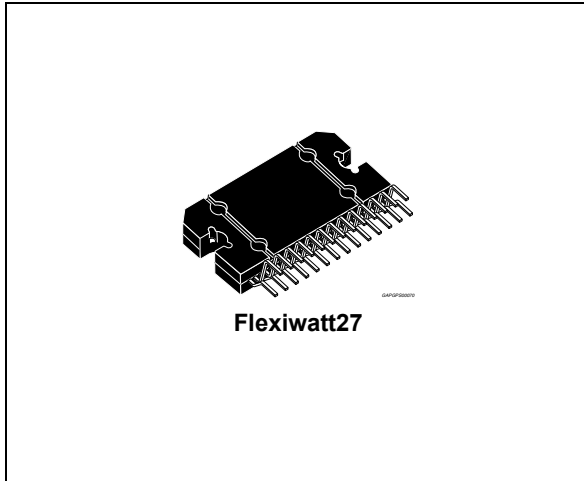


## 4 x 42 W quad bridge car radio amplifier

Datasheet - production data



- Clipping detector
- Offset detector
- Diagnostic facility for:
  - Out to GND short
  - Out to  $V_S$  short
  - Thermal shutdown
- Protections:
  - Output short circuit to GND, to  $V_S$ , across the load
  - Very inductive loads
  - Overrating chip temperature with soft thermal limiter
  - Load dump voltage
  - Fortuitous open GND
  - Output DC offset detector
  - Reversed battery
  - ESD

### Features

- High output power capability:
  - 4 x 42 W / 4  $\Omega$  max.
  - 4 x 27 W / 4  $\Omega$  @ 14.4 V, 1 kHz, 10 %
- Low distortion
- Low output noise
- Standby function
- Mute function
- Automute at min. supply voltage detection
- Low external component count:
  - Internally fixed gain (26 dB)
  - No external compensation
  - No bootstrap capacitors

### Description

The TDA7388A is a new technology class AB audio power amplifier in Flexiwatt27 package designed for high end car radio applications.

Thanks to the fully complementary PNP/NPN output configuration the TDA7388A allows a rail to rail output voltage swing with no need of bootstrap capacitors. The extremely reduced components count allows very compact sets.

The TDA7388A is also equipped with Clipping detector and Offset detector features.

**Table 1. Device summary**

Order code	Package	Packing
TDA7388A	Flexiwatt27	Tube

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# 1 Pin connection and test/application diagrams

Figure 1. Pin connections (top view)

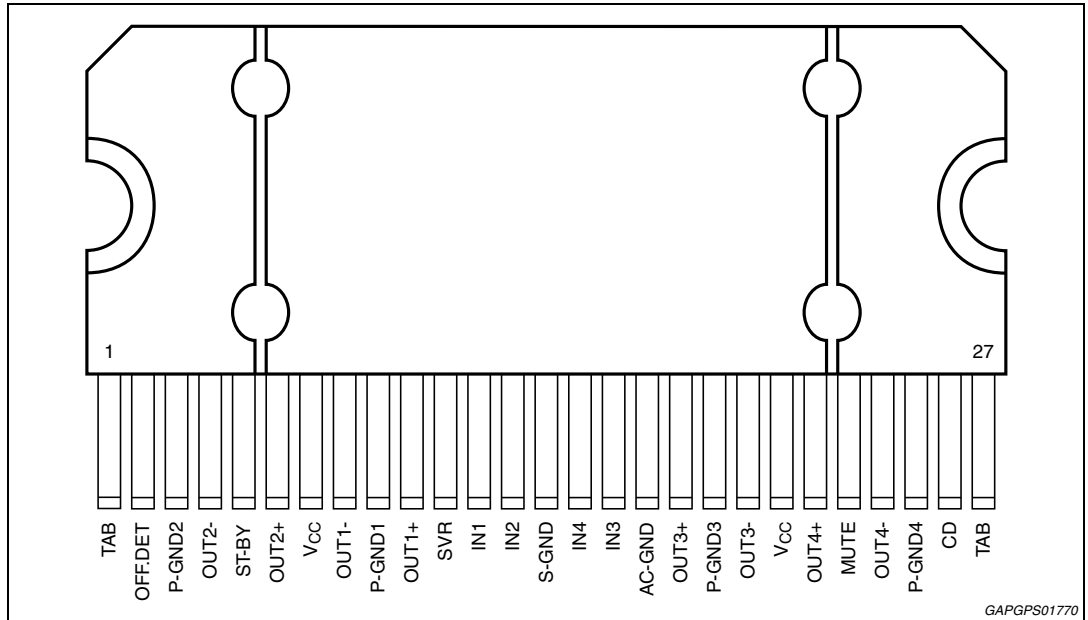
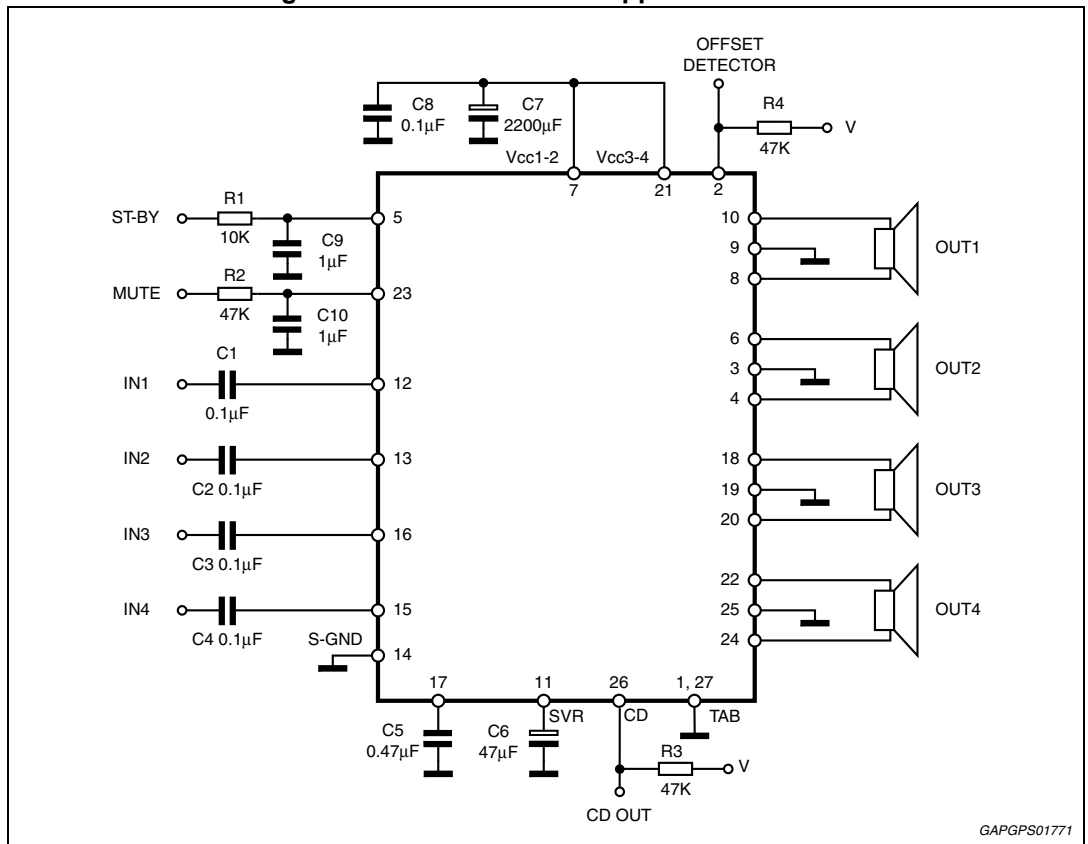


Figure 2. Standard test and application circuit



## 2 Electrical specifications

### 2.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$V_S$	Operating supply voltage	18	V
$V_{S(DC)}$	DC supply voltage	28	V
$V_{S(pk)}$	Peak supply voltage (t = 50 ms)	50	V
$I_O$	Output peak current: Repetitive (duty cycle 10 % at f = 10 Hz)	4.5	A
	Non repetitive (t = 100 $\mu$ s)	5.5	A
$P_{tot}$	Power dissipation, (T <sub>case</sub> = 70°C)	80	W
$T_j$	Junction temperature	150	°C
$T_{stg}$	Storage temperature	- 55 to 150	°C
$T_{amb}$	Operative temperature range	- 40 to 105	°C

### 2.2 Thermal data

Table 3. Thermal data

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$R_{th j-case}$	Thermal resistance junction-to-case	max. 1	°C/W

### 2.3 Electrical characteristics

$V_S = 14.4$  V; f = 1 kHz;  $R_g = 600$   $\Omega$ ;  $R_L = 4$   $\Omega$ ;  $T_{amb} = 25$  °C; Refer to the test and application diagram ([Figure 2](#)), unless otherwise specified.

Table 4. Electrical characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$I_{q1}$	Quiescent current	$R_L = \infty$	100	190	350	mA
$V_{OS}$	Output offset voltage	Play mode	-	-	$\pm 100$	mV
$dV_{OS}$	During mute ON/OFF output offset voltage	ITU R-ARM weighted see <a href="#">Figure 11</a>	-10	-	+10	mV
	During St-By ON/OFF output offset voltage		-50	-	+50	mV
$G_v$	Voltage gain	-	25	26	27	dB
$\Delta G_v$	Channel gain unbalance	-	-	-	$\pm 1$	dB
$P_o$	Output power	THD = 10 %; $V_S = 14.4$ V	25	27	-	W

Table 4. Electrical characteristics (continued)

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$P_{o\ max}$	Max.output power <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_S = 14.4\ V$	39	42	-	W
THD	Distortion	$P_o = 4\ W$	-	0.04	0.10	%
$e_{No}$	Output noise	"A" Weighted	-	50	70	$\mu V$
		Bw = 20 Hz to 20 kHz	-	70	100	$\mu V$
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	$f = 100\ Hz; V_r = 1\ V_{rms}$	50	65	-	dB
$f_{ch}$	High cut-off frequency	$P_o = 0.5\ W$	100	200	-	kHz
$R_i$	Input Impedance	-	70	100	-	k $\Omega$
$C_T$	Cross talk	$f = 1\ kHz; P_o = 4\ W$	60	70	-	dB
		$f = 10\ kHz; P_o = 4\ W$	-	60	-	dB
$I_{SB}$	Standby current consumption	$V_{St-By} = 0\ V$	-	-	20	$\mu A$
$I_{pin4}$	Standby pin current	$V_{St-By} = 1.2\ to\ 2.6\ V$	-	-	$\pm 10$	$\mu A$
$V_{SB\ out}$	Standby out threshold voltage	(Amp: on)	2.6	-	-	V
$V_{SB\ in}$	Standby in threshold voltage	(Amp: off)	-	-	1.2	V
$A_M$	Mute attenuation	$P_{Oref} = 4\ W$	80	90	-	dB
$V_{M\ out}$	Mute out threshold voltage	(Amp: Play)	2.6	-	-	V
$V_{M\ in}$	Mute in threshold voltage	(Amp: Mute)	-	-	1.2	V
$V_{AM\ in}$	$V_S$ automute threshold	(Amp: Mute); Att $\geq 80\ dB$ ; $P_{Oref} = 4\ W$	-	-	6.5	V
		(Amp: Play); Att $< 0.1\ dB$ ; $P_o = 0.5\ W$	-	7.6	8.5	V
$I_{pin22}$	Muting pin current	$V_{MUTE} = 1.2\ V$ (Source current)	5	11	20	$\mu A$
<b>Offset detector</b>						
$V_{off}$	Detected diff. output offset	$V_{St-by} = 5V$	$\pm 1.4$	$\pm 2$	$\pm 2.6$	V
$V_{OFF\ LK}$	$V_{OFF}$ high leakage current	OD off	-	-	10	$\mu A$
$V_{OFF\ SAT}$	$V_{OFF}$ det saturation voltage	OD on; $I_{OD} = 1\ mA$	-	300	-	mV
<b>Clipping detector</b>						
$CD_{LK}$	Clip det high leakage current	CD Off	-	-	10	$\mu A$
$CD_{SAT}$	Clip det sat voltage	DC On; $I_{CD} = 1\ mA$	-	300	-	mV
$CD_{THD}$	Clip det THD level	-	-	0.2	-	%

1. Saturated square wave output.

## 2.4 Electrical characteristic curves

Figure 3. Quiescent current vs. supply voltage

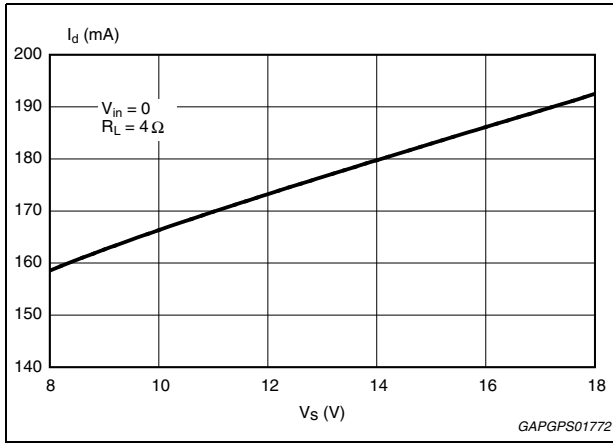


Figure 4. Output power vs. supply voltage (4 Ohm)

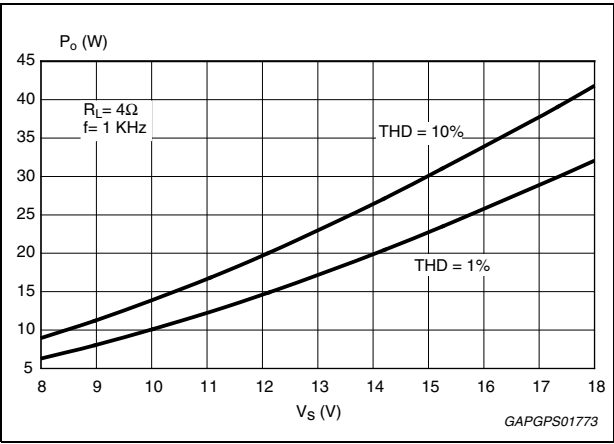


Figure 5. Distortion vs. output power

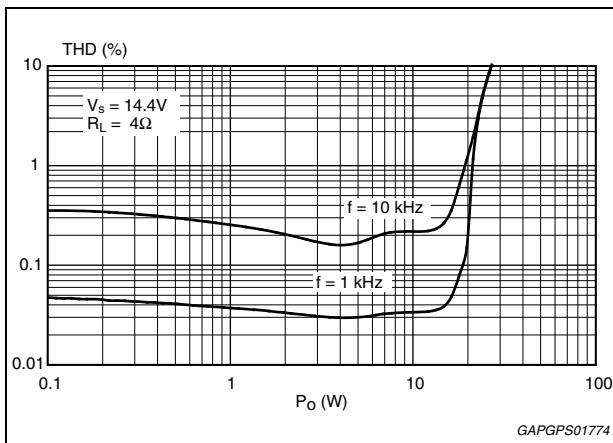


Figure 6. Distortion vs. frequency

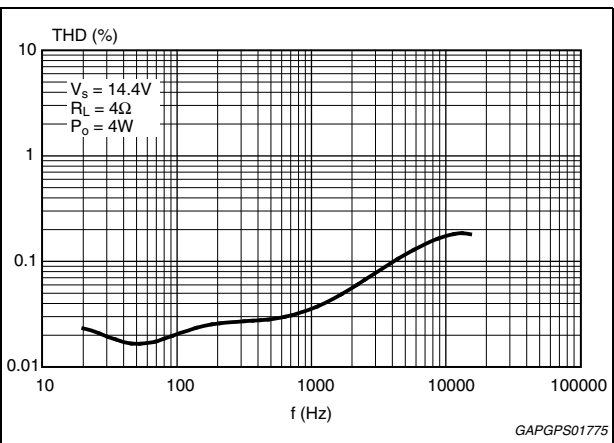




Figure 7. Supply voltage rejection vs. frequency

Figure 8. Crosstalk vs. frequency

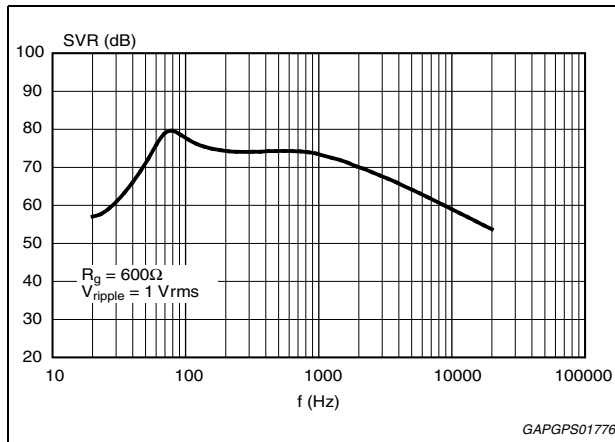


Figure 9. Output noise vs. source resistance

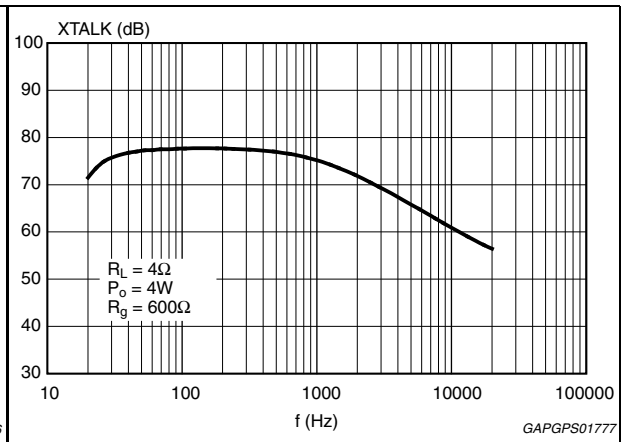


Figure 10. Power dissipation & efficiency vs. output power

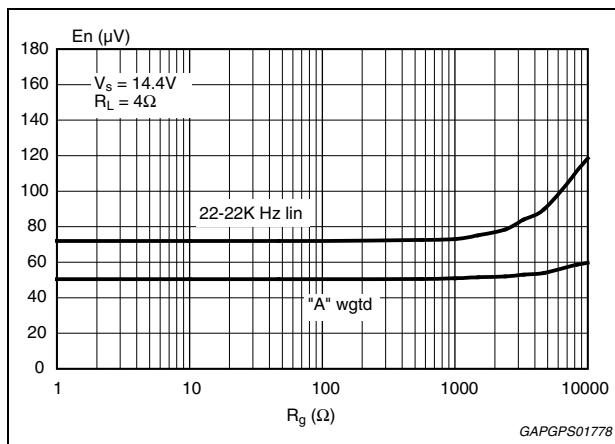
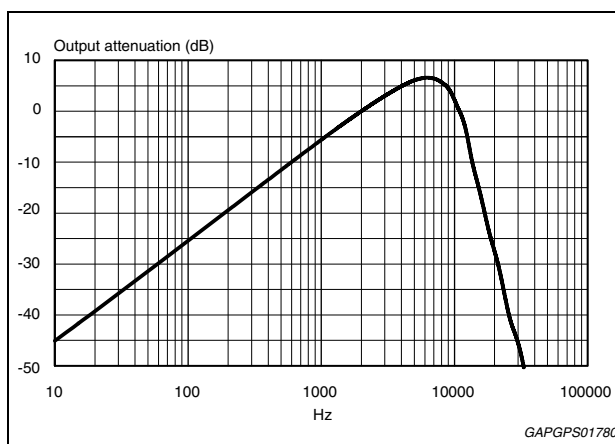
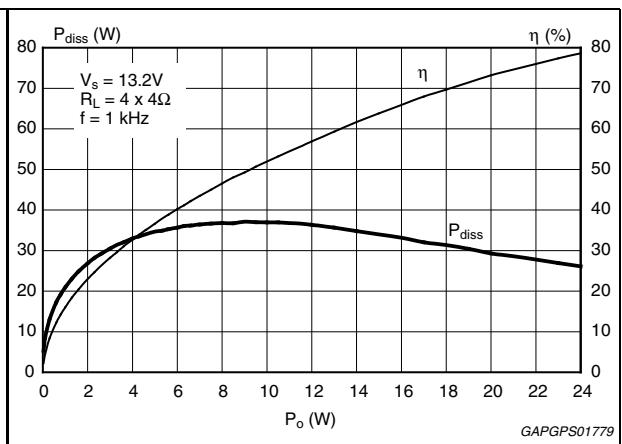


Figure 11. ITU R-ARM frequency response, weighting filter for transient pop



## 3 Application hints

Ref. to the circuit of [Figure 2](#).

### 3.1 SVR

Besides its contribution to the ripple rejection, the SVR capacitor governs the turn ON/OFF time sequence and, consequently, plays an essential role in the pop optimization during ON/OFF transients.

To conveniently serve both needs, **its minimum recommended value is 10  $\mu\text{F}$** .

### 3.2 Input stage

The TDA7388A's inputs are ground-compatible and can stand very high input signals ( $\pm 8$  Vpk) without any performances degradation.

If the standard value for the input capacitors (0.1  $\mu\text{F}$ ) is adopted, the low frequency cut-off will amount to 16 Hz.

### 3.3 Standby and muting

Standby and muting facilities are both 3.3V CMOS-compatible. If unused, a straight connection to  $V_S$  of their respective pins would be admissible.

Conventional/low-power transistors can be employed to drive muting and stand-by pins in absence of true CMOS ports or microprocessors. R-C cells have always to be used in order to smooth down the transitions for preventing any audible transient noises.

Since a DC current of about 10  $\mu\text{A}$  normally flows out of pin 23, the maximum allowable muting-series resistance ( $R_2$ ) is 70 k $\Omega$ , which is sufficiently high to permit a muting capacitor reasonably small (about 1  $\mu\text{F}$ ).

If  $R_2$  is higher than recommended, the involved risk will be that the voltage at pin 23 may rise to above the 1.5 V threshold voltage and the device will consequently fail to turn OFF when the mute line is brought down.

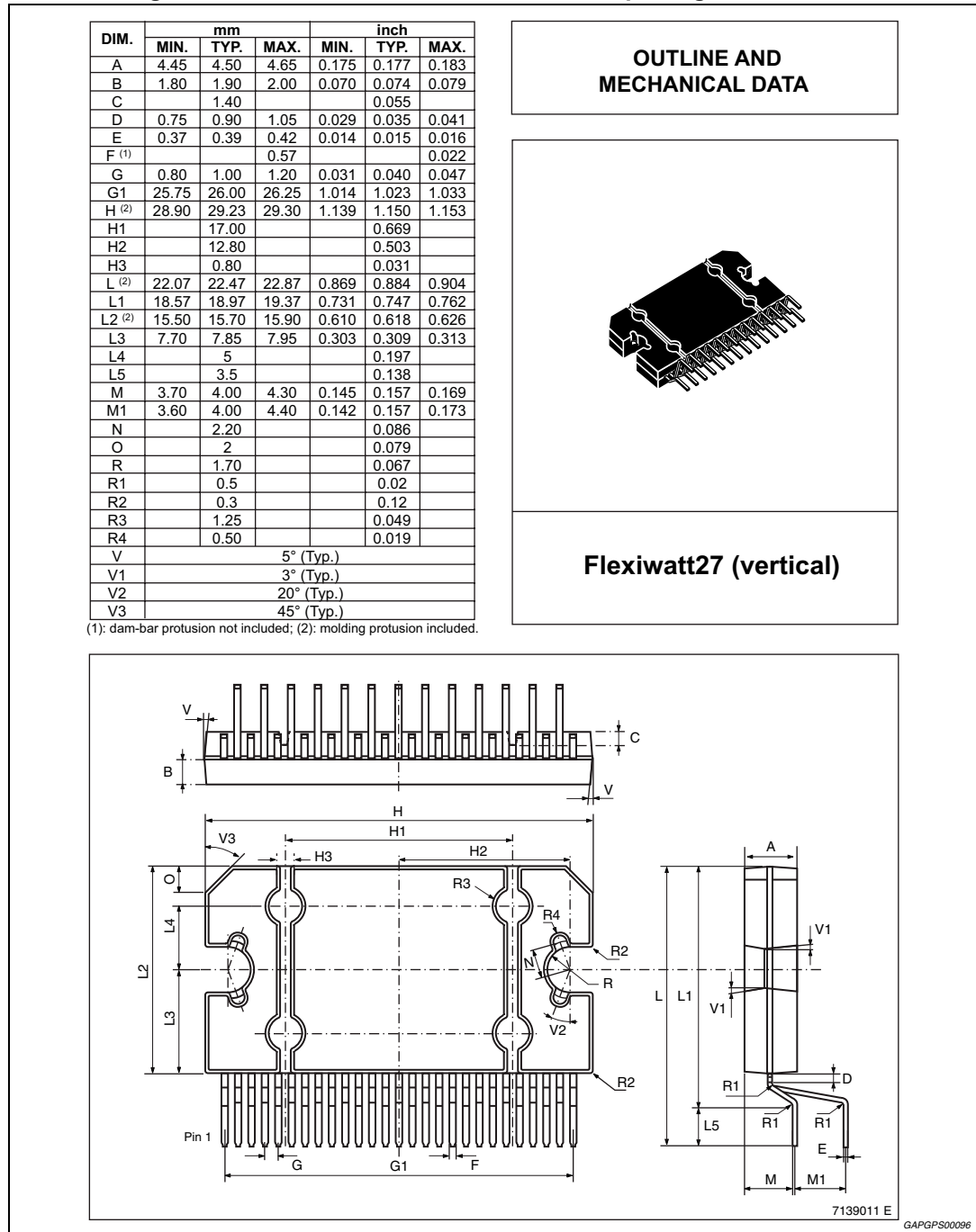
About the stand-by, the time constant to be assigned in order to obtain a virtually pop-free transition has to be slower than 2.5 V/ms.

# 4 Package information

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**Figure 12. Flexiwatt27 mechanical data and package dimensions**



## 5 Revision history

**Table 5. Document revision history**

Date	Revision	Changes
06-Dec-2007	1	Initial release.
15-Oct-2008	2	Document status promoted from preliminary data to datasheet. Updated <a href="#">Table 3: Thermal data on page 6</a> .
06-Jul-2012	3	Updated <a href="#">Table 2: Absolute maximum ratings on page 6</a> .
11-Mar-2013	4	Update <a href="#">Figure 8: Crosstalk vs. frequency on page 9</a> .
17-Sep-2013	5	Updated Disclaimer.

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