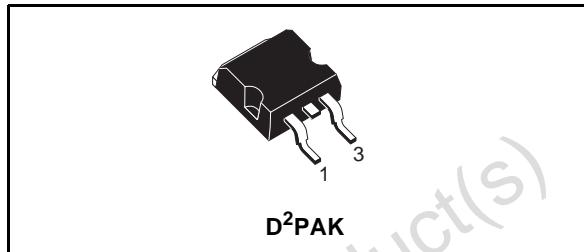


Up to 5A ULDO linear regulator

General features

- 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V and 3.3V fixed output voltage
- 3V to 14V input voltage range
- 200mΩ $R_{DS(on)}$ typical @ $t_J = 125^\circ\text{C}$
- 0.6V max. drop-out at 2A
- Excellent load regulation
- 0.6mA quiescent current at any load
- Short circuit protection
- Thermal shutdown

**Applications**

- Mother boards
- Processor I/O & supplies
- Low voltage memory & chip set supplies
- Graphic & sound cards
- Low voltage logic supplies
- Post regulator for SMPS

Description

The L4957AD devices are Ultra Low Drop Output linear regulators with an internal N-channel MOSFET of 200mΩ particularly suitable for low voltage/low dropout applications.

Operating with a input voltage from 3V to 14V they are capable to deliver up to 5A.

The devices are ideal for use as one of the supplies required by processor, for example they are the cost effective and efficient solution for conversion from 3.3V (rail bus) to 2.5V @ 2.5A or to 1.5V with high current rating.

Fast response transient minimise the output capacitor value. A minimum of 22µF assures the stability in all load conditions.

The on-chip trimming technique offers a tighter voltage reference tolerance (with ± 2% including line and load variation) beside to ensure a controlled short circuit current. Thermal shutdown provides protection against overload conditions that creates excessive junction temperature.

Order codes

| Part number | |
|-------------|---------------|
| Tube | Tape and Reel |
| L4957AD1.5 | L4957AD1.5TR |
| L4957AD1.8 | L4957AD1.8TR |
| L4957AD2.5 | L4957AD2.5TR |
| L4957AD3.3 | L4957AD3.3TR |

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1 Block diagram and typical application

Figure 1. Block diagram

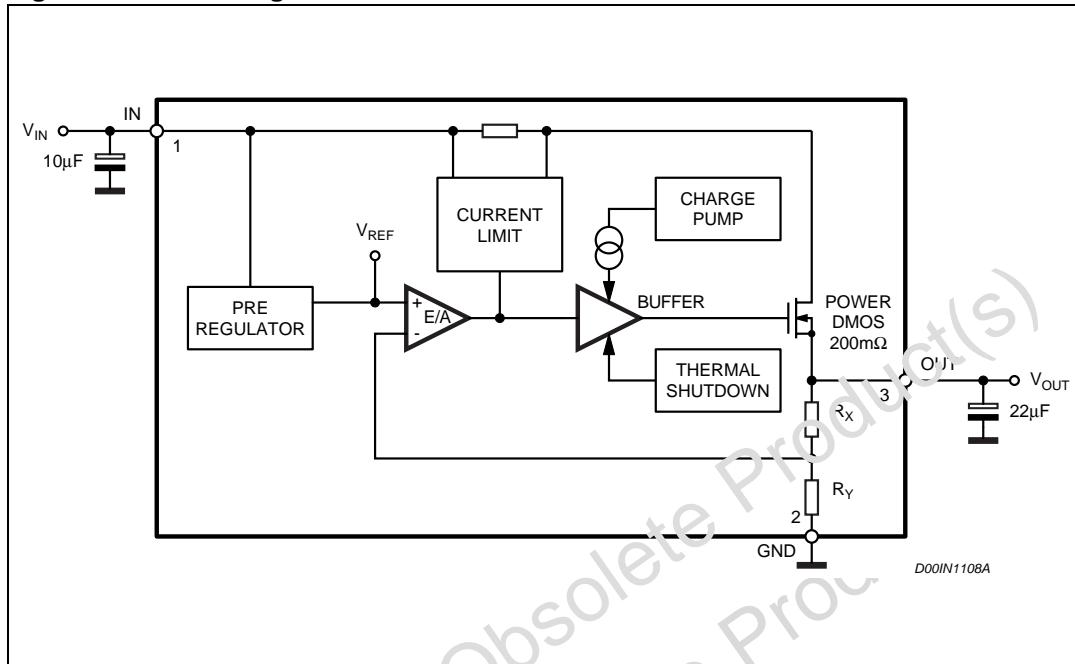
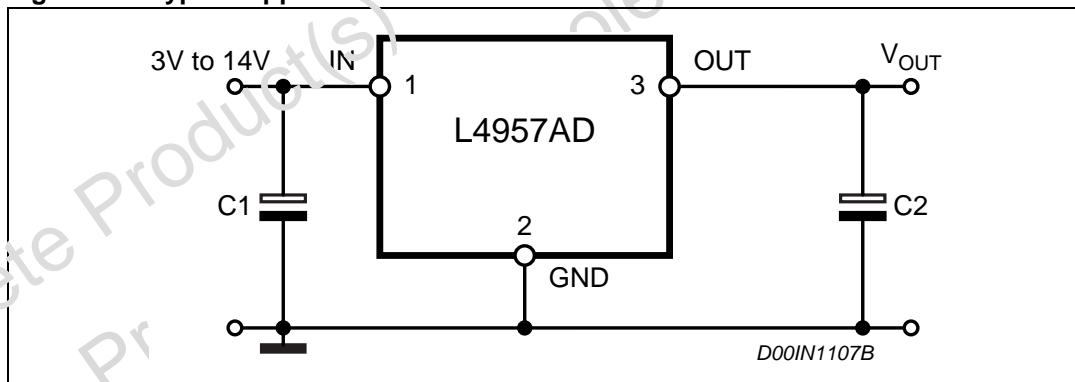


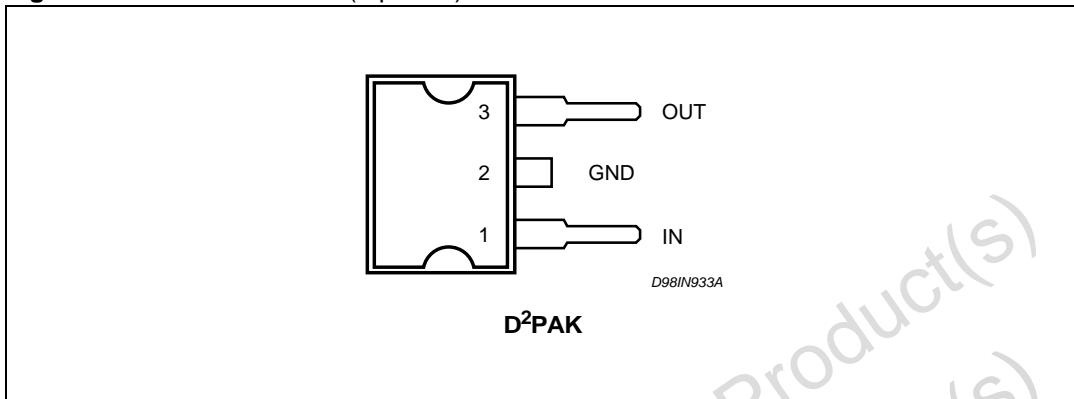
Figure 2. Typical application



2 Pin description

2.1 Pin connection

Figure 3. Pin connection (top view)



2.2 Pin description

Table 1. Pin description

| Name | Pin N° | Description |
|------|--------|---|
| 1 | IN | Unregulated input voltage; this pin must be bypassed with a capacitor larger than 10µF. |
| 2 | GND | To connect to Ground to get 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V or 3.3V output. |
| 3 | OUT | Regulated output voltage. A minimum bypass capacitor of 22µF is required to insure stability. |

3 Maximum ratings

3.1 Absolute maximum ratings

Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

| Symbol | Parameter | Value | Unit |
|-----------|----------------------|-------------|------|
| V_{IN} | Supply input voltage | 16 | V |
| T_J | Junction temperature | -40 to +150 | °C |
| T_{STG} | Storage temperature | -40 to +150 | °C |

3.2 Thermal data

Table 3. Thermal data

| Symbol | Parameter | Value | Unit | |
|------------|---|-------|------|----|
| R_{thJC} | Maximum thermal resistance junction-case | 3 | °C/W | |
| R_{thJA} | Maximum thermal resistance junction-air ambient | 60 | °C/W | |
| | Thermal Shutdown | Typ. | 150 | °C |
| | Thermal Hysteresis | Typ. | 29 | °C |

4 Electrical characteristics

Table 4. Electrical Characteristics ($T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{IN} = 5\text{V}$, unless otherwise specified)

| Symbol | Parameter | Test condition | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|--------------|----------------------------|--|-------|-----|-------|------------------|
| V_{IN} | Operating Supply Voltage | | 3 | | 14 | V |
| V_O | Output Voltage | $3.15\text{V} < V_{IN} < 5.25\text{V}; I_O = 0.1\text{A}$ | 1.485 | 1.5 | 1.515 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V} \pm 5\%; 0.1\text{A} < I_O < 5\text{A}$ (1) | 1.47 | 1.5 | 1.53 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V} \pm 5\% I_O = 0.1\text{A}$ $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\%$ | 1.782 | 1.8 | 1.818 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V} \pm 5\% (0.1\text{A} < I_O < 4.5\text{A})$ (1) $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\% 0.1\text{A} < I_O < 5\text{A}$ | 1.764 | 1.8 | 1.836 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V} \pm 5\% I_O = 0.1\text{A}$ $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\%$ | 2.475 | 2.5 | 2.525 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V} \pm 5\% (0.1\text{A} < I_C < 2.2\text{A})$ (1) $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\% 0.1\text{A} < I_O < 5\text{A}$ | 2.45 | 2.5 | 2.55 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\% I_O = 0.1\text{A}$ | 3.267 | 3.3 | 3.333 | V |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \pm 5\% 0.1\text{A} < I_O < 5\text{A}$ (1) | 3.234 | 3.3 | 3.366 | V |
| $R_{DS(on)}$ | Drain-Source ON Resistance | (1) | | | 300 | $\text{m}\Omega$ |
| I_O | Current Limiting | (1) | 5.1 | 6.3 | 7.5 | A |
| I_Q | Quiescent Current | $3\text{V} < V_{IN} < 14\text{V}$ (1) | | 0.6 | 2 | mA |
| | Ripple Rejection | $f = 120\text{Hz}, I_O = 1\text{A}$ $V_{IN} = 5\text{V} \Delta V_{IN} = 2V_{PP}$ | 60 | 75 | | dB |

1. Specifications referred to T_J from 0°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$.

Figure 4. Line regulation vs. junction temperature

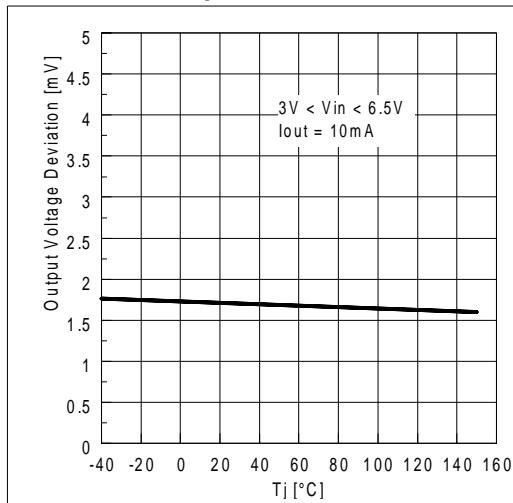


Figure 5. Load regulation

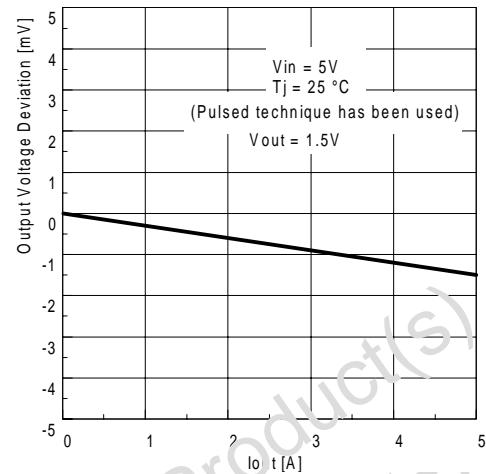


Figure 6. Maximum output current vs. junction temperature

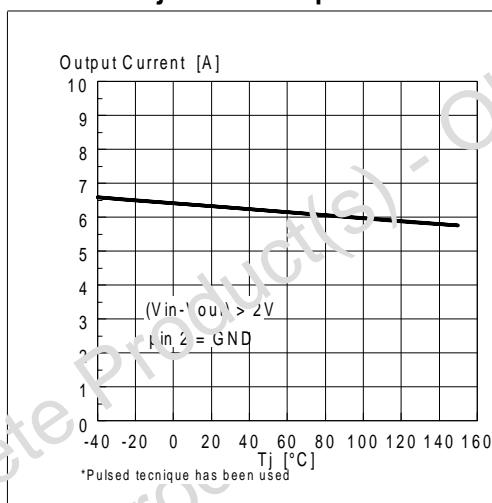


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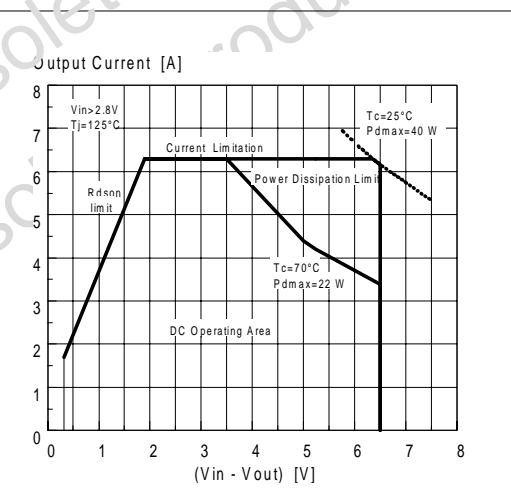


Figure 8. Ripple rejection vs. frequency **Figure 9. Output voltage vs. output current ($V_{OUT} = 1.5V$)**

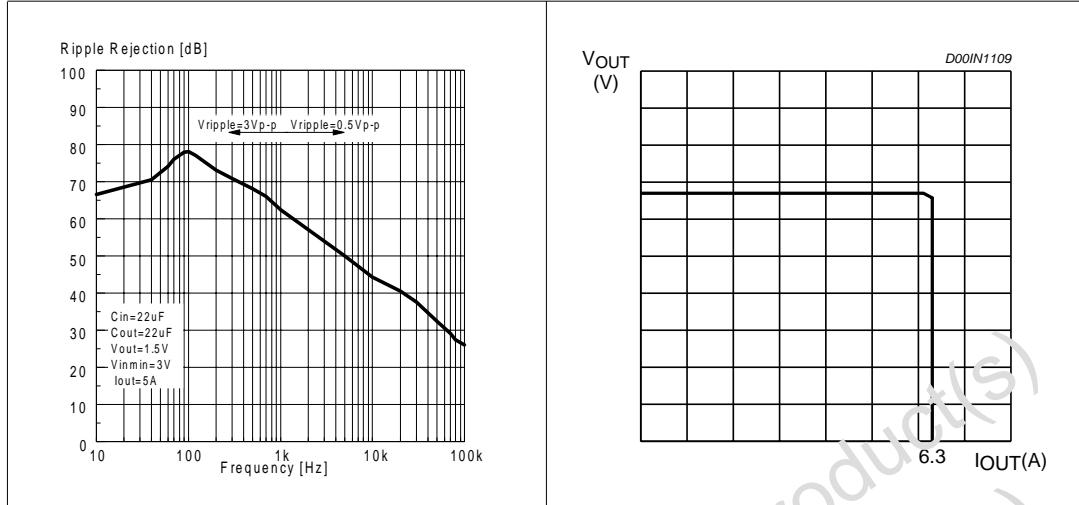
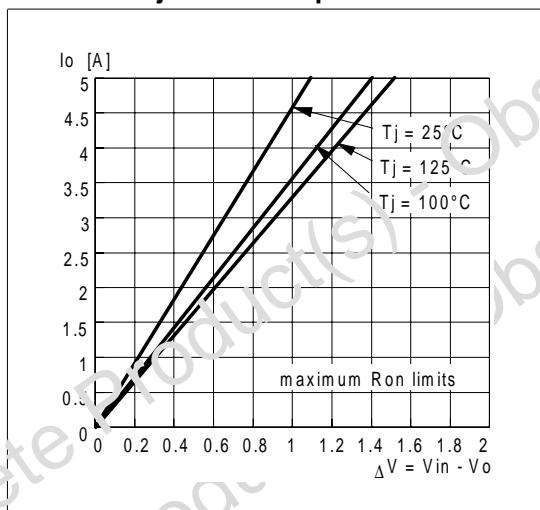


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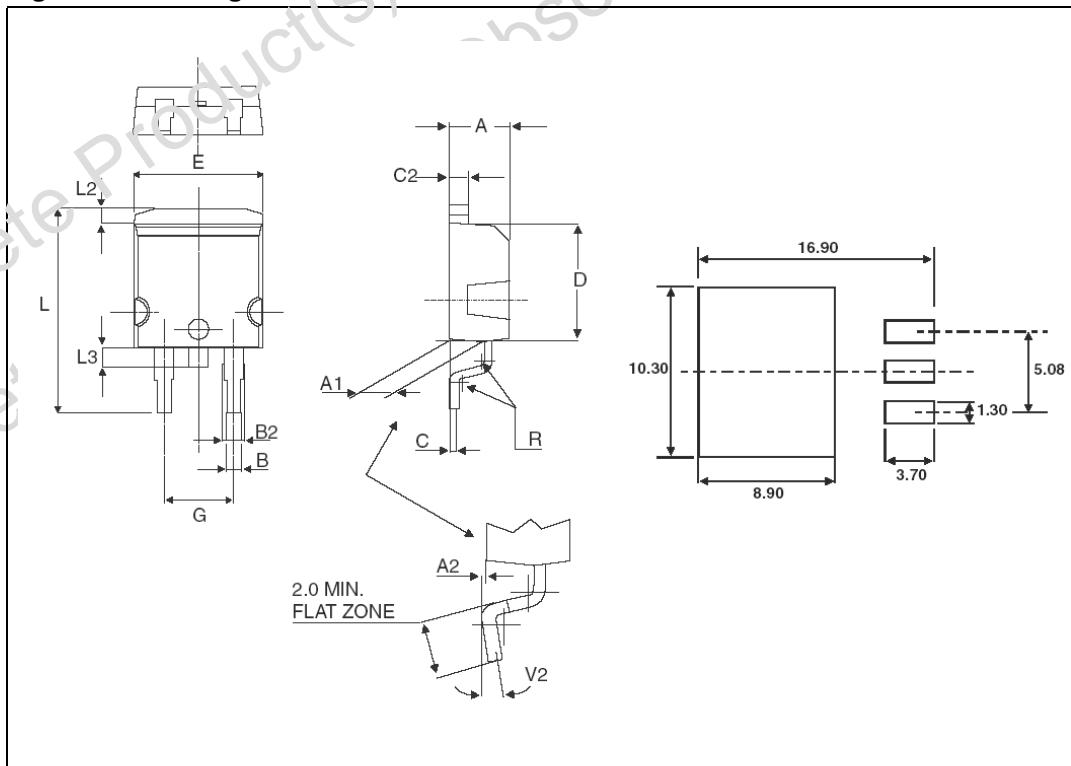


5 Package mechanical data

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in ECOPACK® packages. These packages have a Lead-free second level interconnect . The category of second level interconnect is marked on the package and on the inner box label, in compliance with JEDEC Standard JESD97. The maximum ratings related to soldering conditions are also marked on the inner box label. ECOPACK is an ST trademark. ECOPACK specifications are available at: www.st.com

Table 5. D²PAK Mechanical data

| Dim. | mm. | | | inch | | |
|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Min | Typ | Max | Min | Typ | Max |
| A | 4.30 | | 4.60 | 0.169 | | 0.181 |
| A1 | 2.49 | | 2.69 | 0.098 | | 0.106 |
| A2 | 0.03 | | 0.23 | 0.001 | | 0.009 |
| B | 0.70 | | 0.93 | 0.027 | | 0.037 |
| B2 | 1.25 | 1.40 | | 0.049 | 0.055 | |
| C | 0.45 | | 0.60 | 0.017 | | 0.024 |
| C2 | 1.21 | | 1.36 | 0.047 | | 0.051 |
| D | 8.95 | | 9.35 | 0.352 | | 0.368 |
| E | 10.00 | | 10.28 | 0.393 | | 0.405 |
| G | 4.88 | | 5.28 | 0.192 | | 0.208 |
| L | 15.00 | | 15.85 | 0.590 | | 0.624 |
| L2 | 1.27 | | 1.40 | 0.050 | | 0.055 |
| L3 | 1.40 | | 1.75 | 0.055 | | 0.069 |
| R | | 0.40 | | | 0.016 | |
| V2 | 0° | | 8° | 0° | | 8° |

Figure 11. Package dimensions

6 Revision history

Table 6. Revision history

| Date | Revision | Changes |
|-------------|----------|--|
| 12-Feb-2002 | 5 | Removed the L4957AV part number and its references in the whole document |
| 20-Apr-2006 | 6 | New template |

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