



## 16-bit Serial-In/Parallel-Out Constant-Current LED Driver

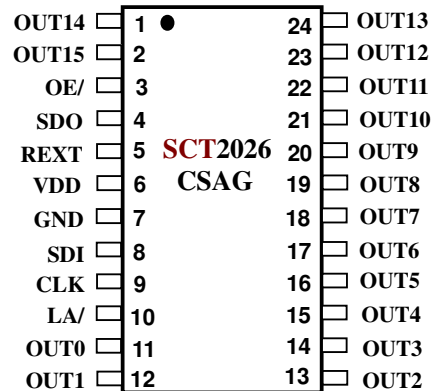
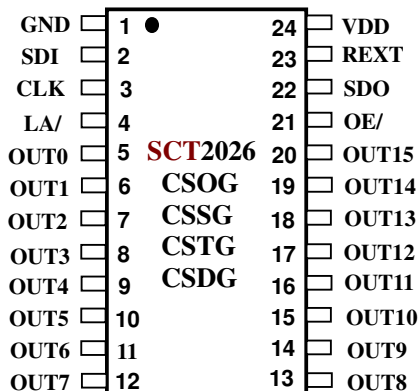
### Product Description

The SCT2026 serial-interfaced LED driver sinks 16 LED clusters with constant current to keep the uniform intensity of LED displays. In applications, an external resistor is used to set the full-scale constant output current from 5mA up to 90mA. The SCT2026 guarantees each output can endure maximum 17V DC voltage stress. The built-in shift registers and data latches making the SCT2026 effective solution in driving LED display. The output enable function gates all 16 outputs on and off, and is fast enough to be used as PWM input for LED intensity control. Since the serial data input rate can be reached up to 25MHz, the SCT2026 will satisfy system which needs high volume data transmission to control the LED display.

### Features

- ◆ 16 constant-current outputs rate at 17V
- ◆ Constant output current range: 5 – 90mA
- ◆ Excellent current regulation to load, supply voltage and temperature
- ◆  $\pm 2\%$  Current matching between outputs
- ◆  $\pm 5\%$  Current matching between ICs
- ◆ Fast output current control: Minimum PWM pulse width = 120ns
- ◆ All output current are programmed together using a single external resistor
- ◆ CMOS Schmitt triggered inputs
- ◆ High serial data transfer rate: 25MHz
- ◆ Operating supply voltage range of 4.5V to 5.5V
- ◆ Built-in power on reset and thermal protection function
- ◆ Package: SOP24, SSOP24 and SDIP24
- ◆ Applications: LED Displays, Variable Message Signs, LED Traffic Signs

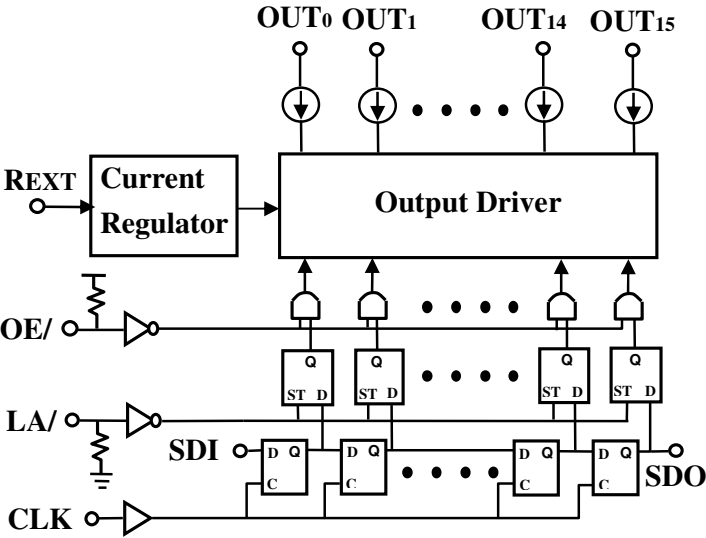
### Pin Configurations



Terminal Description

| Pin   | Name      | Function                                                                                                                  |
|-------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | GND       | Ground terminal.                                                                                                          |
| 2     | SDI       | Serial input of data shift register.                                                                                      |
| 3     | CLK       | Clock input of shift register, data is sampled at the rising edge of CLK.                                                 |
| 4     | LA/       | Input terminal of data strobe. Data is latched when LA/ is low. And data on shift register goes through when LA/ is high. |
| 5 -20 | OUT[0:15] | Open-drain, constant-current outputs.                                                                                     |
| 21    | OE/       | Output enable signal. Output is enabled when OE/ is forced to low.                                                        |
| 22    | SDO       | Output terminal of serial-data output to the SDI of next SCT2026.                                                         |
| 23    | REXT      | Used to connect an external resistor for setting up all output current.                                                   |
| 24    | VDD       | Supply voltage terminal.                                                                                                  |

Block Diagram



Ordering Information

| Part        | Package            |
|-------------|--------------------|
| SCT2026CSOG | Pb free SOP24      |
| SCT2026CSSG | Pb free SSOP24     |
| SCT2026CSAG | Pb free SSOP24     |
| SCT2026CSTG | Pb free SSOP24-1.0 |
| SCT2026CSDG | Pb free SDIP24     |

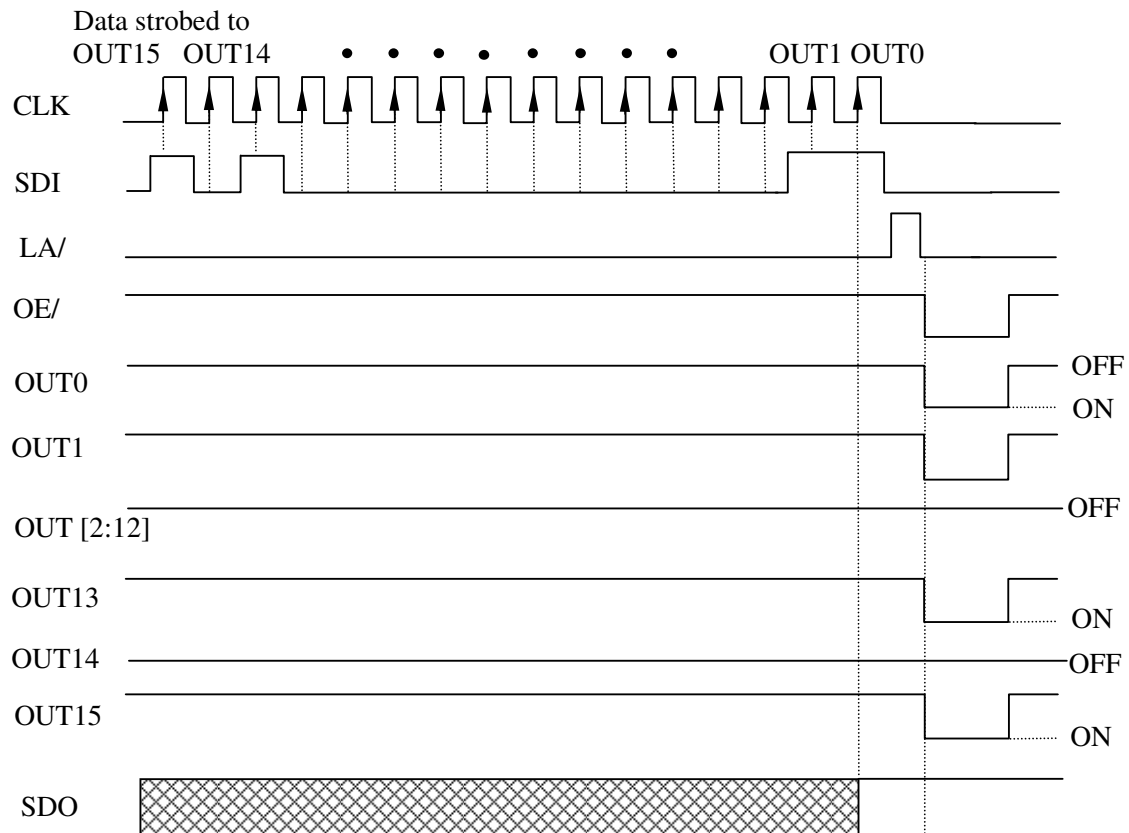
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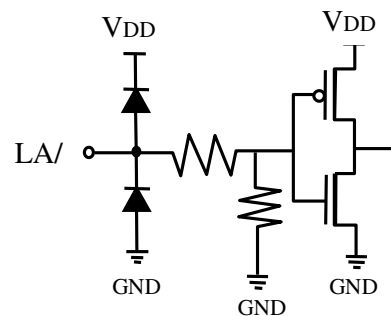
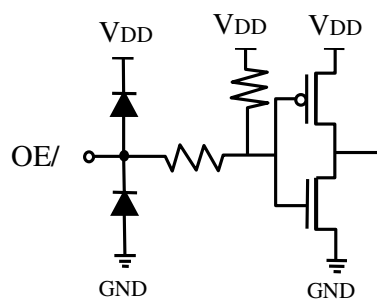
Truth Table

| CLK | LA/ | OE/ | SDI  | OUT0 ~ OUT15               | SDO   |
|-----|-----|-----|------|----------------------------|-------|
|     | H   | L   | Dn   | Dn Dn-1 ---- Dn-14 Dn-15   | Dn-15 |
|     | L   | L   | Dn+1 | No change                  | Dn-14 |
|     | H   | L   | Dn+2 | Dn+2 Dn+1 ---- Dn-12 Dn-13 | Dn-13 |
|     | X   | L   | Dn+3 | Dn+2 Dn+1 ---- Dn-12 Dn-13 | Dn-13 |
|     | X   | H   | Dn+3 | Off                        | Dn-13 |

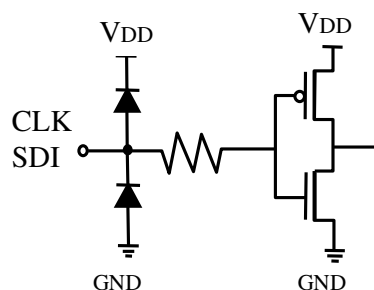
## Timing Diagram



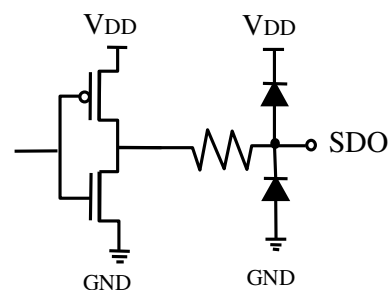
## Equivalent Circuits of Inputs (1)



## Equivalent Circuits of Inputs (2)



## Equivalent Circuits of Output



**Maximum Ratings** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )

| Characteristic              |            | Symbol        | Rating                 | Unit                        |
|-----------------------------|------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Supply Voltage              |            | $V_{DD}$      | 7.0                    | V                           |
| Input Voltage               |            | $V_{IN}$      | $-0.2 \sim V_{DD}+0.2$ | V                           |
| Output Current              |            | $I_{OUT}$     | 90                     | mA / Channel                |
| Output Voltage              |            | $V_{OUT}$     | $-0.2 \sim 17.0$       | V                           |
| Total GND Terminals Current |            | $I_{GND}$     | 1200                   | mA                          |
| Power Dissipation           | SOP24      | $P_D$         | 2.05                   | W                           |
|                             | SSOP24     |               | 1.49                   |                             |
|                             | SSOP24-1.0 |               | 1.84                   |                             |
|                             | SDIP24     |               | 2.08                   |                             |
| Thermal Resistance          | SOP24      | $R_{TH(j-a)}$ | 61                     | $^\circ\text{C} / \text{W}$ |
|                             | SSOP24     |               | 84                     |                             |
|                             | SSOP24-1.0 |               | 68                     |                             |
|                             | SDIP24     |               | 60                     |                             |
| Operating Temperature       |            | $T_{OPR}$     | $-40 \sim +85$         | $^\circ\text{C}$            |
| Storage Temperature         |            | $T_{STG}$     | $-55 \sim +150$        | $^\circ\text{C}$            |

Stresses beyond those listed under "Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device.

Exposure to the maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

**Recommended Operating Conditions** ( $T_A = -40$  to  $85^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

| Characteristic  | Symbol     | Condition          | Min.        | Typ. | Max.        | Unit |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------|-------------|------|-------------|------|
| Supply Voltage  | $V_{DD}$   | -                  | 4.5         | -    | 5.5         | V    |
| Output Voltage  | $V_{OUT1}$ | Output OFF         | -           | -    | 17          | V    |
| Output Voltage  | $V_{OUT2}$ | Output ON          | 1           | -    | 4           | V    |
| Output Current  | $I_{OUT}$  | $V_{DD}=5\text{V}$ | 5           | -    | 60          | mA   |
| Input Voltage   | $V_{IH}$   | Input Signals      | $0.7V_{DD}$ | -    | $V_{DD}$    | V    |
|                 | $V_{IL}$   | Input Signals      | 0           | -    | $0.3V_{DD}$ | V    |
| OE/ Pulse Width | $t_W$      | $V_{DD}=5\text{V}$ | 120         | -    | -           | ns   |

## Selector Guide

| Part    | Number of Outputs | Max Output Current (mA) | Min PWM Pulse Width (ns) | Supply Voltage (V) |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| SCT2110 | 8                 | 180                     | 100                      | 5                  |
| SCT2167 | 8                 | 60                      | 180                      | 3.3/5              |
| SCT2168 | 8                 | 120                     | 120                      | 3.3/5              |
| SCT2210 | 16                | 120                     | 50                       | 5                  |
| SCT2026 | 16                | 90                      | 120                      | 5                  |
| SCT2024 | 16                | 60                      | 180                      | 3.3/5              |

## Electrical Characteristics (V<sub>DD</sub>=5V, T<sub>A</sub>=25°C unless otherwise noted)

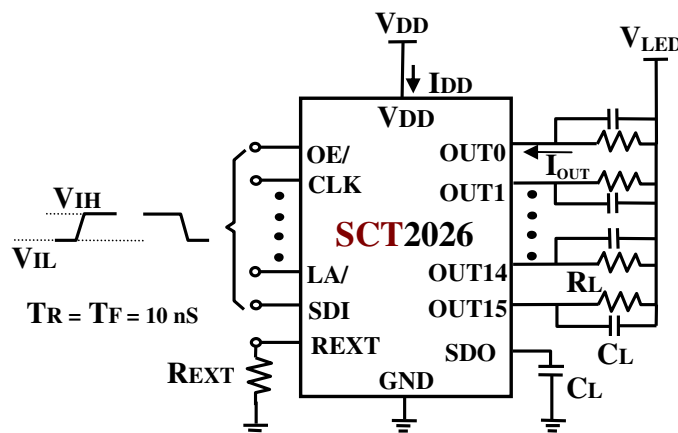
| Characteristic                                   |     | Symbol                | Condition                                                                       | Min.               | Typ. | Max.               | Unit |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------|--------------------|------|
| Input Voltage                                    |     | V <sub>IH</sub>       | -                                                                               | 0.7V <sub>DD</sub> | -    | V <sub>DD</sub>    | V    |
|                                                  |     | V <sub>IL</sub>       | -                                                                               | 0                  | -    | 0.3V <sub>DD</sub> | V    |
| SDO Output Voltage                               |     | V <sub>OH</sub>       | V <sub>DD</sub> =5V, I <sub>OH</sub> = -1mA                                     | 4.6                | -    | -                  | V    |
|                                                  |     | V <sub>OL</sub>       | V <sub>DD</sub> =5V, I <sub>OL</sub> = +1mA                                     | -                  | -    | 0.4                | V    |
| Output Leakage Current                           |     | I <sub>OL</sub>       | V <sub>OUT</sub> = 17V                                                          | -                  | -    | 0.5                | μA   |
| Output Current                                   |     | I <sub>OUT</sub>      | V <sub>OUT</sub> =1V, R <sub>EXT</sub> =900Ω                                    | -                  | 21   | -                  | mA   |
| Current Bit Skew(Note 1)                         |     | dl <sub>OUT1</sub>    | V <sub>OUT</sub> =1V, R <sub>EXT</sub> =900Ω                                    | -                  | -    | ±2                 | %    |
| Current Chip Skew                                |     | dl <sub>OUT2</sub>    | V <sub>OUT</sub> =1V, R <sub>EXT</sub> =900Ω                                    | -                  | -    | ±5                 | %    |
| I <sub>OUT</sub> vs. V <sub>DD</sub> Regulation  |     | %/dV <sub>DD</sub>    | 4.5V < V <sub>DD</sub> < 5.5V,<br>V <sub>OUT</sub> > 1V, R <sub>EXT</sub> =900Ω | -                  | -    | ±1                 | %/V  |
| I <sub>OUT</sub> vs. V <sub>OUT</sub> Regulation |     | %/dV <sub>OUT</sub>   | 1V < V <sub>OUT</sub> < 4V<br>I <sub>OUT</sub> =21mA, R <sub>EXT</sub> =900Ω    | -                  | ±0.1 | ±0.5               | %/V  |
| Pull-up Resistor                                 |     | R <sub>up</sub>       | OE/                                                                             | -                  | 500  | -                  | KΩ   |
| Pull-down Resistor                               |     | R <sub>down</sub>     | LA/                                                                             | -                  | 500  | -                  | KΩ   |
| Thermal Shutdown                                 |     | T <sub>H</sub>        | Junction Temperature                                                            | -                  | 160  | -                  | °C   |
|                                                  |     | T <sub>L</sub>        |                                                                                 | -                  | 110  | -                  | °C   |
| Supply Current                                   | OFF | I <sub>DD(off)1</sub> | R <sub>EXT</sub> =Open, V <sub>DD</sub> = 5V<br>OUT [0:15]=Off                  | -                  | 3    | 4                  | mA   |
|                                                  |     | I <sub>DD(off)2</sub> | R <sub>EXT</sub> = 900Ω, V <sub>DD</sub> = 5V<br>OUT [0:15]=Off                 | -                  | 6    | 8                  |      |
|                                                  | ON  | I <sub>DD(on)</sub>   | R <sub>EXT</sub> = 900 Ω, V <sub>DD</sub> = 5V<br>OUT [0:15]=On                 | -                  | 9    | 11                 |      |

Note 1: Bit Skew=(I<sub>OUT</sub>-I<sub>AVG</sub>)/I<sub>AVG</sub>, where I<sub>AVG</sub>=(I<sub>max</sub> + I<sub>min</sub>)/2

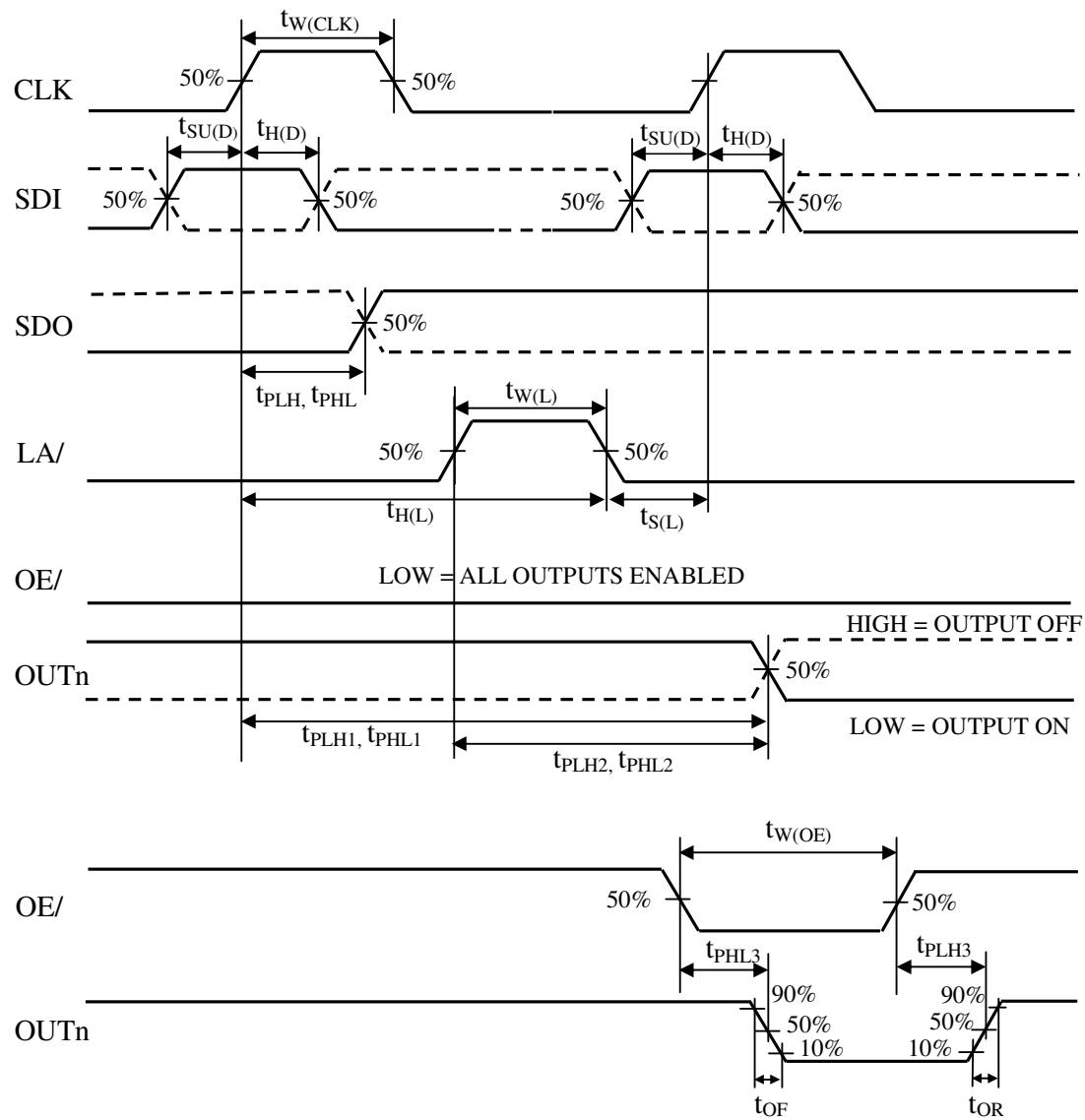
**Switching Characteristics** ( $T_A=25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)(Note 2)

| Characteristic                           |            | Symbol       | Condition                                                                                                                                         | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
|------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Propagation Delay Time ("L" to "H")      | CLK - OUTn | $t_{PLH1}$   | $V_{DD} = 5V$<br>$V_{LED} = 5V$<br>$V_{IH} = V_{DD}$<br>$V_{IL} = GND$<br>$R_{EXT} = 900\ \Omega$<br>$R_L = 180\ \Omega$<br>$C_L = 10\ \text{pF}$ | -    | 60   | 80   | ns   |
|                                          | LA/ - OUTn | $t_{PLH2}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 80   | 100  | ns   |
|                                          | OE/ - OUTn | $t_{PLH3}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 80   | 100  | ns   |
|                                          | CLK - SDO  | $t_{PLH}$    |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 15   | 30   | ns   |
| Propagation Delay Time ("H" to "L")      | CLK - OUTn | $t_{PHL1}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 60   | 80   | ns   |
|                                          | LA/ - OUTn | $t_{PHL2}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 80   | 100  | ns   |
|                                          | OE/ - OUTn | $t_{PHL3}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 60   | 80   | ns   |
|                                          | CLK - SDO  | $t_{PHL}$    |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 15   | 30   | ns   |
| Pulse Width                              | CLK        | $t_{W(CLK)}$ |                                                                                                                                                   | 20   | -    | -    | ns   |
|                                          | LA/        | $t_{W(L)}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | 20   | -    | -    | ns   |
|                                          | OE/        | $t_{W(OE)}$  |                                                                                                                                                   | 120  | -    | -    | ns   |
| Hold Time for LA/                        |            | $t_{H(L)}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | 5    | -    | -    | ns   |
| Setup Time for LA/                       |            | $t_{S(L)}$   |                                                                                                                                                   | 5    | -    | -    | ns   |
| Output Rise Time of I <sub>OUT</sub>     |            | $t_{OR}$     |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 60   | 80   | ns   |
| Output Fall Time of I <sub>OUT</sub>     |            | $t_{OF}$     |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | 60   | 80   | ns   |
| Slow CLK rise time<br>Slow CLK fall time |            | $t_R$        | Cascade                                                                                                                                           | -    | -    | 500  | ns   |
|                                          |            | $t_F$        |                                                                                                                                                   | -    | -    | 500  | ns   |

Note 2: All parameter tested at  $T_A=25^\circ\text{C}$ . Specifications over temperature are guaranteed by design.

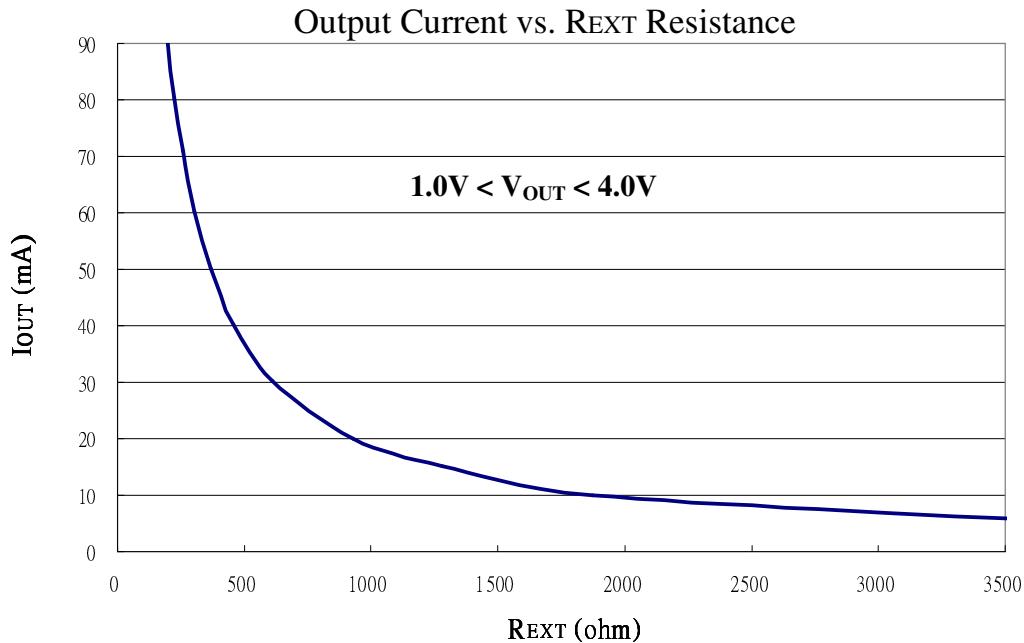
**Test Circuit for Switching Characteristics**

## Timing Waveform



## Adjusting Output Current

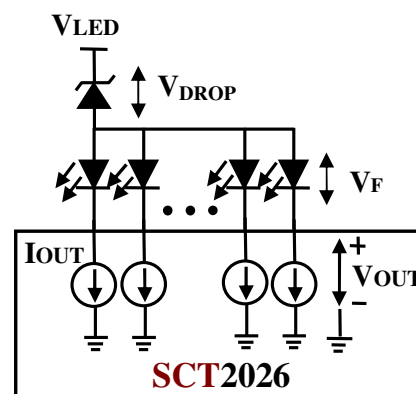
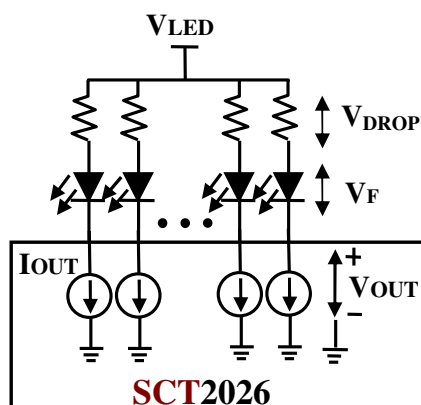
All SCT2026's output current ( $I_{OUT}$ ) are set by one external resistor at pin  $R_{EXT}$ . The relationship between  $I_{OUT}$  and resistance  $R_{EXT}$  is shown as the following figure.



Also, when SCT2026's output voltage is set between 1V and 4V, the output current  $I_{OUT}$  can be set by the formula:  $I_{OUT} = 30(630 / R_{EXT})$  mA. Thus the output currents are all set to 21mA ( $\pm 5\%$ ) by set the reference value  $R_{EXT} = 900\Omega$ .

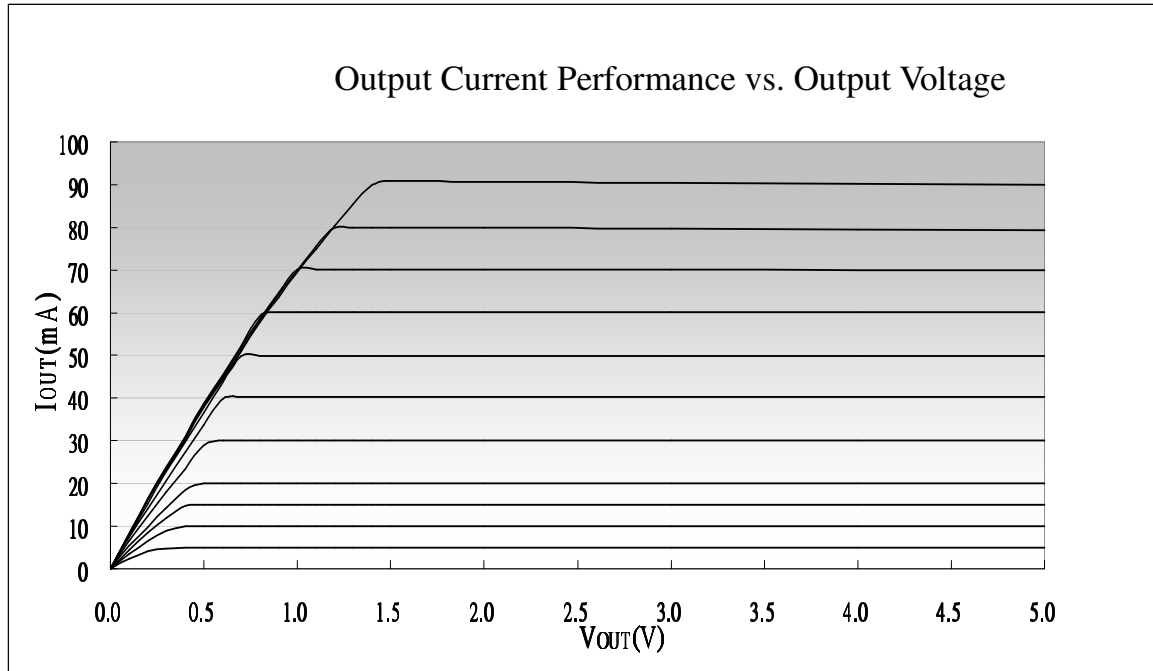
## Load Supply Voltage ( $V_{LED}$ )

The SCT2026 can be operated very well when  $V_{OUT}$  ranging from 1V to 4V. It is recommended to use the lowest possible supply voltage  $V_{LED}$  or set a voltage reducer to reduce the  $V_{OUT}$  voltage and then reduce the power dissipation of SCT2026. A voltage reducer lets  $V_{OUT} = V_{LED} - V_{DROP} - V_F$ . Resistors or Zener diode can be used in the applications as shown in the following figures.



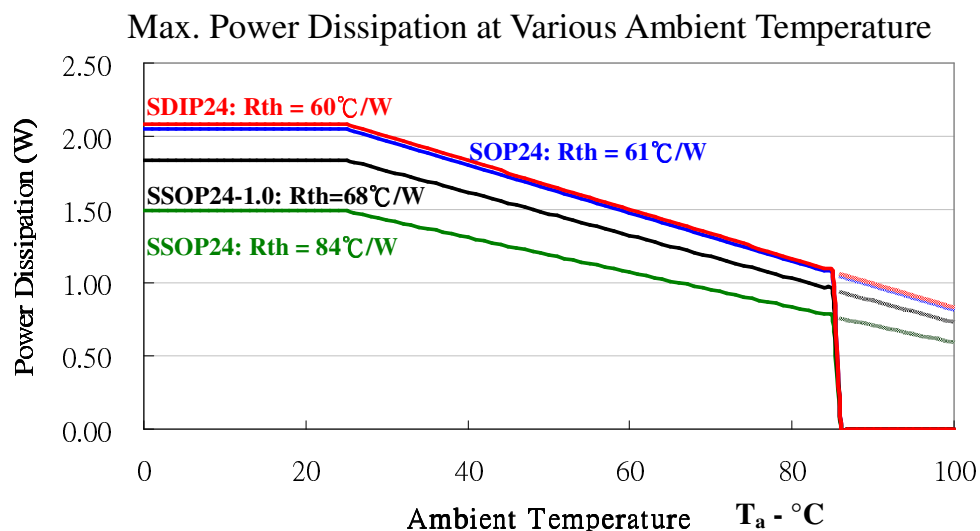
## Output Characteristics

The current characteristic of output stage is flat. The output current  $I_{OUT}$  which less than 90mA can be kept constant regardless of the variations of LED forward voltage when  $V_{OUT} > 1.4V$ . The relationship between  $I_{OUT}$  and  $V_{OUT}$  is shown as below:



## Power Dissipation

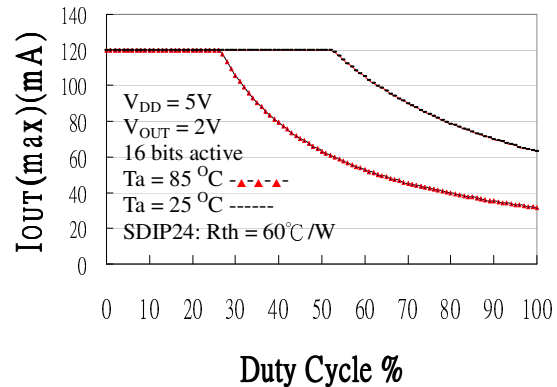
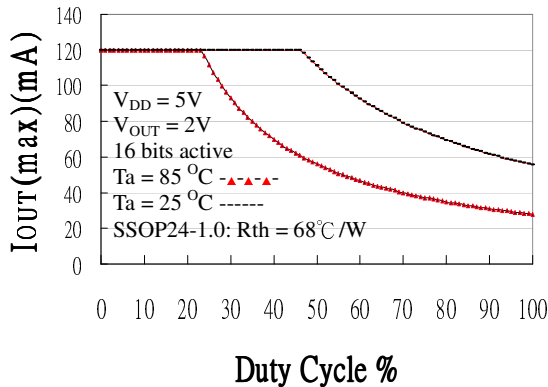
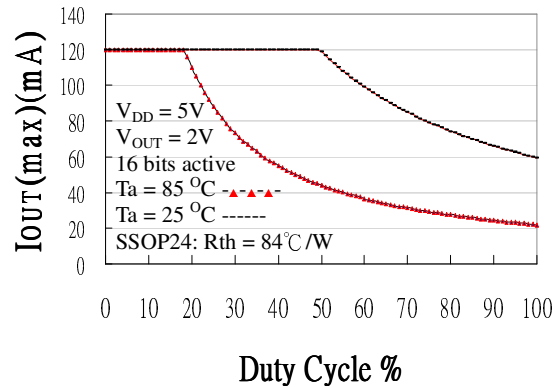
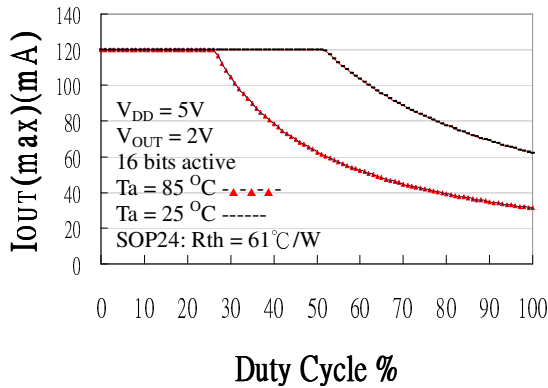
The power dissipation ( $P_D$ ) of a semiconductor chip is limited by its package and ambient temperature. The maximum allowable power dissipation  $P_{D(max)}$  is determined by  $P_{D(max)} = (T_{j(max)} - T_a) / R_{th(j-a)}$  where  $T_{j(max)}$ : maximum chip junction temperature, usually considered as  $150^{\circ}C$ ,  $T_a$ : ambient temperature,  $R_{th(j-a)}$ : thermal resistance of the package. The relationship between  $P_{D(max)}$  and  $T_a$  is shown as the below figure:



## Limitation on Maximum Output Current

The maximum output current vs. duty cycle is estimated by:

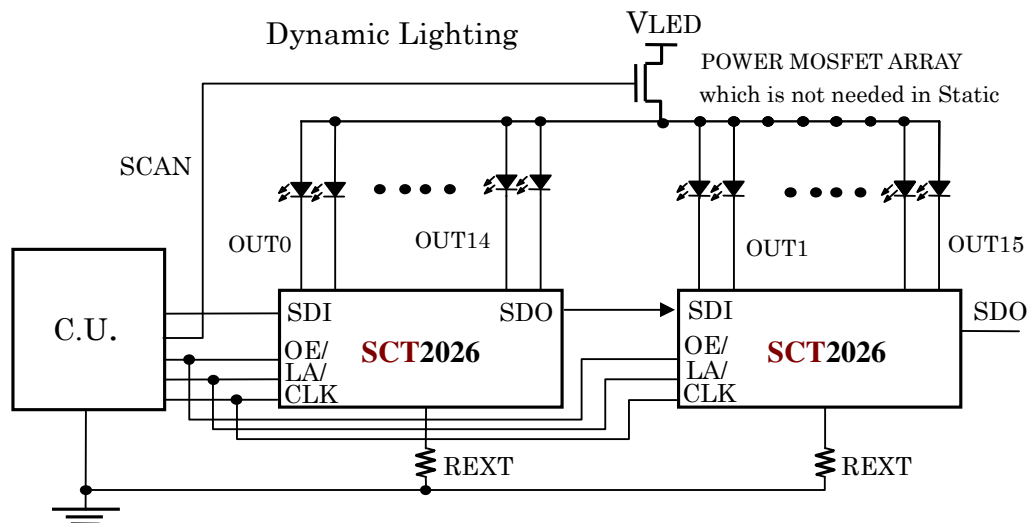
$$I_{OUT(max)} = (((T_{j(max)} - T_a) / R_{th(j-a)}) - (V_{DD} * I_{DD})) / V_{OUT} / \text{Duty} / N \text{ Where } T_{j(max)} = 150^\circ\text{C}, N = 16(\text{all ON})$$



## Over Temperature Shutdown

The SCT2026 contains thermal shutdown scheme to prevent damage from over heat. The internal thermal sensor turns off all outputs when the die temperature exceeds approximately  $+160^\circ\text{C}$ . The outputs are enabled again when the die temperature drops below approximately  $+110^\circ\text{C}$ .

## Typical Application Circuits

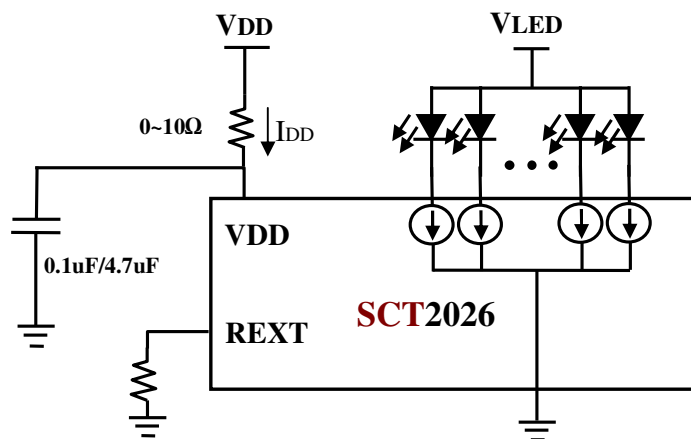


## PCB Design Considerations

Use the following general guide-line when designing printed circuit boards (PCB) :

### Decoupling Capacitor

Place a decoupling capacitor e.g. 0.1 $\mu$ F between VDD and GND pins of SCT2026. Locate the capacitor as close to the SCT2026 as possible. This is normally adequate for static LED driving. For dynamic scan or PWM applications, it is necessary to add an additional capacitor of 4.7 $\mu$ F or more to each supply for every SCT2026. The necessary capacitance depends on the LED load current, PWM switching frequency, and serial-in data speed. Inadequate VDD decoupling can cause timing problems, and very noisy LED supplies can affect LED current regulation.

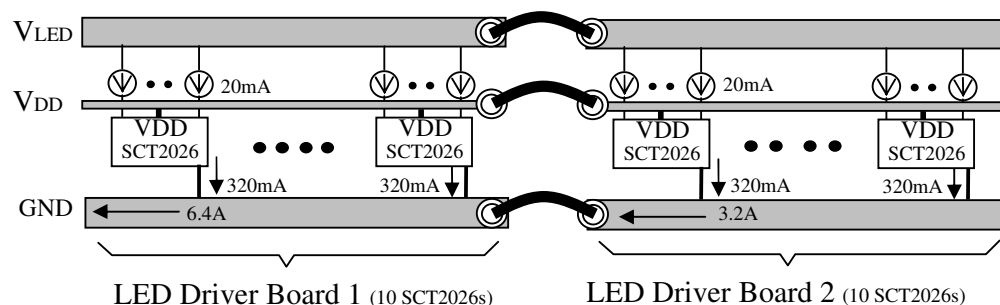


### External Resistor (REXT)

Locate the external resistor as close to the REXT pin as possible to avoid the noise influence.

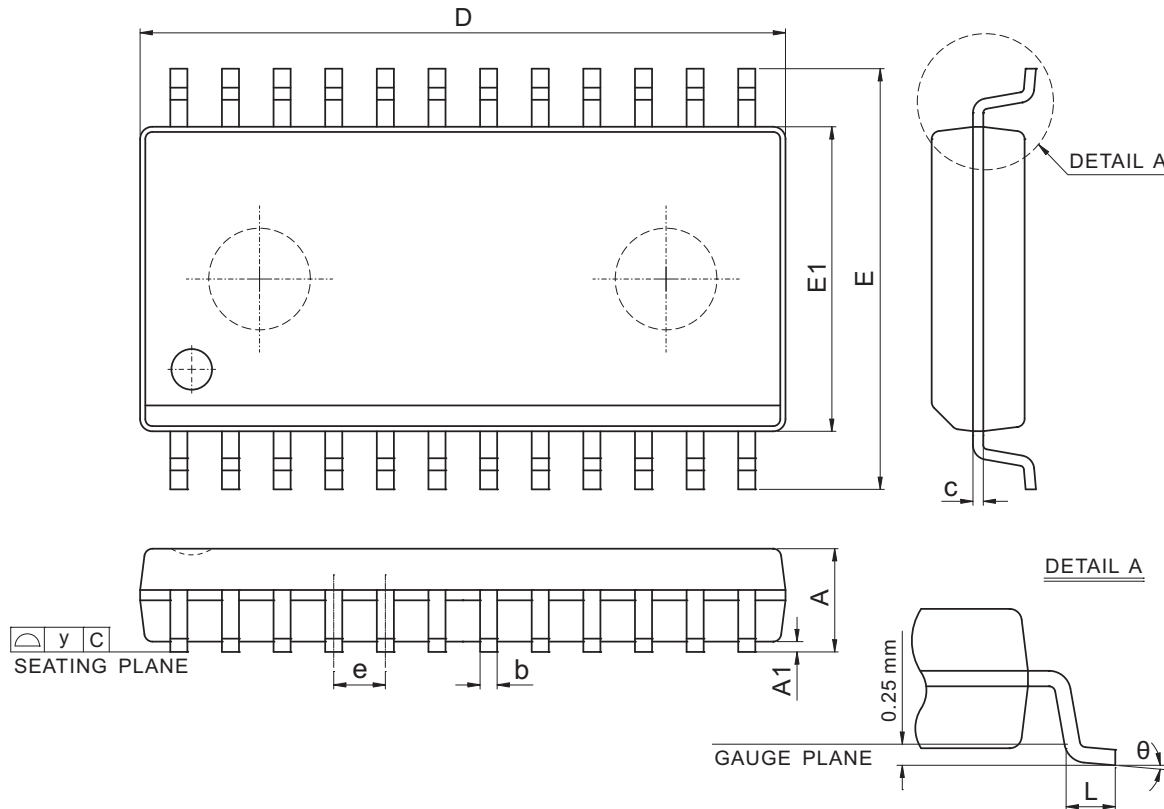
### Power and Ground

Maximizing the width and minimizing the length of VDD and GND trace improve efficiency and ground bouncing by effect of reducing both power and ground parasitic resistance and inductance. A small value of resistor e.g. from 0 to 10 $\Omega$  series in power input pin VDD of SCT2026 in conjunction with decoupling capacitor shunting the ICs is recommended. Separating and feeding the LED power from another supply terminal VLED is strongly recommended as well to get stable supply voltage at pins of VDD.

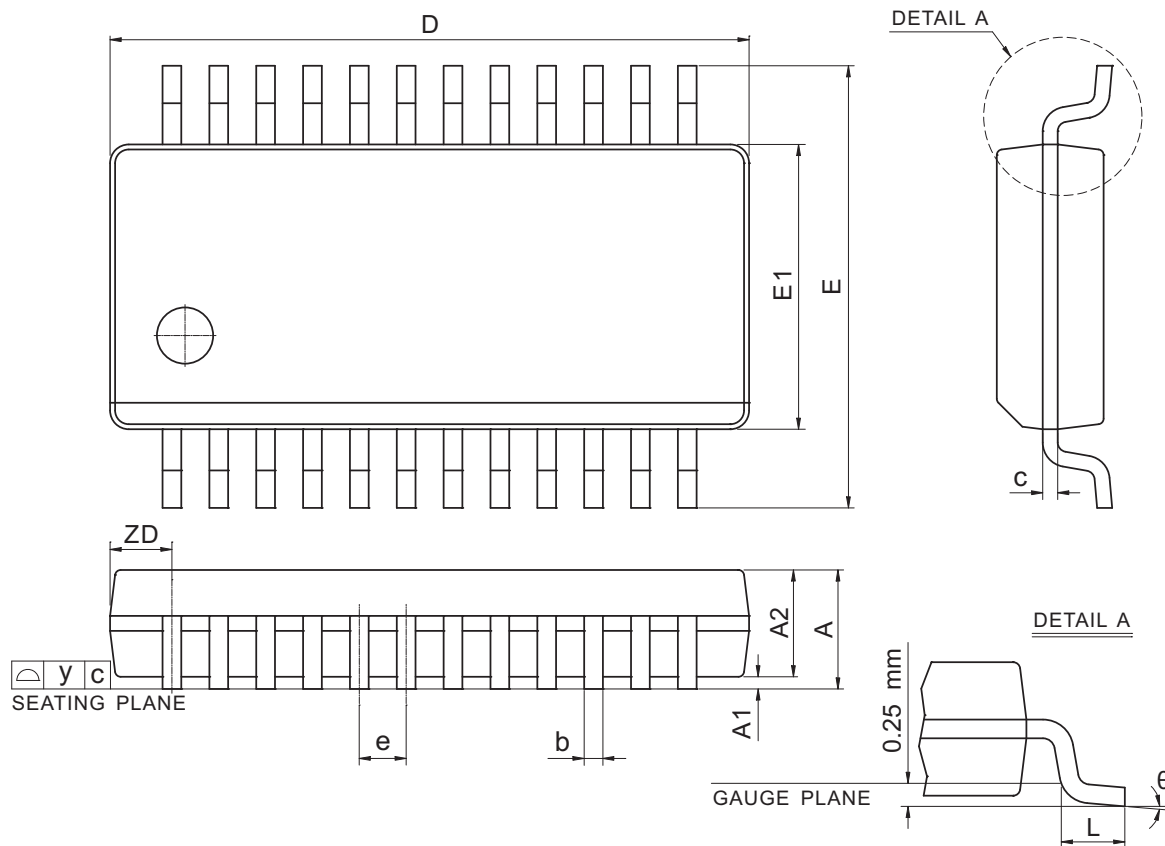


## Package Dimension

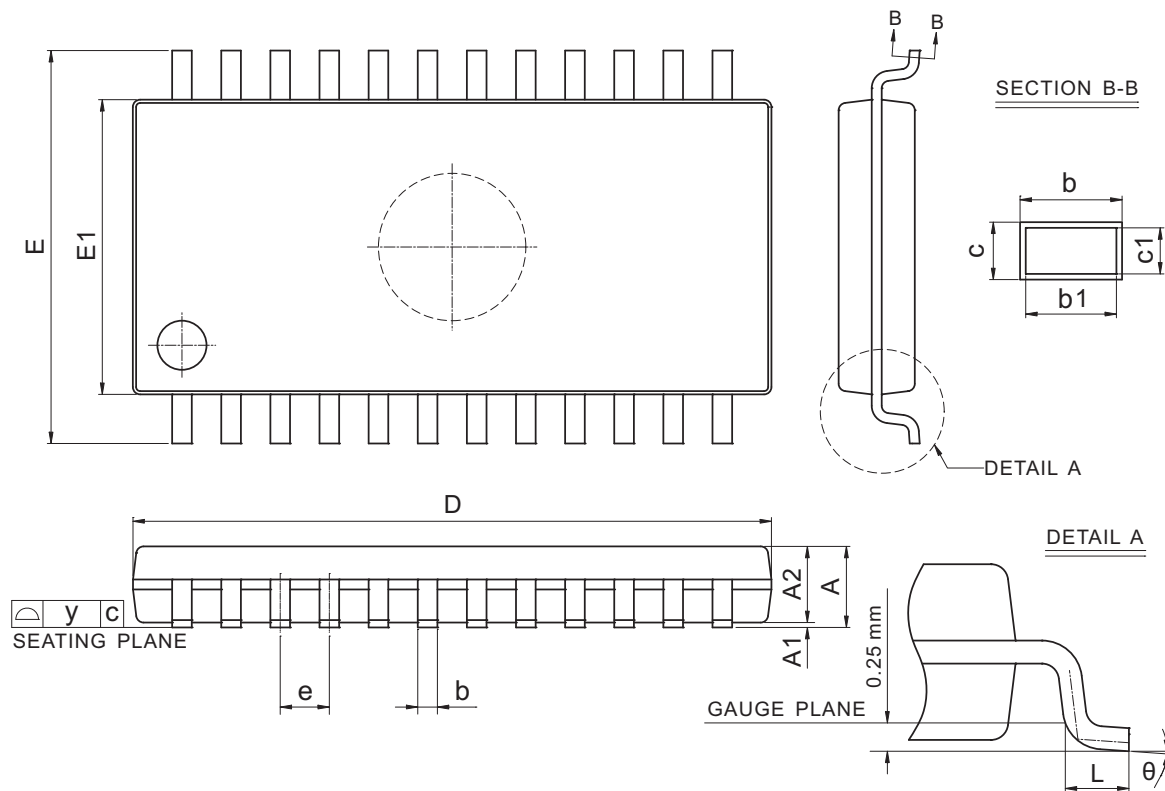
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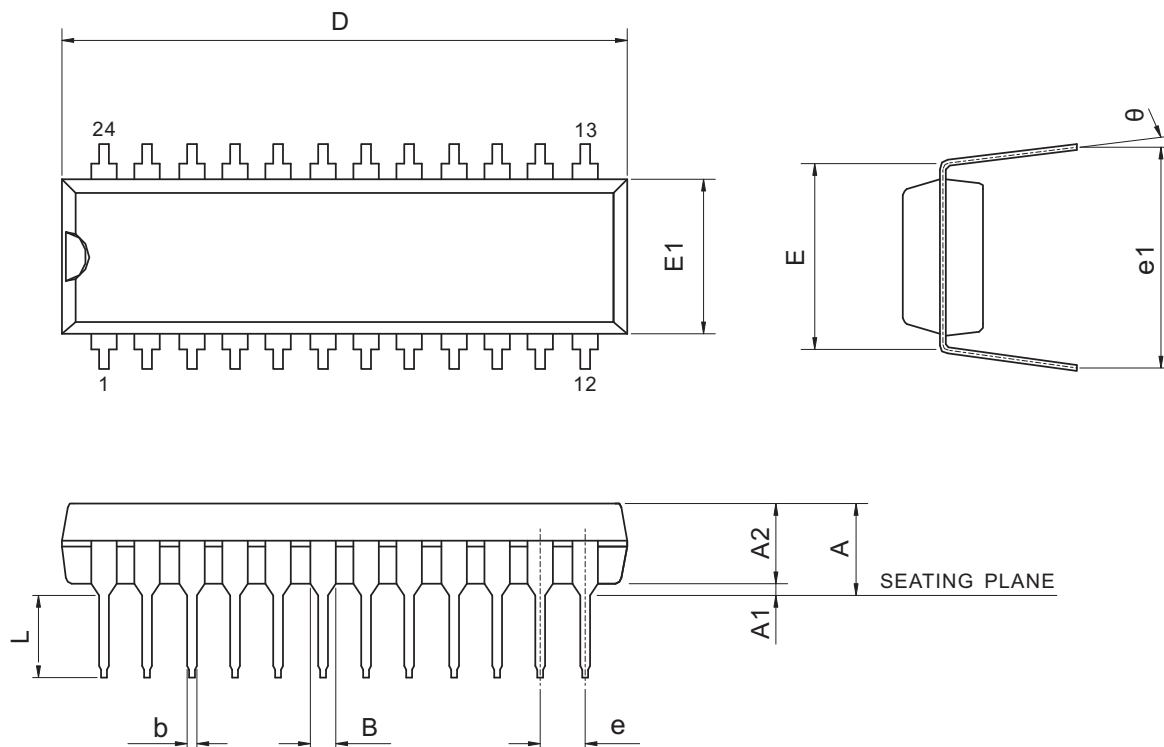
| Symbol | Dimension (mm) |      |       | Dimension (mil) |      |       |
|--------|----------------|------|-------|-----------------|------|-------|
|        | Min.           | Nom. | Max.  | Min.            | Nom. | Max.  |
| A      | 2.35           | -    | 2.65  | 92.5            | -    | 104.3 |
| A1     | 0.10           | -    | 0.30  | 3.9             | -    | 11.8  |
| b      | 0.33           | -    | 0.51  | 13.0            | -    | 20.1  |
| c      | 0.23           | -    | 0.32  | 9.1             | -    | 12.6  |
| D      | 15.20          | -    | 15.60 | 598.4           | -    | 614.2 |
| E      | 10.00          | -    | 10.65 | 393.7           | -    | 419.3 |
| E1     | 7.40           | -    | 7.60  | 291.3           | -    | 299.2 |
| e      | 1.27 BSC       |      |       | 50.0 BSC        |      |       |
| L      | 0.40           | -    | 1.27  | 15.7            | -    | 50.0  |
| θ      | 0°             | -    | 8°    | 0°              | -    | 8°    |
| y      | -              | -    | 0.10  | -               | -    | 3.9   |

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| Symbol | Dimension (mm) |      |      | Dimension (mil) |       |       |
|--------|----------------|------|------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|        | Min.           | Nom. | Max. | Min.            | Nom.  | Max.  |
| A      | 1.35           | 1.63 | 1.75 | 53.1            | 64.2  | 68.9  |
| A1     | 0.10           | 0.15 | 0.25 | 3.9             | 5.9   | 9.8   |
| A2     | -              | -    | 1.50 | -               | -     | 59.1  |
| b      | 0.20           | -    | 0.30 | 7.9             | -     | 11.8  |
| c      | 0.18           | -    | 0.25 | 7.1             | -     | 9.8   |
| D      | 8.56           | 8.66 | 8.74 | 337.0           | 340.9 | 344.1 |
| E      | 5.79           | 5.99 | 6.20 | 228.0           | 235.8 | 244.1 |
| E1     | 3.81           | 3.91 | 3.99 | 150.0           | 153.9 | 157.1 |
| e      | 0.64 BSC       |      |      | 25.0 BSC        |       |       |
| L      | 0.41           | 0.64 | 1.27 | 16.1            | 25.0  | 50.0  |
| y      | -              | -    | 0.10 | -               | -     | 3.9   |
| ZD     | 0.84 REF       |      |      | 33.0 REF        |       |       |
| θ      | 0°             | -    | 8°   | 0°              | -     | 8°    |

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| Symbol | Dimension (mm) |       |       | Dimension (mil) |       |       |
|--------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|        | Min.           | Nom.  | Max.  | Min.            | Nom.  | Max.  |
| A      | -              | -     | 1.90  | -               | -     | 74.8  |
| A1     | 0.05           | 0.10  | 0.15  | 2.0             | 3.9   | 5.9   |
| A2     | 1.30           | 1.50  | 1.70  | 51.2            | 59.1  | 66.9  |
| b      | 0.30           | 0.40  | 0.52  | 11.8            | 15.7  | 20.5  |
| b1     | 0.30           | 0.40  | 0.50  | 11.8            | 15.7  | 19.7  |
| c      | 0.10           | 0.15  | 0.27  | 3.9             | 5.9   | 10.6  |
| c1     | 0.10           | 0.15  | 0.25  | 3.9             | 5.9   | 9.8   |
| D      | 12.80          | 13.00 | 13.20 | 503.9           | 511.8 | 519.7 |
| E      | 7.70           | 8.00  | 8.30  | 303.1           | 315.0 | 326.8 |
| E1     | 5.80           | 6.00  | 6.20  | 228.3           | 236.2 | 244.1 |
| e      | 1.00 BSC       |       |       | 39.4 BSC        |       |       |
| L      | 0.25           | 0.45  | 0.65  | 9.8             | 17.7  | 25.6  |
| y      | -              | -     | 0.10  | -               | -     | 3.9   |
| θ      | 0°             | -     | 10°   | 0°              | -     | 10°   |

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| Symbol | Dimension (mm) |       |       | Dimension (mil) |       |       |
|--------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|        | Min.           | Nom.  | Max.  | Min.            | Nom.  | Max.  |
| A      | -              | -     | 5.33  | -               | -     | 210.0 |
| A1     | 0.38           | -     | -     | 15.0            | -     | -     |
| A2     | 3.18           | 3.30  | 3.43  | 125.0           | 130.0 | 135.0 |
| b      | -              | 0.46  | -     | -               | 18.0  | -     |
| B      | -              | 1.02  | -     | -               | 40.0  | -     |
| e      | -              | 1.78  | -     | -               | 70.0  | -     |
| D      | 22.35          | 22.86 | 23.37 | 880.0           | 900.0 | 920.0 |
| E      | -              | 7.62  | -     | -               | 300.0 | -     |
| E1     | 6.22           | 6.35  | 6.48  | 245.0           | 250.0 | 255.0 |
| e1     | 8.51           | 9.02  | 9.53  | 335.0           | 355.0 | 375.0 |
| L      | 2.92           | 3.30  | 3.81  | 115.0           | 130.0 | 150.0 |
| θ      | 0°             | 7°    | 15°   | 0°              | 7°    | 15°   |

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|--------------------|--------------------|
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