MCR Portable Series – Power Line Conditioning with Voltage Regulation

The SolaHD MCR Series provides excellent noise filtering and surge protection to protect connected equipment from damage, degradation or misoperation. Combined with the excellent voltage regulation inherent to our ferroresonant design, they can increase the actual Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF) of protected equipment. These units are a perfect choice where dirty power caused by impulses, swell, sags, brownouts and waveform distortion can lead to costly downtime because of damaged equipment.



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Applications

- Computers/ Printers
- Telephone/FAX systems
- POS terminals
- Security systems
- Laboratory equipment
- LAN networks

Features

- ±3% output voltage regulation
- Noise attenuation
  - 120 dB common mode
  - 60 dB transverse mode
- Surge protection tested to ANSI/IEEE C62.41 Class A & B waveform (<10 V let-through typical)
- Harmonic filtering
- Galvanic isolation provides exceptional circuit protection.
- Point-of-use protection (cord & plug connected)
  - Easy & Flexible Installation
- 25 year typical MTBF
- No maintenance required

Certifications and Compliances

All Models

- RoHS Compliant
- UL Listed
  - UL 1012

Select Models

- c UL us Listed (1500 VA Units)
  - UL 1012, CSA C22.2 No. 66
- CSA Certified (70 VA-1kVA Units)
  - CSA C22.2 No. 66

Related Products

- DIN Rail AC UPS (SDU)
- Off-Line UPS (S1K Mini-Tower)
- Line-Interactive UPS (S3K Mini-Tower)

Selection Tables: Single Phase

Group A – MCR Portable Series, 60 Hz

VA	Catalog Number	Voltage Input/Output	Height in (mm)	Width in (mm)	Depth in (mm)	Ship Weight lbs (kg)	Receptacle (No.) Type (NEMA)	Plug (NEMA)
500	**63–13–150–6**	120	9.00 (228.6)	9.00 (228.6)	16.00 (406.4)	32.0 (14.51)	(4) 5-15R	5-15P
750	**63–13–175–6**	120	9.00 (228.6)	9.00 (228.6)	16.00 (406.4)	64.0 (29.03)	(4) 5-15R	5-15P
1000	**63–13–210–6**	120	9.00 (228.6)	9.00 (228.6)	16.00 (406.4)	69.0 (31.30)	(4) 5-15R	5-15P
1500*	**63–13–215–6**	120	11.00 (279.4)	11.00 (279.4)	17.00 (431.8)	95.0 (43.09)	(6) 5-15R	5-20P
2000	**63–13–220–6**	120	11.00 (279.4)	11.00 (279.4)	17.00 (431.8)	115.0 (52.16)	(4) 5-15R, (1) L5-30R	L5-30P
3000*	**63–13–230–6**	120	11.00 (279.4)	11.00 (279.4)	17.00 (431.8)	143.0 (64.86)	(4) 5-15R, (1) L5-30R	5-50P

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* UL Only

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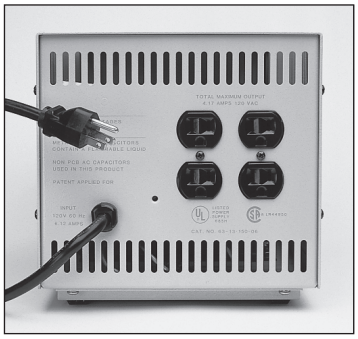
Specifications

Parameter	Condition	Value
Input		
Voltage	Continuous at full load (lower input voltage possible at lighter load)	+10% to -20% of nominal
	For temporary surge or sags	+20% to -35% of nominal
Current [1]	At Full Load & 80% of nominal input voltage	$I_{in} \cong (VA/.89)/(V_{in} \times 80\%)$
Frequency	See Operating Characteristics section for details.	60 Hz depending on model
Output [1]		
Line Regulation	V_{in} >80% and <110% of nominal	± 3% for 60 Hz units
Overload Protection	At Nominal Input Voltage	Current limited at 1.65 times rated current
Output Harmonic Distortion	At full load within input range	3% total RMS content
Noise Attenuation	-Common Mode -Transverse Mode	120 dB 60 dB
Let–Through	ANSI/IEEE C62.41 Class A & B Waveform	<10 V typical
General		
Efficiency	At Full Load	92% Typical
Storage Temperature	Humidity <95% non-condensing	-20° to +85 °C
Operating Temperature	Humidity <95% non-condensing	-20° to 40 °C
Audible Noise	Full Resistive Noise	35 dBA to 65 dBA
Warranty	10 + 2 year limited warranty	

Notes:
1 - It is recommended that the unit run at a minimum of 40-50% load.

Back Panels

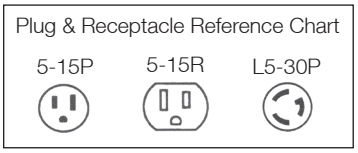


60 Hz, 70 – 1000 VA,
(4) 5-15R Receptacles



60 Hz, 2000–3000 VA,
(4) 5-15R and
(1) L5-30R Receptacle

Plug & Receptacle Reference Chart



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Model Comparison

Description	Hardwired CVS	Hardwired MCR	Portable MCR
VA Ratings	30 to 7500 VA	120 to 15000 VA	70 to 3000 VA
Input Voltage Range	+10/-20% of nominal		
Voltage Regulation	±1% for an input line variation of +10/-20%. No loss of output for line loss of 3 msec.	±3% for an input line variation of +10/-20% (50 Hz hardwired units ±5%.) No loss of output for complete line loss of 3 msec.	
Overload	Limits output current to 1.65 x rated current at nominal input.		
Output Harmonic Distortion	3% total RMS content at full load.		
Noise Isolation	40 dB common and normal code.	120 dB common mode and 60 dB normal mode.	
Surge Protection	Up to 6000 Volt surges are suppressed to a let through of less than 1% per ANSI/IEEE C62.41 Class A & B waveforms.	ANSI/IEEE C62.41 Class A & B 6000 waveforms are suppressed to a let-through of less than 0.2%.	
Efficiency	Up to 92% at full load		Up to 90% at full load
Operating Temperature	-20°C to 50°C		-20°C to 40°C
Audible Noise	32 dB to 65 dB	35 dB to 65 dB	34 dB to 49 dB
Warranty	10 year limited warranty		

Note: All values are typical and may vary based on VA ratings of actual units.

BTU Output Chart for CVS and MCR Series

VA Ratings	120	250	500	750	1000	1500	2000	3000	5000	7500	10000	15000
Total BTUs	136	225	280	444	519	686	1229	1331	2117	2407	3209	4813

Note: Ratings are for a 40°C ambient temperature.

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Operating Characteristics of the CVS & MCR Series

Except as noted, all characteristics of SolaHD CVS products also apply to the MCR series.

Regulation

SolaHD CVS Series power conditioners will hold output voltages to ±1.0% or less with input variations as great as ±15% (115 V ±15% or 120 V +10%/-20%). Units operated at less than rated load will maintain approximately ±1% regulation over a wider input line voltage variation. Output meets NEMA voltage specifications even when input voltage drops to 65% of nominal. The output versus input voltage relationship for a typical CVS is show in Figure A.

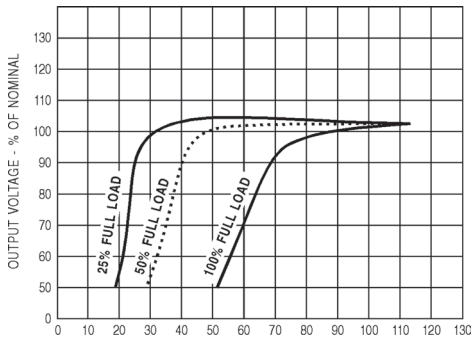

Figure A: Load Variation

Note: SolaHD MCR Series line regulations: ±3% for 60 Hz; ±5% for 50 Hz. The typical performances shown in Figure B indicate that most of the residual changes take place near the lower (95 V) and upper (130 V) ends of the input range. It is possible to improve output regulation if line variations remain within a restricted range near the center of the nameplate range (for example, 100-120 V).

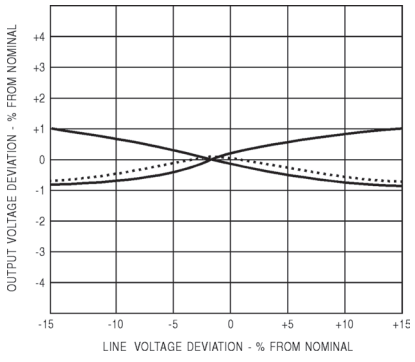

Figure B: Line Regulation

Normally, the output voltage will rise as the load is decreased. Typical percentages for changes in resistive load from full to zero load as shown below.

CVS Conditioner Rating – VA	Increase in Output Voltage due to Load Removal
30	3%
60 & 120	2%
250 & over	1%

Input Characteristics

SolaHD power conditioners include a resonant circuit that is energized whether or not it is serving load. The input current at no load or light load may run 50% or more of the full primary current. As a result, the temperature of the unit may rise to substantially full-load level, even at light or no load. Input power factor will average 90-100% at full load, but may drop to about 75% at half load and 25% at no load. In any case, the current is always leading. The input no load watts are about 12.5% of the VA rating.

Frequency

Output voltage varies linearly with a change of frequency of the input voltage. This change is about 1.5% of the output voltage for each 1% change in input frequency and in the same direction as the frequency change.

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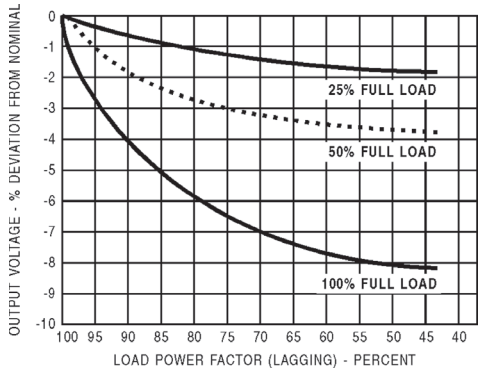

Figure C: Power Factor

Power Factor

SolaHD power conditioners regulate any power factor load. Output voltage is a function of load current and load power factor (see Figure C). If lower voltage under lagging power factor is objectionable, correction may be made with capacitors at the load. "Median" value of output voltage will vary from the nameplate rating if the load has a power factor other than that for which the transformer was designed. Load regulation will also be relatively greater as the inductive load power factor is decreased (see Figure C). However, the resulting median values of output voltage will be regulated against supply line changes at any reasonable load or load power factor.

Efficiency

The copper magnet wire and lamination material used in our ferroresonant products are selected to achieve efficiencies of 90% or higher. Whether or not an external load is being served, current will be drawn from the line whenever the primary is energized, since the capacitor remains connected in the circuit.

Overload and Short Circuits

When the load is increased beyond the regulator's rated value, a point is reached where the output voltage suddenly collapses and will not regain its normal value until the load is partially released. Under direct short circuit, the load current is limited to approximately 150-200% of the rated full load value and the input watts to less than 10% of normal.

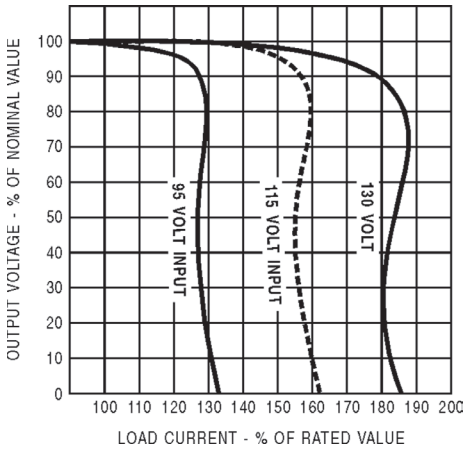

Figure D: Overload Performance

A constant voltage regulator will protect both itself and its load against damage from excessive fault currents. Fusing of load currents may not be necessary. The actual value of short-circuit current varies with the specific design and rating. Units may be operated indefinitely at short-circuit. This characteristic protects the unit itself as well as the load and load circuit being served. Typical overload performance is shown in Figure D.

Motor Loads

Because of the fast response time of the SolaHD circuit, any current-limiting characteristic must be taken into account for transient overloads such as motor starting and solenoid operation. In general, the SolaHD constant voltage regulator must have a capacity nearly equal to the maximum demand made on it, even for an instant. To determine the power rating of the regulator, peak motor-starting current or solenoid inrush current should be measured or power factor correcting capacitors should be used to reduce the starting VA of the load.

Response Time

An important advantage of our SolaHD ferroresonant transformer is its fast response time compared with other types of AC regulators. Transient changes in supply voltage are usually corrected within 1½ cycles or less; the output voltage will not fluctuate more than a few percent, even during this interval.

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Temperature

Our SolaHD ferroresonant power conditioners are very stable with respect to temperature. The change in output voltage is only 0.025%/°C. Units are factory adjusted to +2%/-0% of nominal, with full load and nominal input voltage. This adjustment to the high side of nominal is to compensate for the natural temperature drift of about 1% that takes place during initial turn-on or warm-up. When the unit warms up to operating temperature, the voltage typically falls about 1%.

At a stable operating temperature, the output voltage will change slightly with varying ambient temperatures. This shift is equal to approximately 1% for each 40 °C of temperature change. The normal maximum temperature rise of a SolaHD power conditioner may fall anywhere in the range of +40 °C to +110 °C depending on the type and rating. The nominal design ambient range is between -20 °C and +50 °C (-20 °C to +40 °C for 70 - 1000 VA, 60 Hz portable models).

External Magnetic Field

In almost all applications, this effect may be disregarded. Our exclusive SolaHD “wide outside leg” construction reduces stray magnetic fields to a practical minimum. On critical applications, care should be taken in orientation of the core with respect to critical circuits to minimize the effect of the field.

Phase Shift

The phase difference which exists between input and output voltages is in the range of 120 degrees to 140 degrees at full load. This phase difference varies with the magnitude and power factor of the load, and to a lesser extent, with changes in line voltage and load power factor.

Transient Protection

Our ferroresonant power conditioners protect input transients (caused by lightning and load switching) from damaging the sensitive electronic load. A typical surge protective device (SPD) tries to “clamp” a transient by diverting it to ground. A ferroresonant power conditioner “blocks” the transient. This ‘blocking’ action is achieved by total physical separation from input (primary) to output (secondary). Because of this difference in operation, it is difficult to apply the same specifications to a ferroresonant power conditioner. Some parallels can be made however.

One, is that under load, the let-through voltage of a ferroresonant power conditioner (SPD refers to "clamping voltage”) is less than 10 V above the point where the sine wave would normally be at any given time. The ferroresonant power conditioner is an “active tracking” suppressor with several advantages. The Ferro power conditioner will not shunt the transient to the ground line as SPD devices typically do. Shunting the transient to ground can cause the disturbance to be transmitted to other sensitive loads within a facility. This can pose serious problems with electronic or microprocessor-based equipment, especially if there is poor grounding within a facility. Other advantages provided by ferroresonant power conditioners include noise filtering, filtering of harmonic distortion and protection against voltage fluctuations such as sags or swells. These features are not provided by standard surge protection devices but are often misrepresented or misused by SPD manufacturers trying to market their product as a “Do All” power quality device.

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