

# CAT3637

## 6-Channel Programmable High Efficiency LED Driver

### Description

The CAT3637 is a high efficiency fractional charge pump that can drive up to six LEDs programmable by a 1-wire digital interface. The inclusion of a 1.33x fractional charge pump mode increases device efficiency by up to 10% over traditional 1.5x charge pumps with no added external capacitors.

Low noise input ripple is achieved by operating at a constant switching frequency which allows the use of small external ceramic capacitors. The multi-fractional charge pump supports a wide range of input voltages from 2.5 V to 5.5 V.

The EN/SET logic input functions as a chip enable and a digital programming interface for setting the current in the LED channels. The 1-wire pulse-programming interface supports 15 linear steps from zero current to 30 mA full-brightness in 2 mA steps.

The device is available in a tiny 16-pad TQFN 3 x 3 mm package with a maximum height of 0.8 mm.

ON Semiconductor's 1.33x, charge pump switching architecture is patented.

### Features

- High Efficiency 1.33x Charge Pump
- Charge Pump: 1x, 1.33x, 1.5x, 2x
- Drives 6 LEDs Between 30 mA and 0 mA Each
- 1-wire EZDim™ Interface with 2 mA Step
- Power Efficiency up to 92%
- Low Noise Input Ripple in All Modes
- "Zero" Current Shutdown Mode
- Soft Start and Current Limiting
- Short Circuit Protection
- Thermal Shutdown Protection
- Tiny 3 mm x 3 mm, 16-pad TQFN Package
- These Devices are Pb-Free, Halogen Free/BFR Free and are RoHS Compliant

### Applications

- LCD Display Backlight
- Cellular Phones
- Digital Still Cameras
- Handheld Devices



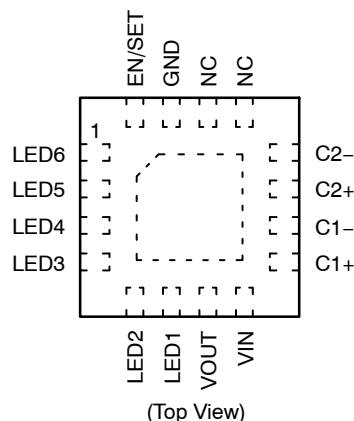
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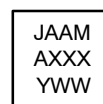


TQFN-16  
HV3 SUFFIX  
CASE 510AD

### PIN CONNECTIONS



### MARKING DIAGRAM



JAAM = CAT3637HV3-GT2

A = Assembly Location

XXX = Last Three Digits of Assembly Lot Number

Y = Production Year (Last Digit)

WW = Production Week (Two Digits)

### ORDERING INFORMATION

| Device                     | Package              | Shipping†             |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| CAT3637HV3-GT2<br>(Note 1) | TQFN-16<br>(Pb-Free) | 2000 /<br>Tape & Reel |

†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.

1. NiPdAu Plated Finish (RoHS-compliant).

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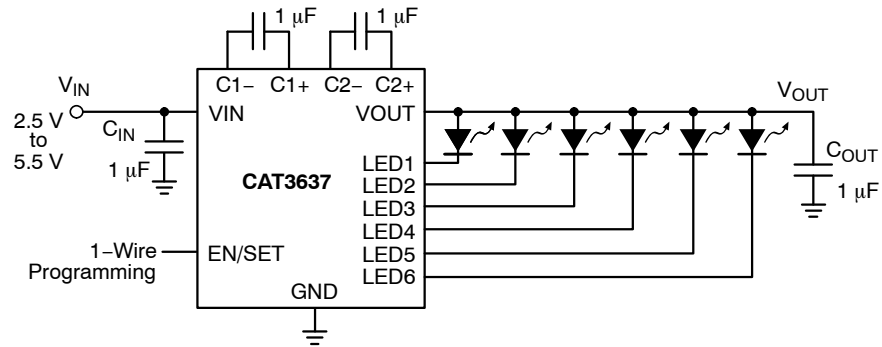


Figure 1. Typical Application Circuit

Table 1. ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

| Parameter                           | Rating      | Unit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|------|
| VIN, LEDx, C1±, C2± voltage         | 6           | V    |
| VOUT Voltage                        | 7           | V    |
| EN/SET Voltage                      | VIN + 0.7 V | V    |
| Storage Temperature Range           | -65 to +160 | °C   |
| Junction Temperature Range (Note 2) | -40 to +150 | °C   |
| Lead Temperature                    | 300         | °C   |

Stresses exceeding those listed in the Maximum Ratings table may damage the device. If any of these limits are exceeded, device functionality should not be assumed, damage may occur and reliability may be affected.

Table 2. RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

| Parameter                          | Range      | Unit |
|------------------------------------|------------|------|
| VIN                                | 2.5 to 5.5 | V    |
| Ambient Temperature Range (Note 2) | -40 to +85 | °C   |
| ILED per LED pin                   | 0 to 30    | mA   |
| Total Output Current               | 0 to 180   | mA   |

Functional operation above the stresses listed in the Recommended Operating Ranges is not implied. Extended exposure to stresses beyond the Recommended Operating Ranges limits may affect device reliability.

2. Package thermal resistance is below 50°C/W when mounted on FR4 board.

**Table 3. ELECTRICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS**(over recommended operating conditions unless specified otherwise)  $V_{IN} = 3.6\text{ V}$ ,  $EN = \text{High}$ ,  $T_{AMB} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

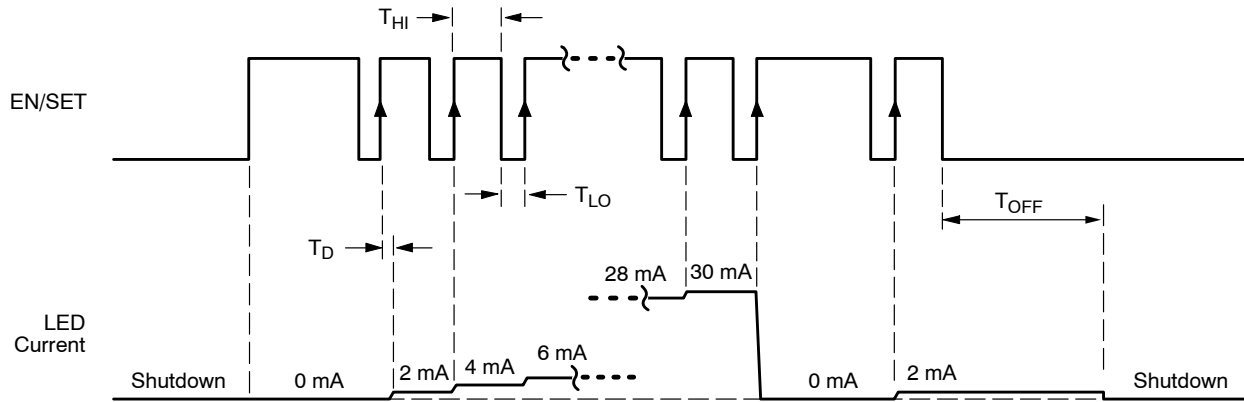
| Symbol                               | Name                                                                                   | Conditions                                                                                                                                                | Min        | Typ                      | Max        | Units                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| $I_Q$                                | Quiescent Current                                                                      | 1x mode, $V_{IN} = 4.2\text{ V}$<br>1.33x mode, $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{ V}$<br>1.5x mode, $V_{IN} = 2.8\text{ V}$<br>2x mode, $V_{IN} = 2.5\text{ V}$         |            | 1.5<br>2.8<br>3.7<br>3.8 |            | mA                   |
| $I_{QSHDN}$                          | Shutdown Current                                                                       | $V_{EN} = 0\text{ V}$                                                                                                                                     |            |                          | 1          | $\mu\text{A}$        |
| $I_{LED-ACC}$                        | LED Current Accuracy                                                                   | $2\text{ mA} \leq I_{LED} \leq 30\text{ mA}$                                                                                                              |            | $\pm 3$                  |            | %                    |
| $I_{LED-DEV}$                        | LED Channel Matching                                                                   | $\frac{I_{LED} - I_{LEDAVG}}{I_{LEDAVG}}$                                                                                                                 |            | $\pm 1$                  |            | %                    |
| $R_{OUT}$                            | Output Resistance (open loop)                                                          | 1x mode, $I_{OUT} = 120\text{ mA}$<br>1.33x mode, $I_{OUT} = 120\text{ mA}$<br>1.5x mode, $I_{OUT} = 120\text{ mA}$<br>2x mode, $I_{OUT} = 120\text{ mA}$ |            | 0.5<br>3.5<br>3.5<br>6   |            | $\Omega$             |
| $F_{OSC}$                            | Charge Pump Frequency                                                                  | 1.33x and 2x mode<br>1.5x mode                                                                                                                            | 0.6<br>0.8 | 0.8<br>1.1               | 1.1<br>1.4 | MHz                  |
| $I_{SC\_MAX}$                        | Output short circuit Current Limit                                                     | $V_{OUT} < 0.5\text{ V}$                                                                                                                                  |            | 80                       |            | mA                   |
| $LED_{TH}$                           | 1x to 1.33x or 1.33x to 1.5x or<br>1.5x to 2x Transition Thresholds at any LEDx pin    |                                                                                                                                                           |            | 150                      |            | mV                   |
| $V_{HYS}$                            | 1.33x to 1x Transition Hysteresis                                                      | $V_{IN} - \text{Highest LED } V_F$                                                                                                                        |            | 400                      |            | mV                   |
| $T_{DF}$                             | Mode Transition Filter Delay                                                           |                                                                                                                                                           |            | 120                      |            | $\mu\text{s}$        |
| $I_{IN\_MAX}$                        | Input Current Limit                                                                    | $V_{OUT} > 1\text{ V}$                                                                                                                                    |            | 450                      |            | mA                   |
| $R_{EN/DIM}$<br>$V_{HI}$<br>$V_{LO}$ | EN/DIM Pin<br>– Internal Pull-down Resistor<br>– Logic High Level<br>– Logic Low Level |                                                                                                                                                           | 1.3        | 100                      | 0.4        | k $\Omega$<br>V<br>V |
| $T_{SD}$                             | Thermal Shutdown                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                           |            | 150                      |            | $^{\circ}\text{C}$   |
| $T_{HYS}$                            | Thermal Hysteresis                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                           |            | 20                       |            | $^{\circ}\text{C}$   |
| $V_{UVLO}$                           | Undervoltage lockout (UVLO) threshold                                                  |                                                                                                                                                           |            | 2                        |            | V                    |

Product parametric performance is indicated in the Electrical Characteristics for the listed test conditions, unless otherwise noted. Product performance may not be indicated by the Electrical Characteristics if operated under different conditions.

NOTE: Typical application circuit with external components is shown on page 2.

**Table 4. RECOMMENDED EN/SET TIMING** (For  $2.5 \leq V_{IN} \leq 5.5$  V, over full ambient temperature range  $-40^{\circ}$  to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ .)

| Symbol    | Name                        | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Units         |
|-----------|-----------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|
| $T_{LO}$  | EN/SET program low time     |            | 0.2 |     | 100 | $\mu\text{s}$ |
| $T_{HI}$  | EN/SET program high time    |            | 0.2 |     |     | $\mu\text{s}$ |
| $T_{OFF}$ | EN/SET low time to shutdown |            | 1.5 |     |     | ms            |
| $T_D$     | LED current settling time   |            |     | 10  |     | $\mu\text{s}$ |



**Figure 2. EN/SET One Wire Addressable Timing Diagram**

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

( $V_{IN} = 3.6\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 120\text{ mA}$  (6 LEDs at 20 mA),  $C_{IN} = C_{OUT} = C_1 = C_2 = 1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $T_{AMB} = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified.)

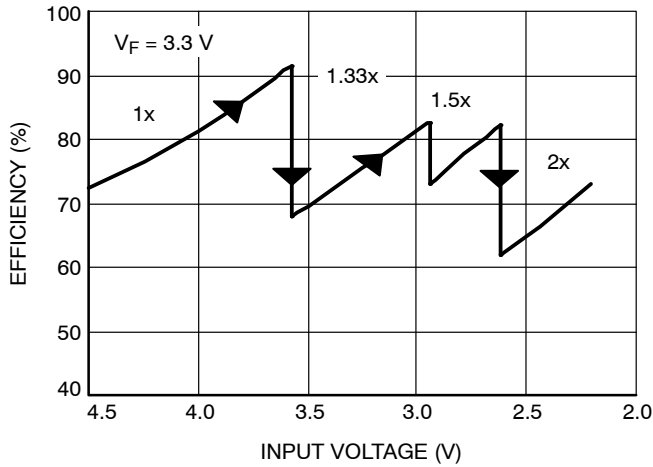


Figure 3. Efficiency vs. Input Voltage

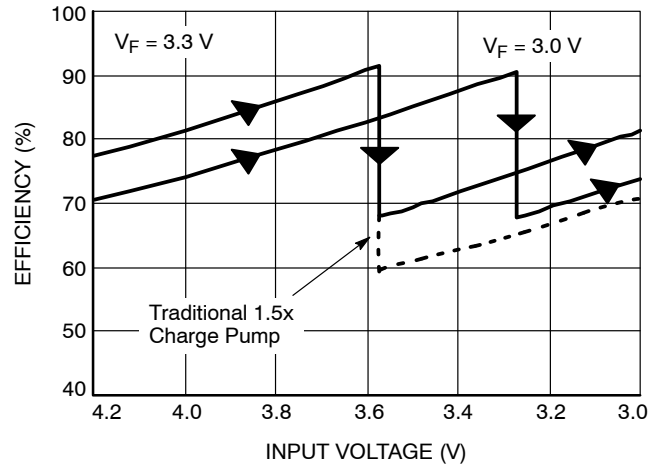


Figure 4. Efficiency vs. Li-Ion Voltage

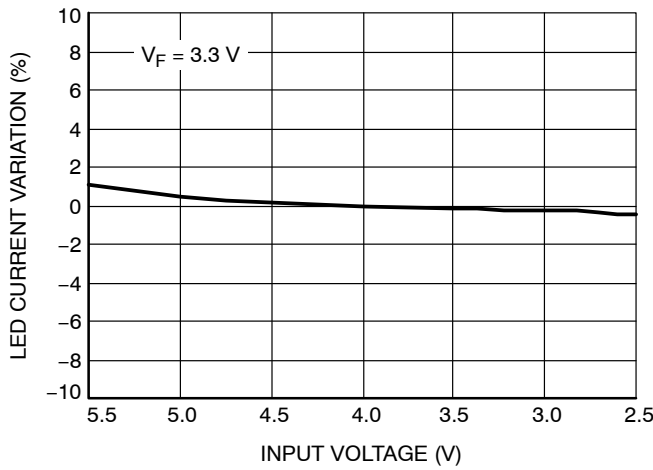


Figure 5. LED Current Change vs. Input Voltage

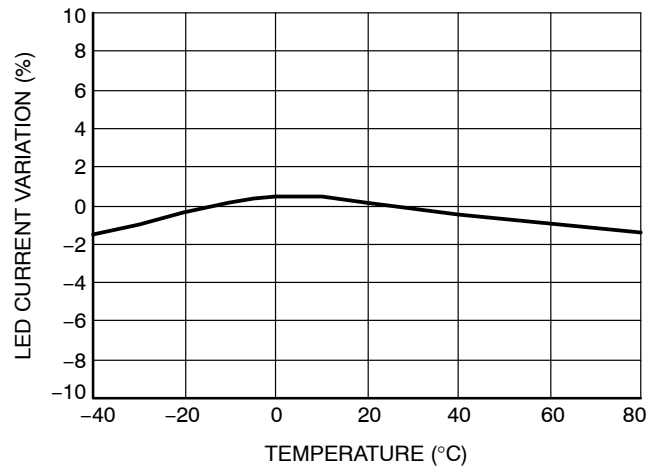


Figure 6. LED Current Change vs. Temperature

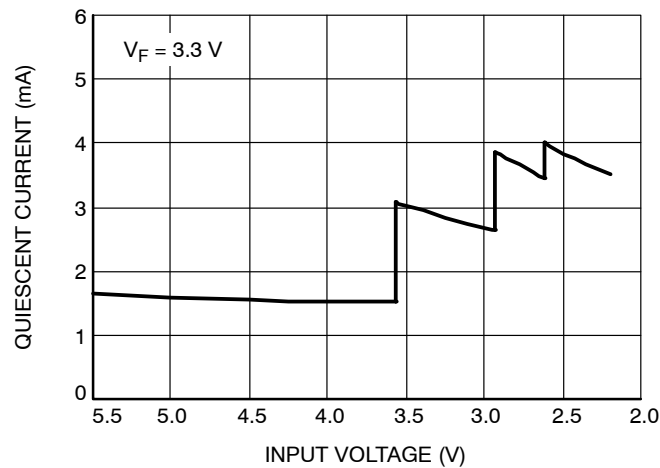


Figure 7. Quiescent Current vs. Input Voltage

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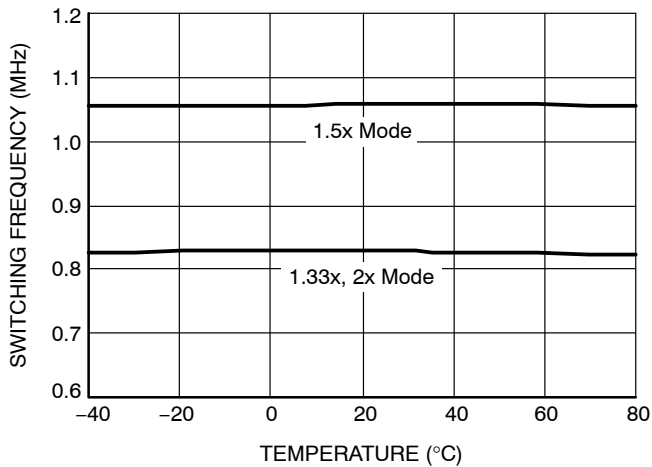


Figure 8. Switching Frequency vs. Temperature

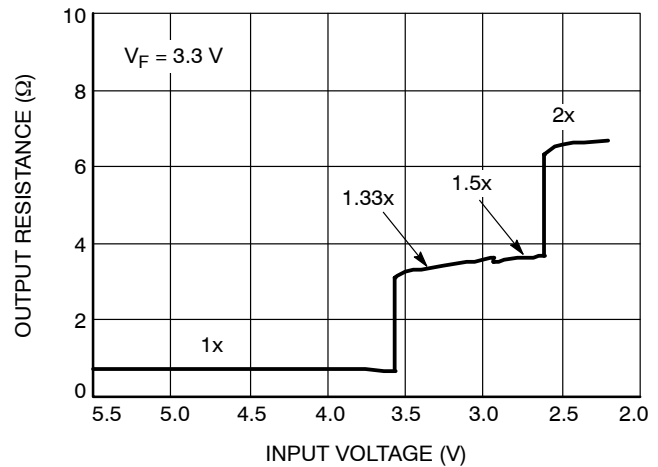


Figure 9. Output Resistance vs. Input Voltage

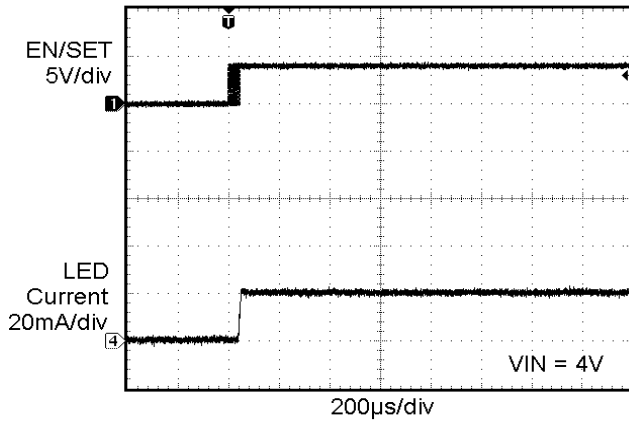


Figure 10. Power Up in 1x Mode

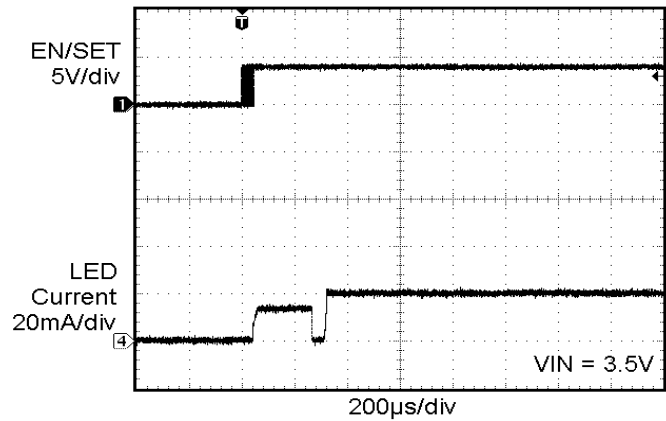


Figure 11. Power Up in 1.33x Mode

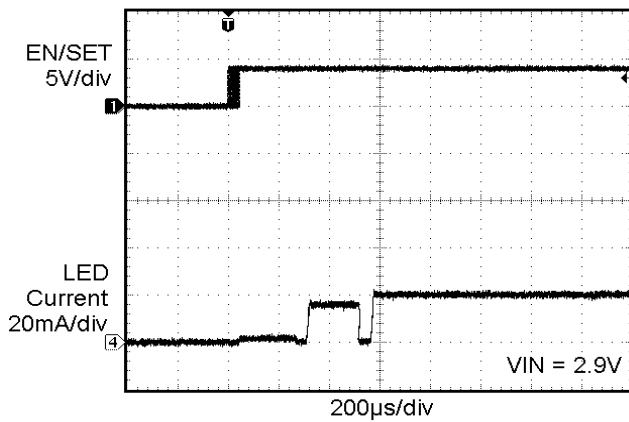


Figure 12. Power Up in 1.5x Mode

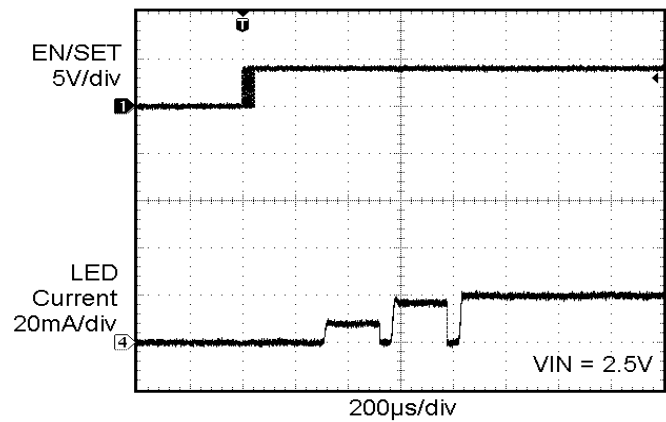


Figure 13. Power Up in 2x Mode

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

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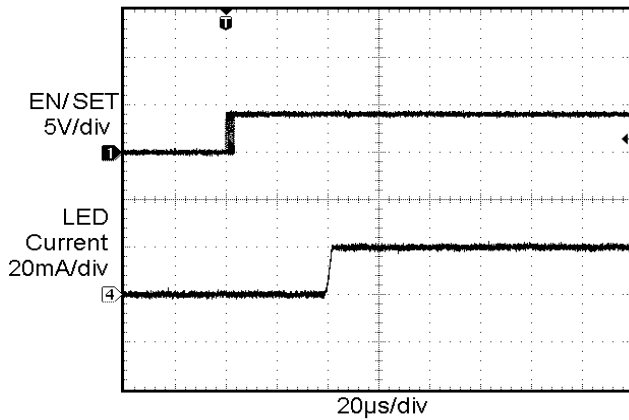


Figure 14. Power Up Delay (1x Mode)

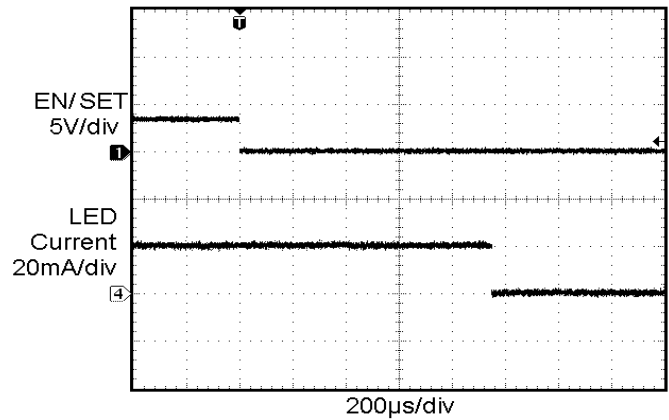


Figure 15. Power Down Delay (1x Mode)

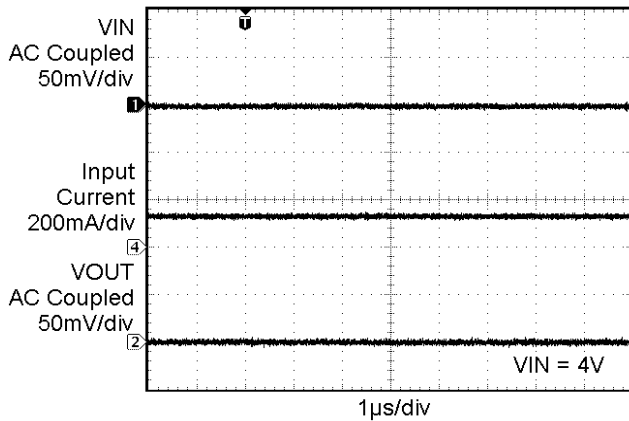


Figure 16. Operating Waveforms in 1x Mode

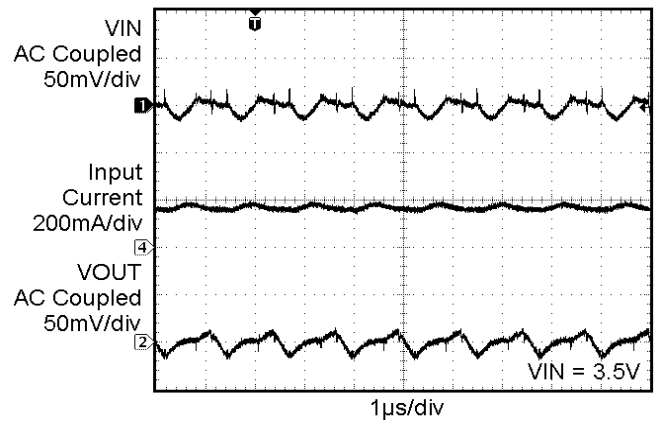


Figure 17. Switching Waveforms in 1.33x Mode

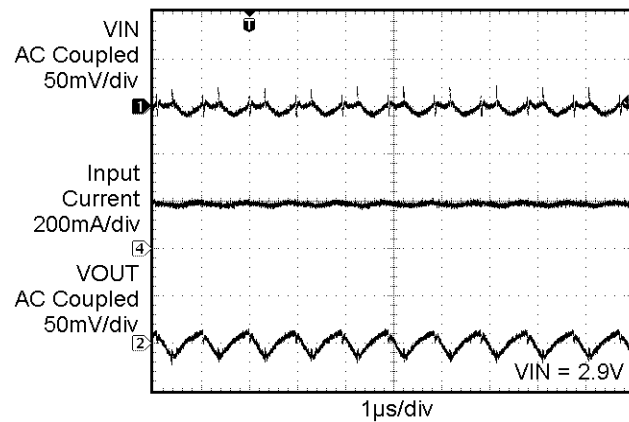


Figure 18. Switching Waveforms in 1.5x Mode

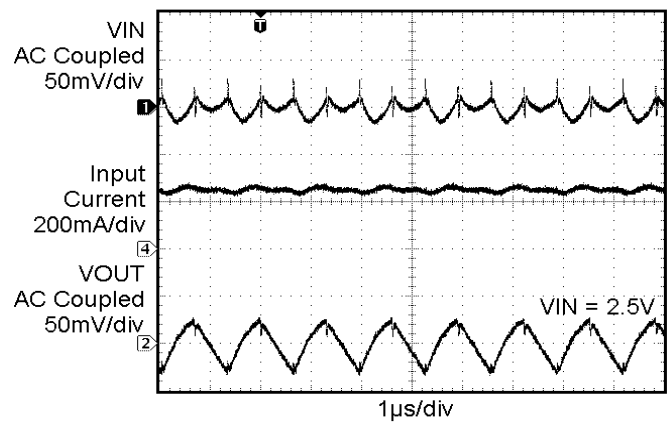


Figure 19. Switching Waveforms in 2x Mode

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

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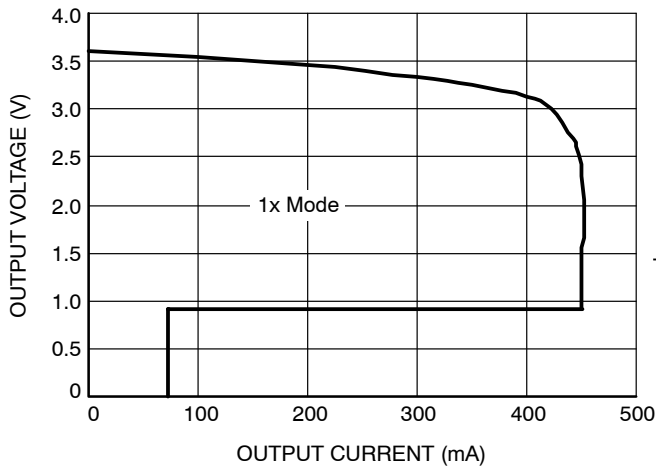


Figure 20. Foldback Current Limit

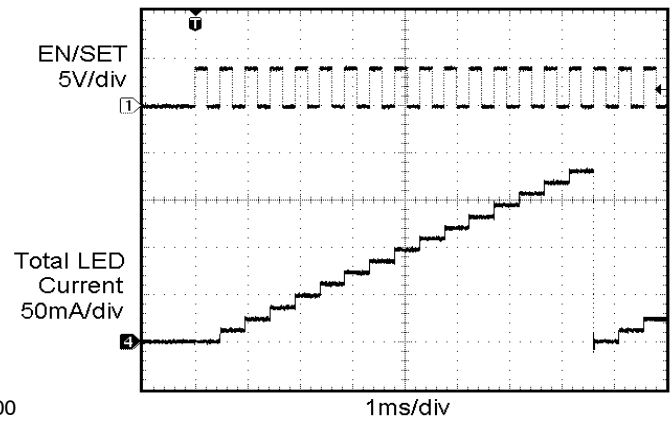


Figure 21. LED Brightness Levels

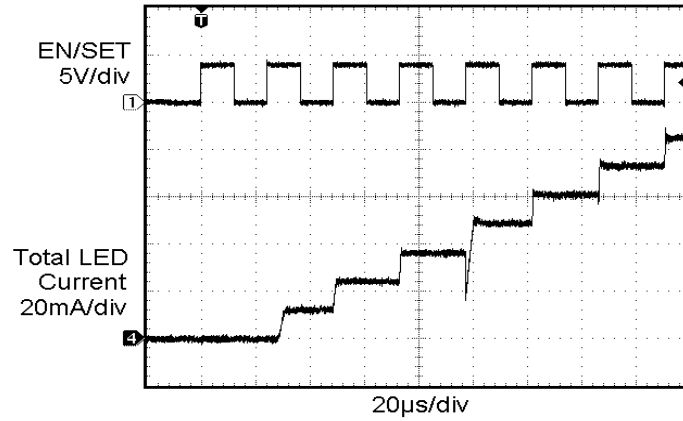


Figure 22. LED Settling Time



Table 5. PIN DESCRIPTION

| Pin # | Name   | Function                                             |
|-------|--------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | LED6   | LED6 cathode terminal                                |
| 2     | LED5   | LED5 cathode terminal                                |
| 3     | LED4   | LED4 cathode terminal                                |
| 4     | LED3   | LED3 cathode terminal                                |
| 5     | LED2   | LED2 cathode terminal                                |
| 6     | LED1   | LED1 cathode terminal                                |
| 7     | VOUT   | Charge pump output, connect to LED anodes            |
| 8     | VIN    | Charge pump input, connect to battery or supply      |
| 9     | C1+    | Bucket capacitor 1, positive terminal                |
| 10    | C1–    | Bucket capacitor 1, negative terminal                |
| 11    | C2+    | Bucket capacitor 2, positive terminal                |
| 12    | C2–    | Bucket capacitor 2, negative terminal                |
| 13/14 | NC     | No connect                                           |
| 15    | GND    | Ground reference                                     |
| 16    | EN/SET | Device enable (active high) and 1 wire control input |
| TAB   | TAB    | Connect to GND on the PCB                            |

### Pin Function

**VIN** is the supply pin for the charge pump. A small 1  $\mu$ 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 V) all the LED channels will be automatically disabled and the device register are reset to default values.

**EN/SET** is the enable and one wire addressable control logic input for all LED channels. Guaranteed levels of logic high and logic low are set at 1.3 V and 0.4 V respectively. When EN/SET is initially taken high, the device becomes enabled and all LED currents remain at 0 mA. To place the device into zero current mode, the EN/SET pin must be held low for more than 1.5 ms.

**VOUT** is the charge pump output that is connected to the LED anodes. A small 1  $\mu$ F ceramic bypass capacitor is required between the VOUT pin and ground near the device.

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

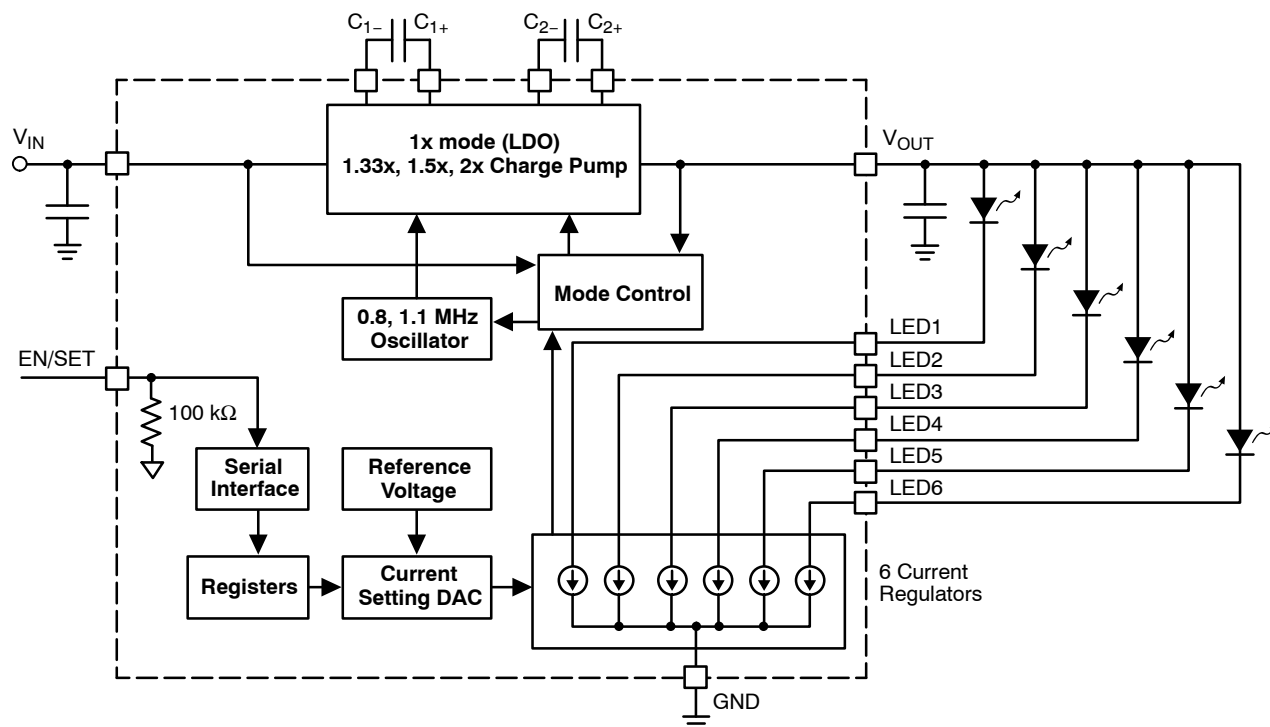
**C1+, C1–** are connected to each side of the ceramic bucket capacitor C1.

**C2+, C2–** are connected to each side of the ceramic bucket capacitor C2.

**LED1 to LED6** provide the internal regulated current for each of the LED cathodes. These pins enter high-impedance zero current state whenever the device is placed in shutdown mode.

**TAB** 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.

### Simplified Block Diagram



**Figure 23. CAT3637 Functional Block Diagram**

## Basic Operation

At power-up, the CAT3637 starts operating in 1x mode where the output will be approximately equal to the input supply voltage (less any internal voltage losses). If the output voltage is sufficient to regulate all LED currents, the device remains in 1x operating mode.

If the output voltage is insufficient or falls to a level where the regulated current cannot be maintained, the device automatically switches into 1.33x mode (after a fixed delay time of about 120  $\mu$ s). In 1.33x mode, the output voltage is approximately equal to 1.33 times the input supply voltage (less any internal voltage losses).

If the output voltage is still insufficient or falls to a level where the regulated currents cannot be maintained, the

device will automatically switch to the 1.5x mode (after a fixed delay time of about 400  $\mu$ s). In 1.5x mode, the output is approximately equal to 1.5 times the input supply voltage (less any internal voltage losses).

If the output voltage is still insufficient to drive the LEDs, it will automatically switch into 2x mode where the output is approximately equal to 2 times the input supply voltage (less any internal voltage losses).

If the device detects a sufficient output voltage to drive all LED currents in 1x mode, it will revert back to 1x mode. This only applies for changing back to the 1x mode.

### LED Current Setting

The current in each of the six LED channels is programmed through the 1-wire EN/SET digital control input. At the initial power-up and once the EN/SET is set high, the LED current remains at zero in all channels. On the first EN/SET pulse (positive edge), the current is set to 2 mA in all channels. On each consecutive pulse, the current is incremented by 2 mA. On the 15<sup>th</sup> pulse, the current is equal to the full scale of 30 mA. On the following pulse (16<sup>th</sup> pulse), the current goes back to zero and the previous

sequence can be repeated. The EN/SET pin can be pulsed at high frequency 15 times to decrement the current by 2 mA or to program the current from 0 mA to 30 mA. The maximum EN/SET signal frequency for programming the LED current is 2.5 MHz.

To power-down the device and turn-off all current sources, the EN/SET input should be kept low for a duration  $T_{OFF}$  of 1.5 ms or more. The driver typically powers-down with a delay of about 1 ms.

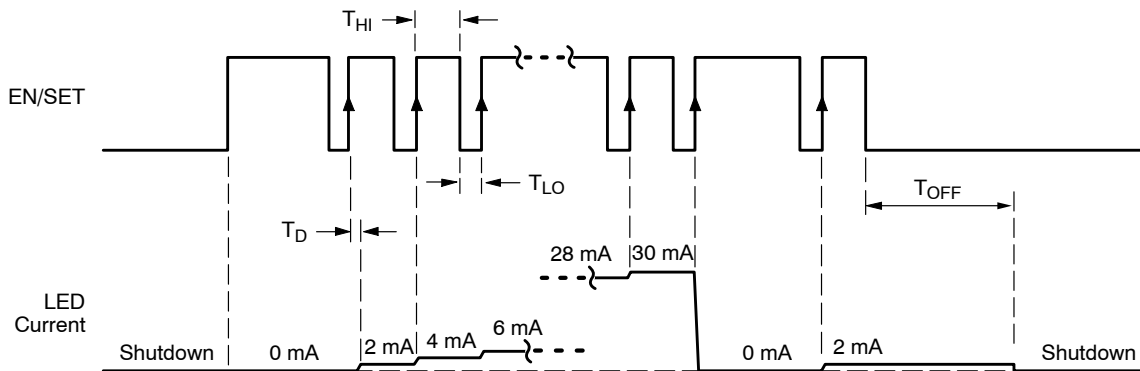


Figure 24. EN/SET One Wire Addressable Timing Diagram

For current increment:

$$\# \text{ pulses} = \frac{\Delta I}{2}$$

For current decrement:

$$\# \text{ pulses} = 16 - \frac{\Delta I}{2}$$

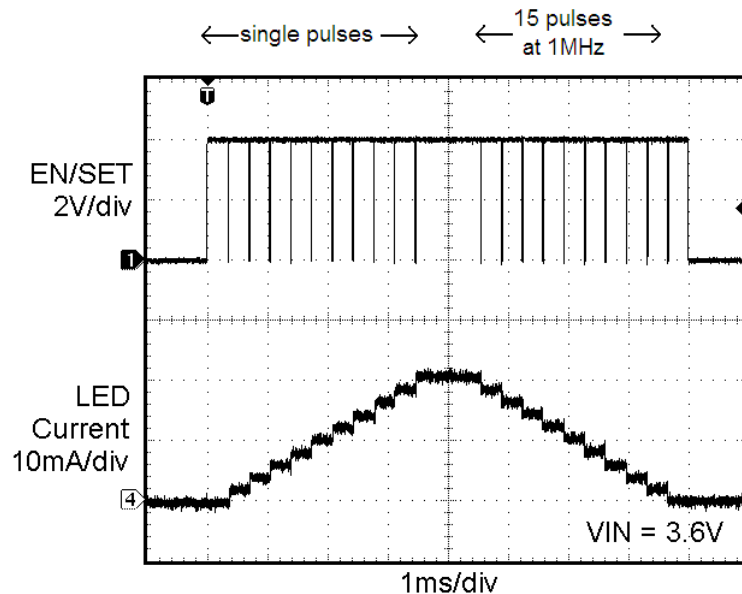


Figure 25. EN/SET Program Increasing / Decreasing LED Current by 2 mA

## Unused LED Channels

For applications with 5 LEDs or less, unused LEDs can be disabled by connecting the LED pin directly to VOUT, as shown on Figure 26. If LED pin voltage is within 1 V of

VOUT, then the channel is switched off and a 200  $\mu$ A test current is placed in the channel to sense when the channel moves below  $V_{OUT} - 1$  V.

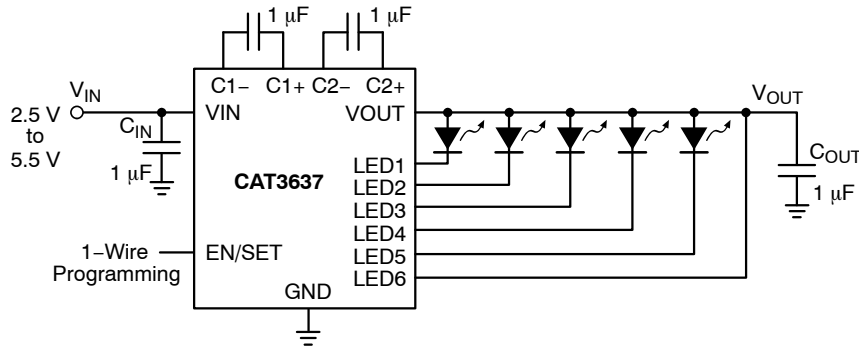


Figure 26. Five LED Application

## Protection Mode

If an LED is disconnected, the output voltage VOUT automatically limits at about 5.5 V. This is to prevent the output pin from exceeding its absolute maximum rating.

If the die temperature exceeds +150°C the driver will enter a thermal protection shutdown mode. When the device temperature drops by about 20°C the device will resume normal operation.

## LED Selection

LEDs with forward voltages ( $V_F$ ) ranging from 1.3 V to 5.0 V may be used with the CAT3637. Selecting LEDs with lower  $V_F$  is recommended in order to improve the efficiency by keeping the driver in 1x mode longer as the battery voltage decreases.

For example, if a white LED with a  $V_F$  of 3.3 V is selected over one with  $V_F$  of 3.5 V, the CAT3637 will stay in 1x mode for lower supply voltage of 0.2 V. This helps improve the efficiency and extends battery life.

## External Components

The driver requires two external 1  $\mu$ F ceramic capacitors for decoupling input, output, and for the charge pump. Both capacitors type X5R and X7R are recommended for the LED driver application. In all charge pump modes, the input current ripple is kept very low by design and an input bypass capacitor of 1  $\mu$ F is sufficient.

In 1x mode, the device operates in linear mode and does not introduce switching noise back onto the supply.

## Recommended Layout

In charge pump mode, the driver switches internally at a high frequency. It is recommended to minimize trace length to all four capacitors. A ground plane should cover the area under the driver IC as well as the bypass capacitors. Short connection to ground on capacitors  $C_{IN}$  and  $C_{OUT}$  can be implemented with the use of multiple via. A copper area matching the TQFN exposed pad (TAB) must be connected to the ground plane underneath. The use of multiple via improves the package heat dissipation.

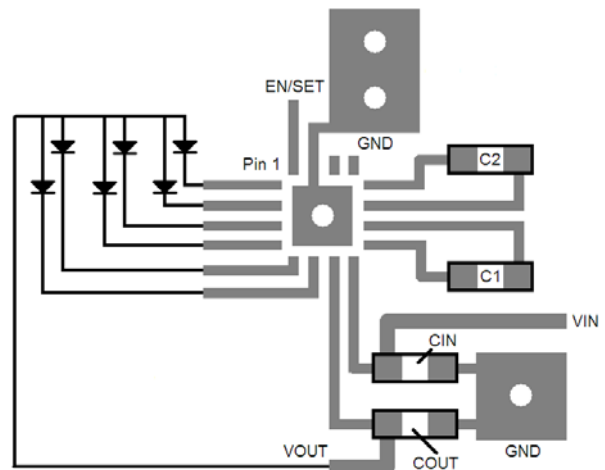
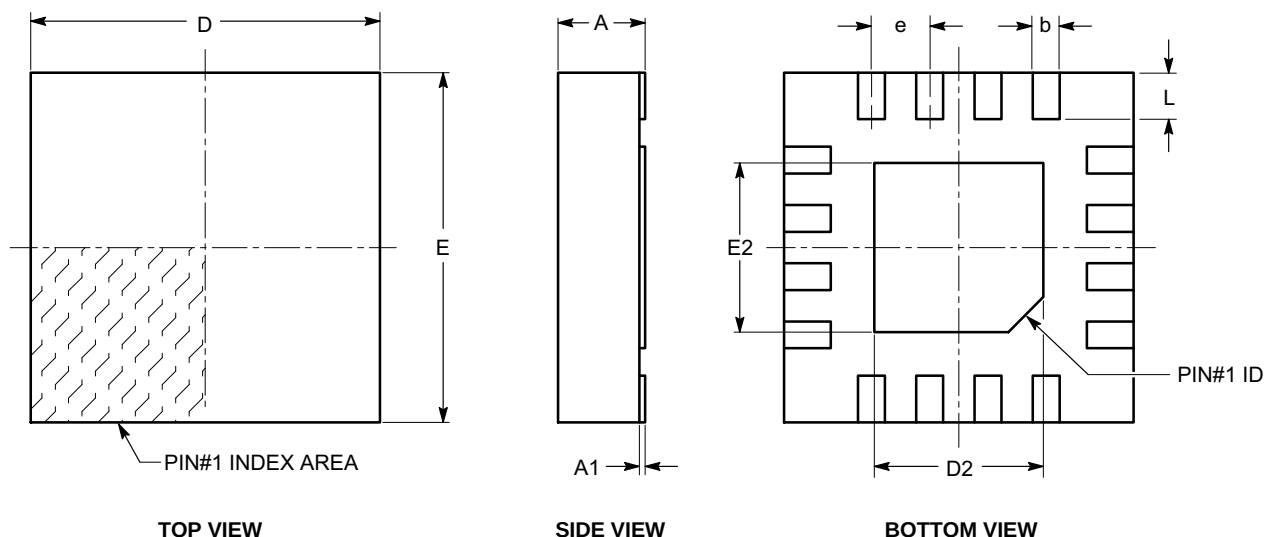


Figure 27. Recommended Layout

**TQFN16, 3x3**  
CASE 510AD  
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| SYMBOL | MIN      | NOM  | MAX  |
|--------|----------|------|------|
| A      | 0.70     | 0.75 | 0.80 |
| A1     | 0.00     | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| A3     | 0.20 REF |      |      |
| b      | 0.18     | 0.25 | 0.30 |
| D      | 2.90     | 3.00 | 3.10 |
| D2     | 1.40     | ---  | 1.80 |
| E      | 2.90     | 3.00 | 3.10 |
| E2     | 1.40     | ---  | 1.80 |
| e      | 0.50 BSC |      |      |
| L      | 0.30     | 0.40 | 0.50 |

**Notes:**

- (1) All dimensions are in millimeters.
- (2) Complies with JEDEC MO-220.

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