Constant Current LED Driver with 32 Dimming Levels and Rset

Description

The CAT4002A and CAT4004A provide respectively two and four matched low dropout current sources to drive LEDs. The CAT400XA uses an external resistor RSET to set the current in the LED channels. Each LED channel includes an individual control loop allowing the device to handle a wide range of LED forward voltages while still maintaining tight current matching.

The EN/DIM logic inputs supports device enable and a digital dimming interface for setting the LED channel current with 32 linear dimming levels.

LEDs can be powered directly from a Lithium-ion battery due to the low dropout (50 mV at 20 mA) current sinks. The device is available in the tiny 8-pad UDFN 2 mm x 2 mm package with a max height of 0.55 mm, as well as the 6-lead TSOT-23 and SC-70.

Features

- 2 and 4 LED Current Sinks with Tight Matching
- 32 Dimming Levels
- Low Dropout Driver 50 mV at 20 mA
- No Switching Noise
- Shutdown Current less than 1 μA
- LED Current set by External Resistor
- Dimming via 1-wire EZDim[™] Interface
- Thermal Shutdown Protection
- 6-lead TSOT-23, SC-70, and 8-pad UDFN 2 mm x 2 mm Packages
- These Devices are Pb–Free, Halogen Free/BFR Free and are RoHS Compliant

Applications

- LCD Display Backlight
- Digital Still Cameras

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• Cellular Phones

Handheld Devices

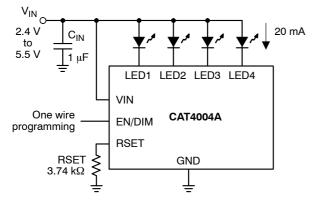


Figure 1. Typical Application Circuit



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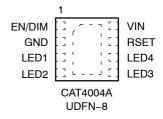


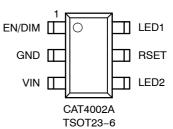
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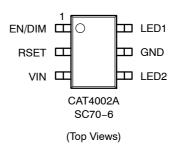


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PIN CONNECTIONS







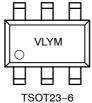
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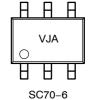
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MARKING DIAGRAMS



UDFN8 (2 x 2 mm)





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VL = CAT4002A Device Code

VJ = CAT4002A Device Code A = Assembly Location Code

Y = Production Year (last digit)

M = Production Month: 1 − 9, A, B, C

XXX = Last Three Digits of Assembly Lot Number
Y = Production Year (last digit)
M = Production Month: 1 - 9, A, B, C

BM = CAT4004A Device Code

A = Assembly Location Code

Table 1. ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Rating	Unit
VIN, LEDx, RSET	6	V
EN/DIM Voltage	6	V
Storage Temperature Range	−65 to +160	°C
Junction Temperature Range	-40 to +125	°C
Lead Temperature	300	°C

Stresses exceeding Maximum Ratings may damage the device. Maximum Ratings are stress ratings only. Functional operation above the Recommended Operating Conditions is not implied. Extended exposure to stresses above the Recommended Operating Conditions may affect device reliability.

Table 2. ELECTRICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS (Min and Max values are over recommended operating conditions unless specified otherwise. Typical values are at $V_{IN} = 4.0 \text{ V}$, EN/DIM = High, and $T_{AMB} = 25^{\circ}C$.)

Symbol	Name	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
IQ	Quiescent Current	No load, RSET = Float No load, RSET = 4.8 k Ω		0.2 0.5		mA
I _{QSHDN}	Shutdown Current	V _{EN/DIM} = 0 V			1	μΑ
I _{LED}	LED Current Setting	RSET = 3.0 kΩ		25		mA
		RSET = 4.99 kΩ		15		
I _{LED-ACC}	LED Current Accuracy	1 mA ≤ I _{LED} ≤ 40 mA		±1		%
I _{LED-DEV}	LED Channel Matching (Note 1)	I _{LED} – I _{LEDAVG} I _{LEDAVG}	-5	±1	+5	%
V _{RSET}	RSET pin regulated voltage		0.57	0.6	0.63	V
V _{DOUT}	Dropout Voltage (90% of nominal LED current)	I _{LED} = 20 mA I _{LED} = 1 mA		50 25		mV
R _{EN/DIM} V _{HI} V _{LO}	EN/DIM Pin - Internal pull-down resistor - Logic High Level - Logic Low Level		1.3	200	0.4	kΩ V V
T _{SD}	Thermal Shutdown			150		°C
T _{HYS}	Thermal Hysteresis			20		°C
V _{UVLO}	Undervoltage lockout (UVLO) threshold			2.0		V

^{1.} For CAT4004A, I_{LEDAVG} = (I_{LED,CH1} + I_{LED,CH2} + I_{LED,CH3} + I_{LED,CH4}) / 4 For CAT4002A, I_{LEDAVG} = (I_{LED,CH1} + I_{LED,CH2}) / 2

Table 3. RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

Parameter	Rating	Unit
V _{IN}	2.4 to 5.5	V
Ambient Temperature Range	-40 to +85	°C
I _{LED} per LED pin	0 to 40	mA

NOTE: Typical application circuit with external components is shown on page 1.

Table 4. RECOMMENDED EN/DIM TIMING (For 2.4 V \leq V_{IN} \leq 5.5 V, over full ambient temperature range -40° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C.)

Symbol	Name	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
T _{LO}	EN/DIM program low time		0.2		100	μs
T _{HI}	EN/DIM program high time		0.2			μs
T _{LED}	LED current settling time			10		μs
T _{PWRDWN}	EN/DIM low time to shutdown			3	5	ms

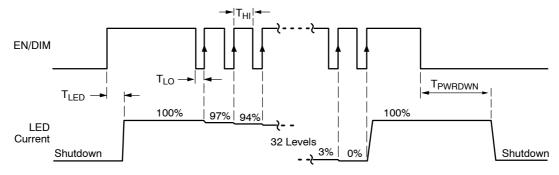


Figure 2. CAT400XA EN/DIM Dimming Timing Diagram

LED Current Setting

On the CAT400XA, the full scale LED current is set by the external resistor connected between the RSET pin and ground. Table 5 lists standard resistor values for several LED current settings.

When the EN/DIM is initially taken high, the CAT400XA becomes enabled and the LED channel current is set to the full scale current according to the resistor RSET.

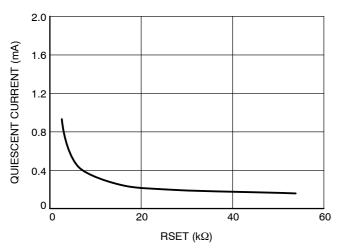
LED current $\cong 125 \text{ x V}_{RSET} / RSET$

Table 5. RSET RESISTOR AND LED CURRENT

Full Scale LED Current [mA]	RSET [kΩ]
2	40.2
5	15.4
10	7.68
15	4.99
20	3.74
25	3.00
30	2.49
40	1.87

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

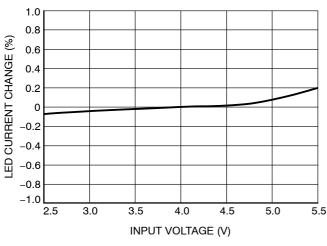
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1.4 (A) 1.2 1.0 1.0 0.8 0.6 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 INPUT VOLTAGE (V)

Figure 3. Quiescent Current vs. RSET Input Voltage

Figure 4. Quiescent Current vs. Input Voltage (Full Load)



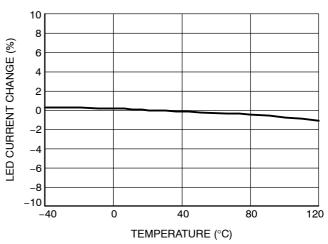
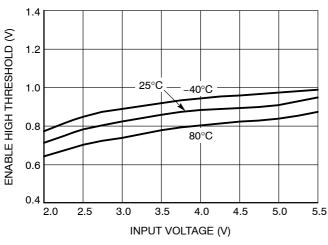


Figure 5. LED Current Change vs. Input Voltage

Figure 6. LED Current Change vs.
Temperature



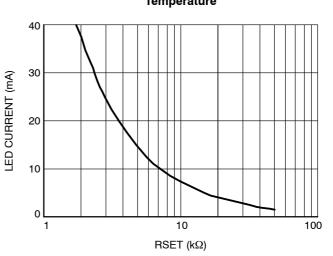


Figure 7. EN/DIM High Threshold vs. Input Voltage

Figure 8. LED Current vs. RSET Resistor

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

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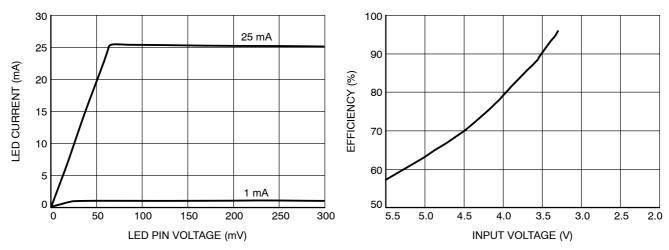


Figure 9. Dropout Characteristics

Figure 10. Efficiency vs. Input Voltage

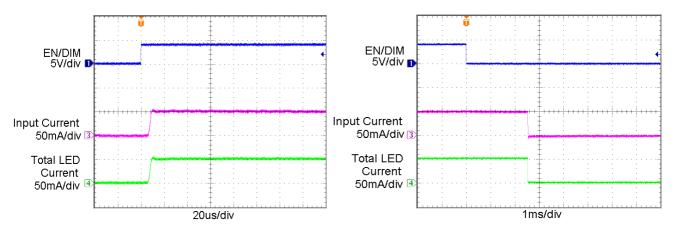


Figure 11. Power Up Waveform

Figure 12. Power Down Waveform

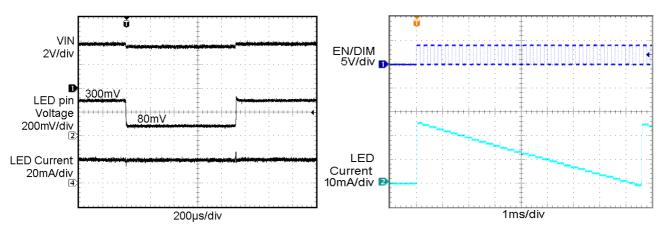


Figure 13. Line Transient Waveform

Figure 14. Dimming Levels

Table 6. PIN DESCRIPTIONS

Name	Function
EN/DIM	Device enable (active high) and dimming control
GND	Ground reference
LED1	LED1 cathode terminal
LED2	LED2 cathode terminal
LED3	LED3 cathode terminal (CAT4004A only)
LED4	LED4 cathode terminal (CAT4004A only)
RSET	Connect external RSET resistor to set the LED current
VIN	Device supply input, connect to battery or supply
TAB	Connect to GND on the PCB (CAT4004A only)

Pin Function

VIN is the supply pin for the charge pump. A small 1 μ F ceramic bypass capacitor is required between the VIN pin and ground near the device. The operating input voltage range is from 2.5 V to 5.5 V. Whenever the input supply falls below the under-voltage threshold (2.0 V), all the LED channels are disabled and the device enters shutdown mode.

EN/DIM is the enable and one wire dimming input for all LED channels. Levels of logic high and logic low are set at 1.3 V and 0.4 V respectively. When EN/DIM is initially taken high, the CAT400XA becomes enabled and the LED channel current is set to the full scale according to the resistor $R_{\rm SET}$. To place the device into "zero current" shutdown mode, the EN/DIM pin must be held low for 3 ms typical.

LED1 to LED4 provide the internal regulated current for each of the LED cathodes. There pins enter a high impedance zero current state whenver the device is placed in shutdown mode.

RSET is connected to the resistor (R_{SET}) to set the full scale current for the LEDs. The voltage at this pin is regulated to 0.6 V. The ground side of the external resistor should be star connected back to the GND of the PCB. In shutdown mode, the RSET input becomes high impedance.

GND is the ground reference for the device. The pin must be connected to the ground plane on the PCB.

TAB (CAT4004A only) is the exposed pad underneath the package. For best thermal performance, the tab should be soldered to the PCB and connected to the ground plane.

Block Diagram

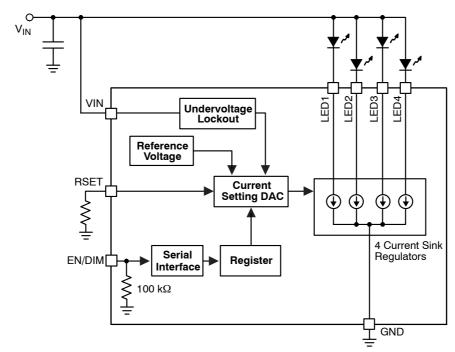


Figure 15. CAT4004A Functional Block Diagram

Basic Operation

The CAT400XA uses tightly matched current sinks to accurately regulate LED current in each channel proportional to the current sourced from the RSET pin.

There are 32 different settings for LED brightness that can be programmed through the EN/DIM pin. Tight current regulation for all channels is possible over a wide range of input and LED voltages due to independent current sensing circuitry on each channel.

Each LED channel needs a minimum of 50 mV headroom to sink a constant regulated current of 20 mA. If the input supply falls below 2.0 V typical, the under-voltage lockout circuit disables all LED channels and resets the circuit to default values. Any unused LED channels should be left open.

LED Current Selection

After power–up, the LED current is set by the external resistor (R_{SET}) value and the number of pulses (n) on the EN/DIM input as follows:

$$LED \ current = \ 125 \times \frac{0.6 \ V}{R_{SET}} \times \left(\frac{31 - n}{31}\right)$$

The full scale current is calculated from the above formula with n equal to zero.

The EN/DIM pin has two primary functions. One function enables and disables the device. The other function is LED current dimming with 32 different levels by pulsing the input signal, as shown on Figure 16. On each consecutive pulse rising edge, the LED current is decreased by about 3.2% (1/31th of the full scale value). After 30 pulses, the LED current is 3.2% of the full scale current. On the 31st pulse, the current drops to zero, and then goes back to full scale on the following pulse.

Each pulse width should be between 200 ns and 100 μ s. Pulses faster than the minimum T_{LO} may be ignored and filtered by the device. Pulses longer than the maximum T_{LO} may shutdown the device. By pulsing the EN/DIM signal at high frequency, the LED current can quickly be set to zero.

The LED driver enters a "zero current" shutdown mode if EN/DIM is held low for 3 ms typical.

The dimming level is set by the number of pulses on the EN/DIM after the power-up, as shown in Table 7.

Table 7. DIMMING LEVELS

Full Scale (Current in %)	Dimming Pulses [n]
100	0
97	1
94	2
90	3
87	4
84	5
81	6
77	7
74	8
71	9
68	10
65	11
61	12
58	13
55	14
52	15
48	16
45	17
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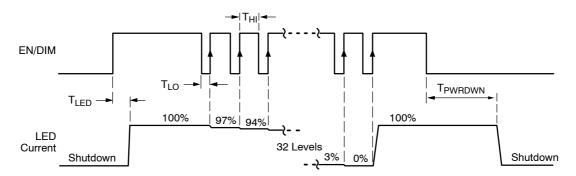
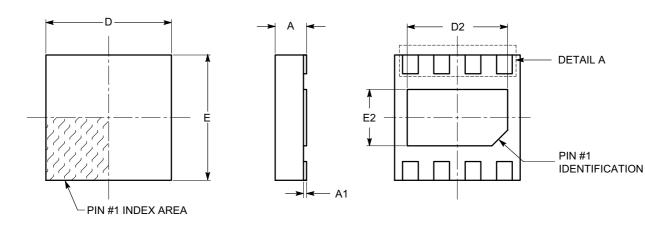


Figure 16. EN/DIM Digital Dimming Timing Diagram

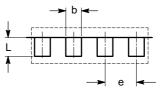
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TOP VIEW SIDE VIEW BOTTOM VIEW

SYMBOL	MIN	NOM	MAX
Α	0.45	0.50	0.55
A1	0.00	0.02	0.05
b	0.18	0.25	0.30
D	1.90	2.00	2.10
D2	1.50	1.60	1.70
E	1.90	2.00	2.10
E2	0.80	0.90	1.00
е	0.50 BSC		
L	0.20	0.30	0.45



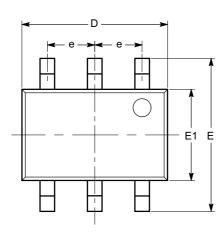
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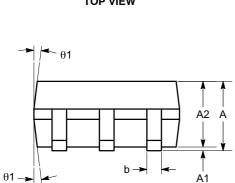
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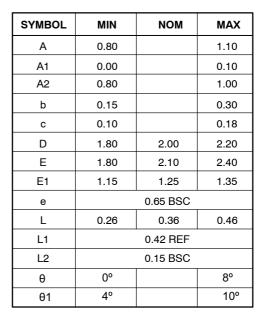
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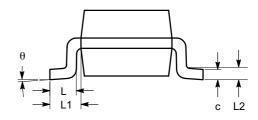


TOP VIEW



SIDE VIEW





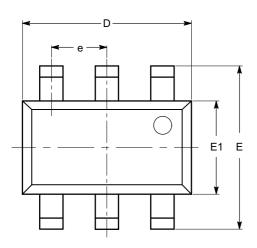
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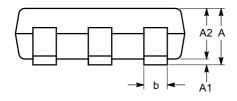
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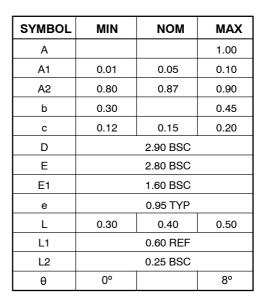
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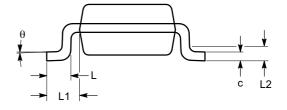


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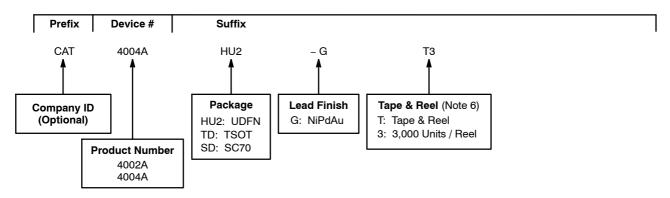


Table 8. ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number	Package	Quantity per Reel
CAT4002ASD-GT3	SC70-6	3,000
CAT4002ATD-GT3	TSOT-23	3,000
CAT4004AHU2-GT3	UDFN-8 (2 x 2 mm)	3,000

- All packages are RoHS-compliant (Lead-free, Halogen-free).
- 3. The standard lead finish is NiPdAu.
- The device used in the above example is a CAT4004AHU2-GT3 (UDFN, NiPdAu, Tape & Reel, 3,000/Reel).
- For additional package and temperature options, please contact your nearest ON Semiconductor Sales office.
- 6. For information on tape and reel specifications, including part orientation and tape sizes, please refer to our Tape and Reel Packaging Specifications Brochure, BRD8011/D.

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