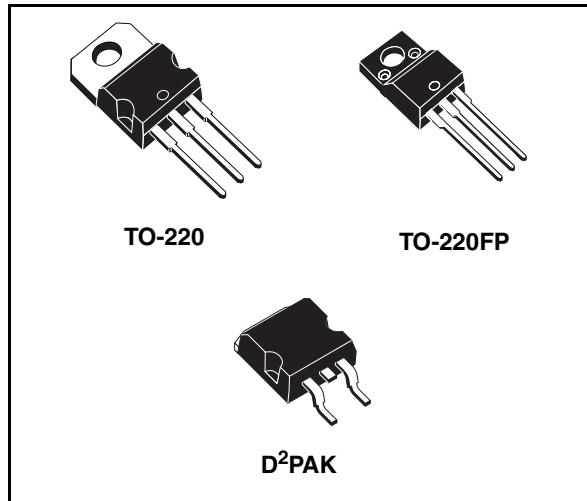


**Very low drop 1.5A regulator****Feature summary**

- Precise 5, 8.5, 10, 12V outputs
- Low dropout voltage (450mV typ. at 1A)
- Very low quiescent current
- Thermal shutdown
- Short circuit protection
- Reverse polarity protection

**Description**

The L4940 series of three terminal positive regulators is available in TO-220, TO-220FP and D<sup>2</sup>PAK packages and with several fixed output voltages, making it useful in a wide range of industrial and consumer applications. Thanks to its very low input/output voltage drop, these devices are particularly suitable for batteries powered equipment, reducing consumption and



prolonging battery life. Each type employs internal current limiting, antisaturation circuit, thermal shut-down and safe area protection.

**Order code**

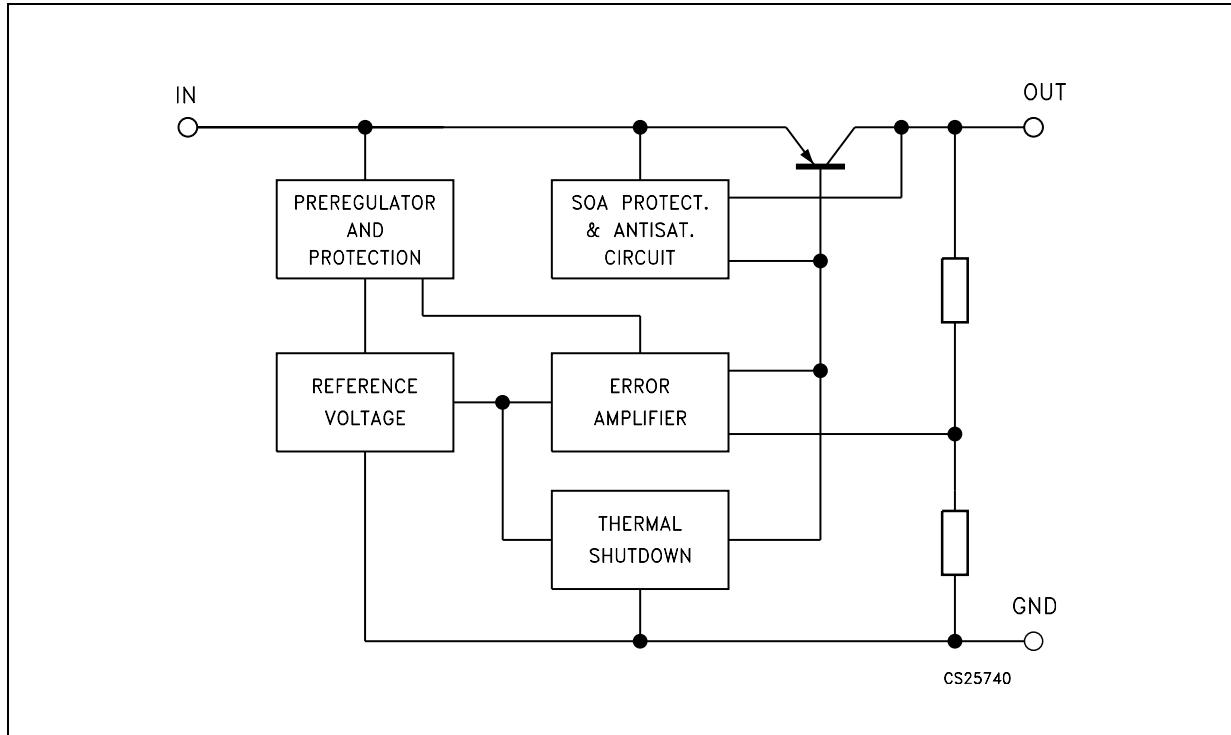
| Part number |          |                    | Output voltage |
|-------------|----------|--------------------|----------------|
| TO-220      | TO-220FP | D <sup>2</sup> PAK |                |
| L4940V5     | L4940P5  | L4940D2T5          | 5 V            |
| L4940V85    | L4940P85 | L4940D2T85         | 8.5 V          |
| L4940V10    | L4940P10 | L4940D2T10         | 10 V           |
| L4940V12    | L4940P12 | L4940D2T12         | 12 V           |

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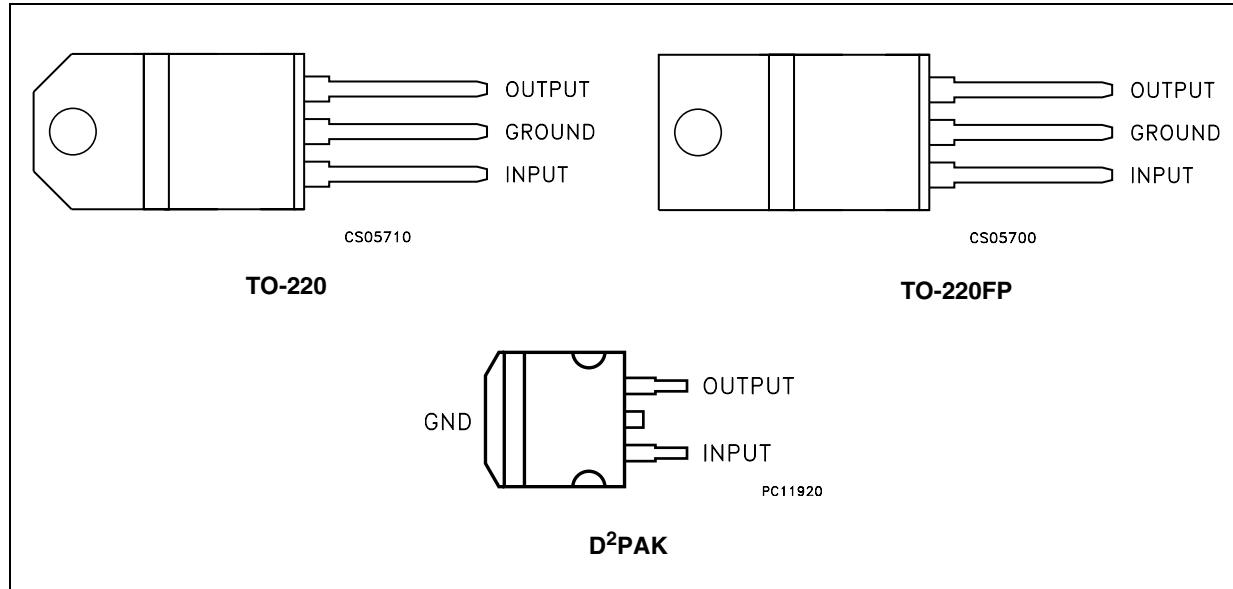
# 1 Block diagram

Figure 1. Block diagram



## 2 Pin configuration

Figure 2. Pin connections (top view)



### 3 Maximum ratings

**Table 1. Absolute maximum ratings**

| Symbol    | Parameter                            | Value                     | Unit |   |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------|---|
| $V_I$     | Forward input voltage                | 30                        | V    |   |
| $V_{IR}$  | Reverse input voltage                | $V_O=5V, R_O=100\Omega$   | -15  | V |
|           |                                      | $V_O=8.5V, R_O=180\Omega$ | -15  | V |
|           |                                      | $V_O=10V, R_O=200\Omega$  | -15  | V |
|           |                                      | $V_O=12V, R_O=240\Omega$  | -15  | V |
| $I_O$     | Output current                       | Internally Limited        | mA   |   |
| $P_D$     | Power dissipation                    | Internally Limited        | mW   |   |
| $T_{sig}$ | Storage temperature range            | -40 to +150               | °C   |   |
| $T_{op}$  | Operating junction temperature range | -40 to +150               | °C   |   |

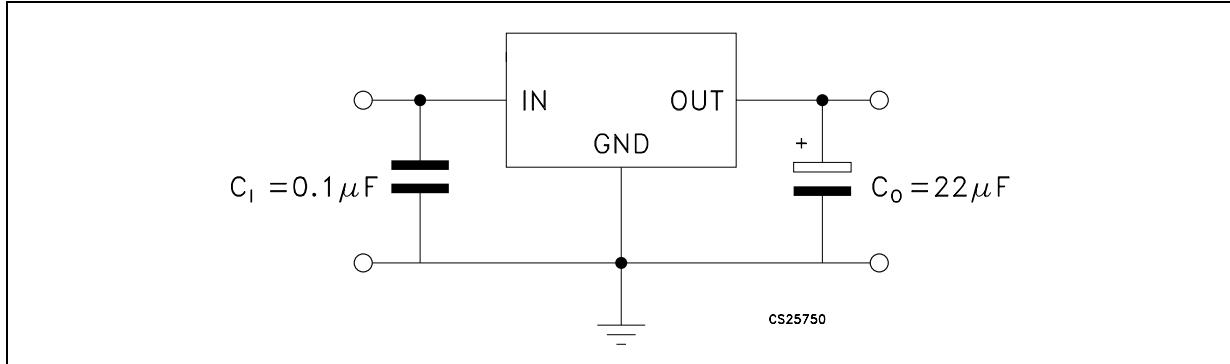
**Note:** *Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied*

**Table 2. Thermal Data**

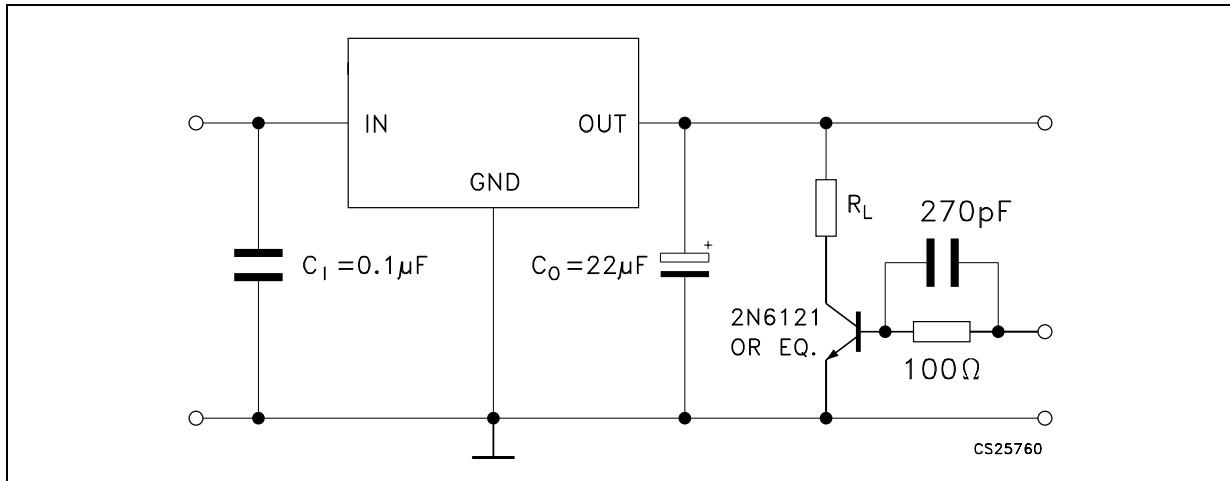
| Symbol     | Parameter                           | TO-220 | TO-220FP | D <sup>2</sup> PAK | Unit |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------------------|------|
| $R_{thJC}$ | Thermal resistance junction-case    | 3      | 5        | 3                  | °C/W |
| $R_{thJA}$ | Thermal resistance junction-ambient | 50     | 60       | 62.5               | °C/W |

## 4 Test circuits

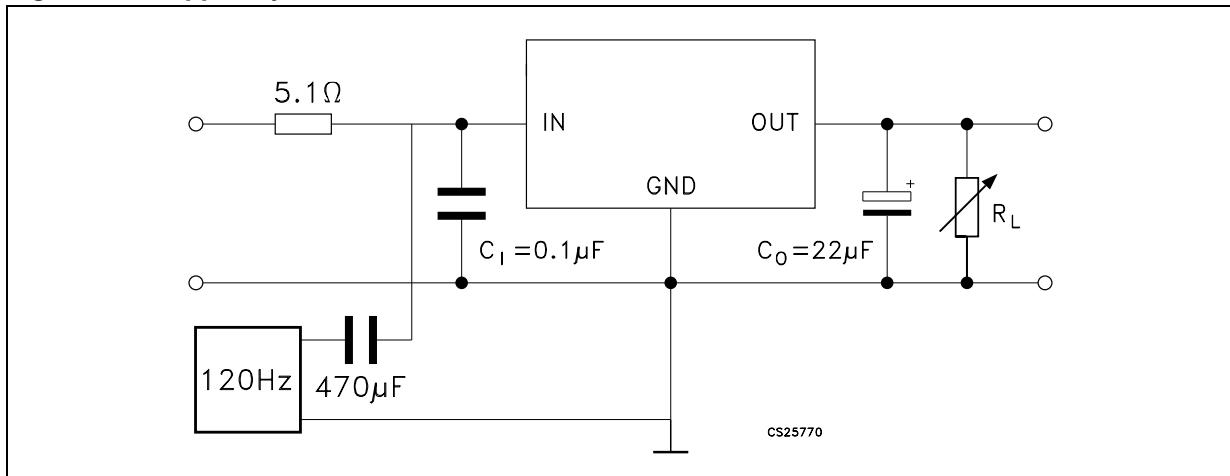
**Figure 3.** DC Parameters



**Figure 4.** Load rejection



**Figure 5.** Ripple rejection



## 5 Electrical characteristics

**Table 3. Electrical characteristics of L4940V5** (Refer to test circuit,  $V_I = 7V$ ,  $C_I = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 22\mu F$ ,  $T_J = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise specified.)

| Symbol                | Parameter                | Test conditions  | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|------|------|------|-------|
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 500 \text{ mA}$   | 4.9  | 5    | 5.1  | V     |
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 6.5 \text{ to } 15 \text{ V}$ | 4.8  | 5    | 5.2  | V     |
| $V_I$                 | Input voltage            | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      |      | 17   | V     |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Line regulation          | $V_I = 6 \text{ to } 17 \text{ V}, I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$                     |      | 4    | 10   | mV    |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Load regulation          | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}$                                     |      | 8    | 25   | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A to } 1 \text{ A}$                                      |      | 5    | 15   | mV    |
| $I_q$                 | Quiescent current        | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      | 5    | 8    | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 6.5 \text{ V}$                                 |      | 30   | 50   | mA    |
| $\Delta I_q$          | Quiescent current change | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      |      | 3    | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 6.5 \text{ to } 16 \text{ V}$                  |      |      | 15   | mA    |
| $\Delta V_O/\Delta T$ | Output voltage drift     |  |      | 0.5  |      | mV/°C |
| SVR                   | Supply voltage rejection | $f = 120 \text{ Hz}, I_O = 1 \text{ A}$                                    | 58   | 68   |      | dB    |
| $V_d$                 | Dropout voltage          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A}$  |      | 200  | 400  | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$  |      | 500  | 900  | mV    |
| $I_{sc}$              | Short circuit current    | $V_I = 14 \text{ V}$   |      | 2    | 2.7  | A     |
|                       |                          | $V_I = 6.5 \text{ V}$  |      | 2.2  | 2.9  |       |

**Table 4. Electrical characteristics of L4940V85** (Refer to test circuit,  $V_I = 10.5V$ ,  $C_I = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 22\mu F$ ,  $T_J = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise specified.)

| Symbol                | Parameter                | Test conditions  | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|------|------|------|-------|
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 500 \text{ mA}$   | 8.3  | 8.5  | 8.7  | V     |
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 10.2 \text{ to } 15 \text{ V}$ | 8.15 | 8.5  | 8.85 | V     |
| $V_I$                 | Input voltage            | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      |      | 17   | V     |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Line regulation          | $V_I = 9.5 \text{ to } 17 \text{ V}$ , $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$                            |      | 4    | 9    | mV    |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Load regulation          | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}$   |      | 12   | 30   | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A} \text{ to } 1 \text{ A}$  |      | 8    | 16   | mV    |
| $I_q$                 | Quiescent current        | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      | 4    | 8    | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 10.2 \text{ V}$   |      | 30   | 50   | mA    |
| $\Delta I_q$          | Quiescent current change | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |      |      | 2.5  | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 10.2 \text{ to } 16 \text{ V}$                          |      |      | 15   | mA    |
| $\Delta V_O/\Delta T$ | Output voltage drift     |  |      | 0.8  |      | mV/°C |
| SVR                   | Supply voltage rejection | $f = 120 \text{ Hz}$ , $I_O = 1 \text{ A}$   | 58   | 66   |      | dB    |
| $V_d$                 | Dropout voltage          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A}$  |      | 200  | 400  | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$  |      | 500  | 900  | mV    |
| $I_{sc}$              | Short circuit current    | $V_I = 14 \text{ V}$   |      | 2    | 2.7  | A     |
|                       |                          | $V_I = 10.2 \text{ V}$   |      | 2.2  | 2.9  |       |

**Table 5. Electrical characteristics of L4940V10** (Refer to test circuit,  $V_I = 12V$ ,  $C_I = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 22\mu F$ ,  $T_J = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise specified.)

| Symbol                | Parameter                | Test conditions   | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|------|------|------|-------|
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 500 \text{ mA}$  | 9.8  | 10   | 10.2 | V     |
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 11.7 \text{ to } 15 \text{ V}$ | 9.6  | 10   | 10.4 | V     |
| $V_I$                 | Input voltage            | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$  |      |      | 17   | V     |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Line regulation          | $V_I = 11 \text{ to } 17 \text{ V}, I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$                             |      | 3    | 8    | mV    |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Load regulation          | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}$                                      |      | 15   | 35   | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A} \text{ to } 1 \text{ A}$                                       |      | 10   | 20   | mV    |
| $I_q$                 | Quiescent current        | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$  |      | 5    | 8    | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 11.7 \text{ V}$   |      | 30   | 50   | mA    |
| $\Delta I_q$          | Quiescent current change | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$  |      |      | 2    | mA    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}, V_I = 11.7 \text{ to } 16 \text{ V}$                          |      |      | 13   | mA    |
| $\Delta V_O/\Delta T$ | Output voltage drift     |   |      | 1    |      | mV/°C |
| SVR                   | Supply voltage rejection | $f = 120 \text{ Hz}, I_O = 1 \text{ A}$   | 56   | 62   |      | dB    |
| $V_d$                 | Dropout voltage          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A}$   |      | 200  | 400  | mV    |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$   |      | 500  | 900  | mV    |
| $I_{sc}$              | Short circuit current    | $V_I = 14 \text{ V}$  |      | 2    | 2.7  | A     |
|                       |                          | $V_I = 11.7 \text{ V}$  |      | 2.2  | 2.9  |       |

**Table 6. Electrical characteristics of L4940V12** (Refer to test circuit,  $V_I = 14V$ ,  $C_I = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 22\mu F$ ,  $T_J = 25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise specified.)

| Symbol                | Parameter                | Test conditions  | Min.  | Typ. | Max.  | Unit             |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|-------|------|-------|------------------|
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 500 \text{ mA}$   | 11.75 | 12   | 12.25 | V                |
| $V_O$                 | Output voltage           | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 11.7 \text{ to } 15 \text{ V}$ | 11.5  | 12   | 12.5  | V                |
| $V_I$                 | Input voltage            | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |       |      | 17    | V                |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Line regulation          | $V_I = 11 \text{ to } 17 \text{ V}$ , $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$                             |       | 3    | 7     | mV               |
| $\Delta V_O$          | Load regulation          | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA} \text{ to } 1.5 \text{ A}$   |       | 15   | 35    | mV               |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A} \text{ to } 1 \text{ A}$  |       | 10   | 25    | mV               |
| $I_q$                 | Quiescent current        | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |       | 4    | 8     | mA               |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 11.7 \text{ V}$   |       | 30   | 50    | mA               |
| $\Delta I_q$          | Quiescent current change | $I_O = 5 \text{ mA}$   |       |      | 1.5   | mA               |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$ , $V_I = 11.7 \text{ to } 16 \text{ V}$                          |       |      | 10    | mA               |
| $\Delta V_O/\Delta T$ | Output voltage drift     |  |       | 1.2  |       | mV/°C            |
| SVR                   | Supply voltage rejection | $f = 120 \text{ Hz}$ , $I_O = 1 \text{ A}$   | 55    | 61   |       | dB               |
| $V_d$                 | Dropout voltage          | $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A}$  |       | 200  | 400   | mV               |
|                       |                          | $I_O = 1.5 \text{ A}$  |       | 500  | 900   | mV               |
| $I_{sc}$              | Short circuit current    | $V_I = 14 \text{ V}$   |       | 2    | 2.7   | A                |
| $Z_O$                 | Output impedance         | $f = 120 \text{ Hz}$ , $I_O = 0.5 \text{ A}$   |       | 40   |       | $\text{m}\Omega$ |

## 6 Typical application

Figure 6. Dropout voltage vs output current

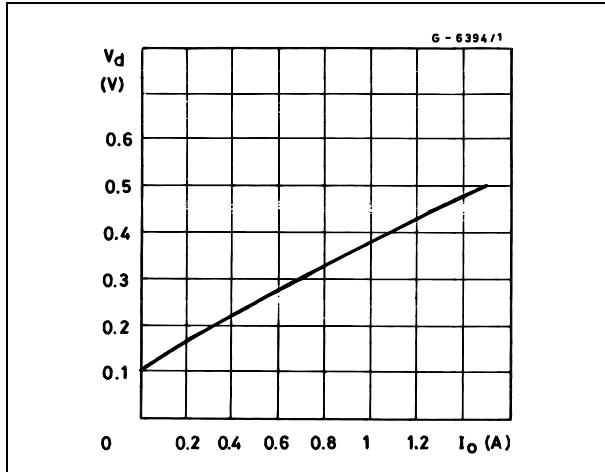


Figure 7. Dropout voltage vs temperature

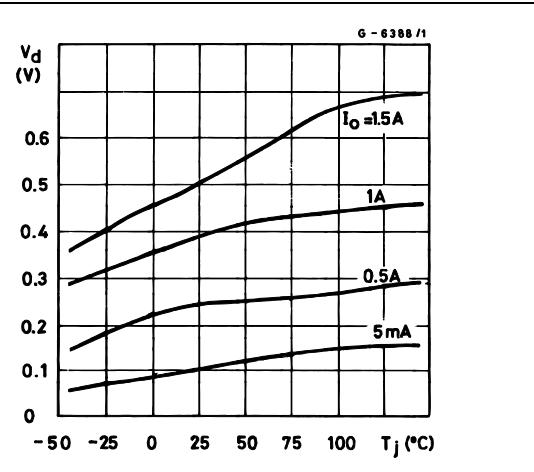


Figure 8. Output voltage vs temperature (L4940V5)

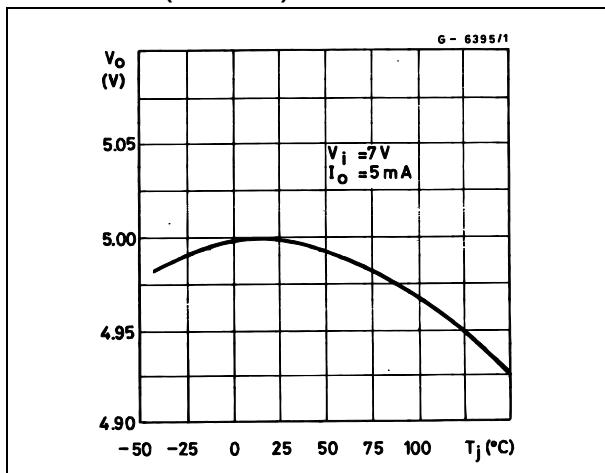
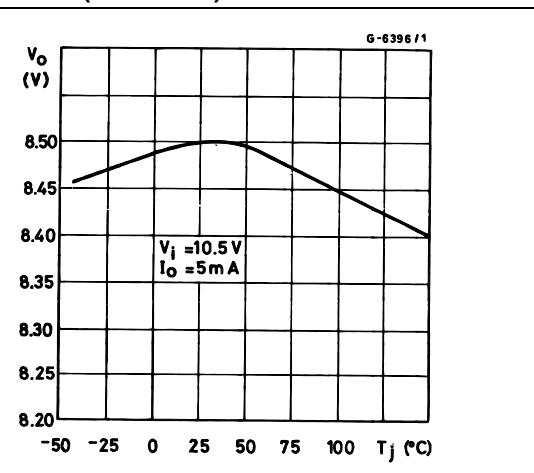
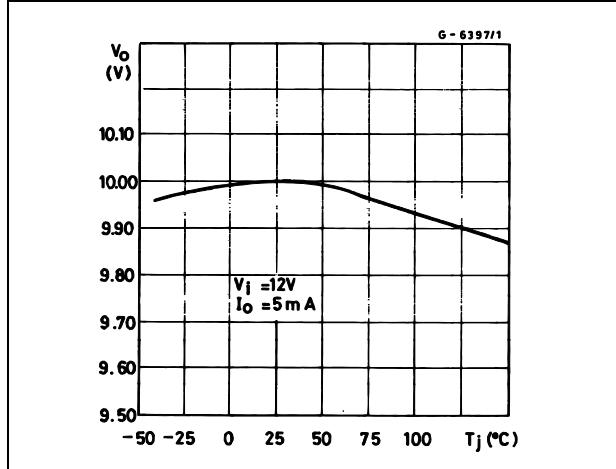


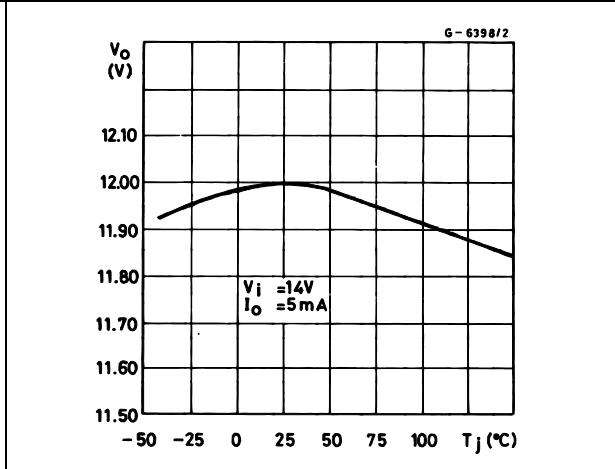
Figure 9. Output voltage vs temperature (L4940V85)



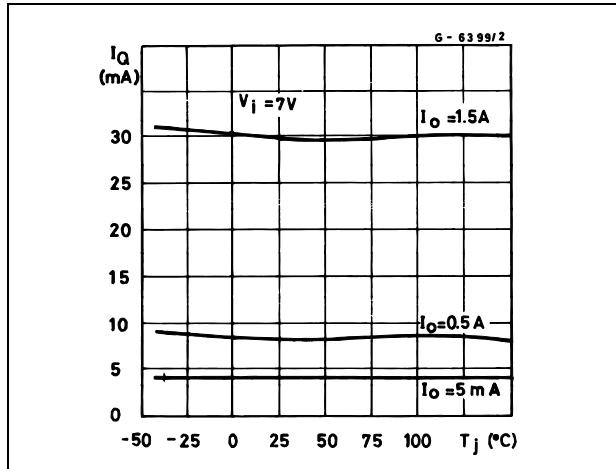
**Figure 10. Output voltage vs temperature (L4940V10)**



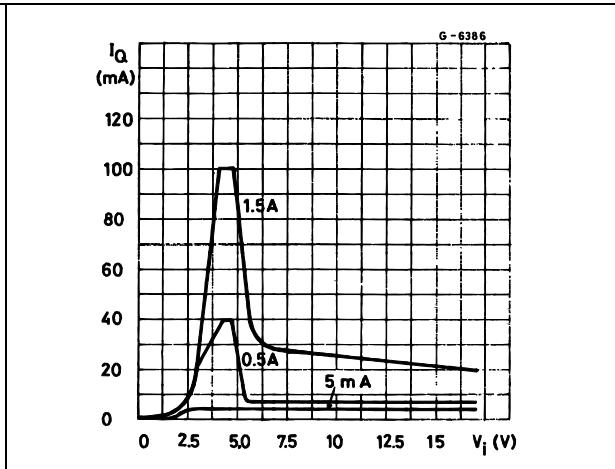
**Figure 11. Output voltage vs temperature (L4940V12)**



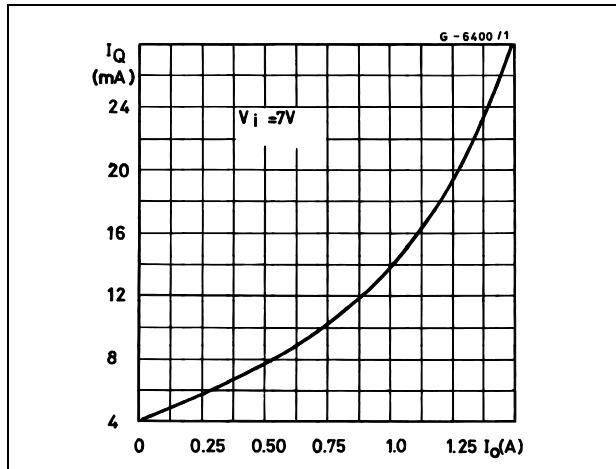
**Figure 12. Quiescent current vs temperature (L4940V5)**



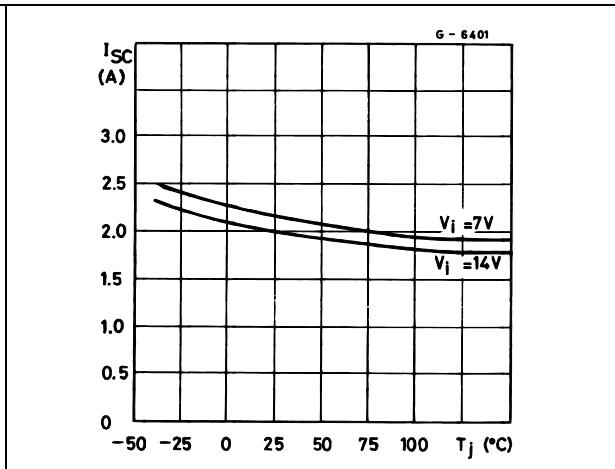
**Figure 13. Quiescent current vs input voltage (L4940V5)**



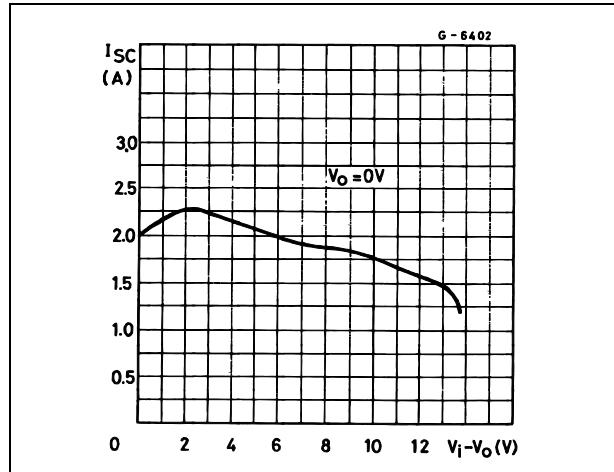
**Figure 14. Quiescent current vs output current (L4940V5)**



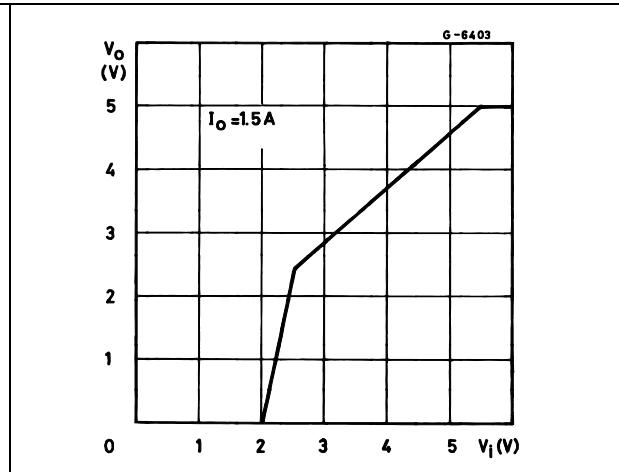
**Figure 15. Short circuit current vs temperature (L4940V5)**



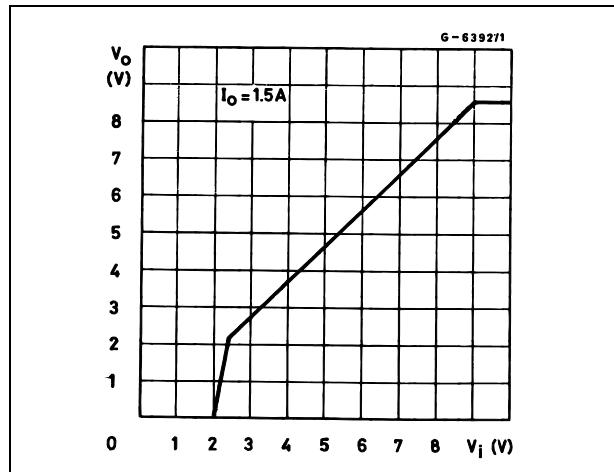
**Figure 16. Peak output current vs input/output differential voltage (L4940V5)**



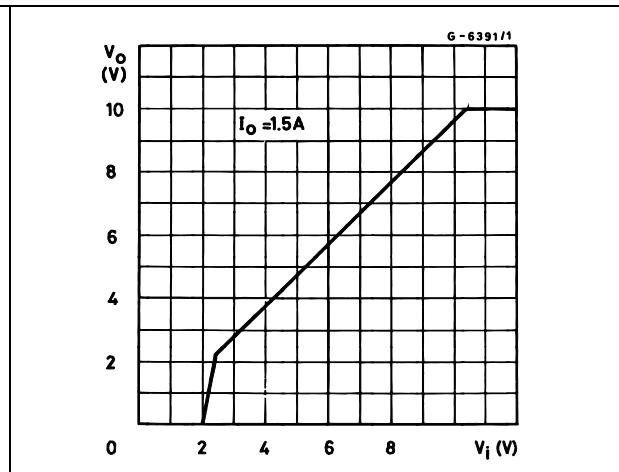
**Figure 17. Low voltage behavior (L4940V5)**



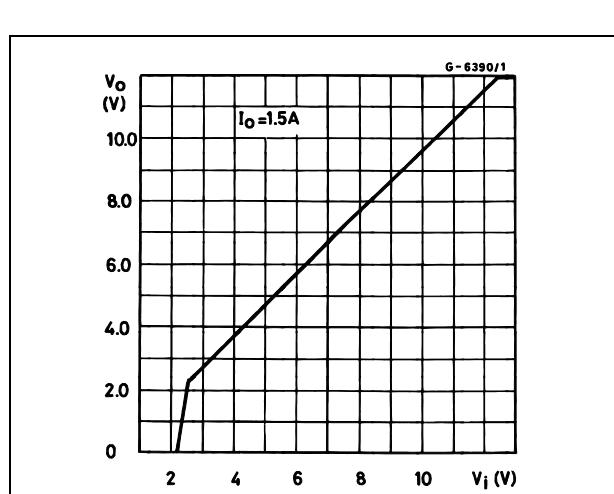
**Figure 18. Low voltage behavior (L4940V85)**



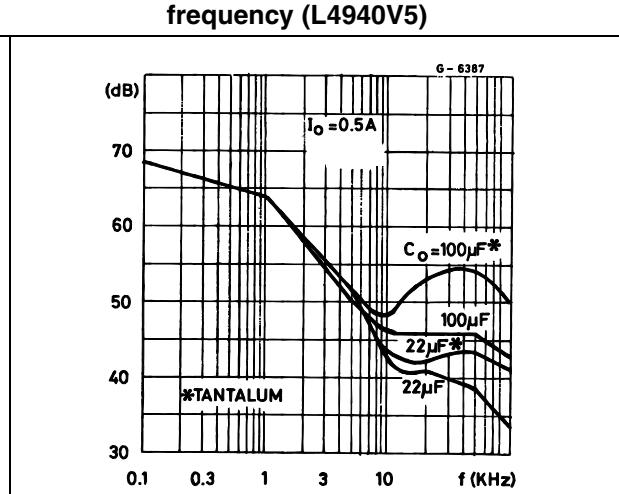
**Figure 19. Low voltage behavior (L4940V10)**



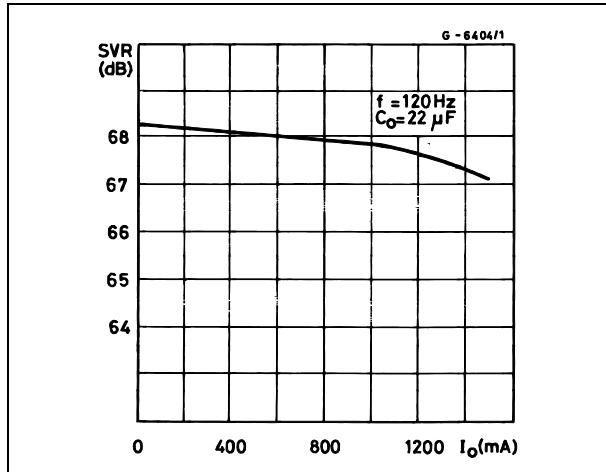
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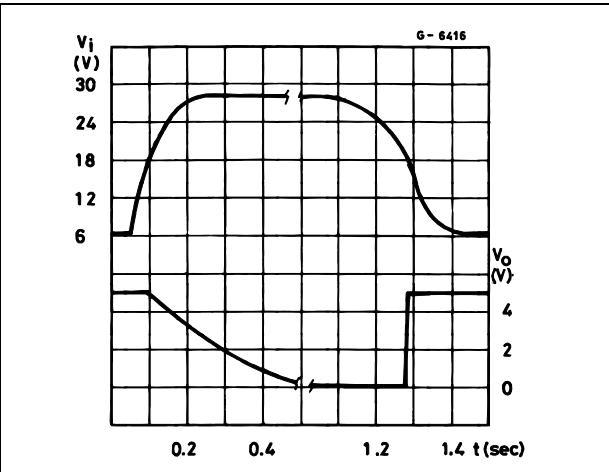
**Figure 21. Supply voltage rejection vs frequency (L4940V5)**



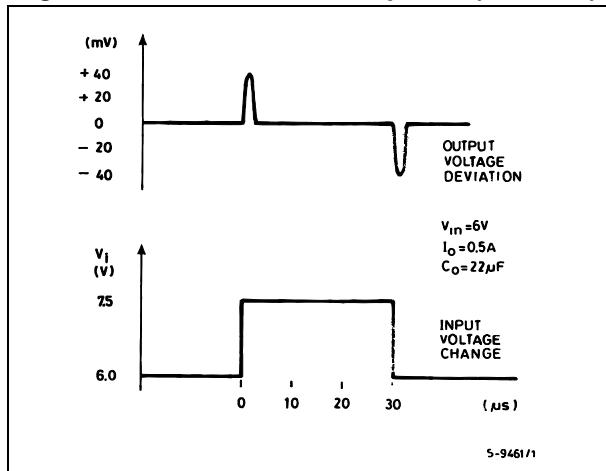
**Figure 22. Supply voltage rejection vs output current (L4940V5)**



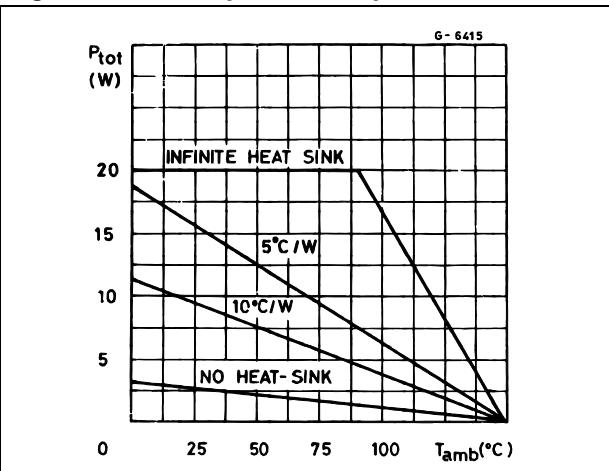
**Figure 23. Load dump characteristics (L4940V5)**



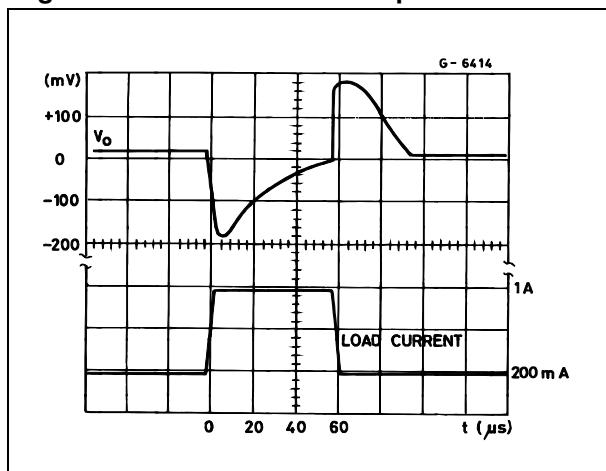
**Figure 24. Line transient response (L4940V5)**



**Figure 25. Total power dissipation**



**Figure 26. Load transient response**



## 7 Schematic application

Figure 27. Distributed supply with On-card L4940 and L4941 low drop regulator

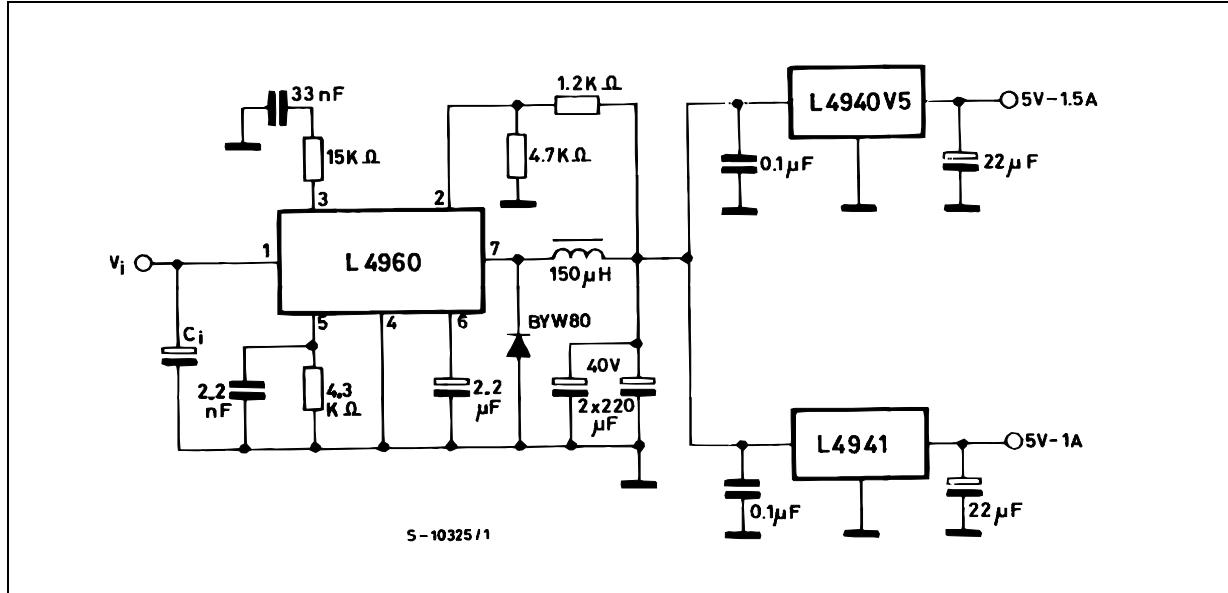
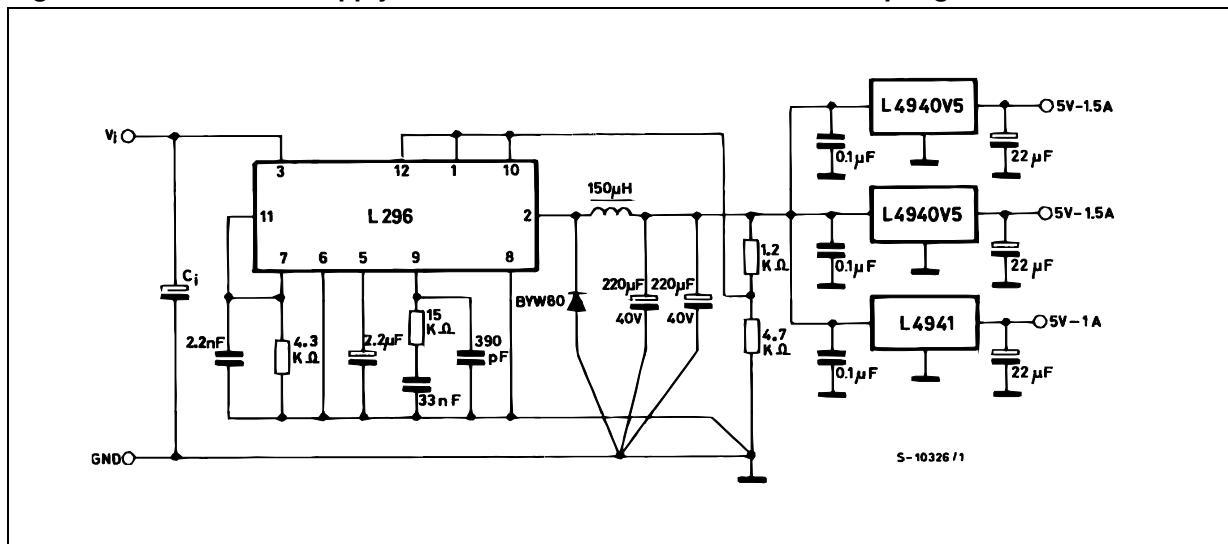


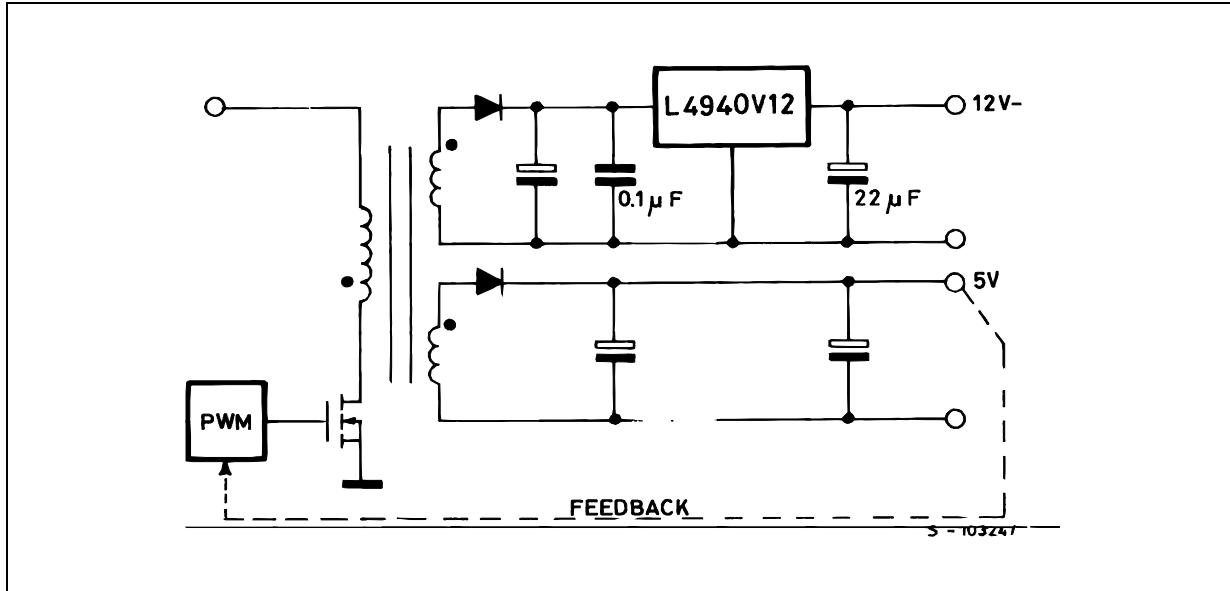
Figure 28. Distributed supply with On-card L4940 and L4941 low drop regulator



ADVANTAGES OF THESE APPLICATION ARE:

On card regulation with short-circuit and thermal protection on each output.

Vary high total system efficiency due to the switching preregulation and very low-drop postregulation.

**Figure 29. Distributed supply with On-card L4940 and L4941 low drop regulator****ADVANTAGES OF THIS CONFIGURATION ARE:**

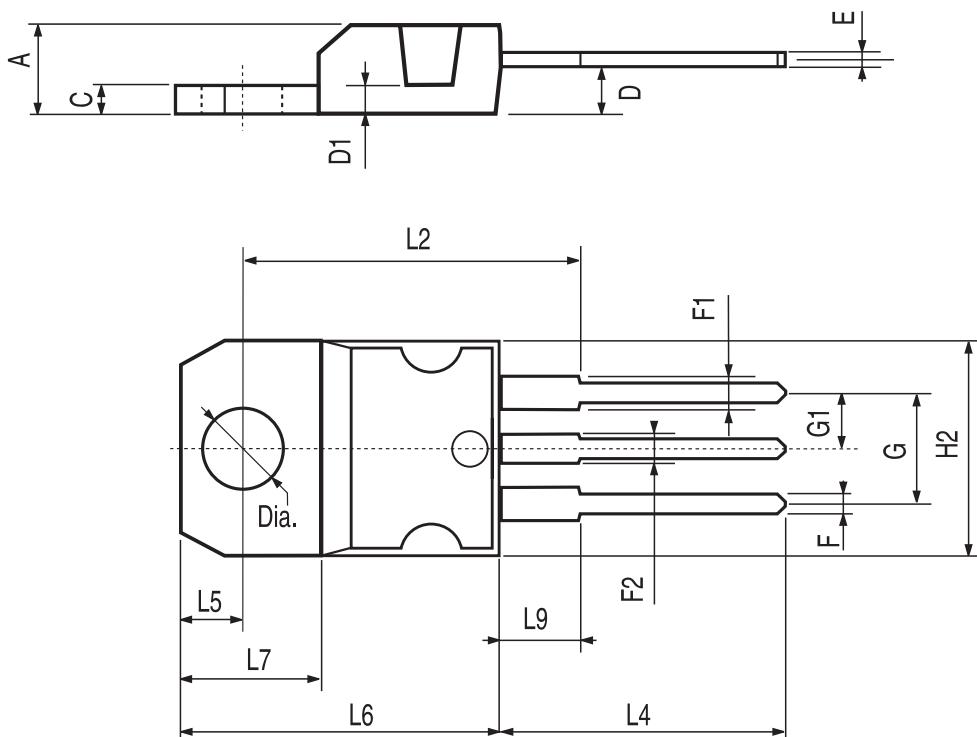
- Very high regulation (line and load on both the output voltage)
- 12V output short circuit and thermally protected
- Very high efficiency on the 12 V output due to the low drop regulator

## 8 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](http://www.st.com).

## TO-220 MECHANICAL DATA

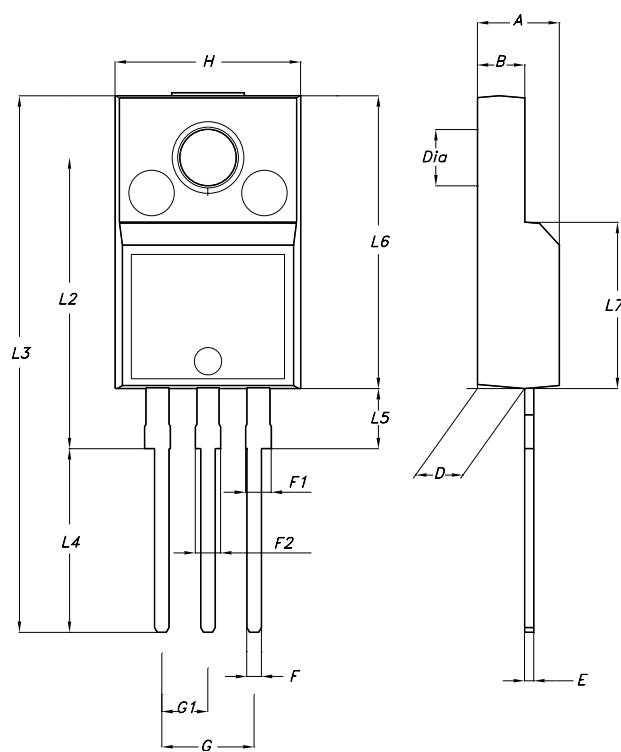
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|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | MIN.  | TYP. | MAX.  | MIN.  | TYP.  | MAX.  |
| A    | 4.40  |      | 4.60  | 0.173 |       | 0.181 |
| C    | 1.23  |      | 1.32  | 0.048 |       | 0.051 |
| D    | 2.40  |      | 2.72  | 0.094 |       | 0.107 |
| D1   |       | 1.27 |       |       | 0.050 |       |
| E    | 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 |       | 0.106 |
| 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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## TO-220FP MECHANICAL DATA

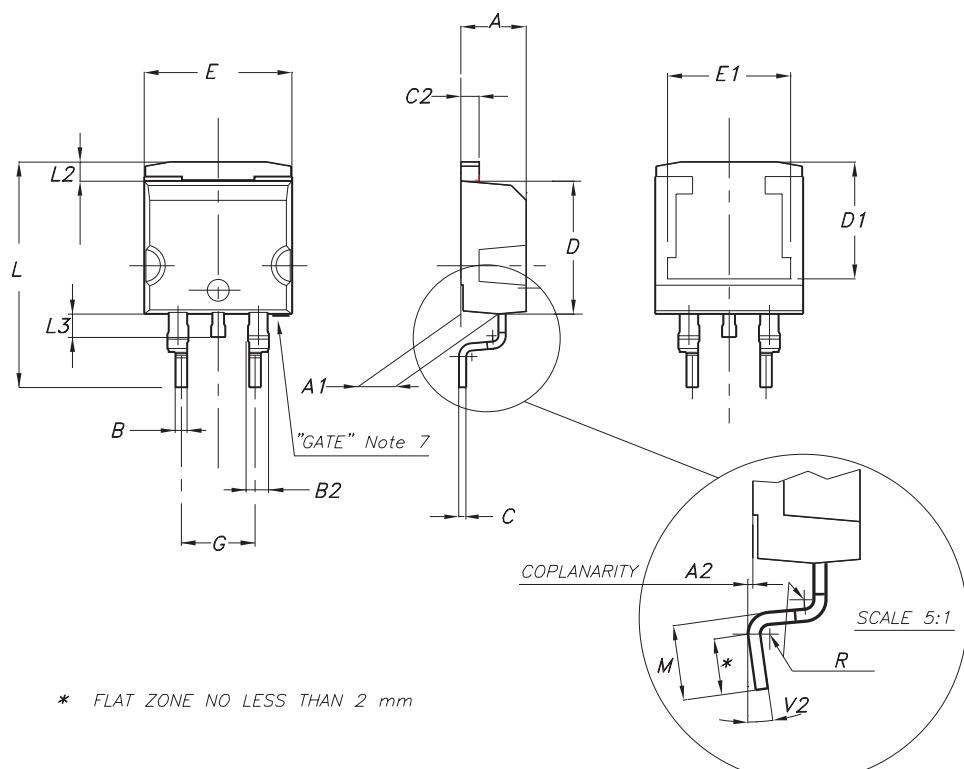
| DIM. | mm.  |     |       | inch  |       |       |
|------|------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | MIN. | TYP | MAX.  | MIN.  | TYP.  | MAX.  |
| A    | 4.40 |     | 4.60  | 0.173 |       | 0.181 |
| B    | 2.5  |     | 2.7   | 0.098 |       | 0.106 |
| D    | 2.5  |     | 2.75  | 0.098 |       | 0.108 |
| E    | 0.45 |     | 0.70  | 0.017 |       | 0.027 |
| F    | 0.75 |     | 1     | 0.030 |       | 0.039 |
| F1   | 1.15 |     | 1.50  | 0.045 |       | 0.059 |
| F2   | 1.15 |     | 1.50  | 0.045 |       | 0.059 |
| G    | 4.95 |     | 5.2   | 0.194 |       | 0.204 |
| G1   | 2.4  |     | 2.7   | 0.094 |       | 0.106 |
| H    | 10.0 |     | 10.40 | 0.393 |       | 0.409 |
| L2   |      | 16  |       |       | 0.630 |       |
| L3   | 28.6 |     | 30.6  | 1.126 |       | 1.204 |
| L4   | 9.8  |     | 10.6  | 0.385 |       | 0.417 |
| L5   | 2.9  |     | 3.6   | 0.114 |       | 0.142 |
| L6   | 15.9 |     | 16.4  | 0.626 |       | 0.645 |
| L7   | 9    |     | 9.3   | 0.354 |       | 0.366 |
| DIA. | 3    |     | 3.2   | 0.118 |       | 0.126 |



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## D<sup>2</sup>PAK MECHANICAL DATA

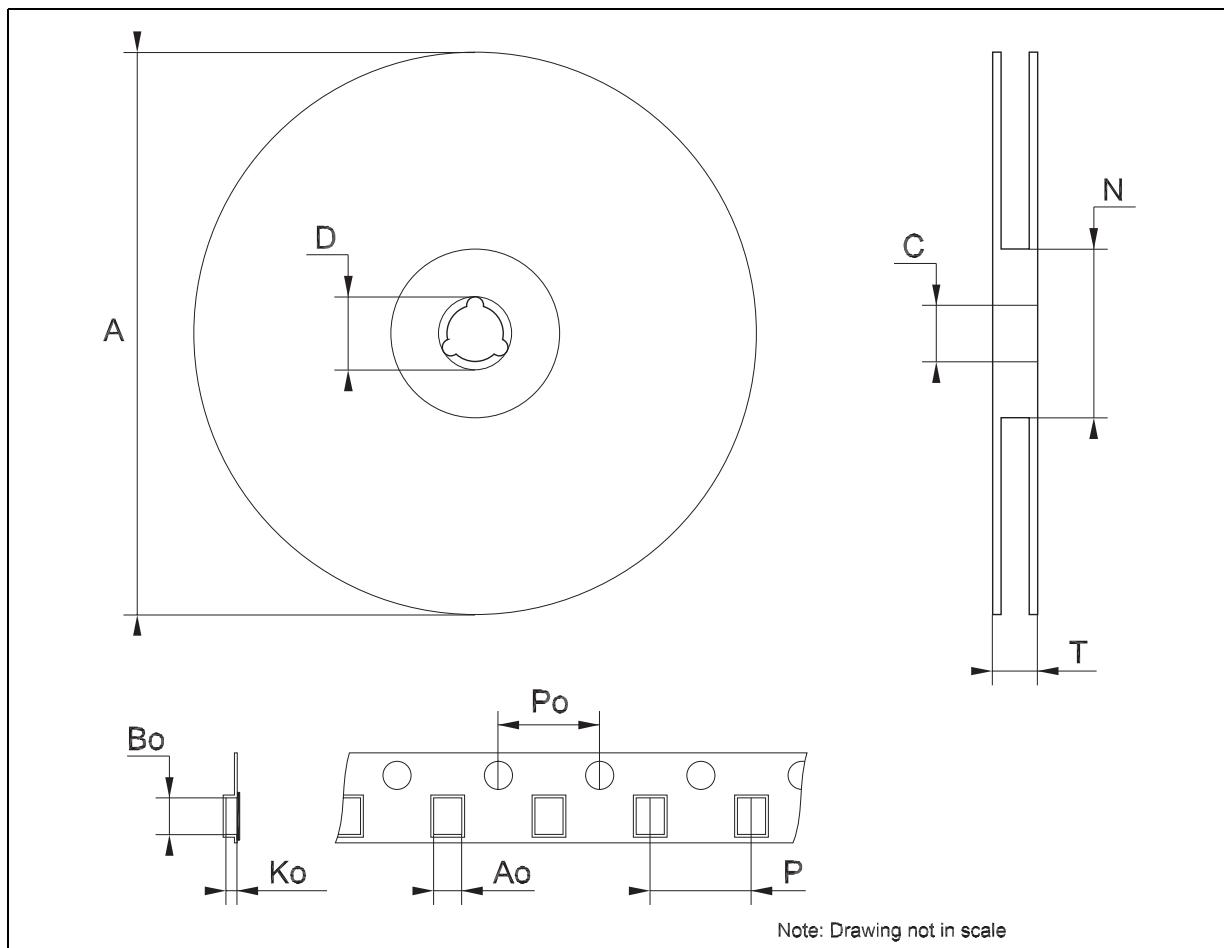
| DIM. | mm.  |      |       | inch  |       |       |
|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | MIN. | TYP. | MAX.  | MIN.  | TYP.  | MAX.  |
| A    | 4.4  |      | 4.6   | 0.173 |       | 0.181 |
| A1   | 2.49 |      | 2.69  | 0.098 |       | 0.106 |
| A2   | 0.03 |      | 0.23  | 0.001 |       | 0.009 |
| B    | 0.7  |      | 0.93  | 0.027 |       | 0.036 |
| B2   | 1.14 |      | 1.7   | 0.044 |       | 0.067 |
| C    | 0.45 |      | 0.6   | 0.017 |       | 0.023 |
| C2   | 1.23 |      | 1.36  | 0.048 |       | 0.053 |
| D    | 8.95 |      | 9.35  | 0.352 |       | 0.368 |
| D1   |      | 8    |       |       | 0.315 |       |
| E    | 10   |      | 10.4  | 0.393 |       | 0.409 |
| E1   |      | 8.5  |       |       | 0.335 |       |
| G    | 4.88 |      | 5.28  | 0.192 |       | 0.208 |
| L    | 15   |      | 15.85 | 0.590 |       | 0.624 |
| L2   | 1.27 |      | 1.4   | 0.050 |       | 0.055 |
| L3   | 1.4  |      | 1.75  | 0.055 |       | 0.068 |
| M    | 2.4  |      | 3.2   | 0.094 |       | 0.126 |
| R    |      | 0.4  |       |       | 0.016 |       |
| V2   | 0°   |      | 8°    | 0°    |       | 8°    |



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**Tape & Reel D<sup>2</sup>PAK-P<sup>2</sup>PAK-D<sup>2</sup>PAK/A-P<sup>2</sup>PAK/A MECHANICAL DATA**

| DIM. | mm.   |       |       | inch  |       |       |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | MIN.  | TYP.  | MAX.  | MIN.  | TYP.  | MAX.  |
| A    |       |       | 180   |       |       | 7.086 |
| C    | 12.8  | 13.0  | 13.2  | 0.504 | 0.512 | 0.519 |
| D    | 20.2  |       |       | 0.795 |       |       |
| N    | 60    |       |       | 2.362 |       |       |
| T    |       |       | 14.4  |       |       | 0.567 |
| Ao   | 10.50 | 10.6  | 10.70 | 0.413 | 0.417 | 0.421 |
| Bo   | 15.70 | 15.80 | 15.90 | 0.618 | 0.622 | 0.626 |
| Ko   | 4.80  | 4.90  | 5.00  | 0.189 | 0.193 | 0.197 |
| Po   | 3.9   | 4.0   | 4.1   | 0.153 | 0.157 | 0.161 |
| P    | 11.9  | 12.0  | 12.1  | 0.468 | 0.472 | 0.476 |



## 9 Revision history

**Table 7. Revision history**

| Date        | Revision | Changes  |
|-------------|----------|--|
| 04-Feb-2005 | 6        | Add new package D <sup>2</sup> PAK/A.          |
| 18-Sep-2006 | 7        | Order Codes has been updated and new template. |

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