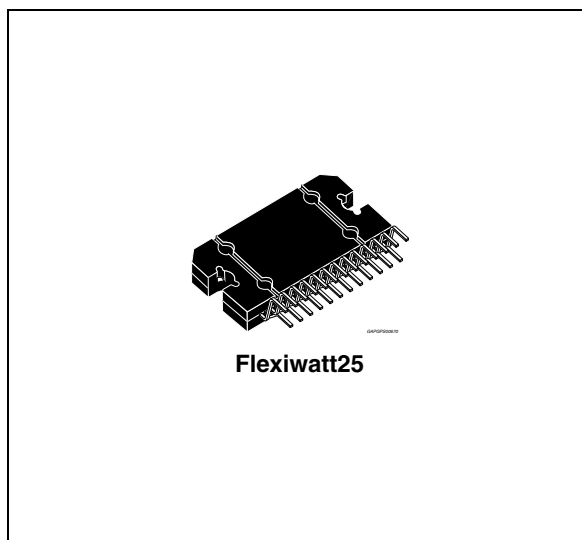


4 x 46 W quad bridge car radio amplifier

Datasheet — production data

Features

- High output power capability:
 - 4 x 46 W / 4 Ω max.
 - 4 x 27 W / 4 Ω @ 14.4 V, 1 kHz, 10 %
- Low distortion
- Low output noise
- Standby function
- Mute function
- Automute at min. supply voltage detection
- Low external component count:
 - Internally fixed gain (26 dB)
 - No external compensation
 - No bootstrap capacitors
- Protections:
 - Output short circuit to GND, to V_S , across the load
 - Very inductive loads
 - Overrating chip temperature with soft thermal limiter
 - Load dump voltage
 - Fortuitous open GND
 - Reversed battery
 - ESD



Description

The TDA7384A is an AB class audio power amplifier, packaged in Flexiwatt 25 and designed for high end car radio applications.

Based on a fully complementary PNP/NPN configuration, the TDA7384A allows a rail to rail output voltage swing with no need of bootstrap capacitors. The extremely reduced boundary components count allows very compact sets.

Table 1. Device summary

Order code	Package	Packing
TDA7384A	Flexiwatt25	Tube

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1 Block and pin connection diagrams

Figure 1. Block diagram

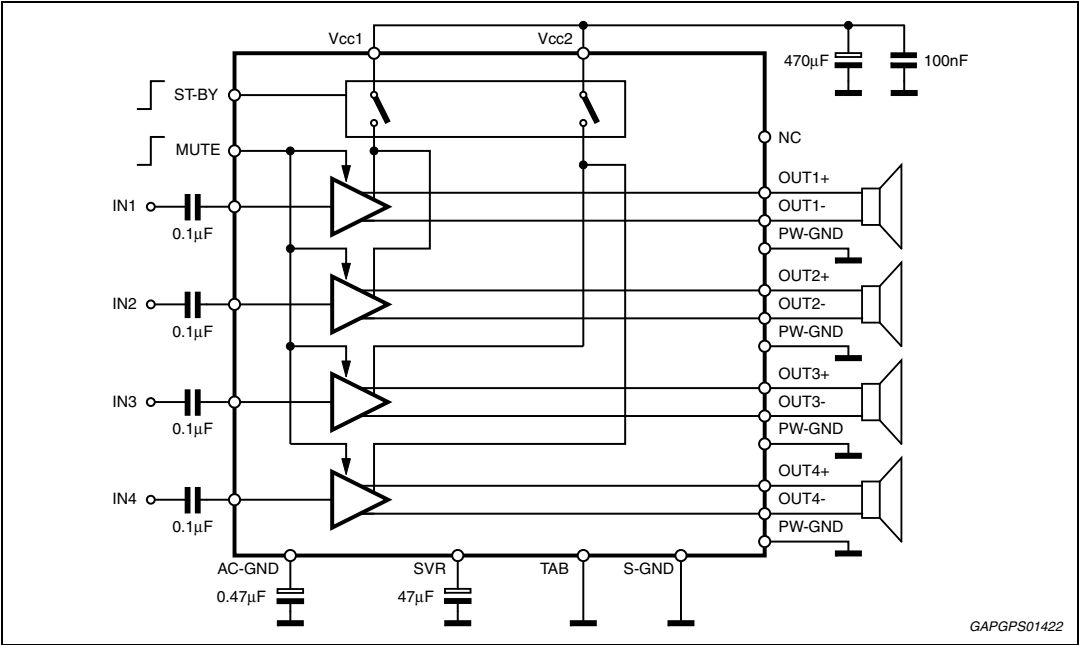
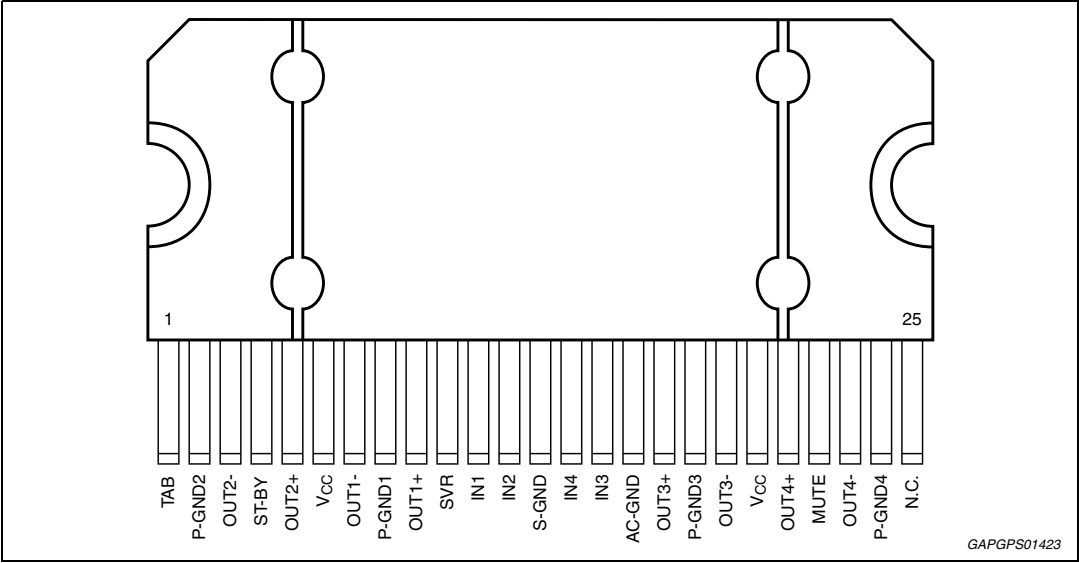


Figure 2. Pin connection



2 Electrical specifications

2.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_S	Operating supply voltage	18	V
$V_{S(DC)}$	DC supply voltage	28	V
$V_{S(pk)}$	Peak supply voltage ($t = 50$ ms)	50	V
I_O	Output peak current: Repetitive (duty cycle 10 % at $f = 10$ Hz)	4.5	A
	Non repetitive ($t = 100$ μ s)	5.5	A
P_{tot}	Power dissipation, ($T_{case} = 70$ °C)	80	W
T_j	Junction temperature	150	°C
T_{stg}	Storage temperature	– 55 to 150	°C

2.2 Thermal data

Table 3. Thermal data

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$R_{th\ j-case}$	Thermal resistance junction-to-case max.	1	°C/W

2.3 Electrical characteristics

$V_S = 14.4$ V; $f = 1$ kHz; $R_g = 600$ Ω ; $R_L = 4$ Ω ; $T_{amb} = 25$ °C; Refer to the test and application diagram ([Figure 3](#)), unless otherwise specified.

Table 4. Electrical characteristics

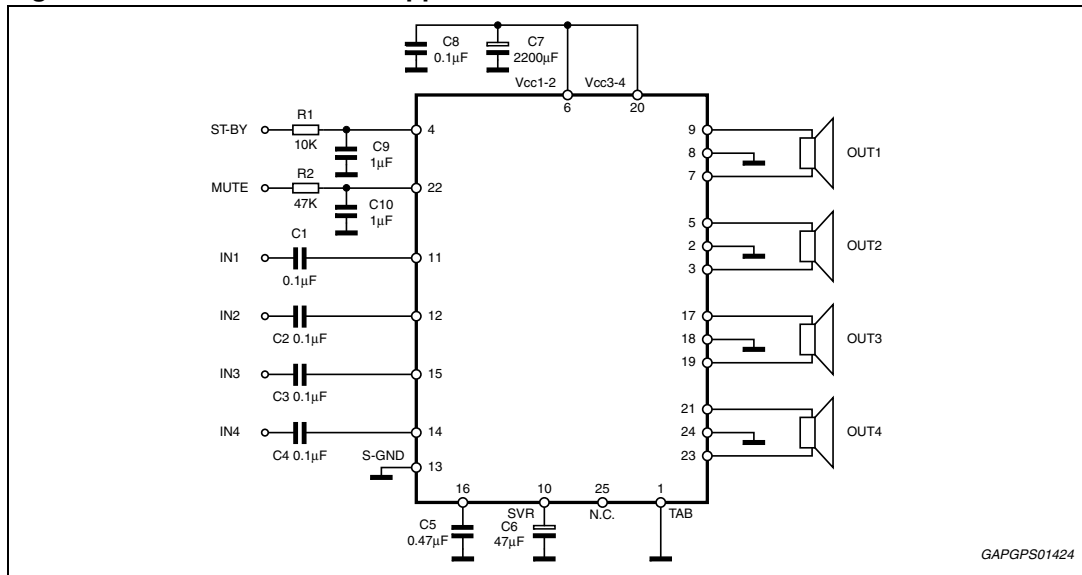
Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{q1}	Quiescent current	$R_L = \infty$	120	190	350	mA
V_{OS}	Output offset voltage	Play mode	-	-	± 100	mV
dV_{OS}	During mute ON/OFF output offset voltage	ITU R-ARM weighted	-80	-	+80	mV
G_v	Voltage gain	-	25	26	27	dB
ΔG_v	Channel gain unbalance	-	-	-	± 1	dB
P_o	Output power	THD = 10%; $V_S = 14.4$ V	24	27	-	W
		THD = 10%; $V_S = 13.2$ V	20	22	-	W
$P_{o\ max}$	Max. output power ⁽¹⁾	$V_S = 14.4$ V	38	42	-	W
		$V_S = 15.2$ V	-	46	-	W

Table 4. Electrical characteristics (continued)

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
THD	Distortion	$P_O = 4W$	-	0.04	0.15	%
e_{No}	Output noise	"A" Weighted	-	50	70	μV
		Bw = 20 Hz to 20 kHz	-	70	100	μV
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	$f = 100 \text{ Hz}; V_r = 1 \text{ Vrms}$	50	65	-	dB
f_{ch}	High cut-off frequency	$P_O = 0.5 \text{ W}$	100	200	-	KHz
R_i	Input Impedance		70	100	-	K Ω
C_T	Cross talk	$f = 1 \text{ kHz}; P_O = 4 \text{ W}$	60	70	-	dB
		$f = 10 \text{ kHz}; P_O = 4 \text{ W}$	50	60	-	dB
I_{SB}	Standby current consumption	$V_{St-by} = 0 \text{ V}$	-	-	20	μA
I_{pin4}	Standby pin current	$V_{St-by} = 1.2 \text{ to } 2.6 \text{ V}$	-	-	± 1	μA
$V_{SB out}$	Standby out threshold voltage	(Amp: ON)	3.5	-	-	V
$V_{SB IN}$	Standby in threshold voltage	(Amp: OFF)	-	-	1.5	V
A_M	Mute attenuation	$P_{Oref} = 4 \text{ W}$	80	90	-	dB
$V_{M out}$	Mute out threshold voltage	(Amp: Play)	3.5	-	-	V
$V_{M in}$	Mute in threshold voltage	(Amp: Mute)	-	-	1.5	V
$V_{AM in}$	V_S automute threshold	(Amp: Mute); Att $\geq 80 \text{ dB}$; $P_{Oref} = 4 \text{ W}$	-		6.5	V
		(Amp: Play); Att $< 0.1 \text{ dB}$; $P_O = 0.5 \text{ W}$		7.6	8.5	
I_{pin22}	Muting pin current	$V_{MUTE} = 1.2 \text{ V}$ (Source current)	5	11	20	μA

1. Saturated square wave output.

Figure 3. Standard test and application circuit



2.4 PCB and component layout

Referred to [Figure 3: Standard test and application circuit](#).

Figure 4. Components and top copper layer

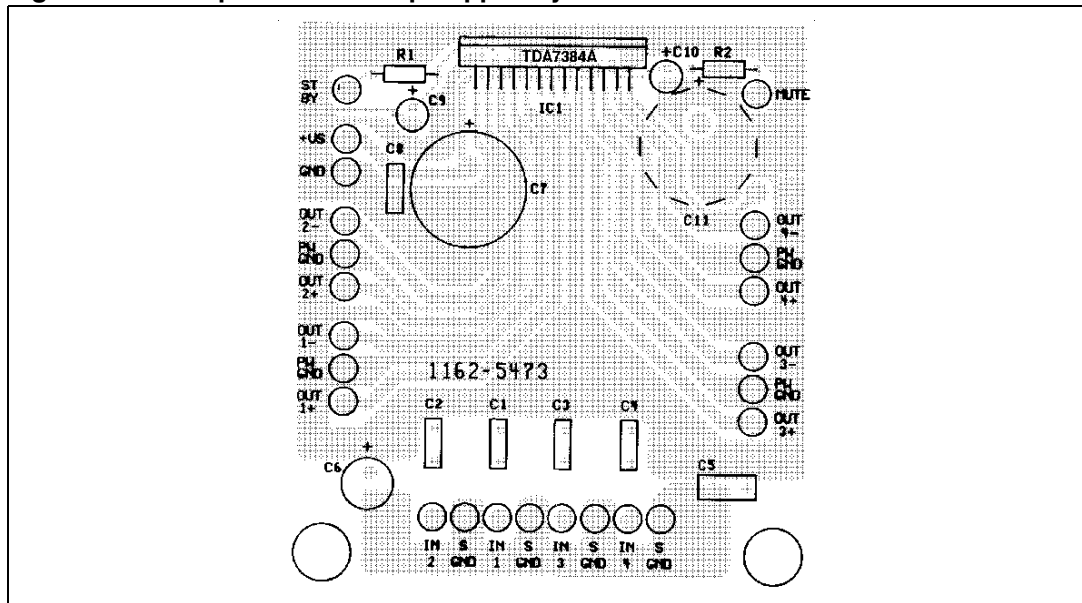
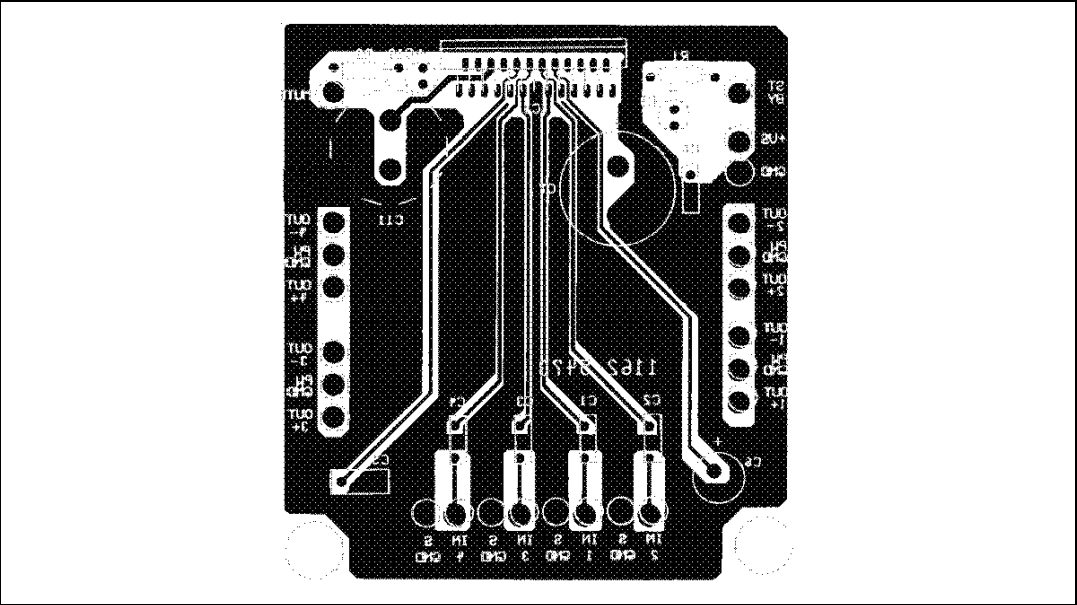


Figure 5. Bottom copper layer



2.5 Electrical characteristic curves

Figure 6. Quiescent current vs. supply voltage

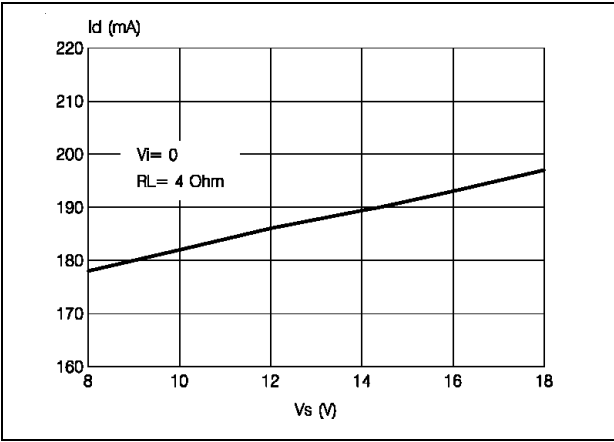


Figure 7. Quiescent current vs. supply current

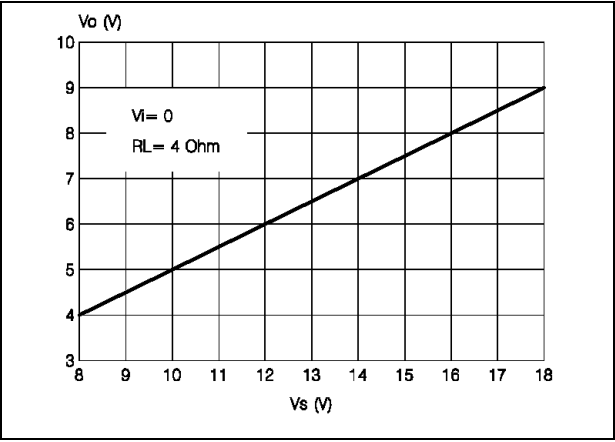


Figure 8. Output power vs. supply voltage (4 Ω)

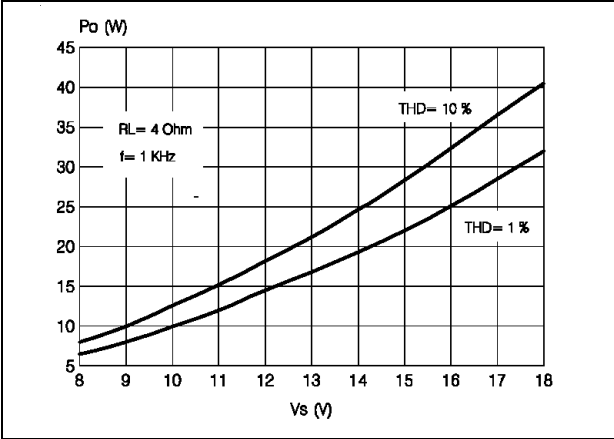


Figure 9. Distortion vs. output power

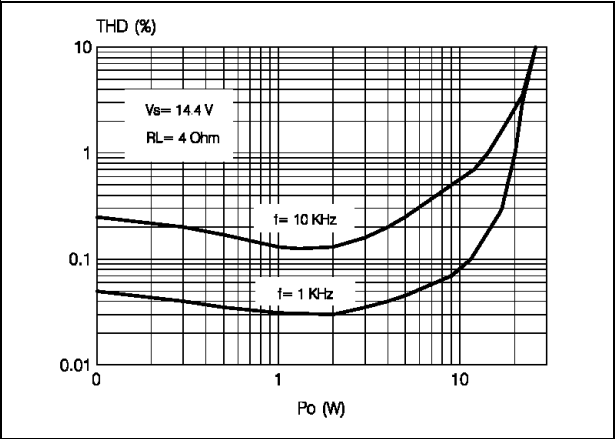


Figure 10. Distortion vs. frequency

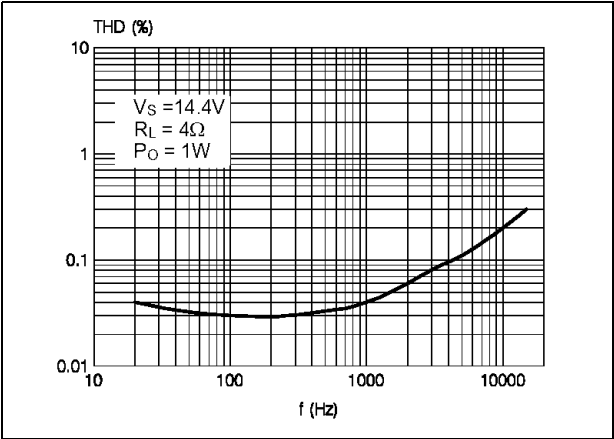


Figure 11. Supply voltage rejection vs. frequency

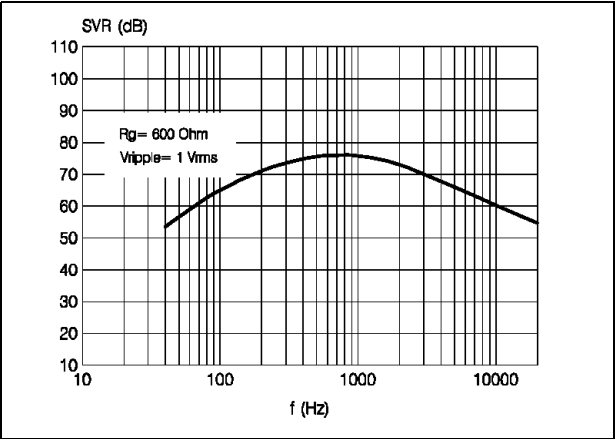


Figure 12. Output noise vs. source resistance

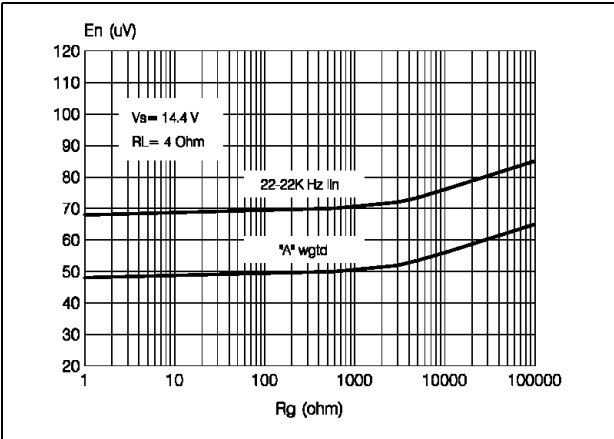
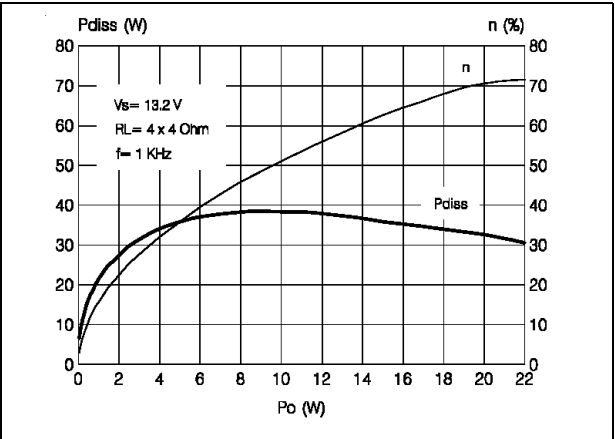


Figure 13. Power dissipation and efficiency vs. output power



3 Application hints

Referred to the circuit of [Figure 3](#).

3.1 SVR

Besides its contribution to the ripple rejection, the SVR capacitor governs the turn ON/OFF time sequence and, consequently, plays an essential role in the pop optimization during ON/OFF transients.

To conveniently serve both needs, **its minimum recommended value is 10 μ f**.

3.2 Input stage

The TDA7384A's inputs are ground-compatible and can stand very high input signals (± 8 Vpk) without any performances degradation.

If the standard value for the input capacitors (0.1 μ F) is adopted, the low frequency cut-off will amount to 16 Hz.

3.3 Standby and muting

If standby and muting are not used, a straight connection to V_S of their respective pins would be admissible.

Conventional/low-power transistors can be employed to drive muting and stand-by pins in absence of true CMOS ports or microprocessors. R-C cells have always to be used in order to smooth down the transitions for preventing any audible transient noises.

Since a DC current of about 10 μ A normally flows out of pin 22, the maximum allowable muting-series resistance (R_2) is 70 k Ω , which is sufficiently high to permit a muting capacitor reasonably small (about 1 μ F).

If R_2 is higher than recommended, the involved risk will be that the voltage at pin 23 may rise to above the 1.5 V threshold voltage and the device will consequently fail to turn OFF when the mute line is brought down.

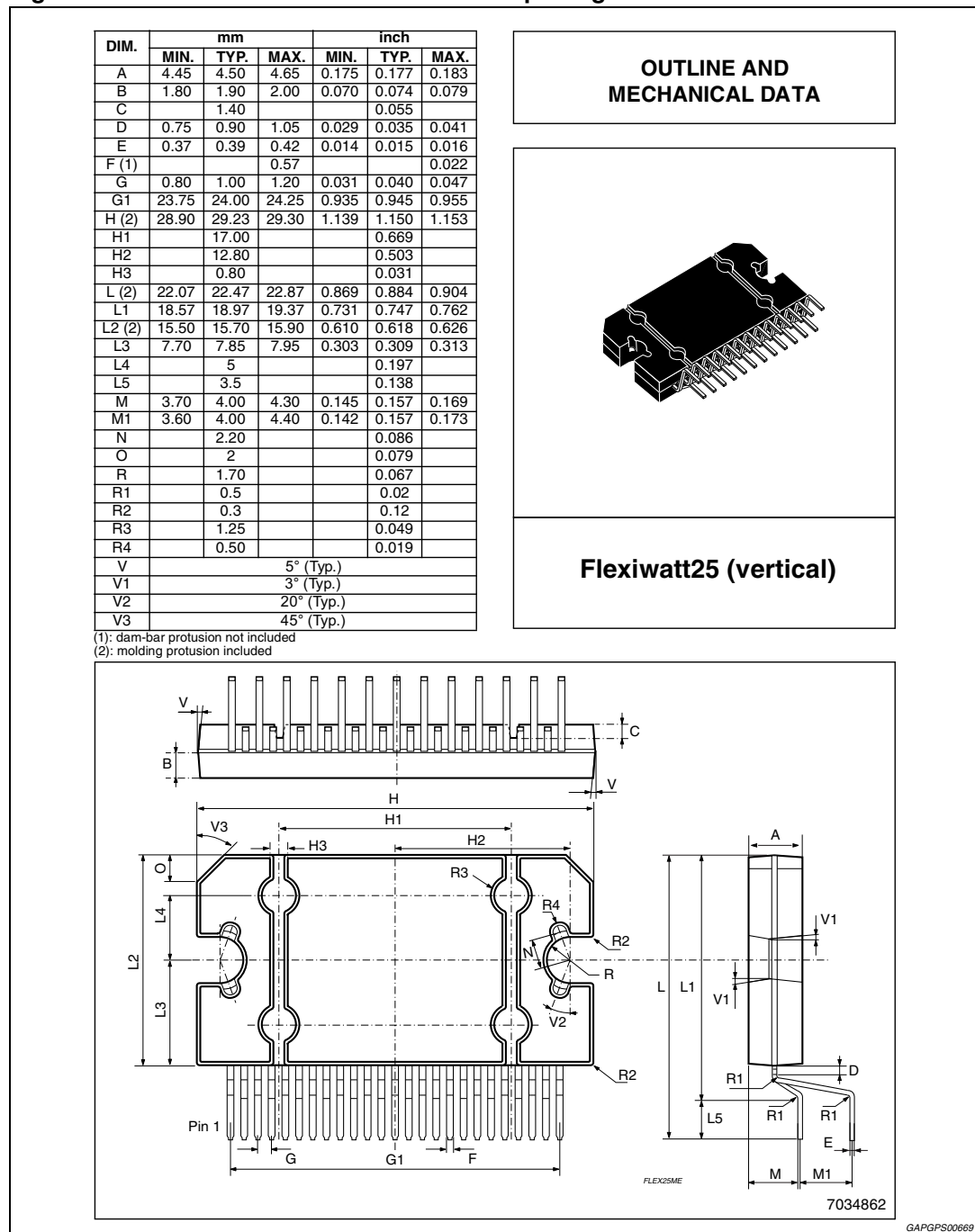
About the stand-by, the time constant to be assigned in order to obtain a virtually pop-free transition has to be slower than 2.5 V/ms.

4 Package information

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Figure 14. Flexiwatt25 mechanical data and package dimensions



5 Revision history

Table 5. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
05-Dec-2001	1	Initial release.
11-Dec-2007	2	Updated in the Table 4 the values of the parameters P_o and $P_{o\ max}$.
10-Oct-2008	3	Updated Table 3: Thermal data on page 6 .
07-Jun-2012	4	Updated Features on page 1 ; Updated Electrical characteristics on page 6 .
20-Jun-2012	5	Updated Section 3.3: Standby and muting .
16-Sep-2013	6	Updated Disclaimer.

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