

AMIS-30522 Micro-Stepping Motor Driver

1.0 Introduction

The AMIS-30522 is a micro-stepping stepper motor driver for bipolar stepper motors. The chip is connected through I/O pins and a SPI interface with an external microcontroller. It has an on-chip voltage regulator, reset-output and watchdog reset, able to supply peripheral devices. AMIS-30522 contains a current-translation table and takes the next micro-step depending on the clock signal on the "NXT" input pin and the status of the "DIR" (=direction) register or input pin. The chip provides a so-called "speed and load angle" output. This allows the creation of stall detection algorithms and control loops based on load-angle to adjust torque and speed. It is using a proprietary PWM algorithm for reliable current control.

The AMIS-30522 is implemented in I2T100 technology, enabling both high-voltage analog circuitry and digital functionality on the same chip. The chip is fully compatible with the automotive voltage requirements.

The AMIS-30522 is ideally suited for general-purpose stepper motor applications in the automotive, industrial, medical, and marine environment. With the on-chip voltage regulator it further reduces the BOM for mechatronic stepper applications.

2.0 Key Features

- Dual H-Bridge for 2-phase stepper motors
- Programmable peak-current up to 1.6A using a 5-bit current DAC
- On-chip current translator
- SPI interface
- Speed and load angle output
- Seven step modes from full step up to 32 micro-steps
- Fully integrated current-sense
- PWM current control with automatic selection of fast and slow decay
- Low EMC PWM with selectable voltage slopes
- Active fly-back diodes
- Full output protection and diagnosis
- Thermal warning and shutdown
- Compatible with 5V and 3.3V microcontrollers
- Integrated 5V regulator to supply external microcontroller
- Integrated reset function to reset external microcontroller
- Integrated watchdog function

3.0 Ordering information

Table 1: Ordering Information

4.0 Block Diagram

5.0 Pin Description

5.1 Package Thermal Characteristics

The NQFP is designed to provide superior thermal performance, and using an exposed die pad on the bottom surface of the package partly contributes to this. In order to take full advantage of this thermal performance, the PCB must have features to conduct heat away from the package. A thermal grounded pad with thermal via's can achieve this. With a layout as shown in [Figure](#page-2-0) [3,](#page-2-0) the thermal resistance junction – to – ambient can be brought down to a level of 30° C/W.

6.0 Electrical Specification

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses above those listed in [Table 3](#page-3-0) may cause immediate and permanent device failure. It is not implied that more that one of these conditions can be applied simultaneously.

Notes:

(1) For limited time <0.5s.

(2) Human body model (100pF via 1.5 kΩ, according to JEDEC EIA-JESD22-A114-B).

6.2 Recommend Operation Conditions

Operating ranges define the limits for functional operation and parametric characteristics of the device. Note that the functionality of the chip outside these operating ranges is not guaranteed. Operating outside the recommended operating ranges for extended periods of time may affect device reliability.

Table 4: Operating Ranges

Notes:
(1)

(1) Voltage output.
(2) Dynamic currer

Dynamic current is with oscillator running, all analog cells active. All outputs unloaded, no floating inputs.

6.3 DC Parameters

The DC parameters are given for V_{BB} and temperature in their operating ranges unless otherwise specified. Convention: currents flowing in the circuit are defined as positive.

Notes:

(1) No more than 100 cumulated hours in life time above It_{w}

(2) Thermal shutdown and low temperature warning are derived from thermal warning.

(3) Not valid for pins with internal pull-down resistor.

6.4 AC Parameters

The AC parameters are given for V_{BB} and temperature in their operating ranges.

6.5 SPI Timing

Table 7: SPI Timing Parameters

7.0 Typical Application Schematic

1. Low ESR < 1Ohm.

8.0 Functional Description

8.1 H-Bridge Drivers

A full H-bridge is integrated for each of the two stator windings. Each H-bridge consists of two low-side and two high-side N-type MOSFET switches. Writing logic '0' in bit <MOTEN> disables all drivers (high-impedance). Writing logic '1' in this bit enables both bridges and current can flow in the motor stator windings.

In order to avoid large currents through the H-bridge switches, it is guaranteed that the top- and bottom-switches of the same halfbridge are never conductive simultaneously (interlock delay).

A two-stage protection against shorts on motor lines is implemented. In a first stage, the current in the driver is limited. Secondly, when excessive voltage is sensed across the transistor, the transistor is switched off.

In order to reduce the radiated/conducted emission, voltage slope control is implemented in the output switches. The output slope is defined by the gate-drain capacitance of output transistor and the (limited) current that drives the gate. There are two trimming bits for slope control (see [Table 27\)](#page-23-0).

The power transistors are equipped with so-called "active diodes": when a current is forced trough the transistor switch in the reverse direction, i.e. from source to drain, then the transistor is switched on. This ensures that most of the current flows through the channel of the transistor instead of through the inherent parasitic drain-bulk diode of the transistor.

Depending on the desired current range and the micro-step position at hand, the Rdson of the low-side transistors will be adapted such that excellent current-sense accuracy is maintained. The Rdson of the high-side transistors remain unchanged, see **Error! Reference source not found.** for more details.

8.2 PWM Current Control

A PWM comparator compares continuously the actual winding current with the requested current and feeds back the information to a digital regulation loop. This loop then generates a PWM signal, which turns on/off the H-bridge switches. The switching points of the PWM duty-cycle are synchronized to the on-chip PWM clock. The frequency of the PWM controller can be doubled and an artificial jitter can be added (see [Table 16\)](#page-21-0). The PWM frequency will not vary with changes in the supply voltage. Also variations in motor-speed or load-conditions of the motor have no effect. There are no external components required to adjust the PWM frequency.

8.2.1. Automatic Forward and Slow-Fast Decay

The PWM generation is in steady-state using a combination of forward and slow-decay. The absence of fast-decay in this mode, guarantees the lowest possible current-ripple "by design". For transients to lower current levels, fast-decay is automatically activated to allow high-speed response. The selection of fast or slow decay is completely transparent for the user and no additional parameters are required for operation.

8.2.2. Automatic Duty Cycle Adaptation

In case the supply voltage is lower than 2*Bemf, then the duty cycle of the PWM is adapted automatically to >50% to maintain the requested average current in the coils. This process is completely automatic and requires no additional parameters for operation. The over-all current-ripple is divided by two if PWM frequency is doubled (see [Table 16](#page-21-0)).

8.3 Step Translator

8.3.1. Step Mode

The step translator provides the control of the motor by means of SPI register Stepmode: SM[2:0], SPI register DIRCNTRL, and input pins DIR and NXT. It is translating consecutive steps in corresponding currents in both motor coils for a given step mode.

One out of seven possible stepping modes can be selected through SPI-bits SM[2:0] (see [Table 28](#page-23-1)) After power-on or hard reset, the coil-current translator is set to the default 1/32 micro-stepping at position **'0'**. Upon changing the step mode, the translator jumps to position **0*** of the corresponding stepping mode. When remaining in the same step mode, subsequent translator positions are all in the same column and increased or decreased with 1. **Error! Reference source not found.** lists the output current vs. the translator position.

As shown in [Figure 8](#page-10-0) the output current-pairs can be projected approximately on a circle in the (I_x,I_y) plane. There is, however, one exception: uncompensated half step. In this step mode the currents are not regulated to a fraction of Imax but are in all intermediate steps regulated at 100 percent. In the (Ix,Iy) plane the current-pairs are projected on a square. **Error! Reference source not found.** lists the output current vs. the translator position for this case.

Table 9: Square Translator Table for Full Step and Uncompensated Half Step

Table 10: Circular Translator Table

8.3.2. Direction

The direction of rotation is selected by means of following combination of the DIR input pin and the SPI-controlled direction bit <DIRCTRL>. ([Table 16\)](#page-21-0)

8.3.3. NXT input

Changes on the NXT input will move the motor current one step up/down in the translator table. Depending on the NXT-polarity bit <NXTP> ([Table 16\)](#page-21-0), the next step is initiated either on the rising edge or the falling edge of the NXT input.

8.3.4. Translator Position

The translator position can be read in [Table 32](#page-24-0). This is a 7-bit number equivalent to the 1/32th micro-step from Error! Reference **source not found.**. The translator position is updated immediately following a NXT trigger.

8.3.5. Synchronization of Step Mode and NXT Input

When step mode is re-programmed to another resolution [\(Table 15](#page-21-1)), then this is put in effect immediately upon the first arriving "NXT" input. If the micro-stepping resolution is increased ([Figure 11](#page-11-0)), then the coil currents will be regulated to the nearest microstep, according to the fixed grid of the increased resolution. If however the micro-stepping resolution is decreased, then it is possible to introduce an offset (or phase shift) in the micro-step translator table.

If the step resolution is decreased at a translator table position that is shared both by the old and new resolution setting, then the offset is zero and micro-stepping is proceeds according to the translator table.

If the translator position is **not** shared both by the old and new resolution setting, then the micro-stepping proceeds with an offset relative to the translator table (See [Figure 10](#page-11-1) right hand side).

Note:

It is advised to reduce the micro-stepping resolution only at micro-step positions that overlap with desired micro-step positions of the new resolution.

8.4 Programmable Peak-Current

The amplitude of the current waveform in the motor coils (coil peak current = Imax) is adjusted by means of an SPI parameter "CUR[4:0]" [\(Table 15](#page-21-1)). Whenever this parameter is changed, the coil-currents will be updated immediately at the next PWM period. More information can be found in [Table 26](#page-22-0).

8.5 Speed and Load Angle Output

The SLA-pin provides an output voltage that indicates the level of the Back-e.m.f. voltage of the motor. This Back-e.m.f. voltage is sampled during every so-called "coil current zero crossings". Per coil, two zero-current positions exist per electrical period, yielding in total four zero-current observation points per electrical period.

Because of the relatively high recirculation currents in the coil during current decay, the coil voltage V_{COL} shows a transient behavior. As this transient is not always desired in application software, two operating modes can be selected by means of the bit <SLAT> (see "SLA-transparency" in [Table 17\)](#page-21-2). The SLA pin shows in "transparent mode" full visibility of the voltage transient behavior. This allows a sanity-check of the speed-setting versus motor operation and characteristics and supply voltage levels. If the bit "SLAT" is cleared, then only the voltage samples at the end of each coil current zero crossing are visible on the SLA-pin. Because the transient behavior of the coil voltage is not visible anymore, this mode generates smoother Back e.m.f. input for postprocessing, e.g. by software.

In order to bring the sampled Back e.m.f. to a descent output level (0 to 5V), the sampled coil voltage V_{COL} is divided by 2 or by 4. This divider is set through an SPI bit <SLAG>. [\(Table 17\)](#page-21-2)

The following drawing illustrates the operation of the SLA-pin and the transparency-bit. "PWMsh" and "Icoil=0" are internal signals that define together with SLAT the sampling and hold moments of the coil voltage.

8.6 Warning, Error Detection and Diagnostics Feedback

8.6.1. Thermal Warning and Shutdown

When junction temperature rises above T_{TW} , the thermal warning bit $\langle TW \rangle$ is set ([Table 29\)](#page-23-2). If junction temperature increases above thermal shutdown level, then the circuit goes in "Thermal Shutdown" mode (<TSD>) and all driver transistors are disabled (high impedance) [\(Table 31\)](#page-24-1). The conditions to reset flag <TSD> is to be at a temperature lower than T_{TW} and to clear the <TSD> flag by reading it using any SPI read command.

8.6.2. Over-Current Detection

The over-current detection circuit monitors the load current in each activated output stage. If the load current exceeds the over-current dete ction threshold, then the over-current flag is set and the drivers are switched off to reduce the power dissipation and to protect the integrated circuit. Each driver transistor has an individual detection bit in

Table 30 and (Table 31(<OVCXij> and <OVCYij>[\). Error condition is latched and the microcontroller needs to clean](#page-24-2) the status bits to reactivate the drivers.

8.6.3. Open Coil Detection

is detected for longer than 200ms then the related driver transistors are disabled (high-impedance) and an appropriate bit in the SPI status register is set (<OPENX> or <OPENY>). (Table 29) Open coil detection is based on the observation of 100 percent duty cycle of the PWM regulator. If in a coil 100 percent duty cycle

8.6.4. Charge Pump Failure

The charge pump is an important circuit that guarantees low Rdson for all drivers, especially for low supply voltages. If supply voltage is too low or external components are not properly connected to guarantee Rdson of the drivers, then the bit <CPFAIL> is set in Table 29. Also after POR the charge pump voltage will need some time to exceed the required threshold. During that time <CPFAIL> will be set to "1".

8.6.5. Error Output

This is a digital output to flag a problem to the external microcontroller. The signal on this output is active low and the logic combination of:

NOT(ERRB) = <TW> OR <TSD> OR <OVCXij> OR < OVCYij> OR <OPENi> OR <CPFAIL>

8.7 Logic Supply Regulator

AMIS-30522 has an on-chip 5V low-drop regulator with external capacitor to supply the digital part of the chip, some low-voltage analog blocks and external circuitry. The voltage is derived from an internal bandgap reference. To calculate the available drivecurrent for external circuitry, the specified I_{load} should be reduced with the consumption of internal circuitry (unloaded outputs) and the loads connected to logic outputs. See **Error! Reference source not found.**.

8.8 Power-On Reset (POR) Function

The open drain output pin PORB/WD provides an "active low" reset for external purposes. At power-up of AMIS-30522, this pin will be kept low for some time to reset for example an external microcontroller. A small analog filter avoids resetting due to spikes or noise on the VDD supply.

8.9 Watchdog Function

The watchdog function is enabled/disabled through \langle wDEN \rangle bit (Table 14). Once this bit has been set to "1" (watchdog enable), the microcontroller needs to re-write this bit to clear an internal timer before the watchdog timeout interval expires. In case the timer is activated and WDEN is acknowledged too early (before t_{WDPR}) or not within the interval (after t_{WDTO}), then a reset of the microcontroller will occur through PORB/WD pin. In addition, a warm/cold boot bit <WD> is available in Table 29 for further processing when the external microcontroller is alive again.

Note: t_{DSPI} is the time needed by the external microcontroller to shift-in the <WDEN> bit after a power-up.

The duration of the watchdog timeout interval is programmable through the WDT [3:0] bits (Table 14). The timing is given in Table 13.

Table 13: Watchdog Timeout Interval as Function of WDT[3.0]

8.10 CLR pin (=Hard Reset)

Logic 0 on CLR pin allows normal operation of the chip. To reset the complete digital inside AMIS-30522, the input CLR needs to be pulled to logic 1 during minimum time given by T_{CLR} . (Table 6). This reset function clears all internal registers without the need of a power-cycle. The operation of all analog circuits is depending on the reset state of the digital, charge pump remains active. Logic 0 on CLR pin resumes normal operation again.

The voltage regulator remains functional during and after the reset and the PORB/WD pin is not activated. Watchdog function is reset completely.

8.11 Sleep Mode

The bit <SLP> in Table 17 is provided to enter a so-called "sleep mode". This mode allows reduction of current-consumption when the motor is not in operation. The effect of sleep mode is as follows:

- The drivers are put in HiZ
- All analog circuits are disabled and in low-power mode
- All internal registers are maintaining their logic content
- NXT and DIR inputs are forbidden
- SPI communication remains possible (slight current increase during SPI communication)
- Reset of chip is possible through CLR pin
- Oscillator and digital clocks are silent, except during SPI communication

The voltage regulator remains active but with reduced current-output capability (I_{LOADSLP}). The watchdog timer stops running and it's value is kept in the counter. Upon leaving sleep mode, this timer continues from the value it had before entering sleep mode.

Normal operation is resumed after writing logic '0' to bit <SLP>. A start-up time is needed for the charge pump to stabilize. After this time, NXT commands can be issued.

9.0 SPI Interface

The serial peripheral interface (SPI) allows an external microcontroller (Master) to communicate with AMIS-30521. The implemented SPI block is designed to interface directly with numerous micro-controllers from several manufacturers. AMIS-30521 acts always as a Slave and can't initiate any transmission. The operation of the device is configured and controlled by means of SPI registers which are observable for read and/or write from the Master.

9.1 SPI Transfer Format and Pin Signals

During a SPI transfer, data is simultaneously transmitted (shifted out serially) and received (shifted in serially). A serial clock line (CLK) synchronizes shifting and sampling of the information on the two serial data lines (DO and DI). DO signal is the output from the Slave (AMIS-30521), and DI signal is the output from the Master. A chip select line (CSB) allows individual selection of a Slave SPI device in a multiple-slave system. The CSB line is active low. If AMIS-30521 is not selected, DO is pulled up with the external pull up resistor. Since AMIS-30521 operates as a Slave in MODE 0 (CPOL = 0; CPHA = 0) it always clocks data out on the falling edge and samples data in on rising edge of clock. The Master SPI port must be configured in MODE 0 too, to match this operation. The SPI clock idles low between the transferred bytes. The diagram below is both a Master and a Slave timing diagram since CLK, DO and DI pins are directly connected between the Master and the Slave.

Note: At the falling edge of the eight clock pulse the data-out shift register is updated with the content of the addressed internal SPI register. The internal SPI registers are updated at the first rising edge of the AMIS-30521 system clock when CSB = High

9.2 Transfer packet:

Serial data transfer is assumed to follow MSB first rule. The transfer packet contains one or more bytes.

Byte 1 contains the Command and the SPI Register Address and indicates to AMIS-30521 the chosen type of operation and addressed register. Byte 2 contains data, or sent from the Master in a WRITE operation, or received from AMIS-30521 in a READ operation.

2 command types can be distinguished in the communication between master and AMIS-30521:

- READ **from** SPI Register with address ADDR[4:0]: **CMD2** = "0"
- WRITE **to** SPI Register with address ADDR[4:0]: **CMD2** = "1"

9.2.1. READ operation

If the Master wants to read data from Status or Control Registers, it initiates the communication by sending a READ command. This READ command contains the address of the SPI register to be read out. At the falling edge of the eight clock pulse the data-out shift register is updated with the content of the corresponding internal SPI register. In the next 8-bit clock pulse train this data is shifted out via DO pin. At the same time the data shifted in from DI (Master) should be interpreted as the following successive command or is dummy data.

All 4 Status Registers (see SPI Registers) contain 7 data bits and a parity check bit The most significant bit (D7) represents a parity of D[6:0]. If the number of logical ones in D[6:0] is odd, the parity bit D7 equals "1". If the number of logical ones in D[6:0] is even then the parity bit D7 equals "0". This simple mechanism protects against noise and increases the consistency of the transmitted data. If a parity check error occurs it is recommended to initiate an additional READ command to obtain the status again.

Also the Control Registers can be read out following the same routine. Control Registers don't have a parity check. The CSB line is active low and may remain low between successive READ commands as illustrated in Figure 19. There is however one exception. In case an error condition is latched in one of Status Registers (see SPI Registers) the ERRB pin is activated. (See 8.6.5. Error Output). This signal flags a problem to the external microcontroller. By reading the Status Registers information about the root cause of the problem can be determined. After this READ operation the Status Registers are cleared. Because the Status Registers and ERRB pin (see SPI Registers) are only updated by the internal system clock when the CSB line is high, the Master should force CSB high immediately after the READ operation. For the same reason it is recommended to keep the CSB line high always when the SPI bus is idle

9.2.2. WRITE operation

If the Master wants to write data to a Control Register it initiates the communication by sending a WRITE command. This contains the address of the SPI register to write to. The command is followed with a data byte. This incoming data will be stored in the corresponding Control Register after CSB goes from low to high! AMIS-30521 responds on every incoming byte by shifting out via DO the data stored in the last received address.

It is important that the writing action (command - address and data) to the Control Register is exactly 16 bits long. If more or less bits are transmitted the complete transfer packet is ignored.

A WRITE command executed for a read-only register (e.g. Status Registers) will not affect the addressed register and the device operation.

Because after a power-on-reset the initial address is unknown the data shifted out via DO is not valid.

9.2.3. Examples of combined READ and WRITE operations

In the following examples successive READ and WRITE operations are combined. In Figure 18 the Master first reads the status from Register at ADDR4 and at ADDR5 followed by writing a control byte in Control Register at ADDR2. Note that during the write command (in Figure 4) the old data of the pointed register is returned at the moment the new data is shifted in

After the write operation the Master could initiate a read back command in order to verify the data correctly written as illustrated in Figure 19. During reception of the READ command the old data is returned for a second time. Only after receiving the READ command the new data is transmitted. This rule also applies when the master device wants to initiate an SPI transfer to read the Status Registers. Because the internal system clock updates the Status Registers only when CSB line is high, the first read out byte might represent old status information.

Note: The internal data-out shift buffer of AMIS-30521 is updated with the content of the selected SPI register only at the last (every eight) falling edge of the CLK signal (see SPI Transfer Format and Pin Signals). As a result, new data for transmission cannot be written to the shift buffer at the beginning of the transfer packet and the first byte shifted out might represent old data.

9.3 SPI Control Registers

All SPI control registers have Read/Write Access and default to "0" after power-on or hard reset.

Table 14: SPI Control Register WR

Where:

 R/W Read and Write access
Reset: Status after power-On c

Status after power-On or hard reset

WDEN: Watchdog enable. Writing "1" to this bit will activate the watchdog timer (if not enabled yet) or will clear this timer (if already enabled). Writing "0" to this bit will clear WD bit (Table 29).

WDT[3:0]: Watchdog timeout interval

Table 15: SPI Control Register 0

Where:

R/W Read and Write access
Reset: Status after power-On c Status after power-On or hard reset

SM[2:0]: Step mode

CUR[4:0]: Current amplitude

Table 16: SPI Control Register 1

Table 17: SPI Control Register 2

SLAT Speed load angle transparency

Table 18: SPI Control Parameter Overview SLAT

Table 19: SPI Control Parameter Overview SLAG

Table 22: SPI Control Overview SLP

Table 23: SPI Control Parameter Overview MOTEN **Symbol Description Status Value 2018** MOTEN Activates the motor driver outputs

MOTEN > 1 Drivers enabled

MOTEN > 1 Drivers enabled

Table 25: SPI Control Parameter Overview NXTP

CUR[4:0] Selects IMCmax peak. This is the peak or amplitude of the regulated current waveform in the motor coils.

Table 26: SPI Control Parameter Overview CUR[4:0]

EMC[1:0] Adjusts the dV/dt of the PWM voltage slopes on the motor pins.

Table 27: SPI Control Parameter Overview EMC[1:0]

SM[2:0] Selects the micro-stepping mode.

9.4 SPI Status Register Description

All four SPI status registers have Read Access and are default to "0" after power-on or hard reset.

Table 29: SPI Status Register 0

Where:

Remark: $WD^{(1)}$ – This bit indicates that the watchdog timer has not been cleared properly. If the master reads that WD is set to "1" after reset, it means that a watchdog reset occurred (warm boot) instead of POR (cold boot). WD bit will be cleared only when the master writes "0" to WDEN bit. (Table 14).

Data is **not** latched

Table 30: SPI Status Register 1

Remark: Data is latched

Table 31: SPI Status Register 2

Remark: Data is latched

Table 32: SPI Status Register 3

Where:

Remark: Data is **not** latched

Table 33: SPI Status Flags Overview

10.0 Package Outline

Figure 22: NQFP-32: No Lead Quad Flat Pack; 32 Pins; Body Size 7x7mm (AMIS Reference: NQFP-32)

11.0 Soldering

11.1 Introduction to Soldering Surface Mount Packages

This text gives a very brief insight to a complex technology. A more in-depth account of soldering ICs can be found in the AMIS "Data Handbook IC26; Integrated Circuit Packages" (document order number 9398 652 90011). There is no soldering method that is ideal for all surface mount IC packages. Wave soldering is not always suitable for surface mount ICs, or for printed-circuit boards (PCB) with high population densities. In these situations re-flow soldering is often used.

11.2 Re-flow Soldering

Re-flow soldering requires solder paste (a suspension of fine solder particles, flux and binding agent) to be applied to the PCB by screen printing, stencilling or pressure-syringe dispensing before package placement. Several methods exist for re-flowing; for example, infrared/convection heating in a conveyor type oven.

Throughput times (preheating, soldering and cooling) vary between 100 and 200 seconds depending on the heating method. Typical re-flow peak temperatures range from 215 to 260°C. The top-surface temperature of the packages should preferably be kept below 230°C.

11.3 Wave Soldering

Conventional single wave soldering is not recommended for surface mount devices (SMDs) or PCBs with a high component density, as solder bridging and non-wetting can present major problems. To overcome these problems, the double-wave soldering method was specifically developed.

If wave soldering is used the following conditions must be observed for optimal results:

- Use a double-wave soldering method comprising a turbulent wave with high upward pressure followed by a smooth laminar wave.
- For packages with leads on two sides and a pitch (e):
	- •Larger than or equal to 1.27mm, the footprint longitudinal axis is preferred to be parallel to the transport direction of the PCB;

•Smaller than 1.27mm, the footprint longitudinal axis must be parallel to the transport direction of the PCB. The footprint must incorporate solder thieves at the downstream end.

• For packages with leads on four sides, the footprint must be placed at a 45º angle to the transport direction of the PCB. The footprint must incorporate solder thieves downstream and at the side corners.

During placement and before soldering, the package must be fixed with a droplet of adhesive. The adhesive can be applied by screen printing, pin transfer or syringe dispensing. The package can be soldered after the adhesive is cured. Typical dwell time is four seconds at 250°C. A mildly-activated flux will eliminate the need for removal of corrosive residues in most applications.

11.4 Manual Soldering

Fix the component by first soldering two diagonally-opposite end leads. Use a low voltage (24V or less) soldering iron applied to the flat part of the lead. Contact time must be limited to 10 seconds at up to 300°C.

When using a dedicated tool, all other leads can be soldered in one operation within two to five seconds between 270 and 320°C.

Table 34: Soldering Process

Notes:

All surface mount (SMD) packages are moisture sensitive. Depending upon the moisture content, the maximum temperature (with respect to time) and body size of the package, there is a risk that internal or external package cracks may occur due to vaporization of the moisture in them (the so called popcorn effect). For details, refer to the drypack information in the "Data Handbook IC26; Integrated Circuit Packages; Section: Packing Methods.

(2) These packages are not suitable for wave soldering as a solder joint between the PCB and heatsink (at bottom version) can not be achieved, and as solder may stick to the heatsink (on top version).

(3) If wave soldering is considered, then the package must be placed at a 45° angle to the solder wave direction. The package footprint must incorporate solder thieves downstream and at the side corners.

(4) Wave soldering is only suitable for LQFP, TQFP and QFP packages with a pitch (e) equal to or larger than 0.8mm; it is definitely not suitable for packages with a pitch (e) equal to or smaller than 0.65mm.

(5) Wave soldering is only suitable for SSOP and TSSOP packages with a pitch (e) equal to or larger than 0.65mm; it is definitely not suitable for packages with a pitch (e) equal to or smaller than 0.5mm.

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