

# AN4710 Application note

# HVLED001 – QR high power factor flyback controller for LED drivers

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## Introduction

The flexibility of the LED chips and their improving performances are more and more exploited in many fields of applications. Besides the residential and bulb replacement applications, whose input power spreads between 3 W and 15 W, a very wide range of higher power applications are available for very different environment such office or store lighting, professional or colored lighting and outdoor lighting. Those applications are characterized by output powers up to 100 W.

Key factors of such applications are good efficiency, power controllability (e.g.: dimming) and a small component count. In such condition, the single stage high power factor flyback topology combines the advantages of the single stage (higher efficiency and low BOM count) with the flexibility of the control algorithm (higher controllability).

The HVLED001 controller has been designed to optimize the control of a high power factor flyback or buck-boost to be used in a LED driver. Nevertheless it is also able to efficiently control the same topology to provide a constant output voltage exploiting a proprietary primary side controlled algorithm. When driven by a PFC pre-regulator the HVLED001 device can be used as a DC/DC QR flyback converter.

This application note is intended to describe the HVLED001 features and to provide the design guidelines to implement a single stage LED driver.

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# 1 HVLED001 features description

## 1.1 Pin function summary

**Table 1. Pin function** 

Symbol	Pin	Function name	Section
		High voltage start-up	Section 1.3: Device supply management on page 8.
HVSU	1	Input voltage detection	Section 1.4: Peak current mode definition on page 10.
		Input overvoltage detection	Section 1.9.1: Input overvoltage and surge protection (IOVP) on page 30.
N.C.	2	Not connected pin	
TOFF	3	ZCD blanking time setting	Section 1.5.3: Frequency foldback on page 17.
FB	4	Input for optocoupler connection	Section 1.6.2: Secondary side regulation on page 25.
		PSR E/A output connection	Section 1.6.1: Primary side regulation on page 23.
		Opto failure protection	Section 1.9.2: Overload and optocoupler failure management (OFP) on page 31.
		Overload protection	Section 1.9.2.
		Burst mode	Section 1.6.3: Burst mode on page 26.
		Disable input (active low)	Section 1.8.2: Instant disable by FB on page 28.
	5	Inrush limit / soft-start	Section 1.4.3 on page 14.
CTRL		Disable input (active low)	Section 1.8.1: Instant disable by CTRL on page 26.
		Timed disable (active high)	Section 1.8.3: Timed disable by CTRL on page 29.
		ZCD detection	Section 1.5.2: SMART ZCD detection on page 17.
ZCD	6	Vout sampling input for PSR	Section 1.6.1: Primary side regulation on page 23.
		Brownout protection	Section 1.9.4: Brownout on page 32.
		Current sense comparator input	Section 1.4.2 on page 12.
CS	7	Overcurrent protection (OCP) input	Section 1.9.5: Magnetic saturation or rectifier short-circuit on page 33.
GND	8	Reference pin	-
GD	9	Gate driver output	Section 1.7: Gate driving on page 26.
VCC	10	Supply energy to the IC	Section 1.3: Device supply management on page 8.
VCC	10	Internal UVLO logic	Section 1.3.



## 1.2 Operating modes

The HVLED001 device has four main operating modes: the start-up mode, active mode, stop mode and low consumption mode.

## 1.2.1 Start-up mode

This state is entered to begin the switching activity after the application's turn-on or leaving the low consumption state. The HVSU is involved into the mechanism of VCC charging; all other peripherals, except from the UVLO and logic supply, are turned off to minimize the start-up time.

During this state the CTLR pin is internally pulled to ground.

## 1.2.2 Active mode

It is the normal operational mode. During this state the external MOSFET is driven accordingly to signals coming from the application in order to regulate the desired output parameter in the closed loop (peak current control method).

The active mode is exit when abnormal conditions are present. The HVSU is inactive during the active mode.

## 1.2.3 Stop mode

This state is intended to stop the switching activity without turning off the entire function set, to quickly restart when abnormal or disabling conditions end. During this state the power consumption is not minimized and the soft-start procedure is not enabled.

## 1.2.4 Low consumption mode

This state is intended to stop the switching activity reducing the power consumption to a minimum level. During this state the VCC is kept between VCC,su and VCC,on by the HVSU.

A simplified state diagram is reported in Figure 1.



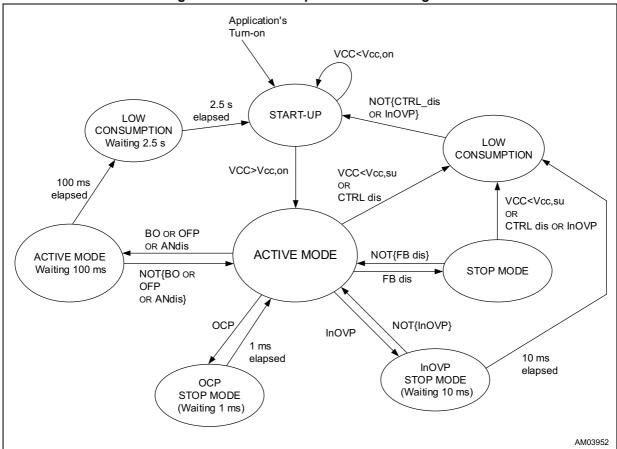


Figure 1. HVLED001 operation states diagram

## 1.3 Device supply management

[Involved pins 1: HVSU, 10: VCC]

The HVLED001 device embeds smart supply voltage management able to both prevent the application from driving the MOSFET with insufficient energy and to maintain the precision of the internal references.

A high voltage start-up unit, connected to the HVSU pin, provides the start-up current to initiate the IC operations and maintain the IC on during low consumption modes (*Figure 2*).

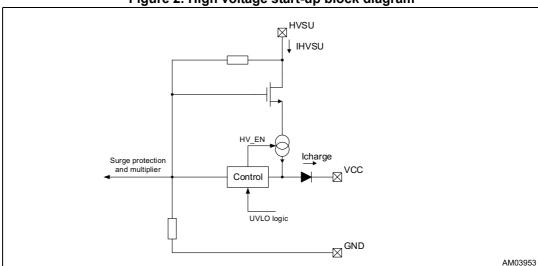


Figure 2. High voltage start-up block diagram

The HVSU starts its operation when the applied voltage is higher than 45 V (typ.). The charging current ensures a quick start-up independent from the voltage applied to the HVSU pin. Two different currents are generated depending on VCC voltage and the lower value is generated when VCC is below the Vcc,su threshold. At the first start-up the VCC,su threshold assumes its lower value (around 2 V).

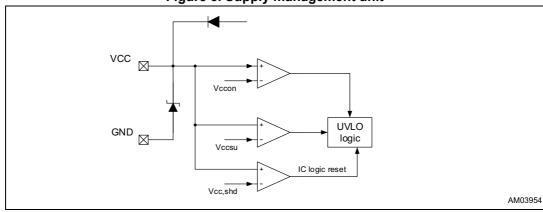


Figure 3. Supply management unit

The VCC management unit consists of three comparators (*Figure 3*). The lower threshold is the Vcc,shd: this comparator is responsible to reset all timing and protection information when VCC is lower than this voltage.

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As soon as the VCC voltage reaches the turn-on threshold (Vcc,on), the HVSU is turned off and pull-up sources of the pins FB, TOFF and CTRL are turned on. If the above mentioned pins are not externally pulled down, the switching activity will start as soon as both the operative conditions are reached (FB and CTRL above relevant disable thresholds) and  $V_{CC}$  is pulled up again to the Vcc,on threshold.

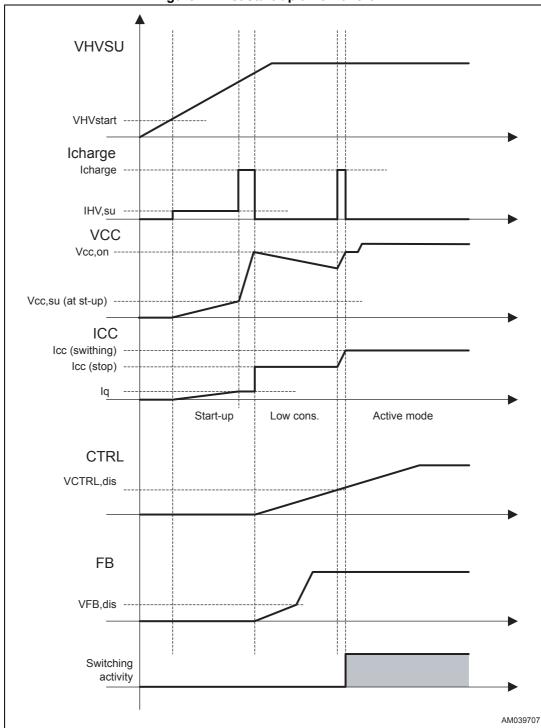


Figure 4. First start-up time waveform

During the switching activity the HVSU is kept off, in fact the IC is expected to be supplied by the energy kept from either an auxiliary winding of the main magnetic component (transformer or inductor) or an auxiliary converter. To be noted that any kind of supplying mean (including auxiliary winding) must be decoupled from the VCC pin using a general purpose diode having the proper reverse voltage rating: this good practice is necessary to preserve the mutual functionality of HVSU and VCC.

If the supplying energy is insufficient the VCC voltage may drop below the Vcc,su threshold; at this occurrence the switching activity is stopped and the device enters the low consumption mode. Contemporarily the CTRL pin is internally pulled down: the CTRL voltage could then be used to signal this state to external supervisors or to disable external circuits.

During the low consumption mode the HVSU is active to maintain the VCC voltage between VCC, on and VCC, su.

An internal clamping device is connected to the VCC pin to prevent spurious VCC fluctuation from damaging internal structures.

## 1.4 Peak current mode definition

[Involved pins 1: HVSU, 4: FB, 5: CTRL, 7: CS]

## 1.4.1 Multiplier

The core of the HVLED001 device is a peak current mode controller that provides the turnoff command to the gate driver when the MOSFET's source current reaches a threshold (VCS) provided by a multiplier block as per the following equation.

#### **Equation 1**

$$V_{CS} = k_p \cdot \frac{V_{HVSU}}{V_{_{HVSU,pk}}} \cdot \left(V_{FB} - V_{FB,ref}\right)$$

At first the input voltage, connected to the HVSU pin, is scaled by an internal equivalent voltage divider. Then it is normalized dividing the input voltage by its maximum value (VFF); as a result the term VHVSU / VHVSU,pk is either a half sinusoid having amplitude of 1 V or a unity DC voltage if the HVSU pin is connected respectively to a rectified mains (any value between typ. 32 VAC to 305 VAC) or to a DC voltage (e.g.: PFC output).

The peak of the input voltage is obtained by a peak detector able to quickly react to an abrupt mains change thanks to a proprietary internal structure able to operate without any external storing element (capacitors). A positive going variation of the input voltage is immediately processed by the peak holder block, while a negative going variation is detected within typically 3 half sine waves and results into a limited variation (in time and amplitude) of the application's output (current or voltage).

A detail of the blocks involved in this feature is shown in *Figure 5*.

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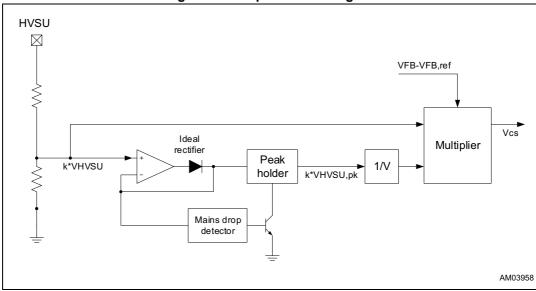


Figure 5. Multiplier block diagram

The voltage present on the FB pin, representative of the energy required by the load, is firstly purged by the term VFB,ref and then applied to another input of the multiplier.

Finally the multiplier block adapts the result of the product between the voltages representative of input voltage and load energy to a maximum level for current sense input equal to VCS,lim (around 0.75 V). The overall scaling factor of the multiplier is equal to  $k_p$  and is reported in the product datasheet. The linearity of the multiplier block is guaranteed over a range of input voltages between 0 V and 480 Vdc. Higher input voltages may result into a clipping of the multiplier results, but without affecting the safe operation of the device.



## 1.4.2 Current sense comparator system

The internal current sense comparator compares the output of the multiplier with the voltage present at the CS pin. In a typical application the CS pin is connected to a shunt resistor (RCS) placed between the source of the MOSFET and common ground.

A summary of the structures involved into peak current detection is shown in Figure 6.

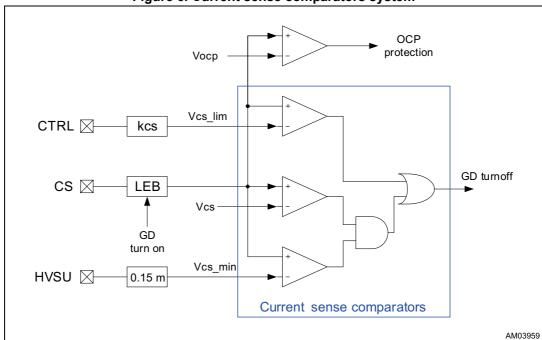


Figure 6. Current sense comparators system

The maximum value of VCS is also related to the voltage present at the CTRL pin as per following equation:

## **Equation 2**

$$\begin{cases} V_{CS,lim} = 0.366 \cdot V_{CTRL} + 0.016 \\ V_{CTRL} \in \left(V_{CTRL,dis},Veoss\right) \end{cases}$$

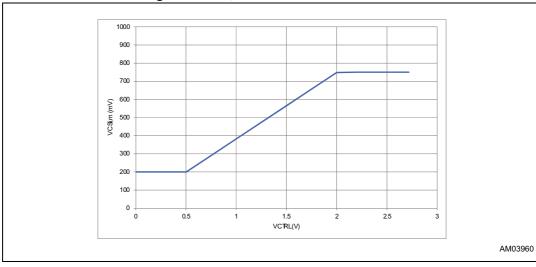


Figure 7. VCS, lim vs. Vctrl characteristic

The value of RCS has to be selected in order to obtain VC,lim at a full load, i.e.: at a maximum MOSFET's peak current lpkp,max. The value of the lpkp,max can be obtained according to the implemented topology.

#### **Equation 3**

$$R_{CS} = \frac{V_{CS,lim}}{I_{pkp,max}}$$

An internal LEB structure prevents the loop from reacting to gate driver's turn-on spikes; when a proper design of the PCB layout is made, no further filter structure should be necessary.

A minimum level of VCS is also present to guarantee a minimum value for the MOSFET drain's current: this minimum current helps to reduce the THD and to guarantee a minimum value for the demagnetization time. This minimum level is proportional to the peak of input voltage according to the following equation.

#### **Equation 4**



#### 1.4.3 Soft-start

The dependence of VCS, lim on CTRL pin's voltage can be exploited either at the start-up or when low consumption ends: in fact it limits the peak of the current transferred to the load (inrush limit). The duration of this limitation is determined by the time the CTRL takes to reach its steady value, i.e.: by the size of the capacitance (Css) placed between CTRL and GND.

*Figure 8* illustrates the equivalent model of the internal structures connected to the CTRL pin that are involved in soft-start function and the suggested circuitry to activate this feature.

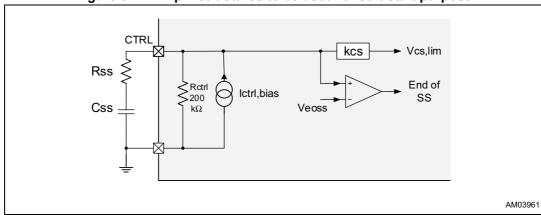


Figure 8. CTRL pin structures to be used for soft-start purpose

Until the CTRL voltage is below VCTRL, dis the HVLED001 device is disabled. After the device's start and until CTRL pin's voltage is lower than Veoss many features are disabled: namely the THD optimization and the timed protections. In fact, during the first operation instants the control loop is providing the maximum power to the output in order to reach the set value of the output variables, but this condition, without a proper masking, may trigger said protections.

During the normal operation, after CTRL voltage rises above Veoss, all protections and features are active and the CTRL voltage can be optionally reduced by external circuitry to limit the maximum level of VCS,lim.

A proper choice of the optional resistor Rss allows to obtain a CTRL pin's voltage higher than the disabling threshold immediately after the IC turn-on.

## 1.5 Smart zero current detection

[Involved pins 3: TOFF, 6: ZCD]

The ZCD pin of the HVLED001 device features the following functionalities:

- Detection of the resonant's valleys associated with the transformer's demagnetization instant to set the boundary mode conduction of the desired topology.
- Measurement of the voltage present at the pin at the demagnetization instant, for the primary side control purpose (described in Section 1.6.1 on page 23).
- Measurement of the current sunk during the on time of the controlled MOSFET, for the brownout protection purpose (described in Section 1.9.4 on page 32).

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## 1.5.1 Demagnetization detection

The detection of the resonant valley is designed to implement the quasi resonant (QR) mode of flyback or buck-boost topology. The QR mode consists on turning on the MOSFET when the current into the primary side of the flyback transformer (or alternatively into the inductor of the buck-boost) becomes zero. At this occurrence, the drain of the MOSFET starts oscillating at a frequency set by the value of the inductance and the overall drain capacitance.

#### **Equation 5**

$$f_{Resonance} = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{C_{Drain} \cdot L_{PRI}}}$$

The amplitude of the oscillation is given by the output voltage scaled by the primary-to-secondary turn ratio (or output voltage in case of buck-boost topology) and is superimposed to input voltage. This oscillation (without DC component) is also present on the output of any winding coupled with the primary inductance and then it can be fed to the ZCD pin, whose internal block structure is illustrated in *Figure 9*.

TOFF TBLANK Starter GD

Rising: VZCD, arm Falling: VZCD, trig ZCD logic

Demag logic To PSR E/A

Brown-out

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Figure 9. ZCD detection circuitry

The signals related to the zero current detection are illustrated in Figure 10.

Although the boundary mode operation is achieved when the MOSFET is turned on when the demagnetization occurs, it is most convenient, in order to minimize the switching losses, to turn-on the MOSFET to the minimum of the oscillation (valley switching).

The demagnetization instant (Tdemag) is captured by the DEMAG LOGIC block when the derivative of the voltage becomes suddenly negative, while the valley switching (Tvalley) is managed by the ZCD comparator waiting for the falling edge of the oscillation across zero (VZCD,trig).

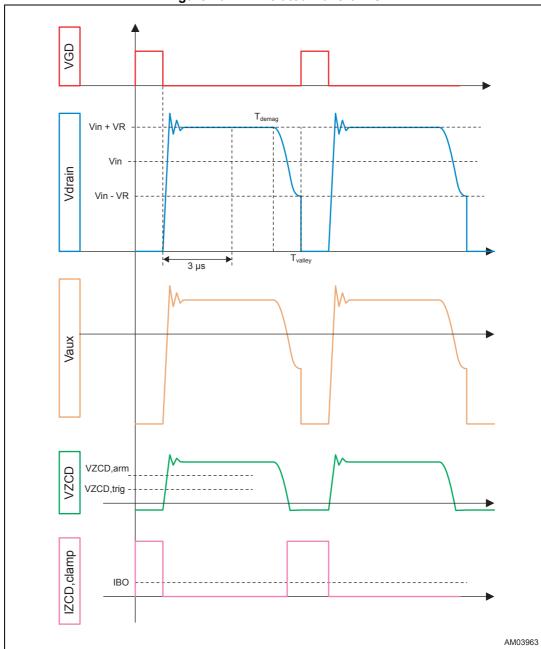


Figure 10. ZCD related waveforms

#### 1.5.2 SMART ZCD detection

The HVLED001 device is able to distinguish an effective demagnetization from abnormal signals.

The HVLED001 considers an energy transfer phase correctly ongoing if the ZCD signal is higher than an arming threshold (VZCD,arm) 3 µs (TBLANK,min) after the MOSFET turn-off. This strategy helps rejecting the high frequency oscillations associated with the leakage inductance that normally ends in a couple of microseconds after the MOSFET turn-off.

This check is performed when the value of the Vcs threshold (or the output of the multiplier) is higher than 300 mV (typ.). If a correct energy transfer occurs, the first falling edge (VZCD,trig) subsequent the blanking time (defined by the voltage at the pin TOFF) is used to trigger the MOSFET's turn-on instant.

At the start-up, when no ZCD signal is present, a 500 µs timer (starter) provides a triggering signal for GD turn-on. The same unit provides a restarting attempt in case of absence of a valid ZCD signal (e.g.: during short-circuit).

## 1.5.3 Frequency foldback

When the output power demand diminishes, the duty cycle of the MOSFET's activity is reduced. This duty cycle reduction can be obtained either reducing the MOSFET's on time interval or increasing the off time interval entering into the discontinuous conduction mode. The valley skipping technique is an efficient approach to obtain both a longer off time and to turn-on the MOSFET with a lower drain voltage. The resulting operating frequency is folded back to a lower value. The HVLED001 performs this "valley skipping" technique adding a further blanking time to TBLANK,min. The increase of the blanking time is adjustable up to 200 µs varying the voltage applied to the TOFF pin as described in the characteristic illustrated in *Figure 11* (typical values). The MOSFET is turned on in correspondence of the first valley occurring after the end of the additional blanking time, while a proprietary structure ensures a correct turn-on of the MOSFET's also after the oscillation amplitude is fully decayed.



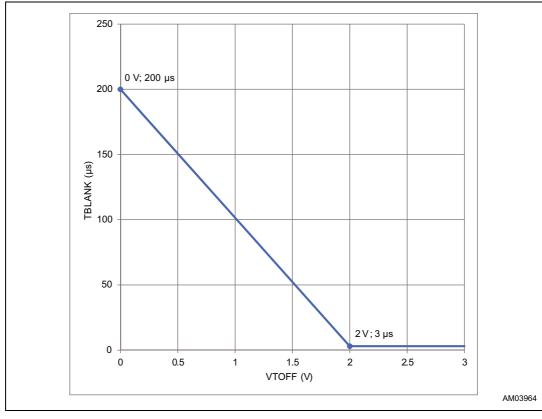


Figure 11. TBLANK vs. TOFF voltage characteristics

The behavior of the HVLED001 in correspondence of the different TBLANK setting is also illustrated from *Figure 12* to *Figure 15* on page 22.

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*Figure 12* is the case when TOFF voltage is higher than 2 V: the TBLANK is lower than minimum blanking time and the first valley is used as a trigger signal to turn-on the MOSFET gate driver.

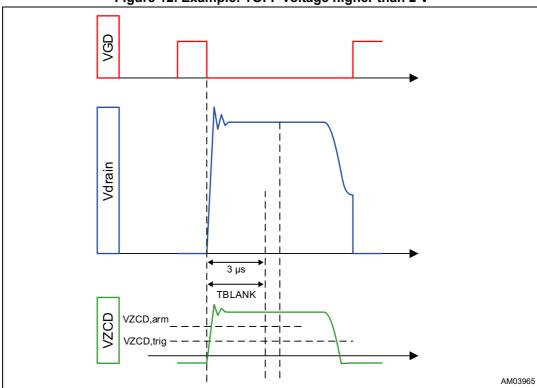


Figure 12. Example: TOFF voltage higher than 2 V

*Figure 13* is the case when TOFF voltage is lower than 2 V, but the selected TBLANK is shorter than the demagnetization time: the first valley subsequent to TBLANK is the first valley and used as a trigger signal to turn-on the MOSFET gate driver.

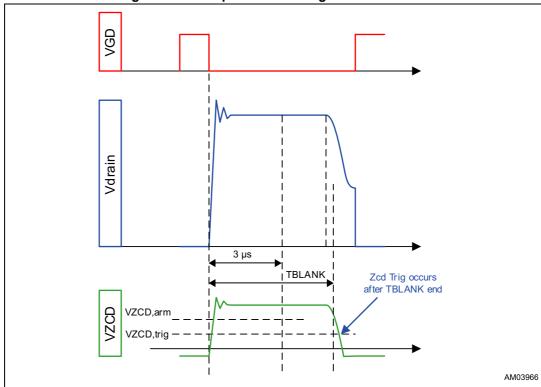


Figure 13. Example: TOFF voltage lower than 2 V

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Figure 14 is the case when TOFF voltage is lower than 2 V, and the selected TBLANK is longer than the demagnetization time: the first valley subsequent to TBLANK is used as a trigger signal to turn-on the MOSFET gate driver resulting in valley skipping.

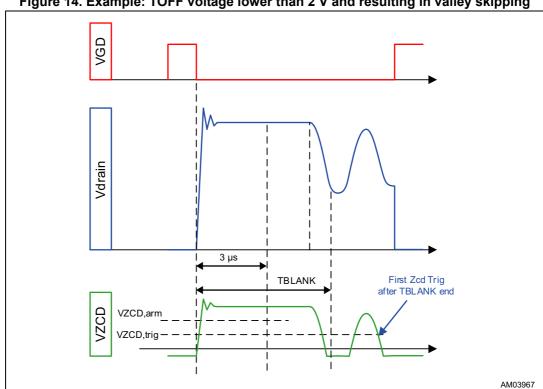


Figure 14. Example: TOFF voltage lower than 2 V and resulting in valley skipping



*Figure 15* is the case when TOFF voltage is lower than 2 V, and the selected TBLANK ends after the drain oscillation almost extinguished its amplitude: being the ZCD level above the arming threshold after the very first 3  $\mu$ s (Tblank,min), the HVLED001 waits for a triggering signal, during the following 3  $\mu$ s timeout. When the timeout elapses the internal starter forces the gate driver turn-on.

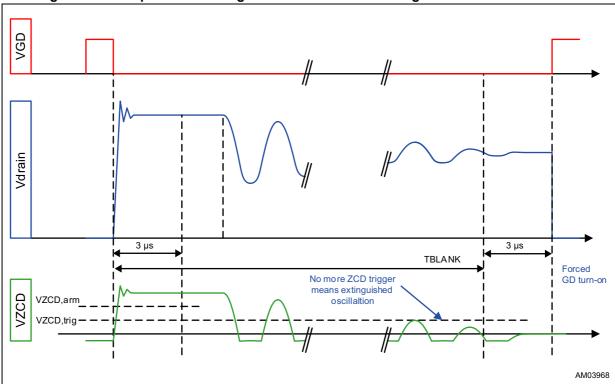


Figure 15. Example: TOFF voltage lower than 2 V with extinguished drain's resonance

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## 1.6 Control loop

[Involved pins 4: FB, 6: ZCD]

The HVLED001 is able to operate either with an optocoupler based control loop or a primary side regulated control loop (constant output voltage only).

The FB pin can be used respectively as a pull-up current generator for optocoupler output and as output of the primary side regulator operational amplifier. In both cases a part of (or whole) the compensation network is connected between the FB and GND pin. A block diagram of the blocks involved in closing the control loop is depicted in *Figure 16*.

## 1.6.1 Primary side regulation

When the entire energy stored in the transformer is transferred to the load, the rectifier current reaches zero as well as the voltage drop across the said diode.

As a consequence, the voltage across the secondary side at the demagnetization instant is exactly equal to output voltage; the same voltage is also present across all other windings, scaled by the relevant transfer ratio, in particular the auxiliary winding on the primary side is monitored by the ZCD pin.

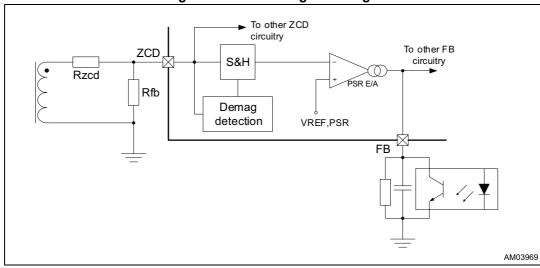


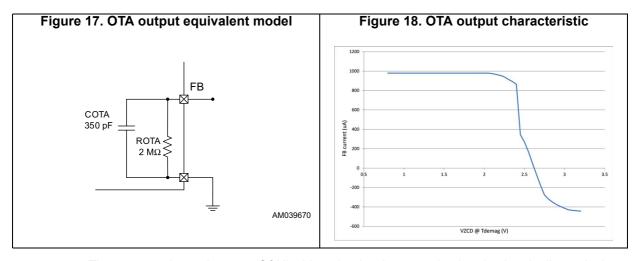
Figure 16. PSR management logic

The ZCD pin DEMAG LOGIC acquires this value and feeds it to the inverting pin of the internal error amplifier (E/A) to close the control loop.

The E/A is an operational transconductance amplifier (OTA) designed to operate either with narrow or wide bandwidth so that the HVLED001 is able to control equally a high power factor topology or a DC/DC topology (e.g.: flybacks fed by PFC pre-regulators).

The non-inverting pin of the E/A is connected to a high precision reference voltage (2.6 V).

The output of the E/A is connected to the FB pin, where the suitable compensation network can be placed, referred to the common potential (GND); an equivalent small signal model of this component, useful for a compensation network definition, is illustrated in *Figure 17*, while the OTA characteristic curve is illustrated in *Figure 18*.



The output voltage detector (S&H), driven by the demagnetization, is electrically equivalent to a low pass filter having a time constant approximately equal to 500 ns. This behavior could worse the output voltage regulation and can be reduced introducing either a derivative term, having almost the same time constant, into the voltage divider connected between the auxiliary winding and ZCD pin or reducing the equivalent resistance of the voltage divider itself.

The simplest way to implement the derivative term consists on replacing the principle voltage divider illustrated in *Figure 19* (a) with a more effective structure, illustrated in *Figure 19* (b), that contains a reset diode that makes the derivative action independent from the auxiliary voltage value during on time.

Alternatively the voltage divider with reduced equivalent resistance is illustrated in *Figure 19* (c). The brownout protection prevents the use of low values of the upper resistor during on time, so a bypass diode must be placed to differentiate between on time upper resistance (Rzcd\_bo + Rzcd) and off time upper resistance (Rzcd only). In this arrangement is highly suggested to select a value for the lower resistance approximately equal to 2.7 k $\Omega$ .

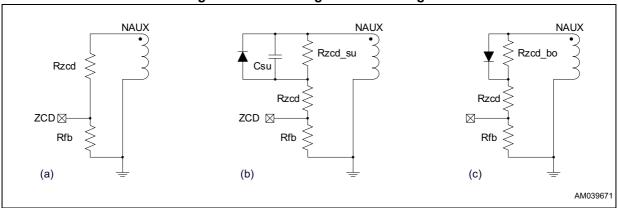


Figure 19. ZCD voltage divider settings

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## 1.6.2 Secondary side regulation

When an optocoupler is used to transfer the error information from the error amplifier placed on the secondary side the FB pin can be used as a pull-up for the photo transistor of an optocoupler connected between FB and GND.

The pull-up current (around 1 mA) is active when the PSR error amplifier saturates high (see *Figure 18* illustrating the E/A output characteristics). To enter this mode of operation it is sufficient to set the PSR regulated voltage to a value that is higher than the maximum operating one.

Both the internal pull-up and the optocoupler output are ideal current sources; therefore they cannot drive the same node without any compensation impedance. For this reason, besides a noise canceling capacitor (CP, normally in the range 1 to 10 nF), a degeneration resistor (RP) has to be connected between the FB pin and GND. Depending on the desired bandwidth this resistor's value can be selected in a typical range between 4.7 k $\Omega$  up to 47 k $\Omega$ .

If the degeneration resistor has a value lower than:

#### **Equation 6**

$$RP = \frac{VFB, dis}{IFB, src_{(@lowconsu \, mption)}} = \frac{0.75}{40 \mu} = 18.75 k\Omega$$

The HVLED001 risks to remain stuck in the low consumption mode during the start-up or the low consumption mode itself. To prevent this occurrence a general purpose diode has to be placed in series with the resistor (with an anode connected to the FB pin).

ROTA CP RBias V\_Iref CTR R2 C2

Figure 20. Optocoupler operation typical arrangement

#### 1.6.3 Burst mode

During the normal control operation the FB pin voltage is set (by the loop balance) between VFB,bm (lighter load) and VOFP (heavier load).

When FB voltage drops below VFB,bm, i.e.: the load is very light, the burst mode operation is entered: until the FB voltage stays in this condition, the controller generates a series of 4 GD pulses every 1 ms. The distance between each pulse is equal to minimum TBLANK (3.0 µs).

In this phase the minimum power delivered to the transformer's outputs equals:

#### **Equation 7**

$$P_{BM} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot L_{PRI} \cdot I_{pkp}^2 \cdot \frac{4}{1ms} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot L_{PRI} \cdot \left(\frac{V_{CS,min}}{R_{CS}}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{4}{1ms}$$

A corresponding minimum load has to be guaranteed on the transformer's outputs to dissipate this minimum energy during no-load application and to prevent the output voltage to increase without limitation.

## 1.7 Gate driving

[Involved pins 9: GD]

The gate driver consists on a push-pull stage whose output is able to drive an external MOSFET with the 300 mA source and 600 mA sink capability.

To avoid undesired switch-on of the external MOSFET an internal pull-down circuit holds the pin low. This circuit guarantees 2 V maximum on the pin (at Isink = 2 mA) when  $V_{CC}$  is below the Vcc,shd threshold. This allows omitting the "bleeder" resistor connected between the gate and the source of the external MOSFET used for this purpose.

## 1.8 Disabling features

[Involved pins 4: FB, 5:CTRL]

The HVLED001 embeds a set of inputs able to externally control the device activity.

## 1.8.1 Instant disable by CTRL

The device can be disabled entering into the low consumption mode since the CTRL pin is pulled below the VCTRL, dis threshold. At this occurrence the device becomes immediately inactive and the internal structures are put in the low consumption mode. Both pull-ups embedded into the FB pin and TOFF pin remains active while the driver drives the MOSFET off.

The response time of the internal comparator is very fast acting on the device status in less than 200 ns. A small hysteresis (50 mV typ) is also present to improve the noise immunity of this comparator. During the inactive state, the HVSU block guarantees that the VCC remains within the range VCC,su ...  $V_{CC}$  on. The power demand in this condition is approximately equal to 120 mW at Vin = 480 Vdc.

When the disabling signal is released, the HVSU charges the VCC pin and then the switching activity starts from the start-up state (*Figure 21*).

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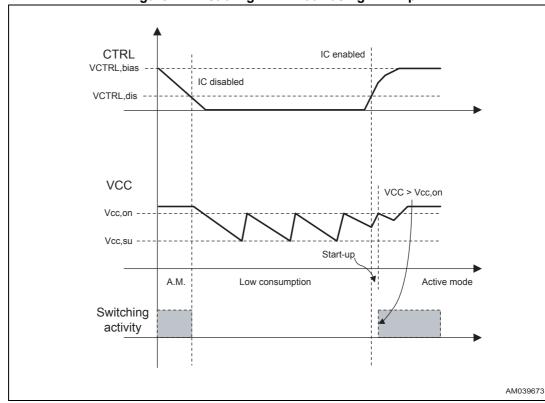


Figure 21. Disabling HVLED001 using CTRL pin

## 1.8.2 Instant disable by FB

The device can be disabled entering into the stop mode since the FB pin is pulled below the VFB, dis threshold. In this condition the IC's functional blocks remains fully operating (except for the GD driver that remains constantly in low position) and therefore the supply current is unchanged and HVSU is inactive.

When the FB pin is released above the threshold the device restarts immediately entering the active mode state.

This disabling mean has been designed to interrupt the device activity for short periods; in fact the VCC hold-up time in this condition is shortened due to IC power demand.

In case the VCC drops below Vcc,su, the IC enters low consumption; as a consequence the power consumption is lowered, the HVSU is activated, the CTRL pin is internally pulled down and the IC behaves as explained in the previous paragraph (*Figure 22*).

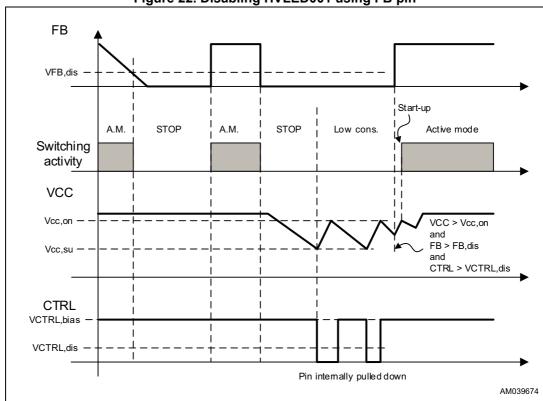


Figure 22. Disabling HVLED001 using FB pin

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## 1.8.3 Timed disable by CTRL

The device can be also disabled when the CTRL pin is constantly kept above the threshold named Vadis for a time longer than 100 ms.

After this time the IC enters the low consumption mode activating the HVSU and the CTRL pull down resistor. It is then restarted, from the start-up state, after 2.5 s (typ.).

If the CTRL pin drops below Vadis before the 100 ms the counting timer is reset to zero (*Figure 23*).

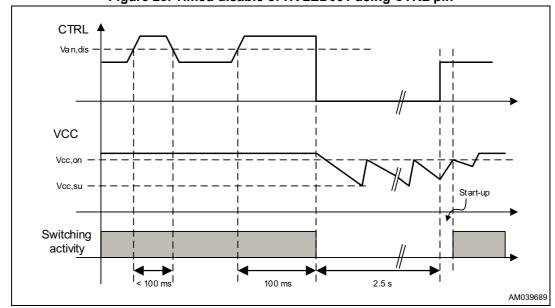


Figure 23. Timed disable of HVLED001 using CTRL pin

#### 1.9 **Protections**

#### 1.9.1 Input overvoltage and surge protection (IOVP)

[Involved pins 1: HVSU]

During the normal operation as the offline converter, the HVLED001 can be subjected to voltage variations, bursts and surges whose amplitude can be easily greater than 600 V. During the off time, the voltage of the MOSFET's drain is the sum of the input voltage and the reflected voltage: the input overvoltage protection (IOVP) immediately (200 ns typ.) interrupts the switching activity of the HVLED001 device when the input voltage is higher than Vsurge. As a result, the rating of both - the MOSFET and the secondary side diode is less critical than in standard controllers.

When the protection is triggered the HVLED001 device enters the stop mode. If the HVSU voltage falls below the threshold within 10 ms, the switching activity is immediately restored, otherwise the controller enters the low consumption mode until the HVSU voltage is reduced. In the last mode of operation the internal high voltage start-up unit maintains the HVSU supplied and, contemporarily, slightly loads the input capacitor (Figure 24).

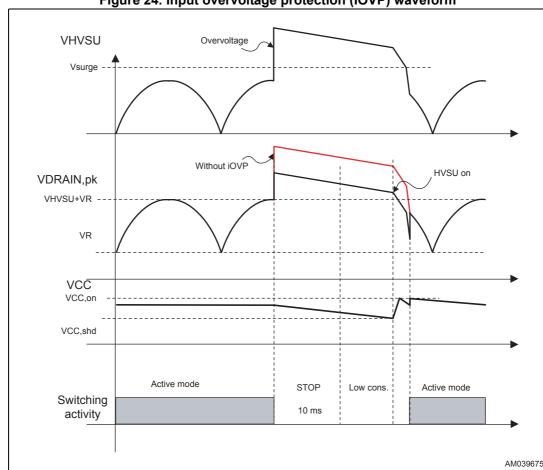


Figure 24. Input overvoltage protection (IOVP) waveform

## 1.9.2 Overload and optocoupler failure management (OFP)

[Involved pins 4: FB]

There are some abnormal conditions that make the FB pin voltage to rise until the output of the internal E/A saturates. Such conditions are namely:

- Overload
- Short-circuit
- Optocoupler failure

While in the first two cases the E/A reacts to deliver more power to the output in order to recover a loss of output voltage, in the third case is more critical, especially when the LED string is directly connected to the application's output.

The LED load behaves as a voltage limiter so that an optocoupler failure results into an increase of the output current without an increase of the output voltage: without a dedicated protection the LED string would be destroyed.

The optocoupler failure protection (*Figure 25*) embedded into the HVLED001 stops the switching activity and enters the low consumption mode if FB pin's voltage remains above the OFP threshold for a time longer than 100 ms. The switching activity is auto restored after 2.5 s, during which the IC is supplied by the high voltage start-up unit.

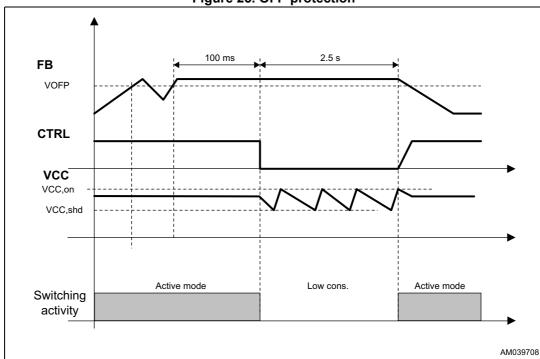


Figure 25. OFP protection

#### 1.9.3 Short-circuit detection

[Involved pins 6: ZCD]

In case of short-circuit on the output connector of the application, theoretically, the amplitude of the ZCD signal is insufficient to arm and trigger the ZCD comparator. Unfortunately the primary side's peak current, quite high due to the reaction of the control loop, magnetizes the leakage inductance that, oscillating with drain's capacitance, generates a signal whose amplitude is higher than the arming threshold.

To prevent a false triggering of the ZCD comparator by those spurious oscillations, the arming threshold is checked after TBLANK,min. If the ZCD signal is lower than the arming threshold, then the starter (500 µs) is invoked. This approach minimizes the stress of the secondary side rectifier reducing the risk of hard switching.

A constant short-circuit condition either triggers the OFP protection or results in an insufficient VCC power supply.

#### 1.9.4 Brownout

[Involved pins 6: ZCD]

Brownout protection is intended to stop the switching activity if the input voltage is constantly lower than a desired level. The input voltage is monitored by the ZCD pin using the current sunk from its internal negative clamp during the on time.

During the on time the auxiliary winding is expected to provide a negative voltage whose amplitude is proportional to the input voltage, scaled by the turn ratio between primary and auxiliary winding (NAUX/NPRI).

In this condition, the upper resistance of the voltage divider that is connected to the ZCD pin generates a current that is compared with a threshold value (100  $\mu$ A):

#### **Equation 8**

$$I_{ZCD} = \frac{Vin \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NPRI}}{R_{zcd}}$$

A free running timer is reset anytime the current is higher than the threshold: when the count reaches 100 ms (i.e.: the current has never been sufficient to reset it) the brownout condition is met and the IC is stopped in the low consumption mode. After 2.5 s an internal auto-restart mechanism restores the switching activity (*Figure 26*).

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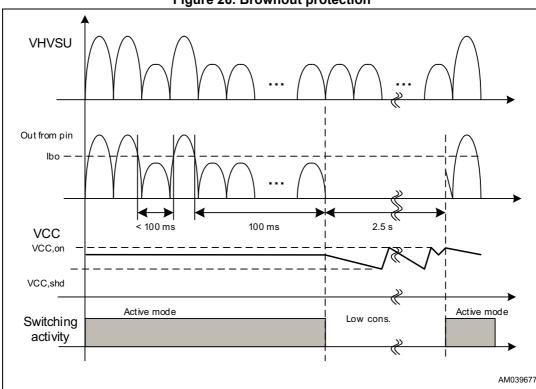


Figure 26. Brownout protection

## 1.9.5 Magnetic saturation or rectifier short-circuit

[Involved pins 7: CS]

In case of either saturation of the primary side, secondary side rectifier short-circuit or the continuous mode operation the voltage across the current sense pin quickly rises above the threshold set by the multiplier. At this occurrence a second level comparator interrupts the switching activity for 1 ms before restarting the switching activity. The inactive mode associated with this protection is a special case of the stop mode.

## 1.9.6 VCC short-circuit protection

[Involved pins 1: HVSU, 10: VCC]

The overload or short-circuit on the VCC pin prevents the internal high voltage start-up unit to rise the VCC voltage from 0 V. On the other hand a continuous operation of the charging unit at the maximum current may result into permanent damage of the device.

For this reason, if the VCC is lower than 2 V, then the charging current of the high voltage start-up unit is reduced to a safe value.

#### Designing a high power factor flyback LED driver 2

This section describes how to design an LED driver based on the single stage flyback controlled by the HVLED001. Guidelines on how to correctly design the transformer to obtain robust performances is presented as well as the control loop analysis of both - CC and CV (PSR) loops are illustrated.

#### 2.1 Selecting the design input specifications

At first the target specification of the application needs to be defined. A list of this specification is reported in Table 2.

Table 2. Typical design specification list

Design specs.	Parameter	Unit	Description
Mains voltage	Vmains	VAC	The range of this value can be defined in terms of the single range (e.g.: 198265), wide range (100 264) or universal range (90 305). Within each range is very common to distinguish a narrower range of values where the optimal performances are guaranteed.  The class of the components of the input filter is mainly affected by this parameter.
Mains frequency	Fmains	Hz	The mains frequency is nominally 50 Hz or 60 Hz and is normally very precise.
Output LED current	ILED	mA	The average current to supply the LED.
Output current ripple	ΔILED%	%	Amplitude of the ripple superimposed to the LED current ILED expressed as a percentage.  In such kind of application it is quite large (± 30% or more).
LED forward voltage	VLED	V	LED total forward voltage. The range of this parameter has normally a ratio between maximum and minimum value around 3 or 4.
LED dynamic resistance	Rd_LED	Ω	LED dynamical resistance. It is the inverse of the slope of the LED's current/voltage curve and plays an important role in both compensation and output capacitor selection.
Output voltage	Vout	V	Maximum regulated output voltage during the open circuit.
Expected efficiency	η	%	The efficiency of the application: its main contributors are the transformer and the power semiconductors (input rectifier bridge, MOSFET and secondary side rectifier).
Ambient temperature	Tamb	°C	This information is important to select the class of the electrolytic capacitor and the size of the heat sinks (where needed).

Some additional parameters can be defined starting from the specifications.

In particular the first important step is to select the value for the reflected voltage:

## **Equation 9**

$$VR = (Vout + Vf) \cdot \frac{NPRI}{NSEC}$$

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This term is the voltage present at the primary side of the transformer when the MOSFET is off. Its value affects the MOSFET's breakdown voltage, the MOSFET switching losses and the input current distortion (THD, see *Appendix A: Theory of QR flyback topology fed by an AC line on page 56*).

In order to obtain both - good efficiency (> 90%) and low THD (typ < 10% at Vmains max.), a reflected voltage equal to VR = 240 V is suggested.

Higher reflected voltage leads to better efficiency and THD, but the MOSFET's breakdown voltage increases and the PSR regulation is less accurate and vice-versa.

Given the reflected voltage is convenient to solve some preliminary equations to obtain both auxiliary parameters and operating voltages and currents.

**Table 3. Preliminary equations** 

	Table 5. Preliminary equations						
Eq. no.	Description	Note					
Equation 10	$K_V = \frac{Vinpk}{VR}$	Auxiliary parameter					
Equation 11	$F1(K_V) = \frac{\overline{sin(\theta)}}{1 + K_V sin(\theta)} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{sin(\theta)}{1 + K_V sin(\theta)} d\theta \approx \frac{0.637 + 4.6 \times 10^{-3} \cdot K_V}{1 + 0.729 \cdot K_V}$	Refer to AN1059 (on www.st.com) for detailed description					
Equation 12	$F2(K_{V}) = \frac{\overline{sin^{2}(\theta)}}{1 + K_{V}sin(\theta)} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{sin^{2}(\theta)}{1 + K_{V}sin(\theta)} d\theta \approx \frac{0.5 + 1.4 \times 10^{-3} \cdot K_{V}}{1 + 0.815 \cdot K_{V}}$	Refer to AN1059 for detailed description					
Equation 13	$F3(K_{V}) = \frac{\overline{\sin^{3}(\theta)}}{1 + K_{V}\sin(\theta)} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{\sin^{3}(\theta)}{1 + K_{V}\sin(\theta)} d\theta \approx \frac{0.424 + 5.7 \times 10^{-4} \cdot K_{V}}{1 + 0.862 \cdot K_{V}}$	Refer to AN1059 for detailed description					
Equation 14	$N = \frac{NPRI}{NSEC} = \frac{VR}{(Vout + Vf)}$	Transformer turn ratio					
Equation 15	$Pin = \frac{Vout \cdot ILED}{\eta}$	Maximum input power					
Equation 16	$Ipkp = \frac{2 \cdot Pin}{Vinpk \cdot F2(K_V)}$	Peak value of the primary side current					
Equation 17	$IDCp = \frac{1}{2}Ipkp \cdot F1(K_V)$	DC value of the primary side current					
Equation 18	$IRMSp = Ipkp \cdot \sqrt{K_V \cdot \frac{F2(K_V)}{3}}$	RMS value of the primary side current					
Equation 19	$lpks = \frac{2 \cdot ILED}{K_V \cdot F2(K_V)}$	Peak value of the secondary side current					
Equation 20	$IDCs = \frac{1}{2}Ipkp \cdot F1(K_V)$	DC value of the secondary side current					



**Table 3. Preliminary equations (continued)** 

## 2.2 Transformer design guide lines

Given the preliminary calculation of operating parameters, the proper design of the flyback transformer can be accomplished.

## 2.2.1 Primary inductance selection

Usually the transformer's primary inductance is selected to set the minimum switching frequency to a suitable value.

Using the HVLED001 device a further constraint has to be considered at first to properly operate the smart ZCD detection (see Section 1.5.2: SMART ZCD detection on page 17).

It must be guaranteed that the demagnetization time is longer than 3 µs when the output of the multiplier is higher than 0.3 V, otherwise a false missed magnetization condition is detected and an abnormal operation is obtained (500 µs of the inactive state is observed).

The following equations find the relation between the demagnetization time, output of multiplier and primary inductance:

#### **Equation 23**

$$Tdemag = \frac{L_{SEC} \cdot lpks}{Vout + Vf}$$

Rewritten the previous equation using the turn ratio a primary side rated version can be obtained:

#### **Equation 24**

$$Tdemag = \frac{1}{N} \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp}{(Vout + Vf)} = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp}{VR}$$

The peak of the primary current can be easily related to the CS pin voltage using the value of the current sense resistor.

## **Equation 25**

$$Tdemag = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot VCS}{VR \cdot R_{CS}}$$

The value of RCS is selected to exploit the entire VCS dynamic: therefore its value can be expressed as the ratio between the maximum value of VCS (VCS,lim = 750 mV) and the maximum value of the primary current (at maximum load and minimum input voltage) lpkp,max.

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## **Equation 26**

$$R_{CS} = \frac{VCS, lim}{lpkp, max}$$

Substituting *Equation 26* into *Equation 25*, the demagnetization time can be written using known parameters.

## **Equation 27**

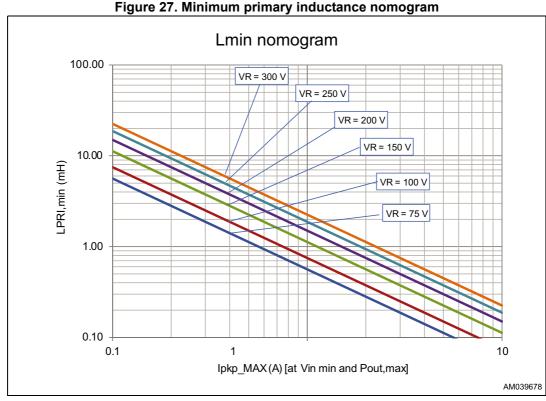
$$Tdemag = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot VCS \cdot Ipkp, max}{VR \cdot VCS, lim}$$

Re-arranging the terms and considering that 0.3 V / VCS,lim = 0.4, the minimum primary inductance, given a desired reflected voltage and the maximum primary current, can be written as:

## **Equation 28**

$$L_{PRI,min} \ge \frac{3\mu \cdot VR}{Ipkp, max \cdot 0.4}$$

The equation is also expressed as nomogram as illustrated in Figure 27.



The value of the lpkp,max can be obtained using *Equation 16* with maximum input power and minimum input voltage.

#### 2.2.2 Core size selection

The size of the flyback transformer can be differently approached to optimize different parameters. Besides the different techniques, a valid starting point to select core's size is the use of the area product calculation.

Two expressions for determining the minimum required core area-product (winding window area times effective magnetic cross section in cm<sup>4</sup>) will be provided:

#### **Equation 29**

$$AP_{min} = \left[\frac{460 \cdot Pin, max}{fsw, min \cdot (1 + K_V) \cdot \sqrt{F2(K_V)}}\right]^{1.316}$$

## **Equation 30**

$$\mathsf{AP}_{min} = \left[\frac{480 \cdot \mathsf{Pin}, \mathsf{max}}{\mathsf{fsw}, \mathsf{min} \cdot (1 + \mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}}) \cdot \sqrt{\mathsf{F2}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})}}\right]^{1.585} \cdot \left[\mathsf{J}_{\mathsf{H}}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}}) \cdot \mathsf{fsw}, \mathsf{min} + \mathsf{J}_{\mathsf{E}}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}}) \cdot \mathsf{fsw}, \mathsf{min}^2\right]^{0.66}$$

where  $J_H(K_V)$  and  $J_E(K_V)$  are functions related to hysteresis and eddy current losses, whose best fit approximation are respectively:

## **Equation 31**

$$J_{H}(K_{V}) = \frac{1.87 + 1.26 \cdot K_{V}}{1 + 0.55 \cdot K_{V}} \cdot 10^{-5}$$

#### **Equation 32**

$$J_E(K_V) = \frac{1.88 + 1.06 \cdot K_V}{1 + 0.34 \cdot K_V} \cdot 10^{-10}$$

Equation 29 assumes that the maximum peak flux density inside the core is limited by core saturation and that all transformer losses are located in the windings; Equation 30 assumes that core losses limit the flux swing and the total dissipation are half due to core losses and half to windings losses.

Common to both formulas are the following assumptions:

- the material is a typical power ferrite with a saturation flux density above 0.3 Tesla;
- 2. the windings occupy 40% of the total window area to leave space for isolation layers, creepage and clearance distances;
- primary and secondary winding wires are proportioned for equal RMS current density;
- core and/or copper losses result in 30 °C hot spot temperature rise (no forced cooling);
- 5. skin and proximity effects are neglected, considering the frequency range involved.

For a given fsw,min, one should try both formulas (considering  $K_V$  at minimum line voltage) and use the higher resulting value.

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#### 2.2.3 Turn selection

The number of primary side turn can be written considering the maximum allowable magnetic flux (Bmax) and the core's effective area (listed into magnetic core datasheet).

## **Equation 33**

$$NPRI = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp, max}{Bmax \cdot Ae}$$

The primary-to-secondary side turn ratio is defined by reflected voltage selection (*Equation 14 on page 35*), while the primary-to-auxiliary side turn ratio is selected based on both power supply and ZCD triggering considerations.

Auxiliary winding can be coupled accordingly to primary side (flyback configuration) or to primary side (forward configuration).

The first arrangement can be adopted when the output voltage range is small and the PSR operation is needed to control Vout:

## **Equation 34**

$$\frac{\text{VLED,min}}{\text{Vout}} < \frac{\text{VZCD,arm}}{\text{Vref,PSR}}$$

In this case the auxiliary turn number has to be set in order to obtain a Vaux higher than Vcc,shd when the LED voltage is minimum. Often a simple linear regulator is beneficial to set the VCC voltage within the pin's voltage allowed range.

## **Equation 35**

$$\frac{\text{NPRI}}{\text{NAUX}} = \frac{\text{VLED,min}}{\text{Vaux}} \cdot \frac{\text{NPRI}}{\text{NSEC}}$$

When the output voltage range is wider than calculated in *Equation 34* the ZCD signal must be obtained using an alternate structure and/or the VCC has to be obtained connecting the auxiliary winding in forward configuration.

In case of forward configuration auxiliary voltage variation has the same variation of the input voltage and a linear regulator can be used, even in universal mains application, to limit the VCC excursion. Being the rectified mains a half sinusoid, is preferable to consider, as minimum input voltage for the turn ratio selection, the RMS value of the input mains rather than its peak value. Doing so, some margin is automatically taken into account.

## **Equation 36**

$$\frac{\mathsf{NPRI}}{\mathsf{NAUX}} = \frac{\mathsf{Vinmin}_{(\mathsf{RMS})}}{\mathsf{Vaux}}$$

Different winding arrangement can be done: one arrangement example that reduces the primary side leakage inductance and gives good regulation facts is illustrated in *Figure 28*.

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Figure 28. Transformer's winding arrangement example

## 2.2.4 Transformer design equation summary

*Table 4* summarizes the equations to be used designing the transformer.

Table 4. Transformer design equations

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Parameter	Equation				
Primary inductance	Equation 28 $L_{PRI,min} \geq \frac{3\mu \cdot VR}{Ipkp, max \cdot 0.4}$				
Area product (must be higher	Equation 29 $AP_{min} = \left[\frac{460 \cdot Pin, max}{fsw, min \cdot (1 + K_V) \cdot \sqrt{F2(K_V)}}\right]^{1.316}$				
than the maximum between the two)	$\begin{aligned} & & Equation \ 30 \\ & & AP_{min} = \left[\frac{480 \cdot Pin, max}{fsw, min \cdot (1 + K_{V}) \cdot \sqrt{F2(K_{V})}}\right]^{1.585} \cdot \left[J_{H}(K_{V}) \cdot fsw, min + J_{E}(K_{V}) \cdot fsw, min^2\right]^{0.66} \end{aligned}$				
Primary side turn number	Equation 33 $NPRI = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp, max}{Bmax \cdot Ae}$				
"Pri to sec" turn ratio	Equation 14 on page 35 $N = \frac{NPRI}{NSEC} = \frac{VR}{(Vout + Vf)}$				
"Pri to aux" turn ratio	Flyback configuration $\frac{\text{Equation 35}}{\text{NAUX}} = \frac{\text{VLED,min}}{\text{Vaux}} \cdot \frac{\text{NPRI}}{\text{NSEC}}$				
	Forward configuration $\frac{\text{RPRI}}{\text{NAUX}} = \frac{\text{Vinmin}_{(RMS)}}{\text{Vaux}}$				

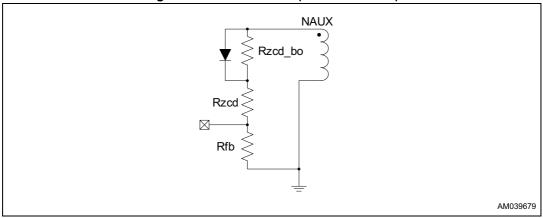
## 2.3 ZCD network definition

The ZCD network's functions are listed in Table 1 on page 5.

## 2.3.1 ZCD network to implement PSR (simple resistive network)

The ZCD network suitable to regulate output voltage with PSR function using resistors only is illustrated in *Figure 29*.

Figure 29. ZCD network (PSR - resistive)



## **Equation 37**

$$Rfb = 2.7k\Omega$$
 (suggested value)

## **Equation 38**

$$Rzcd = Rfb \cdot \left( \frac{Vout - Vfzcd}{VREF, PSR} \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NSEC} - 1 \right)$$

Vfzcd is the voltage drop of the diode in parallel with Rzcd bo.

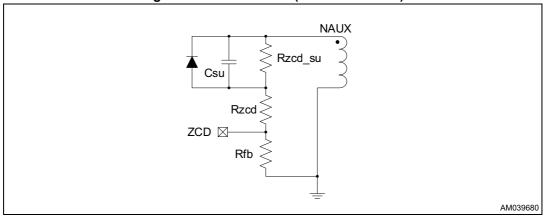
## **Equation 39**

$$Rzcd\_bo = \frac{Vin \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NPRI}}{I_{BO}} - Rzcd$$

## 2.3.2 ZCD network to implement PSR (network with derivative components)

The ZCD network suitable to regulate output voltage with PSR function including the derivative contribution to compensate the sample and hold capacitive behavior is illustrated in *Figure 30*.

Figure 30. ZCD network (PSR - derivative)



This network needs some fine tuning, but can work with higher resistance values.

**Equation 40** 

$$Rzcd = \frac{Vin \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NPRI}}{I_{BO}}$$

**Equation 41** 

$$Rzcd_su = Rzcd$$

**Equation 42** 

$$Csu \cong \frac{1\mu s}{Rzcd}$$

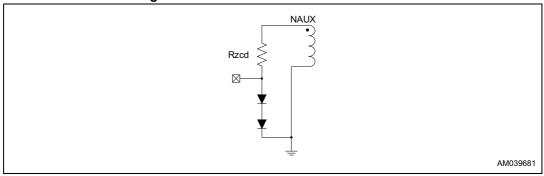
**Equation 43** 

$$Rfb = \frac{Rzcd}{\left(\frac{Vout}{VREF.PSR} \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NSEC} - 1\right)}$$

## 2.3.3 ZCD network to operate without PSR

The ZCD network suitable to disable the PSR function is illustrated in *Figure 31*: the diodes (standard type, like 1N4148) allows to generate a ZCD signal having amplitude that is higher than VZCD, arm and lower than VREF, PSR. This configuration sets the FB pin to operate as a constant current source to bias the optocoupler output.

Figure 31. ZCD network to disable the PSR



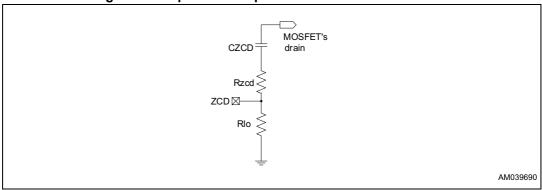
## **Equation 44**

$$Rzcd = \frac{Vin \cdot \frac{NAUX}{NPRI}}{I_{BO}}$$

## 2.3.4 ZCD network driven by MOSFET's drain

An alternate connection of the ZCD network consists on connecting it to the MOSFET's drain through an RC network as illustrated in *Figure 32*.

Figure 32. Capacitive coupled ZCD network without PSR



This network is useful when, due to the auxiliary winding forward connection, the auxiliary signal is not available to detect the demagnetization's oscillations.

The CZCD is charged at Vin: in fact the network is supplied by an almost square wave whose amplitude is equal to:

$$Vin + \left(Vout + Vf_{sec}\right) \cdot \frac{NPRI}{NSEC} = Vin + VR$$

and whose duty cycle is equal to (1 - D), where D is the MOSFET's duty cycle and equates:

## **Equation 45**

$$D = \frac{VR}{\left(Vin + VR\right)}$$

Therefore the average capacitor's voltage can be derived averaging this square wave:

## **Equation 46**

$$V_{CZCD} = (Vin + VR) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{VR}{Vin + VR}\right) = Vin$$

The resistor can therefore be selected to satisfy the following relation:

## **Equation 47**

$$Rzcd = \frac{Vin, max}{I_{BO}}$$

In order to guarantee correct valley detection, the time constant of this structure must be longer that the maximum expected damping time of the drain node oscillations. In practical flyback circuitries this time is normally around 40  $\mu$ s.

## **Equation 48**

$$CZCD = \frac{40\,\mu}{Rzcd}$$

This network is normally used with or without PSR and the value of Rlo can be found considering that VR is present across voltage divider:

## **Equation 49**

$$\begin{cases} Rlo = Rzcd \cdot \left( \frac{VPSR, REF}{N \cdot Vout - VPSR, REF} \right) & PSR \text{ is active} \\ Rlo = 2 \times Standard diode} & PSR \text{ disabled} \end{cases}$$

## 2.4 Active components definition

## 2.4.1 Input rectifier bridge

The input rectifier bridge should be able to withstand a reverse voltage greater than the input voltage peak's value.

#### **Equation 50**

An integrated or non-integrated bridge can be used depending on thermal and manufacturing considerations.

The maximum value of the RMS current flowing into the bridge is equal to:

#### Equation 51

$$Ibr\_f = \frac{Pin}{Vmains, min}$$

The power losses associated with the bridge can be estimated (with margin) as:

## **Equation 52**

$$Pbr = Ibr\_f \cdot 2 \cdot Vf\_br$$

Where *Vf\_br* is the forward voltage drop of a single diode of the bridge.

## 2.4.2 Secondary side rectifier

The output rectifier bridge should be able to withstand a reverse voltage greater than:

## **Equation 53**

$$Vbr > Vout + Vinpk, max \cdot \frac{NSEC}{NPRI}$$

The maximum current that flows in the diode is lpks (Equation 19 on page 35).

The diode's power losses are:

## **Equation 54**

The terms Vth and Rdsec can be found in the diode's datasheet.

## 2.4.3 MOSFET selection

The MOSFET must have a breakdown voltage greater than:

## **Equation 55**

Vspike in *Equation 55* is the allowed amplitude of the oscillations occurring between the transformer's leakage inductance and drain capacitance.

The Rds,on of the MOSFET can be selected as the best trade-off between cost and power losses performances.



The losses associated with the MOSFET are mainly dominated by conduction losses (Pcond) when the input voltage is low, while they are dominated by capacitive losses (Pcap) when the input voltage is high.

## **Equation 56**

Pcond = Rds, on 
$$\cdot$$
 IRMSp<sup>2</sup>

The capacitive losses are associated with the discharge of the capacitance present at the MOSFET drain. Therefore it is proportional to overall drain capacitance (Cdrain) and switching frequency. The last parameter varies over the half sinusoid: the average value of said frequency can be used to evaluate the switching losses.

## **Equation 57**

fsw, avg = 
$$\frac{1}{\Pi} \int_{0}^{\Pi} \frac{Vinpk}{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + K_{V} \cdot sin\theta} d\theta$$

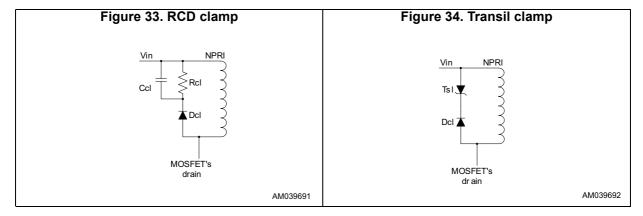
## **Equation 58**

$$P cap = fsw, avg \cdot \left\{ 3.3 \cdot Coss \cdot \left[ \frac{2 \cdot \left( Vinpk - VR \right)}{\pi} \right]^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot C_{Drain} \cdot \left[ \frac{2 \cdot \left( Vinpk - VR \right)}{\pi} \right]^{2} \right\}$$

The sum the of power losses contribution has to be considered to refine the MOSFET's selection and the size of the eventual heat sink.

## 2.4.4 Clamping device selection

Two different clamping structures can be applied in parallel with the transformer's primary side to limit the overvoltage spikes due to the leakage inductance of the transformer (Vspike): the RCD clamp (*Figure 33*) and Transil™ based clamp (*Figure 34*).



Considering the RCD clamp, the capacitor is selected so as to have Vspike (as a rule of the thumb, half the reflected voltage) at turn-off such that the voltage rating of the MOSFET is never exceeded.

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From energetic balance, it is possible to write:

## **Equation 59**

$$Ccl = \frac{Llk \cdot lpkp, max^{2}}{Vspike \cdot (Vspike + 2 \cdot VR)}$$

The term *Llk* in *Equation 59* is the leakage inductance of the transformer. Normally, it can be minimized between approximately 1% and 3% of LPRI. The capacitor undergoes large current spikes and therefore it should be a very low ESR type with a polypropylene or polystyrene dielectric film.

The minimum resistor value can be found by imposing that the voltage on the capacitor at the beginning of each switching cycle never falls below the reflected voltage:

## **Equation 60**

$$Rcl \ge \frac{1}{fsw, min \cdot Ccl \cdot In \left(1 + \frac{Vspike}{VR}\right)}$$

The term *fsw,min* in *Equation 60* can be derived by *Equation 57* calculated when the minimum input voltage is applied. The power rating of this resistor can be estimated by considering the DC dissipation due to the reflected voltage and the leakage inductance energy:

#### **Equation 61**

$$P(RcI) = \frac{fsw, min}{2} \cdot LIk \cdot Ipkp, max^{2} \cdot (1 + K_{Vmin}) \cdot F2(K_{Vmin}) + \frac{VR^{2}}{RcI}$$

The diode will be rated for repetitive peak currents equal to lpkp,max, and with a breakdown voltage greater than Vpk,max + VR.

Considering the Transil based clamp, its clamping voltage can be approximated with its breakdown voltage. In fact, the peak current is quite small and it is possible to neglect the contribution due to the dynamic resistance. The breakdown voltage, which should account for the drift due to the temperature rise, will then be:

## **Equation 62**

The steady-state power dissipation capability must be at least:

## **Equation 63**

$$P(TsI) = \frac{fsw, min}{2} \cdot LIk \cdot Ipkp, max^{2} \cdot (1 + K_{Vmin}) \cdot F2(K_{Vmin}) \cdot \frac{Vbr_{-} tsI}{Vbr_{-} tsI - VR}$$

The rating of the diode follows the same rules of the RCD-based Transil structure.

## 2.5 Input and output filter definition

## 2.5.1 Output capacitor

The output capacitor undergoes the AC component of the secondary current. The current ripple (similarly to voltage ripple) has two components: a high frequency ripple due to finite ESR of the capacitor and the low frequency ripple due to the twice line frequency envelope.

The high frequency ripple can be expressed as (it has been supposed that ESR << Rd\_LED that is the LED dynamical resistance):

### **Equation 64**

$$\Delta lo_{HF} = lpks \cdot \frac{ESR}{Rd LED}$$

To calculate the low frequency ripple an auxiliary variable needs to be defined (see AN1059 for further details):

## **Equation 65**

$$H2\big(K_{_{\boldsymbol{V}}}\big) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \left| \int_0^{\pi} \frac{sin^2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \cdot cos(2\boldsymbol{\theta})}{1 + K_{_{\boldsymbol{V}}} \cdot sin(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right| d\boldsymbol{\theta} \cong \frac{0.25 - 1.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot K_{_{\boldsymbol{V}}}}{1 + 1.074 \cdot K_{_{\boldsymbol{V}}}}$$

The low frequency ripple can be expressed as:

## **Equation 66**

$$\Delta lo_{LF} = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{H2(K_{V})}{F2(K_{V})} \cdot \frac{ILED}{Fmains \cdot Cout}$$

The Cout voltage rating must be higher than Vout plus some additional margin.

## 2.5.2 Input capacitor

The input capacitor undergoes the high frequency component of the input (line) current. The goal is to prevent this high frequency from its transferring back to the line.

Once defined the maximum allowed percentage ripple (f\_HF), the capacitor value can be found as:

## **Equation 67**

$$\Delta lin_{HF} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{r\_HF \cdot Pin \cdot fsw, min}$$

The rating of the capacitor must be at least higher than Vinpk, max.

An X2 type film capacitor is suggested.

## 2.6 Control loops definition

## 2.6.1 PSR control loop

In order to compensate the PSR loop, the open loop transfer function has to be derived starting from its elementary components (see *Section 1.6.1: Primary side regulation on page 23*). The compensation network will be placed between the FB pin and GND.

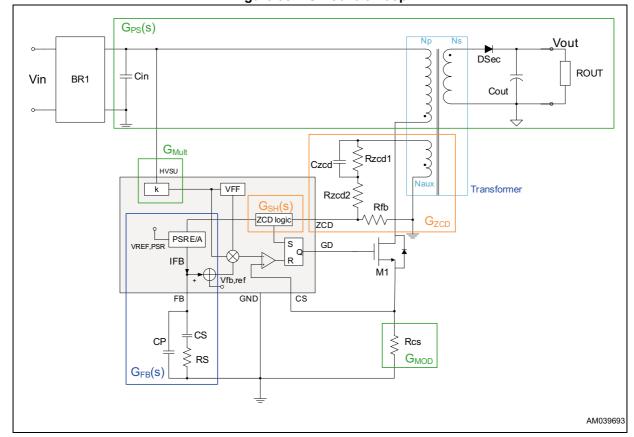


Figure 35. PSR control loop

At first the plant transfer function can be written as:

#### **Equation 68**

$$\mathsf{Ap}(s) = \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{PS}}(s) \cdot \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{Mult}} \cdot \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{MOD}} = \left| \frac{\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}} \cdot \mathsf{F2}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})}{1 + \Gamma(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})} \cdot \frac{\mathsf{N}}{2} \cdot \mathsf{ROUT} \cdot \frac{1 + s \cdot \mathsf{ESR} \cdot \mathsf{Cout}}{1 + s \cdot \frac{\mathsf{ROUT} \cdot \mathsf{Cout}}{1 + \Gamma(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})}} \right| \cdot \mathsf{km} \cdot \frac{1}{\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{CS}}}$$

The term  $\Gamma(K_V)$  in **Equation** 68 is equal to:

## **Equation 69**

$$\Gamma(K_{v}) \cong \frac{1 + 1 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot K_{v}}{1 + 0.8 \cdot K_{v}}$$

The plant transfer function has a low frequency pole and high frequency zero: the zero could be neglected, being the narrow bandwidth a requirement to obtain a good PF and THD.

The effect of ZCD input circuitry can be written as:

#### **Equation 70**

$$G_{EA\_in}(s) = G_{ZCD} \cdot G_{SH}(s) = \left[ \frac{NAUX}{NSEC} \cdot \frac{Rfb}{Rfb + Rzcd} \right] \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{1 + s \frac{4\pi}{fsw}} \right]$$

Depending on the ZCD voltage divider, the Rzcd term assumes different means - please refer to Section 2.3: ZCD network definition on page 41 for a complete description of the possibilities.

The internal sample and hold introduces a pole whose frequency depends on the operating frequency.

Finally the compensation network connected between the FB and GND allows obtaining the desired bandwidth tuning the singularities position. Its transfer function is:

#### **Equation 71**

$$G_{FB}(s) = gm \cdot ROTA \cdot \frac{1 + s \cdot RS \cdot CS}{(1 + s \cdot ROTA \cdot CS) \cdot (1 + s \cdot RS \cdot (CS + COTA))}$$

ROTA and COTA have been introduced in *Figure 17 on page 24* and are respectively equal to 2 M $\Omega$  and 350 pF.

#### HINTS:

It can be convenient to set the zero's frequency equal to the low frequency pole of the plant transfer function and act on the poles of the compensation network to obtain the desired bandwidth.

In case the PSR loop is used as an output voltage limit of a constant output current application, the bandwidth is wider than in a HPF application. This aspect has to be taken into account when setting the zero/pole position.

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## 2.6.2 Optocoupler based control loop (constant current)

In order to compensate the loop based on the optocoupler (constant output current), the open loop transfer function has to be derived.

The plant transfer function can be written as:

## **Equation 72**

$$\mathsf{Ap}(s) = \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{PS}}(s) \cdot \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{Mult}} \cdot \mathsf{G}_{\mathsf{MOD}} = \left| \frac{\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}} \cdot \mathsf{F2}(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})}{1 + \Gamma(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})} \cdot \frac{\mathsf{N}}{2} \cdot \frac{1 + s \cdot \mathsf{ESR} \cdot \mathsf{Cout}}{1 + s \cdot \frac{\mathsf{Rd} \_\mathsf{LED} \cdot \mathsf{Cout}}{1 + \Gamma(\mathsf{K}_{\mathsf{V}})} \right| \cdot \mathsf{km} \cdot \frac{1}{\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{CS}}}$$

The error amplifier section is on the secondary side and includes the relevant compensation network [GEA(s)] the optocoupler and relevant biasing means [Hp(s)] as illustrated in *Figure 36*.

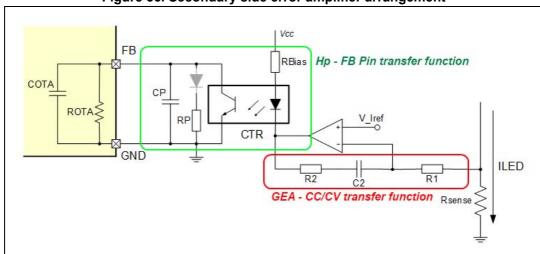


Figure 36. Secondary side error amplifier arrangement

## **Equation 73**

$$Hp(s) = \frac{Rsense}{RBias} \cdot CTR \cdot \frac{RP \cdot ROTA}{RP + ROTA} \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{1 + s \cdot \frac{RP \cdot ROTA}{RP + ROTA} \cdot (CP + COTA)} \right]$$

The pole of *Equation* 73 is normally set on relatively high frequency, but the DC gain of said frequency represents an important tuning factor to set the bandwidth to a low value.

The RP can eventually be placed in series with a diode if its value is lower than VFB, dis / IFBpu =  $15 \text{ k}\Omega$ .

The compensation network is finally designed according to its transfer function:

## **Equation 74**

$$G_{EA}(s) = \frac{1 + s \cdot (R1 + R2) \cdot C2}{s \cdot C2 \cdot R2}$$

The zero of G<sub>FA</sub> can be used to cancel the plant transfer function's low frequency pole.



## 2.7 Soft-starting the application

When the application is turned on, the output capacitor needs to be charged to reach the operating voltage. During this phase the control loop is saturated high to transfer the maximum energy to the secondary side resulting into two main effects: the initial rectifier current is very high (inrush current) and an overshoot appears due to the narrow loop's bandwidth.

The capacitor connected to the CTRL pin can be used to limit the inrush current and, eventually, to reduce the overshooting by means of the reduction of the maximum primary side current. It is convenient to add a resistor in series with the capacitor as illustrated in *Figure 8 on page 14* and *Figure 37* to bypass the CTRL disable feature (*Section 1.8.1: Instant disable by CTRL on page 26*).

Rss Ratri lctrl,bias Veoss SS

Figure 37. CTRL pin biasing

Said RC network can be designed as follows:

#### **Equation 75**

$$Rss \cong \frac{VCTRL, dis}{Ictrl, bias}$$

The soft-start phase is accomplished when CTRL voltage reaches Veoss. The size of Css can be selected to obtain the desired soft-start time (Tss):

## **Equation 76**

$$Css \cong \frac{Tss}{\left(Rctrl + Rss\right)} \cdot \frac{1}{-In \left[\left(1 + \frac{Rss}{Rctrl}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{Veoss}{Vctrl, bias}\right)\right]}$$

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## 2.8 Supplying the application

The device has to be supplied by a generator having an average current capability higher than operating ICC: normally the auxiliary winding of the transformer is sufficient (self-supplied applications), but different requirements may need the implementation of separate controllers (separate supplied applications - e.g.: when the application belongs to a complex subsystem). Whatever the supplying method is adopted, a decoupling diode between the supplying source and the VCC pin is required for a proper functionality of the HVSU.

The present section is focused on self-supplied applications only. The different load characteristics lead to different constraints or an external circuitry approach.

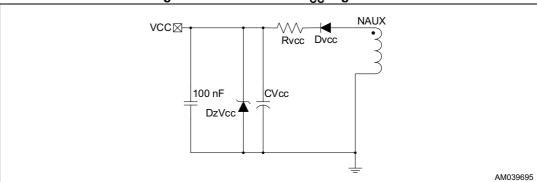
## 2.8.1 Simple Zener regulator

A constant output voltage application, normally, can be supplied directly by the auxiliary winding as illustrated in *Figure 38*: this structure has to be designed to limit the maximum VCC voltage during overshooting thanks to the Zener diode DzVcc. The Zener clamping voltage must be lower than the VCC pin's absolute maximum rating and its current has to be limited by Rvcc; said resistor represents an additional voltage drop between Vaux and  $V_{CC}$ .

## **Equation 77**

$$Vcc, min \cong Vaux - Vf, Dvcc - ICC, max \cdot Rvcc$$

Figure 38. Zener based V<sub>CC</sub> regulator



The size of the capacitor  $CV_{CC}$  can be estimated considering a trade-off between the required hold-up time (Thold-up, at least 10 ms to sustain the VCC during the stop mode occurring at the beginning of an input overvoltage event) and the start-up time.

## **Equation 78**

$$CVcc > \frac{Thold - up \cdot ICC, max}{Vcc, min - Vcc, su_{max}}$$

The resulting start-up time can be estimated as:

## **Equation 79**

$$Tstart - up = CVcc \cdot \left( \frac{Vcc, su_{start - up}}{Icharge, su} + \frac{Vcc, on - Vcc, su_{start - up}}{Icharge} \right) + 2 \cdot Arcsin \left( \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot Fmains} \cdot \frac{VHVstart}{Vinpk, min} \right)$$

The second term in Equation 79 represents the additional delay time that can be present when the application is turned when Vin is lower than VHV, start.

#### 2.8.2 Linear voltage regulator

There are several situations when the simple Zener regulator is inappropriate. As an example, when the aux. voltage varies over a wide range of values (LED drivers) the Zener diode must dissipate any extra voltage exceeding its rating. As a result both very huge dissipation and regulated voltage increasing could occur when aux. voltage is at maximum value.

Linear regulator (*Figure 39*) helps reducing the Zener dissipation.

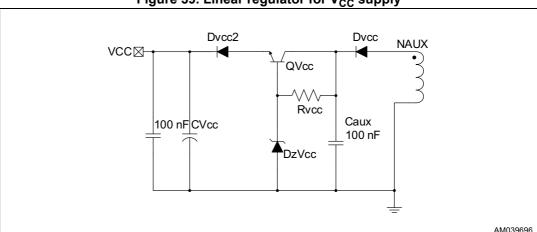


Figure 39. Linear regulator for V<sub>CC</sub> supply

The Vbe rating of QV<sub>CC</sub> must be higher than maximum aux. voltage, while its package depends on the associated thermal resistance that allows to keep the QV<sub>CC</sub> junction temperature below the desired value.

The diode  $D_{VCC}$ 2 prevents the base to emitter the junction of  $QV_{CC}$  from being reverse biased by the start-up network (a high voltage start-up unit of the HVLED001).

DzV<sub>CC</sub> value can be set as the sum of the operating V<sub>CC</sub> value and twice standard diode's forward voltage drop (2 x 0.7 V).

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Finally the value for  $R_{VCC}$  has to be set in order to bias both - the base current and Zener diode:

## **Equation 80**

$$Rvcc = \frac{Vaux, min - Vf_{Dvcc} - V_{DzVcc}}{hfe \cdot ICC, max + I_{DzVcc}}$$

The Zener biasing current ( $I_{DzVcc}$ ) is usually in the range of few tenths of  $\mu A$ , while hfe is reported in the NPN transistor datasheet.

The  $CV_{CC}$  value is set using *Equation 78* and *Equation 79*. In case the resulting start-up time is too long a trick can be adopted: selecting a lower  $CV_{CC}$  value and increasing the value of the Caux capacitor to a suitable level. This arrangement ensures contemporarily a quick start-up (the HVSU charges  $CV_{CC}$  only) and a longer hold-up time (the energy is stored into Caux).



# Appendix A Theory of QR flyback topology fed by an AC line

It can be demonstrated that the flyback topology operating in the discontinuous conduction mode is intrinsically able to operate with a high power factor. A particular case of DCM is the quasi resonant (QR) flyback that, in respect of the standard DCM, optimizes the efficiency and reduces the high frequency output current ripple. A unity power factor is obtained when the input current is sinusoidal and in phase with the input voltage.

To obtain almost sinusoidal input current absorption, the HVLED001 device modulates sinusoidally the peak of the primary side current, but, at the same time, also the duty cycle (D) is modulated. As a result: the PF and the THD of the input current cannot be respectively 1 and 0, but their theoretical limit can be calculated. At first, some preliminary conditions need to be assumed:

- The multiplier is perfectly linear so that lpkp(θ) = lpkp · sin(θ)
- The feedback signal (FB voltage) is perfectly constant over a mains cycle
- The transformer is ideal so that perfect winding coupling can be assumed
- The MOSFET is turned on immediately after demagnetization (Tdemag)

The current absorbed by a flyback converter can be written as:

#### **Equation 81**

$$lin(t) = \frac{1}{2}lpkp(t) \cdot D$$

It is convenient to express the currents and voltages in terms of the angular phase to extend the equations to any input frequency:

The expression for the duty cycle can be obtained writing the expressions for Ton and Toff periods.

## **Equation 82**

$$T_{ON} = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot Ipkp(\theta)}{Vin(\theta)} = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot I_{pkp}}{Vinpk}$$

## **Equation 83**

$$T_{OFF} = \frac{L_{SEC} \cdot lpks(\theta)}{Vout + Vf} = \frac{\frac{L_{PRI}}{N^2} \cdot N \cdot lpkp(\theta)}{Vout + Vf} = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot lpkp(\theta)}{N(Vout + Vf)} = \frac{L_{PRI} \cdot lpkp(\theta)}{VR}$$

Combining *Equation 81* and *Equation 84* it is possible to write the expression of the input current.

#### **Equation 84**

$$D = \frac{T_{ON}}{T_{ON} + T_{OFF}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Vinpk}{VR} \cdot \left| sin(\theta) \right|} = \frac{1}{1 + K_V \cdot \left| sin(\theta) \right|}$$

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## **Equation 85**

$$lin(\theta) = \frac{1}{2}lpkp \cdot \frac{|sin(\theta)|}{1 + K_{V}|sin(\theta)|}$$

Equation 85 contains a distortion term (the denominator of the fractional term) that is equal to one only if K<sub>V</sub> equals zero. Practically the ratio between the peak and reflected voltage cannot be zero.

Considering that the reflected voltage is typically fixed between 150 V and 250 V and the output voltage could also be variable over a range from 4 to 1, the minimum value of the parameter K<sub>V</sub> can be around 0.5 in a wide range applications at minimum line voltage.

The maximum value of this parameter is reached at maximum input voltage and minimum output voltage: in a wide range applications  $K_V > 7$  can be easily reached.

Figure 40 illustrates, in the same graph, the normalized input line voltage (red line) and the input line currents at different condition. The worst case is a wide range application having an input voltage range from 90 Vac ( $K_V = 0.5$ ) to 305 Vac. Output voltage can vary by a factor 4 obtaining, at maximum output voltage a K<sub>V</sub> varying between around 2 and 7.

The input current amplitudes are normalized to the same RMS values if output condition is constant, and are adjusted if output voltage decreases.

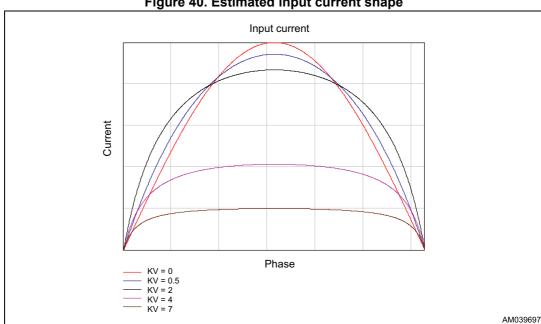


Figure 40. Estimated input current shape

The expression for THD and PF associated with the input current can be explicitly obtained.

## **Equation 86**

$$PF = \frac{Iin_{RMS,1st\_harmonic}}{Iin_{RMS}}$$



**Equation 87** 

$$lin_{RMS,1st\_harmonic} = \frac{Pin}{Vin} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cdot Pin}{Vinpk}$$

**Equation 88** 

$$Pin = \frac{1}{2} Vinpk \cdot Ipkp \frac{\overline{sin^2(\theta)}}{1 + K_V sin(\theta)} = \frac{1}{2} Vinpk \cdot Ipkp \cdot F2(K_V)$$

**Equation 89** 

$$lin_{RMS} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot lpkp \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \left[ \frac{sin(\theta)}{1 + K_{V} sin(\theta)} \right]^{2} d\theta}$$

Using Equation 87, Equation 88 and Equation 89 into Equation 86 and exploiting numerical analysis an approximate expression for PF, depending on  $K_V$  can be found:

#### **Equation 90**

$$PF(K_V) = 1 - 8.1 \times 10^{-3} K_V + 3.4 \times 10^{-4} K_V^2$$

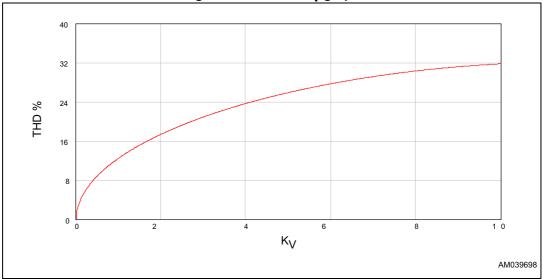
Neglecting the distortion related with input capacitance, the THD can be related to PF using the following expression:

## **Equation 91**

THD(K<sub>V</sub>) = 
$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{[PF(K_V)]^2} - 1}$$

Equation 91 gives a measurement of the distortion already noticed looking at Figure 41.





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# Appendix B List of abbreviations

The list of the abbreviations adopted in this application note is reported in this appendix. The symbols corresponding to HVLED001 electrical characteristics can be found in the relevant datasheet.

Table 5. List of abbreviations

Symbol	Description		
C2	Capacitor of secondary side compensation network belonging to feedback network (CC mode)		
Ccl	Primary side clamp capacitor		
C <sub>drain</sub>	Total capacitance of the drain's node		
Cin	Input capacitor connected after the rectifier bridge		
Coss	MOSFET's drain to source capacitance		
Cout	Output capacitor		
СР	Capacitor of primary side compensation network directly placed between FB and GND		
CS	Capacitor of the R/C of the primary side compensation network		
Css	Capacitor of the typical R/C network connected to CTRL pin		
Csu	Speed up capacitor of the ZCD network		
C <sub>VCC</sub>	VCC bulk capacitor		
D	Duty cycle of MOSFET		
Dcl	Primary side clamp rectifier		
DSec	Secondary side rectifier		
D <sub>VCC</sub>	VCC rectifier diode		
DZ_clamp	Primary side clamp Zener		
DzVcc	VCC limiting Zener		
Fmains	Mains frequency		
f <sub>Resonance</sub>	Frequency of the main resonance of the flyback topology		
fsw	Switching frequency (avg., min. or max.)		
lin	Input current		
ILED	Average value of LED current		
lpkp,max	Peak of primary current - max. value		
lpkp,min	Peak of primary current - min. value		
IZCD,on	ZCD pin		
K <sub>V</sub>	Ratio between input peak and reflected voltage		
Llk	Transformer's leakage inductance		
L <sub>PRI</sub>	Primary inductance of flyback transformer		
L <sub>SEC</sub>	Secondary side inductance of flyback transformer		
N	Primary-to-secondary turn ratio		

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Table 5. List of abbreviations (continued)

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·	Rzcd_su	Upper resistor of the ZCD network bypassed by speed - up capacitor and/or diode			
Tcase Case temperature	Tamb	Ambient temperature			
	Tcase	Case temperature			
Tdemag Demagnetization time of the transformer	Tdemag	Demagnetization time of the transformer			
T <sub>j</sub> Junction case	T <sub>j</sub>	Junction case			
T <sub>ON</sub> MOSFET's on time	T <sub>ON</sub>	MOSFET's on time			
T <sub>OFF</sub> MOSFET's off time	T <sub>OFF</sub>	MOSFET's off time			
Tvalley Time interval between MOSFET's turn-off and minimum of the first resonance oscillation	Tvalley	Time interval between MOSFET's turn-off and minimum of the first resonance oscillation			
Tvalley_n Time interval between MOSFET's turn-off and minimum of the n-th resonance oscillation	Tvalley_n	Time interval between MOSFET's turn-off and minimum of the n-th resonance oscillation			
Vf Secondary side diode forward voltage	Vf	Secondary side diode forward voltage			
VCS Voltage of CS pin	VCS	Voltage of CS pin			

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Table 5. List of abbreviations (continued)

Symbol	Description
Vin	Input voltage
Vinpk	Peak value of input voltage
VLED	LED forward voltage
Vmains	Mains (AC) voltage applied to the application
Vout	Output voltage
VR	Reflected voltage
Vref_CC	Reference voltage for SSR - CC loop
Vref_CV	Reference voltage for SSR - CV loop
Vspike	Primary side overvoltage due to leakage inductance
ΔILED	Amplitude of the LED current ripple (absolute)
ΔILED%	Amplitude of the LED current ripple (%)
∆ILEDpp	Amplitude of the LED current ripple (peak to peak)
η	Efficiency (%)
θ	Angular phase of the mains voltage

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# **Revision history**

**Table 6. Document revision history** 

Date	Revision	Changes
01-Sep-2015	1	Initial release.

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