3.0 A, Adjustable Output, Positive Voltage Regulator

The LM350 is an adjustable three-terminal positive voltage regulator capable of supplying in excess of 3.0 A over an output voltage range of 1.2 V to 33 V. This voltage regulator is exceptionally easy to use and requires only two external resistors to set the output voltage. Further, it employs internal current limiting, thermal shutdown and safe area compensation, making it essentially blow-out proof.

The LM350 serves a wide variety of applications including local, on card regulation. This device also makes an especially simple adjustable switching regulator, a programmable output regulator, or by connecting a fixed resistor between the adjustment and output, the LM350 can be used as a precision current regulator.

Features

- Guaranteed 3.0 A Output Current
- Output Adjustable between 1.2 V and 33 V
- Load Regulation Typically 0.1%
- Line Regulation Typically 0.005%/V
- Internal Thermal Overload Protection
- Internal Short Circuit Current Limiting Constant with Temperature
- Output Transistor Safe Area Compensation
- Floating Operation for High Voltage Applications
- Standard 3-lead Transistor Package
- Eliminates Stocking Many Fixed Voltages
- Pb-Free Packages are Available*



* = C_{in} is required if regulator is located an appreciable distance from power supply filter. ** = C_0 is not needed for stability, however, it does improve transient response.

$$V_{\text{out}} = 1.25 \text{ V} \left(1 + \frac{\text{R}_2}{\text{R}_1}\right) + I_{\text{Adj}} \text{R}_2$$

ince IAdi is controlled to less than 100 µA, the error associated with this term is negligible in most applications

Figure 1. Simplified Application

*For additional information on our Pb–Free strategy and soldering details, please download the ON Semiconductor Soldering and Mounting Techniques Reference Manual, SOLDERRM/D.



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THREE-TERMINAL ADJUSTABLE POSITIVE VOLTAGE REGULATOR



Heatsink surface is connected to Pin 2.

MARKING DIAGRAM



ORDERING INFORMATION

See detailed ordering and shipping information in the package dimensions section on page 3 of this data sheet.

MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Input–Output Voltage Differential	V _I –V _O	35	Vdc
Power Dissipation	PD	Internally Limited	W
Operating Junction Temperature Range	Τ _J	-40 to +125	°C
Storage Temperature Range	T _{stg}	-65 to +150	°C
Soldering Lead Temperature (10 seconds)	T _{solder}	300	°C

Stresses exceeding Maximum Ratings may damage the device. Maximum Ratings are stress ratings only. Functional operation above the Recommended Operating Conditions is not implied. Extended exposure to stresses above the Recommended Operating Conditions may affect device reliability.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (V_I-V_O = 5.0 V; I_L = 1.5 A; T_J = T_{low} to T_{high}; P_{max} [Note 1], unless otherwise noted.)

Characteristics	Figure	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Line Regulation (Note 2) T_A = 25°C, 3.0 V \leq V_I–V_O \leq 35 V	1	Reg _{line}	-	0.0005	0.03	%/V
Load Regulation (Note 2) $T_A = 25^{\circ}C, 10 \text{ mA} \le I_I \le 3.0 \text{ A}$ $V_O \le 5.0 \text{ V}$ $V_O \ge 5.0 \text{ V}$	2	Reg _{load}		5.0 0.1	25 0.5	mV % V _O
Thermal Regulation, Pulse = 20 ms, $(T_A = +25^{\circ}C)$		Reg _{therm}	_	0.002	-	% V _O /W
Adjustment Pin Current	3	I _{Adj}	-	50	100	μA
Adjustment Pin Current Change 3.0 V \leq V _I -V _D \leq 35 V 10 mA \leq I _L \leq 3.0 A, P _D \leq P _{max}	1,2	ΔI_{Adj}	-	0.2	5.0	μΑ
Reference Voltage 3.0 V \leq V _I -V _O \leq 35 V 10 mA \leq I _O \leq 3.0 A, P _D \leq P _{max}	3	V _{ref}	1.20	1.25	1.30	V
Line Regulation (Note 2) 3.0 V \leq V1–V0 \leq 35 V	1	Reg _{line}	-	0.02	0.07	%/V
Load Regulation (Note 2) 10 mA \leq I _L \leq 3.0 A V _O \leq 5.0 V V _O \geq 5.0 V	2	Reg _{load}		20 0.3	70 1.5	mV % V _O
Temperature Stability $(T_{low} \le T_J \le T_{high})$	3	Τ _S	-	1.0	-	% V _O
Minimum Load Current to Maintain Regulation ($V_I - V_O = 35 V$)	3	I _{Lmin}	-	3.5	10	mA
	3	I _{max}	3.0 0.25	4.5 1.0	-	A
RMS Noise, % of V _O T _A = 25°C, 10 Hz \leq f \leq 10 kHz		Ν	-	0.003	Ι	% V _O
Ripple Rejection, V _O = 10 V, f = 120 Hz (Note 3) Without C_{Adj} $C_{Adj} = 10 \ \mu F$	4	RR	_ 66	65 80	-	dB
Long Term Stability, $T_J = T_{high}$ (Note 4) $T_A= 25^{\circ}C$ for Endpoint Measurements	3	S	-	0.3	1.0	%/1.0 k Hrs.
Thermal Resistance, Junction-to-Case Peak (Note 5) Average (Note 6)		$R_{ extsf{ heta}JC}$	-	2.3	_ 1.5	°C/W

T_{low} to T_{high} = 0° to +125°C; P_{max} = 25 W for LM350T; T_{low} to T_{high} = -40° to +125°C; P_{max} = 25 W for LM350BT
Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in V_O due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty cycle is used.

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 C_{Adj} , when used, is connected between the adjustment pin and ground. Since Long–Term Stability cannot be measured on each device before shipment, this specification is an engineering estimate of average 4. stability from lot to lot.

5. Thermal Resistance evaluated measuring the hottest temperature on the die using an infrared scanner. This method of evaluation yields very accurate thermal resistance values which are conservative when compared to the other measurement techniques.

6. The average die temperature is used to derive the value of thermal resistance junction to case (average).

ORDERING INFORMATION

Device	Operating Temperature Range	Package	Shipping [†]
LM350T		TO-220	50 Units / Rail
LM350TG	$T_J = 0^\circ$ to + 125 °C	TO-220 (Pb-Free)	50 Units / Rail

+For information on tape and reel specifications, including part orientation and tape sizes, please refer to our Tape and Reel Packaging Specifications Brochure, BRD8011/D.



Figure 2. Representative Schematic Diagram





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* D_1 Discharges C_{Adj} if Output is Shorted to Ground. ** C_{Adj} provides an AC ground to the adjust pin.



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Figure 13. Ripple Rejection versus Output Voltage

Figure 14. Ripple Rejection versus Output Current



Figure 15. Ripple Rejection versus Frequency

Figure 16. Output Impedance



Figure 17. Line Transient Response

Figure 18. Load Transient Response

APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

Basic Circuit Operation

The LM350 is a three–terminal floating regulator. In operation, the LM350 develops and maintains a nominal 1.25 V reference (V_{ref}) between its output and adjustment terminals. This reference voltage is converted to a programming current (I_{PROG}) by R_1 (see Figure 19), and this constant current flows through R_2 to ground. The regulated output voltage is given by:

$$V_{out} = V_{ref} (1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}) + I_{Adj} R_2$$

Since the current from the terminal (I_{Adj}) represents an error term in the equation, the LM350 was designed to control I_{Adj} to less than 100 µA and keep it constant. To do this, all quiescent operating current is returned to the output terminal. This imposes the requirement for a minimum load current. If the load current is less than this minimum, the output voltage will rise.

Since the LM350 is a floating regulator, it is only the voltage differential across the circuit which is important to performance, and operation at high voltages with respect to ground is possible.



Figure 19. Basic Circuit Configuration

Load Regulation

The LM350 is capable of providing extremely good load regulation, but a few precautions are needed to obtain maximum performance. For best performance, the programming resistor (R_1) should be connected as close to the regulator as possible to minimize line drops which effectively appear in series with the reference, thereby degrading regulation. The ground end of R_2 can be returned near the load ground to provide remote ground sensing and improve load regulation.

External Capacitors

A 0.1 μF disc or 1 μF tantalum input bypass capacitor (C_{in}) is recommended to reduce the sensitivity to input line impedance.

The adjustment terminal may be bypassed to ground to improve ripple rejection. This capacitor (C_{Adj}) prevents ripple from being amplified as the output voltage is increased. A 10 μ F capacitor should improve ripple rejection about 15 dB at 120 Hz in a 10 V application.

Although the LM350 is stable with no output capacitance, like any feedback circuit, certain values of external capacitance can cause excessive ringing. An output capacitance (C_0) in the form of a 1 μ F tantalum or 25 μ F aluminum electrolytic capacitor on the output swamps this effect and insures stability.

Protection Diodes

When external capacitors are used with any IC regulator, it is sometimes necessary to add protection diodes to prevent the capacitors from discharging through low current points into the regulator.

Figure 18 shows the LM350 with the recommended protection diodes for output voltages in excess of 25 V or high capacitance values ($C_O > 25 \ \mu\text{F}$, $C_{Adj} > 10 \ \mu\text{F}$). Diode D_1 prevents C_O from discharging thru the IC during an input short circuit. Diode D_2 protects against capacitor C_{Adj} discharging through the IC during an output short circuit. The combination of diodes D_1 and D_2 prevents C_{Adj} from discharging through the IC during an input short circuit.



Figure 20. Voltage Regulator with Protection Diodes



Figure 21. "Laboratory" Power Supply with Adjustable Current Limit and Output Voltage



Figure 22. Adjustable Current Limiter







D1 protects the device during an input short circuit.

Figure 23. 5.0 V Electronic Shutdown Regulator



Figure 25. Current Regulator

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PACKAGE DIMENSIONS

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	INCHES		MILLIN	METERS	
DIM	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
Α	0.570	0.620	14.48	15.75	
В	0.380	0.405	9.66	10.28	
С	0.160	0.190	4.07	4.82	
D	0.025	0.035	0.64	0.88	
F	0.142	0.147	3.61	3.73	
G	0.095	0.105	2.42	2.66	
н	0.110	0.155	2.80	3.93	
J	0.018	0.025	0.46	0.64	
Κ	0.500	0.562	12.70	14.27	
L	0.045	0.060	1.15	1.52	
Ν	0.190	0.210	4.83	5.33	
Q	0.100	0.120	2.54	3.04	
R	0.080	0.110	2.04	2.79	
S	0.020	0.055	0.508	1.39	
Т	0.235	0.255	5.97	6.47	
U	0.000	0.050	0.00	1.27	
V	0.045		1.15		
Z		0.080		2.04	

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