

CAT3604

4-Channel Regulated Charge Pump White LED Driver



FEATURES

- Drives individually up to 4 LEDs
- Output current up to 30mA per LED
- Digital control On/Off of each LED
- Compatible with supply voltage of 3V to 5.5V
- Power efficiency up to 93%
- 2 modes of operation 1x and 1.5x

- Automatic short circuit detect/disable
- High-frequency Operation at 1MHz
- Low value ceramic capacitors
- "604" compatible pinout
- Soft start and current limiting
- Thin QFN 16-lead package, 4x4mm, 0.8mm max height

APPLICATIONS

- Color LCD and keypad Backlighting
- Cellular Phones
- Handheld Devices

- Digital Cameras
- PDAs
- Portable MP3 players

DESCRIPTION

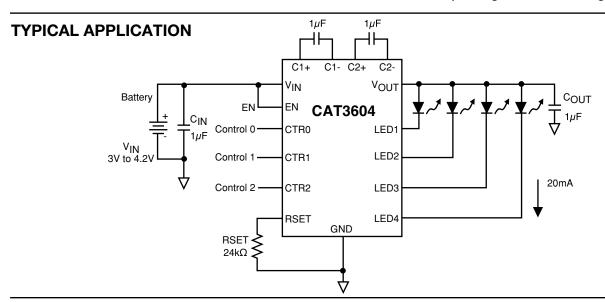
The CAT3604 is a charge pump operating in either 1x (LDO) mode or 1.5x fractional mode regulating current through each of the 4 LED pins. Operation at a fixed high frequency of 1MHz typical allows the use of very small value ceramic capacitors.

The CAT3604 drives white light-emitting diodes (LEDs) connected in parallel and provides tightly matched regulated current to achieve uniformity of brightness in LCD backlighting applications. An external resistor R_{SET} controls the output current level. LED currents of up to 30mA are supported over a range of input supply voltages from 3V to

5.5V, making the device ideal for battery-powered applications.

LED dimming can be accomplished by several methods including using a DC voltage to set the R_{SET} pin current, applying a PWM signal on the Control signals, or adding a switched resistor in parallel with R_{SET} . The Enable input pin allows the device to be placed in power-down mode with "zero" quiescent current.

The CAT3604 features short circuit and overcurrent limiting protection. The device is available in a 16-lead thin QFN package with a max height of 0.8mm.



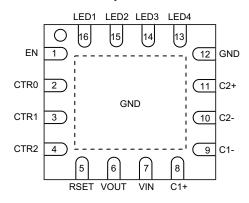


ORDERING INFORMATION

| Part Number | Package | Quantity per Reel | Package Marking |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| CAT3604HS4-TE13 | Thin QFN-16 4x4mm | 2000 | C364 |
| CAT3604HV4-TE13 | Thin QFN-16 4x4mm Lead Free | 2000 | G364 |

PIN CONFIGURATION

Top View



16-lead Thin QFN (4mm x 4mm)

Note: The package exposed pad is electrically connected inside the package to GND and to pin 12.

PIN DESCRIPTIONS

| Pin Number | Name | Function | |
|------------|---------|--|--|
| 1 | EN | Enable input, active HIGH | |
| 2 | CTR0 | Digital control input 0 | |
| 3 | CTR1 | Digital control input 1 | |
| 4 | CTR2 | Digital control input 2 | |
| 5 | RSET | The LED output current is set by the current sourced out of the RSET pin | |
| 6 | VOUT | Charge pump output connected to the LED anodes | |
| 7 | VIN | Supply voltage | |
| 8 | C1+ | Bucket capacitor 1 terminal | |
| 9 | C1- | Bucket capacitor 1 terminal | |
| 10 | C2- | Bucket capacitor 2 terminal | |
| 11 | C2+ | Bucket capacitor 2 terminal | |
| 12 | GND | Ground reference | |
| 13 | LED4 | LED 4 cathode terminal | |
| 14 | LED3 | LED 3 cathode terminal | |
| 15 | LED2 | LED 2 cathode terminal | |
| 16 | LED1 | LED 1 cathode terminal | |
| Pad | GND Pad | Ground reference | |



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
|--|-------------|------|
| VIN, VOUT, LEDx voltage | -0.3 to 7.0 | V |
| EN, CTRx voltage | -0.3 to VIN | V |
| RSET voltage | -0.3 to VIN | V |
| RSET current | <u>+</u> 1 | mA |
| Ambient Temperature Range | -40 to +85 | °C |
| Storage Temperature Range | -65 to +160 | °C |
| Lead Temperature | 300 | °C |
| ESD Ratings Human Body Model (HBM) Machine Model (MM) (note 1) | 2000 200 | V |

Note 1: Machine model is with 200pF capacitor discharged directly into each pin.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|------|
| VIN | 3.0 to 5.5 | V |
| Ambient Temperature Range | -40 to +85 | °C |
| Input/Output/Bucket Capacitors | 1 <u>+</u> 20% typical | μF |
| I _{LED} per LED pin | 0 to 30 | mA |

ELECTRICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Limits over recommended operating conditions unless specified otherwise. Typical values at T_A = 25°C, VIN = 3.5V, I_{RSET} = $5\mu A$

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | | Тур | Max | Unit |
|----------------------|--|--|------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Ι _α | Quiescent Current | V _{EN} = 0V Shutdown Mode 1x Mode, No Load 1.5x Mode, No Load | | 0.05 0.3 2.6 | 1 1 5 | μΑ mA mA |
| V _{RSET} | RSET Regulated Voltage | | 1.17 | 1.2 | 1.23 | V |
| I _{LED} | Programmed LED Current | $I_{RSET} = 5\mu A$ $I_{RSET} = 37\mu A$ $I_{RSET} = 78\mu A$ | | 2.4 15.0 30.0 | | mA mA mA |
| I _{LED-ACC} | LED Current Accuracy | $0.5m\Lambda \cdot 1 \cdot 2m\Lambda$ | | ±15 ±5 | | % % |
| I _{LED-DEV} | LED Channel Matching (I _{LED -} I _{LEDAVG}) / I _{LEDAVG} | | | <u>+</u> 3 | | % |
| R _{out} | Output Resistance (Open Loop) | 1x Mode 1.5x Mode, I _{OUT} = 100mA | | 1.4 6.5 | 2.5 10 | $\Omega \Omega$ |
| f _{osc} | Charge Pump Frequency | Charge Pump Frequency | | 1.0 | 1.3 | MHz |
| T _{DROPOUT} | 1x to 1.5x Mode Transition Dropout Delay | | | 0.6 | 0.9 | ms |
| I _{EN-CTR} | Input Leakage Current On Inputs EN, CTR0, 1 & 2 | | | 0.001 | 1 | μA |
| V _{EN-CTR} | High Detect Threshold Low Detect Threshold | On Inputs EN, CTR0, 1 & 2 | 0.4 | 0.8 0.7 | 1.3 | V |
| I _{sc} | Input Current Limit | VOUT = GND | 30 | 45 | 60 | mA |
| I _{LIM} | Maximum Input Current VOUT > 1V | | 200 | 400 | 600 | mA |



BLOCK DIAGRAM

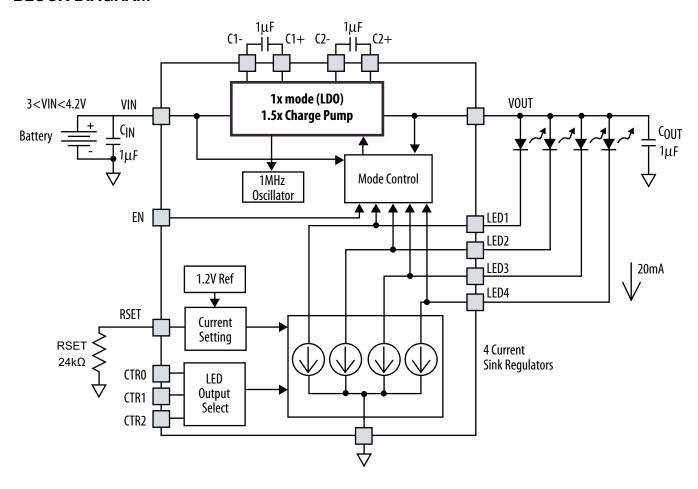


Figure 1: CAT3604 Functional Block Diagram

BASIC OPERATION

At power-up, the CAT3604 starts operation in 1x mode. If it is able to drive the programmed LED current, it continues in 1x mode. If the battery voltage drops to a level where the LED current cannot be met, the driver automatically switches into 1.5x mode. The 1.5x charge pump will boost the output voltage accordingly to achieve the nominal LED current.

The operating mode is reinitialized each and every time the chip is powered up or is taken out of shutdown mode (via EN pin). The use of the control pins (CTR0, CTR1, CTR2) does not reconfigure the mode of operation.



LED CURRENT SETTING

The LED current is set by the external resistor R_{SET} connected between the RSET pin and ground. Table 1 lists various LED currents and the associated R_{SET} resistor value for standard 1% precision surface mount resistors.

| LED Current (mA) | $R_{SET}^{}(k\Omega)$ |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 649 |
| 2 | 287 |
| 5 | 102 |
| 10 | 49.9 |
| 15 | 32.4 |
| 20 | 23.7 |
| 30 | 15.4 |

Table 1. RSET Resistor Selection

The digital control lines CTR0, CTR1 adn CTR2 allow to turn On or Off a combition of LEDs as shown in Table 2.

SHORT CIRCUIT DETECT/DISABLE

The unused LED channels can also be turned off by connecting the respective LED pins to VOUT. In which case, the corresponding LED driver is disabled and the typical LED sink current is only about $20\mu A$. When the following equation is true on any channel, the driver turns off the LED channel:

VOUT - V_{LED} ≤ 1V (LED channel OFF)

Note: The CAT3604 is designed to drive LEDs with forward voltage greater than 1V and is not compatible with resistive loads.

| Control Lines | | | LED Outputs | | | |
|---------------|------|------|-------------|------|------|------|
| CTR2 | CTR1 | CTR0 | LED4 | LED3 | LED2 | LED1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - | - | ON |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | - | - | ON | - |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | - | ON | - | - |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | ON | - | - | - |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | - | - | ON | ON |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | - | ON | ON | ON |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | ON | ON | ON | ON |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - |

Table 2: LED Selection

Notes: 1 = logic high (or VIN)

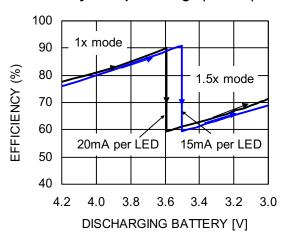
0 = logic low (or GND)

- = LED output OFF

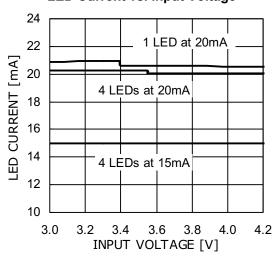


 V_{IN} = 3.6V, EN = V_{IN} , C_{IN} = C_{OUT} = 1 μ F, R_{SET} = 24k Ω , T_{AMB} = 25 $^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise specified.

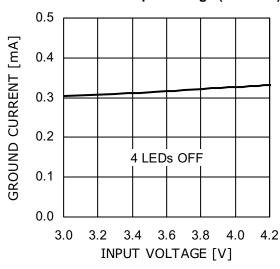
Efficiency vs. Input Voltage (4 LEDs)



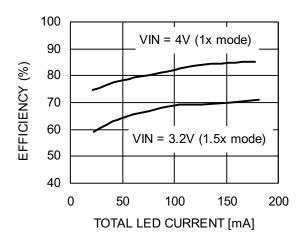
LED Current vs. Input Voltage



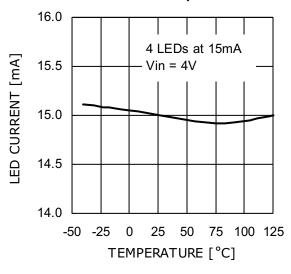
Ground Current vs. Input Voltage (1x mode)



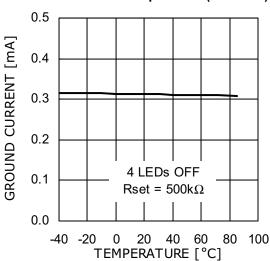
Efficiency vs. Total LED Current (4 LEDs)



LED Current vs. Temperature



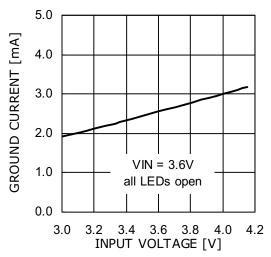
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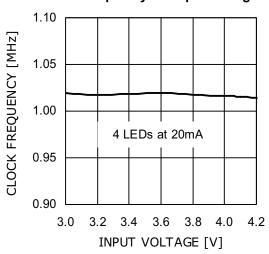


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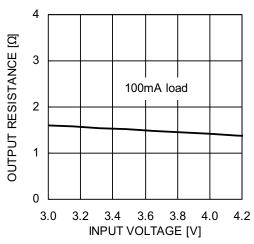
Ground Current vs. Input Voltage (1.5x mode)



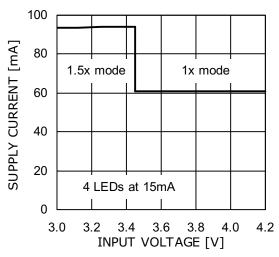
Oscillator Frequency vs. Input Voltage



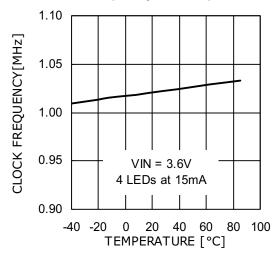
Output Resistance vs. Input Voltage (1x mode)



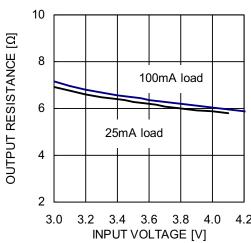
Supply Current vs. Input Voltage



Oscillator Frequency vs. Temperature



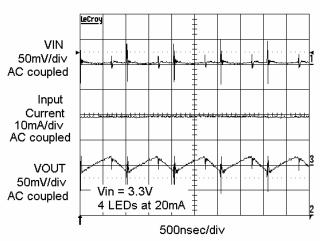
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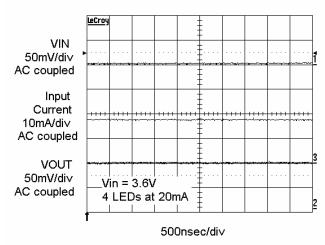


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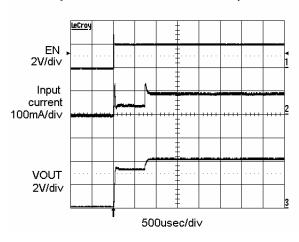
Switching Waveforms in 1.5x Mode



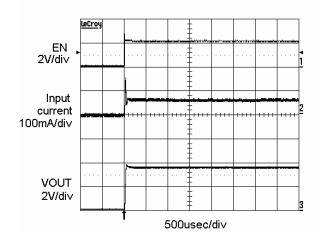
Operating Waveforms in 1x Mode



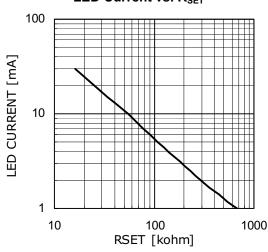
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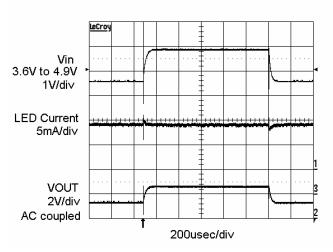
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LED Current vs. R_{SET}

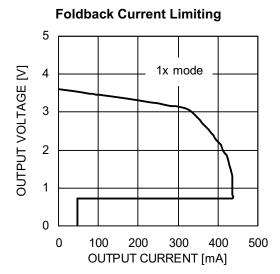


Line Transient Response in 1x Mode





 $V_{IN} = 3.6V$, $EN = V_{IN}$, $C_{IN} = C_{OUT} = 1\mu F$, unless otherwise specified.



RECOMMENDED LAYOUT

When the driver is in the 1.5x charge pump mode, the 1MHz switching frequency operation requires to minimize trace length and impedance to ground on all 4 capacitors. A ground plane should cover the area on the bottom side of the PCB opposite to the IC and the bypass capacitors. Capacitors Cin and Cout require short connection to ground which can be done with multiple vias as shown on Figure 2. A

square copper area matches the QFN16 exposed pad (GND) which is connected by a trace to the pin 12 pad (GND). A large via (metalized hole) centered in the square pad provides a low impedance connection to the ground plane on the opposite side of the PCB and allows the heat dissipated by the driver IC to spread out resulting in excellent thermal performance.

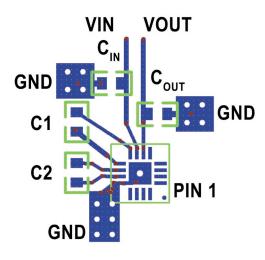


Figure 2: PCB Layout

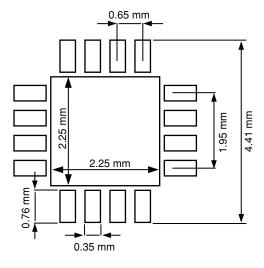
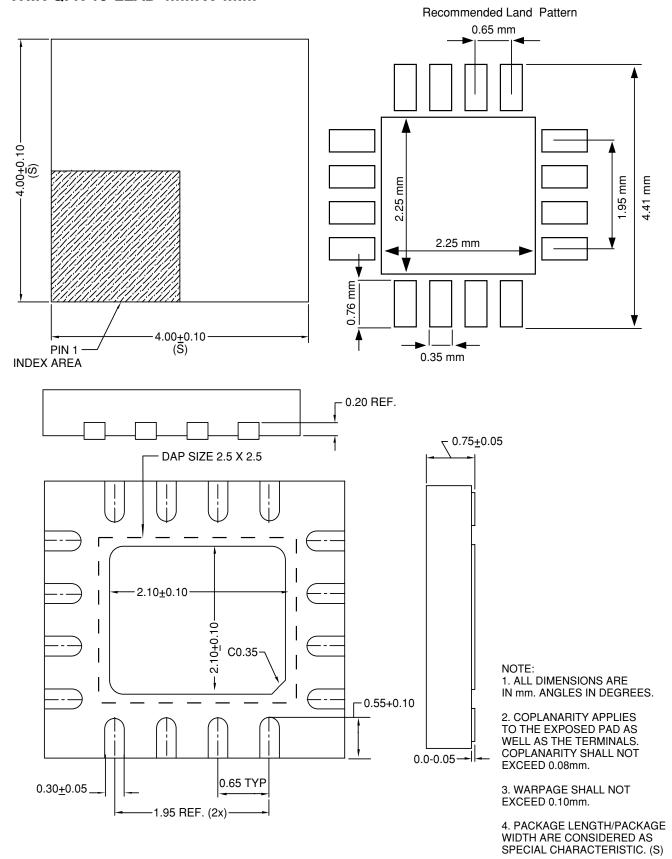


Figure 3: Recommended QFN 16 Package Land Pattern



PACKAGE DRAWING AND DIMENSIONS THIN QFN 16-LEAD 4MM X 4MM



REVISION HISTORY

| Date | Rev. | Reason | |
|------------|------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 8/19/2004 | Α | Initial issue | |
| 9/21/2004 | В | Minor Changes | |
| 9/22/2004 | С | Added Green package in all areas | |
| 9/29/2004 | D | Minor Changes | |
| 1/4/2005 | Е | Added QFN land pattern (figure 3) | |
| 1/21/2005 | F | Minor Changes | |
| 04/15/2005 | G | Update Features | |
| | | Update Short Circuit Detect/Disable | |
| 06/06/2005 | Н | Update Ordering Information | |
| 07/15/2005 | I | Update Basic Operation | |

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