Constant Current LED Driver with PWM Dimming Control

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The NJW4615A is a constant current LED driver with PWM dimming control. The output current can be set by external sensing resistor, and the NJW4615A can set up to 100mA. Because the withstand voltage of the output (LED) pin is 35V, it can series-connect the LED depending on forward voltage of the LED. The LED dimming control can be regulated via PWM duty cycle. It is suitable for back light, light source and so on.

**FEATURES**

- **Supply Voltage Range** 2.5V to 35V
- **Output Voltage** $V_{LED} = 35V$ max.
- **Output Current** $I_{LED} = 5mA$ to 100mA
- **Output Current Accuracy** ±1.2%
- **To 10 of White LED can be operated. (at LED Vf=3.2V)**
- **Quiescent Current** 370µA max.
- **PWM Dimming Control**
- **Enable Function**
- **Over Current Protection (with Hysteresis)**
- **Thermal Shutdown Protection**
- **LED Short Protection**
- **Package** SOT-23-6-1

**BLOCK DIAGRAM**
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■ PIN DESCRIPTIONS

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<th>Pin Name</th>
<th>I/O</th>
<th>Function</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>PWM</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>PWM signal input pin for dimming control. The LED dimming control can be regulated by PWM duty cycle. When this pin is open or input High level, $I_{LED}$ becomes set current by an external resistor ($R_S$).</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Ground pin</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>$R_S$</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>Resistor connect pin of $I_{LED}$ setting. The LED current can be set with connected resistor ($R_S$) between $R_S$ pin and GND pin. $R_S$ [Ω] = 0.2 [V] / $I_{LED}$ [A]</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>LED</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>Constant current circuit output pin Connect cathode pin of LED.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>EN</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>Standby control pin Normal operation: High Level. Standby mode: Low Level.</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>$V_{DD}$</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Power supply pin</td>
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**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** *(Ta=25°C)*

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<td>V</td>
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<td>Output Voltage</td>
<td>V_LED</td>
<td>-0.3 to +40</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>EN Pin Voltage</td>
<td>V_EN</td>
<td>-0.3 to +40</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>PWM Pin Voltage</td>
<td>V_PWm</td>
<td>-0.3 to +6</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>Power Dissipation</td>
<td>P_D</td>
<td>510 (*1)</td>
<td>mW</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>710 (*2)</td>
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<td>Junction Temperature Range</td>
<td>T_J</td>
<td>-40 to +150</td>
<td>°C</td>
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<td>T_DDR</td>
<td>-40 to +125</td>
<td>°C</td>
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(*1) Mounted on glass epoxy board based on EIA/JEDEC. (76.2 × 114.3 × 1.6mm; 2Layers FR-4)

(*2) Mounted on glass epoxy board based on EIA/JEDEC. (76.2 × 114.3 × 1.6mm; 4Layers FR-4), Internal Cu area: 74.2 × 74.2mm

**RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS**

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<td>Supply Voltage</td>
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<td>2.5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>V</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output Current</td>
<td>I_LED</td>
<td></td>
<td>5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>mA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output Voltage</td>
<td>V_LED</td>
<td></td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>V</td>
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**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** *(Unless otherwise noted, V_DD=V_EN=12V, V_LED=1V, R_S=10Ω, V_PWm=OPEN, Ta=25°C)*

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<td>I_DD</td>
<td></td>
<td>-</td>
<td>260</td>
<td>370</td>
<td>µA</td>
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<td>Quiescent Current at OFF State</td>
<td>I_DD,OFF</td>
<td>V_EN=GND</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>µA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output Current Accuracy</td>
<td>I_LED</td>
<td></td>
<td>-1.2</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>+1.2</td>
<td>%</td>
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<td>Output (LED) Pin</td>
<td>I_LEAK1</td>
<td></td>
<td>V_EN=GND, V_DD=35V, V_LED=35V</td>
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<td>0.1</td>
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<td>Output (LED) Pin</td>
<td>I_LEAK2</td>
<td></td>
<td>V_PWm=GND, V_DD=35V, V_LED=35V</td>
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<td>0.1</td>
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<td>EN Pin ON Voltage</td>
<td>V_EN,ON</td>
<td>I_LED=OFF→ON</td>
<td>1.6</td>
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<td>V_DD</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>EN Pin OFF Voltage</td>
<td>V_EN,OFF</td>
<td>I_LED=ON→OFF</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>PWM Pin ON Voltage</td>
<td>V_PWm,ON 1</td>
<td>V_DD&lt;5V, I_LED=OFF→ON</td>
<td>0.7V_DD</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>V_DD</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>V_DD&lt;5V, I_LED=ON→OFF</td>
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<td>PWM Pin ON Voltage</td>
<td>V_PWm,OFF2</td>
<td>V_DD≥5V, I_LED=OFF→ON</td>
<td>3.5</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>5.5</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>V_PWm,OFF2</td>
<td>V_DD≥5V, I_LED=ON→OFF</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1.5</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>EN Pin Input Current</td>
<td>I_EN</td>
<td>V_EN=12V</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>µA</td>
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<td>PWM Pin Pull Up Resistance</td>
<td>R_PWm</td>
<td></td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>MΩ</td>
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<td>R_S Pin Output Current</td>
<td>I_OUT,Rs</td>
<td>LED=OPEN</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>2.3</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>µA</td>
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<td>PWM Pin ON Delay Time</td>
<td>t_PWm,ON</td>
<td>V_PWm=L→H, I_LED=OFF→ON</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>µs</td>
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<td>PWM Pin OFF Delay Time</td>
<td>t_PWm,OFF</td>
<td>V_PWm=H→L, I_LED=ON→OFF</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>µs</td>
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<td>LED Short Protection Detect Voltage</td>
<td>V_LED,SHORT</td>
<td></td>
<td>17</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>V</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Output Current</td>
<td>I_LED,MAX</td>
<td>R_S=0 Ω</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>mA</td>
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■ TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

The \( R_s \) Resistance Setting formula: 
\[
R_s (\Omega) = \frac{0.2(V)}{I_{\text{LED}}(A)}
\]

(*3) If the wiring from the power supply to the LED anode pin is long, the voltage may change due to the influence of the parasitic elements.

As the countermeasure, it should connect a decoupling capacitor as close to the LED as possible.
**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

- **Quiescent Current vs. Supply Voltage**
  
  - Supply Voltage: \( V_{DD} \) [V]
  
  - Quiescent Current: \( I_{DD} \) [\( \mu A \)]
  
  - Temperature: -40°C, 25°C, 125°C, 150°C

- **Quiescent Current vs. Temperature**
  
  - Temperature: [°C]
  
  - Quiescent Current: \( I_{DD} \) [\( \mu A \)]

- **Quiescent Current at OFF State vs. Temperature**
  
  - Temperature: [°C]
  
  - Quiescent Current at OFF State: \( I_{DD_{OFF}} \) [\( \mu A \)]

- **Output Pin Leak Current 1 vs. Temperature**
  
  - Temperature: [°C]
  
  - Output Pin Leak Current 1: \( I_{LEAK_1} \) [\( \mu A \)]

- **Output Pin Leak Current 2 vs. Temperature**
  
  - Temperature: [°C]
  
  - Output Pin Leak Current 2: \( I_{LEAK_2} \) [\( \mu A \)]
TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

EN Pin ON Voltage vs. Supply Voltage
$V_{DD}=1V$, $R_S=10\Omega$, $V_{PWM}=\text{OPEN}$

EN Pin OFF Voltage vs. Supply Voltage
$V_{LED}=1V$, $R_S=10\Omega$, $V_{PWM}=\text{OPEN}$

PWM Pin ON Voltage vs. Supply Voltage
$V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$, $R_S=10\Omega$

PWM Pin ON Voltage vs. Temperature
$V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$, $R_S=10\Omega$, $V_{PWM}=\text{OPEN}$
TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

**PWM Pin OFF Voltage vs. Supply Voltage**  
$V_{\text{PWM, OFF}}$ vs. $V_{\text{DD}}$ for various temperatures:  
- $V_{\text{DD}}=12V$  
- $V_{\text{DD}}=2.5V$

**PWM Pin OFF Voltage vs. Temperature**  
$V_{\text{PWM, OFF}}$ vs. Temperature for $V_{\text{DD}}=12V$ and $V_{\text{DD}}=2.5V$

**EN Pin Input Current vs. EN Pin Voltage**  
$I_{\text{EN}}$ vs. $V_{\text{EN}}$ for various temperatures:  
- $V_{\text{DD}}=12V$  
- $V_{\text{LED}}=1V$, $R_s=10\,\Omega$

**PWM Pin Pull-up Resistance vs. Temperature**  
$R_{\text{PWM}}$ vs. Temperature for $V_{\text{DD}}=12V$, $V_{\text{LED}}=1V$, $R_s=10\,\Omega$, $V_{\text{PWM}}=\text{OPEN}$

**PWM Pin Input Current vs. Supply Voltage**  
$I_{\text{PWM}}$ vs. $V_{\text{DD}}$ for various temperatures:  
- $V_{\text{DD}}=12V$  
- $V_{\text{LED}}=1V$, $R_s=10\,\Omega$, $V_{\text{PWM}}=\text{GND}$
# Typical Characteristics

**PWM Pin ON Delay Time vs. Temperature**

- $V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$

**PWM Pin OFF Delay Time vs. Temperature**

- $V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$

**Output Current vs. Output Pin Voltage**

- $V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $R_S=10Ω$

**Output Current vs. Temperature**

- $V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$, $R_S=10Ω$
TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

LED Short Protection Voltage vs. Temperature

$V_{LED\_short/OFF}$ vs. Temperature

Temperature: °C

Maximum Output Current vs. Temperature

$V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $R_S=0\Omega$

Output Current vs. Current Sense Resistance

$V_{DD}=12V$, $V_{EN}=V_{DD}$, $V_{LED}=1V$
The number of LED series connection

It is necessary to drive LED that is the LED forward voltage (Vf) or more. When the LED was series connected, the supply voltage should be input sum of LED Vf (ΣLED Vf) the series connected or more. In NJW4615A, it is necessary as minimum V+ that is ΣLED Vf + NJW4615A output voltage (V_LED = 1V). The maximum LED connected number that NJW4615A can drive is limited by the recommended output voltage maximum value (35V). Moreover, it should be used with ΣLED Vf within 34V that is subtracted the V_LED = 1V.

The table below shows maximum LED number at each Vf. (All LED Vf assumes ideally same)

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<tr>
<th>LED Vf is up to 3.0V</th>
<th>up to 11 lights</th>
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<td>LED Vf is up to 3.2V</td>
<td>up to 10 lights</td>
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<td>LED Vf is up to 3.7V</td>
<td>up to 9 lights</td>
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<td>LED Vf is up to 4.2V</td>
<td>up to 8 lights</td>
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(*4) If the wiring from the power supply to the V_DD pin is long, the voltage may change due to the influence of the parasitic elements. As the countermeasure, it should connect a decoupling capacitor as close to the V_DD pin as possible.
PWM input pulse and PWM dimming accuracy

The \( I_{LED} \) transient behavior corresponding to PWM input pulse has some delay at rise/fall time.

If enter a PWM signal with short pulse width, for the output current pulse width error becomes larger against the PWM input pulse width, it is incapable of accurate PWM dimming. The Output current pulse width error rate \( \varepsilon \) becomes the following value. \( \varepsilon = t_{PWM\_ON} - t_{PWM\_OFF} \)

\[ \varepsilon = \text{approx. 2} \mu\text{s} \quad \text{(Output Current: } I_{LED}=20\text{mA, } Ta=25^\circ\text{C typ. <Reference Value>)} \]

The actual value of the output current pulse width error rate can calculate by above error rate \( \varepsilon \) and the frequency and Duty of the PWM input pulse. \( (f_{PWM}, \text{ PWM input pulse frequency, } D: \text{ PWM input pulse Duty}) \)

Based on the allowable value of the output current pulse width error rate, you should determine the frequency and Duty of the PWM input pulse.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{PWM Input pulse width} &= \frac{D}{100} \times \left( \frac{1}{f_{PWM}} \right) \\
\text{Output Current pulse width} &= \text{PWM Input pulse width} - \varepsilon \\
\text{Output Current pulse width error rate} &= \frac{\text{(Output Current pulse width} - \text{PWM Input pulse width})}{\text{PWM Input pulse width}} \times 100 \\
&= -\varepsilon / \text{PWM Input pulse width} \times 100 [\%]
\end{align*}
\]

【 Output current pulse width error rate calculation example: operation with PWM input pulse frequency 200Hz and Duty1% 】

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{PWM Input pulse width} &= 1 [\%] \times \left( \frac{1}{200[\text{Hz}]} \right) = 50 [\mu\text{s}] \\
\text{Output Current pulse width error rate} &= -2 [\mu\text{s}] / 50 [\mu\text{s}] \times 100 \\
&= -4 [\%]
\end{align*}
\]

【 Measurement Conditions 】

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<th>Output Current ( I_{LED} )</th>
<th>5mA ( (R_S = 40\Omega) )</th>
<th>20mA ( (R_S = 100\Omega) )</th>
<th>100mA ( (R_S = 2\Omega) )</th>
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<td>Supply Voltage</td>
<td>12V</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output (LED) pin</td>
<td>Input Voltage at 1V</td>
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<tr>
<td>PWM Input Pulse</td>
<td>200Hz, 0 to 5V</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output Current ( I_{LED} ) Pulse Width</td>
<td>The time is more than 90% of set current.</td>
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<td>Ambient Temperature</td>
<td>Ta=25°C</td>
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Protection Circuit

- Over Current Protection (Refer to Maximum Output Current vs. Output Pin Voltage)
  This protection function limits the output current, when the RS pin and GND pin was shorted. The limited current is dependence on output (LED) pin voltage.
  When the output (LED) pin voltage is less than "LED Short Protection Detect Voltage", maximum output current is limited to approx. 170mA (output (LED) pin voltage=1V, Ta=25°C).
  The output current returns to set current, when the short status is release.

- LED Short Protection (Refer to Maximum Output Current vs. Output Pin Voltage)
  This protection function limits the output current, when the output (LED) pin rises as in LED shorten at output FET ON.
  The output current is limited to approx. 60mA when the output (LED) pin voltage rose to approx. 20V.

- Thermal Shutdown Function (Refer to Output Current vs. Temperature)
  When junction temperature of the NJW4615A exceeds the 170°C*, internal thermal shutdown circuit function stops the device function. When junction temperature decreases to 150°C* or less, the device operation returns to normal operation.
  The purpose of this function is to prevent malfunctioning of IC at the high junction temperature. Therefore it is not something that urges positive use. It should make sure to operate within the junction temperature range rated (≤+150°C).

  *) Design value
The Loss of Constant Current Driver

The power consumption of the LED lighting circuit is classified as "the power consumption of the constant current driver" "the power consumption of the LED" and "the power consumption of the current sense resistor (R_s)".

The loss of constant current driver is caused mainly by quiescent current (I_{DD}) and output current (I_{LED}).

The power dissipation of the device can calculate by follow equation.

\[ P_D = V_{DD} \times I_{DD} + (V_{LED} - V_{RS}) \times I_{LED} = V_{DD} \times I_{DD} + (V' - \Sigma LED Vf - 0.2) \times I_{LED} [W] \]

Rs pin voltage (V_{RS}): 0.2V

\( \Sigma \) LED Vf represents the sum of the LED Vf of use.

E.g.)

\[ V_{DD} = V' = 12[V], I_{DD} = 260[\mu A], \Sigma LED Vf = 9[V], I_{LED} = 100[mA] \]

\[ P_D = 12[V] \times 260[\mu A] + (12[V] - 9[V] - 0.2[V]) \times 100[mA] = 283[mW] \]

As shown in the above equation, the loss of constant current driver will increase in proportion to the voltage difference between the LED driving voltage V' and \( \Sigma \)LED Vf.

It should set the LED operating Voltage (V') and output current (I_{LED}) with consideration of P_D.

The device power dissipation must be below the power dissipation rate of the device package including thermal derating to ensure correct operation.

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Parallel Drive of NJW4615A

For applications that require more than 100mA, it can correspond by parallel connecting two or more NJW4615A. The LED current becomes sum of LED current of each NJW4615A. Each device accepts different set current.

\[ I_{\text{LED}} [\text{A}] = I_{\text{LED1}} + I_{\text{LED2}} = \frac{0.2}{R_{S1} [\Omega]} + \frac{0.2}{R_{S2} [\Omega]} \]

(e.g. \( I_{\text{LED}} = 150 \text{ mA} \) setting: \( R_{S1} = 4 \Omega \), \( R_{S2} = 2 \Omega \))

![Diagram of NJW4615A Parallel Drive](image)
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