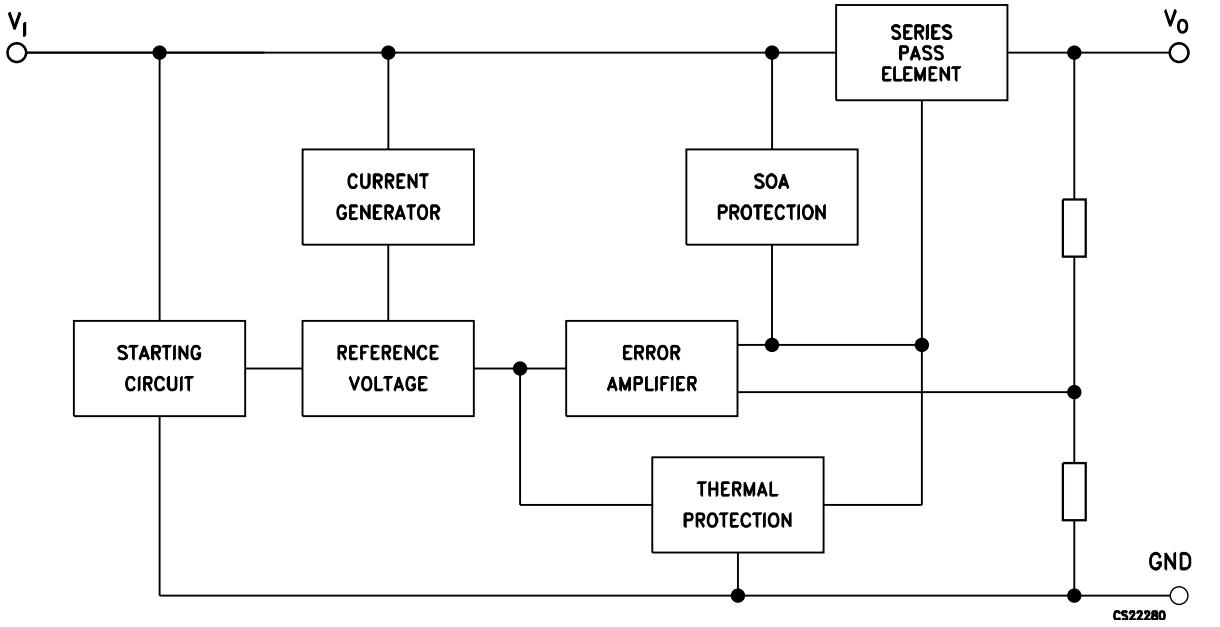
1 Diagram

Figure 1. **Block diagram**



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2 Pin configuration

Figure 2. **Pin connections (top view)**

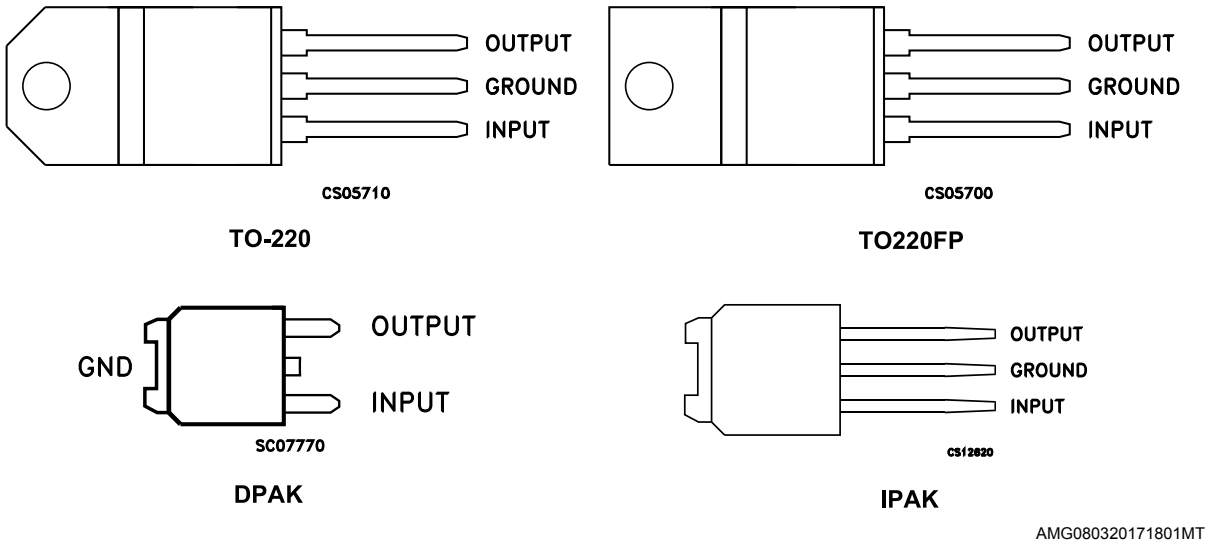

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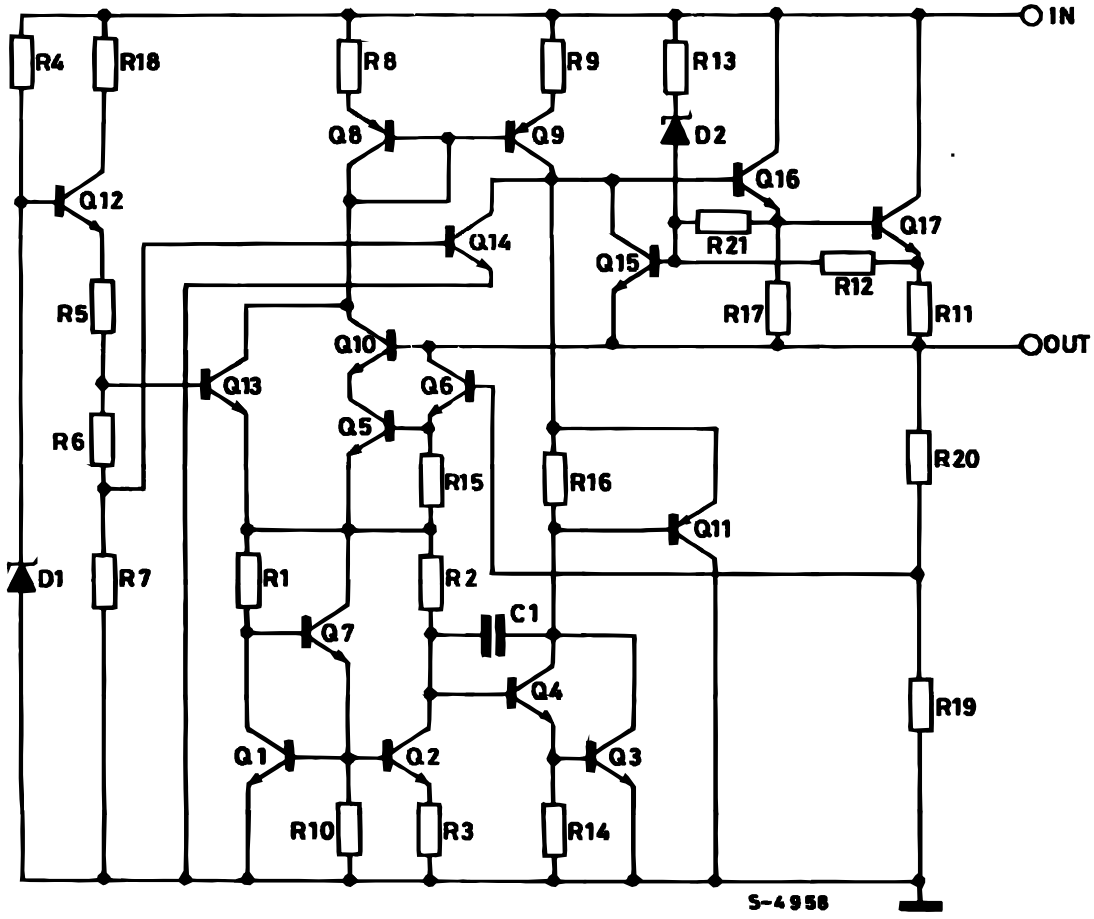
Figure 3. Schematic diagram



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3 Maximum ratings

Table 1. Absolute maximum ratings

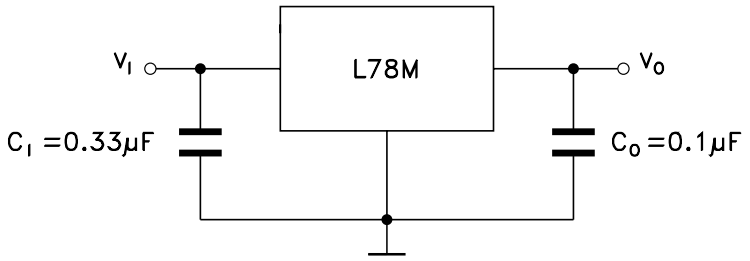
Symbol	Parameter		Value	Unit
V_I	DC input voltage	for V_O = 5 to 18 V	35	V
		for V_O = 20, 24 V	40	
I_O	Output current		Internally limited	mA
P_D	Power dissipation		Internally limited	mW
T_{STG}	Storage temperature range		- 65 to 150	°C
T_{OP}	Operating junction temperature range	for L78MxxAC	0 to 125	°C
		for L78MxxAB	-40 to 125	
		for L78MxxC	0 to 150	

Note: Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied.

Table 2. Thermal data

Symbol	Parameter	TO-220	TO-220FP	DPAK	IPAK	Unit
R_{thJC}	Thermal resistance junction-case	5	5	8	8	°C/W
R_{thJA}	Thermal resistance junction-ambient	50	60	100	100	°C/W

Figure 4. Application circuit



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4 Test circuits

Figure 5. **DC parameter**

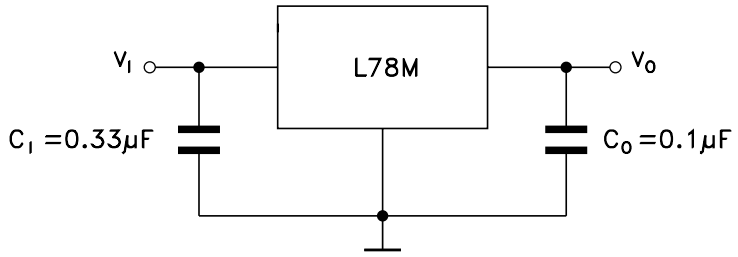

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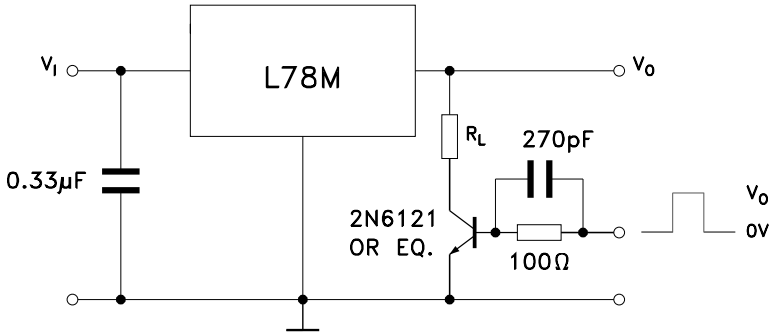
Figure 6. **Load regulation**



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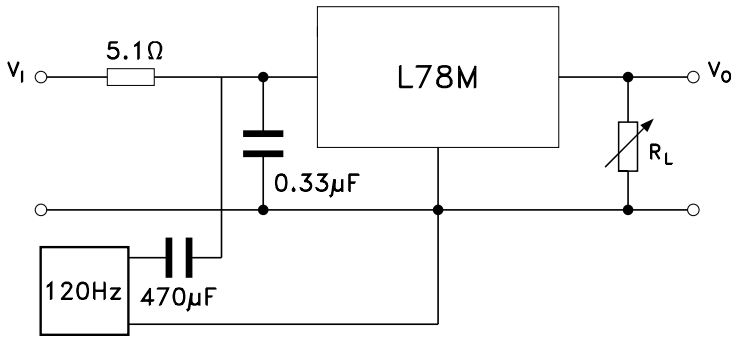

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5 Electrical characteristics

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 10 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 3. Electrical characteristics of L78M05C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		4.8	5	5.2	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 7 to 20 V	4.75	5	5.25	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 7 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 8 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			50	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 8 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 8 to 18 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	62			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		40		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		300		mA

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Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 10 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 4. Electrical characteristics of L78M05A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	4.9	5	5.1	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 7 to 20 V	4.8	5	5.2	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 7 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 8 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			50	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 8 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 8 to 18 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25°C	62			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		40		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 35 V		300		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 11 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 5. Electrical characteristics of L78M06C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		5.75	6	6.25	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 8 to 21 V	5.7	6	6.3	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 8 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 9 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			120	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			60	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 9 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 9 to 19 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	59			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		45		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		270		mA

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Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 11 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 6. Electrical characteristics of L78M06A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	5.88	6	6.12	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 8 to 21 V	5.75	6	6.3	V
DV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 8 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 9 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			120	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			60	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 9 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 9 to 19 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	59			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		45		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 35 V		270		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 14 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 7. Electrical characteristics of L78M08C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		7.7	8	8.3	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 10.5 to 23 V	7.6	8	8.4	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 10.5 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 11 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			160	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			80	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 10.5 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 11.5 to 21.5 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	56			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		52		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		250		mA

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Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 14 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 8. Electrical characteristics of L78M08A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	7.84	8	8.16	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 10.5 to 23 V	7.7	8	8.3	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 10.5 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 11 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			160	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			80	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 10.5 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 11.5 to 21.5 V, f = 120 Hz I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	56			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		52		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 35 V		250		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 15 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 9. Electrical characteristics of L78M09C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		8.65	9	9.35	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 11.5 to 24 V	8.55	9	9.45	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 11.5 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 12 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			180	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			90	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 11.5 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 12.5 to 23 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	56			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		58		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		250		mA

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Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 15 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 10. Electrical characteristics of L78M09A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	8.82	9	9.18	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 11.5 to 24 V	8.64	9	9.36	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 11.5 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 12 to 25 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			180	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			90	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 11.5 to 25 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 12.5 to 23 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	56			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B =10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		52		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V, T_J = 25 °C		250		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 16 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 11. Electrical characteristics of L78M10A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	9.8	10	10.2	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 12.5 to 25 V	9.6	10	10.4	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 12.5 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 13 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			200	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 12.5 to 30 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-0.5		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 13.5 to 24 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	56			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B =10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		64		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V

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Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V, T_J = 25 °C		245		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 19 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 12. Electrical characteristics of L78M12C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		11.5	12	12.5	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 14.5 to 27 V	11.4	12	12.6	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 14.5 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 16 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			240	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			120	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 14.5 to 30 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-1		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 15 to 25 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	55			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		75		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		240		mA

Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 19 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 13. Electrical characteristics of L78M12A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	11.75	12	12.25	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 14.5 to 27 V	11.5	12	12.5	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 14.5 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 16 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			240	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			120	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 14.5 to 30 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-1		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 15 to 25 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	55			dB

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Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		75		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V, T_J = 25 °C		240		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 23 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 14. Electrical characteristics of L78M15C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		14.4	15	15.6	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 17.5 to 30 V	14.25	15	15.75	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 17.5 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 20 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			300	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			150	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 17.5 to 30 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-1		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 18.5 to 28.5 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	54			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		90		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		240		mA

Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 23 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 15. Electrical characteristics of L78M15A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	14.7	15	15.3	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 17.5 to 30 V	14.4	15	15.6	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 17.5 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 20 to 30 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			300	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			150	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 17.5 to 30 V			0.8	

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Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-1		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 18.5 to 28.5 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	54			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B =10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		90		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V, T_J = 25 °C		240		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

Refer to the test circuits, T_J = 25 °C, V_I = 33 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF unless otherwise specified.

Table 16. Electrical characteristics of L78M24C

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage		23	24	25	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 27 to 38 V	22.8	24	25.2	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 27 to 38 V, I_O = 200 mA			100	mV
		V_I = 28 to 38 V, I_O = 200 mA			50	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			480	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			240	
I_d	Quiescent current				6	mA
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 27 to 38 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA, T_J = 0 to 125 °C		-1.2		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 28 to 38 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA	50			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10 Hz to 100 kHz		170		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage			2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V		240		mA

Refer to the test circuits, V_I = 33 V, I_O = 350 mA, C_I = 0.33 µF, C_O = 0.1 µF, T_J = -40 to 125 °C (AB), T_J = 0 to 125 °C (AC) unless otherwise specified.

Table 17. Electrical characteristics of L78M24A

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_O	Output voltage	T_J = 25 °C	23.5	24	24.5	V
V_O	Output voltage	I_O = 5 to 350 mA, V_I = 27 to 38 V	23	24	25	V
ΔV_O	Line regulation	V_I = 27 to 38 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			100	mV
		V_I = 28 to 38 V, I_O = 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			30	
ΔV_O	Load regulation	I_O = 5 to 500 mA, T_J = 25 °C			480	mV
		I_O = 5 to 200 mA, T_J = 25 °C			240	
I_d	Quiescent current	T_J = 25 °C			6	mA

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Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
ΔI_d	Quiescent current change	I_O = 5 to 350 mA			0.5	mA
		I_O = 200 mA, V_I = 27 to 38 V			0.8	
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I_O = 5 mA		-1.2		mV/°C
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	V_I = 28 to 38 V, f = 120 Hz, I_O = 300 mA, T_J = 25 °C	50			dB
eN	Output noise voltage	B =10 Hz to 100 kHz, T_J = 25 °C		170		µV
V_d	Dropout voltage	T_J = 25 °C		2		V
I_{sc}	Short circuit current	V_I = 35 V, T_J = 25 °C		240		mA
I_{scp}	Short circuit peak current	T_J = 25 °C		700		mA

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Figure 8. Dropout voltage vs junction temp.

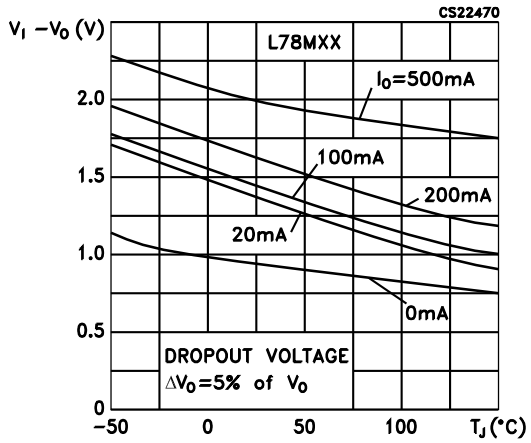

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Figure 9. Dropout characteristics

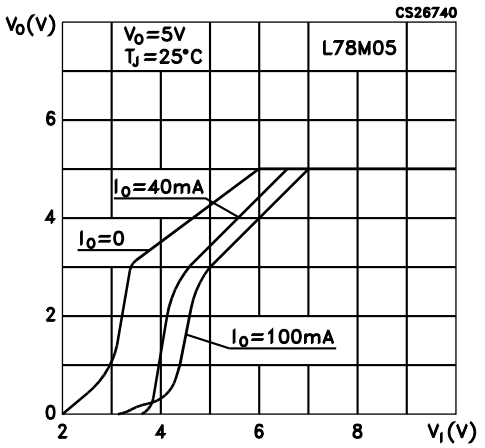

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Figure 10. Peak output current vs input-output differential voltage

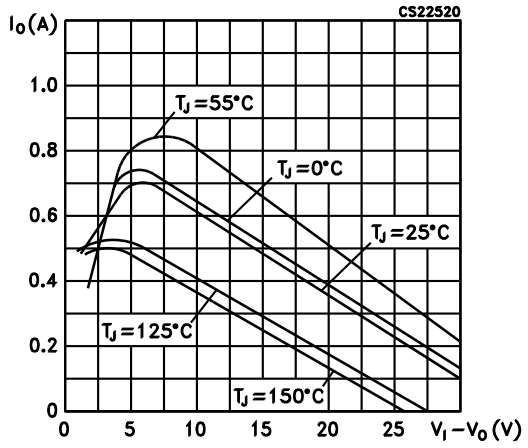

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Figure 11. Output voltage vs junction temperature

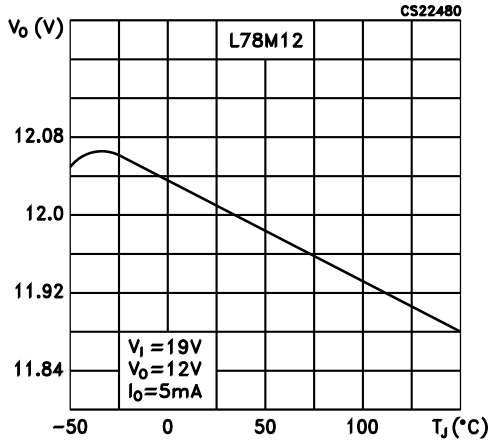

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Figure 12. Supply voltage rejection vs frequency

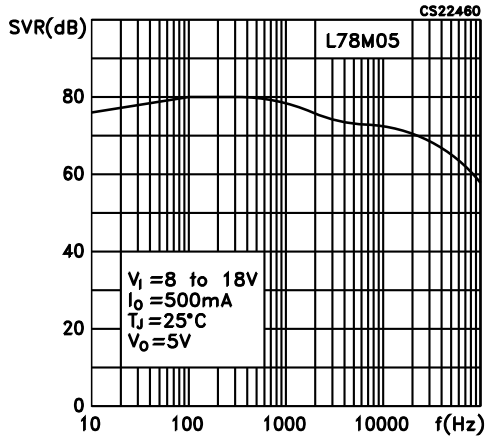

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Figure 13. Quiescent current vs junction temperature

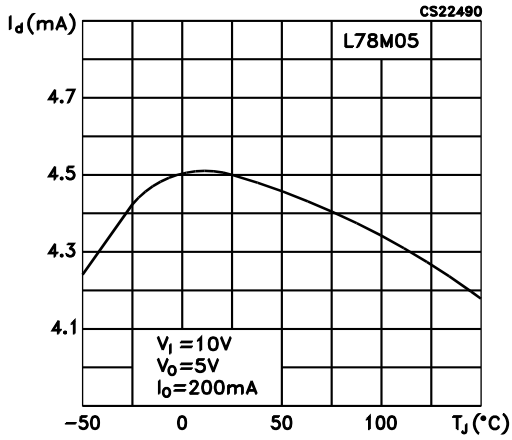

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Figure 14. Load transient response

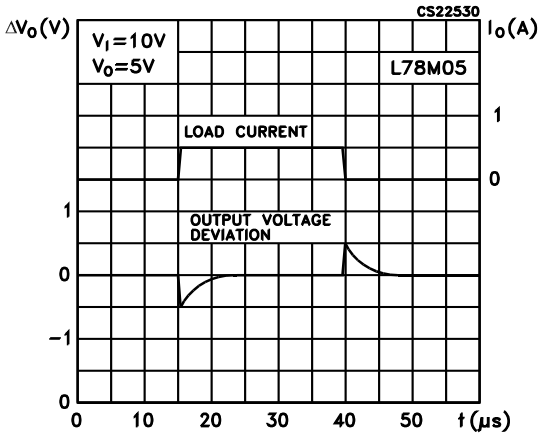

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Figure 15. Line transient response

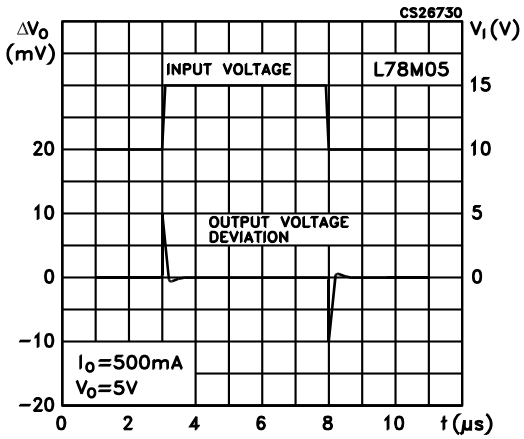

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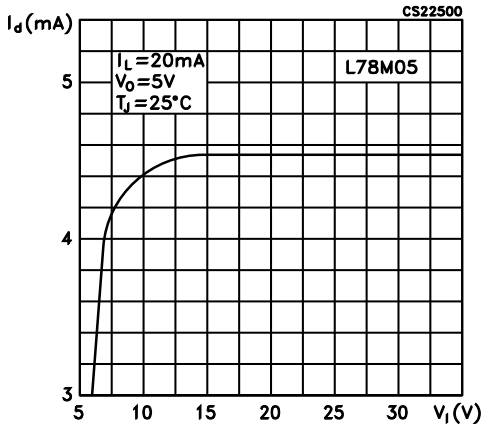
Figure 16. Quiescent current vs input voltage



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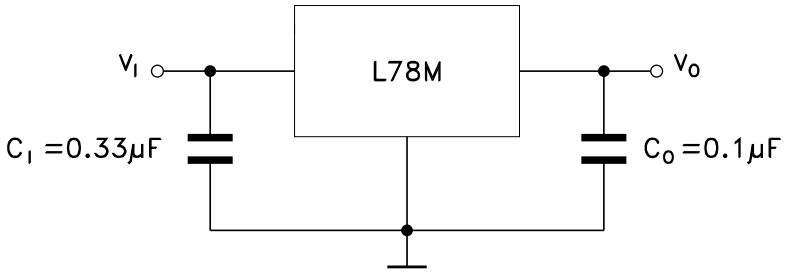
7 Applications information

7.1 Design considerations

The L78M series of fixed voltage regulators are designed with thermal overload protection that shuts down the circuit when subjected to an excessive power overload condition, internal short-circuit protection that limits the maximum current the circuit will pass, and output transistor safe-area compensation that reduces the output short-circuit as the voltage across the pass transistor is increased. In many low current applications, compensation capacitors are not required. However, it is recommended that the regulator input be bypassed with a capacitor if the regulator is connected to the power supply filter with long wire lengths, or if the output load capacitance is large. An input bypass capacitor should be selected to provide good high-frequency characteristics to insure stable operation under all load conditions. A 0.33 µF or larger tantalum, mylar, or other capacitor having low internal impedance at high frequencies should be chosen. The bypass capacitor should be mounted with the shortest possible leads directly across the regulators input terminals. Normally good construction techniques should be used to minimize ground loops and lead resistance drops since the regulator has no external sense lead.

Figure 17. Fixed output regulator



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Note: Although no output capacitor is need for stability, C_o improve transient response if present. C_I is required if regulator is located an appreciable distance from power supply filter.

Figure 18. Constant current regulator

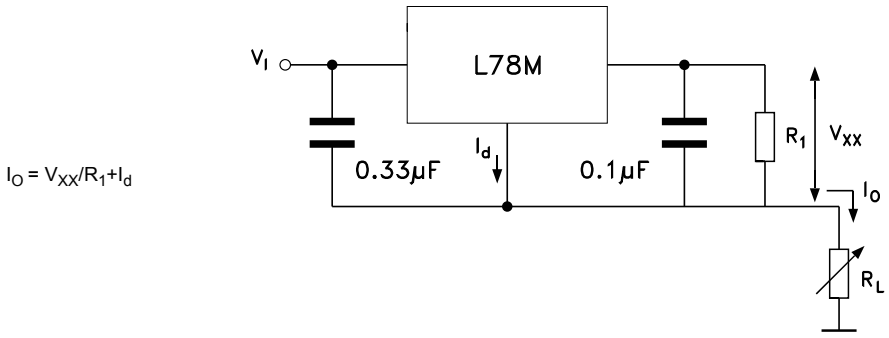

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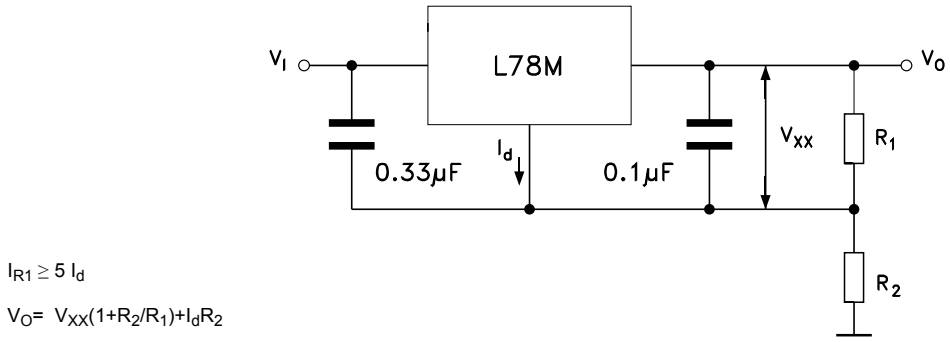
Figure 19. **Circuit for increasing output voltage**



$I_{R1} \geq 5\ I_d$

$V_O = V_{XX}(1+R_2/R_1)+I_dR_2$

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Figure 20. **Adjustable output regulator (7 to 30 V)**

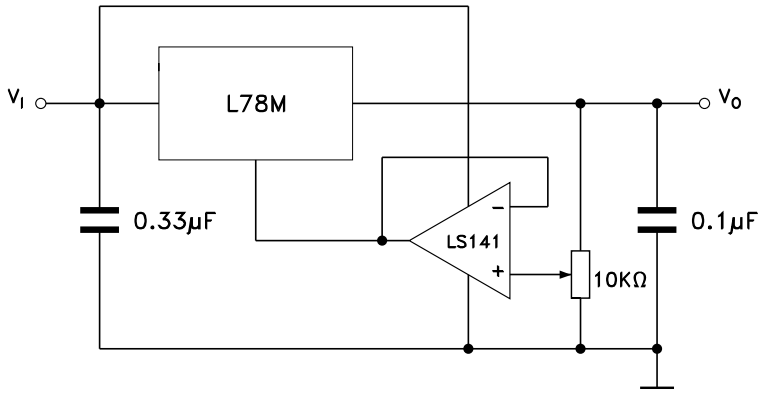

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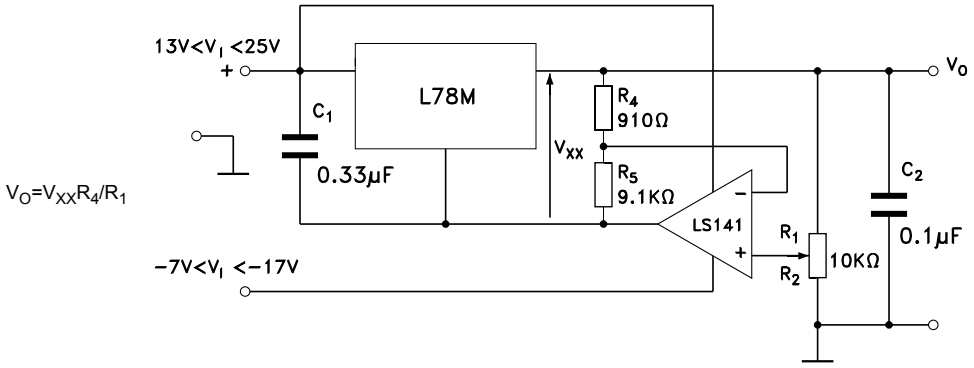
Figure 21. **0.5 to 10 V regulator**



$V_O = V_{XX}R_4/R_1$

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Figure 22. **High current voltage regulator**

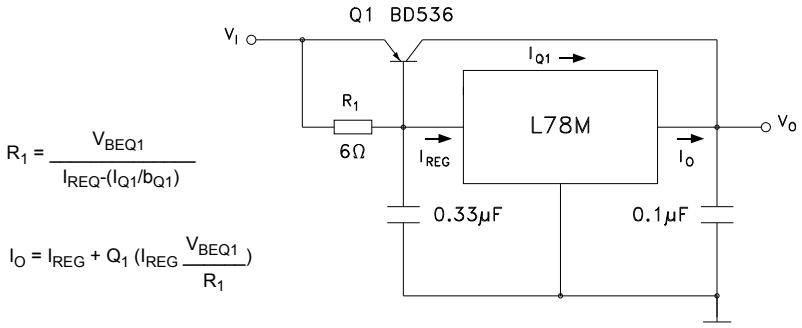

Figure 23. **High output current with short circuit protection**

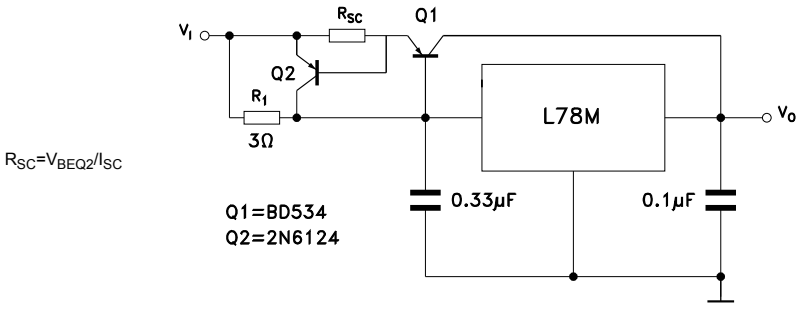

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Figure 24. **Tracking voltage regulator**

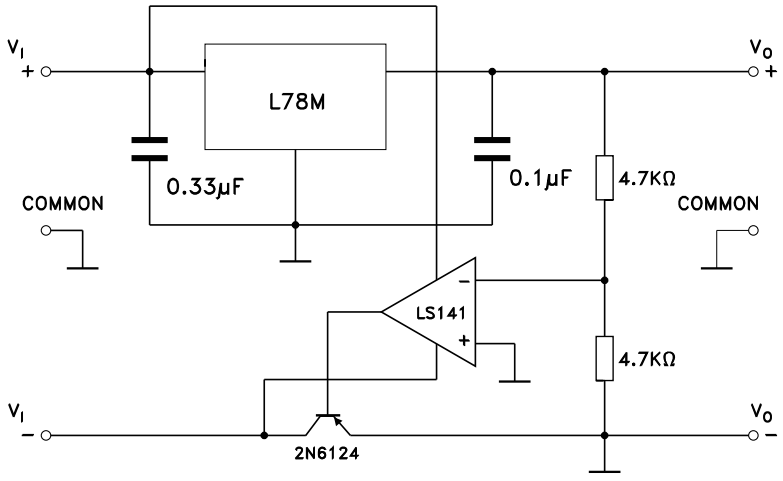

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Figure 25. **High input voltage circuit**

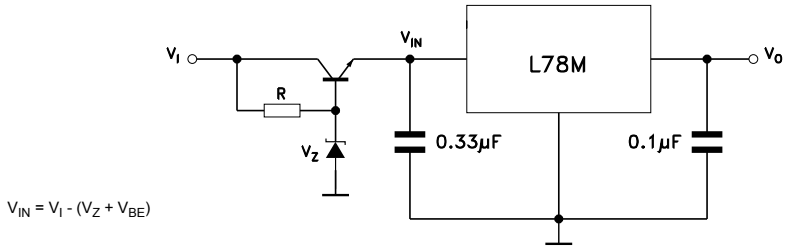

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Figure 26. **Reducing power dissipation with dropping resistor**

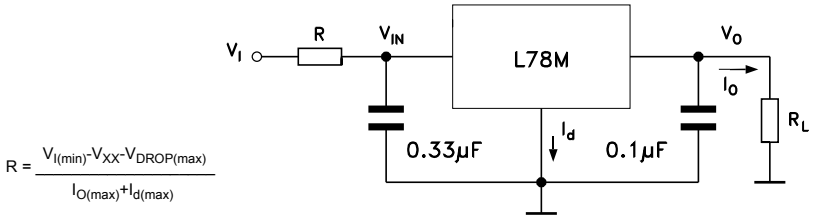

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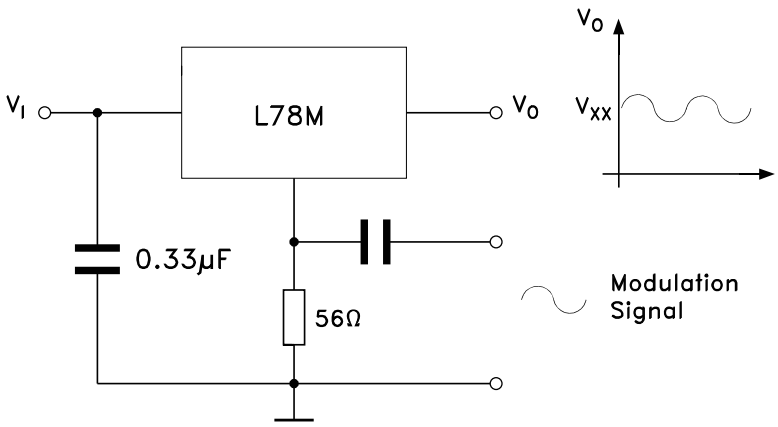
Figure 27. **Power AM modulator (unity voltage gain, $I_O \leq 0.5$)**



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Note: The circuit performs well up to 100 kHz.

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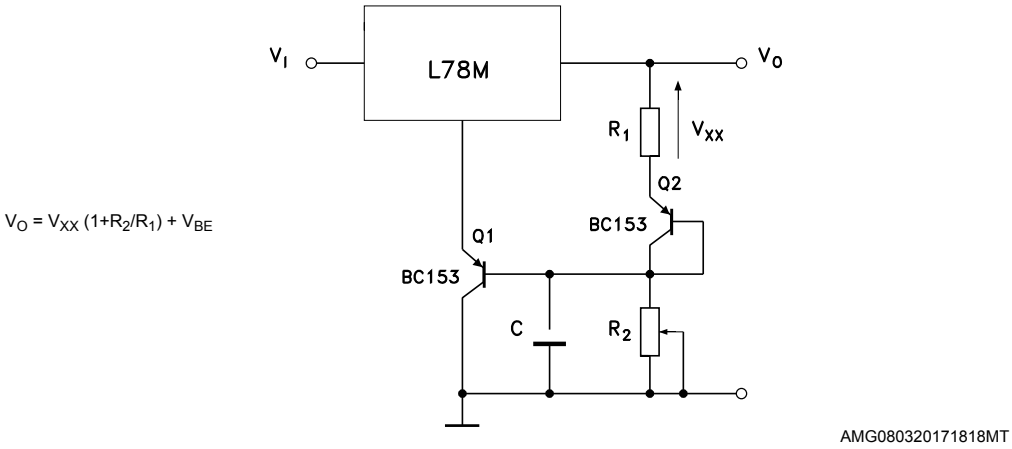
Figure 28. Adjustable output voltage with temperature compensation



Note: Q_2 is connected as a diode in order to compensate the variation of the Q_1 V_{BE} with the temperature. C allows a slow rise time of the V_O.

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8 Package information

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of ECOPACK packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: www.st.com. ECOPACK is an ST trademark.

8.1 TO-220 (single gauge) package information

Figure 29. TO-220 (single gauge) package outline

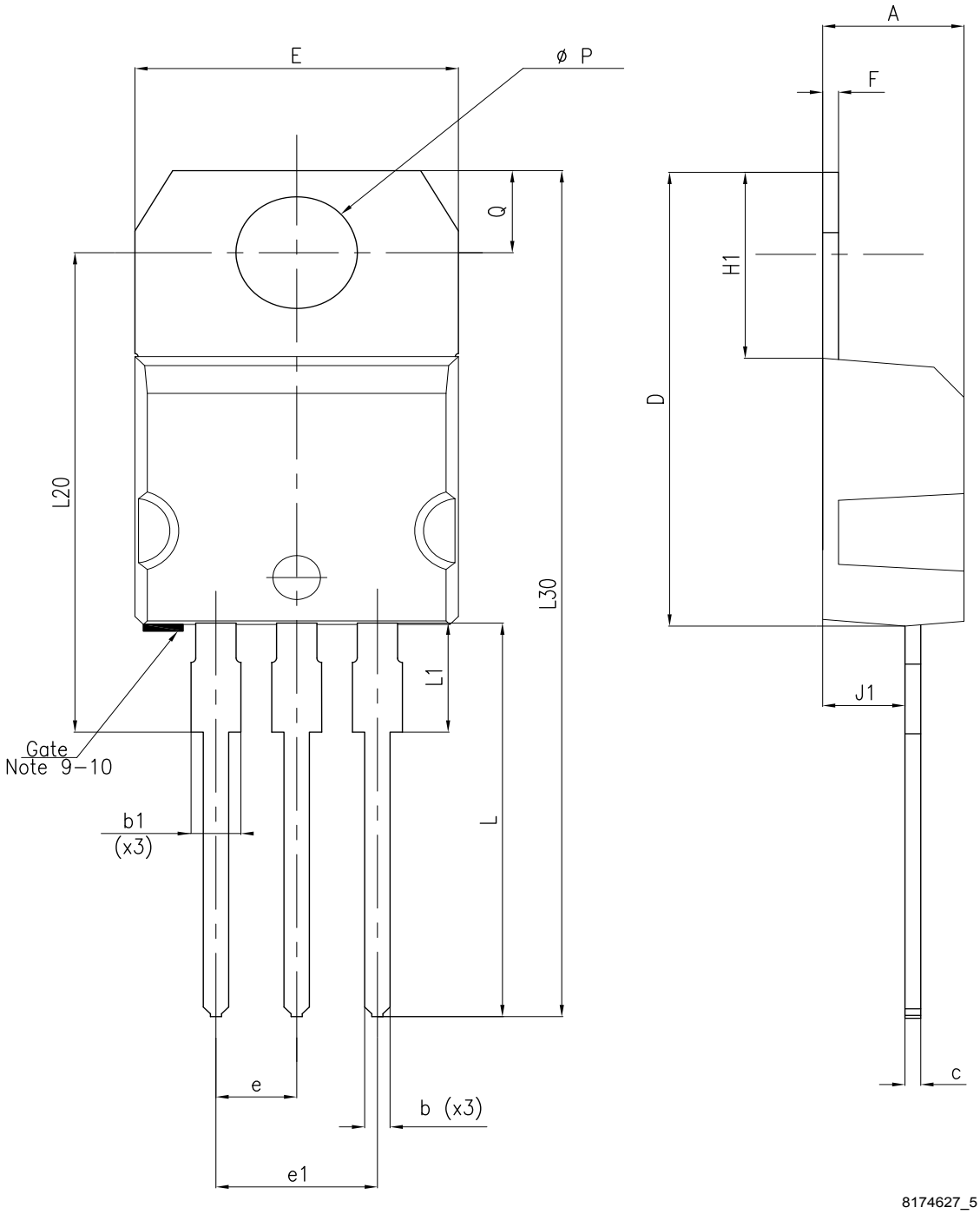

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Table 18. **TO-220 (single gauge) mechanical data**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	4.40		4.60
b	0.61		0.88
b1	1.14		1.70
c	0.48		0.70
D	15.25		15.75
E	10.00		10.40
e	2.40		2.70
e1	4.95		5.15
F	0.51		0.60
H1	6.20		6.60
J1	2.40		2.72
L	13.00		14.00
L1	3.50		3.93
L20		16.40	
L30		28.90	
∅P	3.75		3.85
Q	2.65		2.95

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8.2 TO-220 (dual gauge) package information

Figure 30. **TO-220 (dual gauge) package outline**

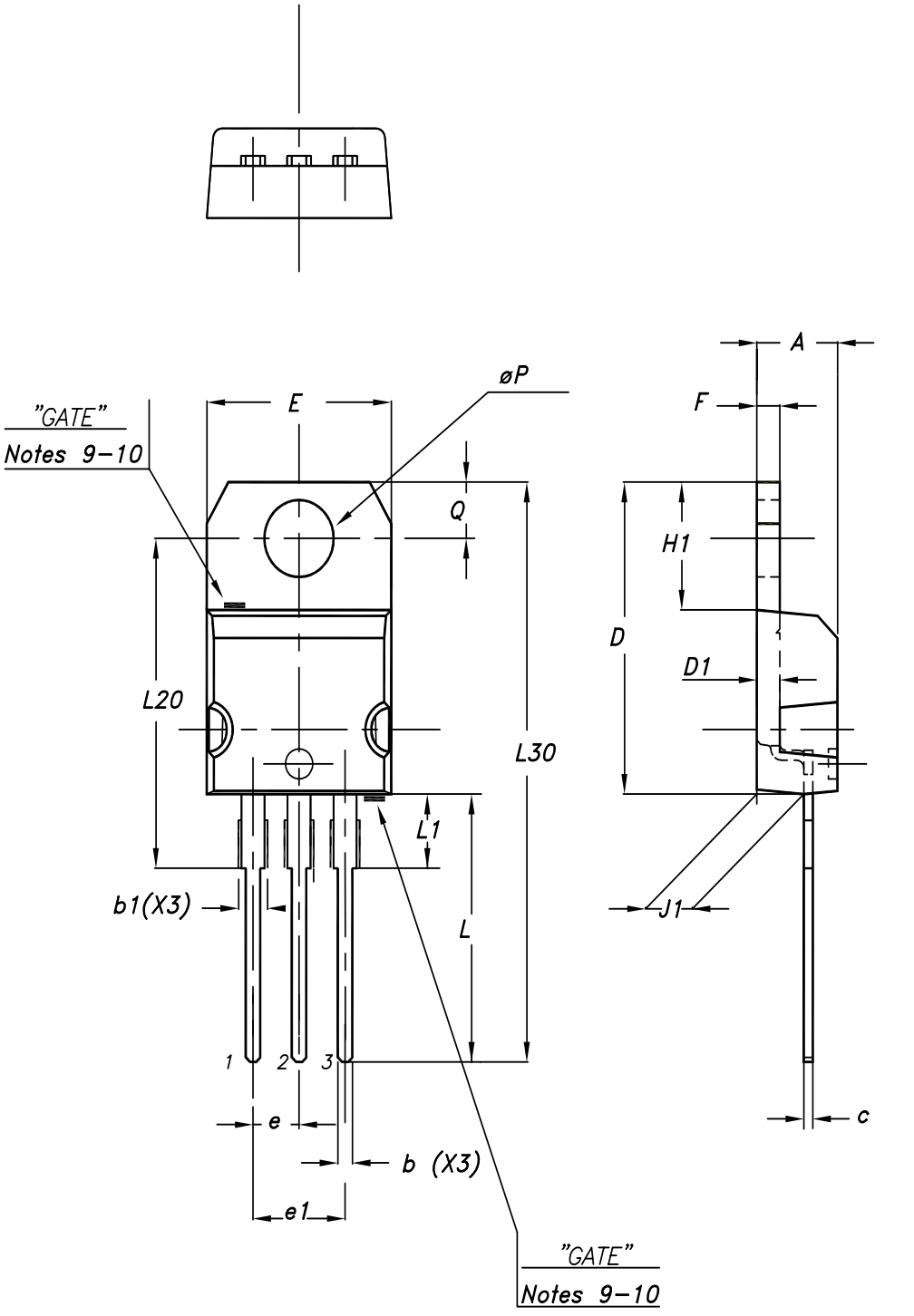

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Table 19. **TO-220 (dual gauge) mechanical data**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	4.40		4.60
b	0.61		0.88
b1	1.14		1.70
c	0.48		0.70
D	15.25		15.75
D1		1.27	
E	10		10.40
e	2.40		2.70
e1	4.95		5.15
F	1.23		1.32
H1	6.20		6.60
J1	2.40		2.72
L	13		14
L1	3.50		3.93
L20		16.40	
L30		28.90	
∅P	3.75		3.85
Q	2.65		2.95

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8.3 TO-220FP type A package information

Figure 31. **TO-220FP package outline**

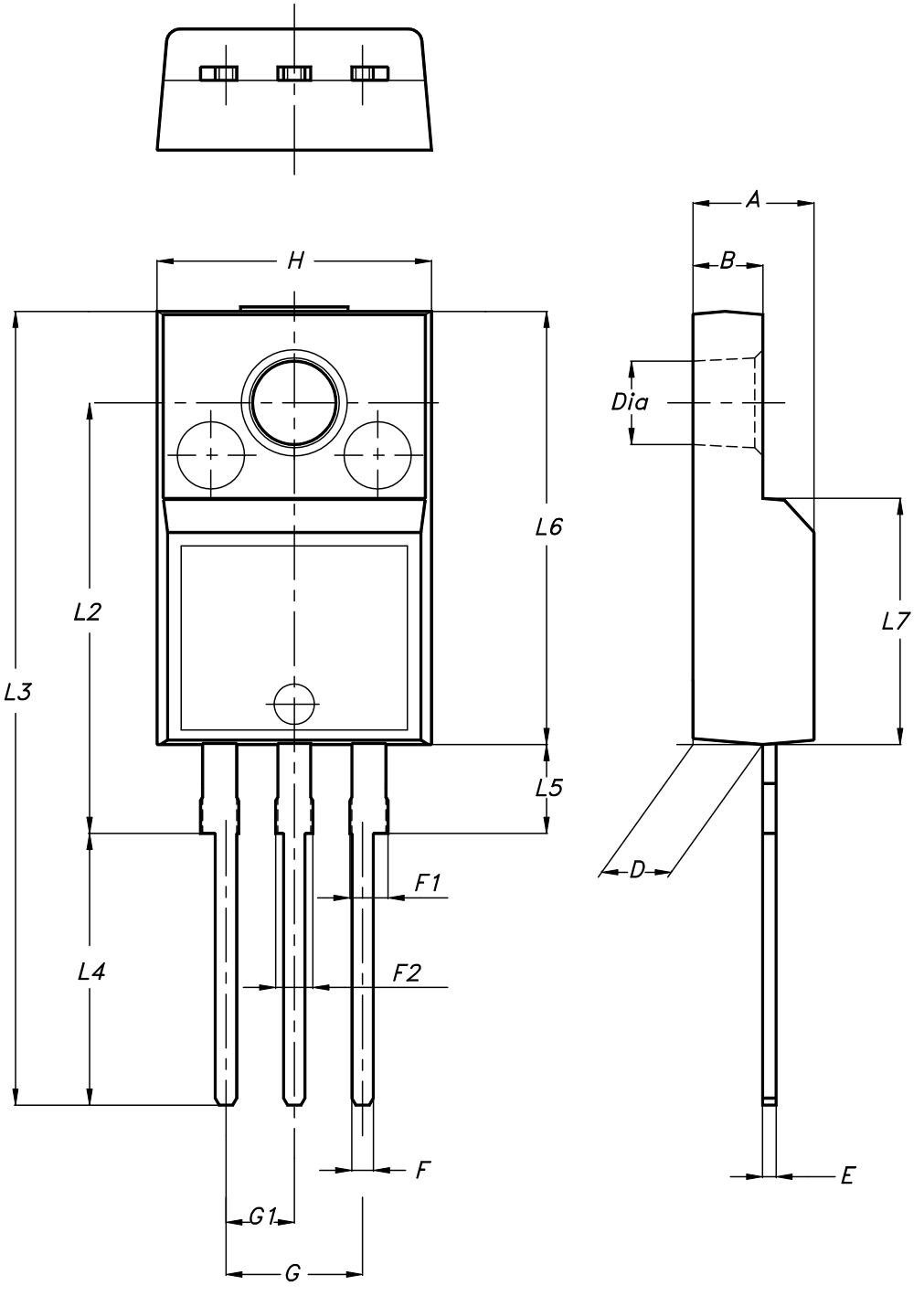

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Table 20. **TO-220FP package mechanical data**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	4.4		4.6
B	2.5		2.7
D	2.5		2.75
E	0.45		0.7
F	0.75		1
F1	1.15		1.70
F2	1.15		1.70
G	4.95		5.2
G1	2.4		2.7
H	10		10.4
L2		16	
L3	28.6		30.6
L4	9.8		10.6
L5	2.9		3.6
L6	15.9		16.4
L7	9		9.3
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8.4 DPAK (TO-252) package information

Table 21. **DPAK (TO-252) mechanical data (type A)**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	2.20		2.40
A1	0.90		1.10
A2	0.03		0.23
b	0.64		0.90
b4	5.20		5.40
c	0.45		0.60
c2	0.48		0.60
D	6.00		6.20
D1	4.95	5.10	5.25
E	6.40		6.60
E1	4.60	4.70	4.80
e	2.159	2.286	2.143
e1	4.445	4.572	4.699
H	9.35		10.10
L	1.00		1.50
L1	2.60	2.80	3.00
L2	0.65	0.80	0.95
L4	0.60		1.00
R		0.20	
V2	0°		8°

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Figure 32. **DPAK (TO-252) package outline A**

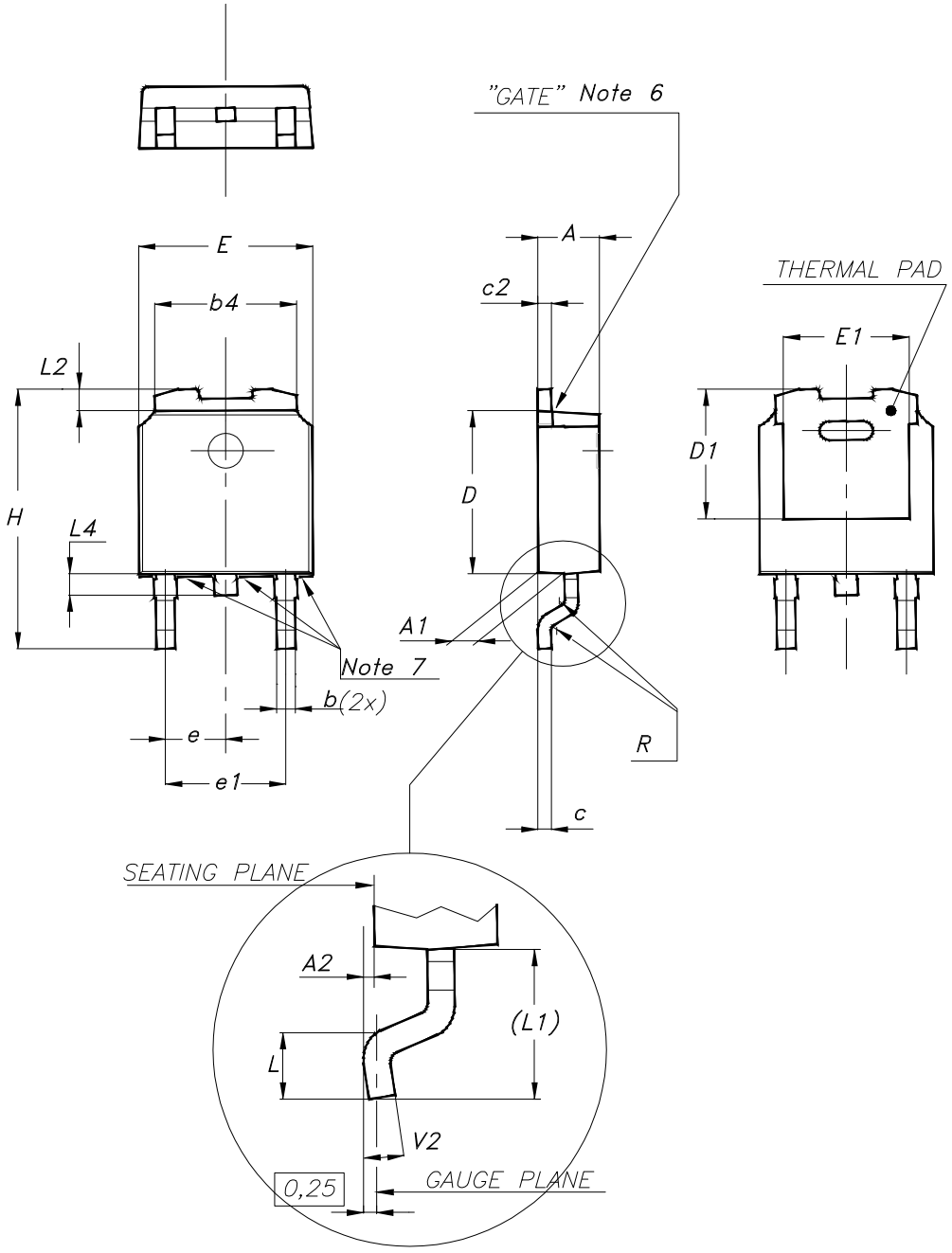

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Table 22. **DPAK(TO-252) mechanical data (type E)**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	2.18		2.39
A2			0.13
b	0.65		0.884
b4	4.95		5.46
c	0.46		0.61
c2	0.46		0.60
D	5.97		6.22
D1	5.21		
E	6.35		6.73
E1	4.32		
e		2.286	
e1		4.572	
H	9.94		10.34
L	1.50		1.78
L1		2.74	
L2	0.89		1.27
L4			1.02

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Figure 33. **DPAK (TO-252) package outline E**

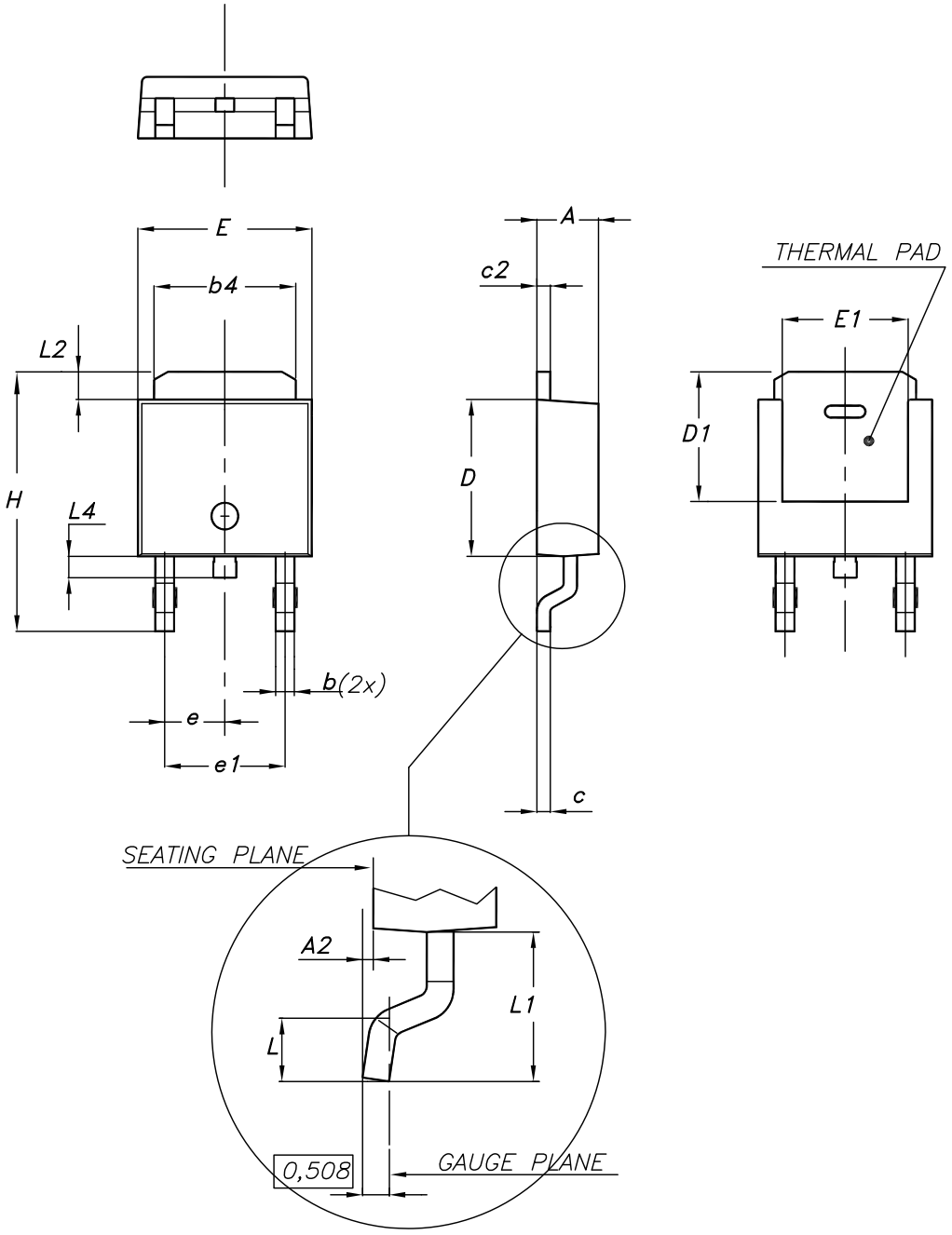

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Table 23. **DPAK (TO-252) mechanical data type I**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	2.20	2.30	2.38
A1	0.90	1.01	1.10
A2	0.00	-	0.10
b	0.77	-	0.89
b1	0.76	0.81	0.86
b2	0.77	-	1.10
b3	5.23	5.33	5.43
c	0.47	-	0.60
c1	0.46	0.51	0.56
c2	0.47	-	0.60
D	6.00	6.10	6.20
D1	5.25	5.40	5.60
E	6.50	6.60	6.70
E1	4.70	4.85	5.00
e		2.286 BSC	
H	9.80	10.10	10.40
L	1.40	1.50	1.70
L1		2.90 REF	
L2	0.90	-	1.25
L3		0.51 BSC	
L4	0.60	0.80	1.00
L5	0.90	-	1.50
L6		1.80 BSC	
Θ	0°	-	8°
Θ1	3°	5°	7°
Θ2	1°	3°	5°

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Figure 34. **DPAK (TO-252) package outline I**

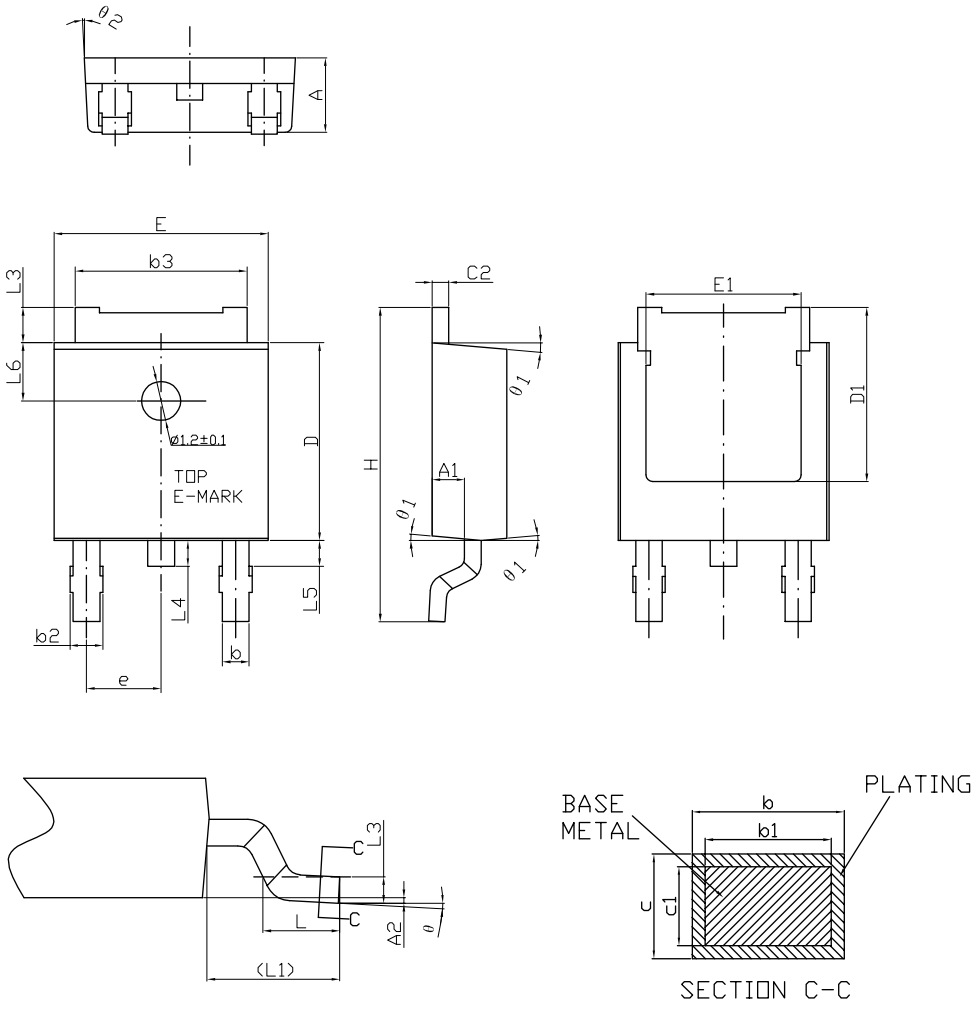

Table 24. **DPAK footprint data**

Values		
	mm.	inch.
A	6.70	0.264
B	6.70	0.64
C	1.80	0.070
D	3.00	0.118
E	1.60	0.063
F	2.30	0.091
G	2.30	0.091

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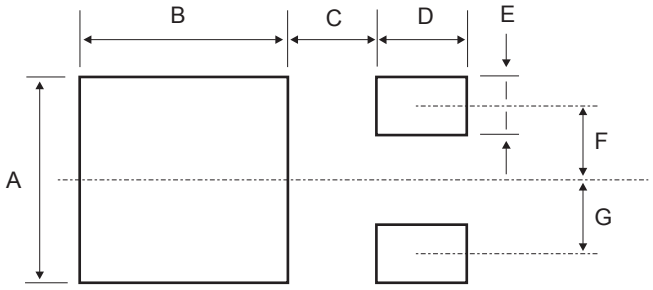
Figure 35. **DPAK footprint recommended data**



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8.5 DPAK packing information

Figure 36. **DPAK tape**

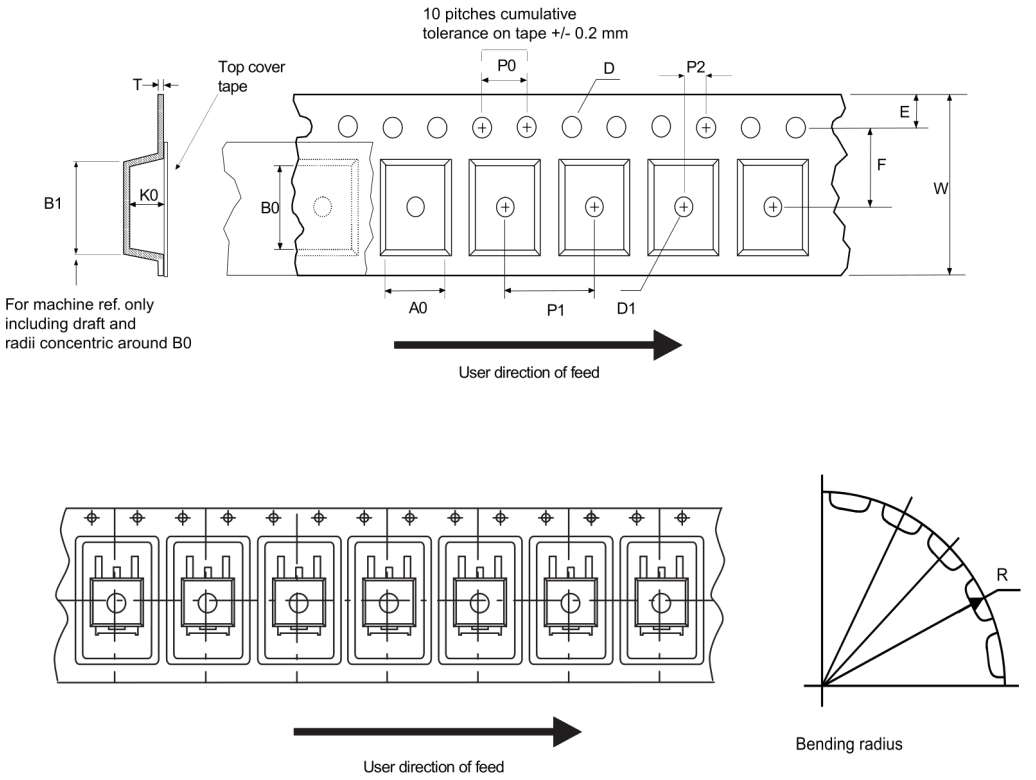

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Figure 37. **DPAK reel**

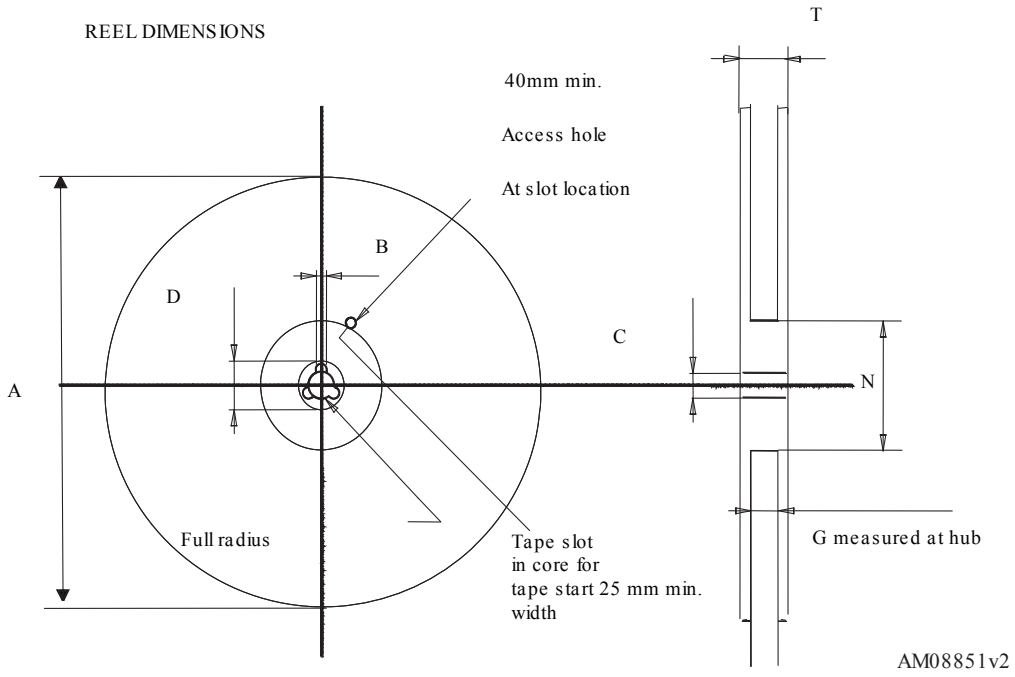

Table 25. **DPAK tape and reel mechanical data**

Tape			Reel		
Dim.	mm		Dim.	mm	
	Min.	Max.		Min.	Max.
A0	6.8	7	A		330
B0	10.4	10.6	B	1.5	
B1		12.1	C	12.8	13.2
D	1.5	1.6	D	20.2	
D1	1.5		G	16.4	18.4
E	1.65	1.85	N	50	
F	7.4	7.6	T		22.4
K0	2.55	2.75			
P0	3.9	4.1	Base qty.		2500
P1	7.9	8.1	Bulk qty.		2500
P2	1.9	2.1			
R	40				
T	0.25	0.35			
W	15.7	16.3			

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8.6 IPAK package information

Figure 38. **IPAK package outline**

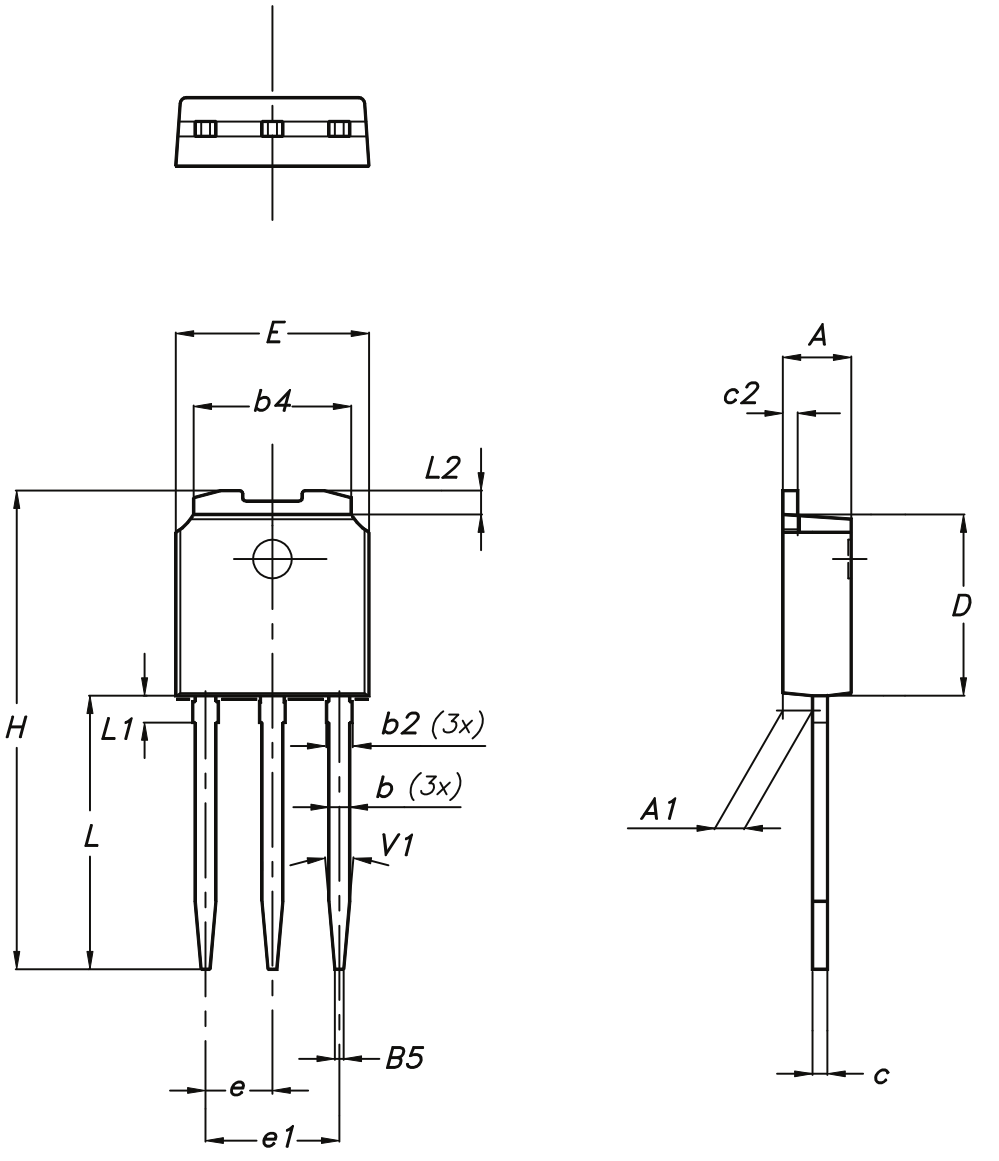

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Table 26. **IPAK mechanical data**

Dim.	mm		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	2.20		2.40
A1	0.90		1.10
b	0.64		0.90
b2			0.95
b4	5.20		5.40
B5		0.30	
c	0.45		0.60
c2	0.48		0.60
D	6.00		6.20
E	6.40		6.60
e		2.28	
e1	4.40		4.60
H		16.10	
L	9.00		9.40
L1	0.80		1.20
L2		0.80	1.00
V1		10°	

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9 Ordering information

Table 27. **Order code**

Order codes					Output voltages
TO-220 (single gauge)	TO-220 (dual gauge)	TO-220FP	DPAK	IPAK	
L78M05ABV	L78M05ABV-DG		L78M05ABDT-TR		5 V
			L78M05ACDT-TR		
L78M05CV	L78M05CV-DG	L78M05CP	L78M05CDT-TR	L78M05CDT-1	5 V
			L78M06ABDT-TR		6 V
			L78M06CDT-TR		6 V
			L78M08ABDT-TR		8 V
L78M08CV	L78M08CV-DG		L78M08CDT-TR		8 V
			L78M09ABDT-TR		9 V
L78M09CV	L78M09CV-DG		L78M09CDT-TR		9 V
			L78M10ABDT-TR		10 V
			L78M12ABDT-TR		12 V
			L78M12ACDT-TR		12 V
L78M12CV	L78M12CV-DG		L78M12CDT-TR		12 V
L78M15ABV	L78M15ABV-DG		L78M15ABDT-TR		15 V
L78M15CV	L78M15CV-DG		L78M15CDT-TR		15 V
			L78M24ABDT-TR		24 V
			L78M24ACDT-TR		24 V
L78M24CV	L78M24CV-DG		L78M24CDT-TR		24 V

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Table 28. **Document revision history**

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07-Sep-2020	24	Updated Table 21. DPAK (TO-252) mechanical data (type A).

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