



## LP2996-N, LP2996A DDR Termination Regulator

### 1 Features

- Minimum  $V_{DDQ}$ :
  - 1.8 V (LP2996-N)
  - 1.35 V (LP2996A)
- Source and Sink Current
- Low Output Voltage Offset
- No External Resistors Required for Setting Output Voltage
- Linear Topology
- Suspend to Ram (STR) Functionality
- Stable With Ceramic Capacitors With Appropriate ESR
- Low External Component Count
- Thermal Shutdown

### 2 Applications

- LP2996-N: DDR1 and DDR2 Termination Voltage
- LP2996A: DDR1, DDR2, DDR3, and DDR3L Termination Voltage
- FPGA
- Industrial and Medical PC
- SSTL-2 and SSTL-3 Termination
- HSTL Termination

### 3 Description

The LP2996-N and LP2996A linear regulators are designed to meet the JEDEC SSTL-2 specifications for termination of DDR-SDRAM. The device also supports DDR2, while LP2996A supports DDR3 and DDR3L VTT bus termination with  $V_{DDQ}$  minimum of 1.35 V. The device contains a high-speed operational amplifier to provide excellent response to load transients. The output stage prevents shoot through while delivering 1.5-A continuous current and transient peaks up to 3 A in the application as required for DDR-SDRAM termination. The LP2996-N and LP2996A also incorporate a  $V_{SENSE}$  pin to provide superior load regulation and a  $V_{REF}$  output as a reference for the chipset and DIMMs.

An additional feature found on the LP2996-N and LP2996A is an active-low shutdown ( $\overline{SD}$ ) pin that provides Suspend To RAM (STR) functionality. When  $\overline{SD}$  is pulled low the VTT output will tri-state providing a high impedance output, but  $V_{REF}$  remains active. A power savings advantage can be obtained in this mode through lower quiescent current.

TI recommends the LP2998 and LP2998-Q1 devices for automotive applications and DDR applications that require operating at temperatures below zero.

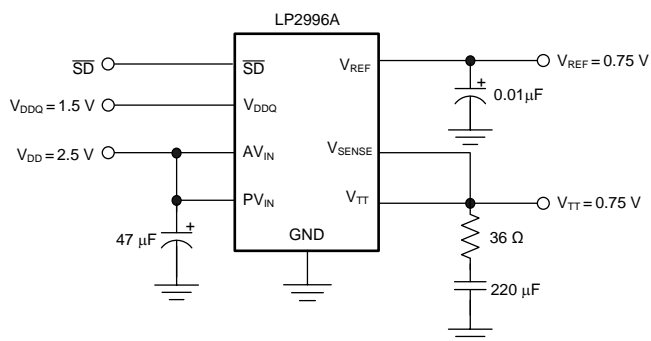
WEBENCH® design tools can be used by application designers to generate, optimize, and simulate applications using the LP2998 and LP2998-Q1.

**Device Information<sup>(1)</sup>**

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
LP2996-N	SOIC (8)	4.90 mm x 3.90 mm
LP2996-N, LP2996A	WSON (8)	4.90 mm x 3.90 mm
LP2996-N	WQFN (16)	4.00 mm x 4.00 mm

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

### Simplified Schematic



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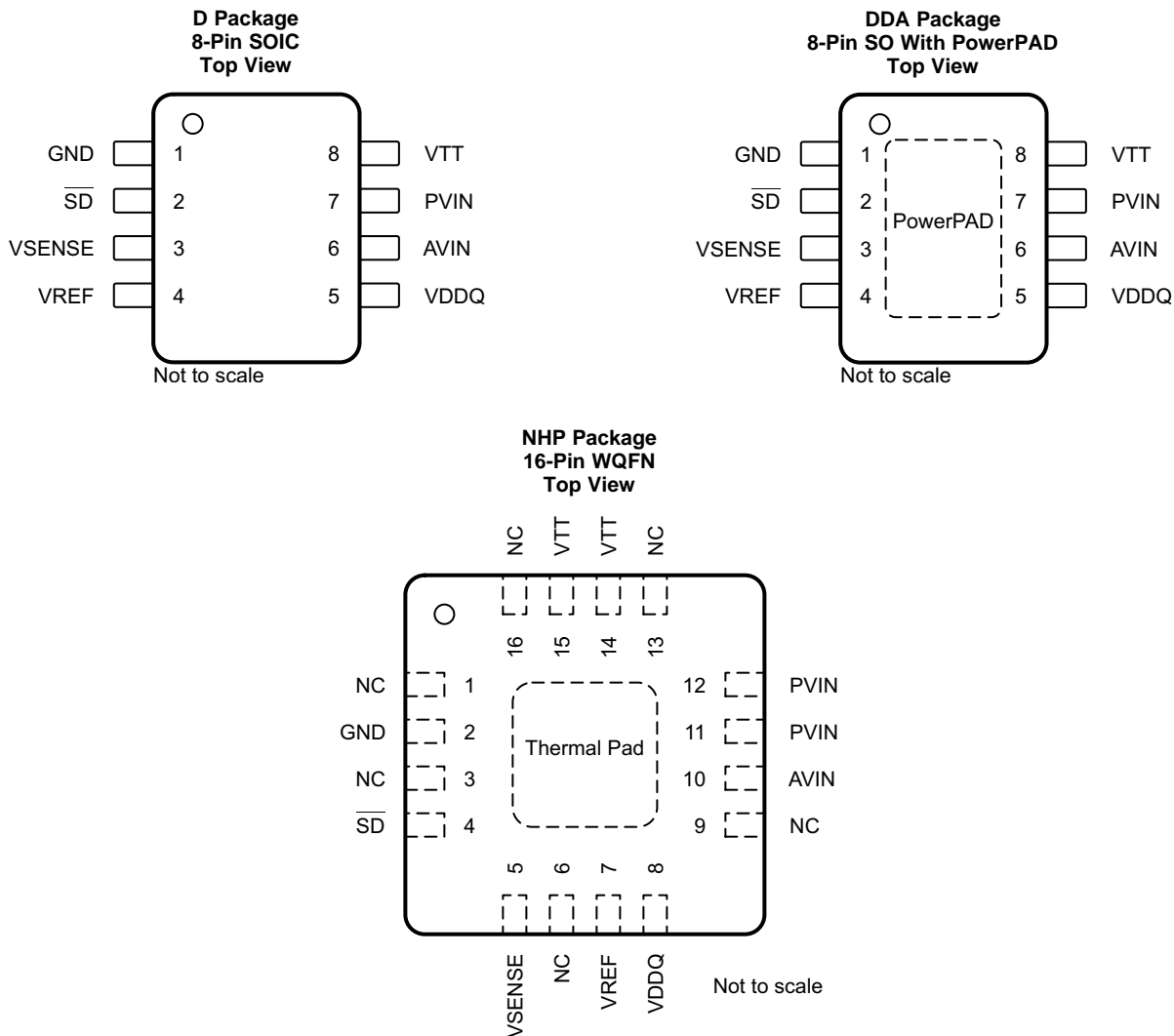
## 4 Revision History

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Changes from Revision J (March 2013) to Revision K	Page
• Added <i>Device Information</i> table, <i>Specifications</i> section, <i>ESD Ratings</i> table, <i>Thermal Information</i> table, <i>Feature Description</i> section, <i>Device Functional Modes</i> section, <i>Application and Implementation</i> section, <i>Power Supply Recommendations</i> section, <i>Layout</i> section, <i>Device and Documentation Support</i> section, and <i>Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information</i> section .....	1
• Added LP2996A throughout data sheet .....	1
• Added DDR3 support throughout data sheet .....	1
• Deleted Lead temperature (260°C maximum) from <i>Absolute Maximum Ratings</i> .....	5
• Changed Thermal Resistance, $R_{\theta JA}$ , values in <i>Thermal Information</i> From: 151°C/W To: 119.5°C/W (SOIC), From: 151°C/W To: 56.5°C/W (SO), and From: 151°C/W To: 52.7°C/W (WQFN).....	5

Changes from Revision I (March 2013) to Revision J	Page
• Changed layout of National Semiconductor Data Sheet to TI format .....	1
• Added $V_{DDQ}$ Range .....	1

## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



### Pin Functions

PIN				I/O	DESCRIPTION
NAME	SO PowerPAD	SOIC	WQFN		
AVIN	6	6	10	I	Analog input pin. AVIN is used to supply all the internal control circuitry. This pin has the capability to work from a supply separate from PVIN depending on the application. For SSTL-2 applications, a good compromise would be to connect the AVIN and PVIN directly together at 2.5 V. This eliminates the requirement for bypassing the two supply pins separately. The only limitation on input voltage selection is that $\text{PV}_{\text{IN}}$ must be equal to or lower than $\text{AV}_{\text{IN}}$ .
GND	1	1	2	—	Ground
PVIN	7	7	11, 12	I	Power input pin. PVIN is used exclusively to provide the rail voltage for the output stage used to create VTT. This pin has the capability to work from a supply separate from PVIN depending on the application. Higher voltages on PVIN increases the maximum continuous output current because of output $\text{R}_{\text{DS(ON)}}$ limitations at voltages close to $\text{V}_{\text{TT}}$ . The disadvantage of high values of $\text{PV}_{\text{IN}}$ is that the internal power loss also increases, thermally limiting the design. For SSTL-2 applications, a good compromise would be to connect the AVIN and PVIN directly together at 2.5 V. This eliminates the requirement for bypassing the two supply pins separately. The only limitation on input voltage selection is that $\text{PV}_{\text{IN}}$ must be equal to or lower than $\text{AV}_{\text{IN}}$ . TI recommends connecting PVIN to voltage rails equal to or less than 3.3 V to prevent the thermal limit from tripping because of excessive internal power dissipation. If the junction temperature exceeds the thermal shutdown then the part enters a shutdown state identical to the manual shutdown where VTT is tri-stated and VREF remains active.

**Pin Functions (continued)**

PIN				I/O	DESCRIPTION
NAME	SO PowerPAD	SOIC	WQFN		
$\overline{\text{SD}}$	2	2	4	I	Shutdown. The LP2996-N and LP2996A contain an active low shutdown pin that can be used to tri-state VTT. During shutdown VTT must not be exposed to voltages that exceed $\text{AV}_{\text{IN}}$ . With the shutdown pin asserted low the quiescent current of the LP2996-N and LP2996A drops, however, VDDQ always maintains its constant impedance of 100 k $\Omega$ for generating the internal reference. Therefore, to calculate the total power loss in shutdown, both currents must be considered. See <a href="#">Thermal Considerations</a> for more information. The shutdown pin also has an internal pullup current, therefore to turn the part on, the shutdown pin can either be connected to AVIN or left open.
VDDQ	5	5	8	I	Input for internal reference equal to $V_{\text{DDQ}} / 2$ . VDDQ is the input used to create the internal reference voltage for regulating VTT. The reference voltage is generated from a resistor divider of two internal 50-k $\Omega$ resistors. This ensures that VTT tracks $V_{\text{DDQ}} / 2$ precisely. The optimal implementation of VDDQ is as a remote sense. This can be achieved by connecting VDDQ directly to the 2.5-V rail at the DIMM instead of AVIN and PVIN. This ensures that the reference voltage tracks the DDR memory rails precisely without a large voltage drop from the power lines. For SSTL-2 applications VDDQ is a 2.5-V signal, which creates a 1.25-V termination voltage at VTT. See <a href="#">Electrical Characteristics</a> for exact values of VTT over temperature.
VREF	4	4	7	O	Buffered internal reference voltage of $V_{\text{DDQ}} / 2$ . VREF provides the buffered output of the internal reference voltage $V_{\text{DDQ}} / 2$ . This output must be used to provide the reference voltage for the Northbridge chipset and memory. Because these inputs are typically an extremely high impedance, there must be little current drawn from VREF. For improved performance, an output bypass capacitor can be placed close to the pin to help reduce noise. TI recommends a ceramic capacitor from 0.1 $\mu\text{F}$ to 0.01 $\mu\text{F}$ . This output remains active during the shutdown state and thermal shutdown events for the suspend to RAM functionality.
VSENSE	3	3	5	I	Feedback pin for regulating VTT. The purpose of the sense pin is to provide improved remote load regulation. In most motherboard applications the termination resistors connect to VTT in a long plane. If the output voltage was regulated only at the output of the device then the long trace causes a significant IR drop resulting in a termination voltage lower at one end of the bus than the other. The VSENSE pin can be used to improve this performance by connecting it to the middle of the bus. This provides a better distribution across the entire termination bus. If remote load regulation is not used then the VSENSE pin must still be connected to VTT. Take care when a long VSENSE trace is implemented in close proximity to the memory. Noise pickup in the VSENSE trace can cause problems with precise regulation of VTT. A small 0.1- $\mu\text{F}$ ceramic capacitor placed next to the VSENSE pin can help filter any high frequency signals and preventing errors.
VTT	8	8	14, 15	O	Output voltage for connection to termination resistors. VTT is the regulated output that is used to terminate the bus resistors. It is capable of sinking and sourcing current while regulating the output precisely to $V_{\text{DDQ}} / 2$ . The LP2996-N and LP2996A are designed to handle peak transient currents of up to $\pm 3$ A with a fast transient response. The maximum continuous current is a function of $V_{\text{DD}}$ and can be seen in <a href="#">Typical Characteristics</a> . If a transient above the maximum continuous current rating is expected to last for a significant amount of time then the output capacitor must be large enough to prevent an excessive voltage drop. Despite the fact that the device is designed to handle large transient output currents it is not capable of handling these for long durations under all conditions. The reason for this is the standard packages are not able to thermally dissipate the heat as a result of the internal power loss. If large currents are required for longer durations, then ensure that the maximum junction temperature is not exceeded. Proper thermal derating must always be used (see <a href="#">Thermal Considerations</a> ). If the junction temperature exceeds the thermal shutdown point then VTT tri-states until the part returns below the hysteretic trip-point.
NC	—	—	1, 3, 6, 9, 13, 16	—	No internal connection
Thermal Pad	PowerPAD	—	Thermal Pad	—	Exposed pad thermal connection. Connect to Ground.

## 6 Specifications

### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
AVIN to GND	−0.3	6	V
PVIN to GND	−0.3	AV <sub>IN</sub>	V
Input voltage (VDDQ) <sup>(3)</sup>	−0.3	6	V
Junction temperature, T <sub>J</sub>		150	°C
Storage temperature, T <sub>stg</sub>	−65	150	°C

- (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) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) VDDQ voltage must be less than 2 × (AV<sub>IN</sub> − 1) or 6 V, whichever is smaller.

### 6.2 ESD Ratings

	VALUE	UNIT
V <sub>(ESD)</sub> Electrostatic discharge Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 <sup>(1)</sup>	±1000	V

- (1) The human body model is a 100-pF capacitor discharged through a 1.5-kΩ resistor into each pin.

### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

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

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
AVIN to GND	2.2	5.5	V
PVIN supply voltage	0	AV <sub>IN</sub>	V
$\overline{\text{SD}}$ input voltage	0	AV <sub>IN</sub>	V
T <sub>J</sub> Junction temperature <sup>(1)</sup>	0	125	°C

- (1) At elevated temperatures, devices must be derated based on thermal resistance.

### 6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC		LP2996-N, LP2996A			UNIT
		D (SOIC)	DDA (SO)	NHP (WQFN)	
		8 PINS	8 PINS	16 PINS	
R <sub>θJA</sub>	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	119.5	56.5	52.7	°C/W
R <sub>θJC(top)</sub>	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	65.3	65.1	50.1	°C/W
R <sub>θJB</sub>	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	59.8	36.5	30.1	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JT</sub>	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	16.7	15.9	0.7	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JB</sub>	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	59.3	36.5	30.2	°C/W
R <sub>θJC(bot)</sub>	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	—	8.4	9.8	°C/W

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics

Minimum and maximum limits apply over the full operating temperature range ( $T_J = 0^\circ\text{C}$  to  $125^\circ\text{C}$ ) and are specified through test, design, or statistical correlation. Typical values represent the most likely parametric norm ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ), and are provided for reference purposes only. Unless otherwise specified,  $AV_{IN} = PV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$  and  $V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$ .<sup>(1)</sup>

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$V_{REF}$	$V_{REF}$ voltage (DDR I)	$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.3\text{ V}$		1.135	1.158	1.185	V
		$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$		1.235	1.258	1.285	
		$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.7\text{ V}$		1.335	1.358	1.385	
	$V_{REF}$ voltage (DDR II)	$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.7\text{ V}$		0.837	0.86	0.887	V
		$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$		0.887	0.91	0.937	
		$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.9\text{ V}$		0.936	0.959	0.986	
	$V_{REF}$ voltage (DDR III)	$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.35\text{ V}$		0.669	0.684	0.699	V
		$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.5\text{ V}$		0.743	0.758	0.773	
		$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.6\text{ V}$		0.793	0.808	0.823	
$Z_{VREF}$	$V_{REF}$ output impedance	$I_{REF} = -30\text{ to }30\text{ }\mu\text{A}$		2.5			k $\Omega$
$V_{TT}$	$V_{TT}$ output voltage (DDR I) <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$	$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.3\text{ V}$	1.12	1.159	1.19	V
			$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$	1.21	1.259	1.29	
			$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.7\text{ V}$	1.32	1.359	1.39	
		$I_{OUT} = \pm 1.5\text{ A}$	$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.3\text{ V}$	1.125	1.159	1.19	
			$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$	1.225	1.259	1.29	
			$V_{DD} = V_{DDQ} = 2.7\text{ V}$	1.325	1.359	1.39	
	$V_{TT}$ output voltage (DDR II) <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$	$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.7\text{ V}$	0.822	0.856	0.887	V
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$	0.874	0.908	0.939	
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.9\text{ V}$	0.923	0.957	0.988	
		$I_{OUT} = \pm 0.5\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$	$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.7\text{ V}$	0.82	0.856	0.89	
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$	0.87	0.908	0.94	
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.9\text{ V}$	0.92	0.957	0.99	
	$V_{TT}$ output voltage (DDR III) <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$	$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.35\text{ V}$	0.656	0.677	0.698	V
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.5\text{ V}$	0.731	0.752	0.773	
			$PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.6\text{ V}$	0.781	0.802	0.823	
		$I_{OUT} = 0.2\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.35\text{ V}$		0.667	0.688	0.71	
		$I_{OUT} = -0.2\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.35\text{ V}$		0.641	0.673	0.694	
		$I_{OUT} = 0.4\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.5\text{ V}$		0.74	0.763	0.786	
		$I_{OUT} = -0.4\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.5\text{ V}$		0.731	0.752	0.773	
		$I_{OUT} = 0.5\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.6\text{ V}$		0.79	0.813	0.836	
		$I_{OUT} = -0.5\text{ A}, AV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}, PV_{IN} = V_{DDQ} = 1.6\text{ V}$		0.781	0.802	0.823	
$VOS_{Vtt}$	$V_{TT}$ output voltage offset ( $V_{REF} - V_{TT}$ ) for DDR I <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	mV
		$I_{OUT} = -1.5\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
		$I_{OUT} = 1.5\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
	$V_{TT}$ output voltage offset ( $V_{REF} - V_{TT}$ ) for DDR II <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	mV
		$I_{OUT} = -0.5\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
		$I_{OUT} = 0.5\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
	$V_{TT}$ output voltage offset ( $V_{REF} - V_{TT}$ ) for DDR III <sup>(2)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	mV
		$I_{OUT} = \pm 0.2\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
		$I_{OUT} = \pm 0.4\text{ A}$		-30	0	30	
$I_Q$	Quiescent current <sup>(3)</sup>	$I_{OUT} = 0\text{ A}$		320			$\mu\text{A}$

(1)  $V_{DD}$  is defined as  $V_{DD} = AV_{IN} = PV_{IN}$ .

(2)  $V_{TT}$  load regulation is tested by using a 10-ms current pulse and measuring  $V_{TT}$ .

(3) Quiescent current defined as the current flow into  $AV_{IN}$ .

## Electrical Characteristics (continued)

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PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$Z_{VDDQ}$	VDDQ input impedance		100		$k\Omega$
$I_{SD}$	Quiescent current in shutdown <sup>(3)</sup>	$\overline{SD}$ is low	115	150	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{Q\_SD}$	Shutdown leakage current	$\overline{SD}$ is low	2	5	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{IH}$	Minimum shutdown, high level	1.9			V
$V_{IL}$	Maximum shutdown, low level			0.8	V
$I_V$	$V_{TT}$ leakage current in shutdown	$\overline{SD}$ is low, $V_{TT} = 1.25\text{ V}$	1	10	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{SENSE}$	$V_{SENSE}$ input current		13		nA
$T_{SD}$	Thermal shutdown		165		$^\circ\text{C}$
$T_{SD\_HYS}$	Thermal shutdown hysteresis		10		$^\circ\text{C}$

## 6.6 Typical Characteristics

Unless otherwise specified,  $AV_{IN} = PV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$ .

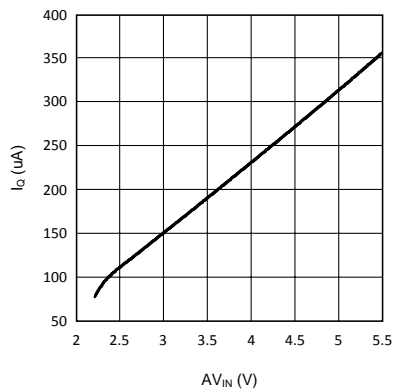


Figure 1.  $I_Q$  vs  $AV_{IN}$  In Shutdown

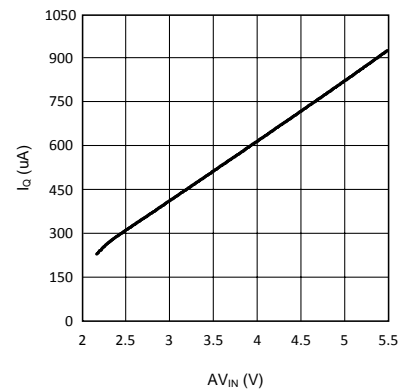


Figure 2.  $I_Q$  vs  $AV_{IN}$

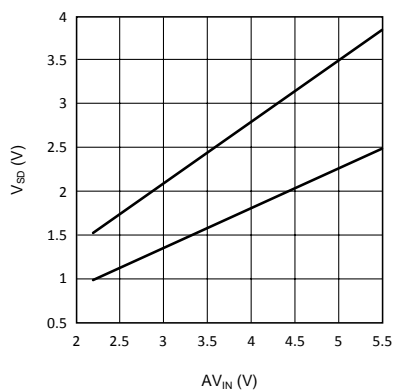


Figure 3.  $V_{IH}$  and  $V_{IL}$

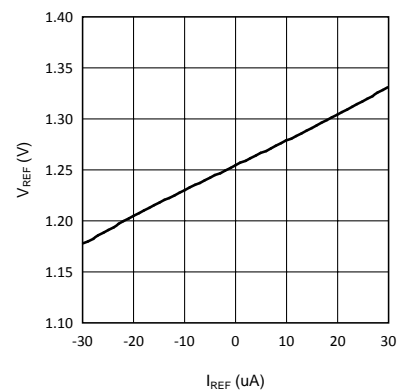


Figure 4.  $V_{REF}$  vs  $I_{REF}$

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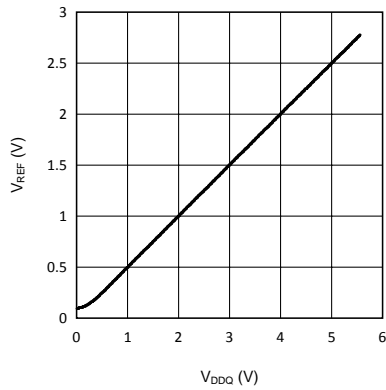


Figure 5.  $V_{REF}$  vs  $V_{DDQ}$

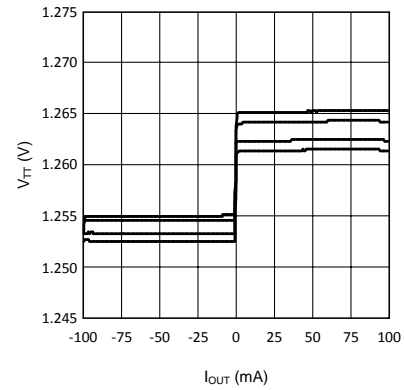


Figure 6.  $V_{TT}$  vs  $I_{OUT}$

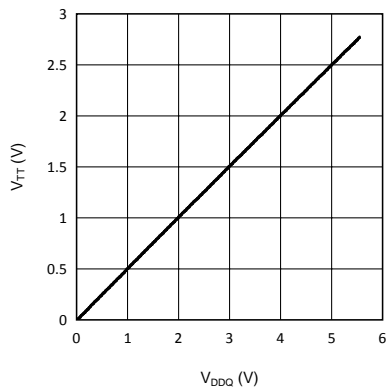


Figure 7.  $V_{TT}$  vs  $V_{DDQ}$

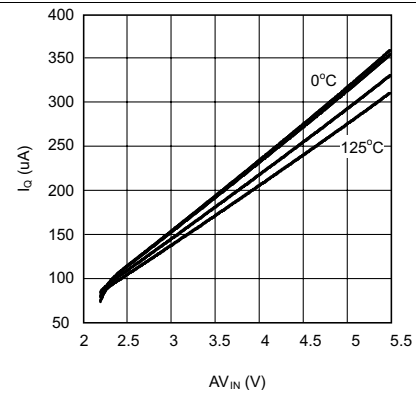


Figure 8.  $I_Q$  vs  $AV_{IN}$  in Shutdown Temperature

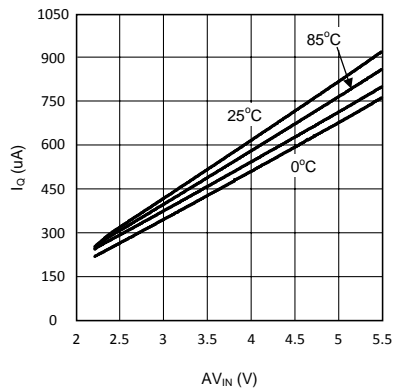
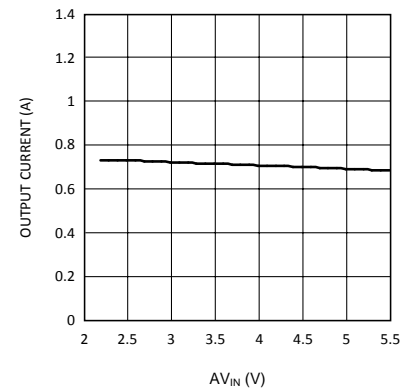


Figure 9.  $I_Q$  vs  $AV_{IN}$  Temperature



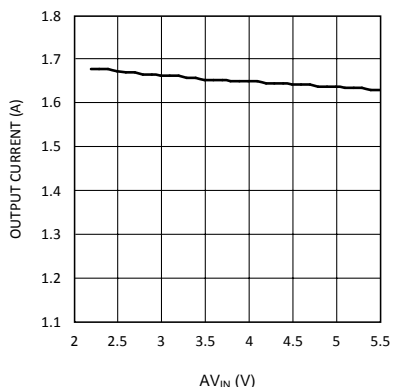
$V_{DDQ} = 2.5 \text{ V}$   $PV_{IN} = 1.8 \text{ V}$

Figure 10. Maximum Sourcing Current vs  $AV_{IN}$



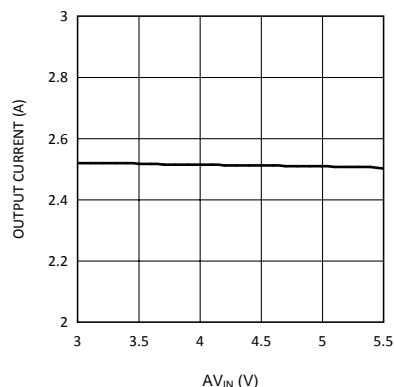
## Typical Characteristics (continued)

Unless otherwise specified,  $AV_{IN} = PV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$ .



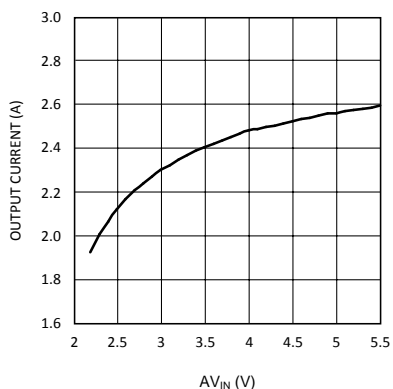
$V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$        $PV_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$

**Figure 11. Maximum Sourcing Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**



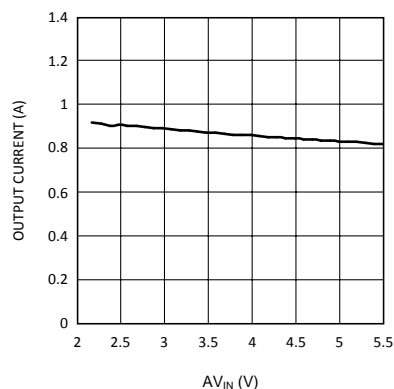
$V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$        $PV_{IN} = 3.3\text{ V}$

**Figure 12. Maximum Sourcing Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**



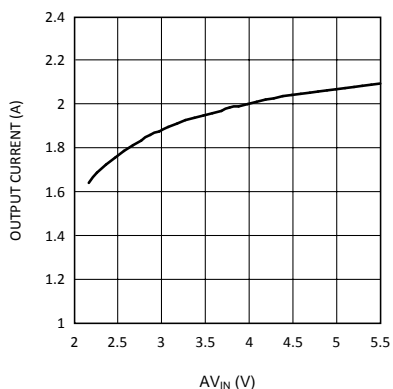
$V_{DDQ} = 2.5\text{ V}$

**Figure 13. Maximum Sinking Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**



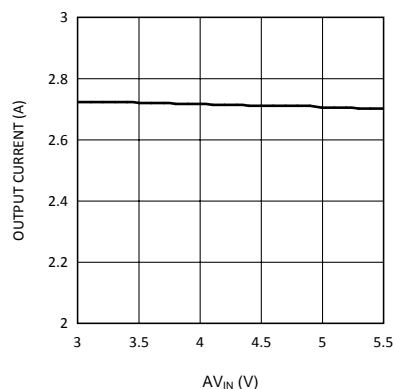
$V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$        $PV_{IN} = 1.8\text{ V}$

**Figure 14. Maximum Sourcing Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**



$V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$

**Figure 15. Maximum Sinking Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**



$V_{DDQ} = 1.8\text{ V}$        $PV_{IN} = 3.3\text{ V}$

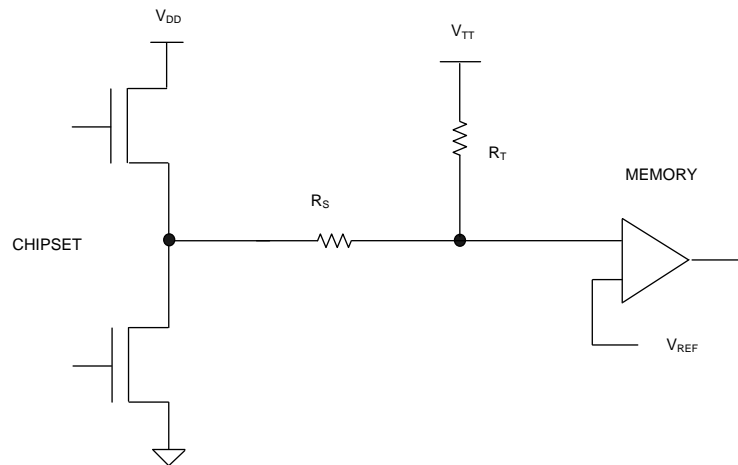
**Figure 16. Maximum Sourcing Current vs  $AV_{IN}$**

## 7 Detailed Description

## 7.1 Overview

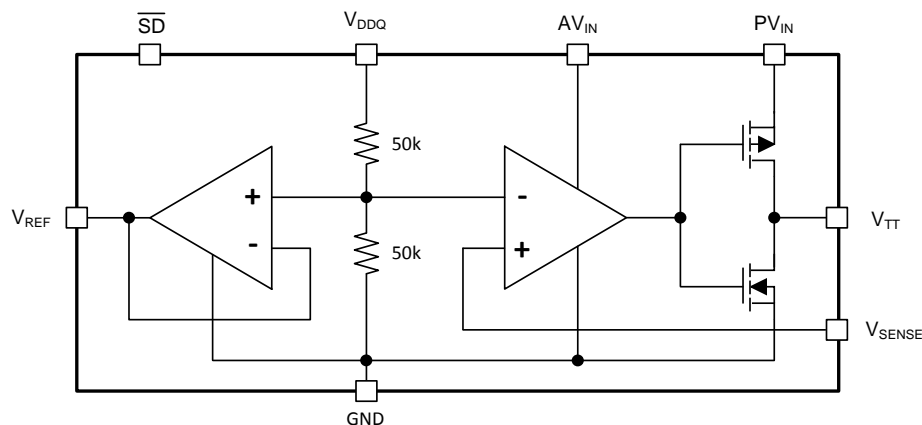
The LP2996-N and LP2996A devices can be used to provide a termination voltage for additional logic schemes such as SSTL-3 or HSTL.

Series Stub Termination Logic (SSTL) was created to improve signal integrity of the data transmission across the memory bus. This termination scheme is essential to prevent data error from signal reflections while transmitting at high frequencies encountered with DDR-SDRAM. The most common form of termination is Class II single parallel termination. This involves one  $R_S$  series resistor from the chipset to the memory and one  $R_T$  termination resistor. Typical values for  $R_S$  and  $R_T$  are 25  $\Omega$ , although these can be changed to scale the current requirements from the LP2996-N or LP2996A. This implementation is shown in [Figure 17](#).



### Figure 17. SSTL-Termination Scheme

## 7.2 Functional Block Diagram



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## 7.3 Feature Description

The LP2996-N and LP2996A are linear bus termination regulators designed to meet the JEDEC requirements of SSTL-2. The output ( $V_{TT}$ ) is capable of sinking and sourcing current while regulating the output voltage equal to  $V_{DDQ} / 2$ . The output stage is designed to maintain excellent load regulation while preventing shoot through. The LP2996-N and LP2996A also incorporate two distinct power rails that separates the analog circuitry from the power output stage. This allows a split rail approach to be used to decrease internal power dissipation. It also permits the LP2996-N to provide a termination solution for DDR2-SDRAM, while the LP2996A supports DDR3-SDRAM and DDR3L-SDRAM memory. TI recommends the LP2998 and LP2998-Q1 for all DDR applications that require operation at below-zero temperatures.

## 7.4 Device Functional Modes

### 7.4.1 Start-Up

During start up when VDDQ is enabled, the error amplifier senses the output voltage is low and drives the pass element hard causing a large inrush current. If this inrush current is too large, the device shuts down and restarts due to the internal current limit. Two solutions to prevent large inrush current during start up:

1. Slow down the slew rate of VDDQ. When the slew rate of VDDQ is fast (approximately 60  $\mu$ s), the input current can reach over 5 A which exceeds the device's current limit thus causing a restart. If VDDQ start-up slew rate is  $\geq 300$   $\mu$ s, the inrush current can be reduced by 90% limiting the input rush current to less than 500mA.
2. In some cases the system designers have very little to no control over the VDDQ voltage supply slew rate, whether using linear or switching regulators. Some step down voltage regulators do not have soft-start feature. VDDQ voltage source requires only 18  $\mu$ A current to enable the DDRII termination voltage. Therefore placing an RC filter at VDDQ pin can conveniently increase the output voltage slew rate, allowing a slow rise in capacitor charge current. To keep the VDDQ voltage losses minimum, the resistor value must be chosen carefully. Using a 100- $\Omega$  resistor keeps the VDDQ supply voltage losses down to 1.8 mV, because the current through VDDQ is only 18  $\mu$ A for DDRIII configuration.

See [Limiting DDR Termination Regulators' Inrush Current](#) (SNVA758) for more information relating to the inrush current during start up.

### 7.4.2 Normal Operation

The device contains a high-speed operational amplifier to provide excellent response to load transients. The output stage prevents shoot through while delivering 1.5-A continuous current and transient peaks up to 3 A in the application as required for DDR-SDRAM termination. The LP2996-N and LP2996A also incorporate a VSENSE pin to provide superior load regulation and a VREF output as a reference for the chipset and DIMMs. See [Electrical Characteristics](#) and [Application Information](#).

### 7.4.3 Shutdown

The LP2996-N and LP2996A feature an active-low shutdown (SD) pin that provides Suspend To RAM (STR) functionality. When SD is pulled low, the VTT output tri-states providing a high impedance output, but VREF remains active. A power savings advantage can be obtained in this mode through lower quiescent current. During shutdown, VTT must not be exposed to voltages that exceed AVIN. With the shutdown pin asserted low the quiescent current of the LP2996-N and LP2996A drops, however, VDDQ always maintains its constant impedance of 100 k $\Omega$  for generating the internal reference. Therefore, to calculate the total power loss in shutdown, both currents must be considered. The shutdown pin also has an internal pullup current, therefore to turn the part on, the shutdown pin can either be connected to AVIN or left open.

## 8 Applications 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. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

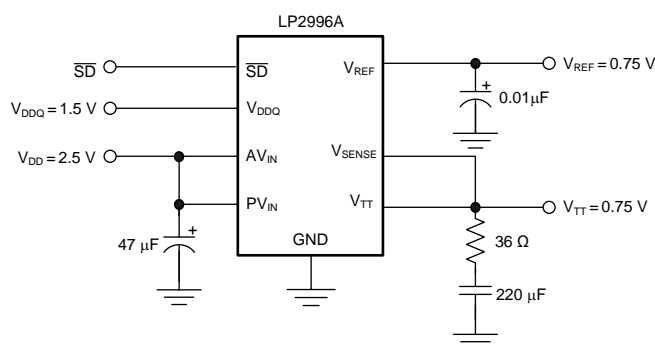
### 8.1 Application Information

The LP2996 has split rails to allow flexibility in powering the device. It has a control circuitry rail (AVIN) and an output power stage rail (PVIN), both separate from the reference voltage input (VDDQ). This allows for different setups which cater to specific requirements such as high current capabilities, lower thermal dissipation, or minimum component count. Because the output is always  $V_{DDQ} / 2$  due to two internal 50-k $\Omega$  resistors, the only necessary external components are bypass capacitors.

### 8.2 Typical Applications

#### 8.2.1 Typical SSTL-2 Application Circuit

This circuit permits termination in a minimum amount of board space and component count. Capacitor selection can be varied depending on the number of lines terminated and the maximum load transient. However, with motherboards and other applications where  $V_{TT}$  is distributed across a long plane, it is advisable to use multiple bulk capacitors and addition to high frequency decoupling.



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**Figure 18. Typical SSTL-2 Application Circuit Diagram**

##### 8.2.1.1 Design Requirements

For this design example, use the parameters listed in [Table 1](#) as the input parameters.

**Table 1. Design Parameters**

PARAMETER	VALUE
$V_{DDQ}$	1.5 V
Input to AVIN and PVIN, $V_{DD}$	2.5 V
$V_{REF}$	0.75 V
$V_{TT}$	0.75 V
Input bypass capacitor, $C_{IN}$	47 $\mu$ F
Output bypass capacitor, $C_{OUT}$	220 $\mu$ F

### 8.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

The LP2996 requires voltage be applied to three pins for proper operation: VDDQ, AVIN, and PVIN. VDDQ sets the internal reference voltage and is divided across two 50-k $\Omega$  resistors. Therefore, VDDQ must be set at exactly twice the appropriate DDR termination. AVIN powers the internal control circuitry and must be from 2.2 V to 5.5 V. PVIN is the supply for the power output stage and must be larger than or equal to VDDQ while smaller than or equal to AVIN. When picking PVIN, note that smaller values reduce internal power dissipation but reduce the maximum continuous current as well. It is acceptable to tie PVIN to either VDDQ or AVIN to minimize the number of supplies and bypass capacitors required.

To prevent voltage dips on the output, a bypass capacitor must be placed on the VTT line. The size of this capacitor does not affect stability, but larger values improve the transient response and must be sized according to the design requirements. When using ceramic capacitors on the output, large load steps can cause ringing on VTT. [Table 2](#) shows the range of acceptable equivalent series resistance (ESR) that can be added to dampen and improve the response.

**Table 2. Approximate ESR Values for VTT Capacitors**

VTT CAPACITANCE ( $\mu$ F)	RECOMMENDED ESR (m $\Omega$ )
100	50
150	42
220	36
330	30

Another bypass capacitor on PVIN is recommended to keep current spikes from pulling down the input voltage. This is especially important if PVIN and VDDQ are on the same supply. A small 0.01- $\mu$ F capacitor can be placed on VREF to reduce noise. VSENSE provides a feedback path necessary for regulating the output voltage; Therefore, it must be connected to VTT. If a long VSENSE trace is necessary, a small ceramic capacitor may be required to filter out any high frequency noise picked up from switching I/O signals.

#### 8.2.1.2.1 Input Capacitor

The LP2996-N and LP2996A do not require a capacitor for input stability, but it is recommended for improved performance during large load transients to prevent the input rail from dropping. The input capacitor must be placed as close as possible to the PVIN pin. Several recommendations exist dependent on the application required. A typical value recommended for aluminum electrolytic capacitors is 50  $\mu$ F. Ceramic capacitors can also be used, a value approximately 10  $\mu$ F with X5R or better would be an ideal choice. The input capacitance can be reduced if the LP2996-N or LP2996A is placed close to the bulk capacitance from the output of the 2.5-V DC-DC converter. If the two supply rails (AVIN and PVIN) are separated then the 47- $\mu$ F capacitor must be placed as close to possible to the PVIN rail. An additional 0.1- $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor can be placed on the AVIN rail to prevent excessive noise from coupling into the device.

#### 8.2.1.2.2 Output Capacitor

The LP2996-N and LP2996A have been designed to be insensitive of output capacitor size or ESR. This allows the flexibility to use any capacitor desired. The choice for output capacitor is determined solely on the application and the requirements for load transient response of  $V_{TT}$ . TI recommends the output capacitor be sized above 100  $\mu$ F with a low ESR for SSTL applications with DDR-SDRAM. The value of ESR is determined by the maximum current spikes expected and the extent at which the output voltage is allowed to droop. Several capacitor options are available on the market and a few of these are discussed: [Aluminum Electrolytics](#), [Ceramic Capacitors](#), and [Hybrid Capacitors](#).

##### 8.2.1.2.2.1 Aluminum Electrolytics

Aluminum electrolytics often only specify impedance at a frequency of 120 Hz, indicating poor high frequency performance. Only aluminum electrolytics that specified an impedance at higher frequencies, from 20 kHz to 100 kHz, must be used for the LP2996-N and LP2996A. To improve the ESR, many aluminum electrolytics may be combined in parallel for an overall reduction. Be aware of the extent at which the ESR changes over temperature. Aluminum electrolytic capacitors' ESR may rapidly increase at cold temperatures.

### 8.2.1.2.2.2 Ceramic Capacitors

Ceramic capacitors typically have a low capacitance, from 10  $\mu\text{F}$  to 100  $\mu\text{F}$ , but they have excellent AC performance for bypassing noise due to very low ESR (typically less than 10 m $\Omega$ ). However, some dielectric types do not have good capacitance characteristics as a function of voltage and temperature. Because of the typically low value of capacitance, TI recommends using ceramic capacitors in parallel with another capacitor such as an aluminum electrolytic. TI recommends dielectric of X5R or better for all ceramic capacitors.

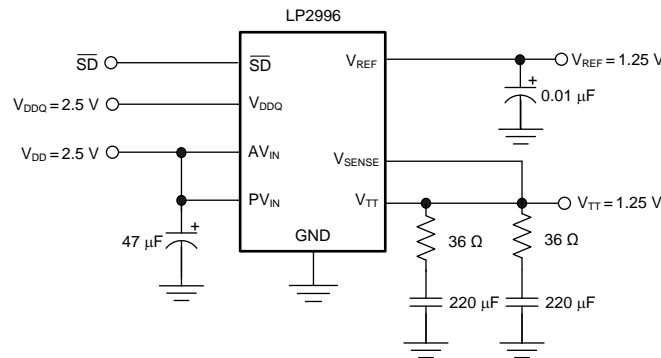
### 8.2.1.2.2.3 Hybrid Capacitors

Hybrid capacitors offer a large capacitance while maintaining a low ESR. These are the best solution when size and performance are critical, although their cost is typically higher than any other capacitor.

### 8.2.1.2.2.4 PC Application Considerations

With motherboards and other applications where  $V_{\text{TT}}$  is distributed across a long plane, it is advisable to use multiple bulk capacitors and addition to high frequency decoupling. Figure 19 shows an example circuit where two bulk output capacitors could be situated at both ends of the  $V_{\text{TT}}$  plane for optimal placement. Large aluminum electrolytic capacitors are used for their low ESR and low cost.

In most PC applications an extensive amount of decoupling is required because of the long interconnects encountered with the DDR-SDRAM DIMMs mounted on modules. As a result bulk aluminum electrolytic capacitors approximately 1000  $\mu\text{F}$  are typically used.



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Figure 19. Typical SSTL-2 Application Circuit for Motherboards

### 8.2.1.3 Application Curves

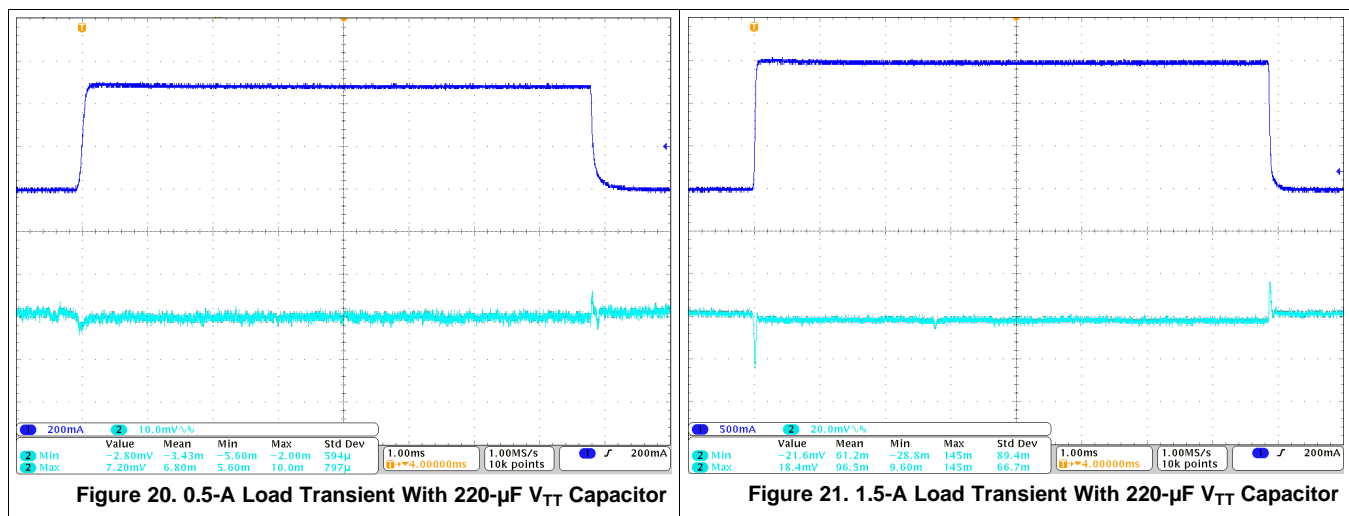


Figure 20. 0.5-A Load Transient With 220- $\mu\text{F}$   $V_{\text{TT}}$  Capacitor

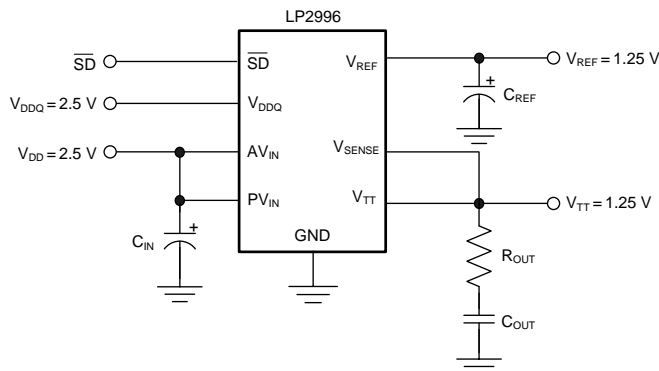
Figure 21. 1.5-A Load Transient With 220- $\mu\text{F}$   $V_{\text{TT}}$  Capacitor

## 8.2.2 Other Application Circuits

Several different application circuits are shown to illustrate some of the options that are possible in configuring the LP2996-N or LP2996A.

### 8.2.2.1 SSTL-2 Applications

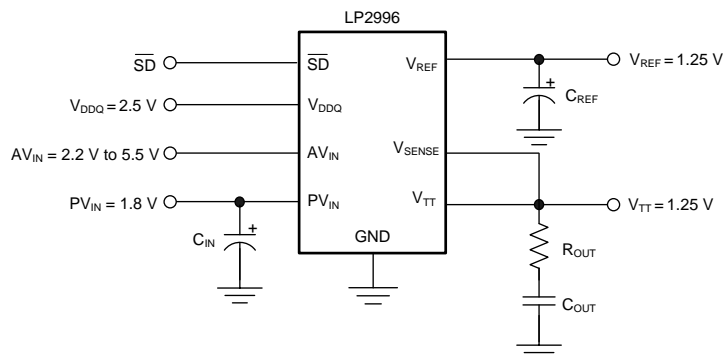
For the majority of applications that implement the SSTL-2 termination scheme, TI recommends connecting all the input rails to the 2.5-V rail. This provides an optimal trade-off between power dissipation and component count and selection. An example of this circuit can be seen in [Figure 22](#).



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**Figure 22. Recommended SSTL-2 Implementation**

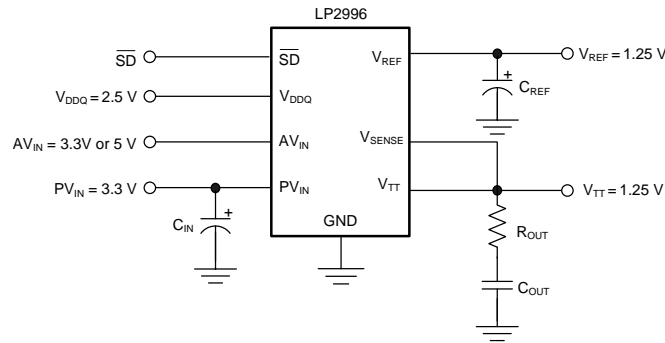
If power dissipation or efficiency is a major concern, then the LP2996-N or LP2996A has the ability to operate on split power rails. The output stage (PVIN) can be operated on a lower rail such as 1.8 V and the analog circuitry (AVIN) can be connected to a higher rail such as 2.5 V, 3.3 V, or 5 V. This allows the internal power dissipation to be lowered when sourcing current from VTT. The disadvantage of this circuit is that the maximum continuous current is reduced because of the lower rail voltage, although it is adequate for all motherboard SSTL-2 applications. Increasing the output capacitance can also help if periods of large load transients are encountered.



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**Figure 23. Lower Power Dissipation SSTL-2 Implementation**

The third option for SSTL-2 applications in the situation that a 1.8-V rail is not available and it is not desirable to use 2.5 V, is to connect the LP2996-N or LP2996A power rail to 3.3 V. In this situation AVIN is limited to operation on the 3.3-V or 5-V rail as PVIN can never exceed AVIN. This configuration has the ability to provide the maximum continuous output current at the downside of higher thermal dissipation. Prevent the device from experiencing large current levels which cause the junction temperature to exceed the maximum. Because of this risk, TI recommends not supplying the output stage with a voltage higher than a nominal 3.3-V rail.

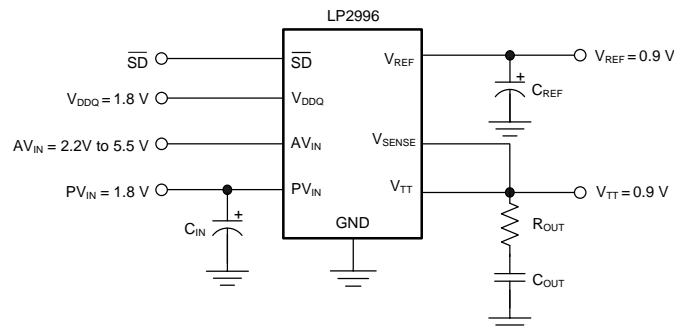


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**Figure 24. SSTL-2 Implementation with Higher Voltage Rails**

### 8.2.2.2 DDR-II Applications

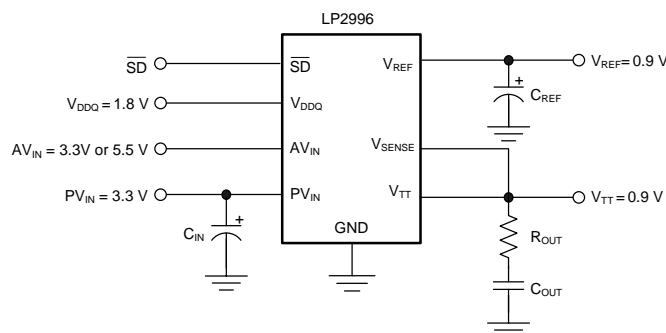
With the separate VDDQ pin and an internal resistor divider it is possible to use the LP2996-N and LP2996A in applications utilizing DDR-II memory. [Figure 25](#) and [Figure 26](#) show implementations of recommended circuit configurations for DDR-II applications. The output stage is connected to the 1.8-V rail and the AVIN pin can be connected to either a 3.3-V or 5-V rail. TI recommends the LP2996A, LP2998, or LP2998-Q1 for DDR-III and DDR-III low power designs.



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**Figure 25. Recommended DDR-II Termination**

If it is not desirable to use the 1.8-V rail it is possible to connect the output stage to a 3.3-V rail. Take care not to exceed the maximum junction temperature as the thermal dissipation increases with lower VTT output voltages. For this reason, TI does not recommend powering PVIN from a rail higher than the nominal 3.3 V. The advantage of this configuration is that it has the ability to source and sink a higher maximum continuous current.



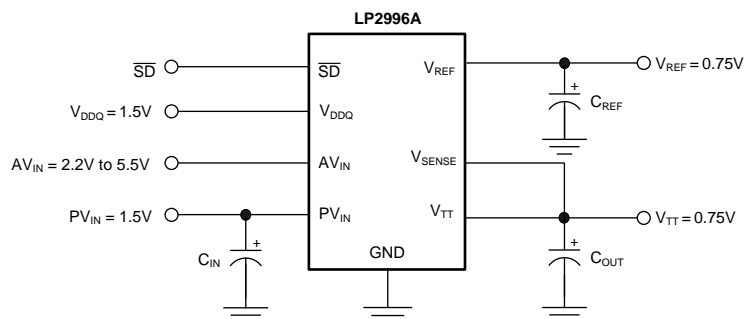
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**Figure 26. DDR-II Termination with Higher Voltage Rails**



### 8.2.2.3 DDR-III Applications

With the separate VDDQ pin and an internal resistor divider it is possible to use the LP2996A in applications utilizing DDR-III memory. The output stage is connected to the 1.5-V rail and the AVIN pin can be connected to a 2.2-V to 5.5-V rail.



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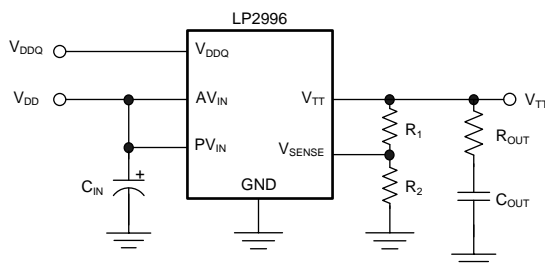
**Figure 27. Recommended DDR-III Termination Using the LP2996A**

If it is not desirable to use the 1.5-V to 2.5-V rail it is possible to connect the output stage to a 3.3-V rail. Do not exceed the maximum junction temperature as the thermal dissipation increases with lower V<sub>TT</sub> output voltages. For this reason, TI recommends not to power PVIN off a rail higher than the nominal 3.3-V. The advantage of this configuration is that it has the ability to source and sink a higher maximum continuous current.

### 8.2.3 Level Shifting

If standards other than SSTL-2 are required, such as SSTL-3, it may be necessary to use a different scaling factor than V<sub>DDQ</sub> / 2 for regulating the output voltage. Several options are available to scale the output to any voltage required. One method is to level shift the output by using feedback resistors from V<sub>TT</sub> to the V<sub>SENSE</sub> pin. This is shown in Figure 28 and Figure 29. Figure 28 shows how to use two resistors to level shift V<sub>TT</sub> above the internal reference voltage of V<sub>DDQ</sub> / 2. Calculate the exact voltage at V<sub>TT</sub> with Equation 1.

$$V_{TT} = \frac{V_{DDQ}}{2} \times \left( 1 + \frac{R1}{R2} \right) \quad (1)$$

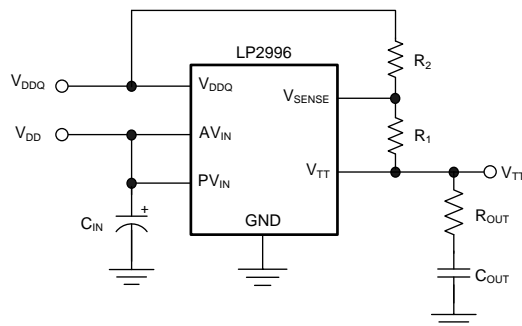


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**Figure 28. Increasing V<sub>TT</sub> by Level Shifting**

Conversely, the R2 resistor can be placed between V<sub>SENSE</sub> and VDDQ to shift the V<sub>TT</sub> output lower than the internal reference voltage of V<sub>DDQ</sub> / 2. Equation 2 shows the relation of V<sub>TT</sub> to the resistors.

$$V_{TT} = \frac{V_{DDQ}}{2} \times \left( 1 - \frac{R1}{R2} \right) \quad (2)$$

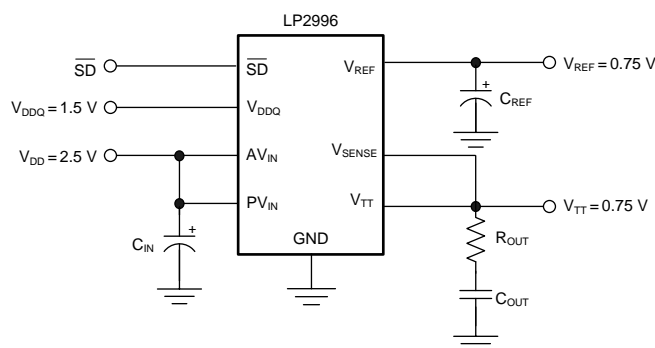


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**Figure 29. Decreasing  $V_{TT}$  by Level Shifting**

## 8.2.4 HSTL Applications

The LP2996-N and LP2996A can be easily adapted for HSTL applications by connecting VDDQ to the 1.5-V rail. This produces a VTT and VREF voltage of approximately 0.75 V for the termination resistors. AVIN and PVIN must be connected to a 2.5-V rail for optimal performance.



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**Figure 30. HSTL Application**

## 8.2.5 QDR Applications

Quad data rate (QDR) applications use multiple channels for improved memory performance. However, this increase in bus lines increases the current levels required for termination. TI recommends using a dedicated LP2996-N or LP2996A for each channel to terminate multiple channels. This simplifies layout and reduces the internal power dissipation for each regulator. Separate VREF signals can be used for each DIMM bank from the corresponding regulator with the chipset reference provided by a local resistor divider or one of the LP2996-N or LP2996A signals. Because  $V_{REF}$  and  $V_{TT}$  are expected to track and the part to part variations are minor, there must be little difference between the reference signals of each device.

## 9 Power Supply Recommendations

There are several recommendations for the LP2996-N and LP2996A input power supply. Although not required, TI recommends an input capacitor for improved performance during large load transients to prevent the input rail from dropping. The input capacitor must be placed as close as possible to the PVIN pin.

A typical value recommended for aluminum electrolytic capacitors is 50  $\mu$ F. Ceramic capacitors can also be used, a value approximately 10  $\mu$ F with X5R or better would be an ideal choice. The input capacitance can be reduced if the LP2996-N or LP2996A is placed close to the bulk capacitance from the output of the 2.5-V DC-DC converter. If the two supply rails (AVIN and PVIN) are separated then the 47- $\mu$ F capacitor must be placed as close to possible to the PVIN rail. An additional 0.1- $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor can be placed on the AVIN rail to prevent excessive noise from coupling into the device.

## 10 Layout

### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

- The input capacitor for the power rail must be placed as close as possible to the PVIN pin.
- VSENSE must be connected to the VTT termination bus at the point where regulation is required. For motherboard applications an ideal location would be at the center of the termination bus.
- VDDQ can be connected remotely to the VDDQ rail input at either the DIMM or the chipset. This provides the most accurate point for creating the reference voltage.
- For improved thermal performance excessive top side copper can be used to dissipate heat from the package. Numerous vias from the ground connection to the internal ground plane helps. Additionally these can be placed underneath the package if manufacturing standards permit.
- Take care when routing the  $V_{SENSE}$  trace to avoid noise pickup from switching I/O signals. A 0.1- $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor placed close to VSENSE can also be used to filter any unwanted high frequency signal. This can be an issue especially if long VSENSE traces are used.
- VREF must be bypassed with a 0.01- $\mu$ F or 0.1- $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor for improved performance. This capacitor must be placed as close as possible to the VREF pin.

### 10.2 Layout Examples

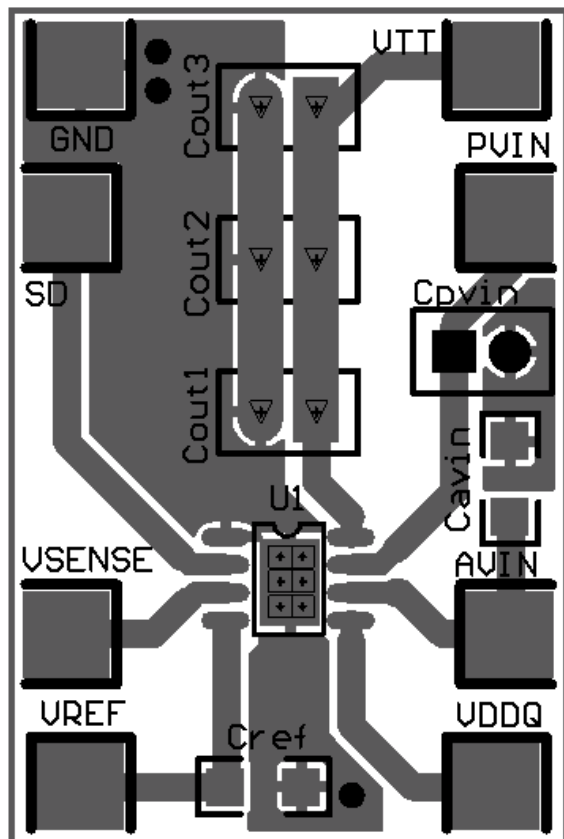


Figure 31. Layout Example of the SO PowerPAD Package (Top Layer)

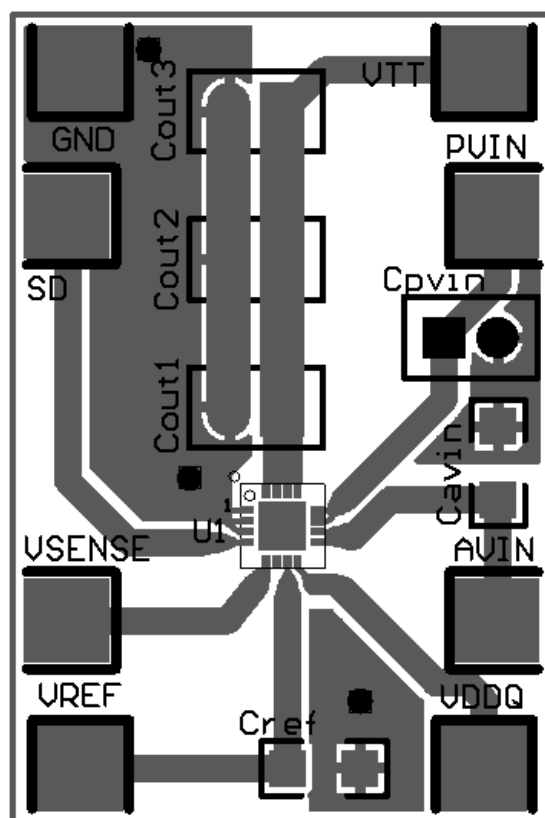


Figure 32. Layout Example of the WQFN Package (Top Layer)

## 10.3 Thermal Considerations

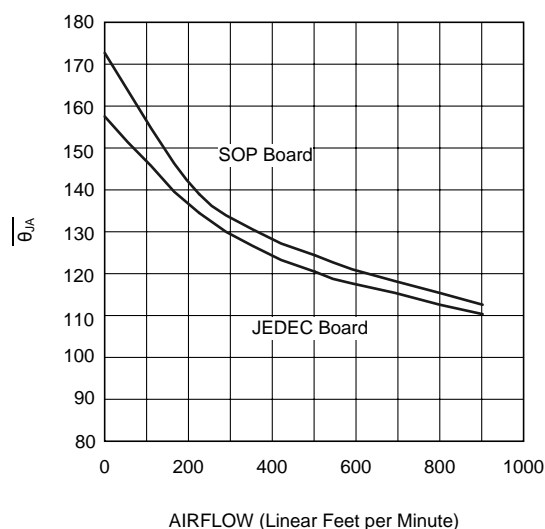
Because the LP2996-N and LP2996A are linear regulators, any current flow from VTT results in internal power dissipation generating heat. To prevent damaging the part from exceeding the maximum allowable junction temperature, derate the part according to the maximum expected ambient temperature and power dissipation. The maximum allowable internal temperature rise ( $T_{R(MAX)}$ ) can be calculated with [Equation 3](#) given the maximum ambient temperature ( $T_{A(MAX)}$ ) of the application and the maximum allowable junction temperature ( $T_{J(MAX)}$ ).

$$T_{R(MAX)} = T_{J(MAX)} - T_{A(MAX)} \quad (3)$$

From this equation, the maximum power dissipation ( $P_{D(MAX)}$ ) of the part can be calculated with [Equation 4](#).

$$P_{D(MAX)} = T_{R(MAX)} / R_{\theta JA} \quad (4)$$

The  $R_{\theta JA}$  of the LP2996-N and LP2996A is dependent on several variables: the package used; the thickness of copper; the number of vias and the airflow. For instance, the  $R_{\theta JA}$  of the SOIC is 163°C/W with the package mounted to a standard 8×4 2-layer board with 1-oz copper, no airflow, and 0.5-W dissipation at room temperature. This value can be reduced to 151.2°C/W by changing to a 3×4 board with 2-oz copper that is the JEDEC standard. [Figure 33](#) shows how the  $R_{\theta JA}$  varies with airflow for the two boards mentioned.

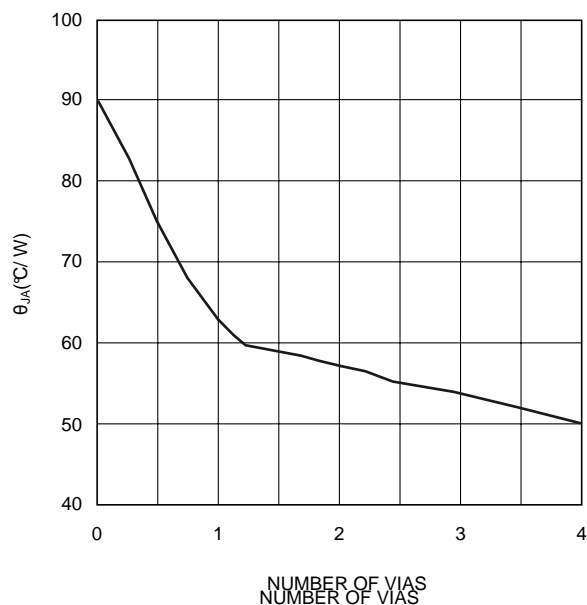


**Figure 33.  $R_{\theta JA}$  vs Airflow (SOIC)**

Additional improvements can be made by the judicious use of vias to connect the part and dissipate heat to an internal ground plane. Using larger traces and more copper on the top side of the board can also help. With careful layout, it is possible to reduce the  $R_{\theta JA}$  further than the nominal values shown in [Figure 33](#).

Layout is also extremely critical to maximize the output current with the WQFN package. By simply placing vias under the thermal pad, the  $R_{\theta JA}$  can be lowered significantly. [Figure 34](#) shows the WQFN thermal data when placed on a 4-layer JEDEC board with copper thickness of 0.5 oz, 1 oz, 1 oz, and 0.5 oz (respectively). The number of vias with a pitch of 1.27 mm is increased to the maximum of 4, where a  $R_{\theta JA}$  of 50.41°C/W can be obtained. Via wall thickness for this calculation is 0.036 mm for 1-oz copper.

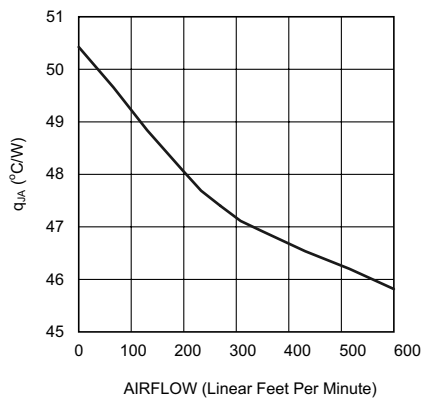
## Thermal Considerations (continued)



4-layer JEDEC board

**Figure 34. WQFN-16  $R_{\theta JA}$  vs Number of Vias**

Additional improvements in lowering the  $R_{\theta JA}$  can be achieved with a constant airflow across the package. Maintaining the same conditions as above and utilizing the 2x2 via array, [Figure 35](#) shows how the  $R_{\theta JA}$  varies with airflow.



JEDEC board with 4 vias

**Figure 35.  $R_{\theta JA}$  vs Airflow Speed**

## Thermal Considerations (continued)

Optimizing the  $R_{\theta JA}$  and placing the device in a section of a board exposed to lower ambient temperature allows the part to operate with higher power dissipation. The internal power dissipation can be calculated by summing the three main sources of loss: output current at VTT, either sinking or sourcing, and quiescent current at AVIN and VDDQ. During the active state, when the shutdown pin (SD) is not held low, the total internal power dissipation can be calculated with [Equation 5](#).

$$P_D = P_{AVIN} + P_{VDDQ} + P_{VTT}$$

where

- $P_{AVIN} = I_{AVIN} \times V_{AVIN}$
- $P_{VDDQ} = V_{VDDQ} \times I_{VDDQ} = V_{VDDQ2} \times R_{VDDQ}$  (5)

To calculate the maximum power dissipation at VTT both conditions (sinking and sourcing current) at VTT must be examined. Although only one equation is added into the total, because VTT cannot source and sink current simultaneously.

Calculate sinking with [Equation 6](#).

$$P_{VTT} = V_{VTT} \times I_{LOAD} \quad (6)$$

Or calculate sourcing with [Equation 7](#).

$$P_{VTT} = (V_{PVIN} - V_{VTT}) \times I_{LOAD} \quad (7)$$

The power dissipation of the LP2996-N and LP2996A can also be calculated during the shutdown state. During this condition the output (VTT) is tri-stated; Therefore, that term in the power equation disappears as it cannot sink or source any current, and leakage is negligible. The only losses during shutdown are the reduced quiescent current at AVIN and the constant impedance that is seen at the VDDQ pin.

$$P_D = P_{AVIN} + P_{VDDQ}$$

where

- $P_{AVIN} = I_{AVIN} \times V_{AVIN}$
- $P_{VDDQ} = V_{VDDQ} \times I_{VDDQ} = V_{VDDQ2} \times R_{VDDQ}$  (8)

## 11 Device and Documentation Support

### 11.1 Documentation Support

#### 11.1.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

[Limiting DDR Termination Regulators' Inrush Current](#) (SNVA758)

### 11.2 Related Links

The table below lists quick access links. Categories include technical documents, support and community resources, tools and software, and quick access to sample or buy.

**Table 3. Related Links**

PARTS	PRODUCT FOLDER	SAMPLE & BUY	TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS	TOOLS & SOFTWARE	SUPPORT & COMMUNITY
LP2996-N	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>
LP2996A	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>	<a href="#">Click here</a>

### 11.3 Receiving Notification of Documentation Updates

To receive notification of documentation updates, navigate to the device product folder on ti.com. In the upper right corner, click on *Alert me* to register and receive a weekly digest of any product information that has changed. For change details, review the revision history included in any revised document.

### 11.4 Community Resources

The following links connect to TI community resources. Linked contents are provided "AS IS" by the respective contributors. They do not constitute TI specifications and do not necessarily reflect TI's views; see TI's [Terms of Use](#).

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### 11.6 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.

### 11.7 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 12 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

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
LP2996AMR/NOPB	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	95	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU   SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	LP2996 AMR	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996AMRE/NOPB	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	250	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU   SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	LP2996 AMR	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996AMRX/NOPB	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU   SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	LP2996 AMR	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996LQ/NOPB	ACTIVE	WQFN	NHP	16	1000	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	L00006B	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996M/NOPB	ACTIVE	SOIC	D	8	95	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	2996M	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996MR/NOPB	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	95	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU   SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	LP2996	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996MRX/NOPB	ACTIVE	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU   SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	0 to 125	LP2996	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LP2996MX/NOPB	ACTIVE	SOIC	D	8	2500	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 125	2996M	<a href="#">Samples</a>

(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.

(2) **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.



<sup>(5)</sup> 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.

<sup>(6)</sup> 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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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
LP2996AMRE/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	250	330.0	12.5	6.4	5.2	2.1	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996AMRE/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	250	178.0	12.4	6.5	5.4	2.0	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996AMRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.5	6.4	5.2	2.1	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996AMRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.4	6.5	5.4	2.0	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996LQ/NOPB	WQFN	NHP	16	1000	178.0	12.4	4.3	4.3	1.3	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996MRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.5	6.4	5.2	2.1	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996MRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	330.0	12.4	6.5	5.4	2.0	8.0	12.0	Q1
LP2996MX/NOPB	SOIC	D	8	2500	330.0	12.4	6.5	5.4	2.0	8.0	12.0	Q1

## TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



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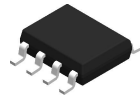
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LP2996AMRE/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	250	208.0	191.0	35.0
LP2996AMRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	340.5	338.1	20.6
LP2996AMRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	356.0	356.0	36.0
LP2996LQ/NOPB	WQFN	NHP	16	1000	208.0	191.0	35.0
LP2996MRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	353.0	353.0	32.0
LP2996MRX/NOPB	SO PowerPAD	DDA	8	2500	356.0	356.0	36.0
LP2996MX/NOPB	SOIC	D	8	2500	367.0	367.0	35.0

## TUBE



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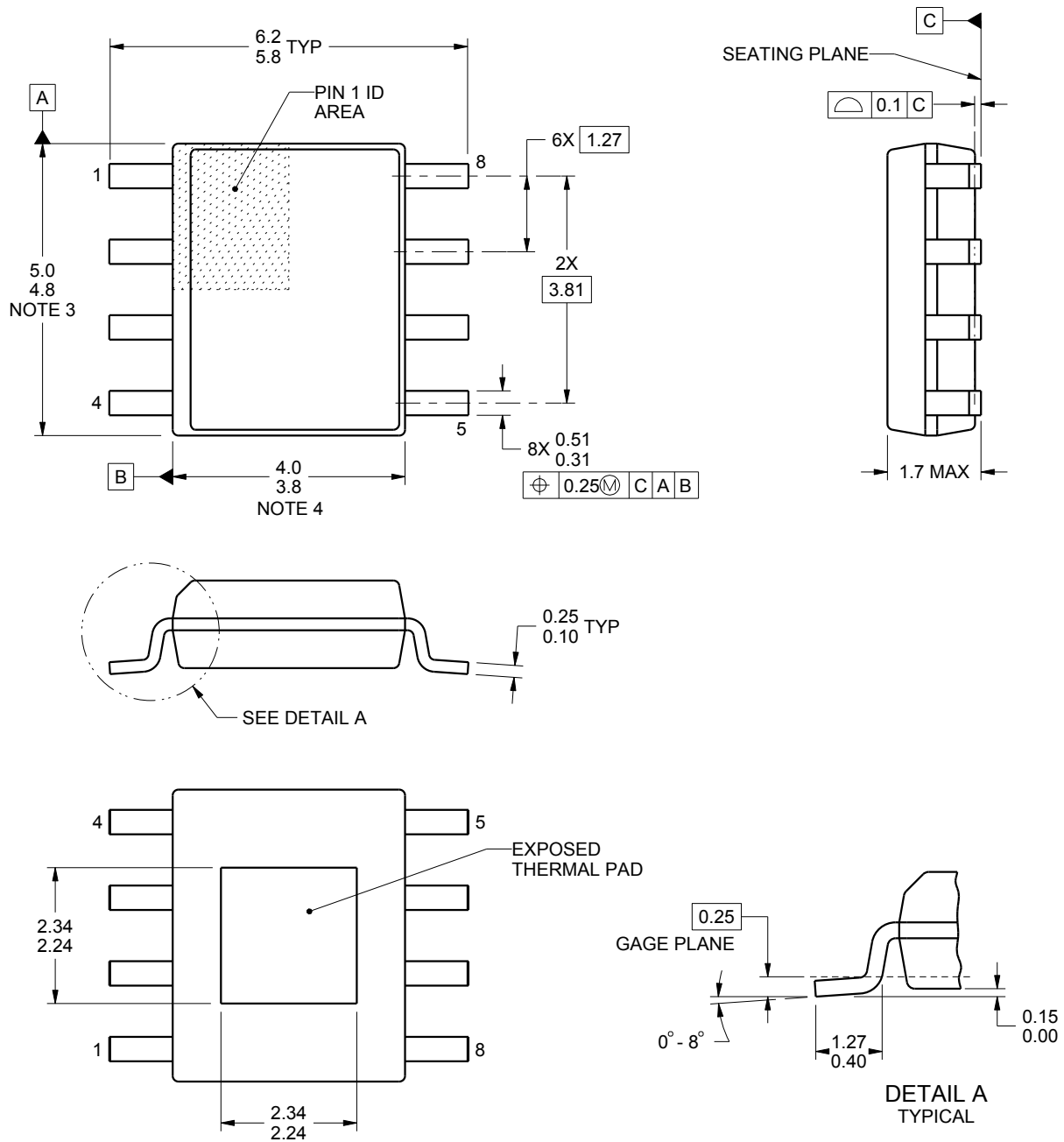
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LP2996AMR/NOPB	DDA	HSOIC	8	95	495	8	4064	3.05
LP2996M/NOPB	D	SOIC	8	95	495	8	4064	3.05
LP2996MR/NOPB	DDA	HSOIC	8	95	507.79	8	630	4.32
LP2996MR/NOPB	DDA	HSOIC	8	95	495	8	4064	3.05
LP2996MR/NOPB	DDA	HSOIC	8	95	495	8	4064	3.05

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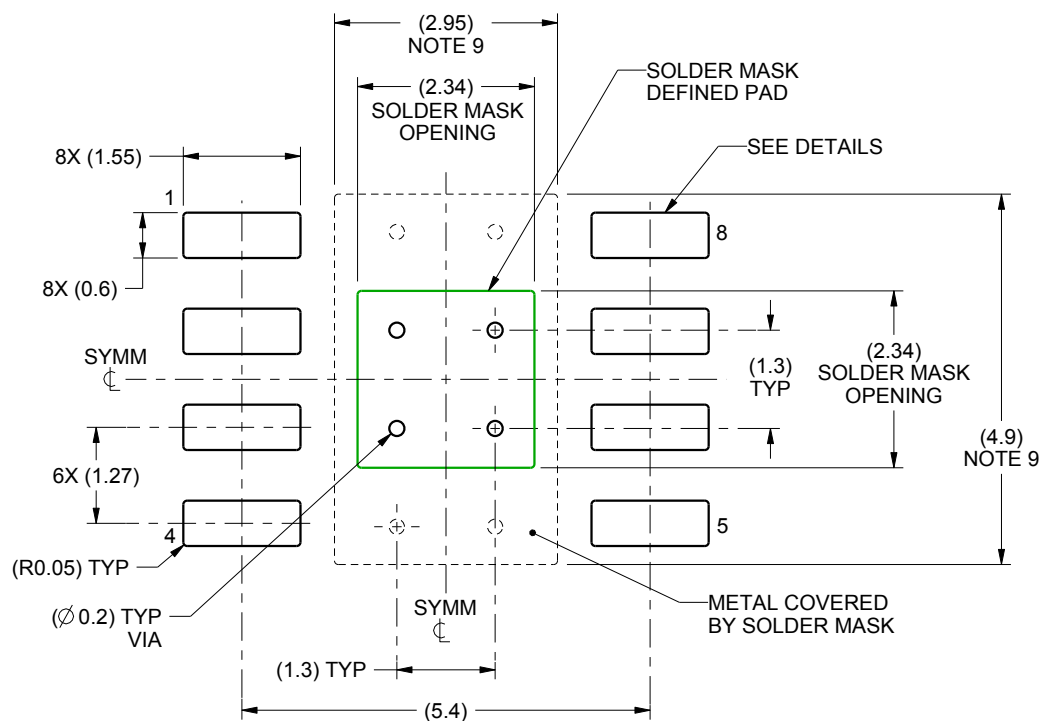
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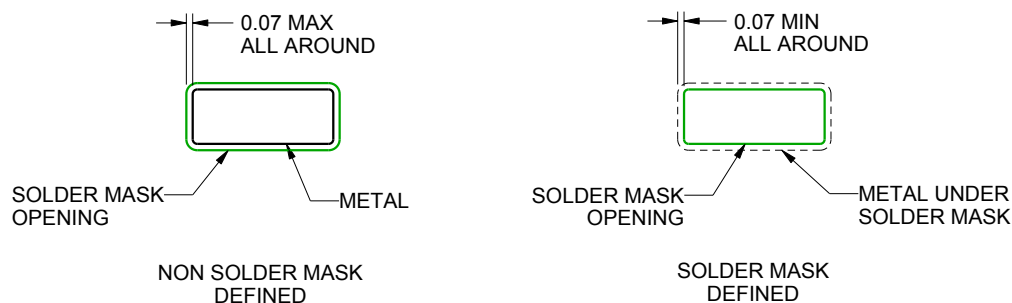
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SCALE:10X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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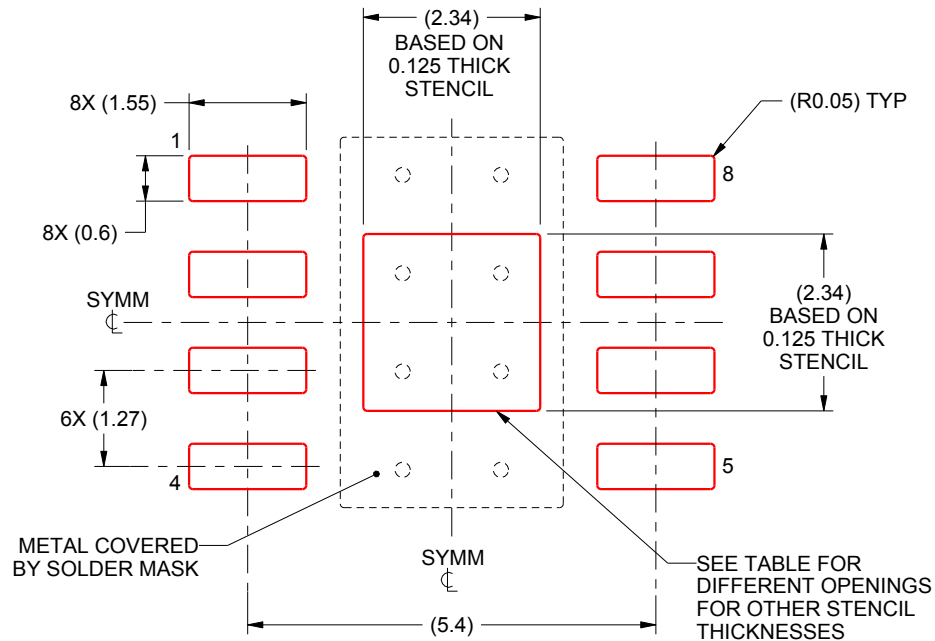
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9. Size of metal pad may vary due to creepage requirement.
10. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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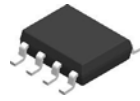
**SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE**  
EXPOSED PAD  
100% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA  
SCALE:10X

STENCIL THICKNESS	SOLDER STENCIL OPENING
0.1	2.62 X 2.62
0.125	2.34 X 2.34 (SHOWN)
0.150	2.14 X 2.14
0.175	1.98 X 1.98

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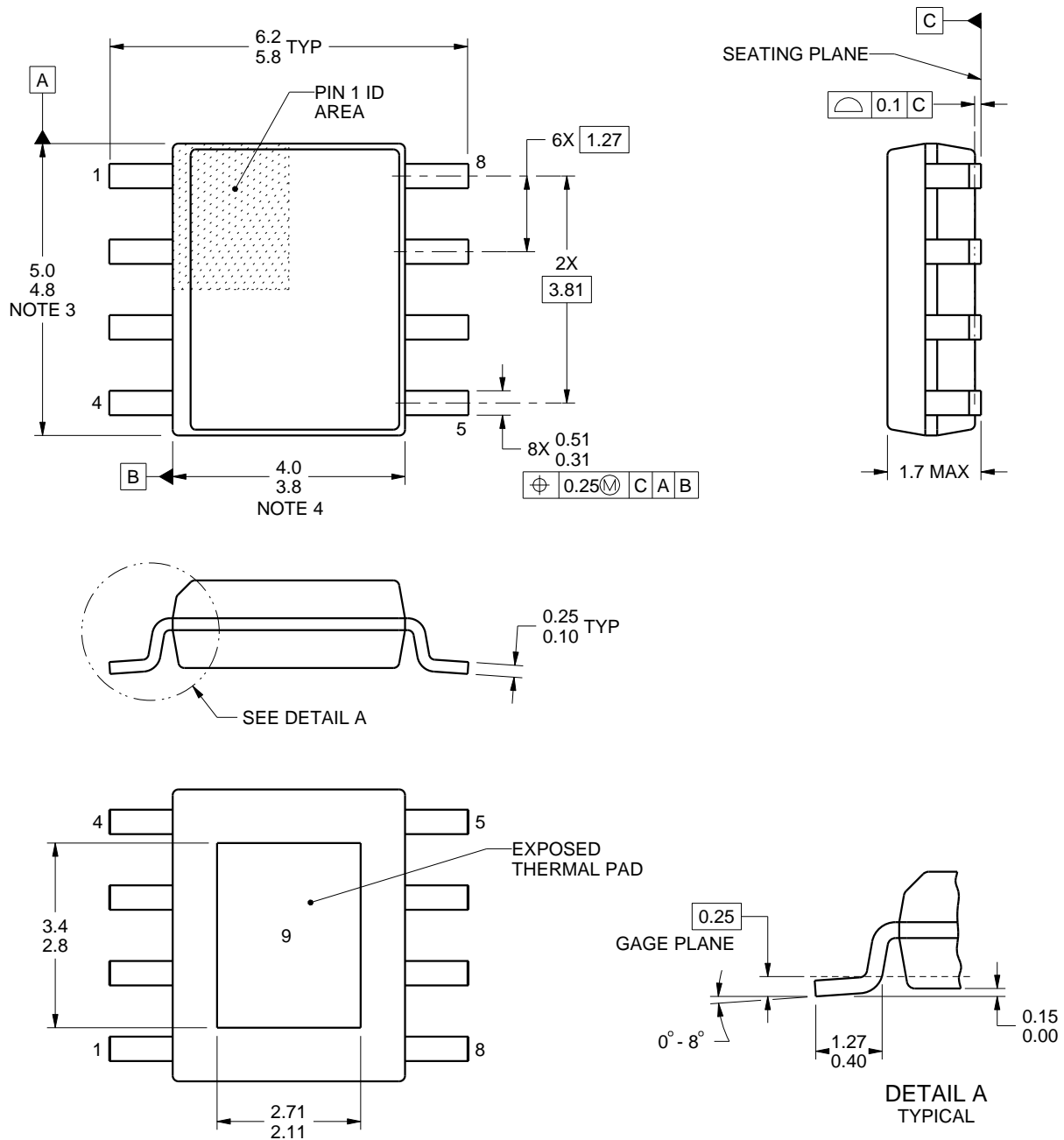
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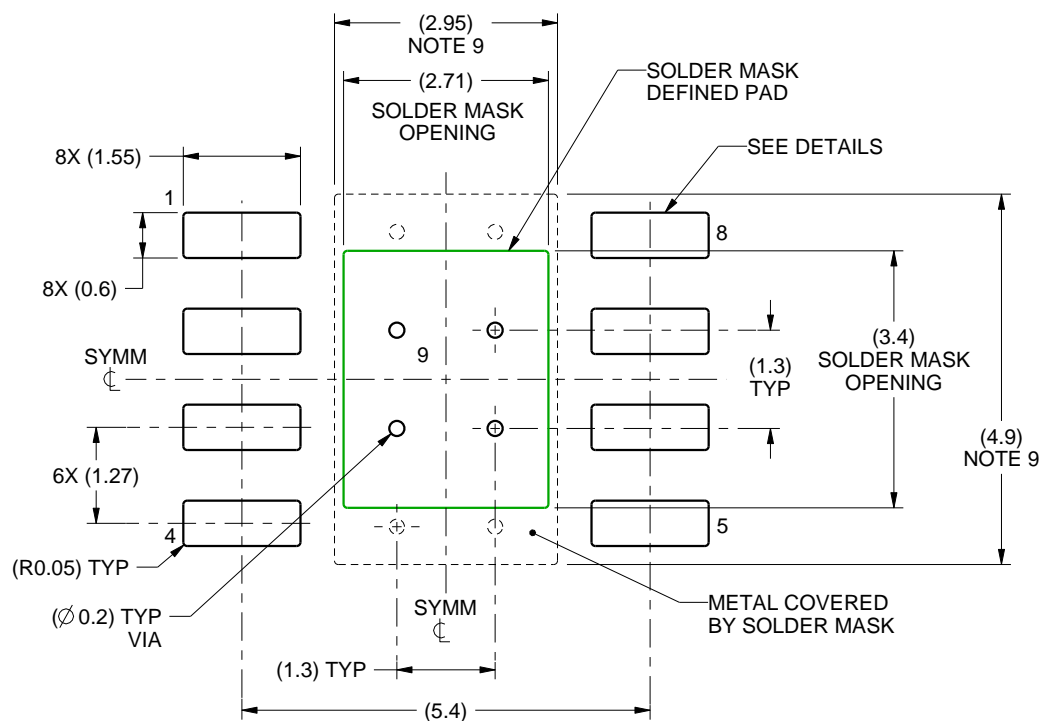


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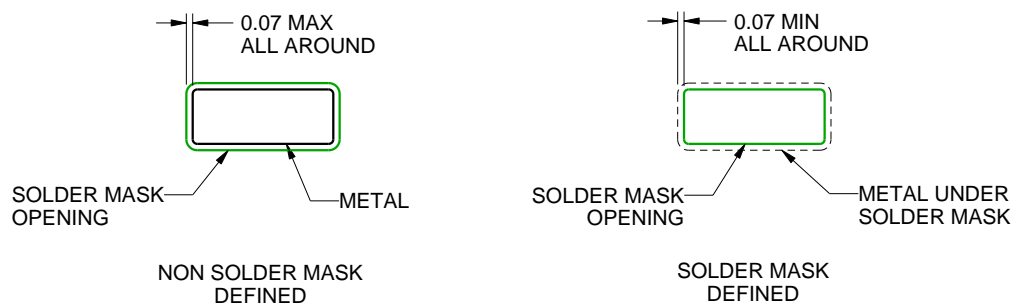
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SOLDER MASK DETAILS  
PADS 1-8

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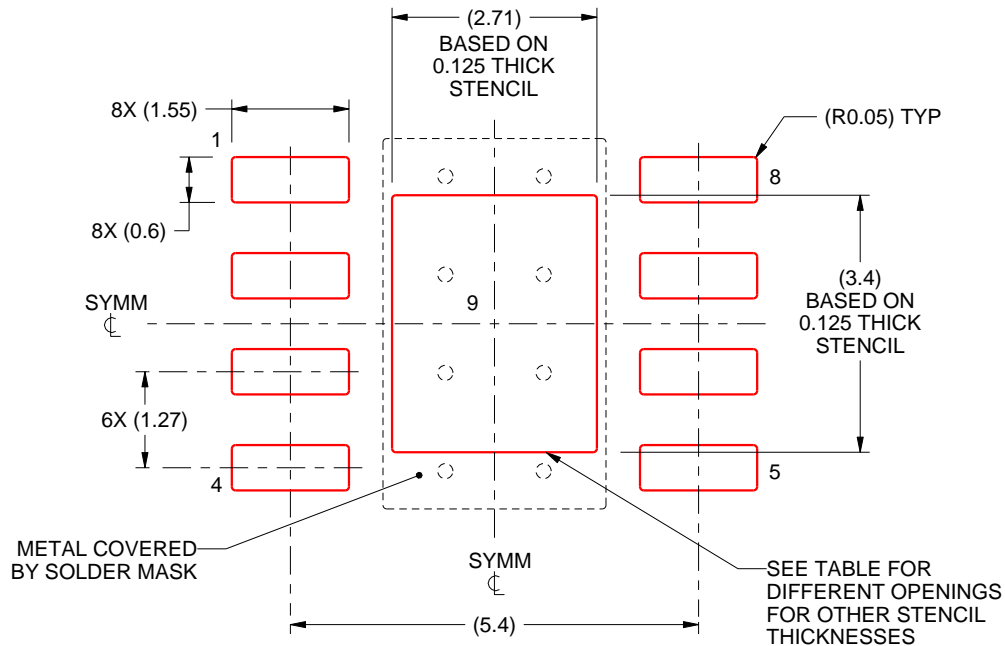
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9. Size of metal pad may vary due to creepage requirement.
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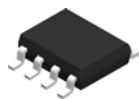
SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
EXPOSED PAD  
100% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA  
SCALE:10X

STENCIL THICKNESS	SOLDER STENCIL OPENING
0.1	3.03 X 3.80
0.125	2.71 X 3.40 (SHOWN)
0.150	2.47 X 3.10
0.175	2.29 X 2.87

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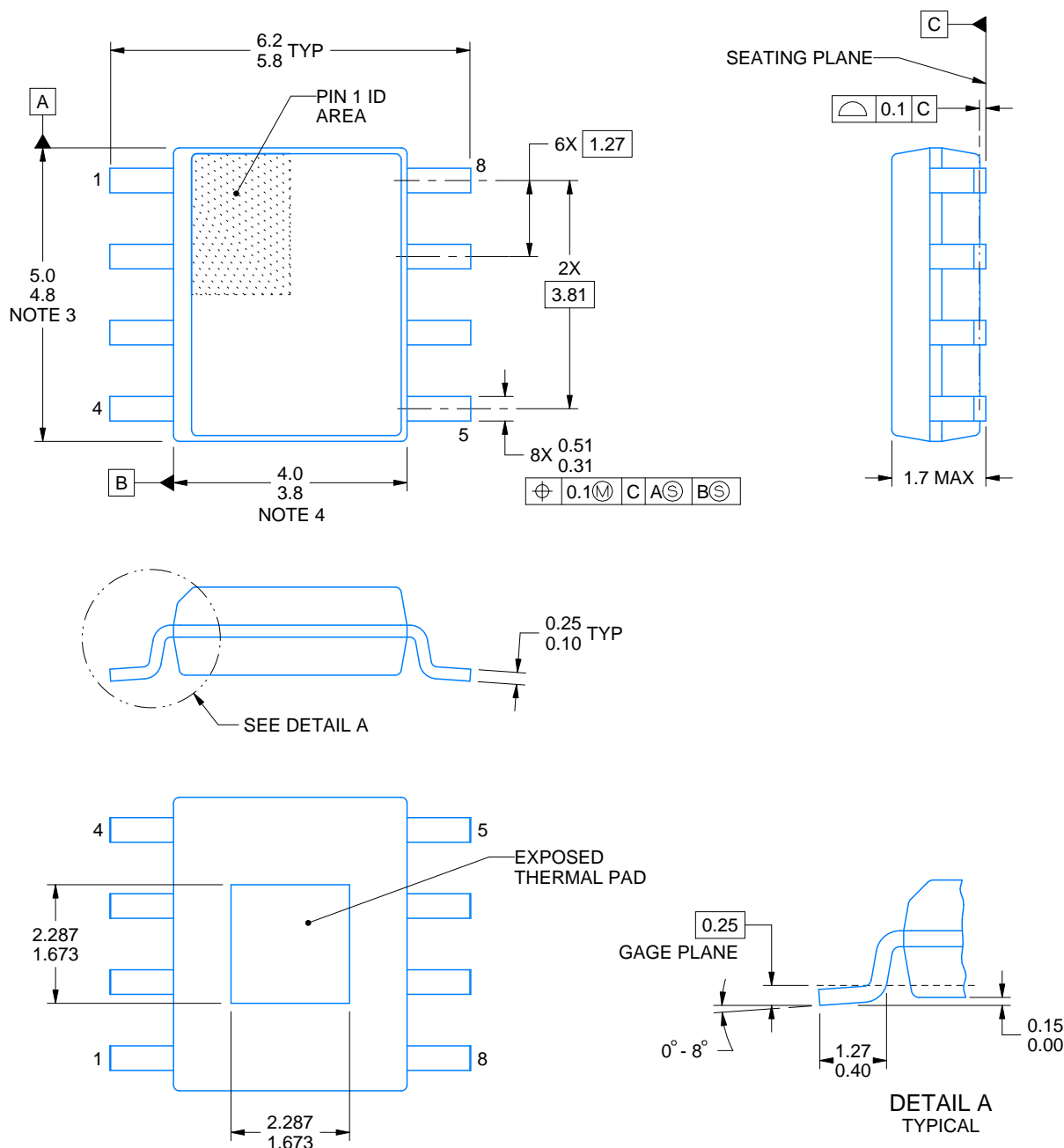
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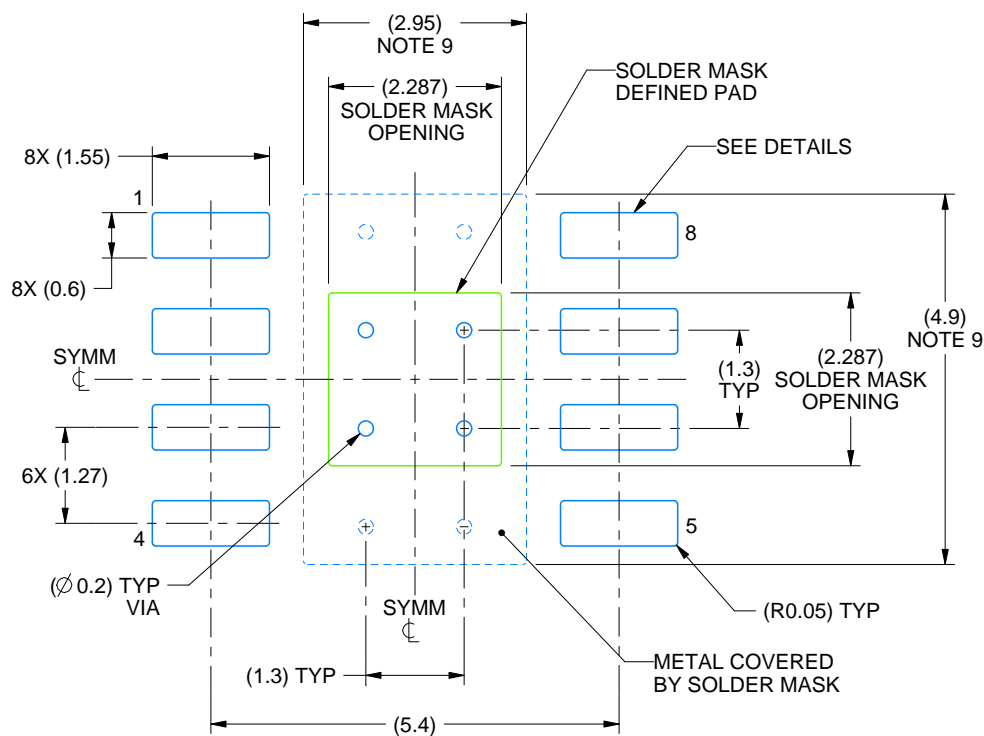
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5. Reference JEDEC registration MS-012, variation BA.

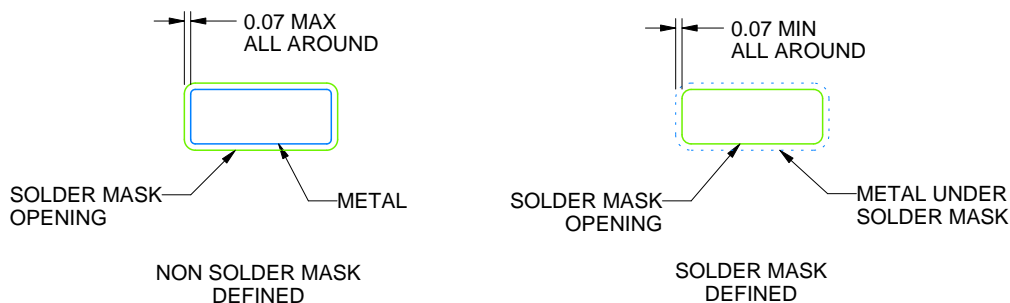
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## PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



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SCALE:10X



## SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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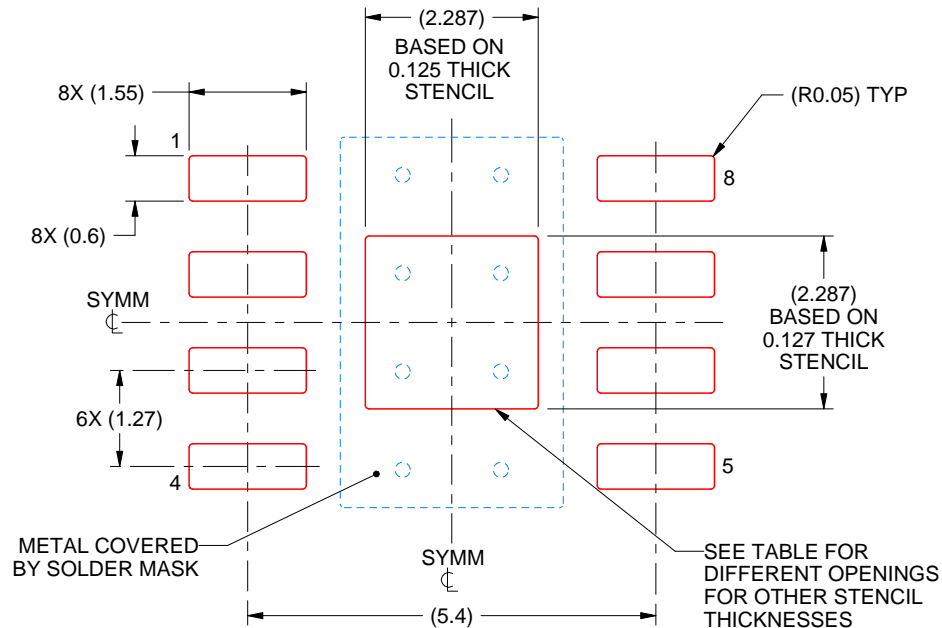
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9. Size of metal pad may vary due to creepage requirement.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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PowerPAD™ SOIC - 1.7 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



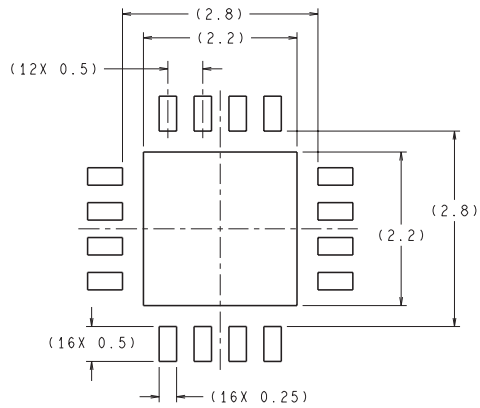
**SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE**  
EXPOSED PAD  
100% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA  
SCALE:10X

STENCIL THICKNESS	SOLDER STENCIL OPENING
0.1	2.557 X 2.557
0.125	2.287 X 2.287 (SHOWN)
0.150	2.088 X 2.088
0.175	1.933 X 1.933

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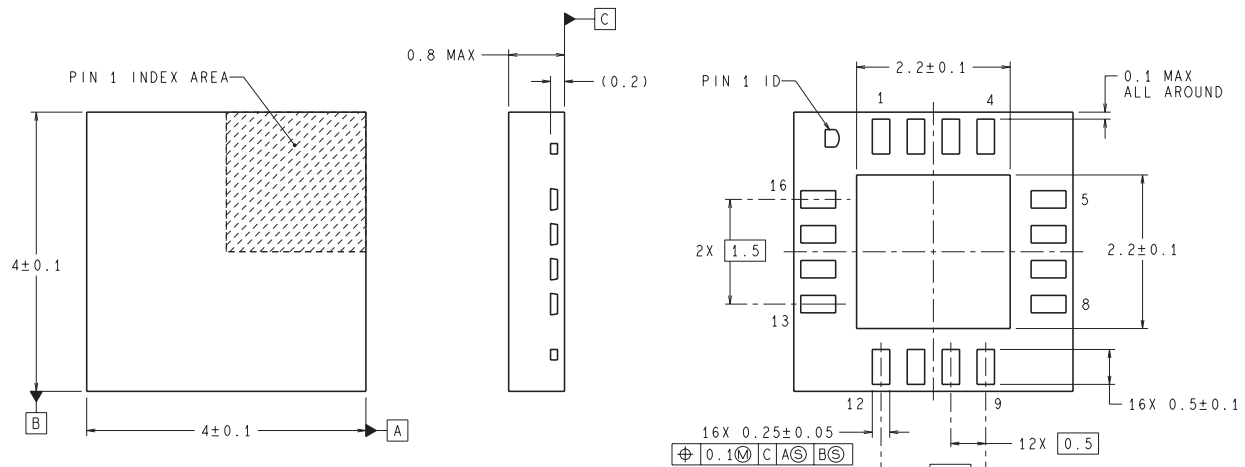
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**RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN**  
1:1 RATION WITH PKG SOLDER PADS

**DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS**



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# PACKAGE OUTLINE

**SOIC - 1.75 mm max height**

SMALL OUTLINE INTEGRATED CIRCUIT



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5. Reference JEDEC registration MS-012, variation AA.

# EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

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SOIC - 1.75 mm max height

SMALL OUTLINE INTEGRATED CIRCUIT



LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE  
EXPOSED METAL SHOWN  
SCALE:8X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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NOTES: (continued)

6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.



## EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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SOIC - 1.75 mm max height

SMALL OUTLINE INTEGRATED CIRCUIT



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
BASED ON .005 INCH [0.125 MM] THICK STENCIL  
SCALE:8X

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