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TMUX121 Low-Capacitance, 2-Channel, 2:1 Switch with Power-Off Isolation and 1.8-V Logic

1 Features

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INSTRUMENTS

- Compatible with high-speed I³C signals
- High performance switch characteristics:
 - Bandwidth (-3 dB): 3.0 GHz
 - R_{ON} (typical): 3 Ω
 - C_{ON} (typical): 1.7 pF
 - T_{PD} (typical): 60 ps
 - T_{SWFK} (typical): 2 ps
- Low current consumption: 12 µA (typical)
- Special features: •
 - IPOFF protection prevents current leakage in Powered-Down state
 - 1.8 V and 3.3 V compatible control inputs (SEL, EN)
- 3.3 V supply voltage
- Industrial temperature range: -40 to 125°C
- Compact 10-pin 1.4 mm × 1.8 mm, UQFN package

2 Applications

- I³C (SenseWire) •
- I³C and I²C peripheral switching
- Servers
- Handset: smart phone
- Notebook PC
- Tablet: multimedia
- Electronic point-of-sale
- **Field instrumentation**
- Portable monitor

3 Description

The TMUX121 is a high performance bidirectional 2-channel, 2:1 (SPDT) switch that supports both differential and single ended signals. The TMUX121 is an analog passive switch which features power-off protection forcing all I/O pins to be in high-impedance mode when power is not present on the V_{DD} pin. The select and enable pins of the TMUX121 compatible with 1.8 V and 3.3 V control voltage, allowing them to be directly interfaced with the General purpose I/O (GPIO) from low voltage processors. This, along with the low on-resistance and low on capacitance of the device, make the TMUX121 an excellent choice for supporting switching a wide range of analog signals and digital communication protocol standards, including high-speed standards such as I³C.

The TMUX121 comes in a small 10-pin UQFN package with only 1.8 mm × 1.4 mm in size, which makes it useful when PCB area is limited.

Package Information

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE ⁽¹⁾	PACKAGE SIZE ⁽²⁾
TMUX121	NKG (UQFN, 10)	1.8 mm × 1.4 mm

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

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

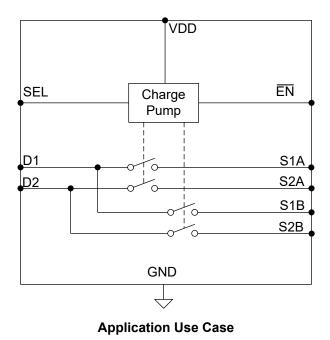






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4 Revision History

DATE	REVISION	NOTES
August 2023	*	Initial Release



5 Pin Configuration and Functions

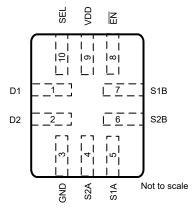


Figure 5-1. TMUX121 NKG Package, 10-Pin UQFN (Top View)

Table 5-1. Pin Functions

PIN		TYPE ⁽¹⁾	DESCRIPTION	
NAME	NO.		DESCRIPTION	
D1	1	I/O	Drain pin 1. Can be an input or output.	
D2	2	I/O	Drain pin 2. Can be an input or output.	
S1A	5	I/O	Source pin 1A. Can be an input or output.	
S2A	4	I/O	Source pin 2A. Can be an input or output.	
S1B	7	I/O	Source pin 1B. Can be an input or output.	
S2B	6	I/O	ource pin 2B. Can be an input or output.	
SEL	10	IN	witch logic control input. Controls the switch connection as provided in Table 7-1.	
EN	8	IN	ctive low enable input. Controls the switch connection as provided in Table 7-1.	
VDD	9	Р	3.3 V power supply	
GND	3	G	Ground	

(1) IN = input, I/O = input or output, P = power, G = ground

6 Specifications

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

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

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{DD}	Supply voltage	-0.5	4.0	V
V_{EN} or V_{SEL}	Logic control input pin current (SEL, EN)	-0.5	4.0	V
V_D or V_S	Source or drain voltage (Sx, Dx)	-0.5	5.5	V
T _{stg}	Storage temperature	-65	150	°C
TJ	Junction temperature	-40	125	°C

(1) Operation outside the Absolute Maximum Rating may cause permanent device damage. Absolute Maximum Rating do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those listed under Recommended Operating Condition. If used outside the Recommended Operating Condition but within the Absolute Maximum Rating, the device may not be fully functional, and this may affect device reliability, functionality, performance, and shorten the device lifetime.

6.2 ESD Ratings

			VALUE	UNIT	
	Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 ⁽¹⁾	±5000	V		
V _{ESD}		Charged device model (CDM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-002 ⁽²⁾	±1000	v	

(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.

6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

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

		MIN	TYP	МАХ	UNIT
VDD	Power Supply voltage	3.0	3.3	3.6	V
VDD _{RAMP}	Power Supply voltage ramp time	0.1		100	ms
V_D or V_S	Source or drain voltage (Sx, Dx)	0		3.6	V
V _{EN} or V _{SEL}	Logic control input pin current (SEL, EN)	0		3.6	V
I _S or I _D (cont)	Source or drain continuous current (Sx, Dx)			90	mA
T _A	Operating free-air/ambient temperature	-40		125	°C

6.4 Thermal Information

	THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾	NKG (UQFN)	UNIT
		10 PINS	
R _{θJA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance - High K	225.9	°C/W
R _{0JC(top)}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	93.5	°C/W
R _{θJB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	147.5	°C/W
ΨJT	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	3.4	°C/W
Ψјв	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	147.1	°C/W

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

6.5 Electrical Characteristics

Over operating free-air temperature and supply voltage range (unless otherwise noted) Typical at V_{DD} = 3.3 V T_A = 25°C (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
I _{DDQ}	V _{DD} quiescent supply current	EN = V _{DD}		1.3	4	μA
I _{DD}	V _{DD} supply current	EN = 0 V		11	30	μA
D	On-resistance	V _S = 0 V , I _S = -8 mA		3	5.4	Ω
R _{ON}	On-resistance	$V_{\rm S}$ = 2.4 V , $I_{\rm S}$ = -8 mA		3.9	8	Ω
	On-resistance mismatch between channels	V _S = 0 V , I _S = -8 mA			0.5	Ω
ΔR _{ON}		$V_{\rm S}$ = 2.4 V , $I_{\rm S}$ = -8 mA			0.5	Ω
R _{ON FLAT}	On-resistance flatness	$V_{\rm S}$ = 0 V and $V_{\rm S}$ = 2.4 V; I _S = –8 mA		1		Ω
I _{S(ON)}	Channel on lookage surrent (Cy. Dy)	Switch state is on $V_D = V_S = 3.6 V$			2	μA
ID(ON) Channel on leakage current (Sx, Dx)	Switch state is on $V_D = V_S = 0 V$			0.2	μA	
I _{S(OFF)}	Source off leakage current (Sx)	Switch state is off $V_S = 3.6 V$			2	μA
I _{D(OFF)}	Drain off leakage current (Dx)	Switch state is off $V_D = 3.6 V$			2	μA
I _(POFF)	Powered-off leakage current (Sx, Dx)	V_{CC} = 0 V, V_{D} or V_{S} = 3.6 V			10	μA
V _{IH}	Logic voltage high (EN, SEL)		1.4		3.6	V
V _{IL}	Logic voltage low (EN, SEL)		0		0.4	
IIL	Input leakage current (EN, SEL)				0.2	μA
I _{IH}	Input leakage current (EN, SEL)				1	μA
I _{IH}	Failsafe Input leakage current (EN, SEL)	V_{CC} = 0 V, V_{EN} or V_{SEL} = 3.6 V			10	μA

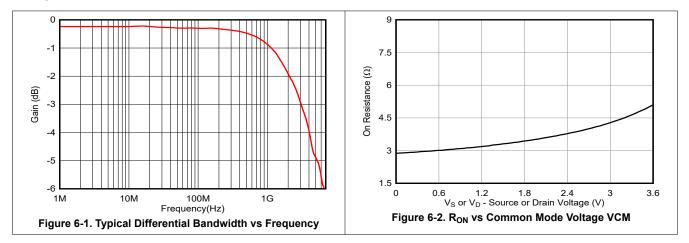
6.6 Switching Characteristics

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

	PARAMETER	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT	
t _{TRAN}	Transition time from control input (SEL)	R _L = 50 Ω, C _L = 10 pF			1	μs
t _{ON}	Turn-on time from control input (EN)	R _L = 50 Ω, C _L = 10 pF			16	μs
t _{OFF}	Turn-off time from control input (EN)	R _L = 50 Ω, C _L = 10 pF			0.5	μs
t _{PD}	Switch propagation delay (Sx to Dx or Dx to Sx)			60	80	ps
t _{SKEW_INTRA}	Intra-pair propagation delay skew for same channel			2	10	ps
t _{SKEW_INTER}	Inter-pair propagation delay skew between channels			2	10	ps
BW	–3-dB bandwidth			3		GHz
IL.	Differential insertion loss	f = 10 MHz		-0.3		dB
O _{ISO}	Differential OFF isolation (D to SA/SB)	f = 10 MHz		-56		dB
X _{TALK}	Differential cross-talk (SA to SB or SB to SA)	f = 10 MHz		-64		dB
C _{S(ON)} C _{D(ON)}	On capacitance	f = 10 MHz		1.7		pF



6.7 Typical Characteristics



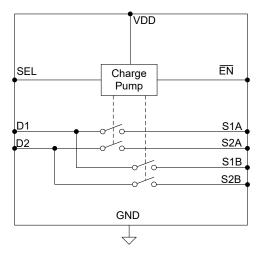


7 Detailed Description

7.1 Overview

The TMUX121 is an analog passive 2 channel 2:1 (SPDT) that can work for any low-speed, high-speed, differential or single ended signals. Excellent low capacitance characteristics of the device allow signal switching with minimal attenuation and very little added jitter. The signals must be within the allowable voltage range of 0 to 3.6 V.

7.2 Functional Block Diagram



7.3 Feature Description

7.3.1 Enable and Low Power Mode

The TMUX121 can be placed in a power saving mode by pulling \overline{EN} high. This reduces the supply power consumption from 12 µA to 1.5 µA. which is extremely beneficial for systems where saving power is critical.

7.4 Device Functional Modes

SEL	EN	Mux Configuration
L	L	D to SA
Н	L	D to SB
Х	Н	All channels are disabled and Hi-Z

Table 7-1. Mux Configuration Control Logic for TMUX121 ⁽¹⁾

(1) The TMUX121 can tolerate polarity inversions for differential signals. Keep the polarity consistent for all differential pairs.



8 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, as well as validating and testing their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

8.1 Application Information

The TMUX121 is an analog high-speed mux or demux that can be used for routing differential as well as single ended signals through it. The device can be used for many interfaces including I²C and I³C.

An available GPIO pin of a controller or hard tie to voltage level H or L can easily control the mux or demux selection pin (SEL) of the device as an application requires. The switch path is passive and therefore bidirectional.

8.2 Typical Applications

8.2.1 Signal Expansion (I³C and I²C)

There are many applications in which microprocessors or controllers have a limited number of I/Os. The TMUX121 solution can effectively expand the limited I/Os by switching between multiple buses to interface them to a single microprocessor or controller. A common application where the TMUX121 is as a $I^{3}C$ 1:2 multiplexer. In this application, the TMUX121 is used to route communicating between different peripherals from a single controller or driver within a server, as shown in Figure 8-1. The high bandwidth of the TMUX121 will preserve signal integrity at even the fastest communication protocols that may be used in server applications, such as $I^{3}C$. Also, because $I^{3}C$ is backwards compatible, any of the peripherals can also be $I^{2}C$, and the TMUX121 will still support it.

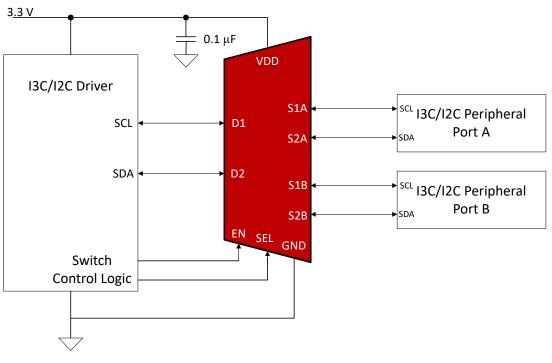


Figure 8-1. Typical Application



8.2.1.1 Design Requirements

I ³ C Requirements TMUX121 Specification							
Voltage	1.0 V, 1.2 V, 1.8 V, 3.3 V	0-3.6 V					
Frequency	Up to 12.5 MHz	3 GHz Bandwidth					
Capacitance	50 pF maximum bus capacitance	< 2 pF On or Off Capacitance					

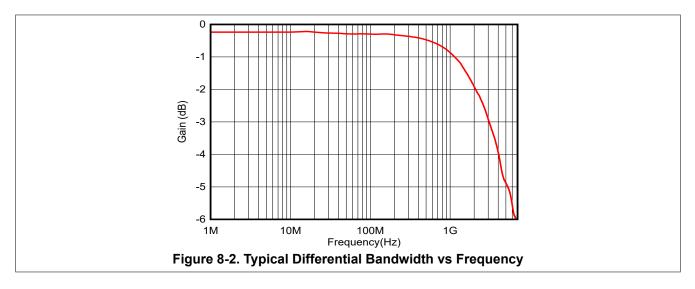
Table 8-1. TMUX121 I³C Compatibility

8.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

The TMUX121 supports I³C standard by maintaining signal integrity through the switch. Table 8-1 details how the TMUX121 specifications make this device optimal for switching I³C signals. Choosing a multiplexer with very low capacitance helps reduces the impact to your total capacitance budget. This can enable more design flexibility keeping the total bus capacitance under 50 pF such as: longer traces, more ICs, multiple buses, and so forth.

8.2.1.3 Application Curves

Figure 8-2 shows bandwidth of the TMUX121. This can easily support the max data rate of the I³C standard. A combination of low on-resistance, low capacitance, and low added jitter from the device allows it to be used for I³C.



8.3 Power Supply Recommendations

The TMUX121 does not require a power supply sequence. However, TI recommends to enable the device after VDD is stable and in specification. TI also recommends placing a bypass capacitor as close to the supply pin VDD as possible to help smooth out lower frequency noise to provide better load regulation across the frequency spectrum.

8.4 Layout

8.4.1 Layout Guidelines

Place supply bypass capacitors as close to VDD pin as possible and avoid placing the bypass capacitors near the high speed traces.

Route the high-speed signals using a minimum of vias and corners which reduces signal reflections and impedance changes. When a via must be used, increase the clearance size around it to minimize its capacitance. Each via introduces discontinuities in the signal's transmission line and increases the chance of picking up interference from the other layers of the board. Be careful when designing test points on twisted pair lines; through-hole pins are not recommended.



When it becomes necessary to turn 90°, use two 45° turns or an arc instead of making a single 90° turn. Doing this reduces reflections on the signal traces by minimizing impedance discontinuities. Avoid stubs on the high-speed signals because they cause signal reflections. Route all high-speed signal traces over continuous planes (VDD or GND) with no interruptions.

Due to high frequencies, a printed circuit board with at least four layers is recommended; two signal layers separated by a ground and power layer as shown in Figure 8-3.

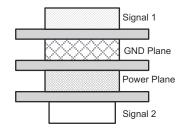


Figure 8-3. Four-Layer Board Stack-Up

The majority of signal traces must run on a single layer, preferably Signal 1. Immediately next to this layer must be the GND plane, which is solid with no cuts. Avoid running signal traces across a split in the ground or power plane. When running across split planes is unavoidable, sufficient decoupling must be used. Minimizing the number of signal vias reduces EMI by reducing inductance at high frequencies.

For high speed layout guidelines, refer to *High-Speed Layout Guidelines* application note.

8.4.2 Layout Example

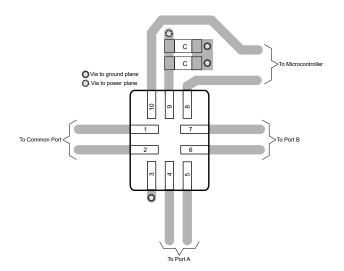


Figure 8-4. TMUX121 Layout Example



9 Device and Documentation Support

9.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation, see the following:

Texas Instruments, High-Speed Layout Guidelines application note

9.2 Receiving Notification of Documentation Updates

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9.5 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



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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.

9.6 Glossary

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

10 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 part number	Status (1)	Material type (2)	Package Pins	Package qty Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material	MSL rating/ Peak reflow	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
						(4)	(5)		
TMUX121NKGR	Active	Production	UQFN (NKG) 10	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	OJ
TMUX121NKGR.A	Active	Production	UQFN (NKG) 10	3000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	OJ

⁽¹⁾ **Status:** For more details on status, see our product life cycle.

⁽²⁾ Material type: When designated, preproduction parts are prototypes/experimental devices, and are not yet approved or released for full production. Testing and final process, including without limitation quality assurance, reliability performance testing, and/or process qualification, may not yet be complete, and this item is subject to further changes or possible discontinuation. If available for ordering, purchases will be subject to an additional waiver at checkout, and are intended for early internal evaluation purposes only. These items are sold without warranties of any kind.

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⁽⁶⁾ Part marking: There may be an additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category of the part.

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QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



*All	dimensions	are	nominal	

Devi	ce Packa Typ	-	Package Drawing			Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TMUX12 ⁻	INKGR UQF	٦N	NKG	10	3000	180.0	8.4	1.6	2.0	0.7	4.0	8.0	Q1



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PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION

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*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
TMUX121NKGR	UQFN	NKG	10	3000	210.0	185.0	35.0

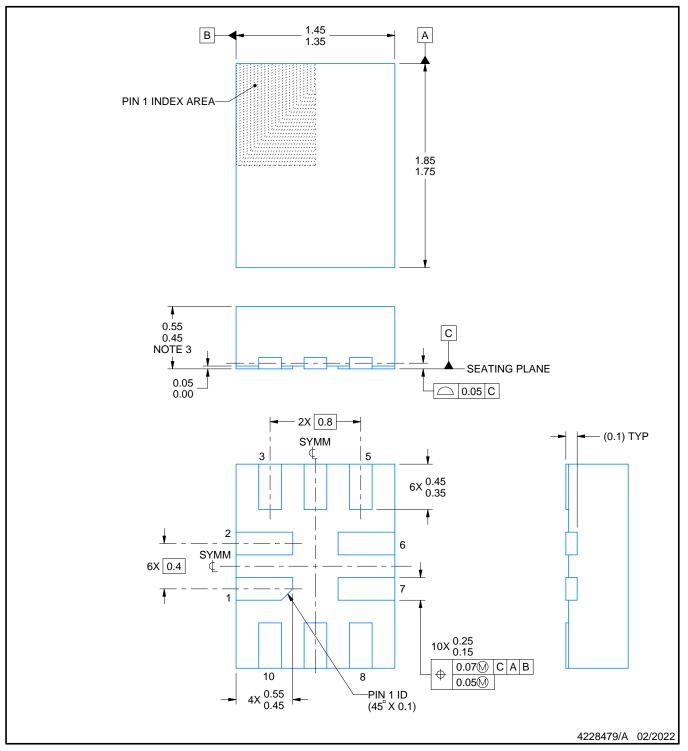
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PACKAGE OUTLINE

UQFN - 0.55 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



NOTES:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing All linear dimensions are in minimeters. Any dimensions in parentices are left foreigned any per ASME Y14.5M.
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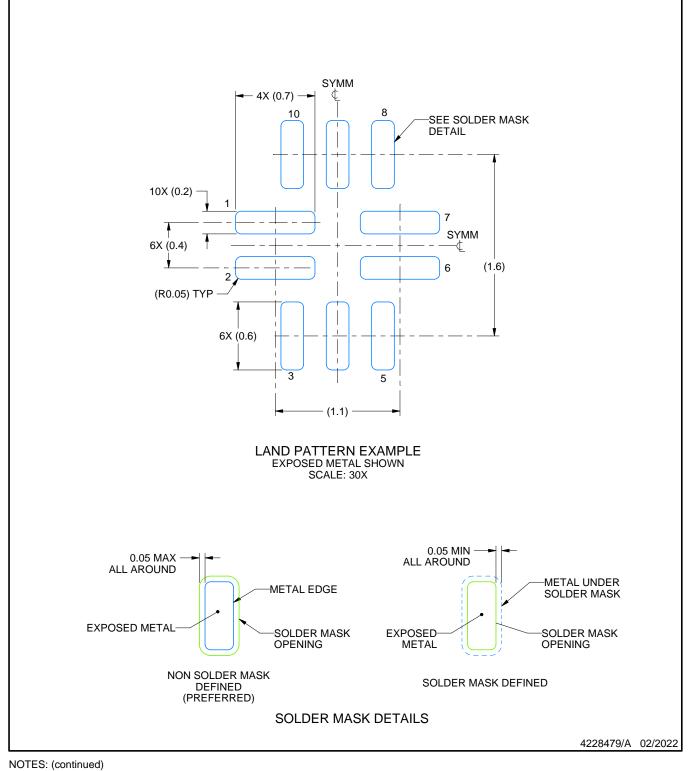


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EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

UQFN - 0.55 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



4. This people as is designed to be caldered to a thermal red

4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 (www.ti.com/lit/slua271).

5. 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.

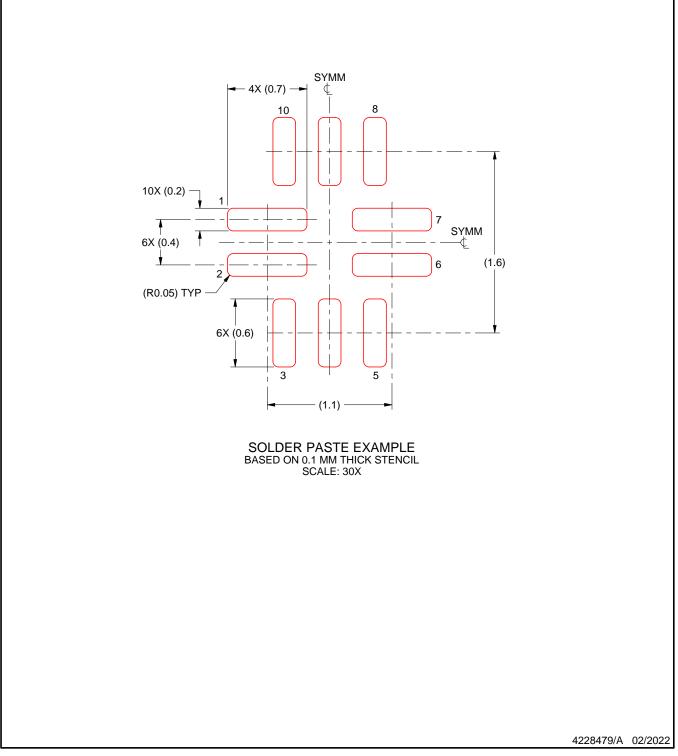


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EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

UQFN - 0.55 mm max height

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6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.



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