

## LM137/LM237 LM337

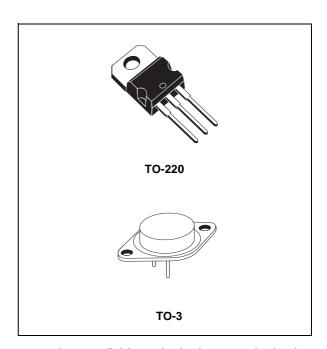
# THREE-TERMINAL ADJUSTABLE NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATORS

- OUTPUT VOLTAGE ADJUSTABLE DOWN TO V<sub>ref</sub>
- 1.5A GUARANTEED OUTPUT CURRENT
- 0.3%/V TYPICAL LOAD REGULATION
- 0.01%/V TYPICAL LINE REGULATION
- CURRENT LIMIT CONSTANT WITH TEMPERATURE
- RIPPLE REJECTION: 77dB
- STANDARD 3-LEAD TRANSISTOR PACKAGES
- EXCELLENT THERMAL REGULATION: 0.002%/V
- 50ppm/°C TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT

#### **DESCRIPTION**

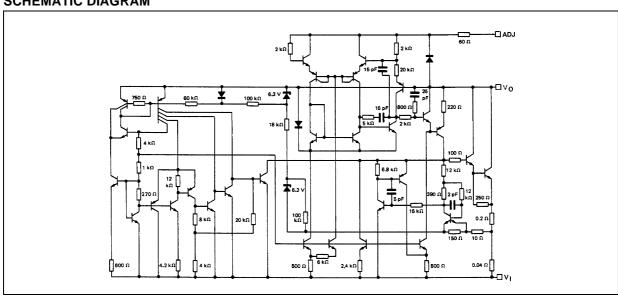
The LM137 series are adjustable 3-terminal negative voltage regulators capable of supplying in excess -1.5A over a -1.2 to -37V output voltage range.

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, LM137 regulators are supplied in standard transistor packages which are easily mounted and handled. In addition to higher performance than fixed regulators, the LM137 series offer full overload



protection available only in integrated circuits. Included on the chip are current limit, thermal overload protection and safe area protection. All overload protection circuitry remains fully functional even if the adjustment terminal is disconnected.

#### **SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM**



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#### **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

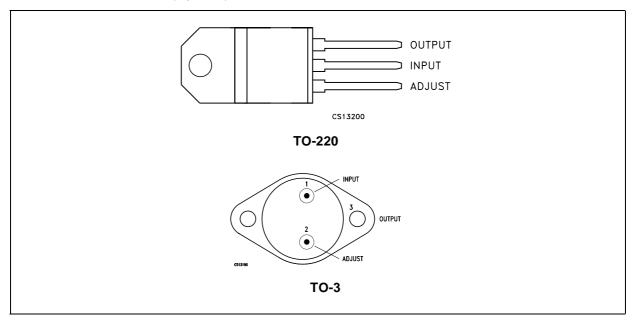
Symbol	Parameter		Value	Unit
V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>	Input Output Voltage Differential		40	V
Io	Output Current	Output Current		Α
P <sub>tot</sub>	Power Dissipation		Internally Limited	
T <sub>stg</sub>	Storage Temperature Range	Storage Temperature Range		°C
	Operating Junction Temperature Range	LM137	-55 to 150	
T <sub>oper</sub>		LM237	-25 to 125	°C
		LM337	0 to 125	

Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied.

#### THERMAL DATA

Symbol	Parameter	TO-220	TO-3	Unit
R <sub>thj-case</sub>	Thermal Resistance Junction-case Max	3	4	°C/W
R <sub>thj-amb</sub>	Thermal Resistance Junction-ambient Max	70	35	°C/W

#### **CONNECTION DIAGRAM** (top view)



#### **ORDERING CODES**

TYPE	TO-3	TO-220	TEMPERATURE RANGE
LM137	LM137K		-55°C to 150°C
LM237	LM237K	LM237SP	-25°C to 150°C
LM337	LM337K	LM337SP	0°C to 125°C

## **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LM137/LM237** ( $T_J = -55$ to 150°C for LM137,

 $T_J$  = -25 to 150°C for LM237,  $V_I$  - $V_O$  = 5V,  $I_O$  = 0.5 A unless otherwise specified).

Symbol	Parameter	Test Condi	tions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>ref</sub>	Reference Voltage	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$		-1.225	-1.25	-1.275	V
		$ V_I - V_O  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V},  T_J = T_{min} \text{ to } T_{max}$ $ I_O  = 10 \text{mA to }  I_{O(max)}   P \le P_{max}$		-1.2	-1.25	-1.3	
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line Regulation (Note 2)	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	I <sub>O</sub> = 0.1 A		0.01	0.02	%/V
		$ V_1 - V_0  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$	I <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA		0.01	0.02	
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load Regulation (Note 2)	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	$ V_O  \le 5 \text{ V}$		15	25	mV
		$ I_O  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	$ V_O  \ge 5 \text{ V}$		0.3	0.5	%
	Thermal Regulation	$T_a = 25$ °C, pulse 10 ms			0.002	0.02	%/W
I <sub>adj</sub>	Adjustment Pin Current				65	100	μΑ
$\Delta I_{adj}$	Adjustment Pin Current Change	$T_a = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , $ I_O  = 10 \text{ mA to }  I_{O(max)} $ $ V_1 - V_O  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$			2	5	μΑ
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line Regulation (Note 2)	$ V_1 - V_0  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$			0.02	0.05	%/V
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load Regulation (Note 2)	$ I_O  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 5 V		20	50	mV
			V <sub>O</sub>   ≥ 5 V		0.3	1	%
I <sub>O(min)</sub>	Minimum Load Current	V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 40 V			2.5	5	mA
		V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 10 V			1.2	3	
Ios	Short Circuit Output Current	V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 15 V		1.5	2.2		Α
		$ V_I - V_O  = 40 \text{ V}, T_J = 2.5^\circ$	С	0.24	0.4		
V <sub>NO</sub>	RMS Output Noise (% of V <sub>O</sub> )	$T_a = 25$ °C $f = 10$ Hz to	o 10 KHz		0.003		%
R <sub>vf</sub>	Ripple Rejection Ratio	V <sub>O</sub> = -10 V, f = 120 Hz			60		dB
		C <sub>adj</sub> = 10 μF		66	77		
K <sub>VT</sub>	Temperature Stability				0.6		%
K <sub>VH</sub>	Long Term Stability	$T_a = 125$ °C, 1000 H			0.3	1	%

Notes: 1. Although power dissipation is internally limited, these specifications are applicable for power dissipation of:

<sup>15</sup> W for TO-220 and 20 W for TO-3 Package; I<sub>O(max)</sub> is: 1.5 A
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.

## **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LM337** ( $T_J = 0$ to 150°C unless otherwise specified).

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>ref</sub>	Reference Voltage	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C		-1.213	-1.25	-1.287	V
		$ V_1 - V_0  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V},  T$ $ I_0  = 10 \text{mA to }  I_{O(\text{max})} $	$J = T_{min}$ to $T_{max}$ $P \le P_{max}$	-1.2	-1.25	-1.3	
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line Regulation (Note 2)	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	I <sub>O</sub> = 0.1 A		0.01	0.04	%/V
		$ V_1 - V_0  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$	I <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA		0.01	0.04	
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load Regulation (Note 2)	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$	V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 5 V		15	50	mV
		$ I_O  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	V <sub>O</sub>   ≥ 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	$T_a = 25$ °C, $ I_O  = 10$ m $ V_I - V_O  = 3$ to 40 V	A to  I <sub>O(max)</sub>		2	5	μA
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line Regulation (Note 2)	$ V_1 - V_0  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$			0.02	0.07	%/V
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load Regulation (Note 2)	$ I_O  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 5 V		20	70	mV
			V <sub>O</sub>   ≥ 5 V		0.3	1.5	%
I <sub>O(min)</sub>	Minimum Load Current	V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 40 V			2.5	10	mA
		V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 10 V			1.5	6	
Ios	Short Circuit Output Current	V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 15 V		1.5	2.2		Α
		$ V_I - V_O  = 40 \text{ V}, T_J = 2.5^{\circ}$	C	0.15	0.4		
V <sub>NO</sub>	RMS Output Noise (% of V <sub>O</sub> )	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ $f = 10 \text{ Hz to } 10 \text{ KHz}$			0.003		%
$R_{vf}$	Ripple Rejection Ratio	V <sub>O</sub> = -10 V, f = 120 Hz			60		dB
		C <sub>adj</sub> = 10 μF		66	77		
K <sub>VT</sub>	Temperature Stability				0.6		%
$K_{VH}$	Long Term Stability	T <sub>a</sub> = 125°C, 1000 H			0.3	1	%

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 15 W for TO-220 and 20 W for TO-3 Package; I<sub>O(max)</sub> is: 1.5 A
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Figure 1: Load Regulation

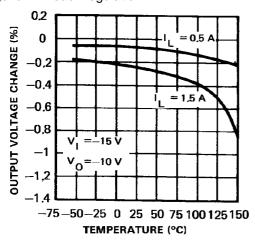


Figure 2: Current Limit

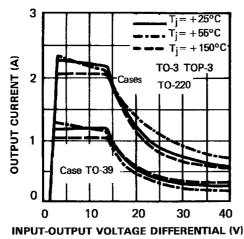


Figure 3: Adjustment Current

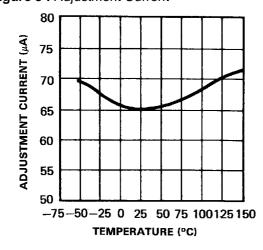


Figure 4: Dropout Voltage

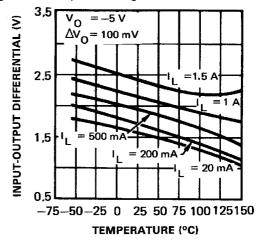


Figure 5 : Temperature Stability

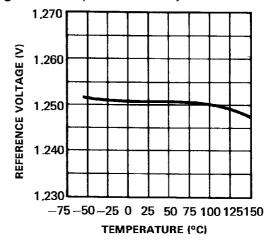
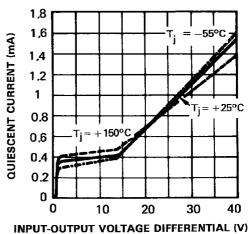


Figure 6: Minimum Operating Current



**Figure 7 :** Ripple Rejection Versus Output Voltage

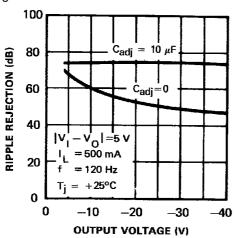
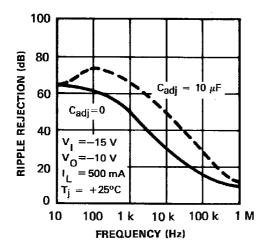


Figure 8 : Ripple Rejection Versus Frequency



**Figure 9 :** Ripple Rejection Versus Output Current

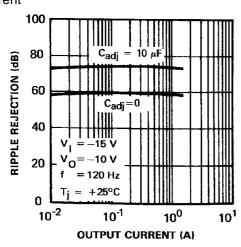


Figure 10 : Output Impedance

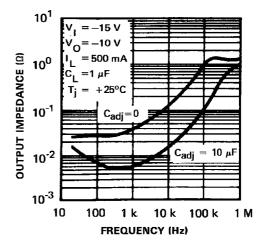


Figure 11: Line Transient Response

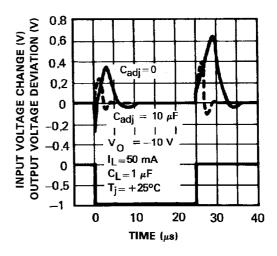
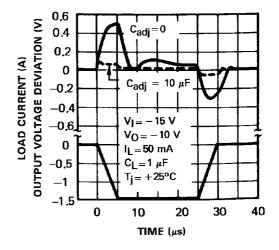


Figure 12: Load Transient Response



#### 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.

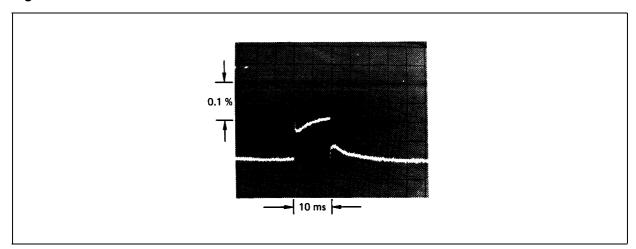
Thermal regulation is the effect of these temperature gradients on output voltage (in percentage output change) per watt of power change in a specified time. Thermal regulation error is independent of electrical regulation or temperature coefficient, and occurs within 5ms to 50ms after a change in power 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  $V_O$ , per watt, within the first 10ms after a step of power, is applied.

The LM137 specification is 0.02%/W max.In figure 1, a typical LM337's output drifts only 3mV for 0.03% of  $V_O=-$  10V) when a 10W pulse is applied for 10ms. This performance is thus well inside the specification limit of 0.02%/W x 10W = 0.2% max. When the 10W pulse is ended the thermal regulation again shows a 3mV step as the LM137 chip cools off. Note that the load regulation error of about 8mV(0.08%) is additional to the thermal regulation error.

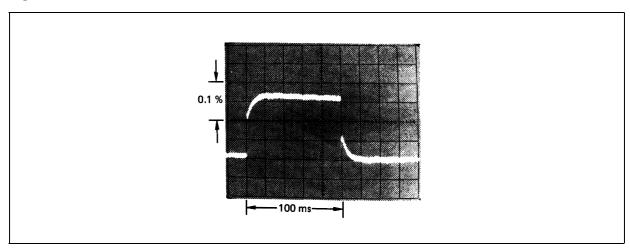
In figure 2, when the 10W pulse is applied for 100ms, the output drifts only slightly beyond the drift in the first 10ms and the thermal error stays well within 0.1% (10mV).

Figure 13: TYPICAL OUTPUT DRIFT



LM337, VO = -10V, V<sub>I</sub> - V<sub>O</sub> = -40V, I<sub>L</sub> = 0A  $\rightarrow$  0.25A  $\rightarrow$  0A. Vertical sensitivity 5mV/div.

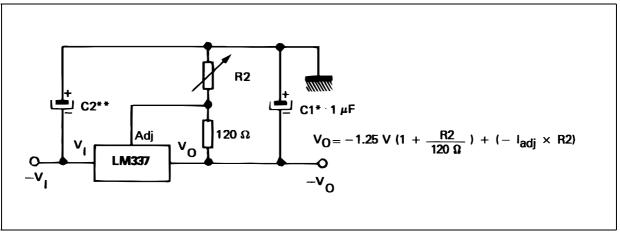
Figure 14: TYPICAL OUTPUT DRIFT



LM337, VO = -10V, V<sub>I</sub> - V<sub>O</sub> = -40V, I<sub>L</sub> = 0A  $\rightarrow$  0.25A  $\rightarrow$  0A. Horizontal sensitivity 5msN/div.

#### **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**

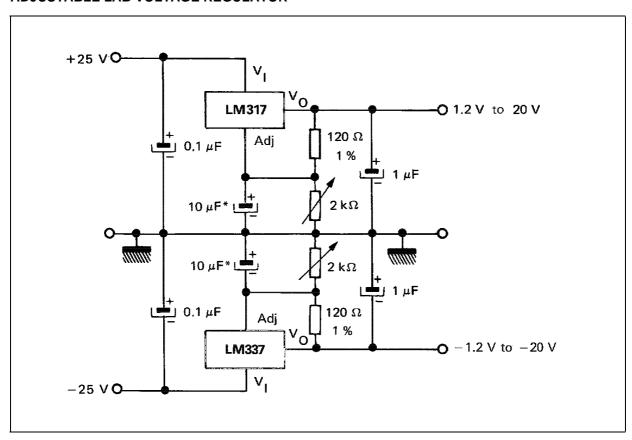
#### ADJUSTABLE NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATOR



\* C1 = 1 μF solid tantalum or 10μF aluminium electrolytic required for stability.

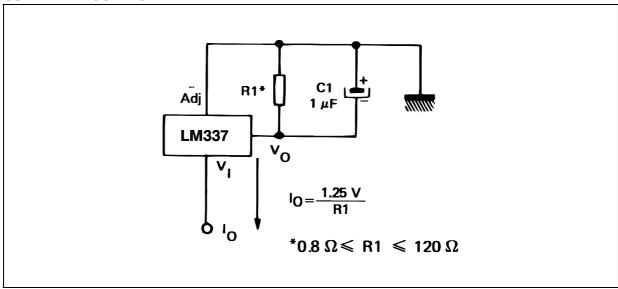
\*\* C2 = 1 μF solid tantalum is required only if regulator is more than 10 cm from power supply filter capacitors

#### ADJUSTABLE LAB VOLTAGE REGULATOR

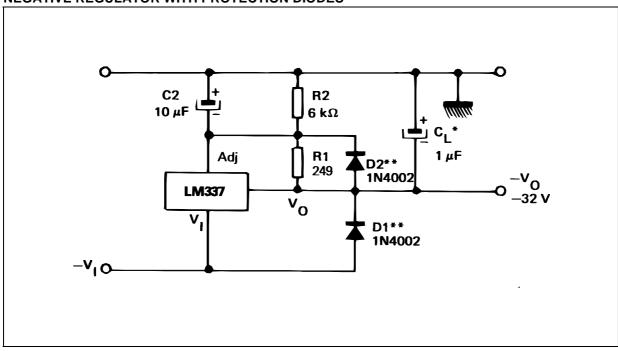


 $^{\star}$  The 10  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitors are optimal to improve ripple rejection.

#### **CURRENT REGULATOR**

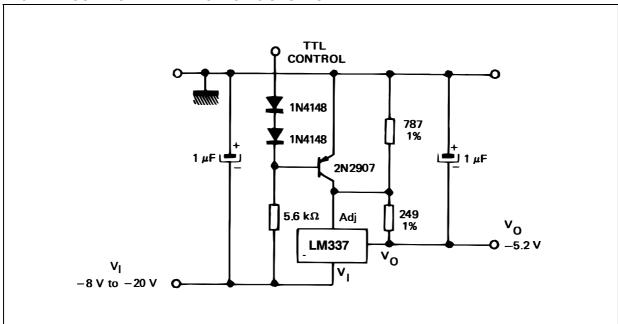


#### **NEGATIVE REGULATOR WITH PROTECTION DIODES**



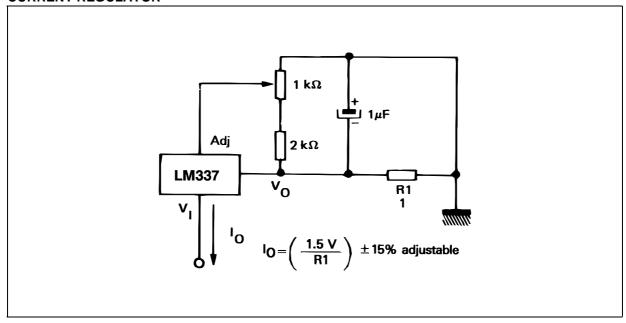
- $^*$  When CL is larger than 20  $\mu$ F, D1 protects the LM137 in case the input supply is shorted.  $^{**}$  When C2 is larger than 10 $\mu$ F and VO is larger than -25V, D2 protects the LM137 in case the output is shorted.

#### \* - 5.2V REGULATOR WITH ELECTRONIC SHUTDOWN



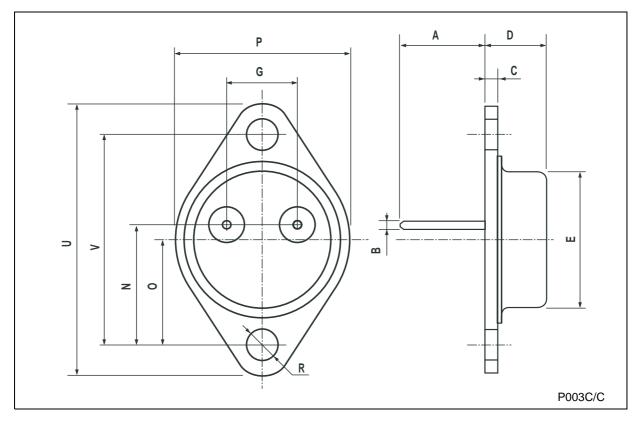
<sup>\*</sup> Minimum output = - 1.3V when control input is low.

#### **CURRENT REGULATOR**



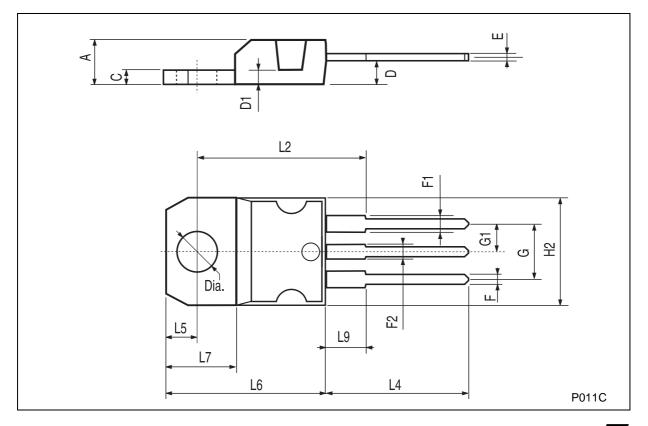
## **TO-3 MECHANICAL DATA**

DIM.		mm.			inch	
	MIN.	TYP	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.
А		11.85			0.466	
В	0.96	1.05	1.10	0.037	0.041	0.043
С			1.70			0.066
D			8.7			0.342
E			20.0			0.787
G		10.9			0.429	
N		16.9			0.665	
Р			26.2			1.031
R	3.88		4.09	0.152		0.161
U			39.5			1.555
V		30.10			1.185	



## **TO-220 MECHANICAL DATA**

DIM.		mm. inch				
	MIN.	TYP	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.
Α	4.40		4.60	0.173		0.181
С	1.23		1.32	0.048		0.051
D	2.40		2.72	0.094		0.107
D1		1.27			0.050	
Е	0.49		0.70	0.019		0.027
F	0.61		0.88	0.024		0.034
F1	1.14		1.70	0.044		0.067
F2	1.14		1.70	0.044		0.067
G	4.95		5.15	0.194		0.203
G1	2.4		2.7	0.094		0.106
H2	10.0		10.40	0.393		0.409
L2		16.4			0.645	
L4	13.0		14.0	0.511		0.551
L5	2.65		2.95	0.104		0.116
L6	15.25		15.75	0.600		0.620
L7	6.2		6.6	0.244		0.260
L9	3.5		3.93	0.137		0.154
DIA.	3.75		3.85	0.147		0.151



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