

TPS61165EVM-283

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the TPS61165EVM-283 evaluation module (EVM). This EVM contains the Texas Instruments TPS61165 boost converter, configured with external components to regulate current through a string of WLEDs. This user's guide includes EVM specifications, recommended test setup, test results, bill of materials, and a schematic diagram.

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1 Introduction

The Texas Instruments TPS61165EVM-283 evaluation module contains a TPS61165 IC, supporting active and passive components and three white light-emitting diodes (WLEDs) in series. The goal of this EVM is to facilitate evaluation of the TPS61165 in a typical WLED application.

1.1 Performance Specification Summary

[Table 1](#) provides a summary of the TPS61165EVM-283 performance specifications. All specifications are given for an ambient temperature of 25°C.

Table 1. Typical Performance Specification Summary

	CONDITION	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V _{IN} supply		4.5	5.0	5.5	V
V _{OUT}	CTRL=VIN, JP2 shorted, JP3 open		9.5		V
	CTRL=VIN, JP2 open	37	38	39	V
I _{OUT}	CTRL=VIN, JP2 shorted	347	357	368	mA

1.2 Modifications

To aid user customization of the EVM, the board was designed with devices having 0603 or larger footprints. A real world implementation would likely occupy less total board space.

The inductor and compensation components (R1, C2) were designed for the VIN range in Table 1. Using a different input voltage range may require resizing of the inductor and/or the compensation components. Also, changing components can improve or degrade EVM performance. For example, using inductors with larger dc resistances lowers efficiency of the solution.

The other members of the TPS6116x IC family have the same footprint. Therefore, the TPS61165 IC may be replaced on the TPS61165EVM-283 PCB with either the TPS61160 or TPS61161.

Note: When modifying the REV A version of this PCB, it is strongly recommended that you heat the PCB on a hot plate before using a soldering iron to remove/replace components, especially the input capacitor and inductor. Otherwise, the expansion when soldering and contraction when cooling of the wide traces/places connecting these components to the IC pins can damage the IC. For further explanation and guidance, see the TI application report *QFN/SON PCB Attachment* [SLUA271](#).

2 Setup and Test Results

2.1 Input/Output Connections

The connection points are described in the following paragraphs.

2.1.1 J1-VIN

This header is the positive connection to the input power supply. The leads to the input supply should be twisted and kept as short as possible.

2.1.2 J2-GND

This header is the return connection to the input power supply.

2.1.3 J3-VOUT

This header is the positive output for the device.

2.1.4 J4-GND

This header is the return connection for the load.

2.1.5 J5-USB-TO-GPIO Connector

This connector is for the 10-pin ribbon cable that connects the EVM to the USB-TO-GPIO interface box. It is only used when the software is used to perform dimming.

2.1.6 J6-FB

This header connects to the IC's FB pin through resistor R4. The EVM does not have resistor R4 populated.

2.1.7 JP1-ENable

Installing this jumper ties the EN pin to V_{IN} , thereby enabling the device. Removing the jumper allows the internal pulldown resistor to pull EN to ground, thereby disabling the device.

2.1.8 JP2-Open LED

Installing this jumper places the WLEDs in the boost converter's feedback path and allows current to flow through the WLEDs. Removing the jumper removes the WLEDs from the boost converter feedback path. With this jumper removed and jumper JP1 installed, the IC's overvoltage protection circuit clamps the boost converter output to 38 V (typ).

WARNING

This EVM has a white LED that shines very brightly. Protective eye wear and/or a diffuser to cover the white LED is recommended.

2.2 Hardware Requirements

This EVM requires an external power supply capable of providing 5 V at 1.5 A.

In order to change the default current value (i.e., implement dimming), the user can apply either a PWM or digital control signal to CTRL. Both signals change the feedback voltage at the IC's FB pin, so that the IC performs analog dimming. A function generator capable of driving the CTRL pin with 1.2 V to V_{IN} amplitude and, 5-kHz to 100-kHz PWM signal is required for PWM controlled dimming. The user can also implement dimming using a digital control signal. The EVM kit includes a PC software CD and USB-TO-GPIO interface box which, when installed on a PC and connected to the EVM, allows the user to communicate with the EVM via a GUI interface. The minimum PC requirements are:

- Windows™ 2000 or Windows™ XP operating system
- USB port
- Minimum of 30 MB of free hard disk space (100 MB recommended)
- Minimum of 256 MB of RAM

2.3 Hardware Setup

After connecting the power supply between J1 and J2, turning on the power supply, and installing JP1 and JP2, the EVM regulates the default current per Table 1 through the WLEDs. Additional input capacitance may be required in order to mitigate the inductive voltage droop that occurs at start-up and/or during a load transient event.

In order to implement analog dimming via a PWM signal, remove the jumper on JP1 and the 10-pin ribbon cable from J5 if installed, and perform the following steps in any sequence:

- Connect the power supply between J1 and J2, and turn on the power supply.
- Ensure that JP2 is installed.
- Connect the appropriately configured function generator to the CTRL side of JP1.

The PWM signal's duty cycle is directly proportional to the regulated current.

In order to implement analog dimming by sending the digital control via a PC running the TPS6116x Controller software and USB-TO-GPIO interface box, remove the jumper or the function generator on JP1, and perform the following steps in any sequence:

- Connect one end of the USB-TO-GPIO box to the PC using the USB cable and the other end to J5 of the TPS61165EVM using the supplied 10-pin ribbon cable per Figure 1. The connectors on the ribbon cable are keyed to prevent incorrect installation.
- Connect the power supply between J1 and J2 and turn on the power supply.
- Ensure that JP2's jumper is installed.
- Run the software as explained in the following section.

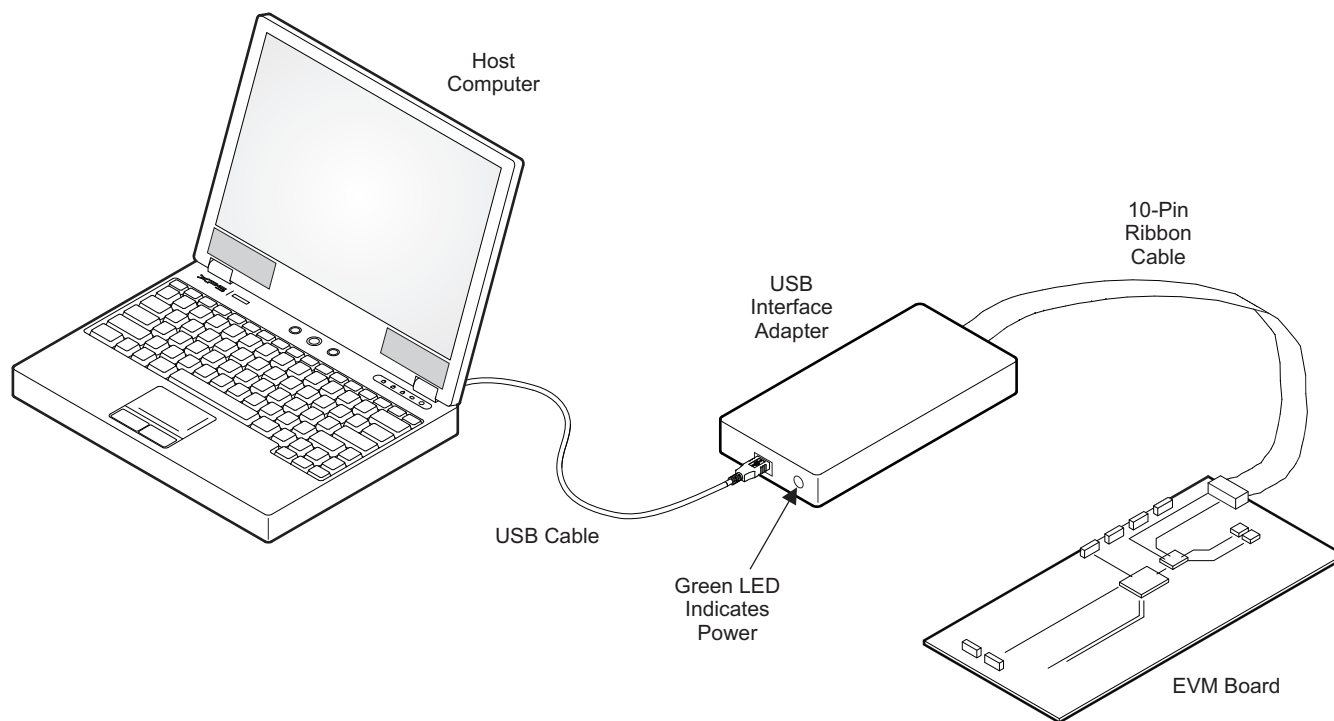


Figure 1. USB Interface Adapter Quick Connection Diagram

2.4 Software Installation and Operation

If installing from a CD, insert the CD and run Setup.exe; follow all the prompts to install the software.

If installing from the TI Web site, go to the URL

<http://focus.ti.com/en/download/aap/DesignEnv/TPS6116xEVM-SW/publish.htm> .

Note: This installation page is best viewed with Microsoft Internet Explorer browser (It may not work correctly with other browsers)

Click on the install button; your PC gives you a security warning and asks if you want to install this application. Select Install to proceed. If a pre-release or Beta version is currently installed on your PC, you must uninstall this version of the software before installing the final version from either the CD or the TI Web site.

With both types of installation, the software attempts to install the Microsoft Dot Net Framework 2.0 (if it is not already installed) This framework is required for the software to run.

Immediately following installation, the software automatically runs.

To run the software after installation, go to

Start → all programs → Texas Instruments, Inc. → TPS6116x Controller EVM Software.

At start-up, the software first checks the firmware version of the USB-TO-GPIO adapter box. If an incorrect firmware version is installed, the software automatically searches on the Internet (if connected) for updates. If a new update is available, the software notifies the user of the update, downloads and installs the software. Note that after the firmware is updated, the user must disconnect and then reconnect the USB cable between the adapter and PC, as instructed during the install process. The host PC software also automatically searches on the Internet (if connected) for updates. If a new update is available, the software notifies the user of the update, downloads, and installs it.

Note: VeriSign™ Code Signing is used to prevent any malicious code from changing this application. If at any time in the future the binaries are modified, the code no longer attempts to run.

The TPS6116x IC has a 5-bit register that stores the feedback voltage to which the error amplifier regulates the FB pin. Using the EasyScale™ protocol, the user can program a separate digital IC to generate a signal that changes this register to one of 32 discrete settings, thereby changing the FB voltage and subsequent regulated WLED current. The software provides a GUI interface which allows the user to change the bits directly or by a drop-down box. After changing the bits, press the WRITE button. See a screen shot of the software in [Figure 2](#).

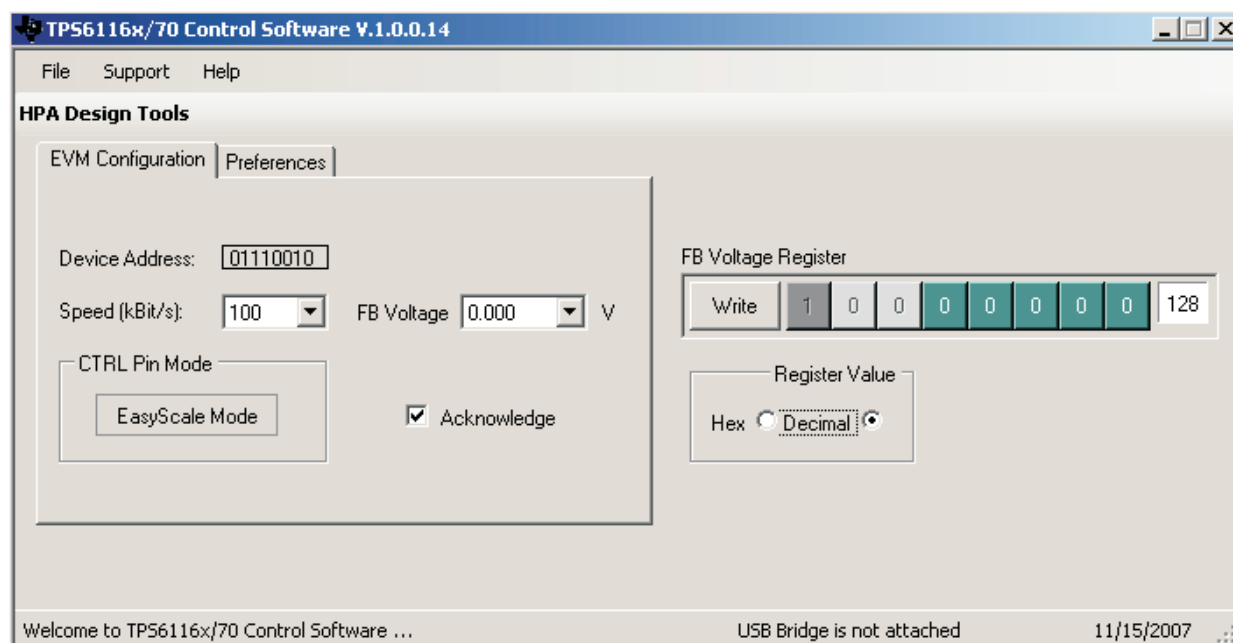


Figure 2. Screen Capture of TPS6116x Controller Software GUI Interface

2.5 Test Results

This section provides typical performance characteristics for the TPS61165EVM-283 board.

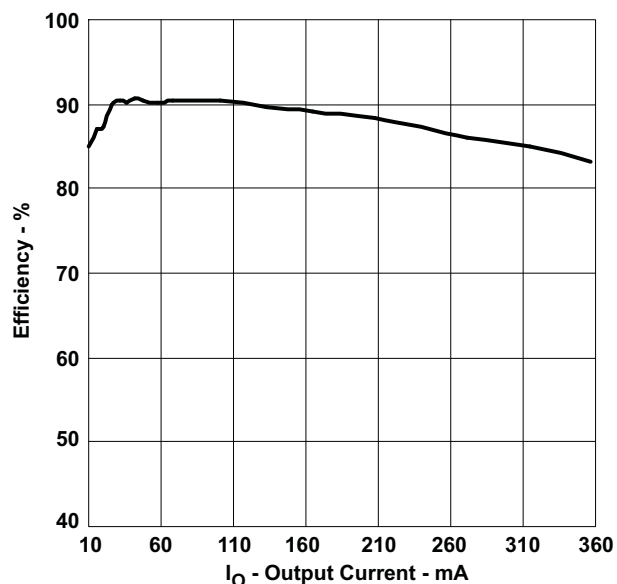


Figure 3. LED Efficiency vs Output Current

3 Board Layout

This section provides the TPS61165EVM-283 board layout and illustrations.

Board layout is critical for all high-frequency, switch-mode power supplies. [Figure 4](#) through [Figure 5](#) show the board layout for the TPS61165EVM-283 printed circuit board (PCB). The nodes with high-switching frequencies and currents are kept as short as possible to minimize trace inductance. Careful attention was given to the routing of high-frequency current loops and a single-point grounding scheme is used. See the data sheet for specific layout guidelines.

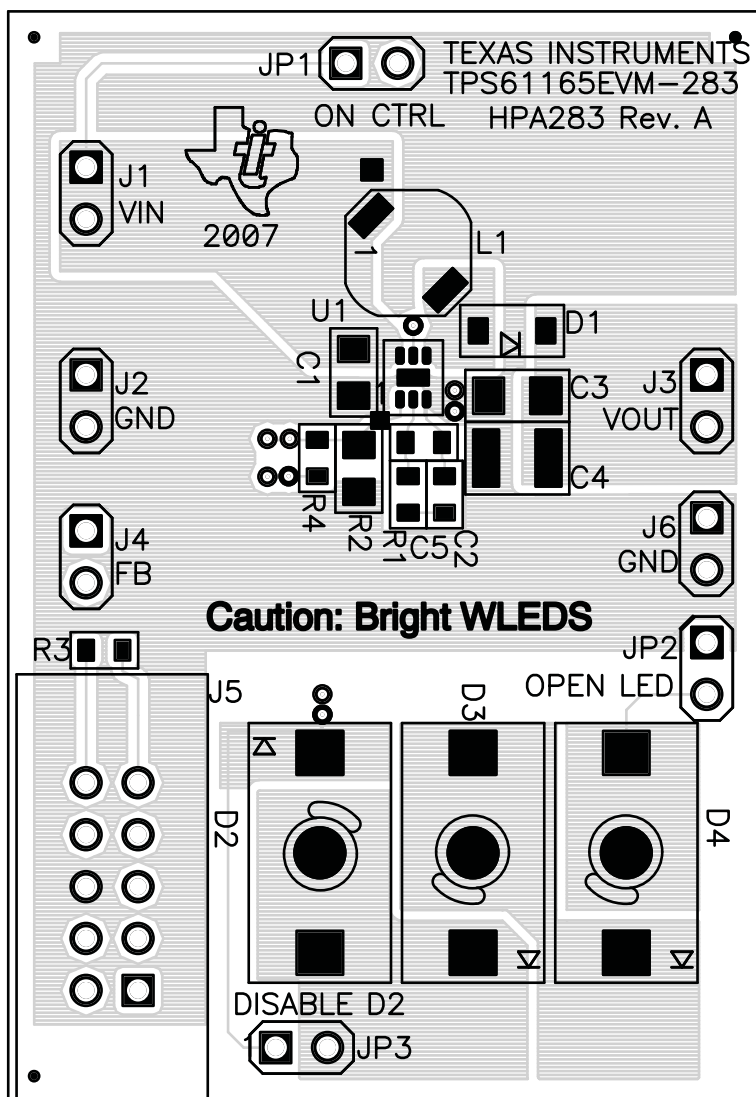


Figure 4. Assembly Layer

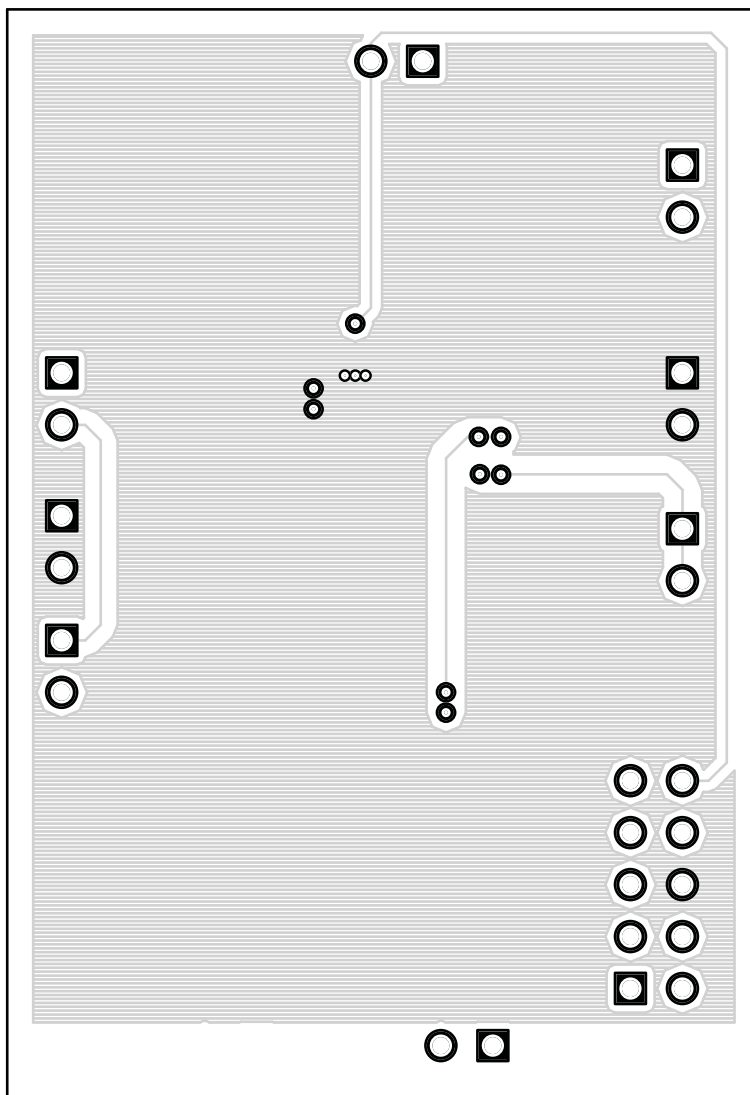
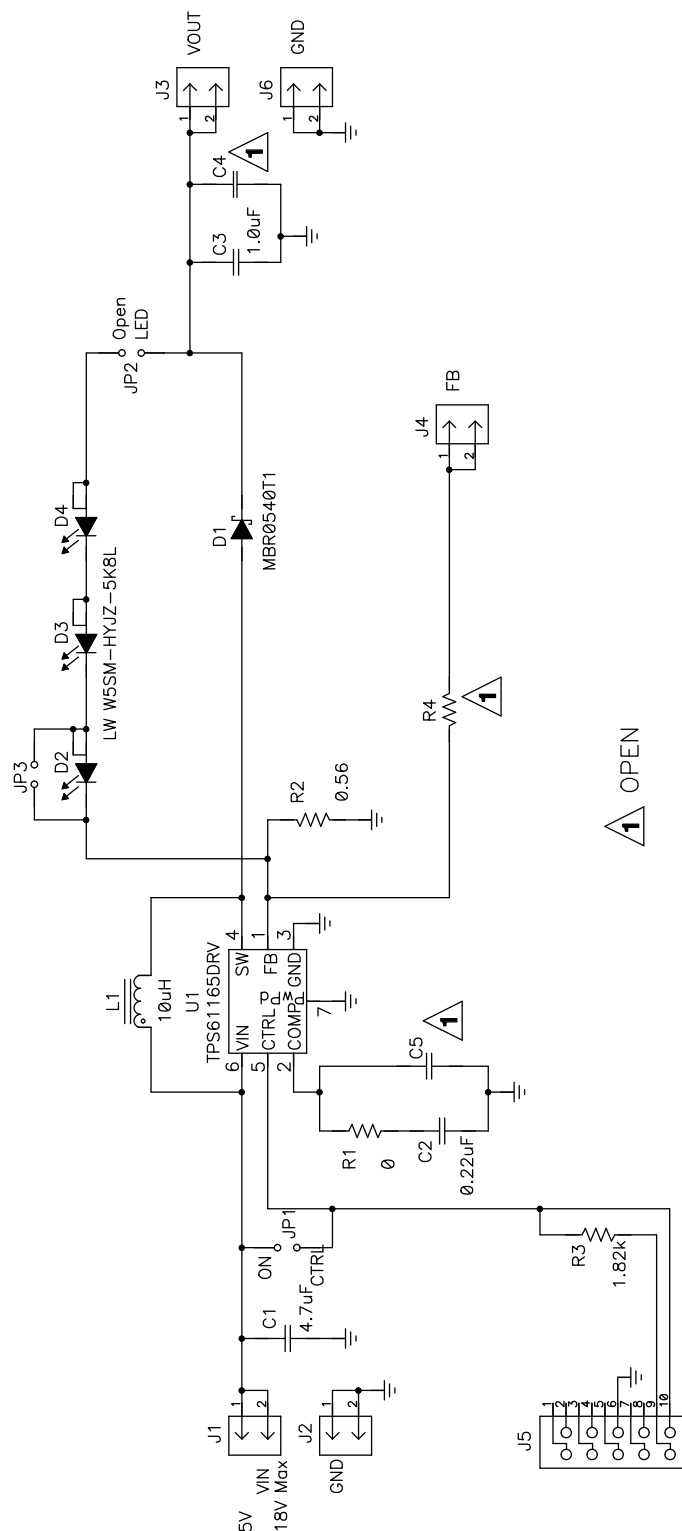


Figure 5. Bottom Layer

4 Schematics and Bill of Materials

This section provides the TPS61165EVM-283 schematic and bill of materials.

4.1 TPS61165EVM-283 Schematic



4.2 Bill of Materials

Table 2. HPA283 Bill of Materials

Count	RefDes	Value	Description	Size	Part Number	MFR
1	C1	4.7 μ F	Capacitor, Ceramic, 25V, X5R, 10%	0805	TMK212BJ475KG-T	Taiyo Yuden
1	C2	0.22 μ F	Capacitor, Ceramic, 10V, X5R, 10%	0603	C1608X5R1A224K	TDK
1	C3	1.0 μ F	Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%	1206	C3216X7R1H105K	TDK
0	C4	Open	Capacitor, Ceramic, vV, [temp], [tol]	1210	Std	Vishay
0	C5	Open	Capacitor, Ceramic	0603		
1	D1	MBR0540T1	Diode, Schottky, 500-mA, 40-V	SOD123	MBR0540T1	OnSemi
3	D2–D4	LW W5SM-HYJZ-5K8L	Diode, LED White, 500-mA, 17000-mcd	0.244 \times 0.441 inch	LW W5SM-HYJZ-5K8L	Osram
5	J1–J4, J6	PTC36SAAN	Header, 2 pin, 100mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 inch \times 2	PTC36SAAN	Sullins
1	J5	2510-6002UB	Connector, Male Straight 2x5 pin, 100mil spacing, 4 Wall	0.338 \times 0.788 inch	2510-6002UB	3M
3	JP1–JP3	PTC36SAAN	Header, 2 pin, 100mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 inch \times 2	PTC36SAAN	Sullins
1	L1	10 μ H	Inductor, 67 mohm, \pm 20%	0.205 \times 0.205 inch	A915AY-100M	Toko
1	R1	0	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603	Std	Std
1	R2	0.56	Resistor, Chip, 1/8W, 1%	0805	Std	Std
1	R3	1.82k	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603		
0	R4	Open	Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%	0603		
1	U1	TPS61165DRV	IC, 1200 kHz/1.2A PWM	SON-6	TPS61165DRV	TI
1	—		PCB, 2.1 In \times 1.45 In \times 0.062 In		HPA283	Any
3	—		Shunt, 100 mil, Black	0.100	929950-00	3M

4.3 Related Documentation From Texas Instruments

TPS61165, High Brightness White LED Driver in 2mm x 2mm QFN Package data sheet ([SLVS790](#))

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It is important to operate this EVM within the input voltage range of 3 V to 18 V and the output voltage range of V_{in} to 39 V.

Exceeding the specified input range may cause unexpected operation and/or irreversible damage to the EVM. If there are questions concerning the input range, please contact a TI field representative prior to connecting the input power.

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