

Zero Voltage Controller

The UAA1016B is designed to drive triacs with the Zero Voltage technique which allows RFI free power regulation of resistive loads. It provides the following features:

- Proportional Temperature Control over an Adjustable Band
- Adjustable Burst Frequency (to Comply with Standards)
- Sensor Fail–Safe
- No DC Current Component Through the Main Line (to Comply with Standards)
- Negative Output Current Pulses (Triac Quadrants 2 and 3)
- Direct AC Line Operation
- Low External Components Count

ZERO VOLTAGE SWITCH PROPORTIONAL BAND TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

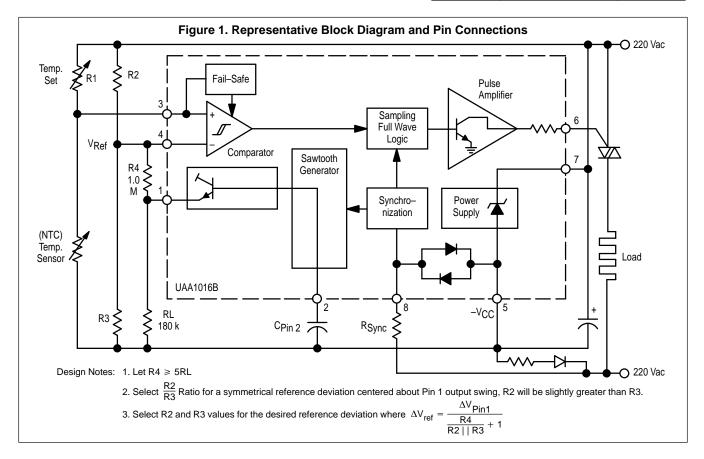
SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNICAL DATA



PLASTIC PACKAGE CASE 626

ORDERING INFORMATION

Device	Operating Temperature Range	Package
UAA1016B	$T_A = -20^{\circ} \text{ to } +100^{\circ}\text{C}$	Plastic DIP



MAXIMUM RATINGS (Voltages referred to Pin 7)

Parameter	Symbol	Max. Rating	Unit
Supply Current (IPin 5)	ICC	15	mA
Nonrepetitive Supply Current (IPin 5)	ICCP	200	mA
AC Synchronization Current (Pin 8)	I _{syn}	3.0	mArms
Maximum Pin Voltages	VPin 1 VPin 2 VPin 3 VPin 4 VPin 6	0; - VCC 0; - VCC 0; - VCC 0; - VCC 2.0; - VCC	Volt
Maximum Current Drain	I _{Pin 1}	1.0	mA
Power Dissipation $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$	PD	625	mW
Maximum Thermal Resistance	R _{θJA}	100	°C/W
Operating Temperature Range	Т _А	– 20 to + 100	°C

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (T_A = 25°C, Voltages referred to Pin 7 unless otherwise noted)

Characteristics	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Current Consumption (Pins 6 and 8 not connected)	ICC	—	0.8	1.5	mA
Stabilized Supply Voltage (V _{Pin 5}) I _{CC} = 2.0 mA max	- VCC	- 9.6	- 8.6	- 7.6	V
Output Pulse Current (VPin 6 from – 1.0 to + 1.0 Volt)	l _{out}	60	90	120	mA
Output Pulse Width RPin 8 = 220 k Ω , V _{mains} = 220 Vac/50 Hz, (Figures 4 and 5)	^t p1 tp2	58 160	60 220	120 320	μs
Comparator Input Offset Voltage (VPin 3 - VPin 4)	Voff	- 10	—	+ 10	mV
Comparator Common Mode Voltage Range	Vсм	- V _{CC} + 1	—	- 1.5	V
Input Bias Current (Pins 3 and 4)	I _{IB}	—	—	1.0	μA
Output Leakage Current (I _{Pin 6}) V _{Pin 6} = + 2.0 V	l _{outL}	_	-	10	μA
Fail-safe Threshold Voltage (VPin 3)	VFSTH	—	- 0.7	—	V
Capacitor Charging Current (Source)	I _{Pin 2}	- 20	- 16	– 12	μA
Capacitor Discharge Current (Sink)	l'Pin 2	—	6.4	—	mA
Sawtooth Pulse Length (C _{Pin 2} = 1.0 μF)	t _{saw}	—	0.85	—	S
Output Threshold Sawtooth Levels (V _{Pin 2})	V _{TH1} V _{TH2}		– 1.0 – V _{CC} + 1.25		V
Output Voltage Pin 1	V _{Pin 1}	—	V _{Pin 2} – 0.75	—	V

CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

The circuit delivers current pulses to the triac at zero crossings of the main line sensed by Pin 8 through R_{Sync} . An internal full wave logic allows the triac to latch during full wave periods in order to avoid any DC component in the main line, in compliance with European regulations. Trigger pulses are generated when the comparator detects $V_{Pin 3}$ is above $V_{Pin 4}$ (or $V_{reference}$) as sensed temperature through the NTC is then lower than the set value (V_{ref} corresponding to the external Wheatstone bridge equilibrium).

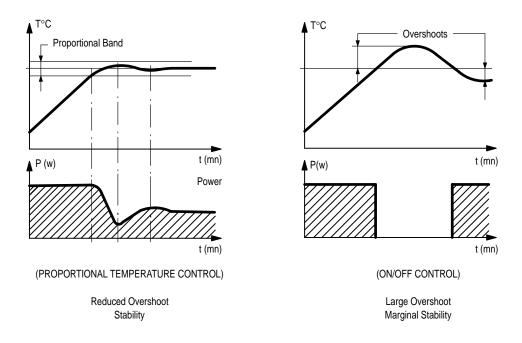
In order to comply with norms limiting the frequency at which a kW sized load, or above, may be connected to the main line (fluorescent tubes "flickering"), the UAA1016B has an internal time base providing (power is delivered by bursts

to the load) a proportional temperature band control. In fact, most of the heating regulation systems require low temperature overshoot for more precision and stability which cannot be accomplished by direct on/off regulation (see Figure 2). An internal low frequency sawtooth generator whose output is available at Pin 1, allows the designer to introduce a periodic linear change of V_{ref}. This deviation defines the temperature band allowing proportional power control (see Figure 3).

A fail-safe circuit inhibits output pulses when the sensor circuit has a fault (open or short circuit).

The IC is directly powered from the mains by a dropping resistor, a diode and a filter capacitor.

Figure 2. Proportional Temperature Control versus On/Off Control



KEY CIRCUIT FUNCTIONS DESCRIPTION

Power Supply

The rectified supply current is Zener regulated to 8.6 V. Current consumption of the UAA1016B is typically less than 1.0 mA. The major part of the current fed by the dropping resistor is used for the sensor bridge and triac gate pulses. Any excess of supply current is excess power dissipation into the integrated Zener. Current consumption of the triac pulses may be derived from Figure 4 and 5 (Igt maximum and pulse duration). Usually an 18 k Ω , 2.0 W dropping resistor is convenient to feed the UAA1016.

Comparator

When VPin 3 is higher than VPin 4 (Vref), the comparator allows the triggering logic to deliver pulses to the triac (Figure 3). The offset hysteresis input voltage has been designed to be as low as possible (\pm 10 mV maximum) in order to minimize the uncontrollable temperature band (proportional to the hysteresis) as per Figure 6. Noise rejection is performed by a synchronous sampling of the comparator output during very short times (typical less than 100 ns).

Sawtooth Generator

A sawtooth voltage signal is generated by a constant current source (typical 7.5 μ A), charging an external capacitor CP_{in 2} between two threshold levels, V_{TH1} and V_{TH2}, which are respectively:

 $V_{TH1} = -1.0 V$

 $V_{TH2} = -V_{CC} + 1.25 V.$

Charging and discharging currents occur only with negative halfcycles of the line. In the UAA1016B, the

sawtooth signal is available at Pin 1 as a voltage source $V_{Pin 1} = V_{Pin 2} - 0.75 V$. Maximum source current is 1.0 mA, but to keep good linearity of sawtooth signal, a source current of 40 μ A is recommended (see Figure 7).

Fail-Safe

Output pulses are inhibited by the "fail–safe" circuit if the comparator input voltage exceeds the specified threshold voltage. This would occur if the temperature sensor circuit had a fault.

Sampling Full Wave Logic

Two consecutive zero–crossing trigger pulses are generated at every positive mains half–cycle of the line to minimize generation of noise (as per Figure 8). Within every zero–crossing the pulses are positioned as per Figure 4. Pulse length is also adjustable by R_{Sync} on Pin 8 to allow positive triggering of the triac at this critical moment (firing with low voltage between main terminals requires long pulses).

Pulse Amplifier

The pulse amplifier circuit delivers minimum current pulses of 60 mA (sink). The triac is triggered in quadrants II and III.

Synchronization Circuit

This circuit detects mains zero–crossings through R_{Sync} and the value selected determines the trigger pulse length. A zero crossing current detector is employed with typical thresholds of $\pm 27 \ \mu$ A to $\pm 98 \ \mu$ A (see Figures 4 and 5).

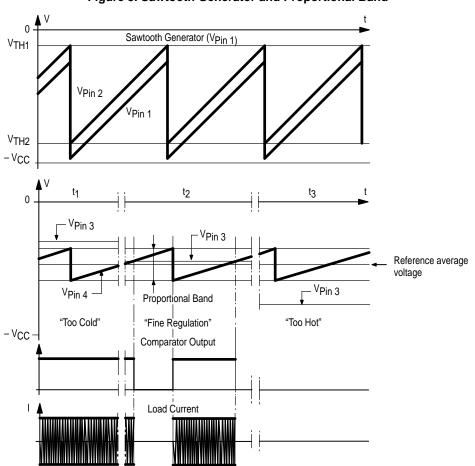


Figure 3. Sawtooth Generator and Proportional Band

COMMENTS TO FIGURE 3

Referring to Figure 1, the average value of V_{ref} is set by R_2 and R_3 . R_4 defines the amplitude of the sawtooth signal superimposed on V_{ref} , defining the Proportional Band.

Figure 3 shows three conditions:

- During time t₁ we always have V_{Pin 3} > V_{ref}, and as a result, the comparator is always "on" and the triac fired (100% maximum power)
- During time t₂, V_{Pin 3} is in the proportional band, and the average power delivered to the load is a fraction of maximum power.
- During time t₃, V_{Pin 3} < V_{ref}, and the triac is always "off."

When the sensor temperature is above the set value and is slowly decreasing as no heating occurs, Vpin 3 – VPin 4 must exceed half the hysteresis value before power is applied again (1). A similar effect occurs in the opposite direction when temperature sensor is below the set value and can remain stable as position (2). This defines the "uncontrollable temperature band" which will be very small if hysteresis is also very small.

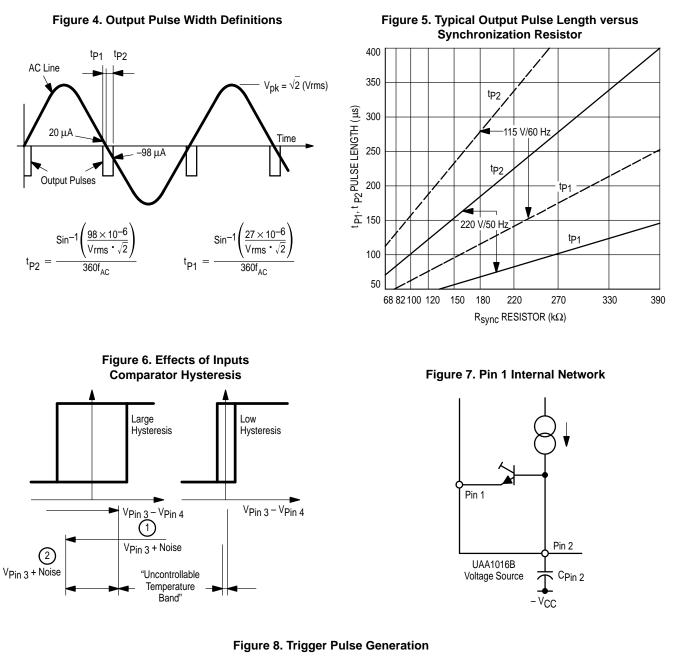
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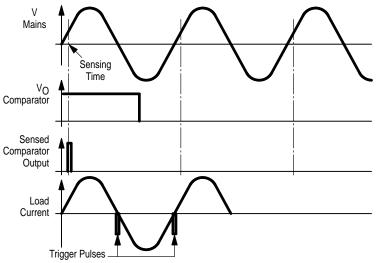
The temperature sensor circuit is a Wheatstone bridge including the sensor element. Comparator inputs may be free from power line noise only if the sensor element is purely resistive (NTC resistor). Usage of any P–N junction sensor would drastically reduce noise rejection.

Fixed phase sensing of the internal comparator output eliminates parasitic signals.

Some loads, even designed to be resistive, have in fact a slight inductive component. A phase shift at Pin 8 can be achieved with external capacitor C_3 connected to Pin 8 network (see Figure 9).

Suggested maximum source current at Pin 1 is 40 μ A, in order to have acceptable sawtooth signal linearity.





APPLICATION CIRCUITS

Figure 9 shows a very simple application of the UAA1016B as an electronic rheostat having 100% efficiency. C_3 is required only if load has an inductive component. Figure 10

shows a typical application as a panel heater thermostat with a proportional temperature band of 1°C at 25°C.

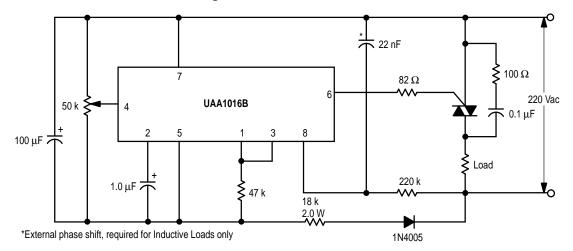
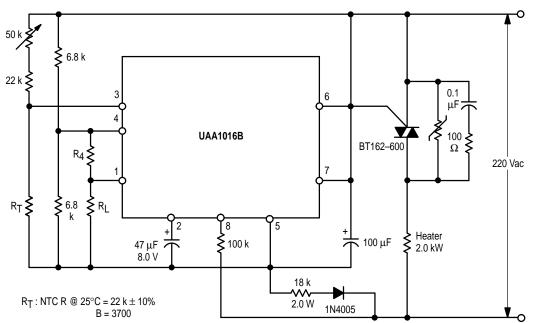
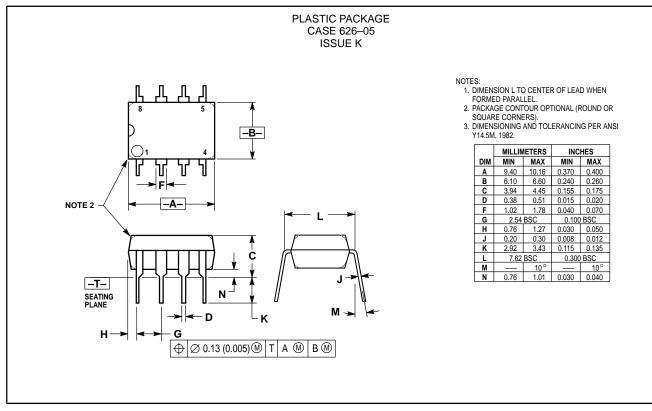


Figure 9. Electronic Rheostat

Figure 10. Application Circuit — Electric Radiator with Proportional Band Thermostat (Proportional Band 1°C at 25°C)



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