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TPS62601EVM-327

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the TPS62601EVM-327 evaluation module (EVM). This EVM demonstrates the Texas Instruments TPS62601, 6-MHz, synchronous, step-down converters capable of providing up to 500 mA of output current. This document includes setup instructions, a schematic diagram, a bill of materials, and printed-circuit board layout drawings for the EVM.

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1 Introduction

The TPS62601EVM-327 EVM helps designers evaluate the operation and performance of the TPS62601 DC/DC converter. This converter is a 6-MHz, synchronous, step-down converters capable of 500 mA of output current.

1.1 Related Documentation From Texas Instruments

TPS620601 data sheet (SLVS678)

2 Setup

This section describes the jumpers and connectors on the EVM as well as how to properly connect, set up, and use the TPS62601EVM-327.



Operation

2.1 Input//Output Connector Descriptions

2.1.1 J1 – VIN

This is the positive input supply voltage. Twist the leads to the input supply and keep them as short as possible to minimize EMI transmission. Add bulk capacitance between J1 and J2 if the supply leads are greater than six inches. An additional 47- μ F or greater capacitor improves the transient response of the TPS62601 and helps reduce ringing on the input when long supply wires are used.

2.1.2 J2 – GND

This is the return connection for the input power supply of the converter.

2.1.3 J3 – VOUT

This is the positive connection from the output. Connect this pin to the positive input of the load.

2.1.4 J4 – GND

This is the return connection for the output.

2.1.5 JP1– ENABLE

This jumper enables or disables the converter. Connect the shorting jumper between pins 1 and 2 (VIN and EN) to enable the converter. Connecting the shorting jumper between pin 2 and 3 (EN and GND) disables the converter. Never leave this pin floating.

2.1.6 JP2 – MODE

This jumper sets the mode of the TPS62601. Connect the shorting jumper between pins 1 and 2 (VIN and MODE) forces the TPS62601 into the fixed-frequency PWM mode. Connecting the shorting jumper between pin 2 and 3 (MODE and GND) enables the Power-Save mode with automatic transition from PFM mode to fixed-frequency PWM mode. Never leave this pin floating.

3 Operation

Connect the positive input power supply to J1. Connect the input power return (ground) to J2. The TPS62601EVM-279 has an absolute maximum input voltage of 7 V. The recommended maximum operating voltage is 5.5 V.

Connect the desired load between J3 and J4. The TPS62601EVM-279 can supply up to 500 mA of output current.

Configure jumpers JP1 and JP2 as required. The functions of JP1 and JP2 are described in the Setup section of this manual.

4 Test Results

This section provides typical performance waveforms for the TPS62601EVM-279 board.

5 Board Layout

This section provides the TPS62601EVM-327 board layout and illustrations.



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5.1 Layout

Board layout is critical for all high-frequency switch mode power supplies. Figure 1 through Figure 1 show the board layout for the TPS62601EVM-327 printed-circuit Board. The nodes with high-switching frequencies and currents are kept as short as possible to minimize trace inductance. Careful attention has been given to the routing of high-frequency current loops, and a single-point grounding scheme is used. See the data sheet for specific layout guidelines.

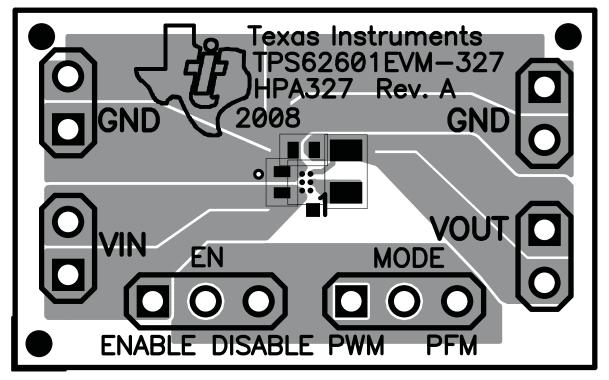


Figure 1. Assembly Layer



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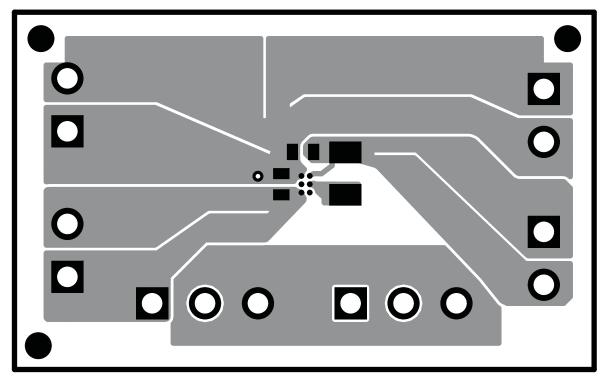


Figure 2. Top Layer Routing

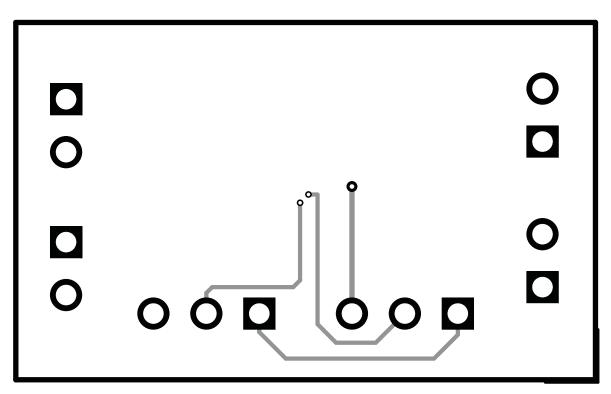


Figure 3. Bottom Layer Routing



6 Schematic and Bill of Materials

This section provides the TPS62601EVM-327 schematic and bill of materials.

6.1 Schematic

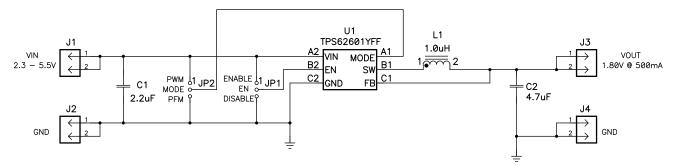


Figure 4. TPS62601EVM-327 Schematic

6.2 Bill of Materials

COUNT	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
1	C1**	2.2 μF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 6.3V, X5R	0402	GRM155R60J225ME15	Murata
1	C2**	4.7 μF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 4V, X5R	0402	GRM155R60G475ME47	Murata
4	J1–J4	PTC36SAAN	Header, 2 pin, 100mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 x 2	PTC36SAAN	Sullins
2	JP1, JP2	PTC36SAAN	Header, 3 pin, 100mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 x 3	PTC36SAAN	Sullins
1	L1**	1.0 μH	Inductor, SMT, 800mA, 190 mΩ	2012	LQM21PN1R0NGR	Murata
1	U1**	TPS62601YFF	IC, 500mA, 6-MHz Synchronous Step-Down Converter	WCSP-6	TPS62601YFF	TI
2	_	—	Shunt, 100-mil, Black	0.100	929950-00	3M
1	_	_	PCB, 0.680" x 1.10" x 0.062"		HPA327	Any

Table 1. TPS62601EVM-327 Bill of Materials

Notes: 1. These assemblies are ESD sensitive, ESD precautions shall be observed.

2. These assemblies must be clean and free from flux and all contaminants. Use of no clean flux is not acceptable.

3. These assemblies must comply with workmanship standards IPC-A-610 Class 2.

4. Ref designators marked with an asterisk ('**') cannot be substituted. All other components can be substituted with equivalent MFG's components.

5. Maximum 30 grams placement pressure on WCSP-6 parts.

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It is important to operate this EVM within the input voltage range of 2.3 V to 5.5 V and the output voltage range of 1.8 V to 1.83 V.

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.

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