

LOW POWER OFF LINE SMPS PRIMARY SWITCHER

TYPICAL POWER CAPABILITY

- **FIXED 60 KHZ SWITCHING FREQUENCY**
- $\textcolor{black}{\blacksquare}$ 9V TO 38V WIDE RANGE V $_{\text{DD}}$ VOLTAGE
- **CURRENT MODE CONTROL**
- **AUXILIARY UNDERVOLTAGE LOCKOUT** WITH HYSTERESIS
- **HIGH VOLTAGE START UP CURRENT** SOURCE
- OVERTEMPERATURE, OVERCURRENT AND OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION WITH AUTORESTART

DESCRIPTION

The VIPer12A combines a dedicated current mode PWM controller with a high voltage Power

BLOCK DIAGRAM

MOSFET on the same silicon chip. Typical applications cover off line power supplies for battery charger adapters, standby power supplies for TV or monitors, auxiliary supplies for motor control, etc. The internal control circuit offers the following benefits:

- Large input voltage range on the V_{DD} pin accommodates changes in auxiliary supply voltage. This feature is well adapted to battery charger adapter configurations.
- Automatic burst mode in low load condition.
- Overvoltage protection in hiccup mode.

PIN FUNCTION

CURRENT AND VOLTAGE CONVENTIONS

CONNECTION DIAGRAM

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Note: 1. This parameter applies when the start up current source is off. This is the case when the V_{DD} voltage has reached V_{DDon} and remains above V_{DDoff}.

2. This parameter applies when the start up current source is on. This is the case when the $\rm\,V_{DD}$ voltage has not yet reached V_{DDon} or has fallen below V_{DDoff}.

THERMAL DATA

Note: 1. When mounted on a standard single-sided FR4 board with 200 mm² of Cu (at least 35 µm thick) connected to all DRAIN pins.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (T_j=25°C, V_{DD}=18V, unless otherwise specified)

POWER SECTION

Note: 1. On clamped inductive load

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SUPPLY SECTION

Note: 1. These test conditions obtained with a resistive load are leading to the maximum conduction time of the device.

OSCILLATOR SECTION

PWM COMPARATOR SECTION

OVERTEMPERATURE SECTION

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Figure 2 : Start Up VDD Current

Figure 4 : Peak Drain Current Vs. Feedback Current

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Figure 8 : Rectangular U-I output characteristics for battery charger

RECTANGULAR U-I OUTPUT CHARACTERISTIC

A complete regulation scheme can achieve combined and accurate output characteristics. Figure 8 presents a secondary feedback through an optocoupler driven by a TSM101. This device offers two operational amplifiers and a voltage reference, thus allowing the regulation of both output voltage and current. An integrated OR function performs the combination of the two resulting error signals, leading to a dual voltage and current limitation, known as a rectangular output characteristic.

This type of power supply is especially useful for battery chargers where the output is mainly used in current mode, in order to deliver a defined charging rate. The accurate voltage regulation is also convenient for Li-ion batteries which require both modes of operation.

WIDE RANGE OF V_{DD} VOLTAGE

The V_{DD} pin voltage range extends from 9V to 38V. This feature offers a great flexibility in design to achieve various behaviors. In figure 8 a forward configuration has been chosen to supply the device with two benefits:

- as soon as the device starts switching, it immediately receives some energy from the auxiliary winding. C5 can be therefore reduced and a small ceramic chip (100 nF) is sufficient to insure the filtering function. The total start up time from the switch on of input voltage to output voltage presence is dramatically decreased.
- the output current characteristic can be maintained even with very low or zero output voltage. Since the TSM101 is also supplied in forward mode, it keeps the current regulation up whatever the output voltage is. The V_{DD} pin voltage may vary as much as the input voltage, that is to say with a ratio of about $\overline{4}$ for a wide range application.

FEEDBACK PIN PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

A feedback pin controls the operation of the device. Unlike conventional PWM control circuits which use a voltage input (the inverted input of an operational amplifier), the FB pin is sensitive to current. Figure 9 presents the internal current mode structure.

The Power MOSFET delivers a sense current I_s which is proportional to the main current Id. R2 receives this current and the current coming from the FB pin. The voltage across R2 is then compared to a fixed reference voltage of about 0.23 V. The MOSFET is switched off when the following equation is reached:

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R_2 \cdot (I_S + I_{FB}) = 0.23 V
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By extracting I_S:

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I_S = \frac{0.23V}{R_2} - I_{FB}
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Using the current sense ratio of the MOSFET G_{ID} :

$$
I_D = G_{ID} \cdot I_S = G_{ID} \cdot \left(\frac{0.23V}{R_2} - I_{FB}\right)
$$

The current limitation is obtained with the FB pin shorted to ground (V_{FR} = 0 V). This leads to a negative current sourced by this pin, and expressed by:

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I_{FB} = -\frac{0.23V}{R_1}
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By reporting this expression in the previous one, it is possible to obtain the drain current limitation I_{Dlim}:

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I_{Dlim} = G_{ID} \cdot 0.23 V \cdot \left(\frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_1}\right)
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Figure 9 : Internal Current Control Structure

In a real application, the FB pin is driven with an optocoupler as shown on figure 9 which acts as a pull up. So, it is not possible to really short this pin to ground and the above drain current value is not achievable. Nevertheless, the capacitor C is averaging the voltage on the FB pin, and when the optocoupler is off (start up or short circuit), it can be assumed that the corresponding voltage is very close to 0 V.

For low drain currents, the formula (1) is valid as long as IFB satisfies I_{FB}< I_{EBsd}, where I_{FBsd} is an internal threshold of the VIPer12A. If I_{FB} exceeds this threshold the device will stop switching. This is represented on figure 4, and I_{FBsd} value is specified in the PWM COMPARATOR SECTION. Actually, as soon as the drain current is about 12% of Idlim, that is to say 50 mA, the device will enter a burst mode operation by missing switching cycles. This is especially important when the converter is lightly loaded.

It is then possible to build the total DC transfer function between I_D and I_{FB} as shown on figure 10. This figure also takes into account the internal blanking time and its associated minimum turn on time. This imposes a minimum drain current under which the device is no more able to control it in a linear way. This drain current depends on the primary inductance value of the transformer and the input voltage. Two cases may occur, depending on the value of this current versus the fixed 50 mA value, as described above.

START UP SEQUENCE

This device includes a high voltage start up current source connected on the drain of the device. As soon as a voltage is applied on the input of the converter, this start up current source is activated as long as V_{DD} is lower than V_{DDon}. When reaching V_{DDon}, the start up current source is switched off and the device begins to operate by turning on and off its main power MOSFET. As the FB pin does not receive any current from the optocoupler, the device operates at full current capacity and the output voltage rises until reaching

Figure 10 : I_{FB} Transfer function

the regulation point where the secondary loop begins to send a current in the optocoupler. At this point, the converter enters a regulated operation where the FB pin receives the amount of current needed to deliver the right power on secondary side.

This sequence is shown in figure 11. Note that during the real starting phase t_{ss}, the device consumes some energy from the V_{DD} capacitor, waiting for the auxiliary winding to provide a continuous supply. If the value of this capacitor is too low, the start up phase is terminated before receiving any energy from the auxiliary winding and the converter never starts up. This is illustrated also in the same figure in dashed lines.

OVERVOLTAGE THRESHOLD

An overvoltage detector on the $\rm V_{DD}$ pin allows the VIPer12A to reset itself when V_{DD} exceeds V_{DDovp}. This is illustrated in figure 12, which shows the whole sequence of an overvoltage event. Note that this event is only latched for the time needed by V_{DD} to reach V_{DDoff} , and then the device resumes normal operation automatically.

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All dimensions are in mm.

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