

# lamaPLC Communication: WS2812

WS2812 is an intelligent control LED light source that the control circuit and **RGB chip** are integrated in a package of **4020, 2020, 3535, 5050** components. It internally includes intelligent digital port data latch and signal reshaping amplification drive circuit. Also includes a precision internal oscillator and a 12V voltage programmable constant current control part, effectively ensuring the pixel point light color height consistent.

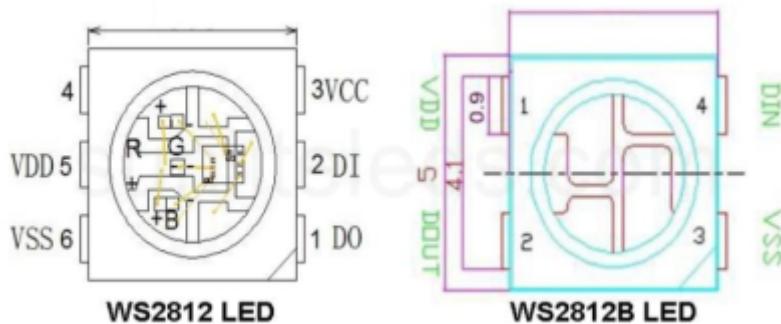


The data transfer protocol uses single **NZR** communication mode. After the pixel power-on reset, the DIN port receives data from the controller, the first pixel collects initial 24-bit data and then sends it to the internal data latch, the other data which is reshaped by the internal signal reshaping amplification circuit is sent to the next cascade pixel through the DO port. After transmission for each pixel, the signal is reduced to 24-bit.

Pixel adopts auto reshaping transmit technology, making the pixel cascade number not limited by the signal transmission, only depending on the speed of signal transmission. LED with low driving voltage, environmental protection and energy saving, high brightness, scattering angle is large, good consistency, low power, long life and other advantages. The control chip integrated in LED above becomes more simple circuit, small volume, convenient installation.

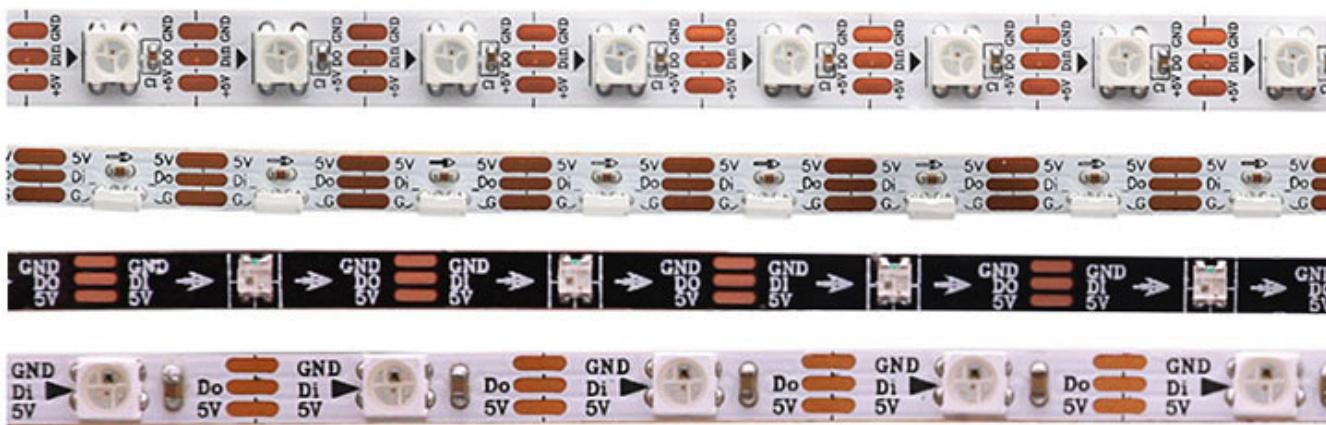
## WS2812B

**WS2812B** is the development and new generation of product based on WS2812. It not only inherits all the good qualities of WS2812 but also improves the IC from mechanical arrangement outside to the structure inside, further enhancing the stability and efficiency. An advantage of this is that the RGB chip on WS2812B has a higher brightness and color uniformity than WS2812. Despite its similar size, the WS2812B strip contains four pins as opposed to six pins on the WS2812.

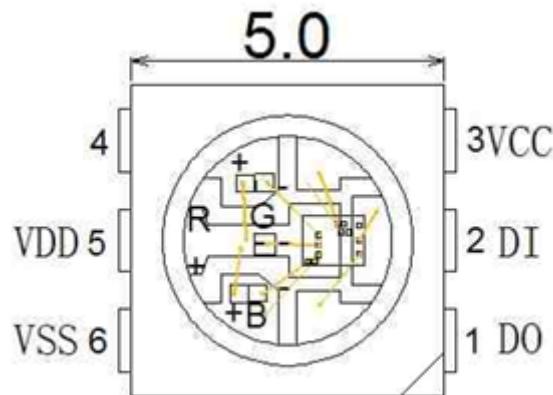


## WS2812B Hardware Overview

At first glance, the WS2812B LED may appear to be a standard 5050-sized (5x5mm) SMD RGB LED, but it is much more than that. It actually contains an integrated circuit inside. Below is a zoomed-in image of the WS2812B.



## PIN configuration



<b>PIN</b>	<b>Symbol</b>	<b>Function description</b>
1	DO <sub>UT</sub>	control data signal output
2	DI <sub>N</sub>	control data signal input
3	V <sub>CC</sub>	power supply control unit
4	NC	-
5	V <sub>DD</sub>	power supply LED
6	V <sub>SS</sub>	Ground

## Technical description

Parameter	Symbol	Ratings	Unit
Power supply voltage	VCC	+6.0 .. +7.0	V
Power supply voltage	VDD	+6.0 .. +7.0	V
Input voltage	VI	-0.5 .. VDD+0.5	V
Operation junction temperature	Topt	-25 .. +80	°C
Storage temperature range	Tstg	-55 .. +150	°C

## LED characteristic parameter

Emmiting color	Wavelength (nm)	Luminous intensity (mcd)	Current (mA)	Voltage (V)
Red	620-630	550-700	20	1.8-2.2
Green	515-530	1100-1400	20	3.0-3.2

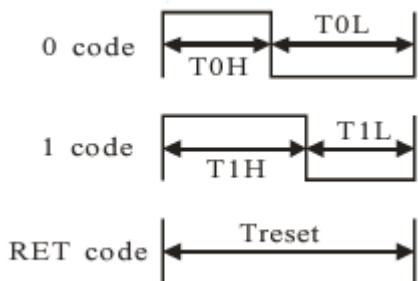
Emitting color	Wavelength (nm)	Luminous intensity (mcd)	Current (mA)	Voltage (V)
Blue	465-475	200-400	20	3.2-3.4

## Data transfer time

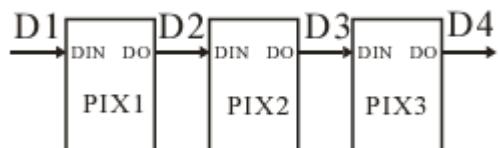
$$TH + TL = 1.25 \mu s \pm 600 \text{ ns}$$

T0H	0 code, high voltage time	0.35us	$\pm 150\text{ns}$
T1H	1 code, high voltage time	0.7us	$\pm 150\text{ns}$
T0L	0 code, low voltage time	0.8us	$\pm 150\text{ns}$
T1L	1 code, low voltage time	0.6us	$\pm 150\text{ns}$
RES	low voltage time		
	Above 50 $\mu\text{s}$		

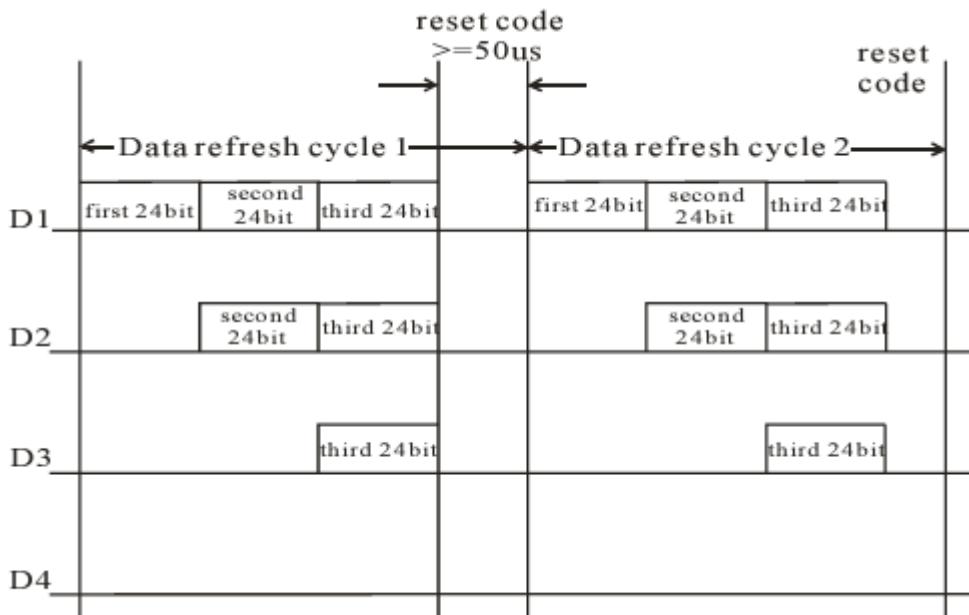
### Sequence chart:



### Cascade method:



### Data transmission method:



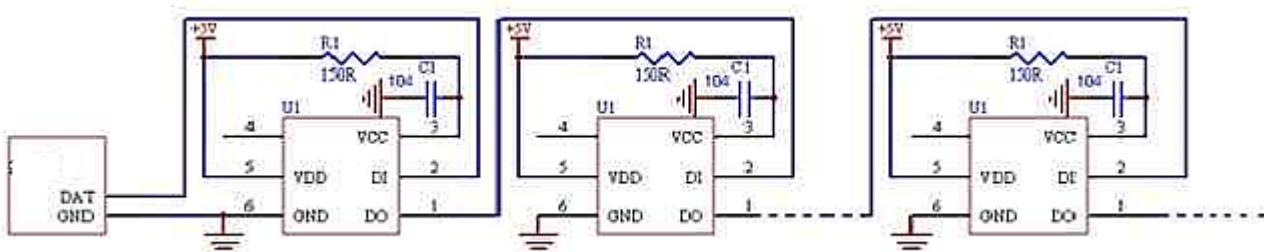
Note: The data of D1 is sent by MCU, and D2, D3, D4 through pixel internal reshaping amplification to transmit.

### Composition of 24 bit data:

G7	G6	G5	G4	G3	G2	G1	G0	R7	R6	R5	R4	R3	R2	R1	R0	B7	B6	B5	B4	B3	B2	B1	B0
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Note: Follow the order of GRB to sent data and the high bit sent at first.

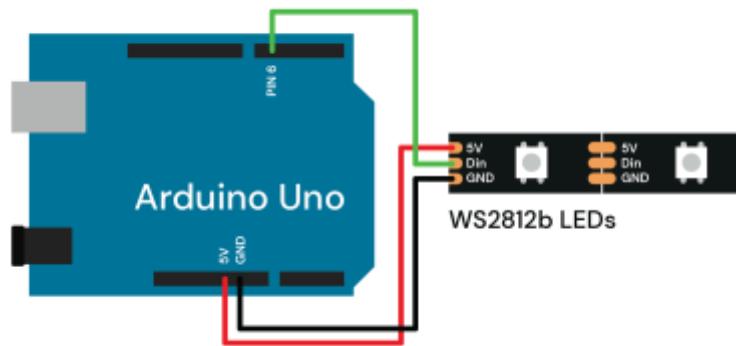
### Typical application circuit:



## WS2812 / WS2812B with Arduino

[WS2812 FX Library for Arduino](#) and ESP microprocessors.

This library features a variety of blinken effects for WS2811/WS2812/NeoPixel LEDs.



## Sources

Wikipedia ([Adafruit WS2813 pdf](#))

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