



# PRM™ Regulator 28 Vdc Input

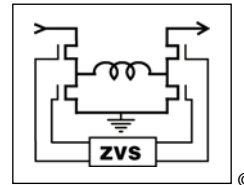
**MIL-COTS**  
**MP028F036M12AL**



## Non-isolated Regulator

### Features

- $V_{IN}$  range 16 – 50 Vdc
- High density – 407 W/in<sup>3</sup>
- Small footprint – 108 W/in<sup>2</sup>
- Low weight – 0.5 oz (15 g)
- Surface-mount or Through-hole package
- Adaptive Loop feedback
- ZVS buck-boost regulator
- 1.3 MHz switching frequency
- 95% efficiency
- -55 °C to 125 °C operation ( $T_J$ )



$V_{IN} = 16 - 50 \text{ V}$   
 $V_{OUT} = 26 - 50 \text{ V}$   
 $P_{OUT} = 120 \text{ W}$   
 $I_{OUT} = 3.3 \text{ A}$

### Product Description

The PRM™ regulator is a very efficient non-isolated regulator capable of both boosting and bucking a wide range input voltage. It is specifically designed to provide a controlled Factorized Bus distribution voltage for powering downstream VTM™ current multiplier — fast, efficient, isolated, low noise Point-of-Load (POL) converters. In combination, PRM modules and VTM modules form a complete DC-DC converter subsystem offering all of the unique benefits of Vicor's Factorized Power Architecture™ (FPA™): high density and efficiency; low noise operation; architectural flexibility; extremely fast transient response; and elimination of bulk capacitance at the Point-of-Load (POL).

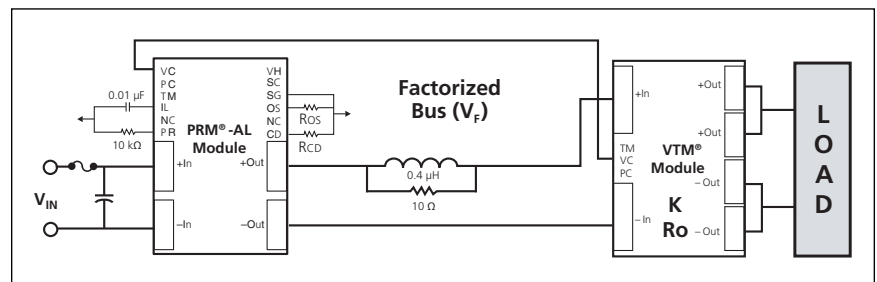
In FPA systems, the POL voltage is the product of the Factorized Bus voltage delivered by the PRM module and the "K-factor" (the fixed voltage transformation ratio) of a downstream VTM module. The PRM regulator controls the Factorized Bus voltage to provide regulation at the POL. Because VTM modules perform true voltage division and current multiplication, the Factorized Bus voltage may be set to a value that is substantially higher than the bus voltages typically found in "intermediate bus" systems, reducing distribution losses and enabling use of narrower distribution bus traces. A Military PRM module-VTM module chip set can provide up to 100 A or 115 W at a FPA system density of 169 A/in<sup>3</sup> or 195 W/in<sup>3</sup> — and because the PRM module can be located, or "factorized," remotely from the POL, these power densities can effectively be doubled.

The Military PRM module described in this data sheet features a unique "Adaptive Loop" compensation feedback: a single wire alternative to traditional remote sensing and feedback loops that enables precise control of an isolated POL voltage without the need for either a direct connection to the load or for noise sensitive, bandwidth limiting, isolation devices in the feedback path.

### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Values	Unit	Notes
+In to -In	-1.0 to 60.0	Vdc	
PC to -In	-0.3 to 6.0	Vdc	
PR to -In	-0.3 to 9.0	Vdc	
IL to -In	-0.3 to 6.0	Vdc	
VC to -In	-0.3 to 18.0	Vdc	
+Out to -Out	-0.3 to 59	Vdc	
SC to -Out	-0.3 to 3.0	Vdc	
VH to -Out	-0.3 to 9.5	Vdc	
OS to -Out	-0.3 to 9.0	Vdc	
CD to -Out	-0.3 to 9.0	Vdc	
SG to -Out	100	mA	
Continuous output current	3.3	Adc	
Continuous output power	120	W	
Case temperature during reflow	245	°C	MSL 4 (Datecode 1528 and later)
Operating junction temperature	-40 to 125	°C	T-Grade
Storage temperature	-40 to 125	°C	T-Grade

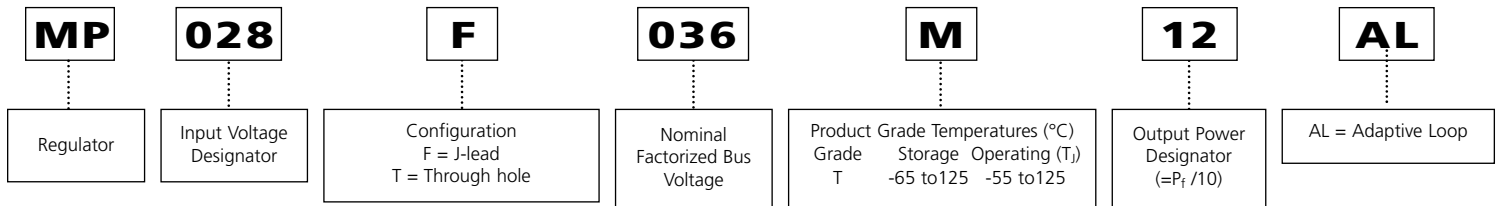
### DC-DC Converter



The MP028F036M12AL is used with any 036 input series VTM™ module to provide a regulated and isolated output.

## General Specifications

### Part Numbering

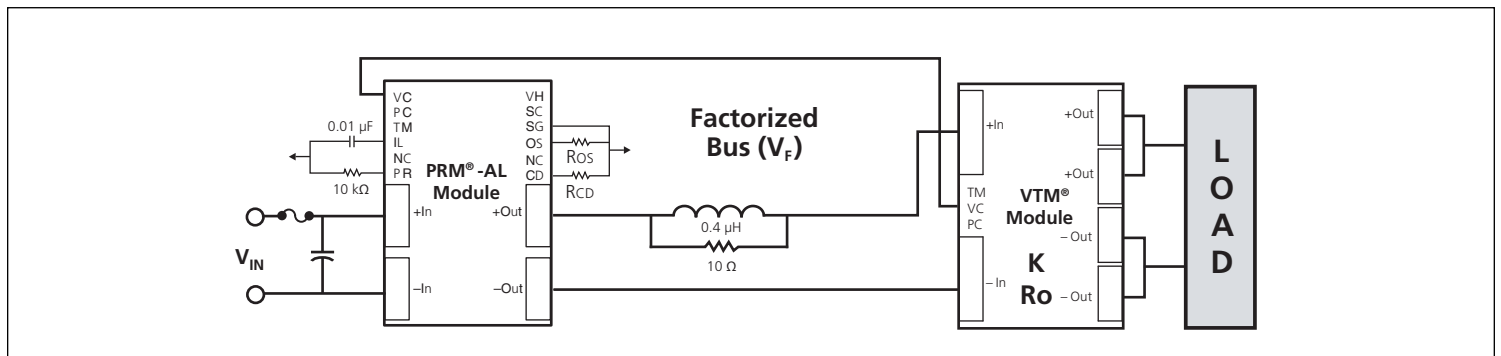


### Overview of Adaptive Loop Compensation

Adaptive Loop compensation, illustrated in Figure 1, contributes to the bandwidth and speed advantage of Factorized Power. The PRM monitors its output current and automatically adjusts its output voltage to compensate for the voltage drop in the output resistance of the VTM.  $R_{OS}$  sets the desired value of the VTM output voltage,  $V_{out}$ ;  $R_{CD}$  is set to a value that compensates for the output resistance of the VTM (which, ideally, is located at the point of load). For more information on configuring a PRM & VTM pair for adaptive loop, please see [AN:024](#) "Accurate Point of Load Voltage Regulation Using Simple Adaptive Loop Feedback."

The VI Chip's bi-directional VC port :

1. Provides a wake up signal from the PRM to the VTM that synchronizes the rise of the VTM output voltage to that of the PRM.
2. Provides feedback from the VTM to the PRM to enable the PRM to compensate for the voltage drop in VTM output resistance,  $R_o$ .



**Figure 1** — With Adaptive Loop control, the output of the VTM is regulated over the load current range with only a single interconnect between the PRM and VTM and without the need for isolation in the feedback path.

## Electrical Specifications

**Input Specs** (Conditions are at 28 V<sub>IN</sub>, 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, full load, and 25 °C ambient unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
Input voltage range	16.1 <sup>[a]</sup>	28	50	Vdc	
Input dV/dt			1	V/μs	
Input undervoltage turn on		15.9	16.1	Vdc	Increases linearly to 17 V max at 100 °C
Input undervoltage turn off	12.2	13.5		Vdc	
Input overvoltage turn on	50.5	52.5		Vdc	
Input overvoltage turn off		53.5	55.0	Vdc	
Input quiescent current		0.5	1	mA	PC low
Input current		4.5		Adc	
Input reflected ripple current		240		mA p-p	See Figures 4 & 5
No load power dissipation		3.6	5.5	W	
Internal input capacitance		5		μF	Ceramic
Recommended external input capacitance		1,000		μF	See Figure 5 for input filter circuit. Source impedance dependent

[a] Will operate down to 13.5 V after start up  $\geq 16$  V

## Input Waveforms

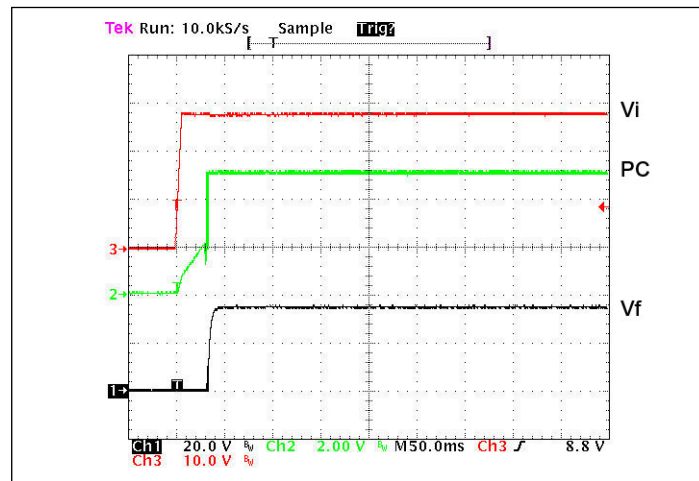


Figure 2 — V<sub>OUT</sub> and PC response from power up

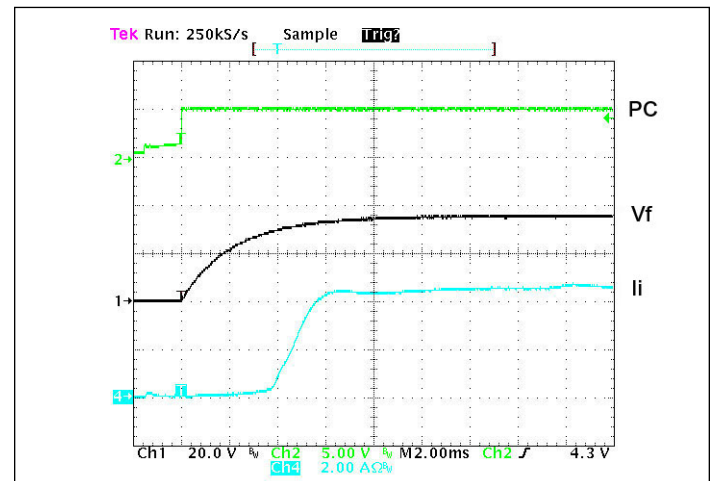


Figure 3 — V<sub>OUT</sub> turn on waveform with inrush current – PC enabled at full load, 28 V<sub>IN</sub>, electronic load set @ constant R.

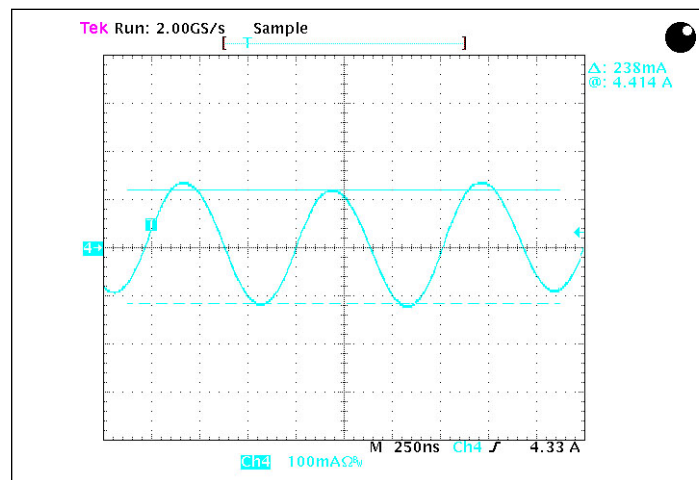


Figure 4 — Input reflected ripple current at full load and 28 V<sub>IN</sub>

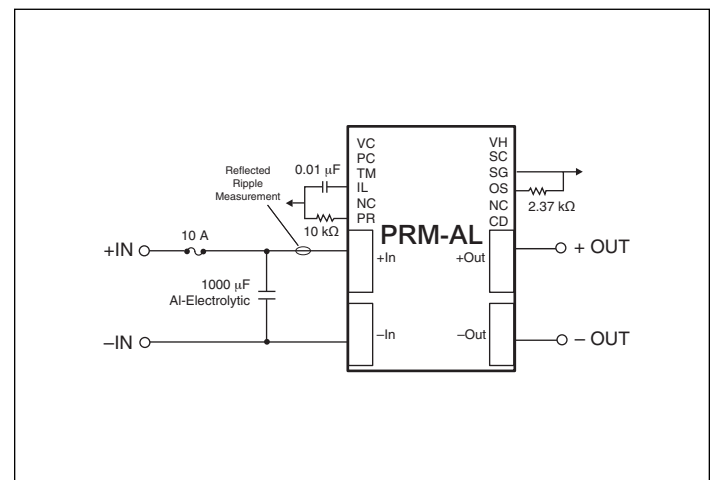


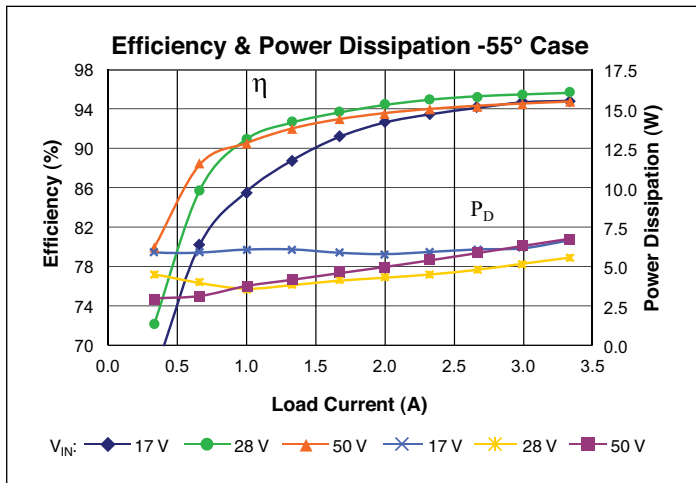
Figure 5 — Input filter capacitor recommendation

**Electrical Specifications** (continued)**Output Specs** (Conditions are at 28 V<sub>IN</sub>, 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, full load, and 25 °C ambient unless otherwise specified)

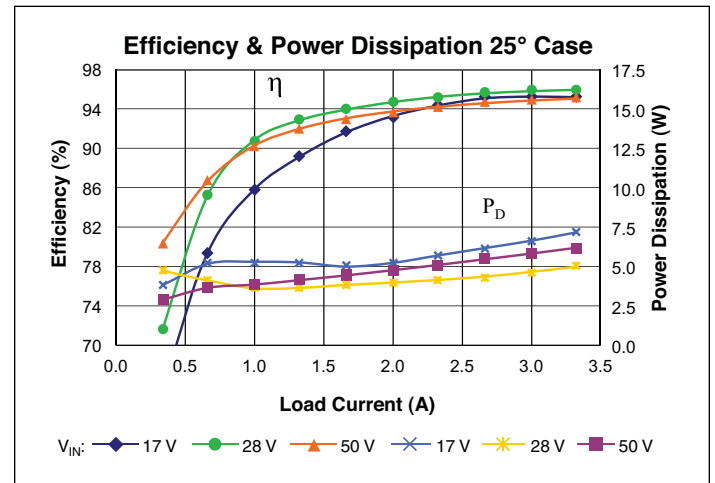
Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
Output voltage range	26	36	50	Vdc	Factorized Bus voltage (V <sub>F</sub> ) set by R <sub>OS</sub>
Output power	0		120	W	
Output current	0		3.33	Adc	
DC current limit	3.5	3.9	4.4	Adc	I <sub>L</sub> pin floating
Average short circuit current			1.25	A	Auto recovery
Set point accuracy		1.0	1.5	%	R <sub>OS</sub> = 2.37k, no CD resistor
Line regulation		0.1	0.2	%	Low line to high line
Load regulation		0.1	0.2	%	No CD resistor
Load regulation (at VTM module output)		1.0	2.0	%	Adaptive Loop
Current share accuracy		7.5	20	%	
Efficiency					
Full load	94	95.6		%	See Figure 6,7 & 8
Output overvoltage set point	55		59.4	Vdc	
Output ripple voltage					
No external bypass		1.8	2.7	%	Factorized Bus, see Fig. 13
With 10 µF capacitor		0.6	0.9	%	Factorized Bus, see Fig. 14
Switching frequency	1.2	1.3	1.45	MHz	Fixed frequency
Output turn-on delay					
From application of power		94	144	ms	See Figure 2
From PC pin enable	400	700	1200	µs	
Internal output capacitance		5		µF	Ceramic
Factorized Bus capacitance			47	µF	

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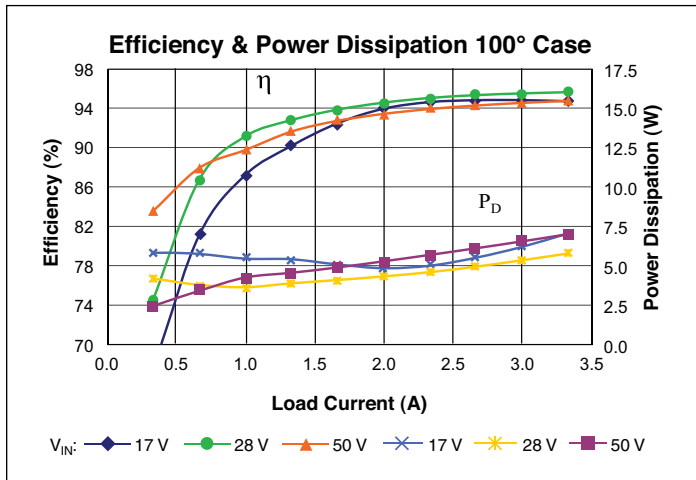
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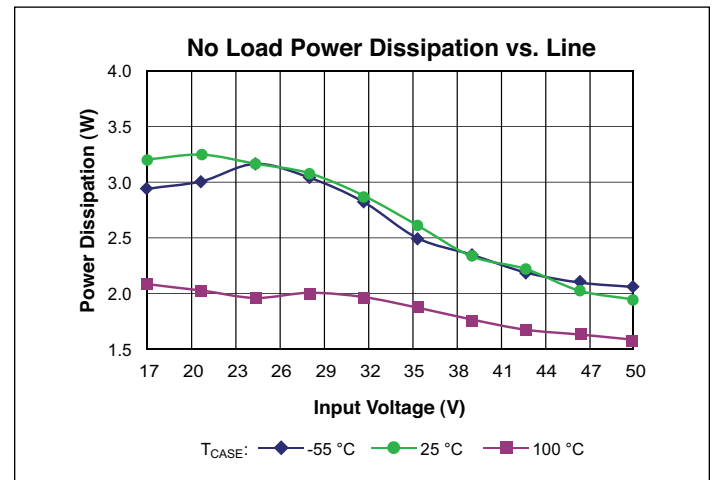
**Figure 6** — Efficiency and power dissipation vs. output current at 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, -40 °C T<sub>CASE</sub>



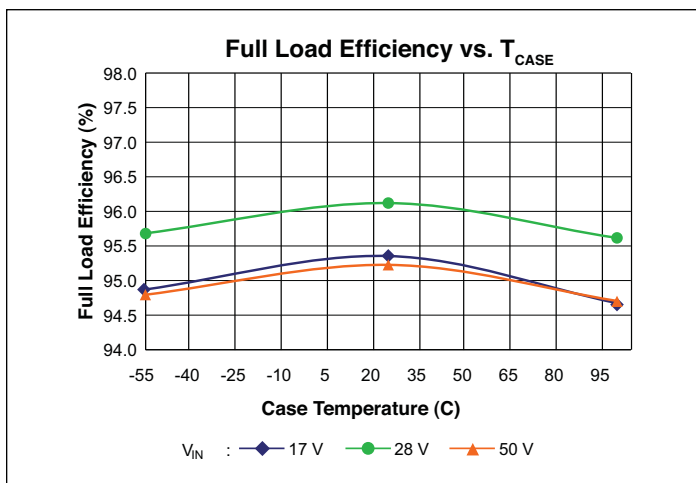
**Figure 7** — Efficiency and power dissipation vs. output current at 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, 25 °C T<sub>CASE</sub>



**Figure 8** — Efficiency and power dissipation vs. output current at 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, 100 °C T<sub>CASE</sub>

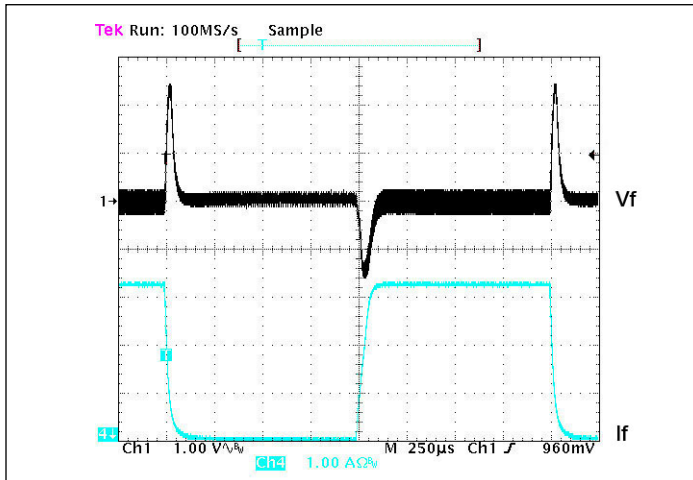


**Figure 9** — No load power, unit enabled vs. line

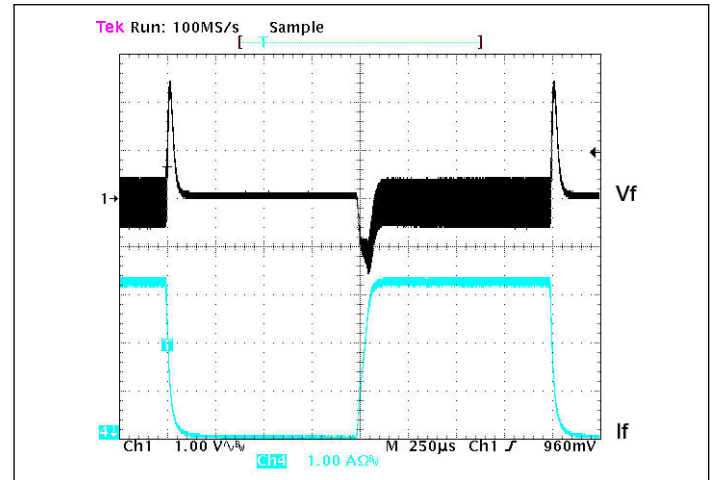


**Figure 10** — Full load efficiency vs T<sub>CASE</sub>

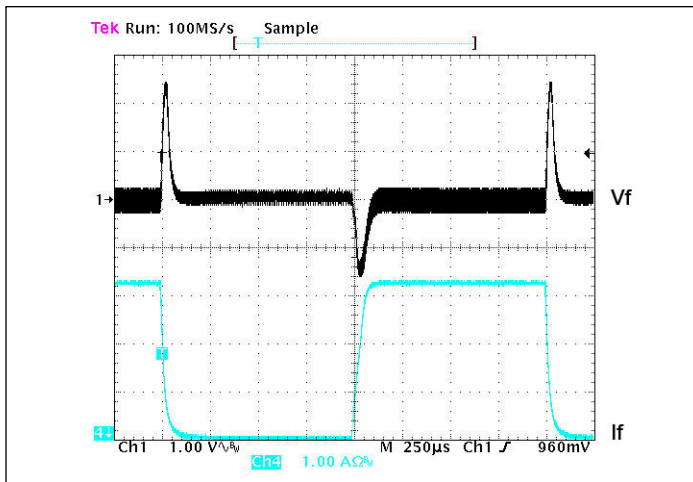
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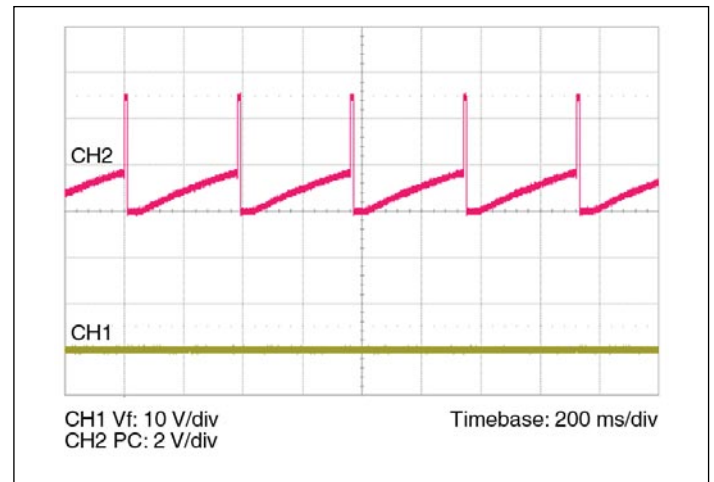
**Figure 11** — Transient response; PRM module alone 28  $V_{IN}$ , 0–3.3–0 A, no load capacitance, local loop



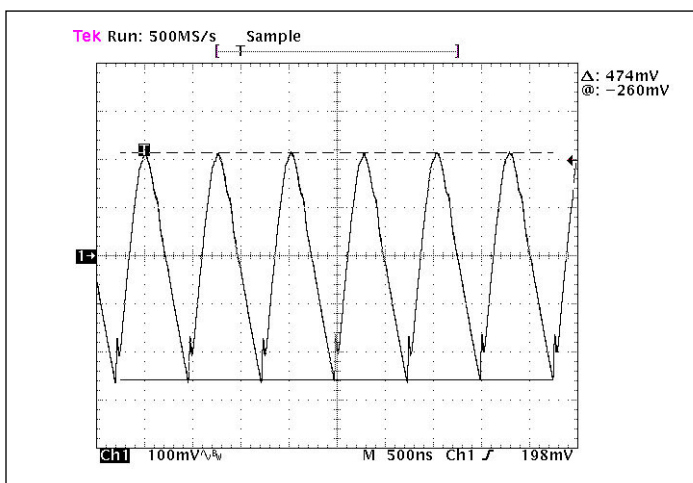
**Figure 12** — Transient response; PRM module alone 16  $V_{IN}$ , 0–3.3–0 A, no load capacitance, local loop



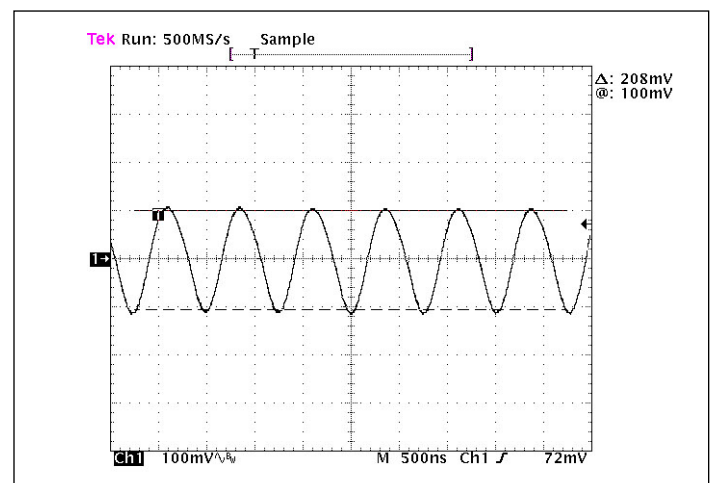
**Figure 13** — Transient response; PRM alone 50  $V_{IN}$ , 0–3.3–0 A, no load capacitance, local loop



**Figure 14** — PC during fault – frequency will vary as a function of line voltage.



**Figure 15** — Output ripple 36  $V_{OUT}$ , full load no bypass capacitance



**Figure 16** — Output ripple 36  $V_{OUT}$ , full load 10  $\mu F$  bypass capacitance

**Electrical Specifications** (continued)**Auxiliary Pins** (Conditions are at 28 V<sub>IN</sub>, 36 V<sub>OUT</sub>, full load, and 25 °C ambient unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
VC (VTM Control)					
Pulse width	8	12	18	ms	
Peak voltage	12	14	18	V	Referenced to –Out
PC (Primary Control)					
DC voltage	4.8	5.0	5.2	Vdc	Referenced to –In
Module disable voltage	2.3	2.4		Vdc	Referenced to –In
Module enable voltage		2.5	2.6	Vdc	
Disable hysteresis		100		mV	
Current limit		1.75	1.90	mA	Source only after start up; not to be used for aux. supply; 100 k $\Omega$ minimum load impedance to assure start up.
Enable delay time	400	700	1200	$\mu$ s	
Disable delay time		1		$\mu$ s	
IL (Current Limit Adjust)					
Voltage		1		V	
Accuracy		$\pm 15$		%	Based on DC current limit set point
PR (Parallel Port)					
Voltage	2.5		3.7	V	Referenced to SG; See description Page 8
Source current	1			mA	
External capacitance			100	pF	
VH (Auxiliary Voltage)					
Range	8.7	9.0	9.3	Vdc	Typical internal bypass C = 0.1 $\mu$ F Maximum external C = 0.1 $\mu$ F, referenced to SG
Regulation		0.04		%/mA	
Current			5	mA p	
SC (Secondary Control)					
Voltage	1.23	1.24	1.25	Vdc	Referenced to SG
Internal capacitance		0.22		$\mu$ F	
External capacitance			0.7	$\mu$ F	
OS (Output Set)					
Set point accuracy		$\pm 1.5$		%	Includes 1% external resistor
Reference offset		$\pm 4$		mV	
CD (Compensation Device)					
External resistance	20			$\Omega$	Omit resistor for regulation at output of PRM module

**General Specs**

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Note
MTBF					
MIL-HDBK-217F		3,416,400		hrs	25 °C, GB
		543,747		hrs	50 °C, NS
		426,053		hrs	65 °C, AIC
Agency approvals		cTÜVus			UL/CSA 60950-1, EN 60950-1
		CE Marked for Low Voltage Directive and RoHS Recast Directive, as applicable			
Mechanical					See mechanical drawings, Figures 19 – 22
Weight		0.53 / 15		oz / g	
Dimensions					
Length		1.28 / 32.5		in / mm	
Width		0.87 / 22		in / mm	
Height		0.26 5 / 6,73		in / mm	
Thermal					
Over temperature shutdown	130	135	140	°C	Junction temperature
Thermal capacity		9.3		Ws/°C	
Junction-to-case thermal impedance (R <sub>θJC</sub> )		1.1		°C / W	
Junction-to-board thermal impedance (R <sub>θJB</sub> )		2.1		°C / W	
Case-to-ambient		3.7		°C / W	With 0.25” heat sink @ 300 LFM



## Pin / Control Functions

### +In / -In DC Voltage Ports

The VI Chip® maximum input voltage should not be exceeded. PRMs have internal over / undervoltage lockout functions that prevent operation outside of the specified input range. PRMs will turn on when the input voltage rises above its undervoltage lockout. If the input voltage exceeds the overvoltage lockout, PRMs will shut down until the overvoltage fault clears. PC will toggle indicating an out of bounds condition.

### +Out / -Out Factorized Voltage Output Ports

These ports provide the Factorized Bus voltage output. The –Out port is connected internally to the –In port through a current sense resistor. The PRM has a maximum power and a maximum current rating and is protected if either rating is exceeded. Do not short –Out to –In.

### VC – VTM Control

The VTM Control (VC) port supplies an initial  $V_{CC}$  voltage to downstream VTMs, enabling the VTMs and synchronizing the rise of the VTM output voltage to that of the PRM. The VC port also provides feedback to the PRM to compensate for voltage drop due to the VTM output resistance. The PRM's VC port should be connected to the VTM VC port. A PRM VC port can drive a maximum of two (2) VTM VC ports.

### PC – Primary Control

The PRM voltage output is enabled when the PC pin is open circuit (floating). To disable the PRM output voltage, the PC pin is pulled low. Open collector optocouplers, transistors, or relays can be used to control the PC pin. When using multiple PRMs in a high power array, the PC ports must be tied together to synchronize their turn on. During an abnormal condition the PC pin will pulse (Fig.14) as the PRM initiates a restart cycle. This will continue until the abnormal condition is rectified. The PC should not be used as an auxiliary voltage supply, nor should it be switched at a rate greater than 1 Hz.

### TM – Factory Use Only

### IL – Current Limit Adjust

The PRM has a preset, maximum, current limit set point. The IL port may be used to reduce the current limit set point to a lower value. See “adjusting current limits” on page 10.

### PR – Parallel Port

The PR port signal, which is proportional to the PRM output power, supports current sharing of two PRMs. To enable current sharing, PR ports should be interconnected. Steps should be taken to minimize coupling noise into the interconnecting bus. Terminate this port with a 10 k equivalent resistance to SG, e.g. 10 k for a single PRM, 20 k each for 2 PRMs in parallel, 30 k each for 3 PRMs in parallel etc.. Please consult Vicor Applications Engineering regarding additional considerations when paralleling more than two PRMs.

### VH – Auxiliary Voltage

VH is a gated (e.g. mirrors PC), non-isolated, nominally 9 Volt, regulated DC voltage (see “Auxiliary Pins” specifications, on Page 7) that is referenced to SG. VH may be used to power external circuitry having a total current consumption of no more than 5 mA under either transient or steady state conditons including turn-on.

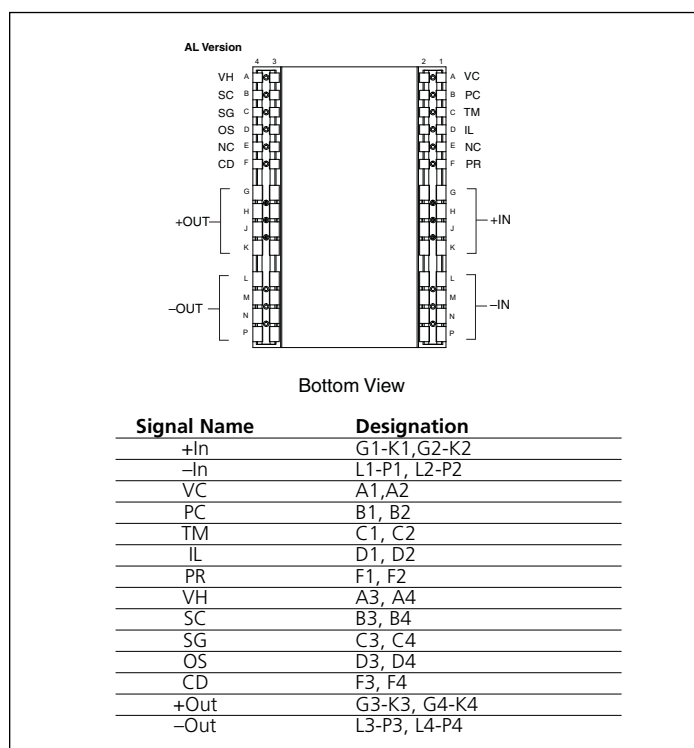


Figure 17 — PRM pin configuration

### SC – Secondary Control

The load voltage may be controlled by connecting a resistor or voltage source to the SC port referenced to SG. The slew rate of the output voltage may be controlled by controlling the rate-of-rise of the voltage at the SC port (e.g., to limit inrush current into a capacitive load).

### SG – Signal Ground

This port provides a low inductance Kelvin connection to –In and should be used as reference for the OS, CD, SC, VH and IL ports.

### OS – Output Set

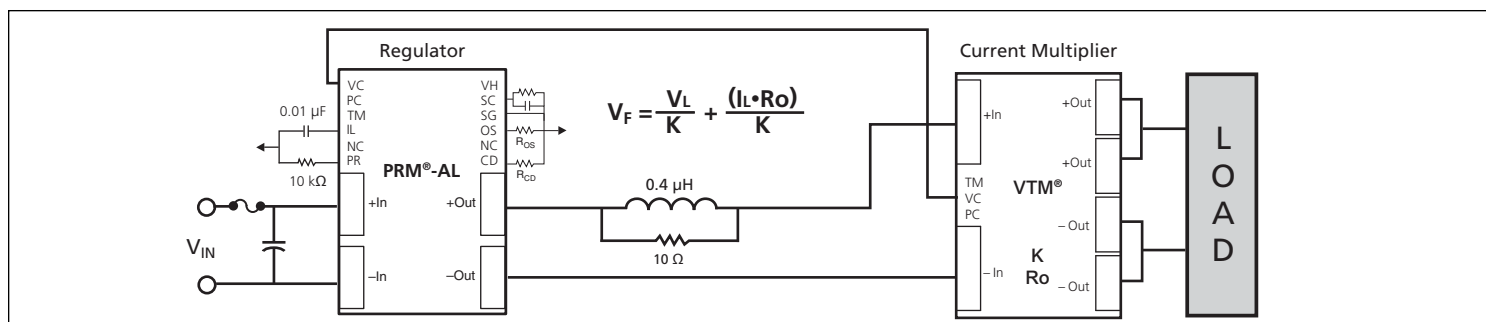
The application-specific value of the Factorized Bus voltage ( $V_f$ ) is set by connecting a resistor between OS and SG. Resistor value selection is shown in Table 1 on Page 2, and described on Page 9. If no resistor is connected, the PRM output will be approximately one volt. If set resistor is not collocated with the PRM, a local bypass capacitor of ~200 pF may be required.

### CD – Compensation Device

Adaptive Loop control is configured by connecting an external resistor between the CD port and SG. Selection of an appropriate resistor value (see Equation 2 on Page 9) configures the PRM to compensate for voltage drops in the equivalent output resistance of the VTM and the PRM-VTM distribution bus. If no resistor is connected to CD, the PRM will be in Local Loop mode and will regulate the +Out / –Out voltage to a fixed value.



## Application Information



**Figure 18** — Adaptive Loop compensation with output voltage trimming and soft start using the SC port.

### Output Voltage Setting with Adaptive Loop

The equations for calculating  $R_{OS}$  and  $R_{CD}$  to set a VTM output voltage are:

$$R_{OS} = \frac{69800}{\left( \frac{V_L \cdot 0.8395}{K} \right) - 1} \quad (1)$$

$$R_{CD} = \frac{68404}{R_{OS}} + 1 \quad (2)$$

$V_L$  = Desired load voltage

$V_{OUT}$  = VTM output voltage

$K$  = VTM transformation ratio  
(available from appropriate VTM data sheet)

$V_f$  = PRM output voltage, the Factorized Bus (see Figure 16)

$R_O$  = VTM output resistance  
(available from appropriate VTM data sheet)

$I_L$  = Load Current  
(actual current delivered to the load)

### Output Voltage Trimming (optional)

After setting the output voltage from the procedure above the output may be margined down ( $26 V_f \text{ min}$ ) by a resistor from SC-SG using this formula:

$$R_d \Omega = \frac{10000 V_{fd}}{V_{fs} - V_{fd}}$$

Where  $V_{fd}$  is the desired factorized bus and  $V_{fs}$  is the set factorized bus.

A low voltage source can be applied to the SC port to margin the load voltage in proportion to the SC reference voltage.

An external capacitor can be added to the SC port as shown in Figure 16 to control the output voltage slew rate for soft start.

Nominal Vout Range (Vdc)	VTM K Factor
0.8 ↔ 1.6	1/32
1.1 ↔ 2.2	1/24
1.6 ↔ 3.3	1/16
2.2 ↔ 4.4	1/12
3.3 ↔ 6.6	1/8
4.3 ↔ 8.8	1/6
6.5 ↔ 13.4	1/4
8.7 ↔ 17.9	1/3
13.0 ↔ 26.9	1/2
17.4 ↔ 36.0	2/3
26.0 ↔ 54.0	1

**Table 1** — 048 input series VTM K factor selection guide

## Application Information (continued)

### OVP – Overvoltage Protection

The output Overvoltage Protection set point of the MP028F036M12AL is factory preset for 55 V. If this threshold is exceeded the output shuts down and a restart sequence is initiated, also indicated by PC pulsing. If the condition that causes OVP is still present, the unit will again shut down. This cycle will be repeated until the fault condition is removed. The OVP set point may be set at the factory to meet unique high voltage requirements.

### PRM Output Power Versus VTM Output Power

As shown in Figure 19, the MP028F036M12AL is rated to deliver 3.3 A maximum, when it is delivering an output voltage in the range from 26 V to 36 V, and 120 W, maximum, when delivering an output voltage in the range from 36 V to 55 V. When configuring a PRM for use with a specific VTM, refer to the appropriate VTM data sheet. The VTM input power can be calculated by dividing the VTM output power by the VTM efficiency (available from the VTM data sheet). The input power required by the VTM should not exceed the output power rating of the PRM.

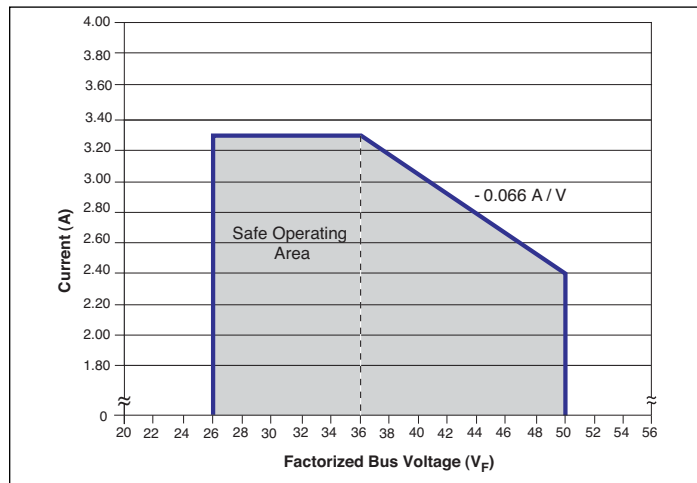


Figure 19 — MP028F036M12AL rating based on Factorized Bus voltage

The Factorized Bus voltage should not exceed an absolute limit of 55 V, including steady state, ripple and transient conditions. Exceeding this limit may cause the internal OVP set point to be exceeded.

### Parallel Considerations

The PR port is used to connect two PRMs in parallel to form a higher power array. When configuring arrays, PR port interconnection terminating impedance is 10 k to SG. See note Page 8 and refer to Application Note AN002. Additionally one PRM should be designated as the master while all other PRMs are set as slaves by shorting their SC pin to SG. The PC pins must be directly connected (no diodes) to assure a uniform start up sequence. Consult Vicor applications engineering for applications requiring more than two PRMs.

### Adjusting Current Limit

The current limit can be lowered by placing an external resistor between the  $I_L$  and SG ports (see Figure 20 for resistor values). With the  $I_L$  port open-circuit, the current limit is preset to be within the range specified in the output specifications table on Page 4.

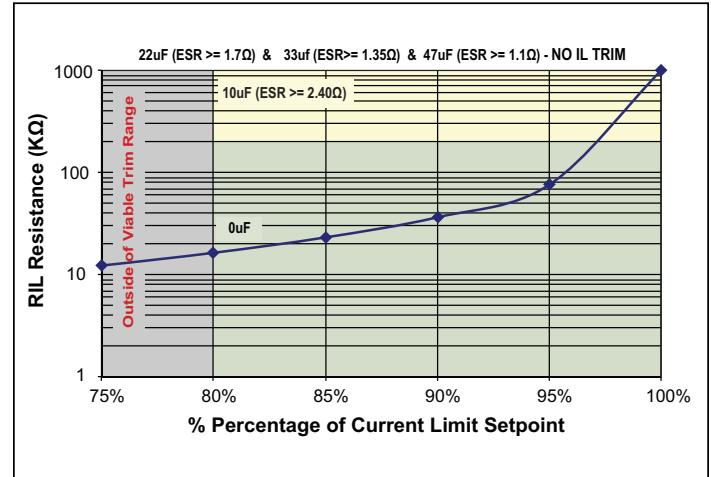


Figure 20 —  $R_{IL}$  vs percentage of current limit. Shaded areas shown minimum valid  $R_{IL}$  as a function of load capacitance and ESR.

### Input Fuse Recommendations

A fuse should be incorporated at the input to the PRM, in series with the +In port. A fast acting fuse, NANO2 FUSE 451/453 Series 10 A 125 V, or equivalent, may be required to meet certain safety agency Conditions of Acceptability. Always ascertain and observe the safety, regulatory, or other agency specifications that apply to your specific application.

### Product Safety Considerations

If the input of the PRM is connected to SELV or ELV circuits, the output of the PRM can be considered SELV or ELV respectively.

If the input of the PRM is connected to a centralized DC power system where the working or float voltage is above SELV, but less than or equal to 75 V, the input and output voltage of the PRM should be classified as a TNV-2 circuit and spaced 1.3 mm from SELV circuitry or accessible conductive parts according to the requirements of UL60950-1, CSA 22.2 60950-1, EN60950-1, and IEC60950-1.

### Application Notes

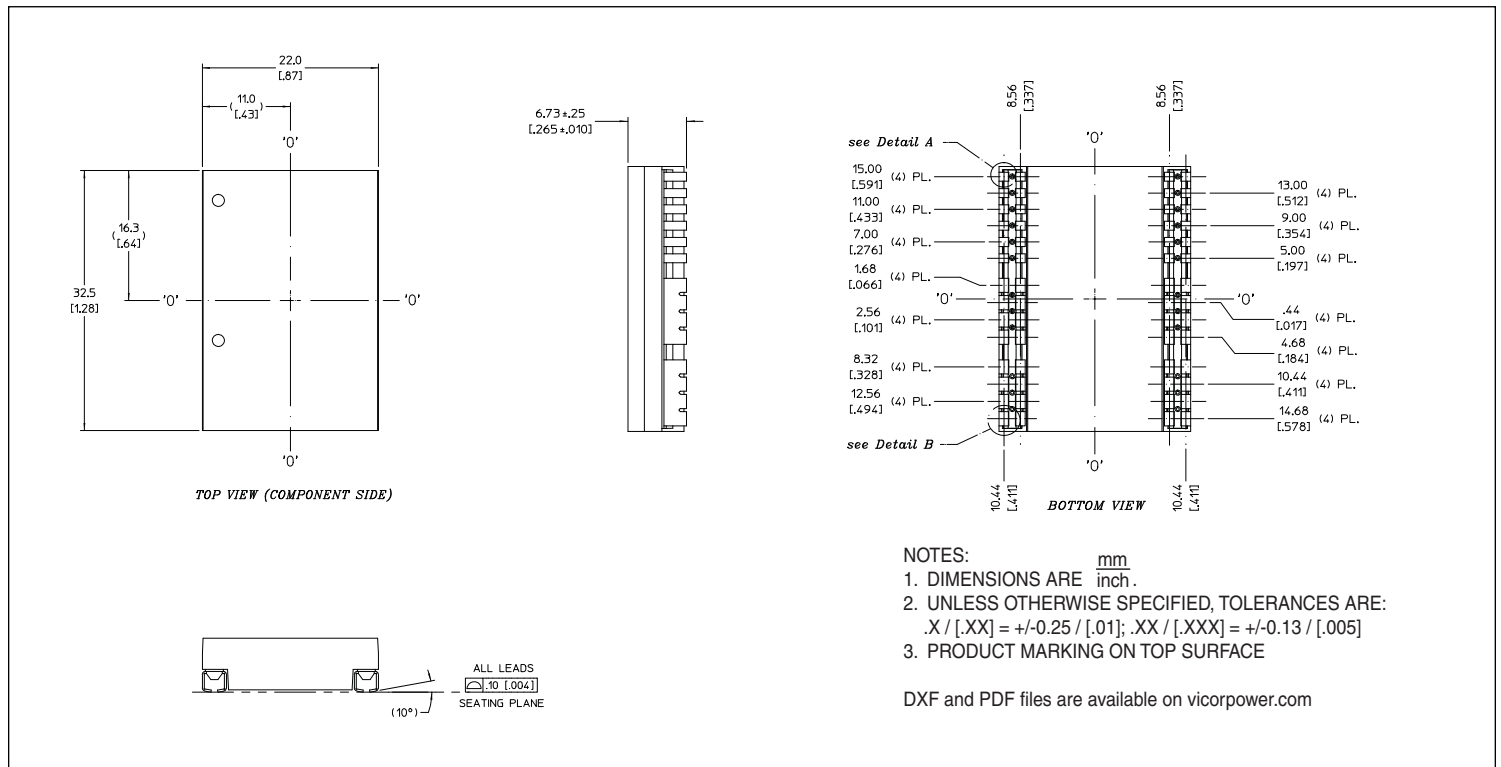
For PRM and VI Chip® application notes on soldering, board layout, and system design please click on the link below:

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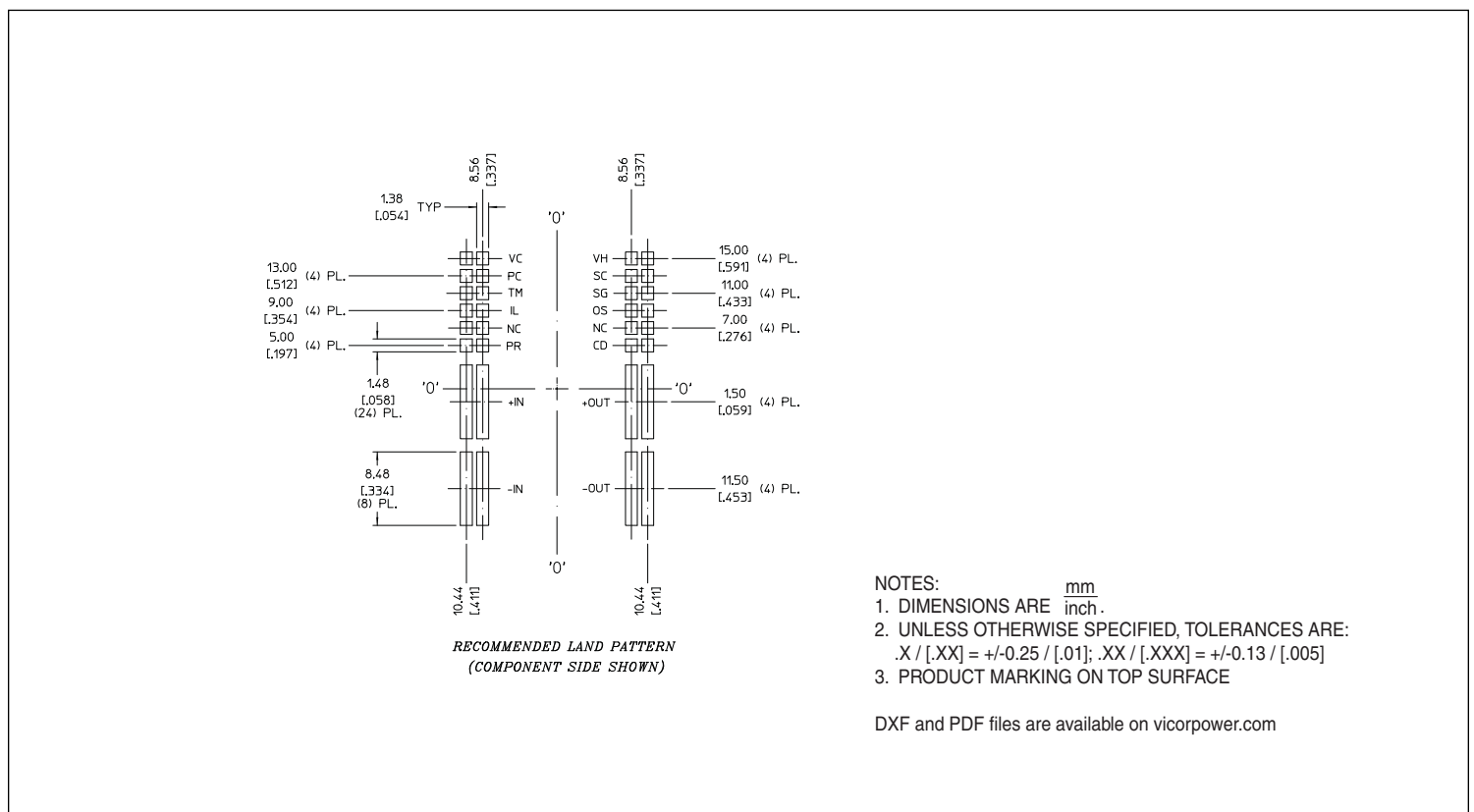
### Applications Assistance

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## Mechanical Drawings



**Figure 21** — PRM™ module J-Lead mechanical outline



**Figure 22** — PRM™ module J-Lead PCB land layout information

## Mechanical Drawings (continued)

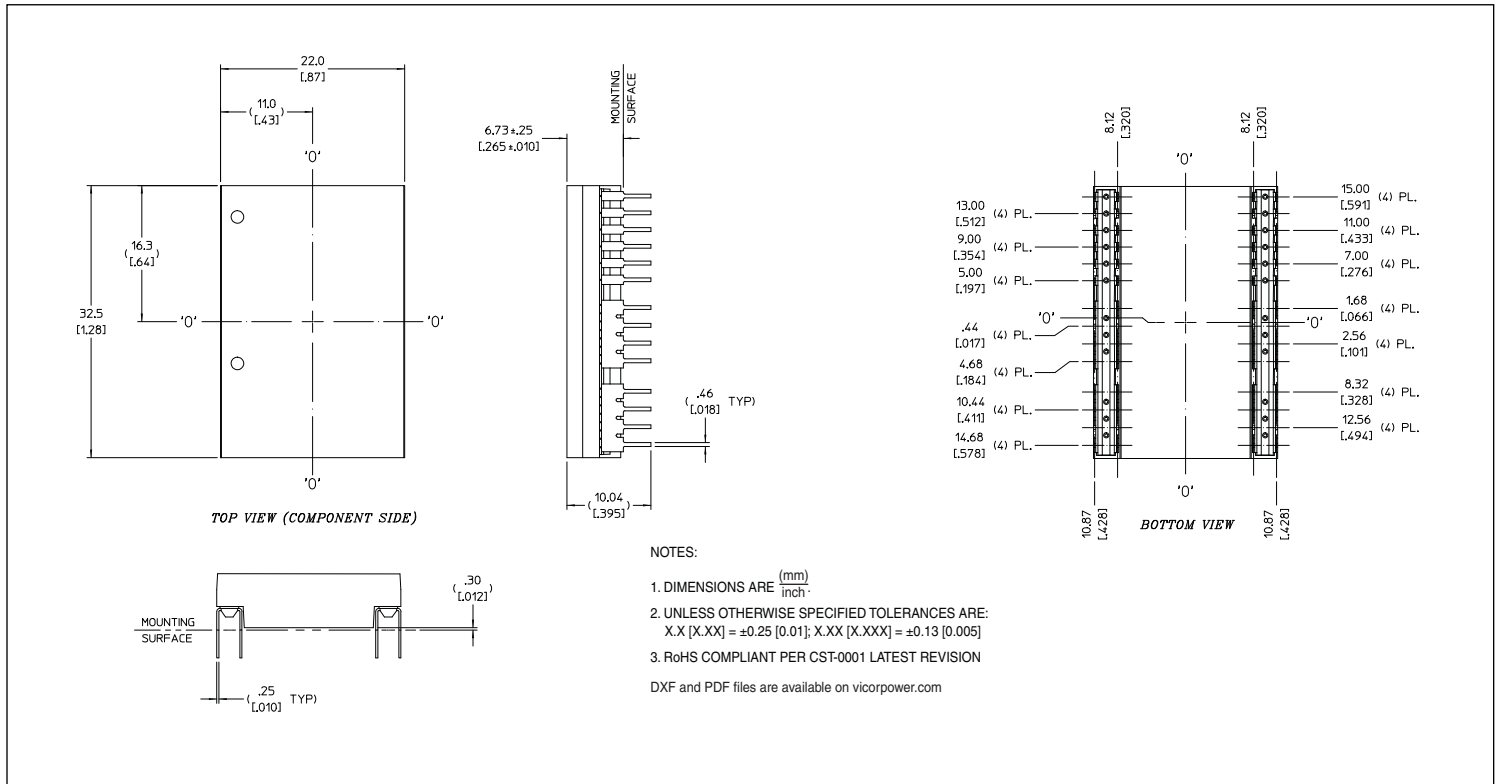


Figure 23 — PRM™ module through-hole mechanical outline

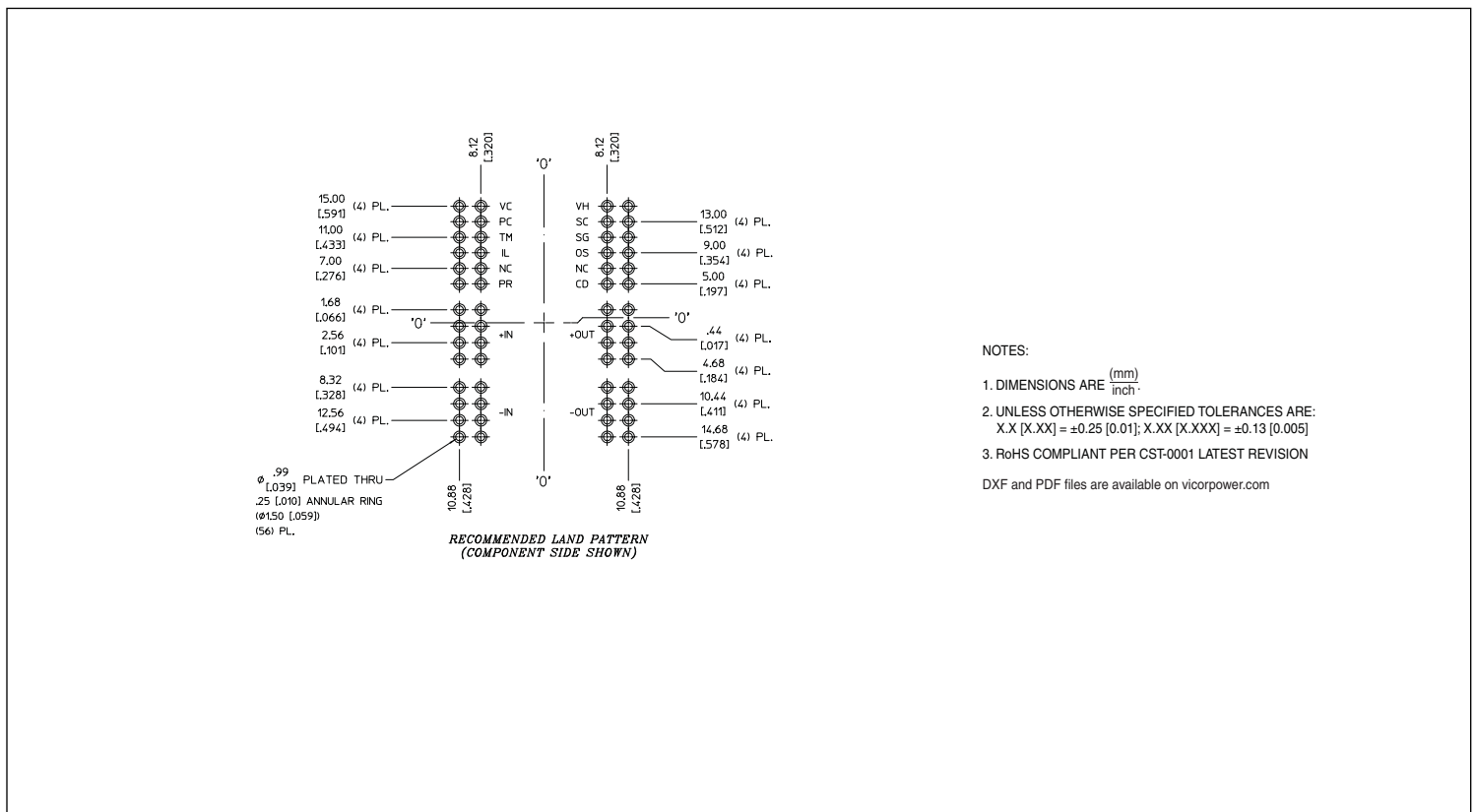
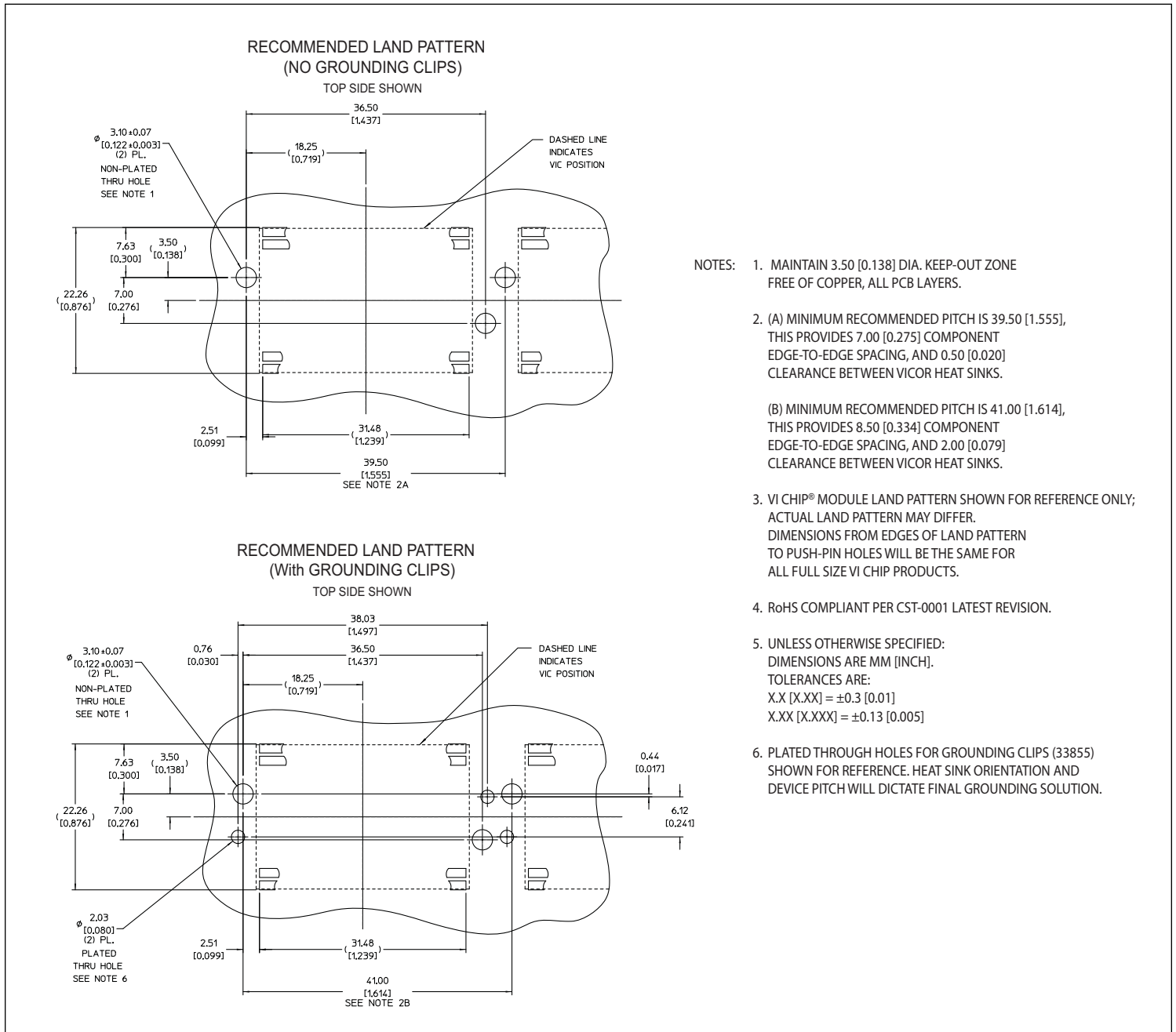


Figure 24 — PRM™ module through-hole PCB layout information

## Configuration Options



**Figure 25** — Recommended heat sink push pin location

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