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User manual

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| Abstract | The RDGD3162I3PH5EVB three-phase inverter is a functional hardware power inverter reference design, which can be used as a foundation to develop a complete ASIL D compliant high voltage, high-power traction motor inverter for electric vehicles. |



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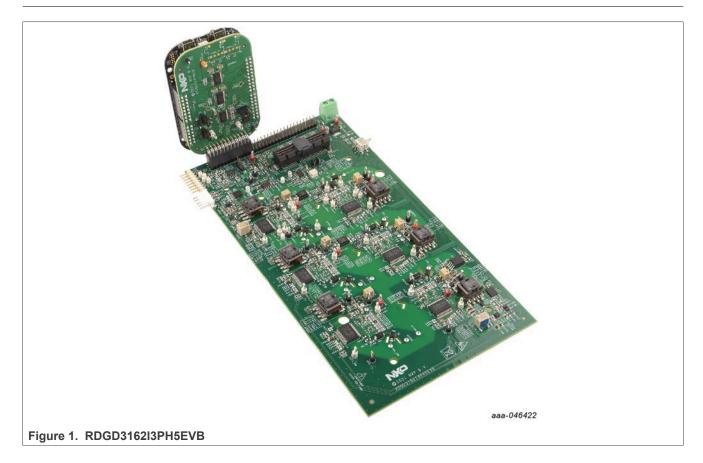
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3 Introduction

This document is the user guide for the RDGD3162I3PH5EVB reference design. This document is intended for the engineers involved in the evaluation, design, implementation, and validation of the GD3162 single-channel gate driver for insulated gate bipolar transistor (IGBT)/SiC.

The scope of this document is to provide the user with information to evaluate the GD3162 single channel gate driver for IGBT/SiC. This document covers connecting the hardware, installing the software and tools, configuring the environment and using the kit.

The RDGD3162I3PH5EVB is a fully functional three-phase inverter evaluation board populated with six GD3162 gate drivers with fault management and supporting circuitry. This board supports serial peripheral interface (SPI) daisy chain communication for programming and communication with three high-side gate drivers and three low-side gate drivers independently, or all six gate drivers at the same time.

This board has low-voltage isolation and high-voltage isolation with gate drive integrated galvanic signal isolation. Other supporting features on the board include desaturation short-circuit detection, IGBT/SiC temperature sensing, onboard isolated flyback supplies, DC link bus voltage monitoring, phase current sensing, DC link bus current sense, and motor resolver excitation/processing. See GD3162 data sheet for additional gate drive features.

4 Finding kit resources and information on the NXP website

NXP Semiconductors provides online resources for this reference design and its supported devices on http://www.nxp.com.

The information page for RDGD3162I3PH5EVB reference design is at http://www.nxp.com/ RDGD3162I3PH5EVB. The information page provides overview information, documentation, software and tools, parametrics, ordering information and a **Getting Started** tab. The **Getting Started** tab provides quick reference information applicable to using the RDGD3162I3PH5EVB reference design, including the downloadable assets referenced in this document.

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5 Getting ready

Working with the RDGD3162I3PH5EVB requires kit contents and a Windows PC workstation with FlexGUI 2 software installed.

5.1 Kit contents

- Assembled and tested RDGD3162I3PH5EVB (three-phase inverter populated with 5.0 V compatible gate driver devices) board in an antistatic bag
- KITGD316xTREVB 3.3 V to 5.0 V translator with FRDM-KL25Z MCU board with micro-USB cable
- · Quick start guide

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5.2 Additional hardware

In addition to the kit contents, the following hardware is necessary or beneficial when working with this reference board.

- Microcontroller for SPI communication
- · Compatible P6 IGBT or SiC metal-oxide-semiconductor field-effect transistor (MOSFET) module
- DC link capacitor compatible with HybridPACK Drive or P6 IGBT or SiC MOSFET module
- · HV power supply with protection shield and hearing protection
- · Current sensors for monitoring each phase current
- 12 V, 1.0 A DC power supply
- 4-channel oscilloscope with appropriate isolated probes

5.3 Windows PC workstation

This reference design requires a Windows PC workstation. Meeting these minimum specifications produces great results when working with this evaluation board.

· USB-enabled computer with Windows 10 or higher operating system

5.4 Software

Installing software is necessary to work with this reference design. All listed software is available on the information page at http://www.nxp.com/RDGD3162I3PH5EVB.

- FlexGUI 2 software for using with KITGD316xTREVB MCU/translator board
- S32S Design Studio IDE for power architecture
- · Automotive Math and Motor Control Library (AMMCLib)
- FreeMASTER 2.0 runtime debugging tool
- Motor control application tuning (MCAT)
- Example code, GD3162 device driver notes, and GD31xx device driver reference

6 Getting to know the hardware

6.1 RDGD3162I3PH5EVB features

- Capability to perform double pulse and short-circuit tests on phase U using KITGD316xTREVB and FlexGUI 2; see phase U schematics and FlexGUI 2 pulse tab (Figure 29 and Figure 31)
- Evaluation board designed for and populated with GD3162 gate drivers and protection circuitry
- Capability to connect to HybridPACK Drive type SiC specific modules for full three-phase evaluation and development (see <u>Figure 9</u> for specific module pin placement)
- Daisy chain SPI communication × 3 2 channel (three high-side gate drivers and three low-side gate drivers)
 or × 6 1 channel (all six gate drivers)
- Variable flyback VCC power supply with GND reference and variable negative VEE supply
- · Easy access power, ground, and signal test points
- 2 × 32 peripheral component interconnect express (PCIe) socket for interfacing MCU control (MPC5775B/E-EVB, MPC5777C-DEVB, or MPC57744P); see <u>Figure 32</u> and <u>Figure 33</u>
- Optional connection for DC bus voltage and current monitoring
- · Phase current feedback connections
- · Resolver signal connector

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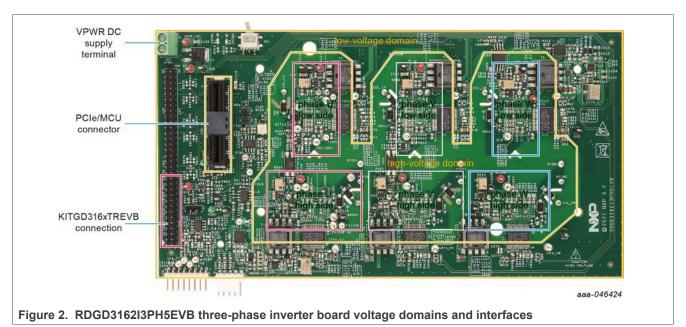
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6.2 Kit featured components

6.2.1 Voltage domains, GD3162 pinout, logic header, and IGBT pinout

Low-voltage domain is an externally supplied 12 V DC (VPWR) primary supply for non-isolated circuits, typically supplied by vehicle battery. A 5 V regulator supplies VDD to GD3162 gate drive devices. The low-voltage domain includes the interface between the MCU and GD3162 control registers and logic control.

Low-side driver and high-side driver domains are isolated high-voltage driver control domains for SiC MOSFET or IGBT single phase connections and control circuits. Pins on the bottom of the board are designed to connect easily to a compatible three-phase SiC MOSFET or IGBT module.



6.2.2 GD3162 pinout and MCU interface pinout

See GD3162 advanced IGBT/SiC gate driver data sheet for specific information about pinout, pin descriptions, specifications, and operating modes. VSUP/VPWR DC supply terminal is a low-voltage input connection for supplying power to the low-voltage non-isolated die and related circuitry. Typically supplied by vehicle battery +12 V DC.

MCU connector is a 2 × 32-pin PCIe interface connector for use with either MPC5775B/E-EVB or MPC5744P or MPC5777C 32-bit MCU board or any other MCU of preference. An MCU is needed for SPI communication and control of advanced IGBT/SiC gate drive devices (GD3162).

KITGD316xTREVB included with the kit can be attached to this board at the bottom of the dual row connector. All gate drivers can be accessed via SPI control using FlexGUI 2 software.

Note: Double pulse and short-circuit tests can be conducted on phase U only. See FlexGUI 2 pulse tab <u>Figure 29</u> and <u>Figure 31</u>.

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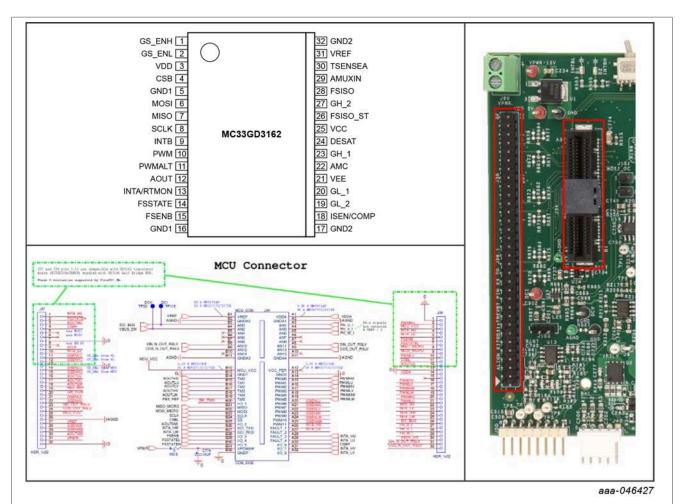


Figure 3. Gate driver pinout and board interface connection PCle 2 × 32

Table 1. PCle connector pin definitions

| Pin | Name | Function |
|-----|--------------|------------------------------------|
| A1 | VDDA | voltage reference resolver circuit |
| A2 | GNDA1 | analog ground |
| A3 | PH_U_I | current feedback phase U |
| A4 | PH_V_I | current feedback phase V |
| A5 | PH_W_I | current feedback phase W |
| A6 | n.c. | not connected |
| A7 | n.c. | not connected |
| A8 | SIN_OUT_RSLV | sine resolver signal |
| A9 | COS_OUT_RSLV | cosine resolver signal |
| A10 | n.c. | not connected |
| A11 | GNDA4 | analog ground |
| A12 | VCC_PER | 5.0 V MCU not connected |

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Table 1. PCle connector pin definitions...continued

| | le connector pin definitions | |
|-----|------------------------------|---|
| Pin | Name | Function |
| A13 | GND2 | ground |
| A14 | PWMHU | pulse width modulation (PWM) high-side phase U |
| A15 | PWMLU | pulse width modulation low-side phase U |
| A16 | PWMHV | pulse width modulation high-side phase V |
| A17 | PWMLV | pulse width modulation low-side phase V |
| A18 | PWMHW | pulse width modulation high-side phase W |
| A19 | PWMLW | pulse width modulation low-side phase W |
| A20 | GSENLU | GD3162 gate strength enable low-side phase U |
| A21 | GSENHU | GD3162 gate strength enable high-side phase U |
| A22 | GSENLV | GD3162 gate strength enable low-side phase V |
| A23 | GSENHV | GD3162 gate strength enable high-side phase V |
| A24 | GSENLW | GD3162 gate strength enable low-side phase W |
| A25 | GSENHW | GD3162 gate strength enable high-side phase W |
| A26 | INTB_HS | GD3162 fault reporting for high-side gate drive devices |
| A27 | INTB_LS | GD3162 fault reporting for low-side gate drive devices |
| A28 | INTA_HU | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring high-side phase U |
| A29 | INTA_LU | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring low-side phase U |
| A30 | CSBH | chip select bar to high gate drive devices |
| A31 | INTA_HV | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring high-side phase V |
| A32 | INTA_LV | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring low-side phase V |
| B1 | VREF | voltage reference from MCU |
| B2 | GNDA2 | analog ground |
| B3 | IDC_BUS | optional DC bus current measurement from DC bus current filter |
| B4 | VBUS_DIV | optional DC bus voltage divider monitoring (not used by default) |
| B5 | n.c. | not connected |
| B6 | n.c. | not connected |
| B7 | n.c. | not connected |
| B8 | SIN_N_OUT_RSLV | sine resolver signal |
| B9 | COS_N_OUT_RSLV | cosine resolver signal |
| B10 | n.c. | not connected |
| B11 | GNDA3 | analog ground |
| B12 | MCU_VCC | MCU VCC regulator voltage |
| B13 | GND1 | ground |
| B14 | AOUTHU | GD3162 analog output signal high-side U phase |
| B15 | AOUTLU | GD3162 analog output signal low-side U phase |
| B16 | AOUTLV | GD3162 analog output signal low-side V phase |
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Table 1. PCle connector pin definitions...continued

| Pin | Name | Function |
|-----|------------|---|
| B17 | AOUTHV | GD3162 analog output signal high-side V phase |
| B18 | AOUTLW | GD3162 analog output signal low-side W phase |
| B19 | RES_REF | resolver reference voltage |
| B20 | SW_RUN | signal from onboard switch demo mode |
| B21 | MISO_MICRO | SPI slave out signal |
| B22 | MOSI_MICRO | SPI slave in signal |
| B23 | SCLK | SPI clock |
| B24 | CSBL | chip select bar to low-side gate drivers |
| B25 | AOUTHW | GD3162 analog output signal high-side W phase |
| B26 | INTA_HW | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring high-side phase W |
| B27 | INTA_LW | GD3162 fault reporting and real-time monitoring low-side phase W |
| B28 | FSENB | fail-safe state enable bar |
| B29 | FSSTATEL | fail-safe state low-side |
| B30 | FSSTATEH | fail-safe state high-side |
| B31 | VPWR | VPWR/VSUP 12 V voltage supply (low-voltage domain) |
| B32 | GNDP | ground connection (low-voltage domain) |

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6.2.3 Test points

All test points are clearly marked on the board. Figure 4 shows the location of various test points.

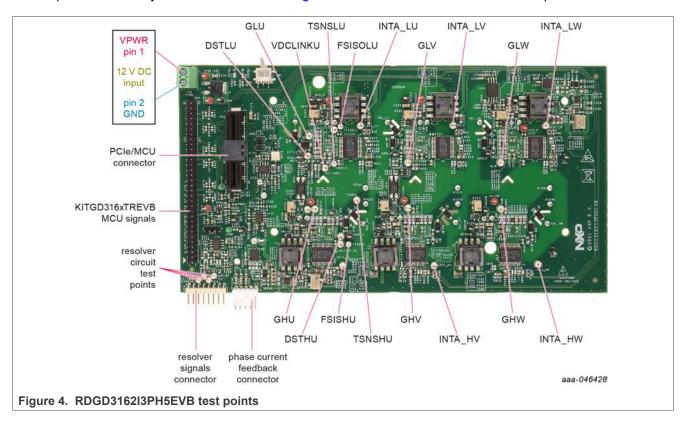


Table 2. Test points

| Test point name | Function |
|-----------------|---|
| DSTHU | DESAT high-side U phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| DSTHV | DESAT high-side V phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| DSTHW | DESAT high-side W phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| DSTLU | DESAT low-side U phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| DSTLV | DESAT low-side V phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| DSTLW | DESAT low-side W phase V _{CE} desaturation connected to DESAT pin circuitry |
| FSISHU | FSISO connection high-side U phase |
| FSISHV | FSISO connection high-side V phase |
| FSISLU | FSISO connection low-side U phase |
| FSISLV | FSISO connection low-side V phase |
| FSISLW | FSISO connection low-side W phase |
| GHU | gate high-side U phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |
| GHV | gate high-side V phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |
| GHW | gate high-side W phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |

Table 2. Test points...continued

| Test point name | Function |
|----------------------|--|
| GLU | gate low-side U phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |
| GLV | gate low-side V phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |
| GLW | gate low-side W phase, which is the charging pin of IGBT gate |
| INTA – UVW HS and LS | INTA interrupt/real-time reporting output signal test points from each gate driver |
| Resolver circuit | test points for internal signals of resolver circuit (see schematic for more information) |
| MCU signals | signal headers for analyzing all MCU signals (see schematic for signals) |
| TSNSHU | TSENSE high-side U phase connected to negative temperature coefficient (NTC) temperature sense |
| TSNSLU | TSENSE low-side U phase |
| VREFLU | 5.0 V reference voltage test point low-side U phase |
| VREFHU | 5.0 V reference voltage test point high-side U phase |
| VREFLV | 5.0 V reference voltage test point low-side V phase |
| VREFHV | 5.0 V reference voltage test point high-side V phase |
| VREFLW | 5.0 V reference voltage test point low-side W phase |
| VREFHW | 5.0 V reference voltage test point high-side W phase |
| VSUP | VSUP/VPWR test point low-voltage domain |

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6.2.4 Indicators

The RDGD3162I3PH5EVB contains LEDs as visual indicators on the board.

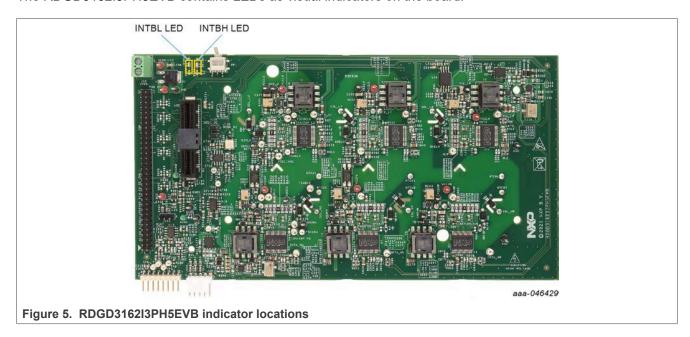


Table 3. RDGD3162I3PH5EVB indicator descriptions

| Name | Description |
|-----------|--|
| INTBL LED | indicates that a GD3162 INTB fault interrupt has occurred on the low side |
| INTBH LED | indicates that a GD3162 INTB fault interrupt has occurred on the high side |

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6.2.5 Connectors and jumpers

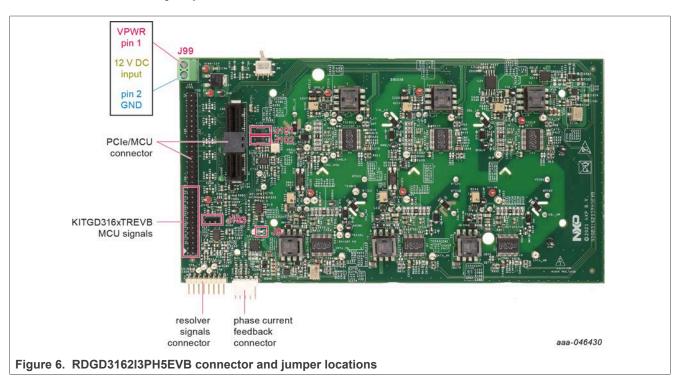


Table 4. RDGD3162I3PH5EVB connector and jumper descriptions

| Name | Description |
|----------------------------------|---|
| J9 | solder jumper 1-2 default - DC supply for VSUP to gate drivers supplied through J99 terminal connection jumper open VSUP supply to gate drivers isolated |
| J101 | jumper 1-2 default master output slave input (MOSI) - normal mode three device daisy chain three device high side, three device low side (× 3 - 2 channel) jumper 2-3 MOSI - six device daisy chain all six gate drivers daisy chained together (× 6 - 1 channel) |
| J102 | jumper 1-2 default master input slave output (MISO) - normal mode three device daisy chain three device high side, three device low side (× 3 - 2 channel) jumper 2-3 MISO - six device daisy chain all six gate drivers daisy chained together (× 6 - 1 channel) |
| J103 | DC bus current measurement connection header |
| Phase current feedback connector | current feedback connections from U, V, and W phases |
| Resolver signals connector | resolver excitation signals (see schematic for more information) |
| MCU signals | two-row header of all MCU signals for debug and development (see schematic for details) |
| PCIe/MCU connector | 2 × 32 PCIe connector for easy connection to MPC5777CDEVB or MPC5744P via PCIe cable (S32SDEV-CON18) |
| J99 VPWR terminal connector | used for external low-voltage power supply connection, typically 12 V V _{BAT} |

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6.2.6 Power supply test points

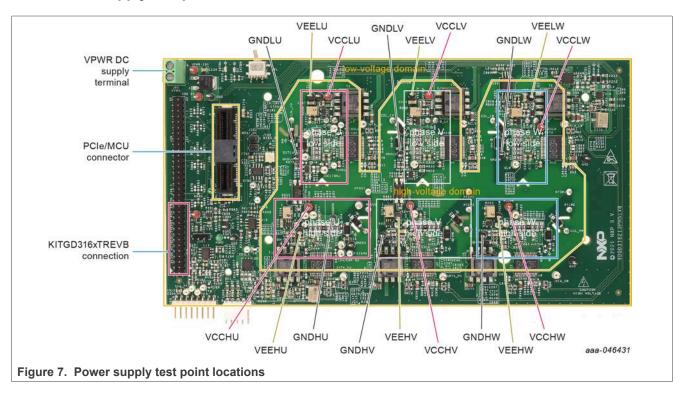


Table 5. Power supply test point descriptions

| Name | Function |
|-------|--|
| VCCHU | high-side phase U VCC voltage test point |
| | isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |
| GNDHU | isolated ground high-side phase U |
| VEEHU | negative gate supply voltage high-side phase U |
| VCCHV | high-side phase V VCC voltage test point |
| | isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |
| GNDHV | isolated ground high-side phase V |
| VEEHV | negative gate supply voltage high-side phase V |
| VCCHW | high-side phase W VCC voltage test point |
| | isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |
| GNDHW | isolated ground high-side phase W |
| VEEHW | negative gate supply voltage high-side phase W |
| VCCLU | low-side phase U VCC voltage test point |
| | isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |
| GNDLU | isolated ground low-side phase U |
| VEELU | negative gate supply voltage low-side phase U |
| VCCLV | low-side phase V VCC voltage test point |
| | isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |

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Table 5. Power supply test point descriptions...continued

| Name | Function |
|----------|--|
| GNDLV | isolated ground low-side phase V |
| VEELV | negative gate supply voltage low-side phase V |
| VCCLW | low-side phase W VCC voltage test point isolated positive voltage supply (9.3 V to 25 V) |
| GNDLW | isolated ground low-side phase W |
| VEELW | negative gate supply voltage low-side phase W |
| VPWR | +12 V DC VPWR low voltage positive supply connection |
| VPWR GND | VPWR low voltage supply ground connection (GND1) |

6.2.7 Gate drive resistors

- RGH_1 gate high resistor in series with the GH_1 pin at the output of the GD3162 high-side driver and IGBT/SiC gate that controls the strong turn on current for IGBT/SiC gate.
- RGH_2 gate high resistor in series with the GH_2 pin at the output of the GD3162 high-side driver and IGBT/SiC gate that controls the weak turn on current for IGBT/SiC gate.
- RGL_1 gate low resistor in series with the GL_1 pin at the output of the GD3162 low-side driver and IGBT/SiC gate that controls the strong turn off current for IGBT/SiC gate.
- RGL_2 gate low resistor in series with the GL_2 pin at the output of the GD3162 low-side driver and IGBT/SiC gate that controls the weak turn off current for IGBT/SiC gate.
- RAMC series resistor between IGBT/SiC gate and active Miller clamp (AMC) input pin of the GD3162 high-side/low-side driver for gate sensing and active Miller clamping.

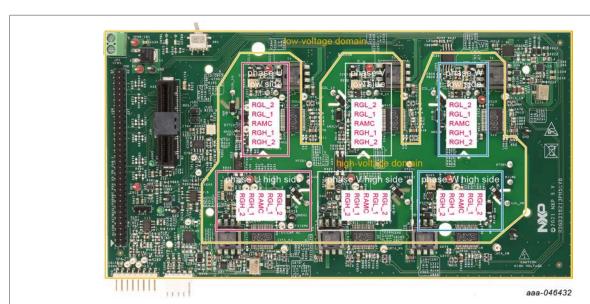
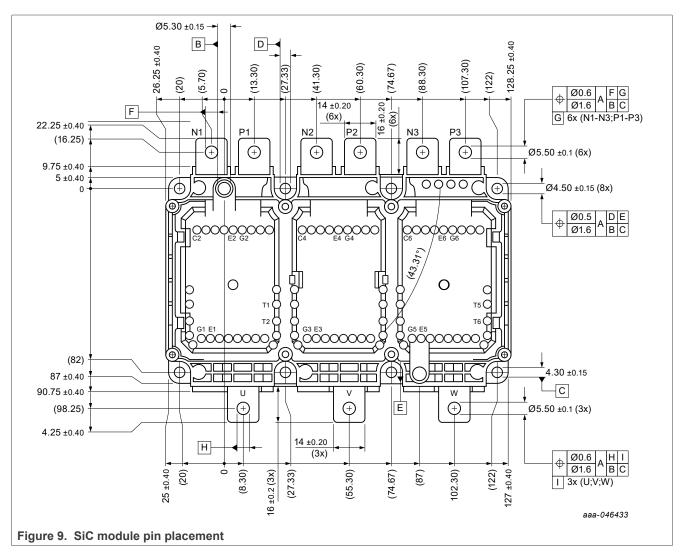


Figure 8. Gate drive resistors for each phase high side and low side

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6.2.8 SiC module pin connections



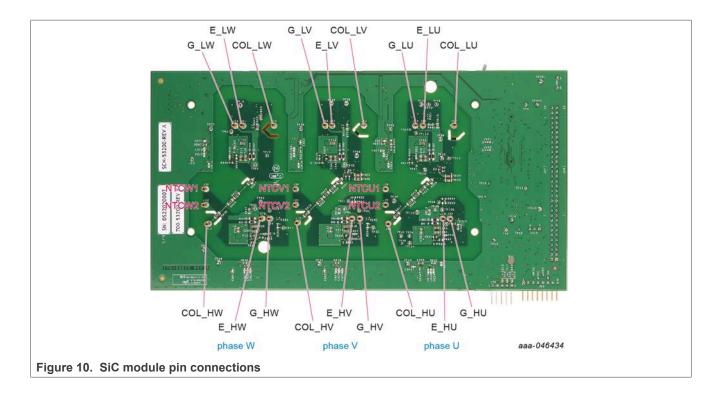


Table 6. SiC module pin connections

| Connection name | Pin description |
|-----------------|---|
| G_HU | gate high-side U phase |
| E_HW | emitter/source connection high-side U phase |
| COL_HU | collector/drain connection high-side U phase |
| NTCU1 | NTC temperature sensor connection U phase (high-side TSENSEA) |
| NTCU2 | NTC temperature sensor connection U phase (high-side isolated ground) |
| G_LU | gate low-side U phase |
| COL_LU | collector/drain connection low-side U phase |
| E_LU | emitter/source connection low-side U phase |
| NTCV1 | NTC temperature sensor connection V phase (high-side TSENSEA) |
| NTCV2 | NTC temperature sensor connection V phase (high-side isolated ground) |
| G_HV | gate high-side V phase |
| COL_HV | collector/drain connection high-side V phase |
| E_HV | emitter/source connection high-side V phase |
| G_LV | gate low-side V phase |
| E_LV | emitter/source connection low-side V phase |
| COL_LV | collector/drain connection low-side V phase |
| NTCW1 | NTC temperature sensor connection W phase (high-side TSENSEA) |
| NTCW2 | NTC temperature sensor connection W phase (high-side isolated ground) |

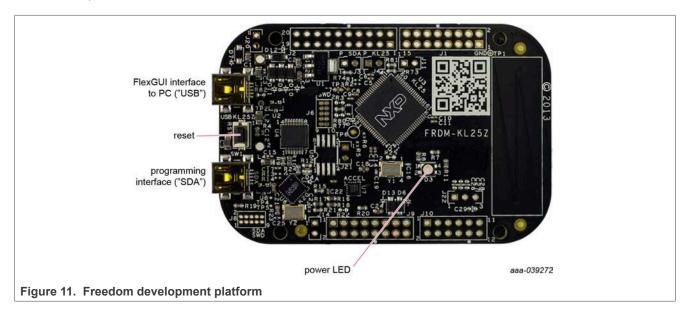
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Table 6. SiC module pin connections...continued

| Connection name | Pin description |
|-----------------|--|
| G_HW | gate high-side W phase |
| E_HW | emitter/source connection high-side W phase |
| COL_HW | collector/drain connection high-side W phase |
| G_LW | gate low-side W phase |
| E_LW | emitter/source connection low-side W phase |
| COL_LW | collector/drain connection low-side W phase |

6.3 Kinetis KL25Z Freedom board

The Freedom KL25Z is an ultra low-cost development platform for Kinetis L series MCU built on Arm Cortex-M0+ processor.



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6.4 3.3 V to 5.0 V translator board

KITGD316xTREVB translator enables level shifting of signals from MCU 3.3 V to 5.0 V SPI communication.

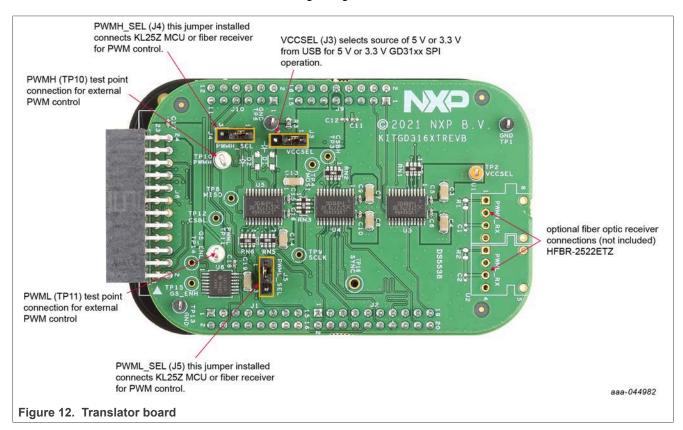


Table 7. Translator board jumper definitions

| Jumper | Position | Function |
|---------------|----------|--|
| VCCSEL (J3) | 1-2 | selects 5.0 V for 5.0 V compatible gate drive |
| | 2-3 | selects 3.3 V for 3.3 V compatible gate drive |
| PWMH_SEL (J4) | 1-2 | selects PWM high-side control from KL25Z MCU |
| | 2-3 | selects PWM high-side control from fiber optic receiver inputs |
| PWML_SEL (J5) | 1-2 | selects PWM low-side control from KL25Z MCU |
| | 2-3 | selects PWM low-side control from fiber optic receiver inputs |

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7 Installing and configuring software and tools

Software for RDGD3162I3PH5EVB is distributed with the FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 tool (available on NXP.com). Necessary firmware comes preinstalled on the FRDM-KL25Z with the kit.

Even if you intend to test with other software or PWM, it is recommended to install this software as a backup or to help debugging.

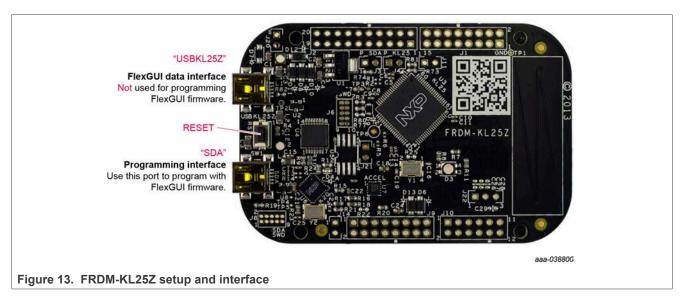
7.1 Installing FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 on your computer

The latest version of FlexGUI 2 supports GD3162. It is designed to run on any Windows 10 or higher based operating system. To install the software, do the following:

- 1. Go to www.nxp.com/FlexGUI and click Download.
- When the FlexGUI 2 software page appears, click **Download** and select the version associated with your PC operating system.
- 3. FlexGUI 2 wizard creates a shortcut, an NXP FlexGUI 2 icon appears on the desktop. By default, the FlexGUI 2 executable file is installed at C:\NXP_GD3162_GUI-x.x.x.msi.

 Installing the device drivers overwrites any previous FlexGUI 2 installation and replaces it with a current version containing the GD3162 drivers. However, configuration files from the previous version remain intact.

7.2 Configuring the FRDM-KL25Z microcode



By default, the FRDM-KL25Z delivered with this kit is preprogrammed with the current and most up-to-date firmware available for the kit.

A way to check quickly that the microcode is programmed and the board is functioning properly, is to plug the KL25Z into the computer, open FlexGUI 2 for GD3162, and verify that the software version at the bottom is 6.4 or later (see Figure 13).

If a loss of functionality following a board reset, reprogramming, or a corrupted data issue, the microcode is rewritten per the following steps:

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- 1. To clear the memory and place the board in bootloader mode, hold down the reset button while plugging a USB cable into the **OpenSDA** USB port.
- 2. Verify that the board appears as a BOOTLOADER device and continue with step 3. If the board appears as KL25Z, go to step 6.
- 3. Download the **Firmware Apps**.zip archive from the PEmicro OpenSDA webpage (http://www.pemicro.com/opensda/). Validate your email address to access the files.
- 4. Find the most recent MDS-DEBUG-FRDM-KL25Z_Pemicro_v118.SDA and copy/drag-and-drop into the **BOOTLOADER** device.
- 5. Reboot the board by unplugging and replugging the connection to the **OpenSDA** port. Verify now that the device appears as a KL25Z device to continue.
- 6. Locate the most recent KL25Z firmware; which is distributed as part of the FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 package.
 - a. From the FlexGUI 2 install directory or zip file, downloaded, find the firmware bin file "flexgui2 fw kl25z gd3162 vx.x.x.bin".
 - b. This .bin file is a product/family-specific configuration file for FRDM-KL25Z containing the pin definitions, SPI/PWM generation code, and pin mapping assignments necessary to interface with the translator board as part of RDGD3162I3PH5EVB.
- 7. With the KL25Z still plugged through the **OpenSDA** port, copy/drag-and-drop the .bin file into the KL25Z device memory at PC drive FRDM-KL25Z (D:). Once done, disconnect the USB for OpenSDA port and plug into the other USB port, labeled **KL25Z**.
 - a. The device does not appear as a distinct device to the computer while connected through the KL25Z USB port, which is normal.
- 8. The FRDM-KL25Z board is now fully set up to work with RDGD3162I3PH5EVB and the FlexGUI 2.
 - a. There is no software stored or present on either the driver or translator boards, only on the FRDM-KL25Z MCU board.

All uploaded firmware is stored in nonvolatile memory until the reset button is hit on the FRDM-KL25Z. There is no need to repeat this process upon every power up, and there is no loss of data associated with a single unplug event.

7.3 Using the FlexGUI 2

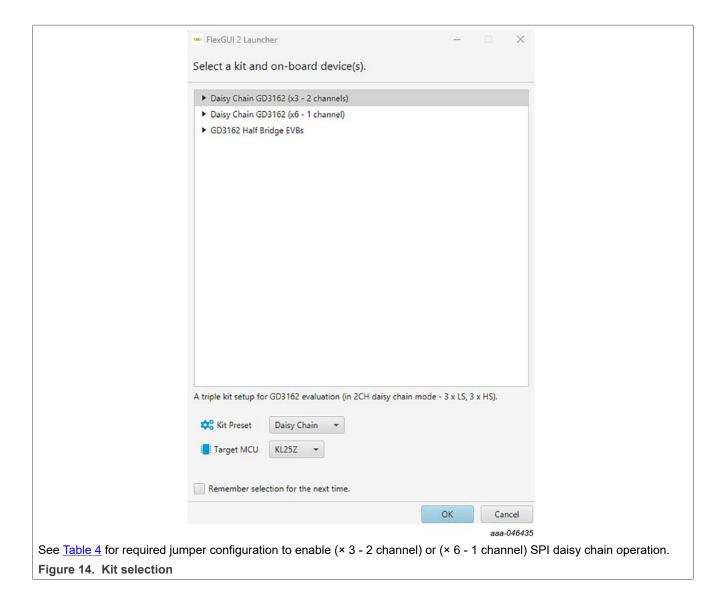
The FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 is available from http://www.nxp.com/FlexGUI as an evaluation tool demonstrating GD3162-specific functionality, configuration, and fault reporting. FlexGUI 2 also includes basic capacity for the RDGD3162I3PH5EVB to control an IGBT or SiC module, enabling double pulse or short-circuit testing.

SPI messages can be realized graphically or in hexadecimal format. CSB is selectable to daisy chain address. 3 low-side gate drivers and 3 high-side gate drivers simultaneously with (× 3 - 2 channel) selection or all 6 gate drivers with (× 6 - 1 channel). See <u>Figure 14</u> for FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 internal register read and write access.

Starting FlexGUI 2 for GD3162

- FlexGUI 2 for GD3162 install program (C:\NXP GD3162 GUI-x.x.x.msi)
- Download FlexGUI 2 and run the install program on your PC.
- When you start the application, Figure 14 allows you to select the target application board, feature set (standard or daisy chain), target MCU, and USB interface. Leave all settings as shown.

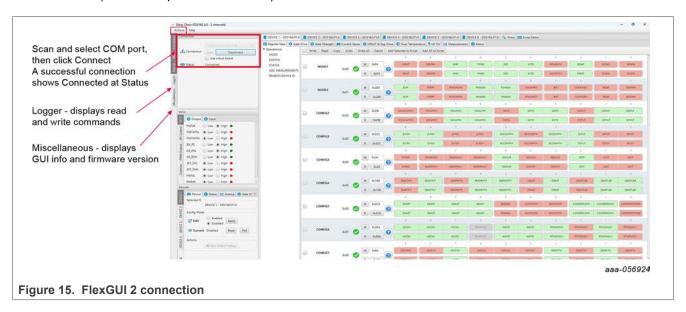
Once the kit is selected press Ok and select CONNECT FlexGUI 2 on following GUI page. Micro-USB cable must be attached from PC and KL25Z port on KL25Z board.



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FlexGUI_2 connection

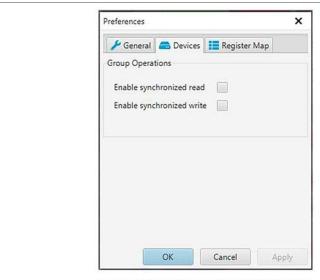
- Select FRDM-KL25Z COM port from the drop-down menu and select Connect to establish USB connection
 - If connection is not established, check USB cable connection between PC and KL25Z port and or scan again and select an alternate COM port for FRDM-KL25Z
 - If connection is not established, ensure that proper firmware is installed on FRDM-KL25Z MCU for FlexGUI 2 (refer to step 6 in <u>Section 7.2</u>)



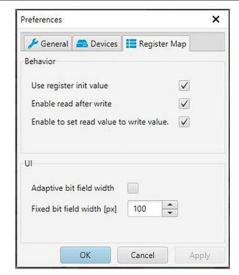
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Set GUI actions and preferences

Access preferences from Actions menu at top left of GUI



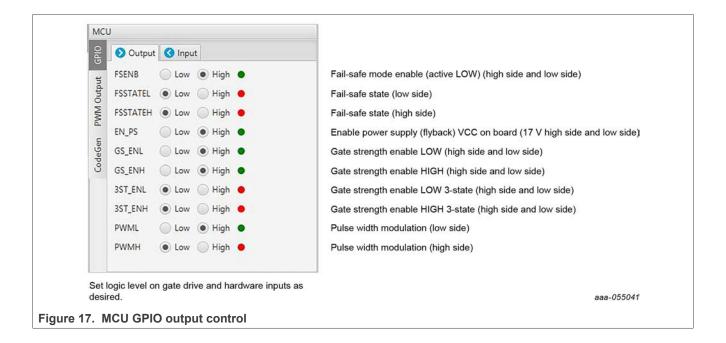
Enable synchronized read and write to set both HS and LS devices simultaneously with same settings if desired

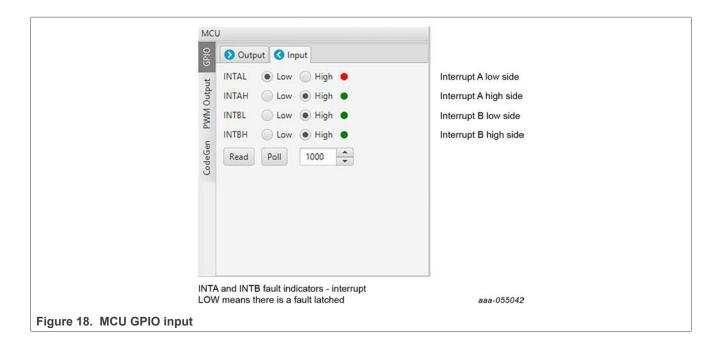


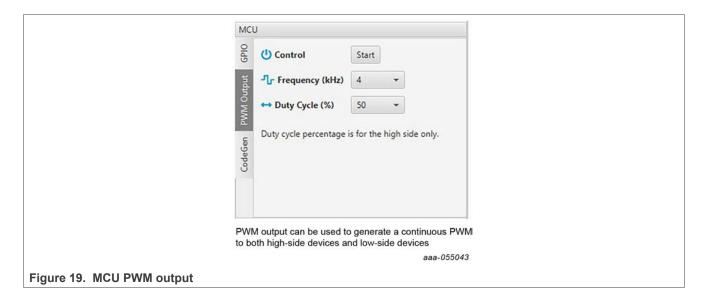
Enable Use register init value and Enable read after write and Enable to set read value to write value if desired (recommended)

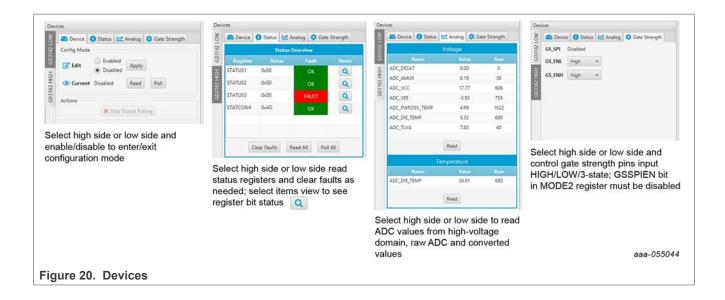
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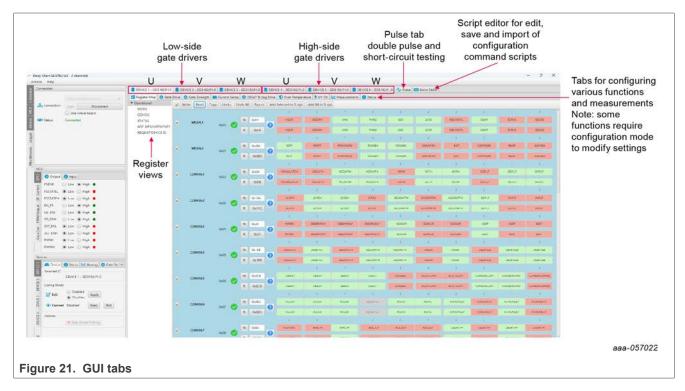
Figure 16. Actions and preferences settings



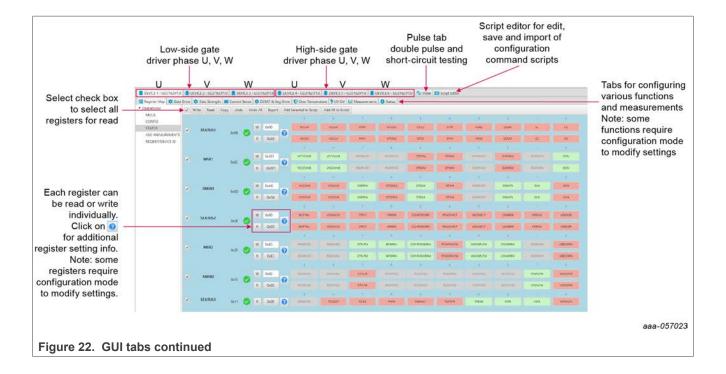








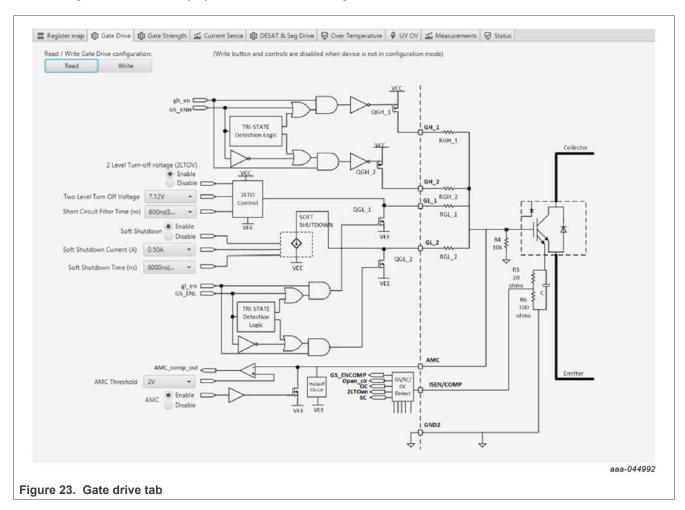
- Registers are grouped according to function; independent lines to read and write the registers
- Individual registers can be read by clicking the R button and can be written by using the W button
- · Copy button to copy the read values to the write line; can be set to copy automatically
- · Global register controls perform the selected command on all registers with the checkbox selected
- · Add to Script adds current and selected register values to a script in the script editor window



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Gate Drive tab

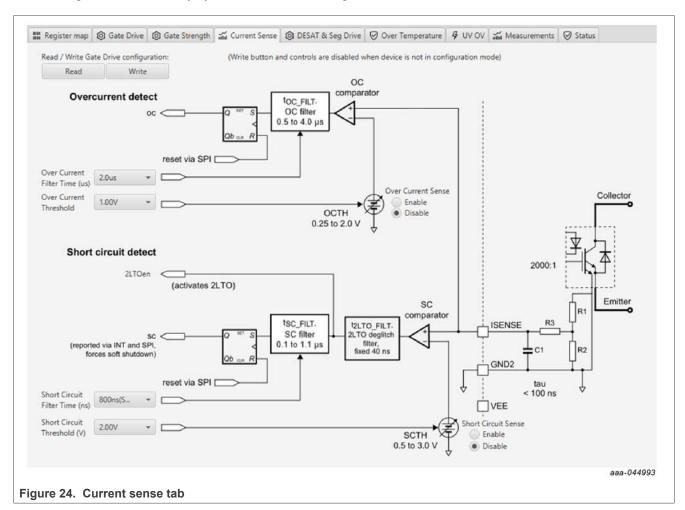
- · Allows setting of parameters related to the gate drive; controls are disabled when not in config mode
- · Provides a more intuitive visual way to set parameters
- All settings are automatically synchronized with the register controls.



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Current Sense tab

- Allows setting of parameters related to current sense
- · Provides a more intuitive visual way to set parameters
- All settings are automatically synchronized with the register controls.



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DESAT & Seg Drive tab

- · Allows setting of parameters related to desat and segmented drive
- · Provides a more intuitive visual way to set parameters
- All settings are automatically synchronized with the register controls.

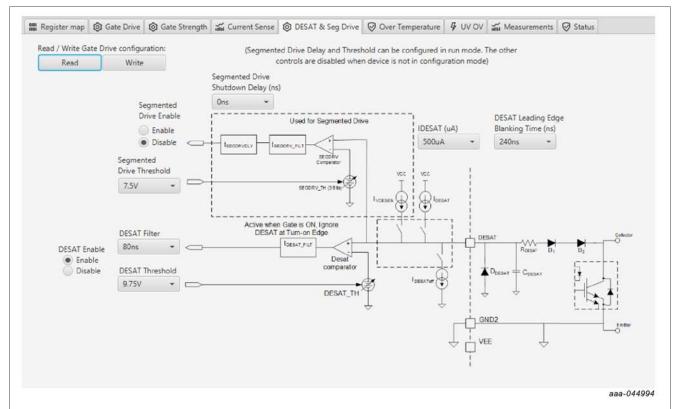
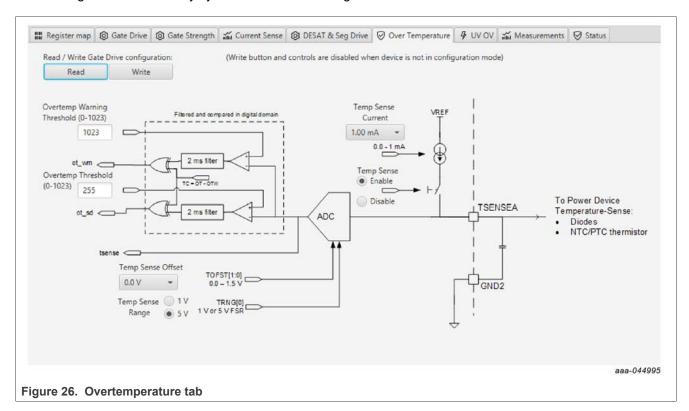


Figure 25. Desat and segmented drive tab

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Overtemperature tab

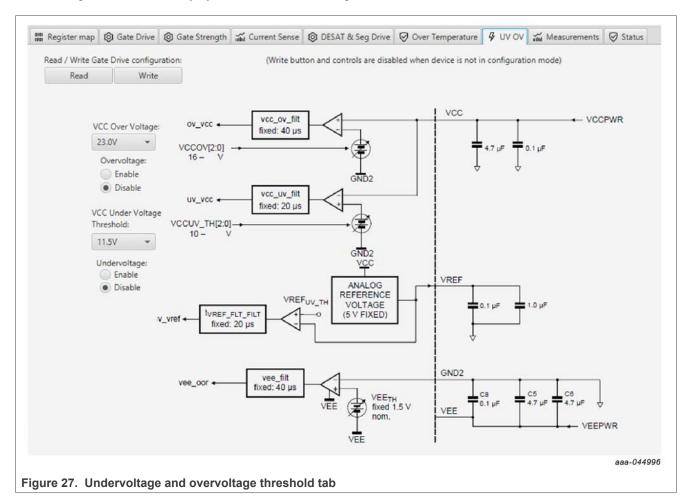
- · Allows setting of parameters related to overtemperature and overtemperature warning thresholds
- Provides a more intuitive visual way to set parameters
- All settings are automatically synchronized with the register controls.



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Undervoltage and overvoltage threshold tab

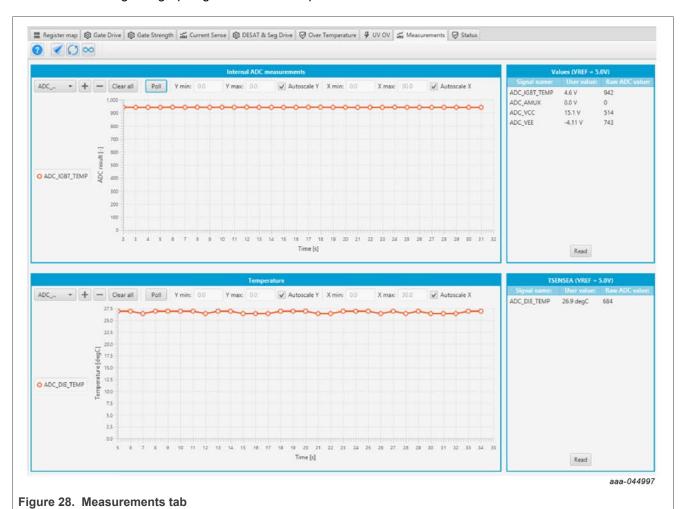
- · Allows setting of parameters related to undervoltage and overvoltage threshold
- · Provides a more intuitive visual way to set parameters
- All settings are automatically synchronized with the register controls.



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Measurements tab

· Allows monitoring and graphing of ADC and temperature values

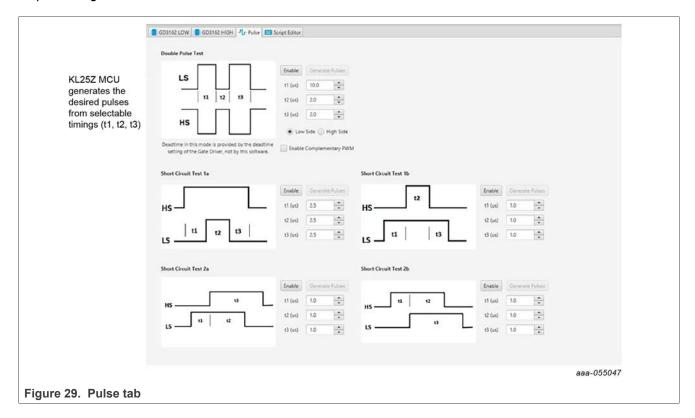


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Pulse tab

- · Used for double pulse, short circuit, and PWM testing
- Select desired t1, t2, and t3 timings for each test type; select enable then generate pulses

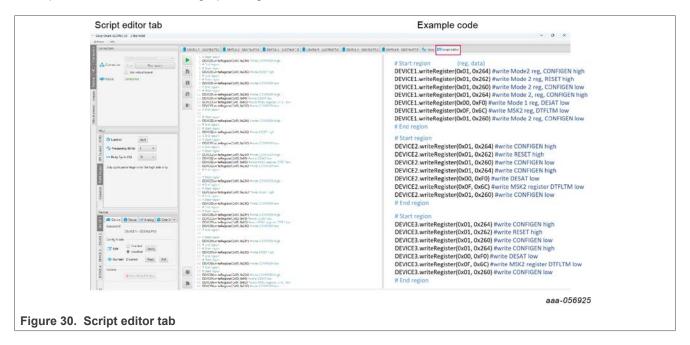
Note: Phase U can be configured for performing double pulse and short-circuit testing. To enable short-circuit testing, two resistors (R857, R862) must be pulled from PWMALT phase U signals to disable dead time control on phase U gate drivers.



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Script editor tab

• Scripts can be used for setting up configurations on all devices and saved for reuse.



7.4 Troubleshooting

Some common issues and troubleshooting procedures are detailed below. This is not an exhaustive list by any means, and additional debug may be needed:

| Problem | Evaluation | Explanation | Corrective action(s) |
|---|--|---|--|
| Unable to establish COM port connection | Check USB cable is connected to KL25Z port on FRDM-KL25Z MCU | If the USB cable is not connected to PC USB and KL25Z port GUI will not be able to establish USB connection | Plug in USB cable to PC USB port and FRDM-KL25Z KL25Z port |
| | Incorrect firmware installed on FRDM-KL25Z MCU | If the incorrect firmware is installed on the FRDM-KL25Z MCU board GUI will not be able to establish USB connection | Go to step 5 in this user guide for installing FlexGUI 2 on your computer to locate firmware file in GUI download package and copy to FRDM-KL25Z through OpenSDA port on MCU board. |
| | Check the COM port setting on FlexGUI 2. The drop-down menu will show the various COM ports available. | Selecting the incorrect COM port in the COM port drop-down menu will not be able to establish USB connection. | Select an alternative COM in the COM port drop-down menu on FlexGUI 2. |
| No PWM output (no fault reported) | Check PWM jumper position on translator board | Incorrect PWM jumpers obstruct signal path but not report fault | Set PWMH_SEL (J4) and PWML_SEL (J5) jumpers properly, for desired control method: • 3.3 V to 5.0 V translator board reviewed in Section 6.4 |
| | Check PWM control signal | Ensure that proper PWM signal is reaching GD3162 | Monitor PWML (TP11) and PWMH (TP10) on translator board for commanded PWM state. Check position of jumpers J4 and J5 on translator board. |
| | Check FSENB status (see GD3162 pin 15, STATUS3) | PWM is disabled when FSENB = LOW | Set pin FSENB = HIGH (pin 15) to continue |
| | Check CONFIG_EN bit (MODE2) | PWM is disabled when CONFIG_EN is logic 1 | Write CONFIG_EN = logic 0 to continue |

| Problem | Evaluation | Explanation | Corrective action(s) |
|---|---|--|---|
| No PWM output (fault reported) | Check VGE fault (VGE_FLT) | A short on IGBT or SiC module gate, or too low of VGEMON delay setting causes VGE fault, locking out PWM control of the gate. | Clear VGE_FLT bit (STATUS2) to continue. Increase VGEMON delay setting (CONFIG6). If safe operating condition can be guaranteed, set VGE_FLTM (MSK2) bit to logic 0, to mask fault. |
| | Check for short-circuit fault (SC) in STATUS1 register | SC is a severe fault that disables PWM. SC fault cannot be masked | Clear SC fault to continue. Consider adjusting SC fault settings on GD3162: • Adjust short-circuit threshold setting (CONFIG2) • Adjust short-circuit filter setting (CONFIG2) |
| PWM output is good, but with persistent fault reported | Check for dead time fault (DTFLT) in STATUS2 register | Dead time is enforced, but fault indicates that PWM controls signals are in violation | Clear DTFLT fault bit (STATUS2). Check PWMHSEL (J10) and PWMLSEL (J14) are configured to bypass dead time faults. Consider adjusting dead time settings on GD3162: Change mandatory PWM dead time setting (CONFIG5) Mask dead time fault (MSK2) |
| | Check for overcurrent (OC) fault in STATUS1 register | OC fault latches, but does not disable PWM. OC fault cannot be masked. | Clear OC fault bit (STATUS1). Adjust OC fault detection settings on GD3162: • Adjust overcurrent threshold setting (CONFIG1) • Adjust overcurrent filter setting (CONFIG1) |
| PWM or FSSTATE rising edge has longer delay than falling edge | Check translator output voltage versus GD3162 VDD voltage | Low translator output voltage (compared with correct VDD at GD3162) causes the high threshold at the GD3162 pin to be crossed later than commanded | Check translator output voltage selection (J3) is configured to the same level as the GD3162 VDD Check VCCSEL supply or translator outputs on the translator board for excessive loading or supply droop/pulldown |
| WDOG_FLT reported on startup | Check VSUP and VCC are powered | On initialization, watchdog fault is reported when one die is powered up before the other | Check VSUP and VCC both have power applied. Clear WDOG_FLT bit (STATUS2) to continue. |
| SPIERR reported on startup | Check KL25Z/translator connection | On initialization, SPIERR can occur when the SPI bus is open, or when GD3162 IC is powered up before the translator (which provides CSB). | Clear SPIERR fault to continue. Reinitialize power to GD3162 after translator is powered (over USB). |
| SPIERR reported after SPI message | Check bit length of message sent | There is SPIERR if SCLK does not see a n*24 multiple of cycles | Use 24-bit message length for SPI messages |
| | Check CRC | SPIERR faults if CRC provided in sent message is not good | Use FlexGUI to generate commands with valid CRC. The command can be copied in binary or hexadecimal and sent from another program. |
| | Check for sufficient dead time between SPI messages | SPIERR fault bit is set when the time between SPI messages (txfer_delay) received is too short. Minimum required delay time is 19 µs. | Check time between CSB rising edge (old message end) and CSB falling edge (new message start) during normal SPI read, and ensure transfer delay dead time check. SPIERR can also be cleared in BIST. |
| VCCREGUV reported on startup | Check VCCREG potential | Caused by low VCC | Clear VCCREGUV fault bit (STATUS1). Tune VCC-GNDISO potential with power supply set resistor (R37). |

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| Problem | Evaluation | Explanation | Corrective action(s) |
|---|--|--|---|
| VREFUV reported on startup | Check HV domain is powered correctly | Related to slow rise time of VCC supply on HV domain, or failed VREF regulator | Clear VREFUV bit (STATUS2). Reset HV domain supply if fault bit does not clear. |
| | Check VCC for undervoltage condition | Low VCC is visible indirectly through other HV domain faults | Tune VCC-GNDISO using R37 feedback |
| VCCOV fault reported on startup | Check VEE level on suspect domain. | If VEE level is not at desired negative voltage it could cause excessive VCC level. | Check Zener diode in power supply circuit for proper value in setting VEE level. Clear VCCOV bit (STATUS1) to continue. |
| | Check VCC-GNDISO potential | PWM is disabled during a VCC overvoltage (20 V nom.) | Tune VCC-GNDISO potential to suitable level with power supply set resistor (R37). Clear VCCOV bit (STATUS1) to continue. |
| No PWM during short circuit test | Check PWMxSEL jumpers | Incorrect configuration of PWMALT pins prevent short-circuit test by enforcing dead time | Resistors R857, R862 must be unpopulated to disable dead time control for short circuit testing. See Pulse tab in Section 7.3. |
| Bad SPI data, appears to repeat previous response | Check VSUP/VDD for undervoltage condition | VDD_UV latches SPI buffer contents, preventing updated fault reporting. | Check voltage provided at VDD pin (pin 3). On each read, compare the address from the sent command and response (a difference indicates that the SPI response is latched due to inactive). Read multiple addresses to ensure a good comparison. |
| | Check EN_PS is set to HIGH in FlexGUI 2; see Figure 17 | VCC/VEE can be enabled/disabled in software. | EN_PS in GPIO output tab on Flex GUI 2; see Figure 17 |
| | Check VCC for undervoltage | Unpowered VCC prevents HV domain from updating data | Tune VCC-GNDISO using R37 feedback |

8 Configuring the hardware

RDGD3162I3PH5EVB with KITGD316xTREVB attached as shown in <u>Figure 31</u> using Windows based PC and FlexGUI 2 software.

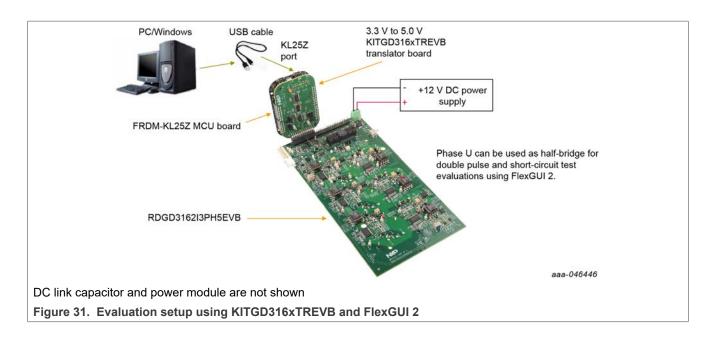
Note: Double pulse and short-circuit testing can be conducted on phase U only. See FlexGUI 2 Pulse tab <u>Figure 29</u>.

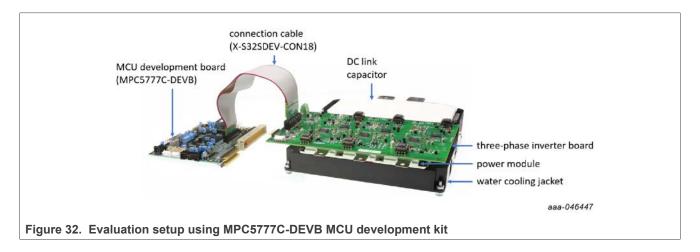
Suggested equipment needed for test:

- Rogowski coil high-current probe
- High-voltage differential voltage probe
- · High sample rate digital oscilloscope with probes
- DC link capacitor compatible with HybridPACK Drive module
- IGBT or SiC MOSFET HybridPACK Drive module
- · Windows based PC
- · High-voltage DC power supply for DC link voltage
- Low-voltage DC power supply for VPWR
- +12 V DC gate drive board low-voltage domain
- · Voltmeter for monitoring high-voltage DC link supply
- Load coil for double pulse testing (phase U only)

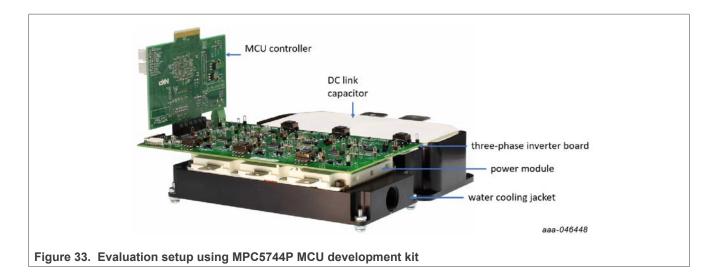
Note: To enable short-circuit testing on phase U only, two resistors (R857, R862) must be pulled from PWMALT phase U signals to disable dead time control on phase U gate drivers.

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9 Schematic, board layout, and bill of materials

The schematic, board layout, and bill of materials for the RDGD3162I3PH5EVB reference design are available at http://www.nxp.com/RDGD3162I3PH5EVB.

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11 Revision history

Table 8. Revision history

| Document ID | Release date | Description |
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| UM11802 v.3 | 27 August 2024 | Update for FlexGUI 2 |
| UM11802 v.2 | 18 October 2023 | Table 6: changed emitter/drain to emitter/source and collector/source to collector/drain |
| UM11802 v.1 | 10 June 2022 | Initial version |

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