

FAN1581

5A Adjustable/Fixed Ultra Low Dropout Linear Regulator

Features

- Ultra Low dropout voltage, 0.4V typical at 5A
- Remote sense operation
- Fast transient response
- Load regulation: 0.05% typical
- 0.5% initial accuracy
- On-chip thermal limiting
- 5-Pin SPAK and TO-263 packages

Applications

- Pentium® Processors
- PowerPC™, AMD K5 and K6 processors
- Pentium support of GTL+ bus supply
- Low voltage logic supply
- Embedded Processor supplies
- Split plane regulator
- New 2.5V and 1.8V Logic Families

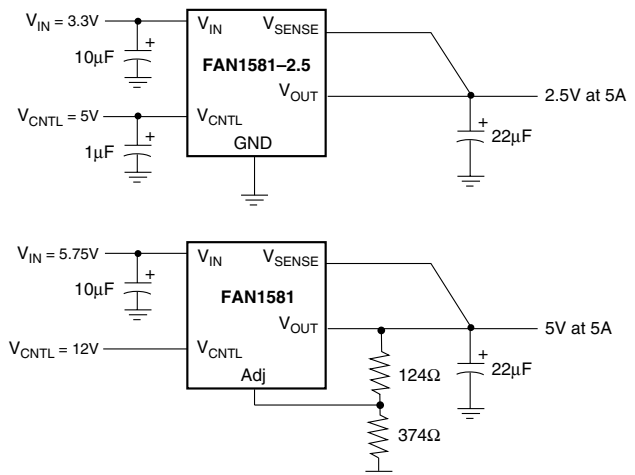
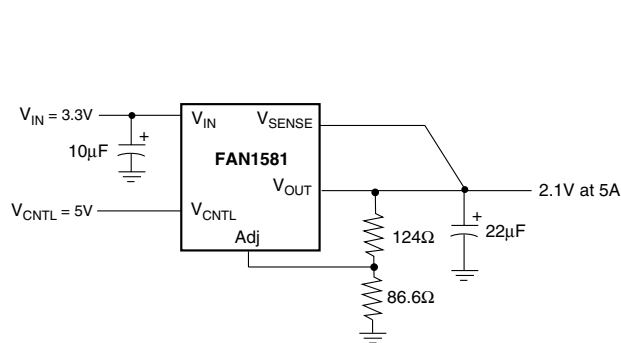
Description

The FAN1581, FAN1581-1.5, and FAN1581-2.5 are ultra-low dropout regulators with 5A output current capability. These devices have been optimized for low voltage applications including V_{TT} bus termination, where transient response and minimum input voltage are critical. The FAN1581 is ideal for low voltage microprocessor applications requiring a regulated output from 1.3V to 5.7V with a power input supply of 1.75V to 6.5V. The FAN1581-1.5 offers fixed 1.5V with 5A current capabilities for GTL+ bus V_{TT} termination. The FAN1581-2.5 offers fixed 2.5V with 5A current capability for logic IC operation and processors while minimizing the overall power dissipation.

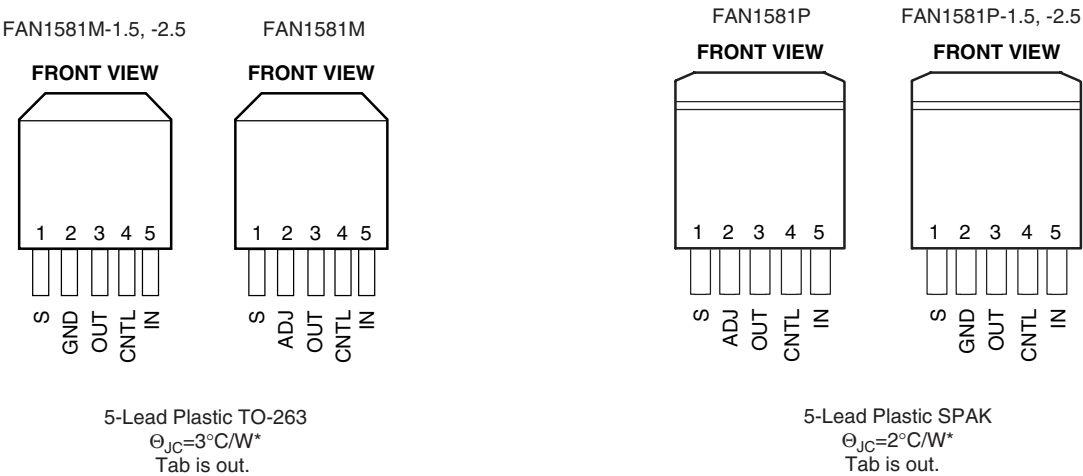
Current limit ensures controlled short-circuit current. On-chip thermal limiting provides protection against any combination of overload and ambient temperature that would create excessive junction temperatures.

The FAN1581 series regulators are available in the 5-Pin SPAK and TO-263 power packages.

Typical Applications



Pin Assignments

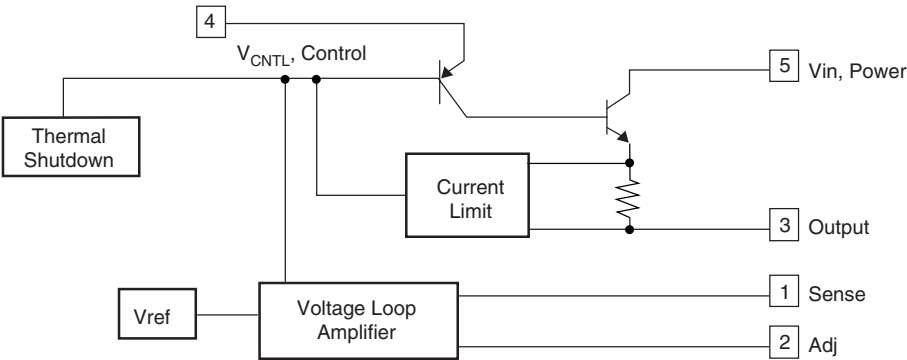


*With package soldered to 0.5 square inch copper area over backside ground plane or internal power plane. Θ_{JA} can vary fom 20°C/W to >40°C/W with other mounting techniques.

Pin Definitions

Pin Number	Pin Name	Pin Function Description
1	VSense	Remote Voltage Sense. Connect this pin to the load to permit true remote sensing and avoid trace drops.
2	ADJ/GND	Adjust or Ground. On the FAN1581, this pin forms the feedback to determine the output voltage. On the FAN1581-1.5 and -2.5, connect this pin to ground.
3	VOUT	Output Voltage. This pin and the tab are output.
4	VCNTL	Control Voltage. This pin draws small-signal power to control the FAN1581 circuitry. Connect to a voltage higher than VIN, as shown in the applications circuits.
5	VIN	Input Voltage.

Internal Block Diagram



Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min.	Max.	Unit
V_{IN}		7	V
V_{CNTL}		13.2	V
Operating Junction Temperature Range	0	125	°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec.)		300	°C
Storage Temperature Range	-65	150	°C

Electrical Characteristics

$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{OUT} = V_S$, $V_{ADJ} = 0\text{V}$ unless otherwise specified.

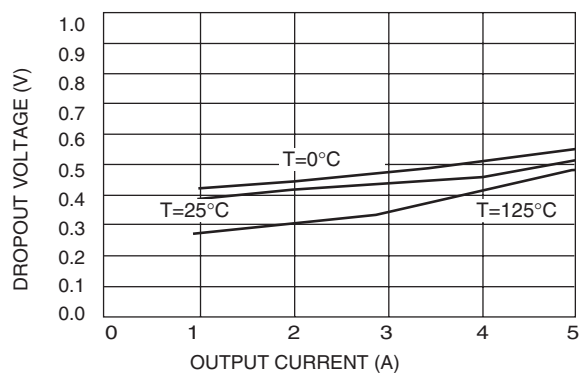
The • denotes specifications which apply over the specified operating temperature range.

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Reference Voltage ³	$V_{IN} = 2.0\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 10\text{mA}$	1.243	1.250	1.257	V
Reference Voltage ³	$2.05\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 5.5\text{V}$, $2.7\text{V} \leq V_{CNTL} \leq 12\text{V}$, $10\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 5\text{A}$	• 1.237	1.250	1.263	V
Adjustable Output Voltage	$3\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 7\text{V}$ (function of V_{out}), $10\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 5\text{A}$	• V_{ref}	1.5	5.7	V
Output Voltage ⁴	$3\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 7\text{V}$, $10\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 5\text{A}$	• 1.47	1.5	1.53	V
Output Voltage ⁵	$5.1\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 7\text{V}$, $10\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 5\text{A}$	• 2.474	2.5	2.526	V
Line Regulation ^{1,2}	$1.75\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 5.5\text{V}$, $2.5\text{V} \leq V_{CNTL} \leq 12\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 10\text{mA}$	•	1	3	mV
Load Regulation ^{1,2}	$V_{IN} = 2.1\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$, $10\text{mA} \leq I_{OUT} \leq 5\text{A}$	•	1	5	mV
Dropout Voltage Minimum ($V_{CNTL} - V_{OUT}$)	$V_{IN} = 2.05\text{V}$, $\Delta V_{REF} = 1\%$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{A}$	•	1.05	1.18	V
Dropout Voltage Minimum ($V_{IN} - V_{OUT}$)	$V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$, $\Delta V_{REF} = 1\%$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{A}$		0.4	0.5	V
Dropout Voltage Minimum V_{IN}	$V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$, $\Delta V_{REF} = 1\%$, $I_{OUT} = 5\text{A}$	•	0.5	0.6	V
Current Limit	$V_{IN} = 2.05\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$	• 5.2			A
Control Pin Current	$V_{IN} = 2.05\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 10\text{mA}$	•	2	6	mA
Adjust Pin Current ³	$V_{IN} = 2.05\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 2.75\text{V}$	•	50	120	μA
Minimum Load Current	$V_{IN} = 3.3\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 5\text{V}$	•	5.0	10	mA
Ripple Rejection	$V_{IN} = 3.75\text{V}$, $V_{CNTL} = 3.75\text{V}$, $f = 120\text{Hz}$, $C_{OUT} = 22\mu\text{F}$ Tantalum, $I_{OUT} = 2.5\text{A}$	60	80		dB
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	TO-263 SPAK		3 2		°C/W
Thermal Regulation	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, 30ms pulse		0.002	0.02	%/W
Thermal Shutdown			150		°C

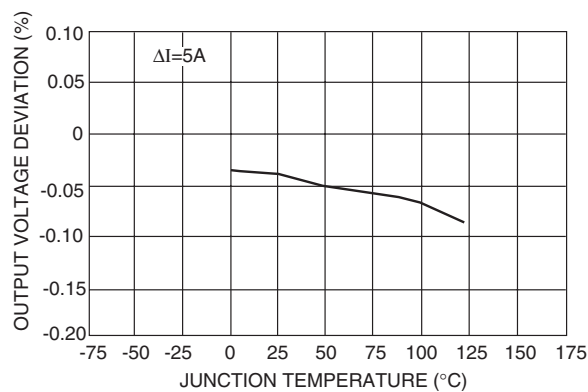
Notes:

- See thermal regulation specifications for changes in output voltage due to heating effects. Load and line regulation are measured at a constant junction temperature by low duty cycle pulse testing.
- Line and load regulation are guaranteed up to the maximum power dissipation (18W). Power dissipation is determined by input/output differential and the output current. Guaranteed maximum output power will not be available over the full input/output voltage range.
- FAN1581 only.
- FAN1581-1.5 only.
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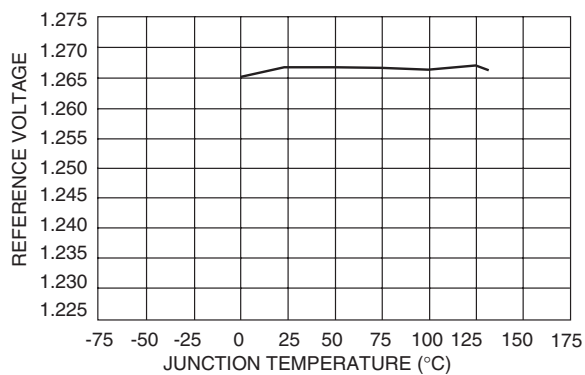
Typical Performance Characteristics



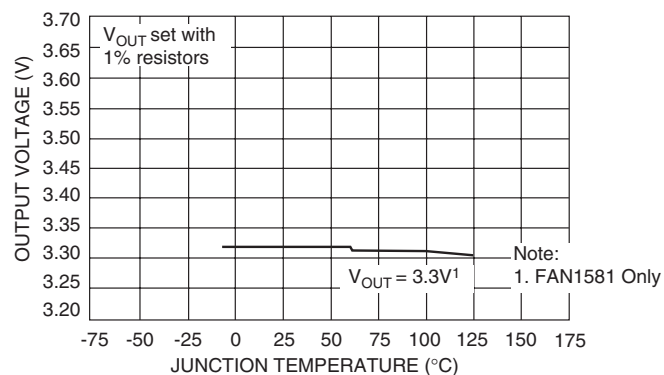
Dropout Voltage vs. Output Current



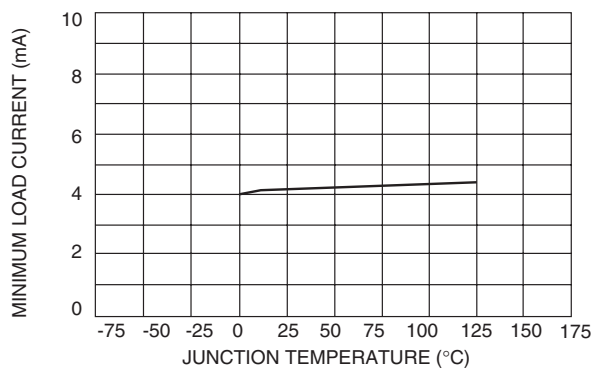
Load Regulation vs. Temperature



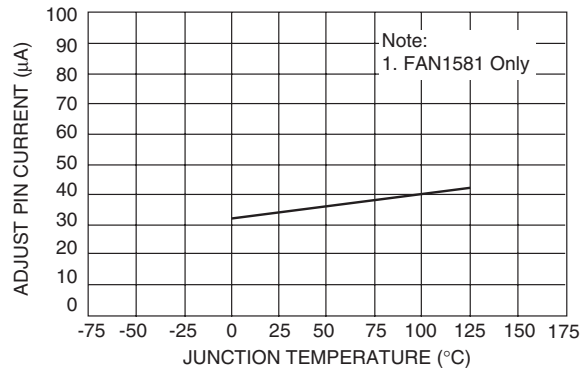
Reference Voltage vs. Temperature



Output Voltage vs. Temperature

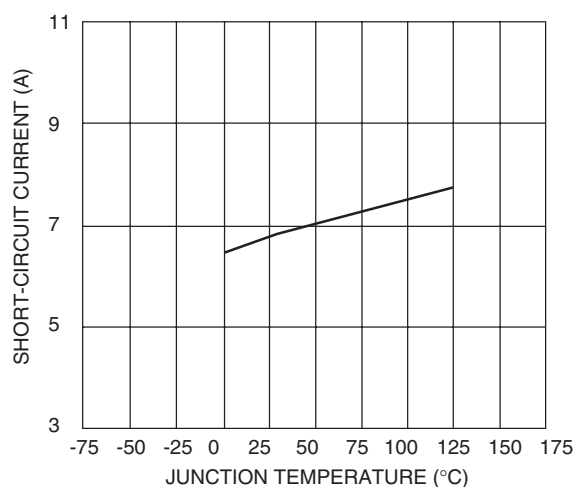


Minimum Load Current vs. Temperature

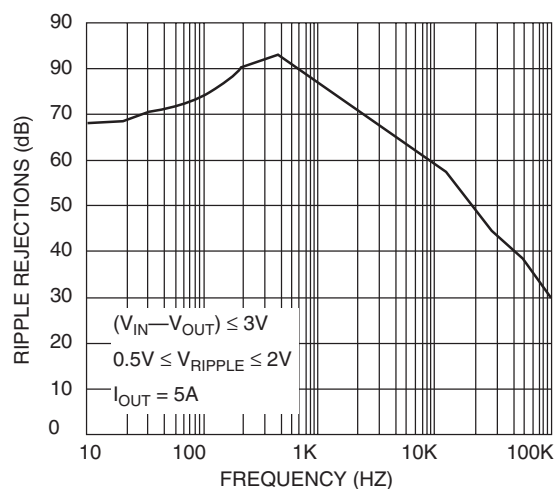


Adjust Pin Current vs. Temperature

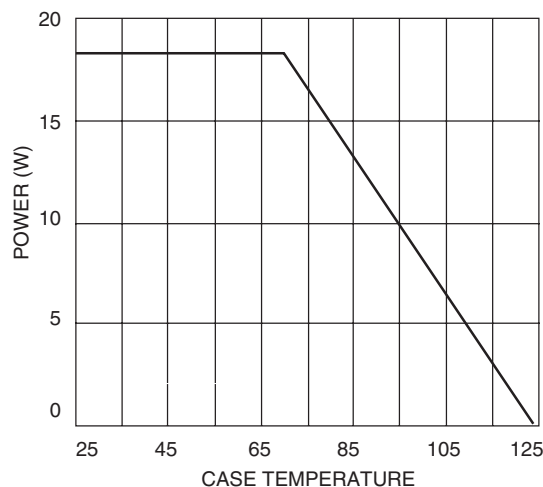
Typical Performance Characteristics (continued)



Short-Circuit Current vs. Temperature



Ripple Rejection vs. Frequency



Maximum Power Dissipation

General

The FAN1581, FAN1581-1.5, and FAN1581-2.5 are three-terminal regulators optimized for GTL+ V_{TT} termination and logic applications. These devices are short-circuit protected, and offer thermal shutdown to turn off the regulator when the junction temperature exceeds about 150°C. The FAN1581 series provides low dropout voltage and fast transient response. Frequency compensation uses capacitors with low ESR while still maintaining stability. This is critical in addressing the needs of low voltage high speed microprocessor buses like GTL+.

Stability

The FAN1581 series requires an output capacitor as a part of the frequency compensation. It is recommended to use a 22 μ F solid tantalum or a 100 μ F aluminum electrolytic on the output

to ensure stability. The frequency compensation of these devices optimizes the frequency response with low ESR capacitors. In general, it is suggested to use capacitors with an ESR of $<1\Omega$. It is also recommended to use bypass capacitors such as a 22 μ F tantalum or a 100 μ F aluminum on the adjust pin of the FAN1581 for low ripple and fast transient response. When these bypassing capacitors are not used at the adjust pin, smaller values of output capacitors provide equally good results.

Protection Diodes

In normal operation, the FAN1581 series does not require any protection diodes. For the FAN1581, internal resistors limit internal current paths on the adjust pin. Therefore, even with bypass capacitors on the adjust pin, no protection diode is needed to ensure device safety under short-circuit conditions.

A protection diode between the input and output pins is usually not needed. An internal diode between the input and the output pins on the FAN1581 series can handle microsecond surge currents of 50A to 100A. Even with large value output capacitors it is difficult to obtain those values of surge currents in normal operation. Only with large values of output capacitance, such as 1000 μ F to 5000 μ F, and with the input pin instantaneously shorted to ground can damage occur. A crowbar circuit at the input can generate those levels of current; a diode from output to input is then recommended, as shown in Figure 1. Usually, normal power supply cycling or system “hot plugging and unplugging” will not generate current large enough to do any damage.

The adjust pin can be driven on a transient basis ± 7 V with respect to the output, without any device degradation. As with any IC regulator, exceeding the maximum input-to-output voltage differential causes the internal transistors to break down and none of the protection circuitry is then functional.

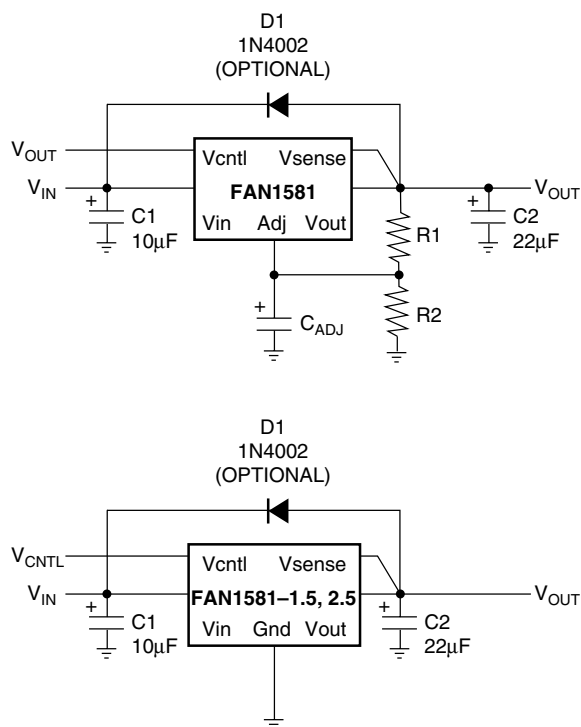


Figure 1. Optional Protection Diode

Ripple Rejection

In applications that require improved ripple rejection, a bypass capacitor from the adjust pin of the FAN1581 to ground reduces the output ripple by the ratio of $V_{OUT}/1.25$ V. The impedance of the adjust pin capacitor at the ripple frequency should be less than the value of $R1$ (typically in the range of 100 Ω to 120 Ω) in the feedback divider network in Figure 1. Therefore, the value of the required adjust pin capacitor is a function of the input ripple frequency. For example, if $R1$ equals

100 Ω and the ripple frequency equals 120Hz, the adjust pin capacitor should be 22 μ F. At 10kHz, only 0.22 μ F is needed.

Output Voltage

The FAN1581 regulator develops a 1.25V reference voltage between the output pin and the adjust pin (see Figure 2). Placing a resistor $R1$ between these two terminals causes a constant current to flow through $R1$ and down through $R2$ to set the overall output voltage. Normally, this current is the specified minimum load current of 10mA.

The current out of the adjust pin adds to the current from $R1$ and is typically 50 μ A. Its output voltage contribution is small and only needs consideration when a very precise output voltage setting is required.

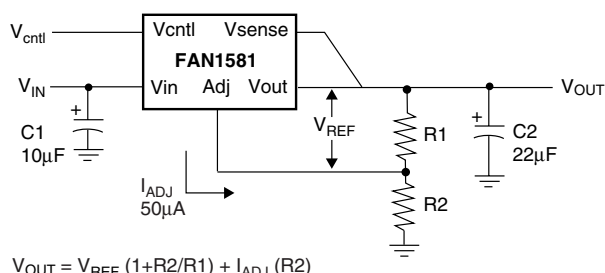


Figure 2. Basic Regulator Circuit

Load Regulation

The FAN1581 family provides true remote sensing, eliminating output voltage errors due to trace resistance. To utilize remote sensing, connect the V_{SENSE} pin directly to the load, rather than at the V_{OUT} pin. If the load is more than 1" away from the FAN1581, it may be necessary to increase the load capacitance to ensure stability.

Thermal Considerations

The FAN1581 series protect themselves under overload conditions with internal power and thermal limiting circuitry. However, for normal continuous load conditions, do not exceed maximum junction temperature ratings. It is important to consider all sources of thermal resistance from junction-to-ambient. These sources include the junction-to-case resistance, the case-to-heat sink interface resistance, and the heat sink resistance. Thermal resistance specifications have been developed to more accurately reflect device temperature and ensure safe operating temperatures. The electrical characteristics section provides a separate thermal resistance and maximum junction temperature for both the control circuitry and the power transistor. Calculate the maximum junction temperature for both sections to ensure that both thermal limits are met.

For example, look at using an FAN1581M-1.5 to generate 5A @ 1.5V $\pm 2\%$ from a 3.3V source (3.2V to 3.6V).

Assumptions:

- $V_{in} = 3.6V$ worst case
- $V_{OUT} = 1.47V$ worst case
- $I_{OUT} = 5A$ continuous
- $T_A = 40^{\circ}C$
- $\Theta_{Case-to-Ambient} = 5^{\circ}C/W$ (assuming both a heatsink and a thermally conductive material)

The power dissipation in this application is:

$P_D = (V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) * (I_{OUT}) = (3.6-1.47) * (5) = 10.65W$

From the specification table,

$T_J = T_A + (P_D) * (\Theta_{Case-to-Ambient} + \Theta_{JC})$
 $= 40 + (10.65) * (5 + 3) = 125^{\circ}C$

The junction temperature is within the maximum rating.

Junction-to-case thermal resistance is specified from the IC junction to the bottom of the case directly below the die. This is the lowest resistance path for heat flow. Proper mounting ensures the best thermal flow from this area of the package to the heat sink. Use of a thermally conductive material at the case-to-heat sink interface is recommended. Use a thermally conductive spacer if the case of the device must be electrically isolated and include its contribution to the total thermal resistance.

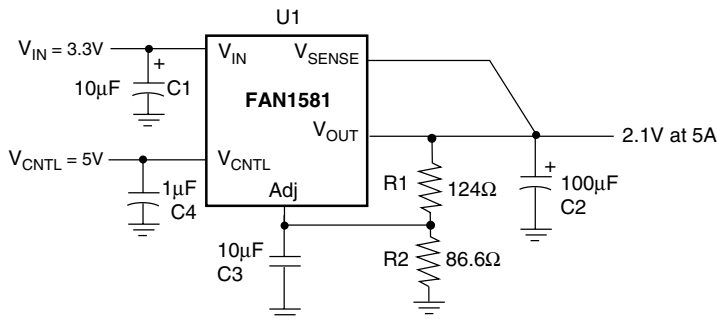


Figure 3. Application Circuit (FAN1581)

Table 1. Bill of Materials for Application Circuit for the FAN1581

Item	Quantity	Manufacturer	Part Number	Description
C1, C3	2	Xicon	L10V10	10µF, 10V Aluminum
C2	1	Xicon	L10V100	100µF, 10V Aluminum
C4	1	Any		1µF Ceramic
R1	1	Generic		124Ω, 1%
R2	1	Generic		86.6Ω, 1%
U1	1	Fairchild	FAN1581P	5A Regulator

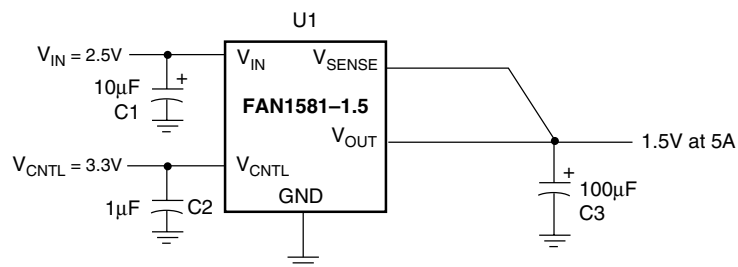


Figure 4. Application Circuit (FAN1581-1.5)

Table 2. Bill of Materials for Application Circuit for the RC1581-1.5

Item	Quantity	Manufacturer	Part Number	Description
C1	1	Xicon	L10V10	10µF, 10V Aluminum
C2	1	Any		1µF Ceramic
C3	1	Xicon	L10V100	100µF, 10V Aluminum
U1	1	Fairchild	FAN1581P-1.5	5A Regulator

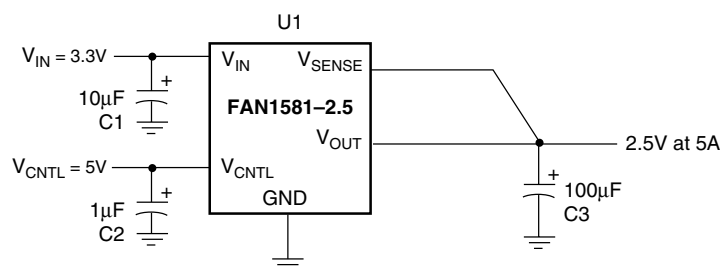


Figure 5. Application Circuit (FAN1581-2.5)

Table 3. Bill of Materials for Application Circuit for the RC1581-2.5

Item	Quantity	Manufacturer	Part Number	Description
C1	1	Xicon	L10V10	10µF, 10V Aluminum
C2	1	Any		1µF Ceramic
C3	1	Xicon	L10V100	100µF, 10V Aluminum
U1	1	Fairchild	FAN1581P-2.5	5A Regulator

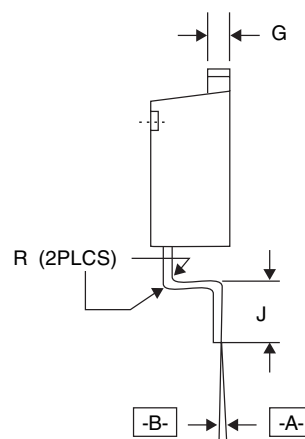
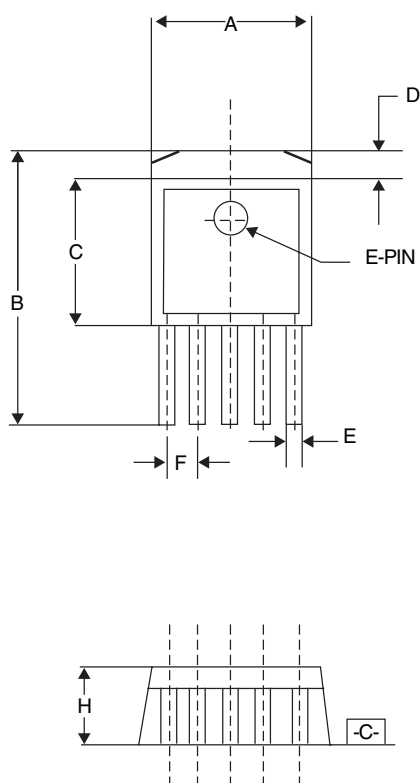
Mechanical Dimensions

5-Lead TO-263 Package

Symbol	Inches		Millimeters	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
A	.380	.405	9.65	10.29
B	.575	.625	14.60	15.88
C	.325	.380	8.25	9.66
D	—	.055	—	1.40
E	.020	.039	.50	.99
F	.060	.072	1.52	1.83
G	0.45	.055	1.14	1.40
H	.160	.190	4.06	4.83
J	.090	0.110	2.28	2.80
K	.018	.029	.457	.736
R	.017	.019	0.43	0.48

Notes:

1. Dimensions are exclusive of mold flash and metal burrs.
2. Standoff-height is measured from lead tip with ref. to Datum –B–.
3. Foot length is measured with ref. to Datum –A– with lead surface (at inner R).
4. Dimension exclusive of dambar protrusion or intrusion.
5. Formed leads to be planar with respect to one another at seating place –C–.



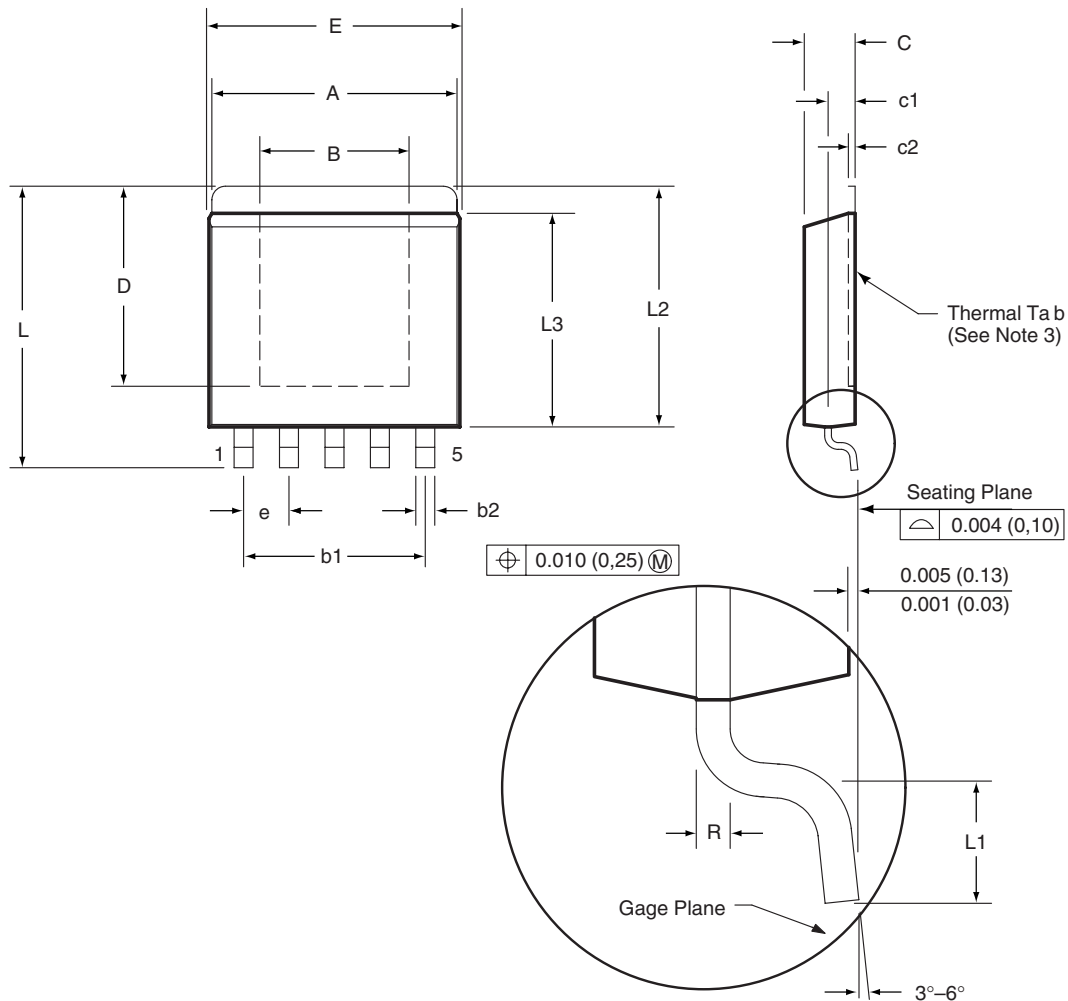
Mechanical Dimensions (continued)

SPAK Package

Symbol	Inches		Millimeters		Notes
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
A	0.350	0.360	8.89	9.14	
B	0.220 NOM		5.59 NOM		
b1	0.268		6.81		
b2	0.025	0.031	0.63	0.79	
C	0.070	0.080	1.78	2.03	
c1	0.040	0.050	1.02	1.27	
c2	0.010 NOM		0.25 NOM		
D	0.295 NOM		7.49 NOM		
E	0.365	0.375	9.27	9.52	
e	0.067		1.72		
L	0.410	0.420	10.41	10.67	
L1	0.031	0.041	0.79	1.04	
L2	0.350	0.360	8.89	9.14	
L3	0.310	0.320	7.87	8.13	
R	0.010 NOM		0.25 NOM		
α	0°	8°	0°	8°	

Notes:

1. All linear dimensions are in inches (millimeters).
2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
3. The center lead is in electrical contact with the thermal tab.
4. Dimensions do not include mold protrusions, not to exceed 0.006 (0,15).



Ordering Information

Product Number	Package
FAN1581M	TO-263
FAN1581P	SPAK
FAN1581M-1.5	TO-263
FAN1581P-1.5	SPAK
FAN1581M-2.5	TO-263
FAN1581P-2.5	SPAK

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