DESCRIPTION
The MPQ6531 is a gate driver IC designed for three-phase brushless DC motor driver applications. It is capable of driving three half-bridges consisting of six N-channel power MOSFETs up to 60V.

The MPQ6531 integrates a regulated charge pump to generate gate drive power, and uses a bootstrap capacitor to generate a supply voltage for the high-side MOSFET driver. An internal trickle-charge circuit maintains a sufficient high-side gate driver voltage at 100% duty cycle.

Internal safety features include programmable short-circuit protection, over-current protection, adjustable dead-time control, under-voltage lockout, and thermal shutdown.

The MPQ6531 is available in a 4mmx5mm QFN-28 package with an exposed thermal pad.

FEATURES
- Wide 5V to 60V Input Voltage Range
- Charge Pump Gate Drive Supply
- Bootstrap High-Side Driver with Trickle-Charge Circuit Supports 100% Duty Cycle Operation
- Low-Power Sleep Mode
- Programmable Short-Circuit Protection
- Over-Current Protection
- Adjustable Dead-Time Control to Prevent Shoot-Through
- Thermal Shutdown and UVLO Protection
- Fault Indication Output
- Thermally Enhanced Surface-Mounted Package
- Available in AEC-Q100 Grade 1

APPLICATIONS
- Three-Phase Brushless DC Motors
- Permanent Magnet Synchronous Motors
- Automotive Actuators, Pumps, and Fans

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TOP MARKING

MP6531: Product code of MPQ6531GV-AEC1
MPS: MPS prefix
Y: Year code
WW: Week code
LLLLLL: Lot number

PACKAGE REFERENCE

QFN-28 (4mmx5mm)
## PIN FUNCTIONS

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<td>Ground.</td>
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**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** (1)

Input Voltage \((V_{IN})\) \(-0.3\) V to 62 V  
CPA \(-0.3\) V to 55 V  
CPB \(-0.3\) V to 12.5 V  
VREG \(-0.3\) V to 13 V  
BSTA/B/C \(-0.3\) V to 70 V  
GHA/B/C (continuous) \(-0.3\) V to 70 V  
GHA/B/C (transient, <2\(\mu\)S) \(-8\) V to 70 V  
SHA/B/C (continuous) \(-0.3\) V to 65 V  
SHA/B/C (transient, <2\(\mu\)S) \(-8\) V to 65 V  
GLA/B/C (continuous) \(-0.3\) V to 13 V  
GLA/B/C (transient, <2\(\mu\)S) \(-2\) V to 13 V  
LSS (continuous) \(-0.3\) V to 1 V  
LSS (transient, <2\(\mu\)S) \(-2\) V to 2 V  
All other pins to AGND \(-0.3\) V to 6.5 V  

Continuous power dissipation \((T_A = +25^\circ C)\) (2) 
QFN-28 (4mmx5mm) \(3.1\) W  

Storage temperature \(-55^\circ C\) to \(+150^\circ C\)  
Junction temperature \(+150^\circ C\)  
Lead temperature (solder) \(+260^\circ C\)  

**Recommended Operating Conditions** (3)

Input voltage \((V_{IN})\) \(+5\) V to 60 V  
OC_REF voltage \((V_{OC})\) \(0.125\) V to 2.4 V  
Operating junction temp \((T_J)\) \(-40^\circ C\) to \(+150^\circ C\)  

**Thermal Resistance** (4) \(\theta_{JA}\) \(\theta_{JC}\)

QFN-28 (4mmx5mm) \(40\) \(9\) \(^\circ C/W\)

**NOTES:**

1) Exceeding these ratings may damage the device.  
2) The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of the maximum junction temperature \(T_J\) (MAX), the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance \(\theta_{JA}\), and the ambient temperature \(T_A\). The maximum allowable continuous power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated by \(P_D\) (MAX) = \((T_J\) (MAX) \(- T_A\) / \(\theta_{JA}\). Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation will produce an excessive die temperature, causing the regulator to go into thermal shutdown. Internal thermal shutdown circuitry protects the device from permanent damage.  
3) The device is not guaranteed to function outside of its operating conditions.  
4) Measured on JESD51-7, 4-layer PCB.
## Electrical Characteristics

$V_{IN} = 24\, \text{V}$, $T_J = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to $+125^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$.

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### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

\( V_{IN} = 24V, \ T_J = -40°C \) to \( +125°C \), unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at \( T_J = 25°C \).

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**NOTE:**

5) Guaranteed by design.
TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- **Quiescent Current vs. Temperature**
- **UVLO Rising Threshold vs. Temperature**
- **VREG Rising Threshold vs. Temperature**
- **OC_REF Threshold vs. Temperature**
- **LSS OCP Threshold vs. Temperature**
TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

$V_{IN} = 24\text{V}, \ OC\_REF = 0.5\text{V}, R_{DT} = 20\text{k}\Omega, F_{PWM} = 20\text{kHz}, LB = 5\text{V}, T_A = 25\text{°C},$ resistor + inductor load: $5\text{Ω} + 1\text{mH/phase with star connection, unless otherwise noted.}$

Steady State
- Duty=10%
- Duty=50%
- Duty=90%

Power Ramp Up
- Duty=10%
- Duty=50%
- Duty=90%

Sleep Recovery
- Duty=10%
- Duty=50%
- Duty=90%
TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

**VIN = 24V, OC REF = 0.5V, Rdr = 20kΩ, Fpwm = 20kHz, LB = 5V, T_a = 25°C, resistor + inductor load: 5Ω + 1mH/phase with star connection, unless otherwise noted.**

- **VnSLEEP**: 2V/div.
- **VGHA**: 20V/div.
- **VSHA**: 10V/div.
- **IOUTA**: 100mA/div.

**Sleep Entry**
- Duty = 10%
- Duty = 50%
- Duty = 90%

**VREG Startup**
- FPWMX = 20kHz with duty = 50%, No load
Figure 1: Functional Block Diagram
OPERATION

The MPQ6531 is a three-phase BLDC motor pre-driver that drives three external N-channel MOSFET half-bridges with 0.8A source and 1A of sink current capability. It operates over a wide input voltage range of 5V to 60V, generating a boosted gate drive voltage when the input supply is below 12V. The MPQ6531 features a low-power sleep mode, which disables the device and draws a very low supply current.

The MPQ6531 provides several flexible functions, such as adjustable dead-time control and over-current protection, which allow the device to cover a wide range of applications.

Power-Up Sequence

The power-up sequence is initiated by the application of voltage to VIN. To initiate power-up, VIN must be above the under-voltage lockout threshold (VIN_RISE).

After power-up begins, the VREG supply starts operating. VREG must rise above VREG rising threshold (VREG_RISE) before the device becomes functional.

After VREG exceeds VREG_RISE, the MPQ6531 sequentially turns on each low-side MOSFET (LS-FET) in succession to charge the bootstrap capacitors for a short period of time (tLS). The power-up process takes between 1ms and 2ms, after which the MPQ6531 responds to logic inputs and drives the outputs.

Gate Drive Power Supplies

Gate drive voltages are generated from the input power (VIN). A regulated charge pump doubler circuit supplies a voltage of about 11.5V to VREG. This voltage is used for the low-side gate drive supply. The charge pump requires external capacitors between CPA and CPB, and from VREG to ground.

The high-side gate drive is generated by a combination of a bootstrap capacitor and an internal trickle-charge pump. Bootstrap capacitors are charged to the VREG voltage when the low-side MOSFET is turned on. This charge is then used to drive the high-side MOSFET gate when it is turned on.

To keep the bootstrap capacitors charged and allow operation at 100% duty cycle, an internal trickle-charge pump supplies a small current (about 5µA) to overcome leakages that would discharge the bootstrap capacitors.

See the Applications Information section for details on selecting external components.

Sleep Mode (nSLEEP Input)

Driving nSLEEP low puts the device into a low-power sleep state. In this state, all internal circuits are disabled, and all inputs are ignored. nSLEEP has an interval pull-down, so the pin must be driven high for the MPQ6531 to operate. When exiting sleep mode, the MPQ6531 initiates the power-up sequence.

Input Logic

Lx controls the gate drive outputs of the low-side FET or each phase, and Hx controls the gate drive output of the high-side FET (See Table 1).

Table 1: Input Logic Truth Table

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nFAULT

nFAULT reports to the system when a fault condition (such as over-current or over-temperature) is detected. nFAULT is an open-drain output, and is driven low when a fault condition occurs. If the fault condition is released, nFAULT is pulled high by an external pull-up resistor.

Short-Circuit Protection (VDS Sensing)

To protect the power stage from damage caused by high currents, VDS sensing circuitry is implemented in the MPQ6531. The voltage drop across each MOSFET is sensed. This voltage is proportional to the RDS(ON) of the MOSFET and the IDS current passing through it. If this voltage exceeds the voltage supplied to the OCREF terminal, a short circuit is recognized.

In the event of a short circuit, the MPQ6531 disables all of the gate drive outputs. nFAULT is driven active low. The device will stay latched off until it is reset by nSLEEP or VIN UVLO.

Short-circuit protection can be disabled by connection a 100kΩ resistor from VREG to OCREF.
Over-Current Protection (OCP)
The MPQ6531 implements output over-current protection (OCP) by monitoring the current through a low-side shunt resistor connected to the low-side MOSFETs. This resistor is connected to the LSS input pin and the low-side MOSFET source terminals. If the OCP function is not desired, the LSS pin and MOSFET source terminals should all be connected to ground directly.

If the LSS voltage (the voltage across the shunt resistor) exceeds the LSS OCP threshold voltage \( V_{\text{LSS-OCP}} \), an OCP event is recognized. Once an OCP event is detected, the MPQ6531 enters a latched fault state and disables all functions. The device remains latched off until it is reset by nSLEEP or VIN UVLO.

The OCP current limit level is selected by the value of the current sense resistor at the LSS pin. See the Applications Information section for more information.

OCP protection can be disabled by connecting a 100kΩ resistor from VREG to OCREF.

Short-Circuit and OCP Deglitch Time
There is often a current spike during switching transitions caused by body diode reverse-recovery current or the distributed capacitance of the load. This current spike requires filtering to prevent it from erroneously triggering OCP. An internal fixed deglitch time \( t_{\text{OC}} \) blanks the output of the VDS monitor when the outputs are switched.

Dead-Time Adjustment
To prevent shoot-through in any phase of the bridge, it is necessary to have a dead time \( t_{\text{DEAD}} \) between a high- or low-side turn-off and the next complementary turn-on event. The dead time for all three phases is set by a single dead-time resistor \( R_{\text{DT}} \) between DT and ground with Equation (1):

\[
t_{\text{DEAD}}(\text{ns}) = 60 \times R(\text{kΩ})
\]

If DT is connected to ground directly, an internal minimum dead time (90ns) will be applied.

Under-Voltage Lockout (UVLO) Protection
If at any time the voltage on VIN falls below the under-voltage lockout threshold \( V_{\text{IN RISE}} \), all circuitry in the MPQ6531 is disabled and the internal logic is reset. Operation resumes with the power-up sequence when \( V_{\text{IN}} \) rises above the UVLO threshold.

If for any reason the voltage on VREG drops below the \( V_{\text{REG RISE}} \) threshold, gate drive outputs disable. nFAULT is driven active low. Operation resumes when VREG rises above the threshold.

Thermal Shutdown
If the die temperature exceeds safe limits, the MPQ6531 disables outputs. Operation resumes when the temperature has fallen to a safe level.

PCB Mounting
To comply with IPC-2221 or IPC-9592 standards, conformal coating may be required after mounting the device on the PCB.
APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

Input Voltage (VIN)
VIN supplies all power to the device. It must be properly bypassed with a capacitor to ground. The normal operating range of VIN is between 5V and 60V.

VIN should never be allowed to exceed the absolute maximum ratings, even in a short-term transient condition, or damage to the device may result. In some cases, especially where mechanical energy can turn a motor into a generator, it may be necessary to use some form of over-voltage protection, such as a TVS diode, between VIN and ground.

Component Selection

MOSFET Selection
Correctly selecting the power MOSFETs used to drive a motor is crucial to designing a successful motor drive.

The MOSFET must have a VDS breakdown voltage higher than the supply voltage. A considerable margin (10V to 15V) should be added to prevent MOSFET damage from transient voltages caused by parasitic inductances in the PCB layout and wiring. For example, for 24V power supply applications, MOSFETs should have a minimum breakdown voltage of 40V to 60V. More margin is desirable in high-current applications, since the transients caused by parasitic inductances may be larger.

There are also conditions, such as regenerative braking, that can inject current back into the power supply. Care must be taken so that this does not increase the power supply voltage enough to damage components.

The MOSFETs must be able to safely pass the current needed to run the motor. The highest current condition (normally when the motor is first started or stalled) needs to be supported. This is typically called the stall current of the motor.

Similar to the current capability of the MOSFET is the $R_{DS(ON)}$, which is the resistance of the MOSFET when it is fully turned on. The MOSFET dissipates power proportional to the $R_{DS(ON)}$ and the motor current, shown in Equation (2):

$$P = I^2R$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

$R_{DS(ON)}$ must be selected so that for the desired motor current, the heat generated can be dissipated safely. In some cases, this may require special PCB design considerations and/or external heatsinks to be used for the MOSFETs.

Consideration should be made for the safe operating area (SOA) of the MOSFETs during fault conditions, such as a short circuit. The IC acts quickly in the event of a short, but there is still a very short amount of time (about 3µS) when large currents can flow in the MOSFETs before the protection circuits recognize the fault and disable the outputs.

External Capacitor Selection

The MPQ6531 can provide a gate drive voltage (VREG) of 10V to 12V even if the input supply voltage drops as low as 5V. This gate drive voltage is generated by a charge pump inside the part, which uses external capacitors.

The charge pump flying capacitor ($C_{CP}$) should have a capacitance of 470nF. The capacitor must be rated to withstand the maximum $V_{IN}$ power supply voltage. An X7R or X5R ceramic capacitor is recommended. With a 470nF capacitor, VREG can output approximately 10mA when $V_{IN}$ is 5V. If operation below 10V is not needed, a 220nF capacitor can be used.

Use bootstrap capacitors to provide the large peak currents needed to turn on the HS MOSFET. These capacitors are charged when the output is driven low, and then the charge in the bootstrap capacitor is used to turn on the HS MOSFET when the output is driven high. Note that an internal charge pump keeps the bootstrap capacitor charged when the output is held high for an extended period.

Bootstrap capacitors are selected depending on the MOSFET total gate charge. When the HS MOSFET is turned on, the charge stored in the bootstrap capacitor is transferred to the HS MOSFET gate. As a simplified approximation, the minimum bootstrap capacitance can be estimated with Equation (3):

$$C_{BOOT} > 8*Q_G$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)
Where $Q_G$ is the total gate charge of the MOSFET in nC, and $C_{BOOT}$ is in nF.

Bootstrap capacitors should not exceed 1µF, or they may cause improper operation at start-up. For most applications, bootstrap capacitors should be between 0.1µF and 1µF, X5R or X7R ceramic, rated for 25V minimum.

VREG requires a bypass capacitor to ground, placed as close to the device as possible. At a minimum, this capacitor should be a 10µF, X7R, or X5R ceramic capacitor rated for 16V.

VIN requires a bypass capacitor to ground, placed as close as possible to the device. At a minimum, a 0.1µF X5R or X7R ceramic capacitor rated for the VIN voltage is recommended.

Depending on the power supply impedance and the distance between the MOSFETs and the power supply, additional bulk capacitance is usually needed. Low ESR electrolytic capacitors between 47µF and 470µF are typically used.

**Dead-Time Resistor Selection**

During the transition between driving an output low and high, there is a short period when neither the HS nor LS MOSFET are turned on. This period is called dead time, and is needed to prevent any overlap in conduction between HS and LS MOSFETs, which creates a short circuit directly between the power supply and ground. This condition, referred to as shoot-through, causes large transient currents and can destroy the MOSFETs.

Since motors are naturally inductive, once current is flowing in the motor, it cannot stop immediately, even if the MOSFETs are turned off. This recirculation current continues to flow in the original direction until the magnetic field has decayed.

When the MOSFETs are turned off, this current flows through the body diode, which is inherent in the MOSFET device.

MOSFET body diodes have a much higher voltage drop than the MOSFET has during conduction, so more power is dissipated during body diode conduction than during on time. Because of this, it is desirable to minimize dead time. However, dead time must be made long enough to guarantee under all conditions that the HS and LS MOSFETs are never turned on at the same time.

Dead time can be set over a large range by selecting the value of the external resistor connected to DT. Usually, a good dead time is about 1µS, which requires a 20kΩ resistor on DT. If faster switching and/or a high PWM frequency (over ~30kHz) is used, a shorter dead time may be desirable. If switching is slowed using external gate resistors, a longer dead time may be needed.

The waveform in Figure 2 shows a ~300ns dead time between the LS gate turn-off and the HS gate turn-on.

![Figure 2: Dead Time](image-url)

**LSS Resistor Selection**

If the LSS voltage exceeds 500mV, an over-current event is recognized. The external sense resistor is sized to provide a drop less than 500mV at the maximum expected motor current. For example, if a 50mΩ resistor is used, a current of 10A will cause a 500mV drop, and activate the over-current protection.

If this function is not needed, connect LSS to ground directly.

**OCREF Voltage Selection**

An internal comparator compares the voltage drop across each MOSFET with a voltage provided externally on the OCREF input pin. This voltage is normally provided by an external resistor divider from a convenient power supply. If the drop across any MOSFET exceeds the voltage on OCREF, a short-circuit event is recognized.

If this function is not needed, connect OCREF to VREG through a 100kΩ resistor.
Gate Drive Considerations

The gate characteristics of the selected MOSFETs will affect how fast they are switched on and off. The gate drive outputs of the MPQ6531 can be connected to the gates of the power MOSFETs directly, which results in the fastest possible turn-on and turn-off times. However, it may be advantageous to add external components (resistors and/or diodes) to modify the MOSFET turn-on and turn-off characteristics.

Adding external series resistance (typically $10\,\Omega$ to $100\,\Omega$) limits the current that charges and discharges the gate of the MOSFET, which slows down the turn-on and turn-off times. This is sometimes desirable to control EMI and noise. However, slowing the transition down too much results in a large power dissipation in the MOSFET during switching.

In some cases, it is desirable to have a slow turn-on, but a fast turn-off. This can be implemented by using a series resistor in parallel with a diode (see Figure 3). During turn-on, the resistor limits the current flow into the gate. During turn-off, the gate is discharged quickly through the diode.

![Figure 3: Gate Circuit for Fast Turn-Off](image)

The waveform in Figure 4 shows the gates of the LS and HS MOSFETs, and the phase node (output) with no series resistance. The gates transition quickly, and the resulting rise time on the phase node is quite fast (note the scale is 100ns/div).

![Figure 4: Switching with No Series Resistance](image)

The waveform in Figure 5 shows the effect of adding a $100\,\Omega$ series resistor between the GLA and GLH pins and the MOSFET gates. Rise time on the phase node has been slowed significantly (note the scale is 200ns/div).

![Figure 5: Switching with 100Ω Series Resistance](image)

The waveform in Figure 6 shows the effect of adding a 1N4148 diode in parallel with the $100\,\Omega$ resistors (with the cathode connected to the IC). The fall time of the LS gate is quite fast compared to the HS gate rise time. The phase node moves even slower because of a longer period of time between when the LS MOSFET is turned off and the HS MOSFET is turned on.

![Figure 6: Switching with Resistance and Diode](image)
PCB Layout Guidelines

Efficient PCB layout is critical to the performance of the MOSFET gate drivers. In particular, the connection between the HS source and LS drain must be as direct as possible to avoid a negative undershoot on the phase node due to parasitic inductances. The pre-driver is designed to accommodate negative undershoot, but if it is excessive, unpredictable operation or damage to the IC can result. For best results, refer to Figure 7 (which shows the MP6532 in a 4mmx4mm QFN package) and follow the guidelines below:

1. Use surface-mounted N-channel MOSFETs, which allow for a very short connection between the HS and LS MOSFETs.

2. Use wide copper areas for all of the high-current paths.

3. Connect the low-side sense resistor, which is composed of three resistors in parallel (R25, R26, and R27), to the input supply and LS MOSFET source terminals with wide copper areas.

4. Place the charge pump and supply bypass capacitors as close to the IC as possible.

5. Connect the grounded side of these capacitors to a ground plan, which should be connected to the device ground pin and exposed pad.

6. Keep the high-current ground path between the input supply, input bulk capacitor (C19), and MOSFETs away from this area.

Figure 7: Recommended PCB Layout
PACKAGE INFORMATION

QFN-28 (4mm×5mm)

TOP VIEW

BOTTOM VIEW

SIDE VIEW

DETAIL A

RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN

NOTE:
1) ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.
2) EXPOSED PADOLE SIZE DOES NOT INCLUDE MOLD FLASH.
3) LEAD COPLANARITY SHALL BE 0.10 MILLIMETER MAX.
4) DRAWING CONFORMS TO JEDEC MO-220, VARIATION VHGD-3.
5) DRAWING IS NOT TO SCALE.

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