TPS62125EVM-044 Evaluation Module

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the Texas Instruments TPS62125 evaluation module (EVM). This EVM is designed to help the user easily evaluate and test the operation and functionality of the TPS62125. The EVM converts a 4-V to 17-V input voltage to a regulated 3.3-V output voltage that delivers 300 mA. This user's guide includes setup instructions for the hardware, printed-circuit board layouts for the EVM, a schematic diagram, a bill of materials, and test results for the EVM.

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1 Introduction

The TPS62125 is a 300-mA, synchronous, step-down converter in a 2x2-mm, 8-pin WSON package.

1.1 Background

The TPS62125EVM-044 (PWR044) uses the TPS62125 device and is set to a 3.3-V output. The EVM operates with full-rated performance with an input voltage between 4 V and 17 V, assuming JP1 is connected between ON and EN.

The TPS62125 device contains an adjustable enable threshold and adjustable hysteresis feature. Thus, the input voltage at which the device enables and disables is fully programmable by the user. In the TPS62125EVM-044, the device is set to turn on at 6 V and turn off at 4 V. This feature can be bypassed by using jumper JP1, which overrides the programmed threshold voltages.

1.2 Performance Specification

Table 1 provides a summary of the TPS62125EVM-044 performance specifications. All specifications are given for an ambient temperature of 25°C.

Table 1. Performance Specification Summary

Specification	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input voltage	JP1 connected between EN and ON	4		17	V
Output voltage	PWM Mode of Operation		3.3		V
Output current		0		300	mA
Peak efficiency			93.3%		
Soft-start time	Ramp time of the output voltage		330		µs

1.3 Modifications

The printed-circuit board (PCB) for this EVM accommodates additional input and output capacitors, as well as a feedforward capacitor.

1.3.1 Input and Output Capacitors

C3 is provided for an additional input capacitor. This capacitor is not required for proper operation but can be used to reduce the input voltage ripple.

C4 is provided for an additional output capacitor. This capacitor is not required for proper operation but can be used to reduce the output voltage ripple and to improve the load transient response. The total output capacitance must remain within the recommended range in the data sheet for proper operation.

1.3.2 Feedforward Capacitor

C6 is provided for a feedforward capacitor. This capacitor is not required for proper operation but can be used to improve the transient response. Typically, using a 22-pF feedforward capacitor reduces or eliminates any output voltage overshoot that may occur at start-up. C6 is located on the back side of the PCB.

2 Setup

This section describes how to properly use the TPS62125EVM-044.

2.1 Input/Output Connector Descriptions

J1 – VIN	Positive input connection from the input supply for the EVM.
J2 – S+/S-	Input voltage sense connections. Measure the input voltage at this point.
J3 – GND	Return connection from the input supply for the EVM.
J4 – VOUT	Output voltage connection.
J5 – S+/S-	Output voltage sense connections. Measure the output voltage at this point.
J6 – GND	Output return connection.
J7 – PG/GND	The PG output appears on pin 1 of this header with a convenient ground on pin 2.
JP1 – EN	EN pin input jumper. Place the supplied jumper across ON and EN to turn on the IC. Place the jumper across OFF and EN to turn off the IC. Do not install the supplied jumper to utilize the adjustable enable threshold voltage feature of the IC.
JP2 – PG Pullup Voltage	PG pin pullup voltage jumper. Place the supplied jumper on JP2 to connect the PG pin pullup resistor to Vout. Alternatively, the jumper can be removed and a different voltage can be supplied on pin 1 to pull up the PG pin to a different level. This externally applied voltage must remain below 12 V.

2.2 Setup

To operate the EVM, set jumpers JP1 through JP2 to the desired positions per Section 2.1. Connect the input supply to J1 and J3 and connect the load to J4 and J6.

3 TPS62125EVM-044 Test Results

This section provides test results of the TPS62125EVM-044.

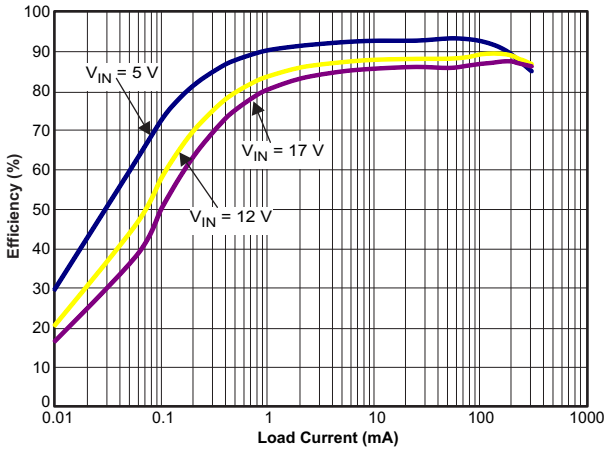


Figure 1. Efficiency (R1, R2, and R3 not installed. JP1 connected between ON and EN.)

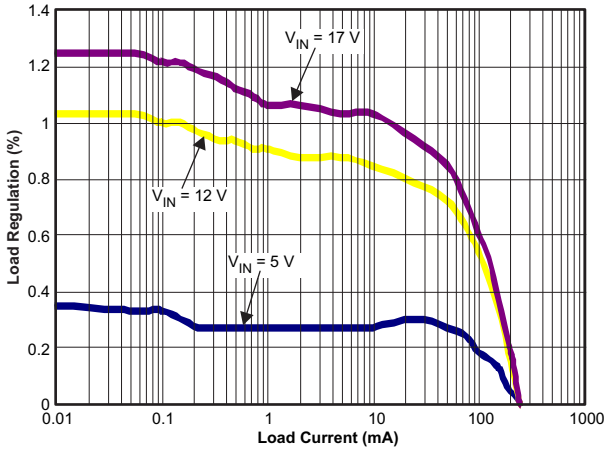


Figure 2. Load Regulation

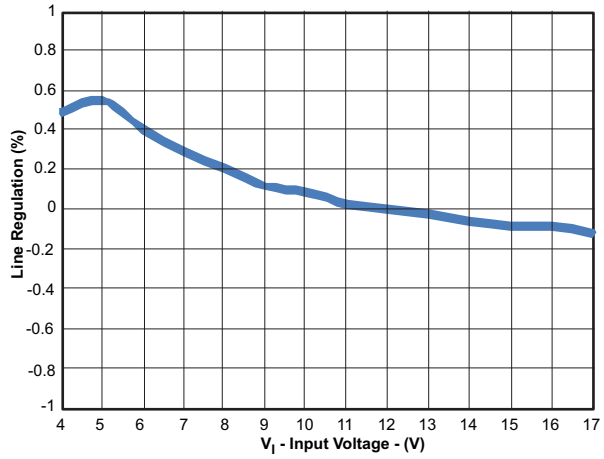


Figure 3. Line Regulation With Iout = 250 mA

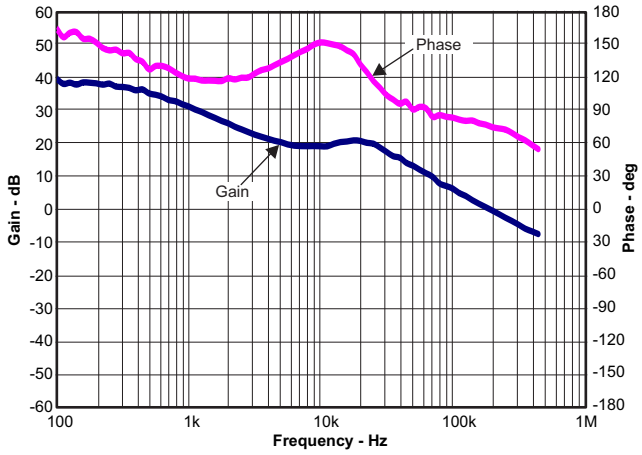
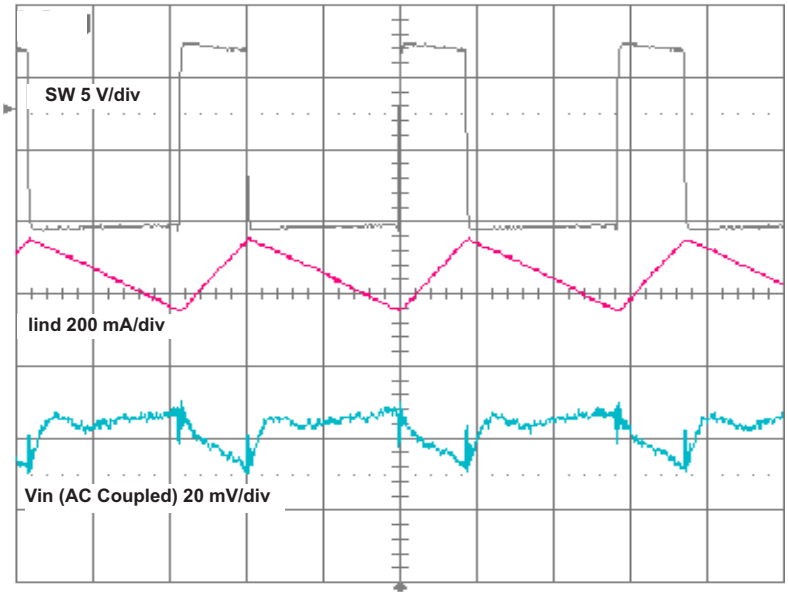


Figure 4. Loop Response With Vin = 12 V and Iout = 250 mA



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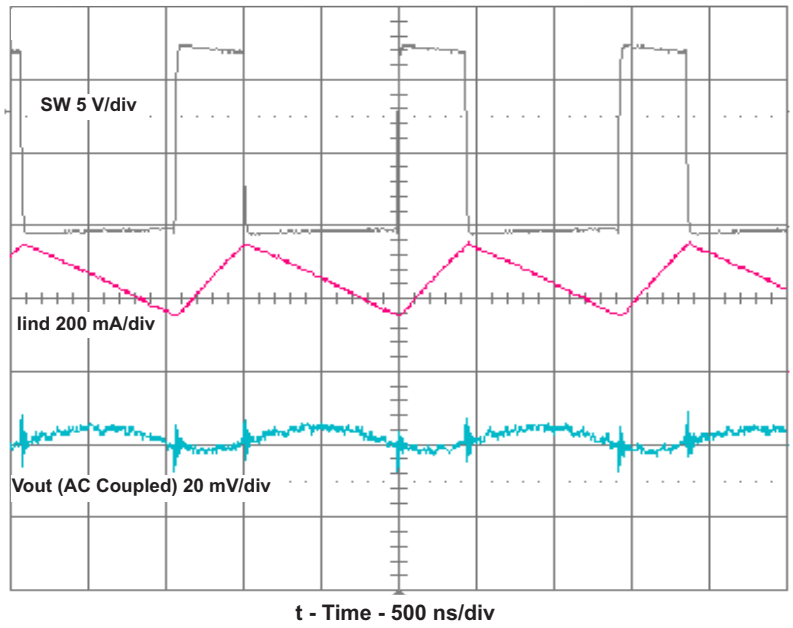

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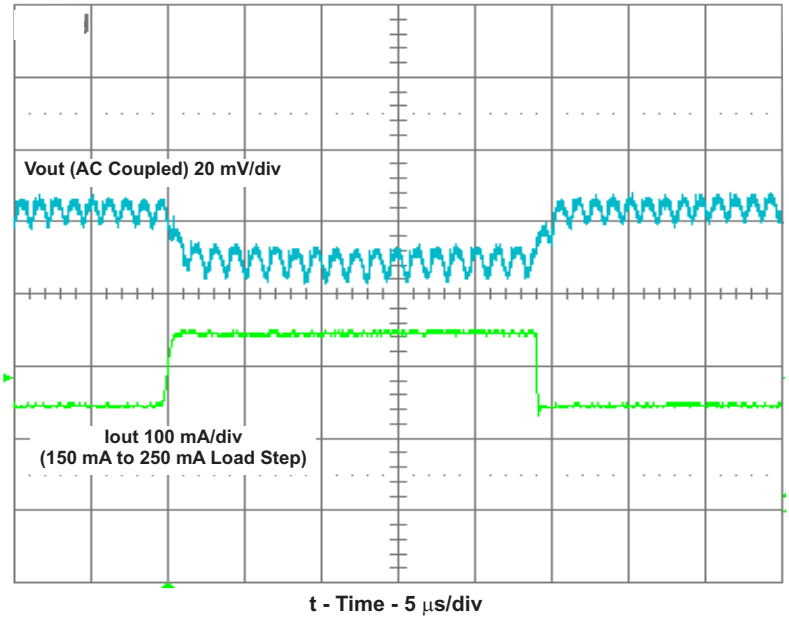


Figure 7. Load Transient Response With Vin = 12 V

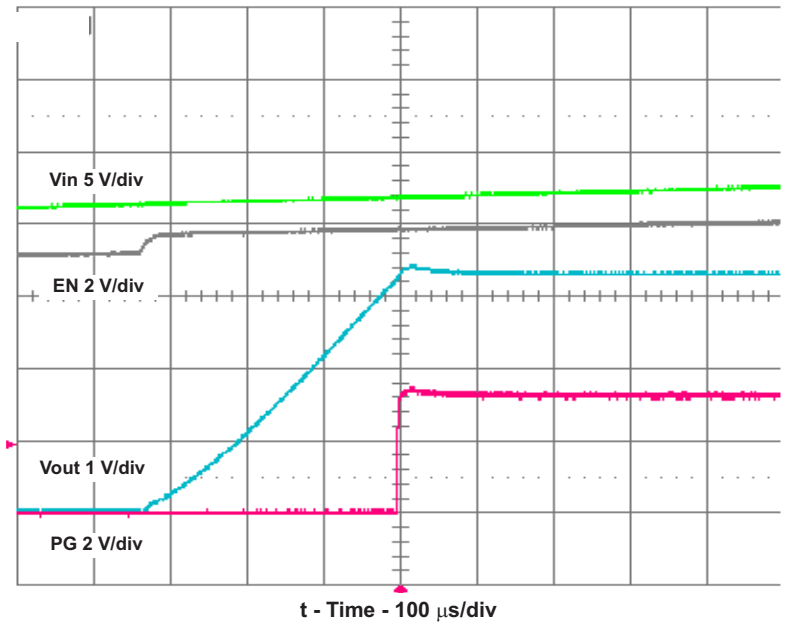


Figure 8. Start-Up on Vin With 250-mA Load

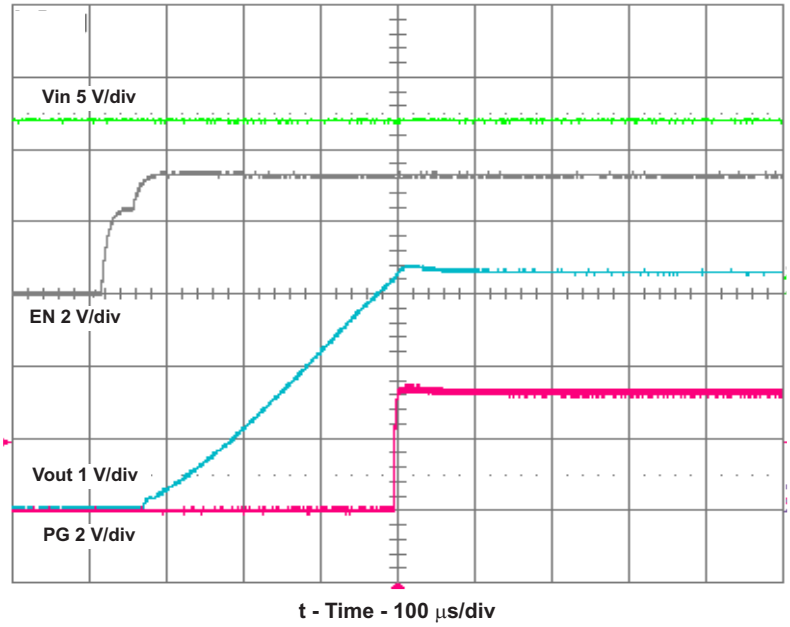
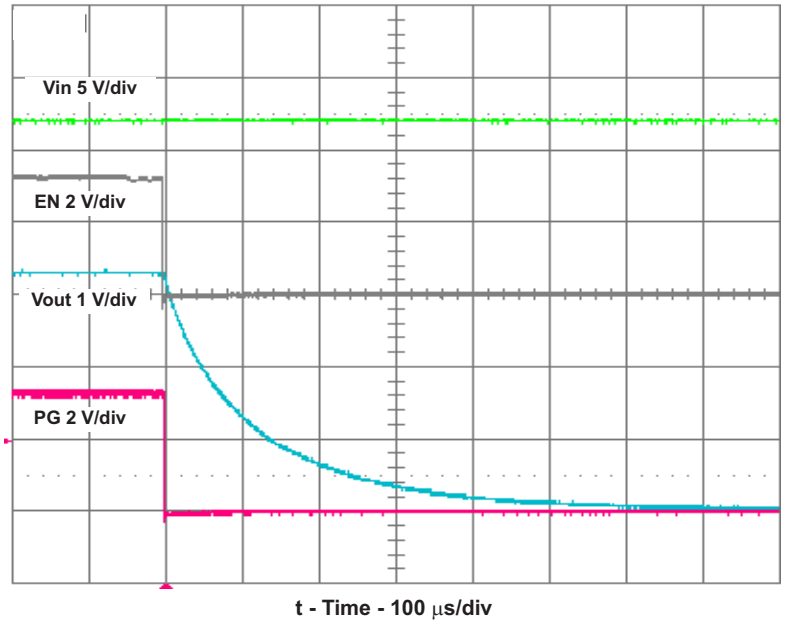


Figure 9. Start-Up on EN With 250-mA Load



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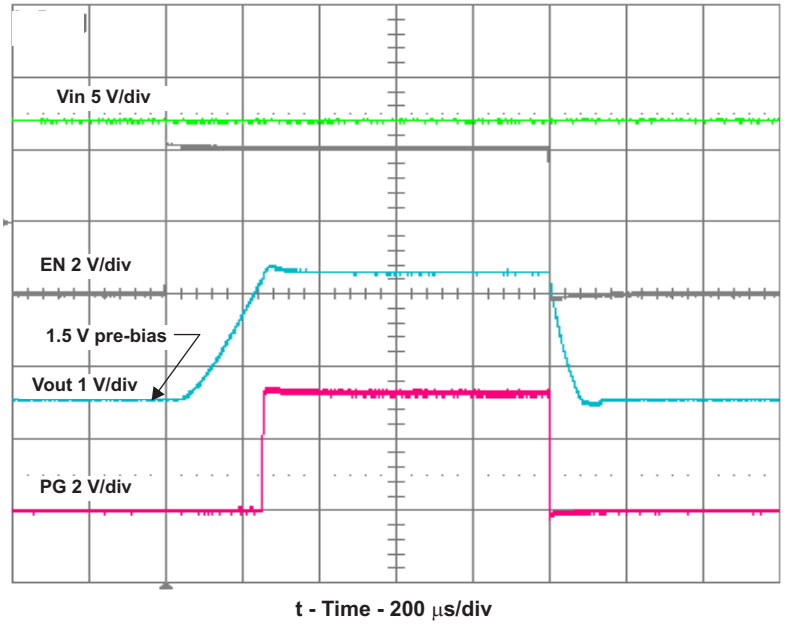

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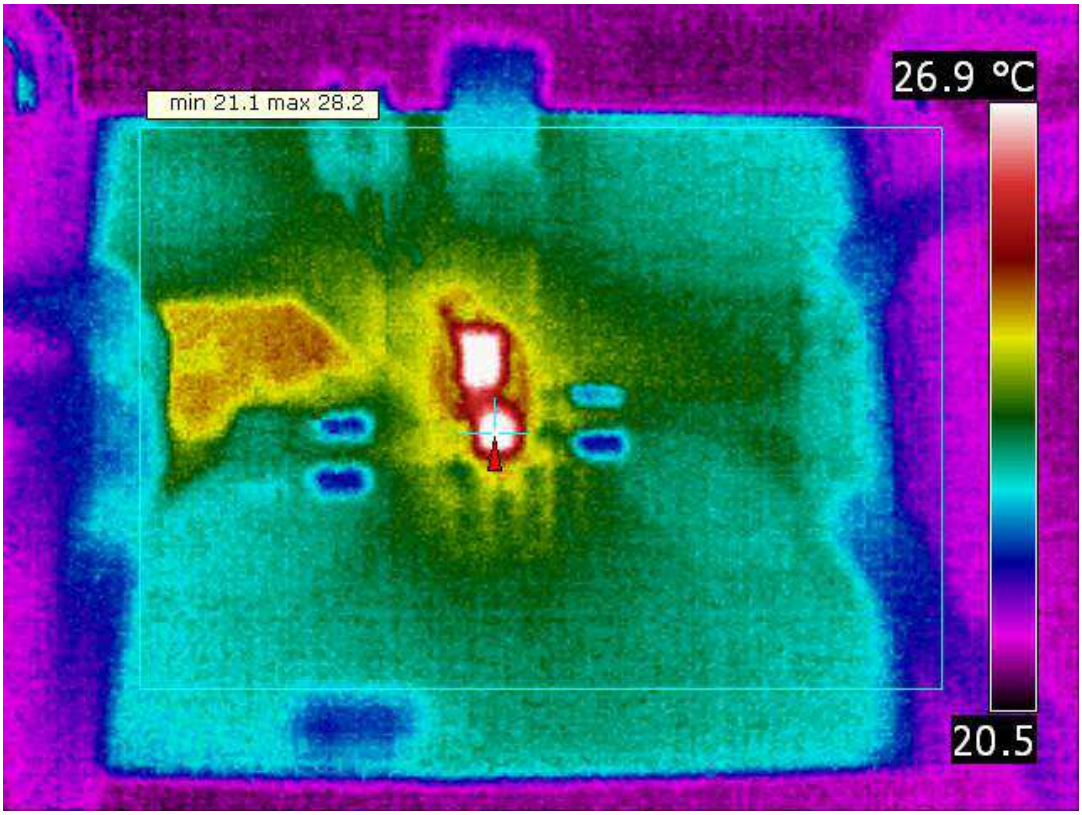


Figure 12. Thermal Performance With Vin = 12 V and Iout = 250 mA

4 Board Layout

This section provides the TPS62125EVM-044 board layout and illustrations.

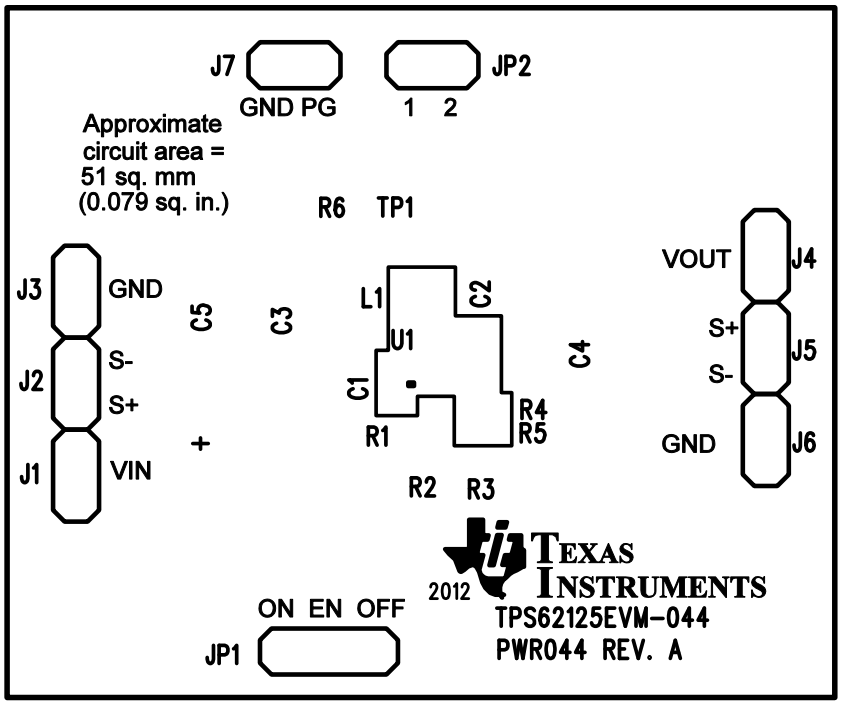
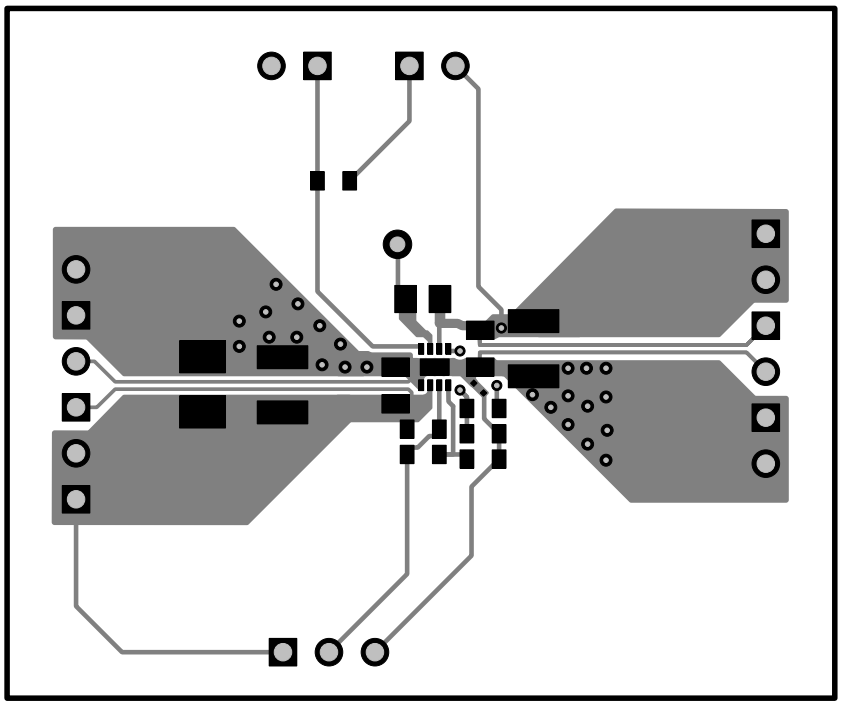


Figure 13. Top Silk Layer



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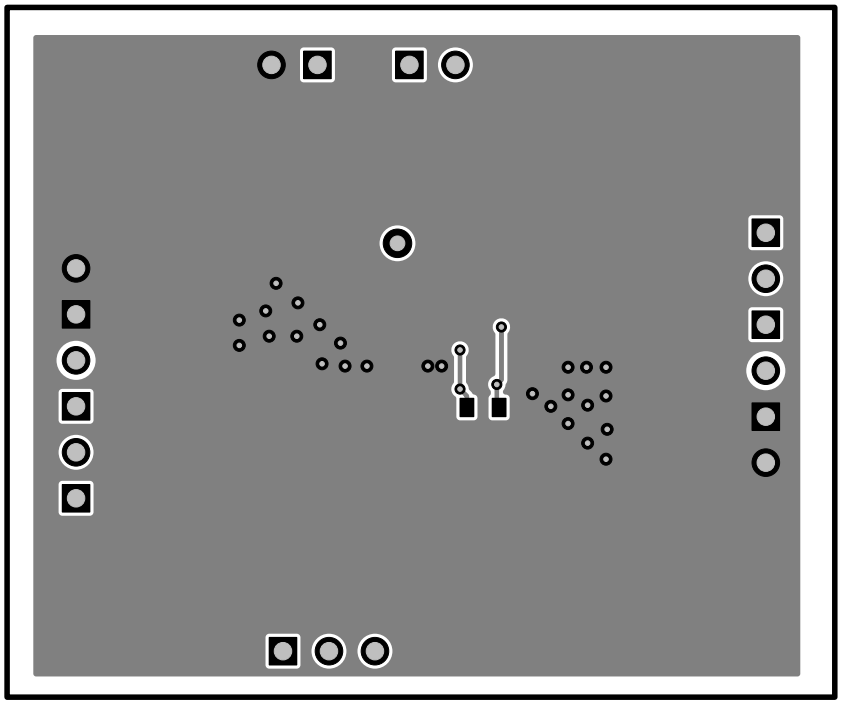

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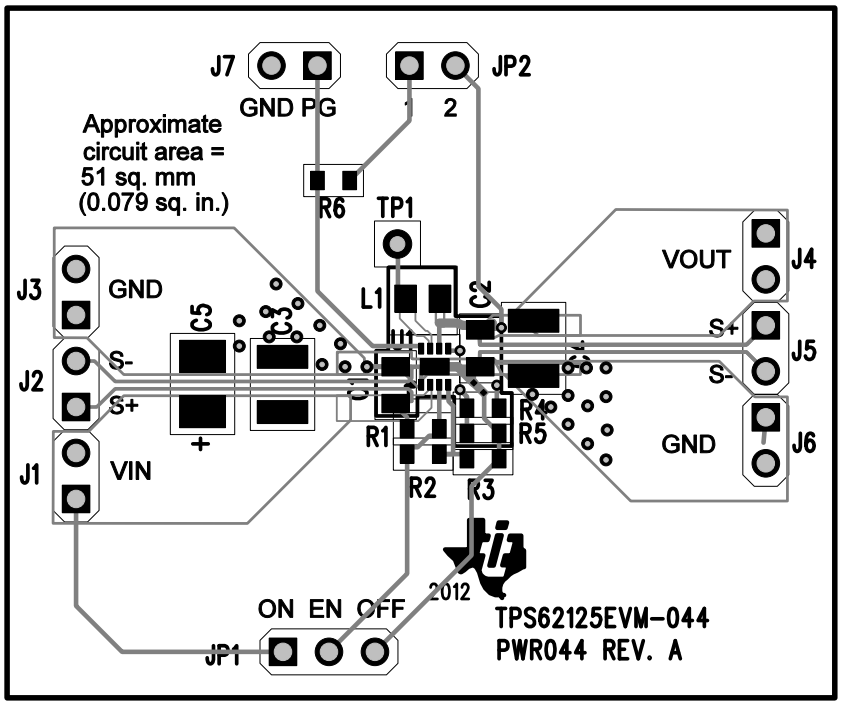

Figure 16. Top Assembly Layer

5 Schematic and Bill of Materials

This section provides the TPS62125EVM-044 schematic and bill of materials.

5.1 Schematic

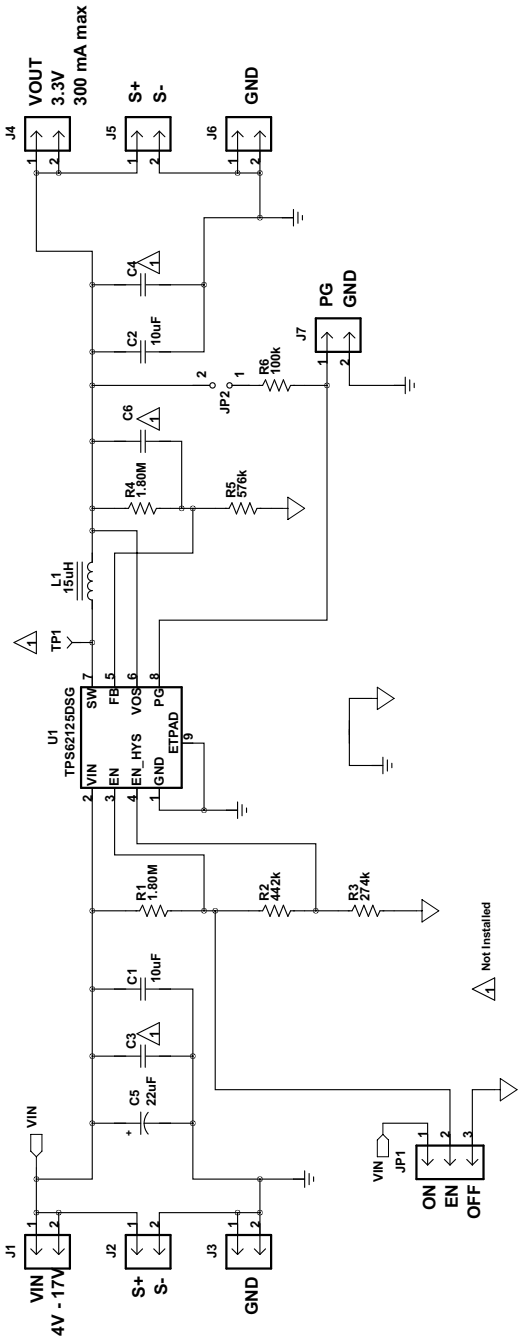

Figure 17. TPS62125EVM-044 Schematic

5.2 Bill of Materials

Table 2. TPS62125EVM-044 Bill of Materials

Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
1	C1	10 µF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 25V, X5R, ±20%	0805	Std	Std
1	C2	10 µF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 16V, X5R, ±20%	0805	Std	Std
1	C5	22 µF	Capacitor, POSCAP, 20V, ±20%	3528[B]	20TQC22MYFB	Sanyo
1	L1	15 µH	Inductor, Power, 0.56 A, 275-mΩ, ±20%	3 X 2.5 mm	VLF302515MT-150M	TDK
2	R1, R4	1.8M	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	R2	442k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	R3	274k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	R5	576k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	R6	100k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	U1	TPS62125	IC, 3V-17V, 300mA Buck Converter with Adjustable Enable Threshold and Hysteresis	WSON-8	TPS62125DSG	TI

The TPS62125EVM-044 may be populated with TPS62125 (U1) devices that do not contain the correct top side markings on the top of the device itself. These devices are still fully tested TPS62125 devices and meet the specified electrical characteristics in the datasheet.

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