

LED Driver for Lighting Series

Electrolytic Capacitor Free Buck Converter LED Driver

BD555A1AFV

● General Description

BD555A1AFV is a LED driver best for LED lighting applications. It supports dimming. Constant current switching controller for AC/DC buck converter is accumulated inside. By choosing external MOS Transistor, small~large power of LED can be driven. The driver is adoptable to a wide range of lighting from small light such as spotlights to large one like base lights. With digital power control, the average value of LED current is stably adjustable to requesting current. By only primary sense resistor, LED current is available to feedback LED current is useful without feedback circuits, reduce parts. Input characteristics and output characteristics is good by precisely digital power control.

It's support electrolytic free design by capacitor controller which is detect AC voltage and control ceramic capacitor.

● Key Specifications

■ AC Input range	80 to 275V _{AC}
■ Input Voltage range(AUX pin)	10 to 38V
■ Operating temperature	-40 to 100°C
■ Accuracy of output current	±1.5 % (Typ.)

● Features

- Highly efficient Buck AC/DC converter
- Primary control without feedback circuit
- High accuracy LED current output by LED average control
- Capacitor controller for Electrolytic free design
- Fixed switching frequency
- Built-in regulator for inner power supply
- Built-in LED open detection (shutdown type)
- Built-in UVLO detection
- Built-in thermal shut-down function

● Packages

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5.00mm×6.40mm×1.15mm



● Applications

- Spot light without dimming
- Desk ramp without dimming
- Down light without dimming
- Base light without dimming

● Typical Application Circuits

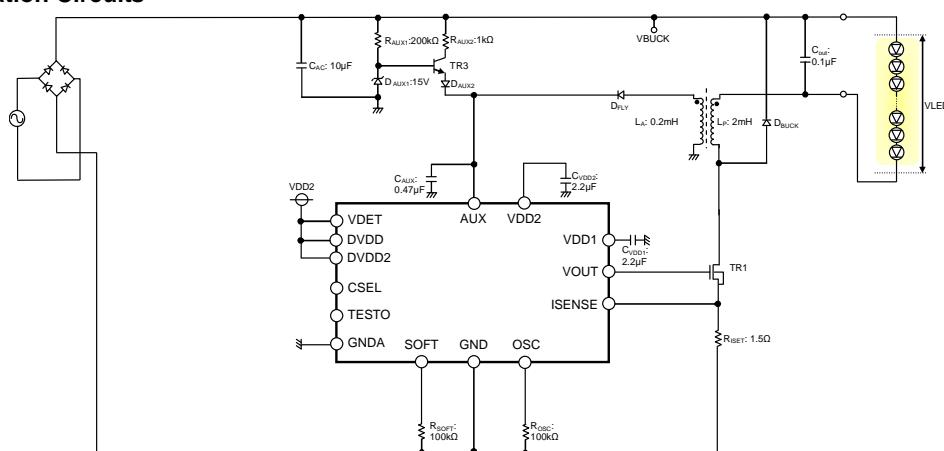


Fig. 1 Typical Application Circuit

● Absolute Maximum Ratings (Ta=25°C)

Parameter	Symbol	Ratings	Unit	Conditions
Maximum Applied Voltage 1	VMAX1	4.5	V	VDD2, DVDD, DVDD2, OSC, SOFT, ISENSE PIN
Maximum Applied Voltage 2	VMAX2	15.5	V	VDET, VDD1, VOUT, CSEL, TESTO PIN
Maximum Applied Voltage 3	VMAX3	40.0	V	AUX PIN
Allowable Power Dissipation ¹	Pd1	874.7	mW	
Operating Temperature	Topr	-40 ~ +100	°C	
Storage temperature	Tstg	-55 ~ +150	°C	

¹ When being mounted on 1 layer substrate(ROHM typical board).Copper layer area is 20.2mm². When being used at over Ta=25°C, Pd1 decreases by about 7.00mW/°C.

● Recommended Operating Range (Ta=-40°C ~ +100°C)

Parameter	Symbol	Ratings			Unit	Conditions
		Min.	Typ.	Max.		
Operating supply voltage	AUX	10	16	38	V	

● Electrical Characteristics (Unless specified, AUX=16V, Ta = +25°C)

Parameter	Symbol	Ratings			Unit	Conditions
		Min.	Typ.	Max.		
[Circuit Current]						
Operating Current 1	Idd1	7.0	14.0	22.0	µA	At Start-up, AUX=7.0V
Operating Current 2	Idd2	1.5	2.5	3.5	mA	When stopping switching
[Regulator]						
VDD1 Voltage	VVDD1	11	12	13	V	With no-load
VDD1 Low Voltage Detection Voltage	Vuvlo1	4.0	5.0	6.0	V	When AUX is falling
VDD2 Voltage	VVDD2	2.9	3.3	3.7	V	With no-load
AUX Start-Up Voltage	Vstup	7.45	8.50	10.00	V	When AUX is rising
AUX Low Voltage Detection Voltage	Vuvloaux	6.00	6.50	7.45	V	When AUX is falling
[Switching Regulator]						
Oscillating Frequency	Fosc	90	100	110	kHz	Rosc=Open
Maximum Duty	Dmax	-	75.0	-	%	
Average Current Sense Voltage	Visns	475	500	525	mV	
Current Sense Blank-Time	Tisns _t	360	400	440	nsec	
VOUT High On-Resistance	Rvouth	3.0	7.0	16.0	Ω	IVOUT=20mA Source
VOUT Low On-Resistance	Rvoutl	2.0	4.5	12.0	Ω	IVOUT=20mA Sink
[Capacitor Controller]						
AC Input "H" Detection Voltage	Deth	340	420	500	mV	When VDET is rising
AC Input "L" Detection Voltage	Detl	240	300	360	mV	When VDET is falling
VDET Input Voltage Range	VVDET	-0.3	-	9.0	V	
CSEL On-Resistance	RonCS	-	10	100	Ω	ICSEL=2mA Sink
CSEL Off-Leakage	IleakCS	-	-	1.0	µA	CSEL=10V

● Pin Description

No	端子名称	I/O	機能	等価回路
1	DVDD	In	Digital Power Supply	C
2	VDET	In	AC voltage detection PIN(for Electrolytic free)	A
3	AUX	In	Power Supply Input Pin	A
4	VDD1	Out	Regulator Output 1 / Inner Power Supply 12.0V	C
5	VDD2	Out	Regulator Output 2 / Inner Power Supply 3.3V	C
6	OSC	In	Switching Frequency Setting Pin	C
7	DVDD2	In	Digital Power Supply	C
8	SOFT	In	Soft-start · Slope Time Setting Pin	C
9	VOUT	Out	Switching MOS Gate Driver Pin	D
10	ISENSE	In	Current Sense Pin	C
11	GND	-	GND Pin	B
12	GNDA	-	GND Pin	D
13	CSEL	Out	Capacitor Selector Pin(for Electrolytic free)	A
14	TESTO	Out	Test Output Pin	C

● Pin Configuration

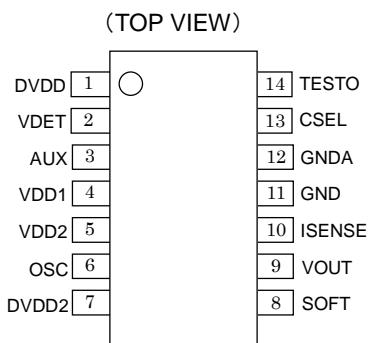


Fig.2 Pin Configuration

● Equivalent Circuit Diagram

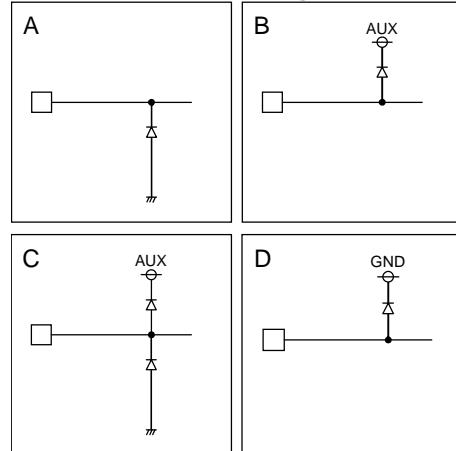


Fig.3 Equivalent Circuit Diagram

● Block Diagram

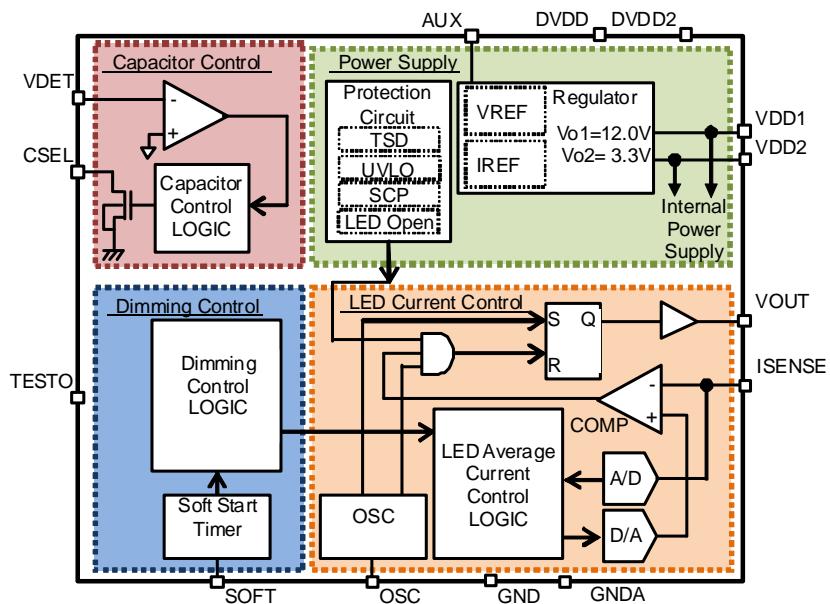


Fig.4 Block Diagram

●Description of Blocks

1) Regulator

Regulator with output of typ.3.3V is built in, which places AUX pin at input. When AC power source is input, according to clamp voltage of Zener Diode (D_{AUX}), power is supplied to AUX pin through start-up resistor (R_{AUX}). Until AUX pin gets typ.8.5V, switching operation is kept stopped. Circuit current is typ.10 μ A, so that voltage drop of R_{AUX} can be kept small. When AUX pin becomes typ.8.5V, switching operation starts. After the start of switching operation, it is recommended that power is supplied to AUX pin by fly-back method through transformer (L_{AUX}).

Output voltage of VDD2 is used at circuit inner power supply. When VDD2 pin becomes below typ.2.45V, UVLO detection is carried out and it leads to a non-operating state.

2) Soft Start

Soft start bring good effect which is smoothing light on at power on and prevent the LED short protection in power on, if output capacitor is big.

Soft start limits Duty of switching and increases the set value of LED peak current from low level by slope function.

Soft start is run only one time when the AC power is supplied. When VDD2 pin detect low voltage, this function is reset and run again when next AC power source is input (when low voltage detection is canceled).

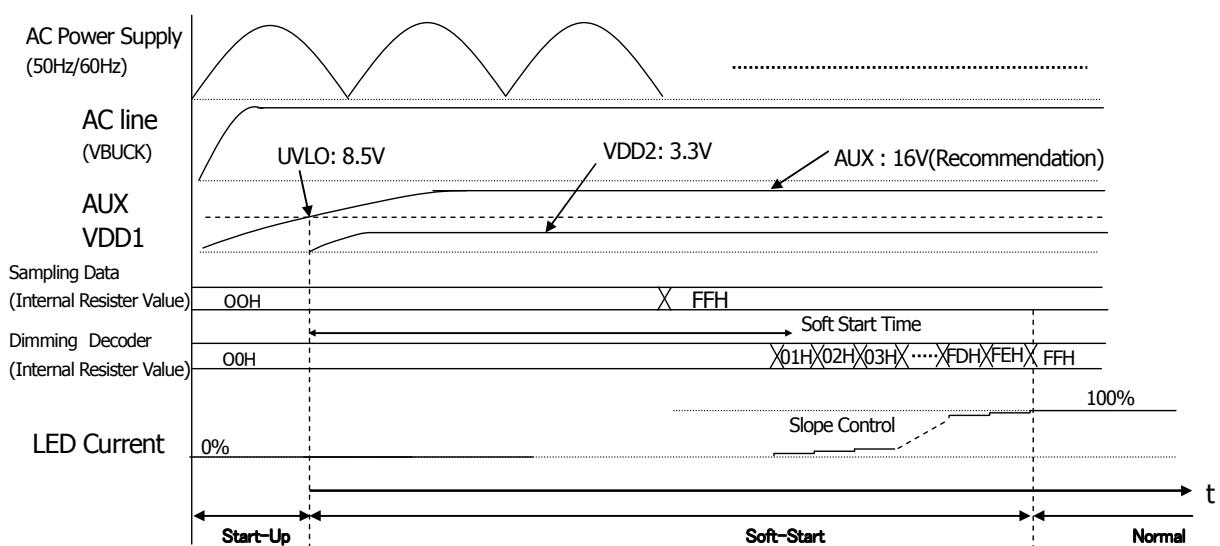


Fig.5 Soft Start

Soft start time can be set by resistor (R_{SOFT}) connecting to SOFT pin. Soft start time, T_{SOFT} is shown as in below chart.

R _{SOFT} , Setting of Soft-Start / Slope Time	
R _{SOFT}	Soft-Start / Slope Time
100k Ω	100msec
39k Ω	800msec
24k Ω	1600msec
No Connection	0msec (No Slope)

3) Digitally Controlled Switching Converter

• Operation Description of Buck Converter

When AUX becomes typ.8.5V, switching controller starts its switching operation. Switching frequency is determined depending on the value of resistor (R_{osc}) connecting to OSC pin.

At the beginning of switching cycle, FET (TR1) for switching turns ON. Coil current flows into R_{ISET} and current is detected by ISENSE pin. However even TR1 turns ON, current detection is not carried out for a definite period of time, typ.400nsec. It prevents a malfunction caused by reverse recovery current of freewheel diode (D_{out}), when TR1 turns ON. TR1 turns OFF, so that the voltage of ISENSE pin increases linearly and LED average current is adjusted to requested current.

Switching duty(D) is generally shown as below formula, considering input voltage as VBUCK and output voltage as VLED.

$$D = \frac{V_{LED}}{V_{BUCK}}$$

When switching duty (D) reaches to maximum 75.0% (typ.), the status is forced to change into OFF. Moreover minimum On width is 400nsec (typ.). For 400nsec, ON status is maintained compulsorily.

• Setting of LED Current

Switching controller adjusts the average current of coil to a value which is set by R_{ISET} , monitoring coil current at switching "ON" from ISENSE pin. Since the average current of coil and LED current are of equivalent value, setting of LED current is determined by controlling the average current of coil.

LED average current, I_{AVE} is determined by ripple current ΔI_L of coil. Peak Current is shown as below formula in continuous current mode (CCM).

Compute ΔI_L from the data sampled with A/D converter from ISENSE pin, and calculate peak current I_{PEAK} , so that average current becomes requested value.

Input peak current I_{PEAK} into D/A converter and treat it as reference voltage of comparator COMP.

Since ΔI_L is calculated and feed-backed, average current control is available without influence of input voltage • output voltage • constant of coil • switching frequency which are change by ΔI_L .

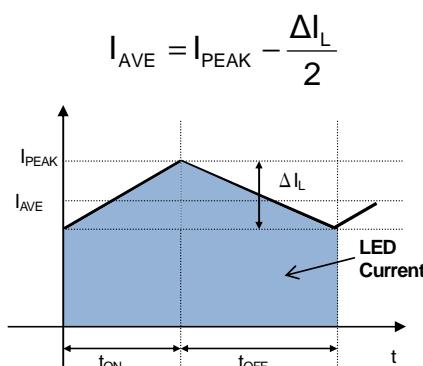


Fig.6 Waveform of LED Current (in continuous current mode)

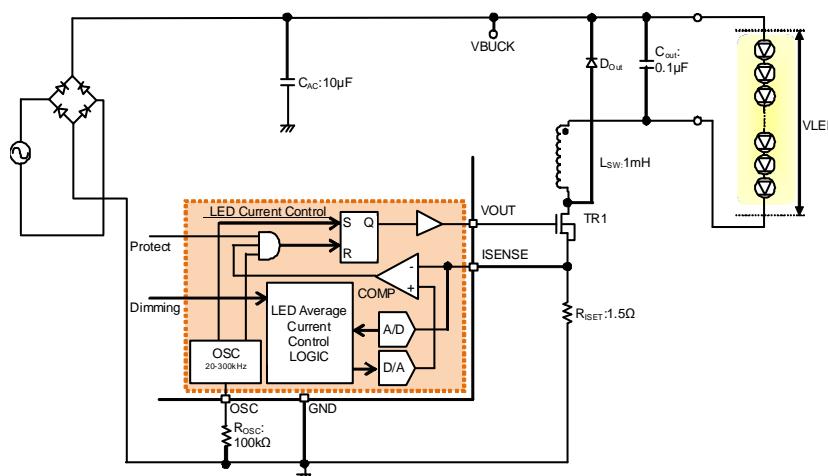


Fig.7 Block Diagram of Average Current Control

LED Average Current I_{AVE} is set by resistor (R_{ISET}) connecting ISENSE pin. Each set-up current is indicated as below formula. Setting current is chosen drive current of external MOS FET. Average current sense voltage, V_{ISNS} is set to 500mV.

$$I_{AVE} = \frac{V_{ISNS}}{R_{ISET}}$$

R_{ISET} , Set-Up Examples of LED Average Current

R_{ISET}	LED Average Current
5.10Ω	98mA
2.00Ω	250mA
1.50Ω	333mA
1.00Ω	500mA
0.75Ω	667mA
0.68Ω	735mA

Fig.8 shows input voltage characteristics when R_{ISET} is 1Ω. And Fig.9 indicates output voltage characteristics.

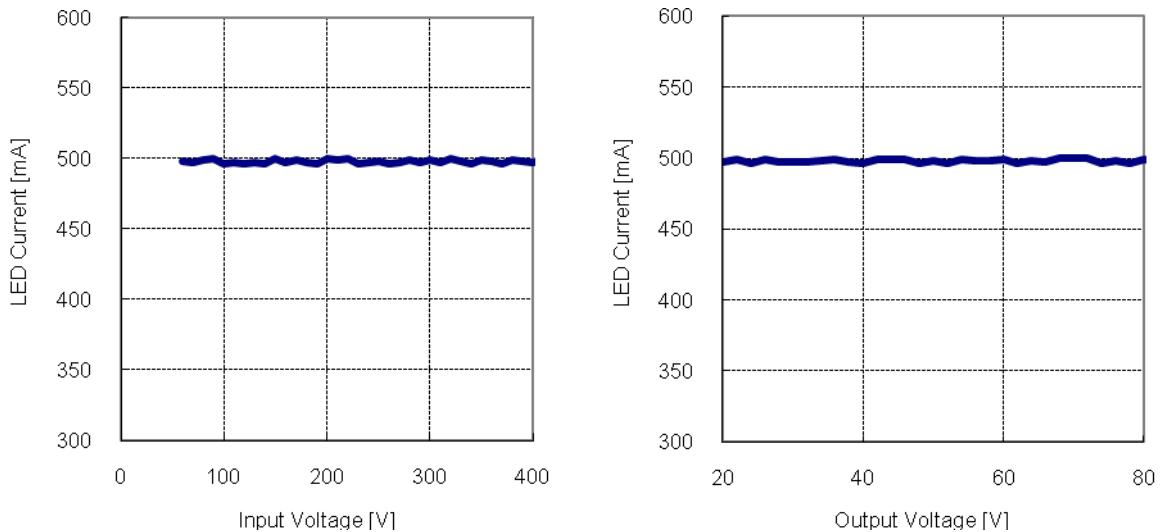


Fig.8 Input voltage (VPRI) vs. LED Current

Fig.9 Output voltage (VLED) vs. LED Current

Under the following conditions, it is difficult to control average current.

- 1.) When On time is 400nsec.

On Time, t_{on} , is indicated as follows, considering switching frequency as f_{sw} .

$$t_{on} = \left(\frac{V_{LED}}{V_{BUCK}} \right) \times \frac{1}{f_{sw}}$$

When input voltage is high, output voltage is low or switching frequency is high, there is a possibility that on time becomes 400nsec.

Switching frequency is recommended to be set low.

- 2.) When switching duty (D) is 75.0%.

Switching duty (D) is expressed as follows.

$$D = \frac{V_{LED}}{V_{BUCK}}$$

When input voltage is low or output voltage is high, there is a possibility switching duty (D) exceeds 75.0%. It is necessary to keep input voltage high or make output voltage low.

3.) In case of DCM (discontinuous current mode)

In CCM, digitally controlled switching converter carries out average current control. In DCM, since current of section where no current flows cannot be controlled, LED current value becomes lower than set-up current value.

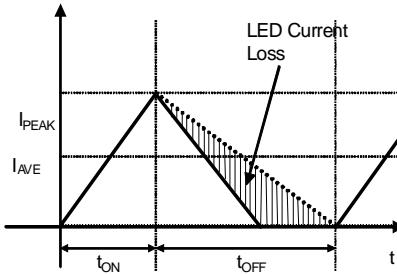


Fig.10 Waveform of LED Current (In discontinuous current mode)

DCM occurs when LED set-up current is low or switching frequency is low. Switching frequency is recommended to set high.

- **Setting of Switching Frequency**

In setting of switching frequency, a relation of trade-off holds between power efficiency and the size (price) of external components. To improve power efficiency, slower switching frequency is better but in that case, the size of external parts get bigger.

Maximum switching frequency is decided by minimum ON time.

Minimum ON time ($t_{ON(MIN)}$) is available when input voltage VBUCK is highest voltage and output voltage VLED is minimum,. It is shown as below formula.

$$t_{ON(MIN)} = \left(\frac{VLED_{(MIN)}}{VBUCK_{(MAX)}} \right) \times \frac{1}{f_{sw}}$$

Switching duty (D) is simply shown as following formula.

$$D = \frac{VLED}{VBUCK} = t_{ON} \times f_{sw}$$

f_{sw} : Switching Frequency

Set switching frequency within 20kHz~300kHz. Determine it so that minimum ON time ($t_{ON(MIN)}$) gets more than 400nsec.

Switching frequency f_{osc} is determined by resistor R_{osc} connecting to OSC pin.

Each set-up frequency is indicated as below formula. However if R_{osc} is not connected, it is set to 100 kHz. Moreover if R_{osc} is short-circuit to GND, it is set to 20kHz.

$$f_{osc}[kHz] = 8192 / R_{osc}[k\Omega]$$

R_{osc} Setting Example of Switching Frequency

R_{osc}	Switching Frequency
300 k Ω	28kHz
150 k Ω	50kHz
68 k Ω	120kHz
27 k Ω	300kHz
No Connection	100kHz

● Protection Function**1) Detection of Abnormal Temperature**

Thermal shut down starts to operate over 150°C(typ.), making IC from active status to non-active status. In the non-active status, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

When the temperature of IC returns to normal level, IC recovers from initial mode to active mode.

2) VDD1 Low Voltage Detection

When VDD1 power supply voltage is low or any abnormal status occurs such as VDD1pin short, IC is turned to non-active status from active mode, since there is a possibility that IC does not operate properly. In non-active mode, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

When VDD1power supply voltage returns to normal level, IC recovers from initial mode to active mode.

3) VDD2 Low Voltage Detection

When VDD2 power supply voltage is low or any abnormal problem occurs such as VDD2 pin short, IC is turned to non-active mode, since there is a possibility that IC does not operate properly. In non-active mode, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

When VDD2power supply voltage returns to normal level, IC recovers from initial mode to active mode.

4) AUX Low Voltage Detection

When AUX power supply voltage is low or any abnormal problem occurs such as AUX pin short, IC is turned non-active, since there is a possibility that IC does not operate properly. In non-active mode, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

When AUX power supply voltage returns to normal level, IC recovers from initial mode to active mode.

5) LED OPEN Detection

IC is turned from active mode to non-active mode, when ISENSE pin voltage does not reach to average current value for 52.4msec because of LED's OPEN defects, OPEN ISENSE pin, coil's OPEN defects and so on. In non-active mode, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

LED OPEN detection holds non-active mode until VDD2 low voltage detection is carried out. IC recovers to active mode in following flow; switching operation stops → VDD2 low voltage detection works → LEDOPEN detection is re-set.

6) LED GND SHORT Detection

IC is turned from active mode to non-active mode, when ISENSE pin voltage does not reach to average current value for 52.4msec because of LED's GND SHORT defects, SHORT ISENSE pin. In non-active mode, switching operation stops. Gate driver output turns into low impedance against GND.

LED OPEN detection holds non-active mode until VDD2 low voltage detection is carried out. IC recovers to active mode in following flow; switching operation stops → VDD2 low voltage detection works → LED GND SHORT detection is re-set.

●Typical Performance Curves

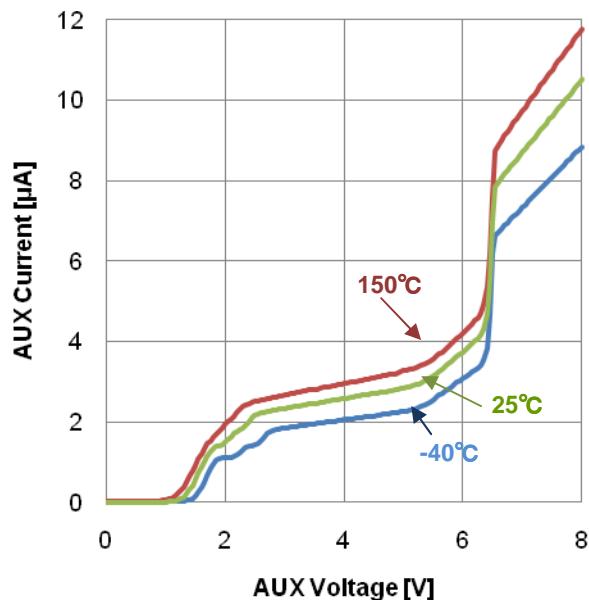


Fig.11 Current Consumption1

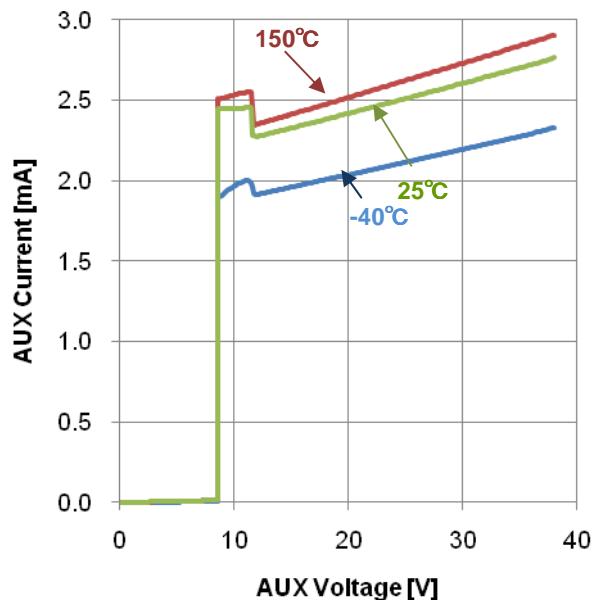


Fig.12 Current Consumption.2

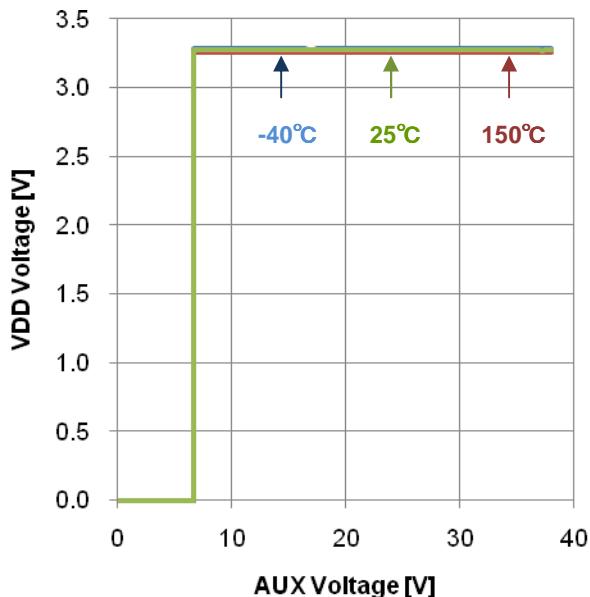


Fig.13 VDD2 Voltage

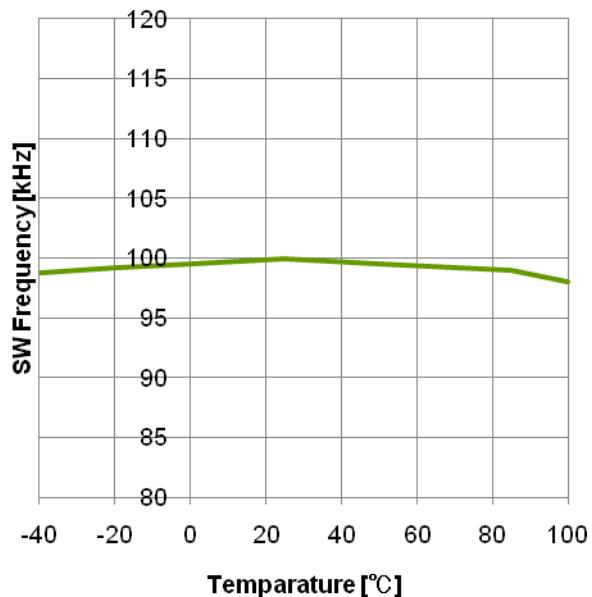


Fig.14 Switching Frequency

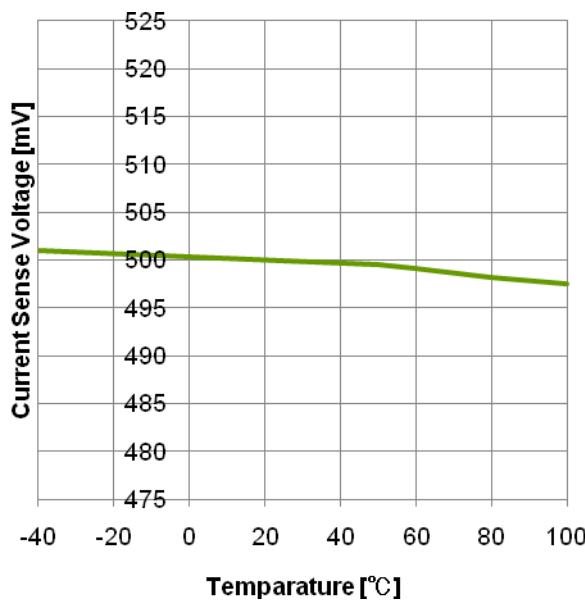


Fig.15 Average Current Sense Voltage

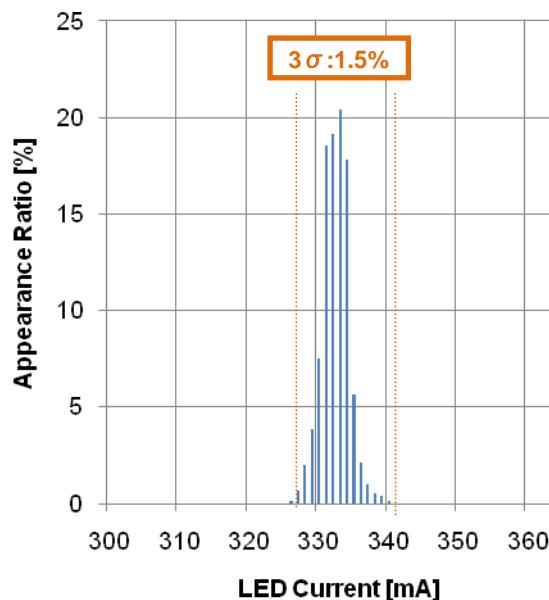


Fig.16 LED Current accuracy

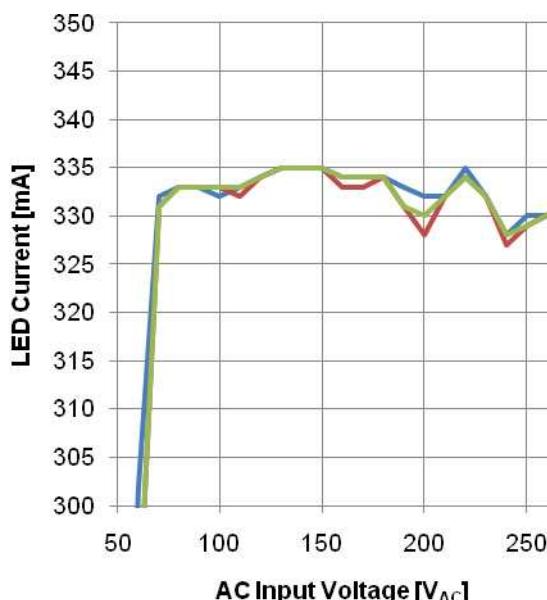


Fig.17 AC Input Voltage Characteristics

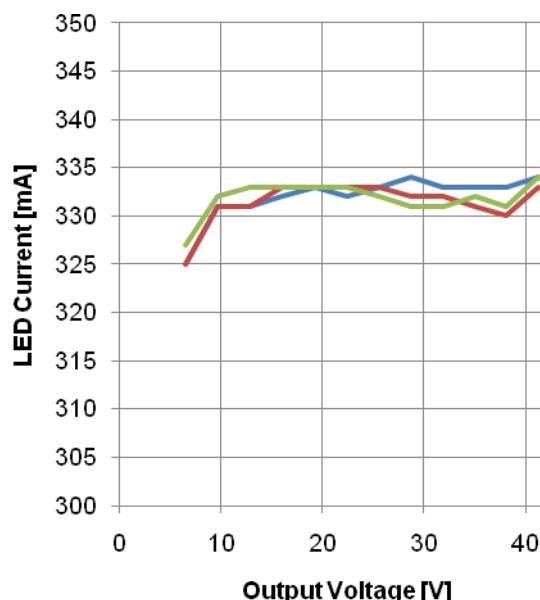


Fig.18 Output voltage Characteristics

•Application Examples

1) Basic Circuit (Buck)

Connect about LEDs in series. Connect 1.5Ω resistor to R_{ISET} and set LED average current to 333mA. Select external MOS-FET depending on LED current. (recommendation : R5205CND:ROHM)

Set AUX power supply to over 12.0V. At start up, power is supplied through TR3. When AUX exceeds start-up voltage 8.5V, switching operation starts. In switching operation, power is supplied via transformer.

Connect VDET pin to VDD2. Connect DVDD and DVDD2 to VDD2, too. Switching frequency is set by connecting resistor between OSC pin and GND. Slope time of dimming can be set by connecting resistor between SOFT pin and GND.

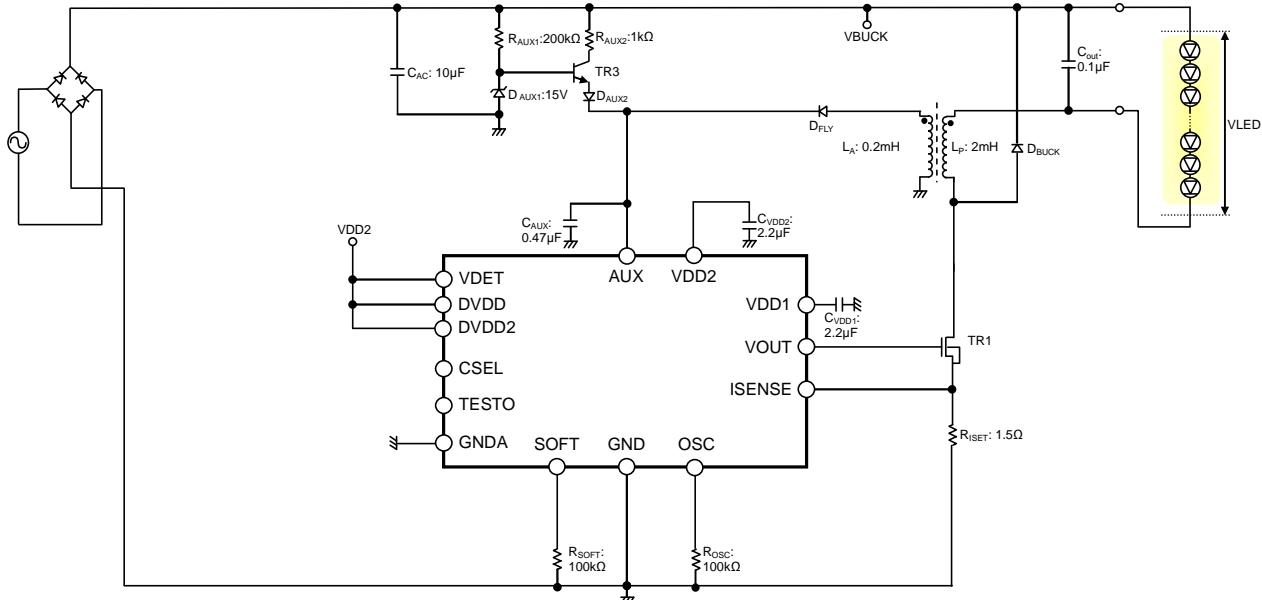


Fig.19 Application Example (High-Power LED 333mA)

2) Design for more compact circuit, reducing number of components

Supply power through R_{AUX} . When AUX exceeds start-up voltage, 8.5V, switching operation starts. In steady state, set AUX voltage to over 12V. Since about 3mA power loss (0.3W: at AC100V) occurs at R_{AUX} , efficiency gets worse compared to the basic circuit.

Make OSC and SOFT pins Open. At this time, switching frequency becomes 100kHz and SOFT time is 0msec.

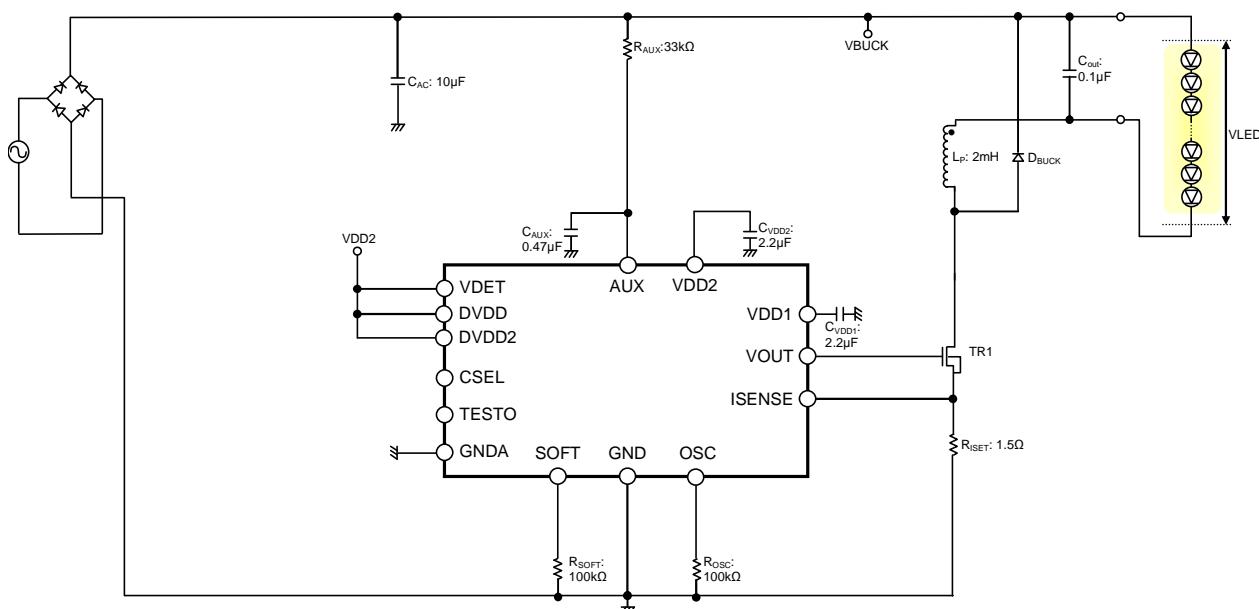


Fig.20 Application Example (Miniaturization : High-Power LED 333mA)

3) Circuit Example for Electrolytic free

Connect VDET and CSEL pin to the “Electrolytic Capacitor Less Circuit”.

This application is not used Electrolytic-capacitor, is used two ceramic-capacitor. Two capacitor controls is available to stable constant LED current, when AC input voltage is low.

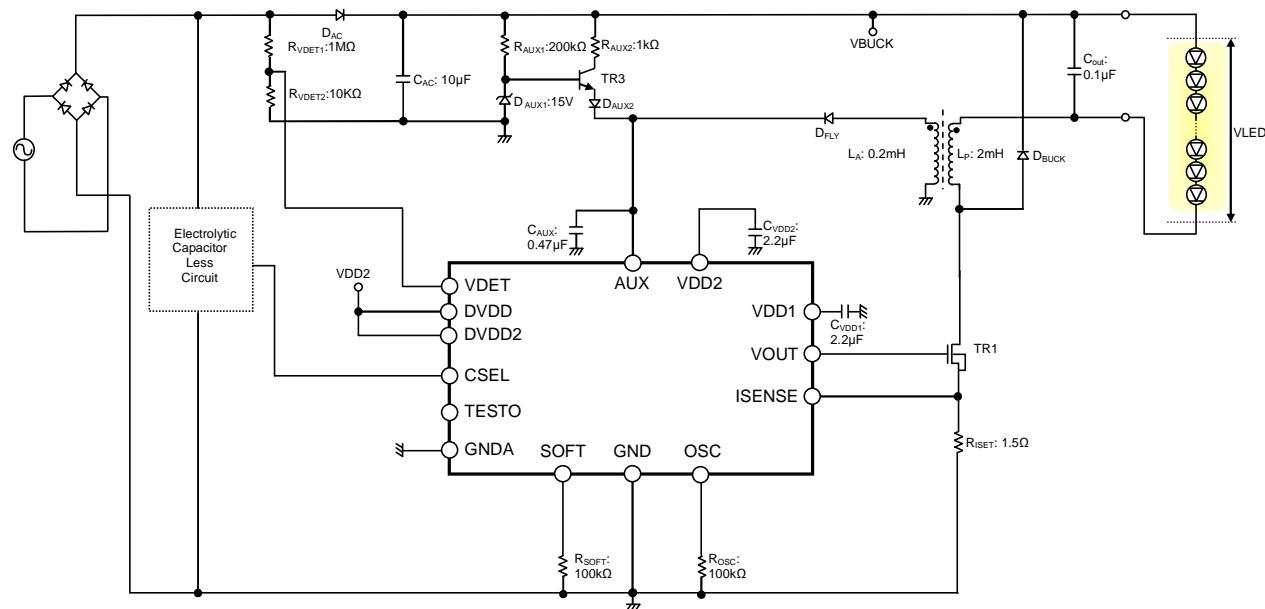


Fig.21 Application Example (Electrolytic free : High-Power LED 333mA)

●Operational Notes**(1) Absolute Maximum Ratings**

An excess in the absolute maximum ratings, such as supply voltage, temperature range of operating conditions, etc., can break down devices, thus making impossible to identify breaking mode such as a short circuit or an open circuit. If any special mode exceeding the absolute maximum ratings is assumed, consideration should be given to take physical safety measures including the use of fuses, etc.

(2) Operating conditions

These conditions represent a range within which characteristics can be provided approximately as expected. The electrical characteristics are guaranteed under the conditions of each parameter.

(3) Power supply line

Design PCB pattern to provide low impedance for the wiring between the power supply and the GND lines. In this regard, for the digital block power supply and the analog block power supply, even though these power supplies has the same level of potential, separate the power supply pattern for the digital block from that for the analog block, thus suppressing the diffraction of digital noises to the analog block power supply resulting from impedance common to the wiring patterns.

For the GND line, give consideration to design the patterns in a similar manner.

Furthermore, for all power supply terminals to ICs, mount a capacitor between the power supply and the GND terminal. At the same time, in order to use an electrolytic capacitor, thoroughly check to be sure the characteristics of the capacitor to be used present no problem including the occurrence of capacity dropout at a low temperature, thus determining the constant.

(4) GND voltage

Make setting of the potential of the GND terminal so that it will be maintained at the minimum in any operating state. Furthermore, check to be sure no terminals are at a potential lower than the GND voltage including an actual electric transient.

(5) Short circuit between terminals and erroneous mounting

In order to mount ICs on a set PCB, pay thorough attention to the direction and offset of the ICs. Erroneous mounting can break down the ICs. Furthermore, if a short circuit occurs due to foreign matters entering between terminals or between the terminal and the power supply or the GND terminal, the ICs can break down.

(6) Operation in strong electromagnetic field

Be noted that using ICs in the strong electromagnetic field can malfunction them.

(7) Inspection with set PCB

On the inspection with the set PCB, if a capacitor is connected to a low-impedance IC terminal, the IC can suffer stress. Therefore, be sure to discharge from the set PCB by each process. Furthermore, in order to mount or dismount the set PCB to/from the jig for the inspection process, be sure to turn OFF the power supply and then mount the set PCB to the jig. After the completion of the inspection, be sure to turn OFF the power supply and then dismount it from the jig. In addition, for protection against static electricity, establish a ground for the assembly process and pay thorough attention to the transportation and the storage of the set PCB.

(8) Input terminals

In terms of the construction of IC, parasitic elements are inevitably formed in relation to potential. The operation of the parasitic element can cause interference with circuit operation, thus resulting in a malfunction and then breakdown of the input terminal. Therefore, pay thorough attention not to handle the input terminals, such as to apply to the input terminals a voltage lower than the GND respectively, so that any parasitic element will operate. Furthermore, do not apply a voltage to the input terminals when no power supply voltage is applied to the IC. In addition, even if the power supply voltage is applied, apply to the input terminals a voltage lower than the power supply voltage or within the guaranteed value of electrical characteristics.

(9) Ground wiring pattern

If small-signal GND and large-current GND are provided, It will be recommended to separate the large-current GND pattern from the small-signal GND pattern and establish a single ground at the reference point of the set PCB so that resistance to the wiring pattern and voltage fluctuations due to a large current will cause no fluctuations in voltages of the small-signal GND. Pay attention not to cause fluctuations in the GND wiring pattern of external parts as well.

(10) External capacitor

In order to use a ceramic capacitor as the external capacitor, determine the constant with consideration given to a degradation in the nominal capacitance due to DC bias and changes in the capacitance due to temperature, etc.

(11) Thermal shutdown circuit (TSD)

When junction temperatures become higher than detection temperatures, the thermal shutdown circuit operates and turns a switch OFF. The thermal shutdown circuit, which is aimed at isolating the LSI from thermal runaway as much as possible, is not aimed at the protection or guarantee of the LSI. Therefore, do not continuously use the LSI with this circuit operating or use the LSI assuming its operation.

(12) Thermal design

Perform thermal design in which there are adequate margins by taking into account the permissible dissipation (Pd) in actual states of use.

(13) Selection of coil

Select the low DCR inductors to decrease power loss for DC/DC converter.

(14) The temperature range of operation guarantees functional operation only. The life of LSI is not guaranteed in this range. The life of LSI has derating according to the environment, such as Ta, humidity, Voltage and so on. In performing an apparatus design, please perform the design in consideration of life derating of LSI.

(15) About the function description or technical note or more

The function description and the application notebook are the design materials to design a set. So, the contents of the materials aren't always guaranteed. Please design application by having fully examination and evaluation include the external elements.

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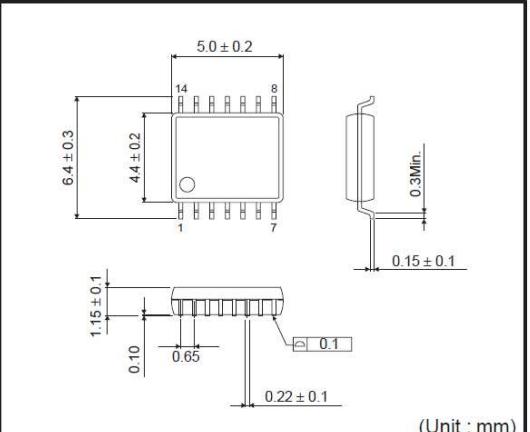
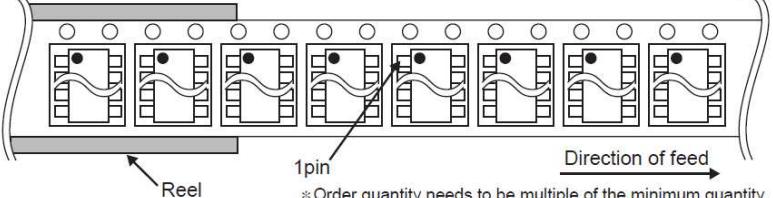
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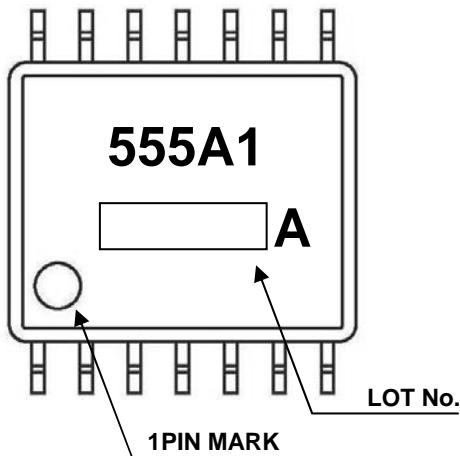
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● Physical Dimension Tape and Reel Information

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 <p>(Unit : mm)</p>	<p>< Tape and Reel information ></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Tape</td><td>Embossed carrier tape</td></tr> <tr> <td>Quantity</td><td>2500pcs</td></tr> <tr> <td>Direction of feed</td><td>E2 (The direction is the 1pin of product is at the upper left when you hold reel on the left hand and you pull out the tape on the right hand)</td></tr> </table>  <p>Reel 1pin Direction of feed *Order quantity needs to be multiple of the minimum quantity.</p>	Tape	Embossed carrier tape	Quantity	2500pcs	Direction of feed	E2 (The direction is the 1pin of product is at the upper left when you hold reel on the left hand and you pull out the tape on the right hand)
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● Marking Diagram



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(Note1) Medical Equipment Classification of the Specific Applications

JAPAN	USA	EU	CHINA
CLASS III	CLASS III	CLASS II b	CLASS III
CLASS IV		CLASS III	

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 - Use of our Products in places where the Products are exposed to static electricity or electromagnetic waves
 - Use of our Products in proximity to heat-producing components, plastic cords, or other flammable items
 - Sealing or coating our Products with resin or other coating materials
 - Use of our Products without cleaning residue of flux (even if you use no-clean type fluxes, cleaning residue of flux is recommended); or Washing our Products by using water or water-soluble cleaning agents for cleaning residue after soldering
 - Use of the Products in places subject to dew condensation
- The Products are not subject to radiation-proof design.
- Please verify and confirm characteristics of the final or mounted products in using the Products.
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- De-rate Power Dissipation (P_d) depending on Ambient temperature (T_a). When used in sealed area, confirm the actual ambient temperature.
- Confirm that operation temperature is within the specified range described in the product specification.
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Precaution for Mounting / Circuit board design

- When a highly active halogenous (chlorine, bromine, etc.) flux is used, the residue of flux may negatively affect product performance and reliability.
- In principle, the reflow soldering method must be used; if flow soldering method is preferred, please consult with the ROHM representative in advance.

For details, please refer to ROHM Mounting specification

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 - [b] the temperature or humidity exceeds those recommended by ROHM
 - [c] the Products are exposed to direct sunshine or condensation
 - [d] the Products are exposed to high Electrostatic
2. Even under ROHM recommended storage condition, solderability of products out of recommended storage time period may be degraded. It is strongly recommended to confirm solderability before using Products of which storage time is exceeding the recommended storage time period.
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4. Use Products within the specified time after opening a humidity barrier bag. Baking is required before using Products of which storage time is exceeding the recommended storage time period.

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