

# APPLICATION MANUAL

White LED Driver  
Step-up DC-DC Converter IC  
TK11859F

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# White LED Driver Step-up DC-DC Converter IC TK11859F

## 1. DESCRIPTION

The TK11859F is a step-up DC-DC converter designed for white LED driver applications, using constant frequency PWM architecture, with the following built in: a very high current switching transistor (0.24A peak), a high speed oscillator (1.2MHz), a switch over current detector, a low voltage reference ( $V_{Ref}=0.179V$ ), an error amplifier, a PWM comparator, a zener diode for open-circuit protection and ON/OFF control.

TK11859F can drive two, three or four LEDs in series. This IC works with a very wide operation supply range (2.3V~16V) and the adjustable output voltage can be set as high as 20V. The white LEDs are connected in series and driven at a constant current, resulting in uniform brightness and high efficiency. The reference voltage is a very low 0.179V, achieving high efficiency operation with the constant current output. The ON/OFF control is built-in and the circuit current can be decreased when the EN pin is low (shutdown mode). The white LEDs can be dimmed by applying a PWM signal to the EN (ON/OFF control) pin. With this method, the white LED brightness is still controlled by constant current, resulting in constant chromaticity.

The built-in zener diode can be used for open-circuit protection in case the output load is disconnected, such as the string of LEDs opened. The internal zener diode reduces the external component count.

The TK11859F can also be used in other applications as a step-up DC-DC converter.

The TK11859F is available in the SON3024-8 surface mount package.

## 2. FEATURES

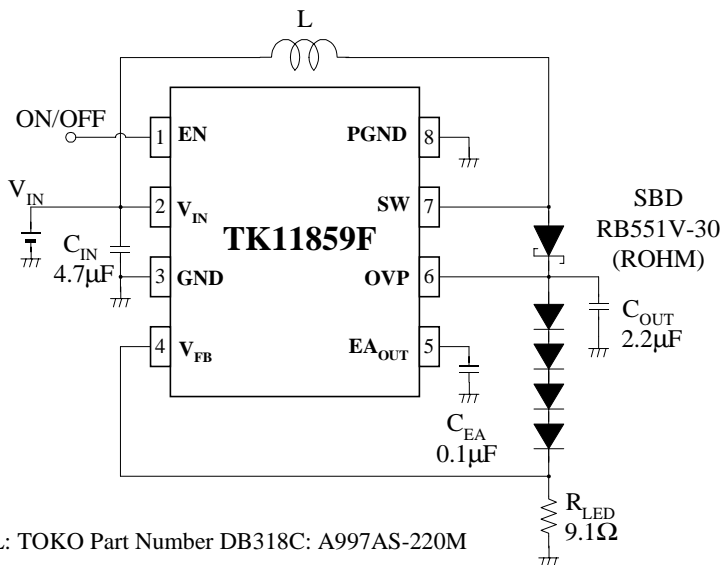
- High Efficiency
- Very Wide Operating Voltage Range (2.3V to 16V)
- 1.2MHz Operation
- Internal Switching Transistor
- Maximum Duty Cycle 90%
- Very Small Inductor Available
- Very Small Package SON3024-8

## 3. APPLICATIONS

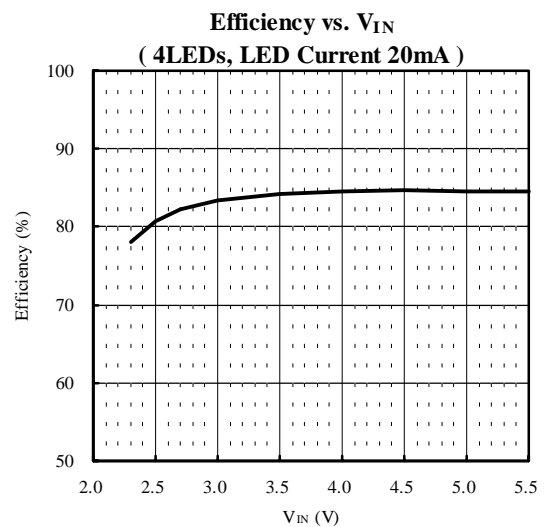
- LED Backlighting and Frontlighting
- Step-up DC-DC Converters

## 4. TYPICAL APPLICATION

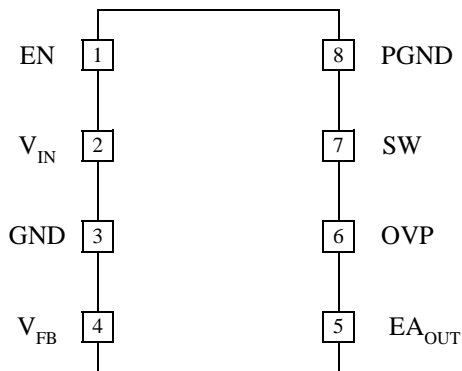
### APPLICATION CIRCUIT (4LEDs in Series)



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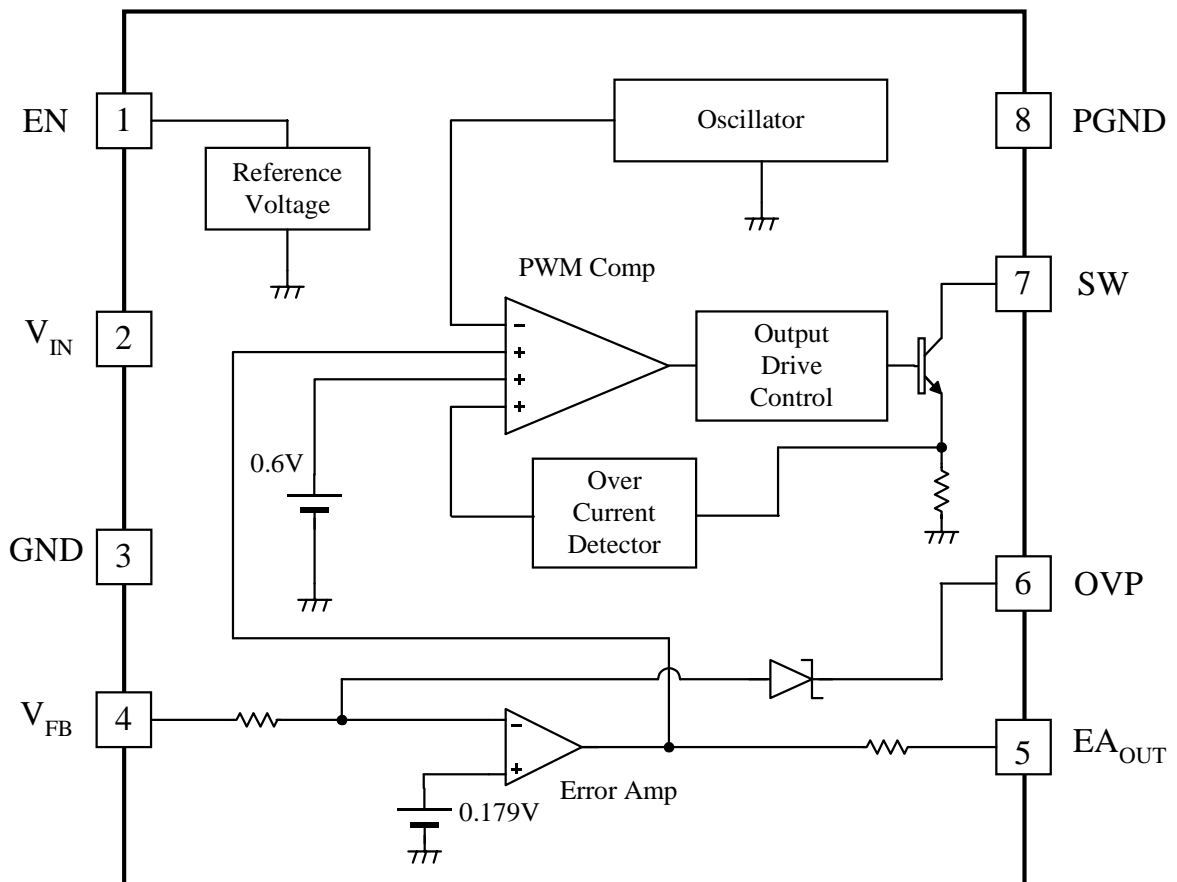


**5. PIN CONFIGURATION**



| Pin No. | Symbol            | Function                                 |
|---------|-------------------|--|
| 1       | EN                | Enable (ON/OFF) Input                    |
| 2       | V <sub>IN</sub>   | Power Supply Voltage Input               |
| 3       | GND               | Ground                                   |
| 4       | V <sub>FB</sub>   | Feedback Voltage                         |
| 5       | EA <sub>OUT</sub> | Error Amplifier Output                   |
| 6       | OVP               | Open-Circuit Protection                  |
| 7       | SW                | Switch (Connect inductor and diode here) |
| 8       | PGND              | Power Ground                             |

**6. BLOCK DIAGRAM**



**7. ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

$T_A=25^{\circ}\text{C}$

| Parameter                     | Symbol              | Rating           | Units              | Conditions |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Absolute Maximum Ratings      |                     |                  |                    |            |
| Supply Voltage                | $V_{IN}$            | -0.3 ~ 20        | V                  |            |
| Maximum Switch Voltage        | $V_{SW\ MAX}$       | 22.5             | V                  |            |
| EN Pin Voltage                | $V_{EN}$            | -0.3 ~ 20        | V                  |            |
| $V_{FB}$ Pin Voltage          | $V_{FB}$            | -0.3 ~ 1.4       | V                  |            |
| EA <sub>OUT</sub> Pin Voltage | $V_{EAOUT}$         | -0.3 ~ 1.2       | V                  |            |
| OVP Pin Voltage               | $V_{OVP}$           | -0.3 ~ $V_{OVP}$ | V                  |            |
| Maximum Switch Peak Current   | $I_{SW\ PEAK\ MAX}$ | 1.2              | A                  |            |
| Power Dissipation             | $P_D$               | 600              | mW                 | *          |
| Storage Temperature Range     | $T_{STG}$           | -55 ~ +150       | $^{\circ}\text{C}$ |            |
| Operating Conditions          |                     |                  |                    |            |
| Operating Temperature Range   | $T_{OP}$            | -30 ~ 85         | $^{\circ}\text{C}$ |            |
| Operating Voltage Range       | $V_{OP}$            | 2.3 ~ 16.0       | V                  |            |

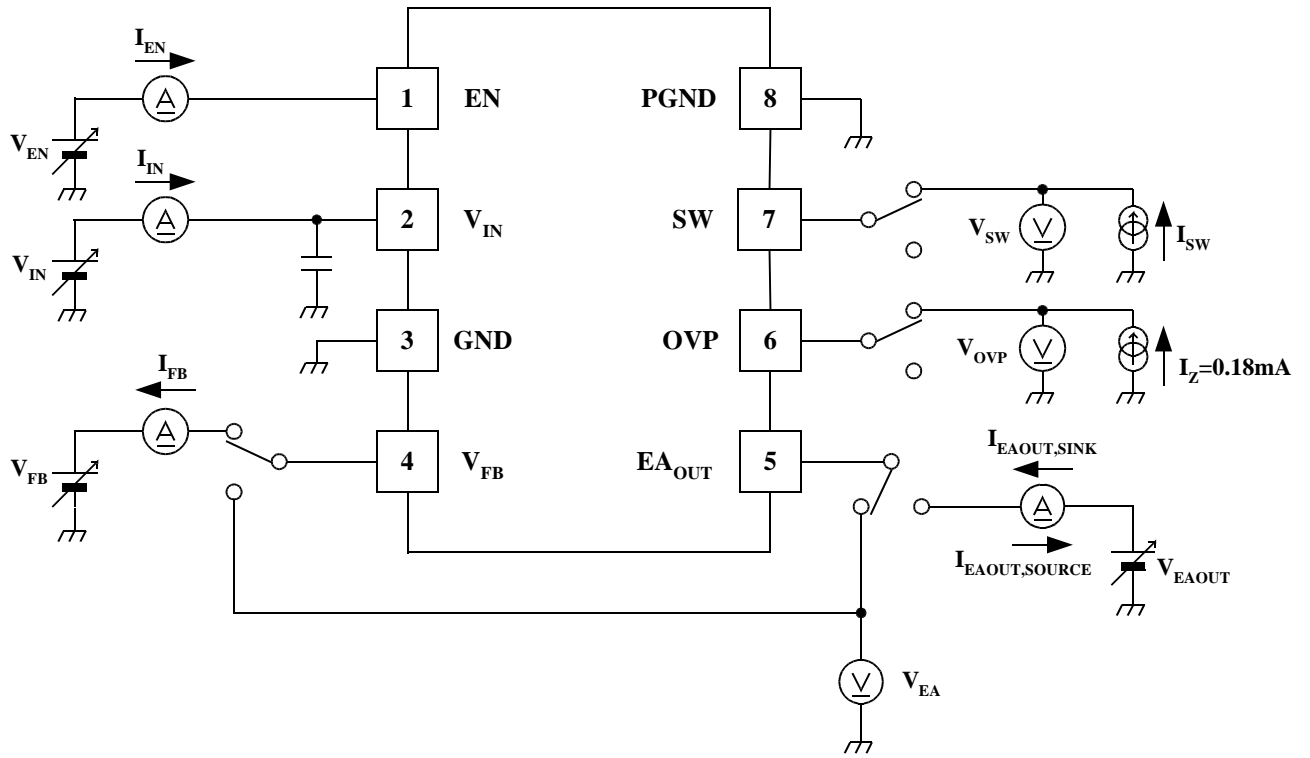
\*  $P_D$  must be decreased at the rate of 4.8mW/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for operation above 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  on TK11859's evaluation board.

**8. ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

$V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3\text{V}, T_A=25^{\circ}\text{C}$

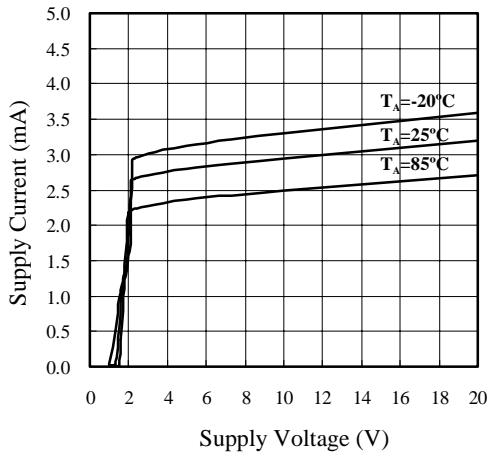
| Parameter  | Symbol              | Value |      |      | Units         | Conditions                            |
|--|---------------------|-------|------|------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
|  |                     | MIN   | TYP  | MAX  |               |                                       |
| Oscillator Section   |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Frequency  | f                   | 0.84  | 1.2  | 1.56 | MHz           |                                       |
| Error Amplifier Section ( $V_{FB}$ Pin, EA <sub>OUT</sub> Pin) |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Threshold Voltage  | $V_{EA}$            | 167   | 179  | 191  | mV            |                                       |
| Input Bias Current   | $I_{EA\ IN}$        | -1.0  | -0.2 | 1.0  | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{FB}=0\text{V}$                    |
| Voltage Gain   | $A_V$               | -     | 39   | -    | dB            |                                       |
| Gain Band Width  | GBW                 | -     | 2    | -    | MHz           | $A_V=0\text{dB}$                      |
| Output High Voltage  | $V_{EAOUT\ HIGH}$   | 0.76  | 0.85 | -    | V             | $V_{FB}=0\text{V}$                    |
| Output Low Voltage   | $V_{EAOUT\ LOW}$    | -     | 0.05 | 0.2  | V             | $V_{FB}=1.0\text{V}$                  |
| Output Source Current  | $I_{EAOUT\ SOURCE}$ | -     | -36  | -21  | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{EAOUT}=0.45\text{V}$              |
| Output Sink Current  | $I_{EAOUT\ SINK}$   | 21    | 36   | -    | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{EAOUT}=0.45\text{V}$              |
| Dead Time Control Section                                      |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Maximum Duty Cycle   | $D_{MAX}$           | 85    | 90   | -    | %             | $V_{FB}=0\text{V}$                    |
| Shutdown Section (EN Pin)                                      |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| EN Input Voltage +   | $V_{EN\ HIGH}$      | 1.2   | -    | 20   | V             | On mode                               |
| EN Input Voltage -   | $V_{EN\ LOW}$       | 0     | -    | 0.3  | V             | Shutdown mode                         |
| EN Pin Input Bias Current                                      | $I_{EN\ IN}$        | -     | 25   | 40   | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{EN}=3\text{V}$                    |
| Output Switch Section (SW Pin)                                 |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Switch Current Limit   | $I_{SW\ LIMIT}$     | 0.24  | 0.36 | 0.48 | A             |                                       |
| Switch Saturation Voltage                                      | $V_{SW\ SAT}$       | -     | 0.12 | 0.40 | V             | $I_{SW}=200\text{mA}$                 |
| Switch Leakage Current   | $I_{SW\ OFF}$       | -     | 0.01 | 2.0  | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{FB}=1\text{V}, V_{SW}=22\text{V}$ |
| Open-Circuit Protection Section (OVP Pin)                      |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Open-Circuit Voltage   | $V_{OVP}$           | 18.0  | 20.0 | 22.0 | V             | $I_L=0.18\text{mA}$                   |
| $V_{IN}$ Section ( $V_{IN}$ Pin)                               |                     |       |      |      |               |                                       |
| Low Voltage Stop   | $V_{IN\ LOW}$       | 1.7   | 2.0  | 2.3  | V             |                                       |
| Quiescent Supply Current                                       | $I_{IN\ ON}$        | 1.7   | 2.8  | 3.9  | mA            | $V_{FB}=1\text{V}$                    |
| Shutdown Supply Current  | $I_{IN\ OFF}$       | -     | 0.01 | 1.0  | $\mu\text{A}$ | $V_{EN}=0\text{V}$                    |

**9. TEST CIRCUIT**

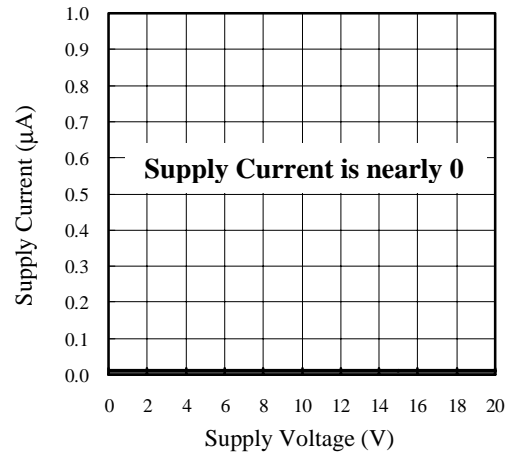


**10. TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

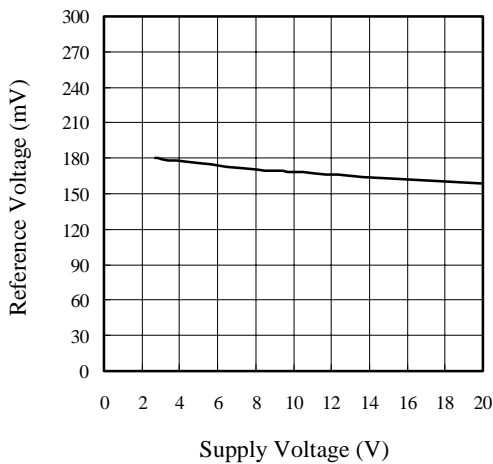
■ Quiescent Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage  
 $V_{IN}=V_{EN}, V_{FB}=1V$



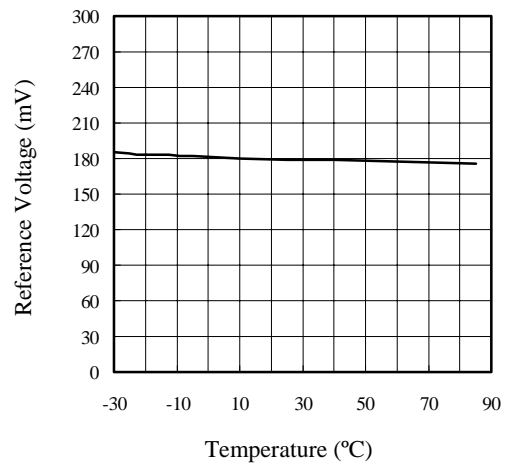
■ Shutdown Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage  
 $T_A=25^\circ C, V_{EN}=0V$



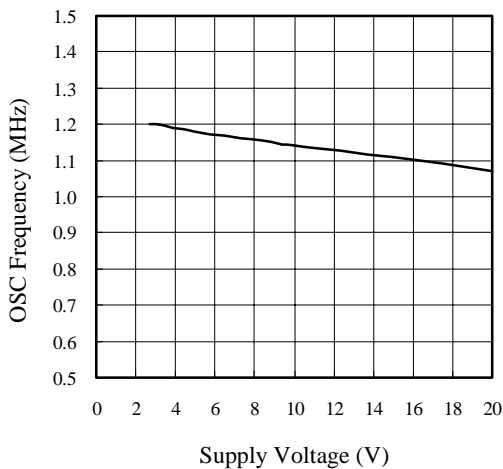
■ Reference Voltage vs. Supply Voltage  
 $V_{IN}=V_{EN}, T_A=25^\circ C$



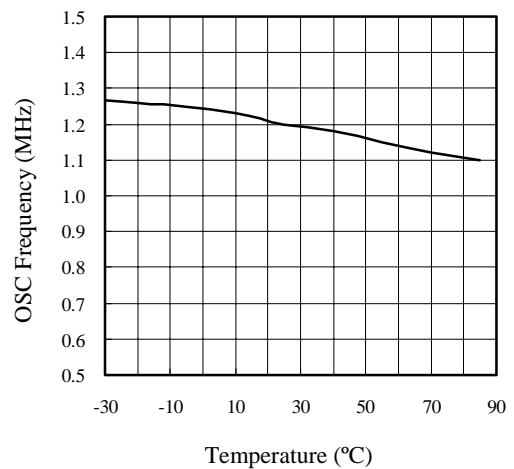
■ Reference Voltage vs. Temperature  
 $V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3V$



■ OSC Frequency vs. Supply Voltage  
 $V_{EN}=3V, V_{FB}=0V, I_{SW}=10mA, T_A=25^\circ C$

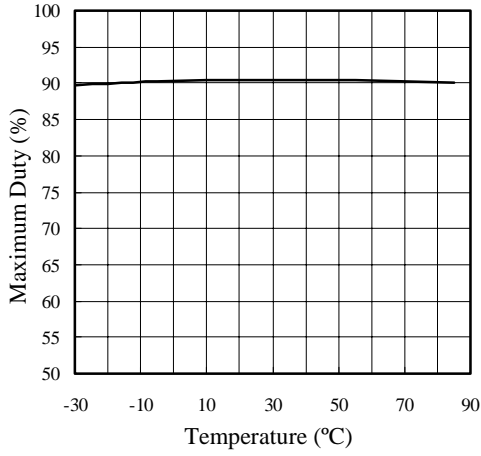


■ OSC Frequency vs. Temperature  
 $V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3V, V_{FB}=0V, I_{SW}=10mA$



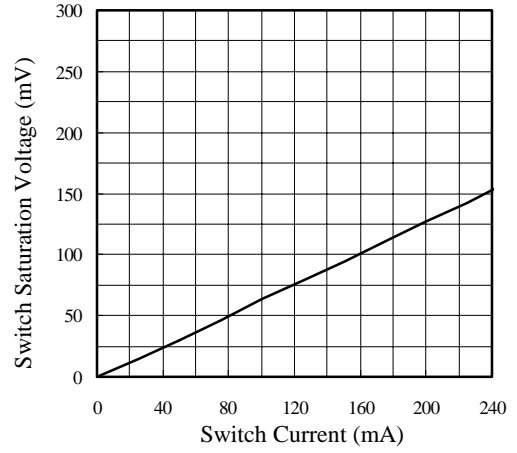
■ Maximum Duty vs. Temperature

$V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3V, V_{FB}=0V, I_{SW}=10mA$



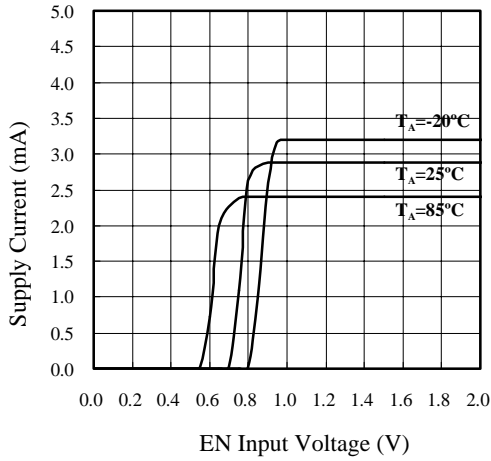
■ Switch Current vs. Switch Saturation Voltage

$V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3V, V_{FB}=0V, T_A=25°C$



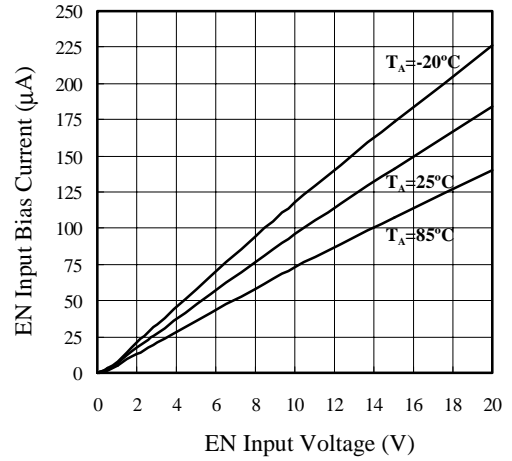
■ Supply Current vs. EN Input Voltage

$V_{IN}=3V, V_{FB}=1V$



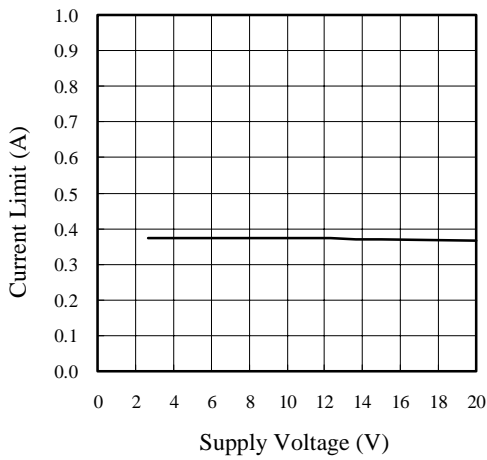
■ EN Input Bias Current vs. En Input Voltage

$V_{IN}=3V, V_{FB}=1V$



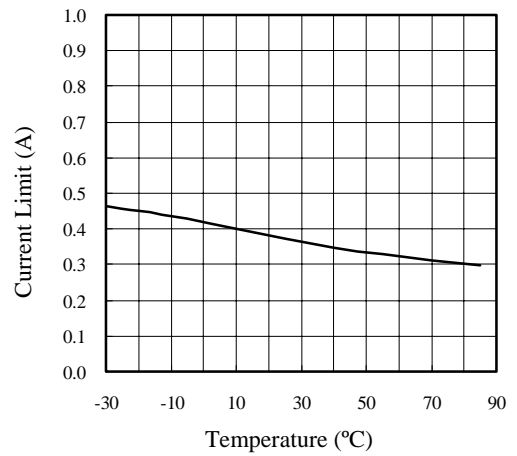
■ Current Limit vs. Supply Voltage

$V_{IN}=V_{EN}, V_{FB}=0V, T_A=25°C$

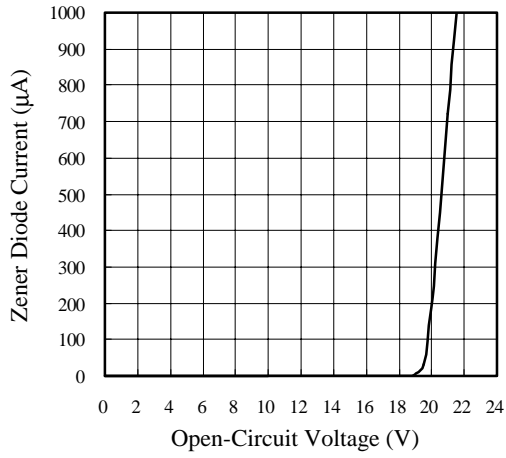


■ Current Limit vs. Temperature

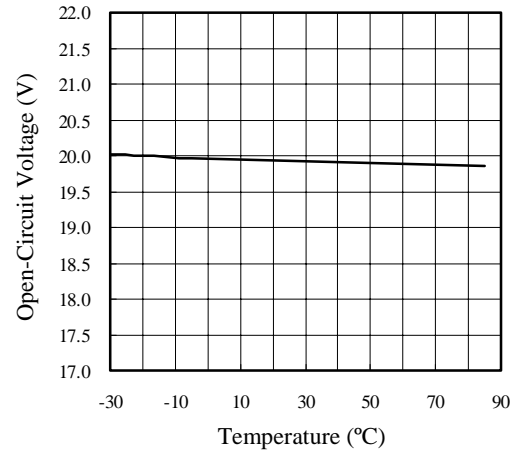
$V_{IN}=V_{EN}=3V, V_{FB}=0V$



■ Zener Diode Current vs. Open-Circuit Voltage  
 $V_{IN}=3V, V_{EN}=0.3V, V_{FB}=0V, T_A=25^\circ C$



■ Open-Circuit Voltage vs. Temperature  
 $V_{IN}=3V, V_{EN}=0.3V, V_{FB}=0V, I_Z=0.18mA$



**11. PIN DESCRIPTION**

| No. | Symbol            | Internal Equivalent Circuit | Description   |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1   | EN                |                             | This is the chip-enable input with a built-in 200kΩ pull-down resistor. Set the EN-pin higher than 1.2V to enable the device. Set the EN-pin below 0.3V to disable the device. The EN pin can be pulled up to 20V, regardless of the supply voltage and output voltage. |
| 2   | V <sub>IN</sub>   |                             | Power supply voltage input.<br>When the supply voltage falls below 2.0V (V <sub>IN,LOW</sub> ), the TK11859F stops switching operation to avoid malfunction.  |
| 3   | GND               | —                           | Ground.   |
| 4   | V <sub>FB</sub>   |                             | Error amplifier inverting input.<br>Feed back input. The error amplifier detects the output voltage of the DC-DC converter and outputs the PWM control signal. Threshold voltage is 0.179V  |
| 6   | OVP               |                             | This pin will work as open-circuit protection. Connect Ovp to Output (V <sub>OUT</sub> ) to avoid generating high voltage at the switch pin during open-circuit conditions. The Open-Circuit Voltage is approximately 20.0V.  |
| 5   | EA <sub>OUT</sub> |                             | Error amplifier output.<br>Compensation pin. A capacitor combination connected to this pin provides compensation for the control loop.  |
| 7   | SW                |                             | This pin is the collector of the internal 20V NPN power switch. The switch transistor has a maximum 0.24A peak current capability.  |
| 8   | PGND              | —                           | Power Ground.   |

**12. CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION**

**12.1 PWM Comparator**

The voltage comparator has one inverting and three non-inverting inputs. The comparator is a voltage-pulse width converter that controls the ON time of the output pulse depending on the input voltage. The output level is high when the sawtooth wave is lower than the error amplifier output voltage, current sense comparator output voltage, and idle period setting voltage.

Maximum duty cycle, which is a maximum ON time of output pulse, is decided by a idle period setting voltage. The maximum duty cycle is set to 90% including circuit delay and Turn-off delay of Switching Transistor.

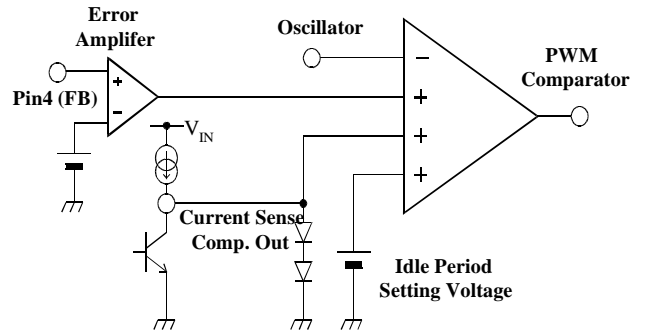
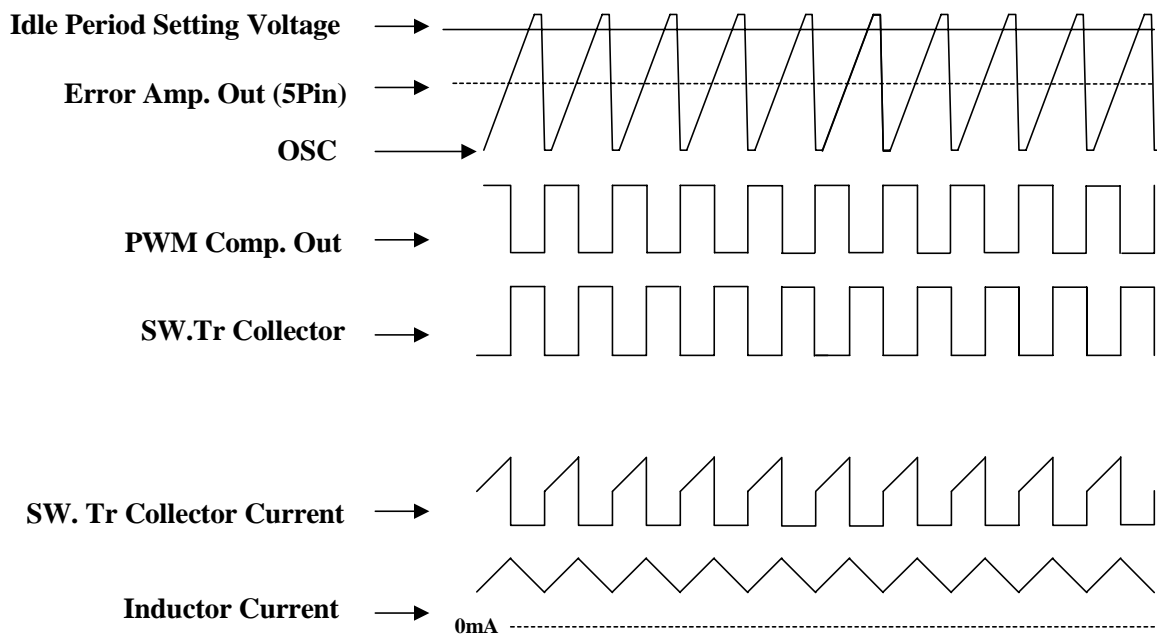


Fig. 1: Internal equivalent circuit of PWM Comparator

Fig. 2: Timing Diagram of PWM Comparator



### 12.2 Error Amplifier

The error amplifier detects the output voltage of the DC-DC converter and outputs the PWM control signal. The voltage gain is fixed, and connecting a phase compensation capacitor to the EA<sub>OUT</sub> pin (pin 5) provides stable phase compensation for the system. Reference voltage ( $V_{EA}=0.179V$ ) divided from the Band gap voltage is supplied to the inverting input of the error amplifier.

This architecture allows the series-connected white LEDs to be driven with a constant current. The LED current ( $I_{LED}$ ) is set by an external resistor ( $R_{LED}$ ) connected between the FB pin and GND (see Fig.3 ).

The current of each LED is

$$I_{LED} = \frac{V_{EA}}{R_{LED}} \tag{1}$$

Where  $V_{EA}$  : Error amplifier threshold voltage 0.179V

Output voltage  $V_{OUT}$  is given by

$$V_{Out} = n \cdot V_F + V_{EA} \tag{2}$$

Where  $V_F$  : LED forward voltage drop  
 $n$  : Number of LEDs connected in series

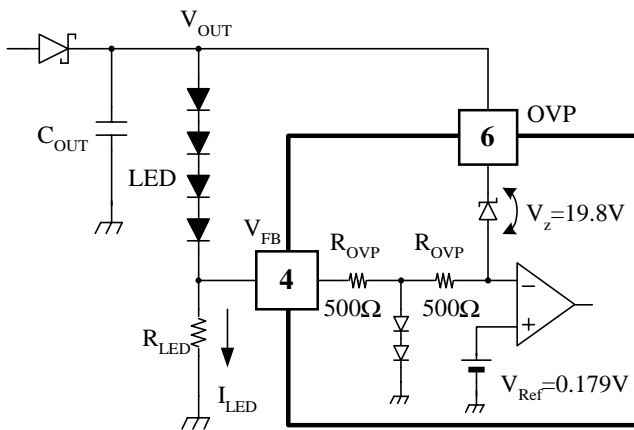


Fig3: Setting constant current through LED

To obtain a regulated output voltage for most common step-up regulator applications, connect a voltage divider from the output ( $V_{OUT}$ ) to FB (see Fig.4). The regulated output voltage is determined by

$$V_{Out} = V_{EA} \left( 1 + \frac{R2}{R1} \right) \tag{3}$$

$V_{OUT}$  can be set from  $V_{IN}$  to 17.5V, (Note that maximum  $V_{OUT}$  is limited to an internal open-circuit protection voltage 18.0V.)

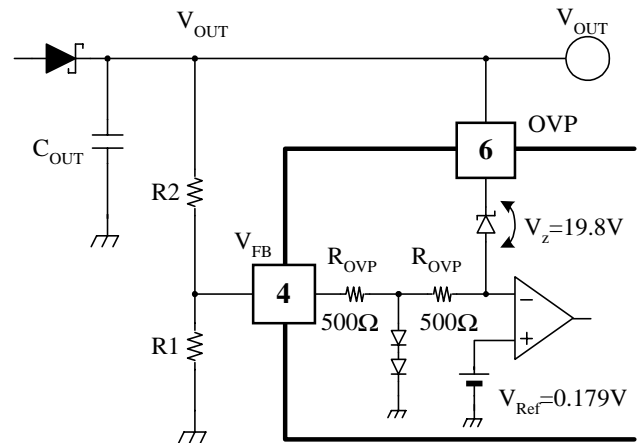


Fig.4: Setting Output voltage

### 12.3 Operating supply voltage range

When the supply voltage falls below 2.0V ( $V_{IN,LOW}$ ), the TK11859F stops switching operation to avoid malfunction.

The recommended operating voltage range of this IC is 2.30V~16V. However, the maximum rating for the supply voltage is as high as 20V.



13. APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

13-1 APPLICATION CIRCUIT (3LEDs in Series)

- L : Type DB3018C TOKO Part Number: 1069BS-220M
- Type D310C TOKO Part Number: 1092BS-220M
- Type D3313FB TOKO Part Number: 1036FB-150M

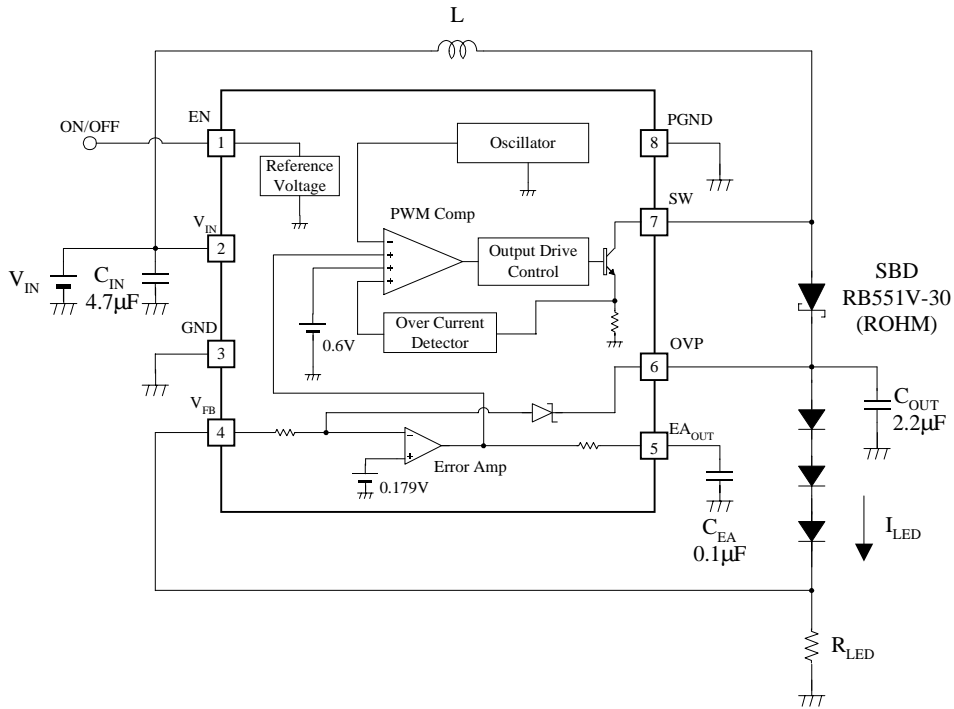
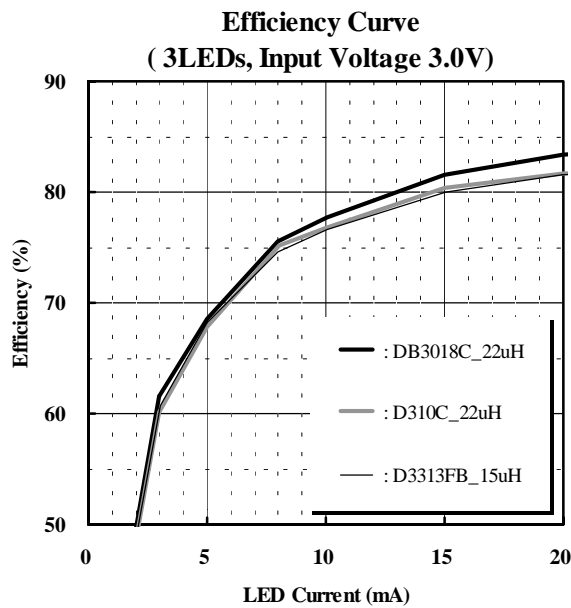
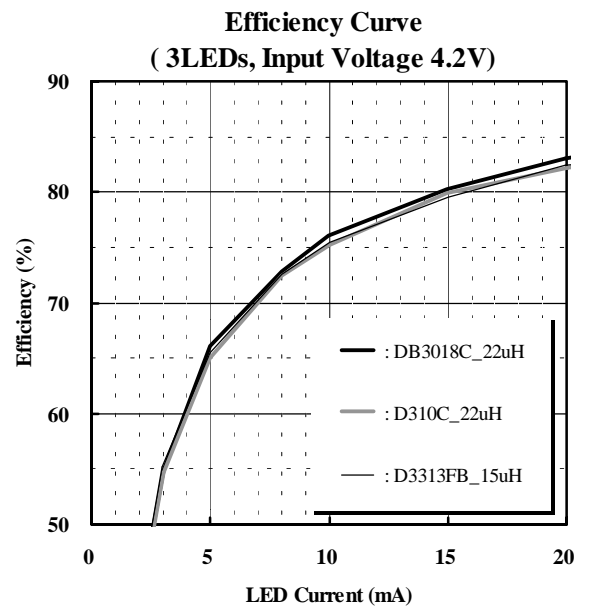


Fig.7: Typical 3 LEDs Application

$V_{IN}=3.0V$



$V_{IN}=4.2V$



**13-2 APPLICATION CIRCUIT (4LEDs in Series)**

L :      Type DB3018C    TOKO Part Number: 1069BS-220M  
          Type D310C      TOKO Part Number: 1092BS-220M  
          Type D3313FB    TOKO Part Number: 1036FB-150M

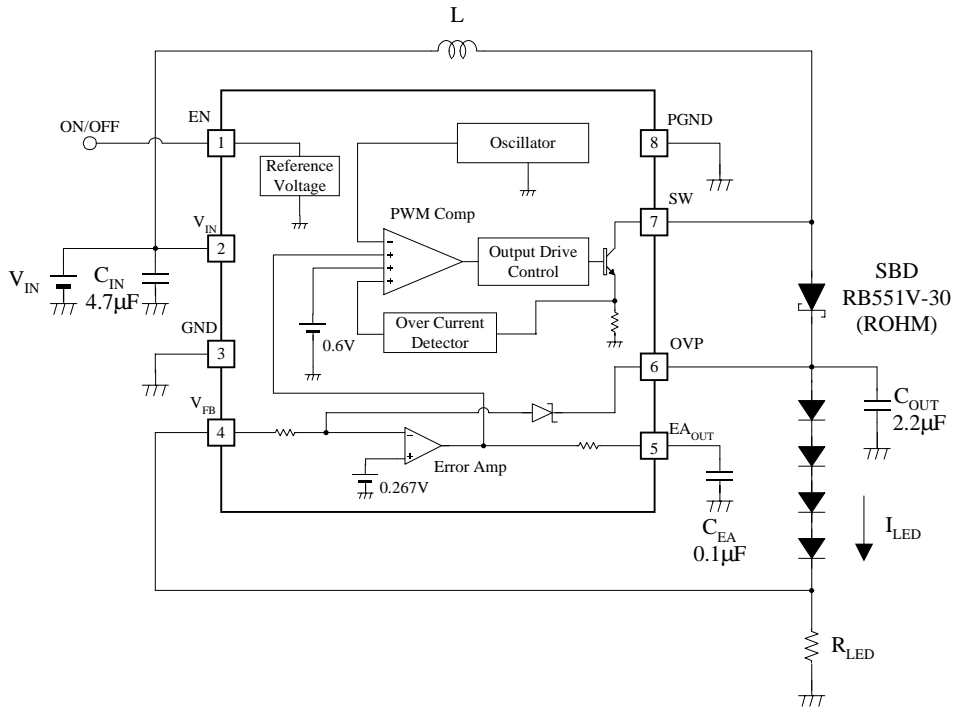
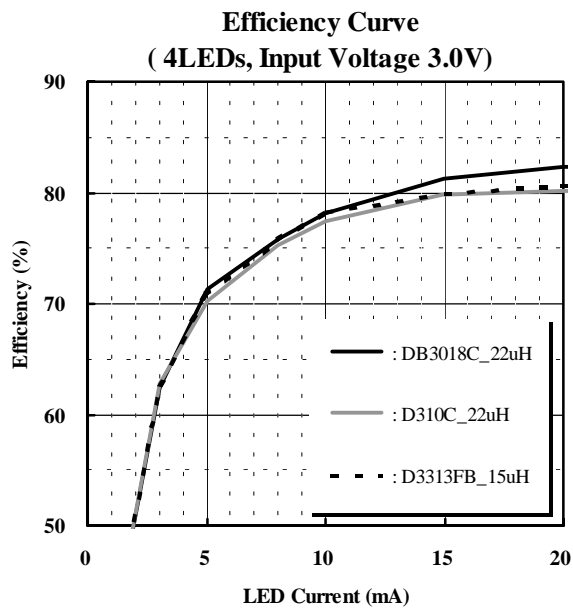
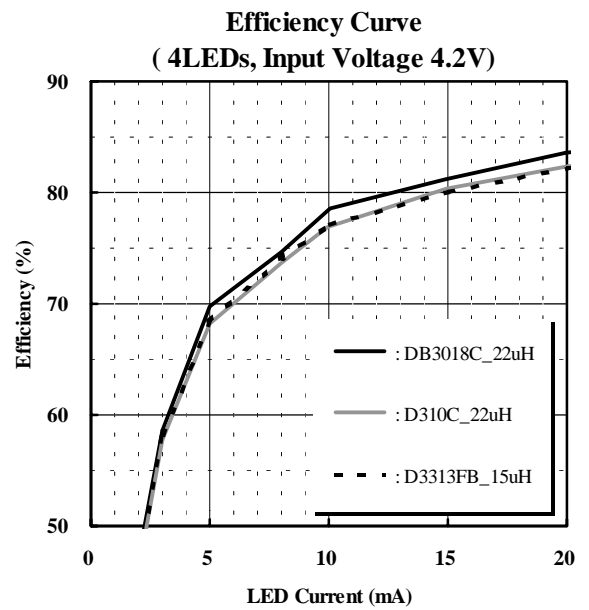


Fig.8:Typical 4 LEDs Application

**V<sub>IN</sub>=3.0V**

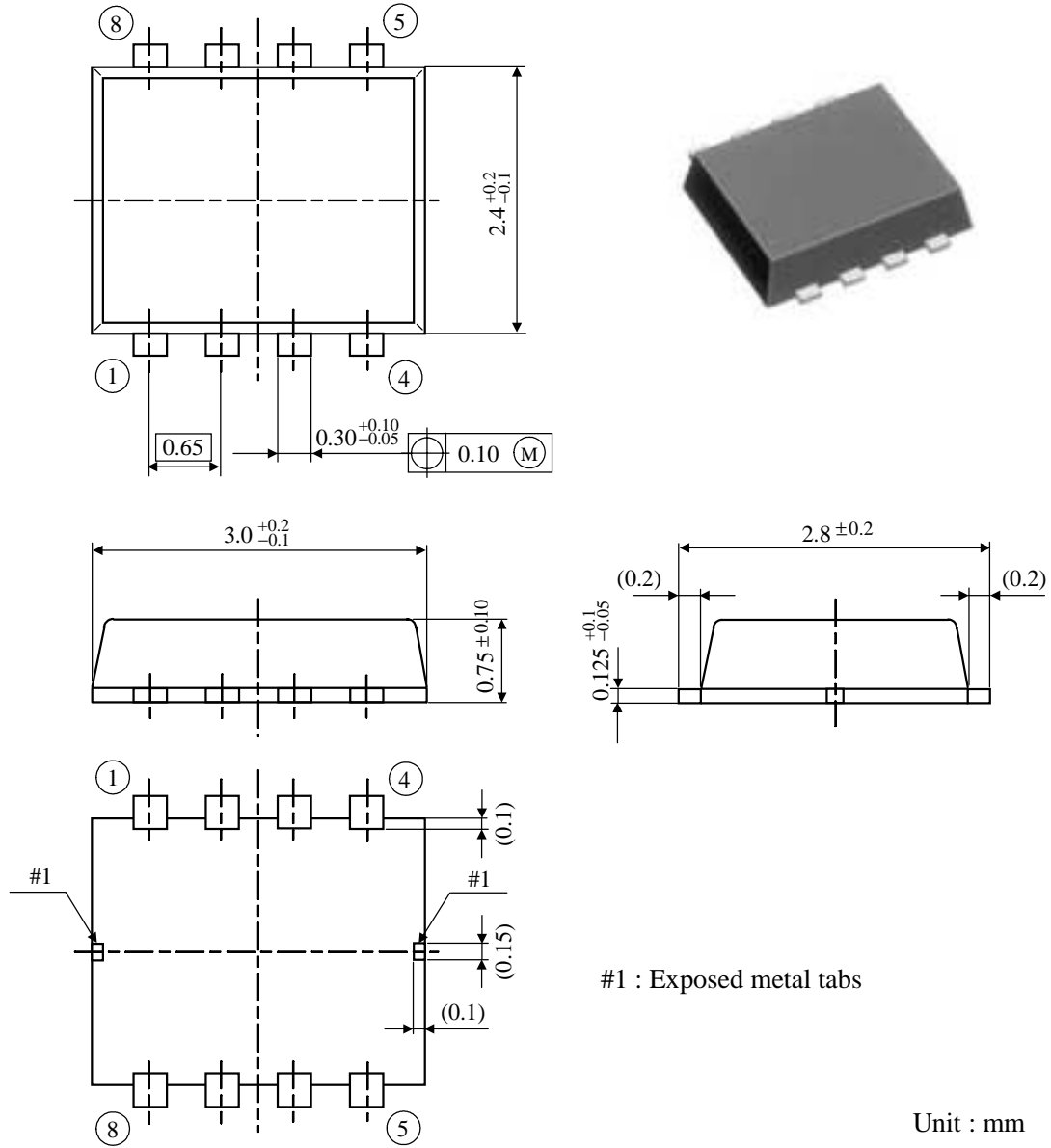


**V<sub>IN</sub>=4.2V**



**14. PACKAGE DESCRIPTION**

Package : SON3024-8



**15. NOTES**

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