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#### Automotive fully integrated H-bridge motor driver

#### **Features**

Туре	R <sub>DS(on)</sub>	I <sub>out</sub>	V <sub>ccmax</sub>
VNH5050A-E	50 m $\Omega$ max (per leg)	30 A	41 V

- Output current: 30 A
- 3 V CMOS compatible inputs
- Undervoltage and overvoltage shutdown
- Overvoltage clamp
- Thermal shutdown
- Cross-conduction protection
- Current and power limitation
- Very low standby power consumption
- PWM operation up to 20 KHz
- Protection against loss of ground and loss of V<sub>CC</sub>
- Current sense output proportional to motor current
- Output protected against short to ground and short to V<sub>CC</sub>
- Package: ECOPACK<sup>®</sup>

#### Description

The VNH5050A-E is a full bridge motor driver intended for a wide range of automotive applications. The device incorporates a dual monolithic high-side driver and two low-side switches. All switches are designed using STMicroelectronics<sup>®</sup> well known and proven



proprietary VIPower® M0 technology that allows to efficiently integrate on the same die a true Power MOSFET with an intelligent signal/protection circuitry. The three dies are assembled in a PowerSSO-36 TP package on electrically isolated lead frames. This package, specifically designed for the harsh automotive environment offers improved thermal performance thanks to exposed die pads. Moreover, its fully symmetrical mechanical design allows superior manufacturability at board level. The input signals INA and INB can directly interface to the microcontroller to select the motor direction and the brake condition. The DIAG $_{\Delta}/EN_{\Delta}$ or DIAG<sub>B</sub>/EN<sub>B</sub>, when connected to an external pull-up resistor, enables one leg of the bridge. Each DIAG<sub>A</sub>/EN<sub>A</sub> provides a digital diagnostic feedback signal as well. The normal operating condition is explained in the truth table. The CS pin allows monitoring the motor current by delivering a current proportional to its value when CS\_DIS pin is driven low or left open. When CS DIS is driven high, CS pin is in high impedance condition. The PWM, up to 20 KHz, allows to control the speed of the motor in all possible conditions. In all cases, a low level state on the PWM pin turns off both the LSA and LSB switches.

Table 1. Device summary

Package	Order codes		
	Tube	Tape and reel	
PowerSSO-36 TP	VNH5050A-E	VNH5050ATR-E	

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### 1 Block diagram and pin description

Figure 1. Block diagram

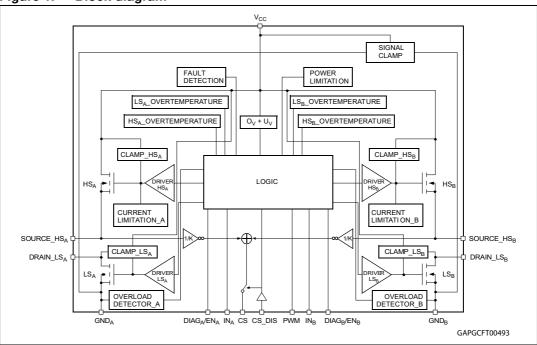


Table 2. Block description

Name	Description
Logic control	Allows the turn-on and the turn-off of the high-side and the low-side switches according to the truth table.
Undervoltage/overvoltage	Shuts down the device for battery voltage outside the range (4,524V).
High-side and low-side clamp voltage	Protect the high-side and the low-side switches from high voltage on the battery line.
High-side and low-side driver	Drive the gate of the concerned switch to allow a proper $R_{DS(on)}$ for the leg of the bridge.
Current limitation	Limits the motor current in case of short circuit.
High-side and low-side overtemperature protection	In case of short-circuit with the increase of the junction temperature, it shuts down the concerned driver to prevent degradation and to protect the die.
Low-side overload detector	Detects when low-side current exceeds shutdown current and latches off the concerned low-side.
Fault detection	Signalizes an abnormal condition of the switch (output shorted to ground or output shorted to battery) by pulling down the concerned ENx/DIAGx pin.
Power limitation	Limits the power dissipation of the high-side driver inside safe range in case of short to ground condition.

Table 3. Suggested connections for unused and not connected pins

Connection / pin	Current sense	N.C.	SOURCE_HSx	DRAIN_LSx	INPUTx, PWM DIAGx/ENx CS_DIS
Floating	Not allowed	Χ	X	X	Х
To ground	Through 1 kΩ resistor	Х	Not allowed	х	Through 10 kΩ resistor

Figure 2. Configuration diagram (top view)

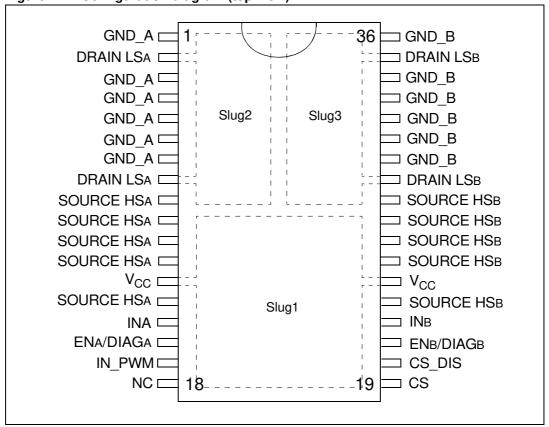


Table 4. Pin definitions and functions

Pin N°	Symbol	Function	
13, 24	V <sub>CC</sub> , Heat slug1	Drain of high-side switches and power supply voltage.	
18	NC	Not connected.	
15	INA	Clockwise input.	
16	ENa/DIAGa	Status of high-side and low-side switches A; Open drain output.	
17	IN_PWM	PWM input.	
19	CS	Output of current sense.	

Table 4. Pin definitions and functions (continued)

Pin N°	Symbol	Function
20	CS_DIS	Active high CMOS compatible pin to disable current sense pin.
21	ENB/DIAGB	Status of high-side and low-side switches B; Open drain output.
22	INв	Counter clockwise input.
23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 35	OUTB, Heat Slug3	Source of high-side switch B / drain of low-side switch B.
30, 31, 32, 33, 34,36	GND_B	Source of low-side switch B.
2, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14	OUT <sub>A,</sub> Heat Slug2	Source of high-side switch A / drain of low-side switch A.
1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	GND_A	Source of low-side switch A.

Table 5. Pin functions description

Name	Description
V <sub>CC</sub>	Battery connection.
GND	Power ground.
OUT <sub>A</sub> OUT <sub>B</sub>	Power connections to the motor.
IN <sub>A</sub> IN <sub>B</sub>	Voltage controlled input pins with hysteresis, CMOS compatible. These two pins control the state of the bridge in normal operation according to the truth table (brake to $V_{CC}$ , Brake to GND, clockwise and counterclockwise).
PWM	Voltage controlled input pin with hysteresis, CMOS compatible.Gates of low-side FETS get modulated by the PWM signal during their on phase allowing speed control of the motor.
EN <sub>A</sub> /DIAG <sub>A</sub> EN <sub>B</sub> /DIAG <sub>B</sub>	Open drain bidirectional logic pins. These pins must be connected to an external pull up resistor. When externally pulled low, they disable half-bridge A or B. In case of fault detection (thermal shutdown of a high-side FET or excessive on-state voltage drop across a low-side FET), these pins are pulled low by the device (see truth table in fault condition).
CS	Analog current sense output. This output delivers a current proportional to the motor current if CS_DIS is low or left open. The information can be read back as an analog voltage across an external resistor.
CS_DIS	Active high CMOS compatible pin to disable the current sense pin.

#### **Electrical specifications** 2

 $I_S$  $V_{CC}$ I<sub>INA</sub>  $V_{CC}$  $IN_A$ OUT<sub>A</sub>  $I_{\mathsf{INB}}$  $\mathsf{IN}_\mathsf{B}$  $\mathsf{OUT}_\mathsf{B}$ V<sub>OUTA</sub>  $I_{\mathsf{ENA}}$ I<sub>SENSE</sub> cs 🗅  $\mathsf{DIAG}_\mathsf{A}/\mathsf{EN}_\mathsf{A}$ T<sub>CSD</sub>  $V_{\text{OUTB}}$  $I_{ENB}$ CS\_DIS  $V_{\text{SENSE}}$ DIAG<sub>B</sub>/EN<sub>B</sub> PWM GND  $V_{CSD}$ I<sub>GND</sub> V<sub>INA</sub> V<sub>INB</sub> V<sub>ENA</sub>  $\rm V_{\rm ENB}$ 

Figure 3. **Current and voltage conventions** 

#### **Absolute maximum ratings** 2.1

Table 6. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V <sub>CC</sub>	Supply voltage	+ 41	V
I <sub>max</sub>	DC output current	Internally limited	Α
I <sub>R</sub>	Reverse output current (continuous) <sup>(1)</sup>	25	Α
I <sub>IN</sub>	Input current (IN <sub>A</sub> and IN <sub>B</sub> pins)	+/- 10	mA
I <sub>EN</sub>	Enable input current (DIAG <sub>A</sub> /EN <sub>A</sub> and DIAG <sub>B</sub> /EN <sub>B</sub> pins)	+/- 10	mA
I <sub>pw</sub>	PWM Input current	+/- 10	mA
I <sub>CS_DIS</sub>	CS_DIS input current	+/- 10	mA
V <sub>CS</sub>	Current sense maximum voltage	V <sub>CC</sub> -41/+V <sub>CC</sub>	V
V <sub>ESD</sub>	Electrostatic discharge (Human body model: R = 1.5 k $\Omega$ , C = 100 pF)	2	kV
T <sub>c</sub>	Junction operating temperature	-40 to 150	°C
T <sub>STG</sub>	Storage temperature	-55 to 150	°C
I <sub>GND</sub>	DC reverse ground pin current	200	mA

<sup>1.</sup> Based on the internal wires capability.

### 2.2 Thermal data

Table 7. Thermal data

Symbol	Parameter		Max. value	Unit
D	Thermal resistance junction-case (per leg)  HSD  LSD		3.7	°C/W
R <sub>thj-case</sub>			3.9	°C/W
R <sub>thj-amb</sub>	Thermal resistance junction-ambient		See Figure 17	°C/W

### 2.3 Electrical characteristics

 $V_{CC}$  = 9 V up to 18 V; -40 °C <  $T_{j}$  < 150 °C, unless otherwise specified.

Table 8. Power section

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
$V_{CC}$	Operating supply voltage		5.5		18	V
		Off-state with all fault cleared and ENx = 0 (standby) $IN_A = IN_B = PWM = 0;$ $T_j = 25  ^{\circ}C;  V_{CC} = 13  V$		3	6	μΑ
·	I <sub>S</sub> Supply current	Off-state with all fault cleared and ENx = 0 (standby) $V_{CC} = 13 \text{ V};$ $IN_A = IN_B = PWM = 0;$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$			10	μΑ
I <sub>S</sub>		$\begin{aligned} & \text{Off-state (no standby)} \\ & \text{IN}_{\text{A}} = \text{IN}_{\text{B}} = \text{PWM} = 0; \\ & \text{ENx} = 5 \text{ V;} \\ & \text{T}_{\text{j}} = \text{-40 °C to 150 °C} \end{aligned}$			5	mA
		On-state: IN <sub>A</sub> or IN <sub>B</sub> = 5V; no PWM		3	6	mA
		On-state: IN <sub>A</sub> or IN <sub>B</sub> = 5 V; PWM = 20 kHz			8	mA
		$I_{OUT} = 8.5 \text{ A}; T_j = -40 \text{ °C}$		17		mΩ
	Static high-side	$OUT = 8.5 \text{ A}; T_j = 25 \text{ °C}$		26		mΩ
R <sub>ONHS</sub>	resistance	$I_{OUT} = 8.5 \text{ A}; T_j = 150 \text{ °C}$		52		$m\Omega$
		I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A; T <sub>j</sub> = -40 °C to 150 °C			60	mΩ
		I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A; T <sub>j</sub> = 25 °C		20		mΩ
R <sub>ONLS</sub>	Static low-side resistance	$I_{OUT} = 8.5 \text{ A};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$			40	mΩ
V <sub>f</sub>	High-side free-wheeling diode forward voltage	I <sub>OUT</sub> = -8.5 A; T <sub>j</sub> = 150 °C		0.7	0.9	>
1	High-side off-state output	$T_j = 25 ^{\circ}\text{C};  V_{CC} = 13\text{V}; \ V_{OUTX} = \text{EN}_X = 0  \text{V}$	0		3	μΑ
I <sub>L(off)</sub>	current (per channel)	$T_j = 125$ °C; $V_{CC} = 13V$ ; $V_{OUTX} = EN_X = 0 V$	0		5	μΑ
I <sub>RM</sub>	Dynamic cross- conduction current	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A (see <i>Figure 7</i> )		1		Α

Table 9. Logic inputs ( $IN_A$ ,  $IN_B$ ,  $EN_A$ ,  $EN_B$ , PWM,  $CS_DIS$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>IL</sub>	Input low level voltage Normal operation (DIAG <sub>X</sub> /EN <sub>X</sub> pin acts as an input pin)				0.9	V
V <sub>IH</sub>	Input high level voltage	put high level voltage Normal operation (DIAG <sub>X</sub> /EN <sub>X</sub> pin acts as an input pin)				٧
V <sub>IHYST</sub>	Input hysteresis voltage Normal operation (DIAG $_{\rm X}$ /EN $_{\rm X}$ pin acts as an input pin)		0.15			٧
V.	Input clamp voltage	I <sub>IN</sub> = 1 mA	5.5	6.3	7.5	٧
V <sub>ICL</sub>	input clamp voltage	I <sub>IN</sub> = -1 mA	-1.0	-0.7	-0.3	V
I <sub>INL</sub>	Input current V <sub>IN</sub> = 0.9 V		1			μΑ
I <sub>INH</sub>	Input current	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.1 V			10	μΑ
V <sub>DIAG</sub>	Enable output low level voltage	Fault operation (DIAG <sub>X</sub> /EN <sub>X</sub> pin acts as an output pin); I <sub>EN</sub> = 1 mA			0.4	٧

Table 10. Switching ( $V_{CC}$  = 13 V,  $R_{LOAD}$  = 1.5  $\Omega$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
f	PWM frequency		0		20	kHz
t <sub>d(on)</sub>	Turn-on delay time	Input rise time < 1µs (see <i>Figure 6</i> )			250	μs
t <sub>d(off)</sub>	Turn-off delay time	Input rise time < 1µs (see <i>Figure 6</i> )			250	μs
t <sub>r</sub>	Rise time	See Figure 5		1	2	μs
t <sub>f</sub>	Fall time	See Figure 5		1	2	μs
t <sub>DEL</sub>	Delay time during change of operating mode	See Figure 4	200	400	1600	μs
t <sub>rr</sub>	High-side free wheeling diode reverse recovery time	See Figure 7		100		ns

Table 11. Protections and diagnostics

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>USD</sub>	Undervoltage shutdown			3	5	V
V <sub>USDhyst</sub>	Undervoltage shutdown hysteresis			0.5		٧
V <sub>OV</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> overvoltage shutdown		24	27	30	٧
I <sub>LIM_H</sub>	High-side current limitation		30	42	60	Α

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Table 11. Protections and diagnostics (continued)

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
I <sub>SD_LS</sub>	Shutdown LS current		30	50	70	Α
V <sub>CLP</sub>	Total clamp voltage (V <sub>CC</sub> to GND)	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A	41	46	52	٧
V <sub>CLPH</sub>	High-side clamp voltage (V <sub>CC</sub> to OUT <sub>A</sub> =0 or OUT <sub>B</sub> =0)	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A	41	46	52	٧
T <sub>SD_LS</sub>	Time to shutdown for the low-side			10		μs
V <sub>CLPLS</sub>	Low-side clamp voltage $(OUT_A = V_{CC} \text{ or } OUT_B = V_{CC} \text{ to GND})$	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A	25	28	31	V
T <sub>TSD</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Thermal shutdown temperature	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.1 V	150	175	200	°C
T <sub>TR</sub> <sup>(2)</sup>	Thermal reset temperature		135			Ô
T <sub>HYST</sub> <sup>(2)</sup>	Thermal hysteresis (T <sub>SD</sub> -T <sub>R</sub> )			16		°C
T <sub>TSD_LS</sub>	Low-side thermal shutdown temperature	V <sub>IN</sub> = 0 V	150	175	200	°C

<sup>1.</sup>  $\,\,T_{TSD}$  is the minimum threshold temperature between HS and LS  $\,$ 

Table 12. Current sense (9 V < V<sub>CC</sub> < 18 V)

Symbol	Parameter Test conditions		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
К <sub>1</sub>	lout/lsense	$I_{OUT} = 5 \text{ A}; V_{SENSE} = 0.8 \text{ V};$ $V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	4350	5100	6270	
K <sub>2</sub>	$I_{OUT} = 10 \text{ A};$ $V_{SENSE} = 1.6 \text{ V}; V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V};$ $V_{j} = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$		4350	5030	5870	
К <sub>3</sub>	lout/lsense	$I_{OUT} = 25 \text{ A}; V_{SENSE} = 4 \text{ V};$ $V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	4100	4930	5490	
dK <sub>1</sub> /K <sub>1</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Analog sense current drift	$I_{OUT} = 5 \text{ A}; V_{SENSE} = 0.8 \text{ V};$ $V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	-14		14	%
dK <sub>2</sub> /K <sub>2</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Analog sense current drift	$I_{OUT} = 10 \text{ A}; V_{SENSE} = 1.6 \text{ V};$ $V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	-13		13	%
dK <sub>3</sub> /K <sub>3</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Analog sense current drift	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 25 A; V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 4 V; V <sub>CSD</sub> = 0 V; T <sub>j</sub> = -40 °C to 150 °C	-13		13	%

<sup>2.</sup> Valid for both HSD and LSD.

Table 12. Current sense (9 V <  $V_{CC}$  < 18 V) (continued)

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>SENSE</sub>	Max analog sense output voltage	$I_{OUT}$ = 10 A; $V_{CSD}$ = 0 V; $R_{SENSE}$ = 800 $\Omega$	5			V
		$I_{OUT} = 500 \text{ mA}; V_{CC} = 13 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C}$		87		μΑ
I <sub>SENSETYP_500</sub>	Typical analog sense	$I_{OUT} = 500 \text{ mA}; V_{CC} = 13 \text{ V};$ $T_j = 25 \text{ °C}$		91		μΑ
		$I_{OUT} = 500 \text{ mA}; V_{CC} = 13 \text{ V};$ $T_j = 150 \text{ °C}$		100		μΑ
		$I_{OUT} = 0 \text{ A; } V_{SENSE} = 0 \text{ V;} \ V_{CSD} = 5 \text{ V; } V_{IN} = 0 \text{ V;} \ T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	0		5	μΑ
I <sub>SENSE0</sub>	Analog sense leakage current	$V_{CSD} = 0 \text{ V}; V_{IN} = 5 \text{ V};$ $T_j = -40 \text{ °C to } 150 \text{ °C}$	0		180	μΑ
		$V_{CSD} = 5 \text{ V}; V_{IN} = 5 \text{ V}; I_{OUT} = 8.5 \text{ A}$	0		5	μΑ
t <sub>DSENSEH</sub>	Delay response time from falling edge of CS_DIS pin	V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V; V <sub>SENSE</sub> < 4 V, I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A; I <sub>SENSE</sub> = 90 % of I <sub>SENSEmax</sub> (see <i>Figure 8</i> )			50	μs
t <sub>DSENSEL</sub>	Delay response time from rising edge of CS_DIS pin	V <sub>IN</sub> = 5 V; V <sub>SENSE</sub> < 4 V; I <sub>OUT</sub> = 8.5 A; I <sub>SENSE</sub> = 10 % of I <sub>SENSEmax</sub> (see <i>Figure 8</i> )			20	μs

<sup>1.</sup> Analog sense current drift is deviation of factor K for a given device over (-40°C to 150°C and 9 V <  $V_{CC}$  < 18 V) with respect to its value measured at  $T_j$  = 25 °C,  $V_{CC}$  = 13 V.

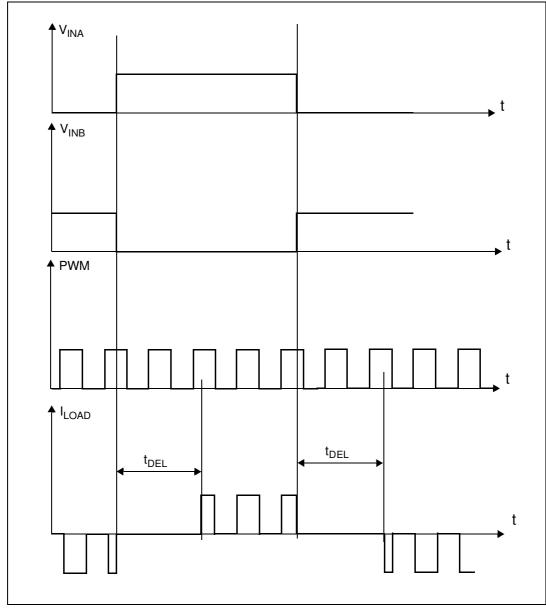


Figure 4. Definition of the delay times measurement

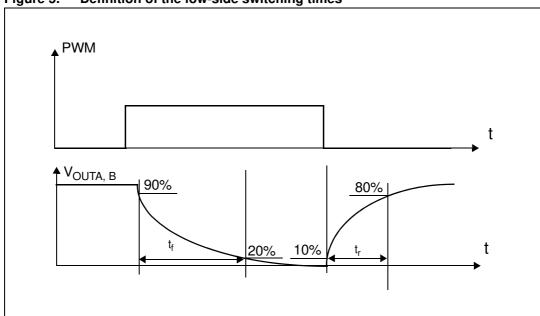
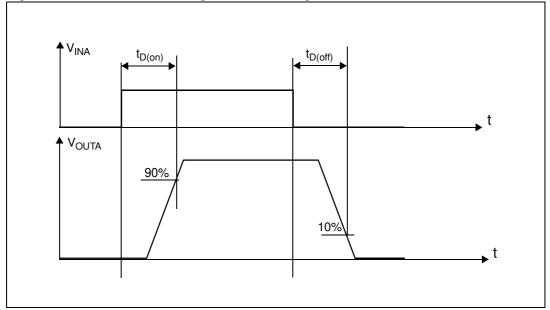


Figure 5. Definition of the low-side switching times





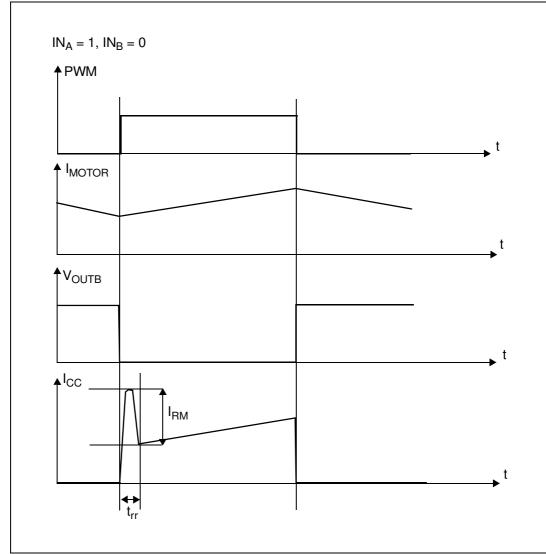
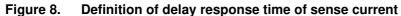


Figure 7. Definition of dynamic cross conduction current during a PWM operation



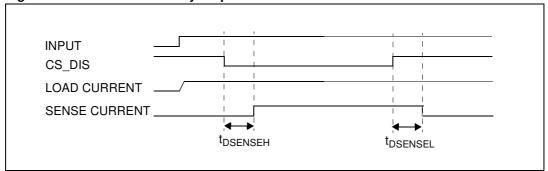


Table 13. Truth table in normal operating conditions

INA	IN <sub>B</sub>	DIAG <sub>A</sub> /EN <sub>A</sub>	DIAG <sub>B</sub> /EN <sub>B</sub>	OUTA	OUTB	CS	Operating mode
1	1			Н	Н	High Imp.	Brake to V <sub>CC</sub>
'	0	1	1	'''	L	1 //	Clockwise (CW)
0	1	ı	I		Н	$I_{SENSE} = I_{OUT}/K$	Counterclockwise (CCW)
	0			_	L	High Imp.	Brake to GND

Table 14. Truth table in fault conditions (detected on OUT<sub>A</sub>)

INA	IN <sub>B</sub>	DIAG <sub>A</sub> /EN <sub>A</sub>	DIAG <sub>B</sub> /EN <sub>B</sub>	OUT <sub>A</sub>	OUTB	CS (V <sub>CSD</sub> =0V)
1	1				Н	High
'	0		1		L	impedance
0	1	0	l	OPEN	Н	I <sub>OUTB</sub> /K
0	0				L	High
Х	Х		0		OPEN	impedance
		Fault Inf	ormation	Protection	on Action	

Note:

In normal operating conditions the  $DIAG_X/EN_X$  pin is considered as an input pin by the device. This pin must be externally pulled high.

Table 15. Electrical transient requirements (part 1/3)

ISO 7637-2: 2004(E)	004(E)		E) pulses or repetition time			Delays and Impedance	
Test pulse	III	IV	test times	Min.	Max.	Impedance	
1	-75V	-100V	5000 pulses	0.5s	5s	2 ms, $10\Omega$	
2a	+37V	+50V	5000 pulses	0.2s	5s	50μs, 2Ω	
3a	-100V	-150V	1h	90ms	100ms	0.1μs, 50Ω	
3b	+75V	+100V	1h	90ms	100ms	0.1μs, 50Ω	
4	-6V	-7V	1 pulse			100ms, 0.01Ω	
5b <sup>(2)</sup>	+65V	+87V	1 pulse			400ms, 2Ω	

<sup>1.</sup> The above test levels must be considered referred to  $V_{CC}$  = 13.5V except for pulse 5b.

Table 16. Electrical transient requirements (part 2/3)

ISO 7637-2:	Test leve	el results
2004E Test pulse	III	VI
1	С	С
2a	С	С
3a	С	С
3b	С	С
4	С	С
5b <sup>(1)</sup>	С	С

<sup>1.</sup> Valid in case of external load dump clamp: 40V maximum referred to ground.

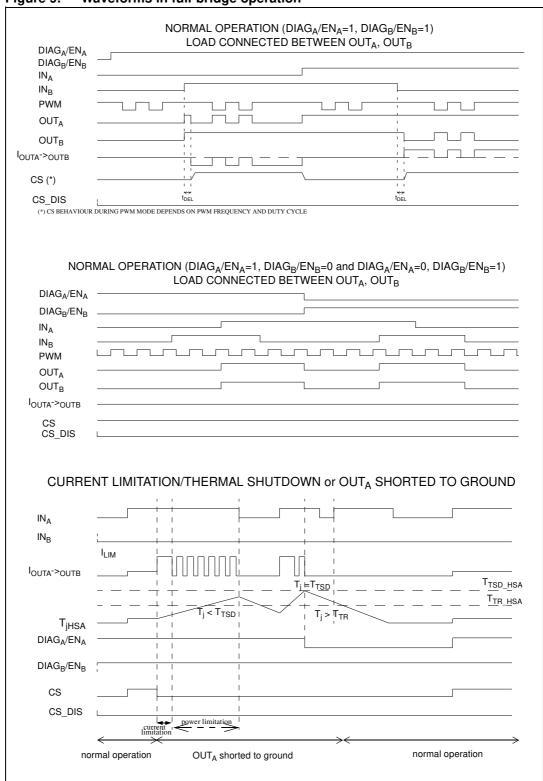
Table 17. Electrical transient requirements (part 3/3)

Class	Contents
С	All functions of the device performed as designed after exposure to disturbance.
E	One or more functions of the device did not perform as designed after exposure to disturbance and cannot be returned to proper operation without replacing the device.

<sup>2.</sup> Valid in case of external load dump clamp: 40V maximum referred to ground.

#### 2.4 Waveforms

Figure 9. Waveforms in full-bridge operation



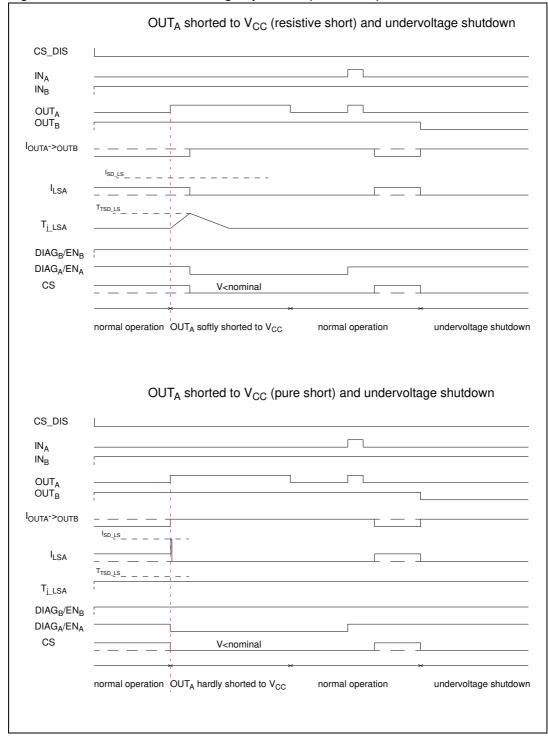


Figure 10. Waveforms in full-bridge operation (continued)

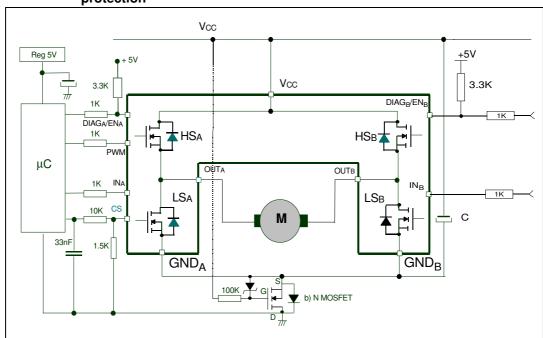
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### 3 Application information

In normal operating conditions the  $DIAG_X/EN_X$  pin is considered as an input pin by the device. This pin must be externally pulled high.

PWM pin usage: In all cases, a "0" on the PWM pin turns off both  $LS_A$  and  $LS_B$  switches. When PWM rises back to "1",  $LS_A$  or  $LS_B$  turn on again depending on the input pin state.

Figure 11. Typical application circuit for DC to 20 kHz PWM operation short circuit protection



Note:

The value of the blocking capacitor (C) depends on the application conditions and defines voltage and current ripple on supply line at PWM operation. Stored energy of the motor inductance may fly back into the blocking capacitor, if the bridge driver goes into 3-state. This causes a hazardous overvoltage if the capacitor is not big enough. As basic orientation, 500µF per 10A load current is recommended.

In case of a fault condition the DIAG<sub>X</sub>/EN<sub>X</sub> pin is considered as an output pin by the device.

The fault conditions are:

- Overtemperature on one or both high-sides
- Short to battery condition on the output (over current detection on the low-side Power MOSFET)

Possible origins of fault conditions may be:

OUT<sub>A</sub> is shorted to ground → overtemperature detection on high-side A

 $\text{OUT}_{A}$  is shorted to  $\text{V}_{\text{CC}} \rightarrow \text{low-side}$  Power MOSFET over current detection

When a fault condition is detected, the user can identify which power element is in fault by monitoring the IN<sub>A</sub>, IN<sub>B</sub>, DIAG<sub>A</sub>/EN<sub>A</sub> and DIAG<sub>B</sub>/EN<sub>B</sub> pins.

In any case, when a fault is detected, the faulty leg of the bridge is latched off. To turn on the respective output  $(OUT_X)$  again, the input signal must rise from low to high level.

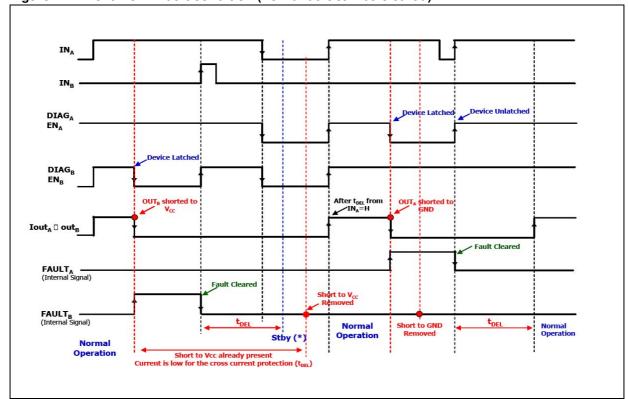


Figure 12. Behavior in fault condition (how a fault can be cleared)

Note:

In case of the fault condition is not removed, the procedure for unlatching and sending the device in Stby mode is:

- Clear the fault in the device (toggle:  $IN_A$  if  $EN_A = 0$  or  $IN_B$  if  $EN_B = 0$ )
- Pull low all inputs, PWM and Diag/EN pins within tDEL.

If the Diag/En pins are already low, PWM = 0, the fault can be cleared simply toggling the input. The device enters in stby mode as soon as the fault is cleared.

#### 3.1 Reverse battery protection

Three possible solutions can be considered:

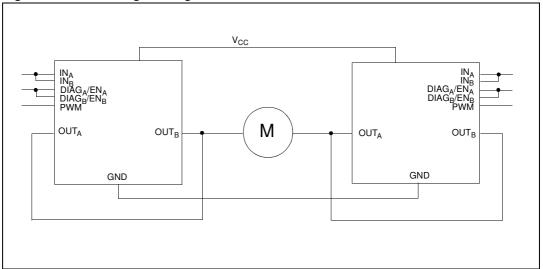
- A Schottky diode D connected to V<sub>CC</sub> pin
- An N-channel MOSFET connected to the GND pin (see Figure 11)
- A P-channel MOSFET connected to the V<sub>CC</sub> pin

The device sustains no more than -25 A in reverse battery conditions because of the two body diodes of the Power MOSFETs. Additionally, in reverse battery condition the I/Os of VNH5050A-E is pulled down to the  $V_{CC}$  line (approximately -1.5 V).

Series resistor must be inserted to limit the current sunk from the microcontroller I/Os. If  $I_{Rmax}$  is the maximum target reverse current through  $\mu C$  I/Os, series resistor is:

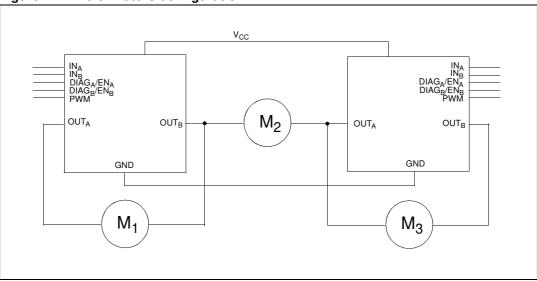
$$R = \frac{V_{IOs} - V_{CC}}{I_{Rmax}}$$

Figure 13. Half-bridge configuration



Note: The VNH5050A-E can be used as a high power half-bridge driver.

Figure 14. Multi-motors configuration



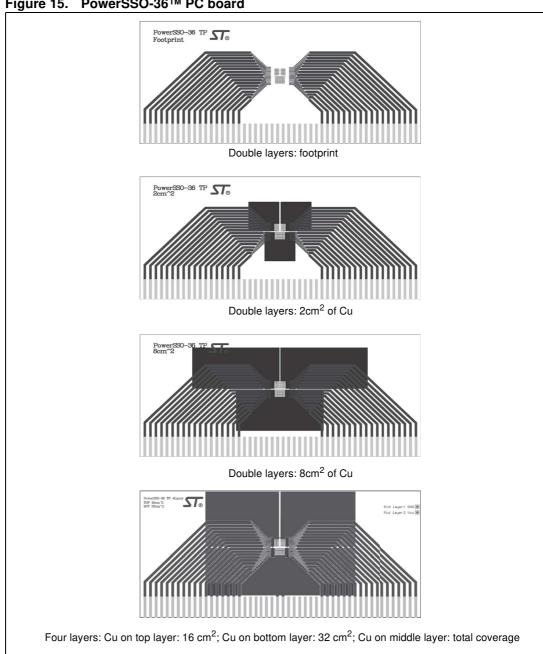
Note: The VNH5050A-E can easily be designed in multi-motors driving applications such as seat positioning systems where only one motor has to be driven at a time.  $DIAG_X/EN_X$  pins allow to put unused half-bridges in high impedance.

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#### Package and PCB thermal data 4

#### 4.1 PowerSSO-36 thermal data

Figure 15. PowerSSO-36™ PC board



Note:

Board finish thickness 1.6 mm +/- 10%, Board double layers and four layers, Board dimension 129x60, Board Material FR4, Cu thickness 0.070mm (front and back side), Thermal vias spaced on a 1.2 mm x 1.2 mm grid, Vias pad clearance thickness 0.2 mm, Thermal via diameter 0.3 mm +/- 0.08 mm, Cu thickness on vias 0.025 mm, Footprint dimension 4.1 mm x 6.5 mm.

Figure 16. Chipset configuration

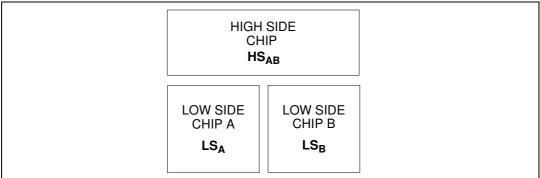
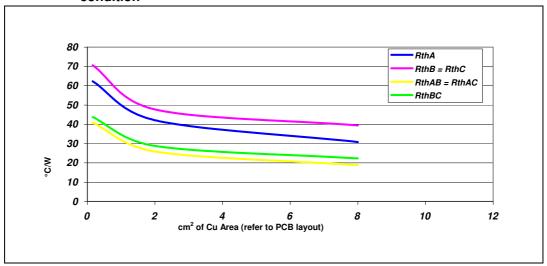


Figure 17. Auto and mutual R<sub>thj-amb</sub> vs PCB copper area in open box free air condition



# 4.1.1 Thermal calculation in clockwise and anti-clockwise operation in steady-state mode

Table 18. Thermal calculation in clockwise and anti-clockwise operation in steadystate mode

HSA	HS <sub>B</sub>	LSA	LS <sub>B</sub>	T <sub>jHSAB</sub>	T <sub>jLSA</sub>	T <sub>jLSB</sub>
ON	OFF		011	$P_{dHSA} \times R_{thHS} + P_{dLSB} \times R_{thHSLS} + T_{amb}$	$P_{dLSB} \times R_{thLSLS} + T_{amb}$	$\begin{array}{c} P_{dHSA}  x  R_{thHSLS} + P_{dLSB} \\ x  R_{thLS} + T_{amb} \end{array}$
OFF	ON	ON	OFF	$P_{dHSB} \times R_{thHS} + P_{dLSA} $ $\times R_{thHSLS} + T_{amb}$	P <sub>dHSB</sub> x R <sub>thHSLS</sub> + P <sub>dLSA</sub> x R <sub>thLS</sub> + T <sub>amb</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} P_{dHSB} x R_{thHSLS} + P_{dLSA} \\ x R_{thLSLS} + T_{amb} \end{array}$

## 4.1.2 Thermal resistances definition (values according to the PCB heatsink area)

 $\mathbf{R}_{thHS} = \mathbf{R}_{thHSA} = \mathbf{R}_{thHSB} = \mathbf{High\ Side\ Chip\ Thermal\ Resistance\ Junction\ to\ Ambient\ (HS_A\ or\ HS_B\ in\ ON\ state)}$ 

 $R_{thLS} = R_{thLSA} = R_{thLSB} = Low Side Chip Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient$