

## DRV8844 Quad Half-Bridge Driver IC

### 1 Features

- Quad 1/2-H-Bridge DC Motor Driver
  - Can Drive Four Solenoids, Two DC Motors, One Stepper Motor, or Other Loads
  - Full Individual Half Bridge Control
  - Low MOSFET On-Resistance
- 2.5A Maximum Drive Current at 24V, 25°C
- Floating Input Buffers Allow Dual (Bipolar) Supplies (up to  $\pm 30V$ )
- Built-In 3.3V, 10mA LDO Regulator
- Industry Standard IN/IN Digital Control Interface
- 8V to 60V Operating Supply Voltage Range
- Outputs Can Be Connected in Parallel
- Thermally Enhanced Surface Mount Package

### 2 Applications

- Textile Machines
- Office Automation Machines
- Gaming Machines
- Factory Automation
- Robotics

### 3 Description

The DRV8844 provides four individually controllable 1/2-H-bridge drivers. The device can be used to drive two DC motors, one stepper motor, four solenoids, or other loads. The output driver channel for each channel consists of N-channel power MOSFET's configured in a 1/2-H-bridge configuration.

The DRV8844 can supply up to 2.5A peak or 1.75A RMS output current per channel (with proper PCB heatsinking at 24V and 25°C) per H-bridge.

Separate inputs to independently control each 1/2-H-bridge are provided. To allow operation with split supplies, the logic inputs and nFAULT output are referenced to a separate floating ground pin.

Internal shutdown functions are provided for over current protection, short circuit protection, undervoltage lockout, and overtemperature.

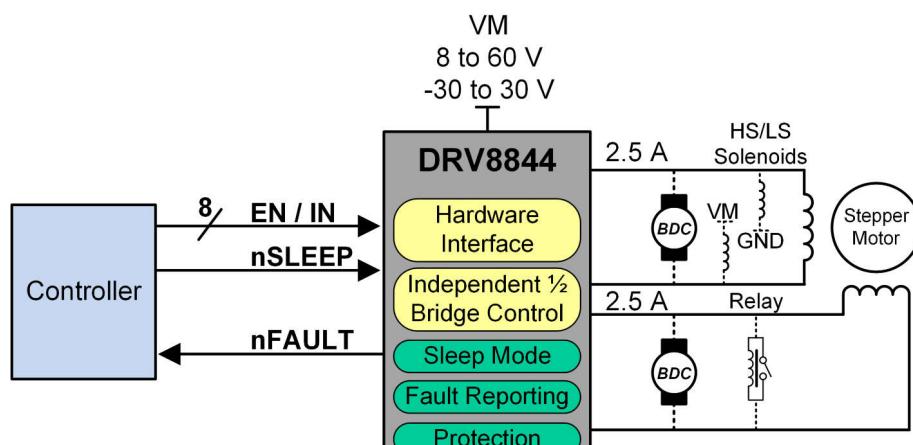
The DRV8844 is available in a 28-pin HTSSOP package with PowerPAD™ (Eco-friendly: RoHS & no Sb/Br).

#### Device Information (1)

| PART NUMBER | PACKAGE     | PACKAGE SIZE (2) |
|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| DRV8844     | HTSSOP (28) | 9.70mm x 6.40mm  |

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

(2) The package size (length x width) is a nominal value and includes pins, where applicable.



Simplified Schematic



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## 4 Pin Configuration and Functions

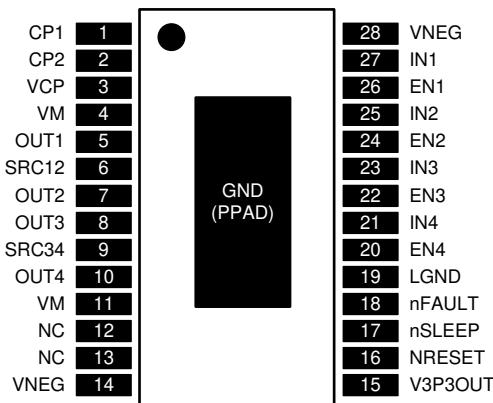


Figure 4-1. PWP Package 28-Pin HTSSOP Top View

Table 4-1. Pin Functions

| PIN                     |              | TYPE <sup>(1)</sup> | DESCRIPTION   | EXTERNAL COMPONENTS OR CONNECTIONS   |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---|--|
| NAME                    | NO.          |                     |   |  |
| <b>POWER AND GROUND</b> |              |                     |   |  |
| CP1                     | 1            | P                   | Charge pump flying capacitor                                    | Connect a 0.01µF 100V capacitor between CP1 and CP2.   |
| CP2                     | 2            | P                   | Charge pump flying capacitor                                    |  |
| LGND                    | 19           | P                   | Logic input reference ground                                    | Connect to logic ground. This is any voltage between VNEG and VM – 8V.   |
| V3P3OUT                 | 15           | P                   | 3.3V regulator output   | Bypass to VNEG with a 0.47µF 6.3V ceramic capacitor. Can be used to supply VREF.   |
| VCP                     | 3            | P                   | High-side gate drive voltage                                    | Connect a 0.1µF 16V ceramic capacitor to VM.   |
| VM                      | 4, 11        | P                   | Main power supply   | Connect to motor supply (8V to 60V). Both pins must be connected to same supply. Bypass to VNEG with a 10µF (minimum) capacitor. |
| SRC12                   | 6            | P                   | Low-side FET source for OUT1 and OUT2                           | Connect to VNEG directly or through optional current-sense resistor  |
| SRC34                   | 9            | P                   | Low-side FET source for OUT3 and OUT4                           |  |
| VNEG                    | 14, 28, PPAD | P                   | Negative power supply (dual supplies) or ground (single supply) |  |
| <b>CONTROL</b>          |              |                     |   |  |
| EN1                     | 26           | I                   | Channel 1 enable  | Logic high enables OUT1. Internal pulldown.  |
| EN2                     | 24           | I                   | Channel 2 enable  | Logic high enables OUT2. Internal pulldown.  |
| EN3                     | 22           | I                   | Channel 3 enable  | Logic high enables OUT3. Internal pulldown.  |
| EN4                     | 20           | I                   | Channel 4 enable  | Logic high enables OUT4. Internal pulldown.  |
| IN1                     | 27           | I                   | Channel 1 input   | Logic input controls state of OUT1. Internal pulldown.   |
| IN2                     | 25           | I                   | Channel 2 input   | Logic input controls state of OUT2. Internal pulldown.   |
| IN3                     | 23           | I                   | Channel 3 input   | Logic input controls state of OUT3. Internal pulldown.   |
| IN4                     | 21           | I                   | Channel 4 input   | Logic input controls state of OUT4. Internal pulldown.   |
| nRESET                  | 16           | I                   | Reset input   | Active-low reset input initializes internal logic and disables the H-bridge outputs. Internal pulldown.                          |
| nSLEEP                  | 17           | I                   | Sleep mode input  | Logic high to enable device, logic low to enter low-power sleep mode. Internal pulldown.   |
| <b>STATUS</b>           |              |                     |   |  |

**Table 4-1. Pin Functions (continued)**

| PIN               |        | TYPE <sup>(1)</sup> | DESCRIPTION | EXTERNAL COMPONENTS OR CONNECTIONS   |
|-------------------|--------|---------------------|-------------|--|
| NAME              | NO.    |                     |             |  |
| nFAULT            | 18     | OD                  | Fault       | Logic low when in fault condition (overtemperature, overcurrent, UVLO). Open-drain output. |
| <b>OUTPUT</b>     |        |                     |             |  |
| OUT1              | 5      | O                   | Output 1    | Connect to loads   |
| OUT2              | 7      | O                   | Output 2    |  |
| OUT3              | 8      | O                   | Output 3    |  |
| OUT4              | 10     | O                   | Output 4    |  |
| <b>NO CONNECT</b> |        |                     |             |  |
| NC                | 12, 13 | —                   | No connect  | No connection to these pins  |

(1) I = input, O = output, OD = open-drain output, P = power

## 5 Specifications

### 5.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

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

|                  |  | MIN                | MAX      | UNIT |
|------------------|--|--------------------|----------|------|
| VM               | Power supply voltage   | -0.3               | 65       | V    |
|                  | Logic ground voltage (LGND)  | -0.5               | VM - 8   | V    |
|                  | Digital pin voltage  | LGND - 0.5         | LGND + 7 | V    |
|                  | SRC12, SRC34 (pins 6 and 9 with optional sense resistor) to VNEG pins (pins 14 and 28) | -0.6               | 0.6      | V    |
|                  | Peak motor drive output current, $t < 1 \mu\text{s}$                                   | Internally limited |          | A    |
|                  | Continuous motor drive output current <sup>(2)</sup>                                   | 2.5                |          | A    |
| T <sub>J</sub>   | Operating virtual junction temperature   | -40                | 150      | °C   |
| T <sub>stg</sub> | Storage temperature  | -60                | 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) Power dissipation and thermal limits must be observed.

### 5.2 ESD Ratings

|                    |                         | VALUE  | UNIT  |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--|-------|
| V <sub>(ESD)</sub> | Electrostatic discharge | Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 <sup>(1)</sup>              | ±3000 |
|                    |                         | Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101 <sup>(2)</sup> | ±1500 |

(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 5.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range, all voltages relative to VNEG terminal (unless otherwise noted)

|                   |   | MIN | NOM | MAX | UNIT |
|-------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|------|
| V <sub>M</sub>    | Motor power supply voltage <sup>(1)</sup> | 8   | 60  | 60  | V    |
| I <sub>V3P3</sub> | V3P3OUT load current                      | 0   | 10  | 10  | mA   |
| T <sub>A</sub>    | Ambient temperature                       | -40 | 125 | 125 | °C   |

(1) All V<sub>M</sub> pins must be connected to the same supply voltage.

## 5.4 Thermal Information

| THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup> |  | DRV8844      | UNIT |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------|------|
|                               |  | PWP (HTSSOP) |      |
|                               |  | 28 PINS      |      |
| $R_{\theta JA}$               | Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance       | 31.6         | °C/W |
| $R_{\theta JC(\text{top})}$   | Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance    | 15.9         | °C/W |
| $R_{\theta JB}$               | Junction-to-board thermal resistance         | 5.6          | °C/W |
| $\Psi_{JT}$                   | Junction-to-top characterization parameter   | 0.2          | °C/W |
| $\Psi_{JB}$                   | Junction-to-board characterization parameter | 5.5          | °C/W |
| $R_{\theta JC(\text{bot})}$   | Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance | 1.4          | °C/W |

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](#).

## 5.5 Electrical Characteristics

$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , over operating free-air temperature range, all voltages relative to VNEG terminal (unless otherwise noted)

| PARAMETER                                | TEST CONDITIONS   | MIN   | TYP        | MAX         | UNIT             |
|--|---|---|------------|-------------|------------------|
| <b>POWER SUPPLIES</b>                    |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $I_{VM}$                                 | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $f_{\text{PWM}} < 50\text{ kHz}$      |   | 1          | 5           | mA               |
| $I_{VMQ}$                                | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$   |   | 500        | 800         | $\mu\text{A}$    |
| $V_{UVLO}$                               | $V_M$ rising  |   | 6.3        | 8           | V                |
| <b>V3P3OUT REGULATOR</b>                 |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $V_{3P3}$                                | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_{\text{OUT}} = 0$ to $1\text{ mA}$ | 3.18  | 3.3        | 3.52        | V                |
| <b>LOGIC-LEVEL INPUTS</b>                |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $V_{IL}$                                 | Input low voltage   |   | LGND + 0.6 | LGND + 0.7  | V                |
| $V_{IH}$                                 | Input high voltage  |   | LGND + 2.2 | LGND + 5.25 | V                |
| $V_{HYS}$                                | Input hysteresis  |   | 50         | 600         | mV               |
| $I_{IL}$                                 | Input low current   | $V_M = LGND$  | -5         | 5           | $\mu\text{A}$    |
| $I_{IH}$                                 | Input high current  | $V_M = LGND + 3.3\text{ V}$   |            | 100         | $\mu\text{A}$    |
| $R_{PD}$                                 | Internal pulldown resistance                                |   | 100        |             | $\text{k}\Omega$ |
| <b>nFAULT OUTPUT (OPEN-DRAIN OUTPUT)</b> |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $V_{OL}$                                 | Output low voltage  | $I_O = 5\text{ mA}$   |            | LGND + 0.5  | V                |
| $I_{OH}$                                 | Output high leakage current                                 | $V_O = LGND + 3.3\text{ V}$   |            | 1           | $\mu\text{A}$    |
| <b>H-BRIDGE FETS</b>                     |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $R_{DS(\text{ON})}$                      | HS FET on resistance  | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 1\text{ A}$ , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ | 0.24       |             | $\Omega$         |
|  |   | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 1\text{ A}$ , $T_J = 85^\circ\text{C}$ | 0.29       | 0.39        |                  |
|  | LS FET on resistance  | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 1\text{ A}$ , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ | 0.24       |             |                  |
|  |   | $V_M = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 1\text{ A}$ , $T_J = 85^\circ\text{C}$ | 0.29       | 0.39        |                  |
| $I_{OFF}$                                | Off-state leakage current                                   |   | -2         | 2           | $\mu\text{A}$    |
| <b>PROTECTION CIRCUITS</b>               |   |   |            |             |                  |
| $I_{OCP}$                                | Overcurrent protection trip level                           |   | 3          |             | A                |
| $t_{\text{DEAD}}$                        | Output dead time  |   | 90         |             | ns               |
| $t_{OCP}$                                | Overcurrent protection deglitch time                        |   | 5          |             | $\mu\text{s}$    |
| $T_{TSD}$                                | Thermal shutdown temperature                                | Die temperature   | 150        | 160         | 180              |
|  |   |   |            |             | °C               |

## 5.6 Switching Characteristics

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup> (see Figure 5-1)

| NUMBER | PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS                            | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|--------|-----------|--|-----|-----|------|
| 1      | $t_1$     | Delay time, ENx high to OUTx high, INx = 1 | 130 | 330 | ns   |
| 2      | $t_2$     | Delay time, ENx low to OUTx low, INx = 1   | 275 | 475 | ns   |
| 3      | $t_3$     | Delay time, ENx high to OUTx low, INx = 0  | 100 | 300 | ns   |
| 4      | $t_4$     | Delay time, ENx low to OUTx high, INx = 0  | 200 | 400 | ns   |
| 5      | $t_5$     | Delay time, INx high to OUTx high          | 300 | 500 | ns   |
| 6      | $t_6$     | Delay time, INx low to OUTx low            | 275 | 475 | ns   |
| 7      | $t_R$     | Output rise time, resistive load to VNEG   | 30  | 150 | ns   |
| 8      | $t_F$     | Output fall time, resistive load to VNEG   | 30  | 150 | ns   |

(1) Not production tested – specified by design

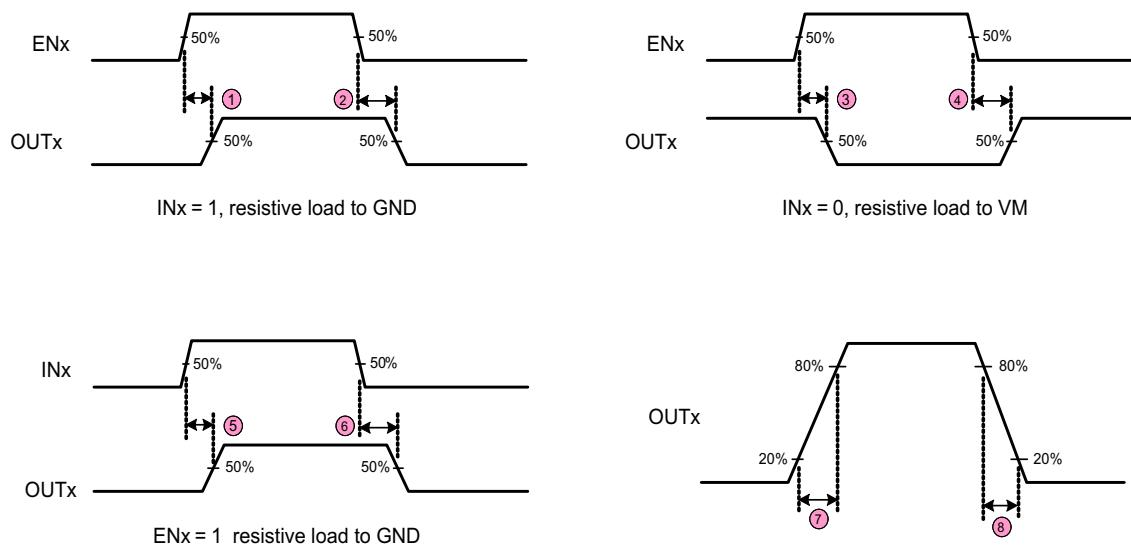


Figure 5-1. DRV8844 Switching Characteristics

## 5.7 Typical Characteristics

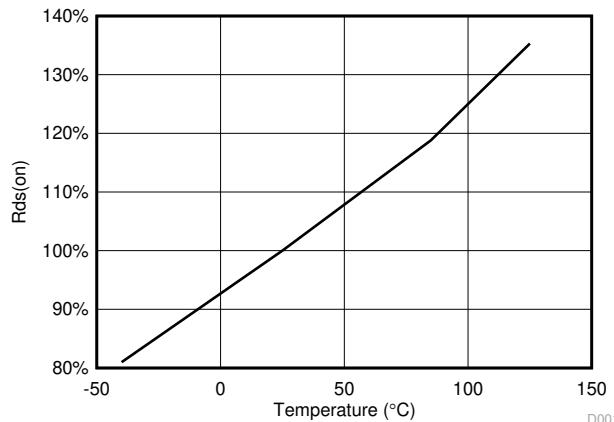


Figure 5-2.  $R_{DS(ON)}$  vs Temperature

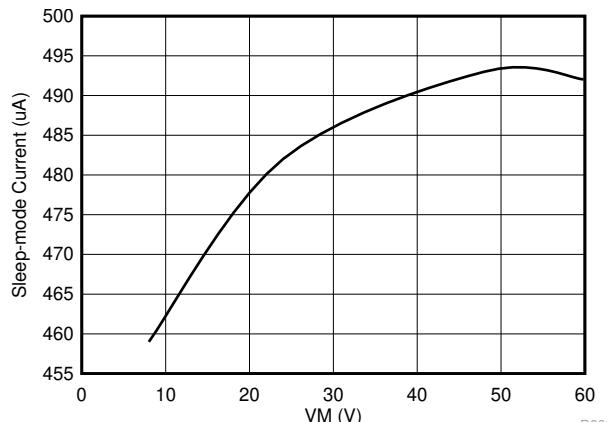


Figure 5-3. Sleep-Mode Current vs VM

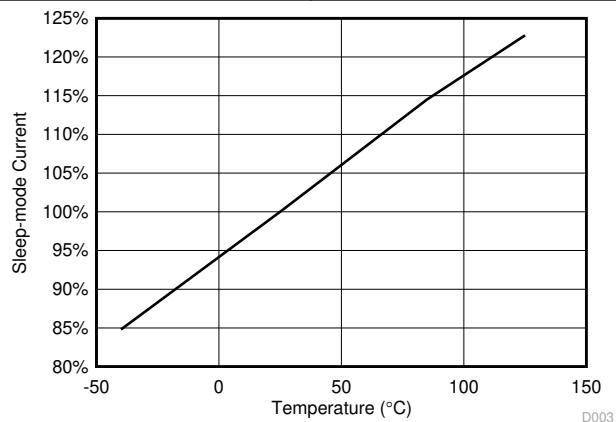


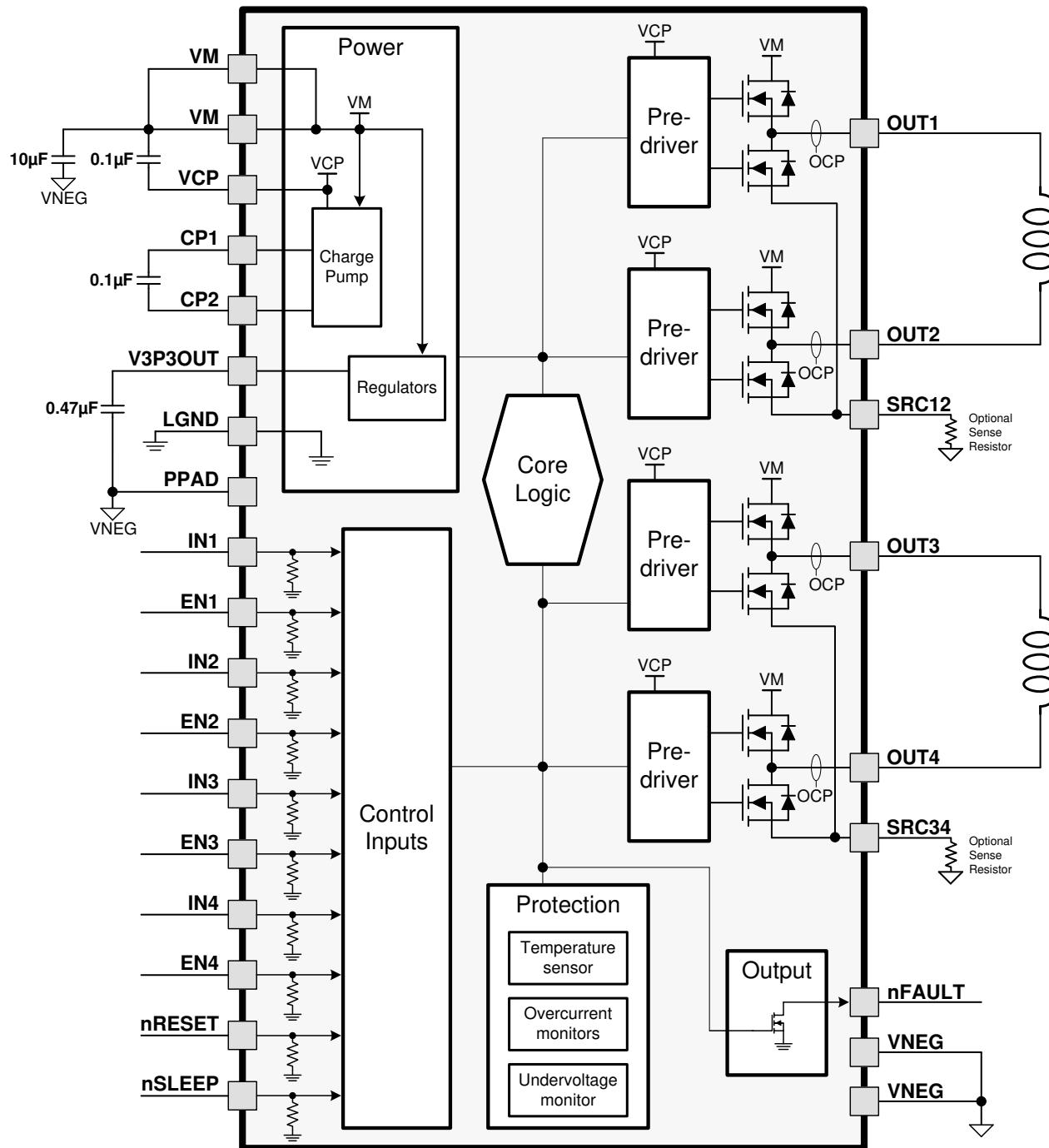
Figure 5-4. Sleep-Mode Current vs Temperature

## 6 Detailed Description

### 6.1 Overview

The DRV8844 integrates four independent 2.5-A half-H bridges, protection circuits, sleep mode, and fault reporting. Its single power supply supports a wide 8 to 60 V, making it well-suited for motor drive applications, including brushed DC, steppers, and solenoids.

### 6.2 Functional Block Diagram

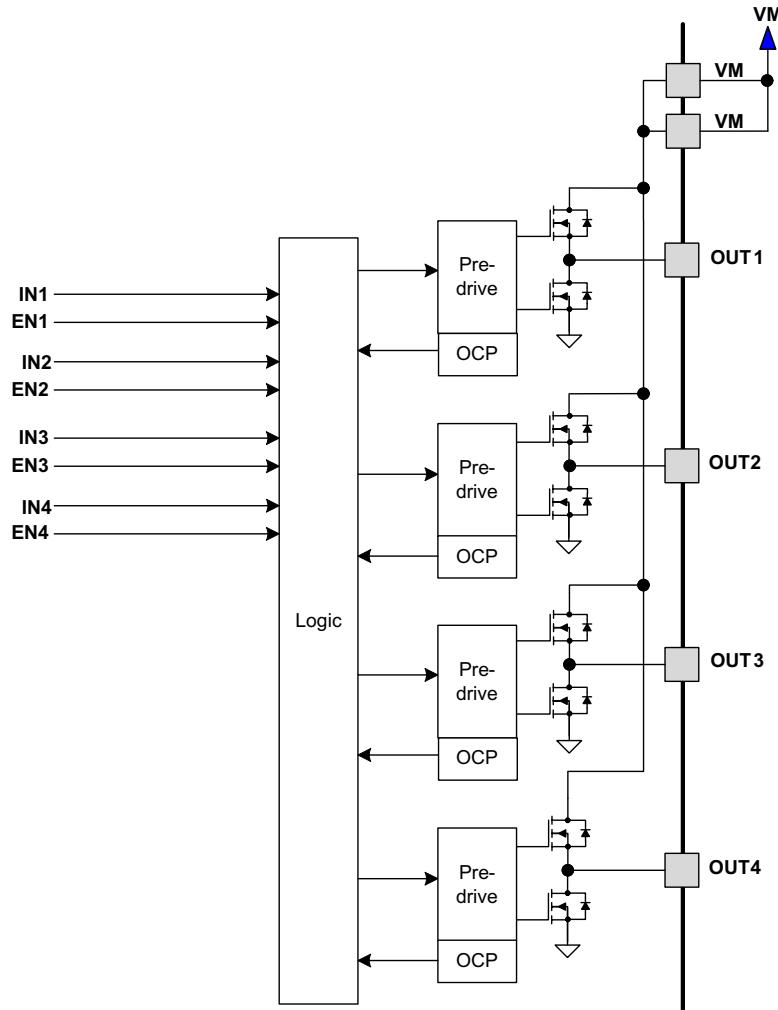


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## 6.3 Feature Description

### 6.3.1 Output Stage

The DRV8844 contains four 1/2-H-bridge drivers using N-channel MOSFETs. A block diagram of the output circuitry is shown in [Figure 6-1](#).



**Figure 6-1. Motor Control Circuitry**

The output pins are driven between VM and VNEG. VNEG is normally ground for single supply applications, and a negative voltage for dual supply applications.

Note that there are multiple VM motor power supply pins. All VM pins must be connected together to the motor supply voltage.

### 6.3.2 Logic Inputs

The logic inputs and nFAULT output are referenced to the LGND pin. This pin would be connected to the logic ground of the source of the logic signals (for example, microcontroller). This allows LGND to be at a different voltage than VNEG; for example, the designer can drive a load with bipolar power supplies by driving VM with +24 V and VNEG with -24 V, and connect LGND to 0 V (ground).

### 6.3.3 Bridge Control

The INx input pins directly control the state (high or low) of the OUTx outputs; the ENx input pins enable or disable the OUTx driver. [Table 6-1](#) shows the logic.

**Table 6-1. H-Bridge Logic**

| INx | ENx | OUTx |
|-----|-----|------|
| X   | 0   | Z    |
| 0   | 1   | L    |
| 1   | 1   | H    |

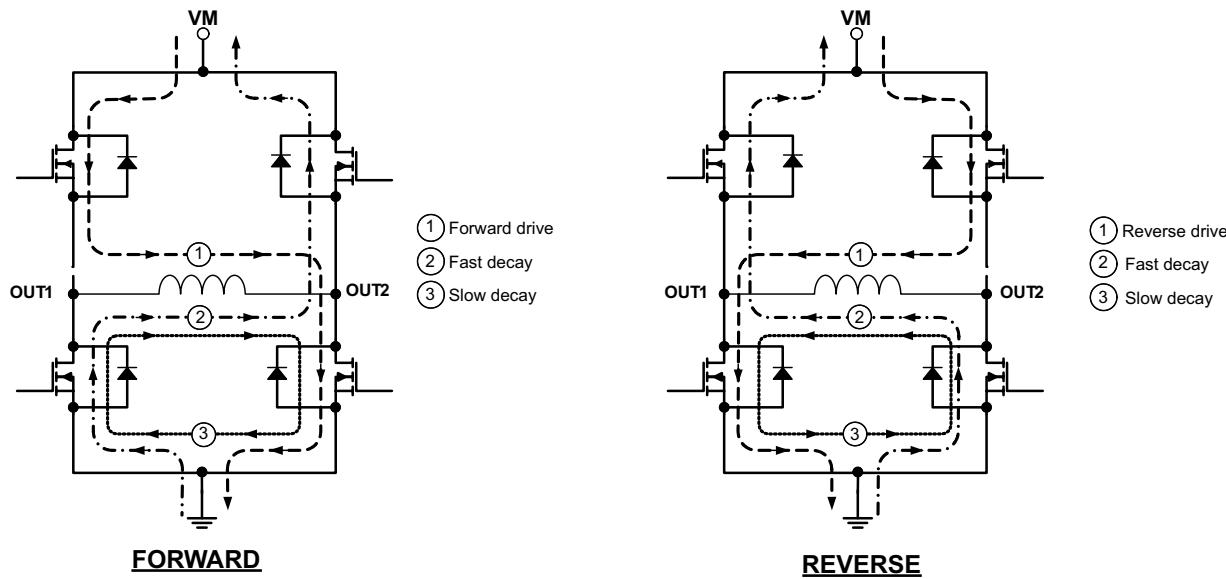
The inputs can also be used for PWM control of, for example, the speed of a DC motor. When controlling a winding with PWM, when the drive current is interrupted, the inductive nature of the motor requires that the current must continue to flow. This is called recirculation current. To handle this recirculation current, the H-bridge can operate in two different states, fast decay or slow decay. In fast decay mode, the H-bridge is disabled and recirculation current flows through the body diodes; in slow decay, the motor winding is shorted.

To PWM using fast decay, the PWM signal is applied to the ENx pin; to use slow decay, the PWM signal is applied to the INx pin. [Table 6-2](#) is an example of driving a DC motor using OUT1 and OUT2 as an H-bridge:

**Table 6-2. PWM Function**

| IN1 | EN1 | IN2 | EN2 | FUNCTION                |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------------------|
| PWM | 1   | 0   | 1   | Forward PWM, slow decay |
| 0   | 1   | PWM | 1   | Reverse PWM, slow decay |
| 1   | PWM | 0   | PWM | Forward PWM, fast decay |
| 0   | PWM | 1   | PWM | Reverse PWM, fast decay |

[Figure 6-2](#) shows the current paths in different drive and decay modes:



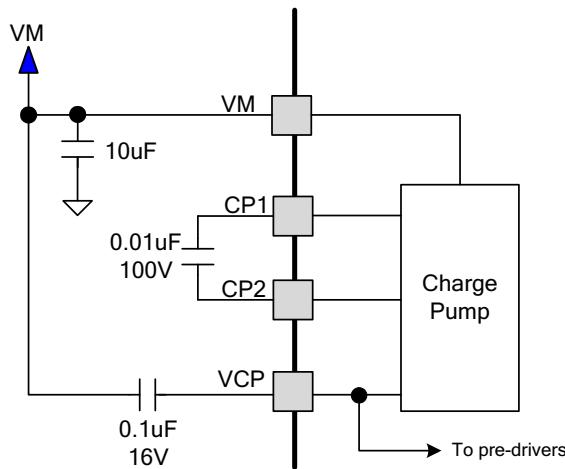
**Figure 6-2. Current Paths**

### 6.3.4 Charge Pump

Because the output stages use N-channel FETs, a gate drive voltage higher than the VM power supply is needed to fully enhance the high-side FETs. The DRV8844 integrates a charge pump circuit that generates a voltage above the VM supply for this purpose.

The charge pump requires two external capacitors for operation. Refer to the block diagram and pin descriptions for details on these capacitors (value, connection, and so forth).

The charge pump is shut down when nSLEEP is low.



**Figure 6-3. Charge Pump**

### 6.3.5 Protection Circuits

The DRV8844 is fully protected against undervoltage, overcurrent and overtemperature events.

#### 6.3.5.1 Overcurrent Protection (OCP)

An analog current limit circuit on each FET limits the current through the FET by removing the gate drive. If this analog current limit persists for longer than the OCP deglitch time, the channel experiencing the overcurrent will be disabled and the nFAULT pin will be driven low. The driver will remain off until either RESET is asserted or VM power is cycled.

Overcurrent conditions on both high and low side devices; i.e., a short to ground, supply, or across the motor winding will all result in an overcurrent shutdown.

#### 6.3.5.2 Thermal Shutdown (TSD)

If the die temperature exceeds safe limits, all FETs in the H-bridge will be disabled and the nFAULT pin will be driven low. Once the die temperature has fallen to a safe level operation will automatically resume.

#### 6.3.5.3 Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO)

If at any time the voltage on the VM pins falls below the undervoltage lockout threshold voltage, all outputs will be disabled, internal logic will be reset, and the nFAULT pin will be driven low. Operation will resume when VM rises above the UVLO threshold.

## 6.4 Device Functional Modes

### 6.4.1 nRESET and nSLEEP Operation

The nRESET pin, when driven active low, resets the internal logic. It also disables the H-bridge drivers. All inputs are ignored while nRESET is active.

Driving nSLEEP low will put the device into a low power sleep state. In this state, the H-bridges are disabled, the gate drive charge pump is stopped and all internal clocks are stopped. In this state all inputs are ignored until nSLEEP returns inactive high. When returning from sleep mode, some time (approximately 1 ms) needs to pass before the motor driver becomes fully operational. Note that nRESET and nSLEEP have internal pulldown resistors of approximately 100 kΩ. These signals need to be driven to logic high for device operation.

The V3P3OUT LDO regulator remains operational in sleep mode.

## 7 Application and Implementation

### Note

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

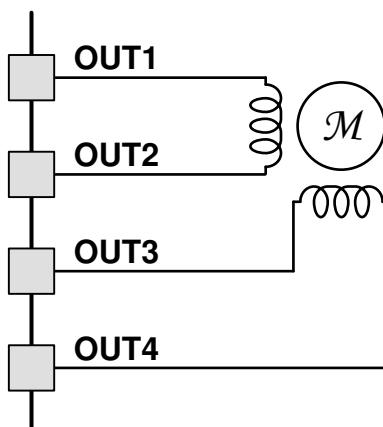
### 7.1 Application Information

The DRV8844 can be used to drive one stepper motor, multiple brushed DC motors, or multiple other inductive loads.

The outputs can be connected in parallel to increase the drive current. If connecting the outputs as in a full-bridge configuration, any two outputs can be connected in parallel. If configured as two independent half bridges, OUT1 and OUT2 must be paired, and OUT3 and OUT4 must be paired. This pairing is because pin 6 (SRC12) is the source for the low-side FETs of OUT1 and OUT2, and pin 9 (SRC34) is the source for the low-side FETs of OUT3 and OUT4.

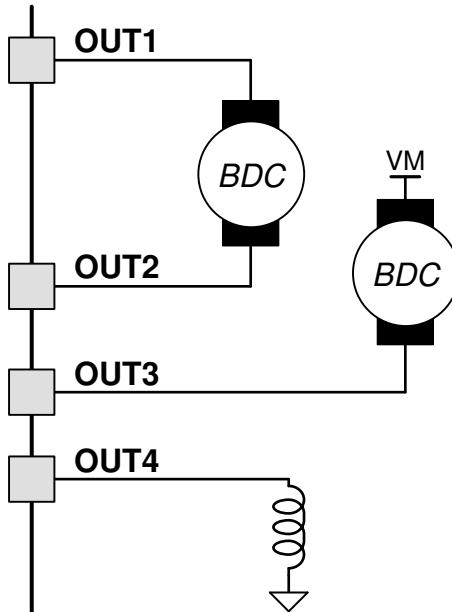
An optional sense resistor can be used to monitor the current. If using sense resistors, place the resistor between the SRC12 or SRC34 pins and the VNEG pins.

### 7.2 Typical Application



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**Figure 7-1. Stepper Motor Connections**



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**Figure 7-2. Example Showing a Bidirectional Brushed DC Motor, Single-Direction Brushed DC Motor, and an Inductive Load**

### 7.2.1 Design Requirements

The following truth tables describe how to control the arrangement in [Figure 7-1](#).

**Table 7-1. Brushed DC Motor**

| FUNCTION | EN1 | EN2 | IN1 | IN2 | OUT1 | OUT2 |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
| Forward  | 1   | 1   | PWM | 0   | H    | L    |
| Reverse  | 1   | 1   | 0   | PWM | L    | H    |
| Brake    | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | L    | L    |
| Brake    | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | H    | H    |
| Coast    | 0   | X   | X   | X   | Z    | X    |
| Coast    | X   | 0   | X   | X   | X    | Z    |

**Table 7-2. Single-Direction Brushed DC Motor**

| FUNCTION | EN3 | IN3 | OUT3 |
|----------|-----|-----|------|
| On       | 1   | PWM | L    |
| Brake    | 1   | 1   | H    |
| Coast    | 0   | X   | Z    |

**Table 7-3. Inductive Loads**

| FUNCTION          | EN4 | IN4 | OUT4 |
|-------------------|-----|-----|------|
| On                | 1   | PWM | H    |
| Off or slow decay | 1   | 0   | L    |
| Off or coast      | 0   | X   | Z    |

## 7.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

### 7.2.2.1 Motor Voltage

The ratings of the motor selected and the desired RPM determine the motor voltage the designer should use. A higher voltage spins a brushed DC motor faster with the same PWM duty cycle applied to the power FETs. A higher voltage also increases the rate of current change through the inductive motor windings.

### 7.2.3 Application Curves

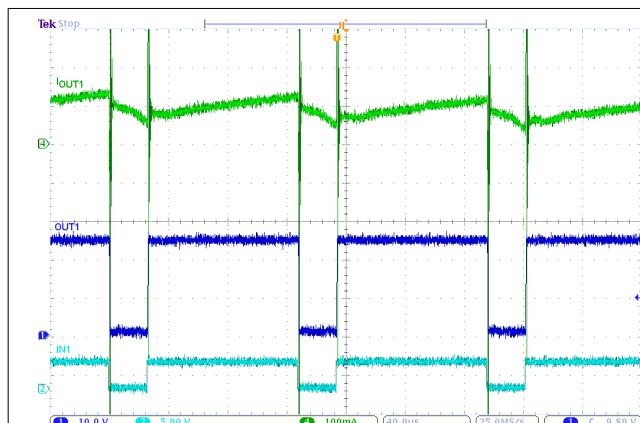


Figure 7-3. DC Motor With 80 PWM

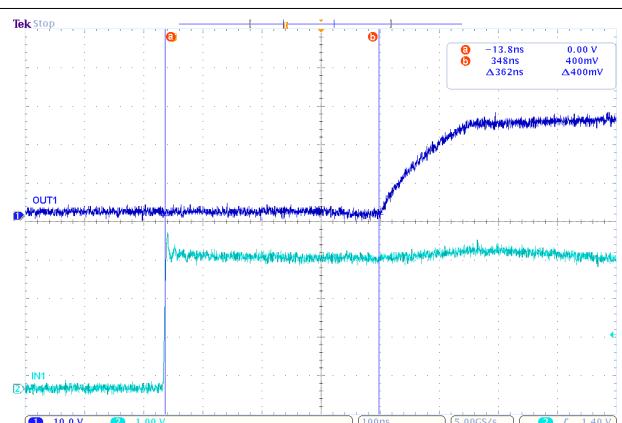


Figure 7-4. IN1 to OUT1 Propagation Delay

## Power Supply Recommendations

### 7.1 Bulk Capacitance

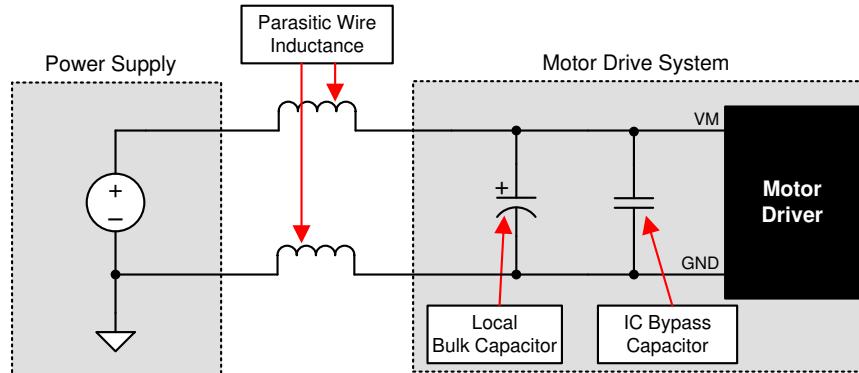
Having an appropriate local bulk capacitance is an important factor in motor drive system design. It is generally beneficial to have more bulk capacitance, while the disadvantages are increased cost and physical size.

The amount of local capacitance needed depends on a variety of factors, including:

- The highest current required by the motor system
- The power supply's capacitance and ability to source current
- The amount of parasitic inductance between the power supply and motor system
- The acceptable voltage ripple
- The type of motor used (Brushed DC, Brushless DC, Stepper)
- The motor braking method

The inductance between the power supply and the motor drive system limits the rate current can change from the power supply. If the local bulk capacitance is too small, the system responds to excessive current demands or dumps from the motor with a change in voltage. When adequate bulk capacitance is used, the motor voltage remains stable and high current can be quickly supplied.

The data sheet generally provides a recommended value, but system-level testing is required to determine the appropriate sized bulk capacitor.



**Figure 7-5. Example Setup of Motor Drive System With External Power Supply**

The voltage rating for bulk capacitors should be higher than the operating voltage, to provide margin for cases when the motor transfers energy to the supply.

## 7.3 Layout

### 7.3.1 Layout Guidelines

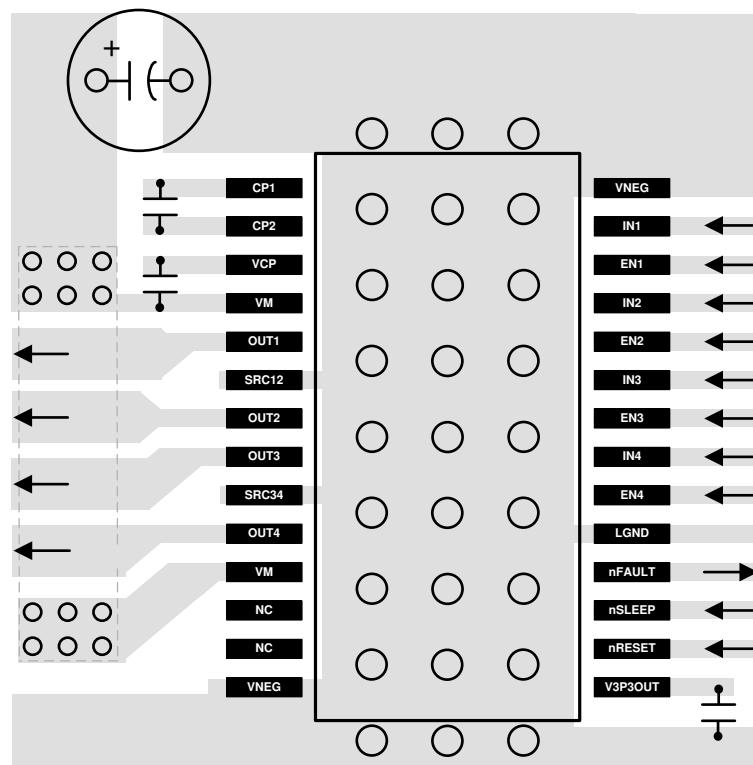
The bulk capacitor should be placed to minimize the distance of the high-current path through the motor driver device. The connecting metal trace widths should be as wide as possible, and numerous vias should be used when connecting PCB layers. These practices minimize inductance and allow the bulk capacitor to deliver high current.

Small-value capacitors should be ceramic, and placed closely to device pins.

The high-current device outputs should use wide metal traces.

The device thermal pad should be soldered to the PCB top-layer ground plane. Multiple vias should be used to connect to a large bottom-layer ground plane. The use of large metal planes and multiple vias help dissipate the  $I^2 \times R_{DS(on)}$  heat that is generated in the device.

### 7.3.2 Layout Example



**Figure 7-6. Layout Schematic**

### 7.3.3 Thermal Considerations

The DRV8844 has thermal shutdown (TSD) as described above. If the die temperature exceeds approximately 150°C, the device will be disabled until the temperature drops to a safe level.

Any tendency of the device to enter TSD is an indication of either excessive power dissipation, insufficient heatsinking, or too high an ambient temperature.

#### 7.3.3.1 Heatsinking

The PowerPAD™ package uses an exposed pad to remove heat from the device. For proper operation, this pad must be thermally connected to copper on the PCB to dissipate heat. On a multi-layer PCB with a ground plane, this can be accomplished by adding a number of vias to connect the thermal pad to the ground plane. On PCBs without internal planes, copper area can be added on either side of the PCB to dissipate heat. If the copper area is on the opposite side of the PCB from the device, thermal vias are used to transfer the heat between top and bottom layers.

For details about how to design the PCB, refer to TI application report [SLMA002, PowerPAD™ Thermally Enhanced Package](#) and TI application brief [SLMA004, PowerPAD™ Made Easy](#), available at [www.ti.com](#).

In general, the more copper area that can be provided, the more power can be dissipated.

### 7.3.4 Power Dissipation

Power dissipation in the DRV8844 is dominated by the power dissipated in the output FET resistance, or  $R_{DS(ON)}$ . Average power dissipation of each H-bridge when running a DC motor can be roughly estimated by [Equation 1](#).

$$P = 2 \times R_{DS(ON)} \times (I_{OUT})^2 \quad (1)$$

where

- $P$  is the power dissipation of one H-bridge
- $R_{DS(ON)}$  is the resistance of each FET
- $I_{OUT}$  is the RMS output current being applied to each winding

$I_{OUT}$  is equal to the average current drawn by the DC motor. Note that at start-up and fault conditions this current is much higher than normal running current; these peak currents and their duration also need to be taken into consideration. The factor of 2 comes from the fact that at any instant two FETs are conducting winding current (one high-side and one low-side).

The total device dissipation will be the power dissipated in each of the two H-bridges added together.

The maximum amount of power that can be dissipated in the device is dependent on ambient temperature and heatsinking.

Note that  $R_{DS(ON)}$  increases with temperature, so as the device heats, the power dissipation increases. This must be taken into consideration when sizing the heatsink.

## 8 Device and Documentation Support

### 8.1 Documentation Support

#### 8.1.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

- *Calculating Motor Driver Power Dissipation*, [SLVA504](#)
- *DRV8844 Evaluation Module*, [SLVU762](#)
- *Understanding Motor Driver Current Ratings*, [SLVA505](#)

### 8.2 Community Resources

### 8.3 Trademarks

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| • Added parallel output connection to the <i>Features</i> section .....  | 1    |
| • Added SRC12, SRC34 to VNEG pins parameter to the <i>Absolute Maximum Ratings</i> table .....                     | 5    |
| • Changed the <i>Functional Block Diagram</i> to show the change of pin 6 and 9 from VNEG to SRC12 and SRC34 ..... | 9    |
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## 10 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

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**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

| Orderable part number | Status<br>(1) | Material type<br>(2) | Package   Pins    | Package qty   Carrier | RoHS<br>(3) | Lead finish/<br>Ball material<br>(4) | MSL rating/<br>Peak reflow<br>(5) | Op temp (°C) | Part marking<br>(6) |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| DRV8844PWP            | Obsolete      | Production           | HTSSOP (PWP)   28 | -                     | -           | Call TI                              | Call TI                           | -40 to 125   | DRV8844             |
| DRV8844PWPR           | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (PWP)   28 | 2000   LARGE T&R      | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -40 to 125   | DRV8844             |
| DRV8844PWPR.A         | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (PWP)   28 | 2000   LARGE T&R      | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -40 to 125   | DRV8844             |
| DRV8844PWPR.B         | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (PWP)   28 | 2000   LARGE T&R      | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -40 to 125   | DRV8844             |
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| DRV8844PWPRG4.B       | Active        | Production           | HTSSOP (PWP)   28 | 2000   LARGE T&R      | Yes         | NIPDAU                               | Level-3-260C-168 HR               | -40 to 125   | DRV8844             |

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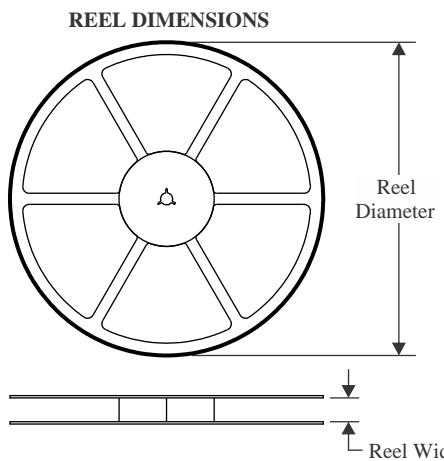
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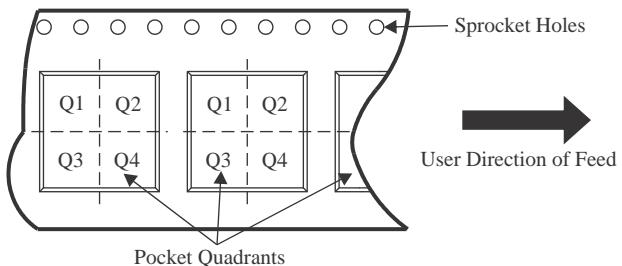
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|----|---|
| A0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component width     |
| B0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component length    |
| K0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness |
| W  | Overall width of the carrier tape                         |
| P1 | Pitch between successive cavity centers                   |

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


\*All dimensions are nominal

| 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 |
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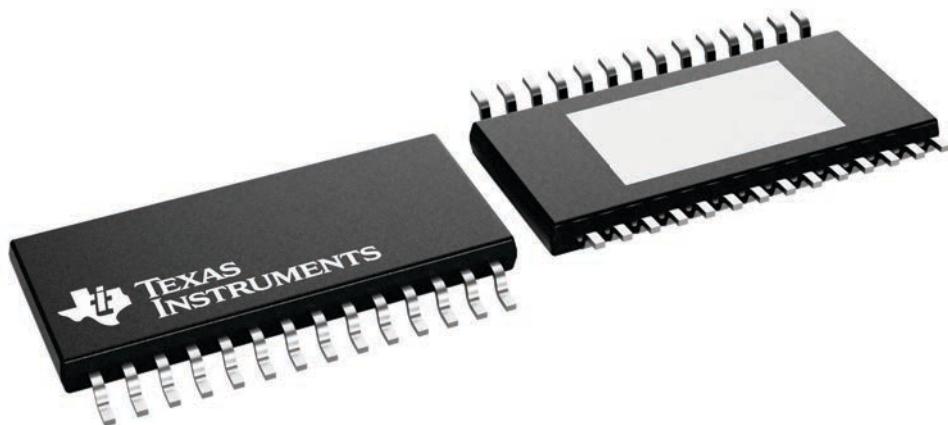
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4.4 x 9.7, 0.65 mm pitch

### PowerPAD™ TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height

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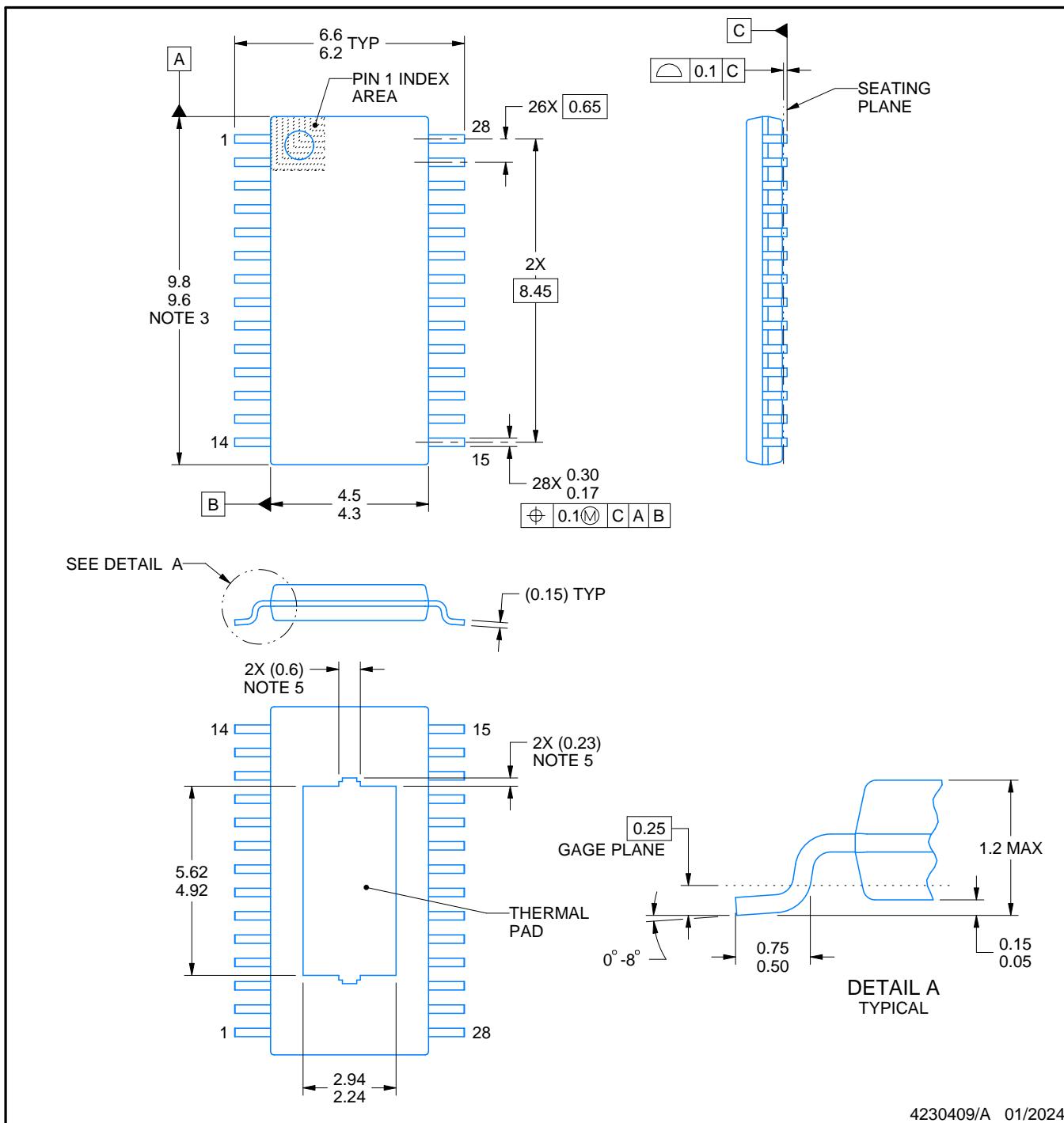
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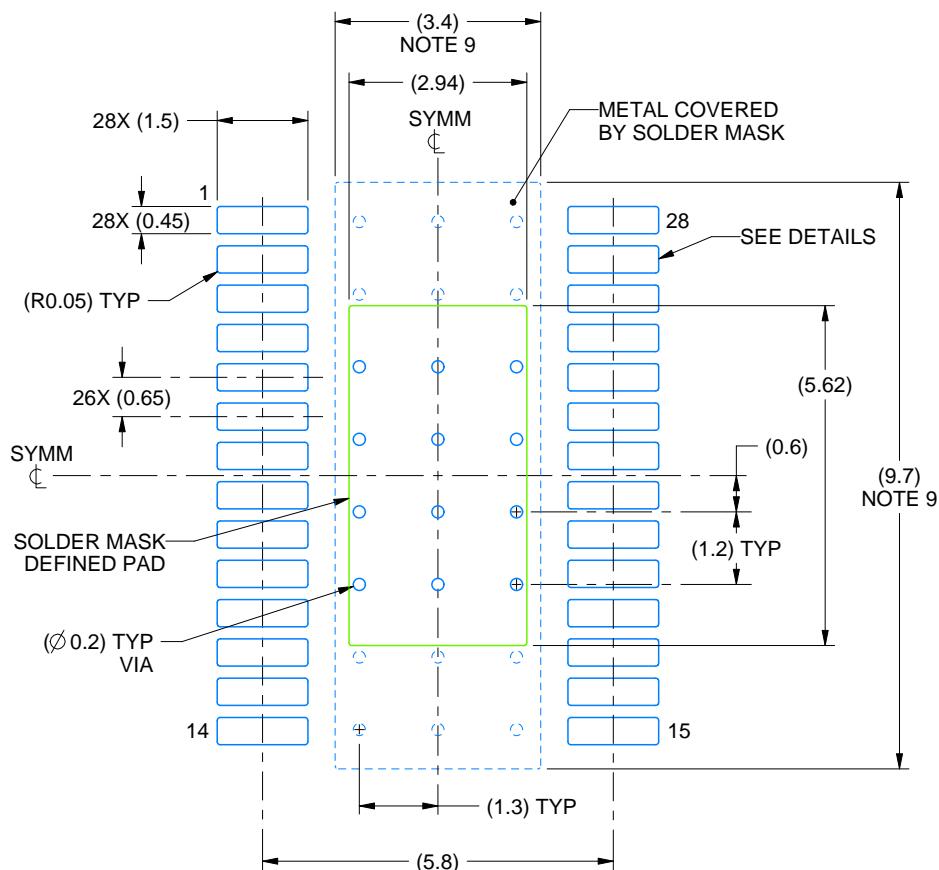
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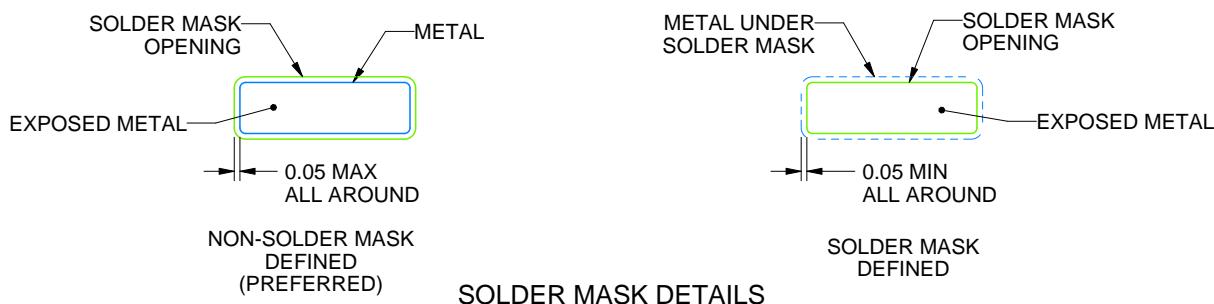
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## PowerPAD™ TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height

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LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE  
EXPOSED METAL SHOWN  
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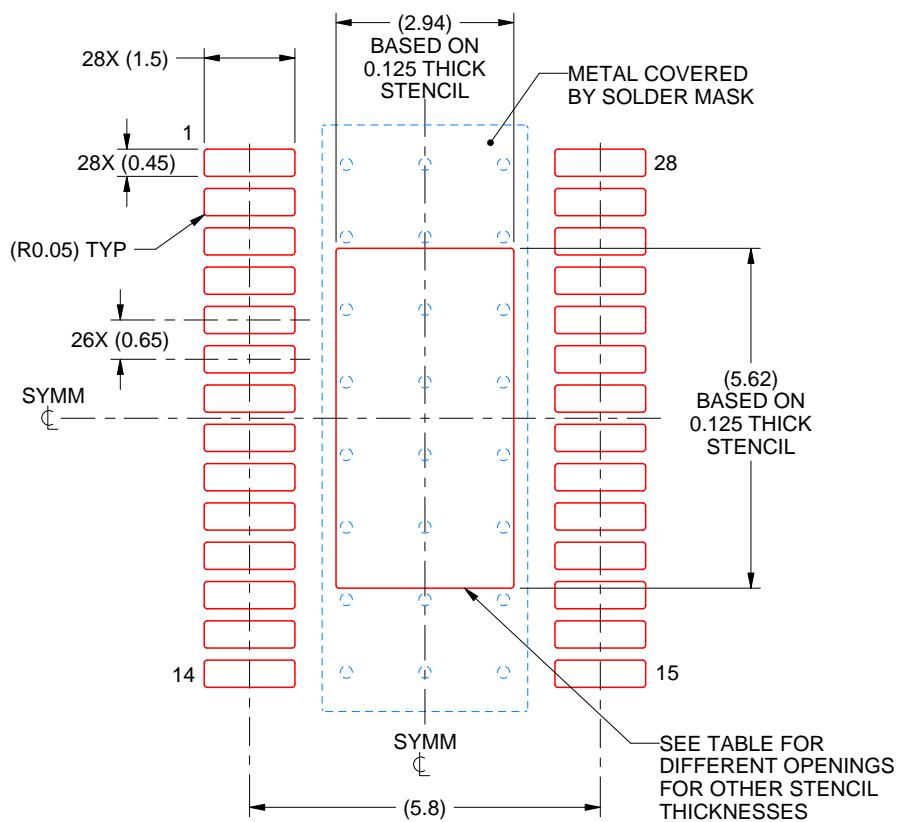
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8. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature numbers SLMA002 ([www.ti.com/lit/slma002](http://www.ti.com/lit/slma002)) and SLMA004 ([www.ti.com/lit/slma004](http://www.ti.com/lit/slma004)).
9. Size of metal pad may vary due to creepage requirement.
10. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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PowerPAD™ TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height

SMALL OUTLINE PACKAGE



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL  
SCALE: 8X

| STENCIL THICKNESS | SOLDER STENCIL OPENING |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 0.1               | 3.29 X 6.28            |
| 0.125             | 2.94 X 5.62 (SHOWN)    |
| 0.15              | 2.68 X 5.13            |
| 0.175             | 2.48 X 4.75            |

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