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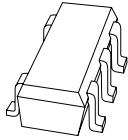
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PSS12021SAY

Constant current source in SOT353 package

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Product data sheet

1. Product profile

1.1 General description

Resistor-equipped PNP transistor with two diodes on one chip in a SOT353 (SC-88A) plastic package. Stabilized output current of between 15 μ A and 50 mA by connection of an external resistor between pins 4 and 5.

1.2 Features

- One chip integrated constant current source
- Output current setting by use of an external resistor
- Very small package
- Reduces component count and board space

1.3 Applications

- Automotive applications
- Generic constant current source
- Constant current LED driver
- Active bias control for audio amplifiers

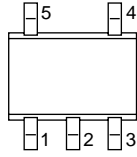
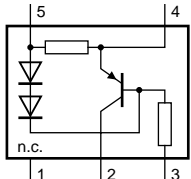
1.4 Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|-----------|----------------|------------|-------|-----|-----|------|
| I_{out} | output current | | 0.015 | - | 50 | mA |
| V_S | supply voltage | | - | - | 75 | V |

2. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning

| Pin | Symbol | Description | Simplified outline | Symbol |
|-----|--------|-------------------|--|--|
| 1 | n.c. | not connected |  |  <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">sym049</p> |
| 2 | IOUT | output current | | |
| 3 | GND | ground | | |
| 4 | REXT | external resistor | | |
| 5 | VS | supply voltage | | |

3. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

| Type number | Package | | |
|-------------|---------|--|---------|
| | Name | Description | Version |
| PSSI2021SAY | SC-88A | plastic surface mounted package; 5 leads | SOT353 |

4. Marking

Table 4. Marking codes

| Type number | Marking code ^[1] |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| PSSI2021SAY | S1* |

- [1] * = -: made in Hong Kong
 * = t: made in Malaysia
 * = W: made in China

5. Limiting values

Table 5. Limiting values

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Max | Unit |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------|------|------|
| I_{out} | stabilized output current | see Figure 2 | 0.015 | 50 | mA |
| V_S | supply voltage | | - | 75 | V |
| V_{out} | output voltage | $V_S = 75\text{ V}$ | - | 73 | V |
| V_R | reverse voltage | | [1] - | 0.5 | V |
| P_{tot} | total power dissipation | $T_{amb} \leq 25\text{ °C}$ | [2] - | 335 | mW |
| T_{stg} | storage temperature | | -65 | +150 | °C |
| T_j | junction temperature | | - | 150 | °C |
| T_{amb} | ambient temperature | | -65 | +150 | °C |

[1] Between all terminals

[2] Device mounted on a FR4 printed-circuit board, single-sided copper, tin-plated, standard footprint

6. Thermal characteristics

Table 6. Thermal characteristics

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---------------|---|-------------|-------|-----|-----|------|
| $R_{th(j-a)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to ambient | in free air | [1] - | - | 370 | K/W |

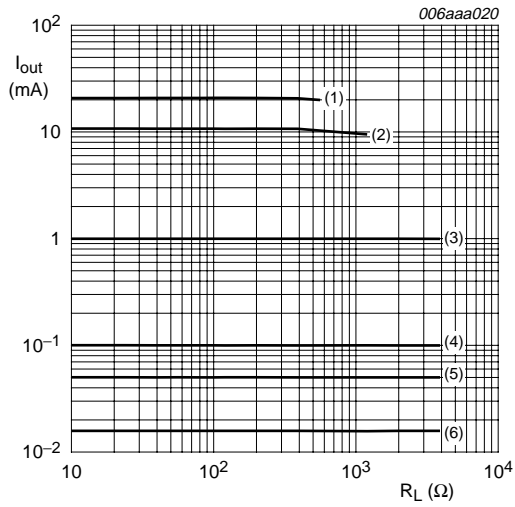
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7. Characteristics

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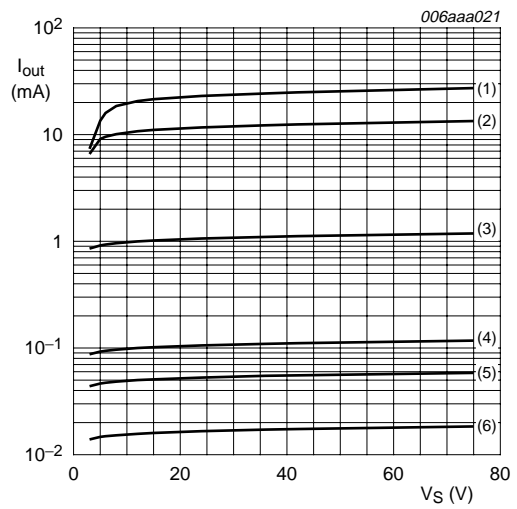
$T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$ unless otherwise specified

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|--|--|--|-----|------|-----|---------------|
| I_{out} | stabilized output current | $V_S = 12\text{ V}$; $R_{ext} = \text{open}$; $V_{out} = 0\text{ V}$ to 10 V ; see Figure 2 | 10 | 15 | 20 | μA |
| I_S | supply current | $V_S = 12\text{ V}$; $I_{out} = 15\text{ }\mu\text{A}$; $V_{out} = 0\text{ V}$ to 10 V ; see Figure 4 | - | 240 | 370 | μA |
| | | $V_S = 75\text{ V}$; $I_{out} = 15\text{ }\mu\text{A}$; $V_{out} = 0\text{ V}$; see Figure 4 | - | 1.5 | 2.2 | mA |
| $\Delta I_{out} / (I_{out} \times \Delta T_{amb})$ | output current change over ambient temperature | $V_S = 12\text{ V}$; $V_{out} = 1\text{ V}$; $T_{amb} = -55\text{ °C}$ to 150 °C | - | 0.15 | - | %/K |
| $\Delta I_{out} / I_{out}$ | load stability of stabilized output current | $V_S = 12\text{ V}$; $V_{out} = 1\text{ V}$ to 10 V | - | 0.5 | - | % |
| R_{int} | internal resistor value | | - | 48 | - | k Ω |



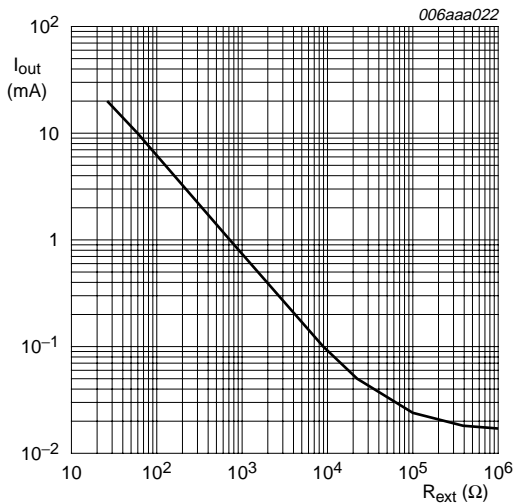
- $V_S = 12\text{ V}$
- (1) $I_{out} = 20\text{ mA}$
 - (2) $I_{out} = 10\text{ mA}$
 - (3) $I_{out} = 1\text{ mA}$
 - (4) $I_{out} = 100\text{ }\mu\text{A}$
 - (5) $I_{out} = 50\text{ }\mu\text{A}$
 - (6) $I_{out} = 15\text{ }\mu\text{A}$

Fig 1. Output current as a function of load resistance; typical values



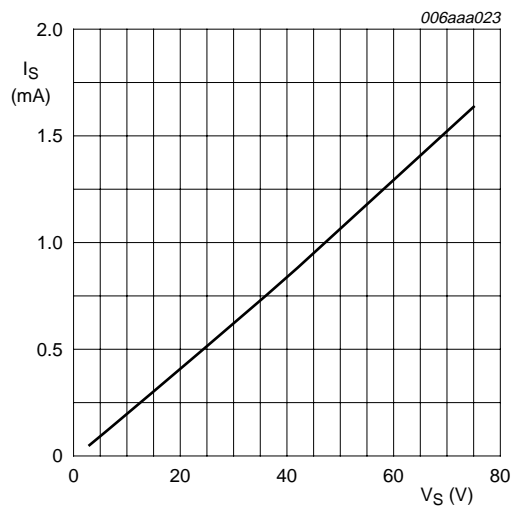
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Fig 2. Output current as a function of supply voltage; typical values



$V_S = 12\text{ V}; R_L = 100\text{ }\Omega$

Fig 3. Output current as a function of external resistance; typical values



$R_{ext} = \infty; R_L = 100\text{ }\Omega$

Fig 4. Supply current as a function of supply voltage; typical values

8. Application information

External resistor calculation

The output current can be set by connecting an external resistor between VS (pin 5) and REXT (pin 4).

I_{out} then calculates to:
$$I_{out} = \frac{0.617}{R_{ext}} + 15 \mu A$$

Without an external resistor the output current will be typically 15 μA .

Typical output currents versus supply voltage V_S

The applied supply voltage determines the output current. [Table 8](#) gives typical I_{out} values at specified supply voltages, assuming that the working output current is 70% of the maximum possible output current.

Table 8. Typical output currents at specified supply voltages

| V_S (V) | I_{out} (mA) |
|-----------|----------------|
| 5 | 6 |
| 12 | 18 |
| 24 | 38 |
| 36 | 60 |

8.1 Typical application circuits

LED driver

Figure 5 shows a typical application circuit for an LED driver. The constant current ensures a constant LED brightness.

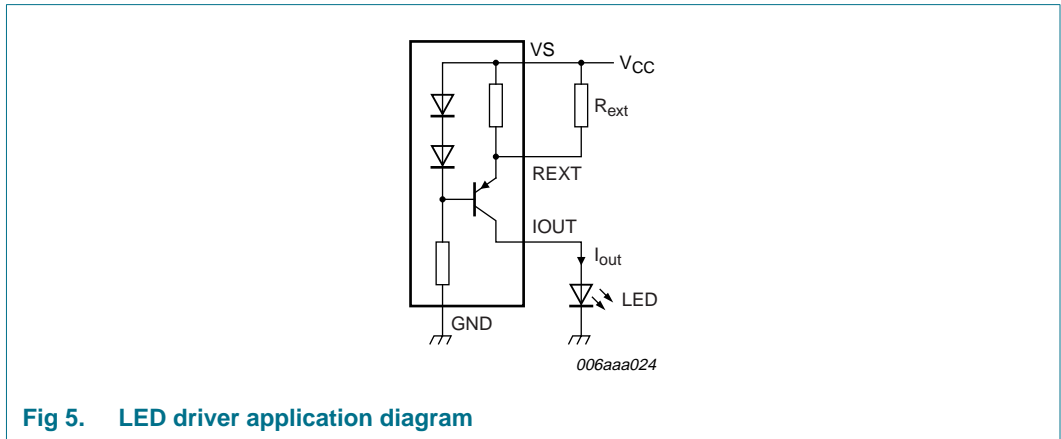


Fig 5. LED driver application diagram

Switching the current ON/OFF

The output can be switched ON and OFF by connecting a resistor-equipped transistor (RET, e.g. PDTC124XU) as shown in Figure 6.

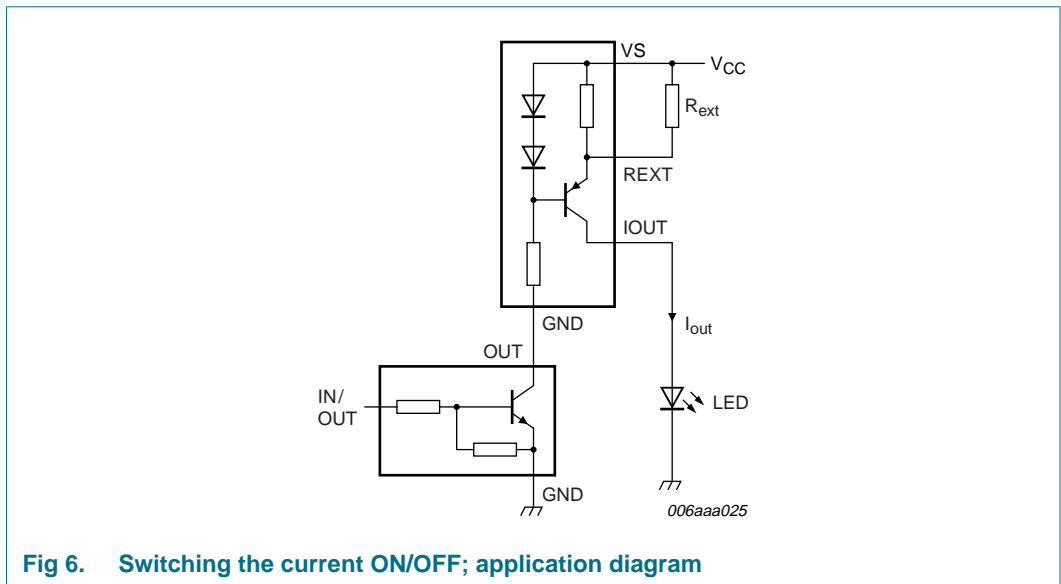


Fig 6. Switching the current ON/OFF; application diagram

Voltage reference

The PSSI2021SAY supplies a constant current to the Zener diode regardless of supply voltage variation, resulting in a constant reference voltage (see [Figure 7](#)).

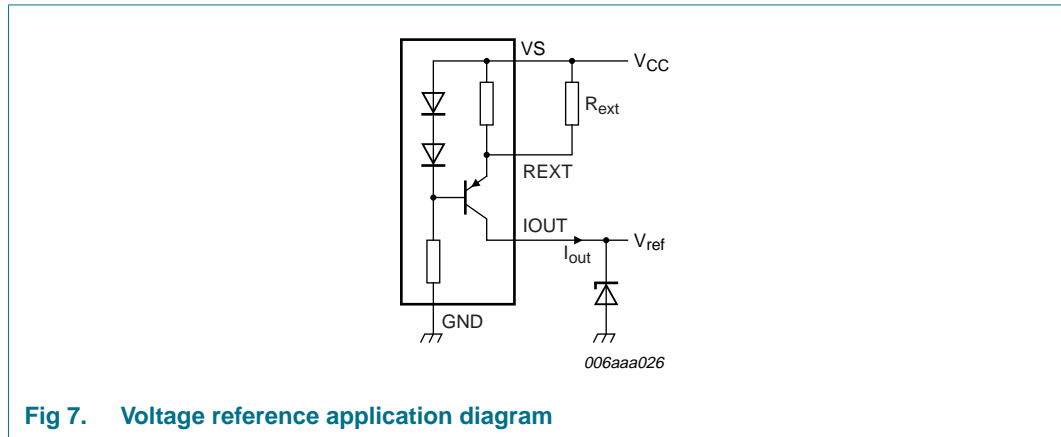


Fig 7. Voltage reference application diagram

9. Package outline

Plastic surface-mounted package; 5 leads

SOT353

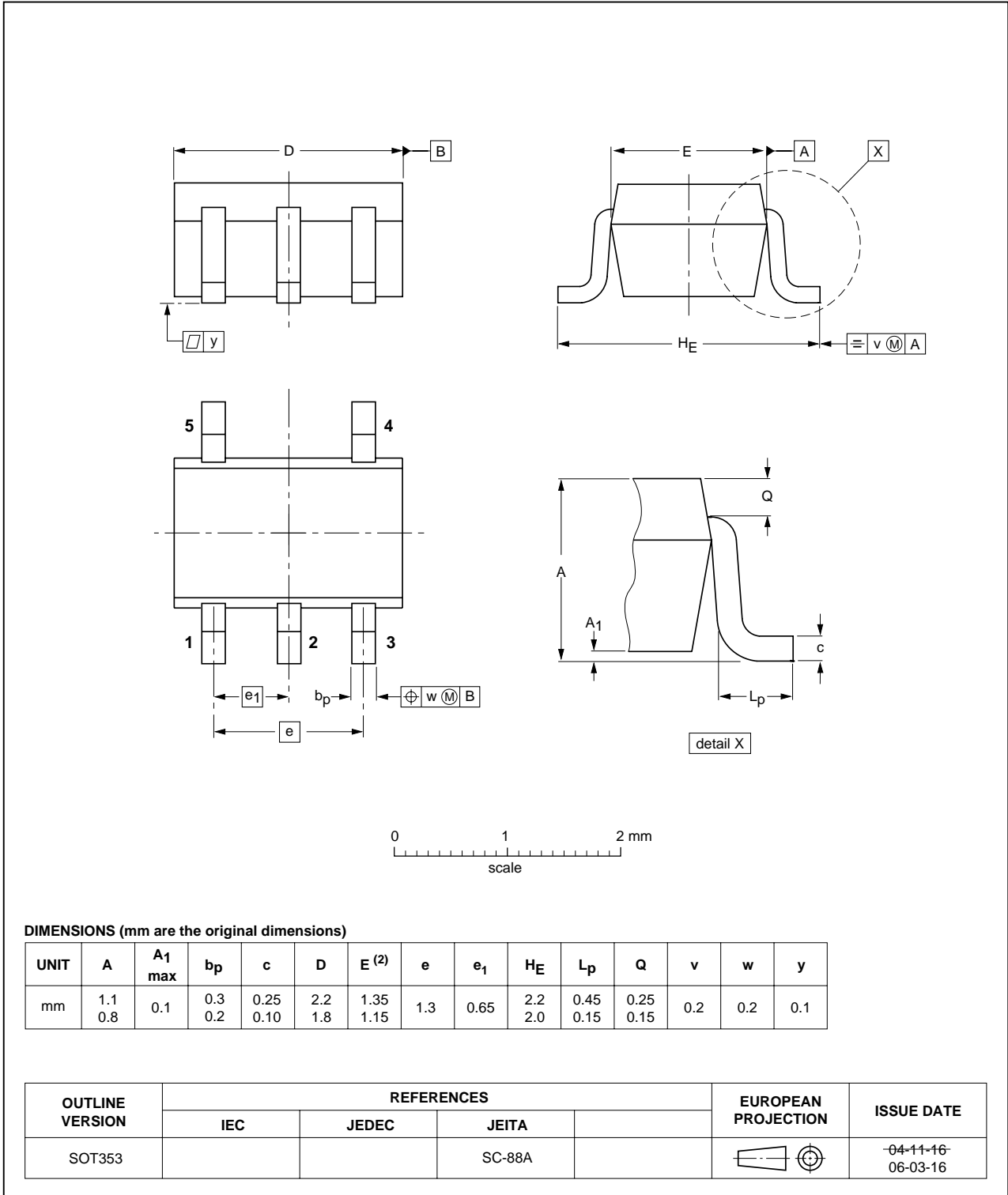


Fig 8. Package outline SOT353 (SC-88A)

10. Packing information

Table 9. Packing methods

The indicated -xxx are the last three digits of the 12NC ordering code.^[1]

| Type number | Package | Description | Packing quantity |
|-------------|---------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| | | | 3000 |
| PSSI2021SAY | SOT353 | 4 mm pitch, 8 mm tape and reel | -115 |

[1] For further information and the availability of packing methods, see [Section 13](#).

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Table 10. Revision history

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| PSSI2021SAY_2 | 20041020 | Product data sheet | - | PSSI2021SAY_1 |
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