



# STP1612PW05

16-channel LED driver with 16-bit PWM,  
8-bit gain and full LED error detection

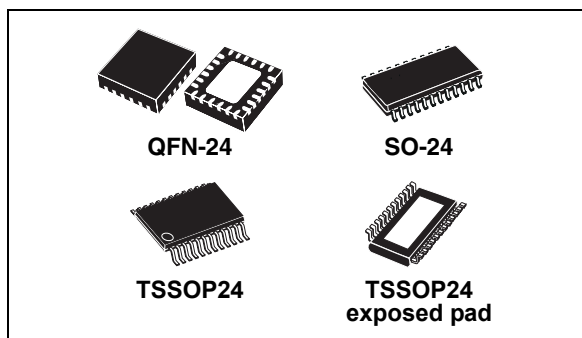
Preliminary data

## Features

- 16 constant current output channels
- Supply voltage: 3.3 V or 5 V
- Two PWM selectable counters 12/16-bit of grayscale
- Selectable enhanced PWM for ghost effect reduction
- Open and short LED detection
- 8-bit current gain control by means of 256 steps in two selectable ranges
- Single resistor to set the current from 3 mA to 60 mA
- Programmable progressive output delay
- Thermal protection and thermal flag
- UVLO
- Schmitt trigger input
- Selectable 16-bit or 256-bit serial data-in format
- Max clock frequency: 30 MHz
- ESD protection 2.5 kV HBM, 200 V MM
- Drop-in compatible with STP16CP\S\SDP05 series
- Available in high thermal efficiency TSSOP exposed pad

## Applications

- Video display LED panels
- RGB backlighting
- Special lighting



## Description

The STP1612PW05 is a 16-channel constant current sink LED driver. The maximum output current value for all the 16 channels is set by a single resistor from 3 mA to 60 mA. The device features 8-bit gain (256 steps) for global LED brightness adjustment with two selectable ranges. This function is accessible via a serial interface. The device has an individual adjustable PWM brightness control for each output channel. The PWM counters are selectable via a serial interface with 4096 or 65536 steps (12 or 16 bit). The STP1612PW05 also provides enhanced pulse-width modulation counting algorithms called e-PWM to reduce flickering effects (ghost visual effects) improving the overall image quality. The device has a dual size 16-bit or 256-bit shift register. All the control and the shift register read back data are accessible via serial interface. The STP1612PW05 has the capability to detect open and short LED failure and overtemperature, reporting the status through SPI line. The device guarantees a 20 V output driving capability, allowing the user to connect more LEDs in series.

Table 1. Device summary

Order code	Package	Packaging
STP1612PW05QTR	QFN-24	4000 parts per reel
STP1612PW05MTR	SO-24	1000 parts per reel
STP1612PW05TTR	TSSOP24	2500 parts per reel
STP1612PW05XTTR	TSSOP24 exposed pad	2500 parts per reel

# Contents

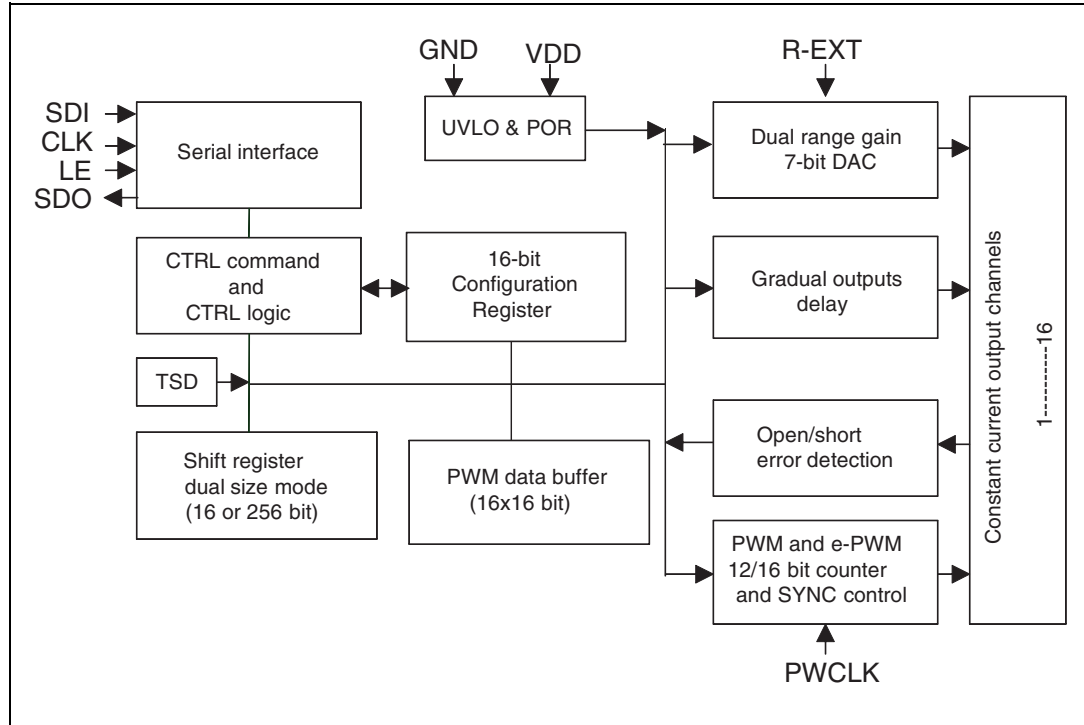
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# 1 Block diagram

Figure 1. Block diagram



## 2 Summary description

**Table 2. Typical current accuracy at 5 V**

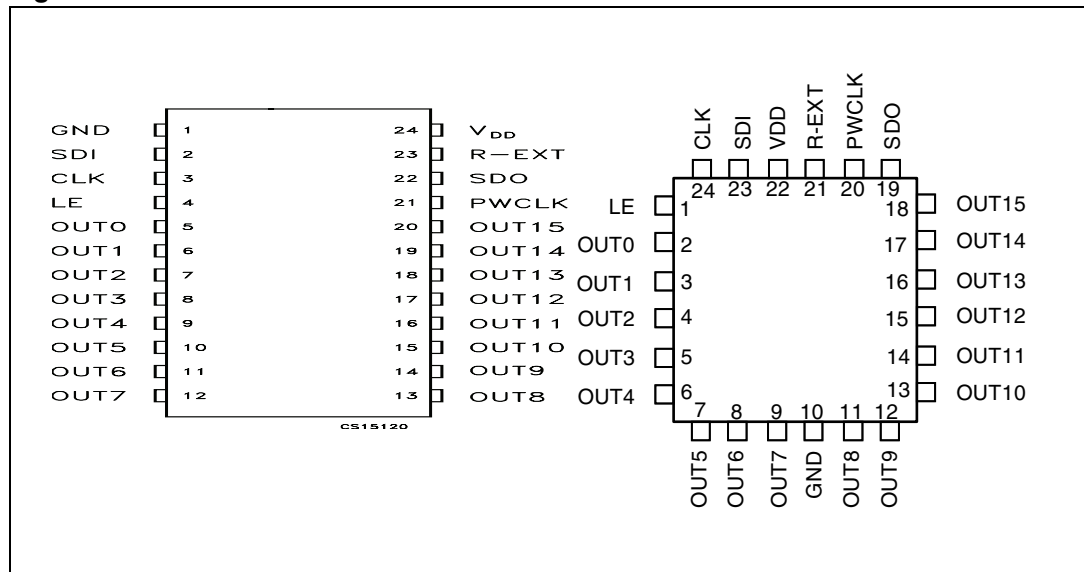
Output voltage	Current accuracy		Output current	V <sub>DD</sub>	temp.
	Between bits	Between ICs			
≥ 1.0	± 1.5%	± 6%	15 to 60	5 V	25 °C
≥ 0,2	± 1.5%	± 6%	3 to 15		

**Table 3. Typical current accuracy at 3.3 V**

Output voltage	Current accuracy		Output current	V <sub>DD</sub>	temp.
	Between bits	Between ICs			
≥ 1.0	± 1.5%	± 6%	15 to 60	3.3 V	25 °C
≥ 0,3	± 1.5%	± 6%	3 to 15		

## 2.1 Pin connection and description

Figure 2. Pin connection



Note: The exposed pad should be electrically connected to a metal land electrically isolated or connected to ground

Table 4. Pin description

Pin n°	Symbol	Name and function
1	GND	Ground terminal
2	SDI	Serial data input terminal
3	CLK	Clock input terminal used to shift data on rising edge and carries command information when LE is asserted.
4	LE	Data strobe terminal and controlling command with CLK
5-20	OUT 0-15	Output terminals
21	PWCLK	Gray scale clock terminal. Reference clock for grey scale PWM counter.
22	SDO	Serial data out terminal
23	R-EXT	Input terminal of an external resistor for constant current programming
24	V <sub>DD</sub>	Supply voltage terminal

## 3 Electrical ratings

### 3.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Stressing the device above the rating listed in the [Table 5](#) may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only and operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operating sections of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

**Table 5. Absolute maximum ratings**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$V_{DD}$	Supply voltage	0 to 7	V
$V_O$	Output voltage	-0.5 to 20	V
$I_O$	Output current	60	mA
$V_I$	Input voltage	-0.4 to $V_{DD}$	V
$I_{GND}$	GND terminal current	1300	mA
$f_{CLK}$	Clock frequency	50	MHz
$T_J$	Junction temperature range <sup>(1)</sup>	-40 to +170	°C

1. Such absolute value is based on the thermal shutdown protection.

### 3.2 Thermal data

**Table 6. Thermal data**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit	
$T_A$	Operating free-air temperature range	-40 to +125	°C	
$T_{J-OPR}$	Operating thermal junction temperature range	-40 to +150	°C	
$T_{STG}$	Storage temperature range	-55 to +150	°C	
$R_{thJA}$	Thermal resistance junction-ambient <sup>(1)</sup>	SO-24	42.7	°C/W
		TSSOP24	55	°C/W
		TSSOP24 <sup>(2)</sup> Exposed pad	37.5	°C/W
		QFN-24	55	°C/W

1. According to Jedec standard 51-7B

2. The exposed pad should be soldered directly to the PCB to realize the thermal benefits.

### 3.3 Recommended operating conditions

**Table 7. Recommended operating conditions at 25 °C,  $V_{DD} = 5\text{ V}$**

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{DD}$	Supply voltage		3.0	-	5.5	V
$V_O$	Output voltage			-	20	V
$I_O$	Output current	OUTn	3	-	60	mA
$I_{OH}$	Output current	SERIAL-OUT		-	+1	mA
$I_{OL}$	Output current	SERIAL-OUT		-	-1	mA
$V_{IH}$	Input voltage		$0.7 V_{DD}$	-	$V_{DD}$	V
$V_{IL}$	Input voltage		GND	-	$0.3 V_{DD}$	V
$t_{wLAT}$	LE pulse width	$V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V to }5.0\text{ V}$	20	-		ns
$t_{wCLK}$	CLK pulse width		10	-		ns
$t_{wEN}$	PWCLK pulse width		20	-		ns
$t_{SETUP(D)}$	Setup time for DATA		5	-		ns
$t_{HOLD(D)}$	Hold time for DATA		5	-		ns
$t_{SETUP(L)}$	Setup time for LATCH		5	-		ns
$f_{CLK}$	Clock frequency		Cascade operation <sup>(1)</sup>		-	30

1. If the device is connected in cascade, it may not be possible to achieve the maximum data transfer. Please consider the timings carefully.



## 4 Electrical characteristics

$T_A = 25\text{ °C}$  (Unless otherwise specified)

**Table 8. Electrical characteristics ( $V_{DD} = 5.0\text{ V}$ )**

Symbol	Characteristics	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{DD}$	Supply voltage		4.5	5.0	5.5	V
$V_O$	Maximum output voltage	$\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15}$			20	V
$I_{OUT}$	Output current	$V_O = 1.2\text{ V}$	5		60	mA
$I_{OH}$		SDO, $T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$			-8	mA
$I_{OL}$		SDO, $T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$			8	mA
$V_{IH}$	Input voltage "H" level	$T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$	0.7 * $V_{DD}$		$V_{DD}$	V
$V_{IL}$	Input voltage "L" level	$T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$	GND		0.3 * $V_{DD}$	V
$I_{OH}$	Output leakage current	$V_O = 20\text{ V}$			10	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{OL}$	Output voltage SDO	$I_{OL} = +1.0\text{ mA}$ , $T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$			0.4	V
$V_{OH}$		$I_{OH} = -1.0\text{ mA}$ , $T_A = -40 \sim 125\text{ °C}$	$V_{DD} - 0.4$			V
$dI_{OUT1}$	Current skew (Channel)	$I_{OUT} = 10\text{ mA}$ $V_O = 1.0\text{ V}$ , $R_{ext} = 69\text{ k}\Omega$		$\pm 1.5$	$\pm 3.0$	%
$dI_{OUT2}$	Current skew (IC)	$I_{OUT} = 10\text{ mA}$ $V_O = 1.0\text{ V}$ , $R_{ext} = 69\text{ k}\Omega$		$\pm 3.0$	$\pm 6.0$	%
%/d $V_O$	Output current vs. output voltage regulation	$V_O$ within 1.0 V and 3.0 V, $R_{ext} = 34.7\text{ k}\Omega$ @ 20 mA		$\pm 0.1$	$\pm 0.5$	% / V
%/d $V_{DD}$	Output current vs. supply voltage regulation	$V_{DD}$ within 4.5 V and 5.5 V		$\pm 1.0$	$\pm 5.0$	% / V
$V_{O,TH}$				0.15	0.20	V
$R_{IN(down)}$	Pull-down resistor	LE	150	200	250	$\text{k}\Omega$
$I_{DD(off)1}$	Supply current "Off"	$R_{ext} = \text{Open}$ , $\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15} = \text{Off}$	7	10	13	mA
$I_{DD(off)2}$		$I_O = 20\text{ mA}$ , $\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15} = \text{Off}$	6.6	9.5	12	
$I_{DD(off)3}$		$I_O = 60\text{ mA}$ , $\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15} = \text{Off}$	9	12.7	16.5	
$I_{DD(on)1}$	Supply current "On"	$I_O = 20\text{ mA}$ , $\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15} = \text{On}$	6.6	9.4	12.2	
$I_{DD(on)2}$		$I_O = 60\text{ mA}$ , $\overline{OUT0} \sim \overline{OUT15} = \text{On}$	8	11.5	14.9	

**Table 9. Electrical characteristics (V<sub>DD</sub> = 3.3 V)**

Symbol	Characteristics	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>DD</sub>	Supply voltage		3.0	3.3	3.6	V
V <sub>O</sub>	Sustaining voltage at OUT Ports	$\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}}$			20	V
I <sub>OUT</sub>	Output current	V <sub>O</sub> = 1.2 V	5		60	mA
I <sub>OH</sub>		SDO, T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C			-1.0	mA
I <sub>OL</sub>		SDO T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C			1.0	mA
V <sub>IH</sub>	Input voltage “H” level	T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C	0.7 * V <sub>DD</sub>		V <sub>DD</sub>	V
V <sub>IL</sub>	Input voltage “L” level	T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C	GND		0.3 * V <sub>DD</sub>	V
I <sub>OH</sub>	Output leakage current	V <sub>O</sub> = 17.0 V			0.5	μA
V <sub>OL</sub>	Output voltage SDO	I <sub>OL</sub> = +1.0 mA, T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C			0.4	V
V <sub>OH</sub>		I <sub>OH</sub> = -1.0 mA T <sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C	2.9			V
dI <sub>OUT1</sub>	Current skew (channel)	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 10.5 mA, V <sub>O</sub> = 1.0 V, R <sub>ext</sub> = 69 kΩ at 10 mA		± 1.5	± 3.0	%
dI <sub>OUT2</sub>	Current skew (IC)	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 10.8 mA, V <sub>O</sub> = 1.0 V, R <sub>ext</sub> = 69 kΩ at 10 mA		± 3.0	± 6.0	%
%/dV <sub>O</sub>	Output current vs. output voltage regulation	V <sub>O</sub> within 1.0 V and 3.0 V, R <sub>ext</sub> = 34.7 kΩ at 20 mA		± 0.1	± 0.5	% / V
%/dV <sub>DD</sub>	Output current vs. supply voltage regulation	V <sub>DD</sub> within 3.0 V and 3.6 V		± 1.0	± 5.0	% / V
R <sub>IN(down)</sub>	Pull-down resistor	LE	150	200	250	kΩ
I <sub>DD(off) 1</sub>	Supply current “OFF”	R <sub>ext</sub> = Open, $\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}} = \text{Off}$		7.2	9.3	mA
I <sub>DD(off) 2</sub>		I <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA, $\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}} = \text{Off}$		8.6	11	
I <sub>DD(off) 3</sub>		I <sub>O</sub> = 60 mA, $\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}} = \text{Off}$		11.7	15.2	
I <sub>DD(on) 1</sub>	Supply current “ON”	I <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA, $\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}} = \text{On}$		29	37.7	mA
I <sub>DD(on) 2</sub>		I <sub>O</sub> = 60 mA, $\overline{\text{OUT0}} \sim \overline{\text{OUT15}} = \text{On}$		31.2	40	

Figure 3. Test circuit for electrical characteristics

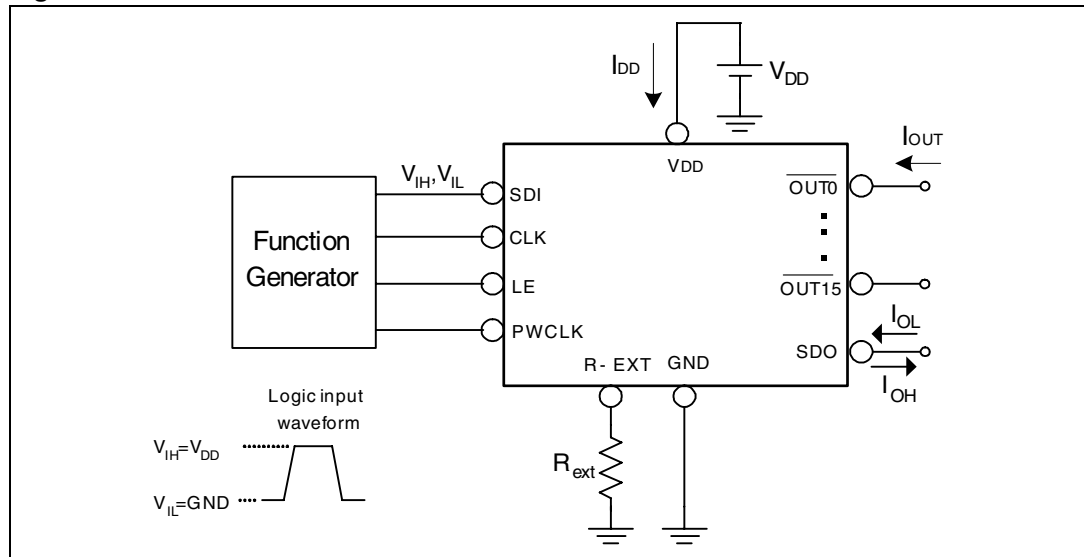


Table 10. Switching characteristics (V<sub>DD</sub> = 5.0 V) T<sub>A</sub> = -40 ~ 125 °C

Symbol	Characteristics	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
t <sub>SU0</sub>	Setup time	SDI - CLK ↑	1			ns
t <sub>SU1</sub>		LE ↑ - DCLK ↑	1			ns
t <sub>SU2</sub>		LE ↓ - DCLK ↑	5			ns
t <sub>H0</sub>	Hold time	CLK ↑ - SDI	3			ns
t <sub>H1</sub>		CLK ↑ - LE ↓	7			ns
t <sub>PD0</sub>	Propagation delay time	CLK - SDO		30	40	ns
t <sub>PD1</sub>		PWCLK - $\overline{\text{OUTn4}}$ <sup>(1)</sup>		100		ns
t <sub>PD2</sub>		LE - SDO <sup>(2)</sup>		30	40	ns
t <sub>DL1</sub>	Stagger delay time	$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 1$ <sup>(1)</sup>		40		ns
t <sub>DL2</sub>		$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 2$ <sup>(1)</sup>		80		ns
t <sub>DL3</sub>		$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 3$ <sup>(1)</sup>		120		ns
t <sub>w(L)</sub>	Pulse width	LE	5			ns
t <sub>w(CLK)</sub>		CLK	20			ns
t <sub>w(PWCLK)</sub>		PWCLK	20			ns
t <sub>ON</sub>	Output rise time of output ports			10		ns
t <sub>OFF</sub>	Output fall time of output ports			6		ns
t <sub>EDD</sub>	Error detection minimum duration <sup>(3)</sup>			1		μs

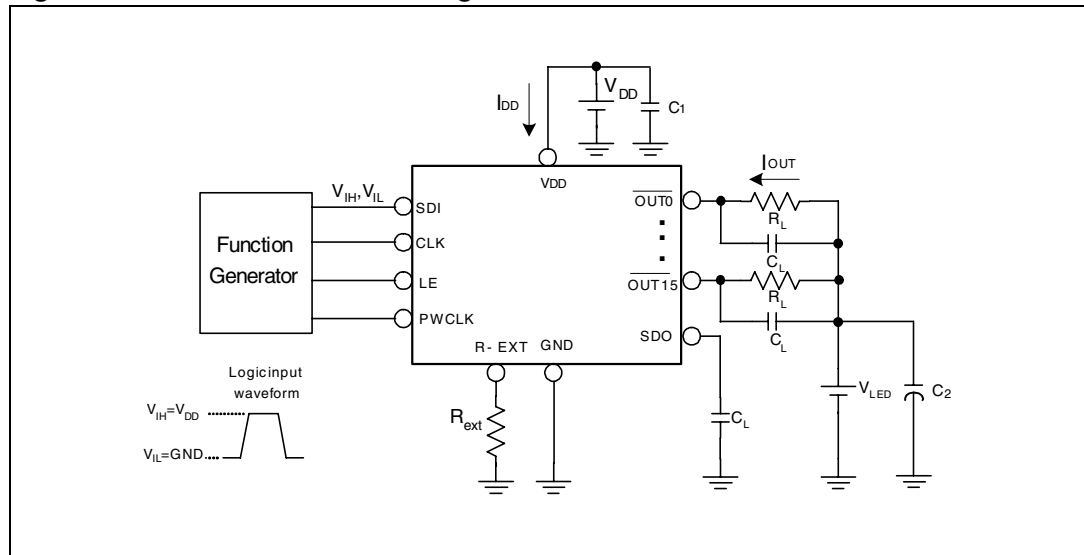
1. Refer to the timing waveform, where n = 0, 1, 2, 3.
2. In timing of "read configuration" and "read error status code", the next CLK rising edge should be t<sub>PD2</sub> after the falling edge of LE.
3. Refer to [Figure 5 on page 13](#).

**Table 11. Switching characteristics ( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V}$ )**

Symbol	Characteristics	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	
$t_{SU0}$	Setup time	SDI - DCLK $\uparrow$	1			ns	
$t_{SU1}$		LE $\uparrow$ - DCLK $\uparrow$	1			ns	
$t_{SU2}$		LE $\downarrow$ - DCLK $\uparrow$	5			ns	
$t_{H0}$	Hold time	CLK $\uparrow$ - SDI	3			ns	
$t_{H1}$		CLK $\uparrow$ - LE $\downarrow$	7			ns	
$t_{PD0}$	Propagation delay time	CLK - SDO		45	40	ns	
$t_{PD1}$		PWCLK- $\overline{\text{OUTn4}}$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V}$ $V_{IH} = V_{DD}$ $V_{IL} = \text{GND}$		120		ns
$t_{PD2}$		LE - SDO <sup>(2)</sup>	$R_{\text{ext}} = 460\ \Omega$		45	40	ns
$t_{DL1}$	Stagger delay time	$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 1$ <sup>(1)</sup>		40		ns	
$t_{DL2}$		$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 2$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{\text{LED}} = 4.5\text{ V}$ $R_L = 152\ \Omega$ $C_L = 10\ \text{pF}$		80		ns
$t_{DL3}$		$\overline{\text{OUTn4}} + 3$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$C_1 = 100\ \text{nF}$ $C_2 = 10\ \mu\text{F}$		120		ns
$t_{w(L)}$	Pulse width	LE	5			ns	
$t_{w(\text{CLK})}$		CLK	20			ns	
$t_{w(\text{PWCLK})}$		PWCLK	20			ns	
$t_{ON}$	Output rise time of output ports			11.6		ns	
$t_{OFF}$	Output fall time of output ports			7		ns	
$t_{DEC}$	Error detection duration			0.5	1	$\mu\text{s}$	

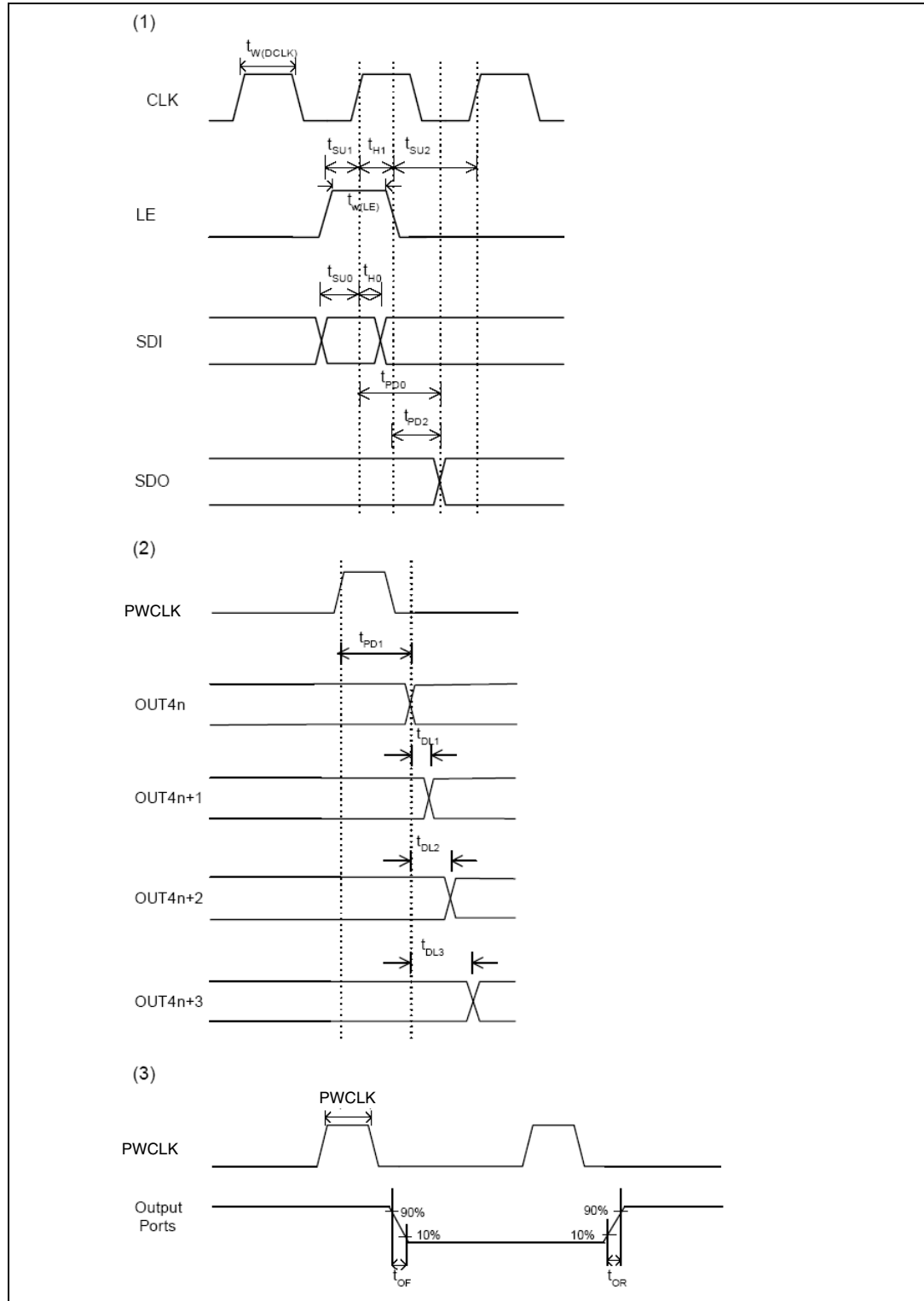
1. Refer to the timing waveform [Figure 4](#), where  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3$ .
2. In timing of “read configuration” and “read error status code”, the next CLK rising edge should be  $t_{PD2}$  after the falling edge of LE.

**Figure 4. Test circuit for switching characteristics**



# 5 Timing waveform

Figure 5. Timing waveform

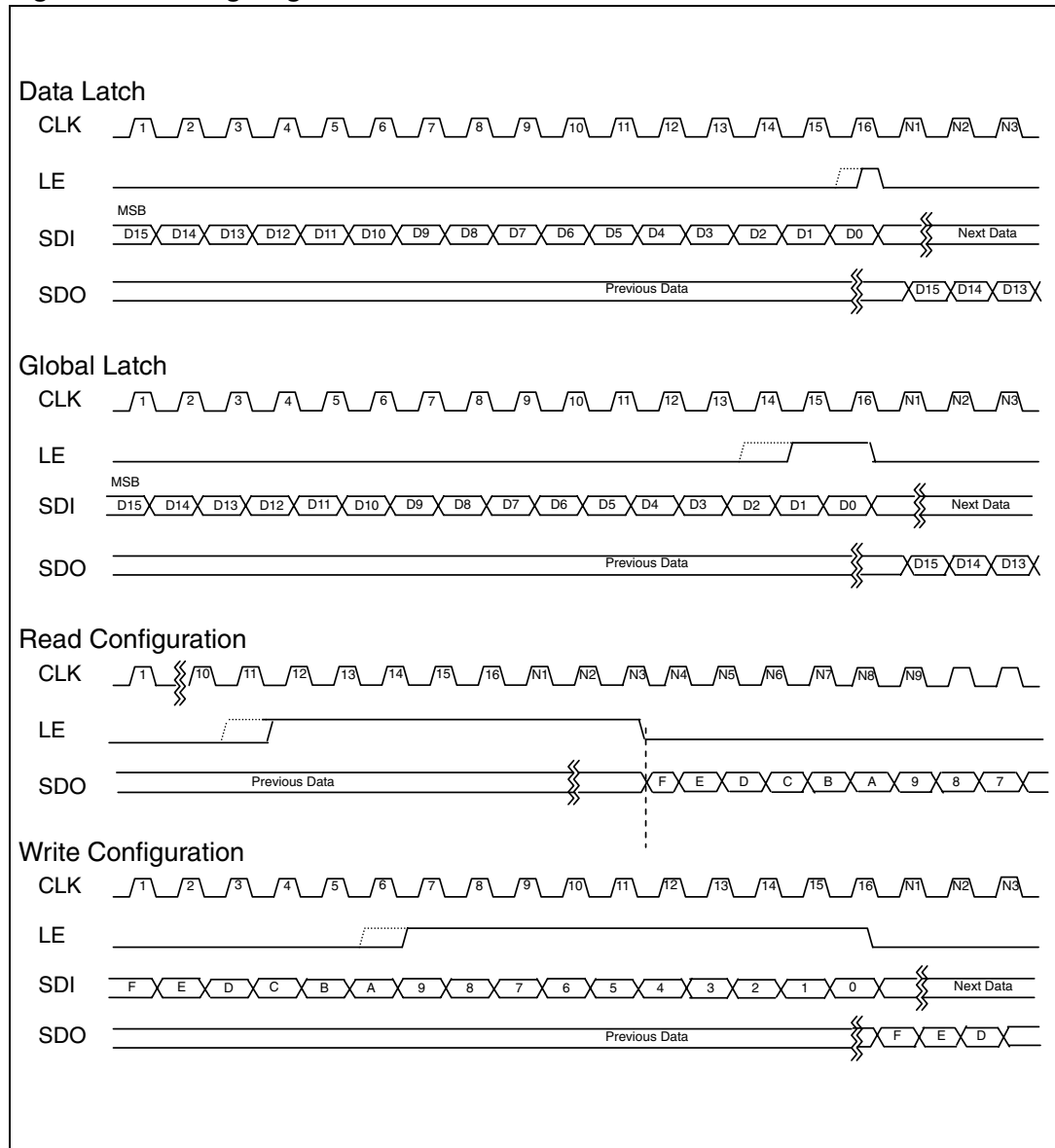


## 6 Principle of operation

**Table 12. Control command**

Command name	Signals combination		Description
	LE	Number of CLK rising edge when LE is asserted	
Data latch	High	1	Serial data are transferred to the buffers
Global latch	High	2 or 3	Buffer data are transferred to the comparators
Read configuration	High	4 or 5	Move out "configuration register" to the shift register
Enable "error detection"	High	6 or 7	Detect the status of each output's LED
Read "error status code"	High	8 or 9	Move out "error status code" of 16 outputs to the shift registers
Write configuration	High	10 or 11	Serial data are transferred to the "configuration register"
Reset to 16-bit shift register length	High	12 or 13	Set to 16-bit the shift register length

Figure 6. Timing diagram



# 7 Definition of configuration register

## Configuration register

MSB														LSB	
F	E	D	C	B	A	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

### Default value

MSB														LSB	
F	E	D	C	B	A	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
X	0	1	11		1	8'b10101011								0	0

**Table 13. Configuration register**

Bit	Attribute	Definition	Value	Function
F	Read/Write	Shift register length	0 (default)	Shift register length 0 = 16-bit, 1 = 256-bit
E	Read	Thermal error flag	0 (default)	Safe (OK)
			1	Over temperature (>150 °C typ.)
D	Read/Write	PWM counter: 16-bit or 12-bit	0 (default)	To set the gray scale mode (PWM): 0 = 12-bit 1 = 16-bit
C	Read/Write	PWM counting mode selection	00	64 times of MSB <sup>(1)</sup> 6-bit PWM counting plus once of LSB <sup>(1)</sup> 6-bit PWM counting
			01	16 times of MSB 6-bit PWM counting by 1/4 PWCLK plus once of LSB 6-bit PWM counting
10			4 times of MSB 6-bit PWM counting by 1/16 PWCLK plus once of LSB 6-bit PWM counting	
11 (default)			PWM counting	
A	Read/Write	PWM data synchronization mode	0	Auto-synchronization
			1 (default)	Manual synchronization
9~2	Read/Write	Current gain adjustment	00000000 ~ 11111111	8'b10101011 (default)
1	Read/Write	TSD thermal shutdown	0 (default)	Disable
			1	Enable <sup>(2)</sup> the output channel turn OFF if T <sub>TF</sub> > 150 °C
0	Read/Write	Time-out alert of PWCLK disconnection	0 (default)	Enable <sup>(3)</sup>
			1	Disable

1. Please refer to “setting the PWM counting mode” section.
2. Please refer to “TSD” thermal error flag and thermal shutdown “section.
3. Please refer to “time-out alert of PWCLK disconnection” section.



## 8 Grey scales data loading

The STP1612PW05 is able to manage a gray-scale depth of 12 or 16 bits for each output, exploiting an e-PWM algorithm.

The bit D of the configuration register is used to select the grey-scale loading. Its value can be set to "0" for 12 bits or "1" for 16 bits. By default, D is set to "0".

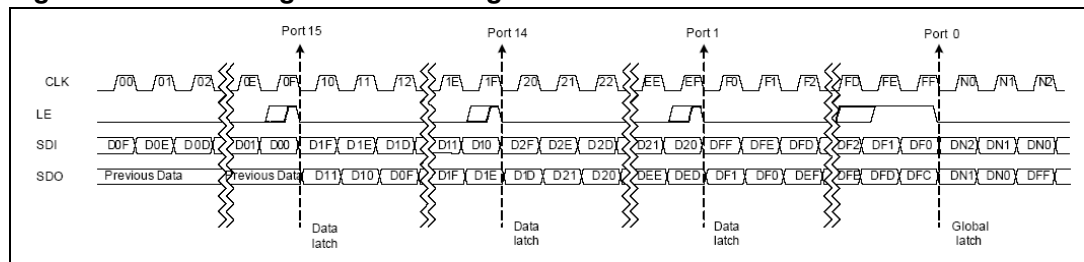
Loading of the data is performed through the serial input on a dedicated buffer and two different methods can be used.

With both methods, the first incoming data packet is relative to the output 15; the following packet is relative to the output 14 and so on up to the output 0.

If F="0", when a data packet has been loaded, the latch signal (LE) must become active for one CLK cycle (data latch). When the last data packet, relative to the output 0, has been loaded, the latch signal must be active for two CLK cycles (global latch) and all the data will be transferred to the e-PWM registers starting from the MSB.

If F="1" all data packets (12 or 16 bits x16) are loaded and then the global latch signal must be active and all the data will be transferred to the e-PWM registers starting from the MSB.

**Figure 7. Full timing for data loading**



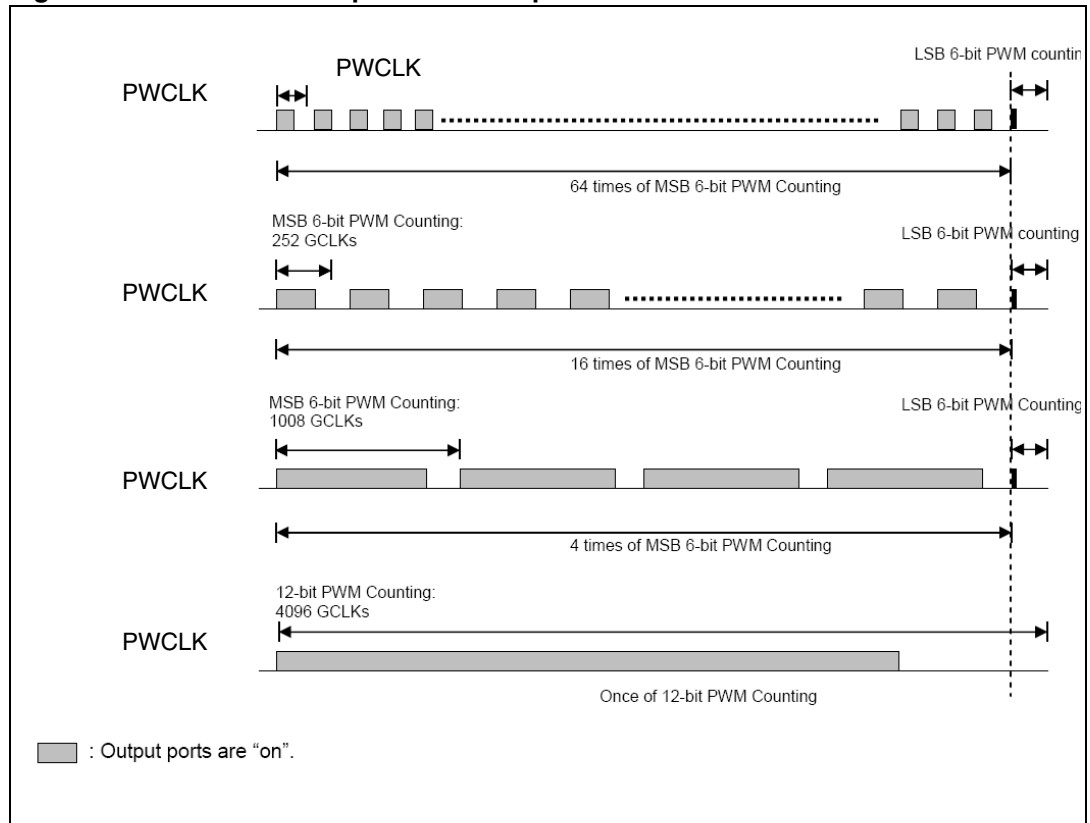
## 9 Setting the PWM gray scale counter

STP1612PW05 provides a 12-bit or 16-bit PWM color depth. Each serial data input will be implemented according to the e-PWM algorithm.

### 9.1 PWM data synchronization

STP1612PW05 defines the different counting algorithms that support e-PWM, technology, (scrambled PWM). With e-PWM, the total PWM cycles can be broken down into MSB (most significant bits) and LSB (least significant bits) of gray scale cycles, and the MSB information can be dithered across many refresh cycles to achieve overall same high bit resolution. STP1612PW05 also allows changing different counting algorithms and provides the best output linearity when there are fewer transitions of output.

**Figure 8. 12-bit e-PWM operation example**



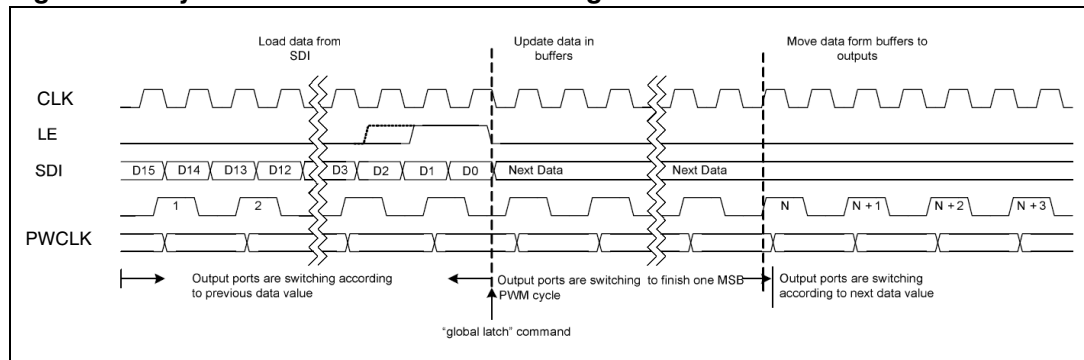
## 9.2 Synchronization for PWM counting

The data synchronization between the incoming data flow and the output channels is managed through the bit A within the configuration register.

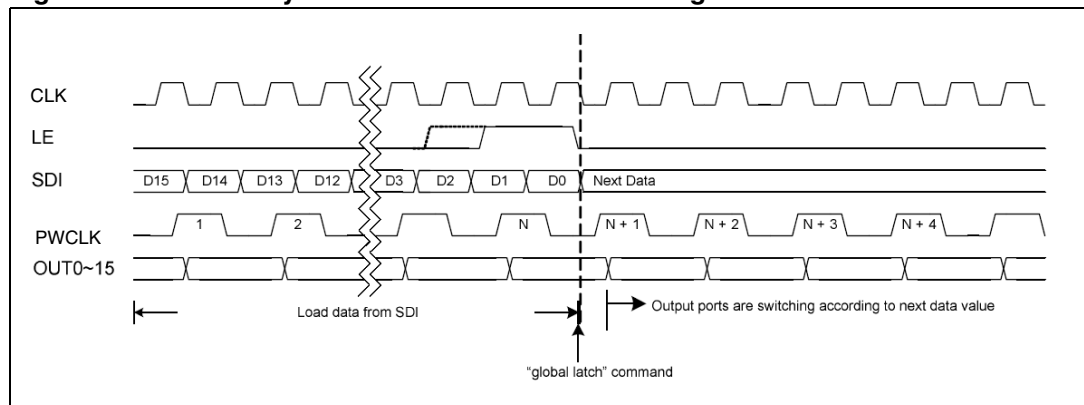
If the bit A is set to “0” the device performs itself the data synchronization: when all the new data are loaded with a “global latch”, the device wait until all the PWM counter completes the counting cycle before updating them with the new data, at the next CLK rising edge.

Conversely, if bit A is set to “1” (default), the data synchronization is not performed by the device and is managed by the microcontroller, which has to take care of the data and signals. If this is not done, there might be artefacts on the output image.

**Figure 9. Synchronization for PWM counting**



**Figure 10. Without synchronization for PWM counting**



# 10 Error detection conditions

The STP1612PW05 can detect open channels (OD) and LED short-circuits (SD).

The detection circuitry performs open- and short-circuit detection simultaneously and the image quality will not be impacted since the test duration is short (0.5 μs typ).

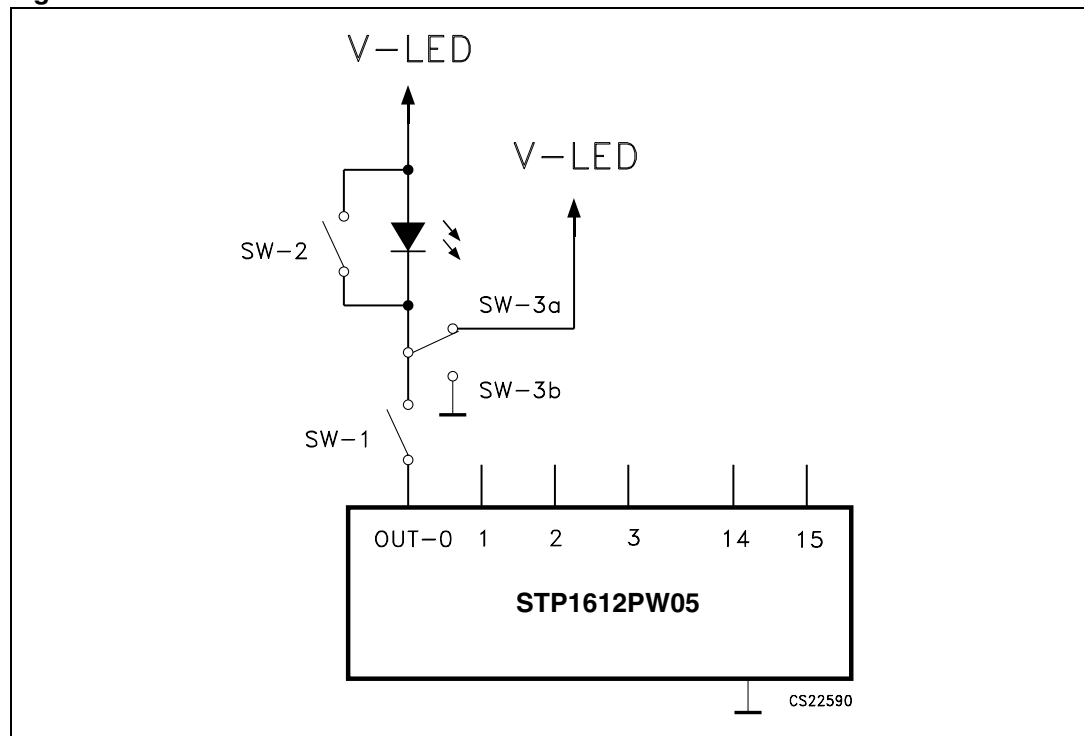
To perform the open-circuit, short-circuit error detection a channel must be on, the command “enable error detection” starts the detection. After 0.5 μs (typ) the command “read error status code” allows to get the status from the serial output (SDO).

**Table 14. Detection conditions (V<sub>DD</sub> = 3.3 to 5 V temp. range -40 to 125 °C)**

<b>SW-1 or SW-3b</b>	Open line or output short to GND detected	==> I <sub>ODEC</sub> ≤ 0.5 x I <sub>O</sub>
<b>SW-2 or SW-3a</b>	Short on LED or short to V-LED detected	==> V <sub>O</sub> ≥ 2.3 V

*Note:* Where: I<sub>O</sub> = the output current programmed by the R<sub>EXT</sub>; I<sub>ODEC</sub> = the detected output current in detection mode

**Figure 11. Detection circuit**



# 11 Setting output current

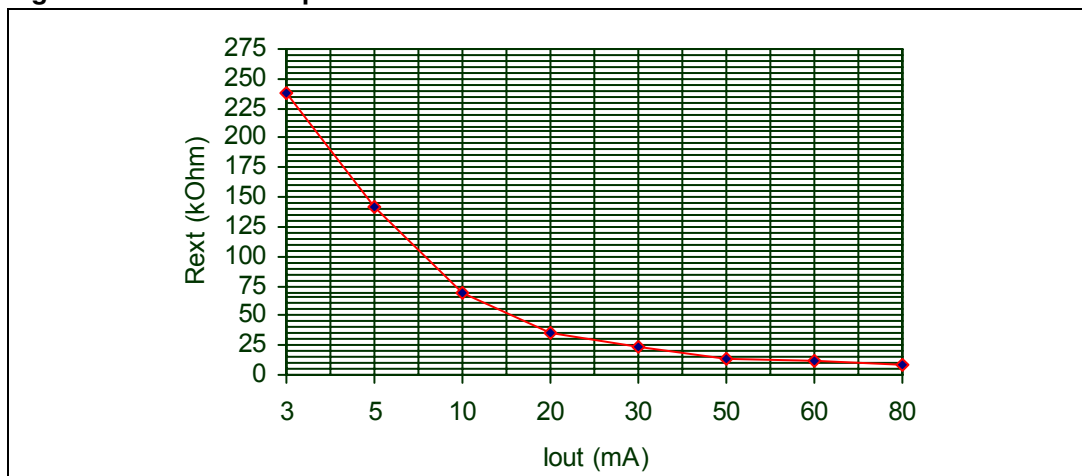
The output current ( $I_{OUT}$ ) is set by an external resistor,  $R_{EXT}$ .

It is calculated from the equation:

$$V_{R-EXT} = 1.24 \times G; I_{OUT} = (V_{R-EXT}/R_{EXT}) \times 560$$

Whereas  $R_{EXT}$  is the resistance of the external resistor connected to R-EXT terminal and  $V_{R-EXT}$  is its voltage. G is the digital current gain, which is set by the bit9 – bit2 of the configuration register. The default value of G is 1. For your information, the output current is about 20 mA when  $R_{EXT} = 34.70 \text{ k}\Omega$  and 10 mA when  $R_{EXT} = 69.6 \text{ k}\Omega$  if G is set to default value 1. The formula and setting for G are described in next section.

**Figure 12. Rext vs output current**



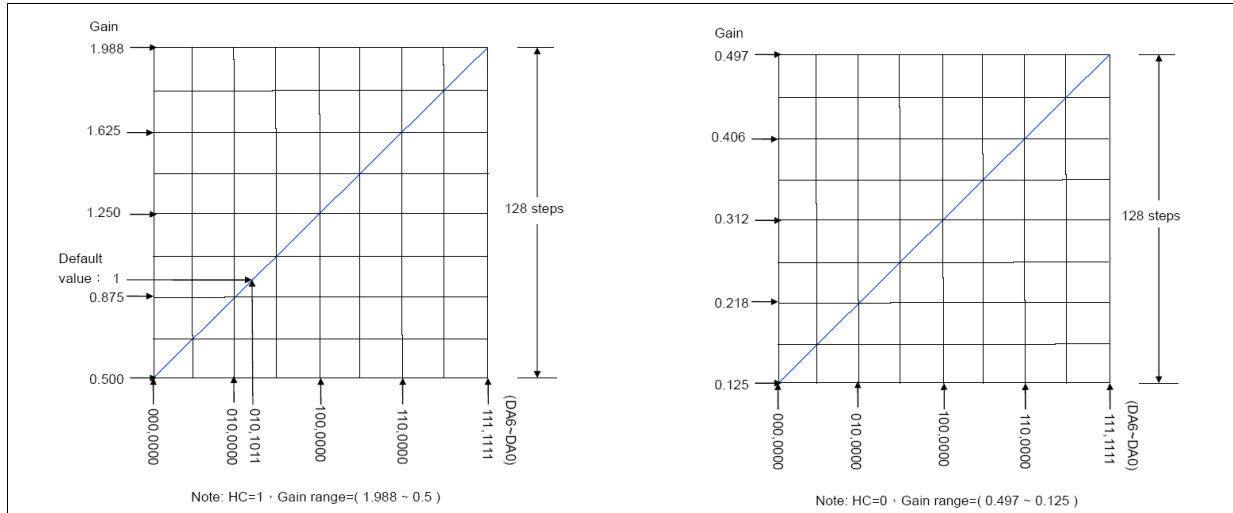
**Table 15. Rext vs output current (1)**

Iout (mA)	Rext (kΩ)
3	238.2
5	142.2
10	69.6
20	34.70
30	22.94
50	13.72
60	11.40
80	8.63

1.  $T_A = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{dd} = 3.3 \text{ V}; 5.0 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{Led} = 3.0 \text{ V}$ ,  $V_{drop} = 1.5 \text{ V}$ , HC = 0101011 (default)

# 12 Current gain adjustment

Figure 13. Gain vs DA6 - DA0



The bit 9 to bit 2 of the configuration register set the gain of output current, i.e., G. Being 8-bit in total, ranging from 8'b00000000 to 8'b11111111, these bits allow the user to set the output current gain up to 256 levels. These bits can be further defined in the configuration register as follows:

### Configuration register

MSB											LSB				
F	E	D	C	B	A	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
-	-	-	-	-	-	HC	DA6	DA5	DA4	DA3	DA2	DA1	DA0	-	-

1. Bit 9 is HC bit. The setting is in the low current range when HC=0, and in the high current range when HC=1.
2. Bit 8 to bit 2 are DA6 ~ DA0.

The relationship between these bits and current gain G is:

$$HC = 1, D = (256G-128)/3$$

$$HC = 0, D = (1024G-128)/3$$

and D in the above decimal numeration can be converted to its equivalent in binary form by the following equation:

$$D = DA6x2^6 + DA5x2^5 + DA4x2^4 + DA3x2^3 + DA2x2^2 + DA1x2^1 + DA0x2^0$$

In other words, these bits can be looked as a floating number with 1-bit exponent HC and 7-bit mantissa DA6~DA0.

For example,

$$HC = 1, G = 1.25, D = (256 \times 1.25 - 128) / 3 = 64$$

the D in binary form would be:

$$D = 64 = 1 \times 2^6 + 0 \times 2^5 + 0 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^0$$

The bit 9 to bit 2 of the configuration register are set to 8'b1100,0000.

## 13 Delay time of staggered output

This feature prevents large inrush current from the power line and reduces the bypass capacitors.

The outputs are organized in four groups OUT4n, OUT4n+1, OUTn4+2, OUT4n+3 and each group has 40 ns delay between the previous one.

E.g.: OUT4n has no delay, OUTn4+1 has 40ns delay, OUTn4+2 has 80ns delay, OUTn4+3 has 120 ns delay.

## 14 Thermal protection

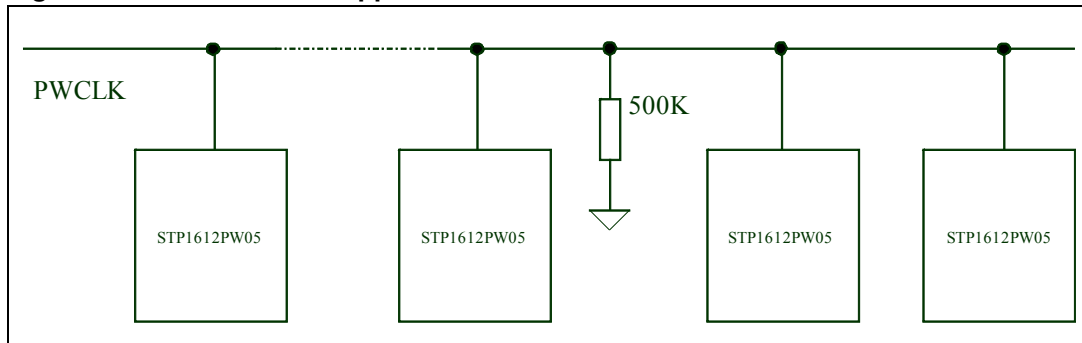
Thermal flag provides an indication about the status of the junction temperature. When the junction temperature reaches 150 °C the bit E of the configuration register is set to "1", signaling dangerous operating condition. This flag is useful when thermal shutdown function is disabled.

The thermal shutdown function, if activated by configuration register, turns-off all output channels if the junction exceeds 150 °C. As soon as the junction temperature is below 140 °C the outputs channels will be turned ON. In thermal shutdown mode, the digital core is active and data flow is guaranteed.

## 15 Time-out alert of GCLK disconnection

When the PWCLK signal is disconnected for around 1 second, all output ports will be turned off automatically. This function will protect the LED display system from staying ON indefinitely and prevent excessive current from damaging the power system. The default is set to 'enable' when bit "0" is 0. When the PWCLK is active again and new serial data are moved in, the driver resumes to work after resetting the internal counters and comparators.

**Figure 14. Time-out alert application scheme**





## 16 Package mechanical data

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of ECOPACK<sup>®</sup> packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK<sup>®</sup> specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: [www.st.com](http://www.st.com). ECOPACK is an ST trademark.

**Table 16. TSSOP24 mechanical data**

Dim.	mm.			inch		
	Min.	Typ	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.1			0.043
A1	0.05		0.15	0.002		0.006
A2		0.9			0.035	
b	0.19		0.30	0.0075		0.0118
c	0.09		0.20	0.0035		0.0079
D	7.7		7.9	0.303		0.311
E	4.3		4.5	0.169		0.177
e		0.65 BSC			0.0256 BSC	
H	6.25		6.5	0.246		0.256
K	0°		8°	0°		8°
L	0.50		0.70	0.020		0.028

**Figure 15. TSSOP24 package dimensions**

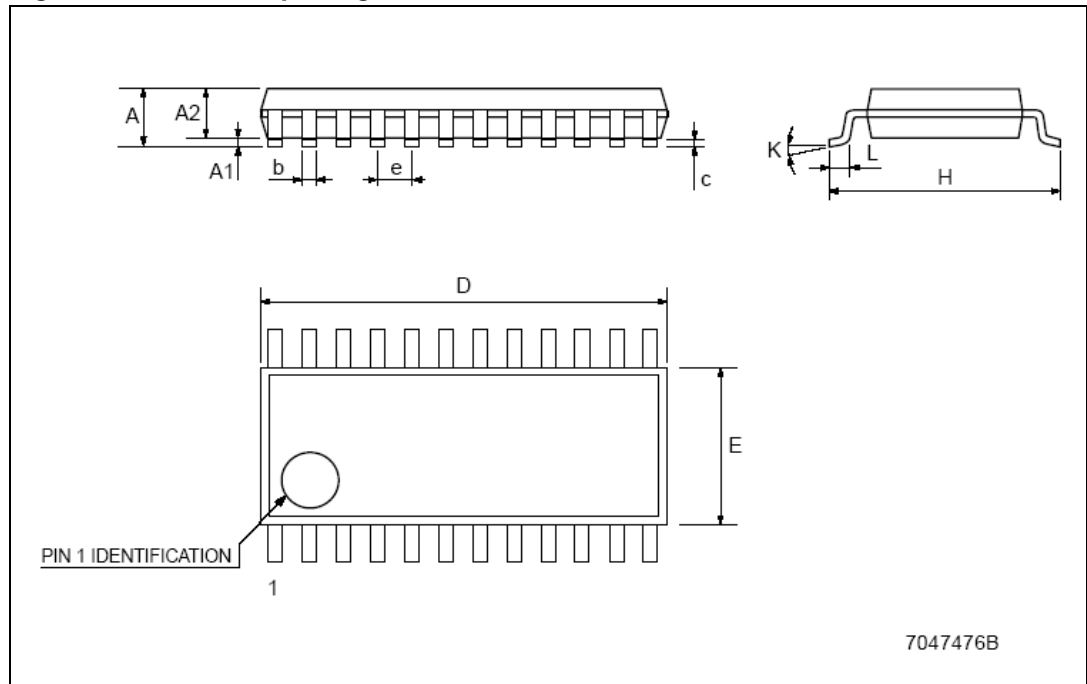


Table 17. TSSOP24 tape and reel

Dim.	mm.			inch		
	Min.	Typ	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A		-	330		-	12.992
C	12.8	-	13.2	0.504	-	0.519
D	20.2	-		0.795	-	
N	60	-		2.362	-	
T		-	22.4		-	0.882
Ao	6.8	-	7	0.268	-	0.276
Bo	8.2	-	8.4	0.323	-	0.331
Ko	1.7	-	1.9	0.067	-	0.075
Po	3.9	-	4.1	0.153	-	0.161
P	11.9	-	12.1	0.468	-	0.476

Figure 16. TSSOP24 reel dimensions

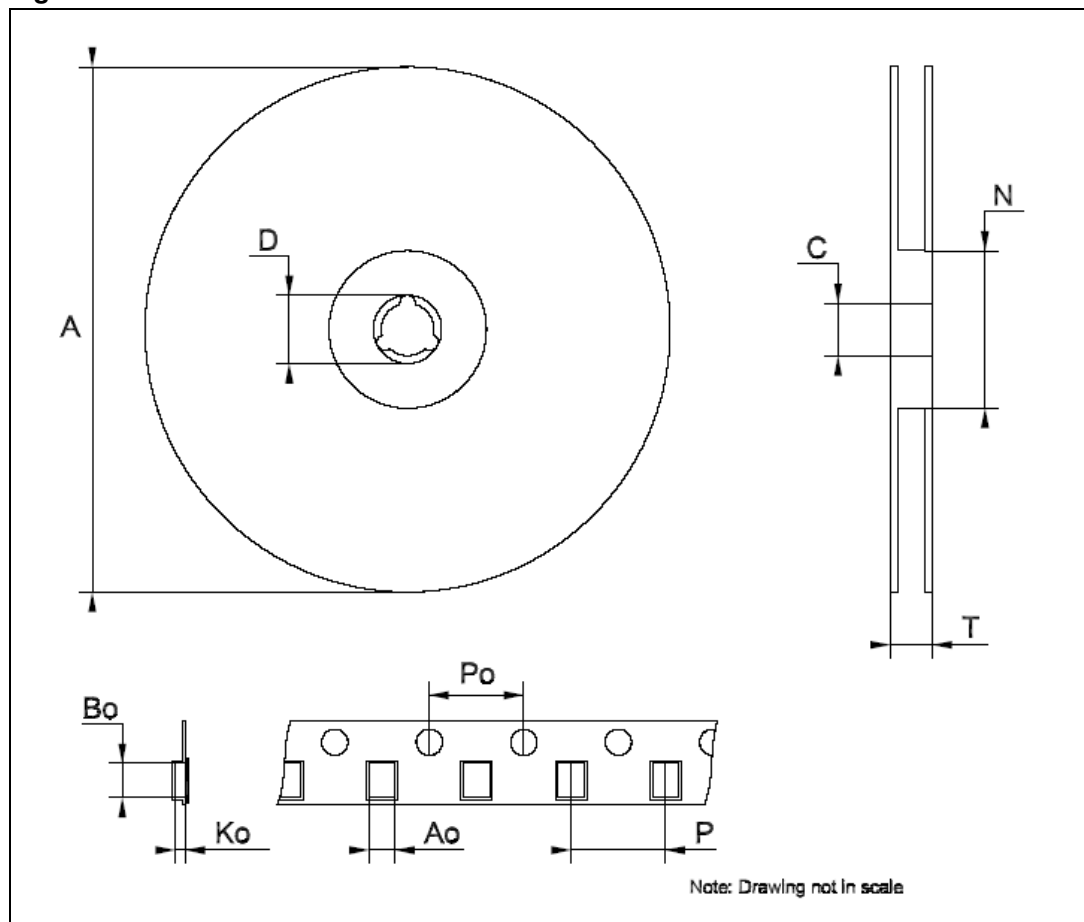


Table 18. SO-24 mechanical data

Dim.	mm.			inch		
	Min.	Typ	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			2.65			0.104
a1	0.1		0.2	0.004		0.008
a2			2.45			0.096
b	0.35		0.49	0.014		0.019
b1	0.23		0.32	0.009		0.012
C		0.5			0.020	
c1	45°(typ.)					
D	15.20		15.60	0.598		0.614
E	10.00		10.65	0.393		0.419
e		1.27			0.050	
e3		13.97			0.550	
F	7.40		7.60	0.291		0.300
L	0.50		1.27	0.020		0.050
S	°(max.) 8					

Figure 17. SO-24 package dimensions

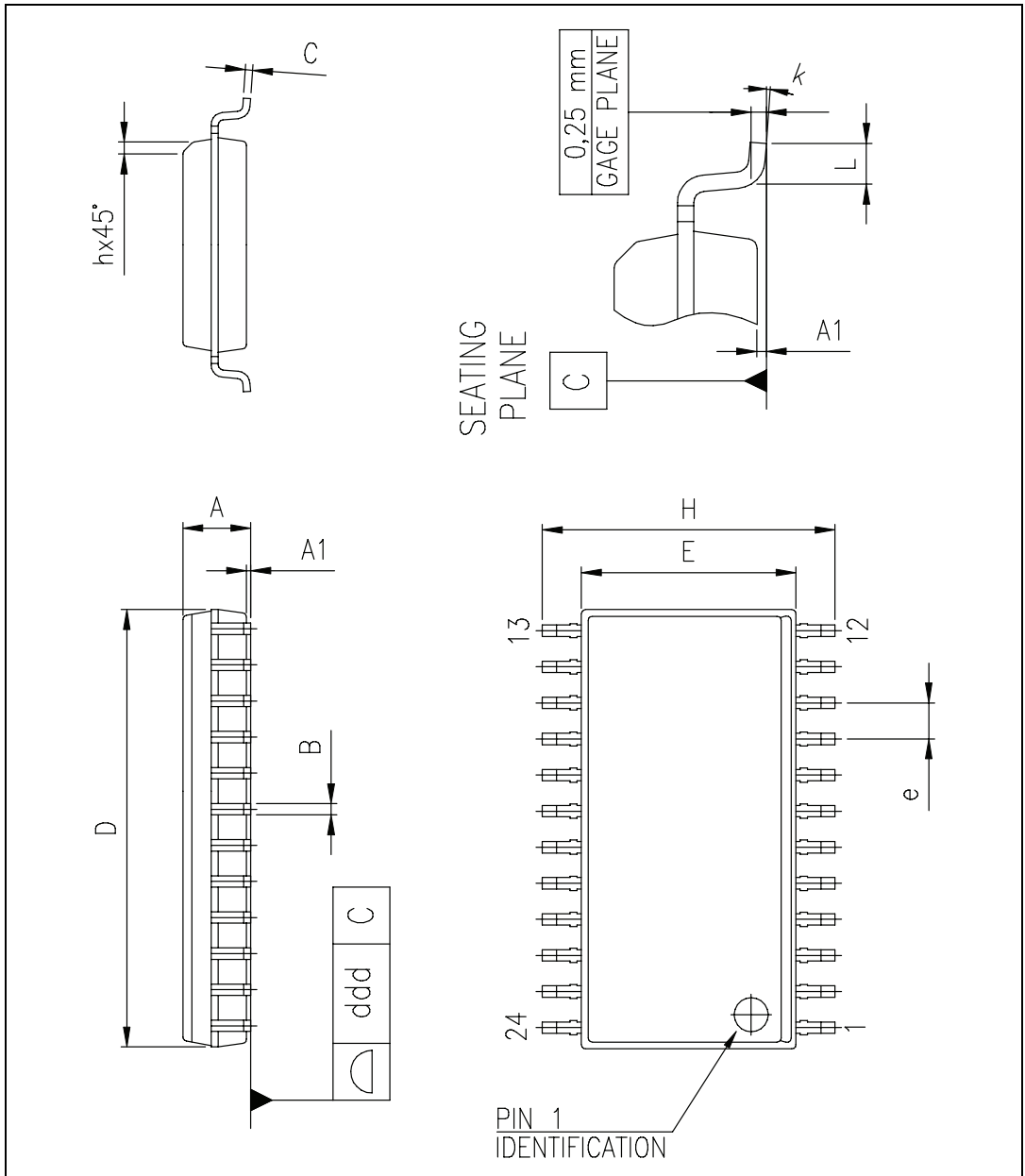


Table 19. SO-24 tape and reel

Dim.	mm.			inch		
	Min.	Typ	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A		-	330		-	12.992
C	12.8	-	13.2	0.504	-	0.519
D	20.2	-		0.795	-	
N	60	-		2.362	-	
T		-	30.4		-	1.197
Ao	10.8	-	11.0	0.425	-	0.433
Bo	15.7	-	15.9	0.618	-	0.626
Ko	2.9	-	3.1	0.114	-	0.122
Po	3.9	-	4.1	0.153	-	0.161
P	11.9	-	12.1	0.468	-	0.476

Figure 18. SO-24 reel dimensions

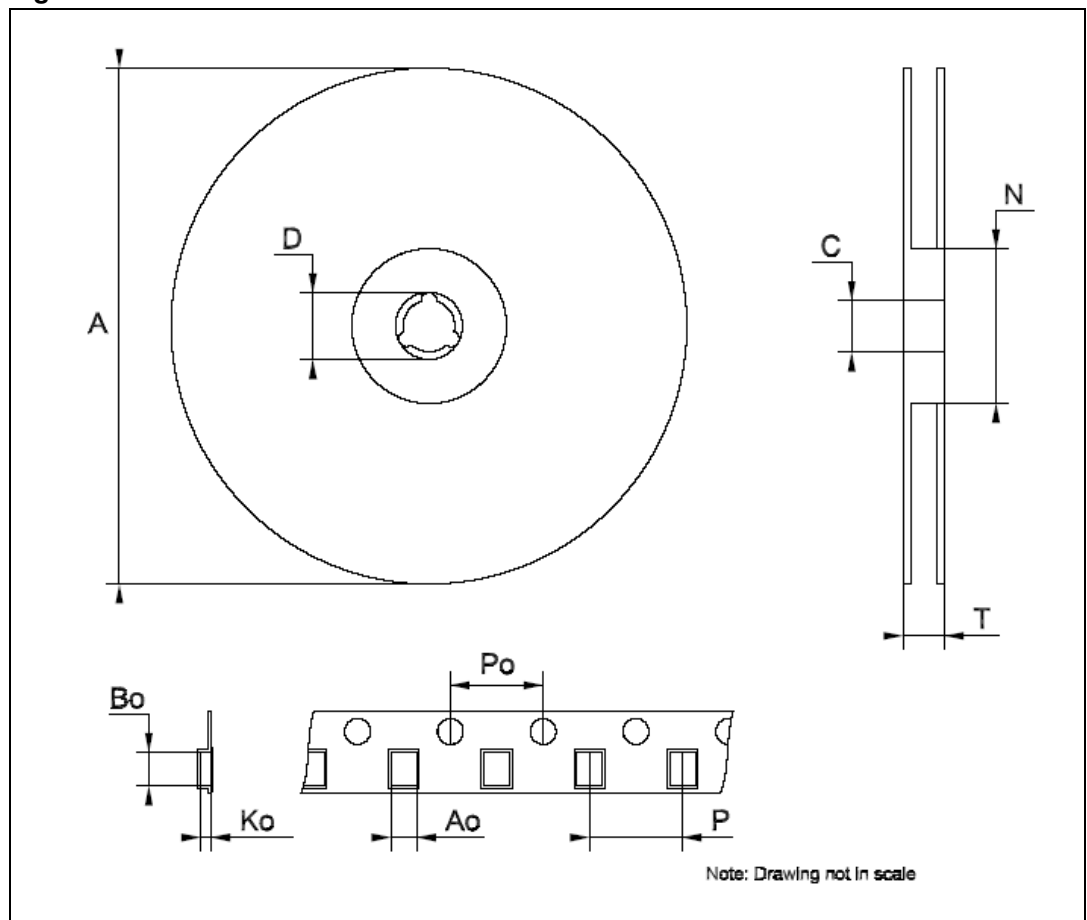


Table 20. TSSOP24 exposed pad

Dim.	mm			inch		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.2			0.047
A1			0.15	0.004		0.006
A2	0.8	1	1.05	0.031	0.039	0.041
b	0.19		0.30	0.007		0.012
c	0.09		0.20	0.004		0.0089
D	7.7	7.8	7.9	0.303	0.307	0.311
D1	4.7	5.0	5.3	0.185	0.197	0.209
E	6.2	6.4	6.6	0.244	0.252	0.260
E1	4.3	4.4	4.5	0.169	0.173	0.177
E2	2.9	3.2	3.5	0.114	0.126	0.138
e		0.65			0.0256	
K	0°		8°	0°		8°
L	0.45	0.60	0.75	0.018	0.024	0.030

Figure 19. TSSOP24 package dimensions

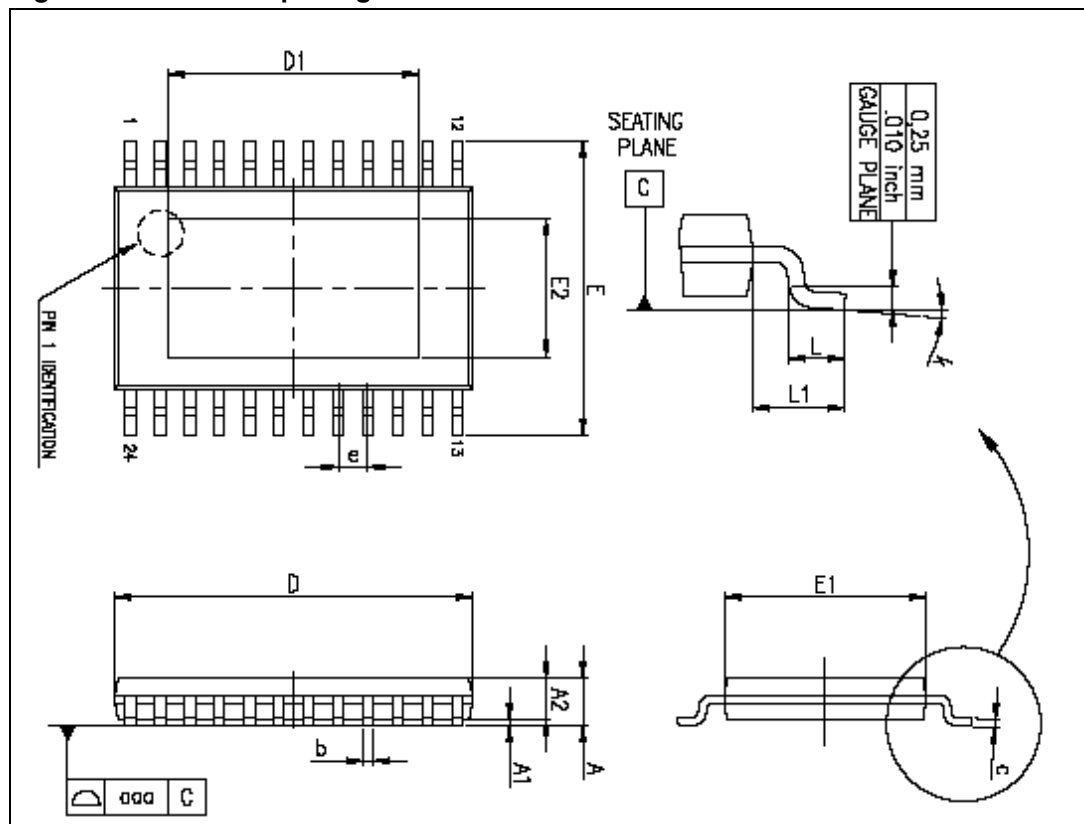
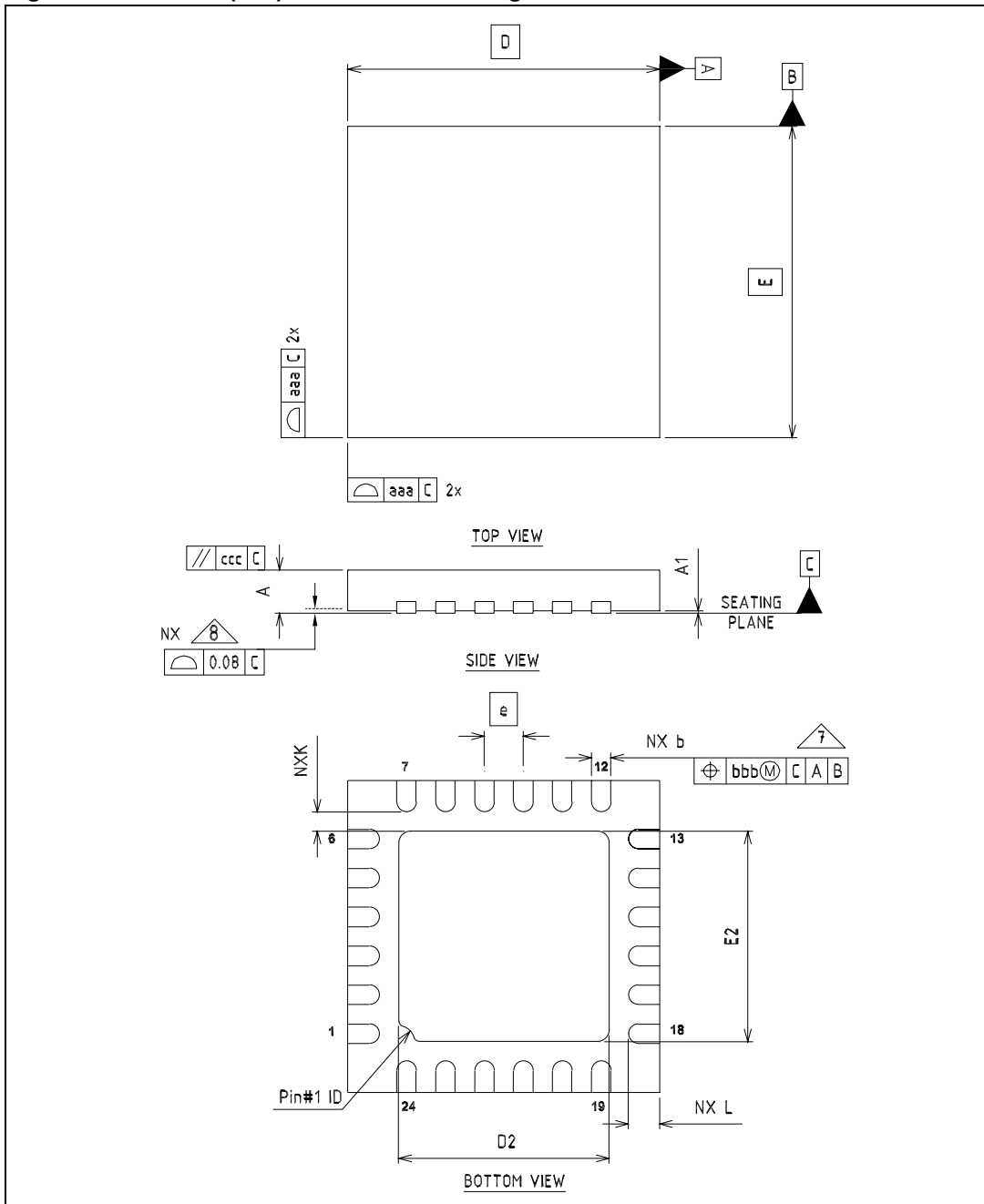


Table 21. QFN24 (4x4) mechanical data

Dim.	mm.			mils		
	Min.	Typ	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.00			39.4
A1	0.00		0.05	0.0		2.0
b	0.18		0.30	7.1		11.8
D	3.9		4.1	153.5		161.4
D2	2.6		2.8	76.8		88.6
E	3.9		4.1	153.5		161.4
E2	2.6		2.8	76.8		88.6
e		0.50			19.7	
L	0.40		0.60	15.7		23.6

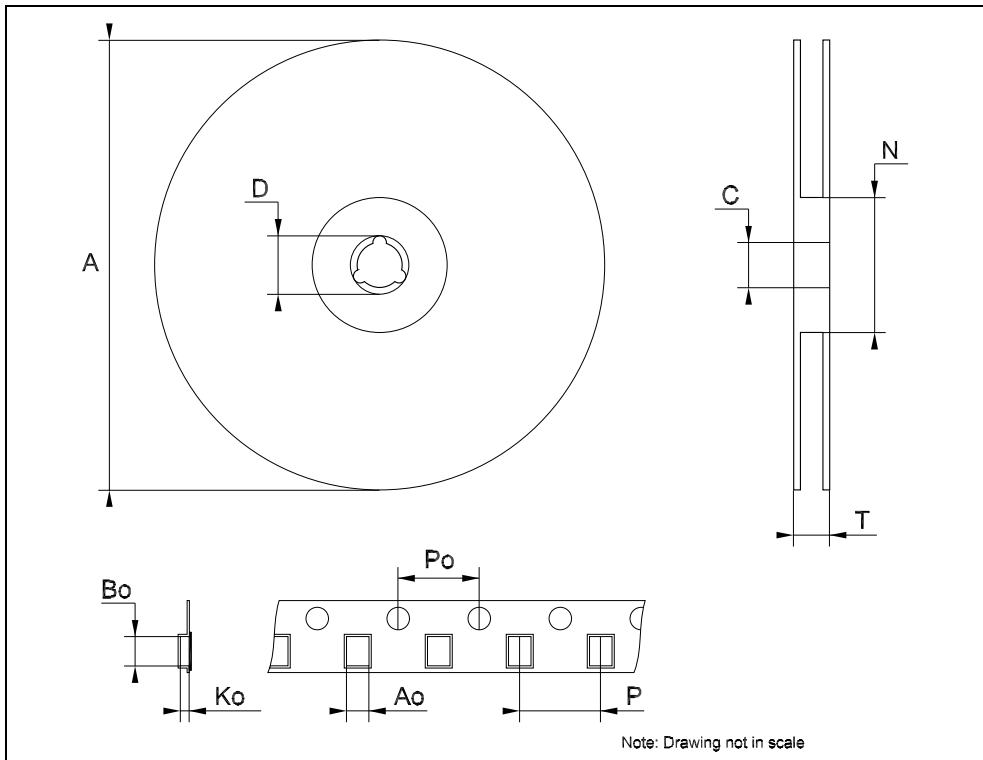
Figure 20. QFN24 (4x4) mechanical drawing





**Tape & Reel QFNxx/DFNxx (4x4) MECHANICAL DATA**

DIM.	mm.			inch		
	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.
A			330			12.992
C	12.8		13.2	0.504		0.519
D	20.2			0.795		
N	99		101	3.898		3.976
T			14.4			0.567
Ao		4.35			0.171	
Bo		4.35			0.171	
Ko		1.1			0.043	
Po		4			0.157	
P		8			0.315	



## 17 Revision history

**Table 22. Document revision history**

Date	Revision	Changes
17-Jun-2009	1	Initial release.
10-Aug-2009	2	Updated <a href="#">Section 9.2 on page 19</a> and <a href="#">Table 12 on page 14</a>
29-Oct-2009	3	Updated: <a href="#">Figure 2 on page 6</a> and <a href="#">Table 21 on page 31</a> Added: <a href="#">Figure 14 on page 24</a>
18-Dec-2009	4	Updated <a href="#">Section 11 on page 21</a>

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