

Self-Calibrating TPOS GMR Camshaft Speed Sensor IC

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- **GMR technology** integrates high sensitivity MR (magnetoresistive) sensor elements and high precision BiCMOS circuits on a single silicon integrated circuit, offering high accuracy, low magnetic field operation
- Allegro SM package with integrated EMC components eliminates need for external EMI protection
- True target state recognition at device power-on (TPOS)
- **EEPROM programming** for performance optimization, temperature compensation, and production traceability
- Flexible orientation: Able to be mounted at any angle with correct configuration
- Stray Field Immunity: Resists aggressor stray fields found in hybrid vehicle environments
- **Backward compatibility** with Allegro's Hall-effect solutions performance
- Target Profile Diagnostics

PACKAGE: 3-pin SIP (suffix SM)

DESCRIPTION

The ATS16351 is a True Power-On State (TPOS) camshaft sensor incorporating a back-biasing magnet, advanced fully synchronous digital IC, and EMC protection circuit all in a single sensing solution.

The ATS16351 incorporates a GMR bridge with an optimized custom magnetic circuit that switches in response to magnetic signals induced by a ferromagnetic target. The IC contains a sophisticated digital circuit designed to match the temperature behavior of the sensor IC with the integrated magnet. Signal processing is used to provide zero-speed performance independent of air gap and is designed for the typical operating conditions found in automotive camshaft sensing applications. The resulting output of the device is a digital representation of the ferromagnetic target profile.

The Auto-TPOS feature of the ATS16351 enables the sensor IC to learn the installation air gap inside of the engine and to autonomously reprogram into memory the optimal threshold for power-on accuracy.

A number of factory-programmable options allow for performance optimization to meet specific application requirements.

The ATS16351PSM is available in a 3-pin package (SM) that is lead (Pb) free, with 100% NiPdAu plating.

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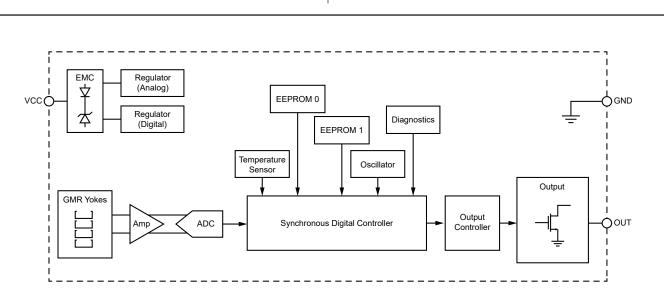


Figure 1: Functional Block Diagram

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PROGRAMMABLE OPTIONS

Name		Available Selections*				
Output Polarity	Low opposite target tooth / high opposite target valley (L Option)			 High opposite target tooth / low opposite target val (H Option) 		
Switch Point Variation	C82C85D30D30 (S01 Optic	C82C85D30D30 (S01 Option) C83C83D7D7 (S03 Option)				ו)
	 S(00-99): C(25-102) C(25-102) D(0-30)D(0-30) indicating threshold level and dynamic slope. 1st and 2nd C(25-102) indicates rising and falling threshold level from C25 to C102 that corresponds to ~20% to ~80% switch point threshold level with a step of ~0.78%. 1st and 2nd D(0-30) indicates rising and falling threshold dynamic slope from D1 to D30 that corresponds to ~0.225 to ~0.975%/mV with a step of ~0.025%/mV. 					
Teeth Memory	Number of teeth (memory c	ount); pro	grammable from 1	to 13 (Nx Option)		
Output Fall Time	Slow: typical 5 µs (S Option	ı)	Average: typical 2	2.5 µs (A Option)	Fast: ty	pical 1.2 μs (F Option)
Running Mode Hidden Hysteresis	10% (S Option)	15% (R	Option)	20% (B Option)		30% (V Option)
Delay Time (tradeoff of jitter vs. speed effect)	No extra delay time (smallest speed effect): 16.7 μs (T1 Option)	Small extra delay: 19.7 µs (T2 Option)		Medium extra del 20.3 µs (T3 Optic		
Target Profiling Diagnostics	Magnetic profile available on output (-D option)			Magnetic profile u	ınavailabl	e on output ([blank] option)

*Not all combinations of programmable options are available pre-programmed from Allegro. Contact Allegro for details.

SELECTION GUIDE

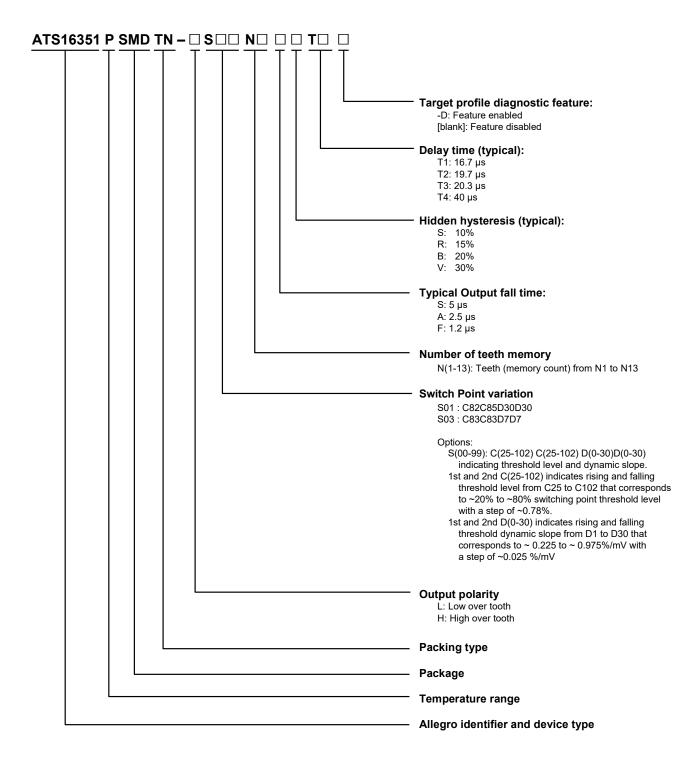
Part Number*	Package	Packing
ATS16351PSMGTN-LS01N12BFRT1-D	3-pin SIP with NiPdAu leadframe plating	Tape and reel, 800 pieces per 13-inch reel
ATS16351PSMGTN-LS03N12BFRT1-D	5-pin Sir with NiruAu leadhane plating	Tape and reel, 600 pieces per 13-incit reel

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Characteristic	Symbol	Notes	Rating	Unit
Supply Voltage	V _{CC}		27	V
Reverse Supply Voltage	V _{RCC}		-18	V
Output Voltage	V _{PU}		27	V
Reverse Output Voltage	V _{ROUT}	R _{PU} ≥ 1000 Ω	-0.5	V
Output Current	I _{OUT}	Internal current limiting is intended to protect the device from output short circuits but is not intended for continuous operation.	25	mA
Reverse Output Current	I _{ROUT}	V _{OUT} > -0.5 V, T _A = 25°C	-50	mA
Operating Ambient Temperature	T _A	Range P	-40 to 160	°C
Maximum Junction Temperature	T _{J(max)}		175	°C
Storage Temperature	T _{stg}		-65 to 170	°C
Applied Magnetic Flux Density	В	In any direction	150	G

INTERNAL DISCRETE COMPONENT RATINGS

PINOUT LIST

1

2

3

Name

VCC

GND

OUT

Symbol	Characteristic	Rating	Unit
C _{SUPPLY}	Nominal Capacitance	220	nF
C _{OUT}	Nominal Capacitance	2.2	nF
R _{SUPPLY}	Nominal Resistance	33	Ω
R _{OUT}	Nominal Resistance	20	Ω

Function

Supply voltage

Device output

Ground

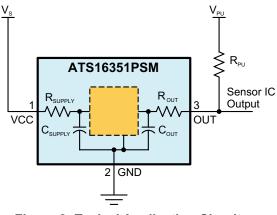


Figure 2: Typical Application Circuit

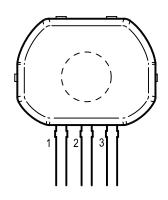


Figure 3: Pinout Diagram



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OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS: Valid throughout full operating and temperature ranges; using Reference Target 8X,

unless otherwise noted

Characteristics	Symbol	Test Condition	Min.	Typ. [1]	Max.	Unit	
ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTIC	S	·					
Supply Voltage	V _{CC}	Continuous operation, $T_J < T_J$	(max)	3.6	_	24	V
Supply Current	I _{CC}			5	7	10	mA
Supply Zener Clamp Voltage	V _{Zsupply}	$I_{CC} = I_{CC(MAX)} + 3 \text{ mA}$		27	-	_	V
Reverse Supply Zener Clamp Voltage	V _{RZsupply}	$I_{CC} = -3 \text{ mA}, T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$		_	-	-18	V
OUTPUT STAGE CHARACTERIST							
Output LOW Voltage	M	I _{OUT} = 5 mA		_	-	300	mV
	V _{OUT(SAT)}	I _{OUT} = 15 mA			-	800	mV
Output Zener Clamp Voltage	V _{Zoutput}	I _{OUT} = 3 mA, T _A = 25°C		27	-	_	V
Output Current Limit	I _{OUT(LIM)}	Output = LOW		30	-	80	mA
Output Leakage Current	I _{OUT(OFF)}	V _{OUT} = 24 V, Output = HIGH		_	-	10	μA
Output Rise Time	t _r	Measured 10%-90% of V _{OUT} , R _{PU} = 1 k Ω , V _{PU} = 5 V		-	5	_	μs
			A fall time option	2.5	5	9	μs
Output Fall Time		Measured 90%-10% of V _{OUT} ; R _{PU} = 1 k Ω , V _{PU} = 5 V	M fall time option	1.5	2.5	3.5	μs
	t _f		F fall time option	0.5	1.2	2.5	μs
		Measured 90%-10% of V _{OUT} ;	A fall time option	_	8	_	μs
		$R_{PU} = 1 k\Omega, V_{PU} = 12 V$	F fall time option	_	2	_	μs

 $^{[1]}$ Typical values are at T_A = 25°C and V_{CC} = 5 V. Performance may vary for individual units, within the specified maximum and minimum limits.

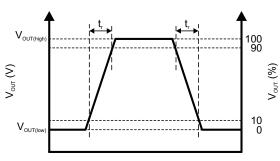


Figure 4: Output Rise Time and Output Fall Time



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Characteristics	Symbol	Not	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	
PERFORMANCE CHARACTERIST	rics		· · · · ·			· · · · · ·	
Operational Air Gap Range	AG	TPOS guaranteed		1.5	_	4	mm
Extended Operational Air Gap Range		Running mode switching, Allegro reference target 8	u	_	_	4.5	mm
Signal Bandwidth	BW	Equivalent to -3 dB cutof	frequency	_	>8	_	kHz
		Electrical falling address	Option T1	_	16.7	_	μs
Phase Delay		Electrical falling edges; $R_{PU} = 1 k\Omega$, $V_{PU} = 5 V$;	Option T2	_	19.7	-	μs
		fall time to be added to this value	Option T3	_	20.3	-	μs
			Option T4	_	40	-	μs
POWER-ON CHARACTERISTICS			· · · · · ·				
Power-On Time ^[2]	t _{PO}	f _{OP} < 100 Hz, time from V IC enters calibration mode		-	_	1	ms
TPOS Mode		Number of mechanical edges after power-on with output switching on TPOS threshold	M Option	-	N	N + 3 ^[3]	tooth
Learning Mode		Number of target teeth after TPOS Mode with reduced accuracy threshold-based output switching	M Option	_	_	1	tooth

[2] Power-On Time consists of the time from when V_{CC} rises above V_{CC(MIN)} until a valid output state is realized.
 [3] On some particular startup angle and air gaps, 1 to 3 extra teeth can be switching on TPOS before going on normal switching point.



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Characteristics	Symbol	Note	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	
OPERATING MODE CHARACTER	ISTICS					· · · · ·	
		Opposite target tooth,	L option	Low			V
Output Delevity	V	connected as in Figure 2	H option		High		V
Output Polarity	V _{OUT}	Opposite target valley,	L option		High		V
		connected as in Figure 2	H option		Low		V
Threshold Update Memory	Ν	Number of target teeth (per memory for threshold upd	,	1	_	13	tooth
Rising Threshold	B _{OP}	% of peak-to-peak, referen Programmable with a step Defined as Cx in the progr	20 [4]	_	80 [5]	%	
Falling Threshold	B _{RP}	% of peak-to-peak, referen Programmable with a step Defined as Cx in the progr	20 [4]	_	80 [5]	%	
Rising Threshold Slope	S _{OP}	Slope for rising Dynamic t Programmable with a step Set to 0 to disable ^[6] . Defined as Dx in the progr	0.225	_	0.975	%/mV	
Falling Threshold Slope	S _{RP}	Slope for falling Dynamic threshold feature. Programmable with a step of 0.025. Set to 0 to disable ^[6] . Defined as Dx in the programming options.		0.225	_	0.975	%/mV
			H1 option	-	10	-	%
Running Mode Hysteresis	D	Programmable option %	H2 option	-	15	-	%
	B _{HYS(int)}	of peak-to-peak signal	H3 option	-	20	-	%
			H4 option	_	30	-	%
		Reduction in magnetic signal amplitude between two consecutive peaks; all specifications within range.Reduction in magnetic signal amplitude between two consecutive peaks; output switches, accuracy performance not guaranteed.		-	_	B _{OP} – 15%	%
Maximum Allowable Signal Reduction	B _{reduce}			_	_	B _{OP} – 5%	%

^[4] This is the minimum value it can be programmed if hidden hysteresis is set at 15% If hidden hysteresis is not 15%, this limit becomes such that: $(B_{OP} \text{ or } B_{RP})$ – hidden hysteresis > 5%.

^[5] This is the maximum value it can be programmed if hidden hysteresis is set at 15% If hidden hysteresis is not 15%, this limit becomes such that: $(B_{OP} \text{ or } B_{RP})$ + hidden hysteresis < 95%.

^[6] See Switching Point section for more details about dynamic threshold feature.

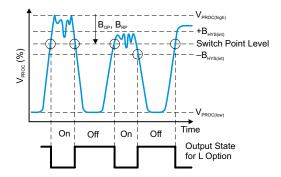


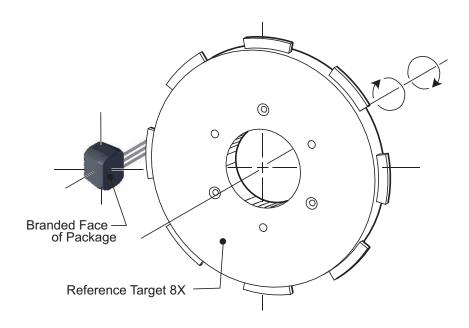
Figure 5: Switch Points with Internal Hysteresis



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REFERENCE TARGET 8X

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Тур.	Units
Outside Diameter	Do	Outside diameter of target	120	mm
Face Width	F	Breadth of tooth, with respect to branded face	6	mm
Circular Tooth Length	t	Length of tooth, with respect to branded face; measured at D _o	23.6	mm
Circular Valley Length	t _v	Length of valley, with respect to branded face; measured at ${\rm D}_{\rm o}$	23.6	mm
Tooth Whole Depth	h _t		5	mm
Material		CRS 1018	-	-





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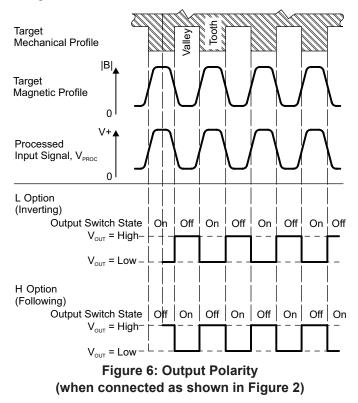
FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

Sensing Technology

The ATS16351 contains a GMR bridge with an optimized custom magnetic circuit that switches in response to magnetic signals induced by a ferromagnetic target. The IC includes a self-calibrating GMR element that senses differences in magnetic field strength induced by ferromagnetic target teeth and valleys. The sensor generates a digital output signal that is representative of the target features, independent of the direction of target rotation or rotational orientation. The transducer and the electronics are integrated on the same silicon substrate by a proprietary BiCMOS process. Changes in temperature do not negatively affect this device due to the stable amplifier design and advanced digital temperature compensation. The IC also contains a voltage regulator that provides undervoltage lockout and supply noise rejection over the operating voltage range.

Target Profiling

The polarity of the output is selectable to be either low opposite target teeth (L option) or high opposite target teeth (H option). See Figure 6.



Threshold Update

The ATS16351 has two sets of programmable options that determine the threshold update used to establish running mode switching levels. The positive peak threshold update is set to n teeth, which is programmable between one and thirteen. The negative peak threshold update can either be set to continuous or bounded update. With single tooth update (n = 1), the switching threshold for a tooth is established based on the measured peak value of the previous tooth.

With single tooth update (n = 1), the switching threshold for a tooth is established based on the measured peak value of the previous tooth. This option can be used with targets having any number of teeth and is comparable to the continuous update mode used in many Allegro sensors.

When n = 2 through 13, the device uses memory-based update. Peak information from the last *n* teeth is stored in on-chip memory. Switching thresholds for the upcoming tooth are established based on the stored information from *n* teeth earlier. When *n* is matched to the number of teeth on the target, this allows for optimized switch points based on the same tooth from the previous revolution of the target. The programmable threshold update results in improved output switching accuracy on targets with runout and tooth-to-tooth variation (including narrow valleys).

With continuous update (A option), the switching threshold for a tooth is based on the measured valley value of the previous tooth. This option provides backwards compatibility equivalent to some older generations of Allegro TPOS camshaft cells.

With bounded update (B option), large tooth-to-tooth changes in the negative peak tracking are filtered out and not applied to switching threshold generation. This option provides improved output accuracy on camshaft targets with narrow valley widths.

Switch Points and Hysteresis

The running mode switch points in the ATS16351 are established dynamically as a percentage of the tracked peaks and valleys, as described in the Threshold Update section. There are two methods for deciding the switching point levels: classic fixed switching points and dynamic switching points. With the classic fixed switching points, the switching point levels can be programmed from 20% to 80% (when default hidden hysteresis is selected) with a step of 0.78%. If hidden hysteresis is not 15%, this limit becomes such that: B_{OP}/B_{RP} + hidden hysteresis < 95% and B_{OP}/B_{RP} – hidden hysteresis < 5%. The slopes programming should



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be set to 0 in order to have these fixed classic switching point levels.

The dynamic switching points are activated if a slope is selected. This mode determines the best switching point level per air gap for a given target and a given hard offset. To learn how to program this for a specific target, contact Allegro.

Internal hysteresis allows for high performance switching accuracy on both rising and falling edges while maintaining immunity to false switching on noise, vibration, backlash, or other transient events (see Figure 5). The default value of this hidden hysteresis is 15% (typical). Different values are possible, up to 10%, 15%, 20%, or 30%; contact Allegro for parts with higher hidden hysteresis. A higher hidden hysteresis allows for higher immunity to noise, vibration, or stray field. The downside of having a high hidden hysteresis is the limitation on signal reduction or tooth-to-tooth variation. Also having different values for the switching point levels as described on previous paragraphs.

Operating Modes

TPOS MODE

After power-on, the output state is determined by the level of the detected magnetic field relative to the fixed-gauss TPOS threshold, which is programmed at Allegro. The device remains in TPOS Mode for a number of edges that is dependent on the TPOS to Running mode transition option selected: rapid (R option), qualified (Q option), or memory based (M option).

With the rapid option, once the magnetic signal movement exceeds a fixed startup hysteresis value, the device immediately transitions to calibration mode and threshold-based switching. The R option provides the fastest transition to running mode thresholds, but in certain startup scenarios this can result in a large difference in output accuracy between the first edge and the same running mode edge.

With the qualified option, the device remains in TPOS mode for at least two edges before transitioning to running mode. The Q option provides the lowest worst-case output accuracy difference between the first edge and subsequent running mode edges.

With the memory-based option, the device remains in TPOS mode for n teeth, which is programmable between one and twelve, to guarantee it has correctly captured enough peaks to fill the running mode threshold memory. The M option provides the slowest transition to running mode thresholds but provides best runout capability.

SELF-CALIBRATING TPOS FEATURE

The self-calibrating TPOS feature of the ATS16351 enables the sensor IC to learn the installation air gap inside of the engine and autonomously reprogram into memory the optimal threshold for power-on accuracy. The first time the device is powered on, it will use the factory TPO value that is written in EEPROM. After the first cycles, if there is a significant difference between the factory TPO and the optimal TPO (middle point of the signal) value the device will self-write the optimal TPO value in EEPROM for all future use.

CALIBRATION MODE

In calibration mode, the ATS16351 uses threshold-based switching with continuous update. This ensures that all teeth and valleys are captured correctly but provides slightly reduced accuracy relative to running mode. The device stays in calibration mode long enough to guarantee it has correctly captured enough peaks to fill the running mode threshold memory. After calibration mode is complete, the device transitions to running mode.

RUNNING MODE

In running mode, the ATS16351 uses threshold-based switching with internal hysteresis as described in the previous Threshold Update, Switch Points, and Hysteresis sections. The threshold update is intended to optimize output switching accuracy when used with common camshaft targets, including cases with runout and narrow target valleys.

WATCHDOG

The ATS16351 has a peak detector continuously tracking the magnetic signal. If a sudden large signal change causes the sensor output to stop switching, but the peak detector continues to detect valid signal movement, the watchdog will be triggered. When it is triggered, the sensor performs a self-reset and returns to initial startup hysteresis mode to regain output switching.

Target Profile Diagnostics

Target Profile Diagnostics allows customers to characterize a gear target during manufacturing, and to detect any subtle gear tooth anomalies that may exist before an engine is installed into the vehicle, thus saving cost. It has the potential to reduce warranty returns, thus increasing customer satisfaction.



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POWER DERATING

The device must operate below the rated maximum junction temperature of the device, $T_{J(max)}$. Under certain peak operating conditions, reliable operation may require power supply voltage derating and/or improved heat dissipation to ensure proper operation. This section presents a procedure for correlating factors that affect the operating junction temperature T_{J} . (Thermal data is also available on the Allegro MicroSystems website.)

The Package Thermal Resistance, R_{0JA} , is a figure of merit summarizing the ability of the package to dissipate heat from the junction (die), through all paths, to the ambient air. Its primary component is the Effective Thermal Conductivity, K, of the printed circuit board, including adjacent devices and traces. Radiation from the die through the device case, R_{0JC} , is a relatively small component of R_{0JA} . Ambient air temperature, T_A , and air motion are significant external factors, damped by overmolding.

The effect of varying power levels (Power Dissipation, P_D) can be estimated. The following formulas represent the fundamental relationships used to estimate T_J , at P_D .

$$P_D = V_{IN} \times I_{IN} \tag{1}$$

$$\Delta T = P_D \times R_{0I4} \tag{2}$$

$$T_J = T_A + \Delta T \tag{3}$$

For example, given common conditions such as: T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 12 V, I_{CC} = 7 mA, and $R_{\theta JA}$ = 147°C/W, then:

$$P_D = V_{CC} \times I_{CC} = 12 \ V \times 7 \ mA = 84 \ mW$$

$$\Delta T = P_D \times R_{\theta JA} = 84 \ mW \times 147^{\circ}C/W = 12.3^{\circ}C$$

$$T_I = T_4 + \Delta T = 25^{\circ}C + 12.3^{\circ}C = 37.3^{\circ}C$$

A worst-case estimate, $P_{D(max)}$, represents the maximum allowable power level ($V_{CC(max)}$, $I_{CC(max)}$), without exceeding $T_{J(max)}$, at a selected $R_{\theta JA}$ and T_A .

Example:

Reliability for V_{CC} at $T_A=160$ °C, estimated values based on package SM, using single layer PCB.

Observe the worst-case ratings for the device, specifically:

$$R_{0JA} = 147^{\circ}C/W$$
, $T_{J(max)} = 175^{\circ}C$, $V_{CC(absmax)} = 24$ V, and $I_{CC} = 10$ mA.

Calculate the maximum allowable power level, $P_{D(max)}$. First, solve equation 3 for $\Delta T_{(max)}$, the specified $T_{J(max)}$, and T_A :

$$\Delta T_{(max)} = T_{J(max)} - T_A = 175^{\circ}C - 160^{\circ}C = 15^{\circ}C$$

This provides the allowable increase to T_J resulting from internal power dissipation. Then, solve equation 2 for $P_{D(max)}$:

$$P_{D(max)} = \Delta T_{(max)} \div R_{\theta JA} = 15^{\circ}C \div 147^{\circ}C/W = 102 \, mW$$

Finally, solve equation 1 with respect to supply voltage:

$$V_{CC(est)} = P_{D(max)} \div I_{CC} = 102 \text{ mW} \div 10 \text{ mA} = 10.2 \text{ V}$$

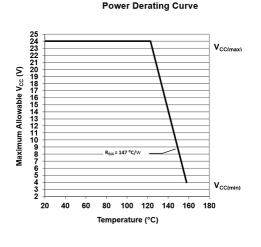
The result indicates that, at T_A , the application and device can dissipate adequate amounts of heat at voltages $\leq V_{CC(est)}$.

Compare $V_{CC(est)}$ to $V_{CC(max)}$. If $V_{CC(est)} \leq V_{CC(max)}$, then reliable operation between $V_{CC(est)}$ and $V_{CC(max)}$ requires enhanced R_{0JA} . If $V_{CC(est)} \geq V_{CC(max)}$, then operation between $V_{CC(est)}$ and $V_{CC(max)}$ is reliable under these conditions.

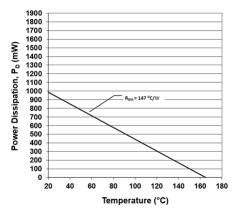
THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS: May require derating at maximum conditions

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions*	Value	Unit
Package Thermal Resistance	$R_{ extsf{ heta}JA}$	1-layer PCB with copper limited to solder pads	147	°C/W

*Additional thermal information available on the Allegro website.



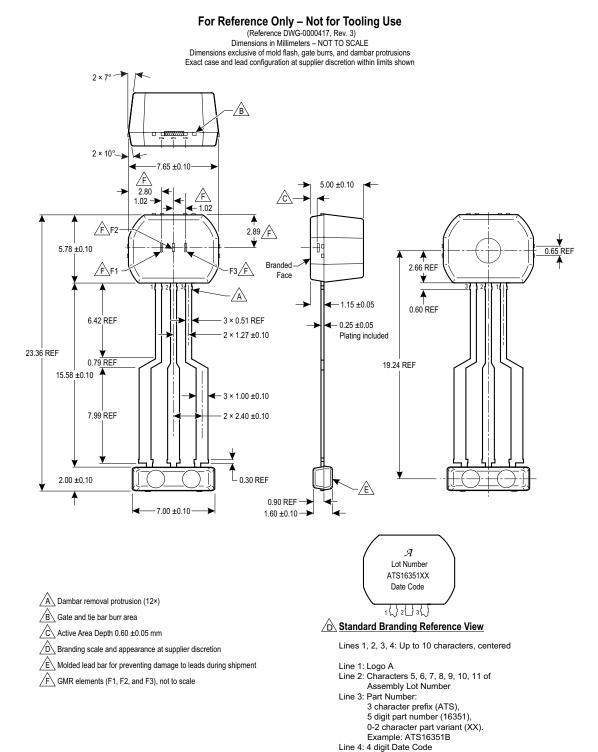
Power Dissipation versus Ambient Temperature





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Package SM, 3-Pin SIP





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Revision History

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