

TPS92613-Q1 Typical Application to Achieve High Immunity to BCI (Bulk Current Injection)

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ABSTRACT

This application report outlines a typical schematic and layout design for single-channel LED driver, TPS92613-Q1, to achieve high BCI (Bulk Current Injection) immunity performance with test result. The international standard this evaluation board passes is ISO11452-4 200 mA level.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Device Overview

The TPS92613-Q1 device is a single-channel, high-side LED driver operating from an automotive car battery. It is a simple, yet elegant, solution to deliver constant current for a single LED string with full LED diagnostics. [Figure 1](#) shows a typical application diagram.

Comparing to discrete solutions, the TPS92613-Q1 is a low-cost monolithic solution, which can lower system-level component count and significantly improve current accuracy and reliability.

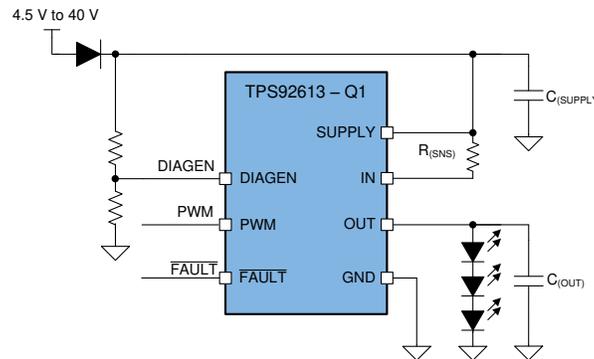


Figure 1. TPS92613-Q1 Typical Application Diagram

1.2 Bulk Current Injection

Buck Current Injection (BCI) is a method of assessing the immunity of the printed circuit board (PCB) to electromagnetic fields that are coupled onto the communications line wiring harnesses.

Testing was done according to the ISO11452-4 standard. The detailed test setup and general acceptance criteria are shown in [Table 1](#) and [Table 2](#), respectively.

Table 1. Test Requirements

Frequency (MHz)	Frequency Step Size (MHz)	Dwell Time (s)	Test Level (mA)	Probe Type	Probe Distance to DUT	Modulation
1 - 200	1	2	200	Open Loop	150 mm, 450 mm, 750 mm	CW AM
200 - 400	2	2	200	Open Loop	150 mm, 450 mm, 750 mm	CW AM

Table 2. Acceptance Criteria

Monitoring Parameters	Acceptance	Test Level
Supply current	Changes < ±20%	200 mA
LED	No flicker	200 mA

2 PCB Design Recommendation

Because the most important feature of the LED driver device is output constant current to drive LEDs, current is used for analysis.

2.1 Schematic Design

Figure 2 is the schematic of TPS92613-Q1 EVM.

- First, divide current into two parts, one is the supply current of the chip: I_{inner} , the other is the driving current of the LED: from I_{IN} to I_{out} .
- I_{inner} is used to provide current for the control module of the chip, which is sensitive to interference, so a small filter capacitor (C7) is added.
 - C7 must be added before anti-reverse diode D2. Because D2 acts as a filter to pass positive noise and block negative noise so that the common-mode noise entering the control module increases.
 - The capacitance of C7 can decrease to 100 nF.
- The driving current of the LED, I_{IN} to I_{out} , also needs a filter. So capacitor C3 and C4 is added.
 - C3 and C4 can be placed after anti-reverse diode D2, because the driving current is less sensitive than I_{inner} .

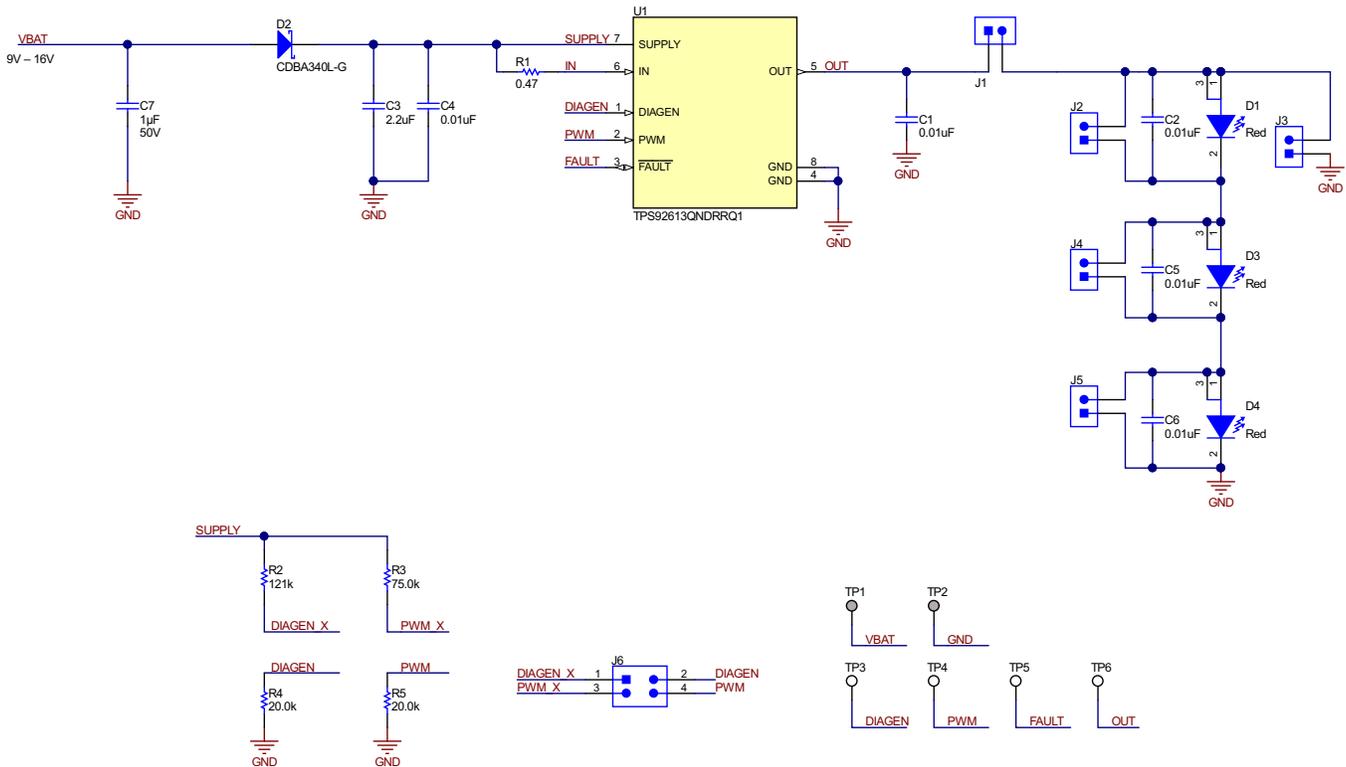


Figure 2. TPS92613-Q1 Schematic for PCB Design

2.2 Layout Recommendation

Figure 3 is the layout of TPS92613-Q1 EVM.

- C7 should be placed through VBAT and GND so as to filter the interference over input voltage and the "control ground" of the chip directly
- Design the "Control ground" as wide as possible
- Add C3 and C4 among the path from the power input to power GND
- Connect "Power ground" and "control ground" in a region away from the socket on the PCB board

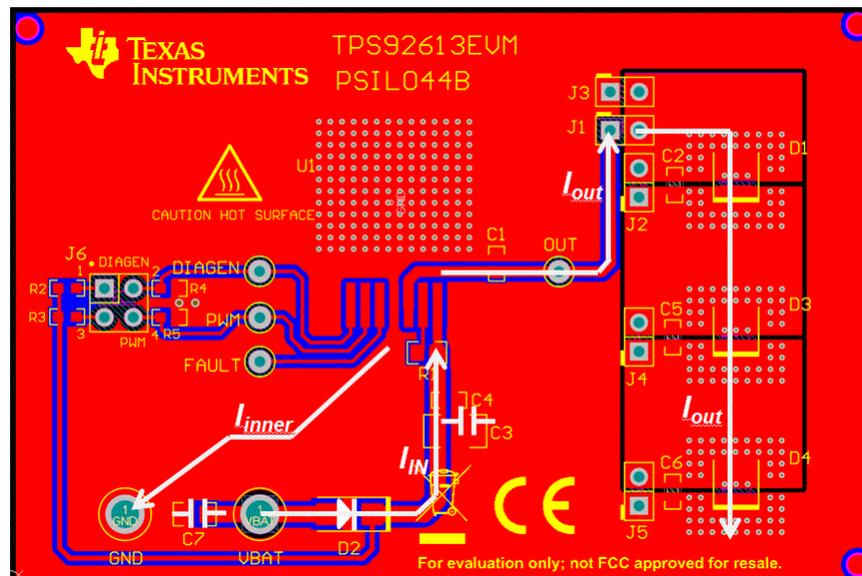


Figure 3. TPS92613-Q1 EVM Layout Illustration for BCI Test

3 Test Results

Figure 4 to Figure 7 show the equipment and DUT configuration of the BCI test.



Figure 4. General Setup of BCI Test

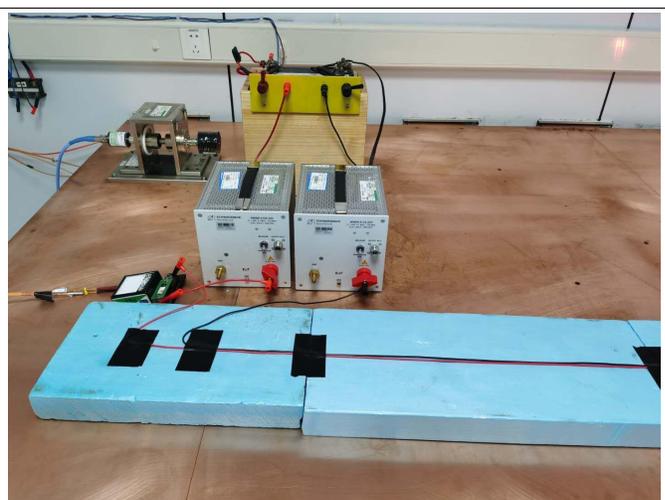


Figure 5. Battery Side of BCI Test

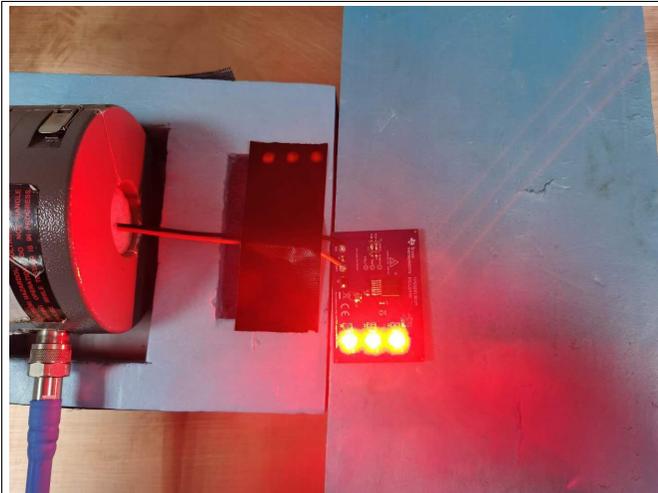


Figure 6. DUT Side of BCI Test

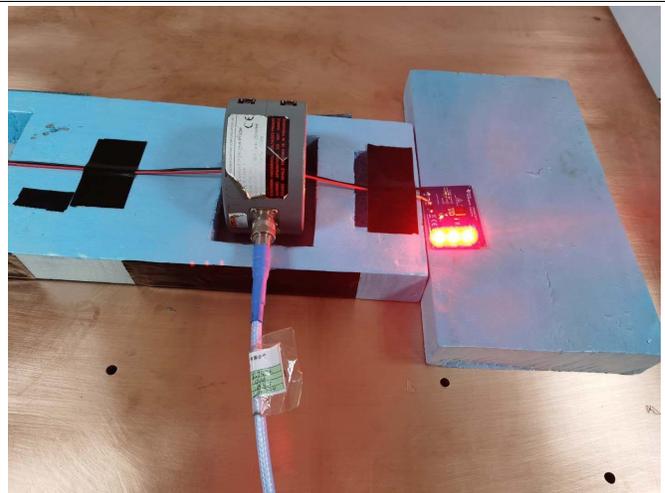


Figure 7. Current Injection of BCI Test

Table 3 lists the detailed results of the BCI test. The highest output current is 235 mA in 150-mm distance, the deviation is:

$$(235 - 204) / 204 = 15\% < \pm 20\%$$

Meanwhile no visible flicker was observed during the test. The DUT board passes the BCI test with function A result.

Table 3. Test Results of TPS92613-Q1 EVM BCI Test

Frequency (MHz)	Probe to DUT (mm)			Frequency (MHz)	Probe to DUT (mm)		
	150	450	750		150	450	750
1 to 150	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	280	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA
160	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	290	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA
170	208 mA	208 mA	204 mA	300	211 mA	204 mA	210 mA
180	208 mA	208 mA	204 mA	310	211 mA	204 mA	204 mA
190	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	320	211 mA	204 mA	204 mA
200	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	330	211 mA	204 mA	204 mA
210	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	340	211 mA	204 mA	204 mA
220	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	350	211 mA	204 mA	204 mA
230	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	360	235 mA	220 mA	204 mA
240	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	370	215 mA	211 mA	204 mA
250	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	380	207 mA	204 mA	204 mA
260	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	390	205 mA	204 mA	204 mA
270	204 mA	204 mA	204 mA	400	205 mA	204 mA	204 mA

The jumper J1 to J6 is removed during the test to avoid the unexpected radiated noise coupling during the test. The jumpers in the EVM are only for evaluation convenience, and normally they are not required in a real application.

4 Summary

This application report introduces layout precautions of TPS92613-Q1 for better BCI immunity performance. The international standard this evaluation board passes is ISO11452-4 200-mA level. The filter capacitor C7 before the anti-reverse diode D2 is used to give cleaner power to the control module of the chip; the filter capacitor C3 and C4 is used to give cleaner driving current for LEDs. They need to be directly connected to “control ground” and “power ground”, respectively.

5 References

- Texas Instruments, [TPS92613-Q1 Automotive Single-Channel LED Driver Data Sheet](#)
- Texas Instruments, [TPS92613-Q1 Evaluation Module User's Guide](#)

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