

## **TPS54160EVM-535 User's Guide**

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## **1 Introduction**

The TPS54160EVM-535 evaluation module (EVM) helps designers evaluate the operation and performance of the TPS54160 DC/DC converter as a high-brightness light emitting diode (LED) driver. The converter is a wide input voltage (3.5–60V), 2.5MHz, non-synchronous, externally compensated, step down converter capable of 1.5A of output current.

## 1.1 Background

The TPS54160EVM-535 provides a high-brightness LED driver based on the TPS54160. The converter is designed to operate from a nominal 24 VDC  $\pm 25\%$  input voltage source. This input voltage range is typical for input supplies derived from rectified 24VAC sources. The converter provides an output current of 700mA with an output voltage sufficient to drive the four on board LEDs.

## 2 Schematic Diagram and Bill of Materials

### 2.1 Schematic Diagram

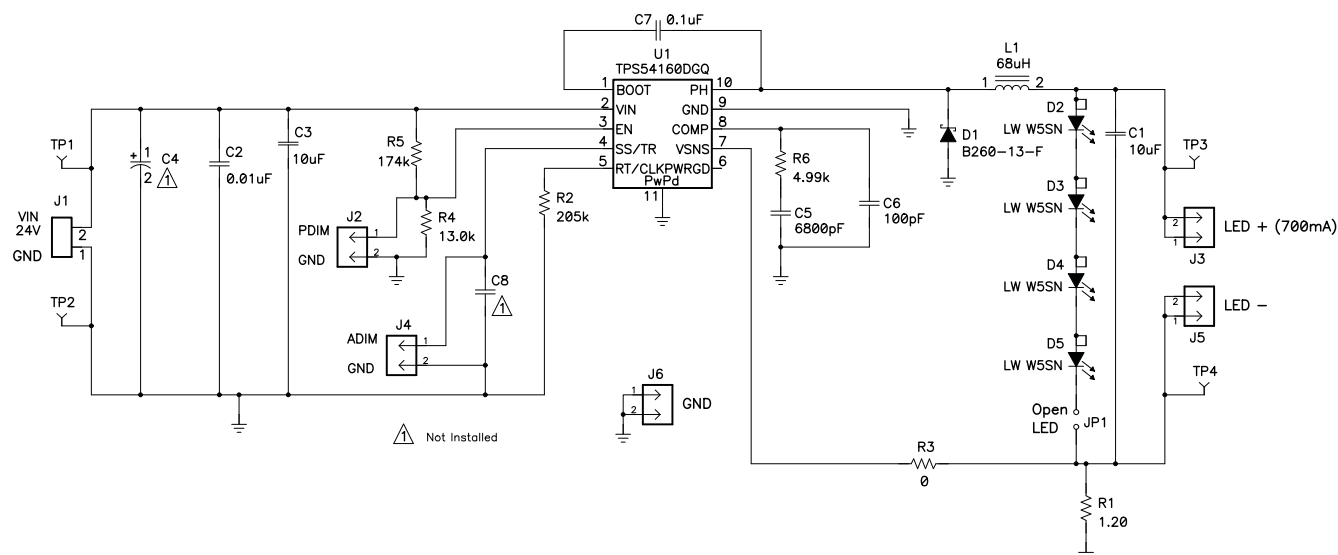


Figure 1. TPS54160EVM-535 Schematic Diagram

### 2.2 Bill of Materials

Table 1. Bill of Materials

| Count | RefDes         | Value                                  | Description                              | Size               | Part Number                            | MFR       |
|-------|----------------|--|--|--------------------|--|-----------|
| 2     | C1, C3         | 10 $\mu$ F                             | Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X5R, 20%        | 1210               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | C2             | 0.01 $\mu$ F                           | Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%        | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | C5             | 6800pF                                 | Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, X7R, 10%        | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | C6             | 100pF                                  | Capacitor, Ceramic, 50V, NPO, 5%         | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | C7             | 0.1 $\mu$ F                            | Capacitor, Ceramic, 25V, X5R, 10%        | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | D1             | B260-13-F                              | Diode, Schottky, 60V, 2A                 | SMB                | B260-13-F                              | Vishay    |
| 4     | D2, D3, D4, D5 | "LW W5SN-JYKZ-5K8L-Z (see Note 5 & 6)" | Diode, Platinum Dragon LED White, 700-mA | 0.244 x 0.441 inch | "LW W5SN-JYKZ-5K8L-Z (see Note 5 & 6)" | Osram     |
| 1     | L1             | 68 $\mu$ H                             | Inductor, SMT, 1.32A, 213 m $\Omega$     | 0.402 x 0.394 inch | MSS1038-683ML                          | Coilcraft |
| 1     | R1             | 1.20                                   | Resistor, Chip, 1W, 1%                   | 2512               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | R2             | 205k                                   | Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%                | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | R4             | 13.0k                                  | Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%                | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | R5             | 174k                                   | Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%                | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | R6             | 4.99k                                  | Resistor, Chip, 1/16W, 1%                | 0603               | Std                                    | Std       |
| 1     | U1             | TPS54160DGQ                            | IC, DC-DC Converter                      | MSOP-10            | TPS54160DGQ                            | TI        |

### 3 Board Layout

#### 3.1 Layout

The following figures show the layout for each layer of the TPS54160EVM-535. The top and bottom layers of the board are 2-oz. copper. The top layer is predominantly used to route the high current traces of the input and output voltages. Some noise sensitive traces, such as the feedback trace, have been routed on the bottom layer so that they are shielded by the large ground plane on the bottom layer. Board layout is critical for all high frequency switch mode power supplies. The nodes with high switching frequencies and currents are kept as short as possible to minimize trace inductance. Careful attention has been given to the routing of high frequency current loops and a single point grounding scheme is used. Refer to the datasheet for specific layout guidelines.

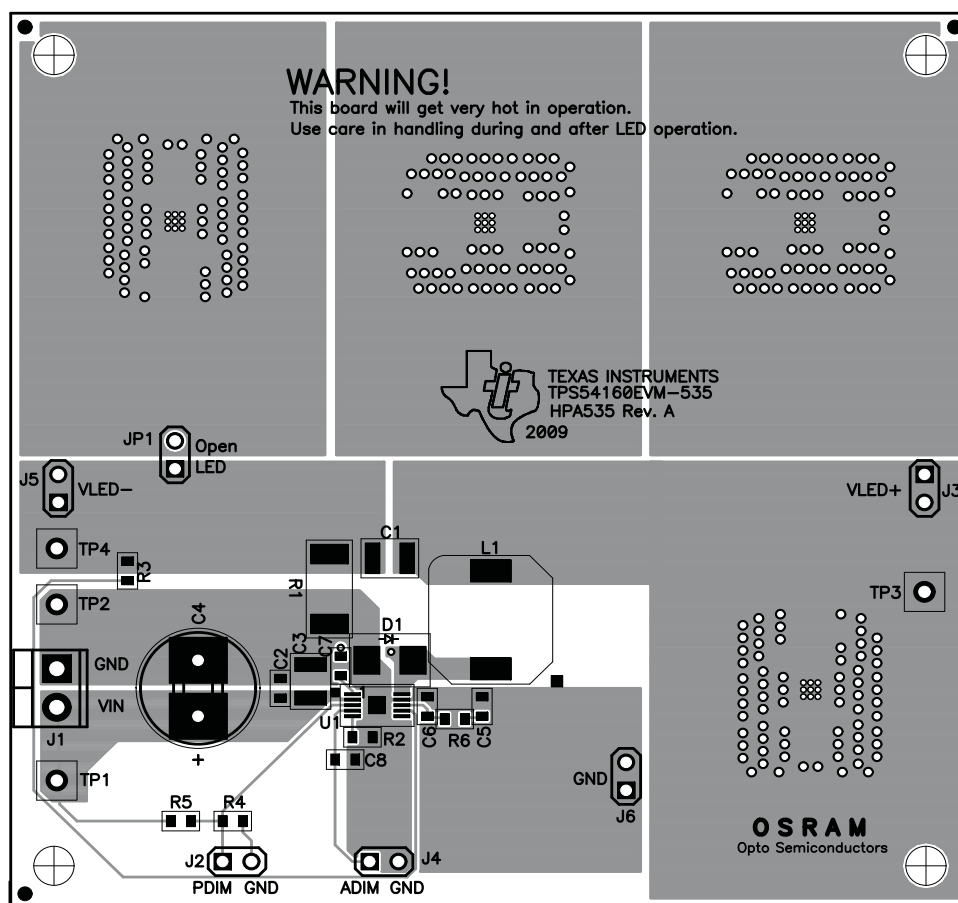


Figure 2. Top Assembly Layer

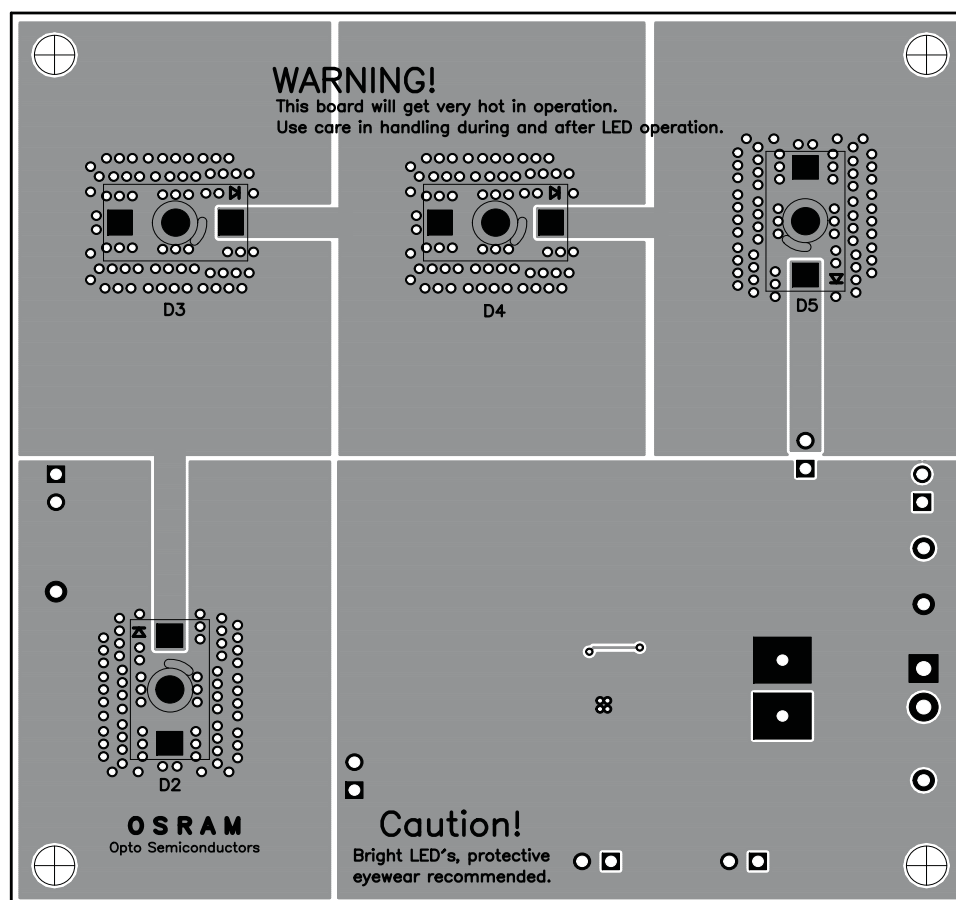
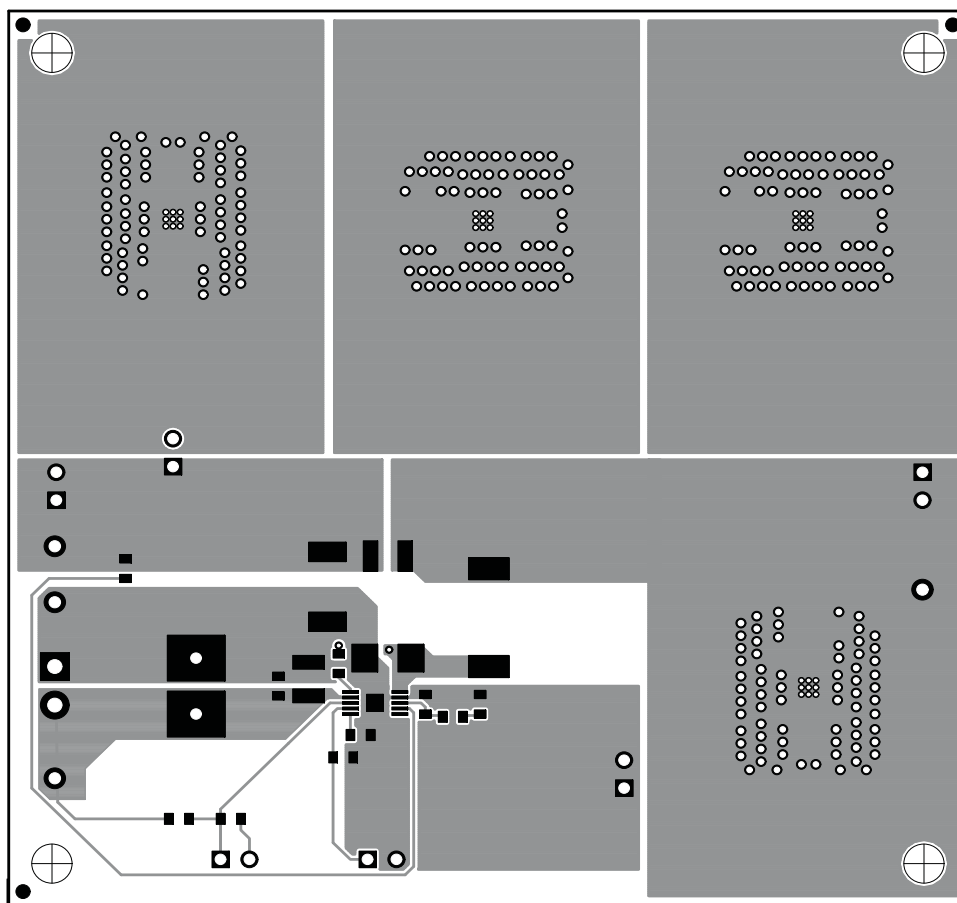


Figure 3. Bottom Assembly Layer



**Figure 4. Top Layer Routing**

## 4 Connector Description

This chapter describes the jumpers and connectors on the EVM as well as how to properly connect, setup and use the TPS54160EVM-535.

### 4.1 Input/Output Connector Descriptions

#### 4.1.1 J1 – GND, VIN

This header is the return and positive input voltage supply to the converter. The leads to the input supply should be twisted and kept as short as possible to minimize EMI transmission. Additional bulk capacitance should be added between J1 and J2 if the supply leads are greater than six inches. An additional 47 $\mu$ F or greater capacitor improves the transient response of the TPS54160 and helps to reduce ringing on the input when long supply wires are used.

#### 4.1.2 J2 – PDIM, GND

This header is for dimming using pulse width modulation. PDIM is connected to the EN pin of the TPS54160. Applying a PWM will adjust the average output current proportional to the duty cycle. GND is connected to the common ground plane.

### 4.1.3 J3 – LED+

When using external LEDs, connect anode to LED+.

### 4.1.4 J4 – ADIM, GND

This header is for analog dimming. ADIM is connected to the SS/TR pin on the TPS54160. The voltage applied to this pin is used as reference if below the TPS54610 internal voltage reference of 800mV. GND is connected to the common ground plane. [Figure 10](#) shows the LED current vs. ADIM voltage.

### 4.1.5 J5 – LED–

When using external LEDs, connect cathode to LED–.

### 4.1.6 J6 – GND

This header is connected to the common ground plane.

### 4.1.7 JP1 – OPEN LED

Connect shorting jumper on JP1 to use the on-board LEDs. The user may monitor the LED current by connecting an ammeter between the two pins. Open JP1 to use external LEDs.

## 5 Performance Specifications

### 5.1 Converter Specifications

[Table 2](#) provides a summary of the converters specifications. The converter is designed and tested for  $V_{IN} = 24V \pm 25\%$ . Operation at other input voltages is possible but some performance specifications will vary compared to those shown. The ambient temperature is 25°C for all measurements, unless otherwise noted.

**Table 2. Converter Specifications**

| Specification                             | Test Conditions                                    | Min | Typ  | Max | Unit |
|---|--|-----|------|-----|------|
| VIN input voltage range                   |  | 18  | 24   | 30  | V    |
| Output current                            |  |     | 675  |     | mA   |
| Output voltage                            |  |     | 14.8 |     | V    |
| Loop bandwidth                            |  |     | 50   |     | kHz  |
| Phase margin                              |  |     | 100  |     | °    |
| Operating Frequency                       |  |     | 570  |     | kHz  |
| Maximum Efficiency                        | $V_{in} = 24\text{ V}$ , $I_{out} = 700\text{ mA}$ |     | 90%  |     |      |
| Converter enable voltage $V_{turn\ on}$   | $V_{in}$ rising, $I_{out} = 700\text{ mA}$         |     | 17.8 |     | V    |
| Converter disable voltage $V_{turn\ off}$ | $V_{in}$ falling, $I_{out} = 700\text{ mA}$        |     | 17.3 |     | V    |
| Output current rise time                  |  |     | 0.4  |     | ms   |

### 5.2 Modifications to the Converter

This converter is meant to show an application of the TPS54160 as an LED driver with the specification above. For applications with a different input voltage range or different numbers of LEDs, refer to the application note, *How to use the TPS54160 as a High-Brightness LED Driver* ([SLVA374](#)).

### 5.3 PWM Dimming

The brightness of the LEDs can be adjusted by applying a PWM signal to the PDIM pin. The average LED current is proportional to the PWM signal duty cycle. When PDIM is greater than  $V_{\text{turn on}} \times R4/(R4+R5)$  the TPS54160 drives current through the LEDs. When less than  $V_{\text{turn off}} \times R4/(R4+R5)$ , the TPS54160 turns off and stops driving current through the LEDs. Where  $V_{\text{turn on}}$  is the converter enable voltage and  $V_{\text{turn off}}$  is converter disable voltage as displayed [Table 2](#).

### 5.4 Analog Dimming

ADIM is connected to the SS/TR pin on the TPS54160. The voltage applied to this pin is used as reference if below the TPS54610 internal voltage reference of 800mV. See [Figure 10](#).

## 6 Test Results

This chapter provides typical performance waveforms for the TPS54160EVM-535

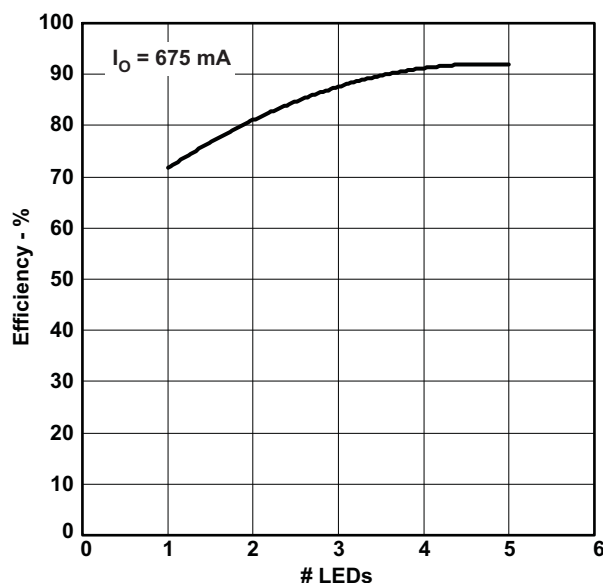


Figure 5. Efficiency, Vin=24V

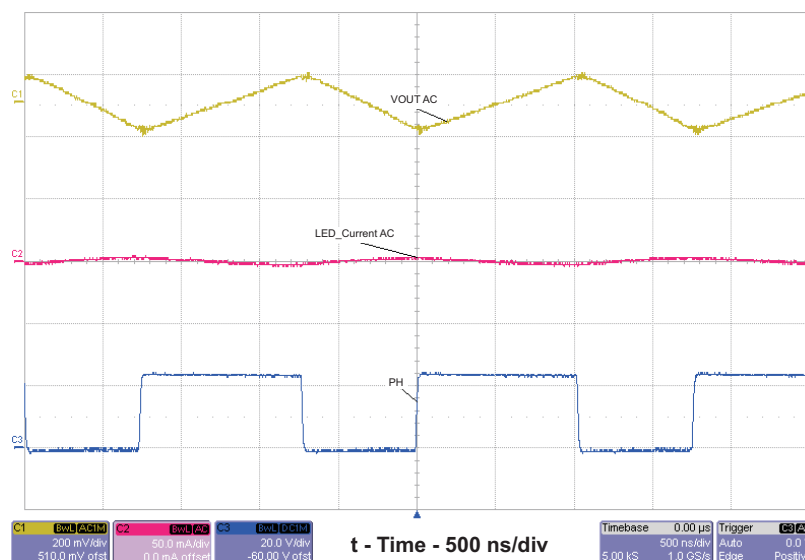


Figure 6. Output Ripple, Vin=24.0V, Iout=675mA, AC Coupled

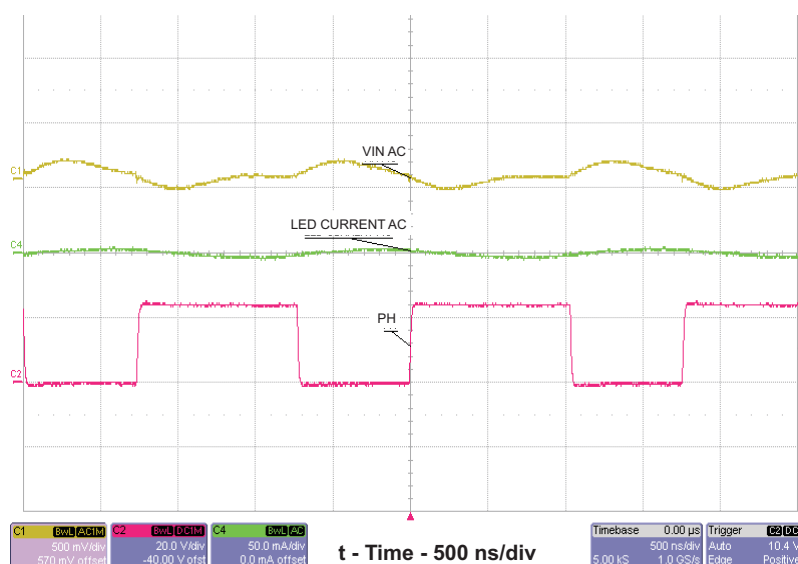
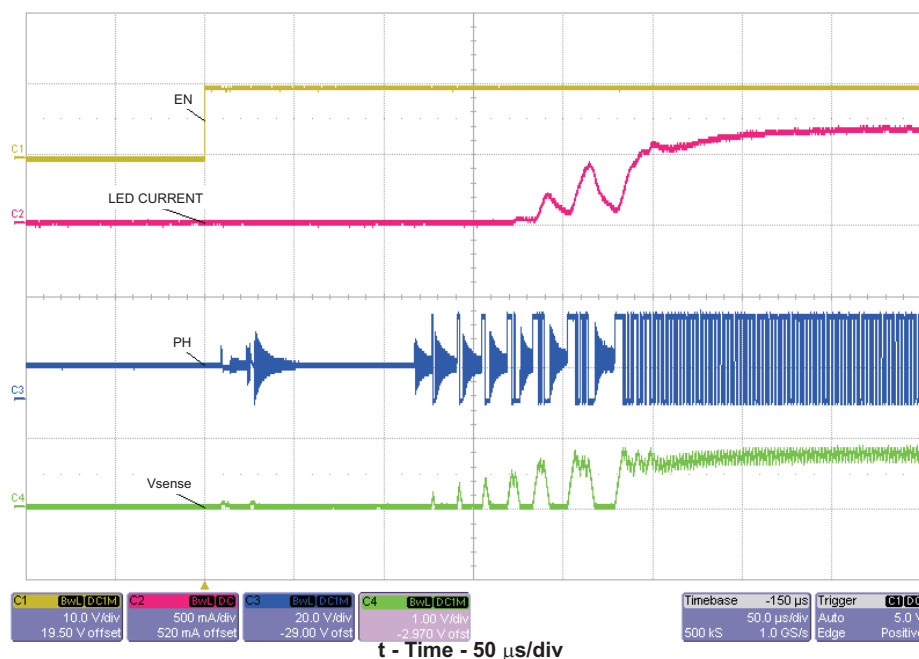
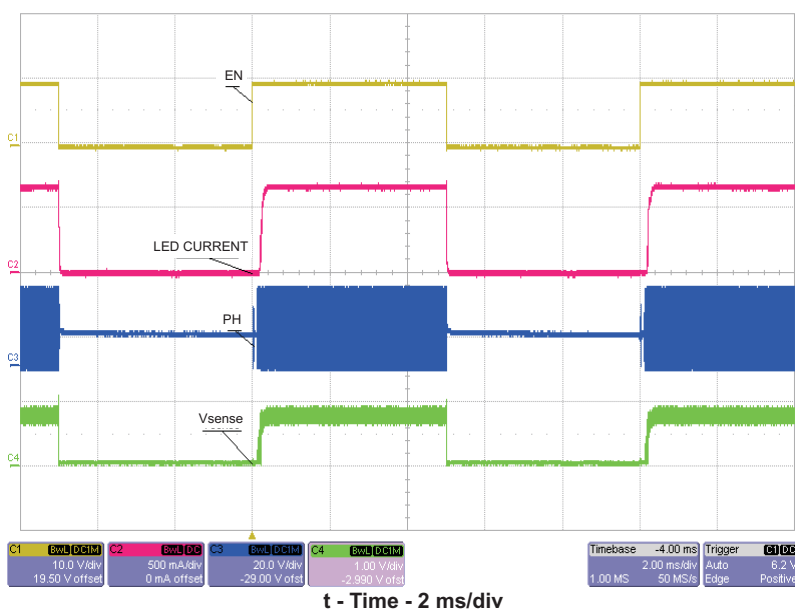


Figure 7. Input Voltage Ripple, Vin=24.0V, Iout=675mA, AC Coupled





**Figure 8. Start-up relative to EN, Vin=24V, Iout=675mA**



**Figure 9. PWM Dimming, Vin=24V, Iout=675mA**

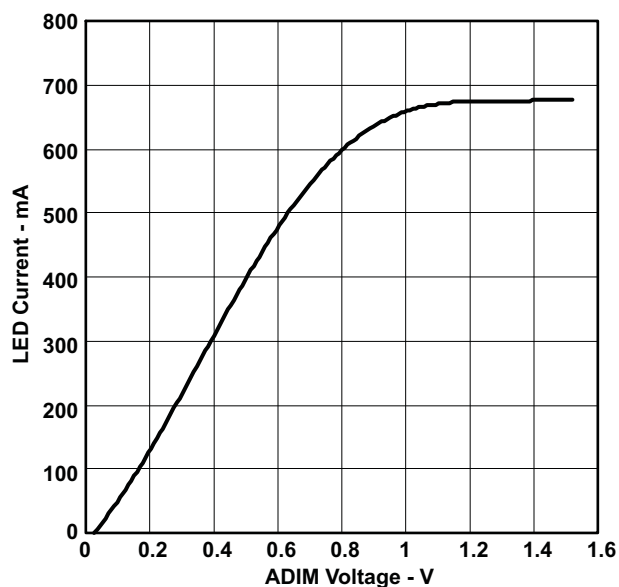


Figure 10. Analog Dimming, LED Current vs. ADIM Voltage

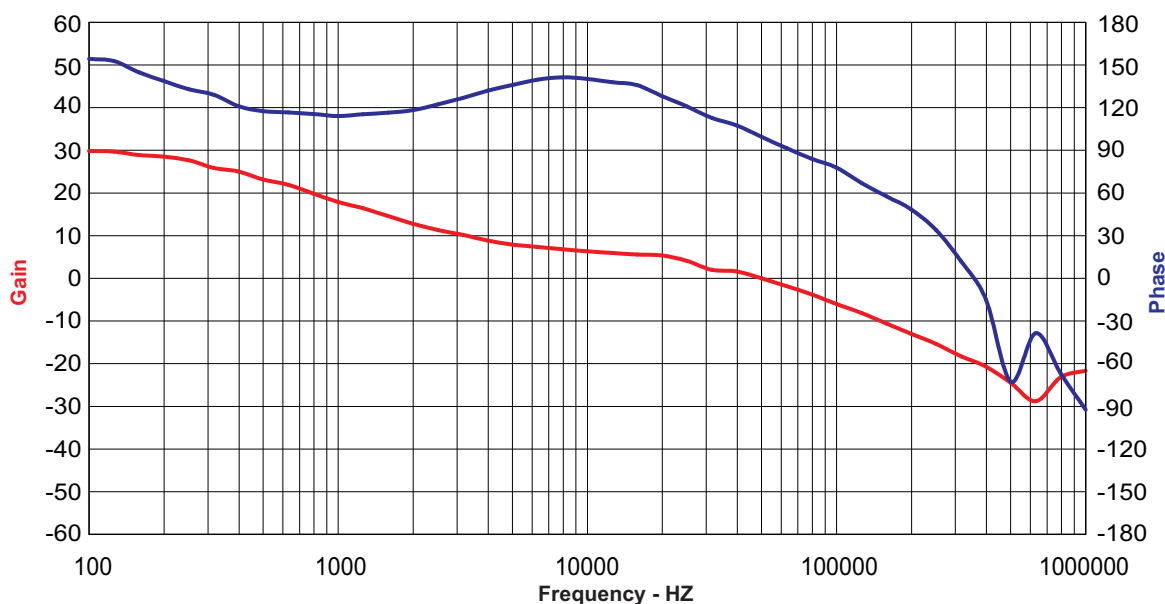
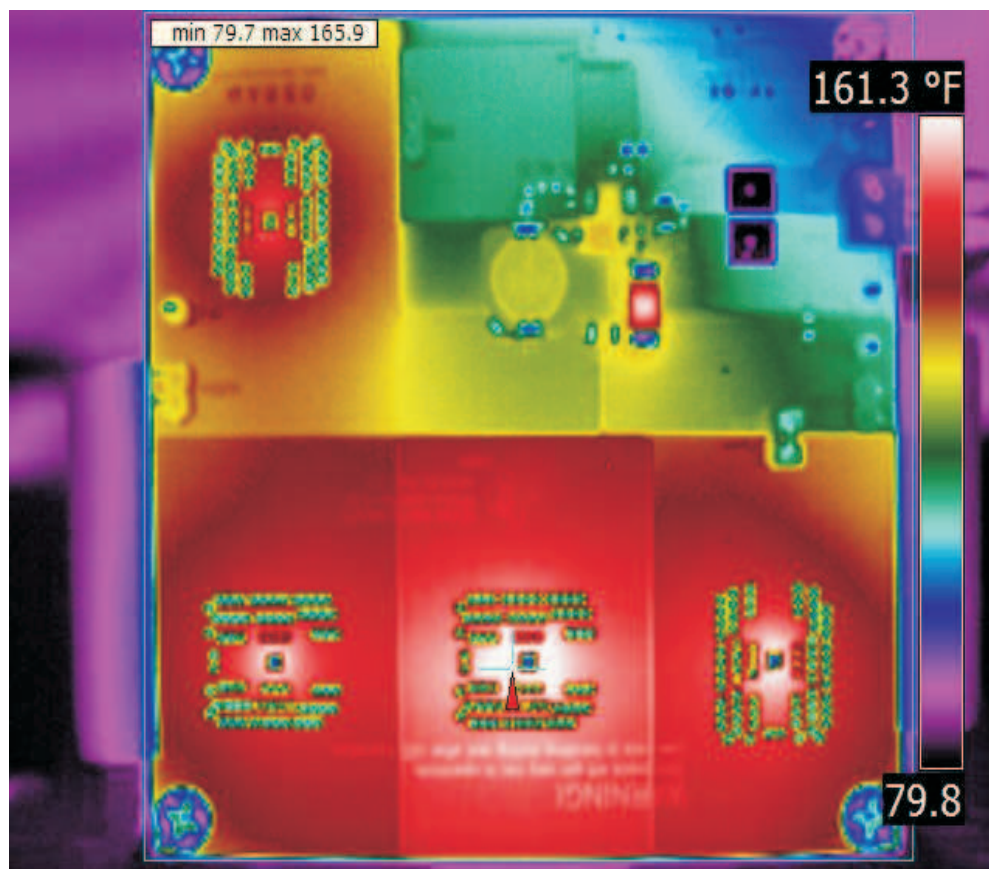


Figure 11. Loop response, VIN = 24V, Iout = 675mA



**Figure 12. Thermal Performance, Top**

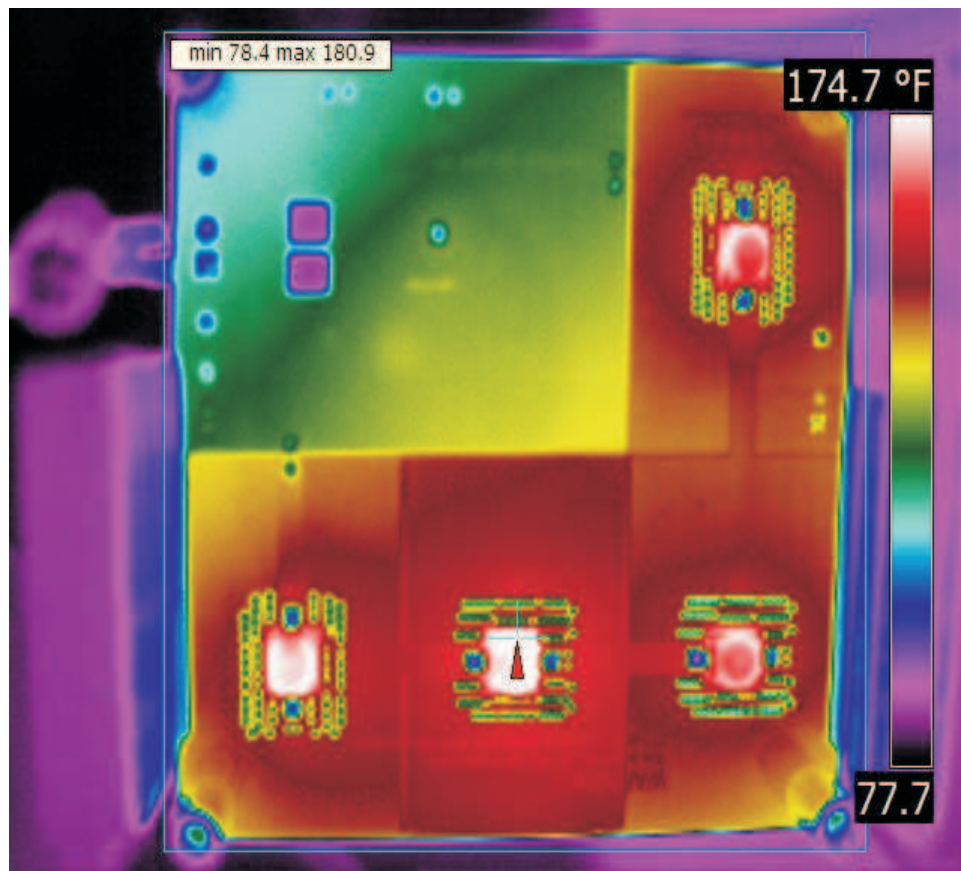


Figure 13. Thermal Performance, Bottom

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