. Larger ripple current increases output ripple voltage and improves the signal-to-noise ratio and helps stable operation.

$$
L_X = \frac{1}{I_{IND(ripple)} \times f_{SW}} \times \frac{V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT} V_{VOUT}}{V_{IN(max)}} = \frac{3}{I_{O(max)} \times f_{SW}} \times \frac{V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT} V_{VOUT}}{V_{IN(max)}}
$$
(8)

(7)



The inductor needs a low direct current resistance (DCR) to achieve good efficiency, as well as enough room above peak inductor current before saturation. The peak inductor current can be estimated in Equation 9.

$$
I_{IND(peak)} = \frac{V_{TRIP}}{8 \times R_{DS(on)}} + \frac{1}{L_X \times f_{SW}} \times \frac{V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT} V_{VOUT}}{V_{IN(max)}}
$$
(9)

#### 3. **Choose the OCL setting resistance, RTRIP**.

Combining [Equation 4](#page-21-0) and [Equation 5,](#page-21-0)  $R_{TRIP}$  can be obtained using Equation 10.

$$
R_{TRIP} = \frac{8 \times \left( I_{OCL} - \left( \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{(2 \times L_X)} \right) \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{(f_{SW} \times V_{IN})} \right) \times R_{DS(on)}}{I_{TRIP}}
$$
(10)

#### 4. **Choose the output capacitors.**

TI recommends organic semiconductor capacitors or specialty polymer capacitors. Determine ESR to meet small signal stability and recommended ripple voltage. A quick reference is shown in Equation 11 and Equation 12.

$$
\frac{1}{2\pi \times \text{ESR} \times C_{\text{OUT}}} \le \frac{f_{SW}}{3}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{V_{OUT} \times \text{ESR}}{220 \text{mV}} \le 20 \text{mV}
$$
\n(11)

$$
\frac{v_{\text{OUT}} \times \text{LSP}}{f_{\text{SW}} \times L_X} \ge 20 \text{mV}
$$
 (12)

#### **9.2.3 Application Curve**



**Figure 9-5. Output Ripple**

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## **10 Power Supply Recommendations**

TPS51216-EP is designed to operate from input voltage supply range of 8 to 20 V. This supply must be well regulated. The power supply must be well bypassed for proper electrical performance. See *[Section 11.2](#page-26-0)* for recommended bypass capacitor placement.



### <span id="page-25-0"></span>**11 Layout**

### **11.1 Layout Guidelines**

Certain issues must be considered before designing a layout using the TPS51216-EP.

- VIN capacitors, VOUT capacitors, and MOSFETs are the power components and should be placed on one side of the PCB (solder side). Other small signal components should be placed on another side (component side). At least one inner plane should be inserted, connected to ground, in order to shield and isolate the small signal traces from noisy power lines.
- All sensitive analog traces and components such as VDDQSNS, VTTSNS, MODE, REFIN, VREF, and TRIP should be placed away from high-voltage switching nodes such as SW, DRVL, DRVH, or VBST to avoid coupling. Use internal layers as ground planes and shield feedback trace from power traces and components.
- The DC/DC converter has several high-current loops. The area of these loops should be minimized in order to suppress generating switching noise.
	- The most important loop to minimize the area of is the path from the VIN capacitors through the high and low-side MOSFETs, and back to the capacitors through ground. Connect the negative node of the VIN capacitors and the source of the low-side MOSFET at ground as close as possible. (Refer to loop number 1 of [Figure 11-1\)](#page-26-0)
	- The second important loop is the path from the low-side MOSFET through inductor and VOUT capacitors, and back to source of the low-side MOSFET through ground. Connect source of the low-side MOSFET and negative node of VOUT capacitors at ground as close as possible. (Refer to loop number 2 of [Figure](#page-26-0) [11-1](#page-26-0))
	- The third important loop is of gate driving system for the low-side MOSFET. To turn on the low-side MOSFET, high current flows from V5IN capacitor through gate driver and the low-side MOSFET, and back to negative node of the capacitor through ground. To turn off the low-side MOSFET, high current flows from gate of the low-side MOSFET through the gate driver and PGND, and back to source of the low-side MOSFET through ground. Connect negative node of V5IN capacitor, source of the low-side MOSFET and PGND at ground as close as possible. (Refer to loop number 3 of [Figure 11-1\)](#page-26-0)
- Because the TPS51216-EP controls output voltage referring to voltage across VOUT capacitor, VDDQSNS should be connected to the positive node of VOUT capacitor. In a same manner GND should be connected to the negative node of VOUT capacitor.
- Connect the overcurrent setting resistors from TRIP pin to ground and make the connections as close as possible to the device. The trace from TRIP pin to resistor and from resistor to ground should avoid coupling to a high-voltage switching node.
- Connect the frequency and mode setting resistor from MODE pin to ground, and make the connections as close as possible to the device. The trace from the MODE pin to the resistor and from the resistor to ground should avoid coupling to a high-voltage switching node
- Connections from gate drivers to the respective gate of the high-side or the low-side MOSFET should be as short as possible to reduce stray inductance. Use 0.65 mm (25 mils) or wider trace and vias of at least 0.5 mm (20 mils) diameter along this trace.
- The PCB trace defined as SW node, which connects to the source of the switching MOSFET, the drain of the rectifying MOSFET and the high-voltage side of the inductor, should be as short and wide as possible.
- VLDOIN should be connected to VDDQ output with short and wide traces. An input bypass capacitor should be placed as close as possible to the pin with short and wide connections.
- The output capacitor for VTT should be placed close to the pin with a short and wide connection in order to avoid additional ESR and/or ESL of the trace.
- VTTSNS should be connected to the positive node of the VTT output capacitors as a separate trace from the high-current power line and is strongly recommended to avoid additional ESR and/or ESL. If it is needed to sense the voltage at the point of the load, it is recommended to attach the output capacitors at that point. Also, it is recommended to minimize any additional ESR and/or ESL of ground trace between GND pin and the output capacitors.
- Consider adding a low pass filter (LPF) at VTTSNS in case the ESR of the VTT output capacitors is larger than 2 mΩ.
- VDDQSNS can be connected separately from VLDOIN. Remember that this sensing potential is the reference voltage of VTTREF. Avoid any noise generative lines.

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- The negative node of the VTT output capacitors and the VTTREF capacitor should be tied together by avoiding common impedance to high-current path of the VTT source/sink current.
- GND pin node represents the reference potential for VTTREF and VTT outputs. Connect GND to negative nodes of VTT capacitors, VTTREF capacitor and VDDQ capacitors with care to avoid additional ESR and/or ESL. GND and PGND should be connected together at a single point.
- In order to effectively remove heat from the package, prepare the thermal land and solder to the package thermal pad. Wide trace of the component-side copper, connected to this thermal land, helps heat spreading. Numerous vias with a 0.3-mm diameter connected from the thermal land to the internal/solder-side ground planes should be used to help dissipation.

## **CAUTION** Do **not** connect PGND pin directly to this thermal land underneath the package.



# **11.2 Layout Example**

**Figure 11-1. DC/DC Converter Ground System**



### <span id="page-27-0"></span>**12 Device and Documentation Support**

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#### **12.4 Electrostatic Discharge Caution**



This integrated circuit can be damaged by ESD. Texas Instruments recommends that all integrated circuits be handled with appropriate precautions. Failure to observe proper handling and installation procedures can cause damage.

ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

#### **12.5 Glossary**

[TI Glossary](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLYZ022) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

### **13 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information**

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.



### **PACKAGING INFORMATION**



**(1)** The marketing status values are defined as follows:

**ACTIVE:** Product device recommended for new designs.

**LIFEBUY:** TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

**NRND:** Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

**PREVIEW:** Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

**OBSOLETE:** TI has discontinued the production of the device.

<sup>(2)</sup> RoHS: TI defines "RoHS" to mean semiconductor products that are compliant with the current EU RoHS requirements for all 10 RoHS substances, including the requirement that RoHS substance do not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous materials. Where designed to be soldered at high temperatures. "RoHS" products are suitable for use in specified lead-free processes. TI may reference these types of products as "Pb-Free".

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**(3)** MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

**(4)** There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

**(5)** Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

**(6)** Lead finish/Ball material - Orderable Devices may have multiple material finish options. Finish options are separated by a vertical ruled line. Lead finish/Ball material values may wrap to two lines if the finish value exceeds the maximum column width.

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• Catalog : [TPS51216](http://focus.ti.com/docs/prod/folders/print/tps51216.html)

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• Catalog - TI's standard catalog product



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### **TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION**

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#### **QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE**







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# **PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION**

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\*All dimensions are nominal





# **PACKAGE OUTLINE**

# **RUK0020B WQFN - 0.8 mm max height**

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



#### NOTES:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
- 2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- 3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.



# **EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT**

# **RUK0020B WQFN - 0.8 mm max height**

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 (www.ti.com/lit/slua271).

5. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.



# **EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN**

# **RUK0020B WQFN - 0.8 mm max height**

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6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.



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