

# AT1117

## 1A Low Dropout Precision Regulator



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### FEATURES

- Space Saving SOT-223 Surface Mount Package
- 3-Terminal Adjustable or Fixed 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V, 3.3V, 5V
- Output Current of 1A
- Guaranteed Dropout Voltage at Multiple Current Levels
- Fast Transient Response
- Built-in Thermal Limiting
- Good Noise Rejection

### APPLICATION

- High Efficiency Linear Regulators
- Post Regulators for Switching Supplies
- Microprocessor Supply
- Hard Drive Controllers
- Battery Chargers
- Adjustable Power Supply

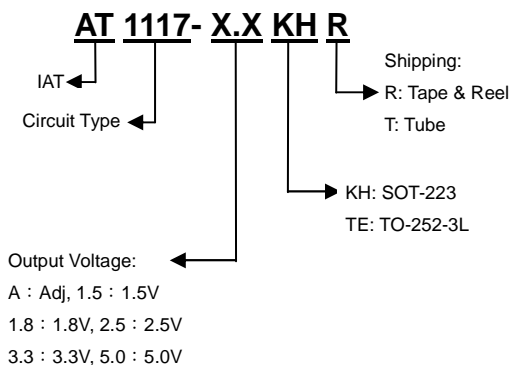
### DESCRIPTION

The AT1117 is a positive low dropout regulator designed to provide up to 1A of output current. The device is available in an adjustable version and fixed output voltages of 1.5V to 5V. All internal circuitry is designed to operate down to 1.2V input to output differential. Dropout voltage is guaranteed at a typical of 1.2V at 1A, decreasing at lower load currents. On chip trimming adjusts the reference/output voltage to within  $\pm 2\%$ . Current limit is also trimmed in order to minimize the stress on both the regulator and the power source circuitry under overload conditions.

The low profile surface mount SOT-223 package allows the device to be used in applications where space is limited. The AT1117 requires a output capacitance for stability. Output capacitors of this size or larger are normally included in most regulator designs.

Unlike PNP type regulators where up to 10% of the output current is wasted as quiescent current, the quiescent current of the AT1117 flows into the load, increasing efficiency.

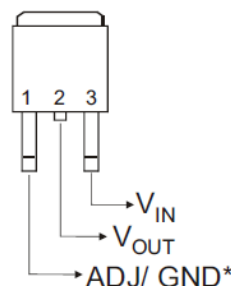
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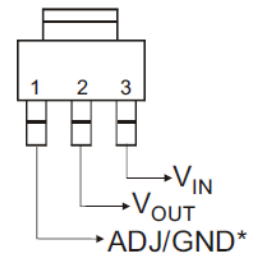
### PIN CONFIGURATIONS (TOP VIEW)

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TO-252 (DPAK)  
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SOT-223  
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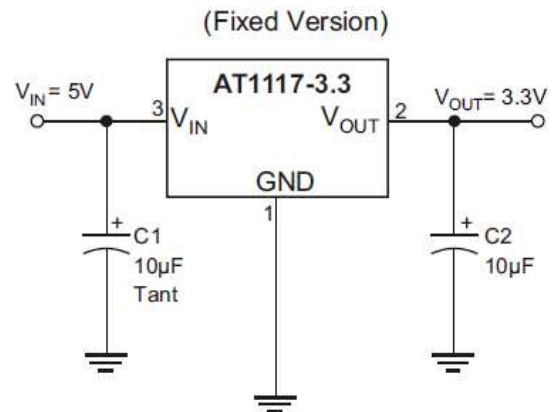
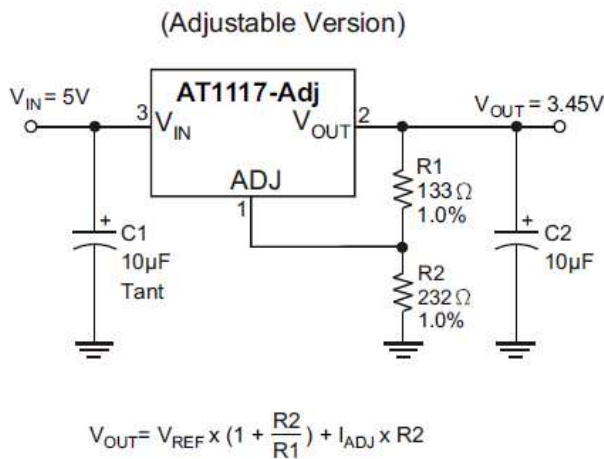


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### PIN DESCRIPTIONS

Pin Name	Pin Description
ADJ	Feedback for setting the output voltage, connect external resistors network for adjustable output. $V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times (1 + \frac{R2}{R1}) + I_{ADJ} \times R2$
GND	Reference ground.
V <sub>OUT</sub>	The output of the regulator. A minimum of 10µF capacitor ( $0.15\Omega \leq ESR \leq 20\Omega$ ) must be connected from this pin to ground to insure stability.
V <sub>IN</sub>	The input pin of regulator. Typically a large storage capacitor ( $0.15\Omega \leq ESR \leq 20\Omega$ ) is connected from this pin to ground to insure that the input voltage does not sag below the minimum dropout voltage during the load transient response. This pin must always be 1.5V higher than V <sub>OUT</sub> in order for the device to regulate properly

### TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUITS



Note 1: C1 needed device is far from filter capacitors.

Note 2: C2 minimum value required for stability.

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### BLOCK DIAGRAM

(1) CMOS Output

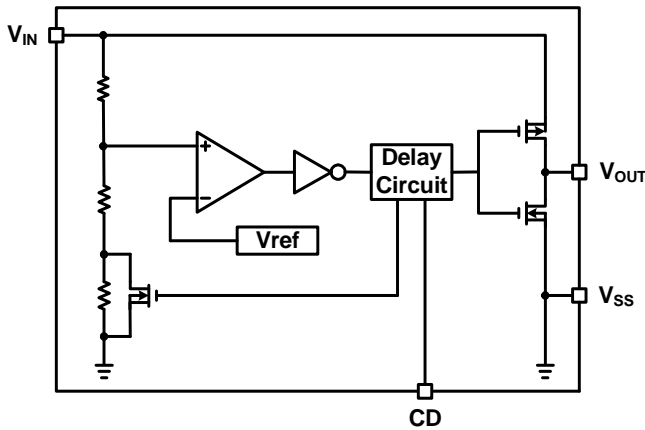


Figure 1.(Fixed Version)

(2) N-ch Open Drain Output

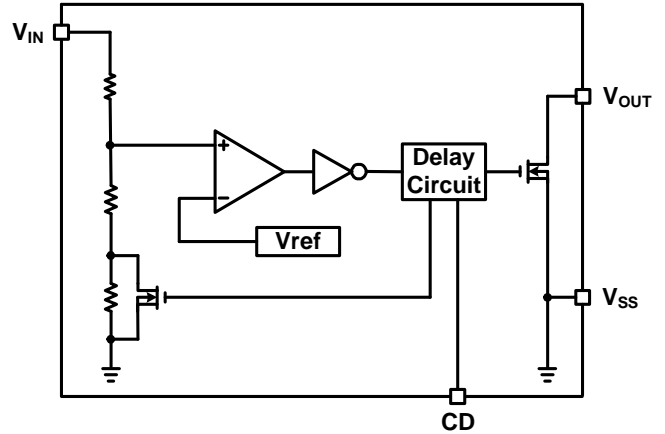


Figure 2.(Adjustable Version)

### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Symbol	Max Value	Unit
Input Supply Voltage (Note 3)	$V_{IN}$	-0.3 to 15	V
Lead Temperature(Soldering, 10sec)	$T_{LEAD}$	260	°C
Storage Temperature Range	$T_{STG}$	-65 to 150	°C
Operating Junction Temperature Range	$T_J$	0 to 125	°C
Power Dissipation	$P_D$	850	mW
PD @ $T_A=25^{\circ}C$ (Note 4)		1050	
Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient	$\theta_{JA}$	117	°C/W
		92	
Thermal Resistance Junction to Case	$\theta_{JC}$	15	°C/W
		10	
ESD Rating (Human Body Model) (Note 5)	$V_{ESD}$	2	kV

**Note 3:** Consider thermal condition on application which output current would be limited at High Input Supply Voltage.

**Note 4:** No heat sink, no air flow.

**Note 5:** Devices are ESD sensitive. Handling precaution recommended.

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### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

T<sub>J</sub> = +25°C unless otherwise specified.

Parameter	Device	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operation Input Voltage	All		2.75	—	12	V
Reference Voltage	ADJ	V <sub>IN</sub> =2.75V, I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA	1.225	1.250	1.275	V
Output Voltage	All Fixed Versions	I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA V <sub>IN</sub> =V <sub>OUT</sub> +1.5V to 12V	-2	—	+2	%
Line Regulation(Note 6,7)		I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA, (1.5 V +V <sub>OUT</sub> ) ≤ V <sub>IN</sub> ≤ 12V	—	0.2	0.5	%
Load Regulation(Note 6,7)	All	V <sub>IN</sub> = V <sub>OUT</sub> + 1.5V I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA to 1A	—	0.4	1	%
	All Fixed Versions	V <sub>IN</sub> =3V, 10mA<I <sub>OUT</sub> <1A	—	12	15	mV
		V <sub>IN</sub> =3.3V, 10mA<I <sub>OUT</sub> <1A	—	15	18	
		V <sub>IN</sub> =4V, 10mA<I <sub>OUT</sub> <1A	—	20	58	
		V <sub>IN</sub> =5V, 10mA<I <sub>OUT</sub> <1A	—	26	33	
V <sub>IN</sub> =6.5V, 10mA<I <sub>OUT</sub> <1A	—	40	50			
Dropout Voltage(Note 6 · 8)	All	I <sub>OUT</sub> =1A	—	1.3	1.5	V
Current Limit	All	V <sub>IN</sub> -V <sub>OUT</sub> =3V	1.1	—	—	A
Minimum Load Current	ADJ	V <sub>IN</sub> =5V, V <sub>ADJ</sub> = 0V	—	5	10	mA
Ground Current	All Fixed Versions	0°C ≤ T <sub>J</sub> ≤ 125°C	—	7	12	mA
Adjust Pin Current	ADJ	I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA, 2.75V ≤ V <sub>IN</sub> ≤ 12V	—	50	100	μA
Temp. Coefficient	All	I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA	—	0.5	—	%
Ripple Rejection	All	V <sub>IN</sub> -V <sub>OUT</sub> =3.0V, F=120Hz, C <sub>out</sub> =10μF	60	70	—	dB

**Note 6:** See thermal regulation specifications for changes in output voltage due to heating effects. Line and load regulation are measured at a constant junction temperature by low duty cycle pulse testing. Load regulation is measured at the output lead = 1/18" from the package.

**Note 7:** Line and load regulation are guaranteed up to the maximum power dissipation of 15W. Power dissipation is determined by the difference between input and output differential and the output current. Guaranteed maximum power dissipation will not be available over the full input/output range

**Note 8:**  $\Delta V_{OUT} \cdot \Delta V_{REF} = 1\%$ .

### TYPICAL OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

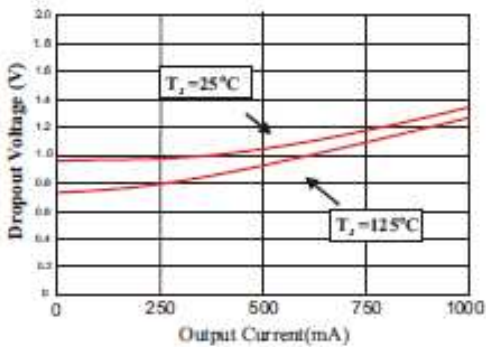


Figure 3. Dropout Voltage vs Output Current

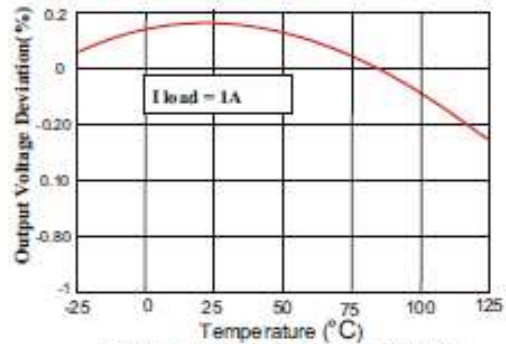


Figure 4. Load Regulation vs Temperature

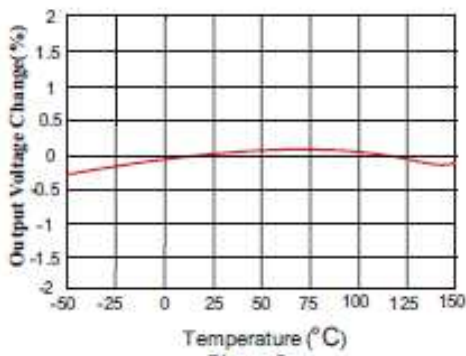


Figure 5. Percent Change in Output Voltage vs Temperature

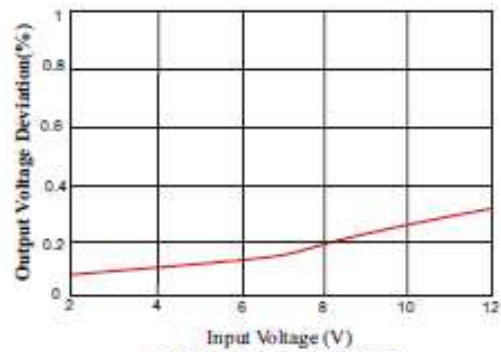


Figure 6. Lin Regulation

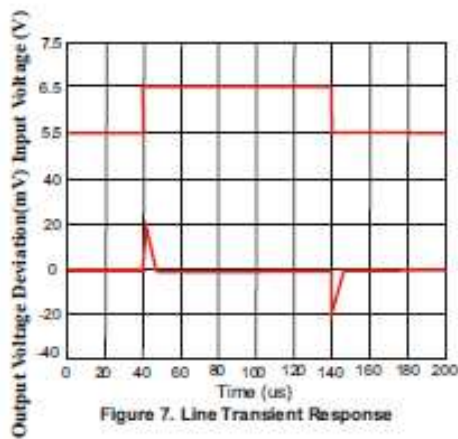


Figure 7. Line Transient Response

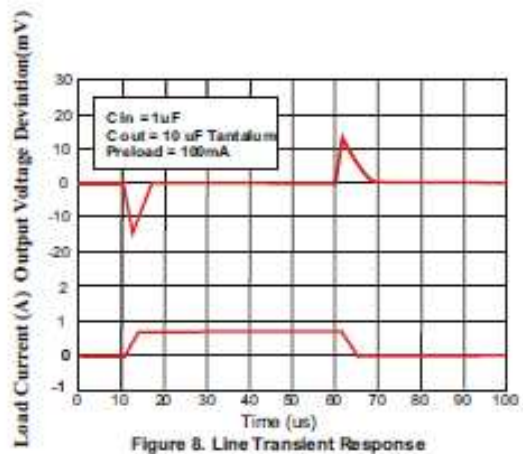


Figure 8. Line Transient Response

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### APPLICATION INFORMATION

AT1117 linear regulators provide fixed and adjustable output voltages at currents up to 1A. These regulators are protected against overcurrent conditions and include thermal shutdown protection. The AT1117's have a composite PNP-NPN output transistor and require an output capacitor for stability. A detailed procedure for selecting this capacitor follows.

#### Adjustable Operation

The AT1117 has an output voltage range of 1.25 V to 5.0 V. An external resistor divider sets the output voltage as shown in Figure 9. The regulator maintains a fixed 1.25V (typical) reference between the output pin and the adjust pin.

A resistor divider network R1 and R2 causes a fixed current to flow to ground. This current creates a voltage across R2 that adds to the 1.25 V across R1 and sets the overall output voltage. The adjust pin current (typically 40µA) also flows through R2 and adds a small error that should be taken into account if precise adjustment of V<sub>OUT</sub> is necessary.

The output voltage is set according to the formula:

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times \left( \frac{R1 + R2}{R1} \right) + I_{ADJ} \times R2$$

The term I<sub>ADJ</sub> x R2 represents the error added by the adjust pin current.

R1 is chosen so that the minimum load current is at least 3.0 mA. R1 and R2 should be the same type, e.g. metal film for best tracking over temperature. While not required, a bypass capacitor from the adjust pin to ground will improve ripple rejection and transient response. A 0.1µF tantalum capacitor is recommended for "first cut" design. Type and value

may be varied to obtain optimum performance vs. Price.

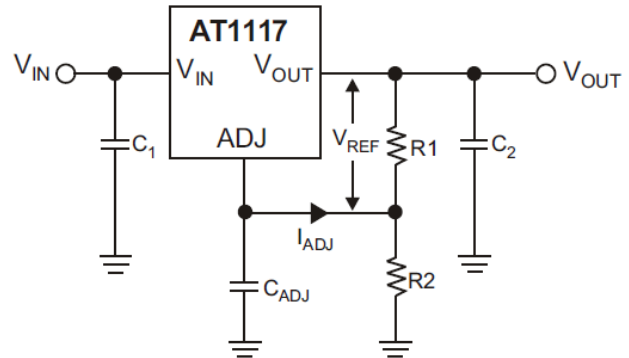


Figure 9. Resistor Divider Scheme

#### Stability Considerations

The circuit design used in the AT1117 series requires the use of an output capacitor as part of the device frequency compensation.

The addition of 150µF aluminum electrolytic or a 22µF solid tantalum on the output will ensure stability for all operating conditions.

When the adjustment terminal is bypassed with a capacitor to improve the ripple rejection, the requirement for an output capacitor increases. The value of 22µF tantalum or 150µF aluminum covers all cases of bypassing the adjustment terminal. Without bypassing the adjustment terminal smaller capacitors can be used with equally good results.

To ensure good transient response with heavy load current changes capacitor values on the order of 100µF are used in the output of many regulators. To further improve stability and transient response of these devices larger values of output capacitor can be used.

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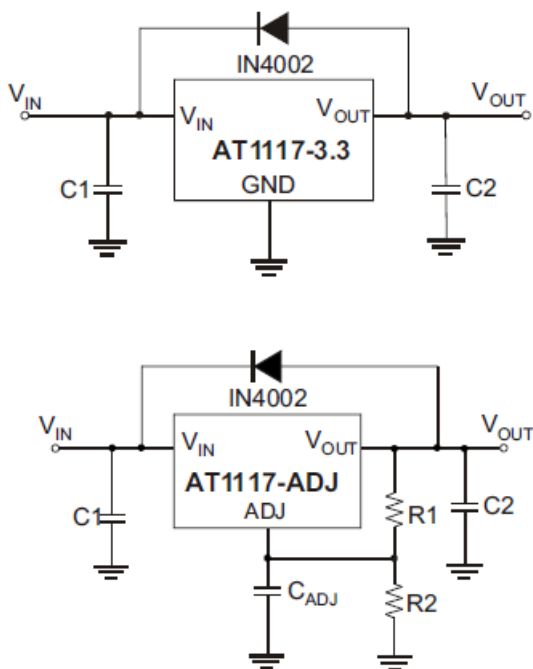


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### APPLICATION INFORMATION(CONTINUED)

#### Protection Diodes

When large external capacitors are used with most linear regulator, it is wise to add protection diodes. If the input voltage of the regulator is shorted, the output capacitor will discharge into the output of the regulator. The discharge current depends on the value of capacitor, output voltage, and rate at which  $V_{IN}$  drops.



(b) Adjustable Version

Figure 10. (a),(b) Protection Diode Scheme for Large Output Capacitors

In the AT1117 linear regulators, the discharge path is through a large junction, and protection diodes are normally not needed. However, damage can occur if the regulator is used with large output capacitance values and the input voltage is instantaneously shorted to ground. In this case, a diode connected as shown above in Figure 10.

#### Output Voltage Sensing

The AT1117 are three terminal regulators. For which, they cannot provide true remote load sensing. Load regulation is limited by the resistance of the conductors connecting the regulator to the load. For best results the AT1117 should be connected as shown in Figure 11.

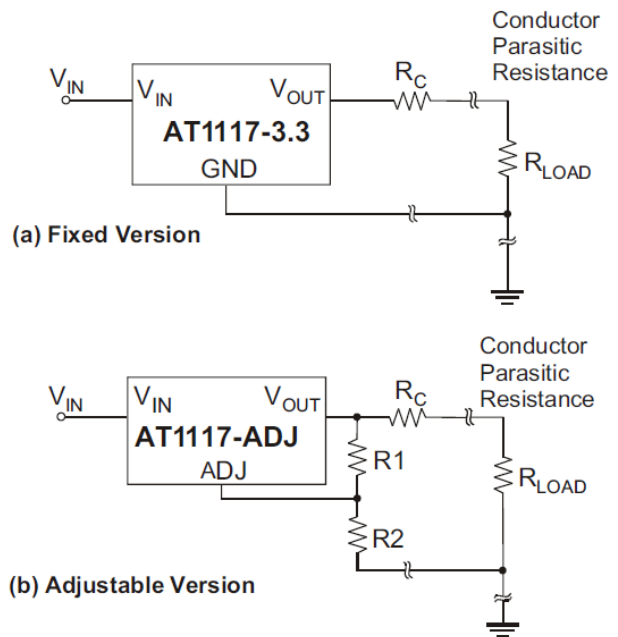


Figure 11. (a),(b) Conductor Parasitic Resistance Effects are Minimized by Grounding Scheme For Fixed and Adjustable Output Regulators

#### Calculating Power Dissipation and Heat Sink Requirements

The AT1117 precision linear regulators include thermal shutdown and current limit circuitry to protect the devices. However, high power regulators normally operate at high junction temperatures. It is important to calculate the power dissipation and junction temperatures accurately to be sure that you use and adequate heat sink. The case is connected

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to VOUT on the AT1117, and electrical isolation may be required for some applications. Thermal compound should always be used with high current regulators like the AT1117.

The thermal characteristics of an IC depend four factors:

1. Maximum Ambient Temperature  $T_A$  (°C)
2. Power Dissipation  $P_D$  (Watts)
3. Maximum Junction Temperature  $T_J$  (°C)
4. Thermal Resistance Junction to ambient  $\theta_{ja}$  (°C/W)

The relationship of these four factors is expressed by equation (1):

$$T_J = T_A + P_D \times \theta_{ja} \dots\dots(1)$$

Maximum ambient temperature and power dissipation are determined by the design while the maximum junction temperature and thermal resistance depend on the manufacturer and the package type.

The maximum power dissipation for a regulator is expressed by equation (2):

$$P_{D(max)} = \{ V_{IN(max)} - V_{OUT(min)} \} \times I_{OUT(max)} + V_{IN(max)} \times I_Q \dots\dots(2)$$

Where:

$V_{IN(max)}$  is the maximum input voltage,

$V_{OUT(min)}$  is the minimum output voltage,

$I_{OUT(max)}$  is the maximum output current

$I_Q$  is the maximum quiescent current at  $I_{OUT(max)}$ .

A heat sink effectively increases the surface area of the package to improve the flow of heat away from the IC into the air. Each material in the heat flow path between the IC and the environment has a

thermal resistance. Like series electrical resistances, these resistance are summed to determine  $\theta_{ja}$ , the total thermal resistance between the junction and the air. This is expressed by equation (3):

$$\theta_{ja} = \theta_{jc} + \theta_{cs} + \theta_{sa} \dots\dots(3)$$

Where all of the following are in °C /W:

$\theta_{sa}$  is thermal resistance of junction to case,

$\theta_{jc}$  is thermal resistance of case to heat sink,

$\theta_{cs}$  is thermal resistance of heat sink to ambient air.

The value for  $\theta_{ja}$  is calculated using equation (3) and the result can be substituted in equation (1). The value for  $\theta_{jc}$  is 15°C /W for SOT-223 package type and 10°C /W for TO-252 based on an average die size. For a high current regulator such as the AT1117 the majority of the heat is generated in the power transistor section.



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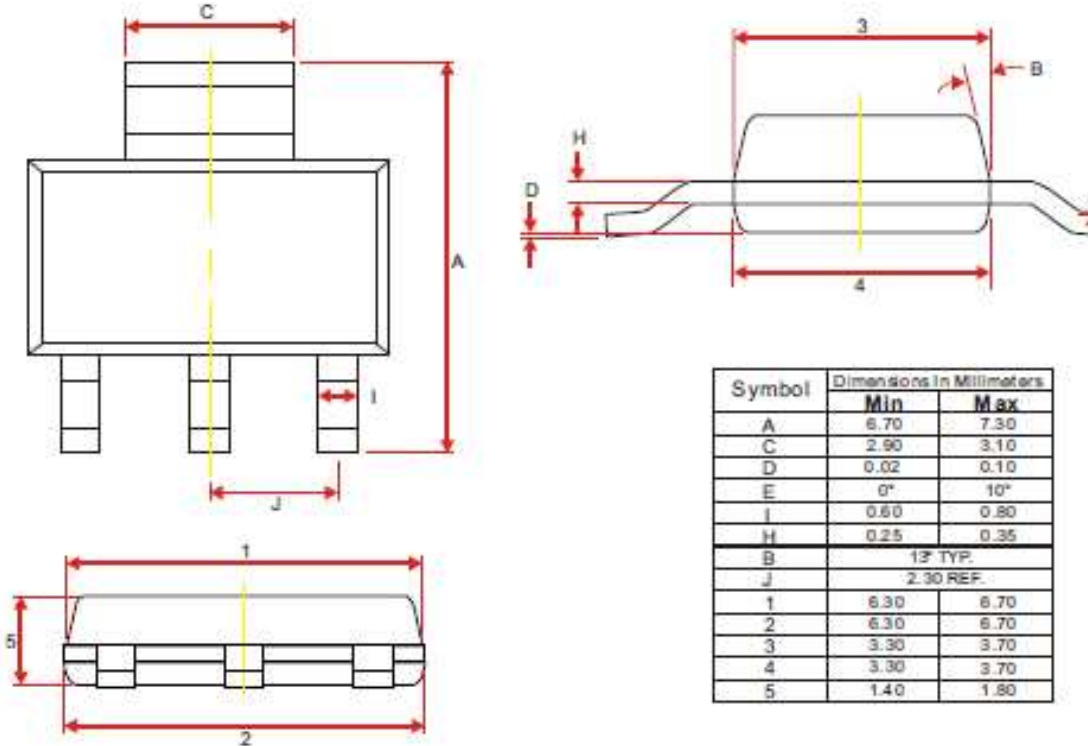
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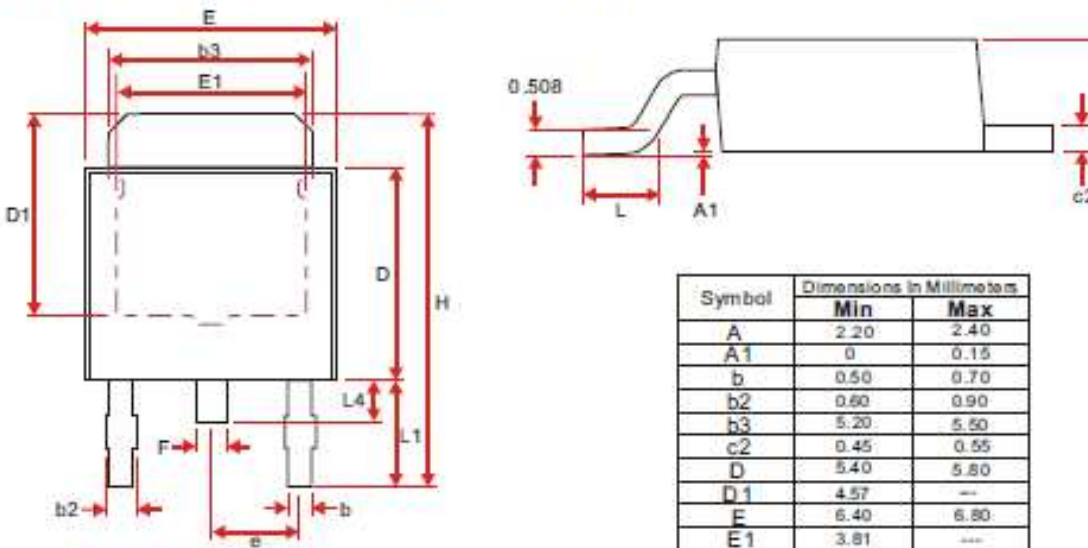
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## PACKAGE OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

### SOT - 223 PACKAGE OUTLINE DIMENSIONS



### T0-252-3 PACKAGE OUTLINE DIMENSIONS



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