

## 500mA Adjustable & Fixed Voltage Linear LDO

Low Dropout Regulator

### DESCRIPTION

The STL6120E series is a low-dropout linear regulator that operates in the input voltage range from +2.5V to +7.0 and delivers 500mA output current.

The STL6120E is available in two types, fixed output voltage type and adjustable output voltage type. The fixed output voltage type is preset at an internally trimmed voltage 1.8V, 2.5V, or 3.3V. Other options 1.0V, 1.2V, 1.5V, 2.85V, 3.0V and 3.6V are available by special order only. The output voltage range of the adjustable type is from 1.25V to 5V.

The STL6120E (ADJ type) consists of a 1.25V bandgap reference, an error amplifier, and a P-channel pass transistor. Other features include short-circuit protection and thermal shutdown protection.

The STL6120E (Fixed type) consists of a 0.95V bandgap reference, an error amplifier, and a P-channel pass transistor. Other features include short-circuit protection and thermal shutdown protection. The STL6120E series devices are available in SOT-89 packages.

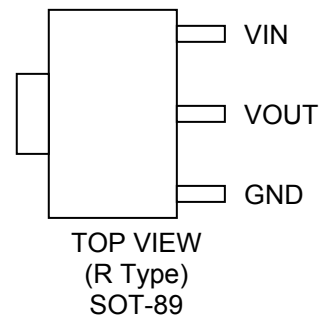
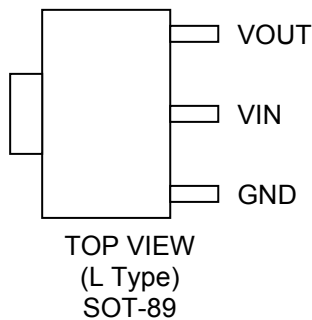
### FEATURE

- ◆ Low Current Consumption: 30µA
- ◆ Typical Dropout Voltage: 650mV@500mA
- ◆ Fast Response in Power-on (Fixed only)
- ◆ Output Current Limit Protection: 800mA
- ◆ Thermal Overload Shutdown Protection
- ◆ High Ripple Rejection: 55dB
- ◆ Low ESR Capacitor Compatible

### APPLICATIONS

- ◆ Battery Powered Equipment.
- ◆ Portable Information Application
- ◆ PCMCIA & New Card
- ◆ Mini PCI & PCI-Express Cards
- ◆ Digital Still Camera
- ◆ CDMA/GSM Cellular Handsets
- ◆ Laptop, Palmtops, Notebook Computers

### PIN CONFIGURATION



### PART MARKING INFORMATION

<p>STL6120E-<u>XX</u> <u>XX-XX</u> <u>X</u></p> <div style="margin-left: 40px;"> <p>└─ Lead Plating Code</p> <p>└─ Handling Code</p> <p>└─ Package Code</p> <p>└─ Voltage Code</p> </div>	<p><b>Lead Plating Code</b> G : Lead-free &amp; Halogen-free product</p> <p><b>Handling Code</b> TR : Tape&amp;Reel</p> <p><b>Package Code</b> LK : "L" Type SOT-89 RK : "R" Type SOT-89</p> <p><b>Voltage Code</b> XX : 15 / 18 / 25 / 285 / 30 / 33 / ADJ</p>
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**ORDERING INFORMATION**

Part Number	SOT-89	Package Code	Package	VOUT Voltage	Shipping
STL6120E-VVTK-TRG		K	SOT-89	1.5 1.8 2.5 2.85 3.0 3.3 ADJ	3000/Tape&Reel

Note:

- ※“VV” stands for output voltages.
- ※“T” Type mode (R type or L type)
- ※ “G” Lead-free product. This product is RoHS compliant

**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** ( $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$  Unless otherwise noted)

Parameter	Symbol	Maximum	Unit
Power Dissipation	$P_D$	550	mW
Input voltage	$V_{IN}$	8.0	V
Output Current Limit	$I_{OUT}$	800	mA
Thermal resistance junction to case	$\theta_{JA}$	180	$^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$
Operating Junction Temperature Range	$T_J$	-40~+85	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Storage Temperature Range	$T_{STG}$	-55~+150	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Lead Soldering Temperature	$T_{LEAD}$	+260	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

Note: The power dissipation values are based on the condition that temperature  $T_J$  and ambient temperature  $T_A$  difference is  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$

Stresses beyond those listed under “absolute maximum rating” may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress rating only, and function operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under “recommended operating conditions” is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

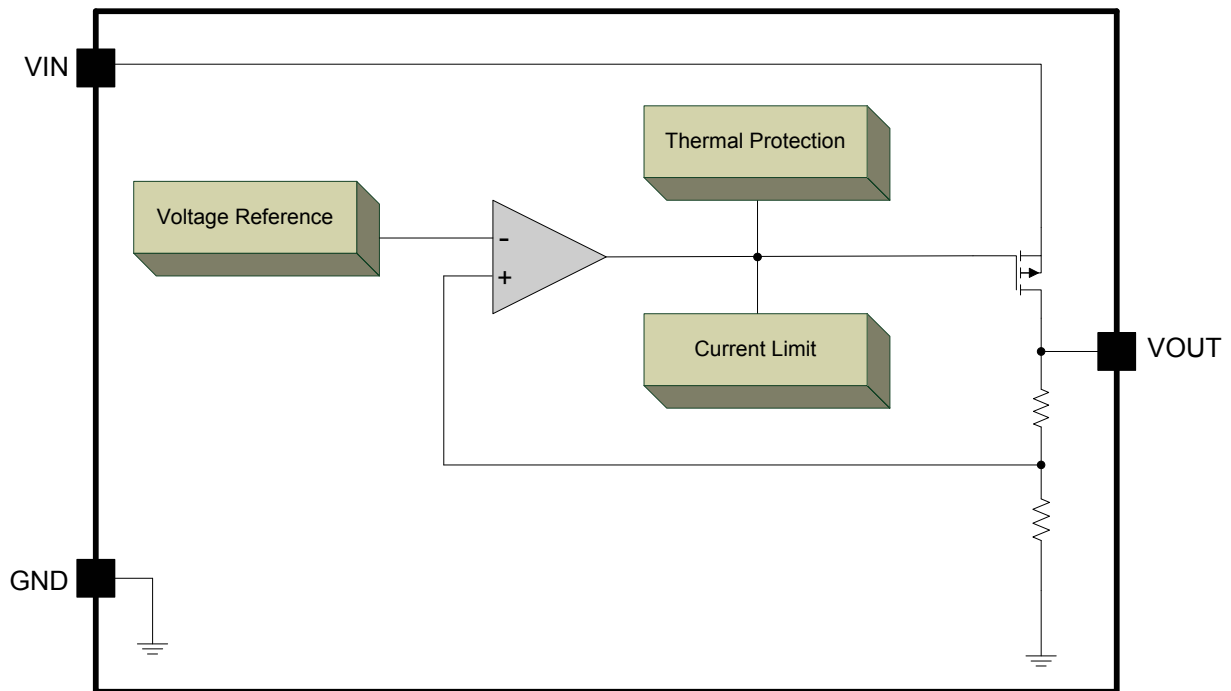
**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  Unless otherwise noted)

 Operating conditions:  $V_{IN}=5\text{V}$ ,  $T_A=25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise noted

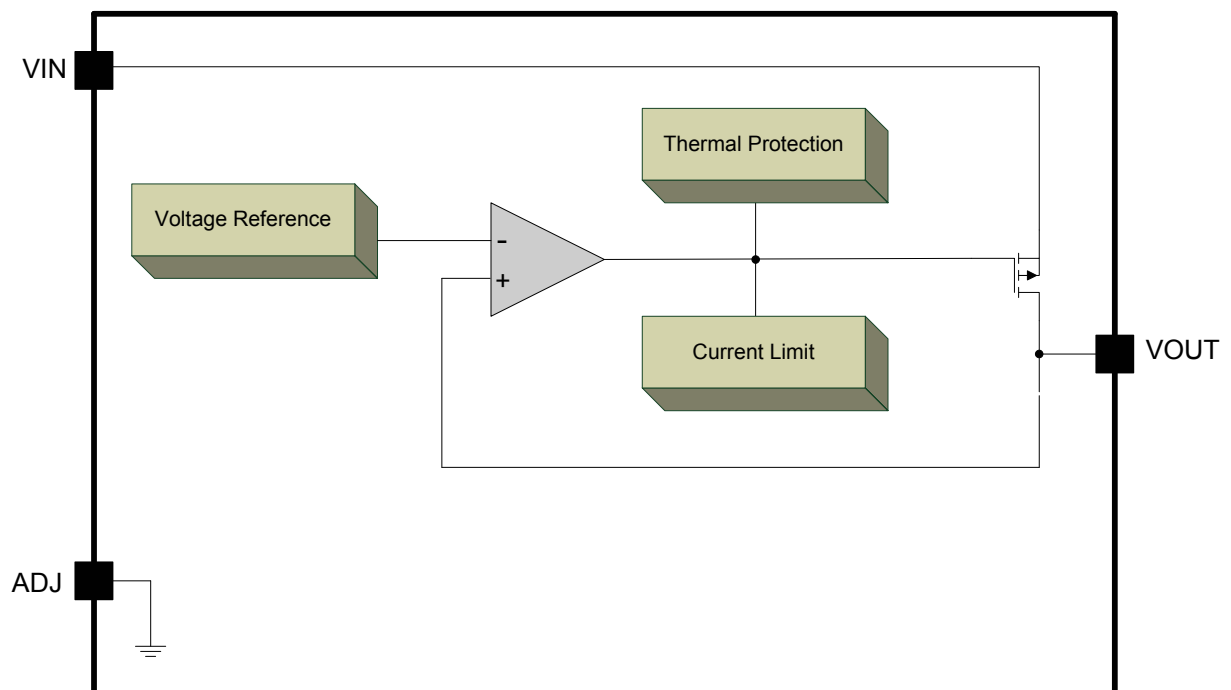
Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input Voltage	$V_{IN}$	-	2.4	-	7.0	V
Output Voltage	$V_{OUT}$	$V_{IN}=V_{OUT}+1\text{V}$ , $I_{OUT}=1\text{mA}$ $V_{OUT} \geq 1.8\text{V}$	-2%	$V_{OUT}$	+2%	V
		$V_{IN}=V_{OUT}+1\text{V}$ , $I_{OUT}=1\text{mA}$ $V_{OUT} > 2.4\text{V}$ , $V_{OUT} < 1.8\text{V}$	-35	$V_{OUT}$	+35	
Line Regulation	$V_{LINE}$	$V_{OUT}+1\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 7.0\text{V}$ $I_{OUT}=1\text{mA}$	-	0.2	0.3	%
Load Regulation	$V_{LOAD}$	$1\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 600\text{mA}$ $V_{IN}=V_{OUT}+1\text{V}$	-	0.01	0.02	%
Dropout Voltage	$V_{DROP}$	$V_{OUT} > 3.0\text{V}$ , $I_{OUT}=600\text{mA}$	-	650	-	mV
Current Limit	$I_{CL}$	-	-	800	-	mA
Output Current (1)	$I_{OUT}$	$V_{OUT}+1\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 7.0\text{V}$ $V_{IN} \geq 2.4$	500	-	-	mA
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$V_{IN}=V_{OUT}+1\text{V}$	-	30	50	$\mu\text{A}$
Thermal Shutdown Temperature	$T_{SD}$	$I_O=1\text{mA}$	-	155	-	$^\circ\text{C}$
Thermal Shutdown Hysteresis	$T_{HYS}$	$I_O=1\text{mA}$	-	20	-	$^\circ\text{C}$
Ripple Rejection Ratio	$R_A$	$f=1\text{KHz}$ , $I_{OUT}=30\text{mA}$ , $C_{OUT}=3.3\mu\text{F}$	-	55	-	dB
Output Noise	$\theta_N$	$f=1\text{KHz}$ , $I_{OUT}=30\text{mA}$ , $C_{OUT}=3.3\mu\text{F}$	-	75	-	$\mu\text{Vrms}$

NOTES: (1) Measured using a double sided board with 1 x 2 square inches of copper area connected to the GND pin for "heat spreading".

FUNCTION BLOCK DIAGRAM

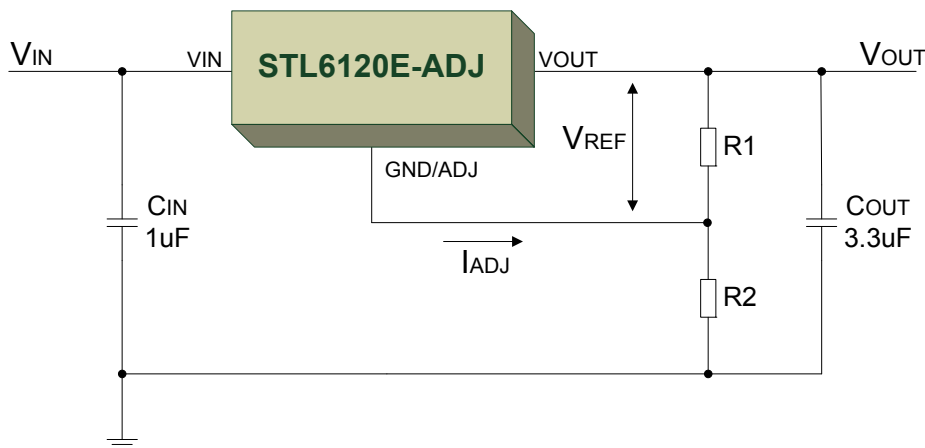
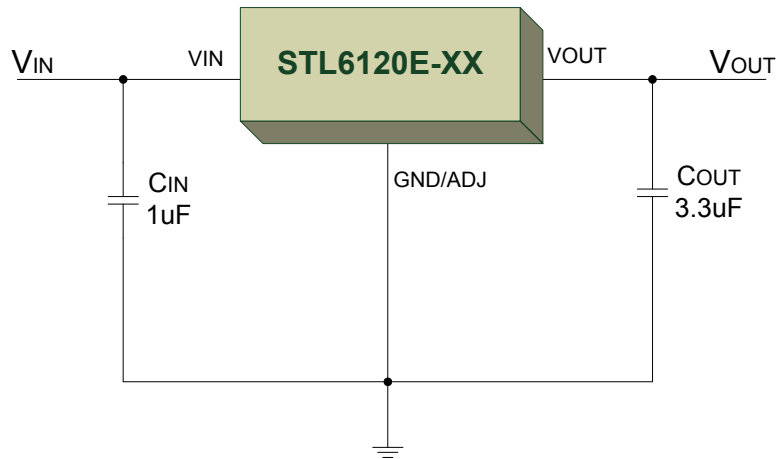


Fixed Voltage Type



Adjustable Voltage Type

■ TYPICAL APPLICATIONS



■ APPLICATION INFORMATION

◆ Detail Description

The STL6120E is a low-dropout linear regulator. The device provides preset 1.8V, 2.5V and 3.3V output voltages for output current up to 600mA. Adjustable output voltage and other mask options for special output voltages are also available. As illustrated in function block diagram, it consists of a 1.25V bandgap (Fixed voltage type is 0.95V) reference, an error amplifier, a P-channel pass transistor and an internal feedback voltage divider.

The bandgap reference for adjustable voltage type is connected to the error amplifier, which compares this reference with the feedback voltage and amplifies the voltage difference. If the feedback

voltage is lower than the reference voltage, the pass-transistor gate is pulled lower, which allows more current to pass to the output pin and increases the output voltage. If the feedback voltage is too high, the pass transistor gate is pulled up to decrease the output voltage.

The output voltage is feed back through an internal resistive divider (or external resistive divider for adjustable output voltage type) connected to OUT pin. Additional blocks include an output current limiter, thermal sensor, and shutdown logic.

◆ Internal P-channel Pass Transistor

The STL6120E features a P-channel MOSFET

pass transistor. Unlike similar designs using PNP pass transistors, P-channel MOSFETs require no base drive, which reduces quiescent current. PNP-based regulators also waste considerable current in dropout when the pass transistor saturates, and use high base-drive currents under large loads.

The STL6120E does not suffer from these problems and consumes only 60µA (Typ.) of current consumption under heavy loads as well as in dropout conditions.

### ◆Output Voltage Selection

For fixed voltage type of STL6120E, the output voltage is preset at an internally trimmed voltage. The first two digits of part number suffix identify the output voltage (see Ordering Information). For example, the STL6120E-33 has a preset 3.3V output voltage.

For adjustable voltage type of STL6120E, the output voltage is set by comparing the feedback voltage at adjust terminal to the internal bandgap reference voltage. The reference voltage  $V_{REF}$  is 1.25V. The output voltage is given by the equation:

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times (1 + R2/R1) + I_{ADJ} \times R2$$

### ◆Current Limit

The STL6120E also includes a fold back current limiter. It monitors and controls the pass transistor's gate voltage, estimates the output current, and limits the output current within 1.0A.

### ◆Thermal Overload Protection

Thermal overload protection limits total power dissipation in the STL6120E. When the junction temperature exceeds  $T_J = +150^\circ\text{C}$ , a thermal sensor turns off the pass transistor, allowing the IC to cool down. The thermal sensor turns the pass transistor on again after the junction temperature cools down by  $20^\circ\text{C}$ , resulting in a pulsed output during continuous thermal overload conditions. Thermal overload protection is designed to protect the STL6120E in the event of fault conditions. For continuous operation, the absolute maximum operating junction temperature rating of  $T_J = +125^\circ\text{C}$  should not be exceeded.

### ◆Operating Region and Power Dissipation

Maximum power dissipation of the STL6120E depends on the thermal resistance of the case and circuit board, the temperature difference between the die junction and ambient air, and the rate of airflow. The power dissipation across the devices is

$P = I_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})$ . The resulting maximum power dissipation is:

$$P_{MAX} = (T_J - T_A) / \theta_{JC} + \theta_{CA} = (T_J - T_A) / \theta_A$$

Where  $(T_J - T_A)$  is the temperature difference between the STL6120E die junction and the surrounding air,  $\theta_{JC}$  is the thermal resistance of the package chosen, and  $\theta_{CA}$  is the thermal resistance through the printed circuit board, copper traces and other materials to the surrounding air. For better heat-sinking, the copper area should be equally shared between the IN, OUT, and GND pins.

If the STL6120E uses a SOT-89 package and this package is mounted on a double sided printed circuit board with two square inches of copper allocated for "heat spreading", the resulting  $\theta_{JA}$  is  $155^\circ\text{C/W}$ .

Based on the maximum operating junction temperature  $125^\circ\text{C}$  with an ambient of  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , the maximum power dissipation will be:

$$P_{MAX} = (T_J - T_A) / \theta_{JC} + \theta_{CA} = (125 - 25) / 155 = 0.65\text{W}$$

Thermal characteristics were measured using a double sided board with  $1" \times 2"$  square inches of copper area connected to the GND pin for "heat spreading".

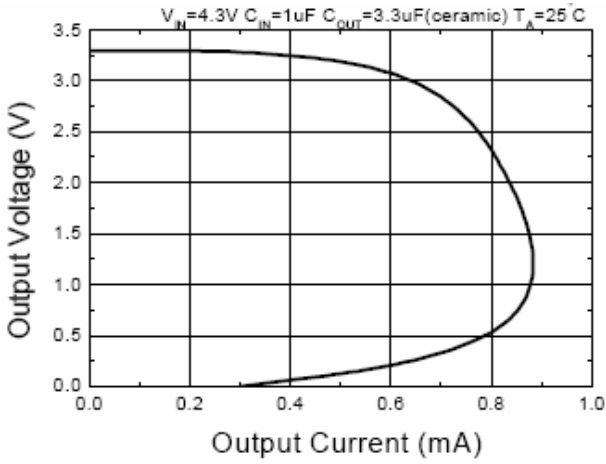
### ◆Dropout Voltage

A regulator's minimum input-output voltage differential, or dropout voltage, determines the lowest usable supply voltage. In battery-powered systems, this will determine the useful end-of-life battery voltage. The STL6120E use a P-channel MOSFET pass transistor, its dropout voltage is a function of drain-to-source on-resistance  $R_{DS(ON)}$  multiplied by the load current.

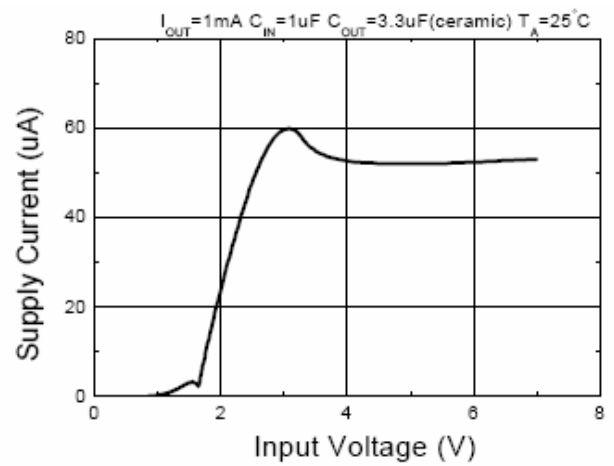
$$V_{DROPOUT} = V_{IN} - V_{OUT} = R_{DS(ON)} \times I_{OUT}$$

■ TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (25°C Unless Note)

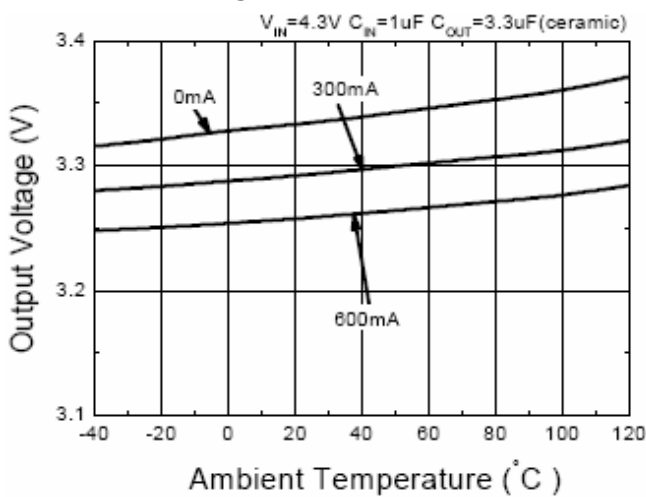
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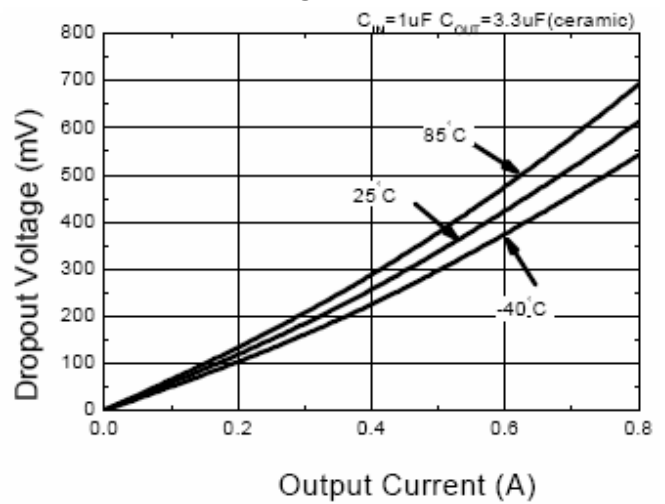
**Supply Current VS Input Voltage**



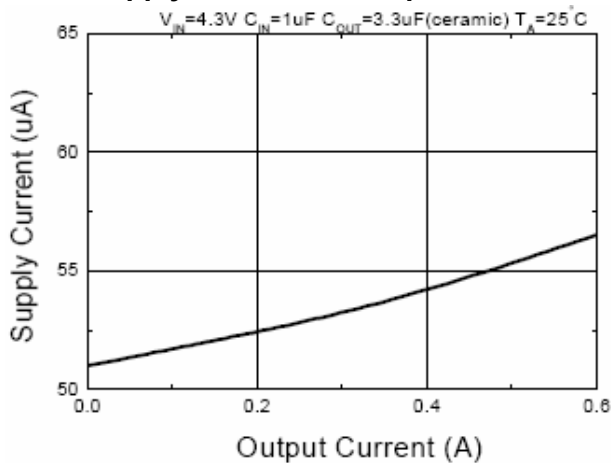
**Output Voltage VS Ambient Temperature**



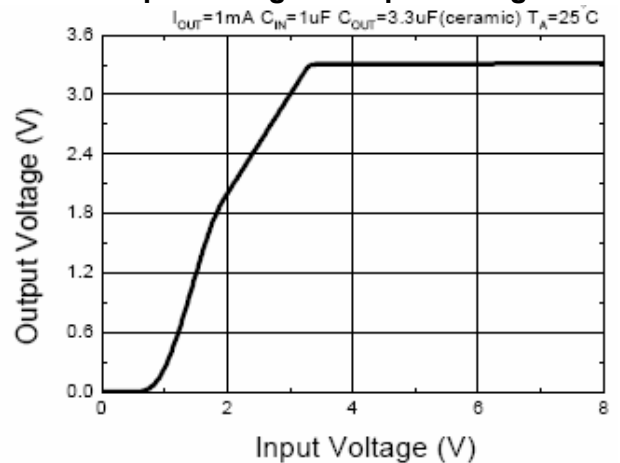
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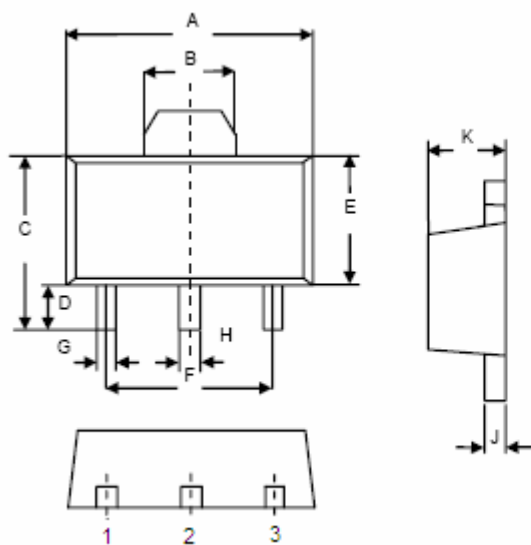


**Supply Current VS Output Current**



**Output Voltage VS Input Voltage**



**SOT-89 PACKAGE DIMENSIONS**


Symbol	Dimensions			
	Inches		Millimeters	
	Min	Max	Min	Max
A	.173	.181	4.40	4.60
B	.055	.071	1.40	1.80
C	.154	.165	3.91	4.19
D	.035	.043	0.90	1.10
E	.091	.102	2.3	2.6
F	.114	.122	2.90	3.10
G	.013	.020	0.32	0.52
H	.014	.022	0.36	0.56
J	.014	.017	0.35	0.44
K	.055	.063	1.40	1.60