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Sensor Signal Conditioning IC for Closed-Loop Magnetic Current Sensors

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- **²³• Optimized for Symmetric Hall-Elements**
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- - **– Offset and Drift: 100 µV (max), 2 µV/°C**
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	- **– Pin-Selectable for 2.5 V, 1.65 V, and** 1.65-V for 3.3-V sensors. **Ratiometric Mode**
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- **• Temperature Range: –40°C to +125°C**

APPLICATIONS

- **• Closed-Loop Current-Sensor Modules**
- **• DC and AC Current Measurement**

¹FEATURES DESCRIPTION

The DRV411 is designed to condition InSb Hall elements for use in closed-loop current-sensor **(for example, AKM HW-322, HW-302, or similar)** modules. The DRV411 provides precision excitation **• Spinning Current Hall Sensor Excitation** circuitry for the Hall-element effectively eliminating **– Elimination of Hall Sensor Offset and Drift** the offset and offset-drift of the Hall element. This device also provides a 250-mA H-bridge for driving **– Elimination of 1/f Noise**
 Extended Current Measurement Range the sensor compensation coil as well a precision

differential amplifier to generate the output signal **• Extended Current Measurement Range** differential amplifier to generate the output signal. **– H-Bridge Drive Capability: 250 mA** The 250-mA drive capability of the H-bridge roughly doubles the current measurement range compared to **• Precision Difference Amplifier:** conventional single-ended drive methods.

The Hall sensor front-end circuit and the differential **(max)** proprietary offset cancelling **– System Bandwidth: ²⁰⁰ kHz** techniques. These techniques, along with ^a high- **• Precision Reference:** accuracy voltage reference, significantly improve the **– Accuracy: 0.2% (max)** accuracy of the overall current-sensor module. The output voltage is pin-selectable to support ^a 2.5-V **– Drift: ⁵⁰ ppm/°C (max)** output for use with ^a 5-V power supply, as well as

For optimum heat dissipation, the DRV411 is **• Overrange and Error Flags** available in thermally enhanced 4-mm [×] 4-mm QFN **• Supply: 2.7 V to 5.5 V** and TSSOP-20 with PowerPAD packages. The **Packages: 4-mm × 4-mm QFN and TSSOP-20** DRV411 is specified for operation over the full **PowerPAD™** extended industrial temperature range of -40°C to +125°C.

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ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

PACKAGE INFORMATION(1)

(1) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum located at the end of this data sheet, or visit the device product folder at www.ti.com.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS(1)

Over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted).

(1) Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated is not implied. Exposure to absolutemaximum rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Input terminals are diode-clamped to the power-supply rails. Input signals that can swing more than 0.5 V beyond the supply rails must be current limited, except for the differential amplifier input pins.

(3) These inputs are not internally protected against overvoltage. The differential amplifier input pins must be limited to 5 mA (max) or ±1.5 V (max).

(4) Power-limited; observe maximum junction temperature.

THERMAL INFORMATION

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spra953).

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

At T_A = +25°C, V_{DD} = +2.7 V to +5.5 V, and zero output current I_{COMP} , unless otherwise noted.

(1) Note that the numbers in the brackets correspond to the GSEL number and its value. For example, in this case, GSEL [0,0] means that $GSEL1 = 0$ and $GSEL2 = 0$.

(2) Parameter value referred to output (RTO).

(3) See Typical [Characteristic](#page-5-0) curves.

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

At T_A = +25°C, V_{DD} = +2.7 V to +5.5 V, and zero output current I_{COMP} , unless otherwise noted.

(4) See Typical [Characteristic](#page-5-0) curves.

(5) Note that the numbers in the brackets correspond to the REFSEL number and its value. For example, in this case, REFSEL [0,0] means that $REFSEL1 = 0$ and $REFSEL2 = 0$.

(6) OR and ERROR are open-drain outputs. No internal pull-up resistor. Output voltage depends on the external pull up resistor that is used.

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

Figure 8. FRONT-END OFFSET VOLTAGE HISTOGRAM

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

At $V_{DD} = 5$ V and $T_A = +25$ °C, unless otherwise noted.

Figure 19. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER POWER-SUPPLY Figure 20. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER OFFSET VOLTAGE vs

Figure 23. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER GAIN ERROR Figure 24. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER GAIN ERROR vs HISTOGRAM TEMPERATURE

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At $V_{DD} = 5$ V and $T_A = +25$ °C, unless otherwise noted.

 -2.0 -1.0 0.0 1.0 2.0 3.0

Figure 35. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER SETTLING TIME Figure 36. DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER OUTPUT VOLTAGE
(FALLING EDGE) NOISE DENSITY

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Figure 41. 1.65-V REFERENCE OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs LOAD Figure 42. 1.65-V REFERENCE OUTPUT VOLTAGE CURRENT HISTOGRAM

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued) At $V_{DD} = 5$ V and $T_A = +25$ °C, unless otherwise noted. 1.6550 2.5050 $V_{DD} = 2.7 V$ 2.5045 $\sum 1.6545$ Reference Voltage, V_{REF} (V) $V_{REF}(V)$ Reference Voltage, V_{REF} (V) 2.5040 Reference Voltage, VREF 1.6540 2.5035 Reference Voltage, 1.6535 2.5030 $V_{DD} = 5.5 V$ 2.5025 1.6530 2.5020 1.6525 Ratiometric Mode 2.5015 REFSEL [1,0] REFSE L [1,1] 1.6520 2.5010 -50 -50 -30 -10 10 30 50 70 90 110 130 150 -50 -30 -10 10 30 50 70 90 110 130 150 Temperature (°C)
Figure 43. 1.65-V REFERENCE OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs
TEMPERATURE Temperature (°C) Figure 43. 1.65-V REFERENCE OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs Figure 44. RATIOMETRIC REFERENCE OUTPUT VOLTAGE
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50 0.0 -50 -30 -10 10 30 50 70 90 110 130 150 -50 -25 0 25 50 75 100 125 150 Temperature (°C) Temperature (°C) **Figure 45. SUPPLY CURRENT vs TEMPERATURE Figure 46. POWER-ON-RESET vs TEMPERATURE**

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

OVERVIEW

The DRV411 is a complete sensor signal conditioning circuit that directly connects to the current sensor, providing all necessary functions for the sensor operation. The DRV411 operates from a single +2.7-V to +5.5-V supply, and provides magnetic field probe (Hall sensor) excitation, signal conditioning, and compensation-coil driver amplification. In addition, this device detects error conditions and handles overload situations. A precise differential amplifier allows translation of the compensation current into an output voltage using a small shunt resistor. A buffered voltage reference can be used for comparator, analog-to-digital converter (ADC), or bipolar zero reference voltages. Dynamic error correction ensures high dc precision over temperature and long-term accuracy.

The DRV411 uses analog signal conditioning circuitry; the internal loop filter and integrator are switched capacitor-based circuits. The DRV411 can be combined with high-precision sensors for exceptional accuracy and resolution. An internal clock and counter logic control power-up, overload detection and recovery, error, and timeout conditions. The DRV411 is built using a highly reliable CMOS process. Unique protection cells at critical connections enable the design to handle inductive energy.

HALL SENSOR INTERFACE

The DRV411 works best with symmetrical InSb Hall elements, such as the HW322 and HW302 from AKM or other vendors. Symmetrical Hall elements are Hall elements where input impedance and output impedance are closely matched. However, hall elements suffer from offset and offset drift across temperature that affects the accuracy and linearity of the current sensor. The DRV411 contains patented excitation and conditioning circuitry that significantly reduces offset and offset drift. The excitation circuit regulates the voltage across the hall element to a maximum voltage of 0.95 V. This voltage is very stable across the full temperature range. The excitation current varies with temperature in order to keep the hall sensitivity constant. A special current limiting circuit limits the current delivered to the hall element to a maximum current of 10 mA regardless of the temperature or the impedance of the hall element.

DYNAMIC OFFSET AND NOISE CANCELLATION USING SPINNING CURRENT METHOD

The DRV411 incorporates dynamic offset cancellation circuitry that helps eliminate offset drift and 1/f noise of the hall sensor. The excitation current is spun through the hall sensor in orthogonal directions at a fixed clock frequency using rotation multiplexer switches, as shown in [Figure](#page-13-0) 47 (a) to (d). The excitation source ensures a constant current during each spin cycle but keeps the sensitivity of the hall sensor independent by varying the current across temperature for impedance variations from 100 Ω to 2 kΩ. The corresponding Hall output is averaged across the four orthogonal directions to effectively cancel the Hall offset and the 1/f noise. The DRV411 continuously monitors the offset of the Hall element and triggers an error flag if the offset remains > 50 mV as a result of any damage to the Hall sensor. Refer to the *Error [Conditions](#page-19-0)* section for more details.

Figure 47. Hall Sensor Current Spinning Method

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Low-frequency noise can be a concern for Hall sensors with constant voltage and current excitation. The dynamic offset cancellation technique eliminates 1/f noise from the Hall sensor. [Figure](#page-14-1) 48 shows the effect of current spinning on the Hall sensor, referred to primary current noise.

Figure 48. Effect of Noise Cancellation with Current Spinning

COMPENSATION COIL DRIVER

The compensation coil driver provides the driving current for the compensation coil. A fully differential driver stage offers the high-signal voltage to overcome the wire resistance of the coil with only a 5-V supply. The compensation coil is connected between ICOMP1 and ICOMP2, both generating an analog voltage across the coil (see [Figure](#page-15-0) 51) that turns into current from the wire resistance (and eventually from the inductance). The compensation current represents the primary current transformed by the turns ratio. A shunt resistor is connected in this loop and the high precision differential amplifier translates the voltage from this shunt to an output voltage (see the *Functional Principle of [Closed-Loop](#page-20-0) Current Sensors with a Hall Sensor* section).

Both compensation driver outputs provide low impedance over a wide frequency range that insures smooth transition between the closed-loop compensation frequency range and the high-frequency range, where the primary winding directly couples the primary current into the compensation coil according to the winding ratio (transformer effect).

The two compensation driver outputs are specially protected to handle inductive energy. However, it might be necessary to use high-current sensors to add external protection diodes (see the *Protection [Recommendations](#page-19-1)* section).

GAIN SELECTION AND COMPENSATION FREQUENCY

Proper selection of the GSEL mode enables the sensor designer to create a sensor with stable gain over a wide frequency range and excellent loop stability. Modes Gain_1 to Gain_3 allow for different fixed gain and zerofrequency options to be selected according to the requirements of the individual sensor. See [Table](#page-15-1) 1 for more information. Evaluate Gain 3 mode (GSEL [1,0]) first because it works with most common sensors.

Mode Selection

Gain 1 Mode For use with sensors with compensation coil inductance \lt 50 mH.

Gain_2 Mode For use with sensors with very small form factor (small core diameter), where the transformer effect starts to dominate the transfer function at frequencies significantly above 3.8 kHz. Typically the inductance of the compensation coil would be very small.

Gain_3 Mode Works well with a wide selection of sensors with compensation coil inductance typically ≥ 50 mH.

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(Mode Gain_1) (Mode Gain_2)

Along with symmetrical InSb Hall elements, the DRV411 can also be connected to symmetrical GaAs Hall elements. The advantage of GaAs Hall elements is that they provide an extended temperature range to +125°C. See the following section, *External Gain and [Compensation](#page-16-0) (Op-amp Mode)* for more details. This type of Hall element has a lower sensitivity than InSb-type sensors. In order to compensate for this difference, TI recommends using gain setting mode Gain_3 with GaAs sensors. If the sensitivity is too low and the loop gain is insufficient, the loop can become unstable. In op-amp mode, gain can be set with external components.

EXTERNAL GAIN AND COMPENSATION (OP-AMP MODE)

Op-amp mode allows several degrees of freedom for the sensor designer. In op-amp mode, the DRV411 functions like a conventional operation amplifier with high open loop gain (> 100 dB). The internal compensation is disconnected, so that the sensor gain and compensation can be set externally. The DRV411 still provides a stable excitation voltage of 0.74 V between terminals HALL1 and HALL3. The outputs of the Hall sensor must be connected to terminal HALL2 and HALL4. The maximum current is limited to 10 mA to protect the Hall element. The following list shows some ways to use op-amp mode:

- Op-amp mode can be used in cases where modes Gain_1 to Gain_3 do not lead to an acceptable frequency response from the sensor module. In this mode, external compensation must be designed in to suit the sensor requirements (see [Figure](#page-21-0) 57).
- DRV411 can be used with symmetrical GaAs Hall sensors. However, because of the inherently low sensitivity of GaAs sensors, the internal gain (compensation) may not be sufficient. In such cases, use op-amp mode to make the system stable with external compensation. In op-amp mode, the excitation circuit provides a constant 0.74 V across the HALL1 and HALL3 outputs, with HALL3 referred to GND. Connect the Hall outputs to the HALL2 and HALL4 pins (see [Figure](#page-21-0) 57). For Hall sensors with large input impedances, do not exceed the common-mode input range of the op-amp inputs (see the Electrical [Characteristics](#page-2-0) section).
- Op-amp mode can also be used for interfacing to nonsymmetrical Hall elements, which are Hall elements where the input impedance and output impedance are not equal. Different Hall sensor input and output impedances lead to very large sensor offsets that might be outside the correction range of the DRV411 excitation circuit. In this mode, the ERROR pin is disabled (see the *Error [Conditions](#page-19-0)* for more details). For Hall sensors with large input impedances, do not exceed the common-mode input range of the op amp inputs.
- If an external excitation circuit is required for the Hall sensor in op-amp mode, bypass the internal sensor by ignoring the HALL1 and HALL3 terminals. Connect the Hall sensor outputs to the HALL2 and HALL4 terminals. For Hall sensors with large input impedances, do not exceed the common-mode input range of the op amp inputs.

SHUNT SENSE AMPLIFIER

The differential (H-bridge) driver arrangement for the compensation coil requires a differential sense amplifier for the shunt voltage. This differential amplifier offers wide bandwidth and a high slew rate for fast current sensors. Excellent dc stability and accuracy result from an auto-zero technique. The voltage gain is 4 V/V, set by precisely matched and stable internal resistors.

For gains of 4 V/V:

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4 = \frac{R_2}{R_1} = \frac{R_4 + R_5}{R_{SHUNT} + R_3}
$$

where:

•
$$
R_2 / R_1 = R_4 / R_3 = 4
$$

• $R_5 = R_{\text{SHUNT}} \times 4$ (1)

Both inputs of the differential amplifier are normally connected to the current shunt resistor. This resistor adds to the internal 10-kΩ resistor, slightly reducing the gain in this signal path. For best common-mode rejection (CMR), a dummy shunt resistor (R₅ = 4 x R_{SHUNT}) is placed in series with the REF_{IN} pin to restore matching of both resistor dividers; see [Figure](#page-17-0) 52.

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Figure 52. Internal Difference Amplifier with Example of a Decoupling Filter

Typically, the gain error resulting from the resistance of R_{SHUNT} is negligible; for 70 dB of common-mode rejection, however, the match of both divider ratios must be higher than 1/3000.

The amplifier output can drive close to the supply rails, and is designed to drive the input of a SAR-type ADC; adding an RC low-pass filter stage between the DRV411 and the ADC is recommended. This filter not only limits the signal bandwidth but also decouples the high-frequency component of the converter input sampling noise from the amplifier output. For R_F and C_F values, refer to the specific converter recommendations in the respective product data sheet. Empirical evaluation may be necessary to obtain optimum results.

The output drives 100 pF directly and shows 50% overshoot with approximately 1-nF capacitance. Adding R_F allows for much larger capacitive loads. Note that with an R_F of only 20 Ω , the load capacitor must be either less than 1 nF or more than 33 nF to avoid overshoot; with an R_F of 50 Ω, this transient area is avoided.

The reference input (REFIN) is the reference node for the exact output signal (VOUT). Connecting REFIN to the reference output (REFOUT) results in a live zero reference voltage that is user-selectable. Use the same reference for REFIN and the ADC to avoid mismatch errors that exist between the two reference sources.

OVERRANGE COMPARATOR

High peak current can overload the differential amplifier connected to the shunt. The OR pin, an open-drain output, indicates an overvoltage condition for the differential amplifier by pulling low. The output of this flag is suppressed for 3 μs, preventing unwanted triggering from transients and noise. This pin returns to high as soon as the overload condition is removed (an external pull-up is required to return the pin high).

This error flag not only provides a warning about a signal-clipping condition, but is also a window comparator output for actively shutting off circuits in the system. The value of the shunt resistor defines the operating window for the current and sets the ratio between the nominal signal and the trip level of the overrange flag. The trip current of this window comparator is calculated using the following example:

With a 5-V supply, the output voltage swing is approximately ± 2.45 V (load and supply voltage-dependent).

The gain of 4 V/V enables an input swing of ± 0.6125 V.

Thus, the clipping current is IMAX = 0.6125 V / R_{SHUNT} .

See [Figure](#page-6-0) 13 and [Figure](#page-6-0) 14 in the *Typical Characteristics* section for details.

The overrange condition is internally detected as soon as the amplifier exceeds its linear operating range, not just a preset voltage level. Therefore, the error of the overrange comparator level is reliably indicated in fault conditions such as output shorts, low load, or low-supply conditions. As soon as the output cannot drive the voltage higher, the flag is activated. This configuration is a safety improvement over a voltage-level comparator.

Note that the internal resistance of the compensation coil may prevent high compensation current from flowing because of ICOMP driver overload. Therefore, the differential amplifier may not overload with this current. However, a fast rate of change of the primary current is transmitted through transformer action and safely triggers the overload flag.

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VOLTAGE REFERENCE

The precision reference circuit offers low drift (typically 5 ppm/K) and is used for internal biasing; it is also connected to the REFOUT pin. The circuit is intended as the reference point of the output signal to allow a bipolar signal around it. This output is buffered for low impedance and tolerates sink and source currents of ± 5 mA. Capacitive loads can be directly connected, but generate ringing on fast load transients. A small series resistor of a few ohms improves the response, especially for a capacitive load in the range of 1 μF.

Reference Output Voltage Selection

As shown in [Table](#page-18-1) 2, the most common use-cases for the DRV411 are with 5-V and 3.3-V power supplies, where the sensor output must be centered at 2.5 V and 1.65 V, respectively. The internal reference provides very good accuracy and drift performance. See the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-2-0)* for detailed information.

In the ratiometric output mode, the reference is bypassed and the power supply is divided by two. The internal resistor divider offers very tight tolerances and a temperature coefficient of less than 10 ppm/°C. In this case, the sensor module output is centered on $V_S / 2$.

For sensor modules with a reference pin, the DRV411 also allows overwriting the internal reference with an external reference voltage, as shown in [Figure](#page-18-2) 53. When an external reference that has a significant voltage difference compared to the internal reference is connected, resistor R_5 limits the current flowing from the internal reference. In this case, the internal reference sources the current shown in [Equation](#page-18-3) 2:

Figure 53. DRV411 with External Reference

The example of 600 Ω for R6 was chosen for illustration purposes; different values are possible. Note that if no external reference is connected, R6 has little impact on the common-mode rejection of the differential amplifier, and therefore, should be as small as possible.

POWER-ON STARTUP AND BROWNOUT

Power-on is detected when the supply voltage exceeds 2.4 V at VDD. At this point, digital logic starts up and waits for 100 us for the excitation source to settle to its final value. During this period, ICOMP1 and ICOMP2 outputs are pulled low, so that there is no undesired signal drive on the compensation coil. Also, the error conditions are suppressed and the ERROR pin is asserted low for 100 µs. This ensures that the excitation voltage has reached the final level and there is no false error triggered on the output. The output on the VOUT terminal is only valid 100 µs after power-on reset.

The DRV411 tests for low supply voltages with a brownout voltage level of +2.4 V. Good power-supply and low ESR bypass capacitors are required to maintain the supply voltage during the large current pulses driven by the DRV411. Supply voltage drops below the brown-out level lasting less than 25 μs are ignored. A supply drop lasting longer than 25 μs generates power-on reset. A voltage dip on VDD down to +1.8 V also initiates a poweron reset. After the power supply returns to 2.4 V (see the power-on reset threshold parameter in the [Electrical](#page-2-0) [Characteristics](#page-2-0)), the device initiates a startup cycle as previously described.

ERROR CONDITIONS

In addition to the overrange flag that indicates signal clipping in the output amplifier (differential amplifier), a system error flag is provided. The error flag indicates conditions when the output voltage does not represent the primary current. The error flag is active during a power fail or brown-out, or when the Hall sensor offset becomes greater than 50 mV, which usually means that the Hall sensor is not functioning within its normal operating range. The error flag also goes active with an open circuit in the Hall sensor connection. As soon as the error condition is no longer present and the circuit has returned to normal operation, the flag resets.

Both the error and overrange flags are open-drain logic outputs. They can be connected together for a wired-OR, and require an external pull-up resistor for proper operation.

The following conditions result in error flag activation (ERROR asserts low):

- 1. For 100 µs from power-up, or if a supply-voltage low (brown-out) condition lasts for more than 25 μs. Recovery is the same as power-up.
- 2. If the Hall sensor offset becomes greater than 50 mV.
- 3. If one or more of the Hall sensor terminals is disconnected.

PROTECTION RECOMMENDATIONS

The inputs IAIN1 and IAIN2 require external protection to limit the voltage swing below 6 V of the supply voltage. Driver outputs ICOMP1 and ICOMP2 can handle high-current pulses protected by internal clamp circuits to the supply voltage. If large magnitude overcurrents are expected, it is highly recommended to connect external Schottky diodes to the supply rails. This external protection prevents current flowing into the die and destroying the circuitry.

All other pins offer standard protection; see the *Absolute [Maximum](#page-1-0) Ratings* table.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

FUNCTIONAL PRINCIPLE OF CLOSED-LOOP CURRENT SENSORS WITH A HALL SENSOR

Closed-loop current sensors measure currents over wide frequency ranges, including dc currents. These types of devices offer a contact-free method, as well as excellent galvanic isolation performance combined with high resolution, accuracy, and reliability. At dc and in low-frequency ranges, the magnetic field induced from the current in the primary winding is compensated by a current driven through a compensation coil. A magnetic field probe (Hall sensor) located in the magnetic core loop detects the magnetic flux. This probe delivers the signal to the signal conditioning circuitry that drives the current through the compensation coil, bringing the magnetic flux back to zero. This compensation current is proportional to the primary current, relative to the winding ratio.

In higher frequency ranges, the compensation winding acts as the secondary winding in the current transformer, while the H-bridge compensation driver is rolled off and provides low output impedance.

A difference amplifier senses the voltage across a small shunt resistor that is connected to the compensation loop. This difference amplifier generates the output voltage that is proportional to the primary current. Figure [Figure](#page-20-1) 54 shows the principle of a closed-loop current sensor.

Figure 54. Principle of a Closed-Loop Current Sensor

USING DRV411 IN ±15-V SENSOR APPLICATIONS

To take advantage of the current spinning architecture for \pm 15-V sensor modules, the application circuit shown in [Figure](#page-20-2) 55 can be used. The DRV411 max supply voltage is 5.5 V; therefore, the \pm 15V supplies must be externally regulated to less than 5.5 V across the power supply pins of the DRV411. In addition, an external power driver stage must be implemented that then drives the compensation coil. These techniques allow the design of exceptionally precise and stable ±15-V current-sense modules.

Figure 55. DRV411 Application Example: ±15-V Sensor Modules

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LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

The DRV411 operates with relatively large currents and offers wide bandwidth. It is often exposed to large distortion energy from the primary signal and from the environment. Therefore, the wiring layout must provide shielding and low impedance connections between critical points. Power-supply decoupling requires low-ESR capacitors, and eventually a combination of a 4.7-nF NP0-type capacitor and a second capacitor of 1 µF or larger. Use low-impedance tracks to connect the capacitors to the pins. Avoid plated through-hole connectors; use multiple plated through-holes instead. The ground (GND) should be connected to a local ground plane. Best supply decoupling is achieved with ferrite beads in series to the main supply. The ferrite beads decouple the DRV411, and thus reduce interaction with other circuits powered from the same supply voltage source.

The reference output (REFOUT) is referred to GND. A low-impedance and star-type connection is required to avoid the driver current and the probe current modulating the voltage drop on the ground track. The REFOUT and VOUT outputs can drive some capacitive load, but avoid large direct capacitive loading because it increases internal pulse currents. Given the wide bandwidth of the differential amplifier, isolate large capacitive loads with a small series resistor. Using a small capacitor of some pF improves the transient response on high resistive loads.

The exposed thermal pad, or PowerPAD, on the bottom of the package must be soldered to GND because it is internally connected to the substrate that must be connected to the most negative potential.

POWER DISSIPATION

The use of the thermally-enhanced PowerPAD SOIC and QFN packages dramatically reduces the thermal impedance from junction to case. These packages are constructed using a down-set lead frame that the die is mounted on. This arrangement results in the lead frame being exposed as a thermal pad on the underside of the package. The PowerPAD has direct thermal contact with the die; therefore, excellent thermal performance can be achieved as a result of providing a good thermal path away from the thermal pad.

The two outputs, ICOMP1 and ICOMP2, are linear outputs, and therefore the power dissipation on each output is proportional to the current multiplied by the internal voltage drop on the active transistor. For ICOMP1 and ICOMP2, it is the voltage drop to VDD or GND according to the current-conducting side of the output.

CAUTION

Output short-circuit conditions are particularly critical for the ICOMP driver because the full supply voltage can be seen across the conducting transistor and the current is not limited other than by the current density limitation of the FET; permanent damage can occur. The DRV411 does not feature temperature protection or thermal shut-down.

Thermal Pad

Packages with an exposed thermal pad are specifically designed to provide excellent power dissipation, but board layout greatly influences the overall heat dissipation. Technical details are described in Application Report [SLMA002,](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLMA002) *PowerPad Thermally Enhanced Package,* available for download at www.ti.com.

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Changes from Revision A (August 2013) to Revision B Page

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PACKAGING INFORMATION

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:

ACTIVE: Product device recommended for new designs.

LIFEBUY: TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

NRND: Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

PREVIEW: Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

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(5) Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

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PWP (R-PDSO-G20)

PowerPAD[™] PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE

This drawing is subject to change without notice. В.

Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash and protrusion shall not exceed 0.15 per side. C.

This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Technical Brief, PowerPad D.

Thermally Enhanced Package, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLMA002 for information regarding
recommended board layout. This document is available at www.ti.com <http://www.ti.com>.
E. See the additional figure in the Pro E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

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PACKAGE OUTLINE

PWP0020U PowerPAD TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height TM

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
- 2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- 3. This dimension does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.15 mm per side.
- 4. Reference JEDEC registration MO-153.
- 5. Features may differ and may not be present.

EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

PWP0020U PowerPAD TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height PowerPAD™ TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE

NOTES: (continued)

6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

- 7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.
- 8. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature numbers SLMA002 (www.ti.com/lit/slma002) and SLMA004 (www.ti.com/lit/slma004).
- 9. Size of metal pad may vary due to creepage requirement.

EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

PWP0020U PowerPAD TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height PowerPAD ™ TSSOP - 1.2 mm max height

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE

10. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.

11. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.

GENERIC PACKAGE VIEW

RGP 20 VQFN - 1 mm max height

4 x 4, 0.5 mm pitch VERY THIN QUAD FLATPACK

Images above are just a representation of the package family, actual package may vary. Refer to the product data sheet for package details.

PACKAGE OUTLINE

VQFN - 1 mm max height RGP0020D VQFN - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK- NO LEAD

NOTES:

- per ASME Y14.5M.
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EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

RGP0020D VQFN - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK- NO LEAD

NOTES: (continued)

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- on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

RGP0020D VQFN - 1 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK- NO LEAD

NOTES: (continued)

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