AS1720

Solenoid / Valve Driver with Current Limitation

1 General Description

The AS1720A is a low side current source providing an optimized DC Operation for power saving and ultra low electromagnetic radiation.

The AS1720B is a low side switch providing a PWM output, which frequency is defined by an internal RC oscillator. The adjustable PWM allows a fine control of the power delivered to the load.

Table 1. Standard Products

Model	Operation Mode
AS1720A	DC Current Source Operation
AS1720B	PWM Switching Operation

The AS1720A and AS1720B can be set to provide a strong initial closure current and is automatically switching to hold mode for power saving. The initial DC current, the hold current and the duty cycle of the PWM can be adjusted by external resistors. An internal thermal sensor prevents damage of the circuit due to excessive heating up.

Both devices are optimized for driving electromechanical devices such as valves, solenoids relays, actuators and positioners.

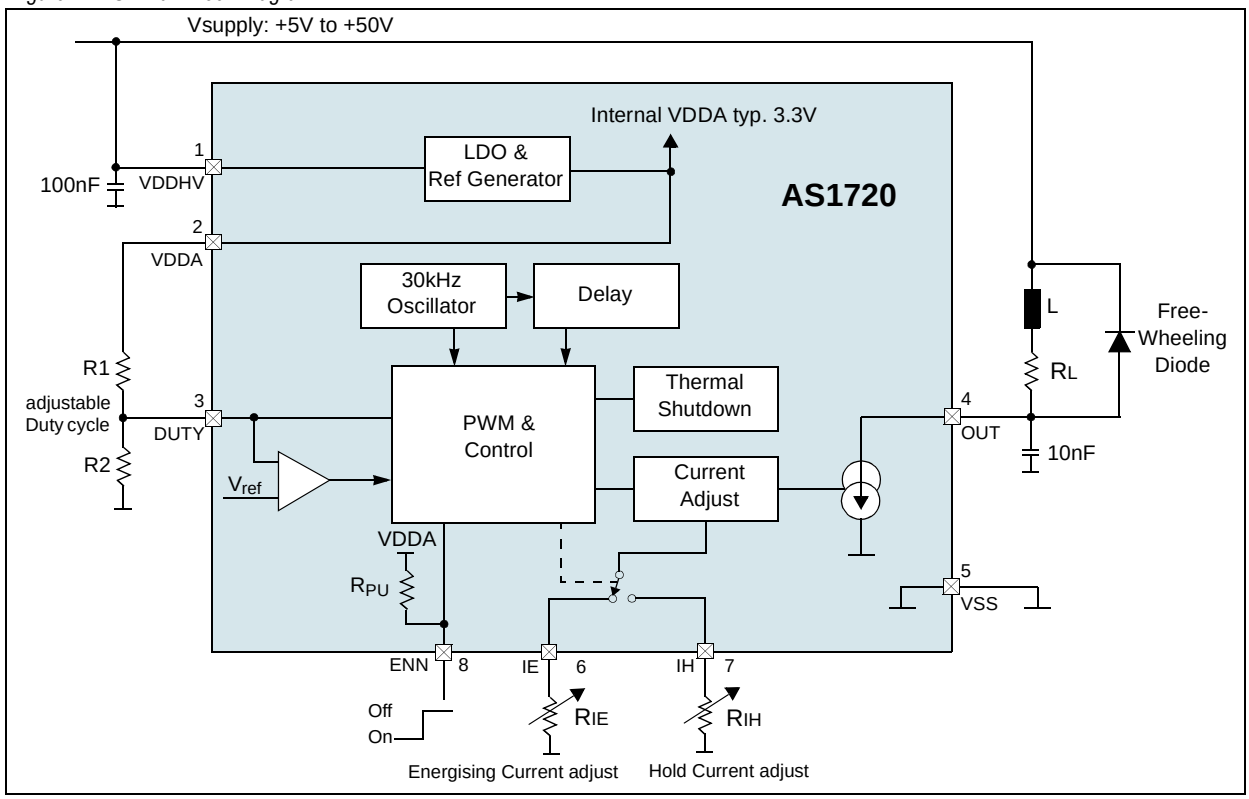
2 Key Features

- Supply Range: +5V to +50V
- Internal VDDA: 3.3V
- Supply Current: 1 mA
- Internal osc frequency: 30kHz
- Fix delay: 136ms
- Adjustable duty cycle: 20% – 90% (AS1720B only)
- Adjustable energizing current: 10mA – 100mA
- Adjustable hold current: 30% - 70% of energizing current
- Current Limitation
- Thermal shutdown: 150°C
- 8-pin MLPD (2x2mm) Package
- On request SOIC 8 Package (reduced temperature range -40°C to +85°C)

3 Applications

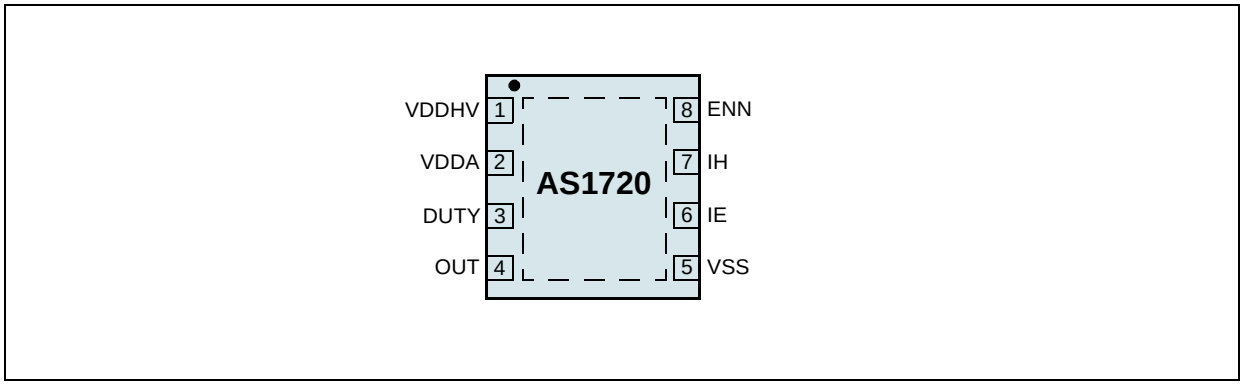
The AS1720 is ideal for fluid and gas flow systems, industrial control, electrical heaters, motor speed control.

Figure 1. AS1720 - Block Diagram



4 Pin Assignments

Figure 2. Pin Out (Top View)



Pin Description

Table 2. Pin Descriptions

Pin Name	Pin Number	Description
VDDHV	1	**Positive supply voltage**
VDDA	2	**Internal supply of 3.3V (typ.)**
DUTY	3	**Duty-Cycle.** By means of this pin the duty cycle can be adjusted between 20% and 90% during hold phase. The duty cycle can be adjusted by a voltage source or an external resistor divider. Setting this pin to VDDA the 50% duty cycle is selected automatically.
OUT	4	**Current Source Output**
VSS	5	**Ground**
IE	6	**Energize Current.** This pin defines the current during energize phase by means of a resistor.
IH	7	**Hold Current.** This pin defines the current during hold phase by means of a resistor.
ENN	8	**Enable Not.** This pin can be used to switch on/off the current source (e.g. via a µP), when the AS1720 is always powered on. Low during start-up: When VDDHV is applied, the device starts with the energise phase, followed by the hold phase. When the device is constantly powered on, it can be controlled by this pin. High: The output current source is switched off. Low: The device starts with the energise phase, followed by the hold phase.

5 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses beyond those listed in Table 3 may 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 in Section 6 Electrical Characteristics on page 4 is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Table 3. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min	Max	Units	Notes
Electrical Parameters				
VDDHV, OUT	-0.9	+55	V	
VDDA, DUTY, ENN, IE, IH	-0.3	+5	V	
Input Current (latch-up immunity)	-100	100	mA	Norm: JEDEC 78 @85°C
Electrostatic Discharge				
Electrostatic Discharge HBM	+/- 1.5		kV	Norm: MIL 883 E method 3015
Temperature Ranges and Storage Conditions				
Thermal Resistance θ_{JA}	+36		°C/W	
Junction Temperature T_J	+140		°C	Internally limited
Storage Temperature Range	-55	+150	°C	
Package Body Temperature	+260		°C	The reflow peak soldering temperature (body temperature) specified is in accordance with *IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020 "Moisture/Reflow Sensitivity Classification for Non-Hermetic Solid State Surface Mount Devices".* The lead finish for Pb-free leaded packages is matte tin (100% Sn).
Humidity	5	85	%	Non-condensing
Moisture Sensitive Level	1			Represents a max. floor life time of unlimited

6 Electrical Characteristics

V_{DDHV} = 5V, V_{SS} = 0V, Typical Values are at T_{AMB} = +25ºC (unless otherwise specified). All limits are guaranteed. The parameters with min and max values are guaranteed with production tests or SQC (Statistical Quality Control) methods.

Table 4. Electrical Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
T_{AMB}	Operating Ambient Temperature		-40		+85	°C
T_J	Operating Junction Temperature		-40		+125	°C
valid for AS1720A & AS1720B						
V_{DDHV}	Supply Voltage Range		5		50	V
V_{DDA}	Internal Supply	no load	3.1	3.3	3.5	V
I_{DD}	Supply Current			1	2	mA
I_{OUT_E}	Output Energizing Current Range[1]	defined by R_{IE} (see Figure 10 on page 7)	10		100	mA
V_{IH}	Digital Input Threshold	@ pin ENN	2		V_{DDA}	V
V_{IL}			V_{SS}		1.2	
V_{HYST}	Hysteresis	@ pin ENN		200		mV
R_{PU}	Pull-Up Resistor	@ pin ENN		100		kΩ
	Delay Time	See Delay on page 6		136		ms
T_{SHDN}	Thermal Shutdown Temperature			160		ºC
ΔT_{SHDN}	Thermal Shutdown Hysteresis			15		ºC
only valid for AS1720A						
V_{OUT}	Saturation Voltage, Sink[1]	I_{OUT} = 100mA		0.6	1	V
k	Transfer Value	R_{IE} = 12kΩ, V_{DDHV} = 5V to 50V, OUT = 1V to 40V (see page 7)	1080	1200	1320	AΩ
I_{OUT_H}	Output Hold Current Range[1]	defined by R_{IH} (see Figure 10 on page 7)	0.3 x I_{OUT_E}		0.7 x I_{OUT_E}	mA
only valid for AS1720B						
	Minimum Duty Cycle		15	20	25	%
	Maximum Duty Cycle		83	90	95	%
	Internal Duty Cycle			50		%
Vtrig	Trigger level to select internal voltage divider	@ pin DUTY		V_{DDA}		V
f_{PWM}	PWM Frequency		25.5	30	34.5	kHz

1. The parameters are tested with proprietary test modes.

7 Typical Operating Characteristics

VSUPPLY = 5V, RIE = 30kΩ, RIH = 120kΩ, TAMB = +25°C (unless otherwise specified);

Figure 3. Duty Cycle vs. VDUTY

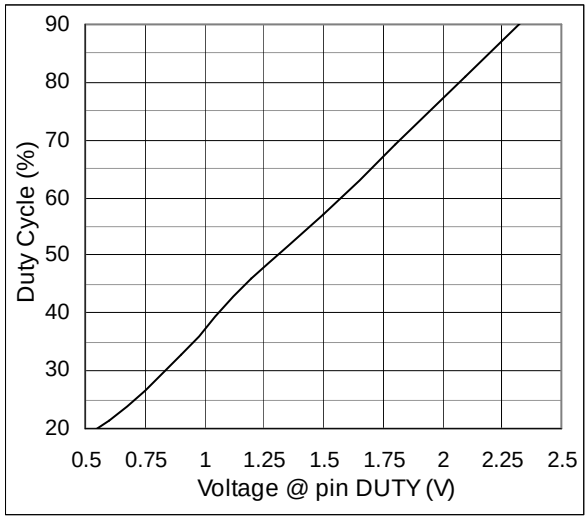


Figure 4. PWM Frequency vs. Temperature

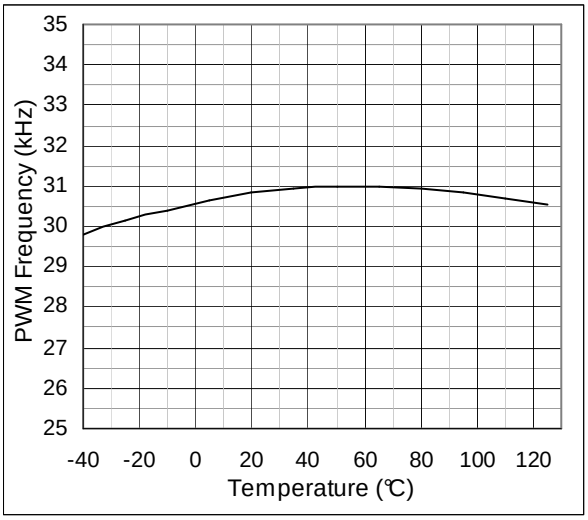
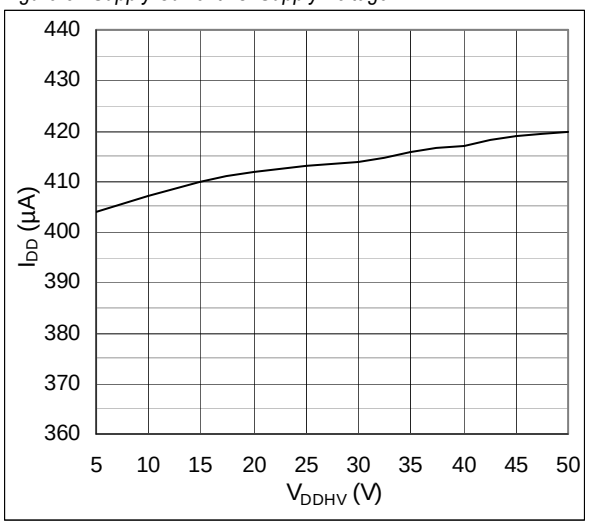


Figure 5. Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage



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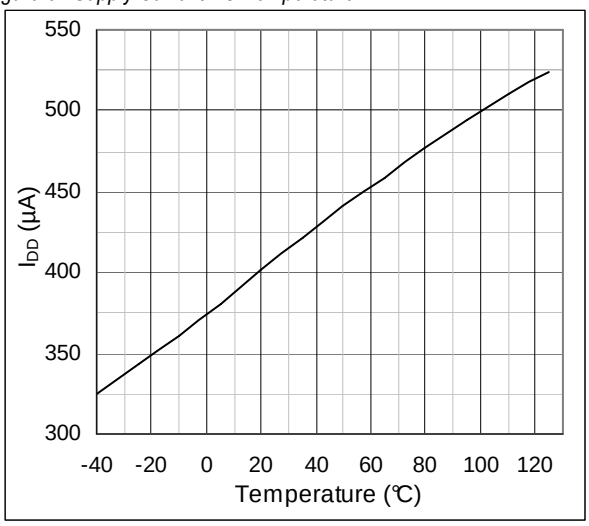


Figure 7. Transfer Function vs. Supply Voltage

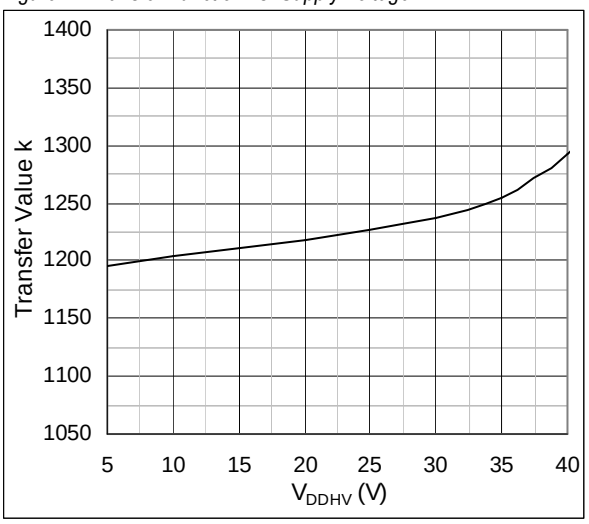
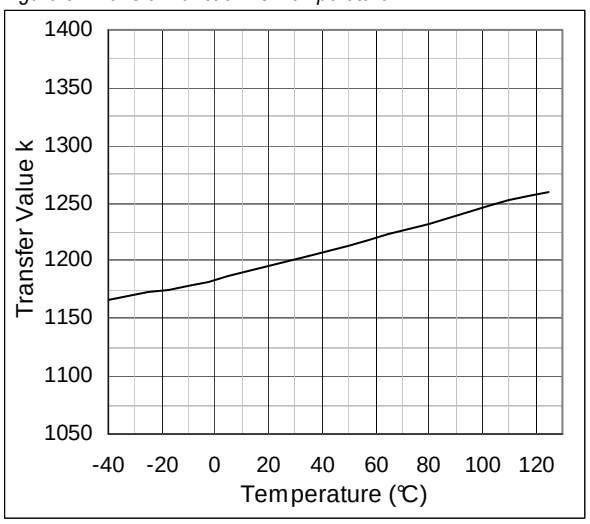


Figure 8. Transfer Function vs. Temperature



8 Detailed Description

Delay

The delay time is generated internally by a digital divider.

LDO and Reference Generator

This block provides the internal supply voltage of typ. 3.3V and all bias currents for the analog cells. Further the external resistor divider for setting the duty cycle will be supplied.

Thermal shutdown

The temperature is constantly monitored. If the temperature exceeds typ. 160°C the output is disabled. In order to exit the over temperature condition, the device has to cool down and the reason of over temperature (e.g. short circuit) must be removed. After exiting the overtemperature condition the system restarts beginning with the energizing phase followed by the hold phase.

DC Operation (AS1720A only)

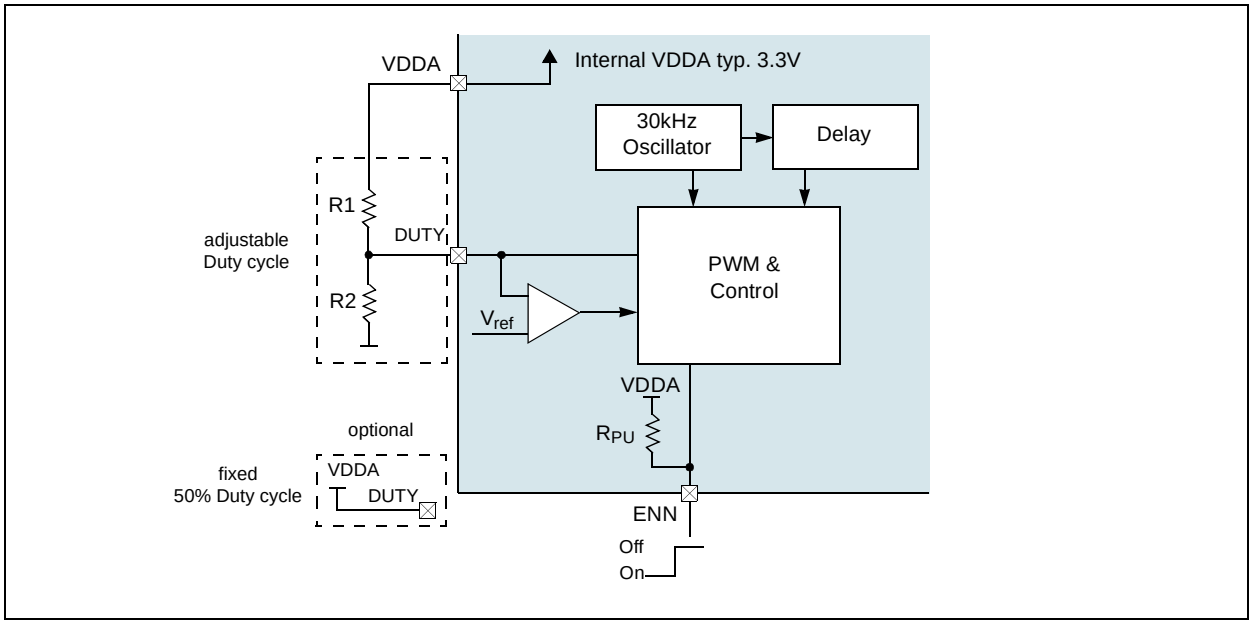
After power up, the delay time (see Delay) starts running. After expiration of the delay the hold phase starts automatically. During the hold phase the DC output current is reduced according to the RIH on pin IH.

PWM Operation (AS1720B only)

After power up, the delay time (see Delay) starts running. After expiration of the delay the hold phase starts automatically. The internal RC oscillator sets the PWM period. The duty cycle is either defined by the external resistor divider (voltage) at pin DUTY or by the fixed internal divider. When using the external divider the duty cycle can be adjusted between 20% and 90% (e.g. from a DAC). Alternatively the pin can be driven by a voltage source. For using the internal divider the pin DUTY has to be connected to VDDA. The comparator recognizes this condition and switches to the internal divider, which causes a fixed 50% duty cycle.

$$DUTYCYCLE(V_{DUTY}) = 0,381 \times V_{DUTY} - 0,014 \qquad \text{(EQ 1)}$$

Figure 9. Simplified Circuit of Block PWM and Control



Control by pin ENN

When VDDHV is constantly switched on the AS1720 can be controlled by pin ENN. The functionality is the same as for controlling the device via pin VDDHV. This feature is useful when controlling by a microprocessor is desired.

Because of the internal pull-up resistor to V_{DDA} a microprocessor with open-drain or with push/pull (max 3.3V) output can be used.

Current Adjust (AS1720A) and Current Limitation (AS1720B)

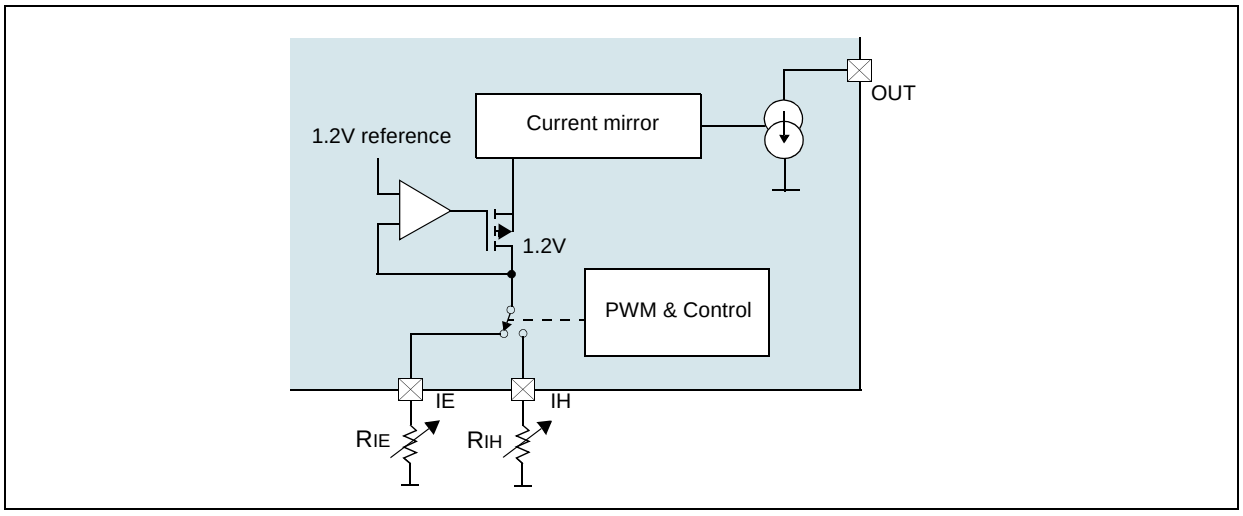
This block provides the current reference for the output current source. The current is generated by regulating the internal Bandgap voltage to the pins IE and IH. The external resistors R_{IE} and R_{IH} define the output current and can be expressed as:

$$R_{IE/IH} = \frac{k}{I_{OUT}} \qquad \text{(EQ 2)}$$

The temperature coefficient depends on the Bandgap voltage (100ppm/K, box method) and external resistor (in the range of several ppm/K).

The saturation voltage of the output current source for a 100mA current is typical 600mV.

Figure 10. Simplified Circuit of Blocks Current Adjust and Current Source



9 Application Information

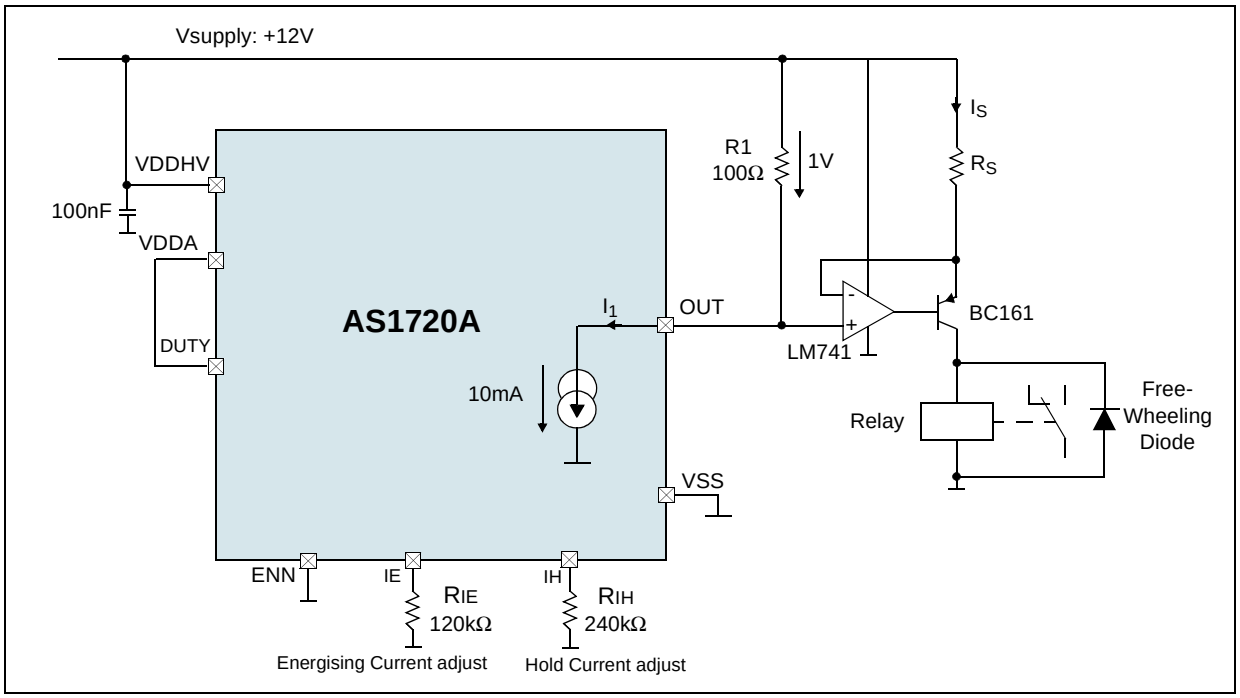
In order to drive relays, which need more than 100mA current, an external circuitry (see Figure 11) can be used. This application shows how to drive 5W @12V relays.

This circuit is only applicable for AS1720A.

For this example with R1 = 100Ω and R_S = 2.5Ω the current Is is calculated as follows:

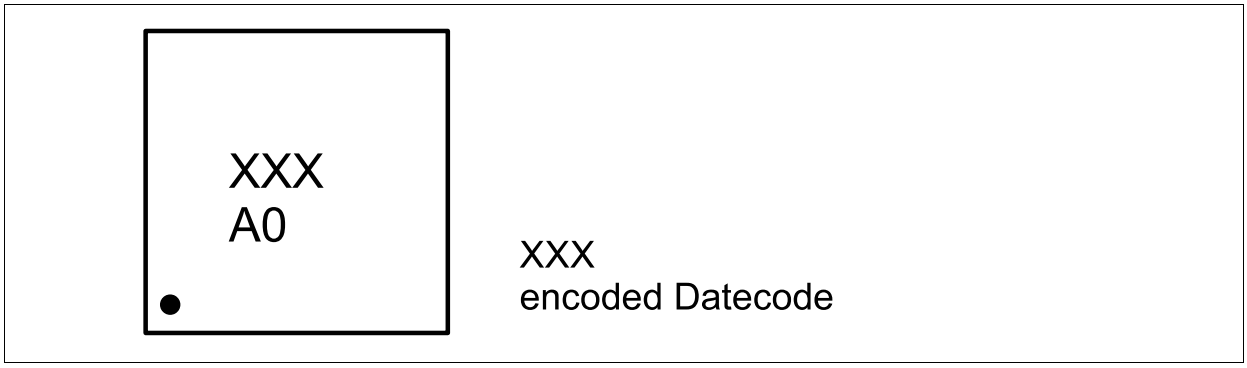
$$I_S = I_1 \times \frac{R_1}{R_S} = 0,01A \times \frac{100}{2,5} = 400mA \quad \text{(EQ 3)}$$

Figure 11. AS1720A - Typical Application



10 Package Drawings and Markings

Figure 12. 8-pin MLPD (2x2mm) Marking



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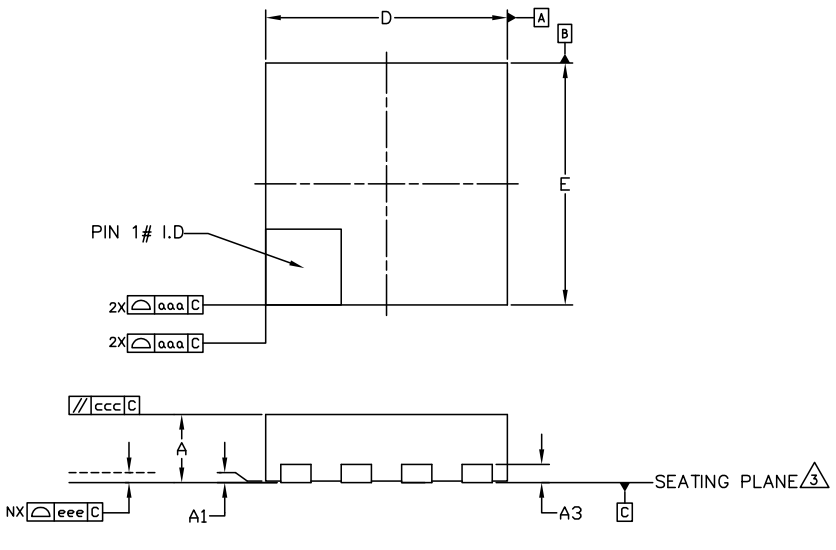

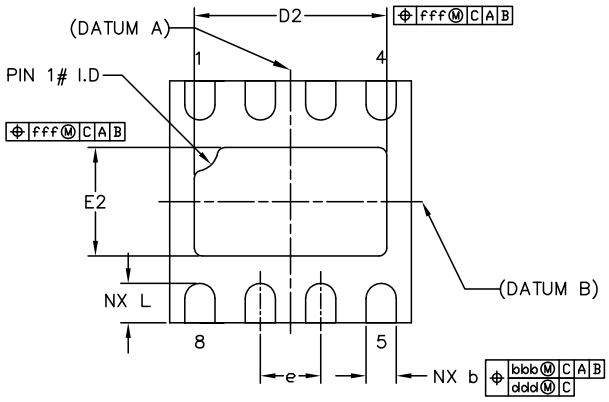

REF.	MIN	NOM	MAX
A	0.51	0.55	0.60
A1	0.00	0.02	0.05
A3		0.15 REF	
L	0.225	0.325	0.425
b	0.18	0.25	0.30
D		2.00 BSC	
E		2.00 BSC	
e		0.50 BSC	
D2	1.45	1.60	1.70
E2	0.75	0.90	1.00
aaa	–	0.15	–
bbb	–	0.10	–
ccc		0.10	–
ddd	–	0.05	–
eee	–	0.08	–
fff	–	0.10	–
N		8	

NOTE:

1. DIMENSIONS & TOLERANCEING CONFIRM TO ASME Y14.5M–1994.
2. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS. ANGELS ARE IN DEGREES.
3. COPLANARITY APPLIES TO THE EXPOSED HEAT SLUG AS WELL AS THE TERMINAL.
4. RADIUS ON TERMINAL IS OPTIONAL.
5. N IS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TERMINALS.

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11 Ordering Information

The device is available as the standard products shown in Table 5.

Table 5. Ordering Information

Ordering Code	Marking	Description	Delivery Form	Package
AS1720A-ATDT	A0	Solenoid / Valve Driver with Current Limitation and with DC Current Source Operation	Tape and Reel	8-pin MLPD (2x2mm)
AS1720B-ATDT	AW	Solenoid / Valve Driver with Current Limitation and with PWM Switching Operation	Tape and Reel	8-pin MLPD (2x2mm)

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