

TPS2378 EVM User's Guide

This User's Guide describes the evaluation module (EVM) for the TPS2378 (TPS2378EVM-105). TPS2378 is an IEEE802.3at type 2 compliant powered device (PD) controller.

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1 Introduction

The TPS2378EVM allows reference circuit evaluation of the TI TPS2378 PD controller. The TPS2378 features an auxiliary power detect (APD) input, providing priority for an external power adapter. It also features a 100 V pass transistor, 140 mA inrush current limiting, type-2 indication, auto-retry fault protection, and an open-drain power-good output.

1.1 Features

- Gigabit Ethernet pass through interface
- Switched output return for “ease of use” loading
- Adapter input capability
- IEEE 802.3at type-2 hardware classification with status flag (T2P) and LED
- DC/DC converter enable (CDB)
- Robust 100 V, 0.5 Ω hotswap MOSFET
- Operating current up to 1A typical

1.2 Applications

- IEEE 802.3at-compliant devices
- Video and VoIP telephones
- Multiband access points
- Security cameras
- Pico-base stations

2 Electrical Specifications at 25°C

Table 1. TPS2378EVM Electrical and Performance Specifications

PARAMETER	CONDITION	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
POWER INTERFACE					
Input Voltage	Applied to the power pins of connectors J1 or J3	0	–	57	V
Operating Voltage	After start up.	30	–	57	V
Input UVLO	Rising input voltage at device terminals.	–	–	40	V
	Falling input voltage.	30.5	–	–	
Detection voltage	At device terminals	1.4	–	10.1	V
Classification voltage	At device terminals	11.9	–	23.0	V
Classification current	Rclass = 63.4 Ω	38	–	42	mA
Inrush current-limit		100	–	180	mA
Operating current-limit		850	–	1200	mA
Efficiency	Two input pairs: Measured from J1 to J6 with J5 shorted. 31W output power	97.4%			

3 Description

TPS2378EVM-105 enables full evaluation of the TPS2378 device. Refer to the schematic shown in [Figure 1](#). Ethernet power is applied from J1 to T1 and is dropped to the diode bridges (D4/D5/D10/D11 or D6/D7/D12/D13) from the T1 center taps. The series R-C circuit from each center tap help balance the Ethernet cable impedance and are critical for ESD and EMI/EMC performance. These circuits are terminated at TP11 (EGND) through the high voltage capacitor, C11. At the output of the diode bridges is the EMI/EMC filter and transient protection for the TPS2378. R9 provides the detection signature and R15 provides the class 4 signature resistance to the PSE.

To the right of the TPS2378 (U1) is the switched side of the PD controller. The TPS2378 RTN pin provides inrush limited turn on and charge of the bulk capacitor, C4. During inrush, the TPS2378 CDB pin is pulled low (with respect to the RTN pin). Since the CDB pin is connected to the GATE of Q1, Q1 is off during inrush and J6 pin 1 is not connected to the RTN pin. This allows the output load to remain connected during EVM testing.

Input power can also be applied at J3 from a dc source. EMI/EMC filtering is provided at this connector as well and diode D1 ensures reverse voltage protection. R4 and R7 provide a threshold for the TPS2378 APD pin so that the TPS2378 internal MOSFET is disabled when the voltage at J3 is above approximately 38V. This ensures that the adapter has priority over the PSE source. LED's D2 and D3 provide operational visual indications of T2P and ON respectively.

5 General Configuration and Description

5.1 Physical Access

Table 2 lists the TPS2378EVM connector functionality, Table 3 describes the test point availability and Table 4 describes the jumper functionality.

Table 2. Connector Functionality

Connector	Label	Description
J1	PWR+DATA	Power over ethernet (POE) input. Connect to power sourcing equipment (PSE) power and data source.
J2	DATA	Ethernet data pass through. Connect to downstream ethernet device.
J3	ADAPTER	DC adapter input. Connect to dc power supply. DC voltage above 38V will disable the TPS2378 internal MOSFET and activate the T2P LED.
J6	J6	Output connector to load. Connect pin #4 (VDD) to positive input and pin #1 (RTN) to low side of load. Pin #2 (CDB) can be used to inhibit the converter while the TPS2378 output is ramping up. Pin #3 (T2P) can be used to notify the load of when high power source is present.
D2 (RED)	T2P	T2P (type 2 PSE) LED. When ON this indicates that either a type 2 PSE is detected or an adapter voltage source (above 38V) is present at J3.
D3 (GREEN)	ON	TPS2378 Output Powered.

Table 3. Test Points

Test Point	Color	Label	Description
TP1	WHT	APD	Auxiliar power detect
TP2	RED	PAIR12	Data pair from pins 1 and 2 of J1
TP3	ORG	PAIR36	Data pair from pins 3 and 6 of J1
TP4	RED	PAIR45	Spare pair from pins 4 and 5 of J1
TP5	ORG	PAIR78	Spare pair from pins 7 and 8 of J1
TP6	RED	VDD	High side output from bridge
TP7	WHT	T2P	Type 2 PSE output from TPS2378
TP8	BLK	RTN	Switched low side from TPS2378
TP9	WHT	CDB	Converter disable output from TPS2378
TP10	BLK	VSS	Low side output from bridge
TP11	SM	EGND	Earth or chassis ground point

Table 4. Jumpers

Jumper	Label	Description
J4	J4	LED bias jumper. Install to furnish LED bias for T2P and ON LED's
J5	J5	Switched output return bypass jumper.

5.2 Test Setup

Figure 2 shows a typical test setup for TPS2378EVM. Connect J1 to the power sourcing equipment (PSE) or alternatively connect J3 to a wall adapter or power supply. Power for the Ethernet device is available at J6 and the pass through Ethernet data is available at J2.

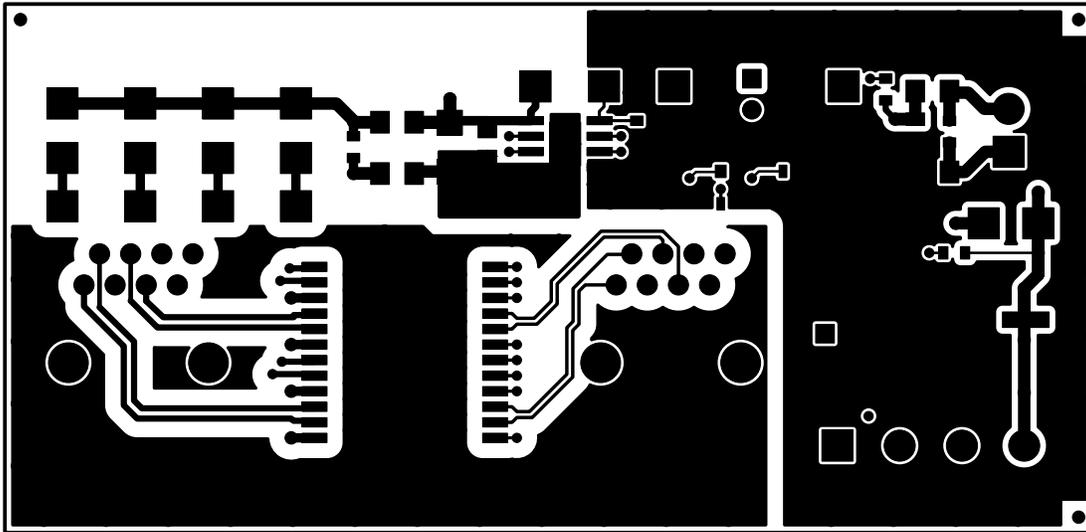


Figure 4. Top Side Routing

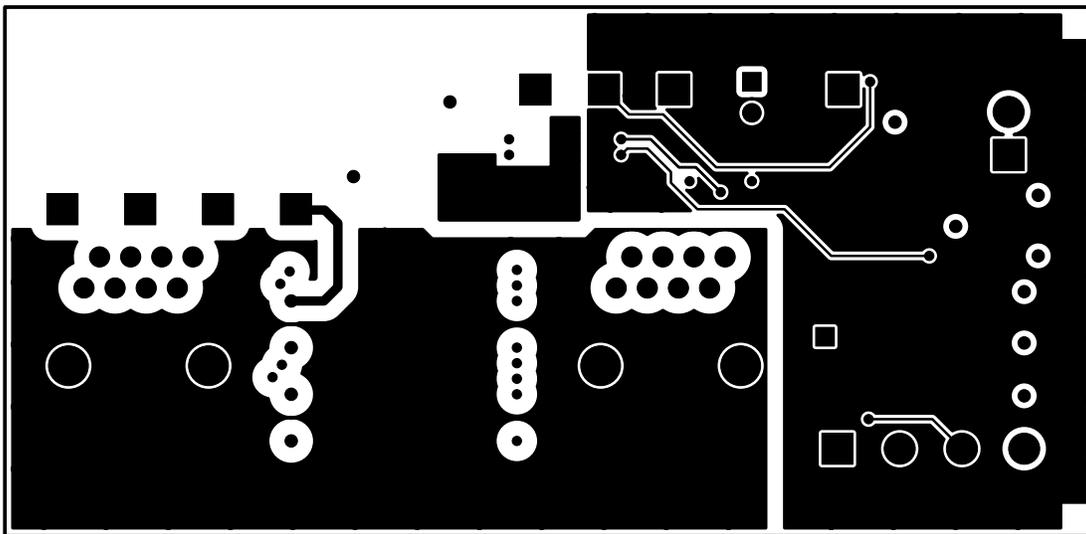


Figure 5. Layer Two Routing

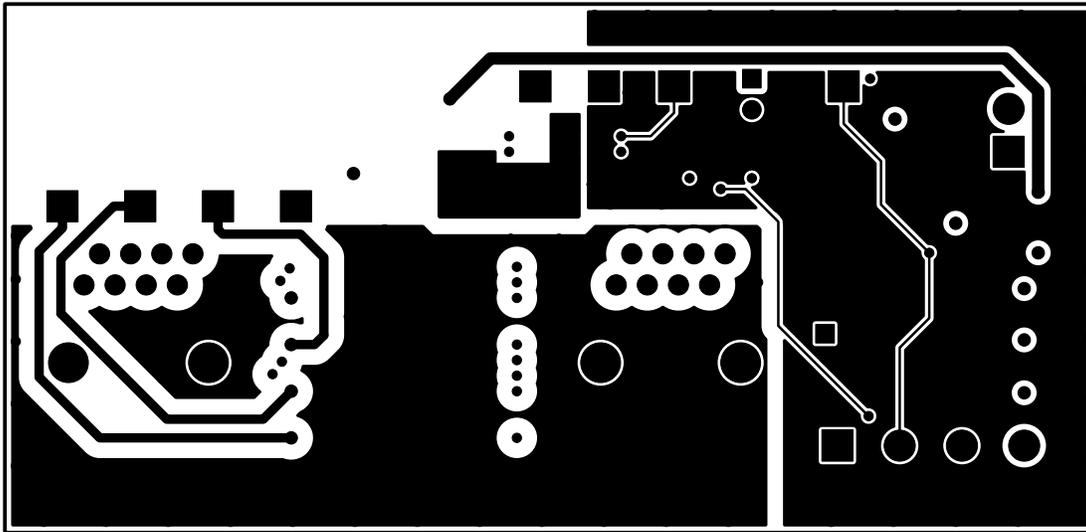


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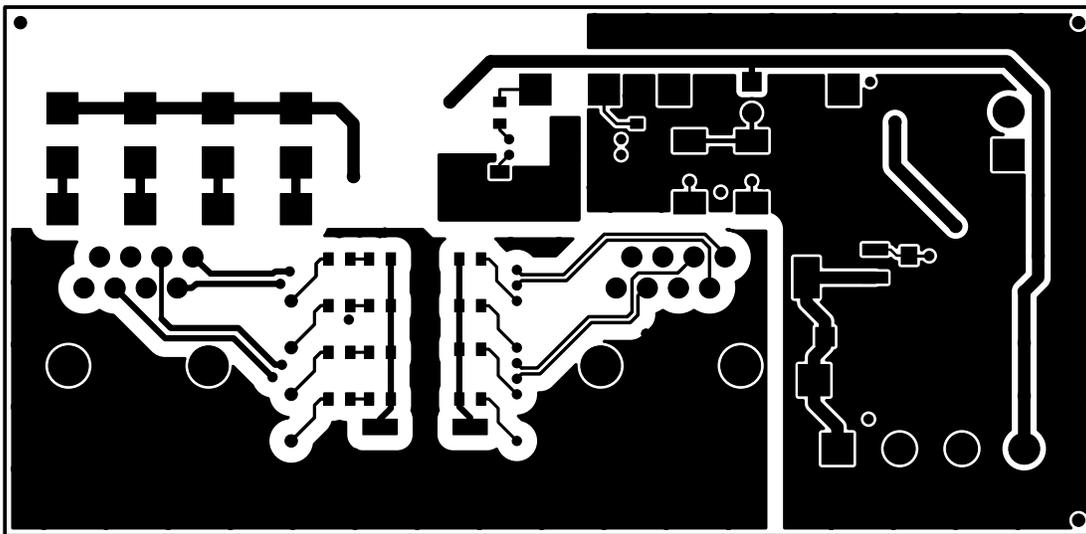


Figure 7. Bottom Side Routing

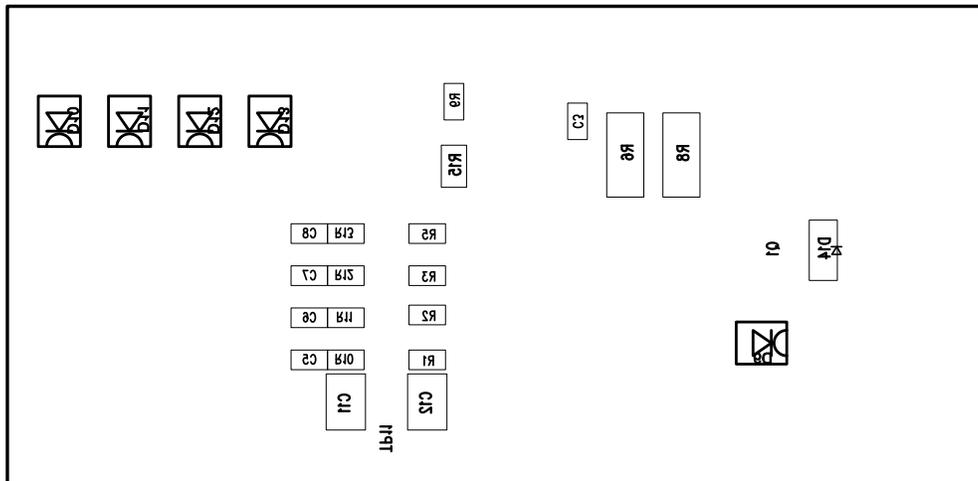


Figure 8. Bottom Side Placement

6.2 Layout Guidelines

The layout of the PoE front end should follow power and EMI/ESD best practice guidelines. A basic set of recommendations include:

- Parts placement must be driven by power flow in a point-to-point manner; RJ-45, Ethernet transformer, diode bridges, TVS and 0.1- μ F capacitor, and TPS2378.
- All leads should be as short as possible with wide power traces and paired signal and return.
- There should not be any crossovers of signals from one part of the flow to another.
- Spacing consistent with safety standards like IEC60950 must be observed between the 48-V input voltage rails and between the input and an isolated converter output.
- The TPS2378 should be located over split, local ground planes referenced to VSS for the PoE input and to RTN for the switched output.
- Large copper fills and traces should be used on SMT power-dissipating devices, and wide traces or overlay copper fills should be used in the power path.

6.3 EMI Containment

- Use compact loops for dv/dt and di/dt circuit paths (power loops and gate drives)
- Use minimal, yet thermally adequate, copper areas for heat sinking of components tied to switching nodes (minimize exposed radiating surface).
- Use copper ground planes (possible stitching) and top layer copper floods (surround circuitry with ground floods)
- Use 4 layer PCB if economically feasible (for better grounding)
- Minimize the amount of copper area associated with input traces (to minimize radiated pickup)
- Use Bob Smith terminations, Bob Smith EFT capacitor, and Bob Smith plane
- Use Bob Smith plane as ground shield on input side of PCB (creating a phantom or literal earth ground)
- Use of ferrite beads on input (allow for possible use of beads or 0 ohm resistors)
- Maintain physical separation between input-related circuitry and power circuitry (use ferrite beads as boundary line)
- Possible use of common-mode inductors
- Possible use of integrated RJ-45 jacks (shielded with internal transformer and Bob Smith terminations)
- End-product enclosure considerations (shielding)

7 Bill of Materials

Table 5. TPS2378EVM Bill of Materials

Count	REFDES	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	Supplier
4	FB1-4	500	Bead, Ferrite, 2000mA, 60m-ohm	1206	MI1206L501R-10	Steward
5	C3 C5-8	0.01uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 100V, X7R, 10%	603	STD	STD
2	C1 C9	1000pF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 100V, X7R, 10%	603	STD	STD
2	C2 C10	0.1uF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 100V, X7R, 10%	805	STD	STD
2	C11-12	1000pF	Capacitor, Ceramic, 2kV, X7R, 15%	1210	Std	STD
1	C4	47uF	Capacitor, Aluminum, 63V, ±20%	0.328 x 0.390 inch	EEE-FK1J470P	Panasonic
2	J1-2	5520252-4	Connector, Jack, Modular, 8 POS	0.705 x 0.820 inch	5520252-4	AMP
1	D14	BZT52C18V	Diode, Zener, Planar Power, 500mW, 18V	SOD-123	BZT52C18-7-F	Diodes, Inc
1	D2	LN1271RAL	Diode, LED, Ultra Bright Red, 10-mA, 5-mcd	0.114 X 0.049 inch	LN1271RAL	Panasonic
1	D3	LN1371G	Diode, LED, Green, 10-mA, 2.6-mcd	0.114 X 0.049 inch	LN1371G	Panasonic
9	D1 D4-7 D10-13	B2100	Diode, Schottky, 2-A, 100-V	SMB	B2100-13-F	Diodes, Inc
0	D9	B2100	Diode, Schottky, 2-A, 100-V	SMB	B2100-13-F	Diodes, Inc
1	D8	SMAJ58A	Diode, TVS, 58-V, 1W	SMA	SMAJ58A-13-F	Diodes, Inc
2	J4 J5	PEC02SAAN	Header, Male 2-pin, 100mil spacing	0.100 inch x 2	PEC02SAAN	Sullins
1	R14	100k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	603	STD	STD
1	R7	10k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	603	STD	STD
1	R4	237k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	603	STD	STD
1	R9	24.9k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	603	STD	STD
8	R1-3 R5 R10-13	75	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	603	STD	STD
1	R15	63.4	Resistor, Chip, 1/10W, 1%	805	STD	STD
2	R6 R8	12.1k	Resistor, Chip, 0.6W, 1%	2010	STD	STD
1	J6	ED120/4DS	Terminal Block, 4-pin, 15-A, 5.1mm	0.80 x 0.35 inch	ED120/4DS	OST
1	J3	ED555/2DS	Terminal Block, 2-pin, 6-A, 3.5mm	0.27 x 0.25 inch	ED555/2DS	OST
3	TP2 TP4 TP6	5010	Test Point, Red, Thru Hole	0.125 x 0.125 inch	5010	Keystone
2	TP8 TP10	5011	Test Point, Black, Thru Hole	0.125 x 0.125 inch	5011	Keystone
3	TP1 TP7 TP9	5012	Test Point, White, Thru Hole	0.125 x 0.125 inch	5012	Keystone
2	TP3 TP5	5013	Test Point, Orange, Thru Hole	0.125 x 0.125 inch	5013	Keystone
1	TP11	5016	Test Point, SM, 0.150 x 0.090	0.185 x 0.135 inch	5016	Keystone
1	U1	TPS2378DDA	IC, IEEE 802.3at PoE High Power PD Controller	TPS2378DDA	TPS2378DDA	TI
1	Q1	IRFL4310	MOSFET, N-ch, 100V, 200-milliOhms	SOT223	IRFL4310TRPBF	IRF
1	T1	749022011 or H6096NL	PoE Plus Gigabit Ethernet Transformer	S024	749022011 or H6096NL	Würth Electronics or Pulse

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Caution

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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Concerning EVMs including radio transmitters

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