# Zero Voltage Switch **Power Controller**

The UAA2016 is designed to drive triacs with the Zero Voltage technique which allows RFI-free power regulation of resistive loads. Operating directly on the AC power line, its main application is the precision regulation of electrical heating systems such as panel heaters or irons.

A built-in digital sawtooth waveform permits proportional temperature regulation action over a  $\pm 1^{\circ}$ C band around the set point. For energy savings there is a programmable temperature reduction function, and for security a sensor failsafe inhibits output pulses when the sensor connection is broken. Preset temperature (i.e. defrost) application is also possible. In applications where high hysteresis is needed, its value can be adjusted up to 5°C around the set point. All these features are implemented with a very low external component count.

- Zero Voltage Switch for Triacs, up to 2.0 kW (MAC212A8)
- Direct AC Line Operation
- Proportional Regulation of Temperature over a 1°C Band
- Programmable Temperature Reduction
- Preset Temperature (i.e. Defrost)
- Sensor Failsafe

3 Sense Input O

Temperature C

Reduction

Hysteresis C

Adjust

Voltage Reference

- Adjustable Hysteresis
- Low External Component Count

Failsafe

4-Bit DAC

11-Bit Counter



# **ORDERING INFORMATION**

| Device   | Operating<br>Temperature Range | Package     |  |
|----------|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| UAA2016D | T₄ = – 20° to +85°C            | SO–8        |  |
| UAA2016P | $T_{A} = -20 \ 10 + 65 \ C$    | Plastic DIP |  |





P SUFFIX PLASTIC PACKAGE **CASE 626** 



**D SUFFIX** PLASTIC PACKAGE CASE 751 (SO-8)

# **PIN CONNECTIONS**

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Supply

Voltage

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 $V_{EE}$ 

6 0

7 0

Output

+Vcc

Pulse

Amplifier

Sampling

Full Wave

Logic

Synchronization

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Sync

**Representative Block Diagram** 

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Internal

Reference

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**ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCH** 

POWER CONTROLLER

### MAXIMUM RATINGS (Voltages referenced to Pin 7)

| Rating  |  | Value   | Unit |  |
|---|--|---|------|--|
| Supply Current (I <sub>Pin 5</sub> )                    | I <sub>CC</sub>  | 15  | mA   |  |
| Non–Repetitive Supply Current<br>(Pulse Width = 1.0 μs) | I <sub>CCP</sub>   | 200   | mA   |  |
| AC Synchronization Current                              | I <sub>sync</sub>  | 3.0   | mA   |  |
| Pin Voltages  | V <sub>Pin 2</sub><br>V <sub>Pin 3</sub><br>V <sub>Pin 4</sub><br>V <sub>Pin 6</sub> | 0; V <sub>ref</sub><br>0; V <sub>ref</sub><br>0; V <sub>ref</sub><br>0; V <sub>EE</sub> | V    |  |
| V <sub>ref</sub> Current Sink                           | I <sub>Pin 1</sub>   | 1.0   | mA   |  |
| Output Current (Pin 6)<br>(Pulse Width < 400 μs)        | Ι <sub>Ο</sub>   | 150   | mA   |  |
| Power Dissipation                                       | PD   | 625   | mW   |  |
| Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Air                     | R <sub>θJA</sub>   | 100   | °C/W |  |
| Operating Temperature Range                             | T <sub>A</sub>   | – 20 to + 85  | °C   |  |

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** ( $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ ,  $V_{EE} = -7.0$  V, voltages referred to Pin 7, unless otherwise noted.)

| Characteristic  | Symbol            | Min   | Тур   | Max   | Unit |
|---|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Supply Current (Pins 6, 8 not connected)<br>$(T_A = -20^\circ \text{ to } + 85^\circ \text{C})$                     | I <sub>CC</sub>   |       | 0.9   | 1.5   | mA   |
| Stabilized Supply Voltage (Pin 5) (I <sub>CC</sub> = 2.0 mA)  | V <sub>EE</sub>   | -10   | - 9.0 | - 8.0 | V    |
| Reference Voltage (Pin 1)   | V <sub>ref</sub>  | - 6.5 | - 5.5 | - 4.5 | V    |
| Output Pulse Current ( $T_A = -20^\circ$ to + 85°C)<br>( $R_{out} = 60$ W, $V_{EE} = -8.0$ V)                       | Ι <sub>Ο</sub>    | 90    | 100   | 130   | mA   |
| Output Leakage Current (V <sub>out</sub> = 0 V)   | I <sub>OL</sub>   | -     | _     | 10    | μΑ   |
| Output Pulse Width ( $T_A = -20^\circ$ to + 85°C) (Note 1)<br>(Mains = 220 Vrms, $R_{sync} = 220 \text{ k}\Omega$ ) | T <sub>P</sub>    | 50    | _     | 100   | μs   |
| Comparator Offset (Note 5)  | V <sub>off</sub>  | -10   | —     | +10   | mV   |
| Sensor Input Bias Current   | I <sub>IB</sub>   | -     | —     | 0.1   | μΑ   |
| Sawtooth Period (Note 2)  | T <sub>S</sub>    | -     | 40.96 | _     | sec  |
| Sawtooth Amplitude (Note 6)   | A <sub>S</sub>    | 50    | 70    | 90    | mV   |
| Temperature Reduction Voltage (Note 3)<br>(Pin 4 Connected to V <sub>CC</sub> )                                     | V <sub>TR</sub>   | 280   | 350   | 420   | mV   |
| Internal Hysteresis Voltage<br>(Pin 2 Not Connected)  | V <sub>IH</sub>   | _     | 10    | _     | mV   |
| Additional Hysteresis (Note 4)<br>(Pin 2 Connected to V <sub>CC</sub> )   | V <sub>H</sub>    | 280   | 350   | 420   | mV   |
| Failsafe Threshold ( $T_A = -20^\circ$ to + 85°C) (Note 7)  | V <sub>FSth</sub> | 180   | │     | 300   | mV   |

NOTES: 1. Output pulses are centered with respect to zero crossing point. Pulse width is adjusted by the value of R<sub>sync</sub>. Refer to application curves. 2. The actual sawtooth period depends on the AC power line frequency. It is exactly 2048 times the corresponding period. For the 50 Hz case it is 40.96

sec. For the 60 Hz case it is 34.13 sec. This is to comply with the European standard, namely that 2.0 kW loads cannot be connected or removed from the line more than once every 30 sec.

3.350 mV corresponds to 5°C temperature reduction. This is tested at probe using internal test pad. Smaller temperature reduction can be obtained by adding an external resistor between Pin 4 and  $V_{CC}$ . Refer to application curves. 4. 350 mV corresponds to a hysteresis of 5°C. This is tested at probe using internal test pad. Smaller additional hysteresis can be obtained by adding an

external resistor between Pin 2 and  $V_{CC}$ . Refer to application curves. 5. Parameter guaranteed but not tested. Worst case 10 mV corresponds to 0.15°C shift on set point.

6. Measured at probe by internal test pad. 70 mV corresponds to 1°C. Note that the proportional band is independent of the NTC value.

7. At very low temperature the NTC resistor increases quickly. This can cause the sensor input voltage to reach the failsafe threshold, thus inhibiting output pulses; refer to application schematics. The corresponding temperature is the limit at which the circuit works in the typical application. By setting this threshold at 0.05 V<sub>ref</sub>, the NTC value can increase up to 20 times its nominal value, thus the application works below – 20°C.

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**Figure 1. Application Schematic** 

# **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

(For simplicity, the LED in series with  $R_{out}$  is omitted in the following calculations.)

# Triac Choice and Rout Determination

Depending on the power in the load, choose the triac that has the lowest peak gate trigger current. This will limit the output current of the UAA2016 and thus its power consumption. Use Figure 4 to determine  $R_{out}$  according to the triac maximum gate current ( $I_{GT}$ ) and the application low temperature limit. For a 2.0 kW load at 220 Vrms, a good triac choice is the ON Semiconductor MAC212A8. Its maximum peak gate trigger current at 25°C is 50 mA.

For an application to work down to  $-20^{\circ}$ C, R<sub>out</sub> should be 60  $\Omega$ . It is assumed that: I<sub>GT</sub>(T) = I<sub>GT</sub>(25°C) × exp (-T/125) with T in °C, which applies to the MAC212A8.

#### Output Pulse Width, R<sub>sync</sub>

The pulse with  $T_P$  is determined by the triac's  $I_{Hold}$ ,  $I_{Latch}$  together with the load value and working conditions (frequency and voltage):

Given the RMS AC voltage and the load power, the load value is:

$$R_L = V^2 rms/POWER$$

The load current is then:

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$$Load = (Vrms \times \sqrt{2} \times sin(2\pi ft) - V_{TM})/R_L$$

where  $V_{TM}$  is the maximum on state voltage of the triac, f is the line frequency.

Set  $I_{Load} = I_{Latch}$  for t = T<sub>P</sub>/2 to calculate T<sub>P</sub>.

Figures 6 and 7 give the value of  $T_P$  which corresponds to the higher of the values of  $I_{Hold}$  and  $I_{Latch}$ , assuming that  $V_{TM} = 1.6$  V. Figure 8 gives the  $R_{sync}$  that produces the corresponding  $T_P$ .

### R<sub>Supply</sub> and Filter Capacitor

With the output current and the pulse width determined as above, use Figures 9 and 10 to determine  $R_{Supply}$ , assuming that the sinking current at  $V_{ref}$  pin (including NTC bridge current) is less than 0.5 mA. Then use Figure 11 and 12 to determine the filter capacitor ( $C_F$ ) according to the ripple desired on supply voltage. The maximum ripple allowed is 1.0 V.

### Temperature Reduction Determined by R<sub>1</sub>

(Refer to Figures 13 and 14.)



Figure 2. Comparison Between Proportional Control and ON/OFF Control



Figure 3. Zero Voltage Technique

# **CIRCUIT FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION**

### Power Supply (Pin 5 and Pin 7)

The application uses a current source supplied by a single high voltage rectifier in series with a power dropping resistor. An integrated shunt regulator delivers a  $V_{EE}$  voltage of – 8.6 V with respect to Pin 7. The current used by the total regulating system can be shared in four functional blocks: IC supply, sensing bridge, triac gate firing pulses and zener current. The integrated zener, as in any shunt regulator, absorbs the excess supply current. The 50 Hz pulsed supply current is smoothed by the large value capacitor connected between Pins 5 and 7.

#### **Temperature Sensing (Pin 3)**

The actual temperature is sensed by a negative temperature coefficient element connected in a resistor divider fashion. This two element network is connected between the ground terminal Pin 5 and the reference voltage -5.5 V available on Pin 1. The resulting voltage, a function of the measured temperature, is applied to Pin 3 and internally compared to a control voltage whose value depends on several elements: Sawtooth, Temperature Reduction and Hysteresis Adjust. (Refer to Application Information.)

## **Temperature Reduction**

For energy saving, a remotely programmable temperature reduction is available on Pin 4. The choice of resistor  $R_{\rm 1}$  connected between Pin 4 and  $V_{CC}$  sets the temperature reduction level.

#### Comparator

When the positive input (Pin 3) receives a voltage greater than the internal reference value, the comparator allows the triggering logic to deliver pulses to the triac gate. To improve the noise immunity, the comparator has an adjustable hysteresis. The external resistor  $R_3$  connected to Pin 2 sets the hysteresis level. Setting Pin 2 open makes a 10 mV hysteresis level, corresponding to 0.15°C. Maximum hysteresis is obtained by connecting Pin 2 to  $V_{CC}$ . In that case the level is set at 5°C. This configuration can be useful for low temperature inertia systems.

#### Sawtooth Generator

In order to comply with European norms, the ON/OFF period on the load must exceed 30 seconds. This is achieved by an internal digital sawtooth which performs the proportional regulation without any additional component. The sawtooth signal is added to the reference applied to the comparator negative input. Figure 2 shows the regulation improvement using the proportional band action.

### **Noise Immunity**

The noisy environment requires good immunity. Both the voltage reference and the comparator hysteresis minimize the noise effect on the comparator input. In addition the effective triac triggering is enabled every 1/3 sec.

#### Failsafe

Output pulses are inhibited by the "failsafe" circuit if the comparator input voltage exceeds the specified threshold voltage. This would occur if the temperature sensor circuit is open.

# Sampling Full Wave Logic

Two consecutive zero–crossing trigger pulses are generated at every positive mains half–cycle. This ensures that the number of delivered pulses is even in every case. The pulse length is selectable by  $R_{sync}$  connected on Pin 8. The pulse is centered on the zero–crossing mains waveform.

### **Pulse Amplifier**

The pulse amplifier circuit sinks current pulses from Pin 6 to  $V_{EE}$ . The minimum amplitude is 70 mA. The triac is then triggered in quadrants II and III. The effective output current amplitude is given by the external resistor  $R_{out}$ . Eventually, an LED can be inserted in series with the Triac gate (see Figure 1).







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