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## TDTTP4000W066C_0V1: 4kW Bridge-less Totem-pole PFC Evaluation Board

## Overview

This user guide describes the TDTTP4000W066C_0v1 4kW bridgeless totem-pole power factor correction (PFC) evaluation board. Very high efficiency single-phase AC-DC conversion is achieved with the TP65H035WSG4, a diode-free Gallium Nitride (GaN) FET bridge with low reverse-recovery charge. Using Transphorm GaN FETs in the fast-switching leg of the circuit and lowresistance MOSFETs in the slow-switching leg of the circuit results in improved performance and efficiency. For more information and complete design files, please visit transphormusa.com/tp4kit.

The TDTTP4000W066C_0v1-KIT is for evaluation purposes only.
The evaluation board is shown in Fig. 1.


Figure 1. TDTTP4000W066B_0v1 4kW totem-pole PFC evaluation board

## Warning

This evaluation board is intended to demonstrate GaN FET technology and is for demonstration purposes only and no guarantees are made for standards compliance. There are areas of this evaluation board that have exposed access to hazardous high voltage levels. Exercise caution to avoid contact with those voltages. Also note that the evaluation board may retain high voltage temporarily after input power has been removed. Exercise caution when handling. When testing converters on an evaluation board, ensure adequate cooling. Apply cooling air with a fan blowing across the converter or across a heat sink attached to the converter. Monitor the converter temperature to ensure it does not exceed the maximum rated per the datasheet specification.

## TDTTP4000W066C_0V1 input/output specifications

Input Voltage: 85 Vac to $265 \mathrm{Vac}, 47 \mathrm{~Hz}$ to 63 Hz
Input Current: 18 A (rms) : (2000W at 115 Vac, 4000 W at 230 Vac)
$10 \%$ overload short time: 19.8 A (rms) (2200W at $115 \mathrm{Vac}, 4400 \mathrm{~W}$ at 230 Vac$)$
Ambient temperature: < 50 C
Output Voltage: 387 Vdc $+/-5$ Vdc
PWM Frequency: 66 kHz
Auxiliary Supply: 12Vdc for bias voltage
Power dissipation in the GaN FET is limited by the maximum junction temperature. Refer to the TP650H50WSG4 datasheet
Figure 2 shows the input and output connections. To reduce EMI noise, adding a ferrite core at the input and output cable is recommended.


Figure 2. Input and output cable connections

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## Circuit description for Bridge-Less Totem-Pole PFC based on GaN FET

The Bridge-less totem-pole topology is shown in Fig 3 below. As shown in Fig 3(a), two GaN FETs and two diodes are used for the line rectification, while in Fig 3 (b), the circuit is modified and the diodes are replaced by two low resistance silicon MOSFETs to eliminate diode drops and improve the efficiency. Further information and discussion on the performance and the characteristics of Bridge-less PFC circuit is provided in [1].


Fig. 3 Totem-pole bridgeless PFC boost converter based on GaN FET (a) Diode for line rectification (b) MOSFET for line rectification

The large recovery charge (Qrr) of existing silicon MOSFETs makes CCM operation of a silicone totem-pole Bridge-less PFC impractical and reduces the total efficiency..

Figure $4(a)$ is a simplified schematic of a totem-pole PFC in continuous conduction mode (CCM) mode, focused on minimizing conduction losses. It comprises two fast-switching GaN FETs (Q1 and Q2) operating at a high pulse-width-modulation (PWM) frequency and two very low-resistance MOSFETs (S1 and S2) operating at a much slower line frequency ( $50 \mathrm{~Hz} / 60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ). The primary current path includes one fast switch and one slow switch only, with no diode drop. The function of S1 and S2 is that of a synchronized rectifier as illustrated in Figures 4(b) and 4(c). During the positive AC cycle, S1 is on and S2 is off, forcing the AC neutral line tied to the negative terminal to the DC output. The opposite applies for the negative cycle.


Figure 4. Totem-pole PFC with GaN FETs (a) simplified schematic, (b) during positive AC cycle and (c) during negative AC cycle

In either AC polarity, the two GaN FETs form a synchronized boost converter with one transistor acting as a master switch to allow energy intake by the boost inductor (LB), and another transistor as a slave switch to release energy to the DC output. The roles of the two GaN devices interchange when the polarity of the AC input changes; therefore, each transistor must be able to perform both master and slave functions. To avoid shoot-through a dead time is built in between two switching events, during
which both transistors are momentarily off. To allow CCM operation, the body diode of the slave transistor must function as a flyback diode for the inductor current to flow during dead time. The diode current; however, must quickly reduce to zero and transition to the reverse blocking state once the master switch turns on. This is the critical process for a totem-pole PFC which, with the high Qrr of the body diode of high-voltage Si MOSFETs, results in abnormal spikes, instability, and associated high switching losses. The low Qrr of the GaN switches allows designers to overcome this barrier.

As seen in Figure 5, inductive tests at 430V bus show healthy voltage waveforms up to inductor current exceeding 35A using either a high-side (Figure 5(a)) or low-side (Figure $5(\mathrm{~b})$ ) GaN transistor as a master switch. With a design goal of 4.4 kW output power in CCM mode at 230VAC input, the required inductor current is 20A. This test confirms a successful totem-pole power
block with enough current overhead.


Fig 5. Hard-switched waveforms of a pair of GaN FET switches when setting a) high side as master and b) low side as master

One issue inherent in the bridgeless totem-pole PFC is the operation mode transition at AC voltage zero-crossing. For instance, when the circuit operation mode changes from positive half-line to negative half-line at the zero-crossing, the duty ratio of the high-side GaN switch changes abruptly from almost 100\% to 0\% and the duty ratio of low-side GaN switch changes from $0 \%$ to $100 \%$. Due to the slow reverse recovery of diodes (or body diode of a MOSFET), the voltage VD cannot jump from ground to VDC instantly; a current spike will be induced. To avoid the problem, a soft-start at every zero-crossing is implemented to gently reverse duty ratio (a soft-start time of a few switching cycles is enough). The TDTTP4000W066C evaluation board is designed to run in CCM and the larger inductance alleviates the current spike issue at zero-crossing.

## Dead time control

The required form of the gate-drive signals is shown in Figure 5. The times marked A are the dead times when neither transistor is driven on. The dead time must be greater than zero to avoid shoot-through currents. The Si8230 gate drive chip ensures a minimum dead time based on the value of resistor R24, connected to the DT input. The dead time in ns is equal to the resistance in $k \Omega \times 10$, so the default value of 12 k corresponds to 120 ns . This will add to any dead time already present in the

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input signals. The on-board pulse generator circuit; for example, creates dead times of about 60ns (see Figure 6). The resulting dead time at the gate pins of Q1 and Q2 is about 120ns. Either shorting or removing R7 will reduce the dead time to 60 ns.


Figure 6. Non-overlapping gate pulses

While a typical Si MOSFET has a maximum dV/dt rating of 50V/ns, the TP65H035WSG4 GaN FET will switch at dV/dt of $100 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{ns}$ or higher to achieve the lowest possible switching loss. At this level of operation, even the layout becomes a significant contributor to performance. As shown in Figure 8, the recommended layout keeps a minimum gate drive loop and keeps the traces between the switching nodes very short--with the shortest practical return trace to the power bus and ground. The power ground plane provides a large cross-sectional area to achieve an even ground potential throughout the circuit. The layout carefully separates the power ground and the IC (small signal) ground, only joining them at the source pin of the FET to avoid any possible ground loop. Note that the Transphorm GaN FETs in TO-247 packages have pinout configuration of G-S-D, instead of the traditional G-D-S of a MOSFET. The G-S-D configuration is designed with thorough consideration to minimize the gate source driving loop, reducing parasitic inductance and to separate the driving loop (gate source) and power loop (drain source) to minimize noise. All PCB layers of the TDTTP4000W066C_0V1 design are shown Figure 8(a-c) and available in the design files.

## Design details

A detailed circuit schematic is shown in Figures 7 and 8, the PCB layers in Figure 9, and the parts list in Table 1 (also included in the design files).


Fig 7


Fig 8

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Table 1. TDTTP4000W066C_0V1 evaluation board bill of materials (BOM)

| TDTTP4000W066C_0V1 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Qty | Value | Device | Parts | Manufacturer PN |
| 2 |  | DIODE-DO-214AC | D3, D4 | ES1J |
| 1 |  | GBJ2506 | D2 | GBJ2506-BP |
| 4 |  | LEDCHIP-LED0805 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LED1, LED2, LED3, } \\ & \text { LED4 } \end{aligned}$ | SML-211UTT86 |
| 1 |  | MA04-1 | SV2 | 961104-6404-AR |
| 1 |  | PJ-002AH | J1 | PJ-002AH |
| 2 |  | TEKTRONIX-PCB | TP7, TP8 | 131-4353-00 |
| 10 |  | TESTPOINT-KEYSTONE5015 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TP1, TP2, TP3, TP4, } \\ & \text { TP5, TP6, TP10, } \\ & \text { TP12, TP13, TP14 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 5015 |
| 30 | .1u | C-EUC0603 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C2, C5, C8, C9, C15, } \\ & \text { C16, C17, C18, C19, } \\ & \text { C20, C21, C24, C27, } \\ & \text { C30, C31, C32, C33, } \\ & \text { C35, C37, C39, C42, } \\ & \text { C44, C50, C52, C53, } \\ & \text { C54, C55, C56, C60, } \\ & \text { C73 } \end{aligned}$ | C0603C104J3RACTU |
| 2 | 0 | R-US_R0603 | R59, R71 | RCS06030000ZOEA |
| 1 | 0 | R-US_R0805 | R72 | RC0805JR-070RL |
| 6 | 1.1M | R-US_R1210 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R9, R11, R12, R14, } \\ & \text { R29, R30 } \end{aligned}$ | KTR25JZPF1104 |
| 3 | $1.5 \mathrm{u} / 275 \mathrm{~V}$ | 155MKP275KG | CX1, CX2, CX3 | 155MKP275KG |
| 1 | 1N4148 | DIODE-SOD123 | D1 | 1N4148W-E3-18 |
| 1 | 1k | R-US_R0805 | R6 | ERJ-6ENF1001V |
| 2 | 1 n | C-EUC0805 | C26, C28 | CC0805KRX7R9BB102 |
| 6 | 1 u | C-EUC0603 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C13, C45, C57, C58, } \\ & \text { C69, C80 } \end{aligned}$ | TMK107B7105KA-T |
| 4 | 1 u | C-USC0603 | C63, C64, C65, C66 | TMK107B7105KA-T |
| 1 | 2k | R-US_R0603 | R34 | RC0603FR-072KL |
| 1 | 2.1k | R-US_R0805 | R53 | RC0805FR-072K1L |
| 1 | 2.2M | R-US_R0805 | R48 | RMCF0805JT2M20 |
| 1 | 2.2u | C-EUC1206 | C59 | CL31B225KAHNNNE |
| 1 | 2K | R-US_R0805 | R46 | ERJ-6ENF2001V |
| 1 | 2PIN_9.53MM | 2PIN_9.53MM | CN2 | 20020705-M021B01LF |
| 1 | 2k | R-US_R0805 | R38 | ERJ-6ENF2001V |
| 4 | 3.3K .1\% | R-US_R0805 | R25, R27, R35, R36 | ERA-6AEB332V |
| 1 | $3.3 n$ | C-EUC0805 | C1 | C0805C332K5RACTU |
| 1 | 3.9 mH | CMC_42X27MM_SM | L1 | T60405-R6128-X225 |
| 1 | 3PIN_9.53MM | 3PIN_9.53MM | CN1 | T70343500000G |
| 1 | 4.7k | R-US_R0805 | R52 | RC0805FR-074K7L |
| 2 | 4.7n | VY2_CAP_SAFETY | CY1, CY2 | B32021A3472M |
| 3 | 4.7u | C-EUC1206 | C36, C43, C46 | CL31B475KBHNNNE |

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| 1 | 4 m | RES_CSSH2728 | R_CS | CSSH2728FT4L00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 5.1k | R-US_R1206 | R58 | RC1206FR-075K1L |
| 1 | 5k | R-US_R0805 | R49 | RC0805FR-075K1L |
| 1 | 7.2 mH | CMC_42X27MM | L4 | T60405-R6128-X230 |
| 1 | 7.5K | R-US_R0805 | R13 | ERJ-6ENF7501V |
| 4 | 7.5k | R-US_R0805 | R16, R17, R31, R32 | RN73C2A7K5BTDF |
| 1 | 7.32K | R-US_R0805 | R19 | RC0805FR-077K32L |
| 2 | 10 | R-US_R0805 | R1, R3 | ERJ-6GEYJ100V |
| 6 | 10 | R-US_R1206 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R22, R23, R40, R43, } \\ & \text { R44, R55 } \end{aligned}$ | ERJ-8ENF10R0V |
| 1 | 10K | R-US_R0603 | R39 | RC0603FR-0710KL |
| 11 | 10k | R-US_R0805 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R2, R4, R7, R8, R10, } \\ & \text { R15, R37, R45, R47, } \\ & \text { R50, R57 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | ERJ-6ENF1002V |
| 1 | 10k@25C | R-US_0204/5 | NTC | B57703M103G40 |
| 3 | 10n | C-EUC1206 | C14, C22, C23 | SMK316B7103KF-T |
| 2 | 10p | C-EUC0603 | C78, C79 | C0603C100K3GACTU |
| 1 | 10u | C-EUC0805 | C86 | GRM21BR61E106KA73L |
| 6 | 10u | C-EUC1206 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C3, C4, C6, C10, } \\ & \text { C34, C38 } \end{aligned}$ | 12063D106KAT2A |
| 1 | 10uH | FILM-CAP-C4ATGB_5100 | C48 | C4ATGBW5100A3FJ |
| 1 | 12k(65k for 8274) | R-US_R0805 | R24 | RC0805FR-0712KL |
| 2 | 15 | R-US_R1210 | R28, R51 | RMCF1210FT15R0 |
| 3 | 15k | R-US_R0805 | R18, R21, R54 | RC0805FR-0715KL |
| 2 | 22 | R-US_R0805 | R42, R70 | ERJ-6GEYJ220V |
| 1 | $22 n$ | C-EUC0805 | C61 | C2012C0G1V223J060AC |
| 1 | 22 n | ECQ-U2A474ML22N | CX4 | PME271M522MR30 |
| 2 | 22 u | C-EUC1206 | C40, C41 | CL31X226KAHN3NE |
| 1 | 30A | SH32 | F1 | 01020078H |
| 6 | 37.4k | R-US_R1206 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R60, R61, R62, R63, } \\ & \text { R64, R65 } \end{aligned}$ | RC1206FR-0737K4L |
| 2 | 220 | FB0603 | FB1, FB2 | MMZ1608B221 |
| 2 | 47p | C-EUC1206 | C74, C75 | CC1206JKNPOZBN470 |
| 1 | 74AUP2G14GW | 74AUP2G14GW | U12 | NC7WZ14P6X |
| 1 | 74LVC1G14GW | 74LVC1G14GW | U5 | NC7SZ14M5X |
| 1 | 74LVC1G17GW | 74LVC1G17GW | IC4 | SN74LVC1G17DBVR |
| 1 | 100k | R-US_R0603 | R69 | DNI |
| 2 | 100k | R-US_R0805 | R26, R33 | ERJ-6ENF1003V |
| 1 | 100p | C-EUC0603 | C25 | 06035A101FAT2A |
| 4 | 100u/16v | ELE_CAP_D5MM_P2MM | C7, C29, C81, C85 | UKL1C101KPDANA |
| 1 | 100u/25V | CPOL-USE2.5-7 | C12 | ESK107M025AC3AA |
| 1 | 165K | R-US_R0805 | R20 | ERJ-6ENF1653V |
| 2 | 220p | C-EUC0805 | C11, C51 | CC0805KRX7R9BB221 |
| 4 | 470uF | ELE_CAP_D35MM_P10MM | C49, C62, C67, C72 | ELXS451VSN471MA45SDatasheet |

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| 4 | 680 | R-US_R0805 | R75, R76, R77, R78 | RC0805FR-07680RL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | CMC_WURTH_744229 | CMC_WURTH_744229 | LCM1, LCM2 | 744229 |
| 2 | DM-TOROID770711 | DM-TOROID770711 | L2, L3 | CWS-1SN-12606 |
| 1 | FUSE-SMM-10A | FUSE-SMM | F2 | 0463015.ER |
| 1 | G8P-1A4P-DC12 | G8P-1A4P | K1 | JTN1AS-PA-F-DC12V |
| 1 | HF-TOROID | HF-TOROID | L6 | CWS-1SN-12554 |
| 1 | HS-OMNI-41-75 | HS-OMNI-41-75 | HS1 | OMNI-UNI-41-75 |
| 1 | INA826R | INA826R | IC2 | INA826AID |
| 3 | JUMPER_S1621-46R | JUMPER_S1621-46R | JP1, JP2, JP3 | S1621-46R |
| 1 | LT1719 | LT1719 | U14 | LT1719CS6\#TRMPBF |
| 1 | MALE_CONN_HEADER_4PIN_2.54MM | MALE_CONN_HEADER_4PIN_2.54MM | J2 | 961104-6404-AR |
| 1 | MCP1501T-18E/CHY | MCP1501T-18E/CHY | IC3 | MCP1501T-18E/CHY |
| 2 | MCP6001T-E/OT | MCP6001T-E/OT | U4, U16 | MCP6001T-E/OT |
| 1 | MECF-30-01-L-DV-WT | MECF-30-01-L-DV-WT | CONN1 | MECF-30-01-L-DV-WT |
| 1 | MIC5259-3.3YD5-TR | MIC5259-3.3YD5-TR | U2 | MIC5259-3.3YD5-TR |
| 1 | MIC5271YM5-TR | MIC5271YM5-TR | U8 | MIC5271YM5-TR |
| 1 | MS35_10015 | MS35_10015 | R5 | MS32 10015-B |
| 1 | CAP200DG | CAP200DG | U13 | CAP200DG |
| 1 | NX3008NBK | NX3008NBK | Q5 | NX3008NBK,215 |
| 1 | OPA188 | OPA188 | U1 | OPA188AIDBVT |
| 1 | OPA2188 | OPA2188 | IC1 | OPA2188AIDR |
| 1 | PDS1-S12-S12-M-TR | PDS1-S12-S12-M-TR | U11 | PDS1-S12-S12-M-TR |
| 1 | PFC_4KW | PFC_4KW | L5 | 019-8598-00R |
| 1 | SI8230 | SI8230 | U7 | SI8230BB-D-IS1 |
| 1 | SI8233 | SI8230 | U6 | SI8233BB-D-IS1 |
| 2 | STY139N65M5 | STY139N65M5 | Q1, Q4 | STY139N65M5 |
| 2 | TP65H035G4WS | TP65H035G4WS | Q2, Q3 | TP65H035WS |
| 1 | TPS60403 | TPS60403 | U10 | TPS60403DBVR |
| 1 | 5V DC-DC converter | V7805-500 | U3 | TR05S05 |
| 1 | DSPIC33CK256MP506 DIGITAL POWER | DSPIC33CK256MP506 DIGITAL POWER | Conn1 | MA330048 |
| 11 | stand off (nylon 1/2) | stand off (nylon 1/2) | stand off (nylon 1/2) | 1902C |
| 11 | machine screw (ss 1/2) | machine screw (ss 1/2) | machine screw (ss $1 / 2)$ | 9902 |
| 4 | Thermal pad for Q2, Q3, Q1, Q4 | Thermal pad for Q2, Q3, Q1, Q4 | Thermal pad for Q2, Q3, Q1, Q4 | 4169G |
| 2 | screws for FETs to HS (Q2, Q3) | screws for FETs to HS (Q2, Q3) | screws for FETs to HS (Q2, Q3) | 6/32 |

For this evaluation board, the PFC circuit has been implemented on a 4-layer PCB. The GaN FET half-bridge is built with TP65H035WSG4 ( 0.035 ohm ) devices by Transphorm, Inc. The slow Si switches are STY139N65M5 super junction MOSFETs with 0.017 ohm on-resistance. The inductor is made of a High Flux core with the inductance of 480 uH and a dc resistance of 0.025 Ohm, designed to operate at 66 kHz . A simple 0.5 A rated high/low side driver IC ( Si 8230 ) with $0 / 12 \mathrm{~V}$ as on/off states directly drives each GaN FETs. A dsPIC33CK256MP506 Digital Power PIM MA330048 handles the control algorithm. The voltage and current loop controls are similar to conventional boost PFC converter. The feedback signals are dc output voltage (VO), ac input potentials ( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ACP}}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ACN}}$ ) and inductor current ( $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}$ ). The input voltage polarity and RMS value are determined from $V_{A C P}$ and $V_{A C N}$. The outer voltage loop output multiplied by $\left|V_{A C}\right|$ gives a sinusoidal current reference. The current loop gives the proper duty ratio for the boost circuit. The polarity determines how PWM signal is distributed to drive Q1 and Q2. A soft-start sequence with a duty ratio ramp is employed for a short period at each ac zero-crossing for better stability.

(a) PCB top layer


(c) PCB inner layer 2 (ground plane) + inner layer 3 (power plane)

Figure 9. PCB layers

## Using the board

The board can be used for evaluation of Transphorm GaN 0.035 ohm FETs in a Bridge-less totem-pole PFC circuit. It is not a complete circuit, but rather a building block.

## Turn on Sequences:

1) Connect an Electronic / resistive load to the corresponding marking (CN2).

The requirement for the resistive load:

- At 115 Vac input: 0 W and $\leq 2200$ W
- At 230 Vac input: 0 W and $\leq 4400$ W

2) Connect the 12 Vdc auxiliary supply to the demo-board (included in the demo-kit package).

- Verify auxiliary LED is on.
- Verify both FANS attached to heatsink are running

3) With HV power off, connect the high-voltage AC power input to the corresponding marking (CN1) on the PCB;

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$-N$ and L (PE: potential ground)
4) Turn on the AC power input ( 85 Vac to $265 \mathrm{Vac} ; 50-60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ )
a. Minimum power load for turn-on sequence is 350 W .

Monitor CN2 output voltage with Vdc meter to verify $385 \mathrm{~V}+/-5 \mathrm{~V}$ is generated.
b. Electronic / resistive load can be increased while AC supply is ON and board is functional.

## Turn off sequences:

1) Switch off the high-voltage AC power input;
2) Power off dc bias.
3) Verify Input and Output voltage $=0$.

## Operational Waveforms

Fig 10 below shows the converter start-up procedure: CH 1 shows the DC input current; CH 2 is the DC bus voltage waveform and CH3 is the voltage waveform of fast leg switching node. For the start-up, there are three phases to charge the DC bus to a reference voltage. In the beginning, the relay K1 is open, and DC bus capacitors are charged by input voltage through NTC and diode bridge. When the Vdc is over 100V, the relay K1 is closed to bypass the NTC, and the Vdc increase to the peak of the input voltage. After 100ms, the GaN FETs leg is engaged in voltage closed-loop control, in which the DC bus voltage reference slowly increases to the rated voltage 385V. The NTC and diode bridge are applied in this circuit to avoid high inrush current flow through the GaN FETs


Fig 10. Start-up of the Bridge-less totem-pole PFC (CH1: lin, Ch2: Vo, CH3: Vds) with 1.2 kW load


Fig 11. Waveform of the active switch version of the Bridge-less totem-pole PFC at low line, 3.5 kW at high line; (a) CH 1 : input current lin (10A/div) ; CH4: (a) Vgs of Q2 (5V/div), (b) Vds of Q2 (100V/div)

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Fig 12 below shows the turn on and turn off Vgs waveforms at iL $=23 \mathrm{~A}$. There is no voltage overshoot at turn-on. Turn-off voltage bump is caused by the Rg. The detailed description of the driver can be referred to application note AN0004 (Transphormusa.com).


Fig 12 waveforms of Vgs of Q2 at iL = 23A. CH1: input current lin (10A/div) ; CH4: (a) Vgs of Q2 (5V/div)
Fig 13 below shows the Vds of Q2 at 3.5 k . It can be seen that the voltage spike is 56 V at iL $=20 \mathrm{~A}$. In this circuit, the RC snubber and Rg help to reduce voltage spikes.


Fig 13. Waveforms of Vds of Q2 at iL = 20A. CH1: input current lin (10A/div) ; CH4: (a) Vds (100V/div)
Fig 14 below shows the transition between two half cycles. In Fig 14 (a), the AC line enters the negative half. Soft-start gradually increases voltage $V_{D}$ from $0 V$ to 385 V . While in Fig 12 (b), $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{D}}$ decreases from 385 V to 0 V .


Fig 14 Zero-crossing transitional waveform (a) from negative to positive half-cycle (b) from positive to negative half-cycle. CH 1 : $\mathrm{PW}<$ Gate Signal for $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{D} 2}$; CH2: iL waveform; CH3: $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{D}}$ waveform.

## Probing

As shown in Fig 15 below, in the demo board, there are two probing sockets for customers measuring Vgs and Vds of low-side Gan FET. By removing the jumpers and using a short wire to clamp the current probe, the PFC inductor can also be measured.

There are two voltage probing sockets to measure $\mathrm{V}_{G S}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DS}}$ of the GaN FET shown below.


By removing the jumpers and using a short wire to clamp the current probe, the PFC Inductor can also be measured.


Fig 15. Vgs and Vds of low side GaN FET measurement socket tips, and PFC inductor current measuring position.

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## Efficiency Sweep and EMI

For the efficiency measurement, the input/output voltage and current will be measured for the input/output power calculation with a power analyzer. Efficiency has been measured at 120 Vac or 230 Vac input and 400 Vdc output using the WT1800 precision power analyzer from Yokogawa. The efficiency results for this Totem Pole PFC board are shown in Fig.16. The extremely high efficiency of $99 \%$ at 230 Vac input, and $>98 \%$ at 120 V ac input is the highest among PFC designs with similar PWM frequency; this high efficiency will enable customers to reach peak system efficiency to meet and exceed Titanium standards.


| Efficiency - high line $230 \mathrm{Vac}, 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| :---: |
| Efficiency - low line $120 \mathrm{Vac}, 60 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Loss - high line $230 \mathrm{Vac}, 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Less low line 220VEc, 69 Hz |

Figure 16. The efficiency results for Bridge-less Totem-pole PFC Evaluation Board.
Conducted emissions have also been measured for this board using an LIN-115A LISN by Com-Power. The results compared to EN55022A limits are shown in Fig. 17. It should be noted that the EMI test was done by using the lab-use power supply for auxiliary 12 V source. Do not use wall AC-DC adaptor for EMI test.

$\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{Hz})$
Fig 17. Conducted emissions @ 115V, 1150W
The THDi is measured using WT1800 at the condition of input THDv 3.8\%. As shown in Fig 18 below, it meets the standard of IEC61000-3-12.


Fig 18. THDi meets IEC61000-3-12 (>16A)

## Maximum Load Limit:

The TDTTP4000W066C Bridge-less totem-pole PFC eval board is allowed to run overload in a short time. The rated input current for $<230 \mathrm{Vac}$ input is 18 A , and the $10 \%$ overload current can be 19.8 A . The input OCP will be triggered when the current is over 21A.

## WARNINGS:

This demo board is intended to demonstrate GaN FET technology. While it provides the main features of a totem-pole PFC, it is not intended to be a finished product and does not have all the protection features found in commercial power supplies. Along with this explanation go a few warnings which should be kept in mind:

1. An isolated AC source should be used as input; an isolated lab bench grade power supply or the included AUX DC supply should also be used for the 12V DC power supply. Float the oscilloscope by using an isolated oscilloscope or by disabling the PE (Protective Earth) pin in the power plug. Float the current probe power supply (if any) by disabling the PE pin in the power plug.
2. Use a resistive load only. The Totem-pole PFC kit can work at zero load with burst mode. The output voltage will be swinging between 375 V and 385 V during burst mode.
3. The demo board is not fully tested at large load steps. DO NOT apply a very large step in the load (>2000W) when it is running.
4. DO NOT manually probe the waveforms when the demo is running. Set up probing before powering up the demo board.
5. The auxiliary Vdc supply must be 12 V . The demo board will not work under, for example, 10 V or over 15 V Vdc.
6. DO NOT touch any part of the demo board when it is running.
7. When plugging the control cards into the socket, make sure the control cards are fully pushed down with a clicking sound.
8. If the demo circuit goes into protection mode it will work as a diode bridge by shutting down all PWM functions. Recycle the bias power supply to reset the DSP and exit protection mode.
9. DO NOT use a passive probe to measure control circuit signals and power circuit signals in the same time. GND1 and AGND are not the same ground.
10. To get clean Vgs of low side GaN FET, it is recommended not to measure the Vds at the same time.
11. It is not recommended using passive voltage probe for Vds, Vgs measurement and using differential voltage probe for Vin measure measurement at the same time unless the differential probe has very good dv/dt immunity.

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