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## **Features and Benefits**

- Proprietary adaptive control scheme (1×, 1.5×)
- Maximum efficiency, over 92%
- 0.5% LED current matching
- 1 MHz operating frequency
- Flexible dimming control:
  - Serial 11-level dimming, down to 5%
  - PWM
  - 2-bit parallel
- Drives up to 4 white LEDs
- 30 mA per LED
- 120 mA total continuous output
- Low input ripple and EMI
- Soft-start limits inrush current
- Short circuit protection
- Overvoltage protection
- Thermal shutdown protection
- Space-saving MLP-16 package: 3 × 3 mm footprint
- Very thin 0.75 mm nominal height package

## Package: 16 pin QFN/MLP (suffix ES)



## Description

The A8435 high efficiency charge pump IC offers a simple, low-cost white LED driver solution for portable electronics display applications. Using a proprietary control scheme ( $1\times$ ,  $1.5\times$ ), the A8435 can output well-matched currents for up to 4 LEDs, while maintaining the highest efficiency over most of the Li-ion battery lifetime.

The A8435 accepts an input range of 2.7 to 5.5 V and delivers up to 30 mA for each of the four regulated current sources. The A8435 can deliver a total continuous output current of 120 mA, meeting the requirements of most Li-ion battery-powered white LED backlight applications. Outputs can also be tied together for WLED flash/torch applications.

The A8435 offers flexible options for LED current driving. The LED current can be set by any of the following methods: (a) choosing an appropriate value for RSET, (b) 2-bit parallel control with 3 levels, (c) PWM control, or (d) serial programming

The A8435 is available in a very thin profile 0.75 mm (nominal height)  $3 \times 3$  mm QFN/MLP-16 package (ES), fitting the needs of space-conscious applications.

Applications include:

- · White LED backlights for cellular phones, PDAs
- Digital cameras, camcorders
- Portable audio devices
- Other portable device white LED backlighting
- 120 mA WLED flash/torch

## **Typical Applications**



Figure 1. Typical Circuit. Dual wire control configuration: 2-bit parallel or PWM dimming.



Figure 2. Typical Circuit. Single wire control configuration.

# A8435

#### Selection Guide

Part Number	Packaging*	Package Type	
A8435EESTR-T	7-in. reel, 1500 pieces/reel	ES, 3×3 mm QFN/MLP-16	

\*Contact Allegro for additional packing options.



# Pb

### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Input or Output Voltage

VIN, VOUT, C1+, C1–, C2+, and C2– pins	-0.3 to 6 V
All other pins	
VOUT Short Circuit to GND	Continuous
Operating Ambient Temperature, T <sub>A</sub>	40°C to 85°C
Maximum Junction Temperature, T <sub>J(max)</sub>	150°C
Storage Temperature, T <sub>S</sub>	

### Package Thermal Characteristics

 $R_{\theta JA} = 47$  °C/W, on a 4-layer board based on JEDEC spec Additional information is available on the Allegro Web site.

Package is lead (Pb) free, with 100% matte tin leadframe plating.



# Pin-out Diagram



## **Terminal List Table**

Name	Pin Number	Function*
C1–	13	Negative terminal of capacitor C1.
C1+	16	Positive terminal of capacitor C1.
C2–	15	Negative terminal of capacitor C2.
C2+	1	Positive terminal of capacitor C2.
CTRL	4	Brightness control scheme toggle. For 2-bit parallel or PWM dimming, leave open or tie to VIN (see table 1). For single-wire serial input dimming, connect to GND (see figure 2).
EN1	3	When CTRL is open or HIGH: Enable and dimming control input 1 (see table 1). When CTRL is grounded: single-wire enable and dimming control (see table 1 and figure 2). (Do not leave unconnected.)
EN2	5	When CTRL is open or HIGH: Enable and dimming control input 2 (see table 1). When CTRL is grounded: this pin disables shutdown. (Do not leave unconnected.)
EP	-	Exposed metal pad on bottom side. Connect this to ground plane for better thermal performance.
GND	11	Ground.
ISET	6	Connect RSET resistor to ground to set desired constant current through LEDs.
LED1	8	Current sink for LED1. Connect to VIN or VOUT if not used for LED. (Do not leave unconnected.)
LED2	7	Current sink for LED2. Connect to VIN or VOUT if not used for LED. (Do not leave unconnected.)
LED3	10	Current sink for LED3. Always connect this pin to LED.
LED4	9	Current sink for LED4. Connect to VIN or VOUT if not used for LED. (Do not leave unconnected.)
NC	12	No Connection.
VIN	14	Power supply voltage input.
VOUT	2	Charge pump voltage source output for connection to the LED anodes.

\* See Application Information section for cited figure and tables.



#### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

 $V_{IN} = V_{EN1} = V_{EN2} = 3.6$  V,  $C_1 = C_2 = 1 \ \mu$ F,  $T_A = -40$  to 85°C, typical values at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C (unless otherwise noted)

Characteristics	Symbol	Test Conditions		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Units
Input Voltage Range	V <sub>IN</sub>			2.7	-	5.5	V
Undervoltage Lockout Threshold	V <sub>UVLO</sub>	V <sub>IN</sub> falling, V <sub>UVLOHYS</sub> = 35 mV		2.25	2.45	2.60	V
UVLO Hysteresis Window	V <sub>UVLOHYS</sub>			-	35	- I	mV
Quiescent Current	Ι <sub>Q</sub>	Switching, T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C		-	2.8	4	mA
Quiescent Current		EN1 = EN2 = GND, T <sub>A</sub>	= 25°C	-	0.1	1	μA
Soft-Start Completion Time	t <sub>ss</sub>			-	2	-	ms
ISET Bias Voltage	VISETBIAS			0.56	0.6	0.64	V
ISET Leakage in Shutdown	V <sub>ISETLKG</sub>			-	0.01	1	μA
ISET Current Range	I <sub>ISET</sub>			40	-	140	μA
	1021		EN1 = EN2 = VIN	190	219	245	A/A
		I <sub>ISET</sub> = 60 μA, CTRL = open or HIGH	EN1 = VIN, EN2 = GND	105	121	137	A/A
ISET to LEDx Current Ratio	I <sub>LEDx</sub> /I <sub>ISET</sub>		EN1 = GND, EN2 = VIN	51	60	69	A/A
		I <sub>ISET</sub> = 60 μΑ, CTRL = LOW	Full brightness	-	200	-	A/A
I <sub>LED</sub> Accuracy	E <sub>ILED</sub>	EN1 = EN2 = VIN, R <sub>SET</sub> = 4.3 kΩ		-	±0.9	-	%
LED Current Matching <sup>2</sup>	$\Delta I_{LED}$	V <sub>IN</sub> =3.6 V, I <sub>LED</sub> = 30 mA per LED		-	±0.5	-	%
Regulation Voltage at LEDx (1.5×)	V <sub>LED</sub>	EN1 = EN2 = VIN		-	150	i –	mV
	R <sub>OUT</sub>	1× mode: [(V <sub>IN</sub> – V <sub>OUT</sub> )	/I <sub>OUT</sub> ]	-	1.1	-	Ω
Open Loop Output Resistance <sup>3</sup>		1.5× mode: $[(1.5 \times V_{IN} - V_{OUT})/I_{OUT}]$		-	3.6	-	Ω
1× to 1.5× Mode Transition Voltage at LEDx	V <sub>Trans</sub>	V <sub>LEDx</sub> Falling		-	100	-	mV
Transition to Dropout Voltage Difference <sup>4</sup>	$\Delta V_{dr}$	Measured as V <sub>Trans</sub> – V <sub>Dropout</sub>		-	60	-	mV
LED Leakage in Shutdown	V <sub>LEDLKG</sub>	EN1 = EN2 = GND, V <sub>IN</sub> = 5.5 V, T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C		-	0.01	1	μA
Oscillator Frequency	f <sub>osc</sub>			-	1	-	MHz
Output Overvoltage Protection <sup>5</sup>	V <sub>OVP</sub>	Open circuit at any LED that is programmed to be in the ON state		-	5.74	-	V
CTRL, EN1, EN2 Input High Logic Threshold <sup>6</sup>	V <sub>IH</sub>			1.6	-	-	V
CTRL, EN1, EN2 Input Low Logic Threshold <sup>6</sup>	V <sub>IL</sub>			-	-	0.4	V
Input High Current	I <sub>IH</sub>	V <sub>IH</sub> = V <sub>IN</sub>		-	-	1	μA
Input Low Current	I <sub>IL</sub>	V <sub>IL</sub> = GND		-	-	1	μA
EN1 Pulse Low Time7	t <sub>LO</sub>			0.5	-	500	μs
EN1 Pulse High Time <sup>7</sup>	t <sub>HI</sub>			0.5	-	-	μs
Initial EN1 Pulse High Time <sup>7</sup>	t <sub>HI(Init)</sub>	First EN1 pulse after sh	nutdown	100	-	-	μs
Shutdown Delay <sup>7</sup>	t <sub>SHDN</sub>	Falling edge of EN1 pulse		-	2	3	ms
Thermal-Shutdown Threshold	T <sub>SHDN</sub>	20°C hysteresis		-	165	-	°C

<sup>1</sup>Specifications guaranteed by design over operating temperature range, -40°C to 85°C.

<sup>2</sup>LED current matching is defined as  $(I_{LEDX} - I_{LED(AVG)})/I_{LED(AVG)}$ . <sup>3</sup>The Open Loop Output Resistance for 1.5× mode is measured with one of the LED*x* pins tied to ground or open (thus its voltage is always less than 80 mV).

<sup>4</sup>Dropout Voltage, V<sub>Dropout</sub>, is defined as the LEDx-to-GND voltage at which I<sub>LEDx</sub> drops 10% below the value of I<sub>LEDX</sub> at V<sub>LEDX</sub> = 200 mV. <sup>5</sup>Guaranteed by design.

<sup>6</sup>EN2 is not used when CTRL is tied to ground.

<sup>7</sup>Applies only when CTRL is tied to ground. See figure 3 in Application Information section.





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2.5

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3.5

V<sub>IN</sub> (V)

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5.0

5.5

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# Application Information

## Setting LED Current

The LED current level,  $I_{LEDX}$ , is set by the value chosen for the external resistor, RSET, which is connected to the ISET terminal. The full current (100%) level for  $I_{LEDX}$  can be calculated using the following formulas:

Setting	Formula		
CTRL = Open or HIGH	$R_{SET}$ (Ω) = 0.6 V × 219 / $I_{LEDX}$		
CTRL = LOW	$R_{SET}\left(\Omega\right)$ = 0.6 V × 200 / $I_{LEDX}$		

### Dimming

The A8435 offers serial, 2-bit parallel, and PWM dimming control. When the CTRL pin is pulled LOW, the EN1 pin accepts one-wire serial pulse input both to enable the part, and to select one of the 11 dimming levels, from 100% down to 5% (see table 1).

With EN2 low, when EN1 is pulled high, the IC turns on. The initial LED current defaults to 100% after softstart is complete. The t<sub>LO</sub> must be < 500 ms to avoid shutdown. With EN2 high, the operation of EN1 is the same as when EN2 is low, except shutdown is disabled ( $T_{LO} = \infty$ ).

#### Table 1. CTRL, EN1, and EN2 Pin States

CTRL	EN1	EN2	Brightness	LED Current, I <sub>LED</sub>	
Open or HIGH	LOW	LOW	Shutdown	0	
Open or HIGH	LOW	HIGH	27% Brightness	60 × I <sub>ISET</sub>	
Open or HIGH	HIGH	LOW	55% Brightness	121 × I <sub>ISET</sub>	
Open or HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	Full Brightness	219 × I <sub>ISET</sub>	
LOW	Pulse input	No effect	Adjustable; 11 levels of dimming from 100% to 5% (see figure 3; 100% cor- responds to 200 × I <sub>ISET</sub> )		
LOW	LOW >2ms	LOW	Shutdown		



When changing from one specific brightness level to another, the user may not want to keep the existing brightness level stored in memory. A simpler method is to program a shutdown and re-enable, followed by an appropriate number of pulses (from 100%) to reach the target brightness level. The total "LED off" time during shutdown, re-enable, and brightness programming can be kept sufficiently short such that no delay is discernable to the eye.

#### Shutdown

If the CTRL pin is unconnected or HIGH, the device enters the shutdown mode when EN1 and EN2 are pulled LOW. When configured to have a serial pulse dimming control (the CTRL pin is grounded), the EN1 and the EN2 pins must be pulled LOW for longer than  $t_{SHDN}$  (2 ms typical) in order to enter shutdown mode.

The output is high impedance after shutdown.

Disabling Unused LEDs

If any WLED is not used, connect the corresponding pin to either VIN or VOUT to disable it. Never leave open any unused WLED pin. LED pins will sink 30  $\mu$ A typical when connected to VIN or VOUT and the IC is enabled.

LED3 must always be selected. For example, to drive 2 LEDs, select LED3 and one of either LED1, LED2, or LED4.

#### **Component Selection**

Ceramic capacitors with X5R or X7R dielectric are recommended for the input capacitor, CIN, the output capacitor, COUT, and the charge pump capacitors, C1 and C2.



Figure 3. Single-Wire Serial Dimming Control, at pin EN1; CTRL = LOW, EN2 = LOW.



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