

3-V to 20-V Integrated FET Hot Swap

Check for Samples: [TPS2421-1](#), [TPS2421-2](#)

FEATURES

- Integrated Pass MOSFET
- 3.3-V to 20-V Bus Operation
- Programmable Fault Current
- Current Limit Proportionally Larger than Fault Current
- Programmable Fault Timer
- Internal MOSFET Power Limiting
- Latch-Off on Fault (-1) and Retry (-2) Versions
- SO-8 PowerPad™ Package
- -40°C to 125°C Junction Temperature Range
- UL Listed - File Number E169910

APPLICATIONS

- RAID Arrays
- Telecommunications
- Plug-In Circuit Boards
- Disk Drive

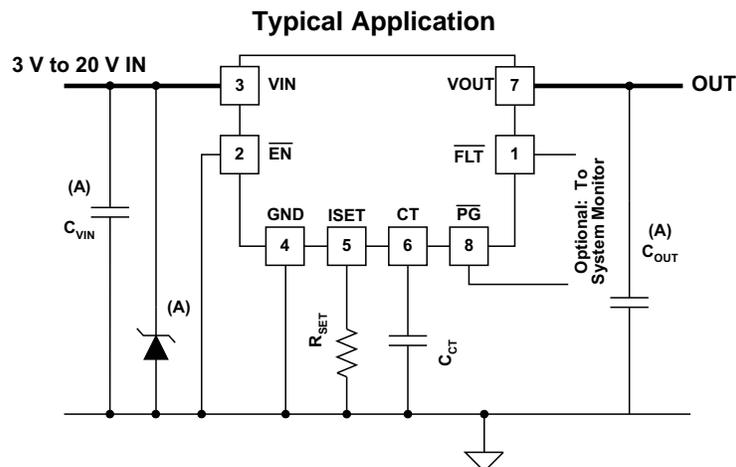
DESCRIPTION

The TPS2421 provides highly integrated hot swap power management and superior protection in applications where the load is powered by voltages between 3 V and 20 V. These devices are very effective in systems where a voltage bus must be protected to prevent shorts from interrupting or damaging the unit. The TPS2421 is an easy to use devices in an 8-pin PowerPad™ SO-8 package.

The TPS2421 has multiple programmable protection features. Load protection is accomplished by a non-current limiting fault threshold, a hard current limit, and a fault timer. The current dual thresholds allow the system to draw short high current pulses, while the fault timer is running, without causing a voltage droop at the load. An example of this is a disk drive startup. This technique is ideal for loads that experience brief high demand, but benefit from protection levels in-line with their average current draw.

Hotswap MOSFET protection is provided by power limit circuitry which protects the internal MOSFET against SOA related failures.

The TPS2421 is available in latch-off on fault (-1) and retry on fault (-2).



A. Required only in systems with lead and/or load inductance.



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These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

PRODUCT INFORMATION⁽¹⁾

DEVICE	FEATURE	PACKAGE	MARKING
TPS2421-1	Latchoff	DDA (SO8 PowerPad™)	2421-1
TPS2421-2	Auto-retry		2421-2

(1) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum at the end of this document, or visit the device product folder on www.ti.com.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾

	VALUE	UNIT
Input voltage range, V_{VIN} , V_{VOUT}	-0.3 to 25	V
Voltage range, \overline{FLT} , \overline{PG}	-0.3 to 20	
Maximum continuous output current, I_{MAX}	9	A
Output sink current, \overline{FLT} , \overline{PG}	10	mA
Input voltage range, \overline{EN}	-0.3 to 6	V
Voltage range, C_T , ⁽³⁾ $ISET$ ⁽³⁾	-0.3 to 3	
ESD rating, HBM	2.5	kV
ESD rating, CDM	400	V
Operating junction temperature range, T_J	Internally Limited	°C
Storage temperature range, T_{stg}	-65 to 150	

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *absolute maximum ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *recommended operating conditions* is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- (2) All voltage values are with respect to GND.
- (3) Do not apply voltage to these pins.

DISSIPATION RATINGS⁽¹⁾

PACKAGE	θ_{JA} LOW K, °C/W	θ_{JA} HIGH K, °C/W	θ_{JA} BEST ⁽²⁾ , °C/W
DDA	190 ⁽³⁾	45 ⁽⁴⁾	45

- (1) Tested per JEDEC JESD51, natural convection. The definitions of high-k and low-k are per JESD 51-7 and JESD 51-3.
- (2) The best case thermal resistance is obtained using the recommendations per SLMA002A (2 signal – 2 plane with the pad connected to the plane).
- (3) Low-k (2 signal – no plane, 3 in. by 3 in. board, 0.062 in. thick, 1 oz. copper) test board with the pad soldered, and an additional 0.12 in.2 of top-side copper added to the pad.
- (4) High-k is a (2 signal – 2 plane) test board with the pad soldered.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

		MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
V_{VIN} , V_{VOUT}	Input voltage range	3		20	V
\overline{EN}	Voltage range	0		5	
\overline{FLT} , \overline{PG}	Voltage range	0		20	
I_{OUT}	Continuous output current	0		6	A
\overline{FLT} , \overline{PG}	Output sink current	0		1	mA
C_{CT}		0.1			nF
R_{RSET}		49.9		200	kΩ
T_J	Junction temperature	-40		125	°C

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Unless otherwise noted: $3\text{ V} \leq V_{\text{VIN}} \leq 18\text{ V}$, $\overline{\text{EN}} = 0\text{ V}$, $\overline{\text{PG}} = \overline{\text{FLT}} = \text{open}$, $R_{\text{OUT}} = \text{open}$, $R_{\text{RSET}} = 49.9\text{ k}\Omega$, $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_{\text{J}} \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$, No external capacitor connected to VOUT

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT	
VIN						
UVLO	VIN rising	2.6	2.85	2.9	V	
	Hysteresis		150		mV	
Bias current	$\overline{\text{EN}} = 2.4\text{V}$		25	100	μA	
	$\overline{\text{EN}} = 0\text{V}$		3.9	5	mA	
VIN, VOUT						
R _{ON}	$R_{\text{VIN-VOUT}}$, $I_{\text{VOUT}} < I_{\text{LIM}}$, $1\text{ A} \leq I_{\text{VOUT}} \leq 4.5\text{ A}$		33	50	m Ω	
Power limit TPS242x	$V_{\text{VIN}}: 12\text{ V}$, $C_{\text{OUT}} = 1000\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ $\overline{\text{EN}}: 3\text{ V} \rightarrow 0\text{ V}$	3	5	7.5		
Reverse diode voltage	$V_{\text{VOUT}} > V_{\text{VIN}}$, $\overline{\text{EN}} = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{\text{VIN}} = -1\text{ A}$		0.77	1.0	V	
ISET						
I _{SET}	Fault current threshold	$I_{\text{VOUT}} \uparrow$, I_{CT} : sinking \rightarrow sourcing, pulsed test $0^\circ\text{C} \leq T_{\text{J}} \leq 85^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\text{RSET}} = 200\text{ k}\Omega$	0.80	1.2	A
			$R_{\text{RSET}} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	1.80	2.2	
	$R_{\text{RSET}} = 49.9\text{ k}\Omega$		3.60	4.40		
	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_{\text{J}} \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\text{RSET}} = 200\text{ k}\Omega$	0.75	1.25		
		$R_{\text{RSET}} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	1.75	2.25		
		$R_{\text{RSET}} = 49.9\text{ k}\Omega$	3.60	4.40		
I _{LIM} / I _{SET}	Ratio I _{LIM} / I _{SET}	$R_{\text{RSET}} = 200\text{ k}\Omega$	1.1	1.8	2.6	-
		$R_{\text{RSET}} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	1.1	1.5	2.1	
		$R_{\text{RSET}} = 49.9\text{ k}\Omega$	1.1	1.4	1.6	
I _{LIM}	Current limit	I_{VOUT} rising, $V_{\text{VIN-VOUT}} = 0.3\text{ V}$, pulsed test	$R_{\text{RSET}} = 200\text{ k}\Omega$	1.1	1.8	2.4
			$R_{\text{RSET}} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	2.3	3.0	3.7
			$R_{\text{RSET}} = 49.9\text{ k}\Omega$	4.6	5.5	6.3
CT						
Charge/discharge current	I_{CT} sourcing, $V_{\text{CT}} = 1\text{ V}$, In current limit	29	35	41	μA	
	I_{CT} sinking (-2), $V_{\text{CT}} = 1\text{ V}$, drive CT to 1 V, measure current	1.0	1.4	1.8		
Threshold voltage	V_{CT} rising	1.3	1.4	1.5	V	
	V_{CT} falling, drive CT to 1 V, measure current	0.1	0.16	0.3		
ON/OFF fault duty cycle	$V_{\text{VOUT}} = 0\text{ V}$	2.8%	3.7%	4.6%		

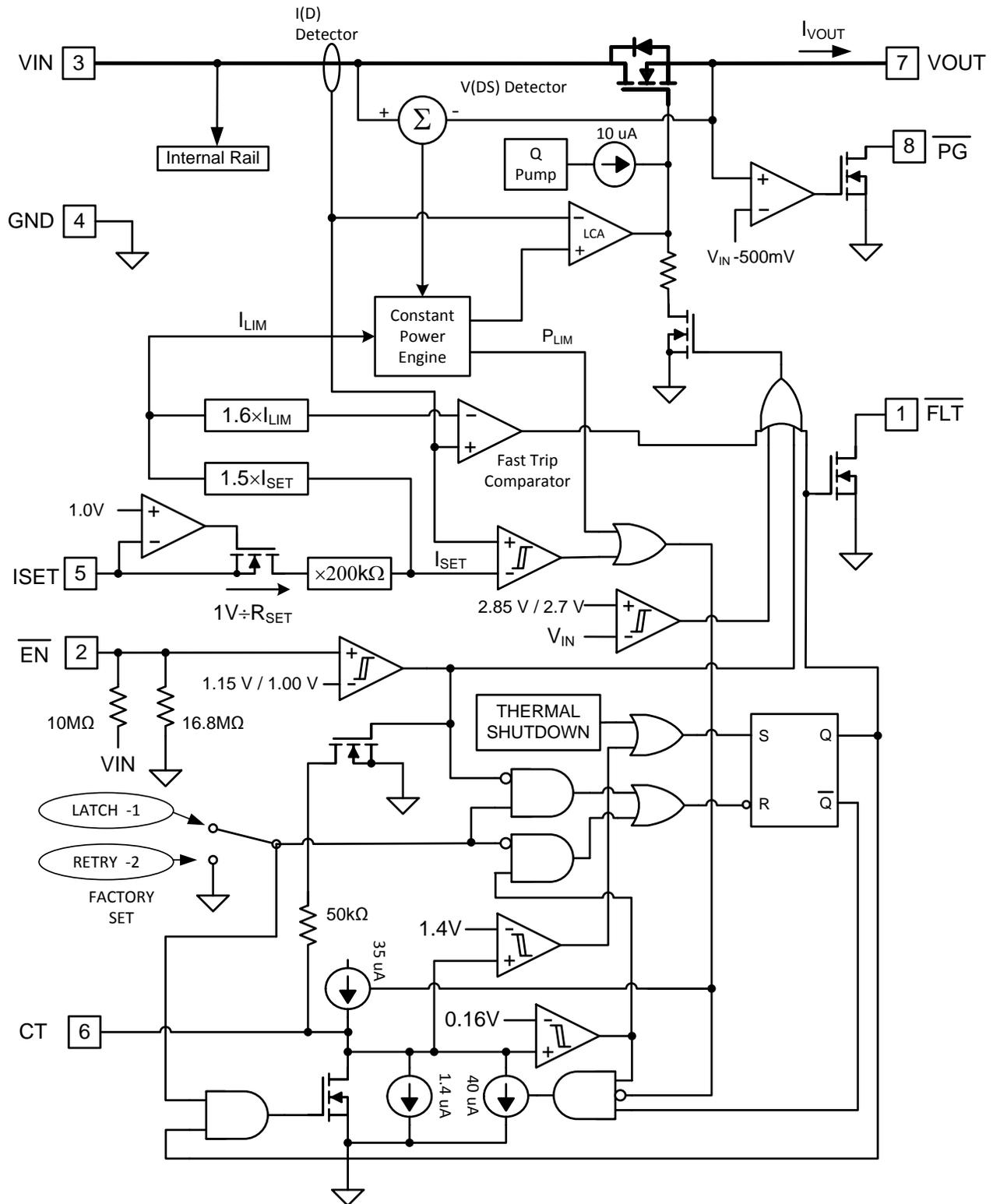
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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$\overline{\text{EN}}$						
Threshold voltage	$V_{\overline{\text{EN}}}$ falling		0.8	1.0	1.5	V
	Hysteresis		20	150	250	mV
Input bias current	$V_{\overline{\text{EN}}} = 2.4\text{ V}$		-2.0	0	0.5	μA
	$V_{\overline{\text{EN}}} = 0.2\text{ V}$		-3.0	1	0.5	
Turn on propagation delay	$V_{\text{VIN}} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $I_{\text{LOAD}} = 1\text{ A}$, $V_{\overline{\text{EN}}}: 2.4\text{ V} \rightarrow 0.2\text{ V}$, V_{VOUT} : rising 90% $\times V_{\text{VIN}}$			350	500	μs
Turn off propagation delay	$V_{\text{VIN}} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $I_{\text{LOAD}} = 1\text{ A}$, $V_{\overline{\text{EN}}}: 0.2\text{ V} \rightarrow 2.4\text{ V}$, V_{VOUT} : $\downarrow 10\% \times V_{\text{VIN}}$			30	50	
$\overline{\text{FLT}}$						
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage	$V_{\text{CT}} = 1.8\text{ V}$, $I_{\overline{\text{FLT}}} = 1\text{ mA}$		0.2	0.4	V
	Leakage current	$V_{\overline{\text{FLT}}} = 18\text{ V}$			1	μA
$\overline{\text{PG}}$						
	PG threshold	$V_{(\text{VIN-VOUT})}$ falling	0.4	0.5	0.75	V
		Hysteresis	0.1	0.25	0.4	
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage	$I_{\overline{\text{PG}}} = 1\text{ mA}$		0.2	0.4	μA
	Leakage current	$V_{\overline{\text{PG}}} = 18\text{ V}$			1	
Thermal Shutdown						
Thermal shutdown		Junction temperature rising		160		$^\circ\text{C}$
		Hysteresis		10		

BLOCK DIAGRAM

Block Diagram



PINOUT DIAGRAM

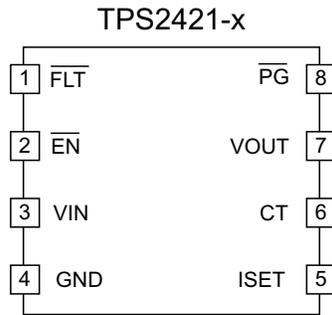


Table 1. TERMINAL FUNCTIONS

FUNCTION	PIN NO.	DESCRIPTION
$\overline{\text{FLT}}$	1	Fault low indicated the fault time has expired and the FET is switched off
$\overline{\text{EN}}$	2	Device is enabled when this pin is pulled low
VIN	3	Power In and control supply voltage
GND	4	GND
ISET	5	A resistor to ground sets the fault current, the current limit is 125% of the fault current. TPS2421 only
CT	6	A capacitor to ground sets the fault time
VOUT	7	Output to the load
$\overline{\text{PG}}$	8	Power Good low represents the output voltage is within 300 mV of the input voltage

PIN DESCRIPTION

CT: Connect a capacitor from CT to GND to set the fault time. The fault timer starts when I_{VOUT} exceeds I_{SET} or when SOA protection mode is active, charging the capacitor with 35 μA from GND towards an upper threshold of 1.4 V. If the capacitor reaches the upper threshold, the internal pass MOSFET is turned off. For TPS2421-1, the MOSFET will remain off until $\overline{\text{EN}}$ is cycled. For TPS2421-2, the capacitor will discharge at 1.4 μA to 0.16 V and then re-enable the pass MOSFET. If the upper threshold is not crossed, the capacitor will discharge at 40 μA to 0.16 V and then to 0 V at 1.4 μA . When the device is disabled, CT is pulled to GND through a 50-k Ω resistor.

The timer period must be chosen long enough to allow the external load capacitance to charge. The nominal (not including component tolerances) fault timer period is selected using [Equation 1](#) where T_{FAULT} is the minimum timer period in seconds and C_{CT} is in Farads.

$$C_{\text{CT}} = \frac{T_{\text{FAULT}}}{40 \times 10^3} \quad (1)$$

For TPS2421-2, the second and subsequent retry timer periods will be slightly shorter than the first retry period. CT nominal (not including component tolerances) discharge time, t_{SD} from 1.4 V to 0.16 V is shown in [Equation 2](#), where C_{CT} is in Farads and t_{SD} is in seconds.

$$T_{\text{SD}} = 885.7 \times 10^3 \times C_{\text{CT}} \quad (2)$$

The nominal ratio of on to off times represents about a 3.7% duty cycle when a hard fault is present on the output.

FLT: Open-drain output that pulls low on any condition that causes the output to open. These conditions are either an overload with a fault time-out, or a thermal shutdown. FLT becomes operational before UV, when V_{VIN} is greater than 1 V. FLT will pulse low momentarily prior to the onset of V_{VOUT} ramp up during IN or $\overline{\text{EN}}$ based start up.

GND: This is the most negative voltage in the circuit and is used as reference for all voltage measurements unless otherwise specified.

ISET: A resistor from this pin to GND sets both the fault current (I_{SET}) and current limit (I_{LIM}) levels. The current limit is internally set at 150% of the fault current. The fault timer described in the CT section starts when I_{VOUT} exceeds I_{SET} .

The internal MOSFET actively limits current if I_{VIN} reaches the current limit set point. The fault timer operation is the same in this mode as described previously.

The fault current value is programmed as shown in [Equation 3](#):

$$R_{RSET} = \frac{200\text{k}\Omega}{I_{SET}} \quad (3)$$

\overline{EN} : When this pin is pulled low, the device is enabled. The input threshold is hysteretic, allowing the user to program a startup delay with an external RC circuit. \overline{EN} is pulled to VIN with a 10-M Ω resistor and to GND with a 16.8 M Ω resistor. Because high impedance pullup/down resistors are used to reduce current draw, any external FET controlling this pin should be low leakage.

VIN: Input voltage to the TPS2421. The recommended operating voltage range is 3 V to 20 V. Connect VIN to the power source.

VOUT: Output connection for the TPS2421. V_{VOUT} in the ON condition considering the ON resistance of the internal MOSFET, R_{ON} is shown in [Equation 4](#):

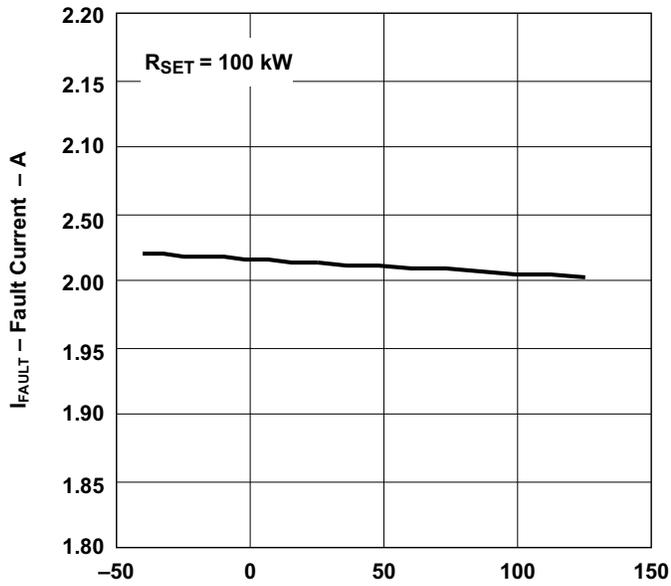
$$V_{VOUT} = V_{VIN} - R_{ON} \times I_{VOUT} \quad (4)$$

Connect VOUT to the load.

\overline{PG} : Active low, Open Drain output, Power Good indicates that there is no fault condition and the output voltage is within 0.5 V of the input voltage. \overline{PG} becomes operational before UV, whenever V_{VIN} is greater than 1 V.

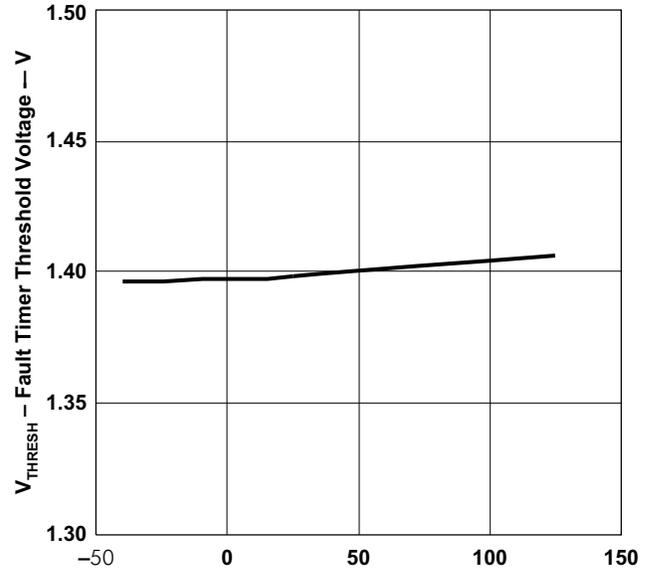
TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

FAULT CURRENT
VS
JUNCTION TEMPERATURE



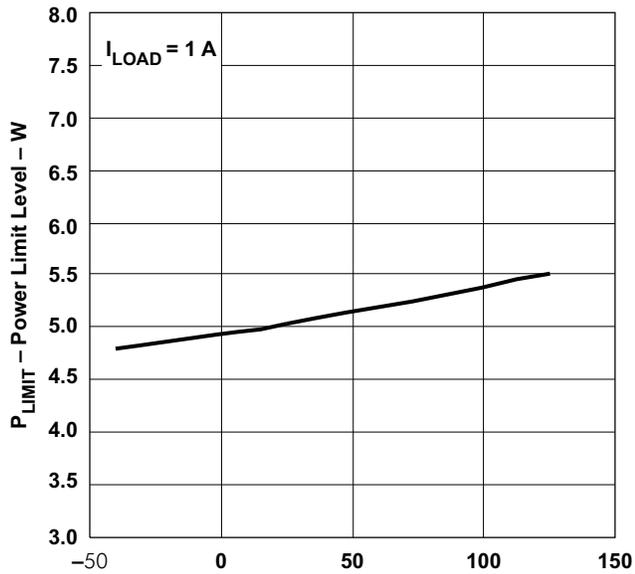
T_J – Junction Temperature – °C
Figure 1.

FAULT TIMER THRESHOLD VOLTAGE
VS
JUNCTION TEMPERATURE



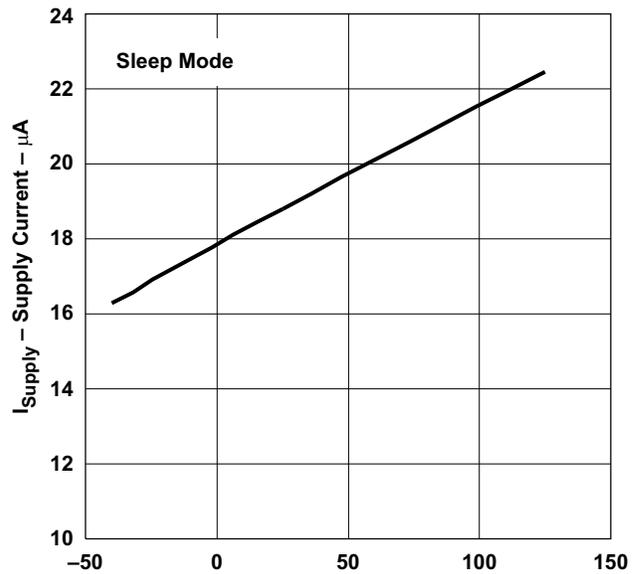
T_J – Junction Temperature – °C
Figure 2.

POWER LIMIT
VS
JUNCTION TEMPERATURE



T_J – Junction Temperature – °C
Figure 3.

SUPPLY CURRENT
VS
JUNCTION TEMPERATURE



T_J – Junction Temperature – °C
Figure 4.

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

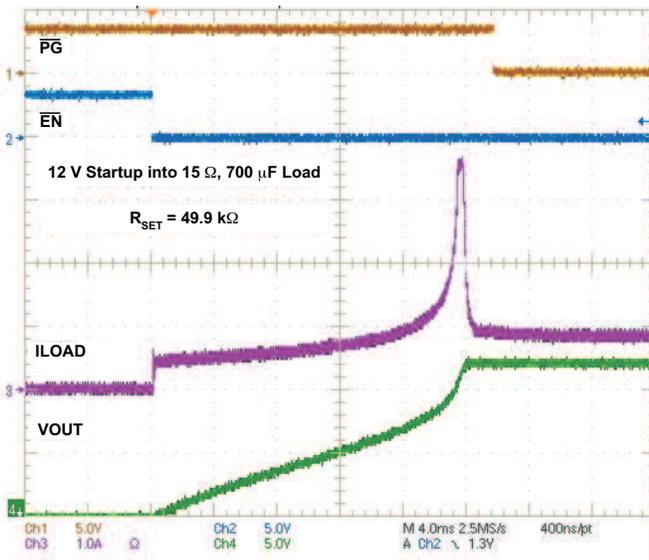


Figure 5. 12-V Startup Into 15 Ω, 700 μF Load

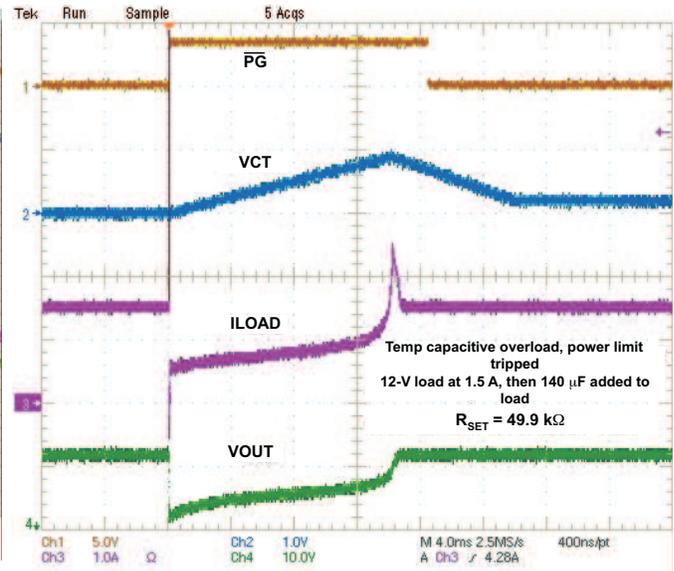


Figure 6. 12-V, 140 μF Added to 8 Ω Load

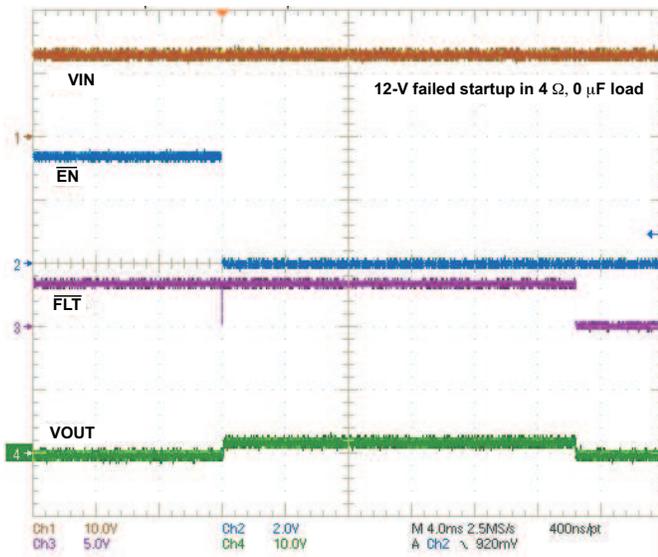


Figure 7. 12-V Failed Startup Into 4 Ω Load

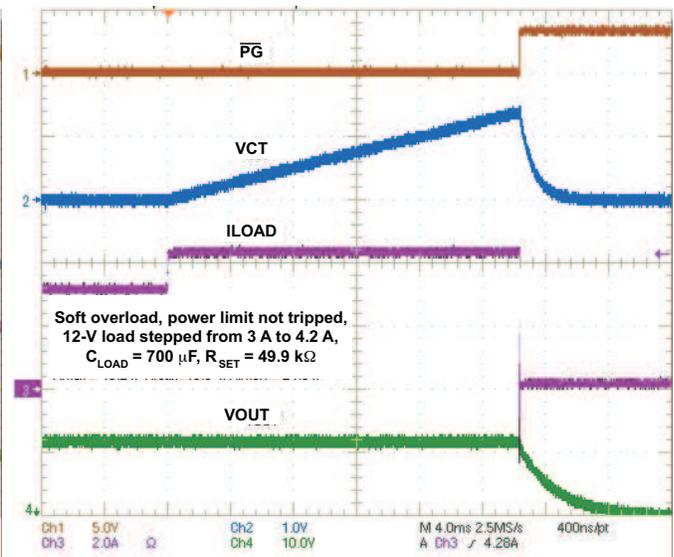


Figure 8. 12-V Soft Overload, 3 A to 4.2 A, Power Limit Not Tripped

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

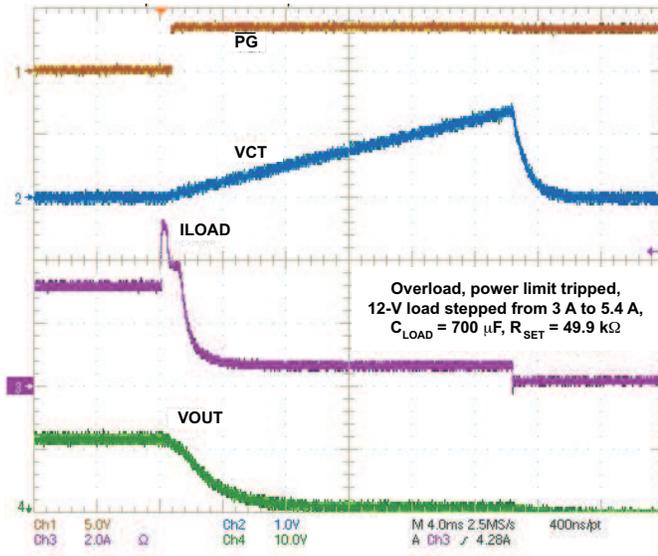


Figure 9. 12-V Firm Overload, 3 A to 5.4 A, Power Limit Tripped

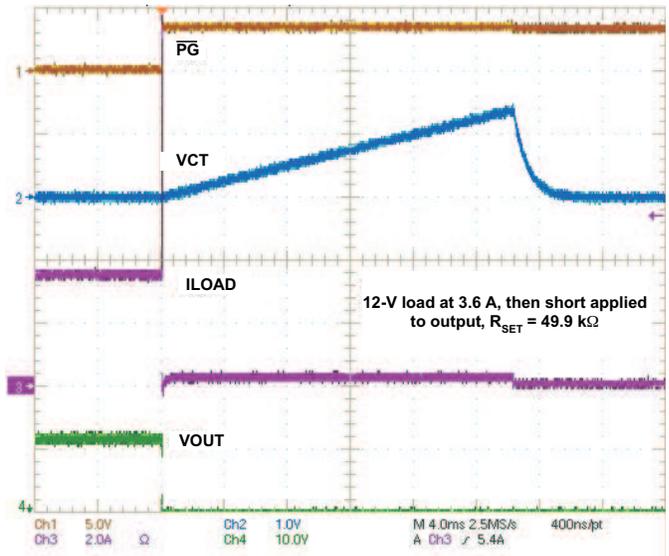


Figure 10. 12-V Hard Overload, 3.6-A Load Then Short

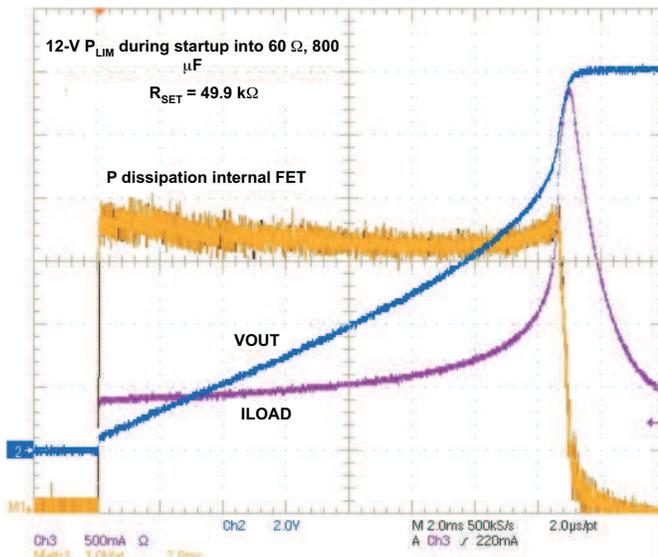


Figure 11. Power Dissipation During 12-V Startup into 60Ω , $800 \mu\text{F}$

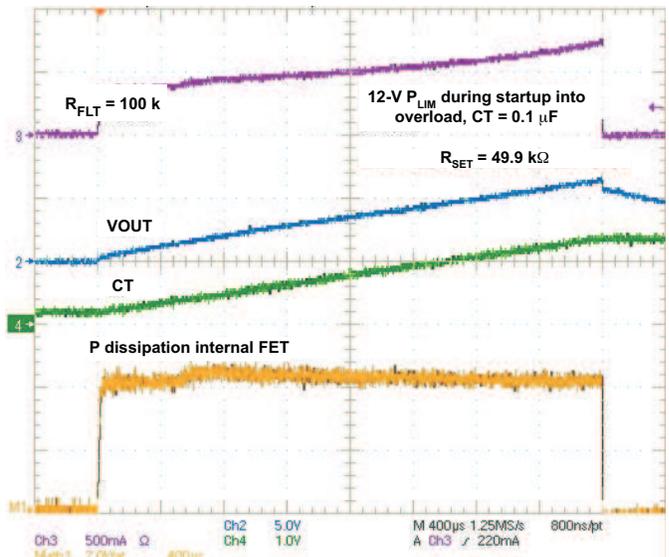


Figure 12. Power Dissipation During 12-V Startup into 15Ω , $140 \mu\text{F}$

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

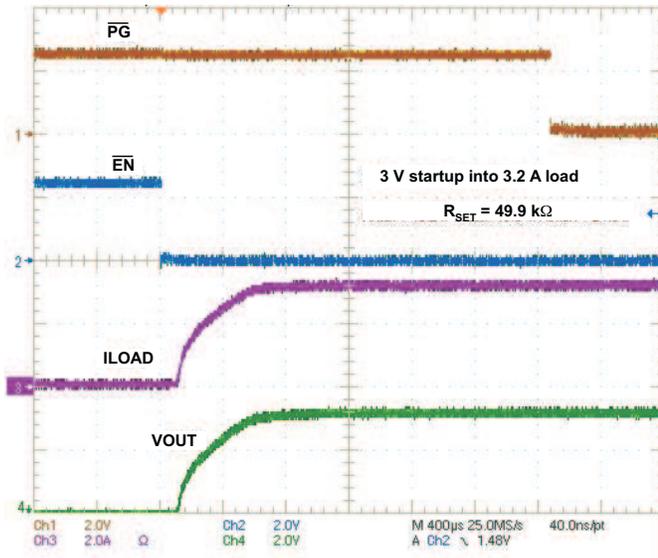


Figure 13. 3-V Startup into 1- Ω Load

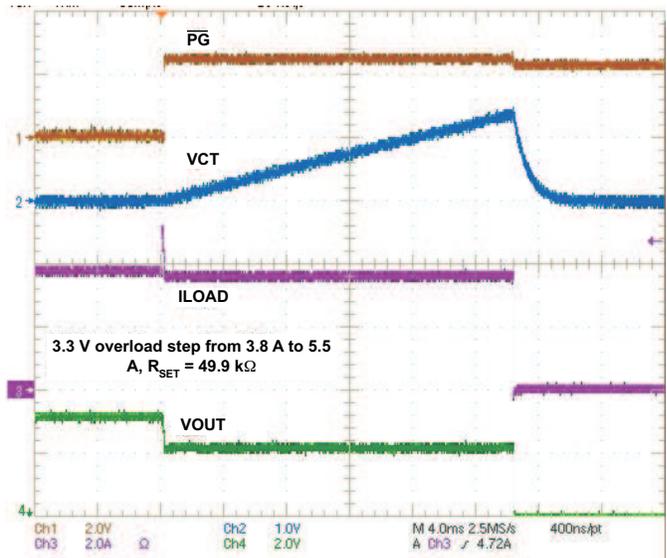


Figure 14. 3-V Firm Overload, Load Stepped From 3.8 A to 5.5 A

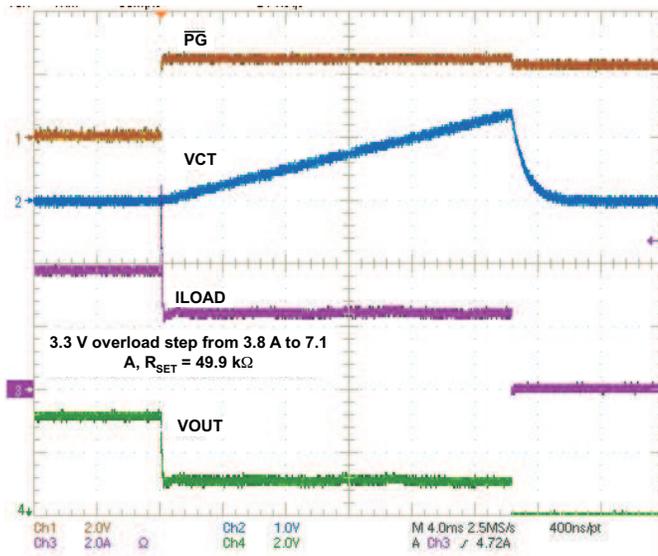


Figure 15. 3-V Hard Overload, Load Stepped From 3.8 A to 7.1 A

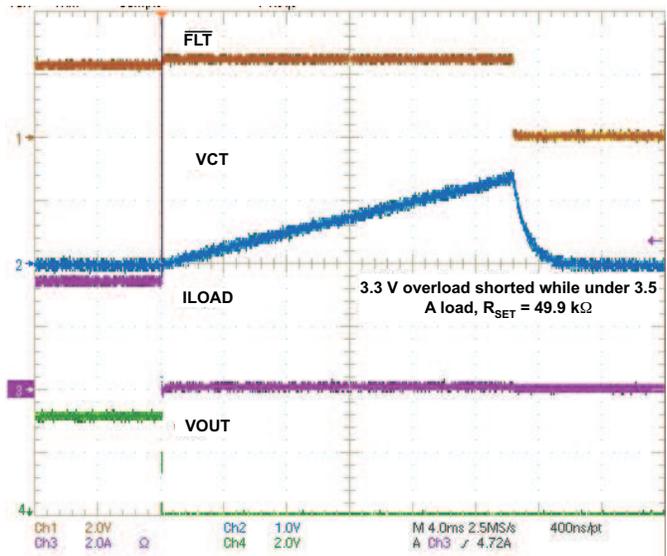


Figure 16. 3-V Output Shorted While Under 3.5-A Load

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

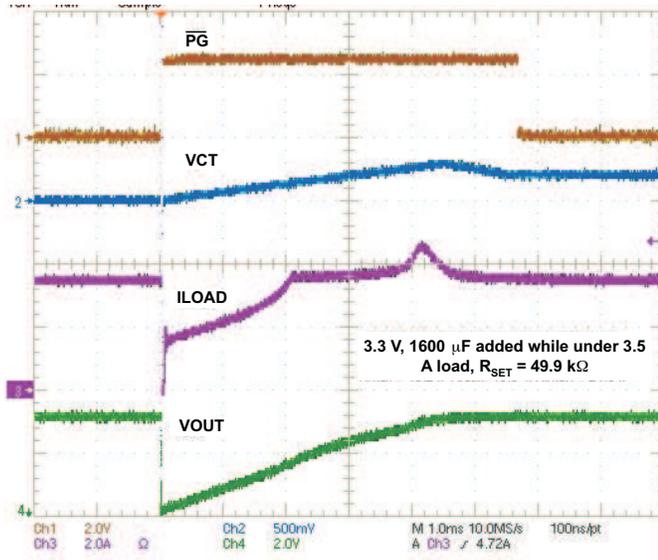


Figure 17. 3 V, 1600 μ F Added To 3.5-A Load

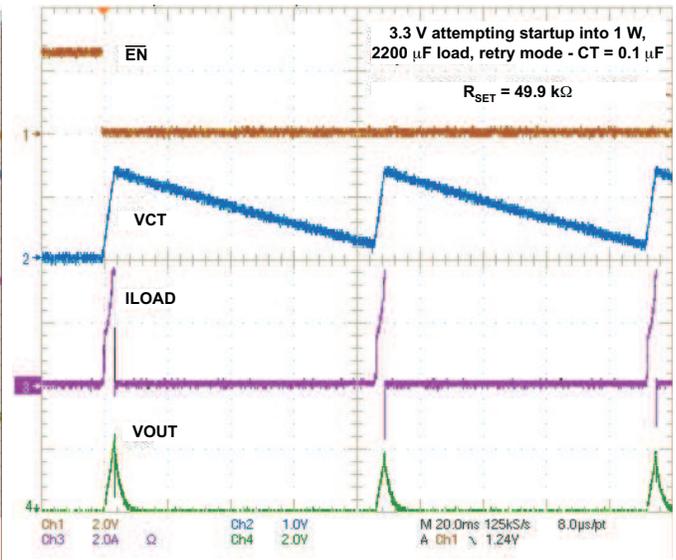


Figure 18. 3-V Retry Startup into 1 Ω , 2200- μ F Load

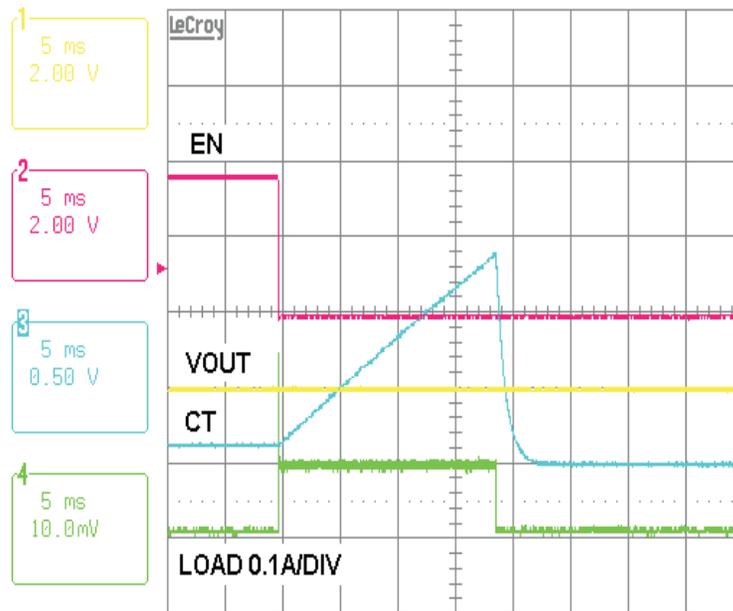


Figure 19. Startup Into a Short Circuit Output

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Startup

Large inrush current occurs when power is applied to discharged capacitors and load. During the inrush period, the TPS2421 operates in power limit (or SOA protect mode) managing the current as V_{VOUT} rises. In SOA protect mode, the internal MOSFET power dissipation ($[V_{VIN} - V_{VOUT}] \times I_{VOUT}$) is regulated at 5W typical while the fault timer starts and C_{CT} ramps up. As the charge builds on C_{LOAD} , the current increases towards I_{LIM} . When the capacitor is fully charged, I_{VOUT} drops to the dc load value, the fault timer stops, and C_{CT} ramps down. In order for the TPS2421 to start properly, the fault timer duration must exceed C_{OUT} start up time, t_{ON} . Start up time without additional dc loading can be determined using Equation 5 where $P_{LIM} = 5W$ (typical).

$$t_{ON} = \frac{C_{OUT} \times P_{LIM}}{2 \times I_{LIM}^2} + \frac{C_{OUT} \times V_{VIN}^2}{2 \times P_{LIM}} \quad (5)$$

When the load has a resistive component in addition to C_{OUT} , the fault time must be extended because the resistive load current is unavailable to charge C_{OUT} . Table 2 and Table 3 can be used to predict start up time in the presence of resistive dc loading.

Refer to the TPS2421 Design Calculator Tool (SLUC427) for assistance with design calculations.

Table 2. Start up Time (ms) with DC Loading: $V_{IN}=5V$, $P_{LIM}=3W$, $I_{LIM}=5A$

$R_{LOAD} (\Omega)$	$C_{LOAD} = 100 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 220 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 470 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 1000 \mu F$
1000	0.43	0.95	2.03	4.33
10	0.5	1.11	2.36	5.03
5	0.61	1.34	2.87	6.1
3	0.91	2	4.28	9.11
2.5	1.31	2.88	6.14	13.07

Table 3. Start up Time (ms) with DC Loading: $V_{IN}=12V$, $P_{LIM}=3W$, $I_{LIM}=5A$

$R_{LOAD} (\Omega)$	$C_{LOAD} = 100 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 220 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 470 \mu F$	$C_{LOAD} = 1000 \mu F$
10000	2.46	5.41	11.56	24.59
100	2.67	5.87	12.55	26.69
50	2.93	6.45	13.79	29.34
15	6.7	14.74	31.5	67.01
13	11.68	25.69	54.87	116.75

Maximum Allowable Load to Ensure Successful Start up

The power limiting function of the TPS2421 provides very effective protection for the internal FET. Expectedly, there is a supply voltage dependent maximum allowable load required for successful startup. Loads above this can cause the output to shut off due to CT timeout or thermal shutdown because V_{VOUT} hangs at an intermediate voltage below V_{VIN} . The equation for maximum load (or R_{MIN}) is derived using the circuit equations for V_{VOUT} as a function of V_{VIN} , R_{LOAD} , P_{LIM} , and the result is quadratic in form.

$$R_{MIN} \times I^2 - V_{VIN} \times I + P_{LIM_MIN} = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$I = \frac{V_{VIN} \pm \sqrt{V_{VIN}^2 - 4 \times R_{MIN} \times P_{LIM_MIN}}}{2 \times R_{MIN}} \quad (7)$$

$$R_{MIN} \times I = V_{VOUT} = \frac{V_{VIN} \pm \sqrt{V_{VIN}^2 - 4 \times R_{MIN} \times P_{LIM_MIN}}}{2} \quad (8)$$

When $R_{LOAD} < R_{MIN}$, the numerical result for V_{VOUT} is real ($V_{VIN}^2 - 4 \times R_{LOAD} \times P_{LIM} > 0$) and less than V_{VIN} meaning the circuit will not start (CT or thermal shutdown). When $R_{LOAD} > R_{MIN}$, the numerical result for V_{VOUT} is imaginary ($V_{VIN}^2 - 4 \times R_{LOAD} \times P_{LIM} < 0$) and the circuit will start ($V_{VOUT} = V_{VIN}$). Ensure that R_{LOAD} is $> R_{MIN}$ per Equation 10.

$$4 \times R_{\text{MIN}} \times P_{\text{LIM_MIN}} > V_{\text{VIN}}^2 \quad (9)$$

$$R_{\text{LOAD}} > R_{\text{MIN}} = \frac{V_{\text{VIN}}^2}{4 \times P_{\text{LIM_MIN}}} \quad (10)$$

Enable Pin Considerations

For the case when $\overline{\text{EN}}$ is simply connected to GND, TPS2421 will start ramping the voltage on VOUT as VIN rises above UVLO (~2.85V typical). If IN does not ramp monotonically, the TPS2421 may momentarily turn off then on during startup if IN falls below ~2.70V. To avoid this problem, $\overline{\text{EN}}$ assertion can be delayed until IN is sufficiently above UVLO. A simple approach is shown in Figure 20. The 100kΩ pullup resistor will de-assert $\overline{\text{EN}}$ when VIN is above ~1.75V maximum which is well below the minimum UVLO of ~2.6V. The Zener diode ensures that $\overline{\text{EN}}$ remains below 5V. User control to enable the TPS2421 can be applied at the ON node to turn on the FET once IN has risen sufficiently above UVLO.

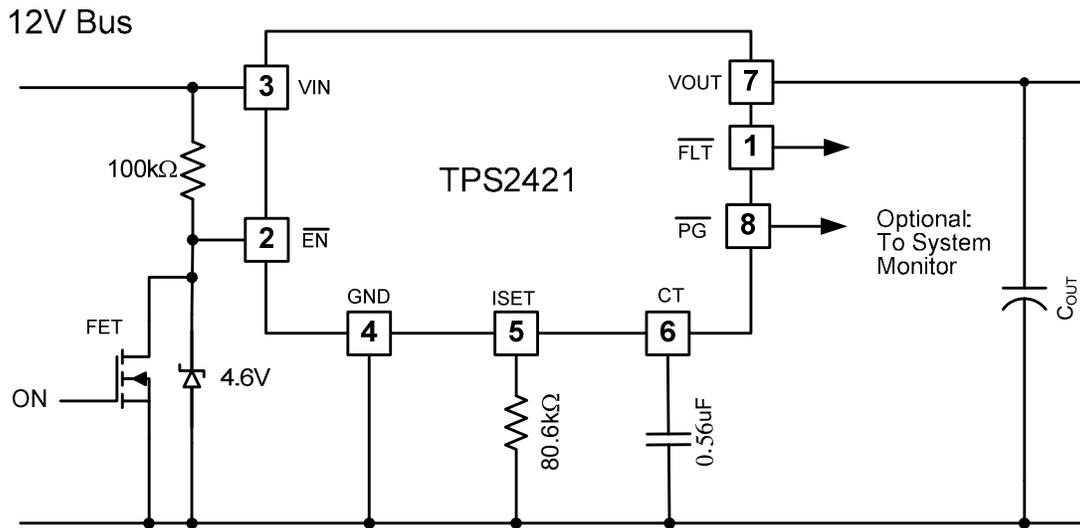


Figure 20. EN Delay Circuit

Fault Timer

The fault timer is active when the TPS2421 is in SOA protect mode or the current is above I_{SET} . Figure 21 illustrates operation during non-faulted start up ($C_{\text{OUT}} = 470 \mu\text{F}$ and $I_{\text{VOUT}} = 1\text{A}$ in a 12V system). C_{CT} charges at ~35μA until TPS2421 exits SOA protect mode, discharges quickly (~40μA) to ~0.16V, and then decays slowly (~1.4μA) towards zero.

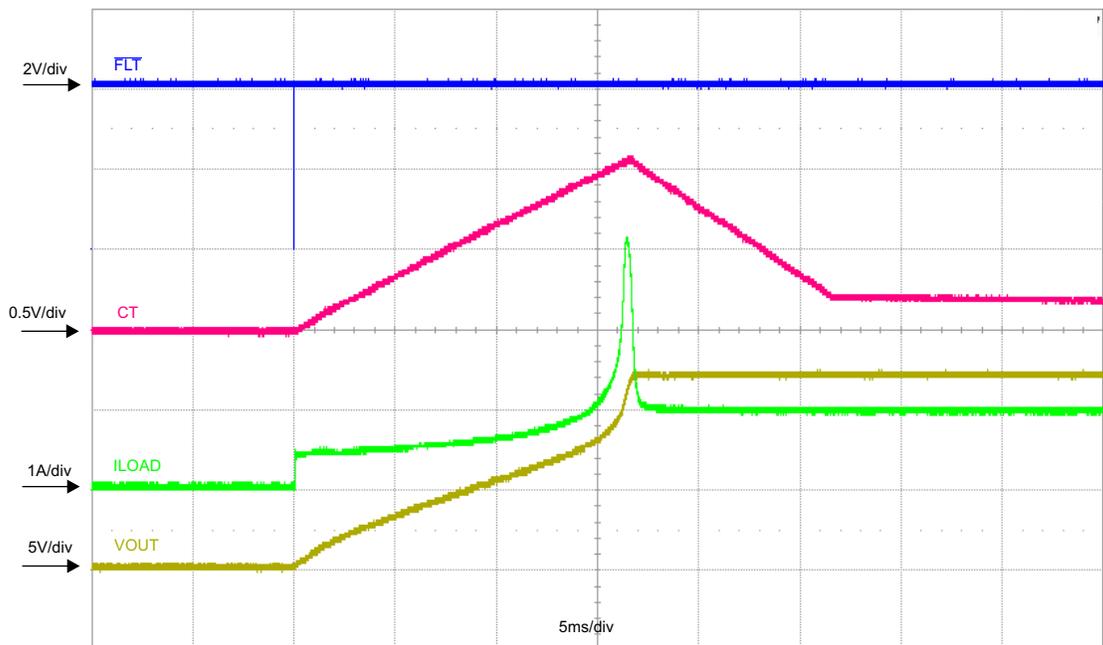


Figure 21. Fault Timer Operation During Start up

C_{CT} can be chosen for fault-free start up including expected C_{OUT} and C_{CT} capacitance tolerance as shown in Equation 11.

$$C_{CT} = \frac{(1 + C_{OUT_TOL} + C_{CT_TOL}) \times t_{ON}}{40000} \quad (11)$$

Normal Operation

When load current exceeds I_{SET} during normal operation the fault timer starts. If load current drops below I_{SET} before the fault timer expires, normal operation continues. If load current stays above the I_{SET} threshold the fault timer expires and a fault is declared. When a fault is declared a TPS2421-1 device turns off and can be restarted by cycling power or toggling the EN signal. A TPS2421-2 device attempts to turn on at a 3.7% duty cycle until the fault is cleared. When I_{LIM} is reached during a fault the device goes into current limit and the fault timer keeps running.

Start up into a Short

The controller attempts to power on into a short for the duration of the timer. Figure 19 shows a small current resulting from power limiting the internal MOSFET. This happens only once for TPS2421-1. For TPS2421-2, the cycle repeats at a 3.7% duty cycle as shown in Figure 18.

Shutdown Modes

Hard Overload - Fast Trip

When a hard overload causes the load current to exceed $\sim 1.6 \times I_{LIM}$ the TPS2421 immediately shuts off current to the load without waiting for the fault timer to expire. After such a shutoff the TPS2421 enters startup mode and attempts to apply power to the load. If the hard overload was caused by a transient, then normal startup can be expected. If the hard overload is caused by a persistent, continuous failure then the TPS2421 goes into current limit during the restart attempt and either latches off (TPS2421-1) or attempts retry (TPS2421-2).

Overcurrent Shutdown

Overcurrent shutdown occurs when the output current exceeds I_{SET} for the duration of the fault timer. Figure 8 shows a step rise in output current which exceeds the I_{SET} threshold but not the I_{LIM} threshold. The increased current is on for the duration of the timer. When the timer expires, the output is turned off.

Programming the Fault (I_{SET}) and Current-limit (I_{LIM}) Thresholds

The I_{SET} and I_{LIM} thresholds is user programmable with a single external resistor connected to ISET and the I_{LIM} threshold is internally set according to the I_{LIM}/I_{SET} ratio specified in the electrical characteristics table. The TPS2421 uses an internal regulation loop to provide a regulated voltage on the ISET pin. The fault and current-limit thresholds are proportional to the current sourced out of ISET. The recommended 1% resistor range is $49.9k\Omega \leq R_{RSET} \leq 200k\Omega$ to ensure the rated accuracy. Many applications require that minimum fault and current limits are known or that maximum current limit is bounded. It is important to consider the tolerance of the fault and current limit thresholds, as well as R_{RSET} when selecting values. Consult the Electrical Characteristics table for specific fault and current limit settings.

Using the data for I_{SET} and I_{LIM} from the Electrical Characteristics table, equations can be generated and used for other set points. Equation 12 and Equation 13 are used to calculate minimum and maximum I_{SET} where $R_{RSET,max}$ and $R_{RSET,min}$ include R_{RSET} tolerances. Equation 14 and Equation 15 calculate $R_{RSET,max}$ and $R_{RSET,min}$ where R_{TOL} is the 1% resistor tolerance.

$$I_{SET,min} = \frac{185.58}{R_{RSET,max}} - 0.13 \quad (12)$$

$$I_{SET,max} = \frac{213.68}{R_{RSET,min}} + 0.13 \quad (13)$$

$$R_{RSET,min} = (1 + R_{TOL}) \times \frac{213.68}{I_{SET,max} - 0.13} \quad (14)$$

$$R_{RSET,max} = (1 - R_{TOL}) \times \frac{185.58}{I_{SET,min} + 0.13} \quad (15)$$

Equation 16 and Equation 17 are used to calculate minimum and maximum I_{LIM} where $R_{RSET,max}$ and $R_{RSET,min}$ include R_{RSET} tolerances.

$$I_{LIM,min} = \frac{232.19}{R_{RSET,max}} - 0.06 \quad (16)$$

$$I_{LIM,max} = \frac{259.26}{R_{RSET,min}} + 1.11 \quad (17)$$

Design Example

A typical design is shown in Figure 22 with the following requirements:

- Nominal input voltage, V_{VIN} : 12V
- Maximum expected load current, I_{VOUT} : 2.1A
- Load capacitance, C_{OUT} : 220uF
- Expected resistive load, R_{LOAD} during start up: 15 Ω
- Example calculations are shown in the TPS2421 Design Calculator Tool ([SLUC427](#)).

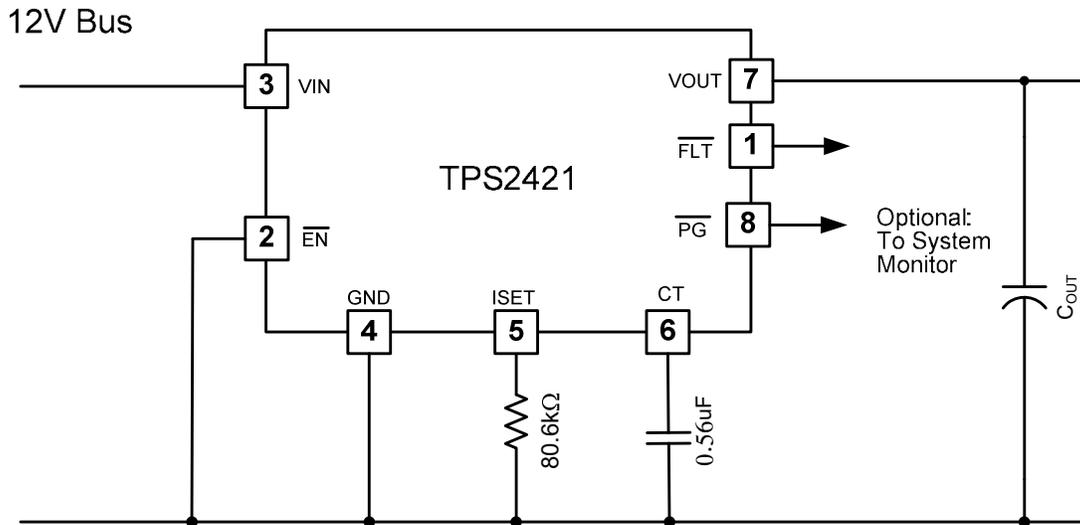


Figure 22. Design Example Schematic

1. Calculate maximum R_{RSET} to ensure that minimum I_{SET} is above maximum operating load current using Equation 15 as shown below in Equation 18.

$$R_{RSET,max} = 0.99 \times \frac{185.58}{2.1 + 0.13} = 82.39k\Omega \quad (18)$$

- Choose a standard 1% value below $R_{RSET,max}$ for $R_{RSET} = 80.6k\Omega$
 - $I_{SET,min} = 2.15A$ using Equation 12 and will meet the maximum operating current requirement of 2.1A without starting the fault timer during maximum steady state operation for $R_{RSET} = 80.6k\Omega$, 1%.
 - $I_{SET,max} = 4.359A$ using Equation 13 for $R_{RSET} = 80.6\Omega$, 1%.
2. Calculate minimum and maximum I_{LIM} .
 - $I_{LIM,min} = 2.792A$ and $I_{LIM,max} = 4.359A$ using Equation 16 and Equation 17 for $R_{RSET} = 80.6k\Omega$, 1%.
 3. Minimum R_{LOAD} at start up using Equation 10 is 12Ω. Since $R_{LOAD} = 15\Omega$ is present during circuit start up, use $t_{ON} = 15ms$ from Table 3 for $C_{OUT} = 220\mu F$ and $R_{LOAD} = 15\Omega$.
 - Calculate $C_{CT} = 0.48\mu F$ including C_{OUT} and C_{CT} tolerances ($C_{OUT,TOL} = 20\%$ and $C_{CT,TOL} = 10\%$) using Equation 19.

$$C_{CT} = \frac{(1 + C_{OUT,TOL} + C_{CT,TOL}) \times t_{ON}}{40000} = \frac{(1 + 0.2 + 0.1) \times 0.012}{40000} = 0.48\mu F \quad (19)$$

Transient Protection

The need for transient protection in conjunction with hot-swap controllers should always be considered. When the TPS2421 interrupts current flow, input inductance generates a positive voltage spike on the input and output inductance generates a negative voltage spike on the output. Such transients can easily exceed twice the supply voltage if steps are not taken to address the issue. Typical methods for addressing transients include;

- Minimizing lead length/inductance into and out of the device
- Voltage Suppressors (TVS) on the input to absorb inductive spikes
- Schottky diode across the output to absorb negative spikes
- A combination of ceramic and electrolytic capacitors on the input and output to absorb energy
- Use PCB GND planes

The following equation estimates the magnitude of these voltage spikes:

$$V_{\text{SPIKE(absolute)}} = V_{\text{NOM}} + I_{\text{LOAD}} \times \sqrt{L/C} \quad (20)$$

where

V_{NOM} is the nominal supply voltage

I_{LOAD} is the load current

C is the capacitance present at the input or output of the TPS2421

L equals the effective inductance seen looking into the source or the load

Calculating the inductance due to a straight length of wire is shown in [Equation 21](#).

$$L_{\text{straightwire}} \approx 0.2 \times L \times \ln\left(\frac{4 \times L}{D} - 0.75\right) \text{ (nH)} \quad (21)$$

Where

L is the length of the wire

D is diameter of the wire

Some applications may require the addition of a TVS to prevent transients from exceeding the absolute ratings if sufficient capacitance cannot be included.

Layout

Support Components

Locate all TPS2421 support components, R_{RSET} , C_{CT} , or any input or output voltage clamps, close to their connection pin. Connect the other end of the component to the inner layer GND without trace length. The trace routing the R_{RSET} resistor to the TPS2421 should be as short as possible to reduce parasitic effects on fault and current-limit accuracy.

PowerPad™

When properly mounted the PowerPad package provides significantly greater cooling ability than an ordinary package. To operate at rated power the Power Pad must be soldered directly to the PC board GND plane directly under the device. The PowerPad is at GND potential and can be connected using multiple vias to inner layer GND. Other planes, such as the bottom side of the circuit board can be used to increase heat sinking in higher current applications. Refer to Technical Briefs: *PowerPad™ Thermally Enhanced Package* (TI literature Number [SLMA002](#)) and *PowerPad™ Made Easy* (TI Literature Number [SLMA004](#)) or more information on using this PowerPad™ package. These documents are available at www.ti.com (Search by Keyword).

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TPS2421-1DDA	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	75	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	2421-1	Samples
TPS2421-1DDAR	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	2421-1	Samples
TPS2421-2DDA	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	75	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	2421-2	Samples
TPS2421-2DDAR	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	2421-2	Samples

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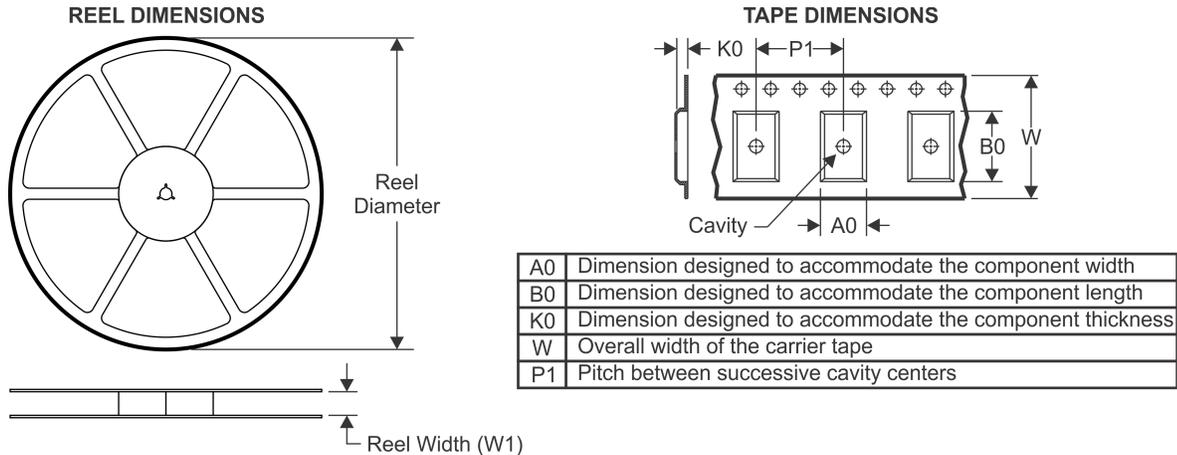
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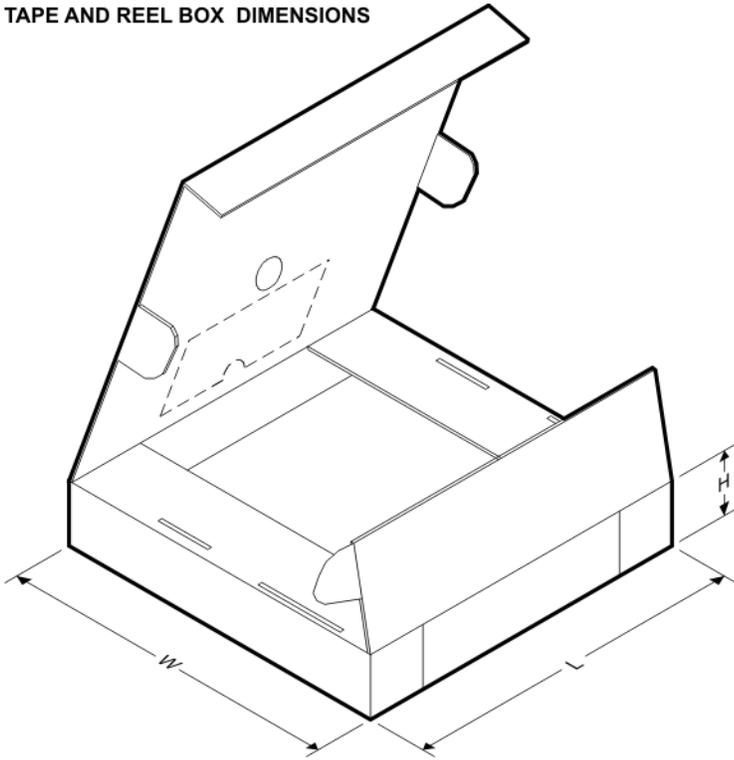


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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TPS2421-1DDAR	SO Power PAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.8	6.4	5.2	2.1	8.0	12.0	Q1
TPS2421-2DDAR	SO Power PAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.8	6.4	5.2	2.1	8.0	12.0	Q1

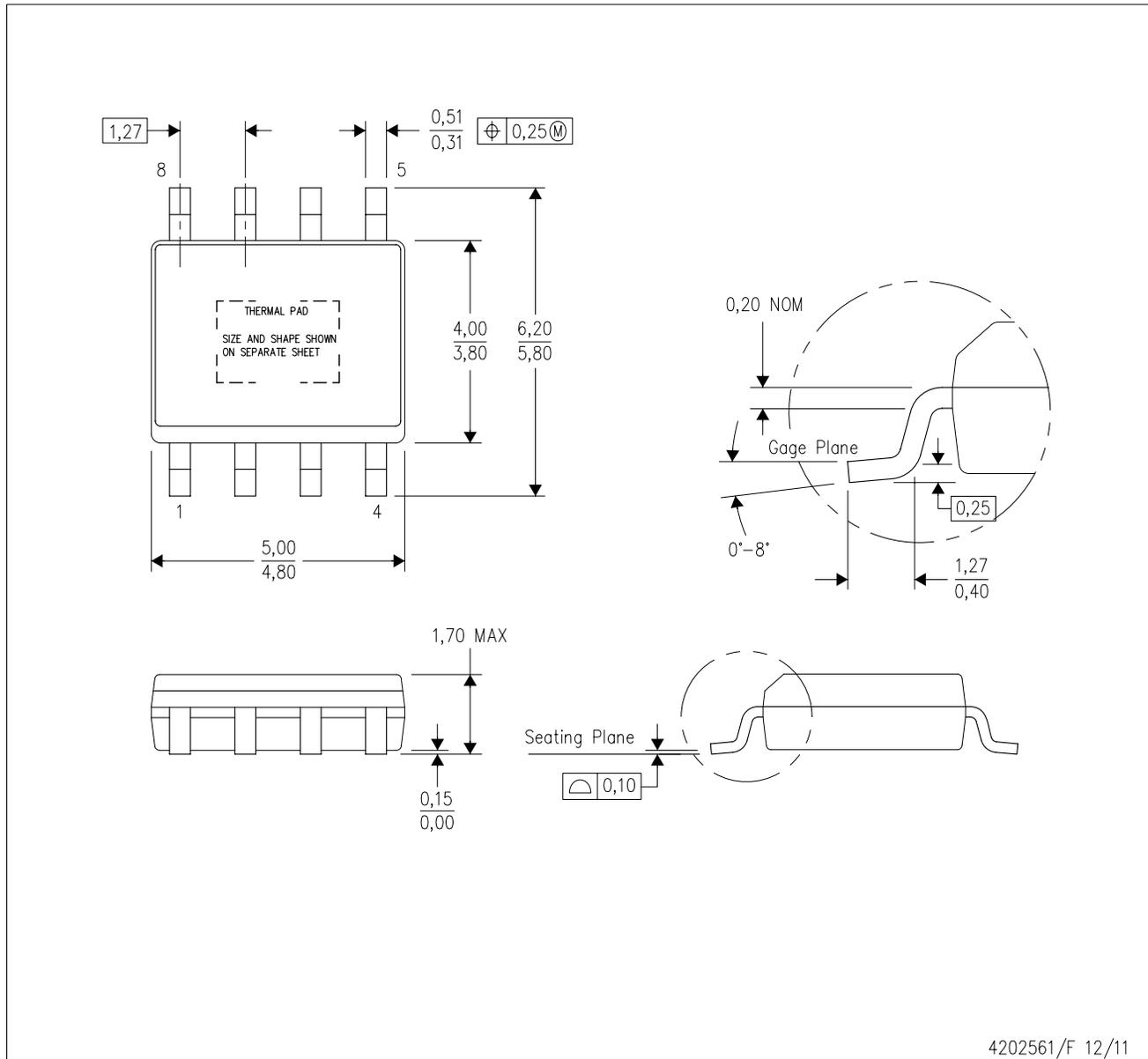
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TPS2421-2DDAR	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	364.0	364.0	27.0

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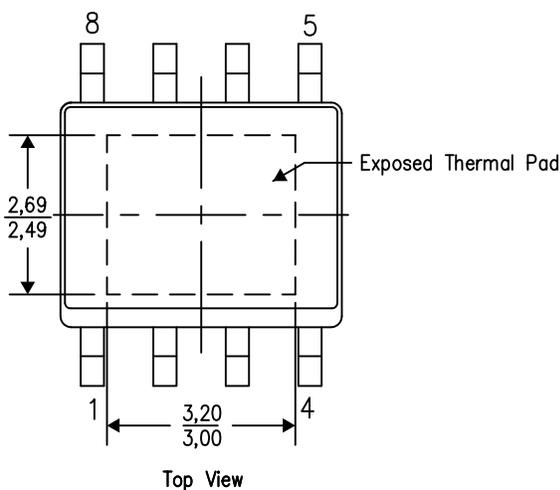
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THERMAL INFORMATION

This PowerPAD™ package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached to a printed circuit board (PCB). The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the PCB. After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

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The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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