

Features

- Maximum 3A Low-Dropout Voltage Regulator
- Ultra Low Dropout Voltage
 Typically 240mV at 3A Output Current
- High Output Accuracy over Line, Load and Temperature
- Build-In Soft-Start
- Excellent startup under load from 0 to 3A
- Power-On-Reset Monitoring on Both V_{DD} and V_{IN} Pins
- Power-OK Output function
- Foldback over Current Protection and Thermal shutdown
- 0.1µA (typ) Shutdown Supply Current
- Low ESR Output Capacitor(Multi-layer Chip Capacitors (MLCC)) Applicable
- Vout Pull Low Resistance when Disable
- PSOP-8 \ TDFN10-3x3
- Green Product (RoHS, Lead-Free, Halogen-Free Compliant)

Applications

- Notebook PC Applications
- Motherboard Applications
- Low Voltage Logic Supplies
- Microprocessor and Chipset Supplies
- Graphic Cards
- Cordless phones

General Description

The GS7166 can deliver up to 3A of output current with a typical dropout voltage of only 240mV using internal n-channel MOSFETs. The linear regulator uses a separate VDD supply to power the control circuitry and drive the Internal n-channel MOSFETs. The output voltage is adjustable from 0.8V to the voltage that is very close to V_{IN} .

The GS7166 allows the use of low-ESR ceramic capacitor as low as 10uF. Moreover the IC provides good performance on both line transient response and load transient response.

The GS7166 provides foldback over current limit and thermal shutdown to prevent the linear regulator from damage. Built-in soft-start minimizes stress on the input power source by reducing capacitive inrush current on start-up. During start-up, POK remain low until the output reaches 92% of its rating value.

The GS7166 is available in PSOP-8 TDFN10-3x3 package.

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Typical Application

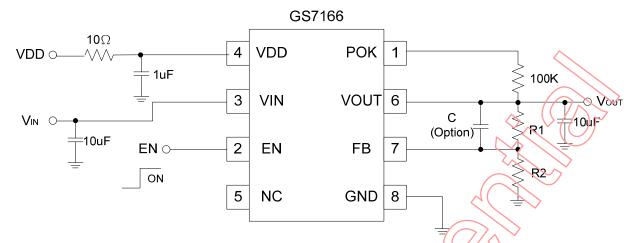
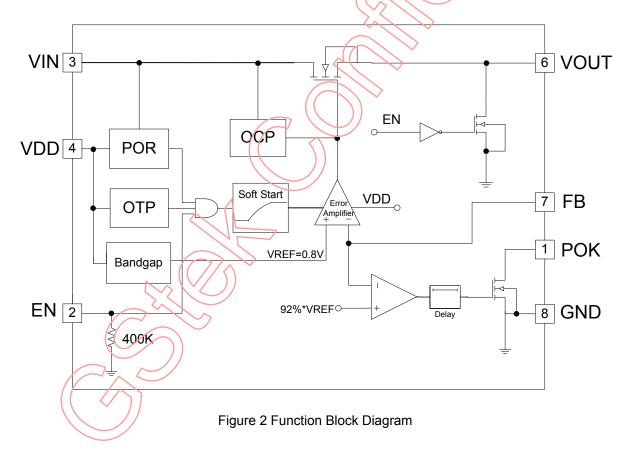


Figure 1 Typical application of GS (166

Function Block Diagram



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Pin Configuration

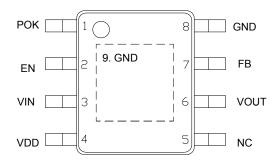


Figure 3a PSOP-8 package

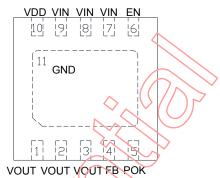


Figure 3b TDFN 10-3x3 package

Pin Descriptions

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Pin No.		Name	I/O type	Pin Function
PSOP-8	TDFN10-3x3	Name	"O type	Till unction
1	5	POK	0	Open drain output. Setting high impedance once V _{OUT} reaches 92% of its rating voltage
2	6	EN	I	Chip Enable (active high). The device will be shutdown if this pin is left open.
3	7,8,9	VIN		Input Voltage. Large bulk capacitance should be placed closely to this pin. A 10µF ceramic capacitor is recommended at this pin.
4	10	VDD		Supply voltage for control circuit, VDD is recommend from 3V to 5V and should be 1.5V higher than the output voltage
5		NC		Not connected
6	1,2,3	VOUT	0	Output Voltage. The power output of the device.
7	4	FB		Feedback Voltage. This pin is connected to the center tap of an external resistor divider network to set the output voltage as $V_{OUT} = 0.8(R1+R2)/R2$.
8,9	11	SND	<i>)</i> / i	Ground.

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Ordering Information



No	Item		Contents
0	Soft Start Time	Unmarked: Soft Start=1.5ms	
"	Soit Start Time	S: Soft Start=1ms	
1	Dackago	SO: PSOP-8(B)	
I I	Package	TD: TDFN10-3x3	
2	Shipping	R: Tape & Reel	

Example: GS7166, Soft Start=1.5ms, PSOP-8(B) Tape & Reel ordering information is "GS7166SO-R"

Absolute Maximum Rating (Note 1)

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Parameter	Symbol	Limits	Units			
Supply Voltage	Vijvi	-0.3 < V _{IN} < 6	V			
Control Voltage	V_{DD}	-0.3 < V _{DD} < 6	V			
Output Voltage	AOUT	-0.3 < V _{OUT} < 5	V			
EN, FB, POK		$-0.3 < (V_{EN, V_{FB, V_{POK}}}) < 6$	V			
Package Power Dissipation at T _A ≦25°C	PD_PSOP-8	1333	mW			
Package Power Dissipation at T _A ≦25°C	P _{D_TDFN10-3x3}	1670	mW			
Junction Temperature	T_{J}	- 45 ~ 150	°C			
Storage Temperature	T _{STG}	- 65 ~ 150	°C			
Lead Temperature (Soldering) 10S	T_{LEAD}	260	°C			
ESD (Human Body Mode) (Note 2)	V_{ESD_HBM}	2K	V			
ESD (Machine Mode) (Note 2)	V_{ESD_MM}	200	V			

Thermal Information (Note 3)

Parameter	Symbol	Limits	Units
Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient	θ _{JA_PSOP-8}	75	°C/W
Thermal Resistance Junction to Case	θ _{JC_PSOP-8}	12	°C/W
Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient	θ _{JA_TDFN10-3x3}	60	°C/W
Thermal Resistance Junction to Case	θ _{JC_TDFN10-3x3}	5	°C/W

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Recommend Operating Condition (Note 4)

Parameter	Symbol	Limits	Units
Supply Voltage	V _{IN}	1.0 < V _{IN} < min{5.2V,VDD}	V
Control Voltage (Note 5)	V_{DD}	3.0 < V _{DD} < 5.5	V
Junction Temperature	T_J	- 40 ~ 125	°C
Ambient Temperature	T_A	-40 ~ 85	°C

Electrical Characteristics

 $(V_{IN} = V_{OLIT} + 0.5V, V_{EN} = V_{DD} = 5V, C_{IN} = C_{OLIT} = 10uF, T_A = T_I = -40 \sim 125^{\circ}C)$

(V _{IN} = V _{OUT} +0.5V, V _{EN} =V _{DI}	D=3V, C _{IN} =C _O	_{UT} =10uF, T _A =T _J =-40~125°C)			<u> </u>	
Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Supply Voltage Section						
V _{DD} Operation Voltage Range	V_{DD}	V _{DD} Input Range, V _{OUT} =V _{REF}	3.0		5.5	V
V _{IN} Operation Voltage Range	V _{IN}	V _{IN} Input Range, V _{OUT} =V _{REF}	1.0		min{5.2 V,VDD}	٧
Quiescent current	I _Q	$V_{DD}=V_{IN}=V_{EN}=5V,I_{OUT}=0A,$ $V_{OUT}=V_{REF}$		1.0	1.5	mA
VDD Input current	I_{VDD}	$V_{DD}=V_{IN}=V_{EN}=5V$, $I_{OUT}=0A$, $V_{OUT}=V_{REF}$		1.0	1.5	mA
Control Input Current in Shutdown	I _{VDD_SD}	V _{DD} =V _{IN} =5.0V, l _{OUT} =0A, V _{EN} =0V		0.1	12	uA
V_{DD} POR Threshold	V_{DDRTH}		2.4	2.7	3	V
V _{DD} POR Hysteresis			0.15	0.2		V
V _{IN} POR Threshold	V _{INRTH}		0.55	0.75	0.95	V
V _{IN} POR Hysteresis			0.13	0.20		V
Output Voltage	Output Voltage					
Reference Voltage	VREF	I _{OUT} =1mA, V _{OUT} =V _{REF}	0.784	8.0	0.816	V
Output Voltage Accuracy			-2.0		+2.0	%
Line Regulation (VDD)	AVLINE_VDD	V_{DD} =4V to 5V, I_{OUT} =1mA, V_{OUT} =V _{REF} , V_{IN} =2V		0.03	0.2	%
Line Regulation (V _{IN})	$\triangle V_{LINE_IN}$	V_{IN} =1.2V to 5V, I_{OUT} =1mA, V_{OUT} =V _{REF}		0.01	0.1	%
Load Regulation (Note 6)	$\triangle V_{LOAD}$	I _{OUT} =1mA to 3 A, V _{OUT} =V _{REF}		0.1	1.5	%
V _{OUT} Pull Low Resistance		V _{DD} =V _{IN} =5.0V, V _{EN} =0V		130		Ω

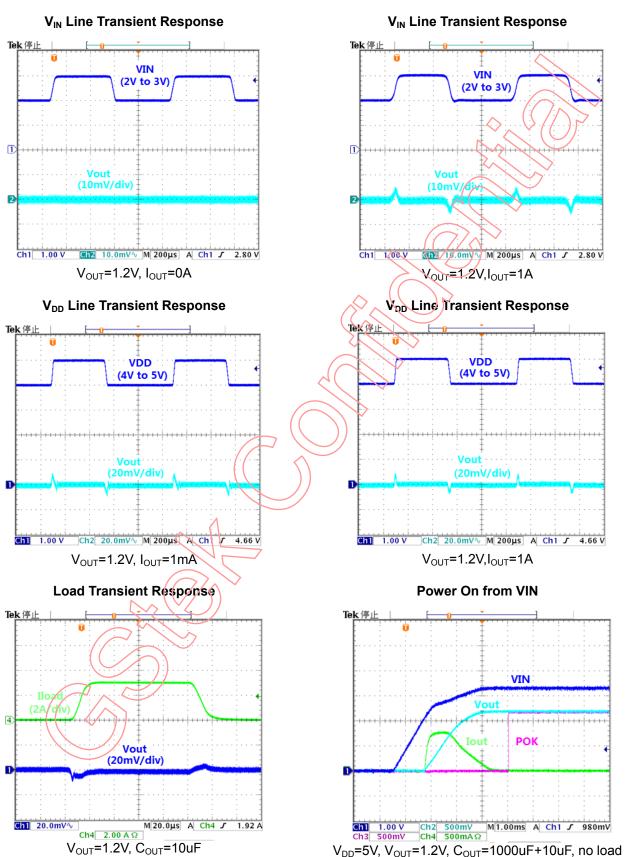
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Dropout Vo	Itage						
Dropout Voltage		V	V _{OUT} =V _{REF} , I _{OUT} =2A		160	300	mV
(Note 7)		V_{DROP}	V _{OUT} = V _{REF} , I _{OUT} =3A		240	380	mV
Protection							
Current Limi	t	ILIM	$V_{DD}=V_{IN}=V_{EN}=5V$, $V_{OUT}=V_{REF}$		4		A
Short Circuit	Current	I _{FOLDBACK}	V _{OUT} <0.2V		100	$\bigvee(\bigcirc)$	mA
Thermal Shu Temperature		T _{SD}	T _J Rising		170		°C
Thermal Shutdown Returned Temperature				4	120		°C
Enable							
EN	Logic-Low Voltage		V _{DD} =5V))	0.6	V
Threshold	Logic-High Voltage		V _{DD} =5V	1)2			V
EN Input Bia	s Current	I _{EN}	V _{EN} =5V		12	20	uA
Power Good	d			~			
PGOOD Rising Threshold			V _{REF} Rising		92		%
PGOOD Hysteresis		V _{REF} falling		8		%	
PGOOD Sink Capability			I _{PGOOD} =1mA		0.2	0.4	V
PGOOD Del	ay		-40°C -125°C		1.7		mS

- Note 1. Stresses listed as the above "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are for stress ratings. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may remain possibility to affect device reliability.
- Note 2. Devices are ESD sensitive. Handling precaution recommended.
- Note 3. θ_{JA} is measured in the natural convection at T_A =25°C on a high effective thermal conductivity test board (4 Layers, 2S2P) of JEDEC 51-7 thermal measurement standard. The case point of θ_{JC} is on the expose pad for PSOP-8 package.
- **Note 4.** The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating conditions.
- Note 5. VDD should be 1.5V higher than the output voltage, VDD> 1.5V+Vout
- **Note 6.**Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature by using a 2ms current pulse. Devices are tested for load regulation in the load range from 1mA to 3A.
- **Note 7.** The Dropout voltage is defined as V_{IN} - V_{OUT} , which is measured when V_{OUT} is $0.98^*V_{\text{OUT}(\text{NORMAL})}$. The dropout voltage is measured at constant junction temperature by using a 2ms current pulse.

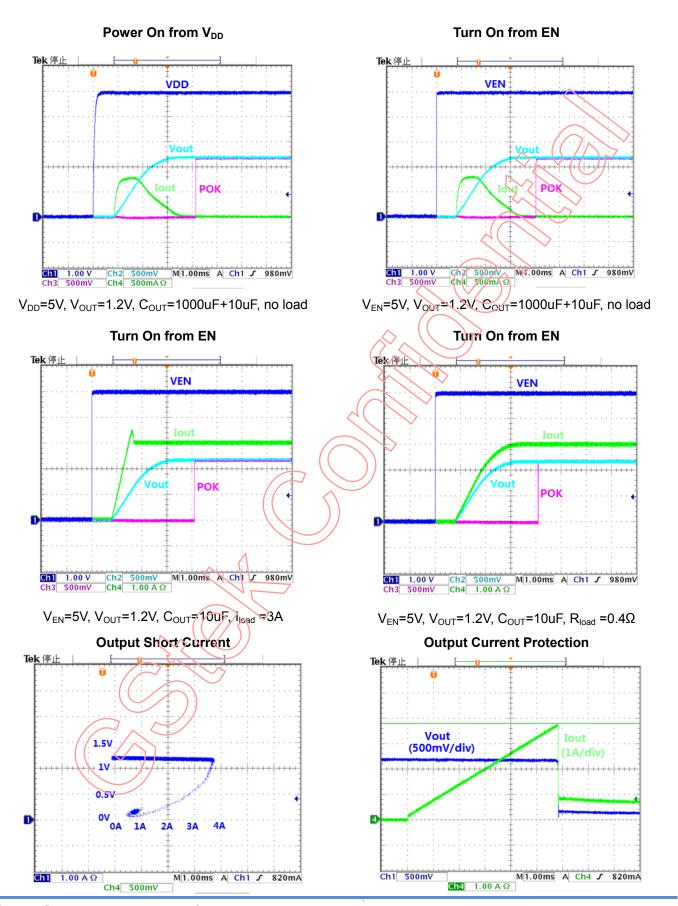
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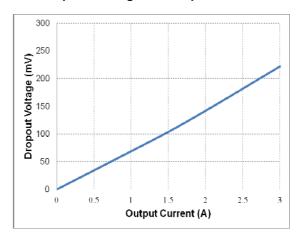




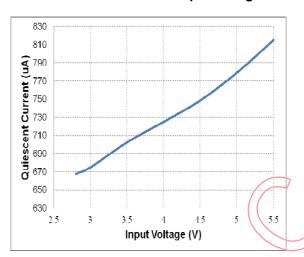
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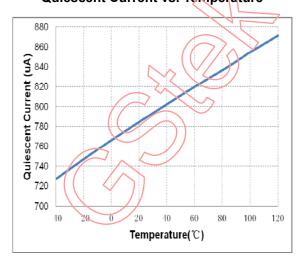
Dropout Voltage vs. Output Current



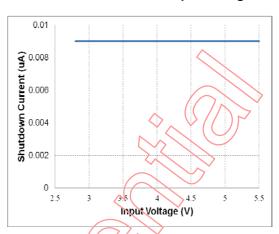
Quiescent Current vs. Input Voltage



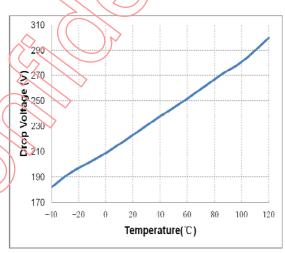
Quiescent Current vs. Temperature



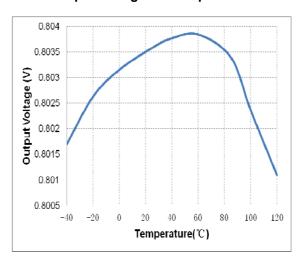
Shutdown Current vs. Input Voltage



Dropout Voltage vs. Temperature



Output Voltage vs. Temperature



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Application Information

Enable

The GS7166 has a dedicated enable pin(EN). When the EN pin is in the logic low (V_{EN} <0.6V), the regulator will be turned off, reducing the supply current to less than 1uA.

When the EN pin is in the logic high ($V_{EN}>1.2V$), the regulator will be turned on and undergoes a new soft-start cycle. Left open, the EN pin is pulled down by a internal resistor to shut down the regulator.

Power-on-Reset

The GS7166 features a power-on-reset control through monitor both input voltages to prevent wrong operations. Only after the two supply voltages exceed their rising POR threshold voltages, the regulator is to be initiated and starts up.

POK

The POK pin is an open-drain output, and can be connects to V_{OUT} or other rail through an external pull-up resistor. As the output voltage arrives 92% of normal output voltage, an internal delay function starts to perform a delay time and then output the POK pin high to indicate the output is OK. As the output voltage falls below the falling Power-OK threshold or one of the two supply voltages falls below it's falling POR threshold, the POK pin will output low immediately without a delay time.

Build-In Soft-Start

An internal soft-start function controls rise rate of the output voltage to limit the current surge at start-up. The typical soft-start interval is about 1.5mS/1.0mS.

Current Limit

The GS7166 contains a foldback over current protection function. It allows the output current to reach the value of 4A. Then further decreases in the load resistance reduce both the load current and the load voltage. The main advantage of foldback limiting is less power dissipation in the pass transistor under shorted load conditions. During startup, the current limit value is set to a high value, thus GS7166 can operate in full load condition. After startup, the current limit value is set to a normal value, so the pass transistor can be protected well.

Thermal-Shutdown Protection

Thermal Shutdown protects GS7166 from excessive power dissipation. If the die temperature exceeds 170°C, the pass transistor is shut off. 50°C of hysteresis prevents the regulator from turning on until the die temperature drops to 120°C.

Output Capacitor selection

The GS7166 is specifically designed to employ ceramic output capacitors as low as 10uF. Place the capacitors physically as close as possible to the device with wide and direct PCB traces. Capacitor ESR should be less than 50mohm.

Feedback Network

Figure 4 shows the feedback network. For Coption NC application, the suggested design procedure is to choose R2=100K Ω .

V _{OUT}	V_{OUT} R1(R2=100KΩ)	
0.8V ~ 3.6V	0 ~ 300 ΚΩ	NC

Table 1. R2=100KΩ

For R2>10K Ω application, the suggested design procedure is to choose table 2.

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V _{OUT}	R1(R2=10KΩ)	C _{OPTION}	
0.8V ~ 1.6V	0 ~ 10 KΩ	470pF~1nF	
1.6V ~ 2.4V	10 ΚΩ ~ 20 ΚΩ	100pF~500pF	
2.4V ~ 3.6V	20 ΚΩ ~ 30 ΚΩ	20pF~300pF	

Table 2. R2=10K Ω

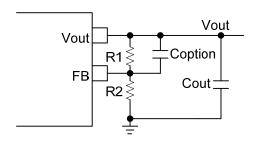


Figure 4 Feedback Network

Input Capacitor selection

Bypass VIN to ground with a 10uF or greater capacitor. Bypass VDD to ground with a 1uF capacitor for normal operation in most applications. Ceramic, tantalum or aluminum electrolytic capacitors may be selected for input capacitor. However ceramic capacitors are recommended due to their significant cost and space savings. Place the capacitors physically as close as possible to the device with wide and direct PCB traces.

Power Dissipation and Layout Considerations

Although internal thermal limiting function is integrated in GS7166, continuously keeping the junction near the thermal shutdown temperature may possibly affect device reliability. For continuous operation, it is highly recommended to keep the junction temperature below the maximum operation junction temperature 125°C for maximum reliability.

The power dissipation definition in device is:

$$P_D = (V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) \times I_{OUT} + V_{DD} \times I_{Q}$$

The maximum power dissipation can be calculated as:

$$P_{D(MAX)} = (T_{J(MAX)} - T_A) / \theta_{JA}$$

Where $T_{J(MAX)}$ is the maximum operation junction temperature 125°C, T_A is the ambient temperature and the θ_{JA} is the junction to ambient thermal resistance.

The thermal resistance θ_{JA} for PSOP-8 package is 75°C/W on the standard JEDEC 51-7 (4 layers, 2S2P) thermal test board. The copper thickness is 2oz. The maximum power dissipation at T_A = 25°C can be calculated by following formula:

$$P_{D(MAX)} = (125^{\circ}C - 25^{\circ}C) / (75^{\circ}C/W) = 1.33W$$

(SOP-8 Exposed Pag on the minimum layout)

The thermal resistance θ_{JA} of PSOP-8 is determined by the package design and the PCB design. Copper plane under the exposed pad is an effective heat sink and is useful for improving thermal conductivity. As shown in Figure 5, the amount of copper area to which the PSOP-8 is mounted affects thermal performance. When mounted to the standard PSOP-8 pad (Figure 5.a), θ_{JA} is 75°C/W. Adding copper area of pad under the PSOP-8 Figure 5.b) reduces the θ_{JA} to 54°C/W. Even further, increasing the copper area of pad to 70mm2 (Figure 5.c) reduces the θ_{JA} to 49°C/W.

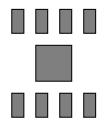
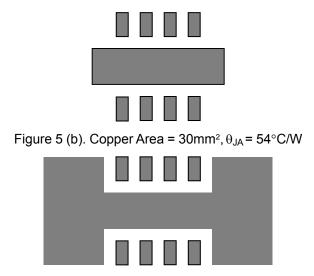


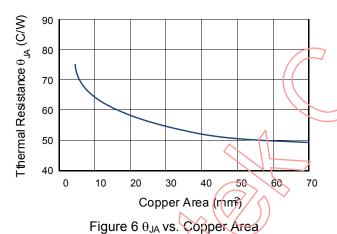
Figure 5 (a). Minimum Footprint, $\theta_{JA} = 75^{\circ}\text{C/W}$



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Figure 5 (c). Copper Area = 70mm², θ_{JA} = 49°C/W Figure 5. θ_{JA} vs. Different Cooper Area Layout Design

And Figure 6 shows a curve for the θ_{JA} of the PSOP-8 package for different copper area sizes using a typical PCB with 2oz copper in still air.



The maximum power dissipation depends on operating ambient temperature or fixed T_{J(MAX)} and thermal resistance θ_{JA} . For GS7166 packages, the Figure 7 of derating curves allows the designer to see the effect of rising ambient temperature on the maximum power allowed.

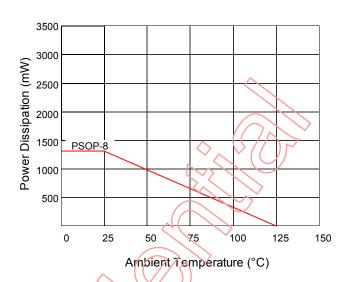
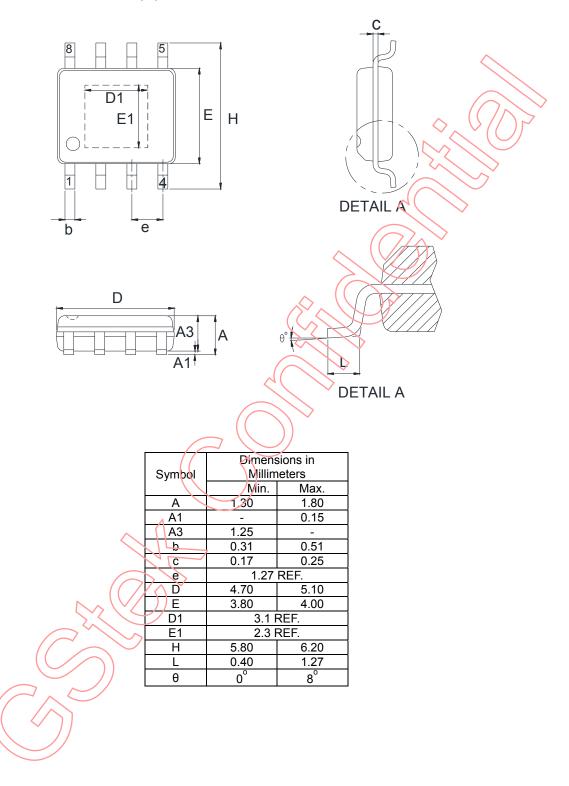


Figure 7 Derating Curve for Packages

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Package Dimensions, PSOP-8(B)



Note:

1. Min.: Minimum dimension specified.

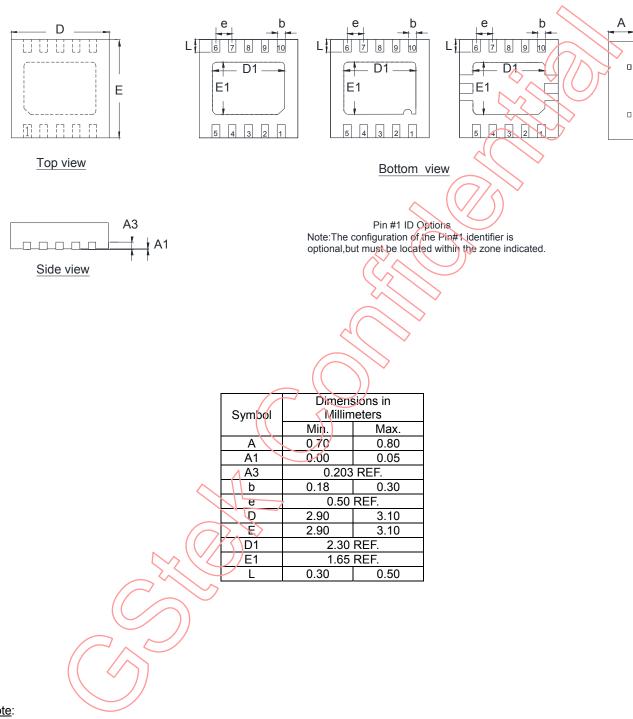
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Package Dimensions, TDFN10-3x3



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