

230-V, 3.5-kW PFC With >98% Efficiency, Optimized for BOM and Size Reference Design



Description

This design guide is a 3.5-kW, cost competitive PFC designed for room air conditioners and other major appliances. This reference design is a continuous-conduction-mode (CCM) boost converter implemented using TI's UCC28180 PFC controller provided with all of the necessary built-in protections. The hardware is designed and tested to pass surge and EFT testing as per the IEC 61000 requirements for household appliances. This design guide provides a ready platform for front-end PFCs to address power level requirements for appliances up to 3.5kW. The design also provides up to 98% peak efficiency under 230-V input enable a competitive high power density and small heat sink design.

Resources

[TIDA-00779](#)

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[UCC28180, UCC28881](#)

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[UCC27524, UCC27531](#)

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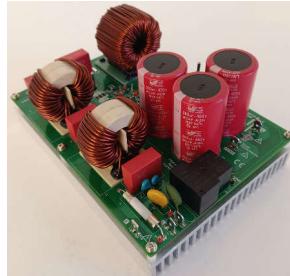
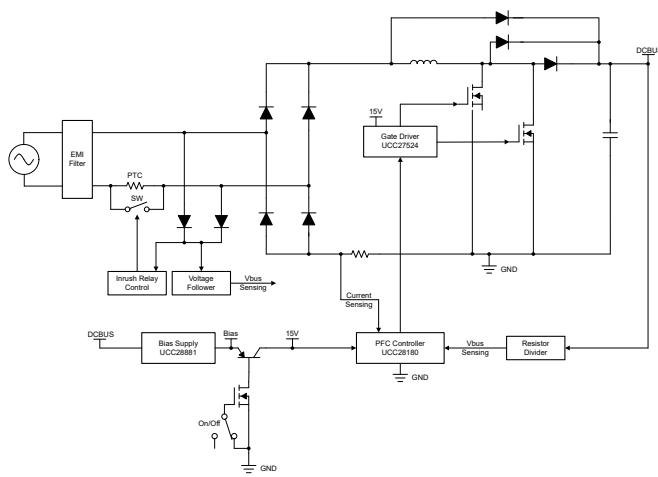
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Features

- Peak efficiency of > 98%, allowing a smaller heat sink
- Wide full load operating input range of 190V to 270V AC
- High power factor > 0.99 and < 5% THD from 1.4kW-to-3.8kW (28 to 108% of full load) under 230V AC
- Up to 3.5kW high power output to cover most of single-phase input PFC application
- On board bias supply to simplify test and verification
- Robust output supply protected for output overcurrent, output overvoltage, and output undervoltage conditions
- Meets requirements of EFT Norm IEC 6000-4-4 and Surge Norm IEC 61000-4-5
- PCB Size 200 × 145mm.

Applications

- Air Conditioners
- HVAC
- Industrial AC/DC > 480 W
- Single-Phase UPS
- Other Major Appliances



1 System Description

Major appliance equipment such as air conditioners, refrigerators, and washers use three-phase, pulse-width modulated BLDC or PMSM drives. These motor drives typically have fractional or low horsepower ratings ranging from 0.25HP (186W) to 5HP (3.75kW). An electronic drive is required to control the stator currents in a BLDC or PMSM motor. A typical electronic drive consists of:

- Power stage with a three-phase inverter with the required power capability
- Microcontroller unit (MCU) to implement the motor control algorithm
- Motor voltage and current sensing for closed-loop speed or torque control
- Gate driver for driving the three-phase inverter
- Power supply to power up the gate driver and MCU

These drives require a front-end power PFC regulator to shape the input current of the power supply and to meet the standards for power factor and current THD, such as IEC61000-2-3. A PFC circuit shapes the input current of the power supply to be in phase with the mains voltage and helps to maximize the real power drawn from the mains. The front-end PFC also offers several benefits:

- *Reduces RMS input current*

For instance, a power circuit with a 230-V/5-A rating is limited to about 575W of available power with a power factor (PF) of 0.5. Increasing the PF to 0.99 almost doubles the deliverable power to 1138 W, allowing the operation of higher power loads.

- *Facilitates power supply hold-up*

The active PFC circuit maintains a fixed, intermediate DC bus voltage that is independent of the input voltage so that the energy stored in the system does not decrease as the input voltage decreases. This maintenance allows the use of smaller, cost effective bulk capacitors.

- *Improves efficiency of downstream converters*

The PFC reduces the dynamic voltage range applied to the downstream inverters and converters. As a result, the voltage ratings of rectifiers can be reduced, resulting in lower forward drops. The operating duty cycle can also be increased, resulting in lower current in the switches.

This reference design is a boost PF regulator implemented using the UCC28180 device as a PFC controller for use in all appliances that demand a PF correction of up to 3.5kW. The design provides a ready platform of an active front-end to operate downstream inverters or DC/DC converters operating on a hi-line AC voltage range from 190-V to 270-V AC.

This design demonstrates a high power density PF stage in a small form factor (200×145 mm) that operates from 190-V to 270-V AC and delivers up to 3.5 kW of continuous power output to drive inverters or converters at more than a 98% efficiency rate without an SiC device. This reference design also provides flexibility for the boost follower configuration, in which the boost voltage can be varied with AC input voltage, but only can work on the boosted voltage when it is above the peak input voltage. The boost follower configuration helps reduce switching losses in the PFC regulator and the downstream inverter or converter. .

Above all, this reference design meets the key challenges of appliances to provide safe and reliable power with all protections built in while delivering a high performance with low power consumption and a very competitive bill-of material (BOM) cost.

1.1 Key System Specifications

Table 1-1. Key System Specifications

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
INPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Input voltage	V _{IN}	—	150	230	270	V AC
Frequency	F _{AC}	—	47	—	64	Hz
Power factor	PF	V _{IN} = nom, I _{OUT} = max	—	0.99	—	—
Input current	I _{IN}	V _{IN} = nom, I _{OUT} = max	—	20	—	A
OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Output voltage	V _{OUT}	V _{IN} = nom, I _{OUT} = min to max	—	380	—	V
Output current	I _{OUT}	V _{IN} = 190-V AC to max	0	—	9	A
Output power	P _{OUT}	V _{IN} = 190-V AC to max	—	—	3.5	kW
Line regulation		V _{IN} = min to max, I _{OUT} = nom	—	—	2	%
Load regulation		V _{IN} = nom, I _{OUT} = min to max	—	—	3	%
Output voltage ripple	V _{OUT_RIPPLE}	V _{IN} = nom, I _{OUT} = max	—	—	17.5	V
Output overvoltage	V _{OVP}	I _{OUT} = min to max	—	—	430	V
Output overcurrent	I _{OCP}	V _{IN} = min to max	12	—	—	A
SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS						
Switching frequency	f _{SW}	—	—	45	—	kHz
Peak efficiency	η _{PEAK}	V _{in} =230VAC, V _{out} =382.54VDC, P _{out} =1386 W	—	—	98.128	%
Operation temperature	T _{NOM}	With air flow	-25	—	65	°C

2 System Overview

2.1 Block Diagram

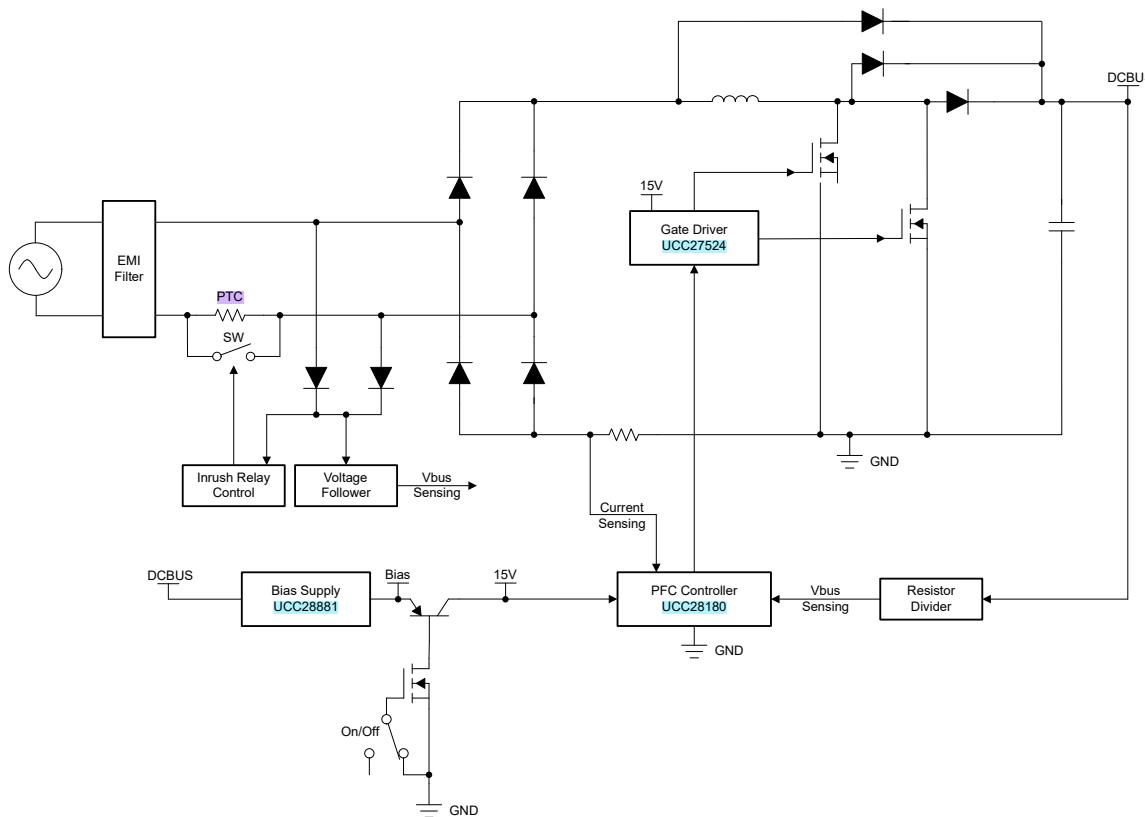


Figure 2-1. PFC Regulator Block Diagram

2.2 Highlighted Products and Key Advantages

The following subsections detail the highlighted products used in this reference design, including the key features for their selection. See their respective product data sheets for complete details on any highlighted device.

2.2.1 UCC28180 – PFC Controller

The UCC28180 is a high performance, CCM, 8-pin programmable frequency PFC controller. The wide and programmable operating frequency of the controller provides flexibility to design at a high frequency to optimize the components. The UCC28180 uses trimmed current loop circuits to achieve less than a 5% THD from a 1.4kW-to-3.8kW load (28% to 108% of full load). A reduced current sense threshold enables the UCC28180 to use a 50% smaller shunt resistor, resulting in lower power dissipation while maintaining low THD. The UCC28180 also consists of an integrated fast gate driver, with a drive of 2-A source current and -1.5-A sink current, which eliminates the requirement for an external gate driver.

The UCC28180 also has a complete set of system protection features that greatly improve reliability and further simplify the design:

- Soft overcurrent
- Cycle-by-cycle peak current limit
- Output overvoltage
- VCC undervoltage lockout (UVLO) protection
- Open pin protections (ISENSE and VSENSE pins)

2.2.2 UCC27524 – Dual Low-Side Gate Driver

The UCC27524 device is a dual-channel, high-speed, low-side, gate-driver device capable of effectively driving MOSFET and IGBT power switches. The UCC27524 adds the ability to handle $-5V$ directly at the input pins for increased robustness. The UCC27524 is a dual non-inverting driver. Using a design that inherently minimizes shoot-through current, the UCC27524 is capable of delivering high-peak current pulses of up to $5A$ source and $5A$ sink into capacitive loads along with rail-to-rail drive capability and extremely small propagation delay typically $17ns$. In addition, the drivers feature matched internal propagation delays between the two channels which are very well suited for applications requiring dual-gate drives with critical timing, such as synchronous rectifiers. This also enables connecting two channels in parallel to effectively increase current drive capability or driving two switches in parallel with a single input signal. The input pin thresholds are based on TTL and CMOS compatible low-voltage logic, which is fixed and independent of the VDD supply voltage. Wide hysteresis between the high and low thresholds offers excellent noise immunity.

2.2.3 UCC28881 – 700-V Off-Line Converter

The UCC28881 integrates the controller and a $14\text{-}\Omega$, 700-V power MOSFET into one monolithic device. The device also integrates a high-voltage current Internal Device Bias Power source, enabling start up and operation directly from the rectified mains voltage. UCC28881 is the same family device of UCC28880, with higher current handling capability. The low quiescent current of the device enables excellent efficiency. With the UCC28881 the most common converter topologies, such as buck, buck- Topologies boost and flyback can be built using a minimum number of external components. UCC28881 incorporates a soft-start feature for Circuit controlled start up of the power stage which minimizes the stress on the power-stage components.

2.3 System Design Theory

This reference design is a 3.5kW boost PFC regulator that operates in continuous conduction mode and is implemented using the UCC28180 PFC controller. The design is specifically tailored for inverter fed drives for use in major appliances such as air conditioners. This design serves as a simple and superior alternative to existing bulk, passive PFC circuits that are used to meet the power harmonic standards. The system efficiency is greater than 98% over the wide input operating voltage range from 190V to 270V AC under full load conditions. Additionally, this design includes several embedded protections including output overvoltage protection and output short circuit protection.

The main focus of this design is a high efficiency, high PF, and protected DC power rail for targeted applications.

2.3.1 Selecting Switching Frequency

The UCC28180 switching frequency is user programmable with a single resistor on the FREQ pin to GND.

This design uses a 45kHz switching frequency. Calculate the suitable resistor value to program the switching frequency using [Equation 1](#).

$$R_{FREQ} = \frac{f_{TYP} \times R_{TYP} \times R_{INT}}{(f_{SW} \times R_{INT}) + (R_{TYP} \times f_{SW}) - (R_{TYP} \times f_{TYP})} \quad (1)$$

where:

- f_{TYP} , R_{TYP} , and R_{INT} are constants internally fixed to the controller that are based on the UCC28180 control logic
- $f_{TYP} = 65\text{kHz}$
- $R_{TYP} = 32.7\text{k}\Omega$
- $R_{INT} = 1\text{M}\Omega$

Applying these constants in [Equation 2](#) yields the appropriate resistor that must be placed between the FREQ and GND pins.

$$R_{FREQ} = \frac{65\text{ kHz} \times 32.7\text{ k}\Omega \times 1\text{ M}\Omega}{(45\text{ kHz} \times 1\text{ M}\Omega) + (45\text{ kHz} \times 32.7\text{ k}\Omega) - (65\text{ kHz} \times 32.7\text{ k}\Omega)} = 47.9\text{ k}\Omega \quad (2)$$

A typical value of $47\text{k}\Omega$ for the FREQ resistor results in a switching frequency of 44kHz .

2.3.2 Calculating Output Capacitance

Assuming that the percentage of non-conducting period is minimal, the required output capacitance can be calculated as [Equation 3](#) shows:

$$C_O = \frac{2 \times P_{LOAD}}{\pi \times V_O \times \Delta V_O \times f_{LINE}} \quad (3)$$

Where

- ΔV_O = The peak-to-peak voltage ripple on the output
- f_{LINE} = The input line frequency
- P_{LOAD} = The output load power

Insert the values into [Equation 3](#) to obtain the following result:

$$C_O = \frac{2 \times 3500}{\pi \times 390 \times 50 \times 50} = 2286 \mu\text{F} \quad (4)$$

A capacitance of $2040 \mu\text{F}$ has been selected to accommodate overload conditions and effects caused by aging.

2.3.3 Calculating PFC Choke Inductor

The UCC28180 is a CCM controller; however, if the chosen inductor allows a relatively high ripple current, the converter becomes forced to operate in discontinuous mode (DCM) at light loads and at the higher input voltage range. High-inductor ripple current affects the CCM/DCM boundary and results in a higher light-load THD. This type of current also affects the choices for the input capacitor, R_{SENSE} , and C_{COMP} values. Allowing an inductor ripple current, ΔI_{RIPPLE} , of 20% or less enables the converter to operate in CCM over the majority of the operating range. However, this low-inductor ripple current requires a boost inductor that has a higher inductance value, and the inductor itself is physically large. This design takes certain measures to optimize performance with size and cost. The inductor is sized to have a 40% peak-to-peak ripple current with a focus on minimizing space and the knowledge that the converter operates in DCM at the higher input voltages and at light loads; however, the converter is well optimized for a nominal input voltage of 230-V AC at the full load.

Calculate the minimum value of the duty cycle, D_{MIN} , as [Equation 5](#) shows:

$$D_{MIN} = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{2} \times V_{IN_MIN} \times |\sin(2\pi \times f_{LINE} \times t)|}{V_O} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times 190 \times 1}{390} = 0.31 \quad (5)$$

Based upon the allowable inductor ripple current of 40%, the PFC choke inductor, L_{BST} , is selected after determining the maximum inductor peak current, I_{PK} , as [Equation 6](#) shows:

$$I_{PK} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times P_O}{\eta \times V_{IN_MIN}} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times 3500}{0.98 \times 190} = 26.6 \text{ A} \quad (6)$$

Calculate the minimum value of the c , L_{MIN} , based upon the acceptable ripple current, I_{RIPPLE} , as [Equation 7](#) shows:

$$L_{MIN} \geq \frac{\sqrt{2} \times V_{IN_MIN} \times D_{MIN}}{I_{PK} \times 0.4 \times f_{SW}} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \times 190 \times 0.31}{26.6 \times 0.4 \times 45 \times 10^3} = 174 \mu\text{H} \quad (7)$$

The actual value of the PFC choke inductor used is $L_{MIN} = 180 \mu\text{H}$

2.3.4 Selecting Switching Element

The MOSFET switch is driven by a gate output that is clamped at 15.2V internally for VCC bias voltages greater than 15.2V. An external gate drive resistor is recommended to limit the rise time and to dampen any ringing caused by the parasitic inductance and capacitance of the gate drive circuit. This resistor also helps by meeting any EMI requirements of the converter. This design uses a 22Ω resistor; the final value of any design depends on the parasitic elements associated with the layout of the design. To facilitate a fast turnoff, place a standard 100V, 1A Schottky diode or switching diode anti-parallel with the gate drive resistor. A 10kΩ resistor is placed between the gate of the MOSFET and ground to discharge the gate capacitance and protect from inadvertent dv/dT triggered activations.

The maximum voltage across the FET is the maximum output boost voltage (that is, 425V), which is the overvoltage set point of the PFC converter used to shut down the output. Considering a voltage de-rating of 30%, the voltage rating of the MOSFET must be greater than 550V DC.

This design uses an IPW60R099P6 MOSFET of 600V with 37.9A at 25°C and 24A at 100°C. If cost is a concern, this design also can use an IGBT to replace the MOSFET. This design needs a heat sink of the appropriate size for the MOSFET or IGBT.

2.3.5 Boost Follower Control Circuit

The traditional design of PFC boost converters consists of a fixed output voltage greater than the maximum peak line voltage to maintain boost operation and be able to shape the input current waveform of the power supply. The boost voltage does not have to be fixed, but can be varied based on the AC input voltage provided that the boosted voltage is above the peak input voltage. The boost follower control circuit aids in setting the output voltage based on the peak input voltage.

Varying the output voltage with variations in the peak line voltage provides several benefits.

- *Reduced boost inductor*

The boost inductor is selected based on the maximum allowed ripple current, at maximum duty cycle, at minimum line voltage, and at minimum output voltage. A decrease in V_{OUT} results in a decrease in the maximum duty cycle, which causes the boost inductor to decrease.

- *Reduced boost switch losses at low line operation*

In an offline PFC converter, a large amount of converter power loss is due to the switching losses of the boost FET. The boost follower PFC has a much lower output voltage at the low-input line voltage than a traditional PFC boost, which reduces the switching losses.

- *Reduced switching losses in the downstream inverter stage and isolated DC/DC converter stage*

The switching losses in a three-phase inverter drive or isolated DC/DC converter stage are proportional to the boost regulated voltage. A lower output voltage results in lower switching losses, increasing the overall efficiency of the system, which is more noticeable in the light-load efficiency of the power stage.

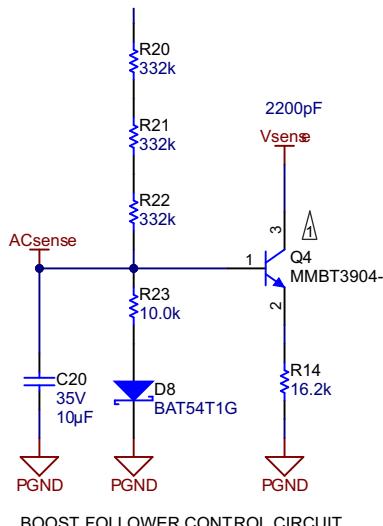


Figure 2-2. Voltage Follower Circuit

2.3.6 Bias Power

The TIDA-00779 design has a on board bias supply to power the UCC28180 PFC controller UCC27524 gate driver, and relay, which is used to shunt the inrush current limiting resistor.

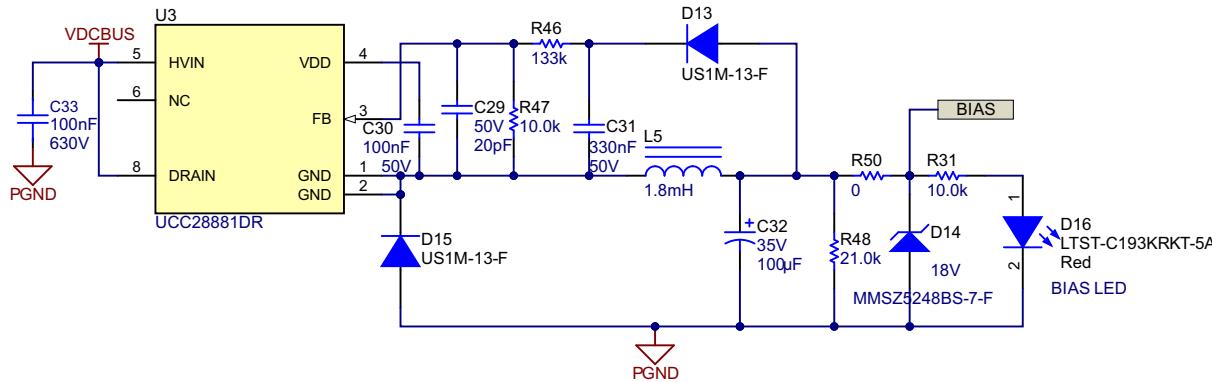


Figure 2-3. Bias Power Supply

2.3.7 On-Off Switch

TIDA-00779 provides a switch to turn on or off PFC. The default status is Off, user can switch the PFC to On.

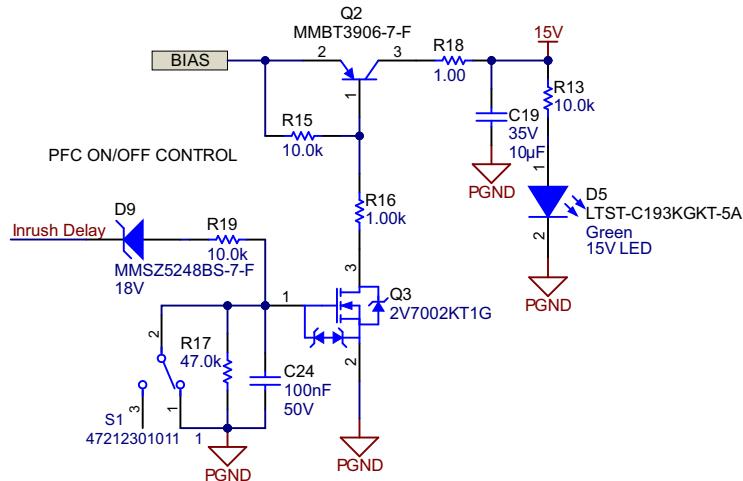


Figure 2-4. On-Off Switch Circuit

2.3.8 Thermal Design

This reference is designed with a heatsink, section size is 146×22mm, 200mm length. Diode bridge BR1, MOSFET Q1, Q6, power diode D1, D3 are mounted on heatsink. Make sure use grease between BR1 to heatsink to improve thermal resistance, and use thermal pad between MOSFET/DIODE to heatsink for thermal conduction and also insulation.

3 Hardware, Testing Requirements, and Test Results

3.1 Required Hardware

3.1.1 Test Conditions

For the input, the power supply source (V_{IN}) must range from 190V to 270V AC. Set the input current limit of the input AC source to 25A.

For the output, use an electronic variable load or a variable resistive load, which must be rated for $\geq 400V$ and must vary the load current from 0mA to 10A.

3.1.2 Recommended Equipment

Use the following recommended test equipment:

- Fluke 287C (multimeter)
- Chroma 61605 (AC source)
- Chroma 63204 (DC electronic load)
- Yokogawa WT500 or Hioki PW8001 (power analyzer)
- Tektronix DPO 3054 (oscilloscope)

3.1.3 Procedure

1. Connect input terminals (P1 and P2) of the reference board to the AC power source.
2. Connect output terminals (P4 and P5) to the electronic load, maintaining correct polarity (P4 is the 390-V DC output and P5 is the GND terminal).
3. Switch On PFC with S1.
4. Gradually increase the input voltage from 0 V to 190-V AC, and turn on.
5. Turn on the load to draw current from the output terminals of the PFC.
6. Observe the startup conditions for smooth-switching waveforms.

3.2 Test Results

The following test results cover the steady-state performance measurements, functional performance waveforms and test data, transient performance waveforms, thermal measurements, surge measurements, and EFT measurements.

3.2.1 Performance Data

3.2.1.1 Efficiency and iTHD

Table 3-1 show the efficiency data at inputs of 230-V AC, tested by Yokogawa WT500.

Table 3-1. Performance Data Under 230-V AC Input

V_{INAC} (V)	I_{INAC} (A)	P_{INAC} (W)	PF	THDi (%)	V_{OUT} (V)	I_{OUT} (A)	P_{OUT} (W)	EFFICIENCY (%)
229.8	1.2858	238.4	0.9340	22.925	384.13	0.6014	231.1	96.935
229.31	3.1522	708.6	1.0000	6.7150	383.29	1.8114	694.4	97.989
228.82	5.1921	1177.1	1.0000	5.1510	382.86	3.0155	1154.9	98.117
228.60	6.2260	1413.0	1.0000	4.6050	382.91	3.6208	1386.6	98.128
228.34	7.2660	1649.4	1.0000	4.4460	382.70	4.2285	1618.4	98.116
228.10	8.2870	1880.8	1.0000	4.1360	382.54	4.8229	1845.1	98.100
228.03	8.4410	1915.2	1.0000	4.0980	382.38	4.9120	1878.4	98.078
227.88	9.3290	2116.3	1.0000	3.6610	382.34	5.4272	2075.4	98.066
227.62	11.3660	2349.7	1.0000	3.6180	382.10	6.0270	2303.2	98.021
227.33	11.5400	2513.6	1.0000	3.9840	381.77	6.7070	2560.7	97.974
227.12	12.5860	2847.8	1.0000	3.8840	381.84	7.3030	2788.7	97.925
226.62	14.6800	3314.7	1.0000	4.2800	381.55	8.4970	3242.4	97.820
226.32	15.7430	3550.4	1.0000	4.5440	381.32	9.1020	3471.1	97.767
226.07	16.7750	3778.5	1.0000	4.8880	381.17	9.6860	3692.1	97.714

Table 3-1 show the efficiency data at inputs of 270-V AC, tested by HIOKI PW8001.

Table 3-2. Performance Data Under 270-V AC Input

V _{INAC} (V)	I _{INAC} (A)	P _{INAC} (W)	PF	THDi (%)	V _{OUT} (V)	I _{OUT} (A)	P _{OUT} (W)	EFFICIENCY (%)
270.21	0.3530	43.5	0.4557	21.522	403.28	0.0952	38.3	88.188
269.75	2.2216	584.3	0.9750	10.833	402.74	1.4202	572.0	97.866
269.62	2.7825	738.1	0.9838	6.930	403.20	1.7962	724.2	98.122
269.35	3.9289	1047.6	0.9899	6.309	402.99	2.5542	1029.3	98.257
269.26	4.3476	1160.4	0.9915	5.839	402.39	2.8338	1140.3	98.267
269.13	4.9228	1315.0	0.9925	5.578	402.80	3.2086	1292.4	98.283
268.88	5.7564	1538.5	0.9940	4.957	402.34	3.7596	1512.6	98.320
268.76	6.3351	1693.6	0.9949	4.693	402.43	4.1381	1665.3	98.330
268.69	6.9090	1847.3	0.9952	4.417	402.26	4.5154	1816.4	98.325
268.45	7.6492	2044.7	0.9957	4.192	402.26	4.9973	2.0102	98.314
268.43	7.9106	2114.7	0.9959	4.059	402.06	5.1706	2078.9	98.305
268.32	8.2264	21985	0.9960	4.050	402.17	5.3746	2161.5	98.316
268.27	8.6359	2308.0	0.9962	3.866	401.69	5.6469	2268.3	98.279
268.04	9.6551	2578.8	0.9965	3.929	402.03	6.3033	2534.1	98.265
267.91	10.0657	2687.4	0.9966	3.869	401.77	6.5735	2687.4	98.274
267.74	10.9498	2922.0	0.9967	4.003	401.91	7.1443	2871.4	98.270
267.05	14.0000	3726.6	0.9968	4.471	401.39	9.1110	3656.7	98.126
266.92	14.4043	3832.5	0.9968	4.445	400.85	9.3793	3759.7	98.101

3.2.1.2 Standby Power and Output Voltage

Table 3-3 show the test results for board standby power and output voltage. This standby power include bias supply.

Table 3-3. Standby Power and Output Voltage

V _{INAC} (VAC)	I _{INAC} (mA)	P _{INAC} (W)	V _{OUT} (V)
150	150.2	3.1	337.2
160	173.7	3.1	342.6
170	179.0	3.1	348.2
180	183.9	3.0	353.7
190	191.9	3.1	359.2
200	199.1	3.0	364.7
210	207.6	3.0	370.2
220	215.9	3.0	375.8
230	223.7	2.9	381.3
240	233.5	3.1	386.9
250	242.6	3.2	392.4
260	251.3	3.2	397.9
270	259.7	3.0	403.4
275	265.1	3.2	406.2

3.2.2 Performance Curves

3.2.2.1 Efficiency Curve

Figure 3-1 show the efficiency curve.

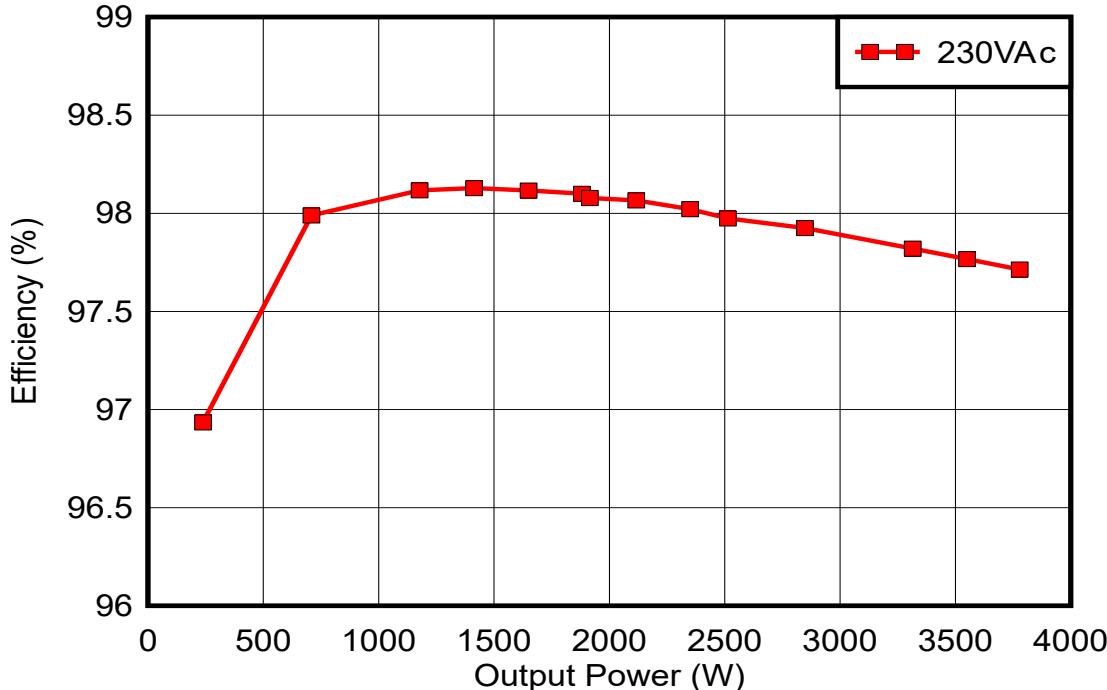


Figure 3-1. Efficiency With Load Variation

3.2.2.2 Voltage Follower Performance

Figure 3-2 and Figure 3-3 show the features of voltage follower circuit.

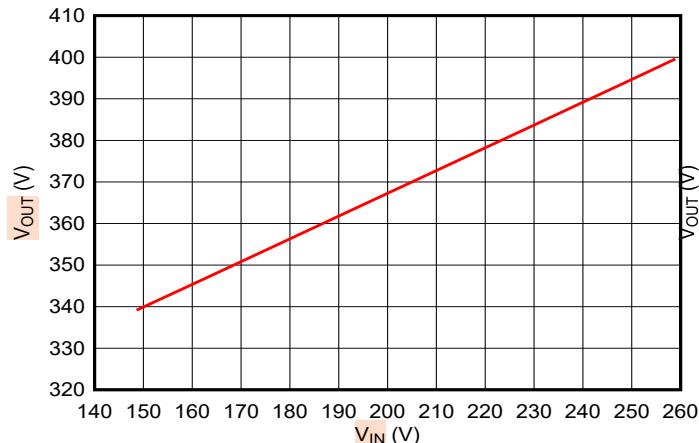


Figure 3-2. Output Voltage under 1kW load

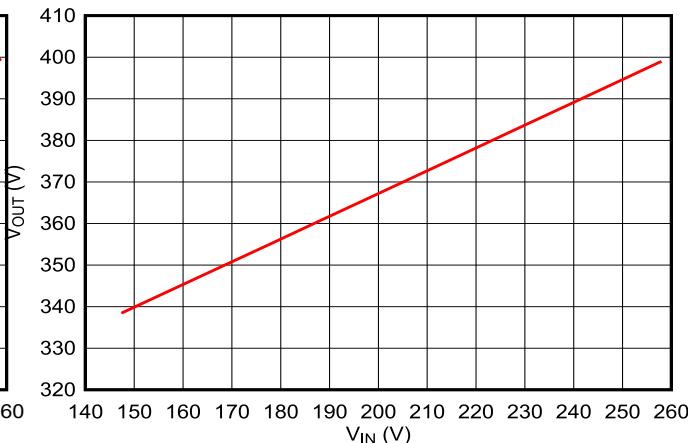


Figure 3-3. Output Voltage Under 2kW Load

3.2.3 Functional Waveforms

3.2.3.1 Power On Sequence

Figure 3-4 shows the power on sequence and loading features, with switch S1 in ON status.

After power on the board, output electrolytic capacitor can be charged to build up VDCBUS through PTC RT1, so charging current can be limited, then bias supply start to work after VDCBUS is high enough to create Vbias, assuming S1 is ON status, PFC controller UCC28180 is powered on by 15V after a inrush current delay time, then PFC converter starts to work. This waveform also shows DCBUS voltage drop when PFC is loaded step by step, 1.3Arms, 5.4Arms, 7.5Arms, 9.5Arms, 10.6Arms.

There is voltage drop when load PFC.

Channel 1 is DC output voltage

Channel 2 is AC input voltage

Channel 3 is MOSFET Drain to Source Voltage.

Channel 4 is AC input current

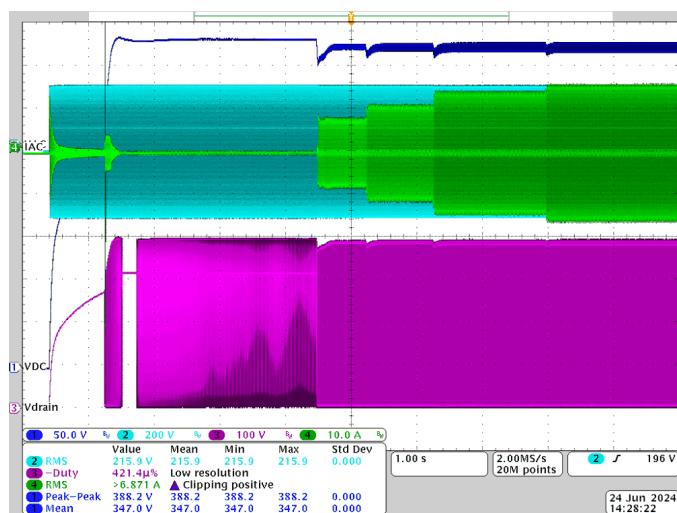


Figure 3-4. Power On Sequences

3.2.3.2 Inrush Current Protection

Figure 3-5 shows inrush current protection feature, board is powered on with switch-on status. Inrush current protection delay time is about 850mS under 220VAC.

Channel 1 is DC output voltage

Channel 2 is AC input voltage

Channel 3 is 15V.

Channel 4 is AC input current

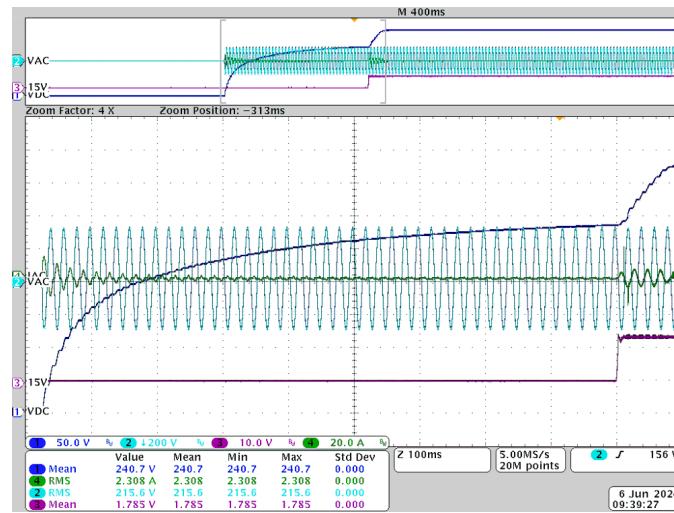


Figure 3-5. Startup and Power On Delay

3.2.3.3 Switching Node

Figure 3-6 and Figure 3-7 show the waveforms at the switching node, which were observed along with the MOSFET for 230V AC.

Channel 1 is Voltage of MOSFET Gate

Channel 2 is AC input voltage

Channel 3 is Voltage of MOSFET Drain to Source

Channel 4 is AC input current

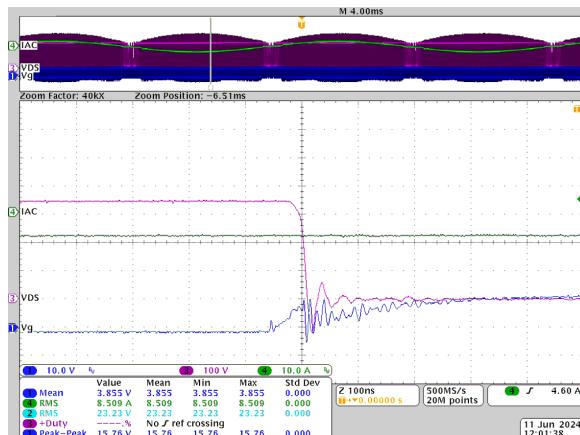


Figure 3-6. Turn on MOSFET

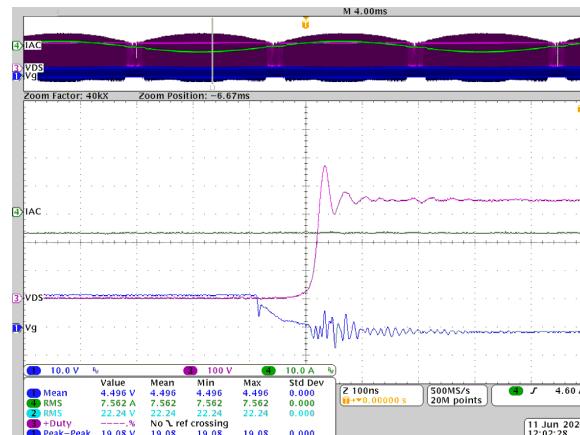


Figure 3-7. Turn off MOSFET

3.2.3.4 Waveform Under 3.5kW, 230VAC

Figure 3-8 show waveforms under 3.5kW, 230VAC, the ouput voltage ripple is 17.5V under this load condition.

Channel 1 is DC output voltage

Channel 2 is AC input voltage

Channel 4 is AC input current

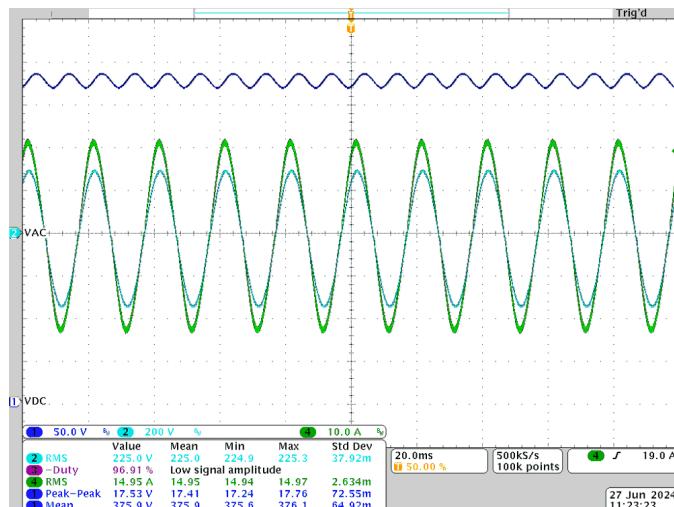


Figure 3-8. Waveforms Under 3.5kW, 230VAC

3.2.4 Thermal Measurements

To better understand the temperature of power components and maximum possible operating temperature, the thermal images were plotted at room temperature (25°C) with a closed enclosure, no airflow, and at full-load conditions. The board was allowed to run for 30 minutes before capturing a thermal image, and heatsink is cooled down with forced air flow provided by two 27CFM, 24 VDC, 2.64W Cooling fans from two sides of heatsink.

Figure 3-9 shows the temperature of power components at input voltage of 230-V AC with the 3.5-kW power output.

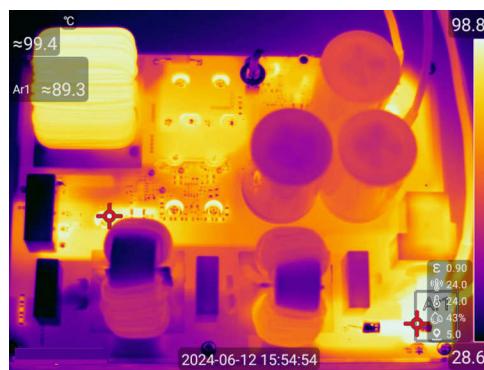


Figure 3-9. Top-Side Temperatures at 230-V AC Input and 3.5-kW Output

4 Design Files

4.1 Schematics

Download all schematics at [TIDA-00779](#).

4.2 Bill of Materials

To download the bill of materials (BOM), see the design files at [TIDA-00779](#).

5 Documentation Support

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8 Revision History

Changes from Revision C (October 2017) to Revision D (August 2024)	Page
• Updated the numbering format for tables, figures, and cross-references throughout the document	1
• Updated schematic to add switch on or off control, on board bias supply. Redesign power on logic and inrush current protection delay circuit, voltage follower circuit. Updated layout file. Updated heatsink. Build new boards. Redo all tests on new board.....	1

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