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## AS1112

### 16-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM

## 1 General Description

The AS1112 is a 16-channel, constant current-sink LED driver. Each of the 16 channels can be individually adjusted by 4096-step greyscale PWM brightness control and 64-step constant-current sink (dot correction).

The dot correction circuitry adjusts the brightness variations between the AS1112 channels and other LED drivers. Greyscale control and dot correction circuitry are accessible via the SPI-compatible serial interface. A single external resistor sets the maximum current value of all 16 channels.

The open & short LED detection function indicates a broken, shorted or disconnected LED at one or more of the outputs. The overtemperature flag indicates that the device is in an overtemperature condition.

Table 1. Standard Products

| Model   | Power-Down | TEST pin       | Output Delay |
|---------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| AS1112  | Yes        | Connect to GND | Yes          |
| AS1112B | No         | Connect to VCC | Yes          |
| AS1112C | No         | Connect to VCC | No           |

An additional power-down pin puts the AS1112 into a 40nA standby-mode.

The AS1112 is available in a 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm package.

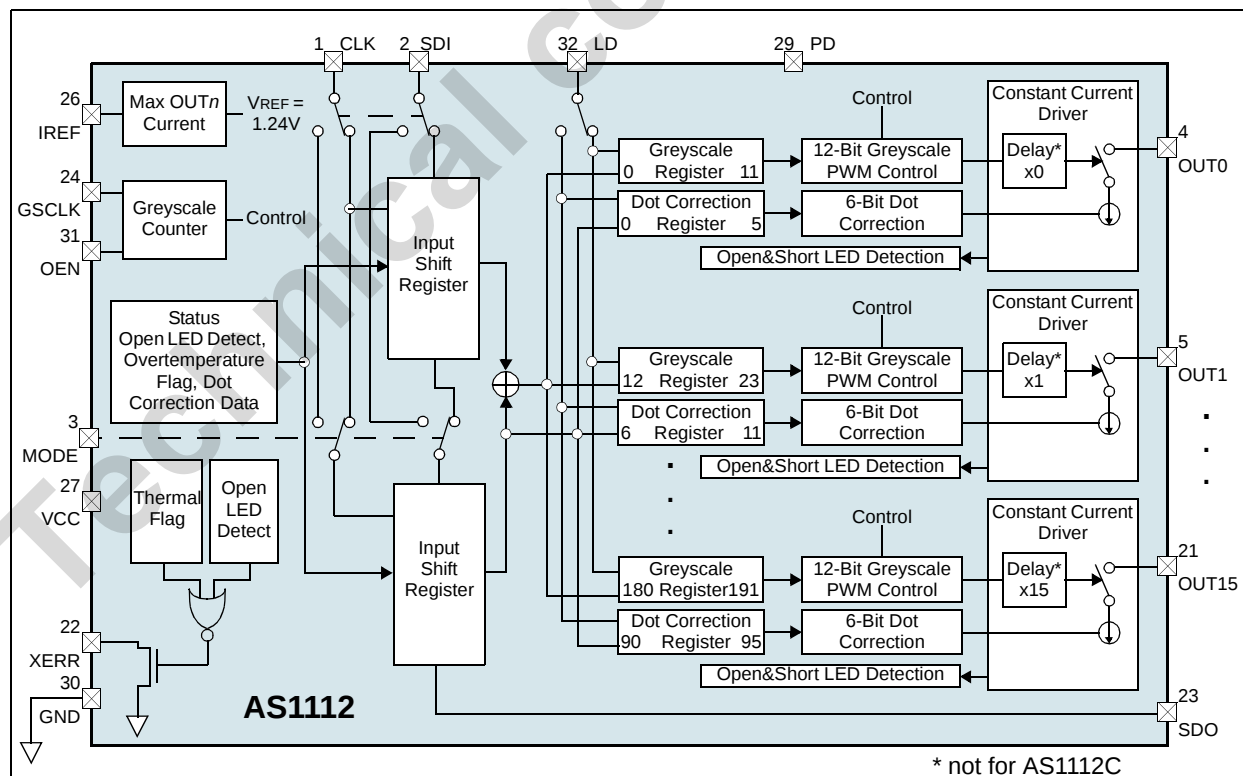
## 2 Key Features

- 16 Channels
- Greyscale PWM Control: 12-Bit (4096 Steps)
- Dot Correction: 6-Bit (64 Steps)
- Drive Capability (Constant-Current Sink): 0 to 100mA
- LED Power Supply Voltage: Up to 15V
- Supply Voltage Range: 3.0 to 5.5 V
- SPI-Compatible Serial Interface
- Controlled In-Rush Current
- Data Transfer & PWM Clock Rate: up to 30 MHz
- CMOS Level I/O
- Diagnostic Features
  - LED Open/Short Detection
  - Overtemperature Flag
- 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm Package

## 3 Applications

The device is ideal for mono-, multi-, and full-color LED displays, LED signboards, and display backlights.

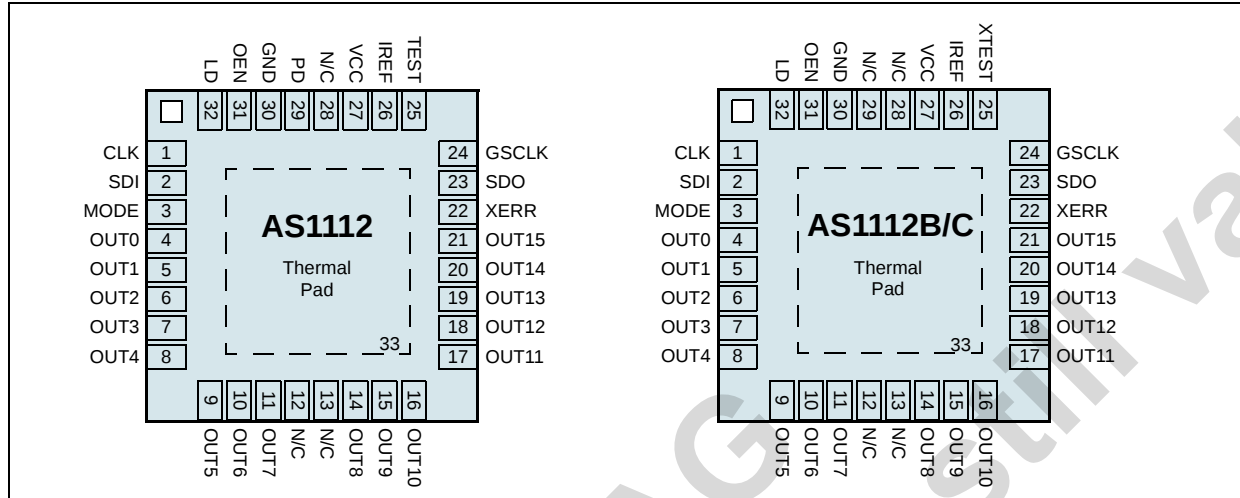
Figure 1. AS1112 - Block Diagram



## 4 Pinout

### Pin Assignments

Figure 2. Pin Assignments (Top View)



### Pin Descriptions

Table 2. Pin Descriptions

| Pin Number | Pin Name    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1          | CLK         | <b>Serial Data Shift Clock</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2          | SDI         | <b>Serial Data Input</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 3          | MODE        | <b>Mode Select input with internal pulldown</b><br>MODE = GND: Selects greyscale mode (see <a href="#">Setting Greyscale Brightness on page 12</a> ).<br>MODE = Vcc: Selects dot correction mode (see <a href="#">Setting Dot Correction on page 11</a> ). |
| 4:11       | OUT0:OUT7   | <b>Constant-Current Outputs 0:7</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 14:21      | OUT8:OUT15  | <b>Constant-Current Outputs 8:15</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 22         | XERR        | <b>Error Output</b><br>0 = LED open detection or overtemperature condition is detected.<br>1 = Normal operation.                                                                                                                                           |
| 23         | SDO         | <b>Serial Data Output</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 24         | GSCLK       | <b>Greyscale Clock.</b> Reference clock for greyscale PWM control                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 25         | TEST        | <b>Test Pin.</b> This pin must be connected to GND (AS1112) to ensure normal operation.                                                                                                                                                                    |
|            | XTEST       | <b>Test Pin.</b> This pin must be connected to Vcc (AS1112B, AS1112C) to ensure normal operation.                                                                                                                                                          |
| 26         | IREF        | <b>Reference Current Terminal</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 27         | Vcc         | <b>Power Supply Voltage</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 12,13,28   | N/C         | This pin must not be connected.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 29         | PD          | <b>Power Down</b> input with internal pulldown (AS1112)<br>0 = normal operation mode<br>1 = powerdown mode                                                                                                                                                 |
|            | N/C         | <b>Not Connected</b> (AS1112B, AS1112C)                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 30         | GND         | <b>Ground</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 31         | OEN         | <b>Blank Outputs</b><br>0 = OUT <sub>n</sub> outputs are controlled by the greyscale PWM control.<br>1 = OUT <sub>n</sub> outputs are forced off; the greyscale counter is reset.                                                                          |
| 32         | LD          | <b>Data Latch.</b> The internal connections are switched by pin MODE.<br>For LD (MODE = GND), the greyscale register receives new data.<br>For LD (MODE = Vcc), the dot correction register receives new data.                                             |
| 33         | Thermal Pad | <b>Thermal Pad.</b> This pin must be connected to GND to ensure normal operation.                                                                                                                                                                          |

## 5 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses beyond those listed in [Table 3](#) may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in [Recommended Operating Conditions on page 4](#) is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Table 3. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                                 | Min   | Max       | Units | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Electrical Parameters                     |       |           |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| VCC to GND                                | -0.3  | 6         | V     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| All other pins to GND                     | -0.3  | VCC + 0.3 | V     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| VOUT0 : VOUT15 to GND                     | -0.3  | 15        | V     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Output Current (DC)                       |       | 110       | mA    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Input Current (latch-up immunity)         | -100  | 100       | mA    | Norm: JEDEC 78                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Electrostatic Discharge                   |       |           |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Electrostatic Discharge HBM               | +/- 2 |           | kV    | Norm: MIL 883 E method 3015                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Thermal Information                       |       |           |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Junction to ambient thermal resistance    |       | 37        | °C/W  | For more information about thermal metrics, see application note <i>AN01 Thermal Characteristics</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Temperature Ranges and Storage Conditions |       |           |       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Junction Temperature                      |       | +110      | °C    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Storage Temperature Range                 | -55   | +150      | °C    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Package Body Temperature                  |       | +260      | °C    | The reflow peak soldering temperature (body temperature) specified is in accordance with <i>IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020 "Moisture/Reflow Sensitivity Classification for Non-Hermetic Solid State Surface Mount Devices"</i> .<br>The lead finish for Pb-free leaded packages is matte tin (100% Sn). |
| Humidity non-condensing                   | 5     | 85        | %     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Moisture Sensitive Level                  | 3     |           |       | Represents a max. floor life time of 168h                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

## 6 Recommended Operating Conditions

Table 4. DC Characteristics

| Symbol           | Parameter                              | Conditions                         | Min                   | Typ | Max                   | Unit |
|------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|------|
| T <sub>AMB</sub> | Operating Temperature Range            |                                    | -40                   |     | 85                    | °C   |
| V <sub>CC</sub>  | Supply Voltage                         |                                    | 3                     |     | 5.5                   | V    |
| V <sub>OUT</sub> | Voltage Applied to Output (OUT0:OUT15) |                                    |                       |     | 15                    | V    |
| V <sub>IH</sub>  | High-Level Input Voltage               |                                    | 0.8 x V <sub>CC</sub> |     | V <sub>CC</sub>       | V    |
| V <sub>IL</sub>  | Low-Level Input Voltage                |                                    | GND                   |     | 0.2 x V <sub>CC</sub> | V    |
| I <sub>OH</sub>  | High-Level Output Current              | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V at SDO       | -1.0                  |     |                       | mA   |
| I <sub>OL</sub>  | Low-Level Output Current               | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V at SDO, XERR | 1.0                   |     |                       | mA   |
| I <sub>COC</sub> | Constant Output Current                | OUT0:OUT15                         |                       |     | 100                   | mA   |

Table 5. AC Characteristics – V<sub>CC</sub> = 3 V to 5.5 V, T<sub>AMB</sub> = -40 to 85°C (unless otherwise specified)

| Symbol                             | Parameter                  | Conditions               | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| f <sub>CLK</sub>                   | Data Shift Clock Frequency | CLK                      |     |     | 30  | MHz  |
| f <sub>GSCLK</sub>                 | Greyscale Clock Frequency  | GSCLK                    |     |     | 30  | MHz  |
| t <sub>WH0</sub> /t <sub>WL0</sub> | CLK Pulse Duration         | CLK = 1/0 <sup>1</sup>   | 16  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>WH1</sub> /t <sub>WL1</sub> | GSCLK Pulse Duration       | GSCLK = 1/0 <sup>2</sup> | 16  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>WH2</sub>                   | LD Pulse Duration          | LD = 1 <sup>1</sup>      | 20  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>WH3</sub>                   | OEN Pulse Duration         | OEN = 1 <sup>2</sup>     | 20  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>SU0</sub>                   | Setup Time                 | SDI, CLK <sup>1</sup>    | 12  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>SU1</sub>                   |                            | CLK, LD <sup>3</sup>     | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>SU2</sub>                   |                            | MODE, CLK <sup>4</sup>   | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>SU3</sub>                   |                            | MODE, LD <sup>4</sup>    | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>SU4</sub>                   |                            | OEN, GSCLK <sup>2</sup>  | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>H0</sub>                    | Hold Time                  | CLK, SDI <sup>3</sup>    | 12  |     |     | ns   |
| t <sub>H1</sub>                    |                            | LD, CLK <sup>1</sup>     | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>H2</sub>                    |                            | CLK, MODE <sup>4</sup>   | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>H3</sub>                    |                            | LD, MODE <sup>4</sup>    | 12  |     |     |      |
| t <sub>H4</sub>                    |                            | GSCLK, OEN <sup>2</sup>  | 12  |     |     |      |

1. See Figure 12 on page 12.

2. See Figure 16 on page 14.

3. See Figure 14 on page 13.

4. See Figure 9 on page 8.

## 7 Electrical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = +3.0$  to  $+5.5V$ , Typical values are at  $T_{AMB} = 25^{\circ}C$ ,  $V_{CC} = 5V$  (unless otherwise specified). All limits are guaranteed. The parameters with min and max values are guaranteed with production tests or SQC (Statistical Quality Control) methods.

Table 6. Electrical Characteristics

| Symbol            | Parameter                      | Condition                                                                                                           | Min          | Typ       | Max       | Unit        |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| $T_J$             | Operating Junction Temperature |                                                                                                                     | -40          |           | +125      | $^{\circ}C$ |
| $V_{OH}$          | High-Level Output Voltage      | $I_{OH} = -1mA$ , SDO                                                                                               | $V_{CC}-0.5$ |           |           | V           |
| $V_{OL}$          | Low-Level Output Voltage       | $I_{OL} = 1mA$ , SDO, XERR                                                                                          |              |           | 0.5       | V           |
| I                 | Input Current                  | $V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or GND; Pins OEN, TEST, GSCLK, CLK, SDI, LD                                                       | -1           |           | 1         | $\mu A$     |
|                   |                                | $V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ ; pin MODE, PD                                                                                    |              |           | 100       |             |
|                   |                                | $V_{IN} = GND$ ; pin MODE, PD                                                                                       | -1           |           | 1         |             |
| I <sub>CC</sub>   | Supply Current                 | All outputs off, $R_{REF} = 10k\Omega$                                                                              |              | 1.2       | 3         | mA          |
|                   |                                | All outputs off, $R_{REF} = 1.3k\Omega$                                                                             |              | 4         | 10        |             |
|                   |                                | All outputs on, $R_{REF} = 1.3k\Omega$                                                                              |              | 15        | 20        |             |
|                   |                                | All outputs on, $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$                                                                               |              | 30        | 40        |             |
| I <sub>PD</sub>   | Power Down Current             | only AS1112                                                                                                         |              | 40        |           | nA          |
| I <sub>COC</sub>  | Constant Output Current        | All outputs on, $V_{OUT} = 2V$ , $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$                                                              | 54           | 61        | 69        | mA          |
| I <sub>LEAK</sub> | Leakage Output Current         | All outputs off, $V_{OUT} = 15V$ , $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT15                                               |              | 20        |           | nA          |
| $\Delta I_{COC}$  | Constant Current Error         | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ , $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT15                                                                 |              | $\pm 3$   | $\pm 4.5$ | %           |
|                   |                                | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ , $R_{REF} = 480\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT15                                                                 |              | $\pm 3$   | $\pm 4.5$ |             |
|                   |                                | Device to device, average current from OUT0:OUT15, $R_{REF} = 1920\Omega$ (20 mA), $V_{CC} = 5.5V$ , $V_{OUT} = 2V$ |              | $\pm 3$   | $\pm 4.5$ |             |
|                   |                                | Device to device, average current from OUT0:OUT15, $R_{REF} = 480\Omega$ (80 mA), $V_{CC} = 5.5V$ , $V_{OUT} = 2V$  |              | $\pm 3$   | $\pm 4.5$ |             |
| $\Delta I_{LNR}$  | Line Regulation                | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ , $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$ OUT0:OUT15                                                                   |              | $\pm 1$   | $\pm 2.5$ | %/V         |
|                   |                                | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ , $R_{REF} = 480\Omega$ OUT0:OUT15                                                                   |              | $\pm 1$   | $\pm 2.5$ |             |
| $\Delta I_{LDR}$  | Load Regulation                | $V_{OUT} = 2$ to $4V$ , $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT15                                                          |              | $\pm 0.1$ | $\pm 0.5$ | %/V         |
|                   |                                | $V_{OUT} = 2$ to $4V$ , $R_{REF} = 480\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT15                                                          |              | $\pm 0.1$ | $\pm 0.5$ |             |
| $T_{TEF}$         | Thermal Error Flag Threshold   | Junction temperature <sup>1</sup>                                                                                   |              | 150       |           | $^{\circ}C$ |
| $T_{TWF}$         | Thermal Warn Flag Threshold    | Junction temperature <sup>1</sup>                                                                                   |              | 125       |           | $^{\circ}C$ |
| V <sub>LSD</sub>  | LED Short Detection Threshold  | $V_{CC} = 5V$                                                                                                       |              | 2.8       |           | V           |
|                   |                                | $V_{CC} = 3V$                                                                                                       |              | 1.7       |           | V           |
| V <sub>LOD</sub>  | LED Open Detection Threshold   |                                                                                                                     |              | 0.3       | 0.4       | V           |
| V <sub>REF</sub>  | Reference Voltage Output       | $R_{REF} = 640\Omega$                                                                                               | 1.20         | 1.24      | 1.28      | V           |

1. Specified by design. Not tested.

## Switching Characteristics

$V_{CC} = +3.0$  to  $+5.5V$ ,  $T_{AMB} = -40$  to  $+85^{\circ}C$ . Typical values are at  $T_{AMB} = 25^{\circ}C$ ,  $V_{CC} = 5V$  (unless otherwise specified).

Table 7. Switching Characteristics

| Symbol    | Parameter                 | Conditions                                                                                             | Min | Typ  | Max | Unit |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|-----|------|
| $t_{R0}$  | Rise Time                 | SDO                                                                                                    |     | 8    |     | ns   |
| $t_{R1}$  |                           | $OUT_n$ , DC = $3F_{HEX}$                                                                              |     | 20   |     |      |
| $t_{F0}$  | Fall Time                 | SOUT                                                                                                   |     | 8    |     | ns   |
| $t_{F1}$  |                           | $OUT_n$ , DC = $3F_{HEX}$                                                                              |     | 20   |     |      |
| $t_{PD0}$ | Propagation Delay Time    | CLK, SDO <sup>1</sup>                                                                                  |     | 15   |     | ns   |
| $t_{PD1}$ |                           | OEN, $OUT_0$ <sup>2</sup>                                                                              |     | 30   |     |      |
| $t_{PD2}$ |                           | $OUT_n$ , XERR <sup>2</sup> (includes error detection time, see <a href="#">Figure 10 on page 10</a> ) |     | 1000 |     |      |
| $t_{PD3}$ |                           | GSCLK, $OUT_0$ <sup>2</sup>                                                                            |     | 30   |     |      |
| $t_D^3$   | Average Output Delay Time | $OUT_n$ , $OUT_{n+1}$ <sup>2, 3</sup>                                                                  |     | 30   |     | ns   |

1. See [Figure 14 on page 13](#).

2. See [Figure 16 on page 14](#).

3. Only for AS1112 and AS1112B.

## 8 Typical Operating Characteristics

$T_{AMB} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$  (unless otherwise specified).

Figure 3. Output Current vs.  $V_{DS}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 5\text{V}$

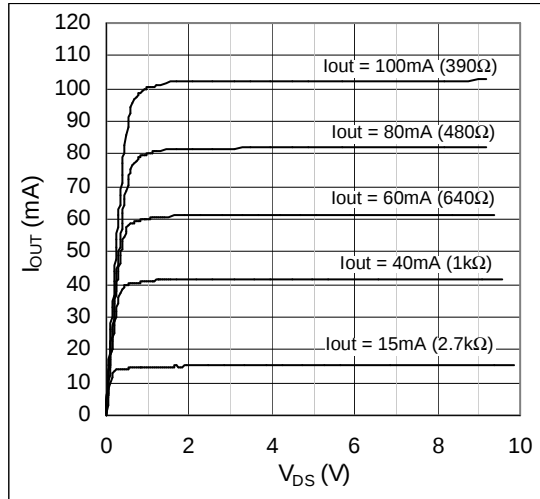


Figure 4. Output Current vs.  $V_{DS}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 5\text{V}$

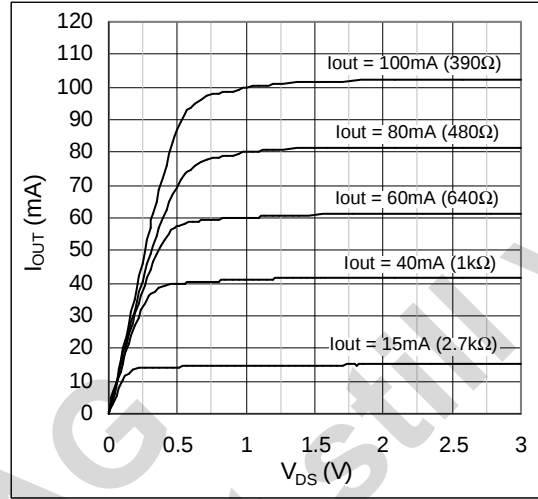


Figure 5. Output Current vs.  $V_{DS}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 3\text{V}$

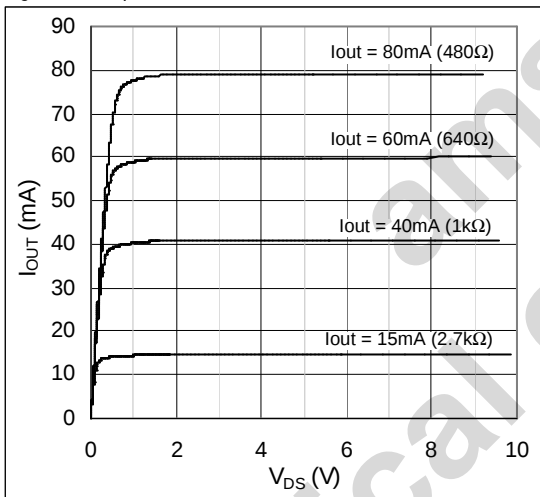


Figure 6. Output Current vs.  $V_{DS}$ ;  $V_{DD} = 3\text{V}$

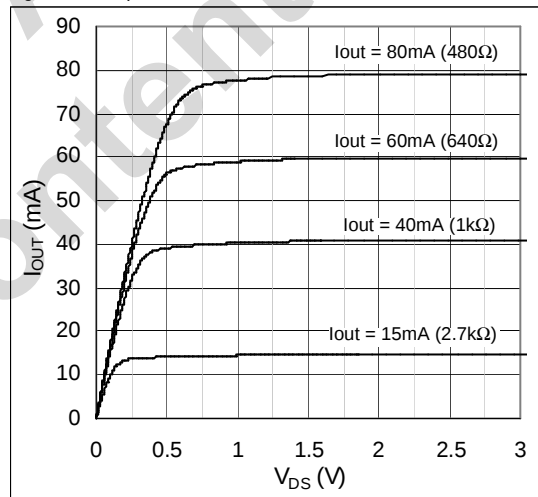


Figure 7. Output Current vs.  $R_{EXT}$ ;

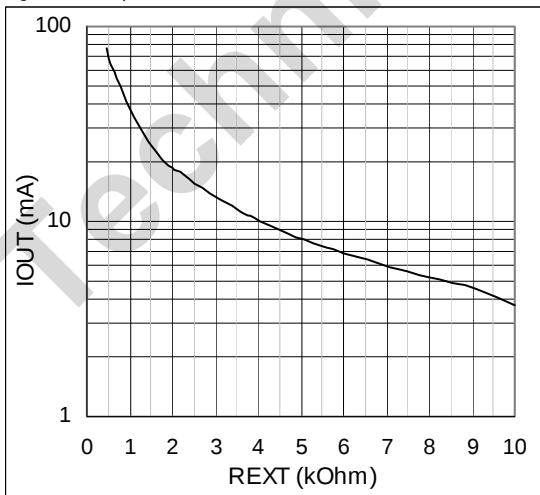
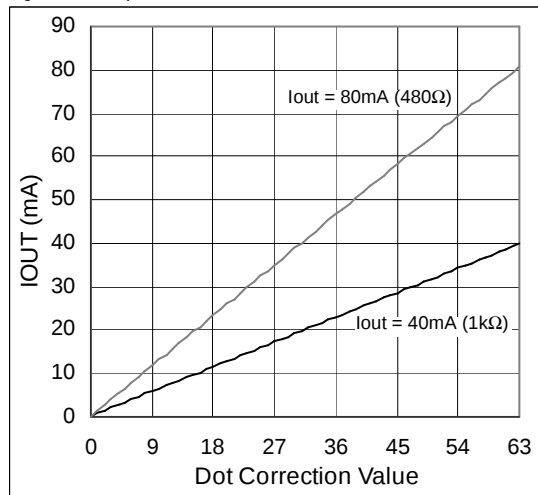


Figure 8. Output Current vs. Dot Correction Value;



## 9 Detailed Description

### Serial Interface

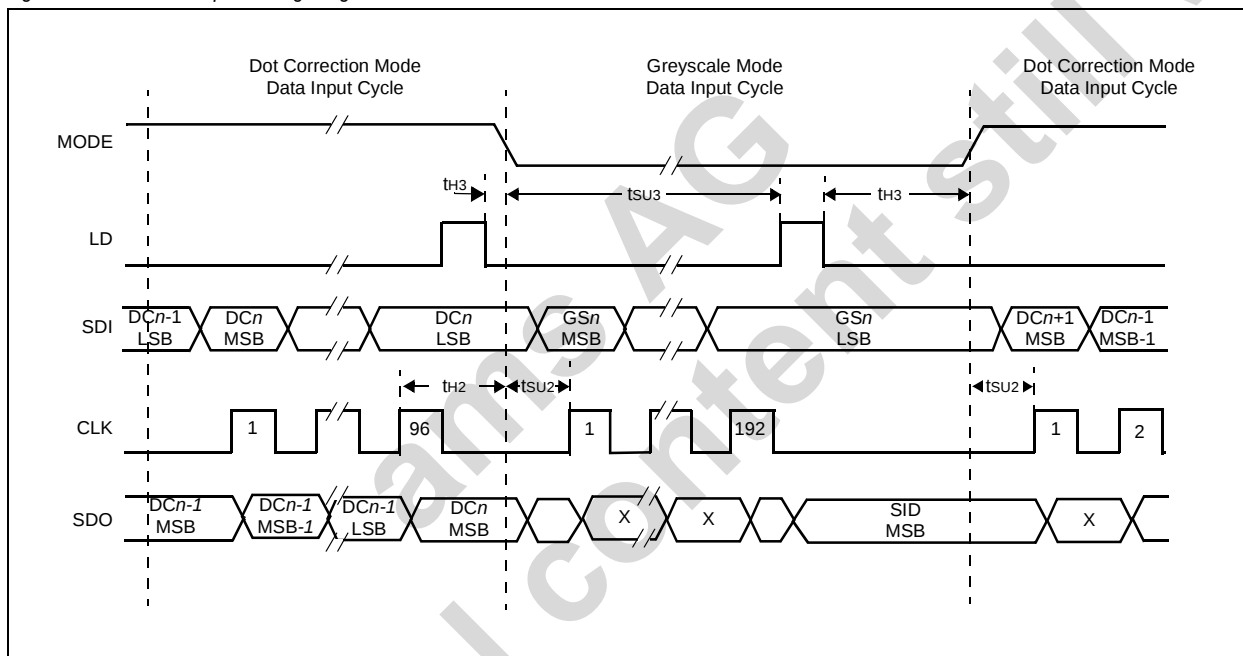
The AS1112 features a serial interface (CLK, SDI, SDO, LD, OEN and MODE), which can be connected to microcontrollers or digital signal processors in various configurations.

The rising edge of the CLK signal shifts data from pin SDI to the internal register. After all data is clocked in, the serial data is latched into the internal registers at the rising edge of the LD signal.

**Note:** All data is clocked in with the MSB first.

Multiple AS1112 devices can be cascaded by connecting the SDO pin of one device with pin SDI of the next device (see Figure 17 on page 15). The SDO pin can also be connected to the microcontroller to receive status information from the AS1112. The serial data format is 96-bit or 192-bit wide, depending on mode of the device (see LD on page 2).

Figure 9. Serial Data Input Timing Diagram



### Error Information Output

The open-drain output pin XERR indicates if the device is in one of the two error conditions: overtemperature flag or open LED detect. During normal operation, the internal transistor connected to pin XERR is turned off and the voltage on XERR is pulled up to VCC through an external pullup resistor.

If an overtemperature or open LED condition is detected, the internal transistor is switched on, and XERR is pulled to GND. Because XERR is an open-drain output, multiple AS1112 devices can be ORED together and pulled up to VCC with a single pullup resistor (see Figure 17 on page 15). This reduces the number of signals needed to report a system error.

To differentiate the overtemperature flag from the open LED detect flag from pin XERR, the open LED detect flag can be masked out by setting OEN = 1 (see Table 8).

Table 8. XERR Truth Table

| Error Condition |                 |                  | Error Information  |                      |                 |                  | Selected Mode |      |      | Status             |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|------|------|--------------------|
|                 | Temp.           | OUTn Voltage     | Thermal Error Flag | Thermal Warning Flag | Open LED Detect | Short LED Detect | OEN           | Mode | XERR |                    |
| Open            | $T_J < T_{TEF}$ | $OUTn > V_{LOD}$ | 0                  | Don't Care           | 0               | Don't Care       | 0             | 0    | 1    | normal             |
|                 |                 | $OUTn < V_{LOD}$ | 0                  | Don't Care           | 1               | Don't Care       | 0             | 0    | 0    | open error         |
|                 | $T_J > T_{TEF}$ | $OUTn > V_{LOD}$ | 1                  | Don't Care           | 0               | Don't Care       | 0             | 0    | 0    | temp. error        |
|                 |                 | $OUTn < V_{LOD}$ | 1                  | Don't Care           | 1               | Don't Care       | 0             | 0    | 0    | open & temp. error |
| Temp            | $T_J > T_{TEF}$ | Don't Care       | 0                  | Don't Care           | Don't Care      | Don't Care       | 1             | 0    | 1    | normal             |
|                 | $T_J < T_{TEF}$ | Don't Care       | 1                  | Don't Care           | Don't Care      | Don't Care       | 1             | 0    | 0    | temp error         |
|                 | $T_J > T_{TWF}$ | Don't Care       | Don't Care         | 0                    | Don't Care      | Don't Care       | 1             | 1    | 1    | normal             |
|                 | $T_J < T_{TWF}$ | Don't Care       | Don't Care         | 1                    | Don't Care      | Don't Care       | 1             | 1    | 0    | temp. warn         |

### Overtemperature Error/Warning Flags

The AS1112 provides a overtemperature circuit to indicate that the device is in an overtemperature condition. If the device junction temperature ( $T_J$ ) exceeds the threshold temperature (150°C typ), the overtemperature circuit trips and pulls XERR to ground. The overtemperature flag status can be read out from the AS1112 status register.

To prevent an overtemperature condition the AS1112 offers an temperature warning flag at 125°C typical. This flag can be used to take precautions (e.g. start an external cooling) against a overtemperature condition.

### Open LED Detection

The AS1112 integrated open LED detection circuit reports an error if any of the 16 LEDs is open or disconnected from the circuit. The open LED detection circuit trips when the error detection is activated (see Table 8) and the voltage at  $OUTn$  is less than  $V_{LOD}$ .

**Note:** The voltage at each  $OUTn$  is sampled 1µs after being switched on. Please refer to Figure 10.

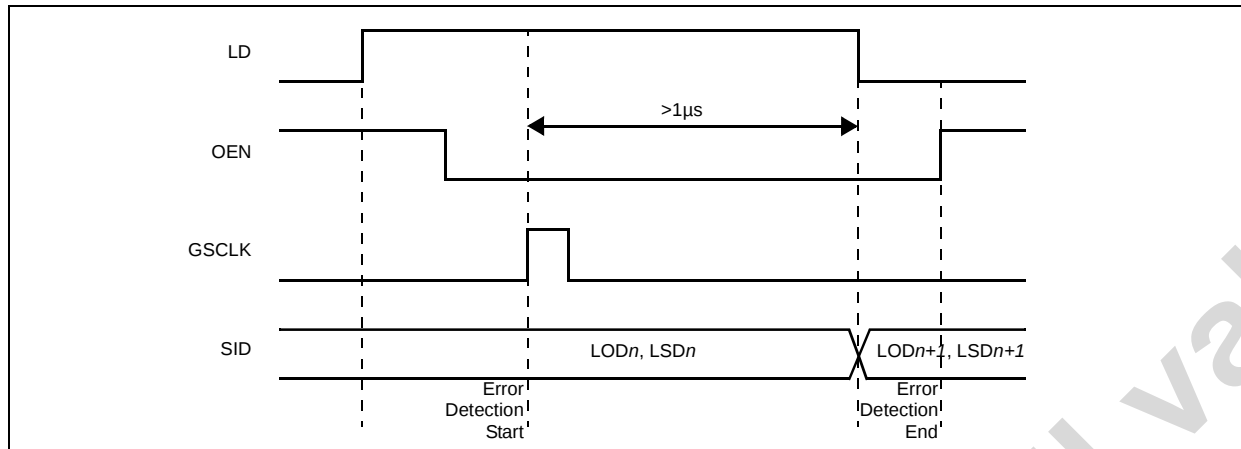
The open LED detection circuit also pulls XERR to GND when tripped. The open LED status of each channel can also be read out from the AS1112 status information data (SID) during a greyscale data input cycle.

### Shorted LED Detection

The AS1112 integrated shorted LED detection circuit detects if any of the 16 LEDs is short-circuited. The shorted LED detection circuit trips when the error detection is activated and the voltage at  $OUTn$  is higher than  $V_{LSD}$ .

**Note:** The voltage at each  $OUTn$  is sampled 1µs after being switched on. Please refer to Figure 10.

The shorted LED status of each channel can only be read out from the AS1112 status information data (SID) during a greyscale data input cycle.

Figure 10. Error Detection Timing (GS=FFFF<sub>HEX</sub>, DC=3F<sub>HEX</sub>)

**Note:** The rising edge of LD latches new data into the internal registers depending on the logic level of the pin MODE. If the pin MODE is tied GND, the greyscale registers are updated. If the pin MODE is tied to VCC, the dot correction registers are updated.

### Delay Between Outputs (only for AS1112 and AS112B)

The AS1112 uses graduated delay circuits between OUT<sub>n</sub> outputs. These circuits are contained in the constant-current driver block of the AS1112 (see Figure 1 on page 1). The average-delay time is 30ns (typ).

The maximum delay is 450ns (typ) from OUT0 to OUT15. The delay scheme works by switching on and switching off each output channel. Thus the on/off time of each channel is the same regardless of the delay. These delays prevent large inrush currents and switching noise that can reduce bypass capacitance when the outputs are switched on.

### OUT<sub>n</sub> Enable

All OUT<sub>n</sub> channels can be collectively switched off with one signal. When OEN is set to 1, all OUT<sub>n</sub> channels are disabled, regardless of the device logic operations. The greyscale counter is also reset when OEN is set to 1.

When OEN is set to 0, all OUT<sub>n</sub> channels are in normal operation.

Table 9. Pin OEN Truth Table

| OEN | OUT0:OUT15       |
|-----|------------------|
| 0   | Normal Operation |
| 1   | Disabled         |

### Setting Maximum Channel Current

The maximum output current per channel is programmed by a single resistor, R<sub>IREF</sub>, which is placed between pin IREF and GND. The voltage on pin IREF is set by an internal band gap V<sub>IREF</sub> (1.24V typ). The maximum channel current is equivalent to the current flowing through R<sub>IREF</sub> multiplied by a factor of 31.5. The maximum output current is calculated as:

$$I_{MAX} = \frac{V_{IREF}}{R_{IREF}} \times 31.5 \quad (EQ 1)$$

#### Where:

V<sub>IREF</sub> = 1.24V;

R<sub>IREF</sub> = User-selected external resistor.

Figure 7 on page 7 shows the maximum output current I<sub>OUT</sub> versus R<sub>IREF</sub>, where R<sub>IREF</sub> is the value of the resistor between IREF terminal to GND, and I<sub>OUT</sub> is the constant output current of OUT0:OUT15.

## Power Dissipation

To ensure proper operation of the device, the total power dissipation of the AS1112 must be below the power dissipation rating of the device package. Total power dissipation is calculated as:

$$PD = (V_{CC} \times I_{CC}) + (V_{OUT} \times I_{MAX} \times n \times \frac{DCn}{63} \times d_{PWM}) \quad (EQ 2)$$

### Where:

$V_{CC}$  is the device supply voltage;  
 $I_{CC}$  is the device supply current;  
 $V_{OUT}$  is the device  $OUT_n$  voltage when driving LED current;  
 $I_{MAX}$  is the LED current adjusted by  $R_{REF}$ ;  
 $DCn$  is the maximum dot correction value for  $OUT_n$ ;  
 $n$  is the number of  $OUT_n$  driving LED at the same time;  
 $d_{PWM}$  is the duty cycle defined by pin OEN or the greyscale PWM value.

## Operating Modes

The AS1112 operates in two modes (see Table 10). Greyscale operating mode (see Figure 14 on page 13) and the shift registers are in reset state at power-up.

Table 10. Operating Modes

| Mode | Input Shift Register | Operating Mode                 |
|------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0    | 192-bit              | Greyscale PWM Mode             |
| 1    | 96-bit               | Dot Correction Data Input Mode |

## Setting Dot Correction

The AS1112 can perform independent fine-adjustments to the output current of each channel, i.e., dot correction. Dot correction is used to adjust brightness deviations of LEDs connected to the output channels ( $OUT_0:OUT_{15}$ ).

The device powers up with the following default settings:  $DC = 63$  and  $GS = 4095$ .

The 16 channels can be individually programmed with a 6-bit word. The channel output can be adjusted in 64 steps from 0 to 100% of the maximum output current ( $I_{MAX}$ ). The output current for each  $OUT_n$  channel can be calculated as:

$$I_{OUTn} = I_{MAX} \times \frac{DCn}{63} \quad (EQ 3)$$

### Where:

$I_{MAX}$  is the maximum programmable output current for each output;  
 $DCn$  is the programmed dot correction value for output ( $DCn = 0$  to  $63$ );  
 $n = 0$  to  $15$

Dot correction data are simultaneously entered for all channels. The complete dot correction data format consists of  $16 \times 6$ -bit words, which forms a 96-bit serial data packet (see Figure 11). Channel data is put on one by one, and the data is clocked in with the MSB first.

Figure 11. Dot Correction Data Packet Format

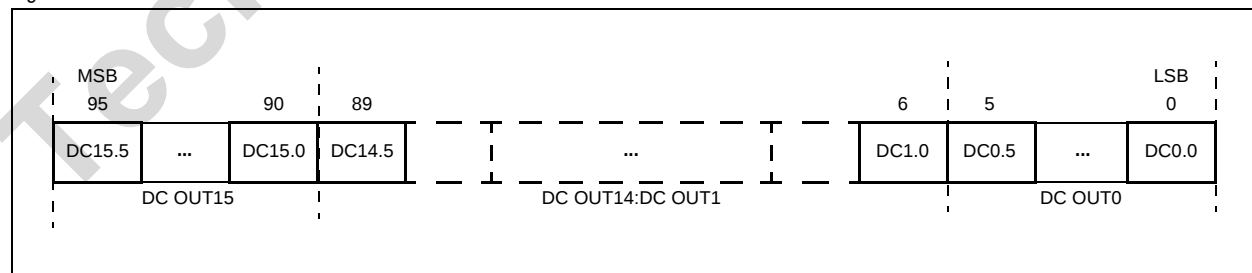
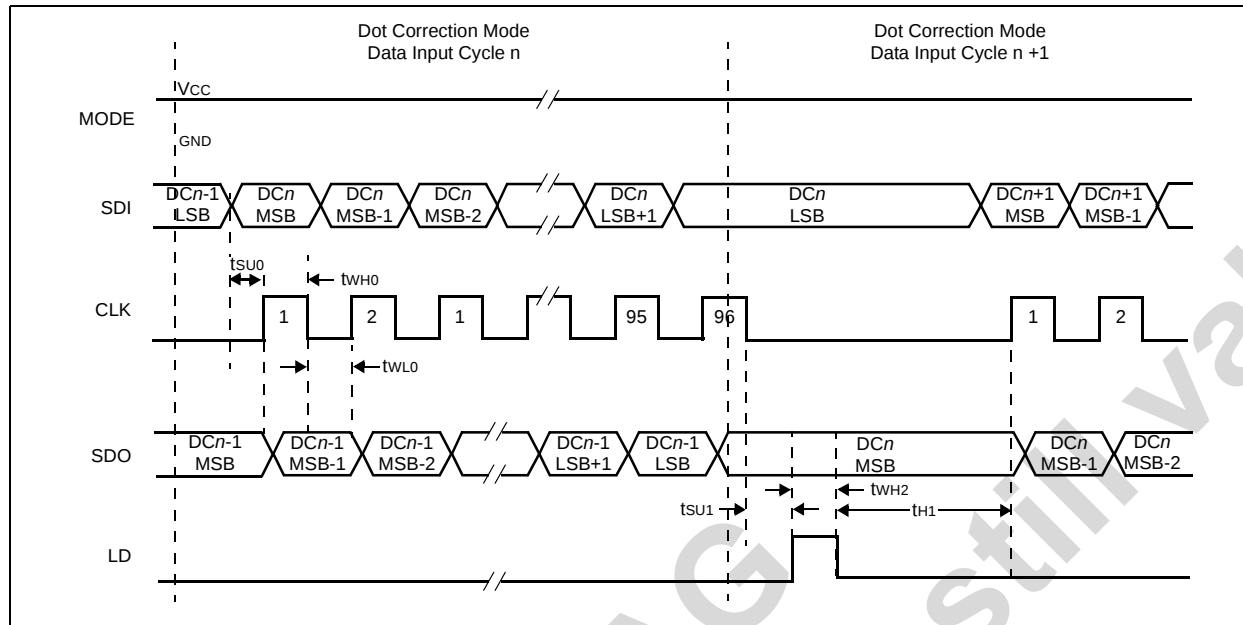


Figure 12. Dot Correction Data Input Timing Diagram



## Setting Greyscale Brightness

The brightness of each channel output can be adjusted using a 12 bits-per-channel PWM control scheme which results in 4096 brightness steps, from 0% to 100% brightness. The brightness level for each output is calculated as:

$$\% \text{Brightness} = \frac{\text{GS}_n}{4095} \times 100 \quad (\text{EQ } 4)$$

### Where:

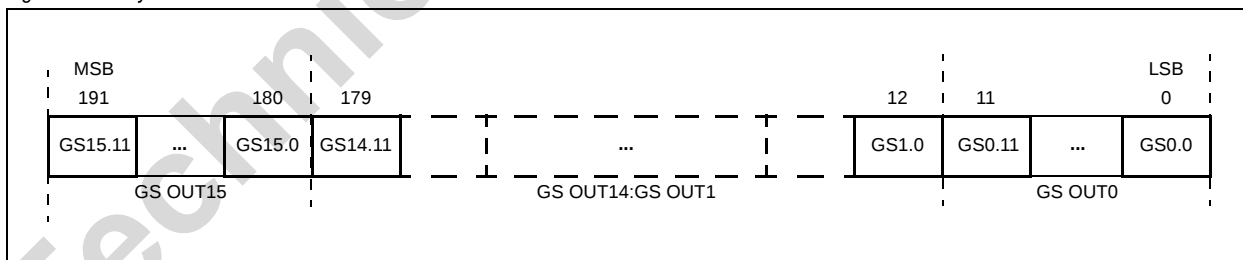
GS<sub>n</sub> is the programmed greyscale value for OUT<sub>n</sub> (GS<sub>n</sub> = 0 to 4095);  
n = 0 to 15 greyscale data for all outputs.

The device powers up with the following default settings: GS = 4095 and DC = 63.

The input shift register shifts greyscale data into the greyscale register for all channels simultaneously. The complete greyscale data format consists of 16 x 12 bit words, which forms a 192-bit wide data packet (see Figure 13).

**Note:** The data packet must be clocked in with the MSB first.

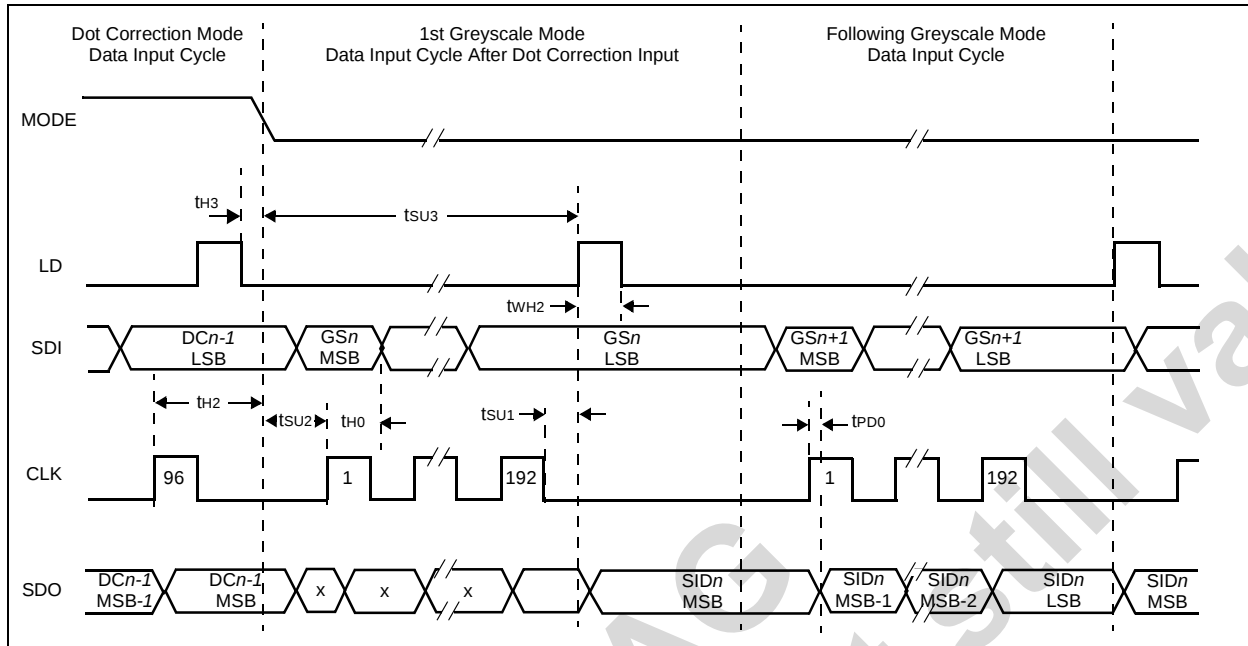
Figure 13. Greyscale Data Packet Format



When pin MODE is tied to GND, the AS1112 enters greyscale data input mode. The device switches the input shift register to 192-bit width. After all data is clocked in, the rising edge of the LD signal latches the data into the greyscale register (see Figure 14).

All greyscale data in the input shift register is replaced with status information data (SID) after latching into the greyscale register.

Figure 14. Greyscale Data Input Timing Diagram

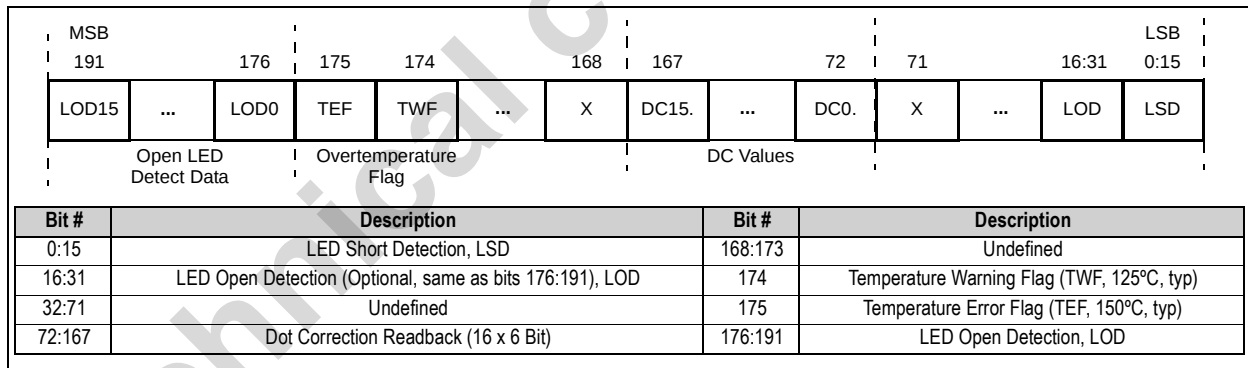


## Status Information Data (SID)

The AS1112 contains an integrated status information register, which can be accessed in greyscale mode (MODE = GND). Once the LD signal latches the data into the greyscale register, the input shift register data is replaced with status information data (see Figure 15).

Open, shorted LED, temperature warning and overtemperature flags as well as the dot-correction registers can be read out at pin SDO. The status information data packet is 192 bits wide. Bits 191:176 and 31:16 contain the open LED detection status of each channel (either 191:176 or 31:16 can be used for readout). Bit 175 contains the thermal error flag status. Bit 174 contains the temperature warning flag. Bits 167:72 contain the data of the dot-correction register. Bit 15:0 contains the LED shorted flags. The remaining bits are reserved. The complete status information data packet is shown in Figure 15.

Figure 15. Status Information Data Packet Format

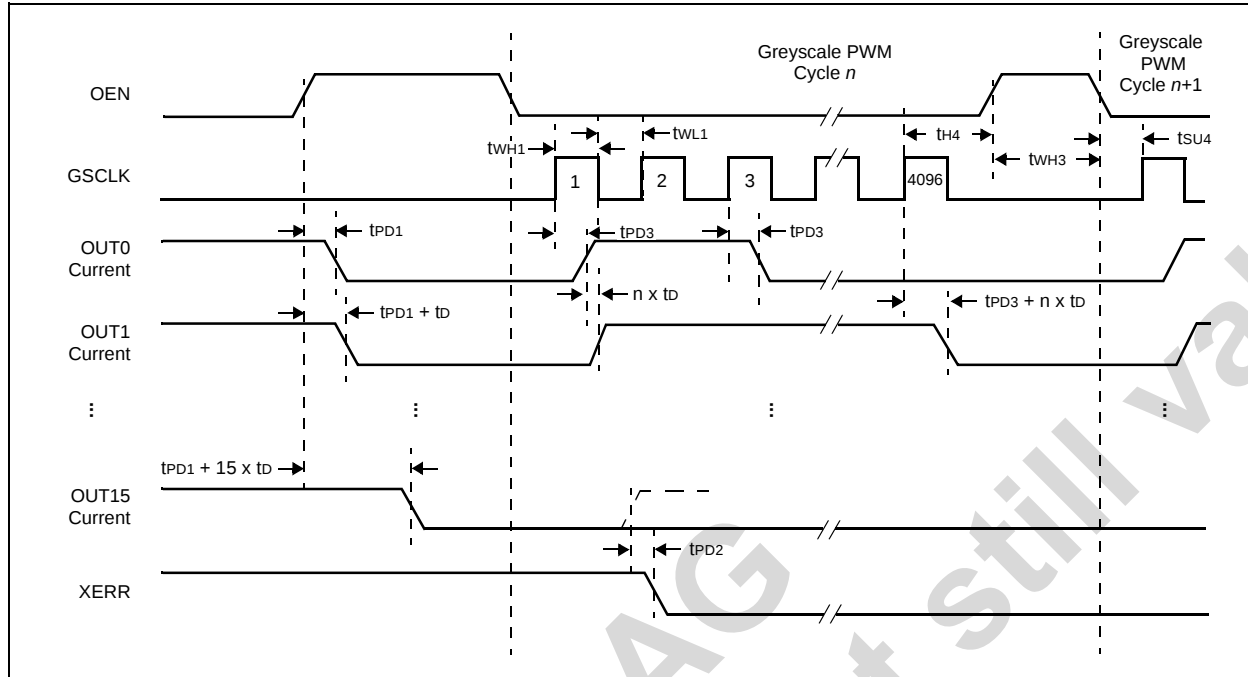


## Greyscale PWM Operation

The falling edge of the OEN signal initiates a greyscale PWM cycle. The first GSKLK pulse after the falling edge of OEN increments the greyscale counter by one and switches on any OUT<sub>n</sub> whose greyscale value does not equal zero. Each subsequent rising edge of GSKLK increments the greyscale counter by one.

The AS1112 compares the greyscale value of each OUT<sub>n</sub> channel with the greyscale counter value. All OUT<sub>n</sub> whose greyscale values equal the counter values are switched off. A OEN = 1 signal after 4096 GSKLK pulses resets the greyscale counter to zero and completes a greyscale PWM cycle (see Figure 16).

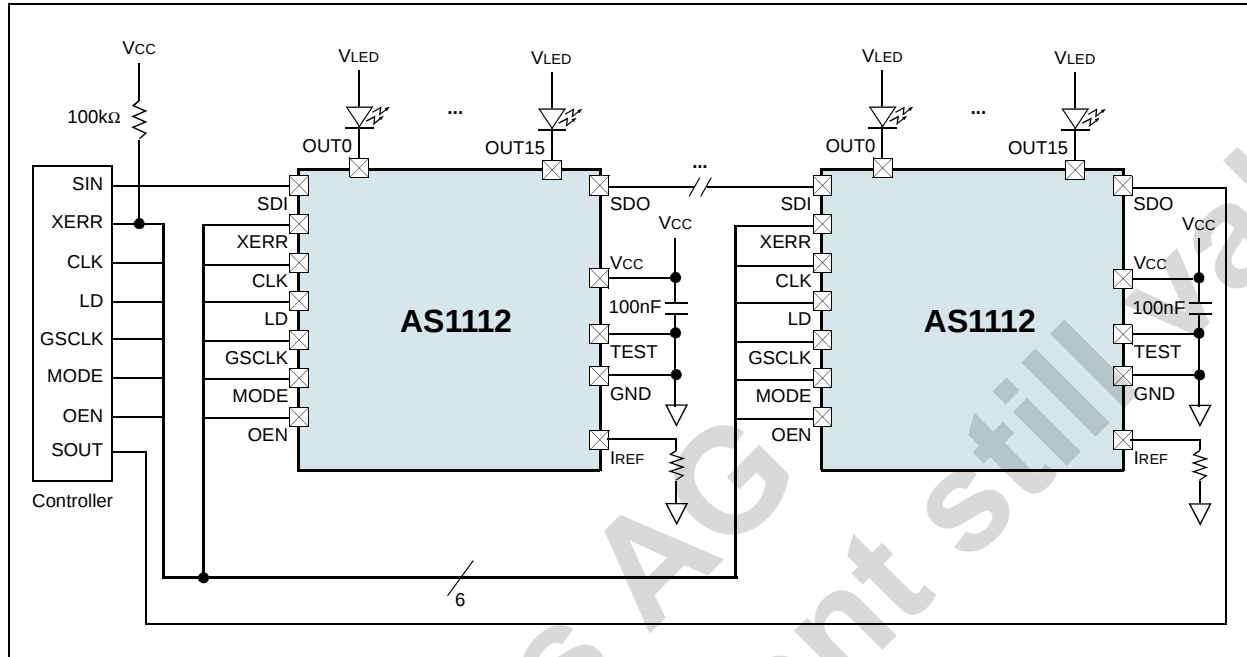
Figure 16. Greyscale PWM Cycle Timing Diagram



## Serial Data Transfer Rate

Figure 17 shows a cascaded arrangement AS1112 devices connected to a controller, building a basic module of an LED display system.

Figure 17. Cascaded Configuration



The maximum number of cascading AS1112 devices depends on the application system and is in the range of 40 devices. The minimum frequency needed can be calculated by the following equations:

$$f_{\text{GSCLK}} = 4096 \times f_{\text{UPDATE}} \quad (\text{EQ } 5)$$

### Where:

$f_{\text{GSCLK}}$  is the minimum frequency needed for GSCLK;

$f_{\text{UPDATE}}$  is the update rate of whole cascaded system.

$$f_{\text{CLK}} = 193 \times f_{\text{UPDATE}} \times n \quad (\text{EQ } 6)$$

### Where:

$f_{\text{CLK}}$  is the minimum frequency needed for CLK and SIN;

$f_{\text{UPDATE}}$  is the update rate of whole cascaded system;

$n$  is the number of cascaded of AS1112 devices.

## 10 Package Drawings and Markings

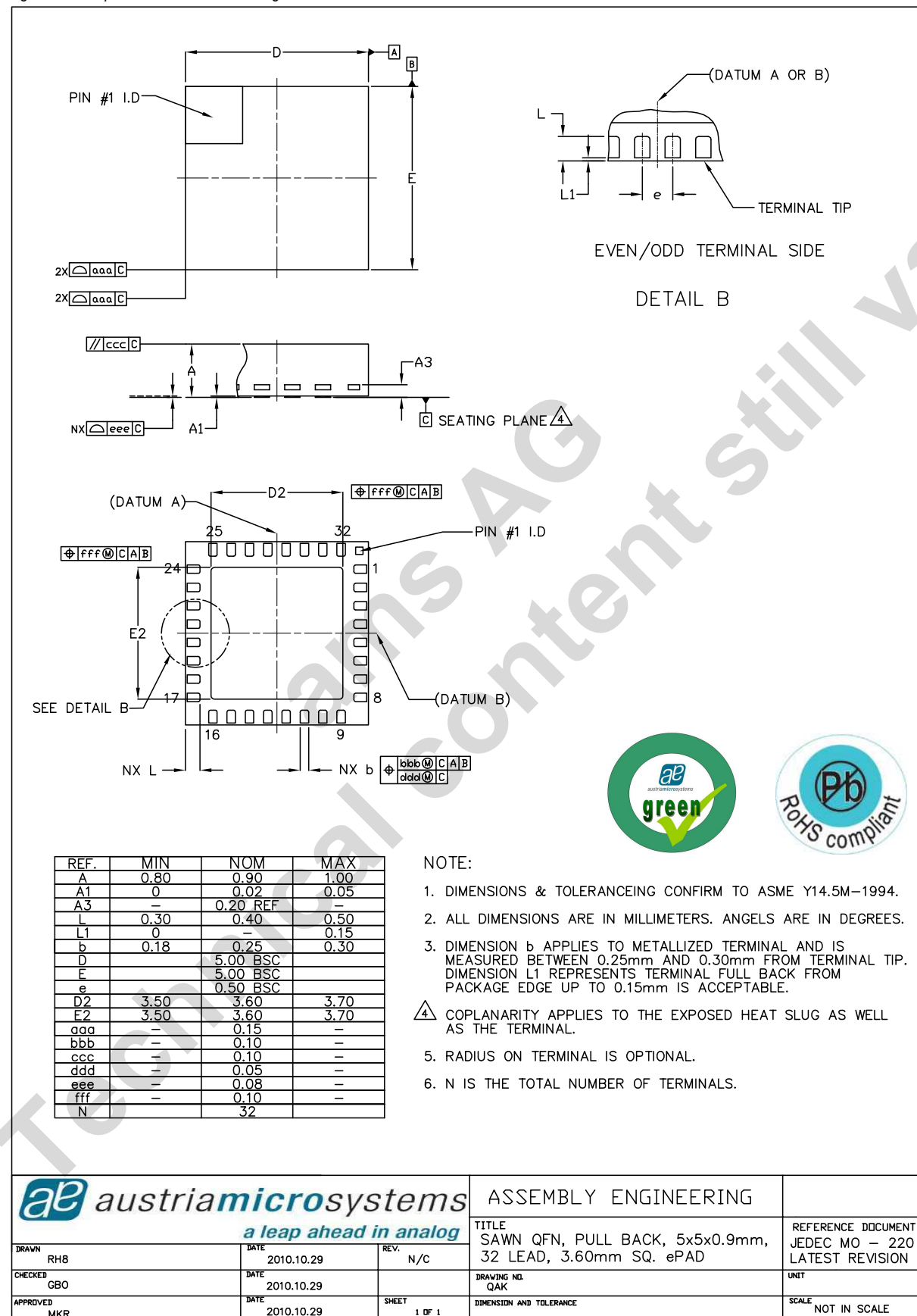
Figure 18. 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm Marking



Figure 19. Packaging Code YYWWIZZ

| YY                                  | WW                 | I                | ZZ                              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| last two digits of the current year | manufacturing week | plant identifier | free choice / traceability code |

Figure 20. 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm Package



## 11 Ordering Information

The device is available as the standard products shown in [Table 11](#).

Table 11. Ordering Information

| Ordering Code | Marking | Description                                                                                                                               | Delivery Form | Package            |
|---------------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| AS1112-BQFT   | AS1112  | 16-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM with Active-High TEST Input and Power-Down Mode                               | Tape and Reel | 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm |
| AS1112B-BQFT  | AS1112B | 16-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM with Active-Low XTEST Input and without Power-Down Mode                       | Tape and Reel | 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm |
| AS1112C-BQFT  | AS1112C | 16-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM with Active-Low XTEST Input, without Power-Down Mode and without Output Delay | Tape and Reel | 32-pin TQFN 5x5 mm |

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