

# 1A Low Dropout Voltage Regulator, Adjustable Output, Fast Response

#### **FEATURES**

- Adjustable Output Down To 1.25V
- Low Quiescent Current
- Guaranteed 1.5A Peak Output Current
- Low Dropout Voltage of 280mV @ 1A
- Extremely Tight Load and Line Regulation
- Extremely Fast Transient Response
- Reverse-battery Protection
- Internal Thermal and Current Limit Protection
- Zero Current Shutdown
- Error Flag Output for Out of Regulation State
- Standard TO-220 and TO-263 packages
- Replacement for LM2941 and AS2941



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## **APPLICATIONS**

- Powering VGA & Sound Card
- LCD Monitors
- USB Power Supply
- Power PC Supplies
- SMPS Post-Regulator
- High Efficiency Linear Power Supplies
- Battery Charger
- Portable Instrumentation
- Constant Current Regulators
- Adjustable Power Supplies

## **DESCRIPTION**

The SPX2941 is a 1A, accurate voltage regulator with a low drop out voltage of 280mV(typ.) at 1A. These regulators are specifically designed for low voltage applications that require a low dropout voltage and a fast transient response. They are fully fault protected against over-current, reverse battery, and positive and negative voltage transients. Other features include Enable, and Error Flag. The SPX2941 is offered in 5-pin TO-220 & TO-263 packages. For a 3A version, refer to the SPX29300 data sheet.

#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS CIRCUIT

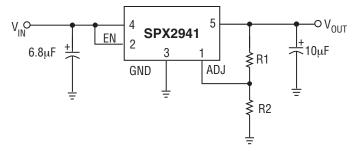


Figure 1. Adjustable Output Linear Regulator

# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Lead Temperature (soldering, 5 seconds)	260°C
Storage Temperature Range	65°C to +150°C

Operating Junction Temperature Range.....-40°C to +125°C Input Supply Voltage (NOTE 7) ......16V

## - ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

 $V_{IN} = V_{OUT} + 1V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 10$ mA,  $C_{IN} = 6.8 \mu F$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 10 \mu F$ ,  $T_A = 25$ °C, unless otherwis specified. The boldface applies over the junction temperature range. Adjustable versions are set at +5.0V.

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN.	TYP.	MAX	UNIT
Reference Voltage	Adjustable version only	1.228 <b>1.215</b>	1.240	1.252 <b>1.265</b>	V
Adjust Pin Bias Current			40	80 <b>120</b>	V
Reference Voltage Temperature Coefficient	(Note 4)		20		ppm/°C
Adjust Pin Bias Current Temperature Coefficient			0.1		nA/°C
Line Regulation	I <sub>OUT</sub> =10mA, (V <sub>OUT</sub> +1V)≤V <sub>IN</sub> ≤16V		0.2	1.0	%
Load Regulation	V <sub>IN</sub> =V <sub>OUT</sub> +1V, 10mA≤I <sub>OUT</sub> ≤I <sub>FULL</sub>		0.3	1.5	%
Dropout Voltage (Note1) (except 1.8V version)	I <sub>OUT</sub> =100mA I <sub>OUT</sub> =1A		70 280	200 550	mV
Ground Current (Note3)	I <sub>OUT</sub> =750mA, V <sub>IN</sub> =V <sub>OUT</sub> +1V I <sub>OUT</sub> =1A		12 18	25	mA
Ground Pin Current at Dropout	$V_{\rm IN}$ =0.1V less than specified $V_{\rm OUT}$ , $I_{\rm OUT}$ =10mA		1.2		mA
Current Limit	V <sub>OUT</sub> =0V (Note2)	1.5	2.2		А
Output Noise Voltage	10Hz to 100kHz, $I_{OUT}$ =100mA, $C_L$ =10 $\mu$ F $C_L$ =33 $\mu$ F		400 260		$\mu V_{RMS}$
ERROR COMPARATOR (F	LAG OUTPUT)	•	•		
Output Leakage Current	V <sub>OH</sub> =16V		0.1	1 2	А
Output Low Voltage	Device set for 5V, V <sub>IN</sub> =4.5, I <sub>OL</sub> =250μA		200	300 <b>400</b>	mV
Upper Threshold Voltage	Device set for 5V (Note 5)	40 <b>25</b>	60		mV
Lower Threshold Voltage	Device set for 5V (Note 5)		75	95 <b>140</b>	mV
Hysteresis	Device set for 5V (Note 5)		15		mV
Input Logic Voltage LOW (OFF) HIGH (ON)	V <sub>IN</sub> <10V	2.4		0.8	V
ENABLE Input Pin Current	V <sub>EN</sub> =16V		100	600 <b>750</b>	μΑ
	V <sub>EN</sub> =0.8V			1 2	μΑ
Regulator Output Current in Shutdown	(Note 6)		10	500	μА
Thermal Resistance TO-220	Junction to Case, at Tab Junction to Ambient		3 60		°C/W
TO-263	Junction to Case, at Tab Junction to Ambient		3 60		°C/W

- Note 1: Dropout voltage is defined as the input to output differential at which the output voltage drops to 99% of its nominal value.
- Note 2:  $V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOMINAL)} + 1V$ ; for example,  $V_{IN} = 4.3V$  for a 3.3V regulator. Employ pulse-testing procedures to minimize temperature rise.
- Note 3: Ground pin current is the regulator quiescent current. The total current drawn from the source is the sum of the load and ground currents.
- Note 4: Thermal regulation is defined as the change in the output voltage at a time T after a change in power dissipation is applied, excluding load or line regulation effects.
- Note 5: Comparator threshold is expressed in terms of a voltage differential at the Adjust terminal below the nominal reference voltage measured 6V input. To express these thresholds in terms of output voltage change, multiply the error amplifier gain =  $V_{OUT}/V_{REF} = (R_1 + R_2)/R_2$ . For example, at a programmable output voltage of 5V, the Error output is guaranteed to go low when the output drops by 95mVx 5V/ 1.240V = 38mV. Threshold remain constant as a percent of  $V_{OUT}$  as  $V_{OUT}$  is varied, with the dropout warning occurring at typically 5% below nominal, 7.7% guaranteed.
- Note 6:  $V_{EN} \le 0.8V$  and  $V_{IN} \le 16V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 0$ . Note7: Maximum positive supply voltage of 20V must be of limited duration ( <100ms) and duty cycle (<1%). The maximum continuous supply voltage is 16V.
- NOTE 8:  $V_{REF} \le V_{OUT} \le (V_{IN}-1)$ , 2.5V  $\le V_{IN} \le 16V$ , 10 mA  $\le I_{C} \le I_{FI}$ ,  $T_{J} < T_{JMAX}$ .

#### **BLOCK DIAGRAM**

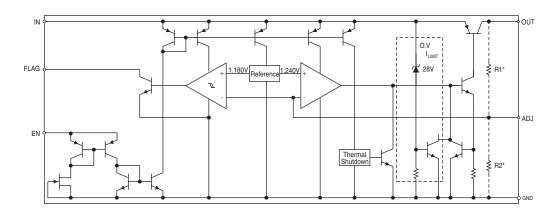


Figure 2. SP2941 Block Diagram

## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

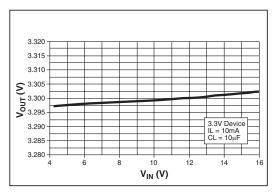


Figure 3. Line Regulation for 3.3V Device

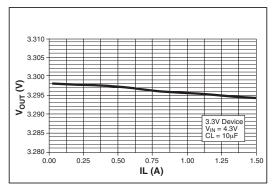
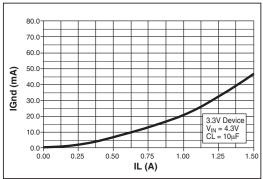


Figure 4. Load Regulation for 3.3V Device



IGnd (⋈A)

300

280

260

240

200

180

Figure 5. Ground Current vs Load Current for 3.3V Device Figure 6. Ground Current vs Input Current

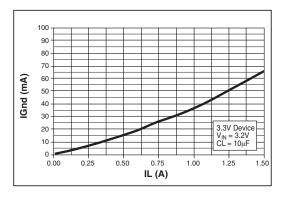
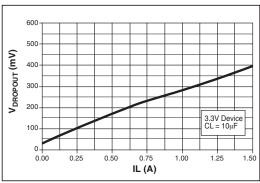


Figure 7. Ground Current vs Load Current in Dropout



10

V<sub>IN</sub> (V)

Figure 8. Dropout Voltage vs Load Current for 3.3V Device

3.3V Device

IL = 10mA CL = 10μF

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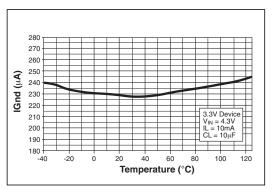


Figure 9. Ground Current vs Temperature at I<sub>LOAD</sub>=10mA

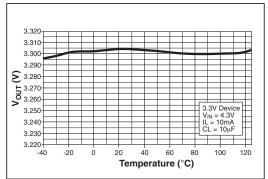


Figure 10. Output Voltage vs Temperature at I\_LOAD=10mA

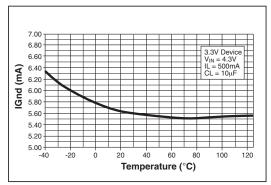


Figure 11. Ground Current vs Temperature at  $I_{LOAD}$ =500mA

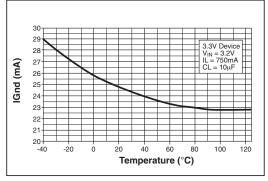


Figure 12. Ground Current vs Temperature in Dropout at  $I_{\rm LOAD}$ =750mA

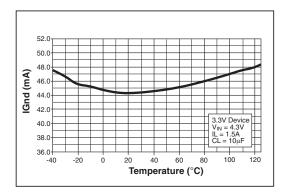


Figure 13. Ground Current vs Temperature at  $I_{LOAD}$ =1.5A

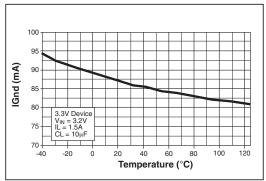


Figure 14. Ground Current vs Temperature in Dropout at  $I_{LOAD}$ =1.5A

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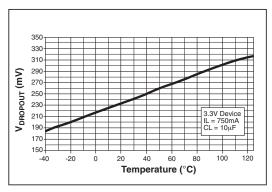
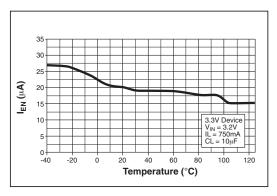


Figure 15. Dropout Voltage vs Temperature at  $I_{LOAD}$ =750mA

Figure 16. Dropout Voltage vs Temperature at  $I_{LOAD}$ =1.5A



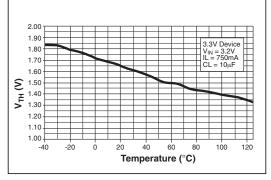


Figure 17. Enable Current vs Temperature for 3.3V Devices

Figure 18. Enable Threshold vs Temperature for 3.3V Devices

#### **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

The SPX2941 incorporates protection against over-current faults, reversed load insertion, over temperature operation, and positive and negative transient voltage.

## **Thermal Considerations**

Although the SPX2941 offers limiting circuitry for overload conditions, it is still necessary to insure that the maximum junction temperature is not exceeded in the application. Heat will flow through the lowest resistance path, the junction-to-case path. In order to insure the best thermal flow of the component, proper mounting is required. Since the tab of the device is electrically connected to GND, the tab must be electrically isolated using a thermally conductive spacer, which itself contributes some small additional thermal resistance. Consult heatsink manufacturer for thermal resistance and design of heatsink.

## TO-220 Design Example:

Assume that V $_{\rm IN}$  = 10V, V $_{\rm OUT}$  = 5V, I $_{\rm OUT}$  = 1A, T $_{\rm A}$  = 50°C,  $\theta_{\rm HA}$  = 1°C/W,  $\theta_{\rm CH}$  = 2°C/W, and  $\theta_{\rm JC}$  = 3°C/W, where

 $T_{\Lambda}$  = ambient temperature,

 $\theta_{\text{HA}}$  = heatsink to ambient thermal resistance,

 $\theta_{CH}$  = case to heatsink thermal resistance,

 $\theta_{\mbox{\scriptsize JC}} = \mbox{ junction to case thermal resistance}.$ 

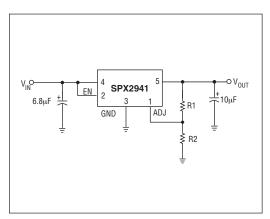


Figure 19. Adjustable Output Linear Regulator

The power calculated under these conditions is:

$$P_{D} = (V_{IN} - V_{OLIT}) * I_{OLIT} = 5W,$$

and the junction temperature is calculated as

$$T_J = T_A + P_D^* (\theta_{HA} + \theta_{CH} + \theta_{JC}) \text{ or }$$
  
 $T_L = 50 + 5.0^* (1 + 2 + 3) = 80^{\circ}\text{C}.$ 

Reliable operation is insured.

## **Capacitor Requirements**

The output capacitor is needed to insure stability and minimize the output noise. The value of the capacitor varies with the load. However, a minimum value of 10µF aluminum capacitor will guarantee stability over all load conditions. A tantalum capacitor is recommended if a faster load transient response is needed.

If the power source has a high AC impedance, a  $0.1\mu F$  ceramic capacitor between input & ground is recommended.

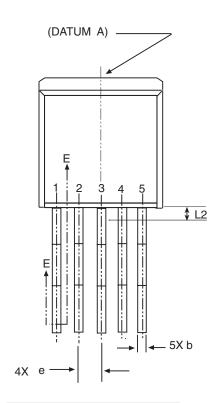
## **Minimum Load Current**

To ensure a proper behavior of the regulator under light load, a minimum load of 5mA for SPX2941 is required.

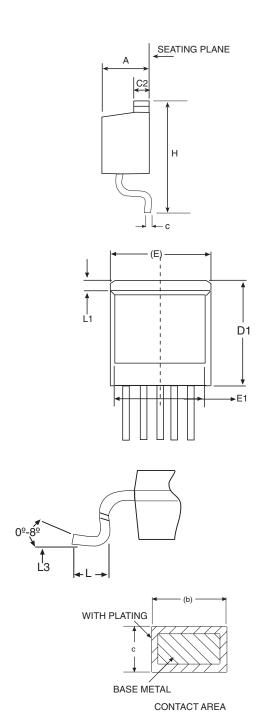
# **Typical Application Circuit**

Figure 18 shows a typical applications circuit for an adjustable output regulator. The values of  $\rm R_1$  and  $\rm R_2$  set the output voltage value as follows:  $\rm V_{OUT} = \rm V_{REF}^{\ *} [1 + (R_1/R_2)]$ . For best results, the total series resistance should be small enough to pass a minimum regulator load current of 5 mA.

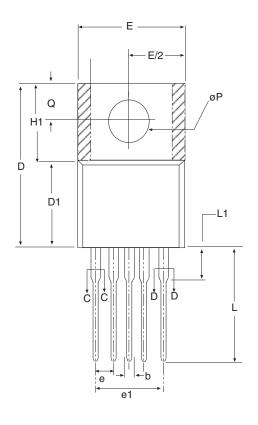
A minimum value of  $10 k\Omega$  is recommended for R<sub>2</sub> with a range between  $10 k\Omega$  to  $47 k\Omega$ .

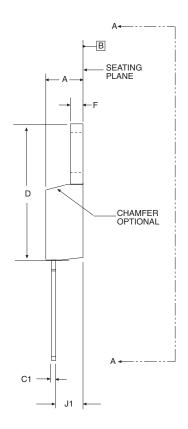


5 PIN TO-263	Dimensions in (mm)			
JEDEC TO-263 (BB) Variation	` ´			
(22) (2.141011	MIN	NOM	MAX	
Α	.160	-	.190	
A1	0	-	.010	
b	.020	-	.039	
С	.015	-	.029	
c2	.045	-	.023	
D1	.270	-	-	
E	.380	-	.420	
E1	.245	-	-	
е	.067 BSC			
Н	.575	-	.625	
L	.070	-	.110	
L1	-	-	.066	
L2	-	-	.070	
L3	.010 BSC			



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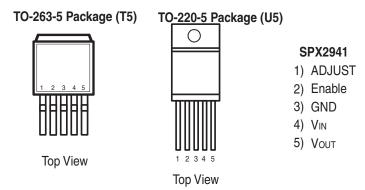




5 PIN TO-220	Dimensions in (inches)		
	MIN	NOM	MAX
Α	.160	-	.190
b	.015	-	.040
C1	.014	-	.022
D	.560	-	.590
E	.385	-	.415
е	.385	-	.415
e1	.062	-	.072
F	.045	-	.055
H1	.234	-	.258
J1	.090	-	.115
L	.540	-	.560
L1		-	.250
ΔΡ	.146	-	.156
Q	.103	-	.113
U	-	.30	-
V	-	.24	-

5 PIN TO-220

## **PACKAGE PINOUTS**



## - ORDERING INFORMATION

PART NUMBER	ACCURACY	OUTPUT VOLTAGE	PACKAGE
SPX2941T5	3%	Adi	5 lead TO-263
SPX2941T5/TR	3%	Adj	5 lead TO-263
SPX2941U5	3%	Adj	5 lead TO-220

Available in lead free packaging. To order add "-L" suffix to part number.

Example: SPX2941T5/TR = standard; SPX2941T5-L/TR = lead free

/TR = Tape and Reel

Pack quantity is 500 for TO-263.



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