

AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S board B2B

Evaluation board

About this document

Scope and purpose

The purpose of this user guide is to facilitate the “plug and play” of AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S back-to-back board for all users. The goal of this board is to replace a mechanical relay in the 40 A to 60 A range.

For the sake of simplicity this document is valid for both AUIR3241S back-to-back board and AUIR3242S back-to-back board.

The difference between AUIR3241S and AUIR3242 V_{IN} pin logic is:

AUIR3241S ON $\rightarrow V_{IN} = \text{high}$

AUIR3242S ON $\rightarrow V_{IN} = \text{low}$

Intended audience

This document is intended for qualified electronic engineers who need a high side N-channel MOSFET gate driver for 12 V or 24 V power distribution system.

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1 Overview

AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S board back-to-back is a semiconductor-based solution of a fail-safe/fail operational power switch for 12 V or 24 V automotive applications.

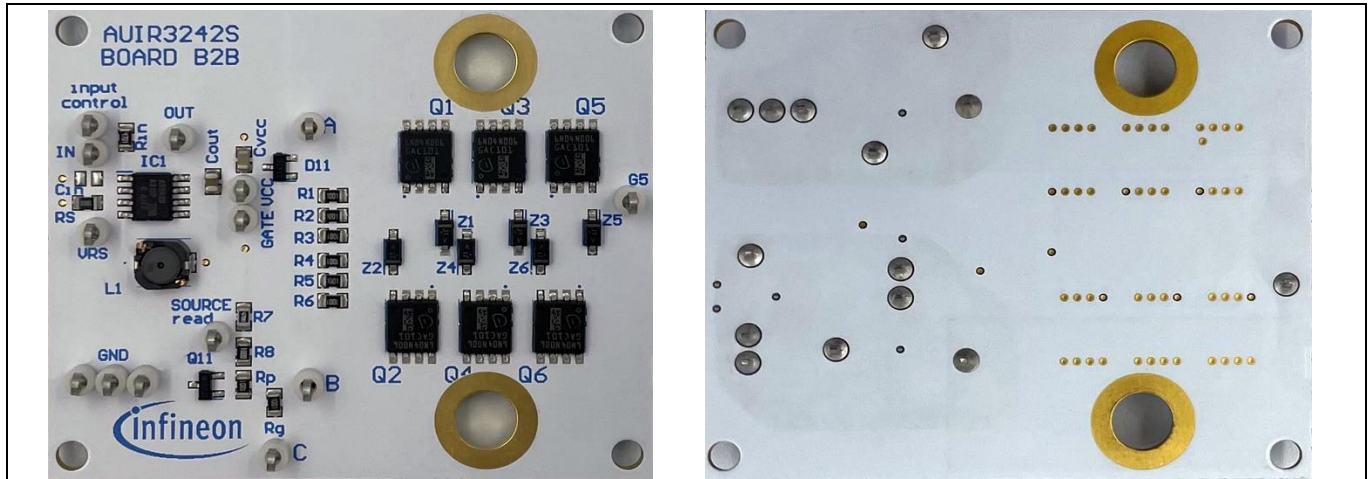


Figure 1 Top and bottom view of AUIR3242S board B2B

AUIR3241S has a high-level active input which supports direct drive from the battery while the AUIR3242S makes relay replacement very easy.

AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S board has a back-to-back, N-channel MOSFET common source structure and allows replacement of any mechanical relay by cutting the current flow in both directions. Additionally, the back-to-back structure blocks current in case of reverse battery.

The MOSFETs are protected against linear mode by UVLO (Undervoltage lock-out) feature, integrated in the driver. See driver datasheet for more information on the feature [1].

Table 1 Infineon parts used

| Type | Reference | PCS | Comment |
|-------------------|------------------|-----|---|
| Driver | AUIR3241S | 1 | Full analog driver, AUIR3241S board only |
| Driver | AUIR3242S | 1 | Full analog driver, AUIR3242S board only |
| MOSFET Trench 40V | IAUC120N04S6N006 | 4 | Also exists in higher ohmic versions |

Table 2 Order information

| Type | Reference | OPN |
|------------------|---------------------|--|
| Evaluation board | AUIR3241S board B2B | AUIR3241SBOARDB2BTOB01 |
| Evaluation board | AUIR3242S board B2B | AUIR3242SBOARDB2BTOB01 |

2 Connecting and operating the board

This chapter describes how to connect the board and gives a non-exhaustive list of actions to avoid in order to keep AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S and the board operational.

The board is designed for 60 A continuous, 90 A for one-minute operation.

Note: It is important to always connect TP - GND to the battery or power supply negative/ground terminal.

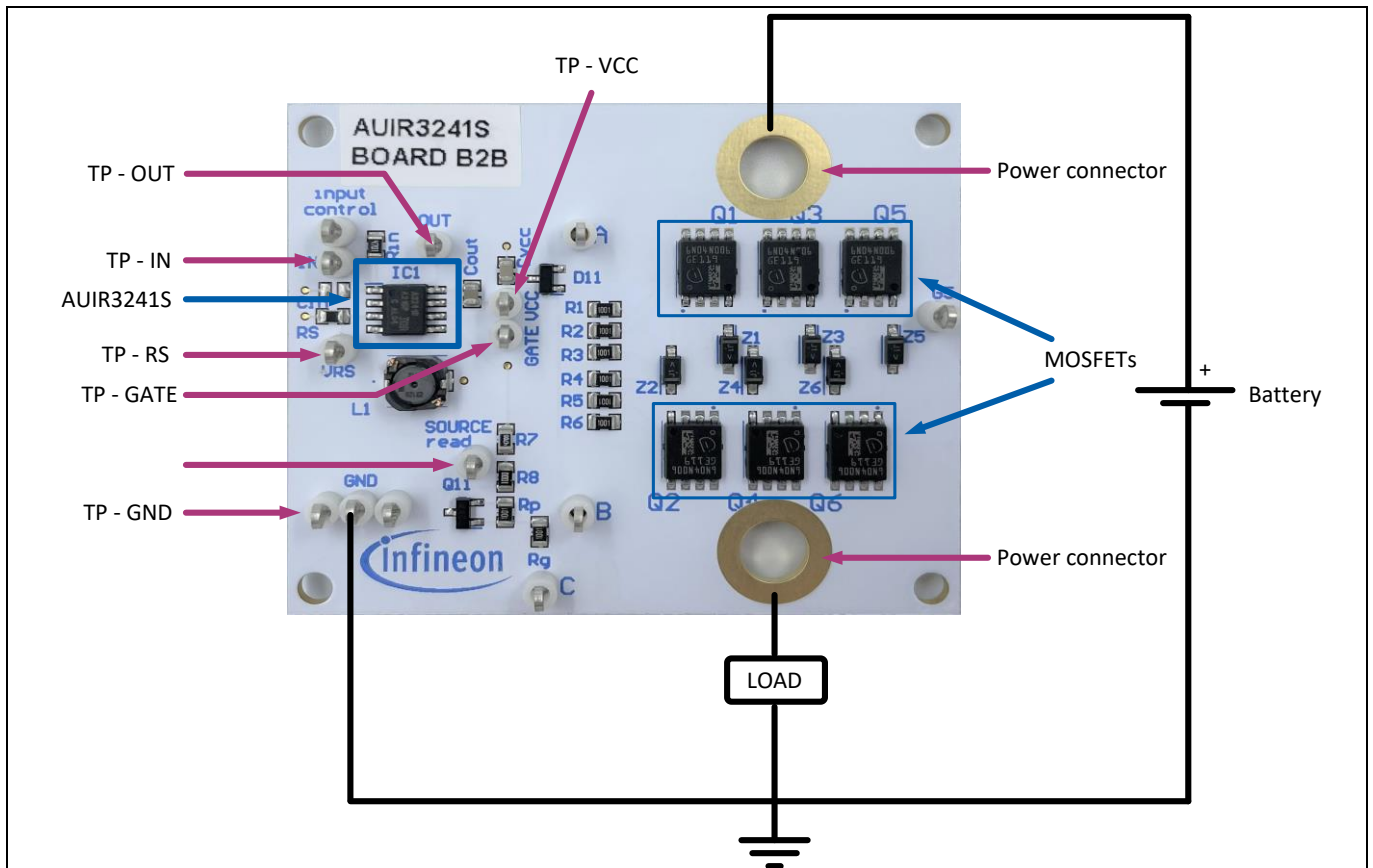


Figure 2 Power connection diagram

⚡ Please avoid the following:

- Short between C_{OUT} and GND as this will lead to driver destruction—Short V_{OUT} to V_{CC} to try UVLO feature
- Do not connect two batteries/power sources together as there is no protection implemented

| | -16V | 0V | 3V | 6V | 18V | 28V | 40V |
|------------------|-----------------|-----|----------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| AUIR3241S 12V | Reverse battery | OFF | Extended range | Nominal battery voltage | | | No-GO |

Figure 3 Voltage range

3 Switching behaviour

Note: Values shown in this chapter are measured under lab conditions and will vary for different cooling conditions and setups, and samples used.

The following oscilloscope diagram shows a normal turn-on with AUIR3241S board B2B. A simple, resistive, 4.7 Ω - load is used under $V_{BAT} = 14\text{ V}$.

- V_{IN} (yellow) is the control, turn-on signal provided here by a waveform generator
- V_{RS} (purple) signals shows the RS pin voltage. The spikes reflect the activation from the boost converter, which activates to keep the C_{OUT} voltage to the $V_{OUT(th)}$ when the charges are transferred from C_{OUT} to the MOSFET for the turn-on
- V_{GS} shows the MOSFET Q5 gate to source voltage using Q5 test point
- I_{OUT} is the load current



Figure 4 Waveforms from OFF to ON mode [Yellow V_{IN} ; Blue $V_{GS(AUIR3241S)}$; Purple V_{RS} ; Green I_{OUT}]

4 Thermal behaviour

Thermal evaluation has been performed using an active (or electronic) load set at 60 A, with a voltage battery at 14 V for 1 hour. (Power dissipation of 840 W). In the figure below, the temperatures of each block of MOSFETs (Couple MOS1, Couple MOS2), the temperature of the gate driver AUIR3241S, the FW-diode and the maximum temperature of the whole board are plotted.

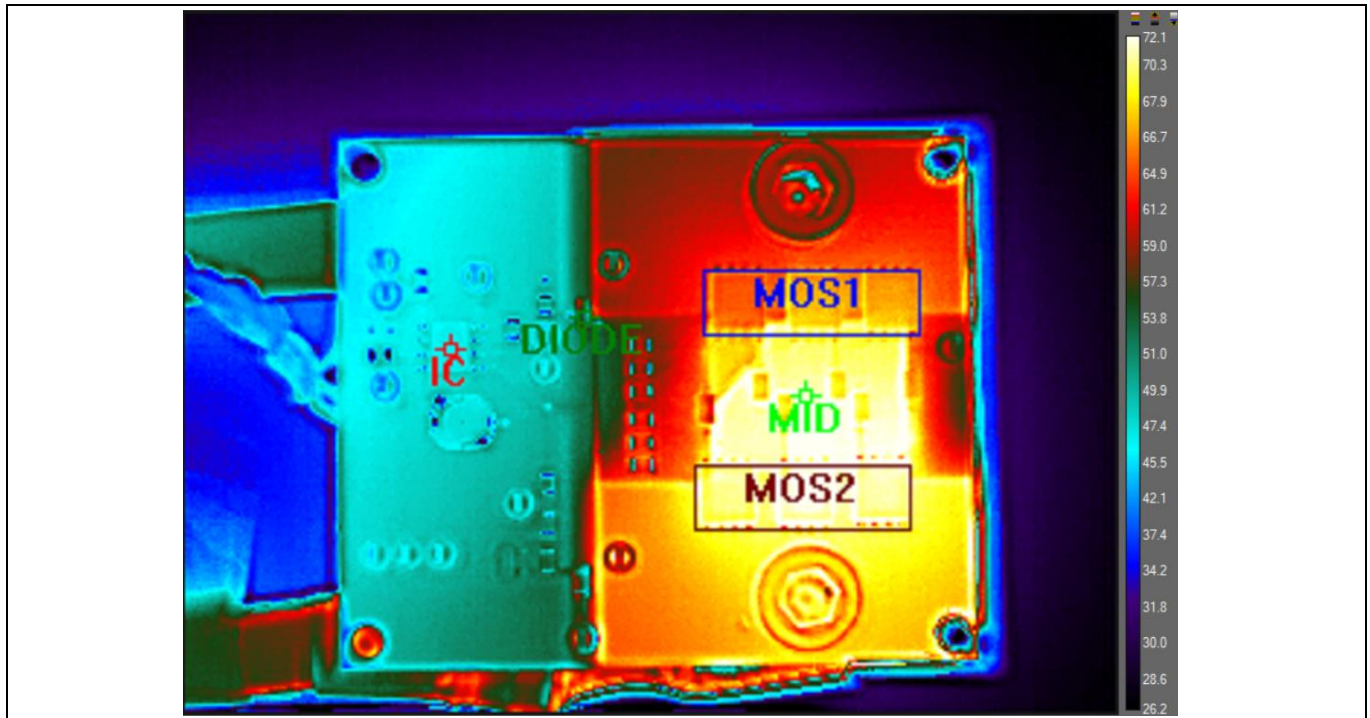


Figure 5 Thermal camera picture after 1 hour at 14 V and 60 A

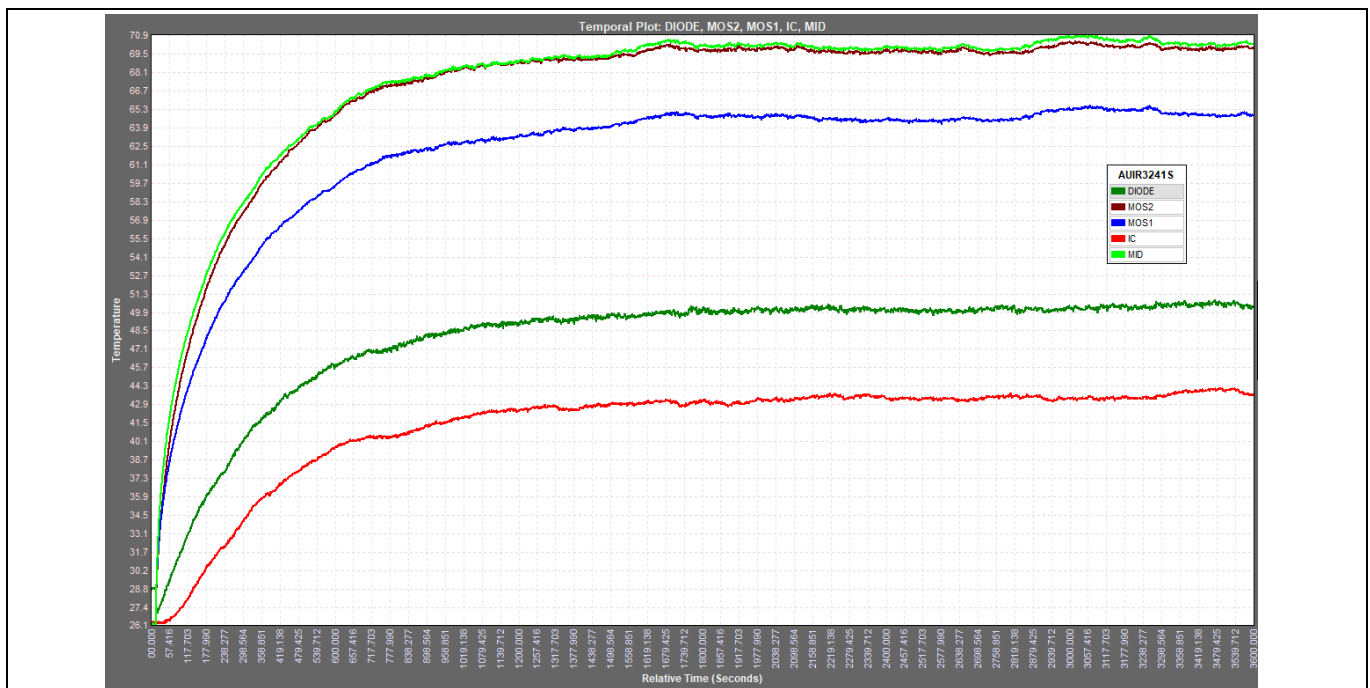


Figure 6 Temperature profile after 1 hour test

5 Electrical schematic

5.1 Electrical diagram

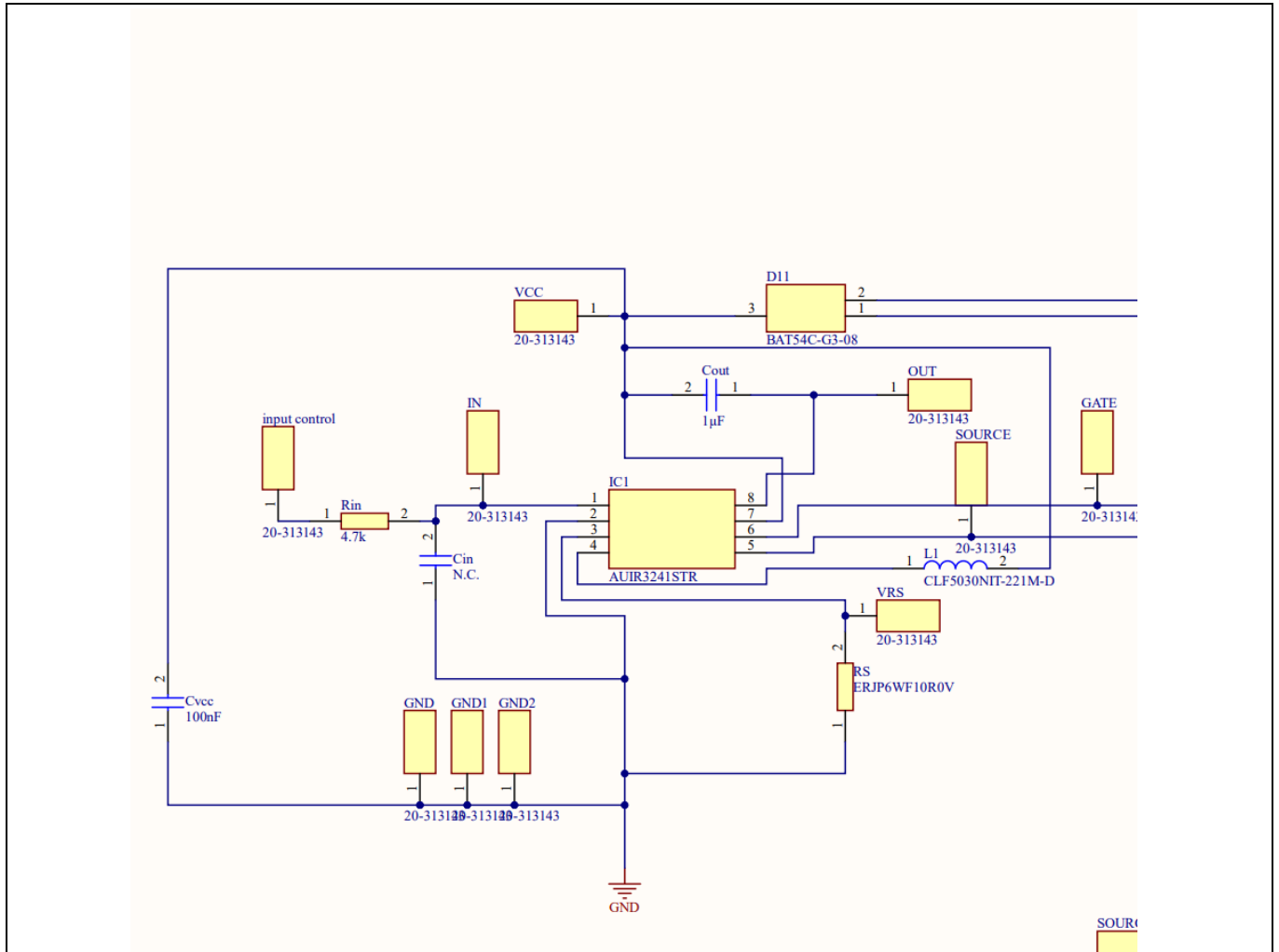


Figure 7 Driver side, valid for both AUIR3241S board B2B and AUIR3242S board B2B

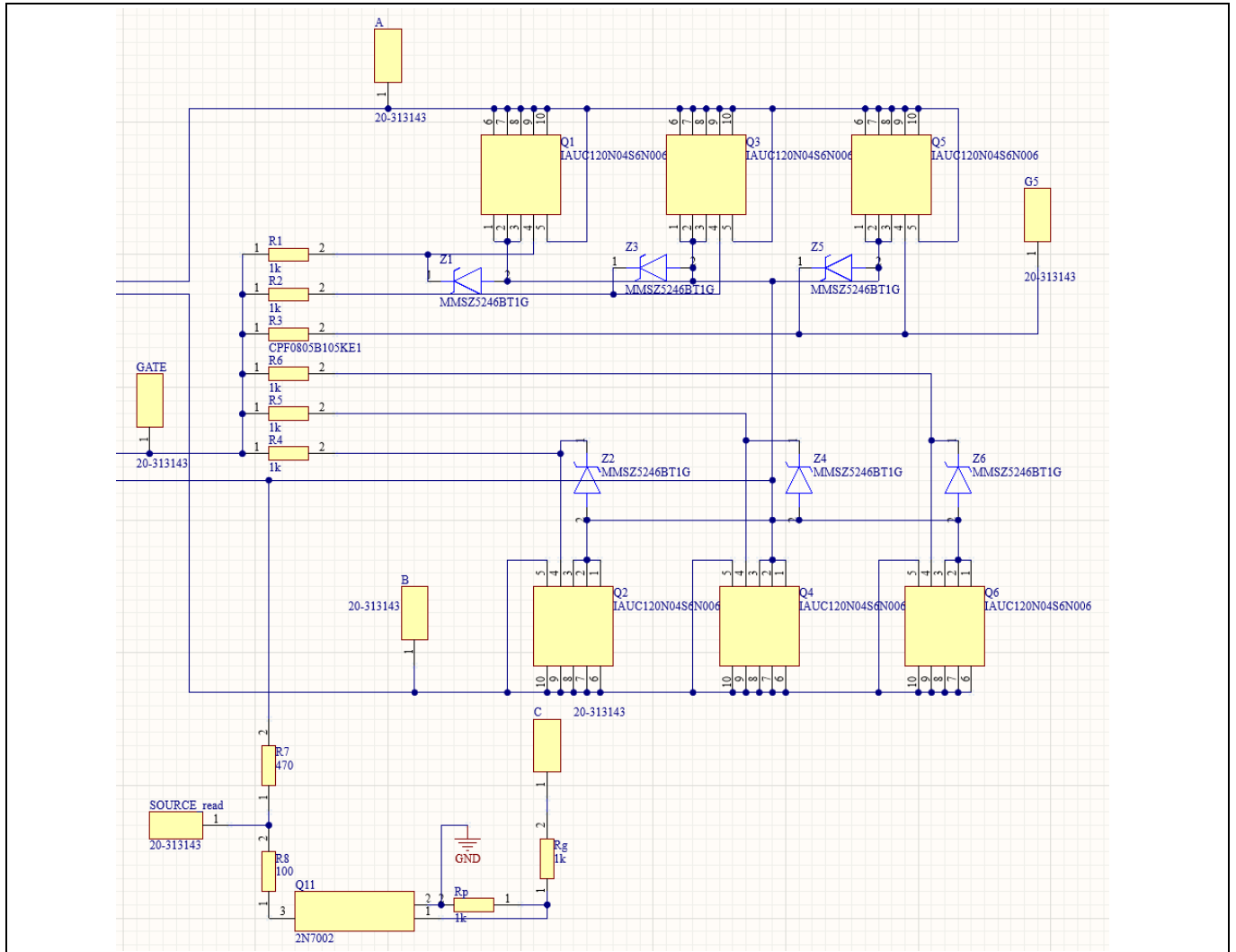


Figure 8 Power side, valid for both AUIR3241S board B2B and AUIR3242S board B2B

5.2 Bill of materials

Table 3 Bill of material

| Designator | Description | Value / Reference | Quantity |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| A, B, C, G5, GATE, GND, IN, input, OUT, SOURCE, VCC, VRS | Test point | 20-313143 | 14 |
| Cin | Capacitor | N.C. | 1 |
| Cout | Capacitor | 1 μ F | 1 |
| Cvcc | Capacitor | 100nF | 1 |
| D11 | Diode | BAT54C-G3-08 | 1 |
| IC1 | Integrated Circuit | AUIR3241STR or AUIR3242STR | 1 |
| L1 | Inductor (TDK) | CLF5030NIT-221M-D | 1 |
| Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Q5, Q6 | MOSFET (N-Channel) | IAUC120N04S6N006 | 6 |
| Q11 | Transistor | 2N7002 | 1 |
| R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, Rg, Rp | Resistor | 1k | 8 |
| R7 | Resistor | 470 | 1 |
| R8 | Resistor | 100 | 1 |
| Rin | Resistor | 4.7k | 1 |
| RS | Resistor | ERJP6WF10R0V | 1 |
| Z1, Z2, Z3, Z4, Z5, Z6 | Zener Diode | MMSZ5246BT1G | 6 |

6 PCB details

AUIR3241S/AUIR3242S board B2B PCB is a 4-layer, FR4 material board. Layer arrangements and layer details can be found in the figure below.

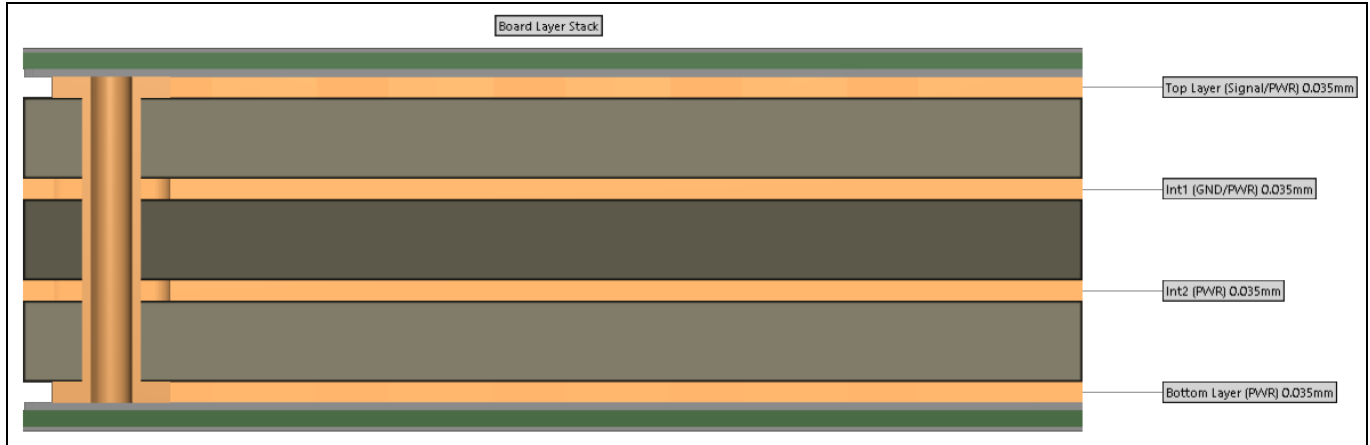


Figure 9 PCB layers

Vias were used to connect the two layers on the power side to allow better thermal flow and current sharing between layers. However, the number of vias is not optimized and can be reduced without reducing the board thermal performance.

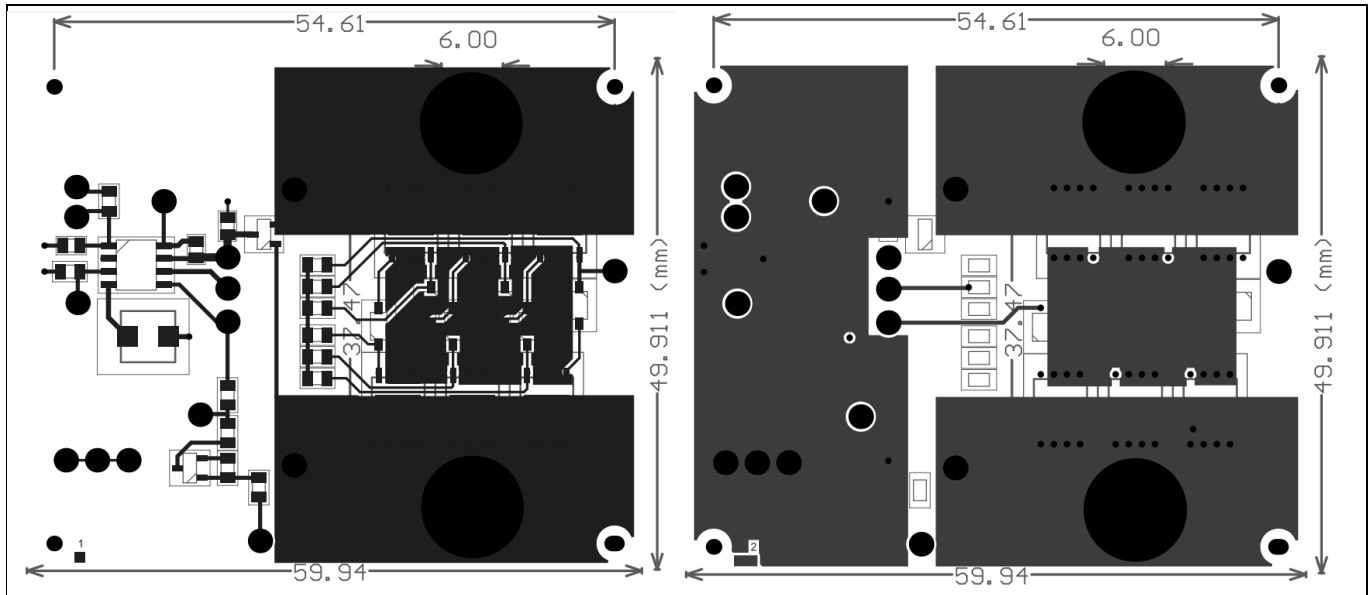


Figure 10 Top layer (left) and 2nd layer (right)

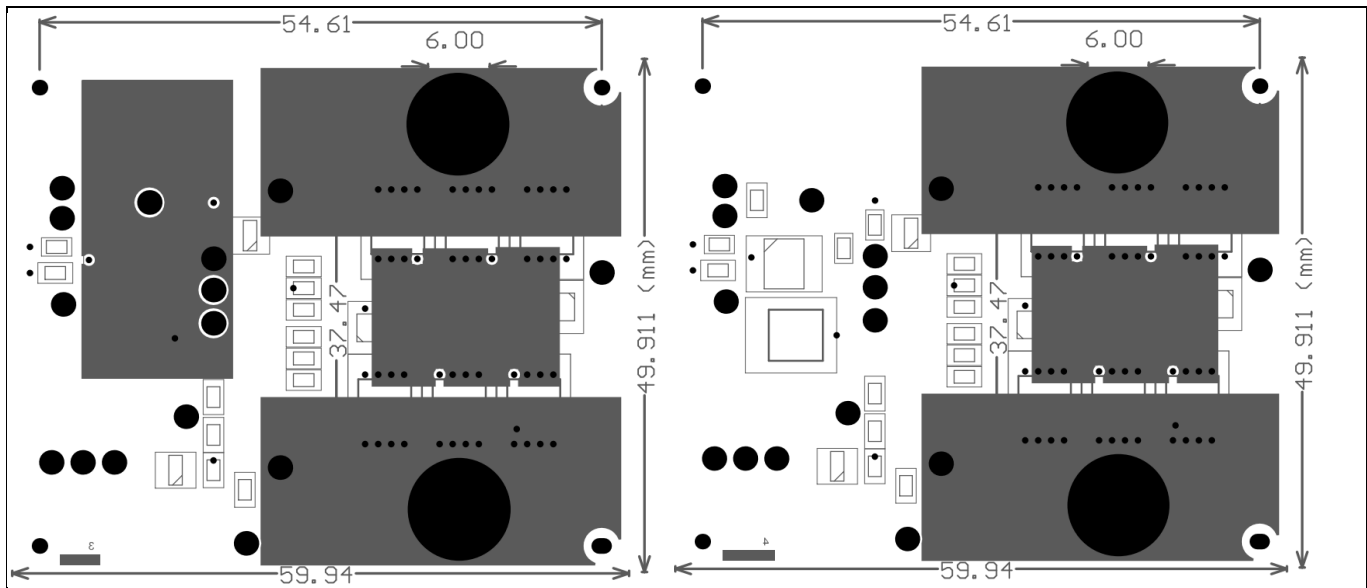


Figure 11 3rd layer (left) and bottom layer (right)

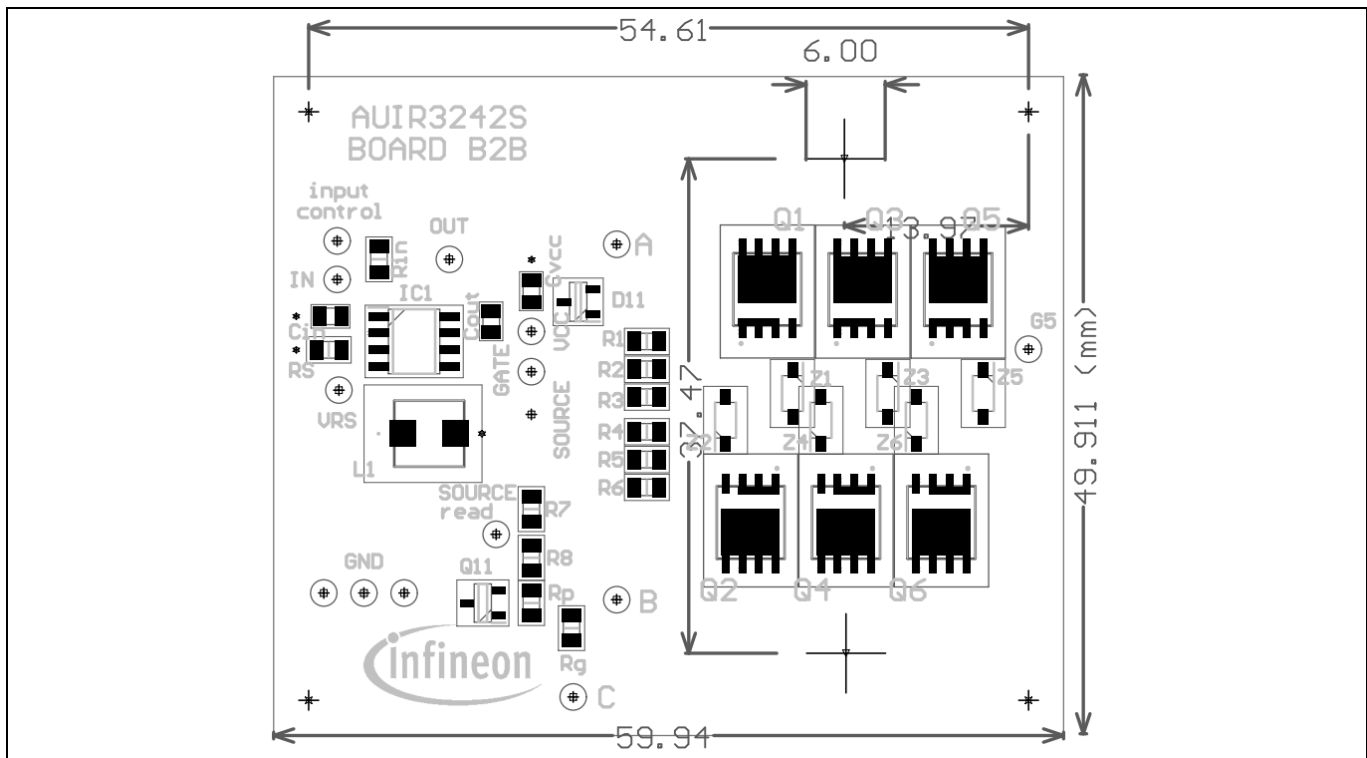


Figure 12 Mechanical drawing of top assembly [mm]

7 List of references

- [1] [Datasheet AUIR3241STR](#)
- [2] [Datasheet AUIR3242STR](#)
- [3] <https://www.infineon.com/cms/en/product/power/gate-driver-ics/air3241str/>
- [4] <https://www.infineon.com/cms/en/product/power/gate-driver-ics/air3242str/>

Revision history

| Document version | Date of release | Description of changes |
|-------------------------|------------------------|---|
| A1 | November 30, 2015 | Initial document |
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| 2.2 | March 04, 2021 | Updated typo page 3: "P5&P6" becomes "P1&P6" |
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