

## Features

- Inherently Matched LED Current
- High Efficiency: **84%** Typical
- Fast **1.2MHz** Switching Frequency
- Current limit and UVLO Protections
- Internal Thermal Shutdown
- Internal Over Voltage Protection
- Integrated Soft-start Function
- SOT26 and DFN2020C-6: Available in "Green" Molding Compound (No Br, Sb)
- Lead Free Finish/RoHS Compliant (Note 1)

## General Description

The AP5725 is a step-up DC/DC converter specifically designed to drive white LEDs with a constant current. The device can drive 2~6 LEDs in series from a Li-Ion cell. Series connection of the LEDs provides identical LED currents resulting in uniform brightness and eliminates the need for ballast resistors. The AP5725 switches at 1.2MHz that allows the use of tiny external components. A low 0.25V feedback voltage minimizes power loss in the current setting resistor for better efficiency.

## Applications

- Cellular Phones
- PDAs, Hand held Computers
- Digital Cameras
- MP3 Players
- GPS Receivers

## Typical Application Circuit

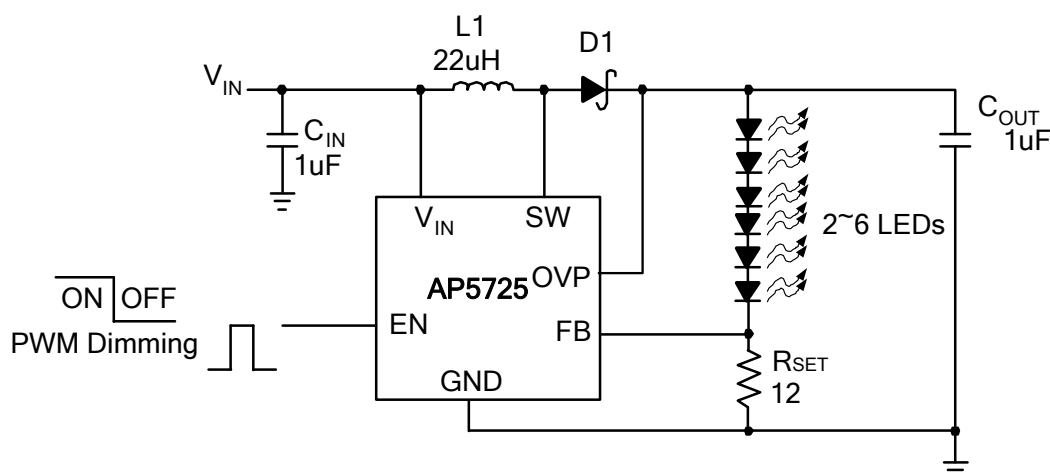
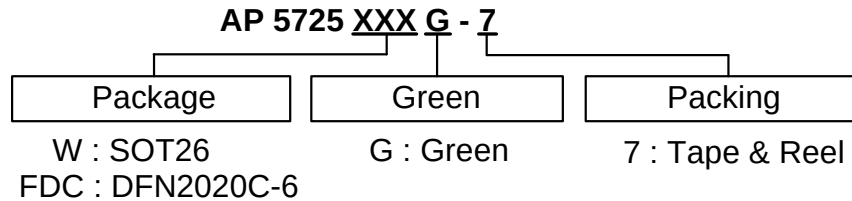


Figure 1. Typical Application Circuit

### Ordering Information

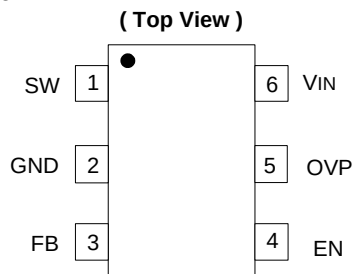


| Device       | Package Code | Packaging (Note 2) | 13" Tape and Reel |                    |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|              |              |                    | Quantity          | Part Number Suffix |
| AP5725WG-7   | W            | SOT26              | 3000/Tape & Reel  | -7                 |
| AP5725FDCG-7 | FDC          | DFN2020C-6         | 3000/Tape & Reel  | -7                 |

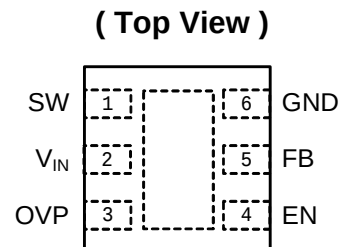
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2. Pad layout as shown on Diodes Inc. suggested pad layout document AP02001, which can be found on our website at <http://www.diodes.com/datasheets/ap02001.pdf>.

### Pin Assignments

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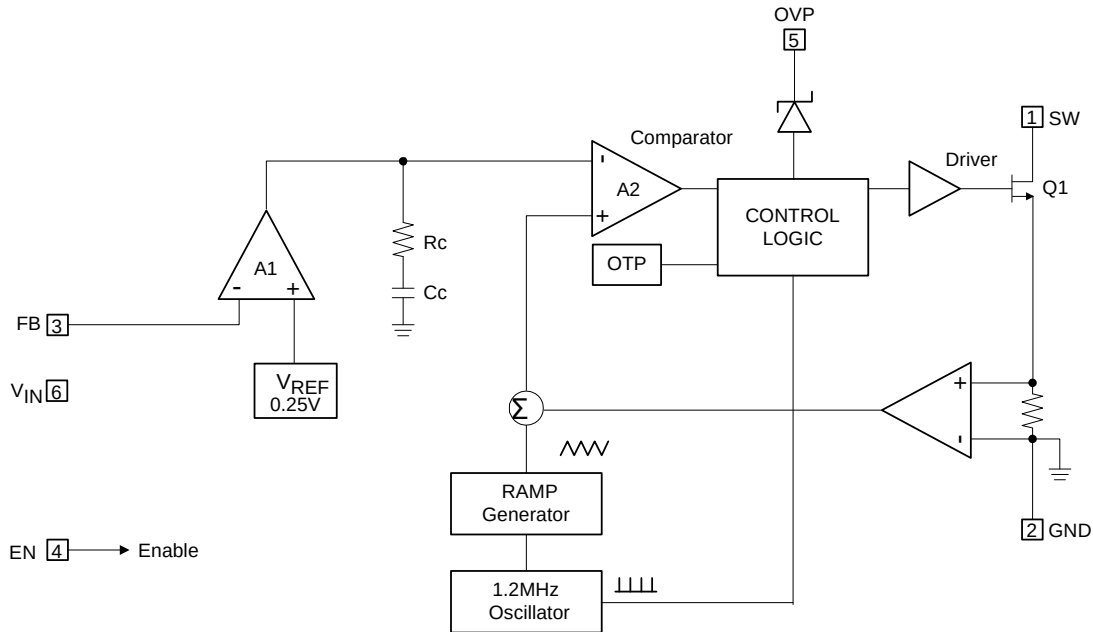
(2) DFN2020C-6



### Pin Descriptions

| Pin Name        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SW              | Switch Pin. Connect inductor/diode here. Minimize trace area at this pin to reduce EMI.                                                                                                                           |
| GND             | GND pin.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| FB              | Feedback Pin. Reference voltage is 0.25V. Connect cathode of lowest LED and resistor here. Calculate resistor value according to the formula: $R_{SET} = 0.25V / I_{LED}$                                         |
| EN              | Converter On/Off Control Input. A high input at EN turns on the converter, and a low input turns it off. When not used, connect EN to the input source for automatic startup. The EN pin cannot be left floating. |
| OVP             | Output Voltage detect pin for over voltage protection.                                                                                                                                                            |
| V <sub>IN</sub> | Input Supply Pin. Must be locally bypassed with 1μF or 2.2μF to reduce input noise.                                                                                                                               |

## Block Diagram



## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Symbol       | Parameter                    | Rating      | Unit |
|--------------|------------------------------|-------------|------|
| $V_{IN}$     | VIN Pin Voltage              | -0.3~7      | V    |
| $V_{SW}$     | SW Voltage                   | -0.3~34     | V    |
| $V_{OVP}$    | OVP Pin Voltage              | -0.3~35     | V    |
| $V_{FB}$     | Feedback Pin Voltage         | -0.3~7      | V    |
| EN           | EN                           | -0.3~7      | V    |
| $T_{J(MAX)}$ | Maximum Junction Temperature | 150         | °C   |
| $T_{LEAD}$   | Lead Temperature             | 300         | °C   |
| $T_{ST}$     | Storage Temperature Range    | -65 to +150 | °C   |

Caution: The absolute maximum ratings are rated values exceeding which the product could suffer physical damage. These values must therefore not be exceeded under any condition.

## Recommended Operating Conditions

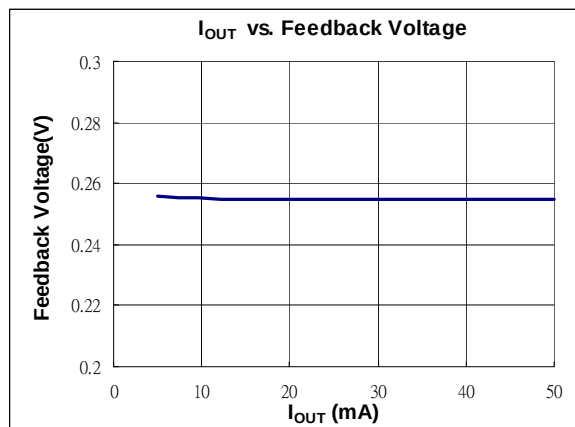
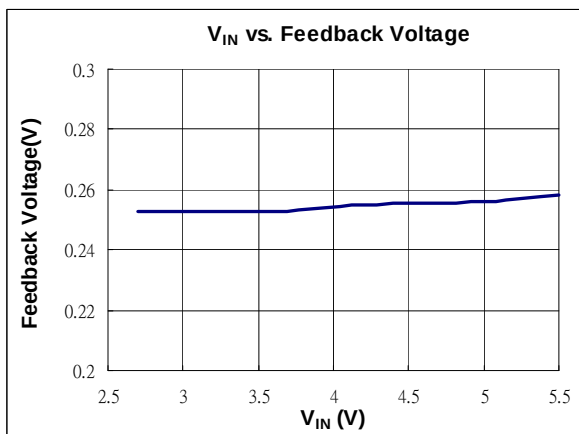
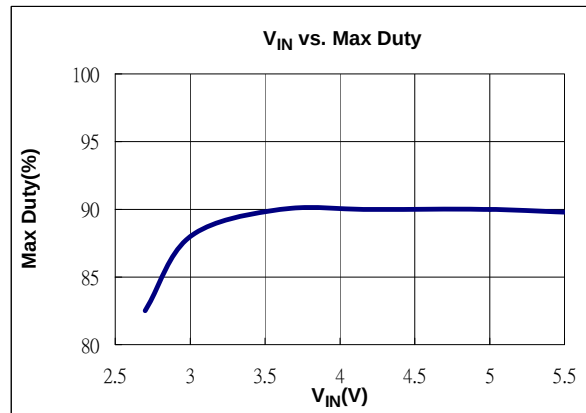
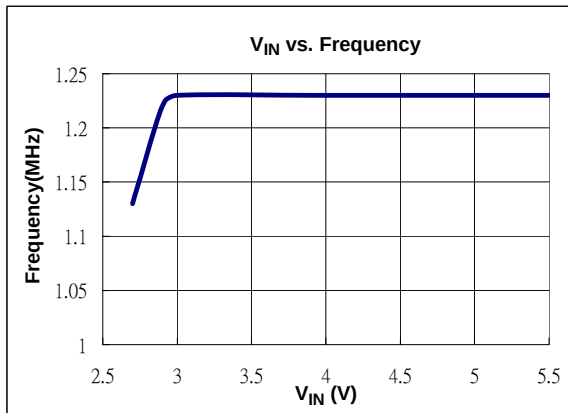
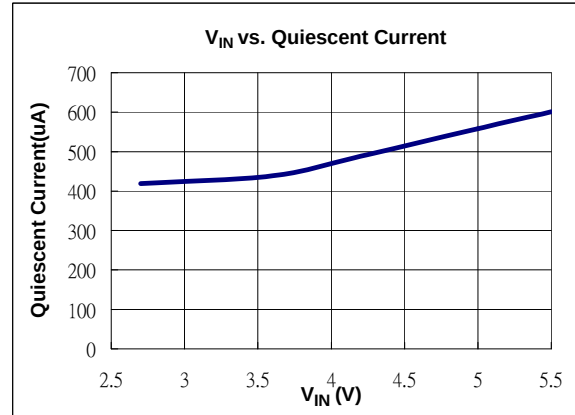
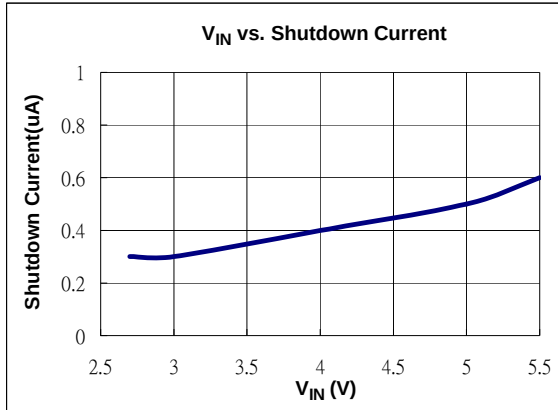
| Symbol   | Parameter                      | Min | Max | Unit |
|----------|--------------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| $V_{IN}$ | Input Voltage                  | 2.7 | 5.5 | V    |
| $T_J$    | Operating Junction Temperature | -40 | 125 | °C   |
| $T_A$    | Operating Ambient Temperature  | -40 | 85  | °C   |

## Electrical Characteristics ( $V_{IN}=3.6V$ , $T_A=25^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise specified.)

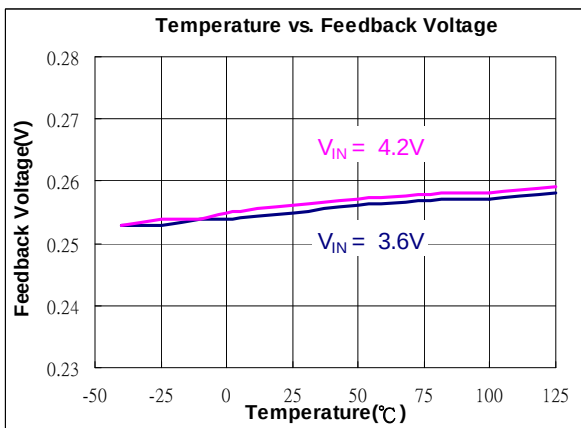
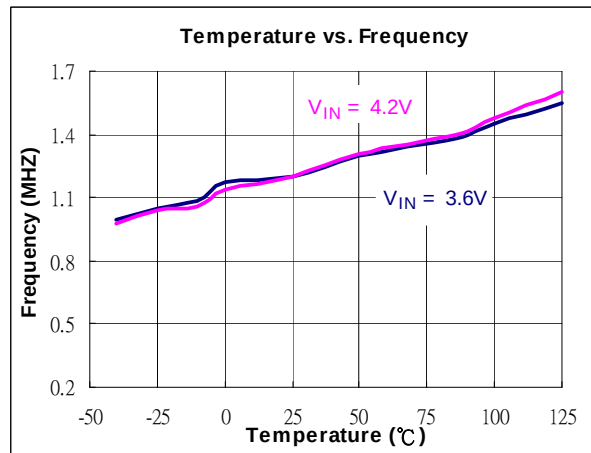
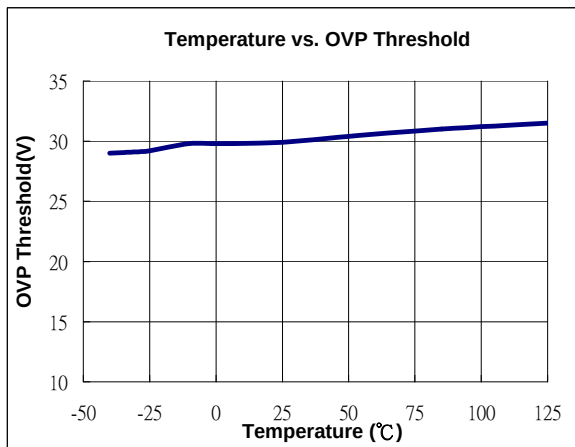
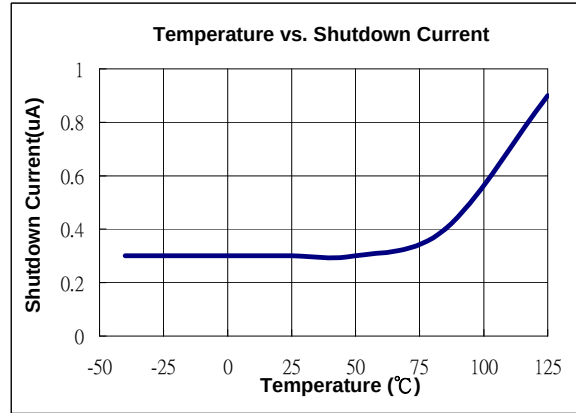
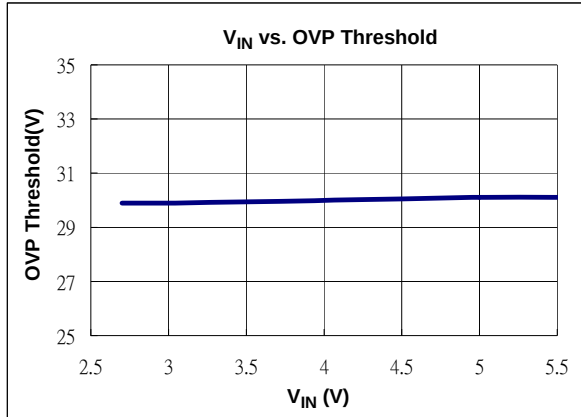
| Symbol                        | Parameter                              | Conditions             | Min   | Typ. | Max   | Unit |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|
| <b>System Supply Input</b>    |                                        |                        |       |      |       |      |
| $V_{IN}$                      | Operating Input Voltage                |                        | 2.7   | -    | 5.5   | V    |
| UVLO                          | Under Voltage Lockout                  |                        | -     | 2.2  | 2.4   | V    |
|                               | Under Voltage Lockout Hysteretic       |                        | -     | 85   | -     | mV   |
| $I_O$                         | Quiescent Current                      | FB=0.35V, No Switching | -     | 500  | -     | μA   |
| $I_{SD}$                      | Shutdown Current                       | $V_{EN} < 0.4V$        | -     | 0.1  | 1     | μA   |
| <b>Oscillator</b>             |                                        |                        |       |      |       |      |
| $F_{OSC}$                     | Operation Frequency                    |                        | 1     | 1.2  | 1.4   | MHz  |
| Dmax                          | Maximum Duty Cycle                     |                        | 86    | 90   | -     | %    |
| <b>Reference Voltage</b>      |                                        |                        |       |      |       |      |
| $V_{FB}$                      | Feedback Voltage                       |                        | 0.225 | 0.25 | 0.275 | V    |
| $I_{FB}$                      | FB Pin Bias Current                    |                        | 10    | 45   | 100   | nA   |
| <b>MOSFET</b>                 |                                        |                        |       |      |       |      |
| $R_{ds(on)}$                  | On Resistance of MOSFET                |                        | 0.5   | 0.75 | 1.0   | Ω    |
| $I_{OCP}$                     | Switching Current Limit                | Normal Operation       | -     | 750  | -     | mA   |
| <b>Control and Protection</b> |                                        |                        |       |      |       |      |
| EN                            | Voltage High                           | ON                     | 1.5   | -    | -     | V    |
| EN                            | Voltage Low                            | OFF                    | -     | -    | 0.4   | V    |
| $I_{EN}$                      | EN Pin Pull Low Current                |                        | -     | 4    | 6     | μA   |
| OVP                           | OVP Threshold                          |                        | 26    | 30   | 34    | V    |
| $\theta_{JA}$                 | Thermal Resistance Junction-to-Ambient | SOT26 (Note 3)         |       | 162  |       | °C/W |
|                               |                                        | DFN2020C-6 (Note 3)    |       | 200  |       | °C/W |
| $\theta_{JC}$                 | Thermal Resistance Junction-to-Case    | SOT26 (Note 3)         |       | 36   |       | °C/W |
|                               |                                        | DFN2020C-6 (Note 3)    |       | 30   |       | °C/W |

Notes: 3. Test condition for SOT26 and DFN2020C-6: Device mounted on FR-4 substrate, single-layer PC board, 2oz copper, with minimum recommended pad layout

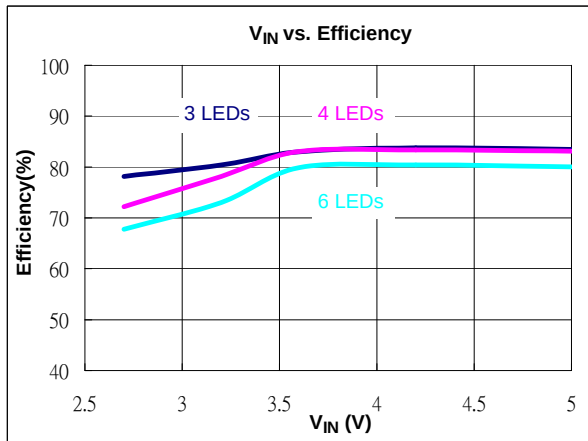
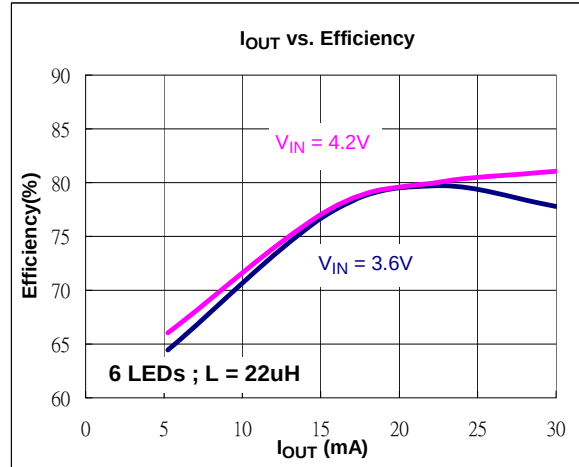
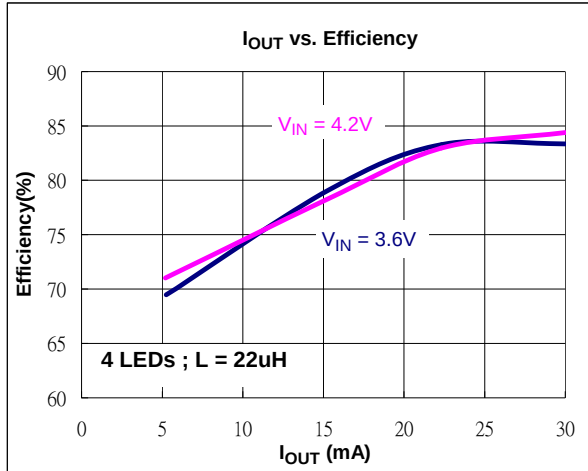
**Typical Performance Characteristics** (6 LEDs ;  $V_{IN} = 3.6V$  ;  $I_{OUT} = 25mA$ )



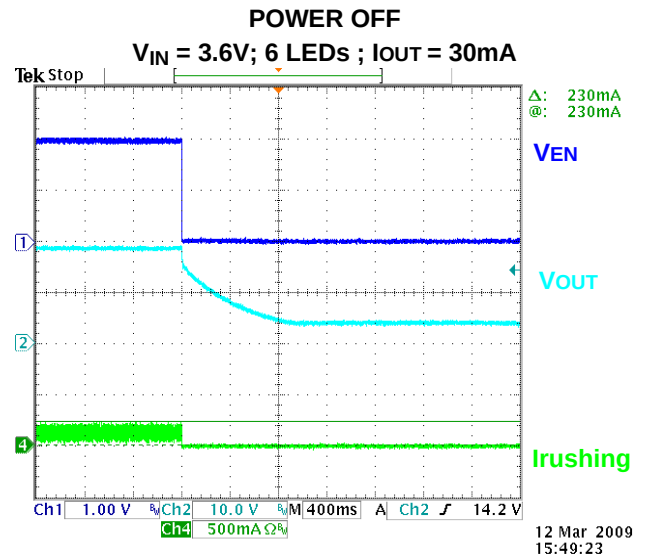
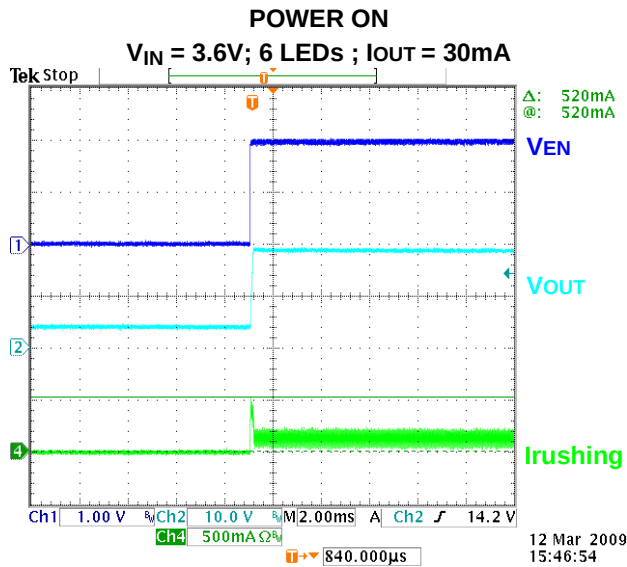
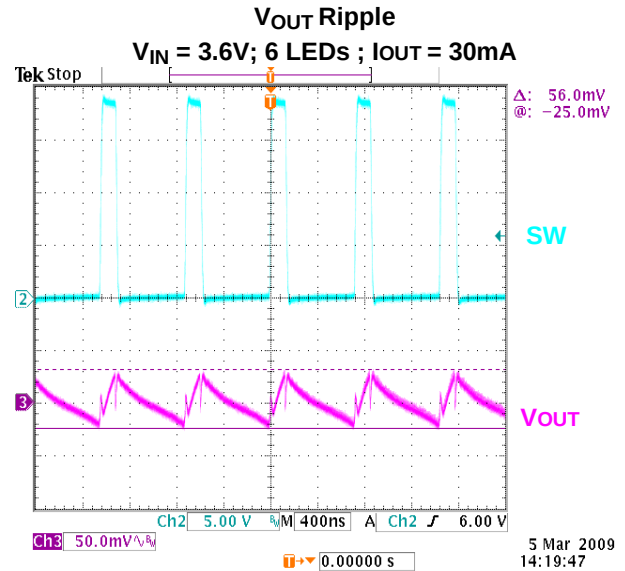
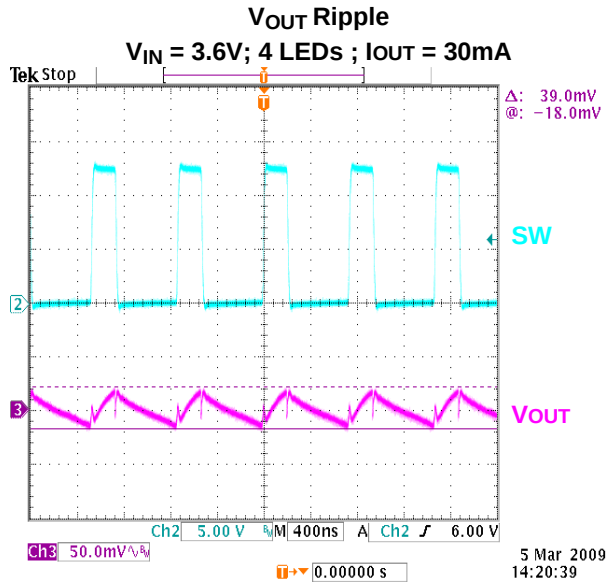
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## Application Information

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### Inductor Selection

A 10 $\mu$ H~22 $\mu$ H inductor is recommended for most AP5725 applications. Although small size and high efficiency are major concerns, the inductor should have low core losses at 1.2MHz and low DCR (copper wire resistance).

### Capacitor Selection

The small size of ceramic capacitors are ideal for AP5725 applications. X5R and X7R types are recommended because they retain their capacitance over wider voltage and temperature ranges than other types such as Y5V or Z5U. A 1 $\mu$ F input capacitor and a 1 $\mu$ F output capacitor are sufficient for most AP5725 applications.

### Diode Selection

Schottky diodes, with their low forward voltage drop and fast reverse recovery, are the ideal choices for AP5725 applications. The forward voltage drop of a Schottky diode represents the conduction losses in the diode, while the diode capacitance ( $C_T$  or  $C_D$ ) represents the switching losses. For diode selection, both forward voltage drop and diode capacitance need to be considered. Schottky diodes with higher current ratings usually have lower forward voltage drop and larger diode capacitance, which can cause significant switching losses at the 1.2MHz switching frequency of the AP5725. A Schottky diode rated at 100mA to 200mA is sufficient for most AP5725 applications.

### LED Current Control

The LED current is controlled by the feedback resistor ( $R_{SET}$  in **Figure 1**). The feedback reference is 0.25V. The LED current is  $0.25V / R_{SET}$ . In order to have accurate LED current, precision resistors are preferred (1% is recommended). The formula and table for  $R_{SET}$  selection are shown below.

$R_{SET} = 0.25V / I_{LED}$  (See **Table 1**)

**Table 1.  $R_{SET}$  Resistor Value Selection**

| $I_{LED}$ (mA) | $R_{SET}$ ( $\Omega$ ) |
|----------------|------------------------|
| 5              | 50                     |
| 10             | 25                     |
| 15             | 16.6                   |
| 20             | 12.5                   |
| 30             | 8.3                    |

## Application Information (Continued)

### Open-Circuit Protection

In the cases of output open circuit, when the LEDs are disconnected from the circuit or the LEDs fail, the feedback voltage will be zero. The AP5725 will then switch at a high duty cycle resulting in a high output voltage, which may cause the SW pin voltage to exceed the level of the over voltage protect function. The OVP pin can detect the output voltage and monitor if the output voltage reach to the protect voltage level (Figure 2). Once OVP is activated, SW pin stops switching.

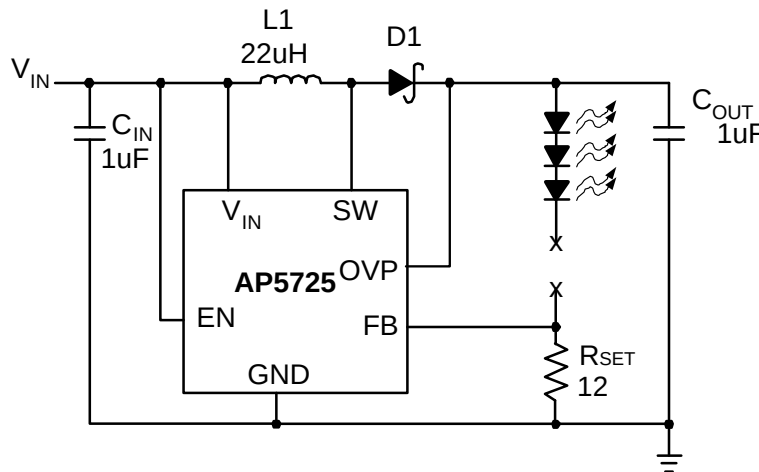


Figure 2. LED Driver with Open-Circuit Protection

### Dimming Control

There are four different types of dimming control circuits:

#### 1. Using a PWM Signal to EN Pin

With the PWM signal applied to the EN pin, the AP5725 is turned on or off by the PWM signal. The LEDs operate at either zero or full current. The average LED current increases proportionally with the duty cycle of the PWM signal. A 0% duty cycle will turn off the AP5725 and corresponds to zero LED current. A 100% duty cycle corresponds to full current. The typical frequency range of the PWM signal is below 2kHz.

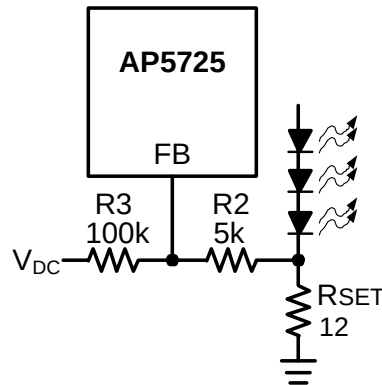
## Application Information (Continued)

### 2. Using a DC Voltage

For some applications, the preferred method of brightness control is a variable DC voltage to adjust the LED current. The dimming control using a DC voltage is shown in **Figure 3**. As the DC voltage increases, the voltage drop on R2 increases and the voltage drop on R<sub>SET</sub> decreases. Thus, the LED current decreases. The selection of R2 and R3 will make the current from the variable DC source much smaller than the LED current and much larger than the FB pin bias current. For V<sub>DC</sub> range from 0V to 2V, the selection of resistors in **Figure 3** gives dimming control of LED current from 0mA to 20mA.

### 3. Using a Filtered PWM Signal

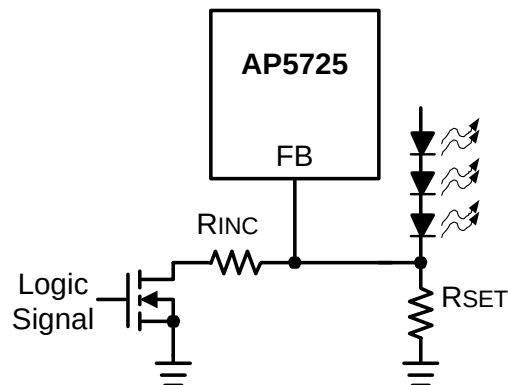
The filtered PWM signal can be considered as an adjustable DC voltage. It can be used to replace the variable DC voltage source in dimming control.



**Figure 3. Dimming Control Using a DC Voltage**

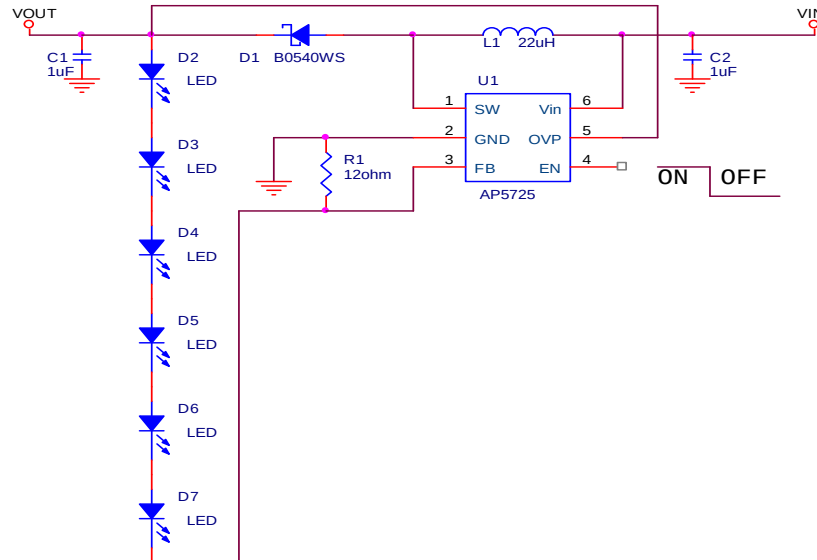
### 4. Using a Logic Signal

For applications that need to adjust the LED current in discrete steps, a logic signal can be used as shown in **Figure 4**. R<sub>SET</sub> sets the minimum LED current (when the NMOS is off). R<sub>SET</sub> sets how much the LED current increases when the NMOS is turned on.



**Figure 4. Dimming Control Using a Logic Signal**

### Application Circuit



**Table 2. Suggested Inductors**

| Vendor            | Inductors (uH) | Current Rating (A) | Type | Dimensions (mm)  | Series        |
|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|------|------------------|---------------|
| Würth Electronics | 22             | 0.51A              | SMD  | 3.8X 3.8 X 1.6   | 744031220     |
| GOTREND           | 22             | 0.56A              | SMD  | 3.8 X 3.8 X 1.05 | GLP3810PH220N |
| TAIYO YUDRN       | 22             | 0.51A              | SMD  | 4.0 X 4.0 X 1.25 | NR4012        |

**Table 3. Suggested Capacitors for C<sub>IN</sub> and C<sub>OUT</sub>**

| Vendor      | Capacitance | Type | Series           |
|-------------|-------------|------|------------------|
| TAIYO YUDEN | 1uF         | SMD  | TMK212 B7105MG-T |

**Table 4. Suggested Diodes**

| Vendor | Rating    | Type   | Series   |
|--------|-----------|--------|----------|
| ZETEX  | 40V/0.5A  | SOD323 | ZLLS400  |
| DIODES | 40V/0.5A  | SOD323 | B0540WS  |
| DIODES | 40V/0.25A | SOD523 | SDM20U40 |

**Table 5. Suggested Resistor**

| Vendor | Type | Series |
|--------|------|--------|
| YAGEO  | SMD  | FR-SK  |

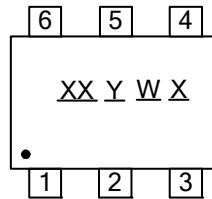
**Table 6. Suggested W-LED**

| Vendor | Type | Series       |
|--------|------|--------------|
| LITEON | SMD  | LTW-C1911UC5 |

## Marking Information

### (1) SOT26

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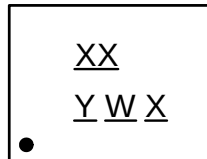


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W : Week : A~Z : 1~26 week;  
a~z : 27~52 week; z represents  
52 and 53 week  
X : A~Z : Green

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| AP5725      | SOT26   | FC                  |

### (2) DFN2020C-6

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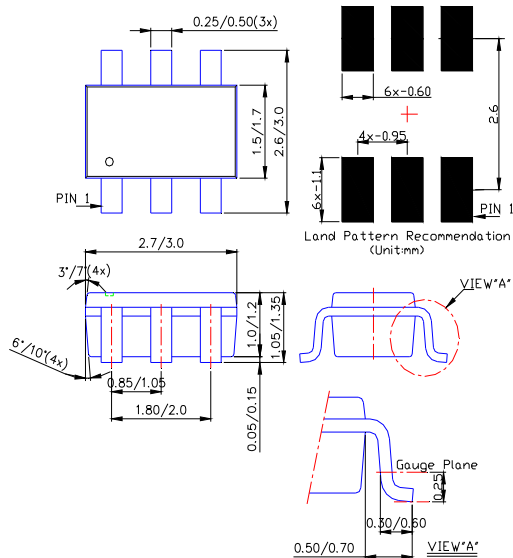


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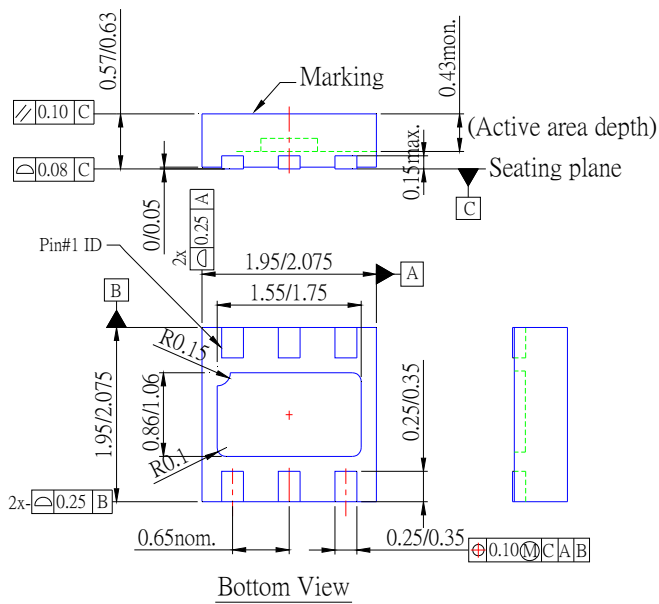
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**Package Information** (All Dimensions in mm)

**(1) Package Type: SOT26**



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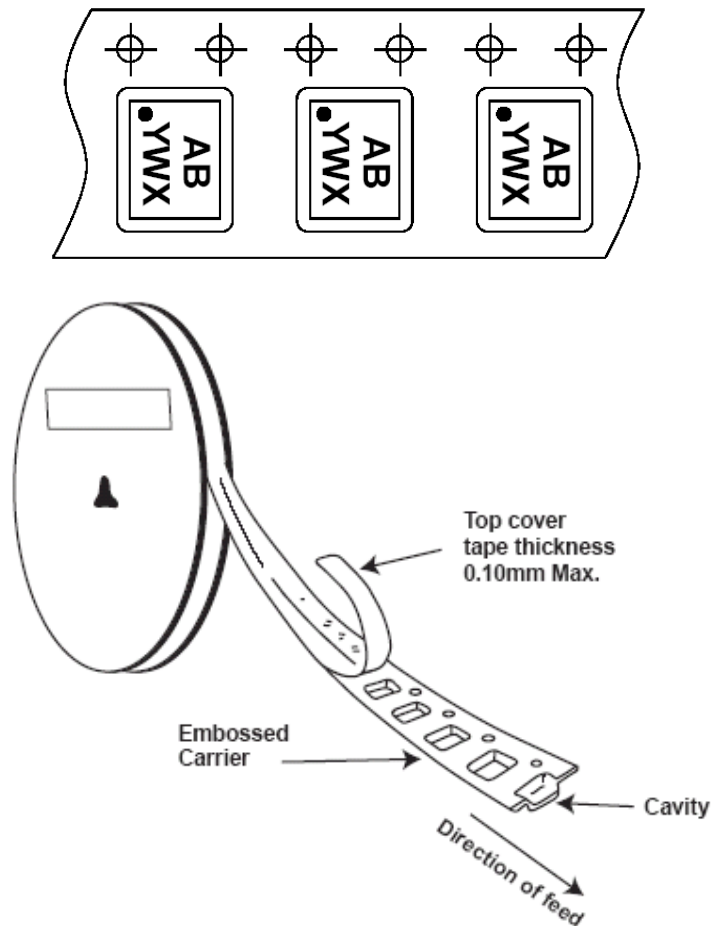


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**Taping Orientation**

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(1) DFN2020C-6



Notes: 4. The taping orientation of the other package type can be found on our website at <http://www.diodes.com/datasheets/ap02007.pdf>.

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