Lead-free Green

Description

The AP31251 is a current mode PWM controller which is optimized for high performance, low standby power and cost effective offline flyback converters.

The PWM switching frequency at normal operation is internally fixed (about 65kHz). In middle load, the IC will enter green mode to improve system efficiency with the help of frequency foldback. A minimum switching frequency (about 20kHz) is set to avoid the audible noise. In no load or light load, the IC will enter the burst mode to minimize standby power. Furthermore, the frequency dithering function is built-in to reduce EMI emission.

Internal slope compensation allows more stable Peak-Current Mode control over wide range of input voltage and load conditions. Internal line compensation ensures constant output power limit over entire universal line voltage range.

Comprehensive protection features are included, such as cycle-by-cycle current limit (OCP), V_{CC} Over Voltage Protection (VOVP), internal OTP, Over Load Protection (OLP) and pins' fault protection. The versatile latch functions can be implemented using a minimal number of external components.

Pin Assignments

(Top View)

Pin 1 Mark

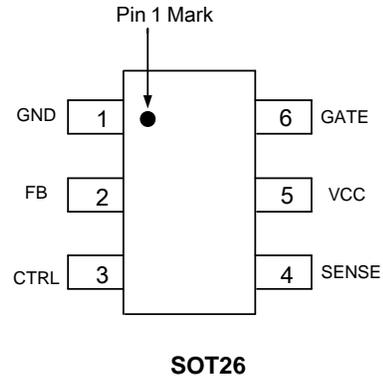|			
GND	1	6	GATE
FB	2	5	VCC
CTRL	3	4	SENSE

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Features

- Very Low Start-Up Current
- Current Mode Control
- Non-Audible-Noise Green-Mode Control
- Internal Slope Compensation
- Soft Start during Startup Process
- Frequency Fold Back for High Average Efficiency
- Secondary Winding Short Protection with FOCP
- Soft Switching (Soft Driver and Smart Jitter) for Reducing EMI
- V_{CC} Maintain Mode
- Useful Pin Fault Protection:
  SENSE Pin Floating
  CTRL Pin Short to Ground
  FB/Opto-Coupler Open/Short
- Comprehensive System Protection Feature:
  V_{CC} Over Voltage Protection (VOVP)
  Over Load Protection (OLP)
- Optional Latch Mode for VOVP, OLP and CTRL Pin Protection
- Mini Size Package of SOT26
- Pin to Pin Compatible with AP3105NA
- Moisture Sensitivity: MSL Level 3 per J-STD-020
- Terminals: Finish – Matte Sn Plated Leads, Solderable per M2003 JESD22-B102, Method 208 ⓔ3
- Weight: 0.016 grams (Approximate)
- **Totally Lead-Free & Fully RoHS Compliant (Notes 1 & 2)**
- **Halogen and Antimony Free. "Green" Device (Note 3)**
- **For automotive applications requiring specific change control (i.e. parts qualified to AEC-Q100/101/200, PPAP capable, and manufactured in IATF 16949 certified facilities), please contact us or your local Diodes representative. https://www.diodes.com/quality/product-definitions/**
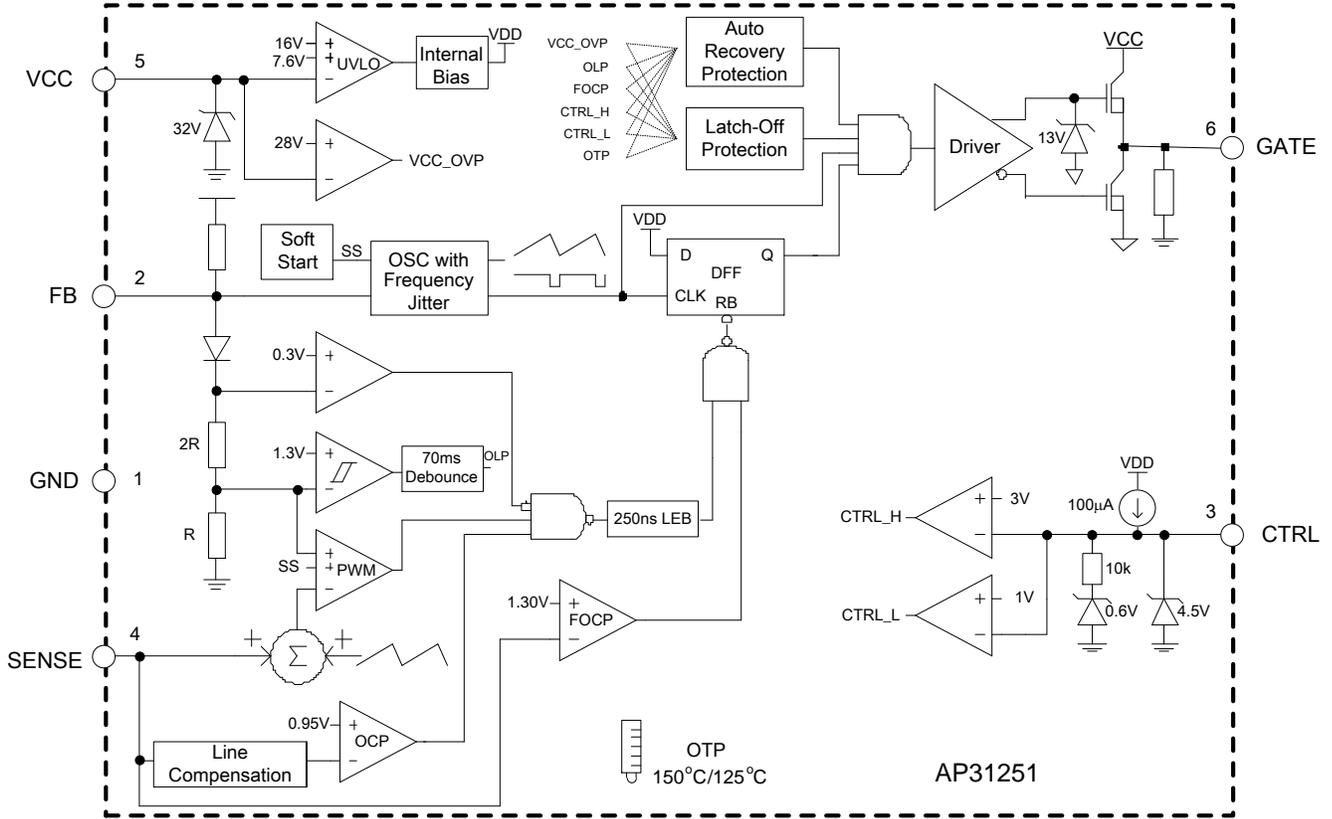
Applications

- Switching AC-DC Adapter/Charger
- ATX/BTX Auxiliary Power
- Set-Top Box (STB) Power Supply
- Open Frame Switching Power Supply

Notes: 1. No purposely added lead. Fully EU Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS), 2011/65/EU (RoHS 2) & 2015/863/EU (RoHS 3) compliant.
2. See https://www.diodes.com/quality/lead-free/ for more information about Diodes Incorporated's definitions of Halogen- and Antimony-free, "Green" and Lead-free.

3. Halogen- and Antimony-free "Green" products are defined as those which contain <900ppm bromine, <900ppm chlorine (<1500ppm total Br + Cl) and <1000ppm antimony compounds.

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Typical Applications Circuit

Pin Descriptions

Pin Number	Pin Name	Function
1	GND	Signal ground. Current return for driver and control circuits
2	FB	Feedback. Directly connected to the opto-coupler
3	CTRL	Latch trigger if this pin voltage drops below a threshold or over another threshold, leave CTRL pin open if this function is not needed. Connecting a NTC thermistor to GND can achieve OTP protection
4	SENSE	Current Sense
5	VCC	Supply voltage of driver and control circuits
6	GATE	Gate driver output

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Functional Block Diagram

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Absolute Maximum Ratings (Notes 4 and 5)

Symbol	Parameter	Rating	Unit
V_{CC}	Power Supply Voltage	30	V
I_O	Gate Output Current	350	mA
V_{FB}, V_{SENSE}, V_{CTRL}	Input Voltage to FB, SENSE, CTRL Pins	-0.3 to 7	V
θ_{JA}	Thermal Resistance (Junction to Ambient)	250	°C/W
P_D	Power Dissipation at T_A < +25°C	500	mW
T_J	Operating Junction Temperature	-40 to +150	°C
T_{STG}	Storage Temperature Range	+150	°C
—	ESD (Human Body Model)	3000	V
—	ESD (Machine Model)	200	V

Notes: 4. Stresses greater than those listed under "*Absolute Maximum Ratings*" can cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under "*Recommended Operating Conditions*" is not implied. Exposure to "*Absolute Maximum Ratings*" for extended periods can affect device reliability.
5. Rating values of FB/SENSE/CTRL/GATE pin refer to DC only. For small duty cycle pulse in less than 200ns in one period (typical 15.4µs), negative spike value is relaxed to -2V.

Recommended Operating Conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
V_{CC}	Supply Voltage	10	25	V
T_A	Ambient Temperature	-40	+85	°C

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Electrical Characteristics (@T$_A$ = +25°C, V$_{CC}$ = 16V, unless otherwise specified.)

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage (VCC Pin)						
I$_{STARTUP}$	Startup Current	—	—	1	10	μA
I$_{CC}$	Operating Supply Current	V$_{FB}$ = 0V, C$_L$ = 1nF	0.5	0.7	1	mA
		V$_{FB}$ = 3V, C$_L$ = 0nF	0.6	1.2	2.0	
V$_{UVLO(ON)}$	V$_{CC}$ Under Voltage Lockout Enter	—	7.1	7.6	8.1	V
—	V$_{CC}$ Maintain	—	8.6	9.1	9.6	V
V$_{UVLO(OFF)}$	V$_{CC}$ Under Voltage Lockout Exit	—	14.5	15.8	16.5	V
—	V$_{CC}$ OVP	—	27	28.5	30	V
—	V$_{CC}$ Clamp	I$_{CC}$ = 5mA	31	34	—	V
PWM Section/Oscillator Section						
—	Maximum Duty Cycle	—	70	75	80	%
—	Oscillation Frequency	—	60	65	70	kHz
—	Green Mode Frequency	—	20	—	30	kHz
—	Frequency Temperature Stability	-20°C to +125°C (Note 6)	—	—	5	%
—	Frequency Voltage Stability	V$_{CC}$ = 12V to 25V	—	—	3	%
—	Frequency Dithering	—	±4	±6	±8	%
Current Sense Section (SENSE Pin)						
V$_{CS}$	Maximum SENSE Voltage	V$_{FB}$ = 4.5V	0.9	0.95	1	V
—	FOCP Voltage	—	1.2	1.3	1.4	V
—	LEB Time of SENSE	V$_{CC}$=16V, V$_{FB}$=4V, V$_{CS}$=1.1V, C$_L$=1nF (Note 7)	150	250	350	ns
—	Delay to Output (Note 6)	—	—	100	—	ns
—	Soft-Start Time	—	3	5	8	ms
Feedback Input Section (FB Pin)						
—	Input Impedance	—	12	15	18	kΩ
—	Source Current	V$_{FB}$ = 0V	-0.2	-0.27	-0.34	mA
—	Green Mode Threshold	—	—	2.1	—	V
—	Input Voltage for Zero Duty	—	1.3	1.55	1.8	V
Output Section (GATE Pin)						
—	Output Low Level	I$_O$ = 20mA, V$_{CC}$ = 12V	—	—	1	V
—	Output High Level	I$_O$ = 20mA, V$_{CC}$ = 12V	7.5	—	—	V
—	Output Clamping Voltage	—	10	12	14	V
—	Rising Time (Note 6)	C$_L$ = 1nF, V$_{CC}$ = 13V	—	200	300	ns
—	Falling Time (Note 6)	C$_L$ = 1nF, V$_{CC}$ = 13V	—	50	100	ns

Notes: 6. Guaranteed by design.
7. The Min. on time included LEB and delay to Output (100ns).

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Electrical Characteristics (continued) (@T$_A$ = +25°C, V$_{CC}$ = 16V, unless otherwise specified.)

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Protection Section (CTRL Pin)						
—	Source Current	—	90	100	110	µA
—	Internal Reference Voltage	—	—	1.9	—	V
—	Low Threshold Trigger for Latch	—	0.94	1	1.06	V
—	High Threshold Trigger for Latch	—	2.85	3	3.15	V
—	Pull-Up Current	—	—	—	2	mA
Delay Time Section						
—	Delay of Short Circuit Protection	—	—	70	—	ms
—	Delay of Hiccup Protection	V$_{CC}$ OVP	—	5	—	Cycles
Internal OTP Section						
—	OTP Enter	—	—	+150	—	°C
—	OTP Exit	—	—	+125	—	°C

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Performance Characteristics

Startup Voltage vs. Ambient Temperature

Startup Voltage (V) vs. Ambient Temperature (^{o}C)
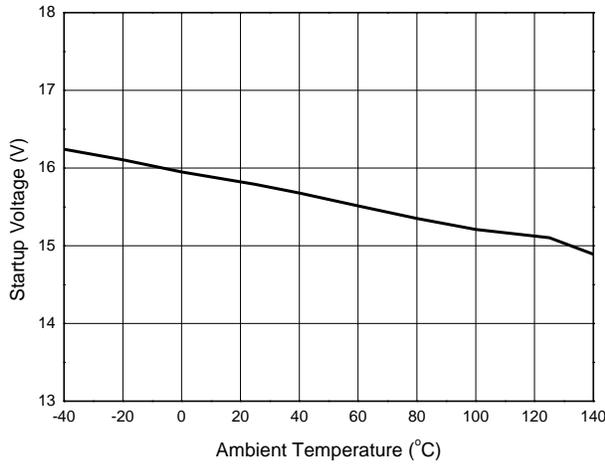
Shutdown Voltage vs. Ambient Temperature

Shutdown Voltage (V) vs. Ambient Temperature (^{o}C)
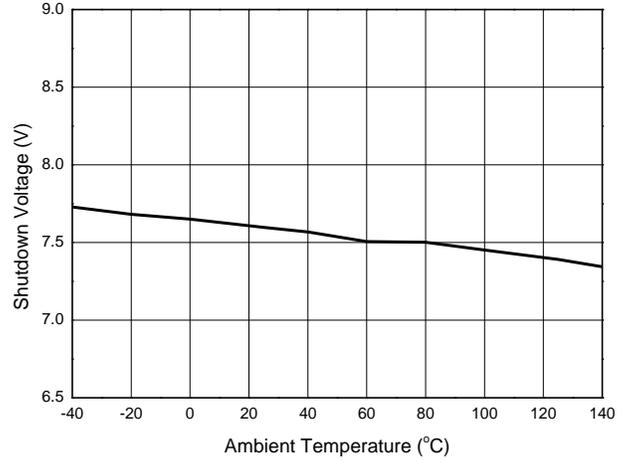
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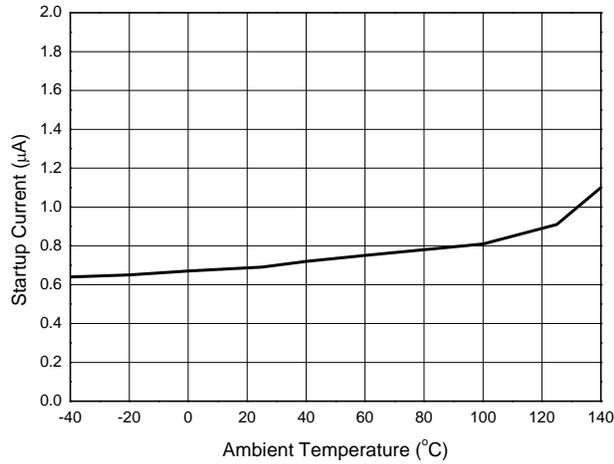
Operating Current vs. Ambient Temperature

V_{FB}=3V, C_L=0

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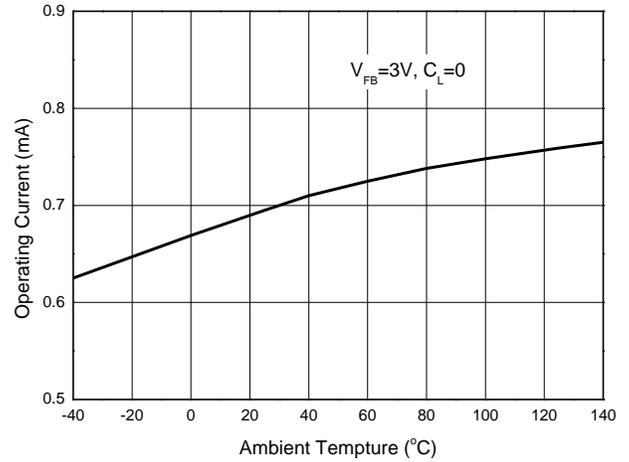
CTRL Utilization for Latch

VCC   VCC   VCC

CTRL   CTRL   CTRL

NTC   NTC   NTC

OVP and OTP   **OVP**   **OTP**

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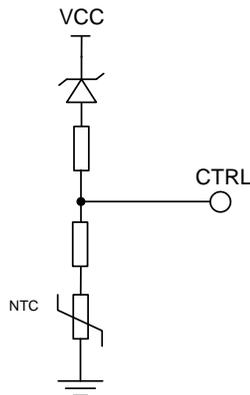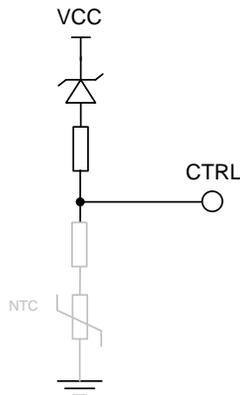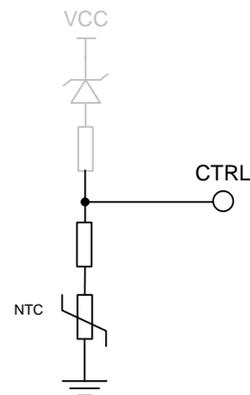
Operation Description

The AP31251 is specifically designed for off-line AC-DC power supply used in LCD monitor, notebook adapter and battery charger applications. It offers a cost effective solution with a versatile protection function.

Start-up Current and UVLO

The start-up current of AP31251 is optimized to realize ultra low current (1μA typical) so that VCC capacitor can be charged more quickly. The direct benefit of low start-up current is the availability of using large start-up resistor, which minimizes the resistor power loss for high voltage AC input.

An UVLO comparator is included in AP31251 to detect the voltage on VCC pin. It ensures that AP31251 can draw adequate energy from hold-up capacitor during power-on. The turn-on threshold is 16V and the turn-off threshold is 7.6V.

Current Sense Comparator and PWM Latch

The AP31251 operates as a current mode controller, the output switch conduction is initiated by every oscillator cycle and is terminated when the peak inductor current reaches the threshold level established by the FB pin. The inductor current signal is converted to a voltage signal by inserting a reference sense resistor R_S. The inductor current under normal operating conditions is controlled by the voltage at FB pin. The relation between peak inductor current (I_{PK}) and V_{FB} is:

$$I_{PK} = (V_{FB} - 0.8)/3R_S$$

Moreover, FOCP with 1.3V threshold is only about 100ns delay, which can avoid some catastrophic damages such as secondary rectifier short test. Few drive cycles can alleviate the destruction range and get better protection.

Leading-Edge Blanking

A narrow spike on the leading edge of the current waveform can usually be observed when the power MOSFET is turned on. A 250ns leading-edge blank is built-in to prevent the false-triggering caused by the turn-on spike. During this period, the current limit comparator is disabled and the gate driver cannot be switched off.

At the time of turning off the MOSFET, a negative undershoot (maybe larger than -0.3V) can occur on the SENSE pin. So it is strongly recommended to add a small RC filter or at least connect a resistor "R" on this pin to protect the IC (Shown as Figure 1).
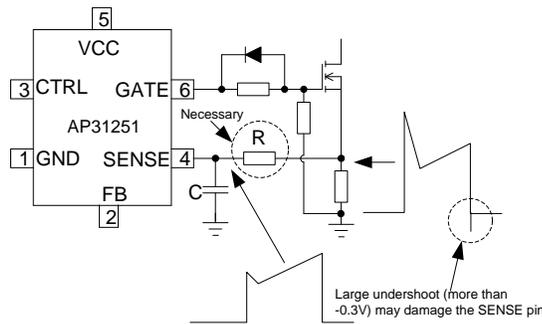

Figure 1

Built-In Slope Compensation

It is well known that a continuous current mode SMPS may become unstable when the duty cycle exceeds 50%. The built-in slope compensation can improve the stability, so there is no need for design engineer to spend much time on that.

FB Pin and Short Circuit Protection

This pin is normally connected to the opto-coupler and always paralleled with a capacitor for loop compensation. When the voltage at this pin is greater than 4.5V and lasts for about 70ms, the IC will enter the protection mode. For AP31251, the system will enter hiccup mode to wait the V_{CC} decreasing to low UVLO level, then the IC will try to restart until the failure removed. And when this voltage is less than 1.55V, the IC will stop the drive pulse immediately. Therefore, this feature can be used for short circuit protection, which makes the system immune from damage. Normally, output short makes the V_{FB} value to the maximum because the opto-coupler is cut off.

V_{CC} Maintain Mode

During light load or step load, V_{FB} will drop and be lower than 1.55V, thus the PWM drive signal will be stopped, and there is no more new energy transferred due to no switching. Therefore, the IC supply voltage may reduce to the shutdown threshold voltage and system may enter the unexpected restart mode. To avoid this, the AP31251 hold a so-called V_{CC} maintain mode which can supply energy to V_{CC}.

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When V_{CC} decreases to a setting threshold, the V_{CC} maintain comparator will output some drive signal to make the system switch and provide a proper energy to VCC pin. The V_{CC} maintain function will cooperate with the PWM and burst mode loop which can make the output voltage variation be within the regulation. This mode is very useful for reducing startup resistor loss and achieving a better standby performance with a low value V_{CC} capacitor. The V_{CC} is not easy to touch the shutdown threshold during the startup process and step load. This will also simplify the system design. The minimum V_{CC} voltage is suggested to be designed a little higher than V_{CC} maintain threshold thus can achieve the best balance between the standby and step load performance.

System Protection and Pin Fault Protection

The AP31251 provides versatile system and pin fault protections. The OCP comparator realizes the cycle-by-cycle current limiting (OCP). In universal input line voltage, the IC realizes the constant over load protection (OLP). V_{CC} over voltage protection can be applied as the primary OVP or opto-coupler broken protection. The AP31251 also has pin fault connection protection including floating and short connection. The floating pin protection includes the SENSE, FB, etc. The short pin protection includes the CTRL pin short protection. When these pins are floated or CTRL pin is shorted to ground, PWM switching will be disabled, thus protecting the power system.

Latch Protection Function

For some applications, the system requires the latch protection function. The CTRL pin has two kinds of modes to trigger the latch protection: high level trigger and low level trigger. The low threshold is 1V and high threshold voltage is 3V. Some version will have only one mode. Once the latch protection is triggered, the IC will disable the output signal, and the bulk capacitor provides the energy to IC through the startup resistor to ensure the IC disable the output (latch mode). This mode will be not released until the AC input is shut off. So, the de-latch time is mainly depending on the HV startup bulk capacitor value. Therefore, if the system wants a short de-latch time, it is better for the startup resistor take power from the point before the rectifier bridge as illustrated in Figure 2.
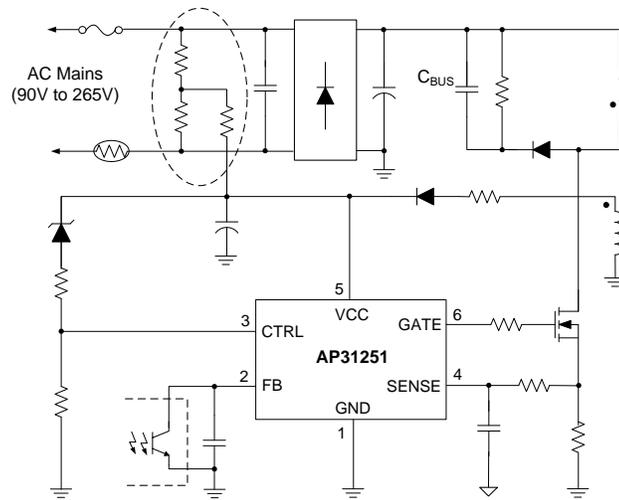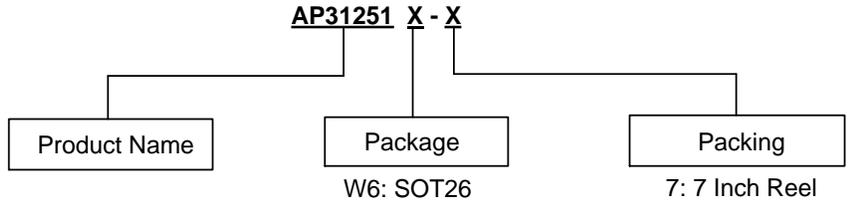

Figure 2

Internal OTP Protection Function

The AP31251 integrates an internal temperature sensor. It has a trigger window of +150°C enter and +125°C exit. The internal OTP protection mode is auto-recovery mode.
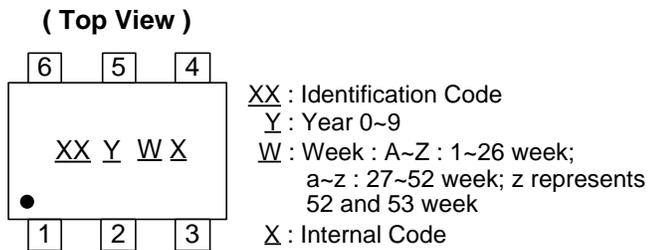
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	W6: SOT26	7: 7 Inch Reel

Package	Part Number	Marking ID	Packing
SOT26	AP31251W6-7	B2	3,000/7''Tape and Reel

Protection Functions

VOVP	OLP and SOCP	CTRL (Low)	CTRL (High)
Auto-Recoverable	Auto-Recoverable	Latch-Off	Auto-Recoverable

Marking Information

(Top View)

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    a~z : 27~52 week; z represents
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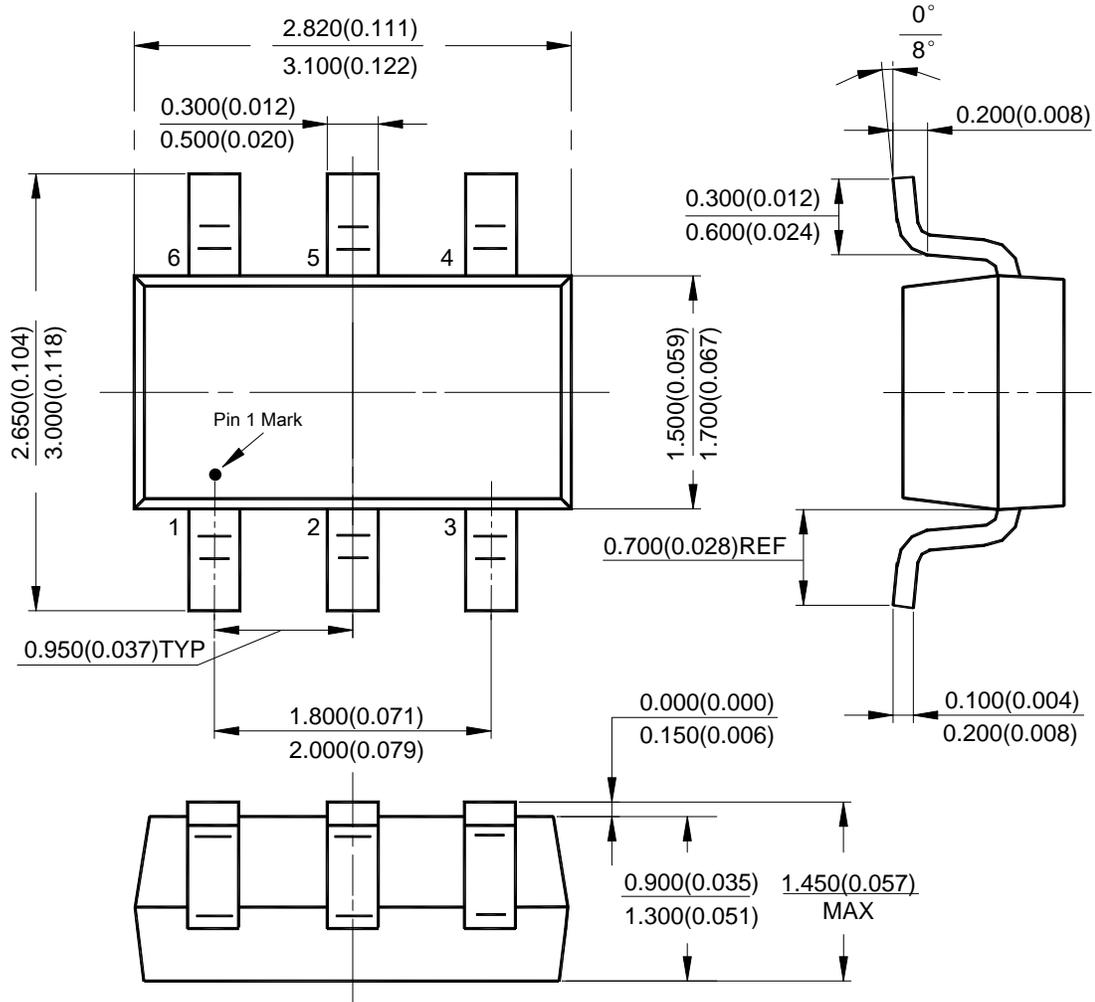
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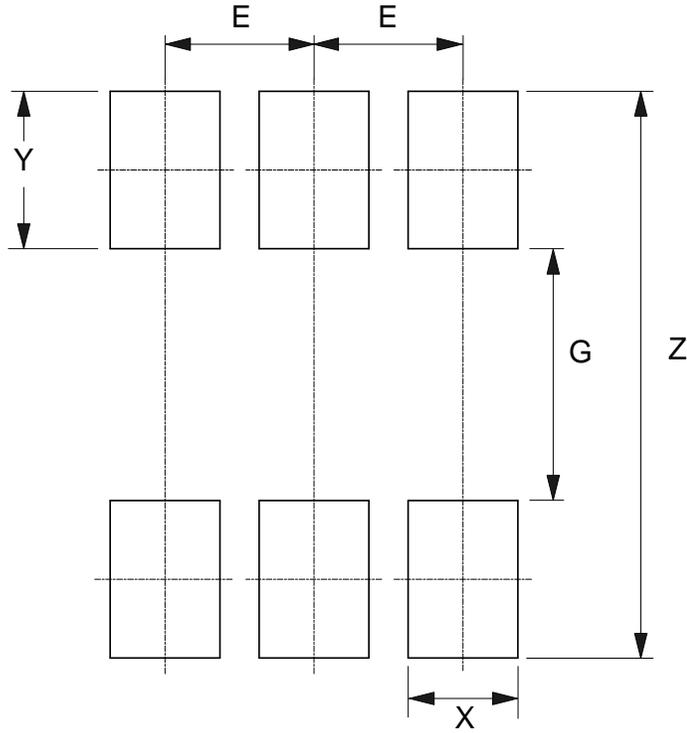
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