EPC2305 – Enhancement Mode Power Transistor

 V_{DS} , 150 V $R_{DS(on)} \ , \ 2.2 \ m\Omega \ typ$









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General Description

The EPC2305 is a 150 V eGaN® power transistor in a low inductance 3 x 5 mm QFN package with exposed top for excellent thermal management.

The thermal resistance to case top is \sim 0.2 °C/W, resulting in excellent thermal behavior and easy cooling. The device features an enhanced PQFN "Thermal-Max" package. The exposed top enhances top-side thermal management and the side-wettable flanks guarantee that the complete side-pad surface is wetted with solder during the reflow soldering process, which protects the copper and allows soldering to occur on this external flank area for easy optical inspection.

Compared to a Si MOSFET, the footprint of 15 mm² is less than half of the size of the best-in-class Si MOSFET with similar $R_{DS(on)}$ and voltage rating, Q_G and Q_{GD} are significantly smaller and Q_{RR} is 0. This results in lower switching losses and lower gate driver losses. In summary, EPC2305 allows the highest power density due to enhanced efficiency, smaller size, and higher switching frequency for smaller inductor and fewer capacitors.

The EPC2305 enables designers to improve efficiency and save space. The excellent thermal behavior enables easier and lower cost cooling. The ultra-low capacitance and zero reverse recovery of the eGaN® FET enables efficient operation in many topologies. Performance is further enhanced due to the small, low inductance footprint.

Application Notes:

Easy-to-use and reliable gate, Gate Drive ON = 5 V typical,
OFF = 0 V (negative voltage not needed)

• Top of FET is electrically connected to source

Questions: Ask a GaN Expert



Maximum Ratings						
	PARAMETER VALUE					
V_{DS}	Drain-to-Source Voltage (Continuous)	150	.,			
V _{DS(tr)} Drain-to-Source Voltage (Repetitive Transient) ⁽¹⁾		170	V			
	Continuous ($T_J \le 125^{\circ}C$) (2)	102	^			
I _D	Pulsed (25°C, $T_{PULSE} = 300 \mu s$)	329	Α			
V	Gate-to-Source Voltage	6	V			
V _{GS}	Gate-to-Source Voltage	-4	V			
TJ	T _J Operating Temperature		۰٫			
T _{STG}	Storage Temperature	-55 to 175				

⁽¹⁾ Pulsed repetitively, duty cycle factor (DC_{Factor}) ≤ 1%; See Figure 13 and Reliability Report Phase 16, Section 3.2.6



Features

- 150 V
- 2.2 $m\Omega$ typical
- 3 x 5 mm QFN package
- · Moisture rating MSL2

Applications

- High frequency DC/DC
- AC/DC chargers and adaptors
- BLDC motor drive
- · eMobility motor drives
- · Solar optimizer & MPPT
- Synchronous rectification for chargers, adaptors, power supplies
- · Class-D audio
- Fast charging for phone & notebook, gaming PC
- DC/DC and chargers for eMobility, power tools, vacuum cleaners

Benefits

- · Ultra high efficiency
- · No reverse recovery
- Ultra low Q_G
- · Small footprint
- Excellent thermal

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⁽²⁾ Electromigration current limit; See Reliability Report Phase 16, Section 3.3.4

	Thermal Characteristics				
	PARAMETER TYP UNIT				
$R_{\theta JC}$	Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Case (Case TOP)	0.2			
$R_{\Theta JB}$	R _{OJB} Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Board (Case BOTTOM)		°C/W		
R _{0JA_JEDEC}	R _{0JA_JEDEC} Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Ambient (using JEDEC 51-2 PCB) 4		C/VV		
$R_{\theta JA_EVB}$	Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Ambient (using EPC90142 EVB)	21			

	Static Characteristics (T _J = 25°C unless otherwise stated)					
PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS		ТҮР	MAX	UNIT
BV_{DSS}	Drain-to-Source Voltage	$V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V, I}_{D} = 0.2 \text{ mA}$	150			V
I _{DSS}	Drain-Source Leakage	$V_{DS} = 120 V, V_{GS} = 0 V$		0.04	0.2	
	Gate-to-Source Forward Leakage	$V_{GS} = 5 V$		0.02	2	mA
I_{GSS}	Gate-to-Source Forward Leakage#	$V_{GS} = 5 \text{ V}, T_J = 125^{\circ}\text{C}$		0.8	7	IIIA
	Gate-to-Source Reverse Leakage	$V_{GS} = -4 V$		0.1	4	
$V_{\text{GS(TH)}}$	Gate Threshold Voltage	$V_{DS} = V_{GS}$, $I_D = 11 \text{ mA}$	0.8	1.1	2.5	V
$R_{DS(on)}$	Drain-Source On Resistance	$V_{GS} = 5 \text{ V}, I_D = 30 \text{ A}$		2.2	3.0	mΩ
V_{SD}	Source-to-Drain Forward Voltage#	$I_S = 0.5 \text{ A}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$		1.4		V

 $[\]ensuremath{\text{\#}}$ Defined by design. Not subject to production test.

Dynamic Characteristics# (T _J = 25°C unless otherwise stated)						
	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	ТҮР	MAX	UNIT
C_{ISS}	Input Capacitance			3060	4165	
C _{RSS}	Reverse Transfer Capacitance	$V_{DS} = 75 \text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$		5		
Coss	Output Capacitance			852	1063	pF
C _{OSS(ER)}	Effective Output Capacitance, Energy Related (Note 1)	1)		1053		
C _{OSS(TR)}	Effective Output Capacitance, Time Related (Note 2)	$V_{DS} = 0 \text{ to } 75 \text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$		1371		
R _G	Gate Resistance			0.5		Ω
Q _G	Total Gate Charge	$V_{DS} = 75 \text{ V}, V_{GS} = 5 \text{ V}, I_D = 30 \text{ A}$		22	28.6	
Q _{GS}	Gate-to-Source Charge			6.6		
Q _{GD}	Gate-to-Drain Charge	$V_{DS} = 75 \text{ V, } I_D = 30 \text{ A}$		2.1		
Q _{G(TH)}	Gate Charge at Threshold			4.6		nC
Q _{OSS}	Output Charge	$V_{DS} = 75 \text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$		103	116	
Q _{RR}	Source-Drain Recovery Charge			0		

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All measurements were done with substrate shorted to source.

Note 1: $C_{OSS(ER)}$ is a fixed capacitance that gives the same stored energy as C_{OSS} while V_{DS} is rising from 0 to 50% BV_{DSS}. Note 2: $C_{OSS(ER)}$ is a fixed capacitance that gives the same charging time as C_{OSS} while V_{DS} is rising from 0 to 50% BV_{DSS}.

Figure 1: Typical Output Characteristics at 25°C

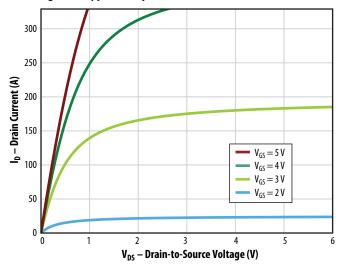


Figure 2: Typical Transfer Characteristics

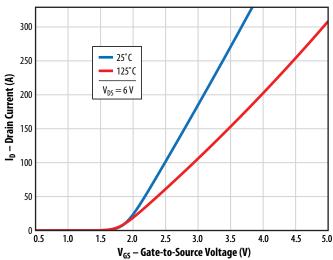


Figure 3: Typical R_{DS(on)} vs. V_{GS} for Various Drain Currents

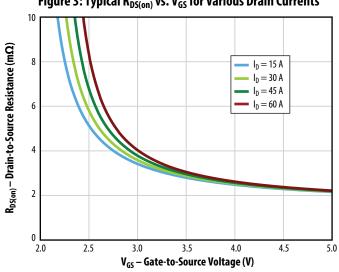


Figure 4: Typical $R_{DS(on)}$ vs. V_{GS} for Various Temperatures

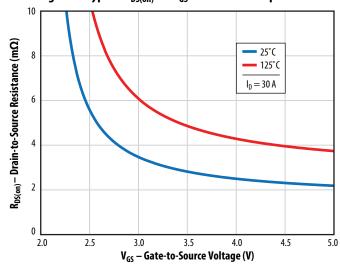


Figure 5a: Typical Capacitance (Linear Scale)

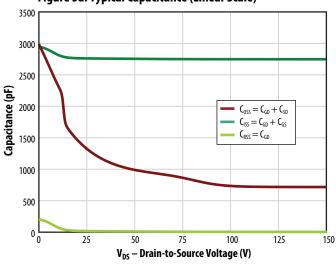
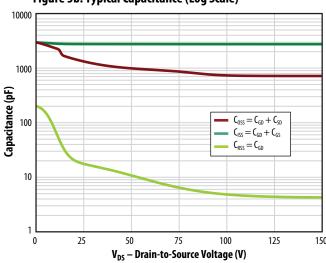


Figure 5b: Typical Capacitance (Log Scale)



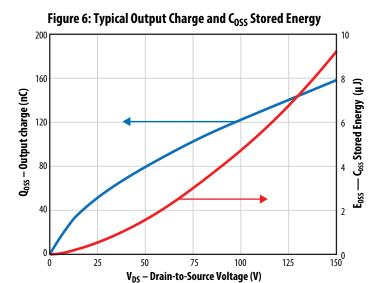


Figure 7: Typical Gate Charge

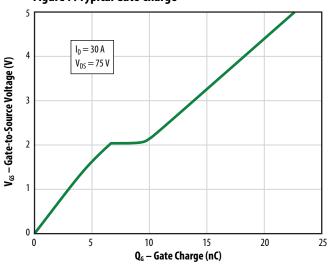


Figure 8: Typical Reverse Drain-Source Characteristics

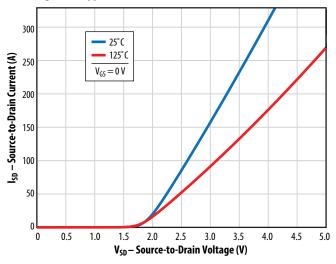
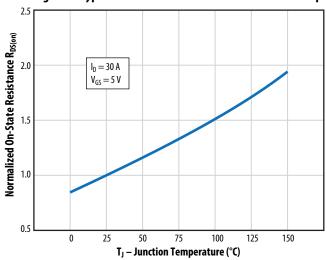


Figure 9: Typical Normalized On-State Resistance vs. Temp.



Negative gate drive voltage increases the reverse drain-source voltage. EPC recommends 0 V for OFF

Figure 10: Typical Normalized Threshold Voltage vs. Temp.

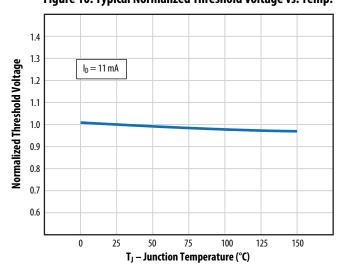


Figure 11: Safe Operating Area

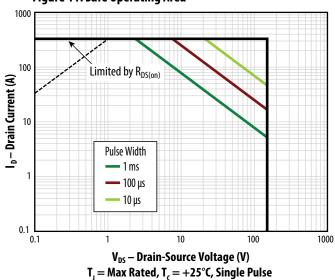
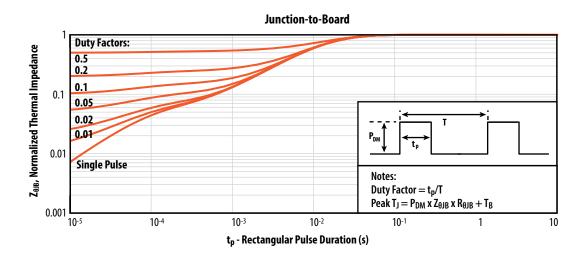


Figure 12: Typical Transient Thermal Response Curves



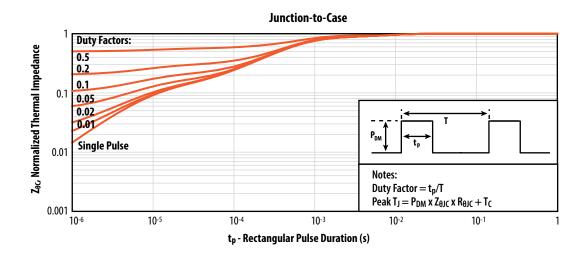
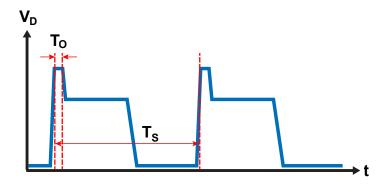


Figure 13: Duty Cycle Factor (DC_{Factor}) Illustration for Repetitive Overvoltage Specification



1% is the ratio between T_0 (overvoltage duration) and T_S (one switching period).

LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

GaN transistors generally behave like power MOSFETs, but at much higher switching speeds and power densities, therefore layout considerations are very important, and care must be taken to minimize layout parasitic inductances. The recommended design utilizes the first inner layer as a power loop return path. This return path is located directly beneath the top layer's power loop allowing for the smallest physical loop size. This method is also commonly referred to as flux cancellation. Variations of this concept can be implemented by placing the bus capacitors either next to the high side device, next to the low side device, or between the low and high side devices, but in all cases the loop is closed using the first inner layer right beneath the devices.

A similar concept is also used for the gate loop, with the return gate loop located directly under the turn ON and OFF gate resistors.

Furthermore, to minimize the common source inductance between power and gate loops, the power and gate loops are laid out perpendicular to each other, and a via next to the source pad closest to the gate pad is used as Kelvin connection for the gate driver return path.

The EPC90143 Half-Bridge Development Board Using EPC2305 implements our recommended vertical inner layout.

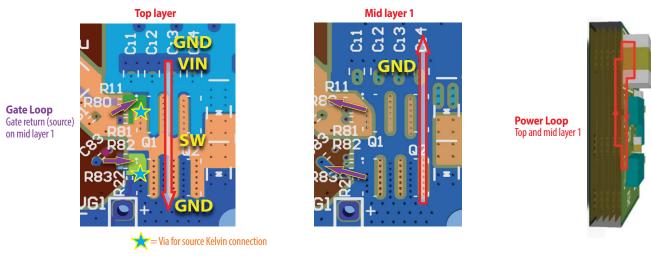


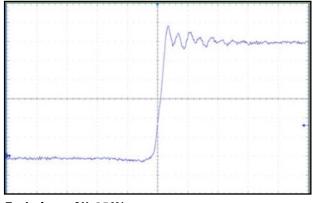
Figure 14: Inner vertical layout for power and gate loops from EPC90143

Detailed recommendations on layout can be found on EPC's website: Optimizing PCB Layout with eGaN FETs.pdf

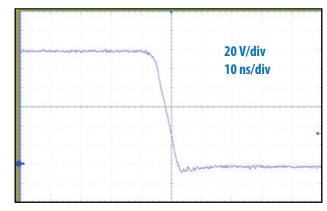
TYPICAL SWITCHING BEHAVIOR

The following typical switching waveforms are captured in these conditions:

- EPC90143: 150 V, 25 A Half-bridge Development Board
- Gate driver: NCP51820 with 2.5 Ω/5 Ω Pull-Down/Pull-Up Resistance
- External $R_G(ON) = 3.3 \Omega$, $R_{G(OFF)} = 0.47 \Omega$
- $V_{IN} = 120 \text{ V}, I_{I} = 30 \text{ A}$







Typical turn OFF: 14 V/ns

Figure 15: Typical half-bridge voltage switching waveforms

See the EPC90143 Half-Bridge Development Board Using EPC2305 Quick Start Guide for more information.

TYPICAL THERMAL CONCEPT

The EPC2305 can take advantage of dual sided cooling to maximize its heat dissipation capabilities in high power density designs. Note that the top of EPC FETs are connected to source potential, so for half-bridge topologies the Thermal Interface Material (TIM) needs to provide electrical isolation to the heatsink.

Recommended best practice thermal solutions are covered in detail in How2AppNote012 - How to Get More Power Out of an eGaN Converter.pdf.

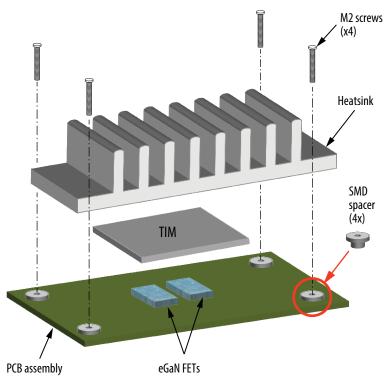


Figure 16: Exploded view of heatsink assembly using screws

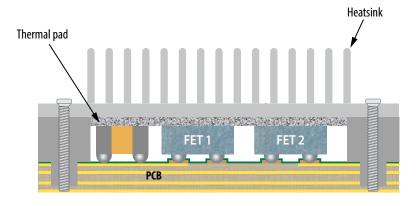
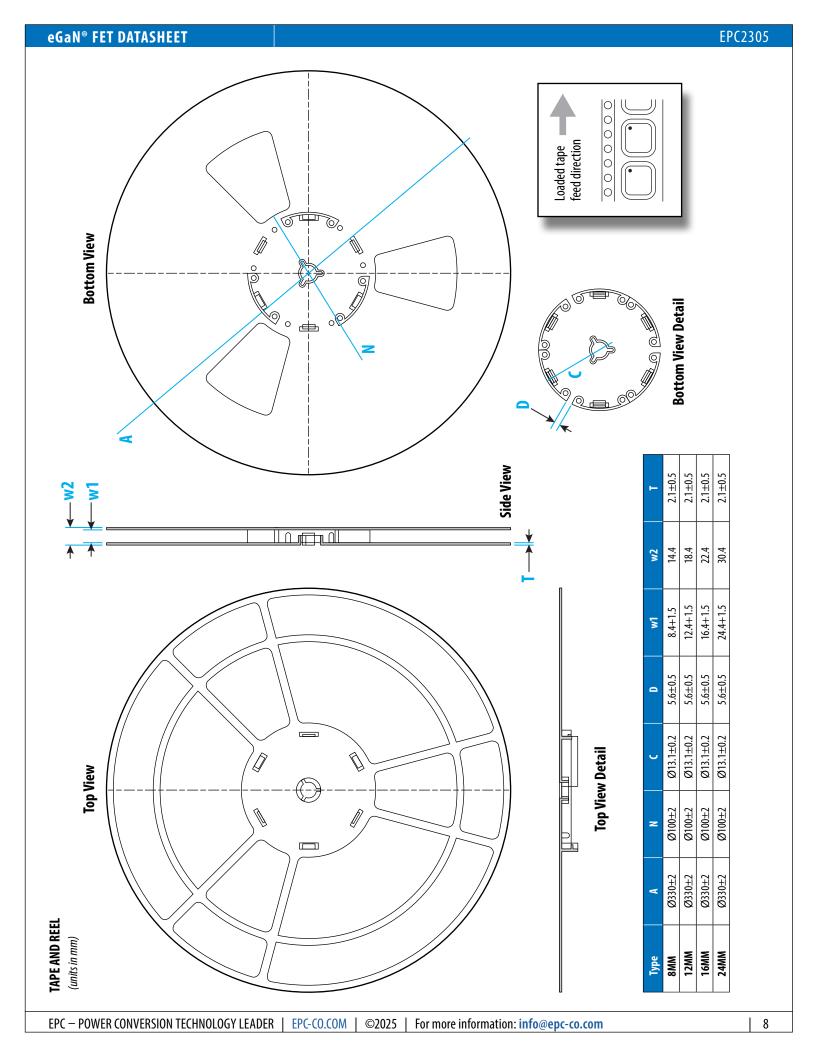


Figure 17: A cross-section image of dual sided thermal solution

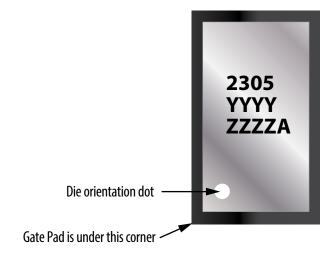
Note: Connecting the heatsink to ground is recommended and can significantly improve radiated EMI

The thermal design can be optimized by using the **GaN FET Thermal Calculator** on EPC's website.



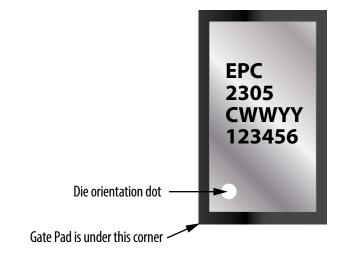
EPC2305 eGaN® FET DATASHEET

QFN Markings (label date code 2424 onward)

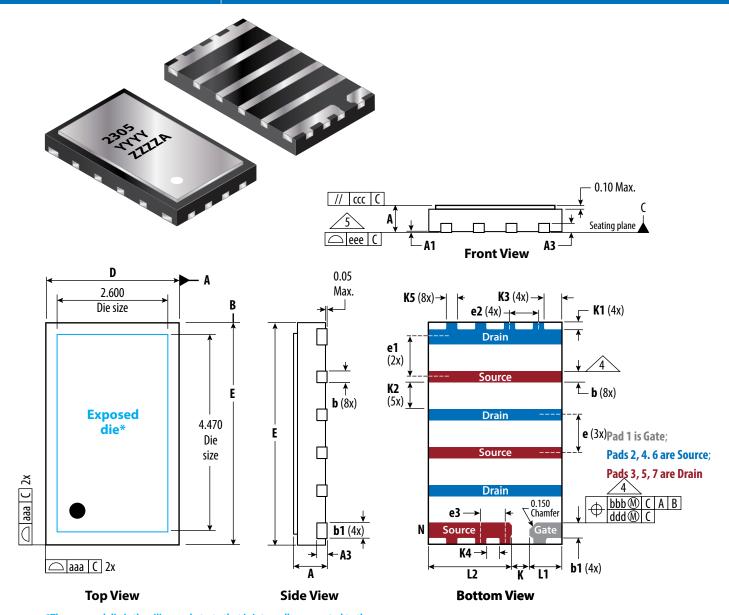


Dout		Laser Markings	
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EPC2305	2305	YYYY	ZZZZA

Marking prior to label date code 2424



Dout		Laser M	larkings	
Part Number	Company Name Marking Line 1	Part # Marking Line 2	Site_Date Code Marking Line 3	Lot_Code Marking Line 4
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*The exposed die is the silicon substrate that is internally connected to the source. It is not recommended to use it as an electrical connection

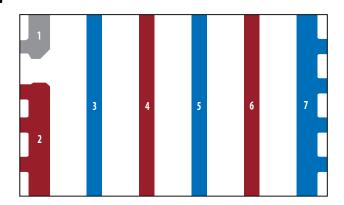
SYMBOL		Dimension (mm)				
SYMBUL	MIN	Nominal	MAX	Note		
Α			0.70			
A1	0.00	0.02	0.05			
A3			0.25			
b	0.20	0.25	0.30	4		
b1	0.30	0.35	0.40	4		
D	2.90	3.00	3.10			
E	4.90	5.00	5.10			
e	0.85 BSC					
e1		0.90 BSC				
e2	0.65 BSC					
e3	0.55 BSC					
L1	0.625	0.725	0.825			
L2	1.775	1.875	1.975			

SYMBOL		Dimension	(mm)	
SYMBUL	MIN	Nominal	MAX	Note
K		0.40 Ref		
K1		0.15 Ref		
K2		0.60 Ref		
К3		0.40 Ref		
K4		0.30 Ref		
K5		0.25 Ref		
aaa		0.05		
bbb		0.10		
ССС		0.10		
ddd		0.05		
eee		0.08		
N		7		3

Notes:

- Dimensioning and tolerancing conform to ASME Y14.5-2009
- 2. All dimensions are in millimeters
- 3. **N** is the total number of terminals
- Dimension **b** applies to the metalized terminal and a radius on the other end of it, dimension **b** should not be measured in that radius area.
- <u>5</u> Coplanarity applies to the terminals and all the other bottom surface metallization.

TRANSPARENT VIEW



PIN	DESCRIPTION	
1	Gate	
2	Source	
3	Drain	
4	Source	
5	Drain	
6	Source	
7	Drain	

RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN 0.4 x 0.985 (units in mm) -2.7 -2.175 -1.275 -0.425 0 0.425 1.275 2.175 2.7 0.37 (x6) 1.207 0.975 0.975 - 0.325 0.225 0 -0.325 -0.325 -0.663 -0.975 -0.975

0.3 x 3.4 (x4)

Legend:

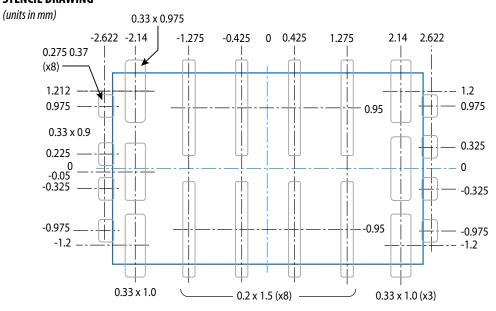
Part outline Mask Opening

Radius = 0.05

Land pattern is solder mask defined.

RECOMMENDED STENCIL DRAWING

0.4 x 2.1



Recommended stencil should be 4 mil (100 μm) thick, must be laser cut, openings per drawing. Intended for use with SAC305 Type 4 solder, reference 88.5% metals content.

The corner has a radius of 0.1.

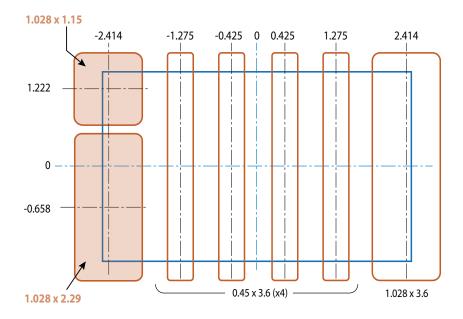
Split stencil design can be provided upon request, but EPC has tested this stencil design and not found any scooping issues.

0.4 x 3.4

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RECOMMENDED COPPER DRAWING

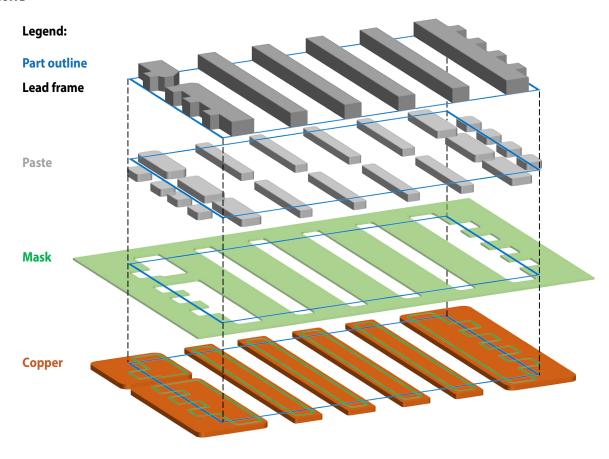
(units in mm)



Legend: **Part outline** Copper

Radius = 0.05

3D COMPOSITE



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Solder mask defined pads are recommended for best reliability.

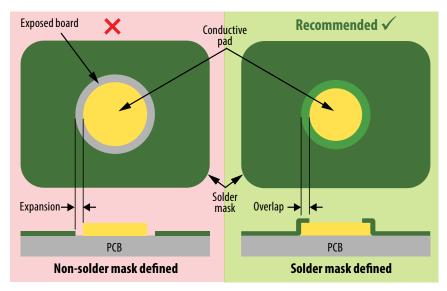


Figure 18: Solder mask defined versus non-solder mask defined pad

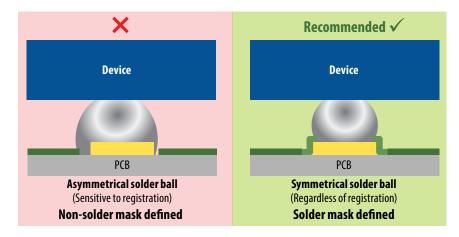


Figure 19: Effect of solder mask design on the solder ball symmetry

- Assembly resources https://epc-co.com/epc/Portals/0/epc/documents/product-training/Appnote_GaNassembly.pdf
- Library of Altium footprints for production FETs and ICs https://epc-co.com/epc/documents/altium-files/EPC%20Altium%20Library.zip (for preliminary device Altium footprints, contact EPC)

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