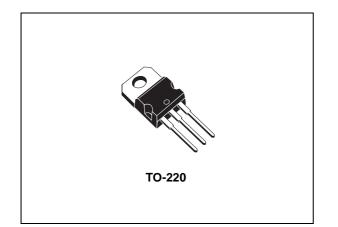


# LM337

Datasheet - production data

### Three-terminal adjustable negative voltage regulators



#### Features

- Output voltage adjustable down to V<sub>REF</sub>
- 1.5 A guaranteed output current
- 0.3%/V typical load regulation
- 0.01%/V typical line regulation
- Current limit constant with temperature
- Ripple rejection: 77 dB
- Standard 3-lead transistor packages
- Excellent thermal regulation: 0.002%/V
- 50 ppm/°C temperature coefficient

#### Description

The LM337 series are adjustable 3-terminal negative voltage regulators capable of supplying in excess -1.5 A over a -1.2 to -37 V output voltage range. They are exceptionally easy to use and require only two external resistors to set the output voltage. Further, both line and load regulation are better than standard fixed regulators. Also, LM337 regulators are supplied in standard transistor packages which are easily mounted and handled. In addition to higher performance than fixed regulators, the LM337 series offer full overload protection available only in integrated circuits. Included on the chip are

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current limit, thermal overload protection and safe area protection. All overload protection circuitry remains fully functional even if the adjustment terminal is disconnected.

#### Table 1. Device summary

Order codes	Packages	Temperature range
LM337SP	TO-220	0 °C to 125 °C

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## 1 Diagram

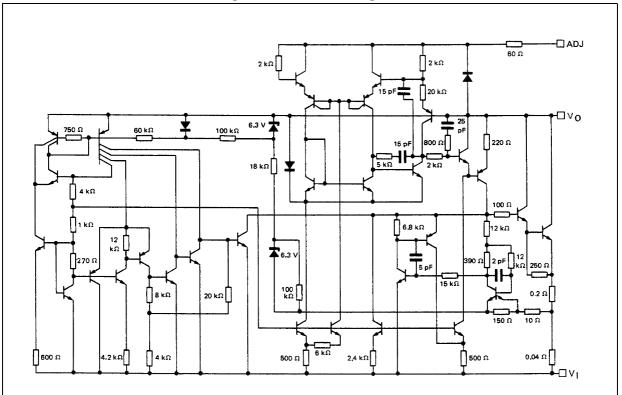
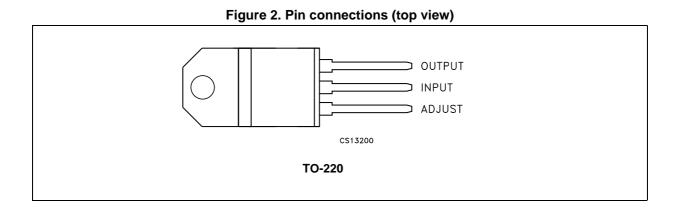


Figure 1. Schematic diagram



# 2 Pin configuration





## 3 Maximum ratings

Table 2. Absolute	maximum	ratings
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Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>	Input output voltage differential	40	V
Ι <sub>Ο</sub>	Output current	1.5	А
PD	Power dissipation	Internally limited	
T <sub>STG</sub> Storage temperature range		- 65 to 150	°C
Т <sub>ОР</sub>	Operating junction temperature range	0 to 125	°C

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

Table 3. Thermal data	Table	3.	Thermal	data
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Symbol	Parameter	TO-220	Unit
R <sub>thJC</sub>	Thermal resistance junction-case max.	3	°C/W
R <sub>thJA</sub>	R <sub>thJA</sub> Thermal resistance junction-ambient max.		°C/W

## 4 Electrical characteristics

 $T_J$  = 0 to 150 °C  $V_I$  -  $V_O$  = 5 V,  $I_O$  = 0.5 A unless otherwise specified.

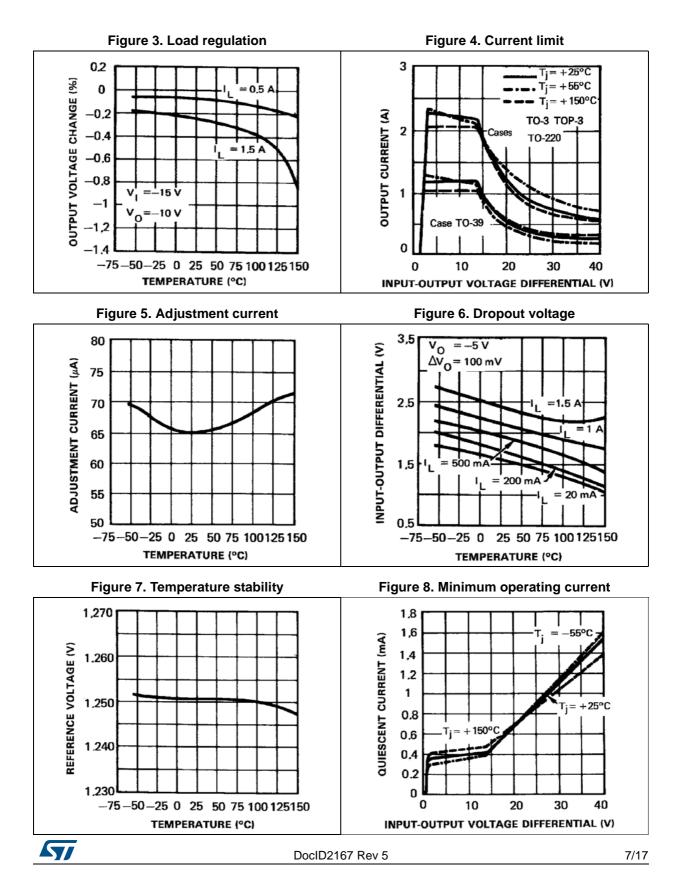
Symbol	Parameter	Test condi	tions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
		$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$		-1.213	-1.25	-1.287	
V <sub>REF</sub>	Reference voltage	$ V_{I} - V_{O}  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}, \text{ T}_{J}$ $ I_{O}  = 10\text{mA to }  I_{O(\text{max})} ,$	= T <sub>min</sub> to T <sub>max</sub> P ≤ P <sub>max</sub>	-1.2	-1.25	-1.3	V
K	Line regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	I <sub>O</sub> = 0.1 A		0.01	0.04	%/V
K <sub>VI</sub>		$ V_{1} - V_{0}  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$	I <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA		0.01	0.04	70/ V
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	$ V_0  \le 5 V$		15	50	mV
IXV0		$ I_0  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	$ V_0  \ge 5 V$		0.3	1	%
	Thermal regulation	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C, pulse 10 ms			0.003	0.04	%/W
I <sub>ADJ</sub>	Adjustment pin current				65	100	μA
$\Delta I_{ADJ}$	Adjustment pin current change	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , $ I_O  = 10 \text{ mA to }  I_{O(max)} $ $ V_1 - V_O  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$			2	5	μA
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	$ V_{1} - V_{0}  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$			0.02	0.07	%/V
K	Load regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	$ I_{O}  = 10\text{mA to }  I_{O(\text{max})}   \frac{ V_{O}  \le 5 \text{ V}}{ V_{O}  \ge 5 \text{ V}}$			20	70	mV
K <sub>VO</sub>					0.3	1.5	%
	Minimum load ourrent	$ V_{I} - V_{O}  \le 40 \text{ V}$			2.5	10	~
I <sub>O(min)</sub>	Minimum load current $ V_I - V_O  \le 10 V$				1.5	6	mA
		V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 15 V		1.5	2.2		۸
I <sub>OS</sub>	Short circuit output current $ V_1 - V_0  = 40 \text{ V}, \text{ T}$		°C	0.15	0.4		A
V <sub>NO</sub>	RMS output noise (% of V <sub>O</sub> )	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , f = 10 Hz to 10 kHz			0.003		%
Р	Dipple rejection rotio	V <sub>O</sub> = -10 V, f = 120 Hz			60		٩D
$R_{VF}$	Ripple rejection ratio	C <sub>ADJ</sub> = 10 μF		66	77		dB
$K_{VT}$	Temperature stability				0.6		%
$K_{VH}$	Long term stability	T <sub>a</sub> = 125°C, 1000 H			0.3	1	%

Table 4. Elect	rical characteristics
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1. Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature, using pulse testing with a low duty cycle. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects are covered under the specification for thermal regulation.



### 5 Typical characteristics



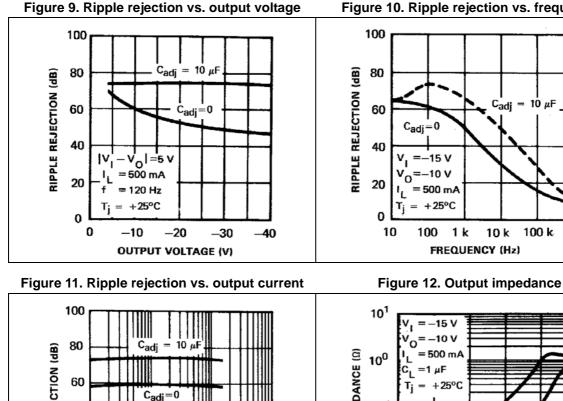


Figure 10. Ripple rejection vs. frequency

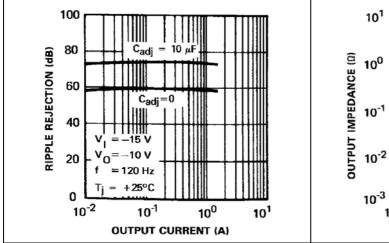


Figure 13. Line transient response

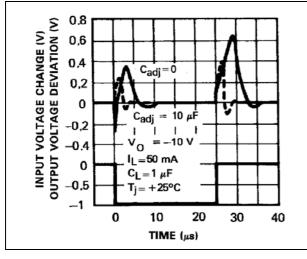


Figure 14. Load transient response

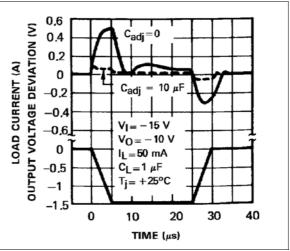
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FREQUENCY (Hz)

Cadj =0

10

100



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1 M

10 µF

1 M

Cadj

100 k

10 k

### 6 Thermal regulation

When power is dissipated in an IC, a temperature gradient occurs across the IC chip affecting the individual IC circuit components. With an IC regulator, this gradient can be especially severe since power dissipation is large.

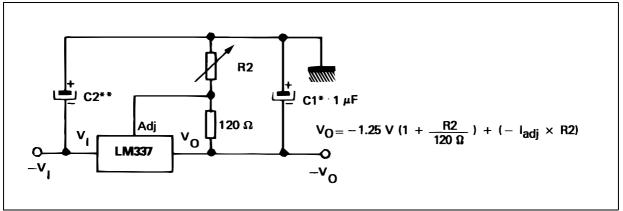
Thermal regulation is the effect of these temperature gradients on output voltage (in percentage output change) per watt of power change in a specified time. Thermal regulation error is independent of electrical regulation or temperature coefficient, and occurs within 5 ms to 50 ms after a change in power dissipation. Thermal regulation depends on IC layout as well as electrical design. The thermal regulation of a voltage regulator is defined as the percentage change of V<sub>O</sub>, per watt, within the first 10ms after a step of power, is applied.

In *Figure 1*, a typical LM337's output drifts only 3 mV for 0.03% of  $V_0 = -10$  V) when a 10 W pulse is applied for 10 ms. This performance is thus well inside the specification limit of 0.02%/W x 10 W = 0.2% max. When the 10 W pulse is ended the thermal regulation again shows a 3 mV step as the LM337 chip cools off. Note that the load regulation error of about 8 mV (0.08%) is additional to the thermal regulation error.

In *Figure 2*, when the 10 W pulse is applied for 100 ms, the output drifts only slightly beyond the drift in the first 10 ms and the thermal error stays well within 0.1% (10 mV).



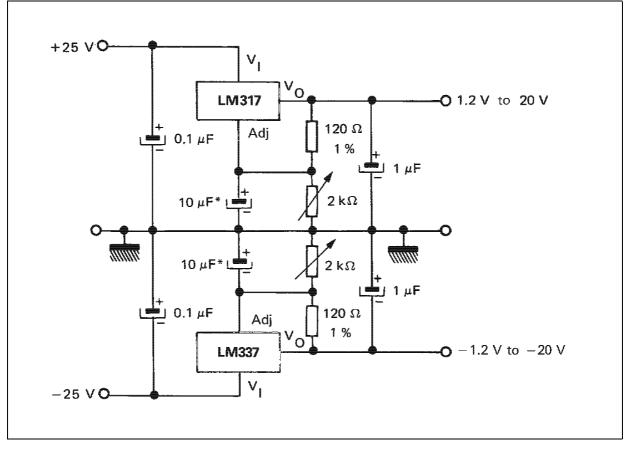
## 7 Typical application



#### Figure 15. Adjustable negative voltage regulator

\* C1 = 1  $\mu$ F solid tantalum or 10  $\mu$ F aluminium electrolytic required for stability.

\*\* C2 = 1 µF solid tantalum is required only if regulator is more than 10 cm from power supply filter capacitors

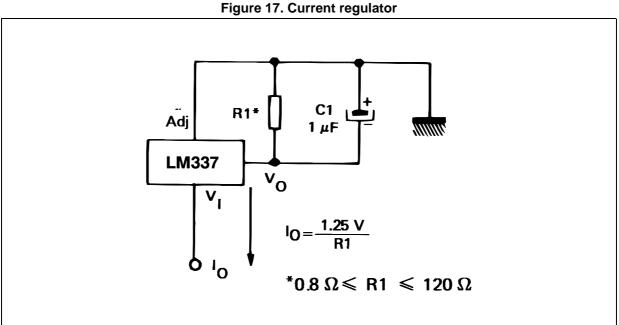


#### Figure 16. Adjustable lab voltage regulator

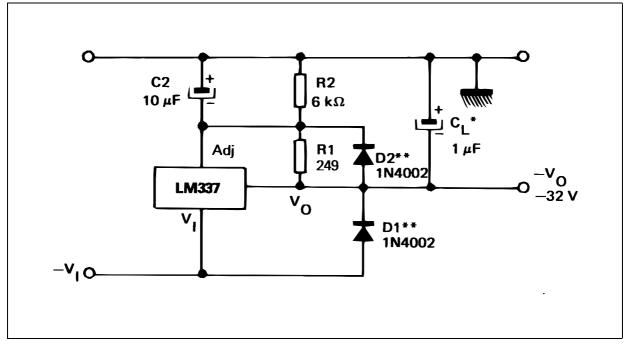
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 $^{\ast}$  The 10  $\mu F$  capacitors are optimal to improve ripple rejection.



#### Figure 18. Negative regulator with protection diodes



- $^{\ast}$  When CL is larger than 20  $\mu\text{F},$  D1 protects the LM337 in case the input supply is shorted.
- $^{\star\star}$  When C2 is larger than 10  $\mu F$  and  $V_O$  is larger than 25 V, D2 protects the LM337 in case the output is shorted.



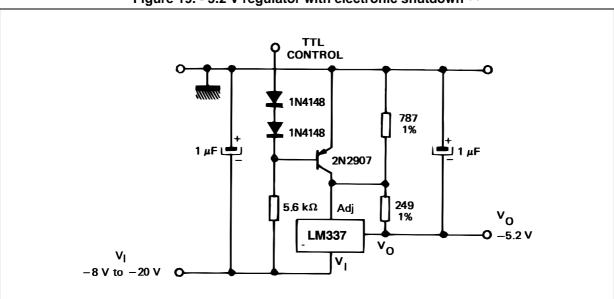
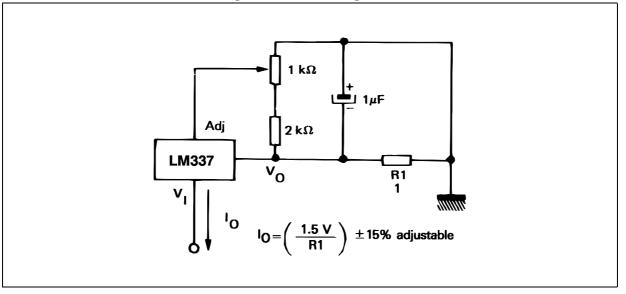


Figure 19. - 5.2 V regulator with electronic shutdown <sup>(1)</sup>

1. Minimum output = - 1.3 V when control input is low.

Figure 20. Current regulator

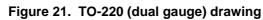


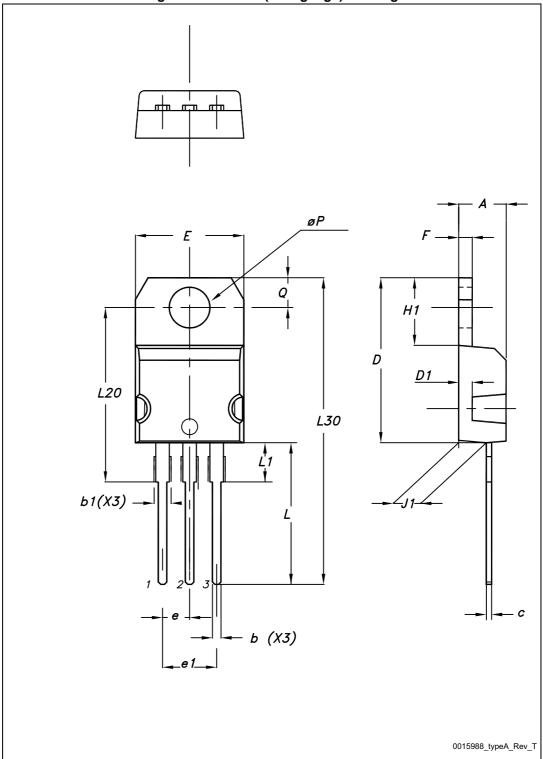


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3.85

2.95

Table 5. TO-220 mechanical data					
Dim.		mm			
Dim.	Min.	Тур.	Max.		
А	4.40		4.60		
b	0.61		0.88		
b1	1.14		1.70		
с	0.48		0.70		
D	15.25		15.75		
D1		1.27			
E	10		10.40		
е	2.40		2.70		
e1	4.95		5.15		
F	1.23		1.32		
H1	6.20		6.60		
J1	2.40		2.72		

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# 9 Revision history

Table 6. Document revision h	istory
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Date	Revision	Changes
19-Jul-2004	1	First issue.
10-Jan-2005	2	Modified pin connection for TO-3.
17-Jul-2008	3	Added: Table 1 on page 1.
03-Oct-2011	4	Modified: Table 1 on page 1.
05-May-2014	5	<ul> <li>The part number LM137 has been moved to a separate datasheet.</li> <li>Removed TO-3 package.</li> <li>Updated the description in cover page.</li> <li>Modified Table 1: Device summary, Section 2: Pin configuration, Section 3: Maximum ratings, Section 4: Electrical characteristics, Section 6: Thermal regulation and Section 8: Package mechanical data.</li> <li>Minor text changes.</li> </ul>



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