

# LM137/LM237 LM337

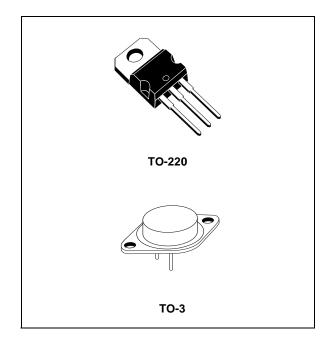
# THREE-TERMINAL ADJUSTABLE NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATORS

- 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

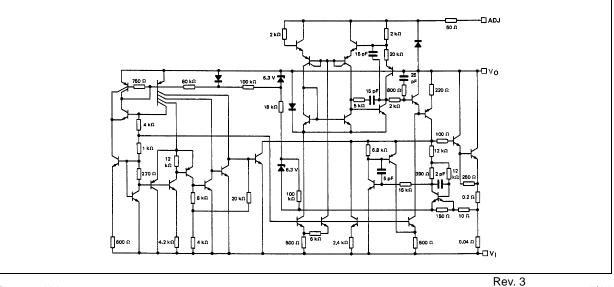
#### DESCRIPTION

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.

#### Figure 1: Schematic Diagram



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



Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit	
V <sub>I</sub> - V <sub>O</sub>	Input Output Voltage Differential	40	V	
Ι <sub>Ο</sub>	Output Current	1.5	А	
P <sub>tot</sub>	Power Dissipation	Internally Limited		
T <sub>stg</sub>	Storage Temperature Range	-65 to 150	°C	
	Operating Junction Temperature Range	LM137	-55 to 150	
T <sub>oper</sub>	T <sub>oper</sub> LM237		-25 to 125	°C
		LM337	0 to 125	

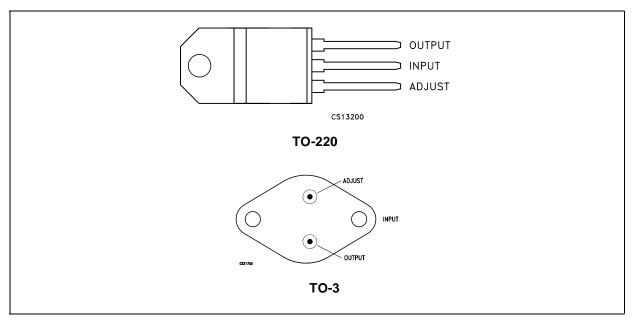
#### **Table 1: Absolute Maximum Ratings**

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

#### **Table 2: Thermal Data**

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

## Figure 2: Pin Connection (Top view for TO-220, bottom view for TO-3)



## **Table 3: Ordering Codes**

ТҮРЕ	TO-3	TEMPERATURE RANGE
LM137	LM137K	-55°C to 150°C
LM237	LM237K	-25°C to 150°C
LM337	LM337K	0°C to 125°C

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#### Symbol Parameter **Test Conditions** Min. Typ. Max. Unit $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ -1.225 -1.25 -1.275 V V<sub>ref</sub> **Reference Voltage** $|V_1 - V_0| = 3$ to 40 V, $T_J = T_{min}$ to $T_{max}$ -1.2 -1.25 -1.3 $|I_0| = 10$ mA to $|I_{O(max)}|$ $P \leq P_{max}$ $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ I<sub>O</sub> = 0.1 A Line Regulation (Note 2) 0.01 0.02 %/V K<sub>VI</sub> $|V_1 - V_0| = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$ $I_{O} = 20 \text{ mA}$ 0.01 0.02 T<sub>a</sub> = 25°C |V<sub>O</sub>| ≤ 5 V **K**<sub>VO</sub> Load Regulation (Note 2) 15 25 mV $|I_0| = 10$ mA to $|I_{O(max)}|$ $|V_0| \ge 5 V$ 0.3 0.5 % **Thermal Regulation** $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , pulse 10 ms 0.002 0.02 %/W Adjustment Pin Current 65 100 μΑ ladi Adjustment Pin Current $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , $|I_0| = 10 \text{ mA to } |I_{O(max)}|$ 2 5 uА $\Delta I_{adi}$ Change $|V_1 - V_0| = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$ Line Regulation (Note 2) $|V_{I} - V_{O}| = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$ 0.02 0.05 %/V $K_{VI}$ $|I_0| = 10$ mA to $|I_{O(max)}|$ **K**<sub>VO</sub> Load Regulation (Note 2) $|V_0| \le 5 V$ 20 50 mV $|V_0| \ge 5 V$ 0.3 1 % Minimum Load Current $|V_1 - V_0| \le 40 \text{ V}$ 2.5 5 mΑ |I<sub>O(min)</sub>| |V<sub>I</sub> - V<sub>O</sub>| ≤ 10 V 1.2 3 Short Circuit Output Current |V<sub>1</sub> - V<sub>O</sub>| ≤ 15 V 1.5 2.2 A los |V<sub>I</sub> - V<sub>O</sub>| = 40 V, T<sub>J</sub> = 25°C 0.24 0.4 V<sub>NO</sub> $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ f = 10 Hz to 10 KHz **RMS Output Noise** 0.003 % (% of $V_0$ ) R<sub>vf</sub> **Ripple Rejection Ratio** V<sub>O</sub> = -10 V, f = 120 Hz 60 dB 77 $C_{adi} = 10 \ \mu F$ 66 Κ<sub>VT</sub> **Temperature Stability** 0.6 % Long Term Stability T<sub>a</sub> = 125°C, 1000 H 0.3 % K<sub>VH</sub> 1

### Table 4: Electrical Characteristics Of LM137/LM237 (T<sub>J</sub> = -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).

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Notes: 1. Although power dissipation is internally limited, these specifications are applicable for power dissipation of: 15 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.

Symbol	Parameter	Test Condi	tions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>ref</sub>	Reference Voltage	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C		-1.213	-1.25	-1.287	V
		$ V_{I} - V_{O}  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V},$ $ I_{O}  = 10\text{mA to }  I_{O(\text{max})} $	$T_{J} = T_{min} \text{ to } T_{max}$ $P \le P_{max}$	-1.2	-1.25	-1.3	
K <sub>VI</sub>	Line Regulation (Note 2)	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$	I <sub>O</sub> = 0.1 A		0.01	0.04	%/V
		$ V_{I} - V_{O}  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$	l <sub>O</sub> = 20 mA		0.01	0.04	
K <sub>VO</sub>	Load Regulation (Note 2)	T <sub>a</sub> = 25°C	V <sub>O</sub>   ≤ 5 V		15	50	mV
		$ I_{O}  = 10$ mA to $ I_{O(max)} $	V <sub>0</sub>   ≥ 5 V		0.3	1	%
	Thermal Regulation	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , 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	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ , $ I_O  = 10 \text{ mA}$ $ V_I - V_O  = 3 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$		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>0</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_{I} - V_{O}  \le 40 \text{ V}$			2.5	10	mA
		$ V_{I} - V_{O}  \le 10 \text{ V}$			1.5	6	
I <sub>OS</sub>	Short Circuit Output Current	$ V_{I} - V_{O}  \le 15 \text{ V}$		1.5	2.2		А
		$ V_{I} - V_{O}  = 40 \text{ V}, \text{ T}_{J} = 25^{\circ}$	С	0.15	0.4		
V <sub>NO</sub>	RMS Output Noise (% of V <sub>O</sub> )	$T_a = 25^{\circ}C$ f = 10 Hz to		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		%	
$K_{VH}$	Long Term Stability	T <sub>a</sub> = 125°C, 1000 H			0.3	1	%

# Table 5: Electrical Characteristics Of LM337 ( $T_J = 0$ to 150°C unless otherwise specified).

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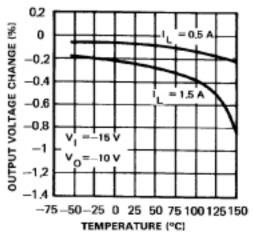
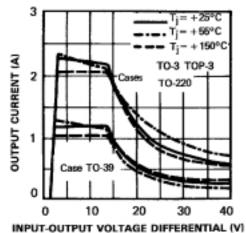
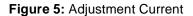
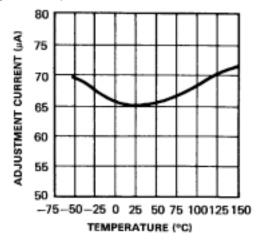


Figure 3: Load Regulation

Figure 4: Current Limit







#### Figure 6: Dropout Voltage

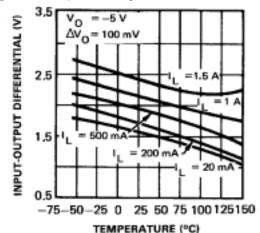


Figure 7: Temperature Stability

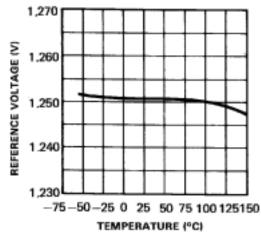


Figure 8: Minimum Operating Current

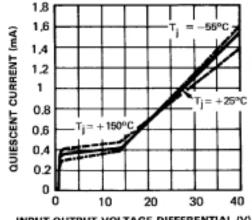


Figure 9: Ripple Rejection Versus Output Voltage

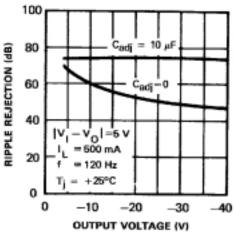


Figure 10: Ripple Rejection Versus Frequency

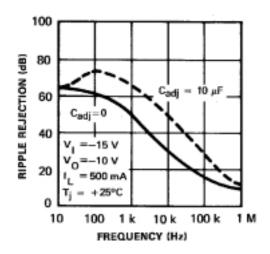


Figure 11: Ripple Rejection Versus Output Current

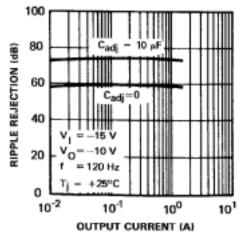


Figure 12: Output Impedance

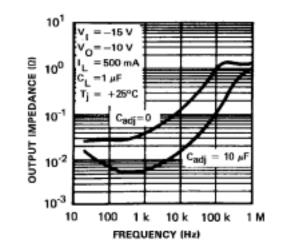


Figure 13: Line Transient Response

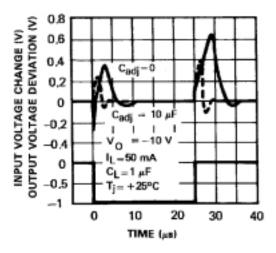
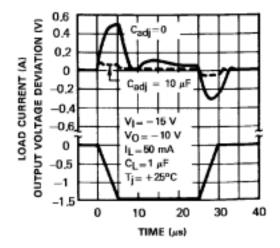


Figure 14: Load Transient Response



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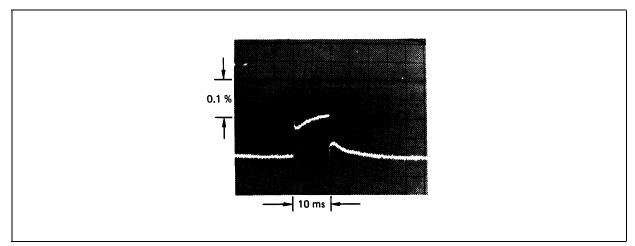
#### THERMAL REGULATION

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<sub>O</sub> = - 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.

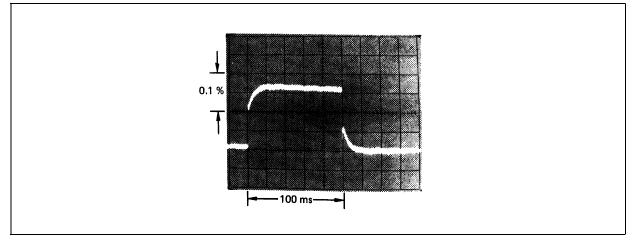
In figure 2, when the 10W pulse is applied for 100ms, the output drifts only slightly beyond the drift in the first 10ms and the thermal error stays well within 0.1% (10mV).



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 16: Typical Output Drift

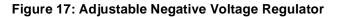
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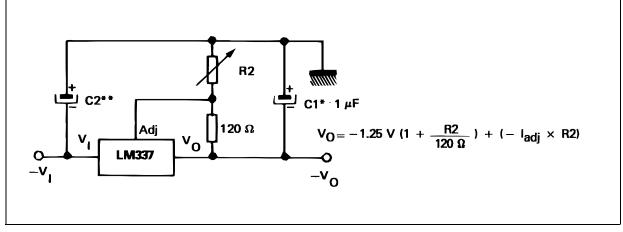


LM337, VO = -10V, V<sub>I</sub> - V<sub>O</sub> = - 40V, I<sub>L</sub> = 0A  $\rightarrow$  0.25A  $\rightarrow$  0A. Horizontal sensitivity 5msN/div.

#### Figure 15: Typical Output Drift

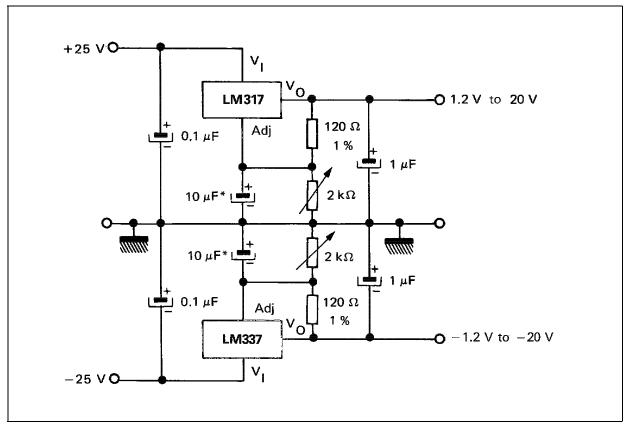
#### **TYPICAL APPLICATIONS**





\* C1 = 1  $\mu$ F solid tantalum or 10 $\mu$ F aluminium electrolytic required for stability. \*\* C2 = 1  $\mu$ F solid tantalum is required only if regulator is more than 10 cm from power supply filter capacitors





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

#### **Figure 19: Current Regulator**

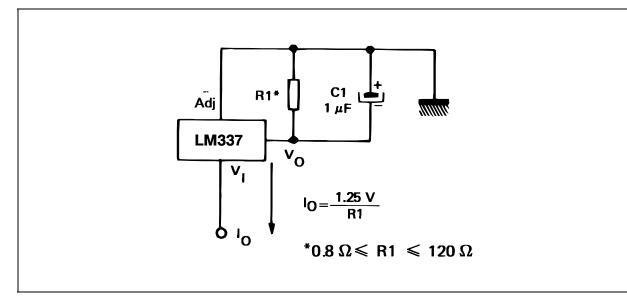
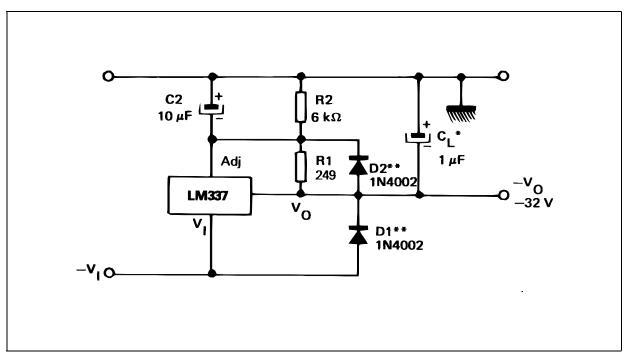
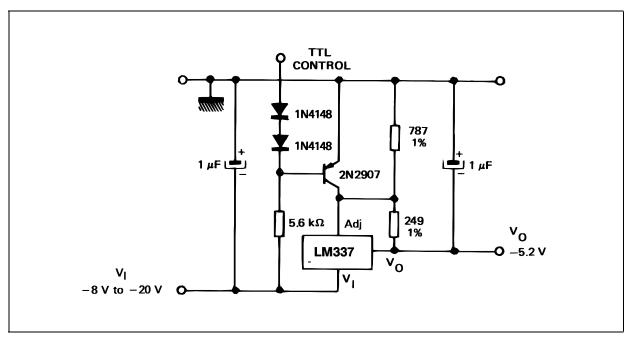


Figure 20: Negative Regulator With Protection Diodes



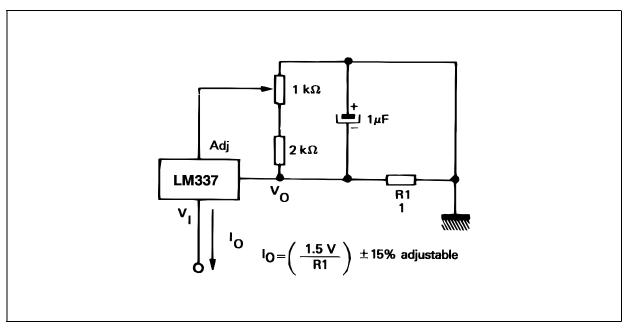
 $^*$  When CL is larger than 20  $\mu F,$  D1 protects the LM137 in case the input supply is shorted.  $^{**}$  When C2 is larger than 10  $\mu F$  and VO is larger than -25V, D2 protects the LM137 in case the output is shorted.





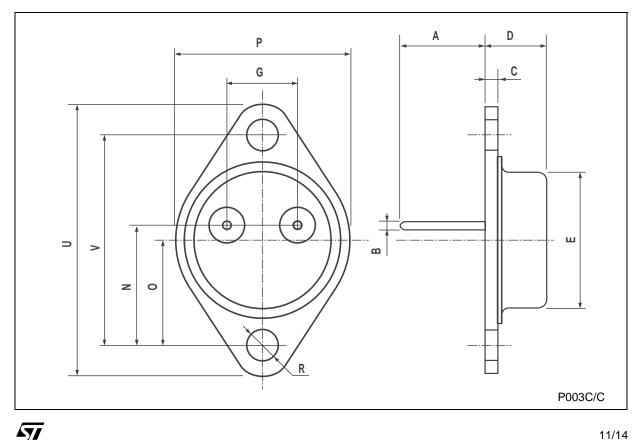
\* Minimum output = - 1.3V when control input is low.

#### Figure 22: Current Regulator



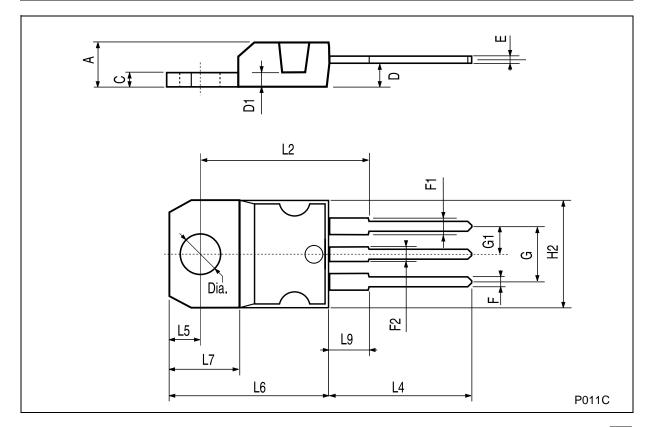
# **TO-3 MECHANICAL DATA**

DIM.	mm.			inch			
DIM.	MIN.	ТҮР	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.	ТҮР	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	
А	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	0.10		
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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## Table 6: Revision History

Date Revision		Revision	Description of Changes
19-J	19-Jul-2004 2		Mistake Pin Connection for TO-3 figure 1, page 2.
10-J	10-Jan-2005 3		Mistake Pin Connection for TO-3 figure 2, page 2.

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