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Driving a Single Luxeon Light Source

LEDs should be driven at a constant current. The power dissipation causes the LED to heat up. Excessive heat destroys the LED. Please follow Application Brief 05 *Luxeon® Thermal Design Guide* which can be downloaded at www.luxeon.com to ensure proper heat management.

At room temperature (25°C)

- A Luxeon Star (Fig.1) may be driven at it's maximum rated current of 350 mA. The anode lead is denoted by a dot or a "+", anode is the left side of AMP connector on the Star/C when facing toward you. The temperature of the back of the MCPCB may reach 60°C if no additional heatsinking is provided.
- A Luxeon Emitter (Fig. 2) must be driven at a reduced current of maximum 100 mA due to the lack of a heat sink. The anode lead is denoted by a hole in the leadframe. The back of the device is not electrically neutral and must be isolated from the leads.



Figure 1. Luxeon Star



Figure 2. Luxeon Emitter





Figure 3. Using Batteries



Figure 4. Constant Current Mode



Figure 5. Constant Voltage Mode

Table 2. Using Power Supplies (Figure 4 or Figure 5)

	Luxeon Star		Luxeon Emitter		
Current setting (constant current mode) - see Fig. 4	350mA		100mA		
Voltage setting	Resistor @ 6V (const.)		Resistor @ 6V (const.)		
(constant voltage	Vf-bin E-G	Vf-bin H-L	Vf-bin E-G	Vf-bin H-L	
mode) - see Fig. 5	11Ω / 1W	8Ω / 1W	30Ω / 0.5W	22Ω / 0.5W	

Table 1 Using Batteries (AA, 9V block) - see Figure 3

Battery Configuration	Resistors for Luxeon Star		Resistors for Luxeon Emitter		
	Vf-bin E-G	Vf-bin H-L	Vf-bin E-G	Vf-bin H-L	
4 AA batteries (~6V)	11Ω / 1W	8Ω / 1W	30Ω / 0.5W	22Ω / 0.5W	
9 V block	16Ω	/ 2W	49Ω	/ 1W	

Typical Characteristics at 350mA, Junction Temperature $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$						
Radiation Pattern	Color	Typical Dominant Wavelength ¹¹ λD or CCT	Forward Test Current (mA) I _F	Typical Forward Voltage V _F (V)	Minimum Luminous Flux (Im) Φ_V ^[1]	Typical Luminous Flux (Im) Φ _V
	White	5500K	350	3.42	30.6	45
	Green	530 nm	350	3.42	30.6	53
	Cyan	505 nm	350	3.42	30.6	45
Batwing	Blue ^[2]	470 nm	350	3.42	8.2	16
	Royal Blue ^[3]	455 nm	350	3.42	145 mW	220 mW
	Red ^[5]	625 nm	350	2.85	13.9	42
	Amber ^[5]	590 nm	350	2.85	10.7	42
	Green	530 nm	350	3.42	30.6	53
	Cyan	505 nm	350	3.42	30.6	45
	Blue ^[2]	470 nm	350	3.42	8.2	16
Lambertian	Royal Blue ^[3]	455 nm	350	3.42	145 mW	220 mW
	Red ^[5]	627 nm	350	2.95	30.6	44
	Red-Orange ^[5]	617 nm	350	2.95	39.8	55
	Amber ^[5]	590 nm	350	2.95	23.5	42

Notes:

1. Minimum luminous flux performance guaranteed within published operating conditions. Luxeon types with even higher luminous flux levels will become available in the future. Flux values for Luxeon emitters and stars without secondary optics. The efficiency of the collimating optic is approximately 85%.

2. Minimum flux value for 470 nm devices. Due to the CIE eye response curve in the short blue wavelength range, the minimum luminous flux will vary over the Lumileds blue color range. Luminous flux will vary from a minimum of 2.9 m at 460 nm to a typical of 8 lm at 480 nm due to this effect.

3. The typical radiometric flux for Royal Blue Luxeon is 120 mW.

4. All power light sources represented here are IEC825 Class 2 for eye safety.

5. More details on Amber and Red are found in DS25.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	White/Green/Cyan Blue/Royal Blue	Red/Amber Red-Orange
DC Forward Current (mA) [1]	350	385
Peak Pulsed Forward Current (mA)	500	550
Average Forward Current (mA)	350	350
LED Junction Temperature (°C)	120	120
Aluminum-Core PCB Temperature (°C)	105	105
Storage Temperature (°C) Emitter, Star, Star/C	-40 to +120	-40 to +120
Storage Temperature (°C) Star/O (w/ collimating optic)	-40 to +75	-40 to +75
Soldering Temperature (°C) ^[3]	260 for 5 seconds max	260 for 5 seconds max

Notes:

1. Proper current derating must be observed to maintain junction temperature below the maximum.

2. All products are not sensitive to ESD damage (+/-16,000 Volts by HBM condition).

3. Measured at leads, during lead soldering and slug attach, body temperature must not exceed 120°C. Luxeon emitters cannot be soldered by general IR or Vapor-phase reflow, nor by wave soldering. Lead soldering is limited to selective heating of the leads, such as by hot-bar reflow, fiber focused IR, or hand soldering. The package back plane (slug) may not be attached by soldering, but rather with a thermally conductive adhesive. Electrical insulation between the slug and the board is required. Please consult Lumileds Application Brief on Luxeon Emitter Assembly Information for further details on assembly methods.

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