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LP2982 Micropower 50 mA Ultra Low-Dropout Regulator

General Description

The LP2982 is a 50 mA, fixed-output voltage regulator designed to provide ultra low dropout and lower noise in battery powered applications.

Using an optimized VIP[™] (Vertically Integrated PNP) process, the LP2982 delivers unequaled performance in all specifications critical to battery-powered designs:

Dropout Voltage: Typically 120 mV @ 50 mA load, and 7 mV @ 1 mA load.

Ground Pin Current: Typically 375 $\mu A @$ 50 mA load, and 80 $\mu A @$ 1 mA load.

Sleep Mode: Less than 1 μ A quiescent current when on/off pin is pulled low.

Smallest Possible Size: SOT-23 and micro SMD packages use absolute minimum board space.

Precision Output: 1.0% tolerance output voltages available (A grade).

Low Noise: By adding an external bypass capacitor, output noise can be reduced to 30 μV (typical).

Ten output voltage versions, from 2.5V to 5.0V, are available as standard products.

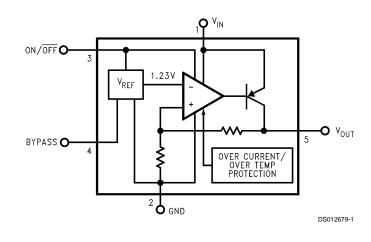
Features

- Ultra low dropout voltage
- Guaranteed 50 mA output current
- Typical dropout voltage 180 mV @ 80 mA
- Smallest possible size (SOT-23, micro SMD package)
- Requires minimum external components
- 1 µA quiescent current when shutdown
- Low ground pin current at all loads
- Output voltage accuracy 1.0% (A Grade)
- High peak current capability (150 mA typical)
- Wide supply voltage range (16V max)
- Low Z_{OUT} 0.3Ω typical (10 Hz to 1 MHz)
- Overtemperature/overcurrent protection
- –40°C to +125°C junction temperature range
- Custom voltages available

Applications

- Cellular Phone
- Palmtop/Laptop Computer
- Personal Digital Assistant (PDA)
- Camcorder, Personal Stereo, Camera

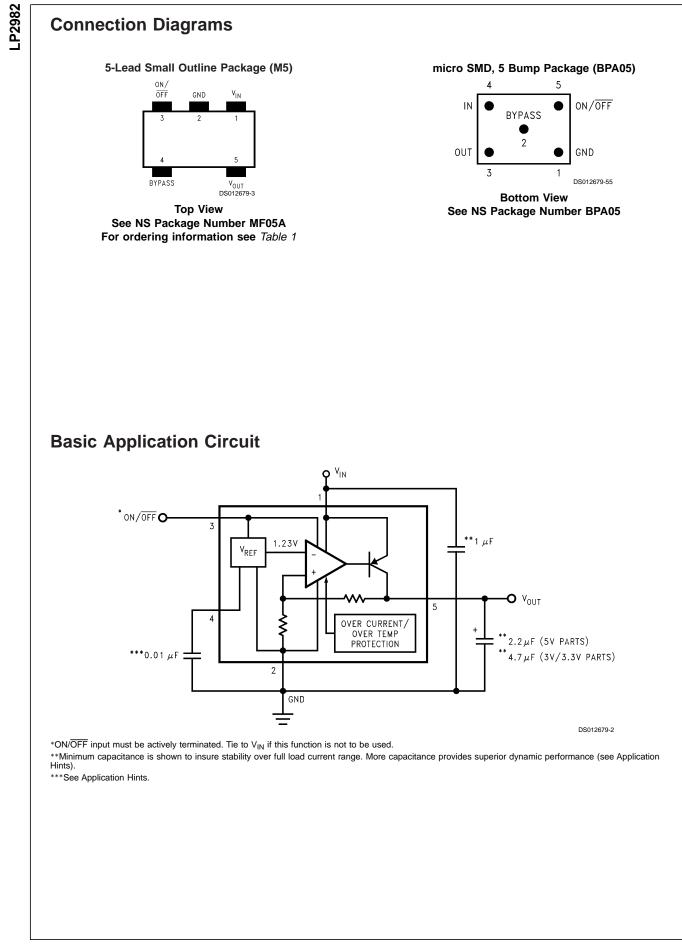
Block Diagram



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Ordering Information

| TABLE 1. Package | Marking and | Ordering Information |
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| Output Voltage (V) | Grade | Order Information | Package Marking | Supplied as: | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 5-Lead Small Outli | ne Package (M | 5) | | | | |
| 2.5 | A | LP2982AIM5X-2.5 | L58A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.5 | A | LP2982AIM5-2.5 | L58A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.5 | STD | LP2982IM5X-2.5 | L58B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.5 | STD | LP2982IM5-2.5 | L58B | 1000Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.6 | A | LP2982AIM5X-2.6 | LBYA 3000 Units on Tape and R | | | |
| 2.6 | А | LP2982AIM5-2.6 | LBYA 1000 Units on Tape and Re | | | |
| 2.6 | STD | LP2982IM5X-2.6 | LBYB | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.6 | STD | LP2982IM5-2.6 | LBYB | 1000Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.8 | A | LP2982AIM5X-2.8 | L60A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.8 | А | LP2982AIM5-2.8 | L60A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.8 | STD | LP2982IM5X-2.8 | L60B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 2.8 | STD | LP2982IM5-2.8 | L60B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.0 | А | LP2982AIM5X-3.0 | L20A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.0 | А | LP2982AIM5-3.0 | L20A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.0 | STD | LP2982IM5X-3.0 | L20B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.0 | STD | LP2982IM5-3.0 | L20B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.3 | А | LP2982AIM5X-3.3 | L19A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.3 | А | LP2982AIM5-3.3 | L19A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.3 | STD | LP2982IM5X-3.3 | L19B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.3 | STD | LP2982IM5-3.3 | L19B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.6 | А | LP2982AIM5X-3.6 | L0BA | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.6 | А | LP2982AIM5-3.6 | L0BA | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.6 | STD | LP2982IM5X-3.6 | L0BB | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.6 | STD | LP2982IM5-3.6 | L0BB | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.8 | А | LP2982AIM5X-3.8 | L76A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.8 | А | LP2982AIM5-3.8 | L76A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.8 | STD | LP2982IM5X-3.8 | L76B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 3.8 | STD | LP2982IM5-3.8 | L76B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.0 | А | LP2982AIM5X-4.0 | L29A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.0 | А | LP2982AIM5-4.0 | L29A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.0 | STD | LP2982IM5X-4.0 | L29B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.0 | STD | LP2982IM5-4.0 | L29B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.5 | А | LP2982AIM5X-4.5 | LA8A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.5 | А | LP2982AIM5-4.5 | LA8A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.5 | STD | LP2982IM5X-4.5 | LA8B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.5 | STD | LP2982IM5-4.5 | LA8B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.7 | А | LP2982AIM5X-4.7 | L0HA | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.7 | А | LP2982AIM5-4.7 | L0HA | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.7 | STD | LP2982IM5X-4.7 | L0HB | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 4.7 | STD | LP2982IM5-4.7 | L0HB | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 5.0 | А | LP2982AIM5X-5.0 | L18A | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 5.0 | А | LP2982AIM5-5.0 | L18A | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 5.0 | STD | LP2982IM5X-5.0 | L18B | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 5.0 | STD | LP2982IM5-5.0 | L18B | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |
| 5.3 | А | LP2982AIM5X-5.3 | LBZA | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | |

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Ordering Information (Continued)

| TABLE 1. Package Marking and Ordering information (Continued) | | | | | | | | | |
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| Output Voltage | | | Package | | | | | | |
| (V) | Grade | Order Information | Marking | Supplied as: | | | | | |
| 5-Lead Small Outline Package (M5) | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.3 | A | LP2982AIM5-5.3 | LBZA | 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 5.3 | STD | LP2982IM5X-5.3 | LBZB | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 5.3 | STD | LP2982IM5-5.3 | LBZB 1000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | | |
| micro SMD, 5 Bui | mp Package (BPA | 05) | • | | | | | | |
| 2.8 | A | LP2982AIBP-2.8 | | 250 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 2.8 | A | LP2982AIBPX-2.8 | | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 2.8 | STD | LP2982IBP-2.8 | 250 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | | |
| 2.8 | STD | LP2982IBPX-2.8 | | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 3.0 | A | LP2982AIBP-3.0 | | 250 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 3.0 | A | LP2982AIBPX-3.0 | | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 3.0 | STD | LP2982IBP-3.0 | | 250 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |
| 3.0 | STD | LP2982IBPX-3.0 | | 3000 Units on Tape and Reel | | | | | |

Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/ Distributors for availability and specifications.

| Storage Temperature Range | –65°C to +150°C |
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| Operating Junction Temperature Range | –40°C to +125°C |
| Lead Temperature (Soldering, 5 sec.) | 260°C |
| ESD Rating (Note 2) | 2 kV |

Electrical Characteristics

Limits in standard typeface are for $T_J = 25$ °C, and limits in **boldface type** apply over the full operating temperature range. Unless otherwise specified: $V_{IN} = V_{O(NOM)} + 1V$, $I_L = 1$ mA, $C_{IN} = 1$ μ F, $C_{OUT} = 4.7$ μ F, $V_{ON/OFF} = 2V$.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Тур | LP2982AI-X.X (Note 6) | | LP2982I-X.X | | Units |
|---|-------------------------------|---|-------|--------------------------|-------|-------------|-------|-------------------|
| | | | | | | (Note 6) | | |
| | | | | Min | Max | Min | Max | 1 |
| ΔV _O Output Voltage Tolerance | | I _L = 1 mA | | -1.0 | +1.0 | -1.5 | +1.5 | 0()) |
| | | $1 \text{ mA} < I_{L} < 50 \text{ mA}$ | | -1.5 | +1.5 | -2.0 | +2.0 | %V _{NOI} |
| | | | | -2.0 | +2.0 | -3.5 | +3.5 | |
| ΔV_{O} | Output Voltage Line | $V_{O(NOM)}$ + 1V \leq V _{IN} \leq 16V | 0.007 | | 0.014 | | 0.014 | 0/// |
| $\overline{\Delta V_{IN}}$ | Regulation | | | | 0.032 | | 0.032 | %/V |
| V _{IN} –V _O | Dropout Voltage | $I_{L} = 0$ | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | + |
| | (Note 7) | | | | 5 | | 5 | |
| | | I _L = 1 mA | 7 | | 10 | | 10 | 1 |
| | | | | | 15 | | 15 | |
| | | I _L = 10 mA | 40 | | 60 | | 60 | - mV |
| | | | | | 90 | | 90 | |
| | $I_L = 50 \text{ mA}$ | 120 | | 150 | | 150 | 1 | |
| | | | | | 225 | | 225 | |
| I _{GND} Ground Pin Current | Ground Pin Current | I _L = 0 | 65 | | 95 | | 95 | |
| | | | | | 125 | | 125 | |
| | | I _L = 1 mA | 80 | | 110 | | 110 | 1 |
| | | | | 170 | | 170 | | |
| | $I_{L} = 10 \text{ mA}$ | 140 | | 220 | | 220 | | |
| | | | | | 460 | | 460 | μA |
| | $I_L = 50 \text{ mA}$ | 375 | | 600 | | 600 | | |
| | | | | 1200 | | 1200 | | |
| | | V _{ON/OFF} < 0.3V | 0.01 | | 0.8 | | 0.8 | 1 |
| | | V _{ON/OFF} < 0.15V | 0.10 | | 2.0 | | 2.0 | 1 |
| V _{on/off} | ON/OFF Input Voltage | High = O/P ON | 1.4 | 1.6 | | 1.6 | | V |
| | (Note 8) | Low = O/P OFF | 0.55 | | 0.15 | | 0.15 | - V |
| I _{ON/OFF} | ON/OFF Input Current | $V_{ON/OFF} = 0$ | 0.01 | | -2 | | -2 | |
| | | $V_{ON/OFF} = 5V$ | 5 | | 15 | | 15 | - μΑ |
| I _{O(PK)} | Peak Output Current | $V_{OUT} \ge V_{O(NOM)} - 5\%$ | 150 | 100 | | 100 | | mA |
| V _{IN} -V _O | Dropout Voltage | $I_{L} = 80 \text{ mA}$ | 180 | | 225 | | 225 | mV |
| | | | | | 325 | | 325 | |
| GND | Ground Pin Current | I _L = 80 mA | 525 | | 750 | | 750 | μA |
| | | | | | 1400 | | 1400 | |
| e _n | Output Noise Voltage (RMS) | $\begin{array}{l} BW = 300 \; Hz{-}50 \; kHz, \\ C_{OUT} = 10 \; \muF \\ C_{BYPASS} = 0.01 \; \muF \end{array}$ | 30 | | | | | μV |

Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

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| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Тур | LP2982AI-X.X (Note 6) | | LP2982I-X.X (Note 6) | | Units |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----|--------------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | Min | Max | Min | Max | |
| ΔV _{OUT} ΔV _{IN} | Ripple Rejection | f = 1 kHz C _{OUT} = 10 μF | 45 | | | | | dB |
| I _{O(MAX)} | Short Circuit Current | R _L = 0 (Steady State) (Note 9) | 150 | | | | | mA |

Note 1: Absolute maximum ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the component may occur. Electrical specifications do not apply when operating the device outside of its rated operating conditions.

Note 2: The ESD rating of pins 3 and 4 is 1 kV.

Note 3: The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of the maximum junction temperature, $T_{J(MAX)}$, the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance, θ_{JA} , and the ambient temperature, T_A . The maximum allowable power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated using:

$$P(MAX) = \frac{T_{J(MAX)} - T_{A}}{\theta_{JA}}$$

The value of θ_{JA} for the SOT-23 package is 220°C/W and the micro SMD package is 320°C/W. Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation will cause excessive die temperature, and the regulator will go into thermal shutdown.

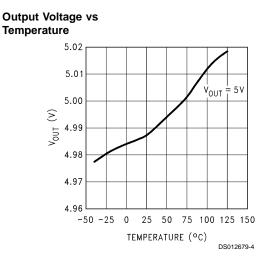
Note 4: If used in a dual-supply system where the regulator load is returned to a negative supply, the LP2982 output must be diode-clamped to ground. **Note 5:** The output PNP structure contains a diode between the V_{IN} and V_{OUT} terminals that is normally reverse-biased. Reversing the polarity from V_{IN} to V_{OUT} will turn on this diode.

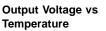
Note 6: temperature range are guaranteed through correlation using Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods. The limits are used to calculate National's Average Outgoing Quality Level (AOQL).

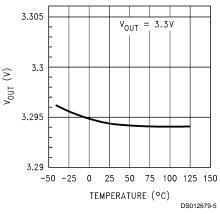
Note 7: Dropout voltage is defined as the input to output differential at which the output voltage drops 100 mV below the value measured with a 1V differential. Note 8: The ON/OFF inputs must be properly driven to prevent possible misoperation. For details, refer to Application Hints.

Note 9: See Typical Performance Characteristics curves.

Typical Performance Characteristics Unless otherwise specified: $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{IN} = V_{O(NOM)} + 1V$, $C_{OUT} = 4.7 \ \mu$ F, $C_{IN} = 1 \ \mu$ F, all voltage options, ON/OFF pin tied to V_{IN} .

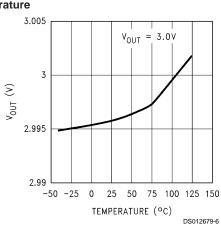






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Output Voltage vs Temparature



 $V_{OUT} = 3.3V$

 $R_{\rm I} = 66 \Omega$

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= 3.3k

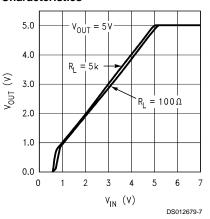
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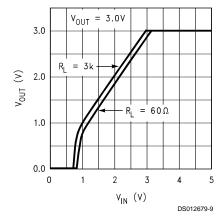
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Dropout Characteristics



Dropout Characteristics



Dropout Voltage vs Temperature

Dropout Characteristics

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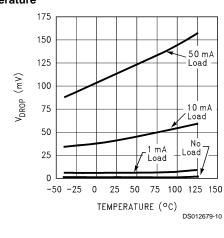
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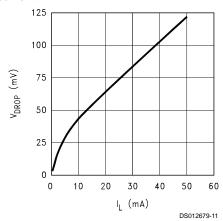
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V_{OUT} (V)

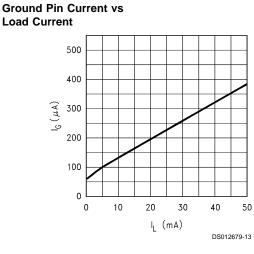




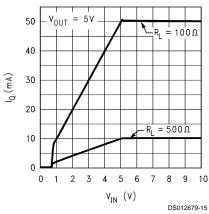


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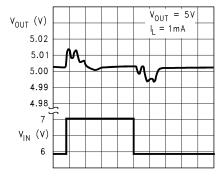
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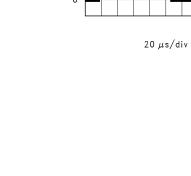
Input Current vs V_{IN}



Line Transient Response

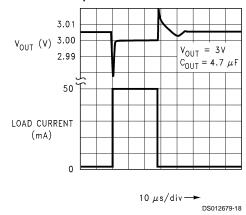


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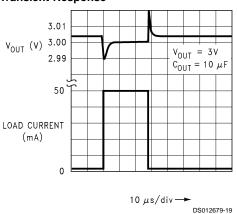


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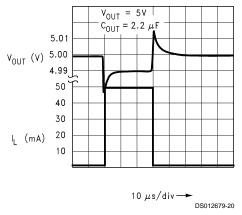
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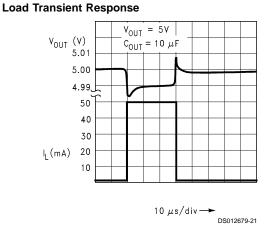


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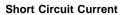


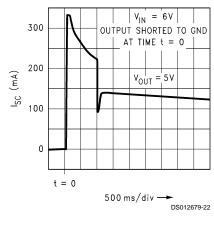




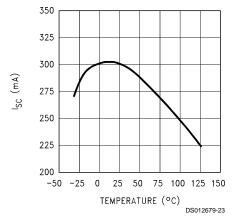






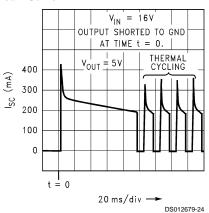


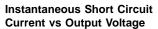
Instantaneous Short Circuit Current vs Temperature

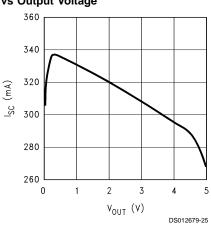


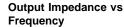
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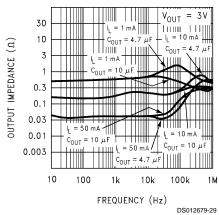
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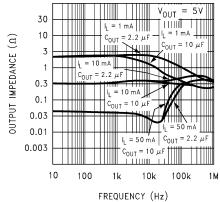




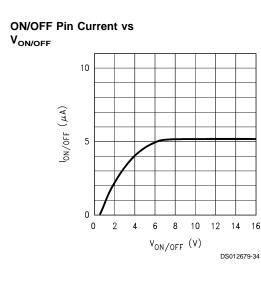




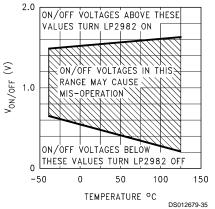




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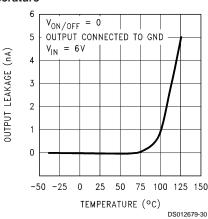


ON/OFF Threshold vs Temperature

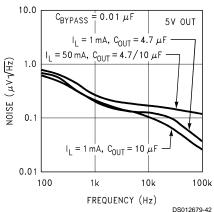


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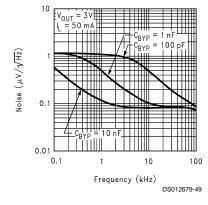
Input to Output Leakage vs Temperature



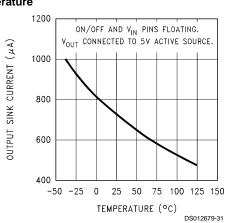
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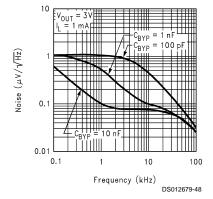
Output Noise Density



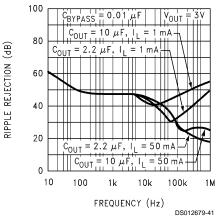
Output Reverse Leakage vs Temperature



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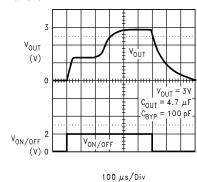
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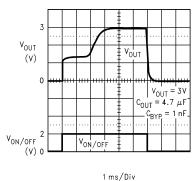
Typical Performance Characteristics Unless otherwise specified: $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{IN} = V_{O(NOM)} + 1V$, $C_{OUT} = 4.7 \ \mu$ F, $C_{IN} = 1 \ \mu$ F, all voltage options, ON/OFF pin tied to V_{IN} . (Continued)

Turn-ON Waveform



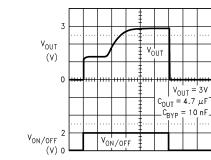
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Turn-ON Waveform



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Turn-ON Waveform



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Application Hints

EXTERNAL CAPACITORS

Like any low-dropout regulator, the external capacitors used with the LP2982 must be carefully selected to assure regulator loop stability.

INPUT CAPACITOR: An input capacitor whose value is \geq 1 µF is required with the LP2982 (amount of capacitance can be increased without limit).

This capacitor must be located a distance of not more than 0.5" from the input pin of the LP2982 and returned to a clean analog ground. Any good quality ceramic or tantalum can be used for this capacitor.

OUTPUT CAPACITOR: The output capacitor must meet both the requirement for minimum amount of capacitance and E.S.R. (equivalent series resistance) value. Curves are provided which show the allowable ESR range as a function of load current for various output voltages and capacitor values (refer to *Figure 1*, *Figure 2*).

IMPORTANT: The output capacitor must maintain its ESR in the stable region over the full operating temperature to assure stability. Also, capacitor tolerance and variation with temperature must be considered to assure the minimum amount of capacitance is provided at all times.

This capacitor should be located not more than 0.5" from the output pin of the LP2982 and returned to a clean analog ground.

LOW-CURRENT OPERATION: In applications where the load current is < 1 mA, special consideration must be given to the output capacitor.

Circuitry inside the LP2982 is specially designed to reduce operating (quiescent) current at light loads down to about 65 $\mu A.$

The mode of operation which yields this very low quiescent current also means that the output capacitor ESR is critical.

For optimum stability and minimum output noise, it is recommended that a 10Ω resistor be placed in series with the output capacitor in any applications where $I_L < 1$ mA.

CAPACITOR CHARACTERISTICS

TANTALUM: Tantalum capacitors are the best choice for use with the LP2982. Most good quality tantalum can be used with the LP2982, but check the manufacturer's data sheet to be sure the ESR is in range.

It is important to remember that ESR increases sharply at lower temperatures (< 10° C) and a capacitor that is near the upper limit for stability at room temperature can cause instability when it gets cold.

In applications which must operate at very low temperatures, it may be necessary to parallel the output tantalum capacitor with a ceramic capacitor to prevent the ESR from going up too high (see next section for important information on ceramic capacitors).

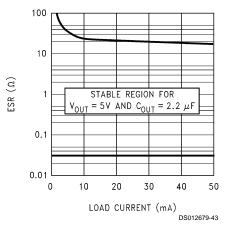
CERAMIC: Ceramic capacitors are not recommended for use at the output of the LP2982. This is because the ESR of a ceramic can be low enough to go below the minimum stable value for the LP2982. A good 2.2 μ F ceramic was measured and found to have an ESR of about 15 m Ω , which is low enough to cause oscillations.

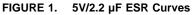
If a ceramic capacitor is used on the output, a 1Ω resistor should be placed in series with the capacitor.

ALUMINUM: Because of large physical size, aluminum electrolytic are not typically used with the LP2982. They must

meet the same ESR requirements over the operating temperature range, which is more difficult because of their large increase in ESR at cold temperature.

An aluminum electrolytic can exhibit an ESR increase of as much as 50X when going from 20° C to -40° C. Also, some aluminum electrolytic are not operational below -25° C because the electrolyte can freeze.





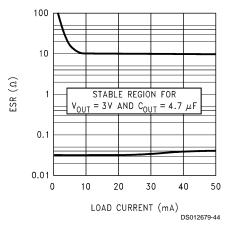


FIGURE 2. 3V/4.7 µF ESR Curves

BYPASS CAPACITOR

The 0.01 μF capacitor connected to the bypass pin to reduce noise must have very low leakage.

The current flowing out of the bypass pin comes from the bandgap reference, which is used to set the output voltage.

This capacitor leakage current causes the output voltage to decline by an amount proportional to the current. Typical values are $-0.015\%/nA @ -40^{\circ}C$, $-0.021\%/nA @ 25^{\circ}C$, and $-0.035\%/nA @ +125^{\circ}C$.

This data is valid up to a maximum leakage current of about 500 nA, beyond which the bandgap is so severely loaded that it can not function.

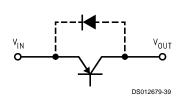
Care must be taken to ensure that the capacitor selected will not have excessive leakage current over the operating temperature range of the application.

A high quality ceramic capacitor which uses either NPO or COG type dielectric material will typically have very low leakage. Small surface mount polypropylene or polycarbonate film capacitors also have extremely low leakage, but are slightly larger than ceramics.

Application Hints (Continued)

REVERSE CURRENT PATH

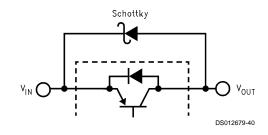
The power transistor used in the LP2982 has an inherent diode connected between the regulator input and output (see below).



If the output is forced above the input by more than a V_{BE}, this diode will become forward biased and current will flow from the V_{OUT} terminal to V_{IN}. This current must be limited to < 100 mA to prevent damage to the part.

The internal diode can also be turned on by abruptly stepping the input voltage to a value below the output voltage.

To prevent regulator misoperation, a Schottky diode should be used in any application where input/output voltage conditions can cause the internal diode to be turned on (see below).



As shown, the Schottky diode is connected in parallel with the internal parasitic diode and prevents it from being turned on by limiting the voltage drop across it to about 0.3V.

ON/OFF INPUT OPERATION

The LP2982 is shut off by pulling the ON/OFF input low, and turned on by driving the input high. If this feature is not to be used, the ON/OFF input should be tied to $V_{\rm IN}$ to keep the regulator on at all times (the ON/OFF input must **not** be left floating).

To ensure proper operation, the signal source used to drive the ON/OFF input must be able to swing above and below the specified turn-on/turn-off voltage thresholds which guarantee an ON or OFF state (see Electrical Characteristics).

The ON/OFF signal may come from either a totem-pole output, or an open-collector output with pull-up resistor to the LP2982 input voltage or another logic supply. The high-level voltage may exceed the LP2982 input voltage, but must remain within the Absolute Maximum Ratings for the ON/OFF pin.

It is also important that the turn-on/turn-off voltage signals applied to the ON/OFF input have a slew rate which is greater than 40 mV/ μ s.

Important: the regulator shutdown function will operate incorrectly if a slow-moving signal is applied to the ON/OFF input.

Micro SMD Mounting

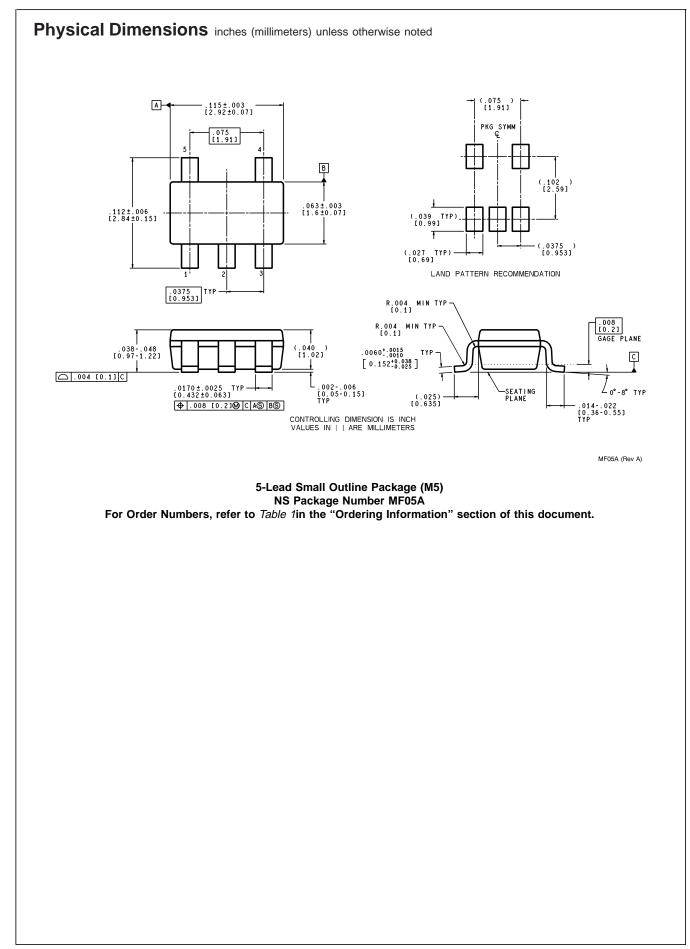
The micro SMD package requires specific mounting techniques which are detailed in National Semiconductor Application Note # 1112. Referring to the section *Surface Mount Technology (SMT) Assembly Considerations*, it should be noted that the pad style which must be used with the 5-pin package is the NSMD (non-solder mask defined) type.

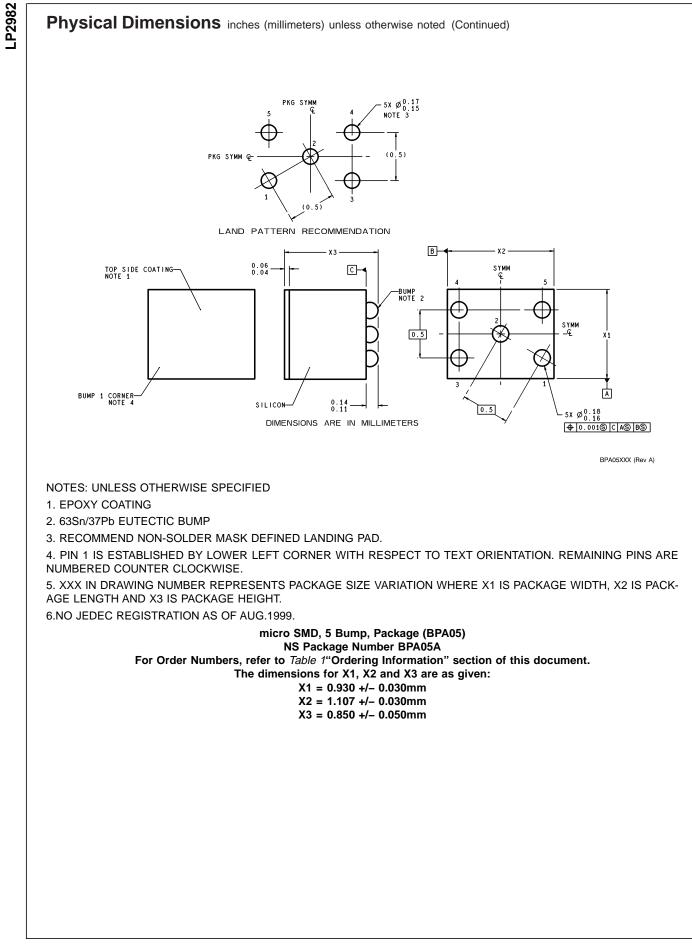
For best results during assembly, alignment ordinals on the PC board may be used to facilitate placement of the micro SMD device.

Micro SMD Light Sensitivity

Exposing the micro SMD device to direct sunlight will cause misoperation of the device. Light sources such as Halogen lamps can also affect electrical performance if brought near to the device.

The wavelenghts which have the most detrimental effect are reds and infra-reds, which means that the fluorescent lighting used inside most buildings has very little effect on performance. A micro SMD test board was brought to within 1 cm of a fluorescent desk lamp and the effect on the regulated output voltage was negligible, showing a deviation of less than 0.1% from nominal.





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