

150mA Low-Noise LDO Regulator

General Description

The MIC5205 is an efficient linear voltage regulator with ultra-low-noise output, very low dropout voltage (typically 17mV at light loads and 165mV at 150mA), and very low ground current (600µA at 100mA output). The MIC5205 offers better than 1% initial accuracy.

Designed especially for hand-held, battery-powered devices, the MIC5205 includes a CMOS or TTL compatible enable/shutdown control input. When shutdown, power consumption drops nearly to zero. Regulator ground current increases only slightly in dropout, further prolonging battery life.

Key MIC5205 features include a reference bypass pin to improve its already excellent low-noise performance, reversed-battery protection, current limiting, and overtemperature shutdown.

The MIC5205 is available in fixed and adjustable output voltage versions in a small SOT-23-5 package.

For low-dropout regulators that are stable with ceramic output capacitors, see the µCap MIC5245/6/7 family.

Features

- Ultra-low-noise output
- High output voltage accuracy
- · Guaranteed 150mA output
- Low quiescent current
- Low dropout voltage
- Extremely tight load and line regulation
- Very low temperature coefficient
- Current and thermal limiting
- Reverse-battery protection
- "Zero" off-mode current
- · Logic-controlled electronic enable

Applications

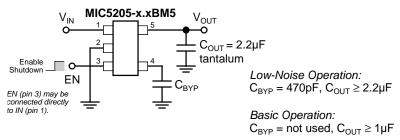
- · Cellular telephones
- · Laptop, notebook, and palmtop computers
- Battery-powered equipment
- PCMCIA V_{CC} and V_{PP} regulation/switching
- Consumer/personal electronics
- SMPS post-regulator/dc-to-dc modules
- High-efficiency linear power supplies

Ordering Information

Part Number	Marking	Voltage	Accuracy	Junction Temp. Range*	Package
MIC5205BM5	LBAA	Adj	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-2.5BM5	LB25	2.5V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-2.7BM5	LB27	2.7V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-2.8BM5	LB28	2.8V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-2.85BM5	LB2J	2.85V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-2.9BM5	LB29	2.9V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-3.0BM5	LB30	3.0V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-3.3BM5	LB33	3.3V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-3.6BM5	LB36	3.6V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-3.8BM5	LB38	3.8V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-4.0BM5	LB40	4.0V	1%	–40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5
MIC5205-5.0BM5	LB50	5.0V	1%	-40°C to +125°C	SOT-23-5

Other voltages available. Contact Micrel for details.

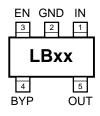
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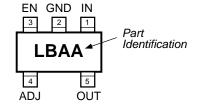


Ultra-Low-Noise Regulator Application

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Pin Configuration





MIC5205-x.xBM5 Fixed Voltages MIC5205BM5 Adjustable Voltage

Pin Description

MIC5205-x.x (fixed)	MIC5205 (adjustable)	Pin Name	Pin Function	
1	1	IN	Supply Input	
2	2	GND	Ground	
3	3	EN	Enable/Shutdown (Input): CMOS compatible input. Logic high = enable, logic low or open = shutdown.	
4		BYP	Reference Bypass: Connect external 470pF capacitor to GND to reduce output noise. May be left open.	
	<u> </u>	ADJ	Adjust (Input): Adjustable regulator feedback input. Connect to resistor voltage divider.	
5	5	OUT	Regulator Output	

Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

Supply Input Voltage (V _{IN})	–20V to +20V
Enable Input Voltage (V _{EN})	–20V to +20V
Power Dissipation (P _D)	. Internally Limited, Note 3
Lead Temperature (soldering, 5 s	sec.) 260°C
Junction Temperature (T _J)	40°C to +125°C
Storage Temperature (T _S)	65°C to +150°C

Operating Ratings (Note 2)

Input Voltage (V _{IN})	+2.5V to +16V
Enable Input Voltage (V _{EN})	
Junction Temperature (T ₁)	
Thermal Resistance, SOT-23-5 (A)	Note 3

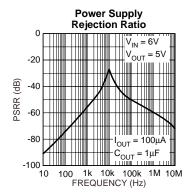
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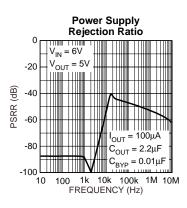
 $V_{IN} = V_{OUT} + 1V; \ I_L = 100 \mu A; \ C_L = 1.0 \mu F; \ V_{EN} \geq 2.0 V; \ T_J = 25 ^{\circ}C, \ \textbf{bold} \ \ values \ indicate - 40 ^{\circ}C \leq T_J \leq +125 ^{\circ}C; \ unless \ noted.$

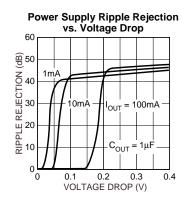
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typical	Max	Units
V_{O}	Output Voltage Accuracy	variation from specified V _{OUT}	-1 -2		1 2	% %
$\Delta V_{O}/\Delta T$	Output Voltage Temperature Coefficient	Note 4		40		ppm/°C
$\Delta V_{O}/V_{O}$	Line Regulation	V _{IN} = V _{OUT} + 1V to 16V		0.004	0.012 0.05	% / V % / V
$\Delta V_{O}/V_{O}$	Load Regulation	I _L = 0.1mA to 150mA, Note 5		0.02	0.2 0.5	% %
$\overline{V_{IN} - V_{O}}$	Dropout Voltage, Note 6	I _L = 100μA		10	50 70	mV
		I _L = 50mA		110	150 230	mV mV mV
		I _L = 100mA		140	250 300	mV mV
		I _L = 150mA		165	275 350	mV mV
I _{GND}	Quiescent Current	$V_{EN} \le 0.4V$ (shutdown) $V_{EN} \le 0.18V$ (shutdown)		0.01	1 5	μA μA
I _{GND}	Ground Pin Current, Note 7	$V_{EN} \ge 2.0V, I_L = 100\mu A$		80	125	μΑ
		I _L = 50mA		350	150 600 800	μΑ μΑ μΑ
		I _L = 100mA		600	1000	μΑ
		I _L = 150mA		1300	1500 1900 2500	μΑ μΑ μΑ
PSRR	Ripple Rejection	frequency = 100Hz, I _L = 100μA		75		dB
I _{LIMIT}	Current Limit	V _{OUT} = 0V		320	500	mA
$\Delta V_{O}/\Delta P_{D}$	Thermal Regulation	Note 8		0.05		%/W
e _{no}	Output Noise	$I_L = 50$ mA, $C_L = 2.2\mu$ F, 470pF from BYP to GND		260		nV/√Hz
ENABLE In	put	•				
V _{IL}	Enable Input Logic-Low Voltage	regulator shutdown			0.4 0.18	V
V _{IH}	Enable Input Logic-High Voltage	regulator enabled	2.0			V
I _{IL}	Enable Input Current	$V_{IL} \le 0.4V$ $V_{IL} \le 0.18V$		0.01	−1 −2	μA μA
I _{IH}		$V_{IH}^{L} \ge 2.0V$ $V_{IH} \ge 2.0V$	2	5	20 25	μA μA

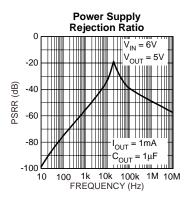
- Note 1. Exceeding the absolute maximum rating may damage the device.
- Note 2. The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating rating.
- Note 3: The maximum allowable power dissipation at any T_A (ambient temperature) is $P_{D(max)} = (T_{J(max)} T_A) \div \theta_{JA}$. Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation will result in excessive die temperature, and the regulator will go into thermal shutdown. The θ_{JA} of the MIC5205-xxBM5 (all versions) is 220°C/W mounted on a PC board (see "Thermal Considerations" section for further details).
- Note 4: Output voltage temperature coefficient is defined as the worst case voltage change divided by the total temperature range.
- Note 5: Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature using low duty cycle pulse testing. Parts are tested for load regulation in the load range from 0.1mA to 150mA. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects are covered by the thermal regulation specification.
- Note 6: Dropout Voltage is defined as the input to output differential at which the output voltage drops 2% below its nominal value measured at 1V differential.
- Note 7: Ground pin current is the regulator quiescent current plus pass transistor base current. The total current drawn from the supply is the sum of the load current plus the ground pin current.
- Note 8: Thermal regulation is defined as the change in output voltage at a time "t" after a change in power dissipation is applied, excluding load or line regulation effects. Specifications are for a 150mA load pulse at V_{IN} = 16V for t = 10ms.

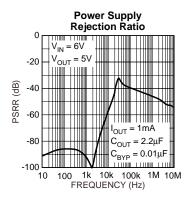
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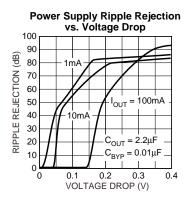


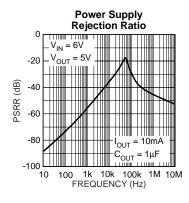


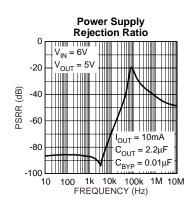


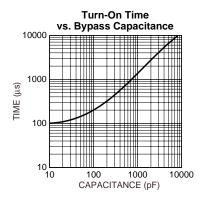


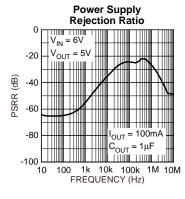


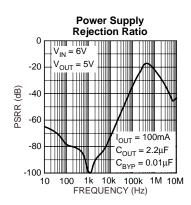


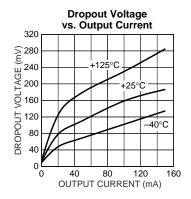




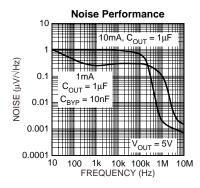


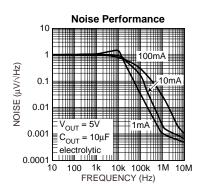


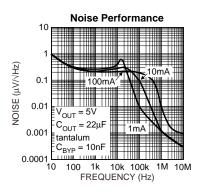


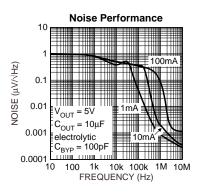


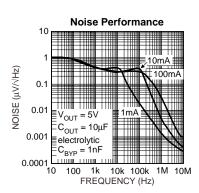
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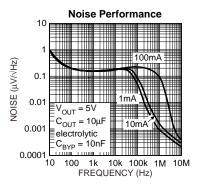




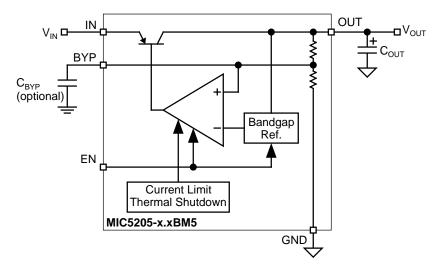




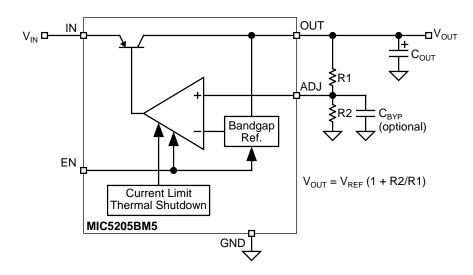




Block Diagrams



Ultra-Low-Noise Fixed Regulator



Ultra-Low-Noise Adjustable Regulator

Applications Information

Enable/Shutdown

Forcing EN (enable/shutdown) high (> 2V) enables the regulator. EN is compatible with CMOS logic gates.

If the enable/shutdown feature is not required, connect EN (pin 3) to IN (supply input, pin 1). See Figure 1.

Input Capacitor

A $1\mu F$ capacitor should be placed from IN to GND if there is more than 10 inches of wire between the input and the ac filter capacitor or if a battery is used as the input.

Reference Bypass Capacitor

BYP (reference bypass) is connected to the internal voltage reference. A 470pF capacitor (C_{BYP}) connected from BYP to GND quiets this reference, providing a significant reduction in output noise. C_{BYP} reduces the regulator phase margin; when using C_{BYP} , output capacitors of 2.2 μ F or greater are generally required to maintain stability.

The start-up speed of the MIC5205 is inversely proportional to the size of the reference bypass capacitor. Applications requiring a slow ramp-up of output voltage should consider larger values of $C_{\rm BYP}$. Likewise, if rapid turn-on is necessary, consider omitting $C_{\rm BYP}$.

If output noise is not a major concern, omit $C_{\mbox{\footnotesize{BYP}}}$ and leave BYP open.

Output Capacitor

An output capacitor is required between OUT and GND to prevent oscillation. The minimum size of the output capacitor is dependent upon whether a reference bypass capacitor is used. $1.0\mu F$ minimum is recommended when C_{BYP} is not used (see Figure 2). $2.2\mu F$ minimum is recommended when C_{BYP} is 470pF (see Figure 1). Larger values improve the regulator's transient response. The output capacitor value may be increased without limit.

The output capacitor should have an ESR (effective series resistance) of about 5Ω or less and a resonant frequency above 1MHz. Ultra-low-ESR capacitors can cause a low amplitude oscillation on the output and/or underdamped transient response. Most tantalum or aluminum electrolytic capacitors are adequate; film types will work, but are more expensive. Since many aluminum electrolytics have electrolytes that freeze at about -30° C, solid tantalums are recommended for operation below -25° C.

At lower values of output current, less output capacitance is required for output stability. The capacitor can be reduced to $0.47\mu F$ for current below 10mA or $0.33\mu F$ for currents below 1mA.

No-Load Stability

The MIC5205 will remain stable and in regulation with no load (other than the internal voltage divider) unlike many other voltage regulators. This is especially important in CMOS RAM keep-alive applications.

Thermal Considerations

The MIC5205 is designed to provide 150mA of continuous current in a very small package. Maximum power dissipation can be calculated based on the output current and the voltage drop across the part. To determine the maximum power dissipation of the package, use the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance of the device and the following basic equation:

$$P_{D(max)} = \frac{\left(T_{J(max)} - T_{A}\right)}{\theta_{JA}}$$

 $T_{J(max)}$ is the maximum junction temperature of the die, 125°C, and T_A is the ambient operating temperature. θ_{JA} is layout dependent; Table 1 shows examples of junction-to-ambient thermal resistance for the MIC5205.

Package	θ _{JA} Recommended Minimum Footprint	VA -	θ _{JC}	
SOT-23-5 (M5)	220°C/W	170°C/W	130°C/W	

Table 1. SOT-23-5 Thermal Resistance

The actual power dissipation of the regulator circuit can be determined using the equation:

$$P_{D} = (V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) I_{OUT} + V_{IN} I_{GND}$$

Substituting $P_{D(max)}$ for P_{D} and solving for the operating conditions that are critical to the application will give the maximum operating conditions for the regulator circuit. For example, when operating the MIC5205-3.3BM5 at room temperature with a minimum footprint layout, the maximum input voltage for a set output current can be determined as follows:

$$P_{D(max)} = \frac{(125^{\circ}C - 25^{\circ}C)}{220^{\circ}C/W}$$

$$P_{D(max)} = 455 \text{mW}$$

The junction-to-ambient thermal resistance for the minimum footprint is 220°C/W , from Table 1. The maximum power dissipation must not be exceeded for proper operation. Using the output voltage of 3.3V and an output current of 150mA, the maximum input voltage can be determined. From the Electrical Characteristics table, the maximum ground current for 150mA output current is $2500\mu\text{A}$ or 2.5mA.

$$455\text{mW} = (V_{IN} - 3.3\text{V}) \ 150\text{mA} + V_{IN} \cdot 2.5\text{mA}$$

$$455\text{mW} = V_{IN} \cdot 150\text{mA} - 495\text{mW} + V_{IN} \cdot 2.5\text{mA}$$

$$950 \text{mW} = \text{V}_{\text{IN}} \cdot 152.5 \text{mA}$$

$$V_{IN(max)} = 6.23V$$

Therefore, a 3.3V application at 150mA of output current can accept a maximum input voltage of 6.2V in a SOT-23-5 package. For a full discussion of heat sinking and thermal effects on voltage regulators, refer to the Regulator Thermals section of Micrel's *Designing with Low-Dropout Voltage Regulators* handbook.

Fixed Regulator Applications

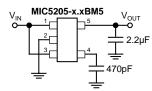


Figure 1. Ultra-Low-Noise Fixed Voltage Application

Figure 1 includes a 470pF capacitor for low-noise operation and shows EN (pin 3) connected to IN (pin 1) for an application where enable/shutdown is not required. $C_{OUT} = 2.2 \mu F$ minimum.

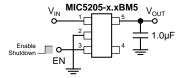


Figure 2. Low-Noise Fixed Voltage Application

Figure 2 is an example of a low-noise configuration where C_{BYP} is not required. $C_{\text{OUT}} = 1 \mu \text{F}$ minimum.

Adjustable Regulator Applications

The MIC5205BM5 can be adjusted to a specific output voltage by using two external resistors (Figure 3). The resistors set the output voltage based on the following equation:

$$V_{OUT} = 1.242V \times \left(\frac{R2}{R1} + 1\right)$$

This equation is correct due to the configuration of the bandgap reference. The bandgap voltage is relative to the output, as seen in the block diagram. Traditional regulators normally have the reference voltage relative to ground and have a different $V_{\rm OUT}$ equation.

Resistor values are not critical because ADJ (adjust) has a high input impedance, but for best results use resistors of $470k\Omega$ or less. A capacitor from ADJ to ground provides greatly improved noise performance.

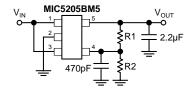


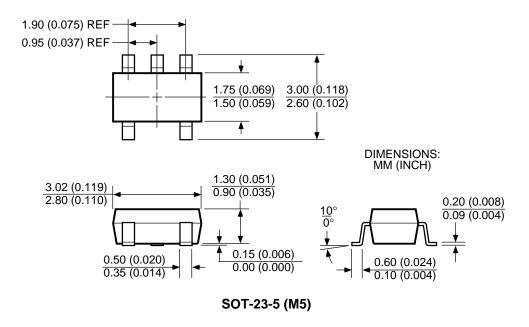
Figure 3. Ultra-Low-Noise Adjustable Voltage Application

Figure 3 includes the optional 470pF noise bypass capacitor from ADJ to GND to reduce output noise.

Dual-Supply Operation

When used in dual supply systems where the regulator load is returned to a negative supply, the output voltage must be diode clamped to ground.

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