



# **ActivePSR TM ACT35 Primary Switching Regulator**

### **FEATURES**

- **Multiple Patent-Pending Primary Side Regulation Technology**
- **No Opto-coupler**
- **Best Constant Voltage, Constant Current Over All Accuracy**
- **Minimum External Components**
- **Integrated Line and Primary Inductance Compensation**
- **Integrated Output Cord Resistance Compensation**
- **Output Over-Voltage Protection**
- **Line Under-Voltage Protection**
- **Short Circuit Protection**
- **Over Temperature Protection**
- **Flyback Topology in DCM operation**
- **Complies with all Global Energy Efficient Regulations: 0.3W Standby Power and CEC Average Efficiency**
- **TO94 and SOT23-5 Packages**

### **APPLICATIONS**

- **Chargers for Cell Phones, PDAs, MP3, Portable Media Players, DSCs, and Other Portable Devices and Appliances**
- **RCC Adapter Replacements**
- **Linear Adapter Replacements**
- **Standby and Auxiliary Supplies**

# **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

**The ACT35 belongs to the high performance, multiple patent-pending ActivePSR TM Family of universal-input AC/DC off-line controllers for battery charger and adapter applications. It is designed forthe Flyback topology working in a discontinuous conduction mode (DCM). In** designed for the Flyback topology working in a<br>discontinuous conduction mode (DCM). In<br>addition to being industry's most accurate primary **side regulator, the ACT35 meets all of the global energy efficiency regulations (CEC, European Blue Angel, and US Energy Star standards) while using** very few external components.

**The ACT35 ensures safe operation with complete protection against all fault conditions. Built-in protection circuitry is provided for output over-voltage, output short-circuit, line under-voltage, and over-temperature conditions.**

**The ACT35 ActivePSR TM is optimized for cost-sensitive applications, and utilizes Active-Semi's proprietary primary-side feedback architecture to provide accurate constant voltage, constant current (CV/CC) regulation without the need of an opto-coupler or reference device. Integrated line and primary inductance compensation circuitry provides accurate constant current operation despite wide variations in line voltage and primary inductance. Integrated output cord resistance compensation further enhances output accuracy. The ACT35 achieves excellent regulation and transient response, yet requires less than 300mW of standby power.**

**The ACT35 is available three power range options. The ACT35A is optimized for 2W to 3W applications. The ACT35B is optimized for 3W to 4W applications. The ACT35C is optimized for 4W to 5W applications. All three options are available in space saving 4-pin TO94 and 5-pin SOT23-5 packages.**



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# **ORDERING INFORMATION**



# **PIN CONFIGURATION**





# **PIN DESCRIPTION**



# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

(Note: Do not exceed these limits to prevent damage to the device. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for long periods may affect device reliability.)



# **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

 $(V_{DD} = 15V, V_{OUT} = 5V, L_P = 1.7mH, N_P = 130, N_S = 10, N_A = 32, T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C unless otherwise specified.)



# **FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**



**Figure 2 ACT35 Functional Block Diagram**

## **FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION**

Figure 2 shows the Functional Block Diagram of the ACT35. Feedback regulation is done via several circuit blocks to pre-amplify the FB pin error voltage relative to an internal reference, filter out the switching transients, and integrate the resulting useful differential error voltage for current mode PFWM (Pulse Frequency and Width Modulation) control.

SW is a driver output that drives the emitter of an external high voltage NPN transistor or N-channel MOSFET. This emitter-drive method takes advantage of the high VCBO of the transistor, allowing a low cost transistor such as

 $(13003 \text{ (V<sub>CBO</sub> = 700V) or } 13002 \text{ (V<sub>CBO</sub> = 600V)}$ to be used for a wide AC input range.

#### **STARTUP MODE**

ACT35 Figure 1 VDD is the power supply terminal for the IC. During startup, the IC typically draws 30uA supply current. The bleed resistor from the rectified high voltage DC rail supplies current to VDD until it exceeds the  $V_{DDON}$ 

threshold of 18.5V. At this point, the IC enters normal operation with 1.5 mA supply current. Switching begins and the output voltage begins to rise. The VDD bypass capacitor must supply the IC and the NPN base drive until the output voltage builds up enough to provide power from the auxiliary winding to sustain the VDD. The  $V_{\text{DDOFE}}$  threshold is 8V, and therefore, the voltage on the VDD capacitor must not drop more than 10V while the output is charging up.

#### **CONSTANT VOLTAGE MODE**

In constant voltage operation, the IC captures the auxiliary flyback signal at FB pin (through a resistor divider network R3 and R4 in the Typical Application circuit). The FB pin is pre-amplified against the reference voltage, and the secondary side output voltage error is extracted based on Active-Semi's proprietary filter architecture. This error signal is then integrated by the Error Amplifier.

When the secondary output voltage is above regulation, the Error Amplifier output voltage decreases to reduce the switch current. When the secondary side is below regulation, the Error

Amplifier output voltage increases to ramp up the switch current to bring the secondary output back to regulation. The output regulation voltage is

determined by the following relationship:  
\n
$$
V_{\text{OUTCV}} = V_{\text{REF}} \cdot (1 + R_5/R_6) \cdot (N_S/N_A) - V_F
$$
\n(1)

where  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  are top and bottom feedback resistor. Ns and N<sub>A</sub> are numbers of transformer secondary and auxiliary turns, and  $V_F$  is the rectifier diode forward drop voltage at approximately 0.1A bias. The ACT35 includes internal feedback loop compensation to simplify application circuit design.

#### **CONSTANT CURRENT MODE**

When the secondary output current reaches a level set by the internal current limiting circuit, the IC enters current limit condition and causes the secondary output voltage to drop. As the output voltage decreases, so does the flyback voltage in a proportional manner. Internal current shaping circuitry adjusts the switching frequency based on the flyback voltage so that the transferred power remains proportional to the output voltage, resulting in a constant secondary side output current profile. The energy **PRII**<br>transferred to the output during each switching<br>cycle is <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>(L<sub>P</sub><sup>•</sup>I<sub>LIM</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>•</sup>Eff, where L<sub>P</sub> is the The transferred to the output during each switching cycle is  $\frac{1}{2}(L_P \cdot I_{LIM})^2 \cdot Eff$ , where  $L_P$  is the transformer primary inductance,  $I_{LIM}$  is the primary peak current, and Eff is the conversion efficiency. From this formula, the constant output

current can be derived:  
\n
$$
I_{\text{OUTCC}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot L_{\text{P}} \cdot (I_{\text{LIM}})^2 \cdot \text{Eff} \cdot f_{\text{SW}} / V_{\text{OUT}} \tag{2}
$$

where  $f_{SW}$  is the nominal switching frequency and  $V_{\text{OUT}}$  is the secondary output voltage. The constant current operation typically extends down to lower than 40% of output voltage regulation.

#### **LIGHT LOAD MODE**

When the secondary side output load current decreases to an internally set light load level, the IC's switching frequency is also reduced to save power. This enables the application to meet all current green energy standards. The switching frequency reduction is clamped at 2 kHz. However, the actual minimum switching frequency is programmable with a small dummy load (while still meeting standby power).

#### **SHORT CIRCUIT MODE**

When the secondary side output is short circuited, the ACT35 enters hiccup mode operation. In this condition, the auxiliary supply voltage collapses and the VDD voltage drops below the  $V_{DDOFF}$  threshold. This turns off the  $IC$ and causes it to restart. This hiccup behavior continues until the short circuit is removed.

#### **OUTPUT OVER VOLTAGE PROTECTION**

The ACT35 includes output over-voltage protection circuitry, which shuts down the IC when the output voltage is 40% above the normal regulation voltage or when no feedback signal is detected for 8 consecutive switching cycles. The IC enters hiccup mode when an output over voltage fault is detected.

#### **LOOP COMPENSATION**

The ACT35 integrates loop compensation circuitry for simplified application design, optimized transient response, and minimal external components.

#### **PRIMARY INDUCTANCE COMPENSATION**

The ACT35 includes built-in primary inductance compensation to maintain constant current regulation despite variations in transformer manufacturing.

#### **PEAK INDUCTOR CURRENT LIMIT COMPENSATION**

The ACT35 includes peak inductor current limit compensation to achieve constant input power over wide line and wide load range.

#### **OUTPUT CORD RESISTANCE COMPENSATION**

The ACT35 provides automatic output cord resistance compensation during constant voltage regulation, monotonically adding an output voltage correction up to a typical correction of 3.2% at full power. This feature allows for better output voltage accuracy by compensating for the output voltage droop due to the output cord resistance.

# **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

#### **EXTERNAL POWER TRANSISTOR**

The ACT35 allows a low-cost high voltage power NPN transistor such as '13003 or '13002 to be used safely in flyback configuration. The required collector voltage rating for  $V_{AC}$  = 265V with full output load is at least 600V to 700V. As seen from Figure 5, NPN Reverse Bias Safe Operation Area, the breakdown voltage of an<br>NPN is significantly improved when it is driven at<br>its emitter. Thus, the ACT35+'13002 or '13003 NPN is significantly improved when it is driven at combination meet the necessary breakdown safety requirement even though RCC circuits its emitter. Thus, the ACT35+'13002 or '13003<br>combination meet the necessary breakdown<br>safety requirement even though RCC circuits<br>using '13002 or '13003 do not. Table 1 lists the breakdown voltage of some transistors appropriate for use with the ACT35.

The power dissipated in the NPN transistor is equal to the collector current times the collector-emitter voltage. As a result, the transistor must always be in saturation when turned on to prevent excessive power dissipation. Select an NPN transistor with sufficiently high current gain ( $h_{\text{FEMIN}} > 8$ ) and a base drive resistor low enough to ensure that the transistor easily saturates.

<b>DEVICE</b>	V <sub>сво</sub>	V <sub>CEO</sub>	Ιc	<b>h</b> <sub>FEMIN</sub>	<b>PACKAGE</b>		., р
MJE13002	600V	300V	1.5A	25	TO <sub>126</sub>		
MJE13003, KSE13003	700V	400V	1.5A	25	TO <sub>126</sub>		to a
STX13003	700V	400V	1A	25	TO92		

**Table 1 Recommended NPN Transistors**



**Figure 3 NPN Reverse Bias Safe Operation Area**

#### **CONSTANT OUTPUT CURRENT DESIGN**

The ACT35A/B/C are able to cover 2W to 5W charger application by adjusting the feedback resistors and turn ratio of the transformer. The formula below is used to design the output constant current.

$$
\begin{aligned}\n\text{constant current.} \\
I_{\text{out}} &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \mathbf{K} \cdot I_{\text{LIM}} \cdot (N_{\text{P}} / N_{\text{S}}) \cdot R_{\text{S}} \cdot R_{\text{S}} / (R_{\text{S}} + R_{\text{S}}) \cdot \text{Eff} \n\end{aligned} \tag{3}
$$

K is the design constant 0.000063. EFF is the calculation efficiency. Usually 70% is used in general application. The feedback resistor  $R_5$  is designed to have value between 24K and 36K. Table 2 lists the recommended design values for the transformer and feedback resistor  $R_5$ .

#### **DESIGN PROCEDURE**

Refer to Table 2 for initial key component value selection. Component value fine tuning is then based on the following procedure:

- 1) Based on the product of output voltage (Vo) and current (Io), or output power (Po), choose the closest design case from Table 2.
- 2) Use  $N_P$ ,  $N_S$ ,  $R_S$  or  $R_6$  based on Equation (3) to increase or decrease output current or power.
- 3) Use  $N_s$ ,  $N_A$ ,  $R_5$  or  $R_6$  based on Equation (1) to adjust output voltage while keeping  $V_{DD}$ around 17.5V.

#### **DESIGN EXAMPLE #1 (5V / 750mA)**

- 1) Based on the output power  $(= 5V x 750mA =$ 3.75W), we can choose the design case # 5 or # 6. The output current must be increased if design case # 5 is chosen. And, the output current must be reduced if design case # 6 is chosen. Assume we choose design case # 5.
- 2) Based on Equation (3), we can increase  $N_P$ ,  $R_5$  or  $R_6$ , or reduce  $N_S$  to increase output current. For simplicity, we can keep  $N_P$  and  $N<sub>S</sub>$  unchanged and only adjust  $R<sub>5</sub>$  and  $R<sub>6</sub>$ . Since Io must be increased 1.071  $(=750mA/700mA)$  times,  $(R_5 \cdot R_6)/(R_5 \cdot R_6)$ must be increased to 1.071 times form the case # 5 initial component value.

$$
(R_5 \cdot R_6) / (R_5 + R_6)
$$
  
= 1.071 \cdot (30k \cdot 7.77k) / (30k + 7.77k)

Or,

 $(R_5 \cdot R_6)/(R_5 + R_6) = 6.610k$  (4)

3) Since the output voltage is unchanged, we need to keep  $R_6$ /( $R_5$ +  $R_6$ ) the same value based on Equation (1).

**Table 2 Initial Component Value**

 $R_6 / ( R_5 + R_6 )$ = 7.77k / (30k+ 7.77k) Or,  $R_6 / (R_5 + R_6) = 0.206$  (5)

#### **R5 & R6CALCULATION**

If we divide the whole Equation (4) by the whole Equation (5), we can obtain  $R_5 = 32.09$ k. We then apply this  $R_5$  value back to Equation (5) to obtain  $R_6 = 8.32k$ .

# **Design Output PSR Transformer Resistor network**



# **5V/700mA MOBILE PHONE CHARGER APPLICATION**

#### **DEMO BOARD**





**Figure 4 Demo Board Photo**





#### **BILLOF MATERIAL**

#### **Table 3 Build of Material for 5V/700mA Charger**



#### **PCB LAYOUT**



**Figure 6 5V/700mA Charger PCB Layout**

#### **TRANSFORMER SPECIFICATION**









Note: SH1 & SH2 are shielding, P1 & P2 are primary and S1 is secondary



**Figure 8 Transformer Build Diagram**

#### **TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES**



**Figure 9 Standby Power Vs Input Voltage**



**Figure 10 Efficiency Vs Ouput Power**

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**Figure 11 V-I Curves @ 25C**



**Figure 12 V-I Curves @ 0C**

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#### **Figure 13 V-I Curves @ 50C**



**Figure 14 V-I Curves with Lm=1.58mH (Lm-10%)**

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**Figure 15 V-I Curves with Lm=1.82mH (Lm + 10%)**



**Figure 16 Conducted EMI**

# **PACKAGE OUTLINE**

### **TO-94 PACKAGE OUTLINE AND DIMENSIONS (AMMO TAPE PACKING)**





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