

# μA78MG • μA79MG 4-Terminal Adjustable Voltage Regulators

Linear Division Voltage Regulators

### Description

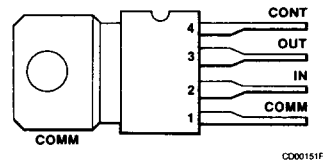
The μA78MG and μA79MG are 4-terminal adjustable voltage regulators. They are designed to deliver continuous load currents of up to 500 mA with a maximum input voltage of +40 V for the positive regulator μA78MG and -40 V for the negative regulator μA79MG. Output current capability can be increased to greater than 10 A through use of one or more external transistors. The output voltage range of the μA78MG positive voltage regulator is 5.0 V to 30 V and the output voltage range of the negative μA79MG is -30 to -2.2 V. For systems requiring both a positive and negative, the μA78MG and μA79MG are excellent for use as a dual tracking regulator. These 4-terminal voltage regulators are constructed using the Fairchild Planar process.

- Output Current In Excess Of 0.5 A
- μA78MG Positive Output Voltage +5.0 To +30 V
- μA79MG Negative Output Voltage -30 V To -2.2 V
- Internal Thermal Overload Protection
- Internal Short Circuit Current Protection
- Output Transistor Safe-Area Protection

### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Operating Junction Temperature Range	0°C to 150°C
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10 s)	265°C
Internal Power Dissipation	Internally Limited
Input Voltage	
μA78MGC	+40 V
μA79MGC	-40 V
Control Lead Voltage	
μA78MGC	$0 \text{ V} \leq V+ \leq V_O$
μA79MGC	$V_{O-} \leq -V \leq 0 \text{ V}$

### Connection Diagram μA78MG Power Watt (Top View)

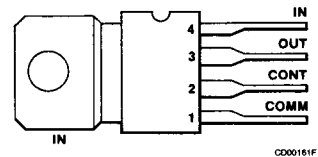


Heat sink tabs connected to input through device substrate. Not recommended for direct electrical connection.

### Order Information

Device Code	Package Code	Package Description
μA78MGU1C	8Z	Molded Power Pack

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**μA78MGC**

**Electrical Characteristics**  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_A \leq 125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for μA78MGC,  $V_I = 10\text{ V}$ ,  $I_O = 350\text{ mA}$ ,  $C_I = 0.33\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_O = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ , Test Circuit 1, unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Characteristic	Condition <sup>1,3</sup>	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$V_{IR}$	Input Voltage Range	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$	7.5		40	V
$V_{OR}$	Output Voltage Range	$V_I = V_O + 5.0\text{ V}$	5.0		30	V
$V_O$	Output Voltage Tolerance	$V_O + 3.0\text{ V} \leq V_I \leq V_O + 15\text{ V}$ , $5.0\text{ mA} \leq I_O \leq 350\text{ mA}$ , $P_D \leq 5.0\text{ W}$ , $V_{I\text{ Max}} = 38\text{ V}$			4.0	$\%(V_O)$
					5.0	
$V_{O\text{ LINE}}$	Line Regulation	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , $I_O = 200\text{ mA}$ , $V_O \leq 10\text{ V}$ , $(V_O + 2.5\text{ V}) \leq V_I \leq (V_O + 20\text{ V})$ , $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , $I_O = 200\text{ mA}$ , $V_O \geq 10\text{ V}$			1.0	$\%(V_O)$
$V_{O\text{ LOAD}}$	Load Regulation	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , $5.0\text{ mA} \leq I_O \leq 500\text{ mA}$ , $V_I = V_O + 7.0\text{ V}$			1.0	$\%(V_O)$
$I_C$	Control Lead Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$		1.0	6.0	$\mu\text{A}$
					7.0	
$I_Q$	Quiescent Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$		2.8	5.0	mA
					6.0	
RR	Ripple Rejection	$I_O = 125\text{ mA}$ , $8.0\text{ V} \leq V_I \leq 18\text{ V}$ , $V_O = 5.0\text{ V}$ , $f = 2400\text{ Hz}$	62	80		dB
$N_O$	Output Noise Voltage	$10\text{ Hz} \leq f \leq 100\text{ kHz}$ , $V_O = 5.0\text{ V}$		8	40	$\mu\text{V}/V_O$
$V_{DO}$	Dropout Voltage <sup>2</sup>			2	2.5	V
$I_{OS}$	Short Circuit Current	$V_I = 35\text{ V}$ , $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			600	mA
$I_{pk}$	Peak Output Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$	0.4	0.8	1.4	A
$\Delta V_O/\Delta T$	Average Temperature Coefficient of Output Voltage	$V_O = 5.0\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 5.0\text{ mA}$			0.4	$\text{mV}/^{\circ}\text{C}/V_O$
		$T_A = -55^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+25^{\circ}\text{C}$			0.3	
		$T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $125^{\circ}\text{C}$				
$V_C$	Control Lead Voltage (Reference)	$T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$	4.8	5.0	5.2	V
			4.75		5.25	

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# μA78MG • μA79MG

## μA79MGC

**Electrical Characteristics** 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ 125°C for μA79MGC, V<sub>I</sub> = -14 V, I<sub>O</sub> = 350 mA, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.0 μF, C<sub>O</sub> = 1.0 μF, Test Circuit 2, unless otherwise specified.

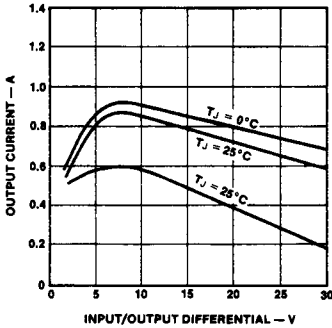
Symbol	Characteristic	Condition <sup>1,4,5</sup>	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V <sub>IR</sub>	Input Voltage Range	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C	-40		-7.0	V
V <sub>OR</sub>	Output Voltage Range	V <sub>I</sub> = V <sub>O</sub> - 5.0 V	-30		-2.23	V
V <sub>O</sub>	Output Voltage Tolerance	V <sub>O</sub> - 15 V ≤ V <sub>I</sub> ≤ V <sub>O</sub> - 3.0 V, 5.0 mA ≤ I <sub>O</sub> ≤ 350 mA, P <sub>D</sub> ≤ 5.0 W, V <sub>I</sub> Max = -38 V			4.0	% (V <sub>O</sub> )
					5.0	
V <sub>O</sub> LINE	Line Regulation	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, I <sub>O</sub> = 200 mA, V <sub>O</sub> ≤ -10 V, (V <sub>O</sub> - 20 V) ≤ V <sub>I</sub> ≤ (V <sub>O</sub> - 2.5 V), T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, I <sub>O</sub> = 200 mA, V <sub>O</sub> ≤ -10 V			1.0	% (V <sub>O</sub> )
V <sub>O</sub> LOAD	Load Regulation	V <sub>I</sub> = V <sub>O</sub> - 7.0 V, 5.0 mA ≤ I <sub>O</sub> ≤ 500 mA, T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C			1.0	% (V <sub>O</sub> )
I <sub>C</sub>	Control Lead Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C			2.0	μA
					3.0	
I <sub>Q</sub>	Quiescent Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C		0.5	2.5	mA
					3.5	
RR	Ripple Rejection	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, I <sub>O</sub> = 125 mA, V <sub>I</sub> = -13 V V <sub>O</sub> = -5.0 V, f = 2400 Hz	50			dB
N <sub>O</sub>	Noise	10 Hz ≤ f ≤ 100 kHz, V <sub>O</sub> = -8.0 V, I <sub>L</sub> = 50 mA		25	80	μV/ V <sub>O</sub>
V <sub>DO</sub>	Dropout Voltage			1.1	2.3	V
I <sub>OS</sub>	Short Circuit Current	V <sub>I</sub> = 35 V, T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C			600	mA
I <sub>pk</sub>	Peak Output Current		0.4	0.65	1.4	mA
ΔV <sub>O</sub> /ΔT	Average Temperature Coefficient of Output Voltage	V <sub>O</sub> = -5.0 V, I <sub>O</sub> = -5.0 mA			0.3	mV/ °C/ V <sub>O</sub>
					0.3	
V <sub>C</sub>	Control Lead Voltage (Reference)	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C	-2.32	-2.23	-2.14	V
			-2.35		-2.11	

### Notes

- V<sub>O</sub> is defined for the μA78MGC as  $V_O = -\frac{R1 + R2}{R2} (5.0)$ . The μA79MGC as  $V_O = \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} (-2.23)$ .
- Dropout voltage is defined as that input/output voltage differential which causes the output voltage to decrease by 5% of its initial value.
- All characteristics except noise voltage and ripple rejection ratio are measured using pulse techniques (t<sub>w</sub> ≤ 10 ms, duty cycle ≤ 5%). Output voltage changes due to changes in internal temperature must be taken into account separately.
- The convention for negative regulators is the Algebraic value, thus -15 V is less than -10 V.
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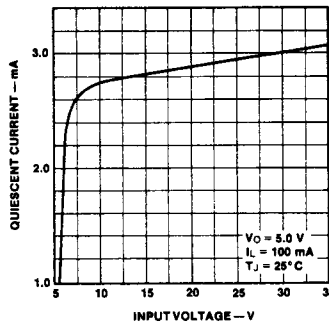
Typical Performance Curves For μA78MG

Peak Output Current vs Input/Output Differential Voltage



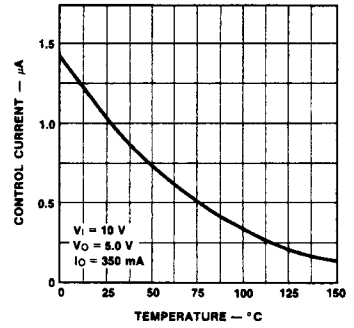
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Quiescent Current vs Input Voltage



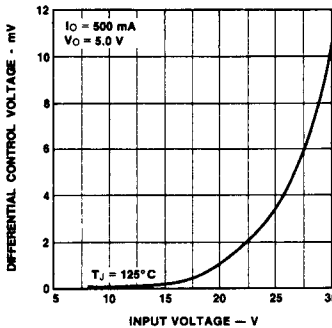
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Control Current vs Temperature



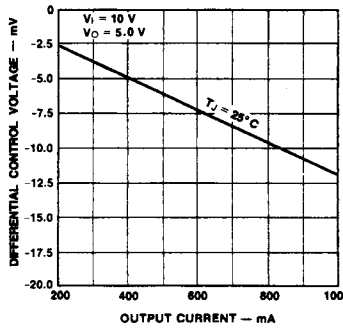
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Differential Control Voltage vs Input Voltage



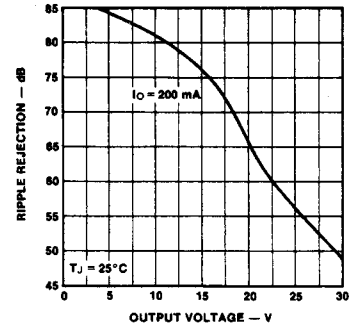
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Differential Control Voltage vs Output Current



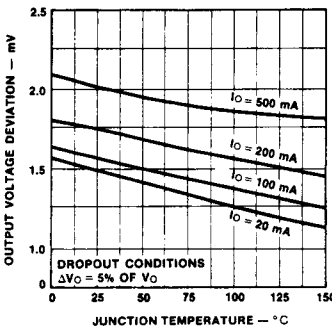
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Ripple Rejection vs Output Voltage



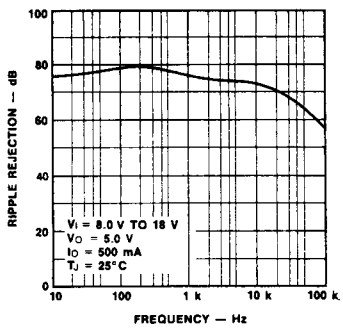
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Dropout Voltage vs Junction Temperature



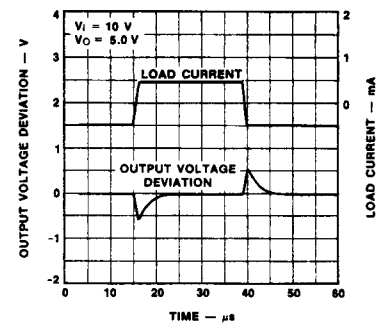
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Ripple Rejection vs Frequency



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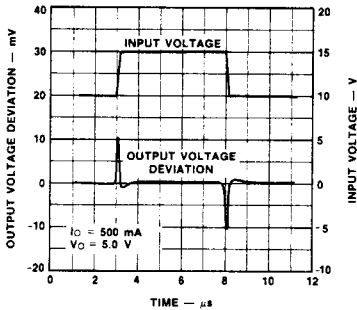
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Typical Performance Curves For  $\mu$ A78MG (Cont.)

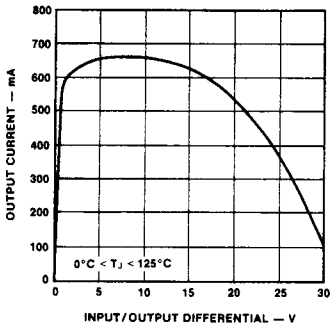
Line Transient Response



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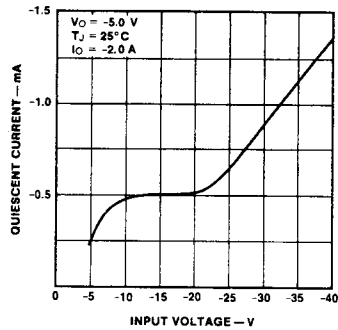
Typical Performance Curves For  $\mu$ A79MG

Peak Output Current vs Input/Output Differential Voltage



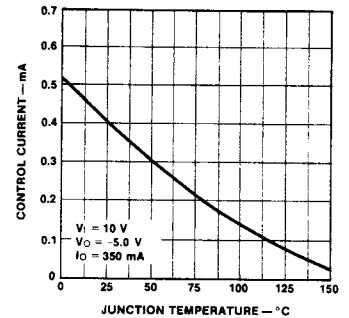
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Quiescent Current vs Input Voltage



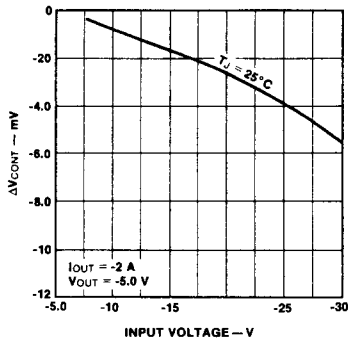
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Control Current vs Temperature



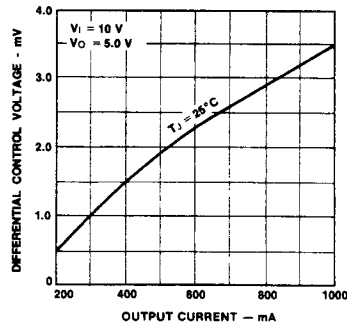
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Differential Control Voltage vs Input Voltage



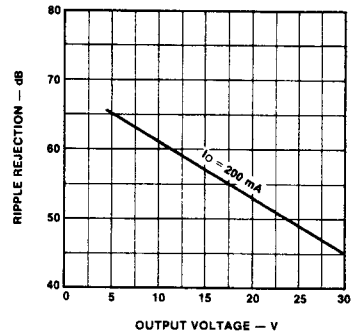
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Differential Control Voltage vs Output Current



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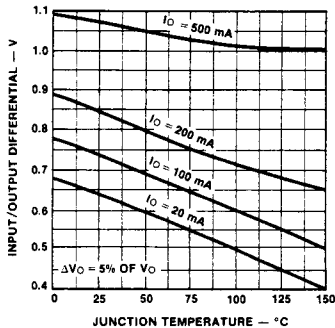
Ripple Rejection vs Output Voltage



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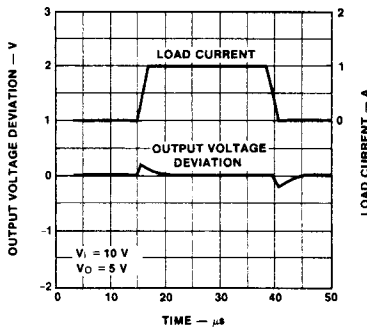
Typical Performance Curves For μA79MG (Cont.)

Dropout Voltage vs Junction Temperature



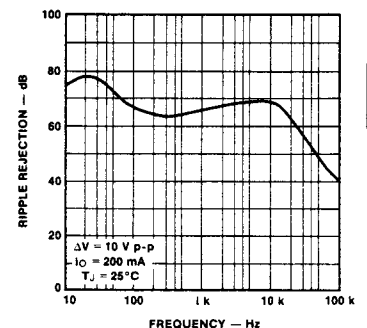
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Load Transient Response



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Ripple Rejection vs Frequency



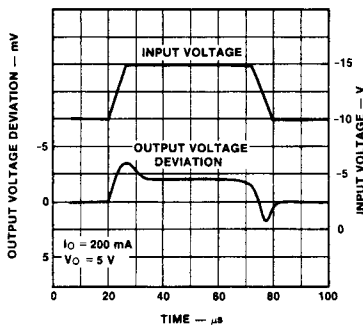
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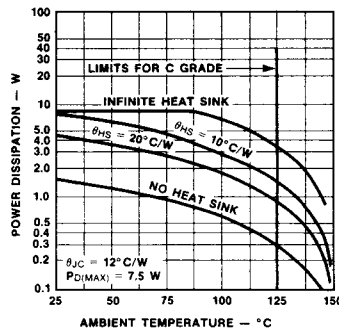
Typical Performance Curve For μA78MG and μA79MG

Worst Case Power Dissipation vs Ambient Temperature

Line Transient Response



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Design Considerations

The μA78MG and μA79MG variable voltage regulators have an output voltage which varies from VCONT to typically

$$V_1 - 2.0 \text{ V by } V_O = V_{CONT} \frac{(R_1 + R_2)}{R_2}$$

The nominal reference in the μA78MG is 5.0 V and μA79MG is -2.23 V. If we allow 1.0 mA to flow in the control string to eliminate bias current effects, we can make R2 = 5 kΩ in the μA78MG. The output voltage is then: V<sub>O</sub> = (R<sub>1</sub> + R<sub>2</sub>) Volts, where R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are in kΩs.

Example: If R<sub>2</sub> = 5.0 kΩ and R<sub>1</sub> = 10 kΩ then V<sub>O</sub> = 15 V nominal, for the μA78MG; R<sub>2</sub> = 2.2 kΩ and R<sub>1</sub> = 12.8 kΩ then V<sub>O</sub> = -15.2 V nominal, for the μA79MG.

By proper wiring of the feedback resistors, load regulation of the devices can be improved significantly.

Both μA78MG and μA79MG regulators have thermal overload protection from excessive power, internal short circuit protection which limits each circuit's maximum current, and output transistor safe-area protection for reducing the

output current as the voltage across each pass transistor is increased.

Although the internal power dissipation is limited, the junction temperature must be kept below the maximum specified temperature in order to meet data sheet specifications. To calculate the maximum junction temperature or heat sink required, the following thermal resistance values should be used:

Package	Typical $\theta_{JC}$	Max $\theta_{JC}$	Typical $\theta_{JA}$	Max $\theta_{JA}$
Power Watt	8.0	12.0	70	75

$$P_{D \text{ Max}} = \frac{T_{J \text{ Max}} - T_A}{\theta_{JC} + \theta_{CA}} \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{T_{J \text{ Max}} - T_A}{\theta_{JA}} \text{ (Without a heat sink)}$$

$$\theta_{CA} = \theta_{CS} + \theta_{SA}$$

Solving for  $T_J$ :

$$T_J = T_A + P_D(\theta_{JC} + \theta_{CA}) \text{ or}$$

$$T_A + P_D\theta_{JA} \text{ (Without heat sink)}$$

Where

- $T_J$  = Junction Temperature
- $T_A$  = Ambient Temperature
- $P_D$  = Power Dissipation
- $\theta_{JC}$  = Junction-to-case thermal resistance
- $\theta_{CA}$  = Case-to-ambient thermal resistance
- $\theta_{CS}$  = Case-to-heat sink thermal resistance
- $\theta_{SA}$  = Heat sink-to-ambient thermal resistance
- $\theta_{JA}$  = Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance

**Typical Applications for μA78MG (Note 1)**

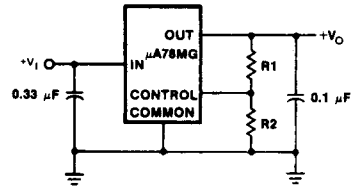
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The bypass capacitors, (0.33 μF on the input, 0.1 μF on the output) should be ceramic or solid tantalum which have good high frequency characteristics. The bypass capacitors should be mounted with the shortest leads, and if possible, directly across the regulator terminals.

**Note**

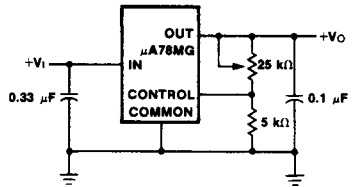
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**Basic Positive Regulator**

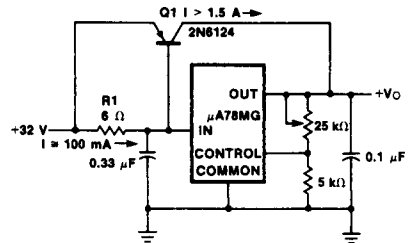


$$V_O = V_{\text{CONT}} \left( \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} \right)$$

**Positive 5.0 V to 30 V Adjustable Regulator**



**Positive 5.0 V to 30 V Adjustable Regulator  $I_O > 1.5 \text{ A}$**

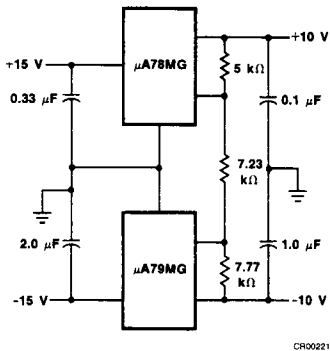


$$R1 = \frac{\beta V_{BE}(Q1)}{I_{R \text{ Max}}(\beta - 1)}$$



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± 10 V, 500 mA Dual Tracking Regulator

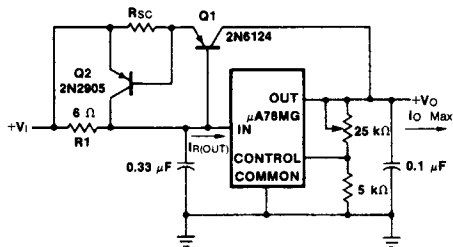


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Note

External series pass device is not short circuit protected.

Positive High Current Short Circuit Protected Regulator

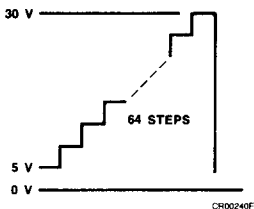


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$$R1 = \frac{\beta V_{BE}(Q1)}{V_R \text{ Max}(\beta + 1) - I_o \text{ Max}}$$

If load is not ground referenced, connect reverse biased diodes from outputs to ground.

Output Waveform



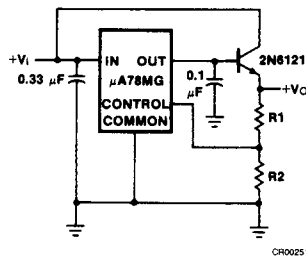
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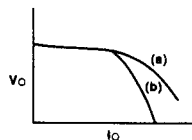
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Positive High-Current Voltage Regulator

External Series Pass (a)

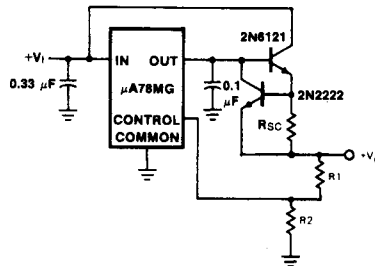


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Short-Circuit Limit (b)



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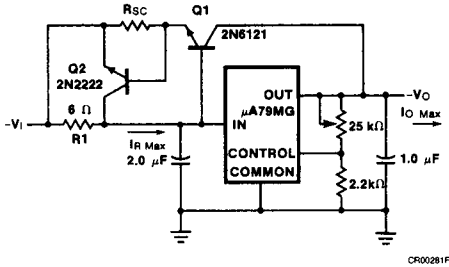
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The bypass capacitors, (2.0 μF on the input, 1.0 μF on the output) should be ceramic or solid tantalum which have good high frequency characteristics. If aluminum electrolytics are used, their values should be 10 μF or larger. The bypass capacitors should be mounted with the shortest leads, and if possible, directly across the regulator terminals.

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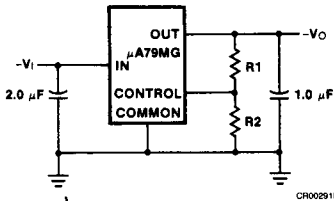
Negative High Current Short Circuit Protected Regulator



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$$R1 = \frac{\beta V_{BE(Q1)}}{I_{R \text{ Max}}(\beta) - I_{O \text{ Max}}}$$

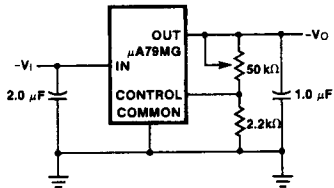
Basic Negative Regulator



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$$V_O = -V_{\text{CONT}} \left( \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} \right)$$

-30 V to -2.2 V Adjustable Regulator

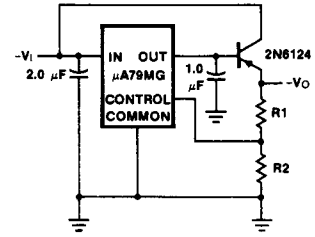


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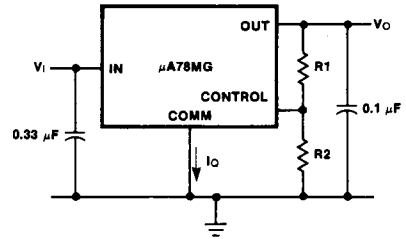
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Negative High Current Voltage Regulator External Series Pass



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μA78MG Test Circuit 1

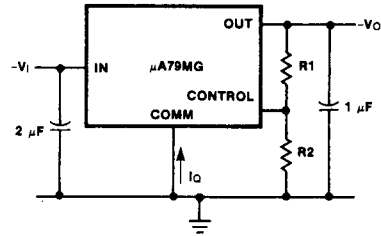


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$$V_O = \left( \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} \right) V_{\text{CONT}}$$

$V_{\text{CONT}}$  Nominally = 5 V

μA79MG Test Circuit 2



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$$V_O = \left( \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} \right) V_{\text{CONT}}$$

$V_{\text{CONT}}$  Nominally = -2.23 V

- Recommended  $R2$  current  $\approx 1$  mA  
 $\therefore R2 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$  ( $\mu\text{A78MG}$ )  
 $R2 = 2.2 \text{ k}\Omega$  ( $\mu\text{A79MG}$ )