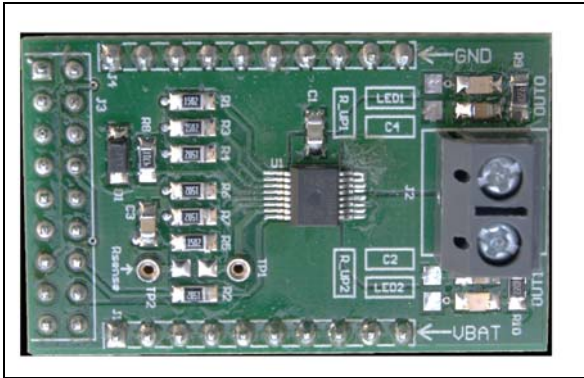


## VN7008AJ Evaluation Board

Data brief



### Features

|                                   |            |                |
|-----------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Max transient supply voltage      | $V_{CC}$   | 40 V           |
| Operating voltage range           | $V_{CC}$   | 4 to 28 V      |
| Typ. on-state resistance (per Ch) | $R_{ON}$   | 8.5 m $\Omega$ |
| Current limitation (typ)          | $I_{LIMH}$ | 96 A           |
| Stand-by current (max)            | $I_{STBY}$ | 0.5 $\mu$ A    |

- Simple single IC application board dedicated for VN7008AJ
- Provides electrical connectivity and thermal heat-sinking for easy prototyping
- General device features
  - Single channel smart high-side driver with CurrentSense analog feedback
  - Very low standby current
  - Compatible with 3 V and 5 V CMOS outputs
- Diagnostic functions
  - Dedicated high precision proportional load current sense
  - Overload and short to ground (power limitation) indication

- Thermal shutdown indication
- OFF-state open-load detection
- Output short to VCC detection
- Sense enable/ disable
- Protections
  - Undervoltage shutdown
  - Overvoltage clamp
  - Load current limitation
  - Self limiting of fast thermal transients
  - Configurable latch-off on overtemperature or power limitation with dedicated fault reset pin
  - Loss of ground and loss of VCC
  - Reverse battery with external components
  - Electrostatic discharge protection

### Applications

Specially intended for Automotive Smart Power Distribution, Glow Plug, Heating Systems, DC Motors, Relay replacement and high power resistive and inductive actuators.

### Description

This board provides you an easy way to connect STMicroelectronics<sup>®</sup> VIPower<sup>®</sup> M0-7 technology into your existing system.

**Table 1. Device summary**

| Order Code  | Reference                 |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| EV-VN7008AJ | VN7008AJ Evaluation Board |

# 1 Overview

The board comes pre-assembled with VN7008AJ high-side driver. On board minimum set of electrical components (as for device datasheet recommendation) is enabling the user to directly connect the load, the power supply and the microcontroller without any additional effort in external component design and connection.

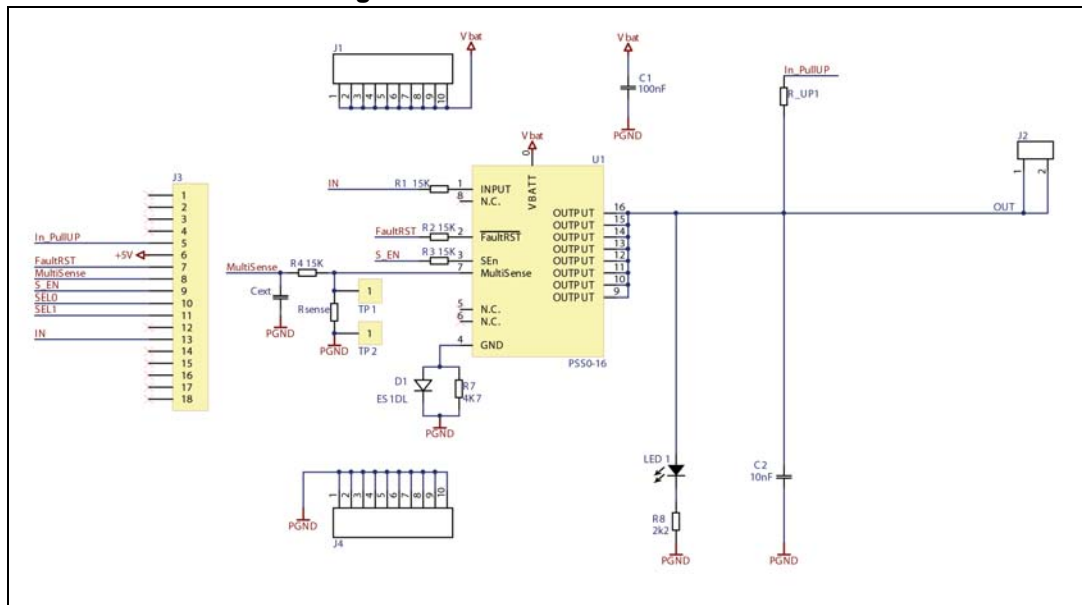
The VN7008AJ is a single channel high-side driver manufactured using ST proprietary VIPower technology and housed in PowerSSO-16 package. The device is designed to drive 12 V automotive grounded loads through a 3 V and 5 V CMOS-compatible interface, providing protection and diagnostics.

The device integrates advanced protective functions such as load current limitation, overload active management by power limitation and overtemperature shutdown with configurable latch-off.

A FaultRST pin unlatches the output in case of fault or disables the latch-off functionality.

A sense enable pin allows OFF-state diagnosis to be disabled during the module low-power mode as well as external sense resistor sharing among similar devices.

Figure 1. EV-VN7008AJ schematic



## 2 Board connections

Figure 2 shows the placement of the connectors to be used for supplying the evaluation board, connecting the load and controlling the functionality and diagnostic of the device.

Figure 2. Evaluation board connections

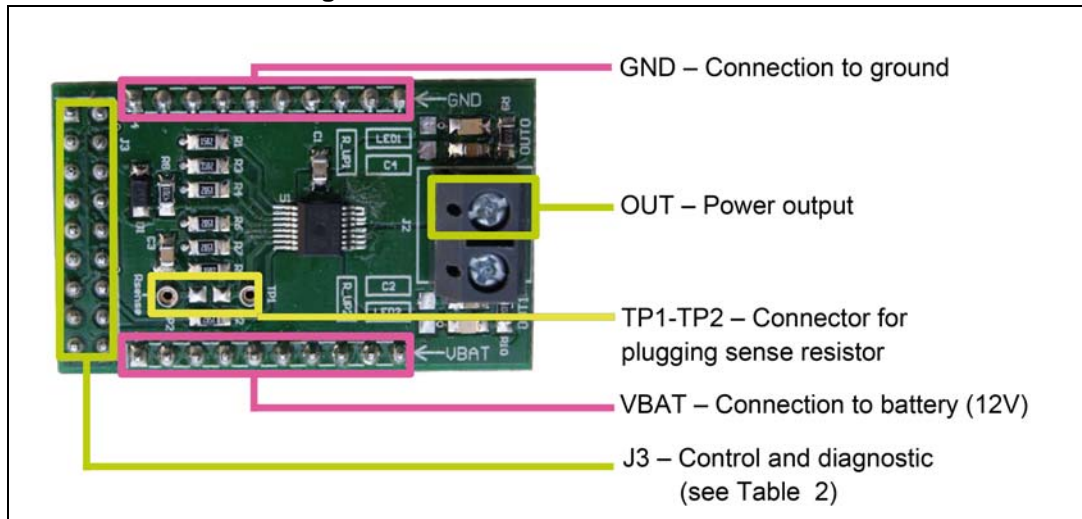


Table 2. J3 connector: pin functions

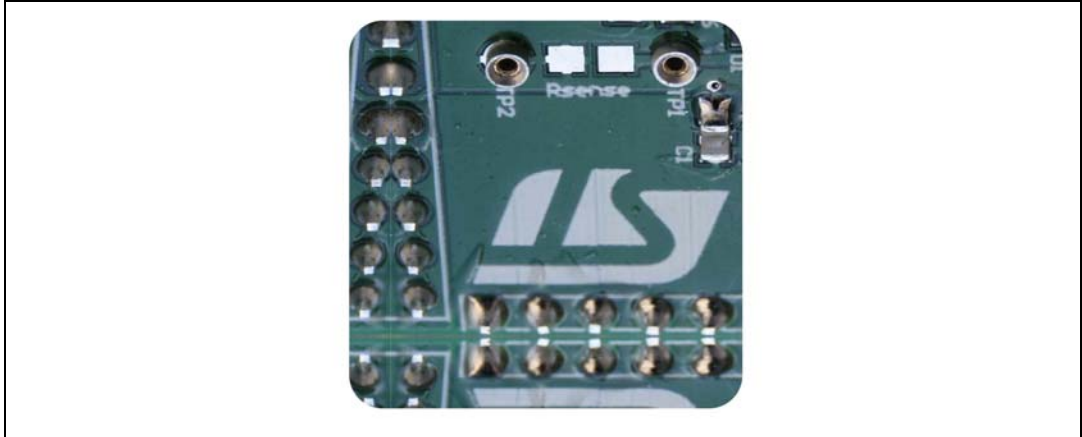
| Connector | Pin number | Pin name   | Pin function  |
|-----------|------------|------------|---|
| J3        | 1...4      | N/A        | Not connected   |
| J3        | 5          | IN_PullUP  | Connection to optional external pull-up resistor for open load detection in off-state.  |
| J3        | 6          | +5 V       | 5V Power Supply   |
| J3        | 7          | FaultRST   | Active low compatible with 3 V and 5 V CMOS outputs pin; it unlatches the output in case of fault; If kept low, sets the outputs in auto-restart. |
| J3        | 8          | Multisense | Analog current sense output pin delivers a current proportional to the load current.  |
| J3        | 9          | S_EN       | Active high compatible with 3 V and 5 V CMOS outputs pin; it enables the MultiSense diagnostic pin.   |
| J3        | 10...12    | N/A        | Not connected   |
| J3        | 13         | IN         | Voltage controlled input pin with hysteresis, compatible with 3 V and 5 V CMOS outputs. It controls OUT0 switch state.                            |
| J3        | 14... 18   | N/A        | Not connected   |

In case the user wishes to utilize the Current Sense / MultiSense function of the device, it is necessary to plug a sense resistor in Rsense.

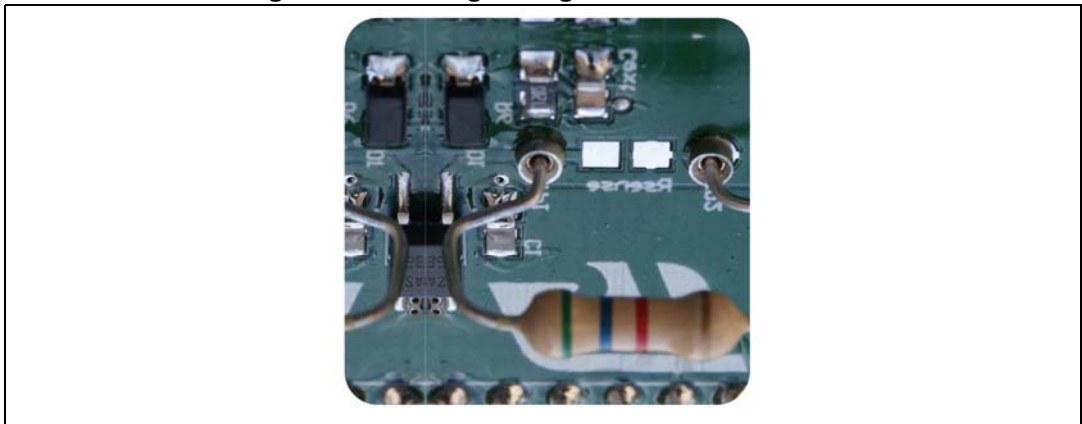
The package includes a through-hole resistor, to be mounted on TP1-TP2 - see Figure 4.

Different  $R_{sense}$  values can be adopted based on user preference.  
Another option is soldering an SMD resistor on the dedicated PCB pad, as shown in [Figure 5](#).

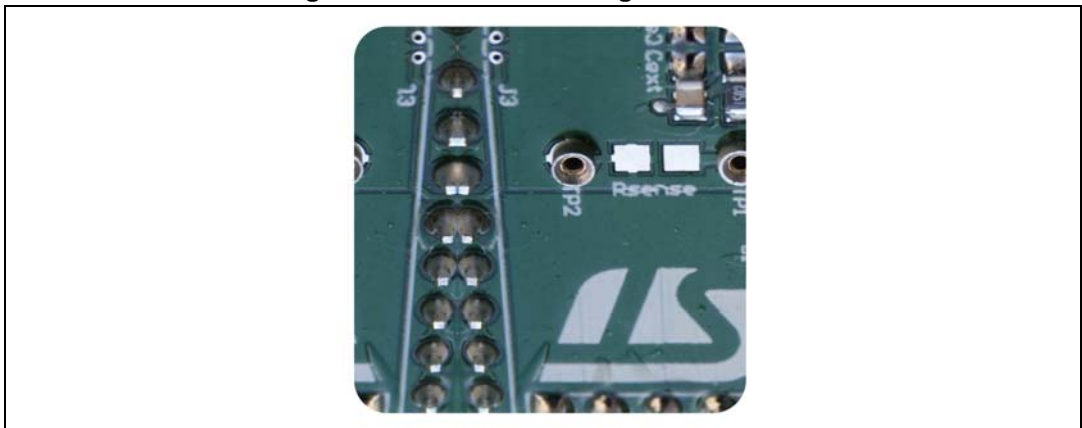
**Figure 3. No sense resistor**



**Figure 4. Mounting through-hole sense resistor**



**Figure 5. Pads for soldering SMD resistor**



### 3 Thermal data

**Table 3. EV-VN7008AJ thermal data**

| Symbol   | Parameter                                 | Max | Unit |
|----------|---|-----|------|
| Rthj-amb | Thermal resistance junction-ambient (MAX) | 39° | °C/W |

**Table 4. PCB specifications**

| Parameter               | Value           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Board dimensions        | 25 mm x 41.5 mm |
| Number of Cu layer      | 2               |
| Layer Cu thickness      | 35 µm           |
| Board finish thickness  | 1.6 mm +/- 10%  |
| Board Material          | FR4             |
| Thermal vias separation | 1.1 mm          |
| Thermal vias diameter   | 0.5 mm          |

## 4 Revision history

Table 5. Document revision history

| Date        | Revision | Changes          |
|-------------|----------|------------------|
| 11-Jan-2017 | 1        | Initial release. |

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