











**TRF37C73** 

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# TRF37C73 1-6000 MHz RF Gain Block

#### **Features**

1 MHz - 6000 MHz

Gain: 17 dB

Noise Figure: 3.5 dB

Output P1dB: 16.5 dBm at 2000 MHz Output IP3: 28.5 dBm at 2000 MHz

Power Down Mode Single Supply: 3.3 V

Stabilized Performance Over Temperature

Unconditionally Stable

Robust ESD: >1 kV HBM; >1 kV CDM

## **Applications**

General Purpose RF Gain Block

Consumer

Industrial

**Utility Meters** 

Low-cost Radios

Cellular Base Station

Wireless Infrastructure

RF Backhaul

Radar

**Electronic Warfare** 

Software-defined Radio

Test and Measurement

Point-to-Point/Multipoint Microwave

Software Defined Radios

**RF** Repeaters

Distributed Antenna Systems

LO and PA Driver Amplifier

Wireless Data, Satellite, DBS, CATV

IF Amplifier

## 3 Description

The TRF37C73 is packaged in a 2.00mm x 2.00mm WSON with a power down pin feature making it ideal for applications where space and low power modes are critical.

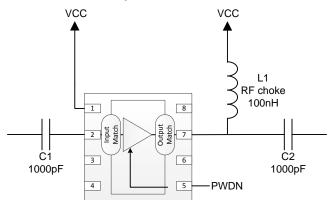
The TRF37C73 is designed for ease of use. For maximum flexibility, this family of parts uses a common 3.3 V supply and consumes 55 mA. In addition, this family was designed with an active bias circuit that provides a stable and predictable bias current over process, temperature and voltage variations. For gain and linearity budgets the device was designed to provide a flat gain response and excellent OIP3 out to 6000 MHz. For space constrained applications, this family is internally matched to 50  $\Omega$ , which simplifies ease of use and minimizes needed PCB area.

#### Device Information<sup>(1)</sup>

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)		
TRF37C73	WSON (32)	2.00mm x 2.00mm		

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the datasheet.

### Simplified Schematic





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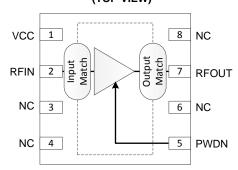
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# **5 Pin Configuration and Functions**

### DSG PACKAGE (TOP VIEW)



### **Pin Functions**

	PIN	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.	DESCRIPTION
VCC	1	DC Bias.
RFIN	2	RF input. Connect to an RF source through a DC-blocking capacitor. Internally matched to 50 $\Omega$ .
NC	3, 4, 6, 8	No electrical connection. Connect pad to GND for board level reliability integrity.
PWDN	5	When high the device is in power down state. When LOW or NC the device is in active state. Internal pulldown resistor to GND.
RFOUT	7	RF Output and DC Bias ( $V_{CC}$ ). Connect to DC supply through an RF choke inductor. Connect to output load through a DC-blocking capacitor. Internally matched to 50 $\Omega$ .
GND	PowerPAD™	RF and DC GND. Connect to PCB ground plane.

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## 6 Specifications

#### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) (1)

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
Supply Input voltage	-0.3	3.6	V
Input Power		10	dBm
Operating virtual junction temperature range	-40	150	°C

<sup>(1)</sup> Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under Recommended Operating Conditions. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

### 6.2 Handling Ratings

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
T <sub>STG</sub>	Storage temperature range		-65	150	°C
V <sub>ESD</sub>	Flootroptotic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001, all pins <sup>(1)</sup>	-1	1	kV
	Electrostatic discharge	Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101, all pins (2)	-1	1	kV

<sup>(1)</sup> JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

#### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
Supply Voltage, V <sub>CC</sub>	3	3.3	3.45	V
Operating junction temperature, T <sub>J</sub>	-40		125	°C

#### 6.4 Thermal Information

	THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>	DSG	LIAUT
	THERMAL METRIC***	8 PINS	UNIT
$R_{\theta JA}$	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	79.3	
R <sub>0JCtop</sub>	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	110	
$R_{\theta JB}$	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	49	9000
ΨЈТ	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	6	°C/W
ΨЈВ	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	49.4	
R <sub>0JCbot</sub>	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	19.2	

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the IC Package Thermal Metrics application report, SPRA953.

<sup>(2)</sup> JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.



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# 6.5 Electrical Characteristics

 $V_{CC} = 3V3, \, T_A = 25^{\circ}C, \, PWDN = Low, \, L_{OUT} = 100 \, \, nH, \, C1 = C2 = 1000 \, \, pF, \, Z_S = Z_L = 50 \, \, \Omega \, \, (unless \, \, otherwise \, \, noted)$ 

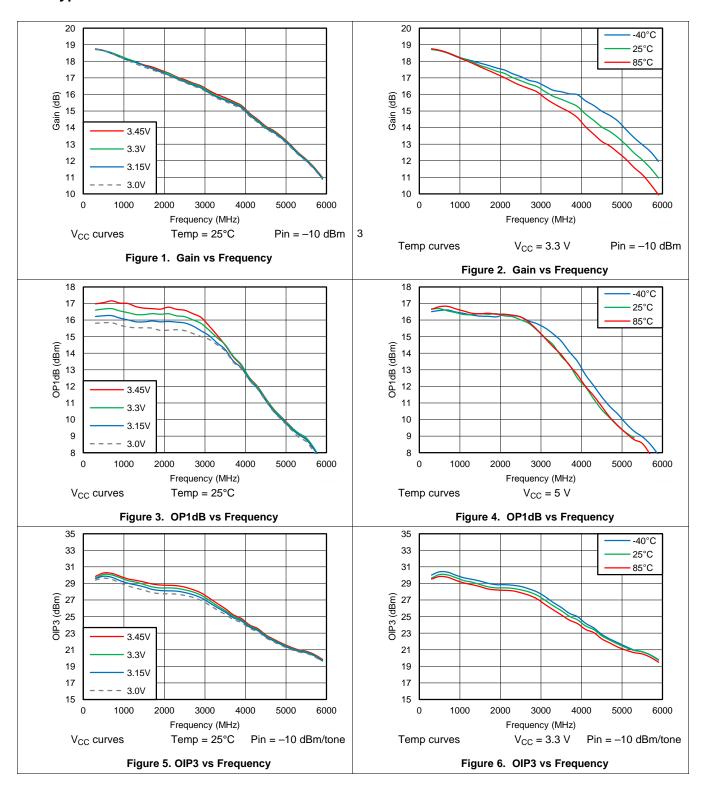
	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN TYI	MAX	UNIT
DC PAR	AMETERS				
	Total supply current		5	5 65	mA
I <sub>CC</sub>	Power down current	PWDN = High	12	5	μA
P <sub>diss</sub>	Power dissipation		0.18	2	W
	QUENCY RANGE				
	Frequency range		1	6000	MHz
		f <sub>RF</sub> = 400 MHz	18.	5	dB
G		f <sub>RF</sub> = 2000 MHz	17.	5	dB
	O seell of more leading	f <sub>RF</sub> = 3000 MHz	16.	5	dB
	Small signal gain	f <sub>RF</sub> = 4000 MHz	1:	5	dB
		f <sub>RF</sub> = 5000 MHz	1:	3	dB
		f <sub>RF</sub> = 6000 MHz	1	1	dB
OP1dB	Output 1dB compression point	At 2000 MHz	16.	5	dBm
OIP3	Output 3rd order intercept point	At 2000 MHz, 2-tone 10 MHz apart	28.	5	dBm
NF	Noise figure	At 2000 MHz	3.	5	dB
R <sub>(LI)</sub>	Input return loss	At 2000 MHz	1:	9	dB
R <sub>(LO)</sub>	Output return loss	At 2000 MHz	1:	3	dB
PWDN P	PIN		•		
V <sub>IH</sub>	High level input level		2		V
$V_{IL}$	Low level input level			0.8	V
I <sub>IH</sub>	High level input current		3	)	μA
I <sub>IL</sub>	Low level input current			1	μA

# 6.6 Timing Requirements

			MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
PWDN PII	N			·		
t <sub>ON</sub>	Turn-on Time	50% TTL to 90% P <sub>OUT</sub>		0.6		μs
t <sub>OFF</sub>	Turn-off Time	50% TTL to 10% P <sub>OUT</sub>		1.4		μs

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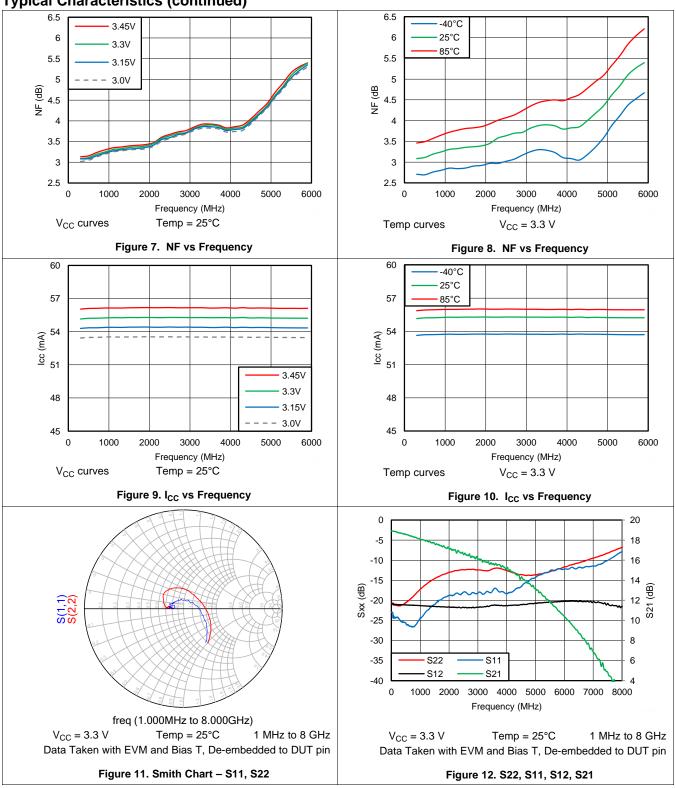
### 6.7 Typical Characteristics





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**Typical Characteristics (continued)** 



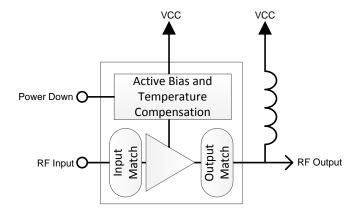
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### 7 Detailed Description

#### 7.1 Overview

The device is a 3.3 V general purpose RF gain block. It is a SiGe Darlington amplifier with integrated 50  $\Omega$  input and output matching. The device contains an active bias circuit to maintain performance over a wide temperature and voltage range. The included power down function allows the amplifier to shut down saving power when the amplifier is not needed. Fast shut down and start up enable the amplifier to be used in a host of time division duplex applications.

#### 7.2 Functional Block Diagram



## 7.3 Feature Description

The TRF37C73 is a fixed gain RF amplifier. It is internally matched to 50  $\Omega$  on both the input and output. It is a fully cascadable general purpose amplifier. The included active bias circuitry ensures the amplifier performance is optimized over the full operating temperature and voltage ranges.

#### 7.4 Device Functional Modes

#### 7.4.1 Power Down

The TRF37C73 PWDN pin can be left unconnected for normal operation or a logic-high for disable mode operation. For applications that use the power down mode, normal 5 V TLL levels are supported.



# **Applications and Implementation**

### 8.1 Application Information

The TRF37C73 is a wideband, high performance, general purpose RF amplifier. To maximize its performance, good RF layout and grounding techniques should be employed.

## 8.2 Typical Application

The TRF37C73 device is typically placed in a system as illustrated in Figure 13.

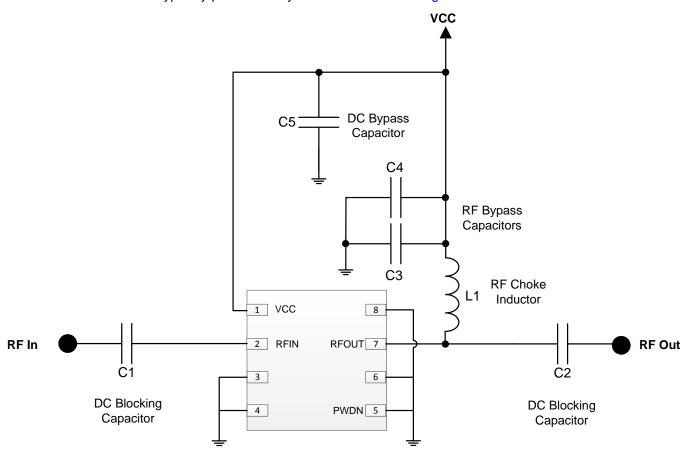


Figure 13. Typical Application Schematic for TRF37C73

#### 8.2.1 Design Requirements

**Table 1. Design Parameters** 

PARAMETERS	EXAMPLE VALUES
Input power range	< 3 dBm
Output power	< 18 dBm
Operating frequency range	1 — 6000 MHz

#### 8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

The TRF37C73 is a simple to use internally matched and cascadable RF amplifier. Following the recommended RF layout with good quality RF components and local DC bypass capacitors will ensure optimal performance is achieved. TI provides various support materials including S-Parameter and ADS models to allow the design to be optimized to the user's particular performance needs.

#### 8.2.3 Application Curve

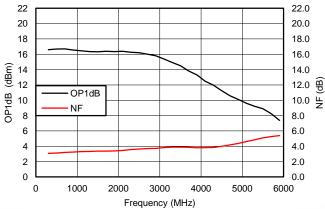


Figure 14. OP1dB and NF vs Frequency

# 9 Power Supply Recommendations

All supplies may be generated from a common nominal 3.3 V source but should be isolated through decoupling capacitors placed close to the device. The typical application schematic in Figure 13 is an excellent example. Select capacitors with self-resonant frequency near the application frequency. When multiple capacitors are used in parallel to create a broadband decoupling network, place the capacitor with the higher self-resonant frequency closer to the device. Expensive tantalum capacitors are not needed for optimal performance.

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# 10 Layout

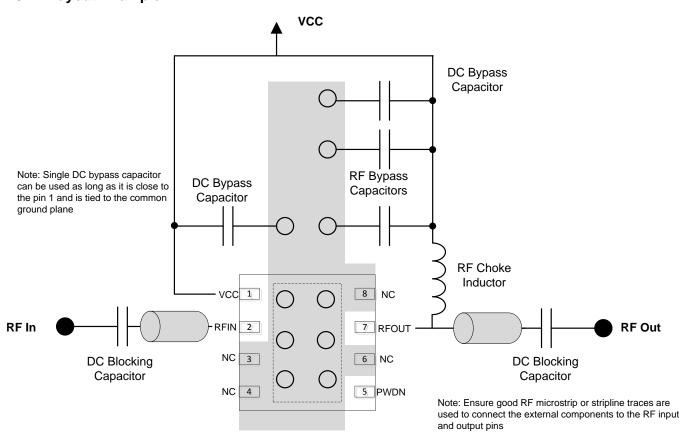
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#### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

Good layout practice helps to enable excellent linearity and isolation performance. An example of good layout is shown in Figure 15. In the example, only the top signal layer and its adjacent ground reference plane are shown.

- Excellent electrical connection from the PowerPAD™ to the board ground is essential. Use the recommended footprint, solder the pad to the board, and do not include solder mask under the pad.
- Connect pad ground to device terminal ground on the top board layer.
- Verify that the return DC and RF current path have a low impedance ground plane directly under the package and RF signal traces into and out of the amplifier.
- Ensure that ground planes on the top and any internal layers are well stitched with vias.
- Do not route RF signal lines over breaks in the reference ground plane.
- · Avoid routing clocks and digital control lines near RF signal lines.
- Do not route RF or DC signal lines over noisy power planes. Ground is the best reference, although clean power planes can serve where necessary.
- · Place supply decoupling close to the device.

## 10.2 Layout Example



Note: Ensure all components are connected to a common RF/DC ground plane with plenty of vias

Figure 15. Layout



## 11 Device and Documentation Support

#### 11.1 Trademarks

PowerPAD is a trademark of Texas Instruments.

### 11.2 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

## 11.3 Glossary

SLYZ022 — TI Glossary.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms and definitions.

# 12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical packaging and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.



# PACKAGE OPTION ADDENDUM

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#### PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan	Lead/Ball Finish	MSL Peak Temp	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
TRF37C73IDSGR	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	C73I	Samples
TRF37C73IDSGT	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	250	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	C73I	Samples

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**OBSOLETE:** TI has discontinued the production of the device.

(2) Eco Plan - The planned eco-friendly classification: Pb-Free (RoHS), Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt), or Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) - please check http://www.ti.com/productcontent for the latest availability information and additional product content details.

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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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**PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION** 

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# TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION





	Dimension designed to accommodate the component width
	Dimension designed to accommodate the component length
K0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness
W	Overall width of the carrier tape
P1	Pitch between successive cavity centers

### QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



#### \*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing		SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TRF37C73IDSGR	WSON	DSG	8	3000	180.0	8.4	2.3	2.3	1.15	4.0	8.0	Q2
TRF37C73IDSGT	WSON	DSG	8	250	180.0	8.4	2.3	2.3	1.15	4.0	8.0	Q2

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#### \*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
TRF37C73IDSGR	WSON	DSG	8	3000	210.0	185.0	35.0
TRF37C73IDSGT	WSON	DSG	8	250	210.0	185.0	35.0

DSG (S-PWSON-N8)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE NO-LEAD



NOTES: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M-1994.

- This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- Quad Flatpack, No-Leads (QFN) package configuration.
- The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance.

See the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad dimensions.

E. Falls within JEDEC MO-229.



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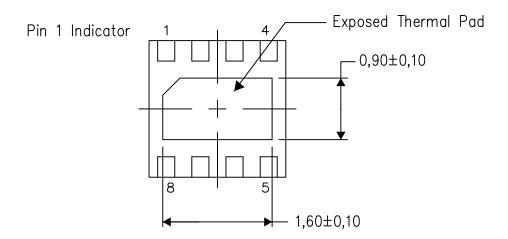
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#### THERMAL INFORMATION

This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No—Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Bottom View

Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

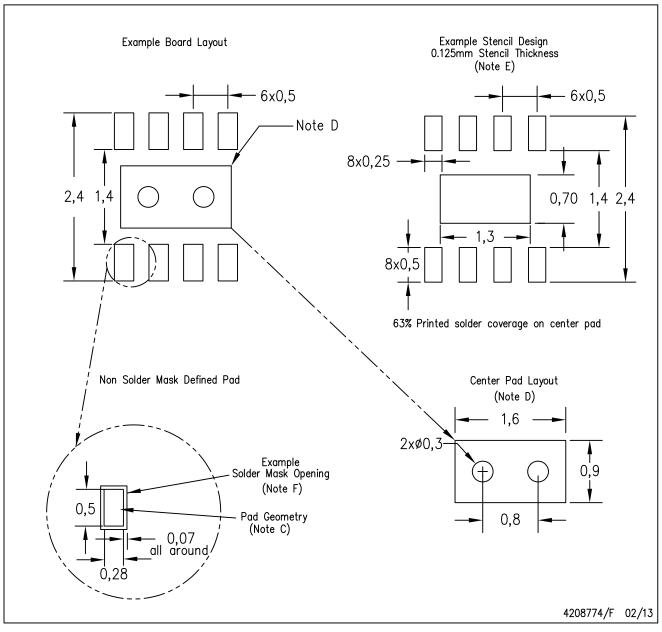
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NOTE: All linear dimensions are in millimeters



# DSG (S-PWSON-N8)

# PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE NO-LEAD



NOTES: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.

- B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- C. Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
- D. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com <a href="https://www.ti.com">http://www.ti.com</a>.
- E. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
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