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UCC25710 LLC Half-Bridge Controller For Multi-String LED Lighting

1 Features

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INSTRUMENTS

- ¹ Closed-Loop LED String Current Control
- PWM Dimming Input
- Adjustable F_{MIN} (3% accuracy), and F_{MAX} (7.5% Accuracy)
- LLC and Series LED Switch Control for Dimming
- Programmable Dimming LLC ON/OFF Ramp for Elimination of Audible Noise
- Closed-Loop Current Control at Low Dimming Duty Cycles
- Programmable Soft Start
- Accurate V_{REF} for Tight Output Regulation
- Overvoltage, Undervoltage and Input Overcurrent Protection With Auto-Restart Response
- Second Overcurrent Threshold With Latch-Off Response
- 400-mA/-800-mA Gate Drive Current
- Low Start-Up and Operating Currents
- • Lead (Pb)-Free, 20-Pin, SOIC Package

2 Applications

- LED Backlight for LCD TV and Monitors
- LED General Lighting

Simplified Application Diagram

3 Description

The UCC25710 device is an LLC half-bridge controller for accurate control of multi-string LED backlight applications. It is optimized for multitransformer, multi-string LED architectures. Superior LED current matching in multiple strings can be achieved with this controller and architecture. Compared to existing LED backlight solutions, the multi-transformer architecture provides the highest overall efficiency from AC input to LED load.

The LLC controller function includes a Voltage Controlled Oscillator (VCO) with programmable F_{MIN} and F_{MAX} , half-bridge gate drivers with a fixed dead time of 500 ns and a GM current amplifier. The LLC power delivery is modulated by the controller's VCO frequency. The VCO has an accurate and programmable frequency range. At very low power levels the VCO frequency goes from F_{MAX} to zero to maximize efficiency at low LED currents.

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.

Efficiency and Linearity Results (Dual 45-W Strings)

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5 Description (continued)

The LED current loop reference is set by a divider off the V_{REF} 5-V output. The reference can be varied over a 0.5-V to 2.6-V range, allowing analog dimming to be combined with PWM dimming.

PWM dimming is used to control an external LED series switch and also to gate on and off the LLC power stage. The LEDSW output along with a simple drive circuit is used to switch on and off the LED string current. This output responds directly to the input signal at the dimming input, DIM. The LLC is also ramped on and off with the dimming PWM input. The on and off LLC dimming edges are ramped at programmable slew rates to control audible noise. The dimming function includes duty-cycle compensation to allow optimization of overall efficiency and dimming linearity over a maximum range.

The control voltage to the VCO is set by ICOMP (current amplifier output) during LED ON-times. During start-up the soft-start pin, SS, controls the VCO response until it exceeds ICOMP. During dimming the rise and fall rates of the VCO input are controlled by the voltage at the dimming slew rate, DSR, pin while the pedestal of VCO control level continues to be controlled by ICOMP. The current amplifier output is connected to ICOMP only during the commanded dimming LED ON-time. The LLC on-time is extended beyond the LED current ON-time at low dimming duty-cycles to maintain closed-loop control of the LED current.

Protection thresholds for LED string overvoltage and undervoltage conditions are set with external resistive dividers and accurate internal thresholds. Input current to the converter is monitored with both a restart and latchoff response depending on the overcurrent level. The controller also includes thermal shutdown protection.

The auto restart response to any fault includes a 10-ms reset period followed by a soft start. In the case of a severe input overcurrent, restart is disabled until the input supply is cycled through its UVLO threshold.

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6 Pin Configuration and Functions

Pin Functions

Pin Functions (continued)

7 Specifications

7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) $⁽¹⁾$ </sup>

(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

7.2 ESD Ratings

(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

all voltages are with respect to GND; currents are positive into and negative out of the specified terminal. -40°C < $T_J = T_A$ < 125°C (unless otherwise noted)

7.4 Thermal Information

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *[Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spra953)* application report.

7.5 Electrical Characteristics

 ${\sf T}_{\sf A}$ = –40°C to 125°C, ${\sf T}_{\sf A}$ = ${\sf T}_{\sf J}$, V_{VCC} = 12 V, V_{BLON} = 3 V, V_{UV} = 3 V, V_{OV} = 2 , V_{CL} = 0 V, R_{MIN} = 100 kΩ, R_{MAX} = 4.99 kΩ, (unless otherwise noted)

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7.6 Typical Characteristics

Typical Characteristics (continued)

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Typical Characteristics (continued)

8 Detailed Description

8.1 Overview

The UCC25710 is a highly integrated LLC controller designed specifically for multi-string LED lighting applications. The half-bridge LLC control is combined with independent PWM dimming or non-dimming of the LED current for control of the light output.

The UCC25710 is designed to provide power from a high voltage DC bus, such as the output from a PFC stage. Input over current-sensing protects the system in the event of a fault and gate drive outputs provide the drive signals to the LLC stage. Output overvoltage and undervoltage provide additional protection. LED current is sensed with a resistor in series with the LED's. The UCC25710 has separate enable and dimming inputs.

This arrangement of a multi-transformer architecture, as shown in [Figure 25,](#page-22-0) results in a highly efficient power supply.

8.2 Functional Block Diagram

8.3 Feature Description

Signal names and pin functions are depicted in *[Functional Block Diagram](#page-13-0)*.

8.3.1 Multi-transformer Architecture

The multi-transformer LED driver architecture is a very attractive solution for driving multiple LED strings at the same current using a single power train and control device. Excellent LED string current matching from string to string (<1%) excellent LED current linearity from 1% to 100% dimming (<2%), and high efficiency can be achieved (>94%). Because this architecture is intended to use the 400-V output of the PFC stage, there is a significant cost advantage over typical LED backlight implementations because a power stage can be eliminated.

The architecture and UCC25710 control device are based on the LLC resonant half-bridge topology. The controller feedback loop is configured to regulate the total LED current typically with a current-sense resistor. The arrangement of the transformers with the primaries in series provides excellent LED string current matching. Because the primaries are in series, the current in each transformer primary is the same. The secondary current is the primary current times the turns ratio. The net primary magnetizing current is circulated in the primary side of the half bridge and does not affect the current transferred to the outputs. In each transformer, differences in magnetizing current caused by different magnetizing inductance or winding voltage will cause a difference in current transferred to the LED outputs, although the difference in transferred current is minimal with typical transformer tolerances and following the guidance in the *[Determining Transformer and Resonant Circuit](#page-21-0) [Parameters](#page-21-0)* below.

The UCC25710 includes all of the functions necessary to implement a total LED backlight driver including GM current amplifier, VCO, reference regulator, soft start, dimming duty cycle compensation and protection for OV, UV, current limit, and thermal shutdown. There are additional features to minimize audible noise during dimming and provide fast LED current rise and fall times.

8.3.2 Start-Up and Non-Dimming Operation

The UCC27510 is enabled when V_{CC} exceeds the V_{VCCON} threshold and BLON is high. At this time the soft-start cycle is initiated following a 10-ms reset delay. A 2.5-µA current source charges the capacitor connected to the SS pin to generate the soft-start ramp. During the soft-start cycle the current amplifier output (ICOMP) is clamped to be equal to or less than SS voltage. The voltage on ICOMP controls the VCO. V_{ICOMP} achieves the steady state operating point to regulate the total LED current during the soft-start rise time. The DIM input and the UV input are disabled during soft start to allow the output capacitors to charge to the steady-state operating voltage. When the SS pin reaches the V_{SSTH} threshold the SS-END signal transitions high indicating the end of the soft-start cycle. At this time the UV comparator and DIM input are enabled. See [Figure 17](#page-15-0) for the timing relationship during soft start.

Figure 17. Start-Up Timing Diagram

8.3.3 Dimming Operation

Once the soft-start cycle is complete, the LEDSW output and control of the VCO depend on the DIM input. The dimming input signal controls the LEDSW output maintaining an accurate ON-time relationship between the DIM pulse width and LED current pulse width; the internal control signal is LED-ON. The LED-ON signal also controls a switch between the GM current amplifier output and the ICOMP pin. On the DIM rising edge the switch from the amplifier to the ICOMP pin is turned on after a 2.4-µs delay. The small delay time allows time to turn on the LED switch MOSFET. On the DIM falling edge the switch between the GM amplifier is turned off. During the DIM OFF-time the compensation capacitor at the ICOMP pin holds the correct steady-state operating voltage for the current loop. It is important that any DC loading of this pin is kept to an absolute minimum or current errors results as the dimming duty-cycle is reduced.

The LLC power stage is gated on and off during dimming with the dimming input signal. The UCC25710 allows control of the slew rate of the LLC power delivery at the rising and falling edges of a dim cycle allowing potentially audible electro-mechanically induced noise to be minimized. In addition, the falling, or turnoff, edge of a dimming cycle can be delayed, allowing the current loop to maintain control at low dimming duty-cycles even when the ramp rates have been slowed. See [Figure 18.](#page-16-0)

Figure 18. Dimming Timing Diagram

The power through the LLC converter is inversely proportional to the frequency of the VCO. The VCO frequency, in turn, is inversely proportional to the VCO control signal. See [Figure 19](#page-16-1) for details of this relationship. The dimming input generates an LLC-OFF signal that is used to select either a charging or discharging state for a capacitor applied to the DSR pin. The ±44 µA of current and associated capacitor set a ramp rate for the rise and fall of the DSR voltage. The control voltage to the VCO is dominated by the DSR voltage when the DSR voltage is less than the ICOMP pin – allowing the falling ramp on the DSR pin to softly turnoff the LLC power stage and softly return it to the same operating state as it rises.

Figure 19. VCO Characteristics

The LLC-OFF signal is an inverted version of the dimming input signal. The falling edge of LLC-OFF is synchronized with the rising edge of the DIM signal. At a negative DIM edge the DADJ and DTY signals are combined to delay the rising edge of LLC-OFF providing a duty-cycle compensation time that is a function of the dimming duty cycle.

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Averaged by a capacitor at the DTY pin, the voltage on DTY is inversely proportional to the dimming duty cycle; the voltage is

 $0.1 V + 2.5 V \times (1-D)$

where

• D is the dimming PWM duty-cycle (1)

The DTY voltage range is 100 mV at 100% DIM duty-cycle, or LED current continuously on, to 2.6 V at 0% DIM duty cycle, or LED current continuously off. The DADJ pin 20-µA current source is allowed to charge the pin capacitor after a DIM falling edge. The LLC-OFF signal transitions high when the capacitor on DADJ charges to the voltage on DTY. See [Figure 18](#page-16-0) for the timing relationship during dimming. The scope plots in [Figure 20](#page-17-0) and [Figure 21](#page-17-0) below show an example LED driver at 10% and 50% DIM duty cycle.

8.3.4 Fault Condition Operation

The UCC25710 has a similar response to overvoltage, thermal shutdown and current limit faults. [Figure 22](#page-17-1) shows the fault response. The OV input has a 2.6-V threshold and 240 mV of hysteresis. When OV is above 2.6 V the internal FAULT signal is active which results in the RESET signal going high. With RESET high the gate drivers are disabled, the SS pin is discharged to ground, and the LEDSW output is turned off. When OV is below 2.36 V the FAULT signal is inactive which starts the 10-ms SS clamp timer.

RESET is extended 10 ms beyond FAULT going low. After the 10-ms soft-start timer the normal soft-start sequence begins. Thermal shutdown generates the same internal FAULT signal when the internal temperature reaches 160°C and a restart sequence begins after the junction temperature drops by the 25°C of threshold hysteresis.

The current limit comparator has two thresholds. The lower threshold of 0.95 V results in a shutdown and restart as described for OVP, the OC pin has 0.475 V of hysteresis. The second current limit threshold of 1.9 V results in a latch-off fault. VCC must be recycled below the V_{CCOFF} threshold to reset the latched OC fault.

The undervoltage fault has a different response to allow the converter to charge the output capacitors in a normal start-up condition. Because UV is disabled during soft start, a sustained UV fault results in a 10-ms soft-start clamp time plus the time required for the SS pin to charge to V_{SSTH} which is 4.15 V. See [Figure 23](#page-18-1) for UV fault condition timing diagrams.

Figure 23. UV Fault Timing Diagram

8.4 Device Functional Modes

The device has two functional modes: non-dimming and dimming.

In the non-dimming mode the DIM input pin is held high (above 1.5 V typically)

In the dimming mode the DIM pin is switched between high and low levels.

The dimming slew rate controls the rate of change between the high and low LED currents.

This is set with a capacitor on the DSR input pin.

Additionally, a capacitor on the DADJ input pin extends the falling edges of the dimming cycle.

This allows for control at very low dimming ratios.

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9 Application and Implementation

NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

9.1 Application Information

The UCC25710 offers a highly integrated solution for LLC control of LED lighting. To the part easier to use, TI has prepared an extensive set of materials to demonstrate the features of the device. The UCC25710 offers a highly integrated feature-set and excellent accuracy to control the LED current in highly efficient LLC type power supplies with dimming or without dimming requirements.

9.2 Typical Application

To take advantage of all the benefits integrated in this controller, the following procedure simplifies the setup to avoid unnecessary iterations in the design procedure. See [Figure 24](#page-20-0) setup for component names.

Note parts with no value are populated

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9.2.1 Design Requirements

[Table 1](#page-21-1) lists the design parameters of this example.

Table 1. Design Parameters

9.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

9.2.2.1 Determining Transformer and Resonant Circuit Parameters

The muti-transformer architecture is similar to conventional LLC converter design with a few exceptions that are described in this section. Typical LLC voltage output converters are designed to operate nominally close to resonance and have the minimum switching frequency below resonance and maximum frequency above resonance. TI recommends operating above resonance at the nominal input voltage range of the converter to achieve good transient response during dimming and improved LED current matching. The transformer turns ratio equation shown is to target operation above resonance.

Use [Equation 2](#page-21-2) to calculate the turns ratio of the transformers in the multi-transformer architecture.

$$
N = \frac{N_P}{N_S} = \frac{V_{IN}}{2 \times N_T \times V_{LED}}
$$

where

- N is the primary to secondary turns ratio
- N_P is the primary turns
- N_S is the secondary turns
- \cdot V_{IN} is the input voltage to the LLC converter, typically the output of the PFC boost converter
- N_T is the number of transformers
- V_{LED} is the LED string voltage (2) (2)

Another important consideration for the multi-transformer LED driver is to set the total magnetizing inductance of the transformers as high as possible to minimize the primary magnetizing current and it's effect on LED current matching. TI recommends targeting the total magnetizing inductance of the transformers to a value just low enough to achieve ZVS operation during nominal frequency operation. [Equation 3](#page-22-1) and [Equation 4](#page-22-2) determine the magnetizing inductance target. Reduce the calculated L_M to accommodate L_M and C_{OSS} tolerances.

$$
I_{MPk} = \frac{2 \times C_{OSS} \times V_{IN}}{400 \text{ ns}}
$$

$$
L_m = \frac{V_{IN} \times \left(\frac{0.5}{F_{SW}} - 500 \text{ ns}\right)}{400 \text{ ns}}
$$

 $4 \times I_{\text{MPk}} \times N_{\text{T}}$

where

- I_{MPK} is the peak magnetizing current
- C_{oss} is the MOSFET equivalent time related drain to source capacitance
- V_{IN} is the nominal input voltage to the half bridge, normally the PFC output voltage
- F_{SW} is the switching frequency at the regulation operating point
- L_M is the magnetizing inductance of each transformer
- N_T is the number of transformers with the primaries in series (4)

(3)

To use standard LLC converter design process and available tools such as [SLUC253 design calculator](http://www.ti.com/lit/zip/sluc253) available on the [TI website](http://www.ti.com), the multiple transformers and reflected loads can be combined into one equivalent transformer and load as shown in [Figure 25](#page-22-0). Once Lr and Lm are determined based on a single transformer circuit, simply divide by the number of transformers for each transformer specification target.

Figure 25. Multiple Transformers Combined With Reflected Loads

9.2.2.2 CS (Output Current Sense)

The CS pin is connected to the output current-sense resistor and is the feedback signal for the current amplifier. The regulation range is limited by the 0.5-V to 2.8-V internal current amplifier reference clamp. The LED current sense resistor value is determined by [Equation 5](#page-22-3).

$$
R_{CS} = \frac{V_{CREF}}{I_{LEDTotal}}
$$

where

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- V_{CREF} is voltage on CREF pin determined by divider from VREF ILEDTotal.
- $I_{LEDTOTAL}$ is the total LED string current during the DIM on time. (5)

9.2.2.3 ICOMP (Current Amplifier Compensation)

Connect a capacitor or series resistor capacitor combination to ground to compensate the 510-µS GM current amplifier control loop. The current amplifier is designed to maintain the steady-state operating voltage point of the current amplifier during dimming operation. This is accomplished by switching on and off the GM current amplifier to the ICOMP pin with the same control signal that controls the LEDSW output. The GM amplifier is disconnected from the ICOMP pin during the DIM OFF-time, and connected during the DIM ON-time. This feature is compromised if there is a leakage path on the ICOMP pin, such as resistance to ground. The re-connection of the ICOMP pin to the current amplifier output is delayed by about 2.4 µs to allow time for the external LED switch to be turned on prior to allowing the ICOMP pin voltage to be driven.

The optimum ICOMP capacitor value is determined based on desired LED current and primary current response during dimming. Because the LLC converter has a highly nonlinear transfer function, a gain phase analyzer is recommended to optimize the component values on ICOMP. The recommended bandwidth target is from 800 Hz to 5 kHz. The trade-off of too low bandwidth is increased line frequency ripple on the LED string current. The trade-off of high bandwidth is voltage variation on ICOMP during the DSR rise time which can result in primary current peaking during the start of the DIM period, this may result in audible noise if excessive. Either an integrator (capacitor to ground) or type II compensation (capacitor in parallel with resistor and series capacitor) is recommended.

9.2.2.4 SS (Soft Start)

Connect a capacitor to ground to program the desired soft-start time. When VCC exceeds the V_{CCON} threshold and BLON is high, a 2.5-µA current source charges the soft-start capacitor after a 10-ms delay. The voltage on SS dominates the VCO control voltage when lower than V_{ICOMP} or V_{DSR} . The device is in a soft-start condition until V_{SS} reaches the 4.2-V soft start over threshold. During the soft-start cycle DIM is disabled and the UV protection is disabled. The soft-start cycle is initiated by UVLO, BLON, OV fault clear, or UV fault clear after the soft-start cycle.

$$
C_{SS} = \frac{2.5 \, \mu A \times T_{SS}}{V_{ICOMP_REG} - 0.9 \, V}
$$

where

- T_{SS} is the target SS time.
- $V_{\text{ICOMP_REG}}$ is the ICOMP voltage at the regulation point, which can be derived based on LLC switching frequency. frequency. (6)

9.2.2.5 FMAX (Maximum VCO Frequency)

Terminate FMAX to ground with a resistor to program the frequency delta from desired maximum to minimum operating frequency range. The recommended resistor value range is 4.22 kΩ to 53.6 kΩ. V_{ICOMP} which is the VCO control signal determines the voltage on FMAX; the programming resistor determines the voltage to current conversion ratio that programs the oscillator frequency at a given V_{ICOMP} voltage level. The device is designed to accommodate a maximum frequency of 350 kHz and a minimum frequency delta of 25 kHz. To provide controlled rise and fall time of the primary current during dimming, a maximum frequency of 2 to 3 times the nominal switching frequency is recommended as an initial value. The resistor value can be determined by [Equation 7](#page-23-0).

$$
R_{MAX} = \frac{0.0664}{49.2pF \times F_{SW}(Delta)}
$$

where

• $F_{SW}(Delta) = F_{SW(max)} - F_{SW(min)}$ (7)

9.2.2.6 FMIN (Minimum VCO Frequency)

Terminate FMIN to ground with a resistor to program the desired minimum operating frequency. The recommended resistor range is 9.53 kΩ to 102 kΩ. The device is designed to accommodate a minimum frequency of 30 KHz. The resistor value can be determined by [Equation 8.](#page-24-0)

$$
R_{MIN} = \frac{0.15}{49.2pF \times F_{SW(min)}}
$$

Use [Equation 9](#page-24-1) to determine F_{SW} for given V_{ICOMP} , R_{FMAX} , and R_{FMIN} values.

$$
F_{SW} = \frac{\frac{0.15}{R_{MIN} + \frac{(4V - V_{ICOMP})}{R_{MAX} \times 45.2V}}}{49.2pF}
$$

where from [Equation 7](#page-23-0) to [Equation 9](#page-24-1)

• F_{SW} is in Hz, R is in Ω

• V_{ICOMP} is in V (9)

9.2.2.7 GD1 and GD2 (Gate Drive 1 and 2)

Connect the primary of the gate-drive transformer to GD1 and GD2 through a small series resistance. The highside driver resistance is 12 Ω and low-side driver resistance is 4 Ω typical. The drivers are limited to 25-mA RMS maximum current, so there is a magnetizing current limitation of the gate-drive transformer shown in the [Equation 10.](#page-24-2) If the magnetizing current exceeds 25 mA with the specified gate-drive transformer and nominal operating frequency, a simple NPN-PNP buffer on GD1 and GD2 may be required. The minimum gate drive transformer inductance can be determined from [Equation 10](#page-24-2).

$$
L_{GD} = \frac{V_{CC}}{2 \times F_{SW} \times 87 \text{ mA}}
$$

where

- L_{GD} is the gate drive transformer L_{PH}
- \cdot F_{SW} is the nominal switching frequency
- V_{CC} is the V_{CC} supply voltage (10)

9.2.2.8 LEDSW (LED Switch Drive)

The LEDSW is the output to control the LED switch MOSFET in series with the LED string returns. The LEDSW is controlled by the DIM input during normal operation to provide LED string current pulse widths that corresponds to the DIM signal. During soft start, the LEDSW signal is high regardless of the DIM signal to allow the output capacitors to charge. The LEDSW is low during an OV, UV or CL fault to provide additional protection to the LED's. This output is 0 V to VCC but has limited drive current ability, a simple NPN or PNP buffer is required to drive the LED switch MOSFET. The LEDSW high resistance is 4 kΩ and low side is 2 kΩ, so avoid any DC load on this pin.

The turnon and turnoff delay of the LED switch MOSFET relative to DIM rising and falling edge must be well matched to achieve excellent LED current linearity especially at low DIM duty-cycles. As an example, consider a 1% dimming duty-cycle at dimming PWM frequency of 300 Hz where a delay mismatch of 667 ns represents a 2% linearity error. A gate-drive resistor and parallel resistor diode combination to drive the LED switch MOSFET can be used to match edge delays. Refer to [Figure 26](#page-25-0) for a recommended LED switch MOSFET drive circuit.

(8)

Figure 26. Recommended LED Switch MOSFET Drive Circuit

9.2.2.9 DSR (Dimming Slew Rate)

The DSR pin is used to control the rise and fall time of the VCO control voltage. The DSR capacitor value can be determined by [Equation 11](#page-25-1). The effective rise time of the LLC primary current is when VDSR is between the 0.9- V gate-drive enable voltage and the VICOMP operating point.

$$
C_{DSR} = \frac{44 \,\mu A \times T_{SLEW}}{V_{ICOMP_REG} - 0.9 \,V}
$$

where

- $T_{SI,EW}$ is the desired LLC current rise and fall time
- $V_{\text{ICOMP REG}}$ is the ICOMP voltage regulation point (11)

Because the DSR voltage starts at 0 V and the LLC gate-drive enable is typically 0.9 V, there is a delay from the DIM rising edge and LEDSW rising edge until the LLC gate drivers are enabled. An easy solution to eliminate a majority of the delay is to use a resistor in series with C_{DSR} . Because DSR is clamped at a Vbe above V_{ICOMP}, the recommended resistance is 15 kΩ to 17 kΩ to provide a 640-mV to 720-mV initial voltage delta.

9.2.2.10 DTY (Dimming Duty-Cycle Average)

The DTY pin generates a voltage inversely proportional to the DIM duty-cycle with a 100-mV offset. The voltage range is 100 mV to 2.6 V corresponding to 100% dimming and 0% dimming. This voltage is compared to the DADJ rising ramp to determine the dimming duty-cycle compensation delay time.

The capacitor value is selected to provide low ripple voltage at the DIM frequency. A good guideline is to target 100 V or less peak-to-peak ripple voltage. There is a trade-off of DTY capacitor value and response to DIM dutycycle transients. For faster response time to significant changes in DIM duty-cycle select a lower value capacitance. [Equation 12](#page-25-2) can be used to select a DTY capacitor based on maximum ripple voltage and DIM frequency.

$$
C_{\text{DTY}} = \frac{15.65 \,\mu\text{A}}{V_{\text{DTY(pp)}} \times F_{\text{DIM}}}
$$

where

 F_{DIM} is the dimming frequency

 $V_{\text{DTY(pp)}}$ is the maximum peak to peak ripple voltage. (12)

[Equation 13](#page-25-3) can be used to determine the average of V_{DTY} at any given DIM duty-cycle.

 $V_{\text{DTY}} = \left[(1 - D_{\text{DIM}}) \times 2.5 \text{ V} \right] + 0.1 \text{ V}$

where D_{DIM} is the DIM duty-cycle. (13)

9.2.2.11 DADJ (Dimming Duty-Cycle Adjust)

The DADJ pin is a 20-µA current source enabled at the DIM falling edge. The capacitor connected to this pin determines the slope of V_{DADJ} . LLC-OFF is the internal signal that controls the turnon and turnoff of the LLC power stage. The rising edge of LLC-OFF corresponds to a falling edge at the DIM input. The falling edge of the LLC-OFF signal is delayed until the rising edge of the DADJ voltage crosses the voltage on DTY. See *[Dimming](#page-15-1) [Operation](#page-15-1)* discussion for more details.

An initial value DADJ capacitor can be determined by [Equation 14.](#page-26-0) The dimming performance at lowest DIM on time must be evaluated as described in the following paragraph.

$$
C_{DADJ} = \frac{20 \mu A \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{DIM_{DMIN} \times T_{RISE}}{F_{DIM}}} - \frac{DIM_{DMIN}}{F_{DIM}}\right)}{\left[(1-DIM_{DMIN}) \times 2.5 \text{ V}\right] + 0.1 \text{ V}}
$$

where

- DIM_{DMIN} is the minimum dimming duty cycle
- F_{DIM} is the dimming frequency
- T_{RISE} is the effective DSR rise time (14) (14)

To ensure consistent LED current regulation during DIM duty-cycle transients, it is important to confirm that ICOMP achieves the steady-state operating voltage at the lowest DIM duty-cycle. Because DSR is clamped a V_{BE} (approximately 0.7 V) above ICOMP, this signal can be inspected to confirm a steady-state operating point is achieved after the programmed DSR rise time. Confirm that the DSR signal achieves a relatively flat voltage during the lowest DIM duty-cycle condition. [Figure 27](#page-26-1) and [Figure 28](#page-26-1) below are scope plots of 1% DIM duty-cycle where DSR reaches the steady-state operating point, and 0.5% DIM where DSR is still rising and ICOMP is open loop. If DSR is still rising during the lowest DIM duty cycle, increase the DADJ capacitor value until DSR achieves a relatively flat response as shown in [Figure 27,](#page-26-1) the 1% DIM duty-cycle scope plot below.

9.2.2.12 OV (Output Overvoltage)

The OV pin is connected to an output-voltage sense resistor divider with oring diodes to all of the LED outputs. The OV threshold is 2.6 V with 240-mV hysteresis. During an OV fault the GD1 and GD2 gate drivers are disabled and the LEDSW goes low (off). When the OV fault clears, the soft-start cycle is initiated.

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A configuration is shown in [Figure 29](#page-27-0) below that allows for summing of multiple LED string outputs into common UV and OV dividers. Consider the total resistance of the divider networks because the divider bias current is provided by the highest voltage LED string. [Equation 15](#page-27-1) and [Equation 16](#page-27-2) can be used to determine total divider resistance and each component values.

$$
R_{OVI} = \frac{2 \times V_{OUT} \times 1.5}{I_{OUT} \times D_{MIN} \times I_{MATCH}}
$$

where

- V_{OUT} is LED string voltage
- I_{OUT} is LED DC output current
- D_{MIN} is minimum dimming duty-cycle
- I_{MATCH} is LED current matching target
- OV and UV dividers are approximately equal resistance (15)

$$
R_{O V 2} = \frac{R_{O V 1} \times 2.6 \, V}{V_{O V L O} - 2.6 \, V - V_D}
$$

where

- V_{OVLO} is the OVP threshold
- V_D is the summing diode voltage drop (16) V_D is the summing diode voltage drop

Figure 29. Application of Overvoltage and Undervoltage

9.2.2.13 UV (Output Undervoltage)

UV is connected to an output-voltage sample of the converter. The UV threshold is 2.4 V with 240-mV hysteresis. UV below 2.4 V is considered an undervoltage fault which disables the GD1 and GD2 gate drivers, LEDSW output goes low, the 10-ms soft-start clamp and soft-start cycle are initiated. The UV comparator is disabled until SS voltage is 4.2 V to allow the output capacitors to charge to the normal operating voltage during start-up of the converter.

See the OV and UV divider diagram above for a typical configuration that allows for summing of multiple LED string outputs into common UV and OV dividers. Consider the value of RPU to avoid a current path from the highest voltage LED string to the lowest voltage LED string. [Equation 17,](#page-27-3) [Equation 18,](#page-28-0) and [Equation 19](#page-28-1) assume a 2 \times V_{OUT} delta as the maximum UVLO voltage.

$$
R_{PU} = \frac{R_{OVI}}{5}
$$

where

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LED voltage total tolerance is $±5%$

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where

• V_{UVIO} is the UVP threshold

• V_D is the summing diode voltage drop (19)

9.2.2.14 CL (Current Limit)

The CL pin is typically connected to the rectified and filtered output of a primary current sense transformer. There are two levels of current limit protection: restart and latching. When CL exceeds 0.95 V the gate drivers are disabled and LEDSW goes low, when the CL voltage reduces to 475 mV the soft-start cycle is initiated. If CL exceeds a 1.9-V threshold, the gate drivers are disabled and LEDSW goes low, this condition is latched until VCC is recycled below the UVLO threshold.

9.2.3 Application Curves

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10 Power Supply Recommendations

The UCC25710 is designed to operate from an external bias supply connected to the VCC input. It has an operating voltage range between 11 V and 18 V with an absolute maximum input voltage rating of 18 V.

In most applications, the high voltage input range of the LLC controller is normally set at about 370 V to 410 V with 390-V nominal. This narrow range of DC input voltage is a constraint of the LLC topology. Setting the maximum and minimum switching frequencies limits the regulation range to these input voltages.

11 Layout

11.1 Layout Guidelines

As with all PWM controllers, the effectiveness of the filter capacitors on the signal pins depends upon the integrity of the ground signal. Separating the high di/dt induced noise on the power ground from the low current quiet signal ground is required for adequate noise immunity. As shown [Figure 38](#page-31-1), the bypass capacitors on VCC and VREF have one end located in close proximity to their associated pins and the other ends are returned directly to the GND pin or to the portion of the ground plane associated with the low level GND signal and not to the high current power return. Low-ESR type ceramic capacitors are recommended as bypass capacitors.

The gate-drive output signals (GD1 and GD2) can cause interference on the low-level inputs (CL and CS) and for this reason must be routed as far as possible away from them and have short direct paths to the gate-drive transformer. In general any slow-changing analog signals must be routed away from high-speed digital signals.

Timing resistors FMIN and FMAX must be placed as close as possible to the pins on the UCC25710.

11.2 Layout Example

Figure 38. Layout Example for UCC25710

12 Device and Documentation Support

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These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

12.5 Glossary

[SLYZ022](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLYZ022) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

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PACKAGE OUTLINE

DW0020A SOIC - 2.65 mm max height

SOIC

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- 5. Reference JEDEC registration MS-013.

EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

DW0020A SOIC - 2.65 mm max height

SOIC

NOTES: (continued)

6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.

EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

DW0020A SOIC - 2.65 mm max height

SOIC

NOTES: (continued)

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