



## LM2990 Negative Low-Dropout Regulator

### 1 Features

- Input Voltage:  $-26\text{ V}$  to  $-6\text{ V}$
- Fixed Output Voltages:  $-5\text{ V}$ ,  $-5.2\text{ V}$ ,  $-12\text{ V}$ , and  $-15\text{ V}$
- 5% Output Accuracy over Entire Operating Range
- Output Current in Excess of  $1\text{ A}$
- Dropout Voltage Typically  $0.6\text{ V}$  at  $1\text{-A}$  Load
- Low Quiescent Current
- Internal Short-Circuit Current Limit
- Internal Thermal Shutdown with Hysteresis
- Functional Complement to the LM2940 Series

### 2 Applications

- Post Switcher Regulator
- Local, On-Card Regulation
- Battery Operated Equipment

### 3 Description

The LM2990 is a three-terminal, low-dropout,  $1\text{-A}$  negative voltage regulator available with fixed output voltages of  $-5\text{ V}$ ,  $-5.2\text{ V}$ ,  $-12\text{ V}$ , and  $-15\text{ V}$ .

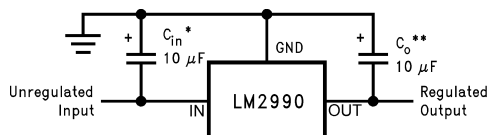
The LM2990 uses circuit design techniques to provide low-dropout and low-quiescent current. The dropout voltage at  $1\text{-A}$  load current is typically  $0.6\text{ V}$  and an ensured worst-case maximum of  $1\text{ V}$  over the entire operating temperature range. The quiescent current is typically  $1\text{ mA}$  with  $1\text{-A}$  load current and an input-output voltage differential greater than  $3\text{ V}$ . A unique circuit design of the internal bias supply limits the quiescent current to only  $9\text{ mA}$  (typical) when the regulator is in the dropout mode ( $V_{\text{OUT}} - V_{\text{IN}} \leq 3\text{ V}$ ). Output voltage accuracy is ensured to  $\pm 5\%$  over load and temperature extremes.

The LM2990 also implements short-circuit proof, and thermal shutdown includes hysteresis to enhance the reliability of the device when overloaded for an extended period of time.

All these features make the LM2990 an ideal negative power supply suited for dual supply systems. The device may also be used as fixed or adjustable current sink load.

The LM2990 is available in two 3-pin packages and is rated for operation over the junction temperature range of  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

#### Typical Application



\* and \*\*: Required for stability. Must be at least a  $10\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  aluminum electrolytic or a  $1\text{-}\mu\text{F}$  solid tantalum to maintain stability. May be increased without bound to maintain regulation during transients. Locate the capacitor as close as possible to the regulator. The equivalent series resistance (ESR) is critical, and should be less than  $10\text{ }\Omega$  over the same operating temperature range as the regulator.

#### Device Information<sup>(1)</sup>

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
LM2990	DDPAK/TO-263 (3)	10.20 mm x 9.00 mm
	TO-220 (3)	14.99 mm x 10.16 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the datasheet.



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## 4 Revision History

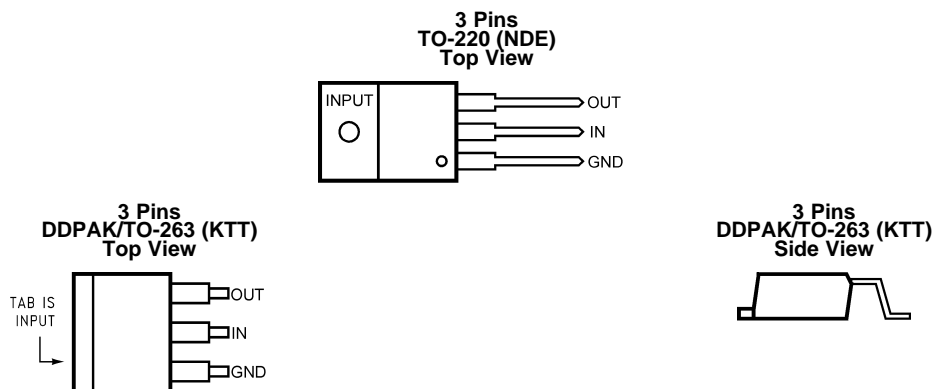
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## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



**Pin Functions**

PIN		I/O	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
GND	1	—	Ground.
IN	2	I	Input voltage.
OUT	3	O	Regulated output voltage.

## 6 Specifications

### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
Input voltage	–26	0.3	V
Power dissipation <sup>(3)</sup>	Internally limited		
Junction temperature ( $T_{Jmax}$ )		125	°C
Storage temperature, $T_{stg}$	–65	150	°C

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) The maximum power dissipation is a function of  $T_{Jmax}$ ,  $R_{\theta JA}$ , and  $T_A$ . The maximum allowable power dissipation at any ambient temperature is  $PD = (T_{Jmax} - T_A)/R_{\theta JA}$ . If this dissipation is exceeded, the die temperature will rise above 125°C, and the LM2990 will eventually go into thermal shutdown at a  $T_J$  of approximately 160°C. Please refer to [Thermal Information](#) for more details.

### 6.2 ESD Ratings

	VALUE	UNIT
$V_{(ESD)}$ Electrostatic discharge Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 <sup>(1)</sup>	±2000	V

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) <sup>(1)</sup>

	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
Junction temperature ( $T_J$ )	–40		125	°C
Input voltage (operational)	–26		–6	V

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

### 6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>		LM2990S	LM2990T	UNIT
		TO-263 (KTT)	TO-220 (NDE)	
		3 PINS	3 PINS	
$R_{\theta JA}$	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance, High-K	41.3	22.8	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(top)}$	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	43	15.7	
$R_{\theta JB}$	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	23.2	4.2	
$\Psi_{JT}$	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	11.3	2.2	
$\Psi_{JB}$	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	20.4	4.2	
$R_{\theta JC(bot)}$	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	0.5	0.7	

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](#).

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics: –5 V and –5.2 V

$V_{IN} = -5\text{ V} + V_{OUT(NOM)}^{(1)}$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 47\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , unless otherwise specified. All limits apply for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise indicated in the Test Conditions.

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	LM2990 –5V			LM2990 –5.2V			UNIT
		MIN <sup>(2)</sup>	TYP <sup>(3)</sup>	MAX <sup>(2)</sup>	MIN <sup>(2)</sup>	TYP <sup>(3)</sup>	MAX <sup>(2)</sup>	
Output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ )	$5\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$	–5.1	–5	–4.9	–5.3	–5.2	–5.1	V
	$5\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$	–5.25	–5	–4.75	–5.46	–5.2	–4.94	V
Line regulation	$I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$ , $V_{O(NOM)} - 1\text{ V} > V_{IN} > -26\text{ V}$		4	40		4	40	mV
Load regulation	$50\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$		1	40		1	40	mV
Dropout voltage	$I_{OUT} = 0.1\text{ A}$ , $\Delta V_{OUT} \leq 100\text{ mV}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$		0.1	0.3		0.1	0.3	V
	$I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ , $\Delta V_{OUT} \leq 100\text{ mV}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$		0.6	1		0.6	1	V
Quiescent current ( $I_q$ )	$I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$		1	5		1	5	mA
	$I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ , $V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOM)}$		9	50		9	50	
Short circuit current	$R_L = 1\text{ }\Omega^{(4)}$	1.5	1.8		1.5	1.8		A
Maximum output current	See <sup>(4)</sup>	1.5	1.8		1.5	1.8		A
Ripple rejection	$V_{ripple} = 1\text{ V}_{rms}$ , $f_{ripple} = 1\text{ kHz}$ , $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$	50	58		50	58		dB <sub>(min)</sub>
Output noise voltage	10 Hz to 100 kHz, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$		250	750		250	750	$\mu\text{V}_{(max)}$
Long-term stability	1000 Hours		2000			2000		ppm

(1)  $V_{OUT(NOM)}$  is the nominal (typical) regulator output voltage, –5 V, –5.2 V, –12 V or –15 V.

(2) Limits are specified and 100% production tested.

(3) Typicals are at  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$  and represent the most likely parametric norm.

(4) The short circuit current is less than the maximum output current with the –12 V and –15 V versions due to internal foldback current limiting. The –5 V and –5.2 V versions, tested with a lower input voltage, does not reach the foldback current limit and therefore conducts a higher short circuit current level. If the LM2990 output is pulled above ground, the maximum allowed current sunk back into the LM2990 is 1.5 A.

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### 6.6 Electrical Characteristics: –12 V and –15 V

$V_{IN} = -5\text{ V} + V_{OUT(NOM)}^{(1)}$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 47\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , unless otherwise specified. All limits apply for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise indicated in the Test Conditions.

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	LM2990 –12V			LM2990 –15V			UNIT
		MIN <sup>(2)</sup>	TYP <sup>(3)</sup>	MAX <sup>(2)</sup>	MIN <sup>(2)</sup>	TYP <sup>(3)</sup>	MAX <sup>(2)</sup>	
Output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ )	$5\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$	–12.24	–12	–11.76	–15.30	–15	–14.70	V
	$5\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$	–12.60	–12	–11.40	–15.75	–15	–14.25	V
Line regulation	$I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$ , $V_{OUT(NOM)} - 1\text{ V} > V_{IN} > -26\text{ V}$		6	60		6	60	mV
Load regulation	$50\text{ mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$		3	50		3	50	mV
Dropout voltage	$I_{OUT} = 0.1\text{ A}$ , $\Delta V_{OUT} \leq 100\text{ mV}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$		0.1	0.3		0.1	0.3	V
	$I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ , $\Delta V_{OUT} \leq 100\text{ mV}$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ\text{C}$		0.6	1		0.6	1	V
Quiescent current ( $I_Q$ )	$I_{OUT} \leq 1\text{ A}$		1	5		1	5	mA
	$I_{OUT} = 1\text{ A}$ , $V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOM)}$		9	50		9	50	
Short circuit current	$R_L = 1\text{ }\Omega^{(4)}$	0.9	1.2		0.75	1.2		A
Maximum output current	See <sup>(4)</sup>	1.4	1.8		1.4	1.8		A
Ripple rejection	$V_{ripple} = 1\text{ V}_{rms}$ , $f_{ripple} = 1\text{ kHz}$ , $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$	42	52		42	52		dB <sub>(min)</sub>
Output noise voltage	10 Hz to 100 kHz, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{ mA}$		500	1500		500	1500	$\mu\text{V}_{(max)}$
Long-term stability	1000 hours		2000			2000		ppm

(1)  $V_{OUT(NOM)}$  is the nominal (typical) regulator output voltage, –5 V, –5.2 V, –12 V or –15 V.

(2) Limits are specified and 100% production tested.

(3) Typicals are at  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$  and represent the most likely parametric norm.

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### 6.7 Typical Characteristics

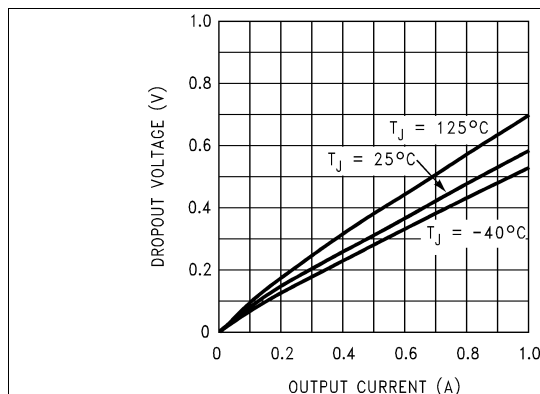


Figure 1. Dropout Voltage

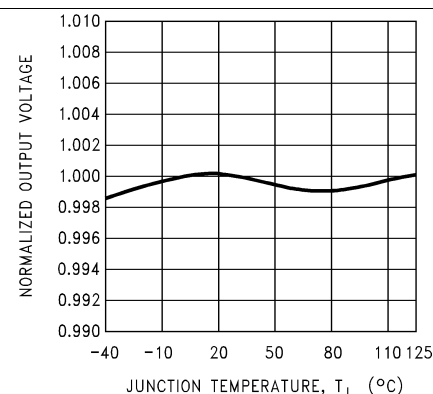
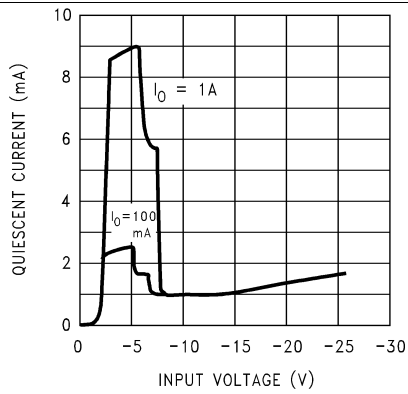
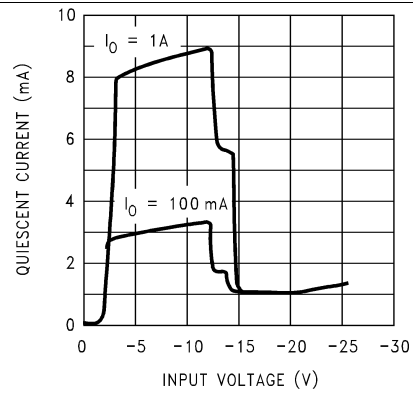


Figure 2. Normalized Output Voltage

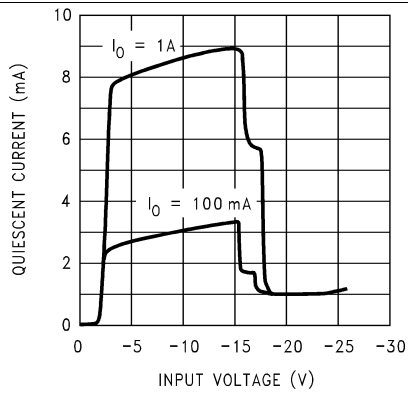
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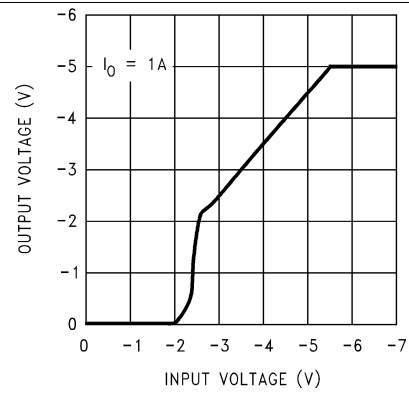
**Figure 3. LM2990-5.0 and LM2990-5.2 Quiescent Current**



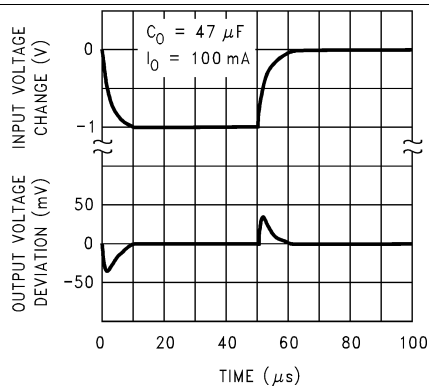
**Figure 4. LM2990-12 Quiescent Current**



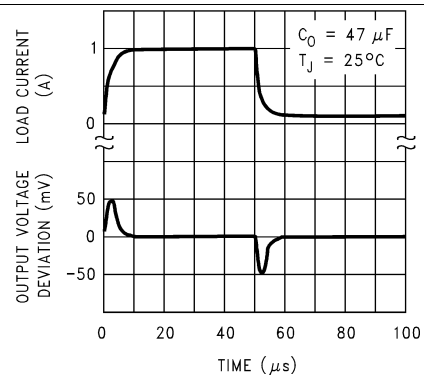
**Figure 5. LM2990-15 Quiescent Current**



**Figure 6. LM2990-5 and LM2990-5.2 Low Voltage Behavior**



**Figure 7. LM2990-5 and LM2990-5.2 Line Transient Response**



**Figure 8. LM2990-5 and LM2990-5.2 Load Transient Response**

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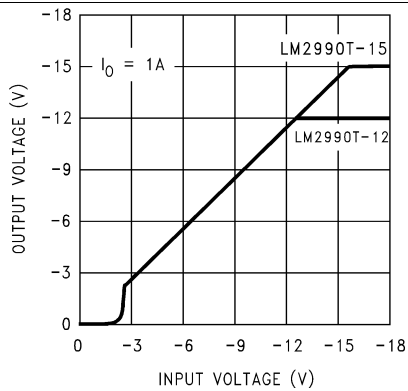


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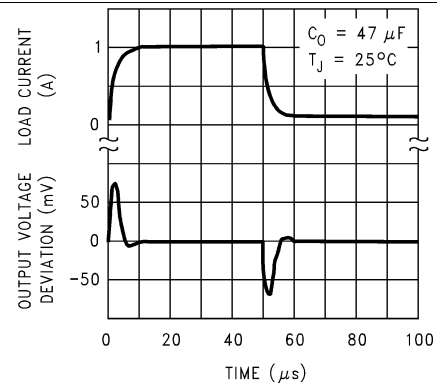


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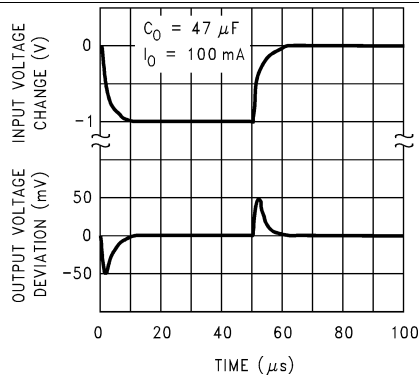


Figure 11. LM2990-12 and LM2990-15 Load Transient Response

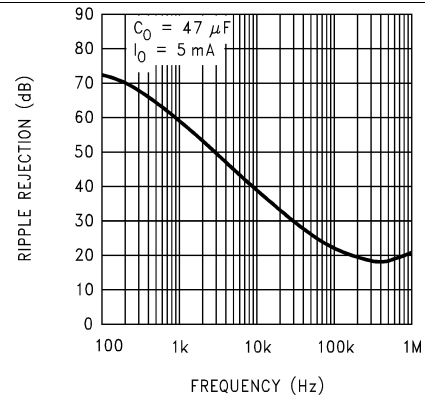


Figure 12. LM2990-5 and LM2990-5.2 Ripple Rejection

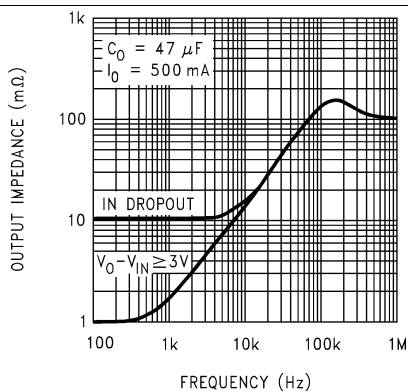


Figure 13. LM2990-5 and LM2990-5.2 Output Impedance

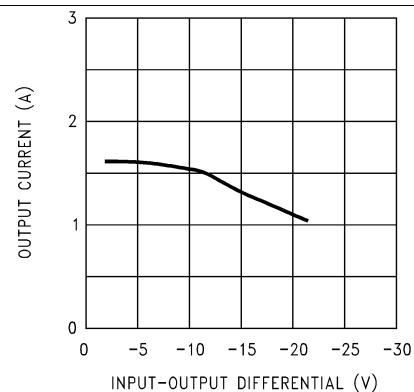
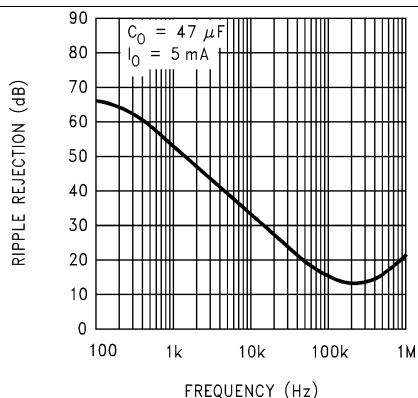


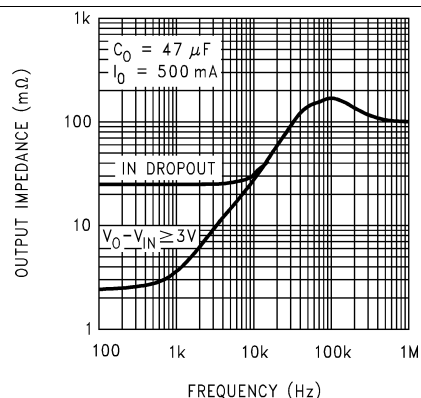
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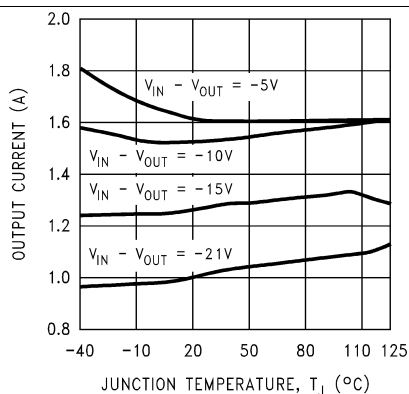
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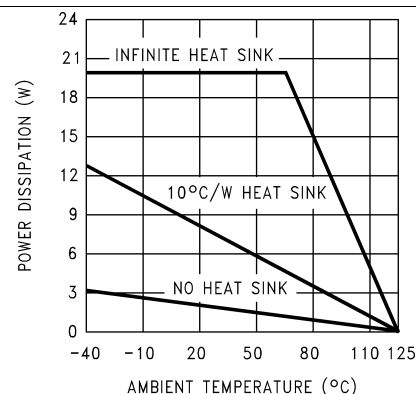
**Figure 15. LM2990-12 and LM2990-15 Ripple Rejection**



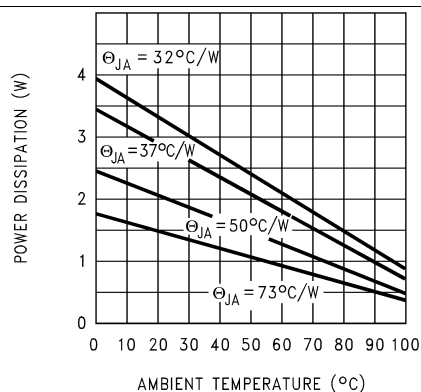
**Figure 16. LM2990-12 and LM2990-15 Output Impedance**



**Figure 17. Maximum Output Current**



**Figure 18. Maximum Power Dissipation (TO-220)**



The maximum power dissipation is a function of  $T_{Jmax}$ ,  $R_{\theta JA}$ , and  $T_A$ . The maximum allowable power dissipation at any ambient temperature is  $P_D = (T_{Jmax} - T_A)/R_{\theta JA}$ . If this dissipation is exceeded, the die temperature will rise above 125°C, and the LM2990 will eventually go into thermal shutdown at a  $T_J$  of approximately 160°C. Please refer to [Thermal Information](#) for more details.

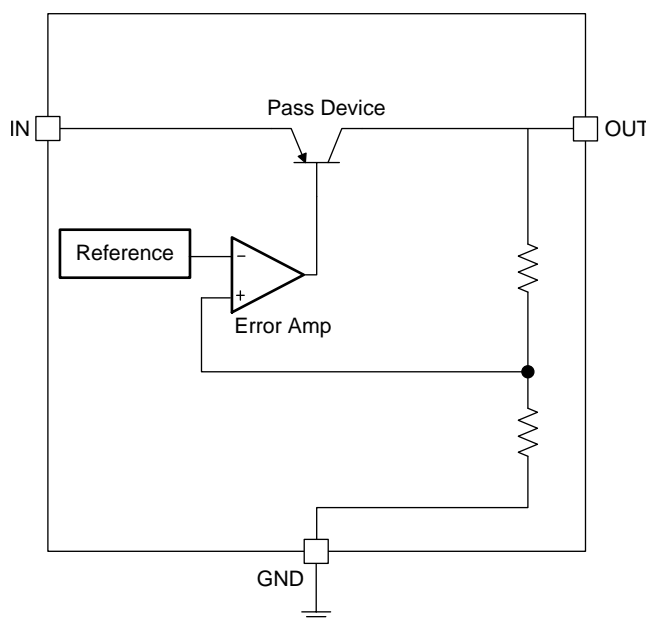
**Figure 19. Maximum Power Dissipation (TO-263)**

## 7 Detailed Description

### 7.1 Overview

The LM2990 is a three-terminal, low dropout, 1-A negative voltage regulator available with fixed output voltages of -5, -5.2, -12, and -15 V. The LM2990 is a negative power supply ideally suited for a dual-supply system when using together with LM2940 series. The device may also be used as a fixed or adjustable current sink load.

### 7.2 Functional Block Diagram



### 7.3 Feature Description

#### 7.3.1 Fixed Output-Voltage Options

The LM2990 provides 4 fixed output options: -5 V, -5.2 V, -12 V, and -15 V. Output voltage accuracy is ensured to  $\pm 5\%$  over load and temperature extremes.

#### 7.3.2 Low Dropout Voltage

Generally speaking, the dropout voltage ( $V_{DO}$ ) refers to the voltage difference between the IN pin and the OUT pin when the PNP pass element is fully on and is characterized by the classic Collector-to-Emitter saturation voltage,  $V_{CE(SAT)}$ .  $V_{DO}$  indirectly specifies a minimum input voltage above the nominal programmed output voltage at which the output voltage is expected to remain within its accuracy boundary.

#### 7.3.3 Short Circuit Protection (Current Limit)

The internal current limit circuit is used to protect the LDO against high-load current faults or shorting events. The LDO is not designed to operate in a steady-state current limit. During a current-limit event, the LDO sources constant current. Therefore, the output voltage falls when load impedance decreases. Note also that if a current limit occurs and the resulting output voltage is low, excessive power may be dissipated across the LDO, resulting in a thermal shutdown of the output. A fold back feature limits the short-circuit current to protect the regulator from damage under all load conditions. If OUT is forced below 0 V before EN goes high, and the load current required exceeds the fold back current limit, the device may not start up correctly.

## Feature Description (continued)

### 7.3.4 Thermal Protection

The device contains a thermal shutdown protection circuit to turn off the output current when excessive heat is dissipated in the LDO. The thermal time-constant of the semiconductor die is fairly short, and thus the output cycles on and off at a high rate when thermal shutdown is reached until the power dissipation is reduced. The internal protection circuitry of the device is designed to protect against thermal overload conditions. The circuitry is not intended to replace proper heat sinking. Continuously running the device into thermal shutdown degrades its reliability.

## 7.4 Device Functional Modes

### 7.4.1 Operation with $V_{OUT(TARGET)} - 5\text{ V} \geq V_{IN} > -26\text{ V}$

The device operates if the input voltage is within  $V_{OUT(TARGET)} - 5\text{ V}$  to  $-26\text{ V}$  range. At input voltages beyond the  $V_{IN}$  requirement, the devices do not operate correctly, and output voltage may not reach target value.

## 8 Application and Implementation

### NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### 8.1 Application Information

The LM2990 is a 1-A negative voltage regulator with an operating  $V_{IN}$  range of  $-6\text{ V}$  to  $-26\text{ V}$ , and a regulated  $V_{OUT}$  having 5% accuracy with a maximum rated  $I_{OUT}$  current of 1 A. Efficiency is defined by the ratio of output voltage to input voltage because the LM2990 is a linear voltage regulator. To achieve high efficiency, the dropout voltage ( $V_{IN} - V_{OUT}$ ) must be as small as possible, thus requiring a very low dropout LDO.

Successfully implementing an LDO in an application depends on the application requirements. If the requirements are simply input voltage and output voltage, compliance specifications (such as internal power dissipation or stability) must be verified to ensure a solid design. If timing, start-up, noise, PSRR, or any other transient specification is required, the design becomes more challenging.

### 8.2 Typical Application

#### 8.2.1 $-5\text{ V}$ Post Regulator for an Isolated Switching Power Supply

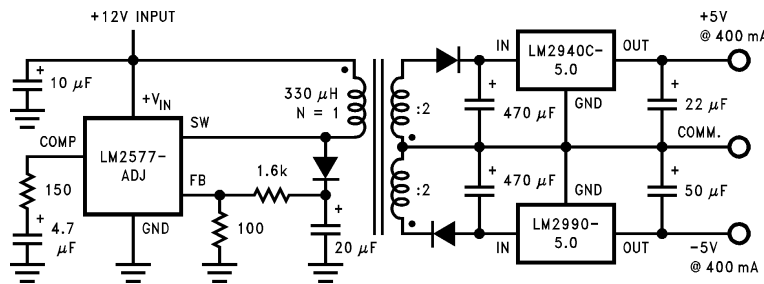


Figure 20. Post Regulator for an Isolated Switching Power Supply

##### 8.2.1.1 Design Requirements

For this design example, use the parameters listed in Table 1 as the input parameters.

Table 1. Design Parameters

DESIGN PARAMETER	DESIGN REQUIREMENT
Input voltage	$-10\text{ V}$ , provided by the DC-DC converter switching at 1 MHz
Output voltage	$-5\text{ V}$ , $\pm 10\%$
Output current	5 mA to 400 mA
RMS noise, 10 Hz to 100 kHz	$< 1\text{ mV}_{\text{RMS}}$ , $I_{\text{OUT}} = 5\text{ mA}$
PSRR at 1KHz	$> 45\text{ dB}$ , $I_{\text{OUT}} = 5\text{ mA}$

##### 8.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

At 400-mA loading, the dropout of the LM2990 has 1-V maximum dropout over temperature, thus an  $-5\text{ V}$  headroom is sufficient for operation over both input and output voltage accuracy. The efficiency of the LM2990 in this configuration is  $V_{\text{OUT}} / V_{\text{IN}} = 50\%$ .

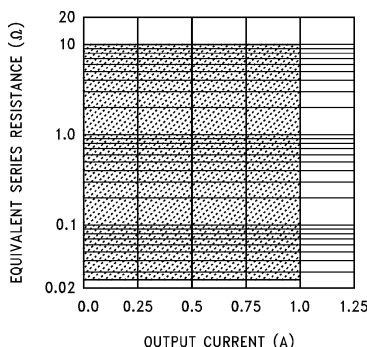
To achieve the smallest form factor, the TO-263(KTT) package is selected. Input and output capacitors should be selected in accordance with the [External Capacitors](#) section. Aluminum capacitances of 470 µF for the input and 50-µF capacitors for the output are selected. With an efficiency of 50% and a 400-mA maximum load, the internal power dissipation is 2000 mW, which corresponds to 82.5°C junction temperature rise for the TO-263 package. With a 25°C ambient temperature, the junction temperature is at 107.5°C.

### 8.2.1.2.1 External Capacitors

The LM2990 regulator requires an output capacitor to maintain stability. The capacitor must be at least 10- $\mu$ F aluminum electrolytic or 1- $\mu$ F solid tantalum. The equivalent series resistance (ESR) of the output capacitor must be less than 10  $\Omega$ , or the zero added to the regulator frequency response by the ESR could reduce the phase margin, creating oscillations. An input capacitor, of at least 1- $\mu$ F solid tantalum or 10- $\mu$ F aluminum electrolytic, is also needed if the regulator is situated more than 6 from the input power supply filter.

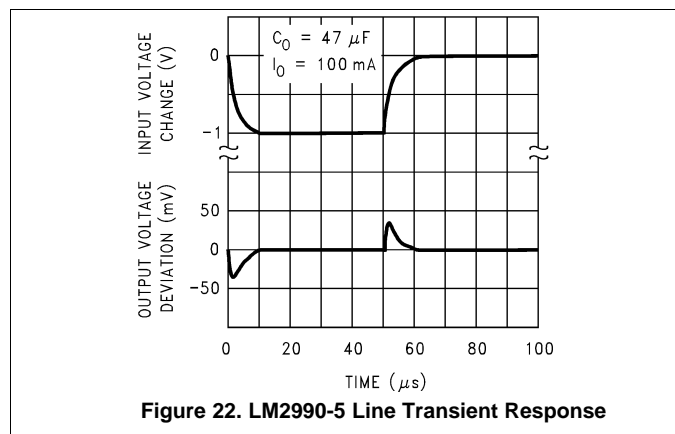
### 8.2.1.2.2 Forcing The Output Positive

Due to an internal clamp circuit, the LM2990 can withstand positive voltages on its output. If the voltage source pulling the output positive is DC, the current must be limited to 1.5 A. A current over 1.5 A fed back into the LM2990 could damage the device. The LM2990 output can also withstand fast positive voltage transients up to 26V, without any current limiting of the source. However, if the transients have a duration of over 1 ms, the output should be clamped with a Schottky diode to ground.

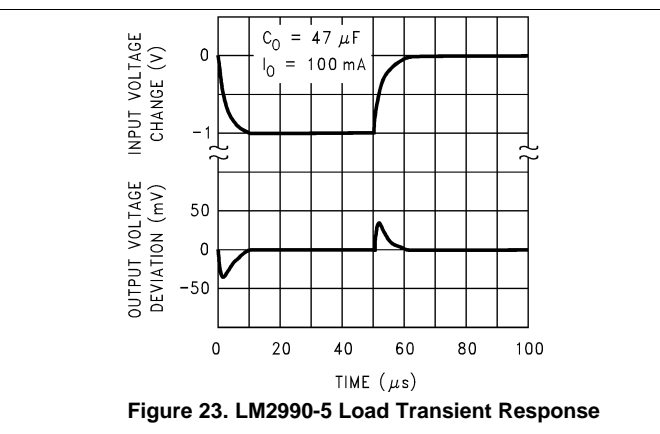


**Figure 21. Output Capacitor ESR**

### 8.2.1.3 Application Curves



**Figure 22. LM2990-5 Line Transient Response**



**Figure 23. LM2990-5 Load Transient Response**

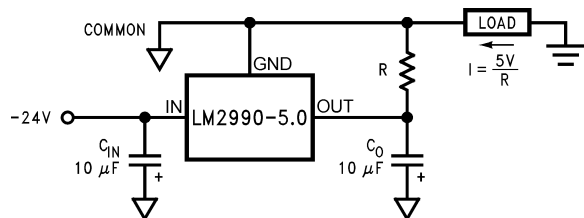
### 8.2.2 Fixed or Adjustable Current Sink

The LM2990 is configurable as a fixed or adjustable current sink. As [Figure 24](#) and [Figure 25](#) show, the sink current is determined by the resistor value — to achieve adjustable sink current, add one adjustable resistor between output and load.

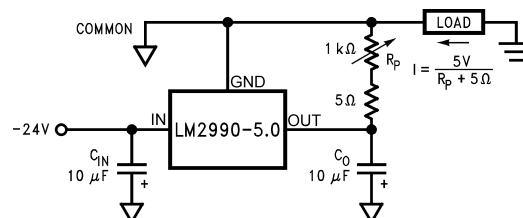
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**Figure 24. Fixed Current Sink**



**Figure 25. Adjustable Current Sink**

### 8.2.2.1 Design Requirements

See [Design Requirements](#).

### 8.2.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

See [Detailed Design Procedure](#).

### 8.2.2.3 Application Curves

See [Application Curves](#).

## 9 Power Supply Recommendations

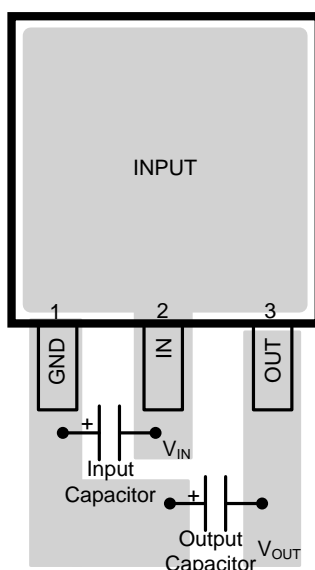
The LM2990 is designed to operate from an input voltage supply range between –6 V and –26 V. The input voltage range should provide adequate headroom in order for the device to have a regulated output. This input supply must be well regulated.

## 10 Layout

### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

For best overall performance, place all circuit components on the same side of the circuit board and as near as practical to the respective LDO pin connections. Place ground return connections to the input and output capacitor, and to the LDO ground pin as close to each other as possible, connected by a wide, component-side, copper surface. The use of vias and long traces to create LDO circuit connections is strongly discouraged and negatively affects system performance. This grounding and layout scheme minimizes inductive parasitics, and thereby reduces load-current transients, minimizes noise, and increases circuit stability. A ground reference plane is also recommended and is either embedded in the PCB itself or located on the bottom side of the PCB opposite the components. This reference plane serves to assure accuracy of the output voltage, shield noise, and behaves similar to a thermal plane to spread (or sink) heat from the LDO device. In most applications, this ground plane is necessary to meet thermal requirements.

### 10.2 Layout Example



**Figure 26. LM2990 TO-263 Board Layout**

## 11 Device and Documentation Support

### 11.1 Device Support

#### 11.1.1 Device Nomenclature

**Dropout Voltage:** The input-output voltage differential at which the circuit ceases to regulate against further reduction in input voltage. Measured when the output voltage has dropped 100 mV from the nominal value obtained at ( $V_{OUT} + 5$  V) input, dropout voltage is dependent upon load current and junction temperature.

**Input Voltage:** The DC voltage applied to the input terminals with respect to ground.

**Input-Output Differential:** The voltage difference between the unregulated input voltage and the regulated output voltage for which the regulator will operate.

**Line Regulation:** The change in output voltage for a change in the input voltage. The measurement is made under conditions of low dissipation or by using pulse techniques such that the average chip temperature is not significantly affected.

**Load Regulation:** The change in output voltage for a change in load current at constant chip temperature.

**Long Term Stability:** Output voltage stability under accelerated life-test conditions after 1000 hours with maximum rated voltage and junction temperature.

**Output Noise Voltage:** The rms AC voltage at the output, with constant load and no input ripple, measured over a specified frequency range.

**Quiescent Current:** That part of the positive input current that does not contribute to the positive load current. The regulator ground lead current.

**Ripple Rejection:** The ratio of the peak-to-peak input ripple voltage to the peak-to-peak output ripple voltage.

**Temperature Stability of  $V_{OUT}$ :** The percentage change in output voltage for a thermal variation from room temperature to either temperature extreme.

### 11.2 Trademarks

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### 11.3 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

### 11.4 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.



## PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
LM2990S-12	NRND	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -12 P+	
LM2990S-12/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -12 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990S-15	NRND	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -15 P+	
LM2990S-15/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -15 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990S-5.0	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -5.0 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990S-5.0/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	45	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -5.0 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990SX-12	NRND	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -12 P+	
LM2990SX-12/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -12 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990SX-15	NRND	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -15 P+	
LM2990SX-15/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -15 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990SX-5.0	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990S -5.0 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990SX-5.0/NOPB	ACTIVE	DDPAK/ TO-263	KTT	3	500	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-3-245C-168 HR	-40 to 125	LM2990S -5.0 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990T-12	NRND	TO-220	NDE	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990T -12 P+	
LM2990T-12/NOPB	ACTIVE	TO-220	NDE	3	45	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM2990T -12 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990T-15	NRND	TO-220	NDE	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990T -15 P+	
LM2990T-15/NOPB	ACTIVE	TO-220	NDE	3	45	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM2990T -15 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
LM2990T-5.0	NRND	TO-220	NDE	3	45	Non-RoHS & Green	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	LM2990T -5.0 P+	
LM2990T-5.0/NOPB	ACTIVE	TO-220	NDE	3	45	RoHS-Exempt & Green	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM2990T -5.0 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>
LM2990T-5.2/NOPB	ACTIVE	TO-220	NDE	3	45	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM2990T -5.2 P+	<a href="#">Samples</a>

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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
LM2990SX-12	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	330.0	24.4	10.75	14.85	5.0	16.0	24.0	Q2
LM2990SX-12/NOPB	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	330.0	24.4	10.75	14.85	5.0	16.0	24.0	Q2
LM2990SX-15	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	330.0	24.4	10.75	14.85	5.0	16.0	24.0	Q2
LM2990SX-15/NOPB	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	330.0	24.4	10.75	14.85	5.0	16.0	24.0	Q2
LM2990SX-5.0	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	330.0	24.4	10.75	14.85	5.0	16.0	24.0	Q2
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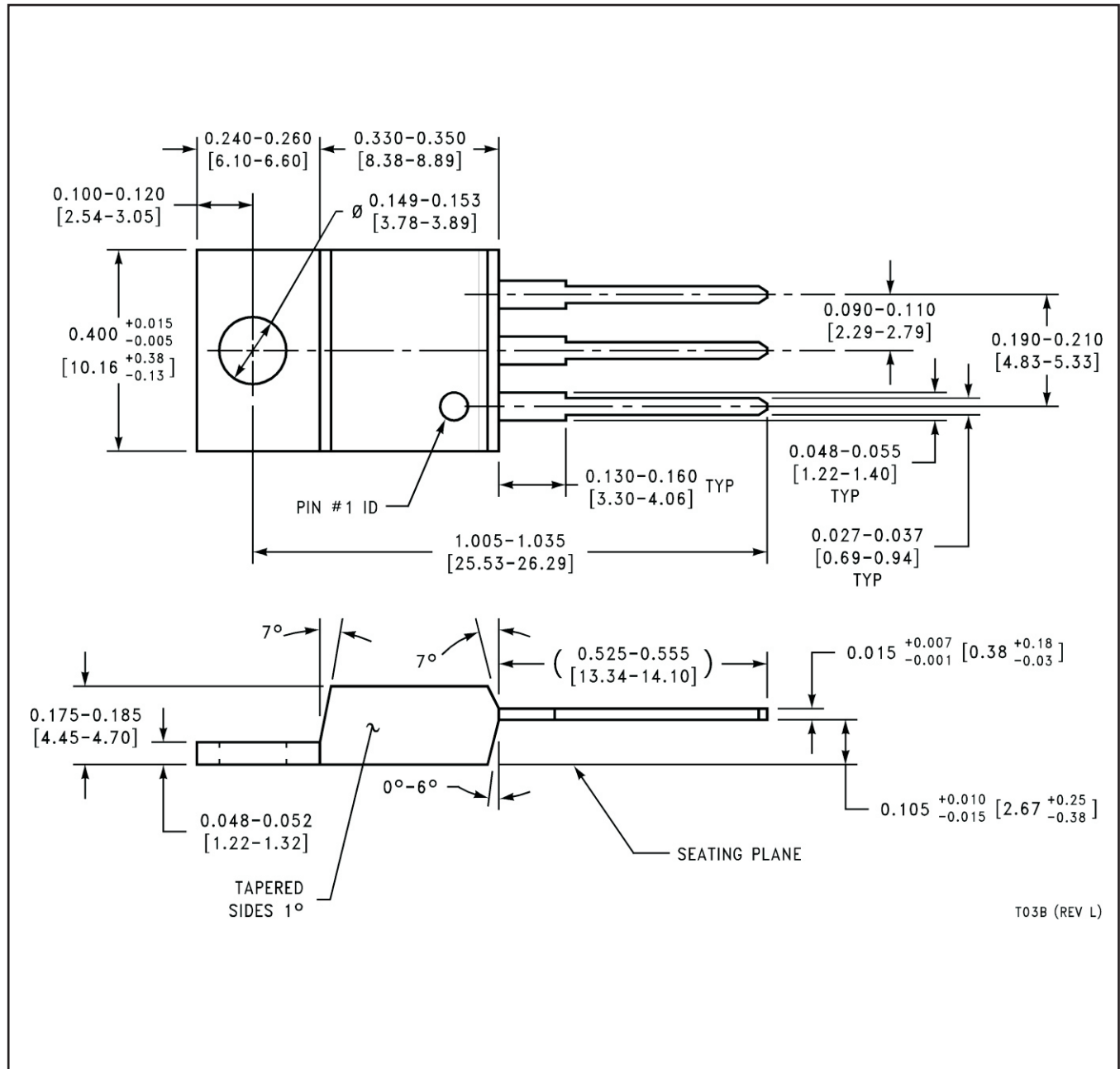
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LM2990SX-12/NOPB	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	367.0	367.0	45.0
LM2990SX-15	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	367.0	367.0	45.0
LM2990SX-15/NOPB	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	367.0	367.0	45.0
LM2990SX-5.0	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	367.0	367.0	45.0
LM2990SX-5.0/NOPB	DDPAK/TO-263	KTT	3	500	367.0	367.0	45.0

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