

TPS25831-Q1 Evaluation Module

This user's guide describes the TPS25831-Q1 evaluation module (TPS25831Q1EVM-062). This document contains the EVM schematics, EVM configuration, bill of materials (BOM), board layout drawing, and assembly drawing.

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1 Introduction

The TPS25831Q1EVM-062 is an evaluation module (EVM) for TI's TPS25831-Q1 USB Type-C™ and BC1.2 5-V, 3.5-A output, 36-V input synchronous buck with cable compensation. The EVM operates over a range from 6 V to 36 V and provides USB Type-C connectors to evaluate BC1.2 and USB Type-C charging and USB2.0 data communication functions. The value of cable compensation, current limit, and switching frequency can be adjusted by resistors on the EVM.

1.1 Features

The following features are available on this EVM:

- 6-V to 36-V input range, 3.5-A continuous output current buck converter
- Forced PWM operation with spread-spectrum dithering
- Fully AEC-Q100 qualified
- $\pm 8\%$ Current sense accuracy ($I_{OUT} > 1.5\text{ A}$) for precision cable droop compensation
- USB battery charging specification Rev. 1.2 and USB Type-C Rev. 1.3 compliant
- CC1, CC2, D+ and D– Short-to-VBAT, and VBUS protection
- User-programmable VBUS current limit and internal VCONN current limiting
- External NTC component for thermal management

1.2 Applications

The EVM is used in the following applications:

- Automotive: Infotainment, USB hubs, aftermarket USB chargers

2 Test Setup

Figure 1 shows a typical test setup for testing the TPS25831Q1EVM-062 buck converter. Connect J2 to the 13.5-V power supply. Connect the load to the J1 connector. Install a shunt on J4 to apply R_d on CC1.

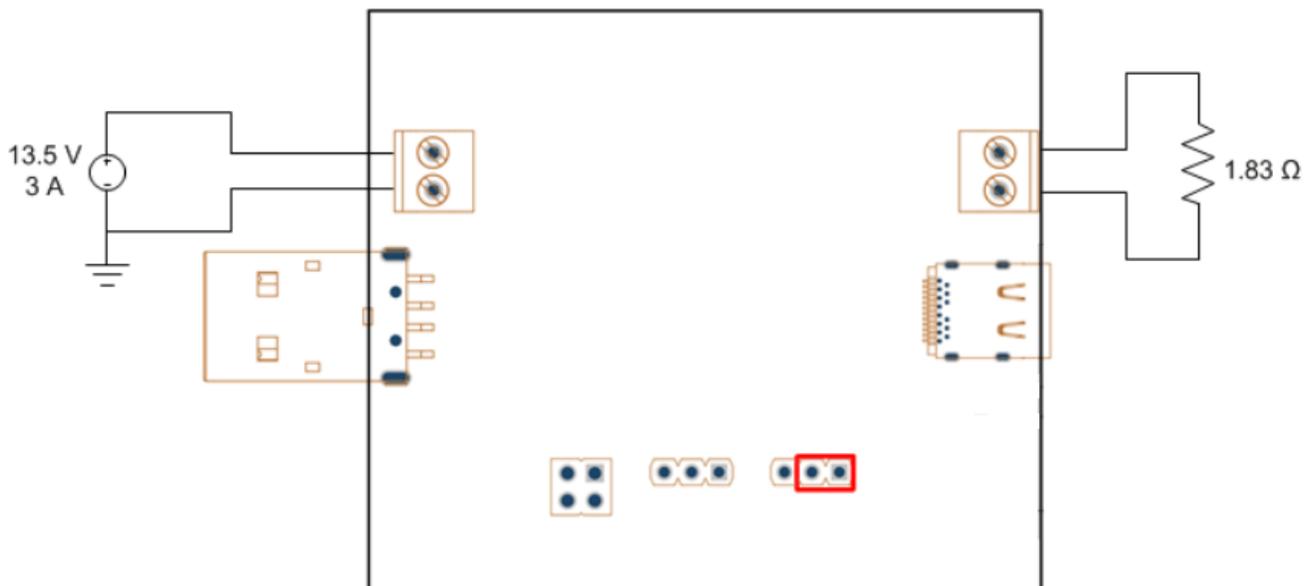


Figure 1. EVM Setup For Testing Buck Converter

Figure 2 shows a typical test setup for charging the USB Type-C device. Connect J2 to the 13.5-V power supply. Connect USB Type-C device to J7 connector. Shunts do not need to be installed on J4 or J5.

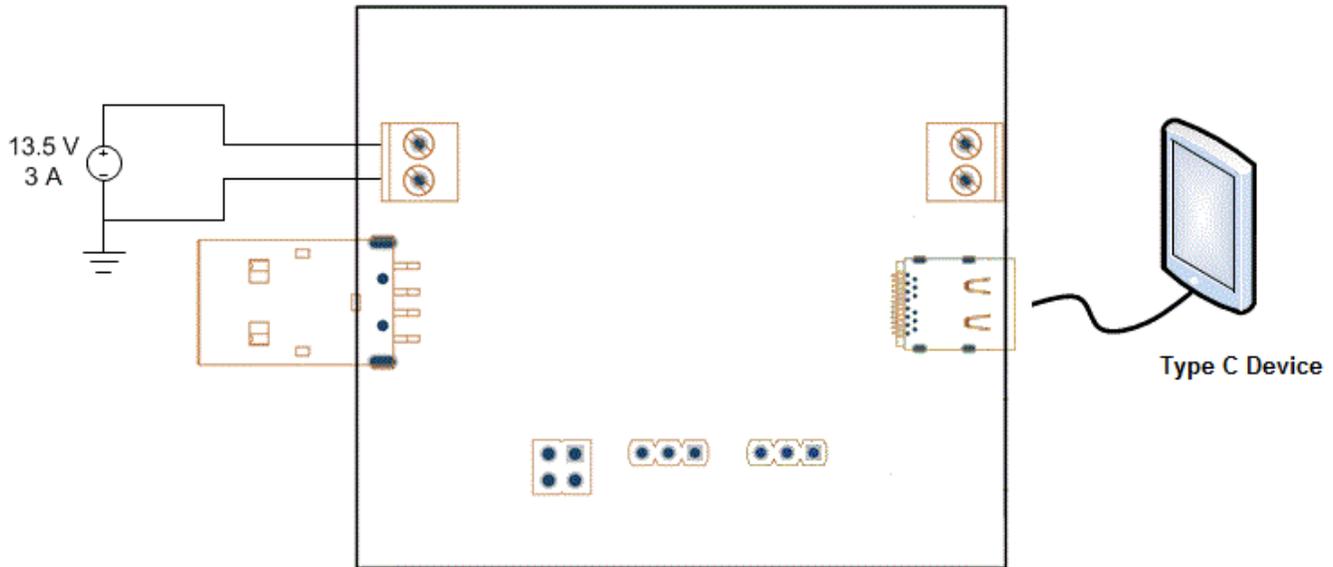


Figure 2. EVM Setup for Charging USB Type-C™ Device

2.1 Physical Access

Table 1 lists the TPS25831Q1EVM-062 connector functionality, Table 2 describes the jumper configuration, Table 3 shows LED labels and description, and Table 4 describes the test point availability.

Table 1. Connectors

Connector	Component Type	Description
J2	Terminal block	Power input connector for TPS25831-Q1. Connect to a 6-V to 36-V power supply.
J1	Terminal block	The regulated output voltage of the TPS25831-Q1 buck converter.
J3	USB Type-A connector, plug	Upstream facing USB 2.0 Type A connector. Connect to the USB 2.0 host for data pass through to J7. The power pin of this connector is float.
J7	USB Type-C connector, receptacle	Downstream facing USB Type-C connector. Connect to the USB Type-C slave for data pass through from J3 and BC1.2 or USB Type-C identification. USB output power is provided to the slave from the buck converter of the TPS25831-Q1 device.

Table 2. Jumpers

Jumper	Label	Description
J4	CC1	3 × 1 header. Install shunt to connect Ra or Rd on CC1. Remove shunt to float CC1.
J5	CC2	3 × 1 header. Install shunt to connect Ra or Rd on CC2. Remove shunt to float CC2.
J6	CTRL1	Install shunt to select CTRL1 as LOW. Remove shunt to select CTRL1 as HIGH.
	CTRL2	Install shunt to select CTRL2 as LOW. Remove shunt to select CTRL2 as HIGH.

Table 3. LED

LED	Label	Description
D4	THERM_WARN	THERM_WARN signal LED. Turn on when thermal warning asserts.
D5	LD_DET	LD_DET signal LED. Turn on when LD_DET asserts.
D6	POL	POL signal LED. Turn on when POL asserts.
D7	FAULT	FAULT signal LED. Turn on when FAULT asserts.

Table 4. Test Points

Test Point	Label	Description
TP1	VCONN	VCC pin test point via R1 or external Vconn input
TP2	CSP	Test point of voltage between inductor and sense resistor.
TP3	CSN/OUT	CSN pin test point and DC-DC output test point
TP4	VIN	VIN pin test point
TP5	EN	EN pin test point or external EN input.
TP6,TP7, TP8, TP9	GND	Power ground test point
TP10	THERM_WARN	Thermal warning pin test point
TP11	CC1	CC1 pin test point
TP12	CC2	CC2 pin test point
TP13	LD	LD_DET pin test point
TP14	POL	POL pin test point
TP15	FLT	FAULT pin test point
TP16	VBUS	USB Type-A and USB Type-C connector, VBUS test point
TP17	RT	RT pin test point or external clock input.

2.2 Adjusting the Switching Frequency

If other frequencies are desired, within the frequency range of 400 kHz to 2.2 MHz, the R_i resistor (R11) value can be changed. Consult the data sheet for proper selection of the R_i resistor (R11). Change the inductor (L1) and the total output capacitance for proper control loop operation.

The RT/SYNC pin can also be used to synchronize the internal oscillator to an external clock. The TPS25831EVMQ1-062 allows users to synchronize the internal oscillator to both Lo-Z clock source and Hi-Z clock source by configuring R11, R12, and C13. Refer to the data sheet for detailed information.

2.3 Adjusting the Current Limit Value

If other current limit values are desired, the R_i resistor (R15) value can be changed. Consult the data sheet for proper selection of the R_i resistor (R15).

2.4 Adjusting the Cable Compensation Value

If other cable compensation values are desired, the R_m resistor (R16) value can be changed. Consult the data sheet for proper selection of the R_m resistor (R16).

2.5 Adjusting Thermal Management

If other thermal management desired, the R_{T1} resistor, R14, R18 and R19 value can be changed. Consult the data sheet for proper selection .

3 Board Layout

Figure 3 and Figure 4 show the top and bottom assembly. Figure 5 to Figure 8 show the layout of the EVM.

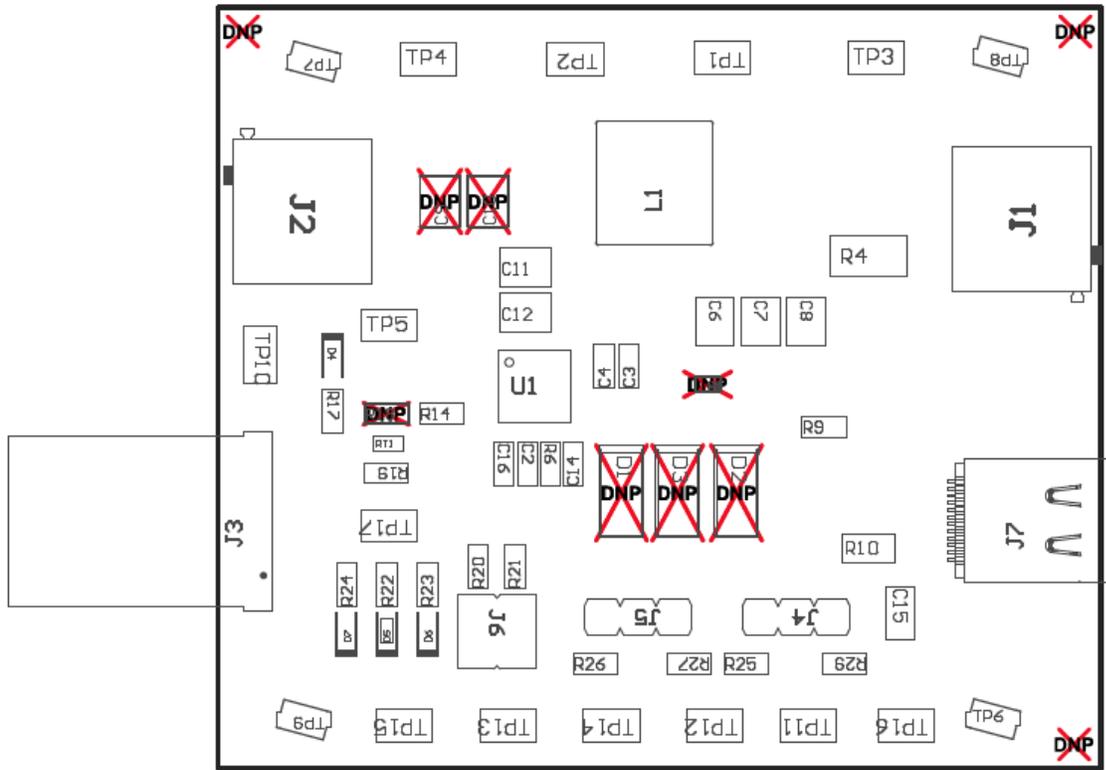


Figure 3. Top Side Assembly

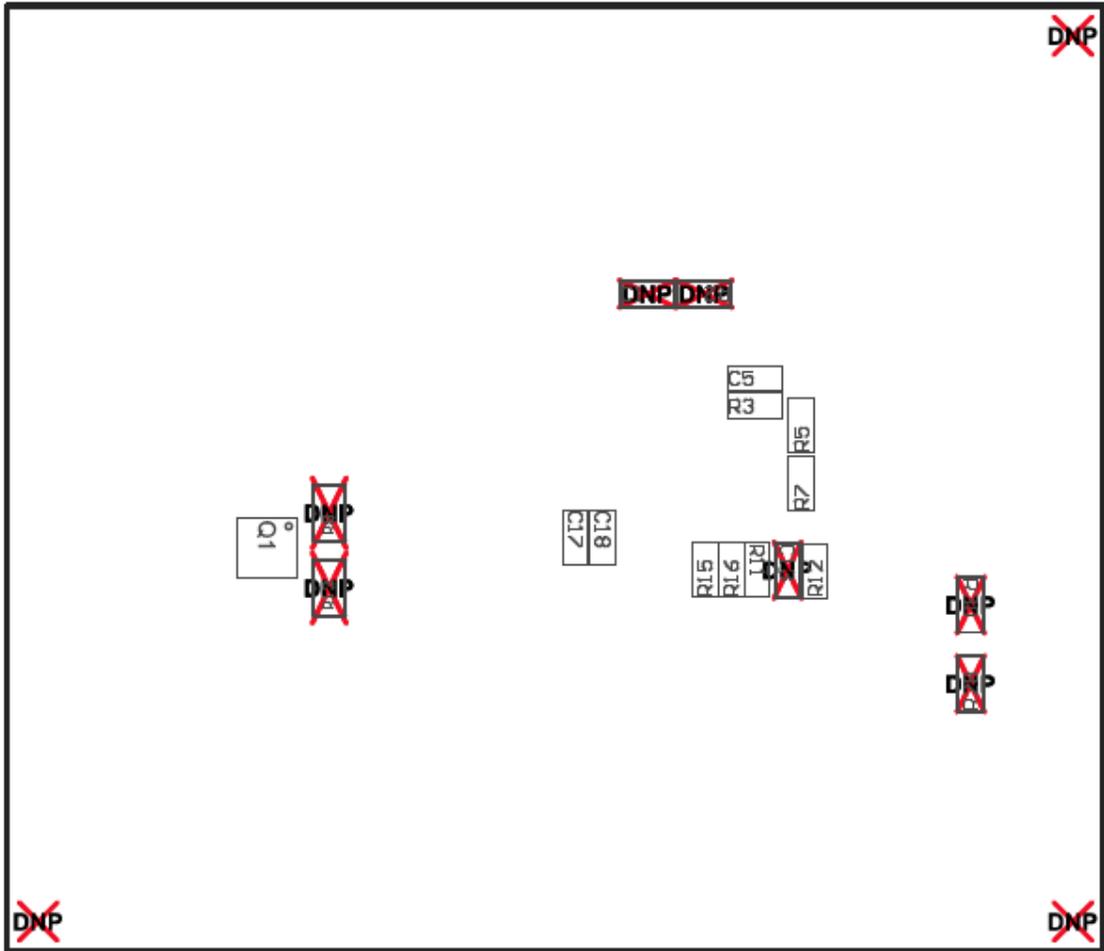


Figure 4. Bottom Side Assembly

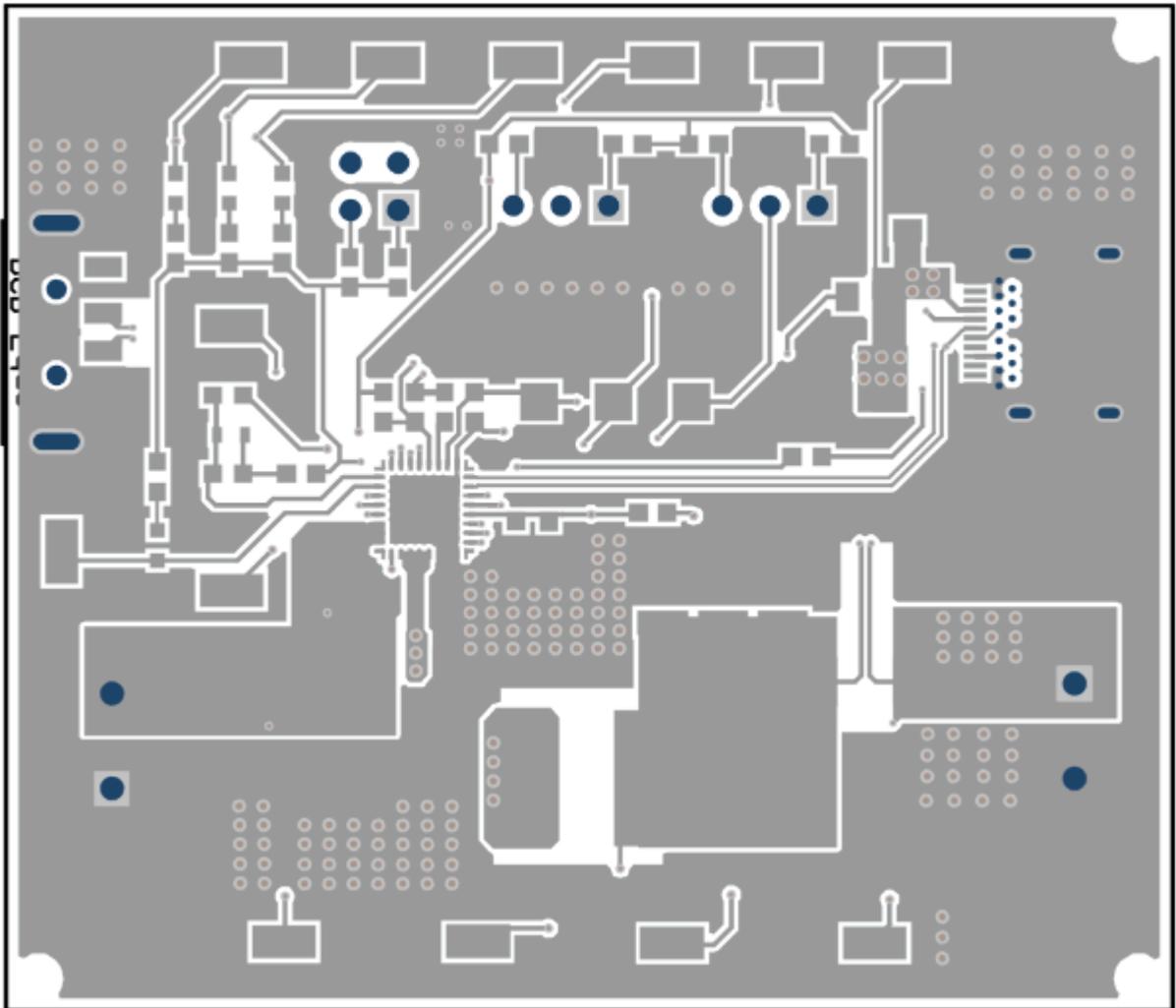


Figure 5. Top Layer Layout

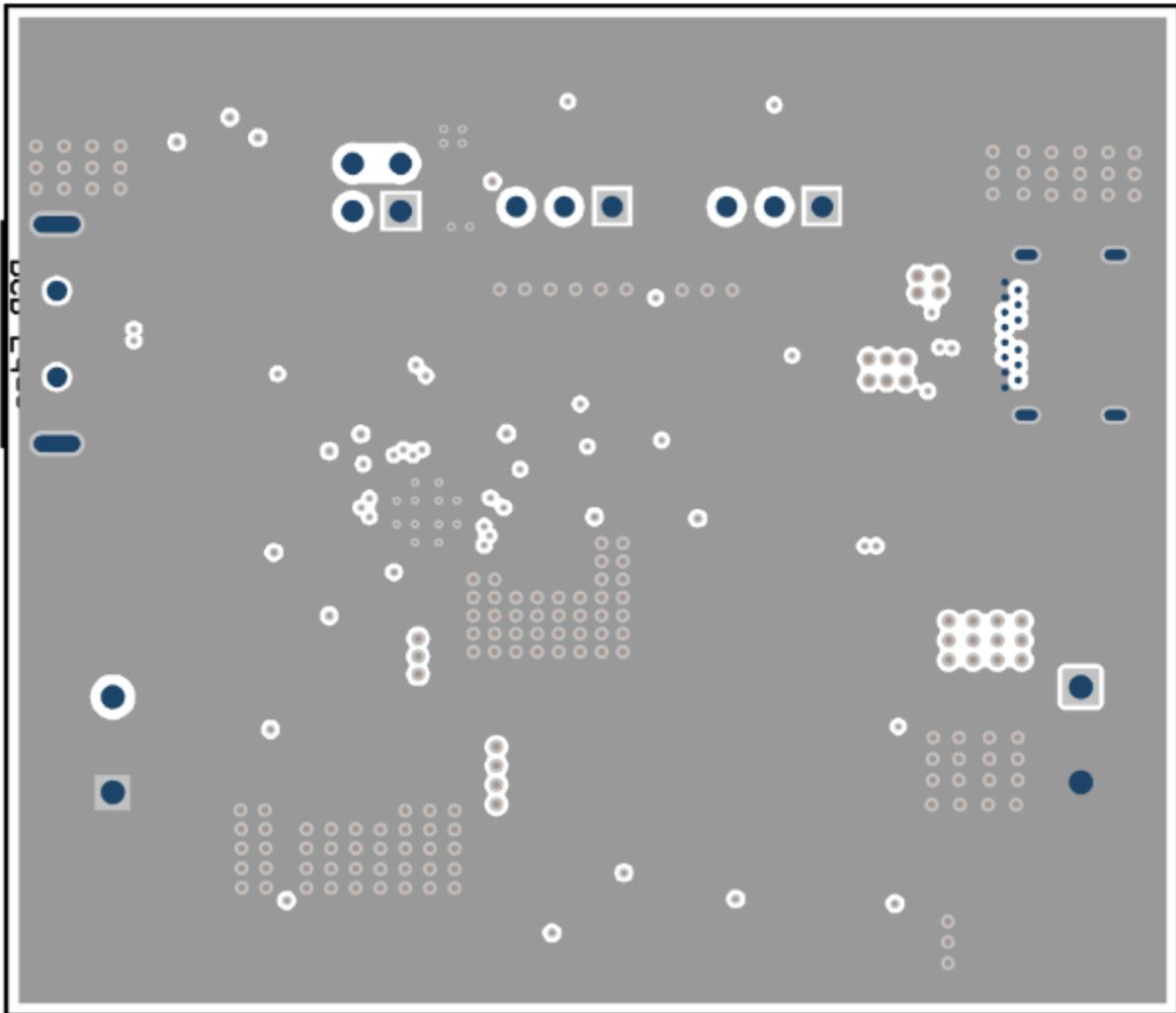


Figure 6. Middle Layer 1 Layout

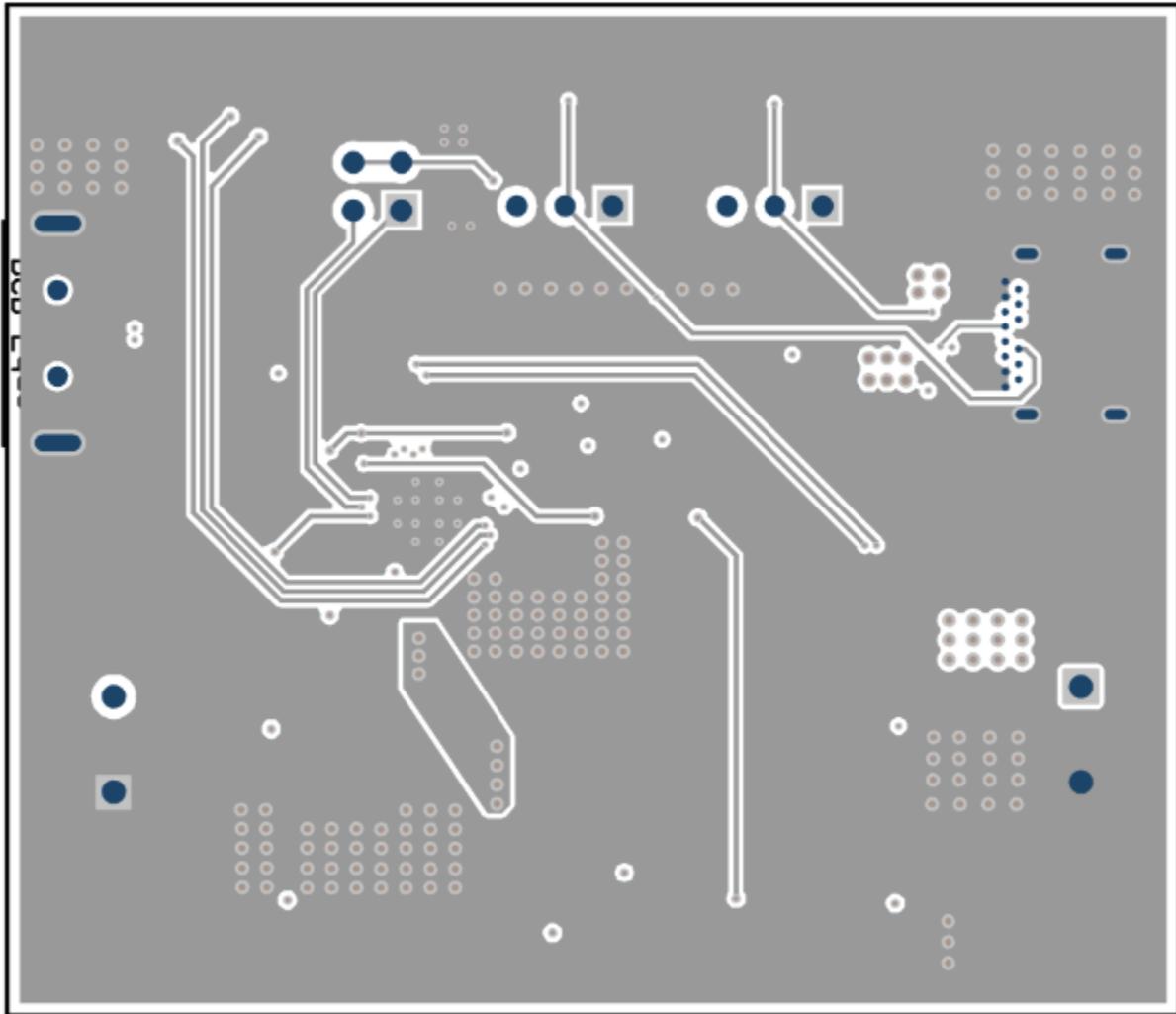


Figure 7. Middle Layer 2 Layout

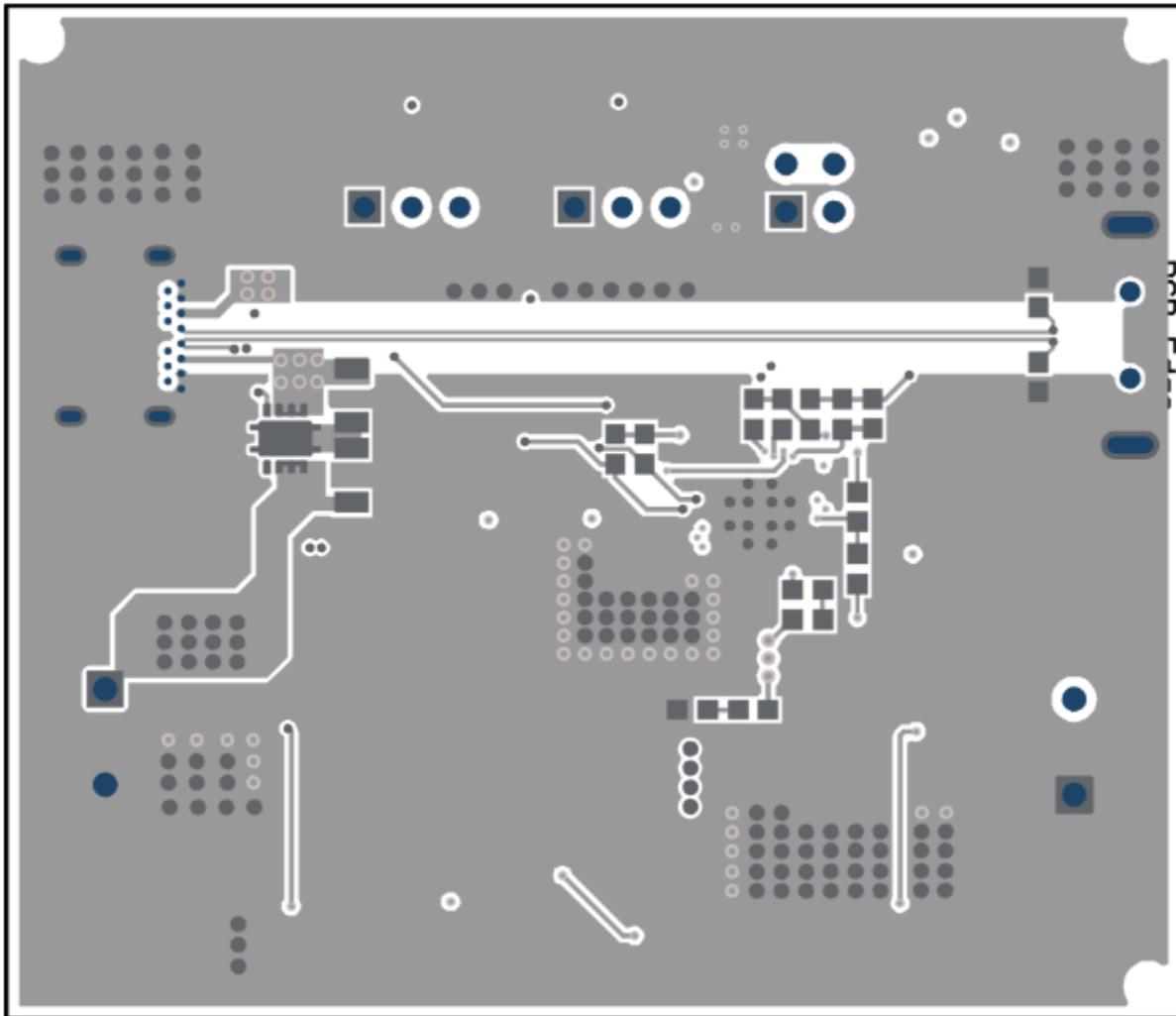


Figure 8. Bottom Layer Layout

4.2 Bill of Materials

Table 5 provides the EVM bill of materials.

Table 5. Bill of Materials

Designator	Qty	Value	Description	Package Reference	Part Number	Manufacturer
PCB	1		Printed Circuit Board		PSIL062	Any
C2, C4, C5, C16	4	0.1 uF	CAP, CERM, 0.1 µF, 50 V,+/- 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0603	0603	C0603C104K5RACAUTO	Kemet
C3	1	2.2 uF	CAP, CERM, 2.2 uF, 16 V, +/- 20%, X5R, 0603	0603	885012106018	Wurth Elektronik
C6, C7, C8	3	22 uF	CAP, CERM, 22 µF, 25 V,+/- 10%, X5R, AEC-Q200 Grade 3, 1210	1210	GRT32ER61E226KE13L	MuRata
C11	1	10 uF	CAP, CERM, 10 µF, 50 V,+/- 20%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 1210	1210	UMJ325KB7106MMHP	Taiyo Yuden
C12	1	0.1 uF	CAP, CERM, 0.1 µF, 50 V,+/- 5%, C0G/NP0, 1210	1210	C3225C0G1H104J250AA	TDK
C15	1	10 uF	CAP, CERM, 10 µF, 16 V,+/- 10%, X6S, 0805	0805	GRM21BC81C106KA73L	MuRata
D4, D7	2	Red	LED, Red, SMD	LED_0603	150060RS75000	Wurth Elektronik
D5	1	Blue	LED, Blue, SMD	LED_0603	150060BS75000	Wurth Elektronik
D56	1	Green	LED, Green, SMD	LED_0603	150060GS75000	Wurth Elektronik
J1, J2	2		Terminal Block, 5.08 mm, 2x1, TH	2POS Terminal Block	1715721	Phoenix Contact
J3	1		Connector, Plug, USB Type A, R/A, Top Mount SMT	USB 2.0, SMT Plug, 18.65x4.5x12mm	931	Keystone
J4, J5	2		Header, 2.54 mm, 3x1, Gold, TH	Header, 2.54 mm, 3x1, TH	61300311121	Wurth Elektronik
J6	1		Header, 2.54mm, 2x2, Gold, TH	Header, 2.54 mm, 2x2, TH	PBC02DAAN	Sullins Connector Solutions
J7	1		Connector, Receptacle, USB Type C, R/A	Connector, Receptacle, USB Type C, R/A, THT/SMT	632723300011	Wurth Elektronik
L1	1		Inductor, Shielded, Composite, 10 uH, 5.8 A, 0.022 ohm, SMD	8.8x8.3mm	74439358100	Wurth Elektronik
Q1	1	20 V	MOSFET, 2-CH, N-CH, 20 V, 12 A, DPA0008A (VSON-8)	DPA0008A	CSD85312Q3E	Texas Instruments
R3, R9, R12, R14	4	0	RES, 0, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	RMCF0603ZT0R00	Stackpole Electronics Inc
R4	1	0.015	RES, 0.015, 1%, 0.5 W, 2010	2010	WSL2010R0150FEA	Vishay-Dale
R5, R7	2	20 k	RES, 20 k, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW060320K0JNEA	Vishay-Dale
R6	1	301	RES, 301, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW0603301RFKEA	Vishay-Dale
R10	1	10.0	RES, 10.0, 1%, 0.125 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0805	0805	CRCW080510R0FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R11	1	49.9 k	RES, 49.9 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW060349K9FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R15, R16	2	5.62 k	RES, 5.62 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW06035K62FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R17, R22, R23, R24	4	10 k	RES, 10 k, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW060310K0JNEA	Vishay-Dale
R19	1	39.2 k	RES, 39.2 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW060339K2FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R20, R21	2	100 k	RES, 100 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW0603100KFKEA	Vishay-Dale
R25, R26	2	1.0 k	RES, 1.0 k, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW06031K00JNEA	Vishay-Dale
R27, R29	2	5.1 k	RES, 5.1 k, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW06035K10JNEA	Vishay-Dale
RT1	1	470 k	Thermistor NTC, 470 k ohm, 5%, 0603	0603	NCP18WM474J03RB	MuRata
SH-J4, SH-J6	2		Shunt, 2.54 mm, Gold, Blue	Shunt, 2.54mm, Blue	60900213621	Wurth Elektronik

Table 5. Bill of Materials (continued)

Designator	Qty	Value	Description	Package Reference	Part Number	Manufacturer
TP1, TP2, TP3, TP4, TP5, TP10, TP11, TP12, TP13, TP14, TP15, TP16, TP17	13		Test Point, Miniature, SMT	Testpoint_Keystone_Miniature	5015	Keystone
TP6, TP7, TP8, TP9	4		Test Point, Compact, SMT	Testpoint_Keystone_Compact	5016	Keystone
U1	1		USB Type-C and BC1.2 5 V 3.5 A Output, 36-V Input Synchronous Buck with Cable Compensation, RHB0032R (VQFN-32)	RHB0032R	TPS25831S10QWRHB	Texas Instruments
C1, C13	0	0.1 uF	CAP, CERM, 0.1 uF, 50 V,+/- 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0603	0603	C0603C104K5RACAUTO	Kemet
C9, C10	0	10 uF	CAP, CERM, 10 uF, 50 V,+/- 20%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 1210	1210	UMJ325KB7106MMHP	Taiyo Yuden
D1, D2, D3	0	18 V	Diode, TVS, Uni, 18 V, 28.3 Vc, AEC-Q101, SMA	SMA	SMA6J18AHM3/5A	Vishay-Semiconductor
FID1, FID2, FID3, FID4, FID5, FID6	0		Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount.	N/A	N/A	N/A
R1	0		RES, 0.01, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	WSL0603R0100FEA	Vishay-Dale
R2	0		RES, 0, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	RMCF0603ZT0R00	Stackpole Electronics Inc
R8, R13	0		RES, 0, 1%, 0.5 W, 1206	1206	5108	Keystone
R18	0	1.00 k	RES, 1.00 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW06031K00FKEA	Vishay-Dale
R28, R30	0	15.0 k	RES, 15.0 k, 1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW060315K0FKEA	Vishay-Dale

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- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
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This is a class A product intended for use in environments other than domestic environments that are connected to a low-voltage power-supply network that supplies buildings used for domestic purposes. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

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4. *EVM Use Restrictions and Warnings:*
 - 4.1 EVMS ARE NOT FOR USE IN FUNCTIONAL SAFETY AND/OR SAFETY CRITICAL EVALUATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO EVALUATIONS OF LIFE SUPPORT APPLICATIONS.
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