

Automotive 8-channel LED driver with direct switch control



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[ALED8102S](#)

Device summary

Order code	ALED8102SXTTR
Package	HTSSOP16
Packing	2500 parts per reel

Features

- AEC-Q100 grade 1 qualified
 - Operating temperature range: $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} < T_J < +150\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- 8 constant current output channels controlled by four switch inputs
- Output enable input for global dimming
- Output current: from 5 mA to 100 mA
- Current programmable through external resistor
- Supply voltage: 3 V to 5.5 V
- Thermal shutdown
- 19 V current generator rated voltage
- Available in high thermal efficiency HTSSOP exposed pad package

Applications

- Automotive LED interior and exterior lighting
 - Clusters
 - LCD back-light
 - Ambient light
 - Dome light
 - Rear combination light

Description

The **ALED8102S** is a monolithic, low voltage, 8 low-side channels LED driver. The **ALED8102S** guarantees up to 19 V output driving capability allowing users to connect several LEDs in series. In the output stage, 8 regulated current sources provide from 5 mA to 100 mA constant current to drive the LEDs. Current is programmed through a single external resistor.

The **ALED8102S** is equipped with a thermal management that protects the device forcing it in shutdown (typically: power-off at $170\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ with $15\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ hysteresis to restart). The thermal protection switches OFF the output channels only.

The operative supply voltage range is between 3 V and 5.5 V. The output control is provided by four switch inputs, providing an on/off toggle action suitable also for local dimming. Moreover, on all active output LEDs brightness can be adjusted with a global PWM signal applied to the output enable pin (OE). Outputs can be connected in parallel, or left unconnected if not used, as required by the application.

1 Pin description

Figure 1. Pinout for HTSSOP16

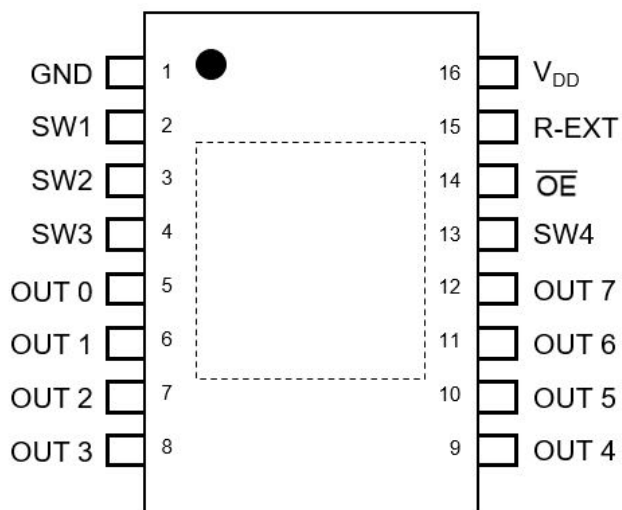
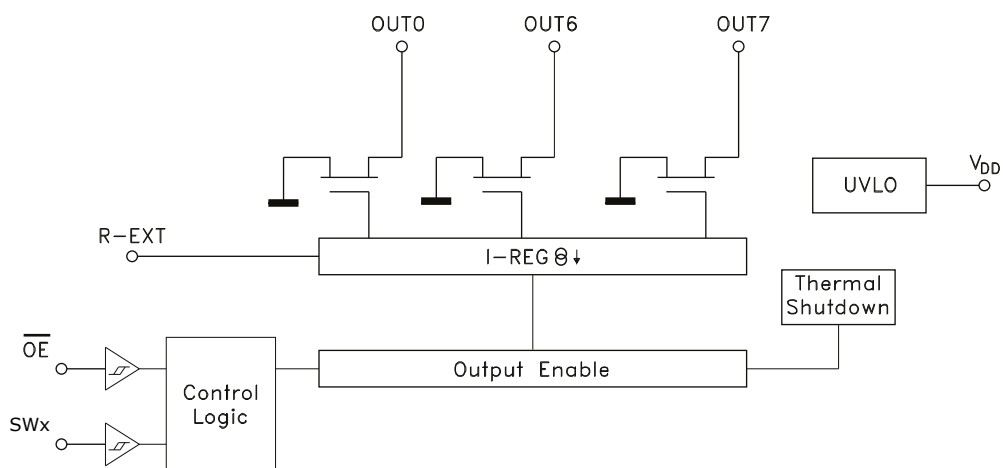


Table 1. Pin description

HTSSOP16	Symbol	Name and function
1	GND	Ground terminal
2	SW1	Providing local dimming capability
3	SW2	Providing local dimming capability
4	SW3	Providing local dimming capability
5-12	OUT0-OUT7	Output terminals
13	SW4	Providing local dimming capability
14	$\overline{OE}$	Global PWM brightness control input terminal (it must be connected to GND if not used)
15	R-EXT	Terminal for external resistor for constant current programming
16	V _{DD}	Supply voltage terminal

2 Simplified internal block diagram

Figure 2. ALED8102S simplified block diagram



3 Absolute maximum ratings

Stressing the device above the ratings listed in the table below may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only and operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operating sections of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{DD}	Supply voltage	0 to 7	V
$V_{SW1} - V_{SW14}, V_{OE}$	Input pins voltage	- 0.4 to 5.5	V
$V_{OUT0} - OUT7$	Output pins voltage	- 0.5 to 20	V
I_{GND}	GND terminal current	800	mA
ESD	Electrostatic discharge protection HBM (human body model)	±2	kV
	Electrostatic discharge protection CDM (charged device model)	±500	V
	Electrostatic discharge protection CDM (charged device model) for corner pins	±750	

3.1 Thermal characteristics

Table 3. Thermal characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
T_J	Operative junction temperature range	-40 to +150	°C
T_{STG}	Storage ambient temperature range	-55 to +150	
$R_{thj-amb}$	Thermal resistance junction-ambient (HTSSOP16) ⁽¹⁾	37.5	°C/W

1. The exposed pad should be soldered directly to the PCB to realize the thermal benefits.

4 Electrical characteristics

$V_{DD} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_j = -40\text{ to }125\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $R_{EXT} = 388\text{ }\Omega$, $V_O = 0.85\text{ V}$ unless otherwise specified.

Table 4. Electrical characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_{DD}	Supply voltage	-	3.0	-	5.5	V
V_{UVLO}	UVLO threshold (rising)	-	-	2.6	2.9	
	UVLO threshold (falling)	-	2.1	2.3	-	
H_{YUVLO}	UVLO hysteresis	-	0.1	0.3	0.45	
V_O	Output voltage ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	OUT0 – OUT7	0.85	-	19	
V_{IH}	SWx / $\overline{OE}$ input voltage	-	$0.8V_{DD}$	-	V_{DD}	
V_{IL}			GND	-	$0.2V_{DD}$	
R_{UP}	Pull-up resistor for $\overline{OE}$ pin	-	220	300	380	K Ω
R_{DW}	Pull-down resistor for SWx pins	-	220	300	380	
R_{EXT}	External current set-up resistance	-	0.191	-	3.9	
$I_{DD(OFF1)}$	Supply current (OFF)	OUT0 to 7 = OFF	-	7	8	mA
$I_{DD(OFF2)}$		$R_{EXT} = 191\text{ }\Omega$ OUT0 to 7 = OFF	-	13.5	16	
$I_{DD(ON)}$	Supply current (ON)	$R_{EXT} = 191\text{ }\Omega$ $V_O = 1.4\text{ V}$ OUT0 to 7 = ON	-	13.5	16	
%d V_O	Output current vs. output voltage regulation ^{(1) (3)}	V_O from 1 V to 3 V; $R_{EXT} = 388\text{ }\Omega$	-	0.04	0.1	%/V
%d V_{DD}	Output current vs. supply voltage regulation ⁽¹⁾⁽⁴⁾	V_{DD} from 3 V to 5.5 V $R_{EXT} = 388\text{ }\Omega$	-	0.22	0.5	
ΔI_{OL}	Output current precision: device to device ⁽¹⁾	-	-	-	± 6.5	%
ΔI_{OL1}	Output current precision: channel to channel ^{(1) (5)}	-	-	± 1.2	± 3.5	%
ΔI_{OL2}		$V_O = 1.4\text{ V}$; $R_{EXT} = 191\text{ }\Omega$	-	± 1	± 3	
I_{Oleak}	Single output leakage current	$V_O = 19\text{ V}$ OUTn = OFF	-	75	300	nA
T_{sd}	Thermal shutdown ⁽⁶⁾	-	-	170	-	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
T_{sd_hys}	Thermal shutdown hysteresis ⁽⁶⁾	-	-	15	-	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

1. Test with just one output ON.

2. Minimum regulation voltage @ $I_O = 50\text{ mA}$.

$$3. \Delta\left(\frac{\%}{V}\right) = \frac{(I_{on@V_{on}3.0V}) - (I_{on@V_{on}1.0V})}{(I_{on@V_{on}1.0V})} \times \frac{100}{3-1}$$

$$4. \Delta\left(\frac{\%}{V}\right) = \frac{(I_{on@V_{DD}=5.5V}) - (I_{on@V_{DD}=3.0V})}{(I_{on@V_{DD}=3.0V})} \times \frac{100}{5.5-3.0}$$

5. $((I_{On} - I_{Oavg0-7}) / I_{Oavg0-7}) \times 100$.

6. Not tested in production.

5 Switching characteristics

$V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $T_j = -40\text{ to }125\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $I_O = 50\text{ mA}$, $R_L = 60\text{ }\Omega$, $C_L = 10\text{ pF}$, $V_L = 5\text{ V}$, unless otherwise specified.

Table 5. Switching characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
t_{PLH1}	SWx – OUTn (OE just “0”) Figure 4	-	270	500	ns
t_{PLH2}	$\overline{OE}$ – OUTn (SWx just “=1”) Figure 4	-	270	500	
t_{PHL1}	SWx – OUTn (OE just “0”) Figure 4	-	100	250	
t_{PHL2}	$\overline{OE}$ – OUTn (SWx just “=1”) Figure 4	-	100	250	
t_{ON}	OUTn Current rise time. Evaluated as OUTn falling time Figure 3	150	300	600	
t_{OFF}	OUTn current fall time. Evaluated as OUTn rising time Figure 3	150	300	600	

Figure 3. t_{ON} - t_{OFF} time evaluation

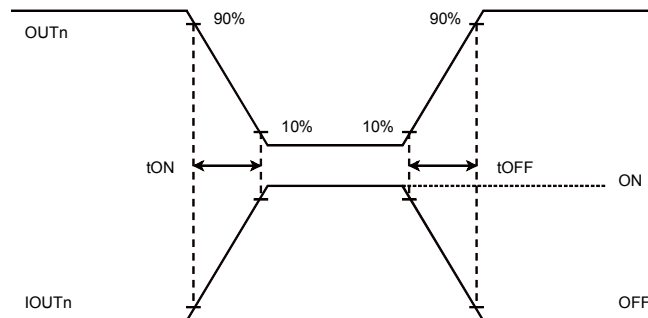
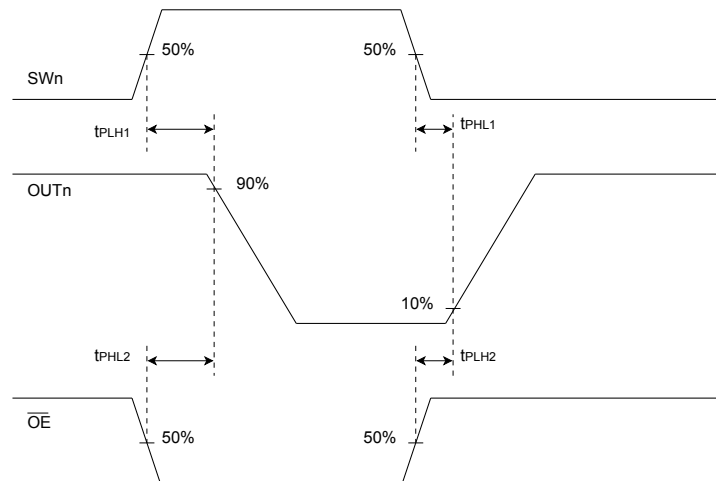


Figure 4. t_{PLH} - t_{PHL} time evaluation



6 Equivalent inputs circuits

Inputs $\overline{OE}$ and SWx terminals have pull-up and pull-down connection respectively:

Figure 5. $\overline{OE}$ Terminal

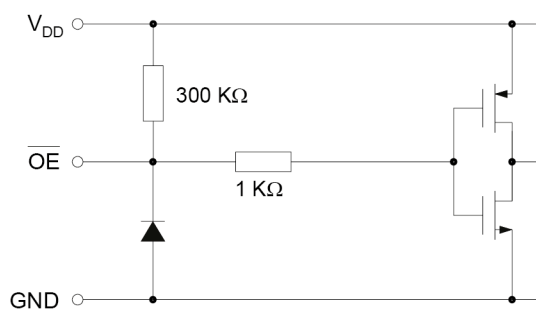
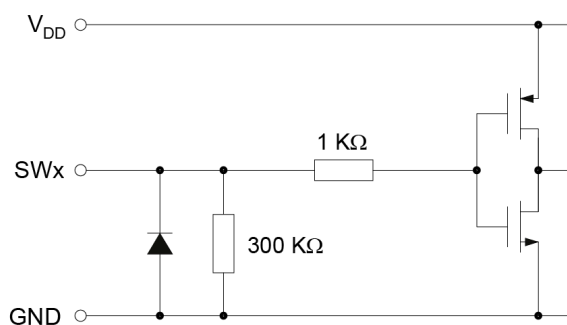


Figure 6. SWx Terminals



7 The switch output control

All switch inputs (SWx) are pulled down by a 300 kΩ. If the generic SWx pin is left floating or connected to GND or polarized at low logic level, the corresponding outputs are in OFF condition. If SWx pin is connected to V_{DD} or polarized at high logic level, the corresponding outputs are in ON condition. See below the complete truth table:

Table 6. Switch output control

Switch inputs	Outputs controlled (ON/OFF)
SW1	OUT0 and OUT1 simultaneously
SW2	OUT2 and OUT3 simultaneously
SW3	OUT4 and OUT5 simultaneously
SW4	OUT6 and OUT7 simultaneously

Table 7. Switches vs. output truth table

SW4	SW3	SW2	SW1	OE	Out0	Out1	Out2	Out3	Out4	Out5	Out6	Out7
0	0	0	0	x	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off
0	0	0	1	0	on	on	off	off	off	off	off	off
0	0	1	0	0	off	off	on	on	off	off	off	off
0	0	1	1	0	on	on	on	on	off	off	off	off
0	1	0	0	0	off	off	off	off	on	on	off	off
0	1	0	1	0	on	on	off	off	on	on	off	off
0	1	1	0	0	off	off	on	on	on	on	off	off
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1	0	0	0	0	off	off	off	off	off	off	on	on
1	0	0	1	0	on	on	off	off	off	off	on	on
1	0	1	0	0	off	off	on	on	off	off	on	on
1	0	1	1	0	on	on	on	on	off	off	on	on
1	1	0	0	0	off	off	off	off	on	on	on	on
1	1	0	1	0	on	on	off	off	on	on	on	on
1	1	1	0	0	off	off	on	on	on	on	on	on
1	1	1	1	0	on	on	on	on	on	on	on	on
x	x	x	x	1	off	off	off	off	off	off	off	off

7.1 LED current settings

The current drawn by each OUTn channel is set by R_{EXT} resistor value according to the following formula:

$$I_{OUT} = 1.22 / R_{EXT} \times 16 \quad (1)$$

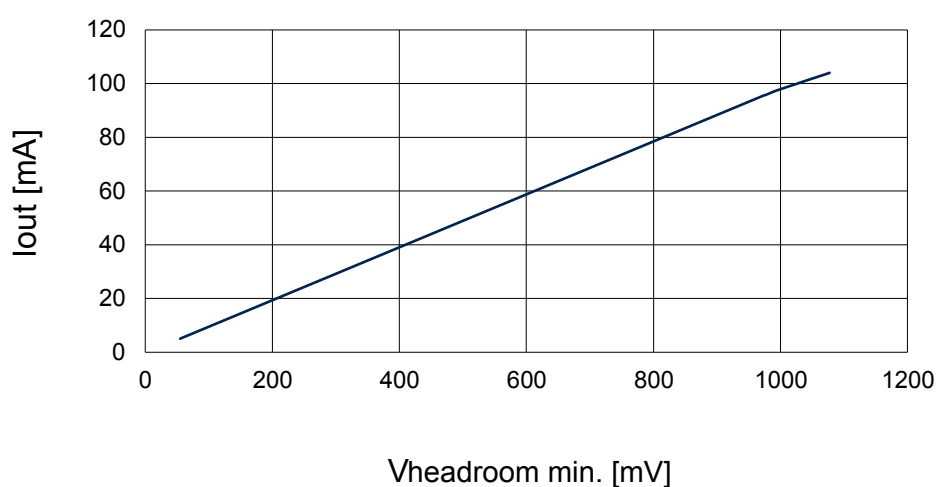
8 Driver headroom voltage

In order to correctly regulate the channel current, a minimum output voltage (V_{HEADROOM}) across each current generator must be guaranteed.

Figure below, shows the minimum V_{HEADROOM} slightly less than the target value (output MOS transistor in triode region).

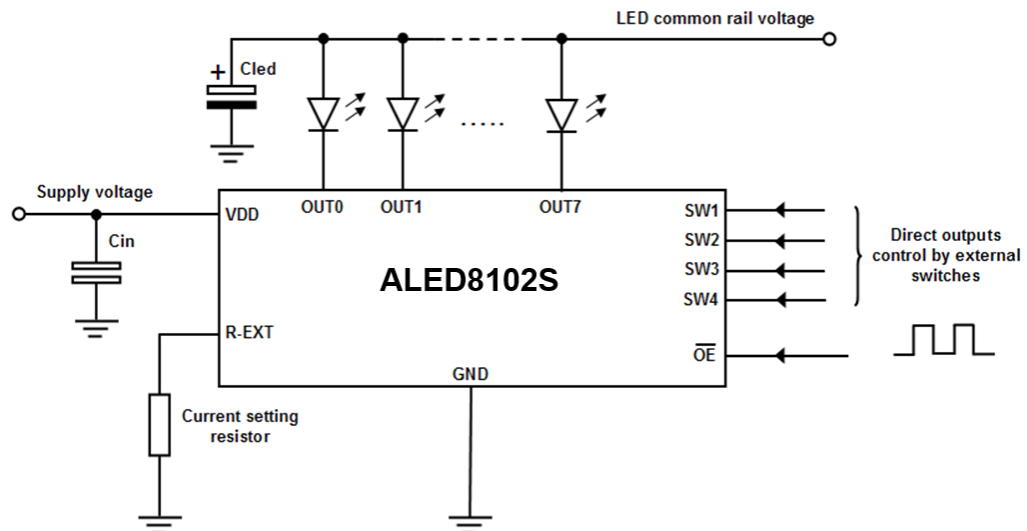
If the V_{HEADROOM} is lower than the minimum recommended, the regulation of a current is lower than the expected one. However an excess of V_{HEADROOM} increases the power dissipation.

Figure 7. Minimum V_{HEADROOM} vs. I_{OUT} ($T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$)



9 Typical application

Figure 8. Typical application circuit



Typical application circuit

The figure above shows a typical application schematic for the [ALED8102S](#). Cled value depends on common rail voltage connection length and driver total output current, typically it is around 47 μF ; Cin is about 1 μF ; current setting resistor depends on output current set (ex. with $R_{\text{EXT}} = 388 \Omega \rightarrow I_O \approx 50 \text{ mA}$). The external programming resistor between R-EXT and GND should be connected as close as possible to the device.

To have the proper device functionality, it is strongly suggested to follow a correct power-up sequence: V_{DD} and V_{LED} power supplies must be provided simultaneously or at least, V_{DD} must be connected before V_{LED} so to activate all internal digital control blocks earlier than LEDs power supply. If V_{LED} anticipates driver V_{DD} , this could result in a visible flash on connected LEDs (output stage undesired activation).

Device thermal management

The aim of this section is to provide some recommendation that can be useful to design the application PCB for a better power dissipation:

- To decrease the device working temperature, the package exposed pad needs soldering to the board.
- To improve thermal performance at least a 4-layer (e.g. 2S2P) PCB should be used.
- The copper area below the package thermal pad should be as wide as possible also outside the package perimeter (using the package sides without pins)
- A reasonable number of vias must connect the copper area below the package to all available PCB layers especially just below the device package (e.g. 3x3 or 4x3 vias array) but also outside the package perimeter. The smaller and closely spaced vias are, the better solution is. The best implementation is represented by copper filled vias.
- On each inner layer a copper area must be provided for dissipation (wider it is better, if possible at least 4 times or more the package dimensions). A good condition is to have at least a power layer as an entire copper area (e.g. GND layer)
- Traces for pin connection must be as wide as layout constrains allow
- Several devices in power dissipation on the same board must be properly spaced.

Figure 9 shows, once the maximum power dissipation is fixed, which ambient temperature range can be covered according to the maximum junction temperature and package thermal resistance: 37.5 $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$ for HTSSOP16 on Jedec PCB (2S2P) and conditions. With the same thermal resistance, figure 10 shows the junction temperature as a function of ambient temperature considering 1 W of power dissipation.

Figure 9. Power dissipation rating vs. ambient temperature ($R_{th} = 37.5\text{ °C/W}$; $T_j = 125\text{ °C}$)

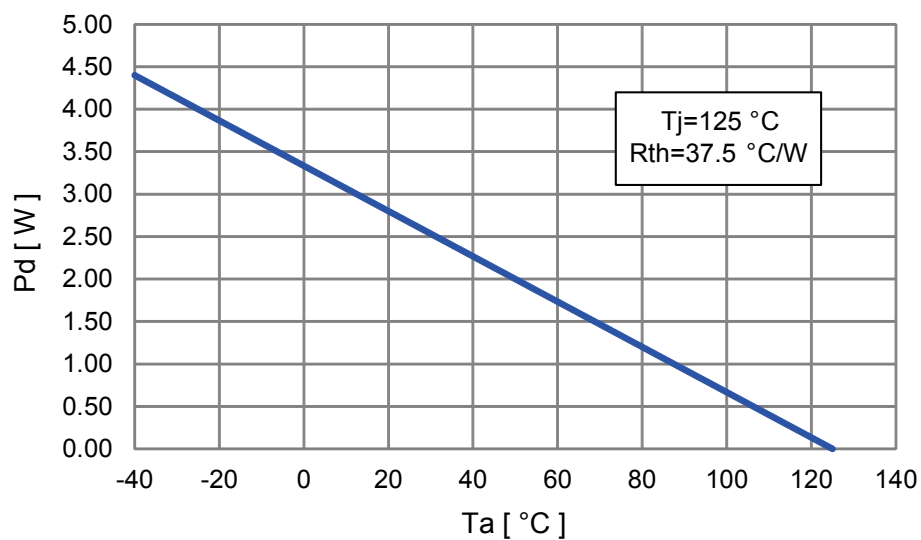
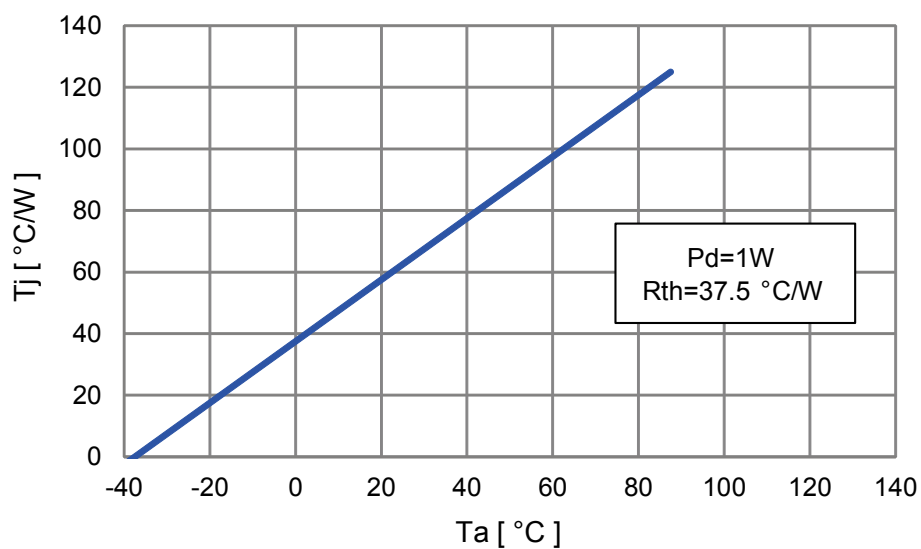


Figure 10. Junction temperature vs. ambient temperature ($R_{th} = 37.5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C/W}$; $P_d = 1\text{ W}$)



10 Package information

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of **ECOPACK** packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: www.st.com. ECOPACK is an ST trademark.

10.1 HTSSOP16 package information

Figure 11. HTSSOP16 exposed pad package outline

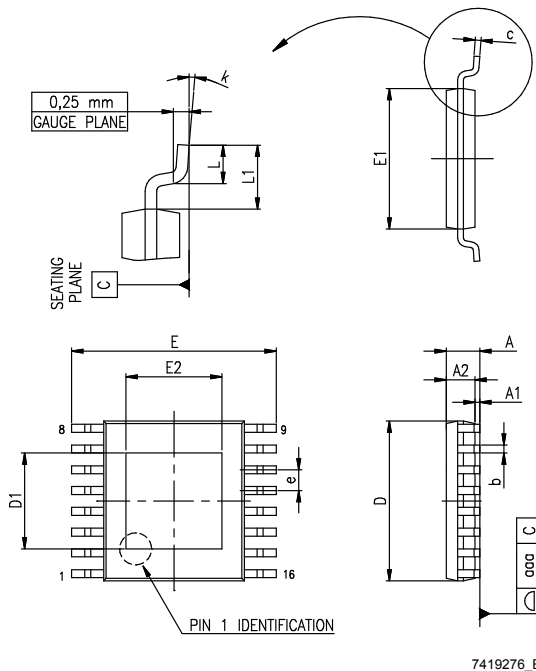


Table 8. HTSSOP16 exposed pad mechanical data

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.20
A1			0.15
A2	0.80	1.00	1.05
b	0.19		0.30
c	0.09		0.20
D	4.90	5.00	5.10
D1	2.80	3.00	3.20
E	6.20	6.40	6.60
E1	4.30	4.40	4.50
E2	2.80	3.00	3.20
e		0.65	
L	0.45	0.60	0.75
L1		1.00	
k	0.00		8.00
aaa			0.10

10.2 HTSSOP16 packing information

Figure 12. HTSSOP16 tape and reel outline

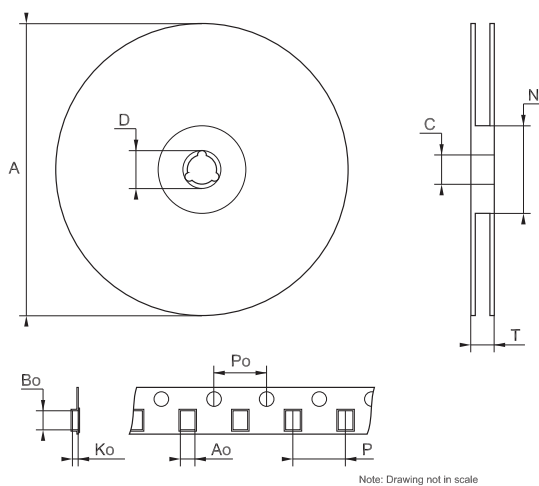


Table 9. HTSSOP16 tape and reel mechanical data

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			330
C	12.8		13.2
D	20.2		
N	60		
T			22.4
Ao	6.7		6.9
Bo	5.3		5.5
Ko	1.6		1.8
Po	3.9		4.1
P	7.9		8.1

Revision history

Table 10. Document revision history

Date	Version	Changes
29-Jan-2018	1	Initial release.
05-May-2022	2	Added feature on the cover page, t_{ON} and t_{OFF} Min. value in Table 5 and new Section 7.1 LED current settings . Updated title on the cover page, ESD value in Table 2 , Figure 1 , Figure 2 , Table 2 , Table 4 , Figure 4 , Figure 5 , Figure 6 and Figure 7 .

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