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# Datasheet

# AS1122 12-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM

# **1** General Description

The AS1122 is a 12-channel, constant current-sink LED driver. Each of the 12 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 AS1122 channels and other LED drivers. Greyscale control and dot correction circuitry are accessible via a simple SPI-compatible serial interface.

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

A single external resistor sets the maximum current value of all 12 channels.

The AS1122 is available in a 24-pin QFN 4x4mm package.

# 2 Key Features

- Greyscale PWM Control: 12-Bit (4096 Steps)
- Dot Correction: 6-Bit (64 Steps)
- Drive Capability (Constant-Current Sink): 0 to 40mA
- LED Power Supply Voltage: up to 30V
- Supply Voltage Range: 2.7V to 3.6V
- Output Delay for controlled Inrush Current (factory set, can be turned off)
- Factory set rise- and fall-time for EMI improvement
- Internal PWM Clock: 10 MHz (typ)
- Data Transfer Clock Rate: up to 5 MHz
- CMOS Level I/O
- Diagnostic Features
- 24-pin QFN 4x4mm Package

# 3 Applications

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

#### Figure 1. AS1122 - Typical Application Diagram



# 4 Pinout

## **Pin Assignments**

Figure 2. Pin Assignments (Top View)



## **Pin Descriptions**

Table 1. Pin Descriptions

Pin Number	Pin Name	Description
1	SDI	Serial Data Input
2	CLKI	Serial Data Clock Input
5	CLKO	Serial Data Clock Output
6	SDO	Serial Data Output
7:12, 19:24	OUT0:OUT11	Constant-Current Outputs 0:11
13	VDD	Power Supply Voltage
14	IRQ	Interrupt Request Output. Open drain pin, can be left open if not used.
15	RST	<b>Reset Input.</b> Pull this pin to high to reset all registers (set to default values) and to put the device into shutdown. Connect this pin to GND for normal operation.
16	IREF	Reference Current Terminal. A resistor connected to this pin sets the maximum output currents (see Setting Maximum Channel Current on page 15).
18	GND	Ground
3, 4, 17	NC	Not Connected. Connect to GND if not used.
25	Thermal Pad	Ground. This pin must be connected to GND to ensure normal operation.

# 5 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses beyond those listed in Table 2 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 Electrical Characteristics on page 4 is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

	Min	Мах	Units	Comments
Electrical Parameters		1		
VCC to GND	-0.3	5	V	
All other pins to GND	-0.3	Vdd + 0.3	V	
VSDO to GND	-0.3	Vdd + 0.3	V	
VOUT0 : VOUT11 to GND	-0.3	30	V	
Output Current		50	mA	
Input Current (latch-up immunity)	-100	100	mA	Norm: JEDEC 78
Electrostatic Discharge	1			
Electrostatic Discharge HBM	+	/- 2	kV	Norm: MIL 883 E method 3015
Thermal Information	L			
Junction to ambient thermal resistance		37	°C/W	For more information about thermal metrics, see application note AN01 Thermal Characteristics.
Temperature Ranges and Storage Condition	ons			
Junction Temperature		+150	°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-</i> 020"Moisture/Reflow Sensitivity Classification for Non- Hermetic Solid State Surface Mount Devices". 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
	3			

#### Table 2. Absolute Maximum Ratings

# **6** Electrical Characteristics

VDD = +2.7V to +3.6V, Typical values are at TAMB = +25°C, VDD = 3.3V (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 3. Electrical Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	
Тамв	Operating Temperature Range		-40		+85	°C	
TJ	Operating Junction Temperature		-40		+125	°C	
Input Supp	ly						
Vdd	Supply Voltage		2.7		3.6	V	
lcc	Supply Current	All outputs on, RIREF = $1k\Omega$		9.5	12	mA	
ICC	Supply Current	All outputs on, RIREF = $10k\Omega$		4	6	mA	
IPD	Power Down Current	RST = High, Тамв = +25°С		40		nA	
Output							
Riref	Reference Current Resistor		1		10	kΩ	
Vout	Voltage Applied to Output (OUT0:OUT11)		C		30	V	
Icoc	Constant Output Current	All outputs on, VOUT = 1V, RIREF = $1k\Omega$	38	40	42	mA	
		Vout = 1V, Riref = $1k\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT11		±0.8	2		
		Vout = 1V, Riref = $10k\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT11		±1.5	4		
∆lcoc	Constant Output Current Error	Device to device, average current from OUT0:OUT11, VOUT = 1V, RIREF = $1k\Omega$		±0.5		%	
		Device to device, average current from OUT0:OUT11, VOUT = 1V, RIREF = $10 k \Omega$		±0.6			
Ileak	Leakage Output Current	All outputs off, VOUT = 30V, RIREF = $1k\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT11		20		nA	
ALIND	ILEAK         Leakage Output Current           ΔILNR         Line Regulation	Vout = 1V, Riref = $1k\Omega$ OUT0:OUT11		±0.1	±1.5	0/ \\ /	
		Vout = 1V, Riref = $10k\Omega$ OUT0:OUT11		±0.2	±1.5	%/V	
ΔILDR	Load Regulation	Vout = 1V to 4V, Riref = 1kΩ, OUT0:OUT11		±0.1	±0.4	0/ 1/	
	Load Negulation	Vout = 1V to 4V, Riref = $10k\Omega$ , OUT0:OUT11		±0.01	±0.4		
Logic Leve	ls						
Vін	High-Level Input Voltage		0.8 x Vdd		Vdd	V	
VIL	Low-Level Input Voltage		GND		0.2 x Vdd	V	
Vон	High-Level Output Voltage	IOH = -1mA, SDO, CLKO	Vdd-0.5			V	
Vol	Low-Level Output Voltage	IOL = 1mA, SDO, CLKO			0.5	V	
VOL		Iol = 3mA, IRQ			0.5	V	
VLOD	LED Open Detection Threshold			0.3	0.4	V	
VIREF	Reference Voltage Output	Riref = 1kΩ	1.24	1.27	1.30	V	

## **Timing Characteristics**

VDD = +2.7V to +3.6V, TAMB = -40°C to +85°C. Typical values are at TAMB = +25°C, VDD = 3.3V (unless otherwise specified).

Table 4. Output Timing Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	
tr_out	Rise Time OUT <sup>1</sup>			20		ns	
tF_OUT	Fall Time OUT <sup>1</sup>			20		ns	
tD <sup>2</sup>	Average Output Delay Time (can be turned off on request)			25		ns	
Value can be See Figure 24	factory trimmed for EMI improven 4 on page 10.	nent.				52	

## **Interface Characteristics**

VDD = +2.7V to +3.6V, TAMB = -40°C to +85°C. Typical values are at TAMB = +25°C, VDD = 3.3V (unless otherwise specified).

Table 5. Serial Interface Timing Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
fosc	Oscillator Frequency		8	10	12	MHz
fclk	Data Shift Clock Frequency		1		5	MHz
tLOW <sup>1</sup>	CLK low time during data shift				1	μs
tCAPT <sup>1</sup>	CLK low time for data capture		1.5	1.8	2.85	μs
tSETUP <sup>2</sup>	Setup Time	SDI, CLKI	12			ns
tHOLD <sup>2</sup>	Hold Time	SDI, CLKI	12			ns
tPD_rising <sup>2</sup>	Delay CLKI to CLKO <sup>3</sup>	rising CLKI to rising CLKO	2	3.5	8	ns
tPD_falling <sup>2</sup>	Delay CLKI to CLKO <sup>3</sup>	rising CLKI to falling CLKO	72	103.5	138	ns
tPD_SDO <sup>2</sup>	Delay CLKO to SDO <sup>3</sup>	falling edge CLKO	0.8	1.5	3	ns
tн_сько <sup>2</sup>	High Time of CLKO <sup>3</sup>		70	100	130	ns
tr_CLK	Rise Time CLK <sup>3</sup>	CLOAD = 20pF			10	ns
tr_data	Rise Time Data <sup>3</sup>	CLOAD = 20pF			10	ns

1. See Figure 24 on page 10

#### 2. See Figure 36 on page 16 and Figure 37 on page 16

3. Guaranteed by design and not production tested.

Figure 3. Load Circuit for Digital Output Timing Specifications



# 7 Typical Operating Characteristics

TAMB = +25°C, VDD = 3.0V, VOUT = 1.0V (unless otherwise specified)

























Figure 22. LED Open Detection Threshold vs. Temperature

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# 8 Detailed Description

## **Serial Interface**

The AS1122 features a 4-pin (CLKI, CLKO, SDI, and SDO) serial interface, which can be connected to microcontrollers or digital signal processors.

The rising edge of the CLKI signal shifts data from pin SDI to the internal register. After all data are clocked in, the serial data are latched into the internal registers at the rising edge of the internal LD signal (see Figure 24). The internal LD signal is triggered after the clk is low for a time tCAPT and all Data are clocked in.

With the first 8 clk-cycles an 8 bit identifier needs to be send to the device to distinguish between Status Information, Dot Correction, PWM or command data.

After the internal LD signal the internal counter is set to 0 again and the data are latched into the register according to the prior identifier. If the LD triggers and the counter has no valid value (80 bit for Dot-Correction, 152 bit for PWM data or 16 bit for command data), the counter is set to 0 but the data will be ignored.

With the falling edge of the CLKO the data is shifted to SDO.





## **Register Access**

Before data are accepted by the AS1122, an identifier needs to be send in advance. Only 3 defined identifiers will be recognized, all other bit combinations will be ignored.

Table 6. Identifier

Identifier				E	Bit				Data Section	Description
identiner	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	length	Description
Dot Correction Data	1	1	0	0	1/0	0	0	1	72 bits	writes Data into Dot Correction Register
PWM Data	1	1	0	0	1/0	0	1	0	144 bits	writes Data into PWM Register
Command Data	1	1	0	0	1/0	1	0	0	8 bits	writes Data into Command Register

The identifier maps the input register to the identified register and all data on pin SDI will be clocked into this register. This selection is valid as long as no internal LD signal is triggered. When data is latched into the device the identifier selection is reset and for the next data word a new identifier needs to be send. Every identifier requires a certain data section length. If this length is not corresponding with the identifier, the data will be ignored.

Note: Bit3 of the identifier is an global on/off bit. When bit3 of any identifier is set to logic '0' and the OEN bit of the command register (see Figure 7 on page 14) is '0' (per default), the output channels are immediately turned on.

#### **Dot Correction (DC)**

The AS1122 offers a 6 bit (64 steps) Dot Correction per Output channel. After sending the 8 bit identifier for access to the DC register the device is waiting for 72 bits to receive. If more or less bits are send the whole dataword will be ignored.

Figure 25. Dot Correction Input Timing Diagram



For n devices in a chain only one identifier needs to be send to set all n devices to the same register setting.

Figure 26. Dot Correction for n-devices

#### **PWM Data**

To set the PWM, 12 bit (4096 steps) per Output channel can be used. After sending the 8 bit identifier for access to the PWM Data register the device is waiting for 144 bits to receive. If more or less bits are send the whole dataword will be ignored.





For n devices in a chain only one identifier needs to be send to set all n devices to the same register setting.

#### Figure 28. PWM Data for n-devices



#### **Command Data**

The AS1122 offers a command register for setting the configuration of the device. The command register is again accessible via an identifier and is 8 bits long. If more or less bits are send the whole dataword will be ignored.



Figure 29. Command Input Timing Diagram

For n devices in a chain only one identifier needs to be send to set all n devices to the same register setting.





#### **Setting Dot Correction**

The AS1122 can perform independent fine-adjustments to the output current of each channel. Dot correction is used to adjust brightness deviations of LEDs connected to the output channels (OUT0:OUT11).

The device powers up with the following default settings: DC = 0 and GS = 0.

The 12 channels can be individually programmed with a 6-bit word for Dot Correction. The channel output can be adjusted in 64 steps from 0 to 100% of the maximum output current (IMAX). The output current for each OUT*n* channel can be calculated as:

$$IOUTn = IMAX \times \frac{DCn}{63}$$
 (EQ 1)

#### Where:

IMAX 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 11

Dot correction data are simultaneously entered for all channels. The complete dot correction data format consists of 12 x 6-bit words, which forms a 72-bit serial data packet (see Figure 31) and 8-bit for the identifier. Channel data is put on one by one, and the data is clocked in with the MSB first.

<b>I</b> SB 79 7	72	71		6	5		LSB 0
Identifier 1100 0001		DC11.5		DC1.0	DC0.5		DC0.0
		DC O	UT11 : DC OI	JT 1		DC OUT0	

Figure 31. Dot Correction Data Packet Format

The Dot Correction data is only valid if the exact identifier byte was send. Otherwise the data will be ignored.

## Setting Greyscale Brightness (PWM)

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:

%Brightness = 
$$\frac{\text{GS}n}{4095} \times 100$$
 (EQ 2)

#### Where:

GSn is the programmed greyscale value for OUTn (GSn = 0 to 4095);

n = 0 to 11 greyscale data for all outputs.

The device powers up with the following default settings: GS = 0 and DC = 0.

The input shift register shifts greyscale data into the greyscale register for all channels simultaneously. The complete greyscale data format consists of 12 x 12 bit words, which forms a 144-bit wide data packet (see Figure 32) plus the 8-bit for the identifier.

#### Figure 32. PWM Data Packet Format

MSB 151	144	143		12	11		LSB 0	
Identifi 1100 00		GS11.11		GS1.0	GS0.11		GS0.0	
		GS	OUT11 : GS O	UT 1		GS OUT0		

The PWM data is only valid if the exact identifier byte was send. Otherwise the data will be ignored.

## **Command Data**

In the command register of the AS1122 some configuration of the device can be done. After sending the correct identifier the 8 bits of the command register are accessible.

Table 7. Command Register Forma	t
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Bit	Bit Name	Default	Access	Bit Description
7:5	-	000	n/a	
4	Read SID	0	W	0: normal operation 1: read Status Information Register (SID)
3	OPEN Test	0	W	0: no test is running 1: start OPEN test
2	Over Temperature Power down	0	W	<ul><li>0: If an overtemperature condition occurs the OUTn are NOT switched off automatically.</li><li>1: If an overtemperature condition occurs the OUTN are switched off automatically.</li></ul>
1	Display One Time	0	W	0: The PWM is running endless 1: The PWM is running for one cycle
0	OEN	0	W	<ul> <li>0: This bit must be '0' as well as bit3 of the last valid identifier to turn ON all channels.</li> <li>1: all channels are OFF</li> </ul>

The complete status information data packet is shown in Figure 33.

Figure 33. Command Packet Format

MSB 15	8	7 6	5 5	4	3	2	1	LSB 0	
ldentifier 1100 010		unde	fined	Read SID	OPEN Test	Over Temp. Power down	Display One time	OEN	
		Don'i	care		-				-
eC									

## Status Information Data (SID)

The AS1122 contains an integrated status information register. After latching the correct identifier with a 16 bit data word the input shift register data is replaced with status information data.

With the next 16 clock cycles the Open LED information, the Overtemperature-Warning and -Error flag as well as the power-on reset (POR) flag can be read out at pin SDO. The status information data packet is 16 bits wide. Bits 11:0 contain the open LED detection status of each channel. Bit 12 is the overtemperature-warning flag, bit 13 is the overtemperature-error flag and bit 14 indicates if the POR was triggered. The complete status information data packet is shown in Figure 34.

Figure 34. Status Information Data Packet Format

MSB 15	14	13	12	11		LSB 0	
Don't care	POR	Over Temp. ERROR	Over Temp. WARNING	LOD11		LOD0	
				LE	D Open Detecti	on	

Note: Bit14 (POR) is set to '1' after start-up and after triggering a power-on reset due to a supply voltage drop. Must be set to '0' manually.

#### **Readback the Status Information Data**

To read out the SID the read bit in the command data needs to be set to "1". After the new command data is lachted into the device the SID is shifted to the SDO register and will be shifted out with the next running clk cycles on CLKI. After keeping the clk low for the time tlow, the device is reset again and can be programmed with need information.

Figure 35. Reading of the Status Information Register



#### Setting Maximum Channel Current

The maximum output current per channel is programmed by a single resistor RIREF, which is placed between pin IREF and GND. The voltage on pin IREF is set by an internal band gap VIREF (1.27V typ). The maximum channel current is equivalent to the current flowing through RIREF multiplied by a factor of 31.5. The maximum output current is calculated as:

$$IMAX = \frac{VIREF}{RIREF} \times 31.5$$
 (EQ 3)

#### Where:

VIREF = 1.27V; RIREF = User-selected external resistor.

## Timing for Cascading of n-devices

With the rising edge of CLKI the data will shifted from SDI into the device. The rising edge of CLKI is shifted through the devices to CLKO. After a factory fixed high-time (100ns) the falling edge of CLKO is triggered and the data are shifted out via SDO. This ensures a synchronous timing between CLKO and SDO. The CLK period (frequency) will stay the same only the duty cycle will be changed.

The fixed high-time will vary with +/- 30%.

Figure 36. Clock Handling with 5MHz Data-Clock



#### Figure 37. Clock Handling with 2MHz Data-Clock



## Scrambled PWM

#### General

Due to the possibility to interrupt a running PWM cycle the AS1122 is useing a scrambled PWM. The advantage is, that the scrambled PWM will cause less error as the classical PWM when data is updated during a running PWM cycle.

As an example, we take a look on a system with a 8-bit PWM and three LEDs. The PWM for the red LED is set to 4, for green to 2 and for blue to 6. In the classical approach the red, green and blue channels are high according to their PWM setting (see Figure 38).

If this PWM cycle would be interrupted at the 4th clock, the red and the blue LED would be as bright as if the PWM setting were 8. The green LED also would be much brighter than desired.

In the scrambled PWM the on-times are divided evenly over the whole PWM cycle. So if the running PWM cycle is interrupted, the failure is less effective.



Figure 38. Classic PWM vs. scrambled PWM

#### PWM scheme of AS1122

The AS1122 uses a scrambled PWM scheme. Meaning the PWM value is divide into sup-periods (32 bits wide) and than evenly distributed over the whole PWM cycle. If the PWM setting can not be divided by 32, the rest is added at the beginning of the PWM cycle.

Figure 39 shows some examples how different PWM settings are distributed over one PWM cycle.



The PWM clock is generated internally and is running with fOSZ (10MHz typ.). For a PWM value of 20 the OUT channel is high for 20 PWM-clock pulses (20 x 100ns) and stays then low for 4076 PWM-clock pulses (4076 x 100ns). After one PWM cycle (4096 pulses) the cycle is repeated endless until the output channels is turned off or updated with new PWM data.

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# 9 Package Drawings and Markings

Figure 40. 24-pin QFN 4x4mm Marking



Table 8. Packaging Code YYWWXZZ

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

	G		
	20		
	C		
4	CON		
Xec			





# **10 Ordering Information**

The device is available as the standard products shown in Table 9.

Table 9. Ordering Information

Ordering Code	Marking	Description	Delivery Form	Package
AS1122-BQFT	AS1122	12-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM	Tape and Reel	24-pin QFN 4x4mm
AS1122B-BQFT*	AS1122B	12-Channel LED Driver with Dot Correction and Greyscale PWM without Output Delay	Tape and Reel	24-pin QFN 4x4mm

\*) on request

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