



# FLC21-135A

Application Specific Discretes  
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LOW POWER  
FIRE LIGHTER CIRCUIT

## FEATURES

- DEDICATED THYRISTOR STRUCTURE FOR CAPACITIVE DISCHARGE IGNITION OPERATION
- HIGH PULSE CURRENT CAPABILITY  
 $I_{FRM} = 90A$  @  $t_p = 10\mu S$
- AC OR DC OPERATION CAPABILITY WITH SUPPLY FROM THE AC MAINS OR A DC BATTERY
- FAST TURN-ON OPERATION
- DESIGNED FOR HIGH AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (up to 120°C)

## BENEFITS

- SPACE SAVING THANKS TO MONOLITHIC FUNCTION INTEGRATION
- HIGH RELIABILITY WITH PLANAR TECHNOLOGY

## DESCRIPTION

The FLC21-135A has been especially developed for capacitance discharge operation. The main applications are: fuel ignitors, fuel or gas heaters, gas ranges, cooker tops, barbecues, water heaters, HVACs, portable ignitors, insect killers.

Based on ST's ASD™ technology, it provides a fully integrated function, with high performance and reliability levels, adapted to severe and hot temperature environment.

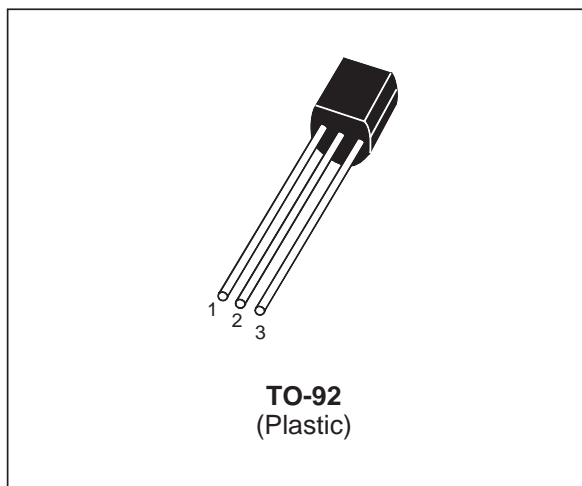
The typical supply of the FLC21-135A fire lighter circuit is a DC battery or the AC mains.

**Th:** Thyristor for the switching operation.

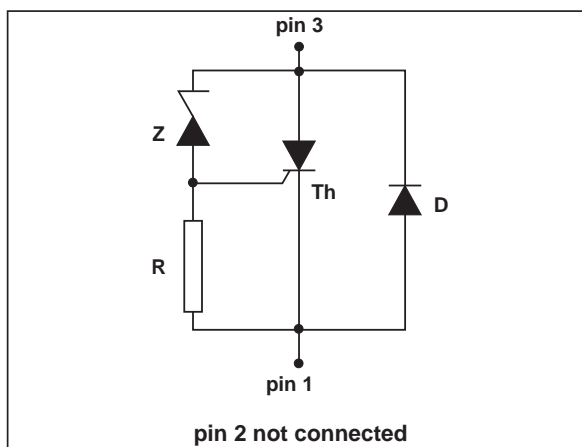
**Z:** Zener diode to set the igniting threshold voltage.

**D:** Diode for the reverse conduction.

**R:** 2 kΩ resistor.



## FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM



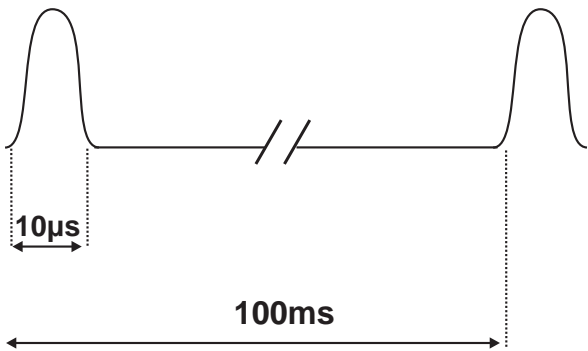
DEVICE TYPE	APPLICATION	MODE
FLC21-135A	BATTERY OPERATION	Ignition

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ABSOLUTE RATINGS (limiting values)

Symbol	Parameter		Value	Unit
I <sub>TRM</sub>	Repetitive surge peak on state current for thyristor -30°C ≤ Tamb ≤ 120°C	tp = 10μs ( note 1)	90	A
I <sub>FRM</sub>	Repetitive surge peak on state current for diode -30°C ≤ Tamb ≤ 120°C			
dl/dt	Critical rate of rise on state current -30°C ≤ Tamb ≤ 120°C		50	A/μs
Tstg Tj	Storage junction temperature range Maximum junction temperature		- 40 to + 150 125	°C
Tamb	Operating temperature range		- 30 to + 120	°C
TL	Maximum lead temperature for soldering during 10s		260	°C

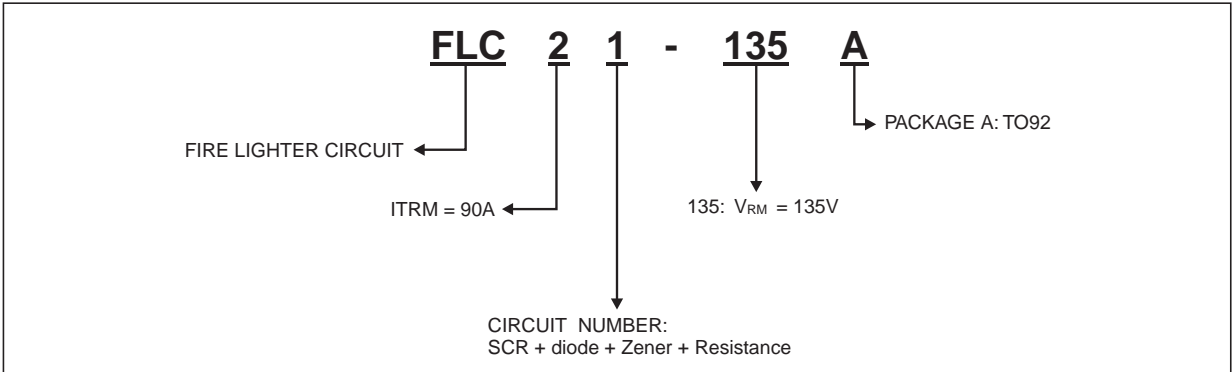
Note 1 : Test current waveform



THERMAL RESISTANCE

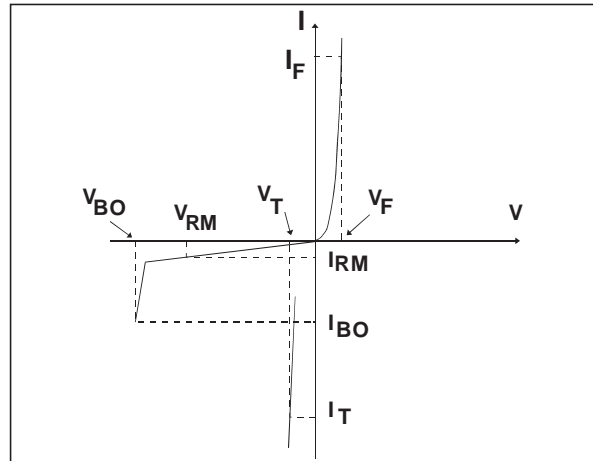
Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$R_{th(j-a)}$	Junction to ambient	150	$^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$

ORDERING INFORMATION



### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Symbol	Parameters
$V_{RM}$	Stand-off voltage
$V_{BO}$	Breakover voltage
$V_T$	On-state voltage
$V_F$	Diode forward voltage drop
$I_{BO}$	Breakover current
$I_{RM}$	Leakage current
$\alpha T$	Temperature coefficient for $V_{BO}$



### DIODE (D) PARAMETER

Symbol	Test Conditions				Value	Unit
$V_F$	$I_F = 1A$	$t_p \leq 500\mu s$	$T_j = 25^\circ C$	Max.	1.7	V

### THYRISTOR (Th) and ZENER (Z) PARAMETERS

Symbol	Test conditions		Value			Unit
			FLC21-135A			
			Min.	Typ.	Max.	
I <sub>RM</sub>	V <sub>RM</sub> = 135V	T <sub>j</sub> = 25°C			1	μA
		T <sub>j</sub> = 125°C			10	μA
V <sub>BO</sub>	at I <sub>BO</sub>	T <sub>j</sub> = 25°C	140		160	V
I <sub>BO</sub>	at V <sub>BO</sub>	T <sub>j</sub> = 25°C			500	μA
V <sub>T</sub>	I <sub>T</sub> = 2A      tp ≤ 500μs	T <sub>j</sub> = 25°C			1.7	V
αT				0.16		V/°C

**Fig. 1:** Relative variation of breakover current versus junction temperature.

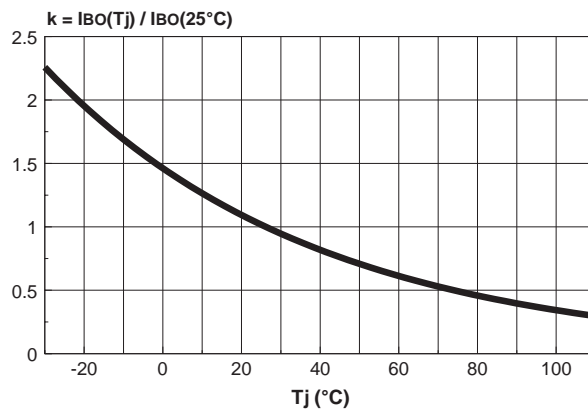


Fig. 2: BASIC AC MAINS APPLICATION.

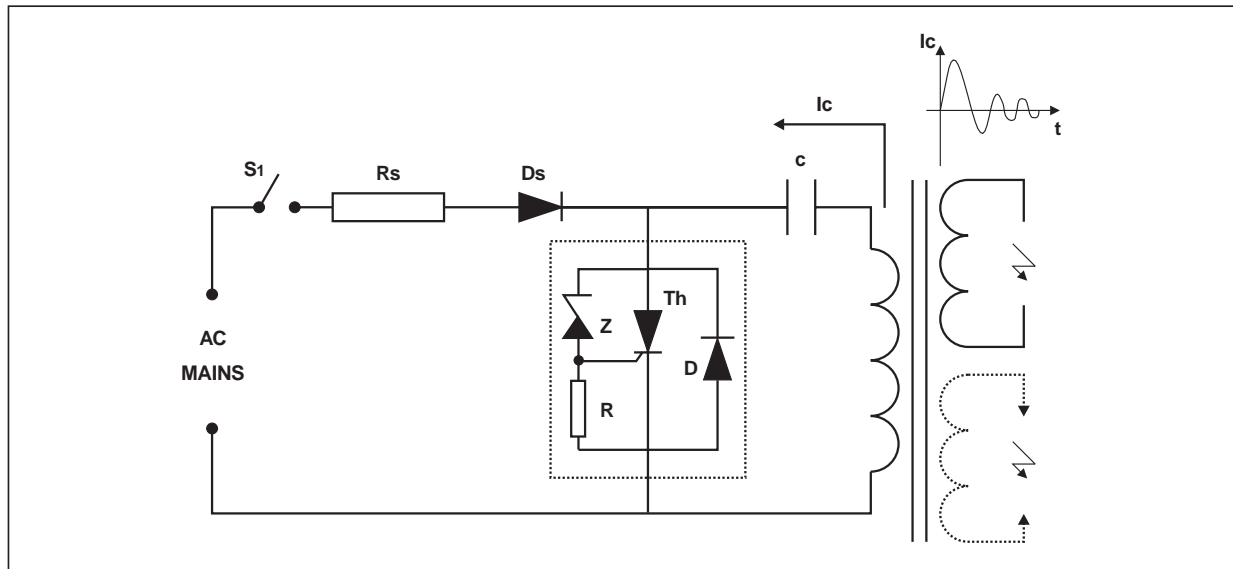
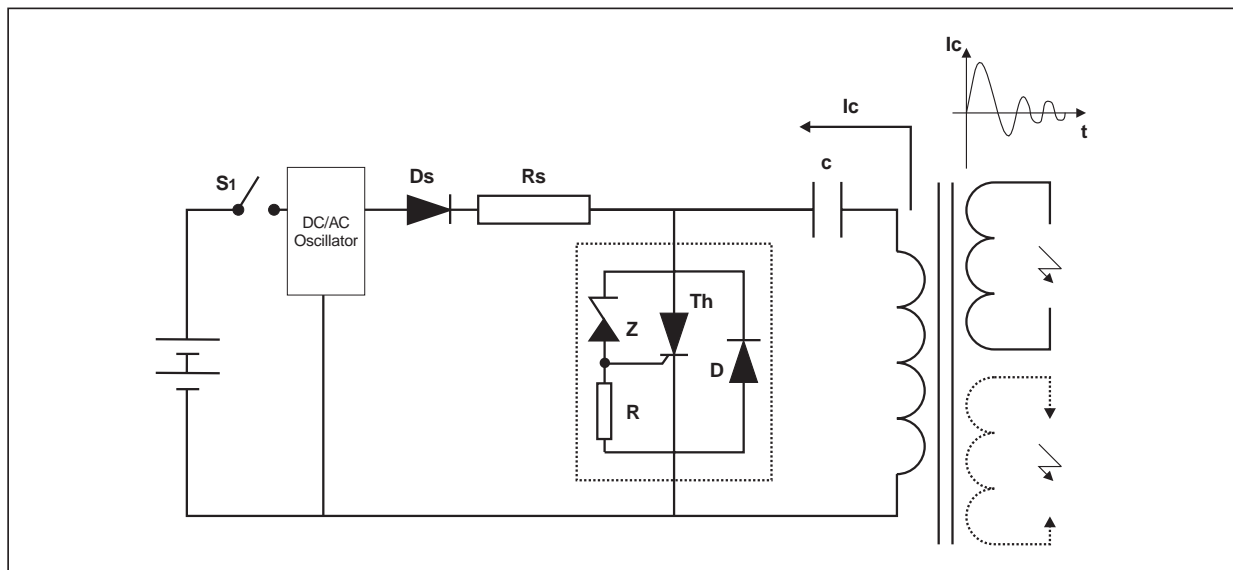


Fig. 3: BASIC DC APPLICATION.



## 1/ IGNITION MODE

### PHASE 1

The AC voltage is rectified by the diode Ds. The ignition energy is supplied by the mains and stored into the capacitor C.

### PHASE 2

At the end of the phase 1, the voltage across the capacitor C reaches the avalanche threshold of the Zener diode Z. Then, a current flows through this Zener diode into the gate of the thyristor Th which is triggered.

The thyristor turn-on generates an alternating current through the capacitor C. Its positive parts flow through the capacitor C, the primary of the HV transformer and the thyristor Th. Its negative parts of the current flow through C, D and the primary of the H.V transformer.

## RS RESISTANCE CALCULATION

The Rs resistance allows, in addition with the capacitance C, the spark frequency to be adjusted and the current supplied by the mains to be limited. This resistance allows the thyristor triggering in

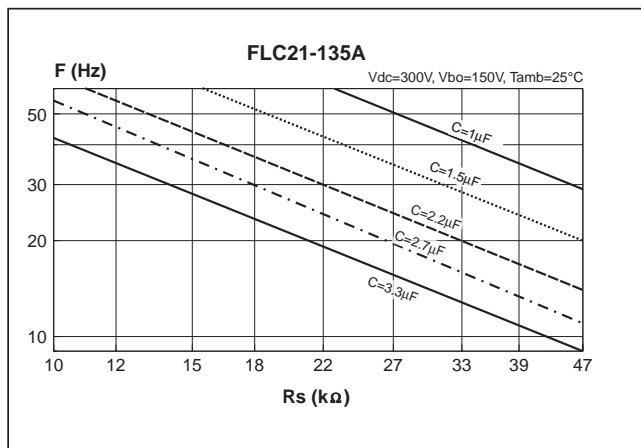
any requested cases. In the worst case scenario, the system must fire when the a.c. line voltage is minimum while the breakdown voltage  $V_{BO}$  and the current  $I_{BO}$  of the FLC are maximum.

The maximum Rs value is equal to:

$$R_{smax} = \frac{(V_{AC} \min. \sqrt{2}) - [V_{BO} \max. (1 + \alpha T. (T_{amb} - 25))]}{k \cdot I_{BO}^*}$$

\* : see fig 1

**Fig. 4:** Spark frequency versus Rs and C.

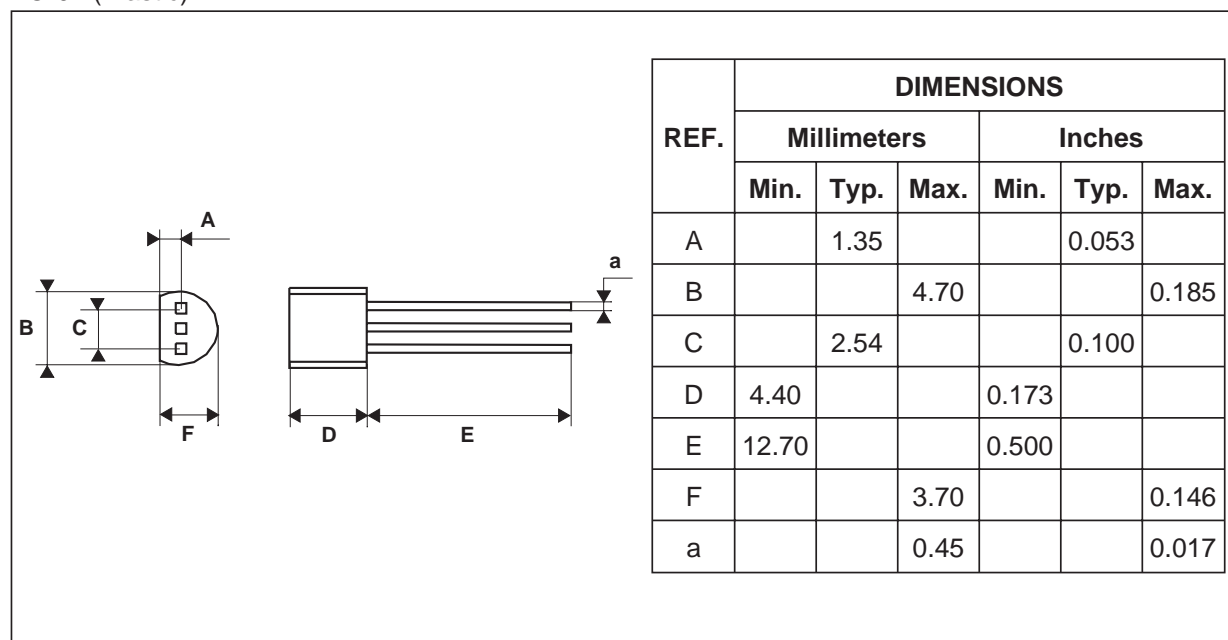


The couple Rs/C can be chosen with the previous curve. Keep in mind the Rs maximum limit for which the system would not work when the AC mains is minimum.

## FLC21-135A

### PACKAGE MECHANICAL DATA

TO-92 (Plastic)



### OTHER INFORMATION

Type	Marking	Package	Weight	Base qty	Delivery mode
FLC21-135A	FLC21-135A	TO-92	0.20 g	2500	Bulk

- Epoxy meets UL94, VO at 1/8"

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