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## ACT4070B Wide Input 3A Step Down Converter

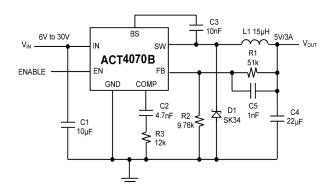
## FEATURES

- 3A Output Current
- Up to 95% Efficiency
- 6V to 30V Input Range
- 100µA Shutdown Supply Current
- 4mA Standby Input Current
- 300kHz Switching Frequency
- Output Voltage Up to 12V
- Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limit Protection
- Thermal Shutdown Protection
- Internal Soft Start Function
- Frequency Fold Back at Short Circuit
- Stability with Wide Range of Capacitors
- Including Low ESR Ceramic Capacitors
- SOP-8/EP (Exposed Pad) Package

## **APPLICATIONS**

- TFT LCD Monitors or Televisions and HDTV
- Portable DVD Players
- · Car-Powered or Battery-Powered Equipment
- Set-Top Boxes
- Telecom Power Supplies
- DSL and Cable Modems and Routers

## **TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUIT**

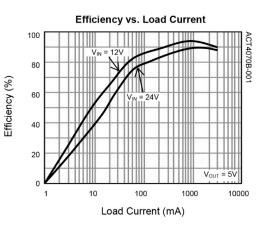


## **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

ACT4070B is a wide input voltage step-down DC/DC converter that provides up to 3A output current at 300kHz switching frequency. ACT4070B is a replacement part for ACT4070 with advanced features such as lower standby current and higher light load efficiency. ACT4070B can be dropped into ACT4070 socket with only feedback resistance value changed.

ACT4070B's protection features include Cycle-by-Cycle current limit, thermal shutdown, and frequency foldback at over current and short circuit. The devices are available in a SOP-8EP package and require very few external devices for operation.

Note: ACT4070B is the replacement part for ACT4070.

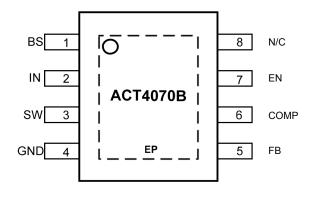


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## **ORDERING INFORMATION**

PART NUMBER	TEMPERATURE RANGE	PACKAGE	PINS	PACKING
ACT4070BYH-T	-40°C to 85°C	SOP-8/EP	8	TAPE & REEL

## PIN CONFIGURATION



SOP-8/EP

### **PIN DESCRIPTIONS**

PIN NUMBER	NAME	DESCRIPTION	
1	BS	Bootstrap. This pin acts as the positive rail for the high-side switch's gate driver. Connect a 10nF between this pin and SW.	
2	IN	Input Supply. Bypass this pin to GND with a low ESR capacitor. See Input Capacitor in Application Information section.	
3	SW	Switch Output. Connect this pin to the switching end of the inductor.	
4	GND	Ground.	
5	FB	Feedback Input. The voltage at this pin is regulated to 0.808V. Connect to the resistor divider between output and ground to set output voltage.	
6	COMP	Compensation Pin. See Compensation Technique in Application Information section.	
7	EN	Enable Input. When higher than 1.6V, this pin turns the IC on. When lower than 1.5V, this pin tur the IC off. This pin has a small internal pull up current to a high level voltage when pin is not connected.	
8	N/C	Not Connected.	
EP	EP	Exposed Pad shown as dashed box. The exposed thermal pad should be connected to board ground plane and pin 4. The ground plane should include a large exposed copper pad under the package for thermal dissipation (see package out- line). The leads and exposed pad should be flush with the board, without offset from the board surface.	

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## **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS<sup>®</sup>**

PARAMETER	VALUE	UNIT
IN to GND	-0.3 to + 34	V
EN to GND	-0.3 to V <sub>IN</sub> + 0.3	V
SW to GND	-1 to V <sub>IN</sub> + 1	V
BS to SW	-0.3 to + 7	V
FB, COMP to GND	-0.3 to 6	V
Continuous SW Current	Internally limited	A
Junction to Ambient Thermal Resistance $(\theta_{JA})$	46	°C/W
Maximum Power Dissipation	1.8	W
Operating Junction Temperature	-40 to 150	°C
Storage Temperature	-55 to 150	°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)	300	°C

①: Do not exceed these limits to prevent damage to the device. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for long periods may affect device reliability.

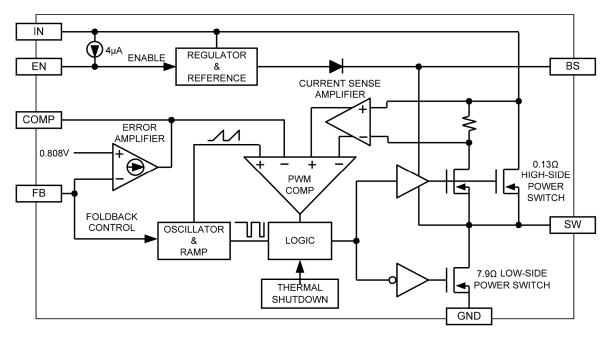
## **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

 $(V_{IN} = 12V, T_J = 25^{\circ}C, unless otherwise specified.)$ 

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
Input Voltage	VIN	$V_{OUT}$ = 2.5V, $I_{LOAD}$ = 0A to 3A	6		30	V
V <sub>IN</sub> UVLO Turn-on Voltage		Input Voltage Rising		5.5		V
Feedback Voltage	V <sub>FB</sub>		0.792	0.808	0.824	V
High-Side Switch On Resistance	Ronh			130		mΩ
Low-Side Switch On Resistance	Ronl			7.9		Ω
SW Leakage		V <sub>EN</sub> = 0, V <sub>IN</sub> = 12V, V <sub>SW</sub> = 0V		1	10	μA
High-Side Switch Peak Current Limit	ILIM	Duty = 50%		3.7		Α
COMP to Current Limit Transconductance	G <sub>COMP</sub>	$\Delta I_{LOAD} / \Delta I_{COMP}$		5.25		A/V
Error Amplifier Transconductance	Gea	$\Delta I_{COMP} = \pm 10 \mu A$		650		μA/V
Error Amplifier DC Gain	AVEA			4000		V/V
Switching Frequency	fsw		250	300	330	kHz
Short Circuit Switching Frequency		V <sub>FB</sub> = 0V		44		kHz
Maximum Duty Cycle	DMAX			88		%
Minimum on Time				200		ns
Enable Threshold Voltage		Hysteresis = 0.1V	1.47	1.6	1.73	V
Enable Pull-Up Current		Pin pulled up to V <sub>IN</sub> when left unconnected		4		μA
Supply Current in Shutdown		V <sub>EN</sub> = 0		75	115	μA
IC Supply Current in Operation		V <sub>FB</sub> = 1.2V, not switching		0.675	1	mA
Thermal Shutdown Temperature		Hysteresis = 20°C		150		°C

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## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



### FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

As seen in the *Functional Block Diagram*, the ACT4070B is a current mode pulse width modulation (PWM) converter. The converter operates as follows:

A switching cycle starts when the rising edge of the Oscillator clock output causes the High-Side Power Switch to turn on and the Low-Side Power Switch to turn off. With the SW side of the inductor now connected to IN, the inductor current ramps up to store energy in the its magnetic field. The inductor current level is measured by the Current Sense Amplifier and added to the Oscillator ramp signal. If the resulting summation is higher than the COMP voltage, the output of the PWM Comparator goes high. When this happens or when Oscillator clock output goes low, the High-Side Power Switch turns off and the Low-Side Power Switch turns on. At this point, the SW side of the inductor swings to a diode voltage below ground, causing the inductor current to de- crease and magnetic energy to be transferred to output. This state continues until the cycle starts again.

The High-Side Power Switch is driven by logic using BS bootstrap pin as the positive rail. This pin is charged to  $V_{SW}$  + 6V when the Low-Side Power Switch turns on.

The COMP voltage is the integration of the error between FB input and the internal 0.808V reference. If

FB is lower than the reference voltage, COMP tends to go higher to increase current to the output.

The Oscillator normally switches at 300kHz. However, if FB voltage is less than 0.6V, then the switching frequency decreases until it reaches a typical value of 36kHz at V<sub>FB</sub> = 0V.

#### **Shutdown Control**

The ACT4070B has an enable input EN for turning the IC on or off. When EN is less than 1.5V, the IC is in 100 $\mu$ A low current shutdown mode and output is discharged through the Low-Side Power Switch. When EN is higher than 1.6V, the IC is in normal operation mode. EN is internally pulled up with a 4 $\mu$ A current source and can be left unconnected for always-on operation.

#### **Thermal Shutdown**

The ACT4070B automatically turns off when its junction temperature exceeds 160°C and then re- starts once the temperature falls to 150°C.

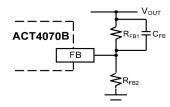
### **APPLICATIONS INFORMATION**

#### **Output Voltage Setting**

Figure 1 shows the connections for setting the output voltage. Select the proper ratio of the two feedback resistors  $R_{FB1}$  and  $R_{FB2}$  based on the output voltage. Adding a capacitor in parallel with  $R_{FB1}$  helps the system stability. Typically,  $R_{FB2} \approx 10 k\Omega$  and determine  $R_{FB1}$  from the output voltage:

$$R_{FB1} = R_{FB2} \left( \frac{V_{OUT}}{0.808 \, V} - 1 \right) \tag{1}$$

Figure 1: Output Voltage Setting



#### **Inductor Selection**

The inductor maintains a continuous current to the output load. This inductor current has a ripple that is dependent on the inductance value: higher inductance reduces the peak-to-peak ripple current. The trade off for high inductance value is the increase in inductor core size and series resistance, and the reduction in current handling capability. In general, select an inductance value L based on ripple current requirement:

$$L = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} f_{SW} f_{OUTMAX} K_{RIPPLE}}$$
(2)

where V<sub>IN</sub> is the input voltage, V<sub>OUT</sub> is the output voltage, f<sub>SW</sub> is the switching frequency, I<sub>OUTMAX</sub> is the maximum output current, and K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> is the ripple factor. Typically, choose K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> = between 20% and 30% to correspond to the peak-to-peak ripple current being a percentage of the maximum output current.

With this inductor value (Table 1), the peak inductor current is  $I_{OUT}$  (1 +  $K_{RIPPLE}$  / 2). Make sure that this peak inductor current is less that the 5A current limit. Finally, select the inductor core size so that it does not saturate at 5A.

Table 1.

**Typical Inductor Values** 

Vout	1.5V	1.8V	2.5V	3.3V	5V
L	6.8µH	6.8µH	8.5µH	15µH	15µH

#### **Input Capacitor**

The input capacitor needs to be carefully selected to maintain sufficiently low ripple at the supply input of the converter. A low ESR capacitor is highly recommended. Since large current flows in and out of this capacitor during switching, its ESR also affects efficiency.

The input capacitance needs to be higher than  $10\mu$ F. The best choice is the ceramic type; however, low ESR tantalum or electrolytic types may also be used provided that the RMS ripple current rating is higher than 50% of the output current. The input capacitor should be placed close to the IN and G pins of the IC, with shortest possible traces. In the case of tantalum or electrolytic types, they can be further away if a small parallel 0.1µF ceramic capacitor is placed right next to the IC.

#### **Output Capacitor**

The output capacitor also needs to have low ESR to keep low output voltage ripple. The output ripple voltage is:

$$V_{RIPPLE} = I_{OUTMAX} \times K_{RIPPLE} \left( R_{ESR} + \frac{1}{8 \times f_{SW} \times C_{OUT}} \right)$$
(3)

where  $I_{OUTMAX}$  is the maximum output current,  $K_{RIPPLE}$  is the ripple factor,  $R_{ESR}$  is the ESR resistance of the output capacitor,  $f_{SW}$  is the switching frequency, L in the inductor value,  $C_{OUT}$  is the output capacitance. In the case of ceramic output capacitors,  $R_{ESR}$  is very small and does not contribute to the ripple. Therefore, a lower capacitance value can be used for ceramic type. In the case of tantalum or electrolytic type, the ripple is dominated by  $R_{ESR}$  multiplied by the ripple current. In that case, the output capacitor is chosen to have sufficiently low ESR.

For ceramic output type, typically choose a capacitance of about  $22\mu$ F. For tantalum or electrolytic type, choose a capacitor with less than  $50m\Omega$  ESR.

#### **Rectifier Diode**

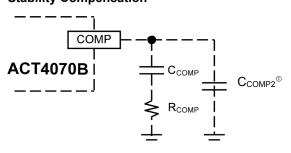
Use a Schotky diode as the rectifier to conduct current when the High-Side Power Switch is off. The Schottky diode must have current rating higher than the

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maximum output current and the reverse voltage rating higher than the maximum input voltage.

#### **Stability Compensation**

#### Figure 2: Stability Compensation



**①**: C<sub>COMP2</sub> is needed only for high ESR output capacitors

The feedback system of the IC is stabilized by the components at COMP pin, as shown in Figure 2. The DC loop gain of the system is determined by the following equation:

$$A_{VDC} = \frac{0.808 V}{I_{OUT}} A_{VEA} G_{COMP}$$
(4)

The dominant pole P1 is due to CCOMP:

$$f_{P1} = \frac{G_{EA}}{2\pi A_{VEA} C_{COMP}}$$
(5)

The second pole P2 is the output pole:

$$f_{P2} = \frac{I_{OUT}}{2\pi \, V_{OUT} \, C_{OUT}} \tag{6}$$

The first zero Z1 is due to RCOMP and CCOMP:

$$f_{Z1} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{COMP} C_{COMP}} \tag{7}$$

And finally, the third pole is due to  $\mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{COMP}}$  and  $\mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{COMP2}}$  (if  $\mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{COMP2}}$  is used):

$$f_{P3} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{COMP} C_{COMP2}} \tag{8}$$

Follow the following steps to compensate the IC:

STEP 1. Set the cross over frequency at 1/10 of the switching frequency via  $R_{COMP}$ :

$$R_{COMP} = \frac{2\pi V_{OUT} C_{OUT} f_{SW}}{10 G_{EA} G_{COMP} \times 0.808 V}$$
(9)  
= 5.12 x 10<sup>7</sup> V<sub>OUT</sub> C<sub>OUT</sub> (Ω)

but limit  $R_{COMP}$  to  $15k\Omega$  maximum.

STEP 2. Set the zero  $f_{Z1}$  at 1/4 of the cross over frequency. If  $R_{COMP}$  is less than  $15k\Omega$ , the equation for  $C_{COMP}$  is:

$$C_{COMP} = \frac{2.83 \times 10^{-5}}{R_{COMP}} \quad (F)$$
(10)

If  $R_{COMP}$  is limited to  $15k\Omega$ , then the actual cross over frequency is 4.8/ (VourCout). Therefore:

$$C_{COMP} = 6.45 \times 10^{-6} \, V_{OUT} \, C_{OUT} \, (F) \tag{11}$$

STEP 3. If the output capacitor's ESR is high enough to cause a zero at lower than 4 times the cross over frequency, an additional compensation capacitor  $C_{COMP2}$  is required. The condition for using  $C_{COMP2}$  is

$$R_{ESROUT} \ge Min\left(\frac{1.77 \times 10^{-6}}{C_{OUT}}, 0.006 V_{OUT}\right) \quad (\Omega)$$
 (12)

And the proper value for C<sub>COMP2</sub> is:

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{C_{OUT} R_{ESROUT}}{R_{COMP}}$$
(13)

Though  $C_{COMP2}$  is unnecessary when the output capacitor has sufficiently low ESR, a small value  $C_{COMP2}$  such as 220pF may improve stability against PCB layout parasitic effects.

Table 2 shows some calculated results based on the compensation method above

#### Table 2:

## Typical Compensation for Different Output voltages and Output Capacitors

Vout	Соит	RCOMP	Ссомр	C <sub>COMP2</sub> <sup>®</sup>
1.8V	22µF Ceramic	4kΩ	3.3nF	220pF
2.5V	22µF Ceramic	5.6kΩ	3.3nF	220pF
5V	22µF Ceramic	12kΩ	1.5nF	220pF
1.8V	100µF SP Cap	15kΩ	1.5nF	220pF
2.5V	100µF SP Cap	15kΩ	2.2nF	220pF
5V	100µF SP Cap	15kΩ	4.7nF	220pF

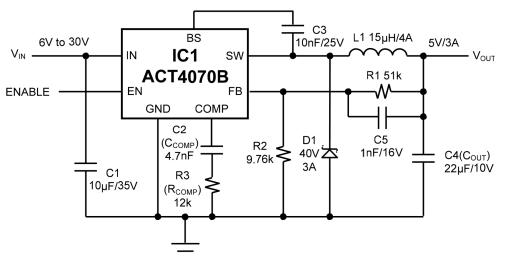
 $\textcircled{O}: C_{\texttt{COMP2}}$  is needed only for high ESR output capacitors

Figure 3 shows a sample ACT4070B application but limit  $R_{COMP}$  to 15k $\Omega$  maximum circuit generating a 2.5V/3A output.



### Figure 3:

ACT4070B 5V/3A Output Application®



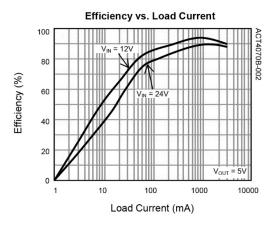
#### Table 3: BOM List for 5V/2A Car Charger

ITEM	REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER	QTY
1	U1	IC, ACT4070B, SOP-8EP	Active-Semi	1
2	C1	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10µF/50V, 1206, SMD	Murata, TDK	1
3	C2	Capacitor, Ceramic, 4.7nF/25V, 0603, SMD	Murata, TDK	1
4	C3	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10nF/25V, 0603, SMD	Murata, TDK	1
5	C4	Capacitor, Ceramic, 22µF/10V, 0805, SMD	Murata, TDK	1
6	C5	Capacitor, Ceramic, 1nF/16V, 0603, SMD	Murata, TDK	1
7	L1	Inductor, 15µH, 4A, 20%, SMD	Sunlord	1
8	D1	Diode, Schottky, 40V/3A, SK34	Murata, TDK	1
9	R1	Chip Resistor, 51kΩ, 0603, 1%	Diodes	1
10	R2	Chip Resistor, 9.76kΩ, 0603, 1%	Murata, TDK	1
11	R3	Chip Resistor, 12kΩ, 0603, 5%	Murata, TDK	1

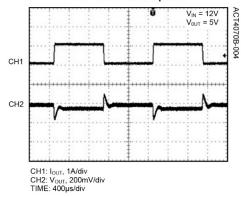
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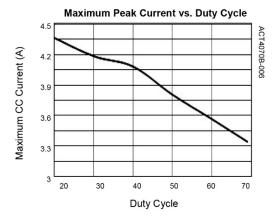
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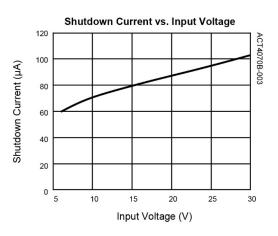
(Circuit of Figure 3, unless otherwise specified.)









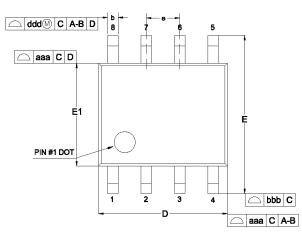


CH1 CH2 CH1 Lour, 1A/div CH1: Lour, 1A/div CH2: V<sub>OUT</sub>, 200mV/div TIME: 400µs/div

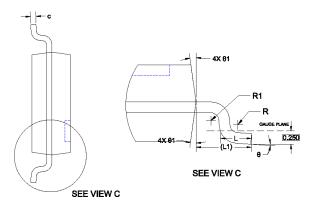
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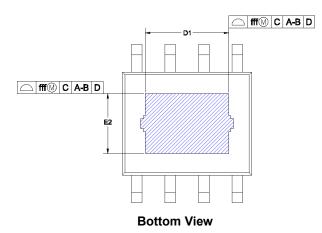
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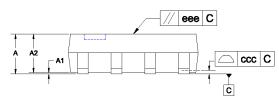


**Top View** 



Side View





Side View

Dimensional Ref.					
REF.	Min.	Nom.	Max.		
А	1.300		1.700		
Α1	0.000		0.100		
A2	1.350		1.550		
Ь	0.330		0.510		
C	0.170		0.250		
D E	4	.900BS	C		
E	6	.000BS	C		
E1	3	.900BS	C		
D1		8.150BSI	-		
E2	2	.260BS	C		
е	1	270 BS	C		
L	0.400		1.270		
L1	1	.050REF			
R	0.070				
R1	0.070				
θ	0°		8°		
θ1	5°		15°		
Τc	pl. of Fo	rm&Po:	sition		
999		0.10			
ЬЬЬ	0.20				
ССС	0.10				
ddd	0.25				
eee	0.10				
fff	0.15				

#### Notes

1. ALL DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES CONFORM TO ASME Y14.5-2009.

2. All DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.

3. UNILATERAL COPLANARITY ZONE APPLIES TO THE EXPOSED PAD AS WELL AS THE TERMINALS.



## **Product Compliance**

This part complies with RoHS directive 2011/65/EU as amended by (EU) 2015/863.

This part also has the following attributes:

- Lead Free
- Halogen Free (Chlorine, Bromine)

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