

# 3A, Fast Transient Response, Low Noise, LDO Regulators

### FEATURES

#### Optimized for Fast Transient Response

Output Current: 3A

Dropout Voltage: 340mV at 3A

■ Low Noise: 40µV<sub>RMS</sub> (10Hz to 100kHz)

■ 1mA Quiescent Current

Wide Input Voltage Range: 2.7V to 20V

No Protection Diodes Needed

Controlled Quiescent Current in Dropout

Fixed Output Voltages: 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V, 3.3V

Adjustable Output from 1.21V to 20V

<1µA Quiescent Current in Shutdown</p>

Stable with 10µF Output Capacitor

Stable with Ceramic Capacitors

Reverse Battery Protection

No Reverse Current

Thermal Limiting

### **APPLICATIONS**

- 3.3V to 2.5V Logic Power Supply
- Post Regulator for Switching Supplies

### DESCRIPTION

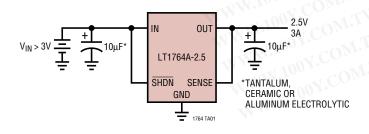
The LT®1764A is a low dropout regulator optimized for fast transient response. The device is capable of supplying 3A of output current with a dropout voltage of 340mV. Operating quiescent current is 1mA, dropping to <1 $\mu$ A in shutdown. Quiescent current is well controlled; it does not rise in dropout as it does with many other regulators. In addition to fast transient response, the LT1764A has very low output voltage noise which makes the device ideal for sensitive RF supply applications.

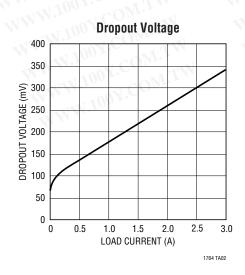
Output voltage range is from 1.21V to 20V. The LT1764A regulators are stable with output capacitors as low as  $10\mu F$ . Small ceramic capacitors can be used without the necessary addition of ESR as is common with other regulators. Internal protection circuitry includes reverse battery protection, current limiting, thermal limiting and reverse current protection. The device is available in fixed output voltages of 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V, 3.3V and as an adjustable device with a 1.21V reference voltage. The LT1764A regulators are available in 5-lead TO-220 and DD packages.

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### TYPICAL APPLICATION

3.3V<sub>IN</sub> to 2.5V<sub>OUT</sub> Regulator





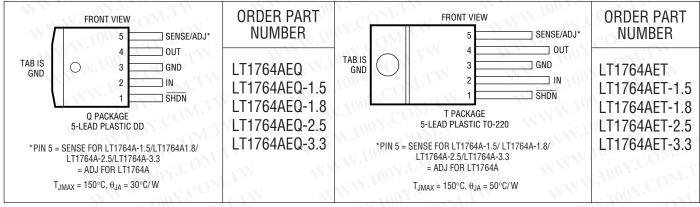


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# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** (Note 1)

IN Pin Voltage	±20V
OUT Pin Voltage	
Input to Output Differential Voltage (Note 12)	
SENSE Pin Voltage	
ADJ Pin Voltage	±7V

### PACKAGE/ORDER INFORMATION



Consult LTC Marketing for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges.

### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

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PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	$V_{i,j}$	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Minimum Input Voltage (Notes 3, 11)	$I_{LOAD} = 0.5A$ $I_{LOAD} = 1.5A$ $I_{LOAD} = 3A$	M	TW	1.7 1.9 2.3	2.7	V V V
Regulated Output Voltage (Note 4)	LT1764A-1.5 V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.21V, I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 1mA 2.7V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 20V, 1mA < I <sub>LOAD</sub> < 3A	cO	1.477 1.447	1.500 1.500	1.523 1.545	V
	LT1764A-1.8 V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.3V, I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 1mA 2.8V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 20V, 1mA < I <sub>LOAD</sub> < 3A	C	1.773 1.737	1.800 1.800	1.827 1.854	V
	LT1764A-2.5 V <sub>IN</sub> = 3V, I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 1mA 3.5V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 20V, 1mA < I <sub>LOAD</sub> < 3A		2.462 2.412	2.500 2.500	2.538 2.575	V
	LT1764A-3.3 V <sub>IN</sub> = 3.8V, I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 1mA 4.3V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 20V, 1mA < I <sub>LOAD</sub> < 3A	•	3.250 3.183	3.300 3.300	3.350 3.400	V
ADJ Pin Voltage (Notes 3, 4)	LT1764A V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.21V, I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 1mA 2.7V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 20V, 1mA < I <sub>LOAD</sub> < 3A	•	1.192 1.168	1.210 1.210	1.228 1.246	V
Line Regulation	LT1764A-1.5 $\Delta V_{IN} = 2.21 V$ to 20V, $I_{LOAD} = 1 mA$ LT1764A-1.8 $\Delta V_{IN} = 2.3 V$ to 20V, $I_{LOAD} = 1 mA$ LT1764A-2.5 $\Delta V_{IN} = 3 V$ to 20V, $I_{LOAD} = 1 mA$ LT1764A-3.3 $\Delta V_{IN} = 3.8 V$ to 20V, $I_{LOAD} = 1 mA$ LT1764A (Note 3) $\Delta V_{IN} = 2.21 V$ to 20V, $I_{LOAD} = 1 mA$	•		2.5 3 4 4.5 2	10 10 10 10 10	mV mV mV mV



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PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	N.Ing. COM.	WWW.Io	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Load Regulation	LT1764A-1.5	$V_{IN}$ = 2.7V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A $V_{IN}$ = 2.7V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A	WWW.I	OY.CO	3	7 23	mV mV
	LT1764A-1.8	$V_{IN}$ = 2.8V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A $V_{IN}$ = 2.8V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A	WWW	OOY.C	OMAT	8 25	mV mV
	LT1764A-2.5	$V_{IN}$ = 3.5V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A $V_{IN}$ = 3.5V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A	WW.	100X	CO41.	10 30	mV mV
	LT1764A-3.3	$V_{IN}$ = 4.3V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A $V_{IN}$ = 4.3V, $\Delta I_{LOAD}$ = 1mA to 3A	LM MA	M.700	1.C 4	12 40	mV mV
MM.1007.CO	LT1764A (Note 3	S) $V_{IN} = 2.7V$ , $\Delta I_{LOAD} = 1$ mA to 3A $V_{IN} = 2.7V$ , $\Delta I_{LOAD} = 1$ mA to 3A	TW W	VW.100	2	5 20	mV mV
Dropout Voltage V <sub>IN</sub> = V <sub>OUT</sub> (NOMINAL)	$I_{LOAD} = 1 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 1 \text{mA}$	WWW.100Y.CO	W.TW		0.02	0.05 0.10	V
(Notes 5, 6, 11)	$I_{LOAD} = 100 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 100 \text{mA}$	MM. 100X.C	OWIN	MAL	0.07	0.13 0.18	V
	$I_{LOAD} = 500 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 500 \text{mA}$	WWW.100Y.	COM.TW	WW	0.14	0.20 0.27	V
	$I_{LOAD} = 1.5A$ $I_{LOAD} = 1.5A$	W WWW.1005	COM.TW	MA	0.25	0.33 0.40	V
	$I_{LOAD} = 3A$ $I_{LOAD} = 3A$	TW WWW.100	OY.COM.TW	. 4	0.34	0.45 0.66	V
GND Pin Current V <sub>IN</sub> = V <sub>OUT(NOMINAL)</sub> + 1V (Notes 5, 7)	$I_{LOAD} = 0 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 1 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 100 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 500 \text{mA}$ $I_{LOAD} = 1.5 \text{A}$ $I_{LOAD} = 3 \text{A}$		N.100X.COM.TV	V V	1 1.1 3.5 11 40 120	1.5 1.6 5 18 75 200	mA mA mA mA mA
Output Voltage Noise		AD = 3A, BW = 10Hz to 100kHz	M. In. COM.	WW	40	MW	μV <sub>RMS</sub>
ADJ Pin Bias Current	(Notes 3, 8)	COM.	MAN JOAN COM	. 3	3	10	μΑ
Shutdown Threshold	V <sub>OUT</sub> = Off to On V <sub>OUT</sub> = On to Off		M.M.100X.CC	0.25	0.9 0.75	2 /	V
SHDN Pin Current (Note 9)	$V_{\overline{SHDN}} = 0V$ $V_{\overline{SHDN}} = 20V$	MMM. 100X CO	VT.WO	0.01 7	1 30	μA μA	
Quiescent Current in Shutdown	$V_{IN} = 6V, V_{\overline{SHDN}}$	= 0V	W. 1001.	'UM'T	0.01	1	μΑ
Ripple Rejection	$V_{IN} - V_{OUT} = 1.5$ $f_{RIPPLE} = 120$ Hz,	$V (Avg), V_{RIPPLE} = 0.5V_{P-P},$ $I_{LOAD} = 1.5A$	MM. 1001	55	63		dB
Current Limit	$V_{IN} = 7V, V_{OUT} =$	= 0V	JANN. Jun	a COM	4		A
	$V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOMI)}$	T1764A-2.5, LT1764A-3.3; <sub>NAL)</sub> + 1V, ∆V <sub>OUT</sub> = −0.1V	M. 104	3.1			А
	LT1764A, LT176 V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.7V, ΔV <sub>0</sub>		•	3.1			A



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PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	M.In.	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Input Reverse Leakage Current	$V_{IN} = -20V, V_{OUT} = 0V$	W.108	COM	. 1	1	mA
Reverse Output Current (Note 10)	$ \begin{array}{l} LT1764A\text{-}1.5\text{V}_{OUT} = 1.5\text{V},\text{V}_{IN} < 1.5\text{V} \\ LT1764A\text{-}1.8\text{V}_{OUT} = 1.8\text{V},\text{V}_{IN} < 1.8\text{V} \\ LT1764A\text{-}2.5\text{V}_{OUT} = 2.5\text{V},\text{V}_{IN} < 2.5\text{V} \\ LT1764A\text{-}3.3\text{V}_{OUT} = 3.3\text{V},\text{V}_{IN} < 3.3\text{V} \\ LT1764A(\text{Note 3})\text{V}_{OUT} = 1.21\text{V},\text{V}_{IN} < 1.21\text{V} \end{array} $	WWW.100	00X.CO	600 600 600 600 300	1200 1200 1200 1200 1200 600	Ац Ац Ац Ац Ац

**Note 1:** Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which the life of a device may be impaired.

**Note 2:** The LT1764A regulators are tested and specified under pulse load conditions such that  $T_J \approx T_A$ . The LT1764A is 100% tested at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ . Performance at  $-40^{\circ}C$  and 125°C is assured by design, characterization and correlation with statistical process controls.

**Note 3:** The LT1764A (adjustable version) is tested and specified for these conditions with the ADJ pin connected to the OUT pin.

**Note 4.** Operating conditions are limited by maximum junction temperature. The regulated output voltage specification will not apply for all possible combinations of input voltage and output current. When operating at maximum input voltage, the output current range must be limited. When operating at maximum output current, the input voltage range must be limited.

**Note 5:** To satisfy requirements for minimum input voltage, the LT1764A (adjustable version) is tested and specified for these conditions with an external resistor divider (two 4.12k resistors) for an output voltage of 2.42V. The external resistor divider will add a 300µA DC load on the output.

**Note 6:** Dropout voltage is the minimum input to output voltage differential needed to maintain regulation at a specified output current. In dropout, the output voltage will be equal to:  $V_{IN} - V_{DROPOUT}$ .

**Note 7:** GND pin current is tested with  $V_{IN} = V_{OUT(NOMINAL)} + 1V$  or  $V_{IN} = 2.7V$  (whichever is greater) and a current source load. The GND pin current will decrease at higher input voltages.

Note 8: ADJ pin bias current flows into the ADJ pin.

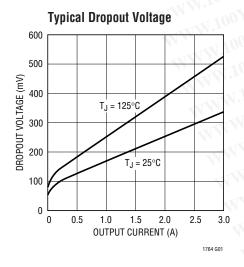
Note 9: SHDN pin current flows into the SHDN pin.

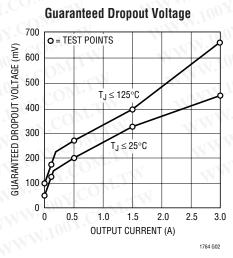
**Note 10:** Reverse output current is tested with the IN pin grounded and the OUT pin forced to the rated output voltage. This current flows into the OUT pin and out the GND pin.

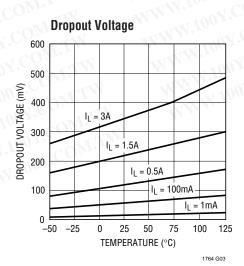
**Note 11.** For the LT1764A, LT1764A-1.5 and LT1764A-1.8 dropout voltage will be limited by the minimum input voltage specification under some output voltage/load conditions.

**Note 12.** All combinations of absolute maximum input voltage and absolute maximum output voltage cannot be achieved. The absolute maximum differential from input to output is  $\pm 20$ V. For example, with  $V_{IN} = 20$ V,  $V_{OUT}$  cannot be pulled below ground.

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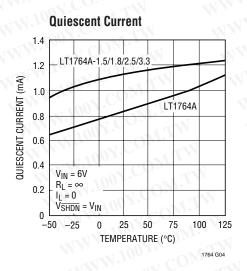


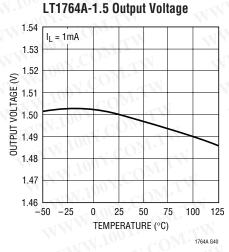


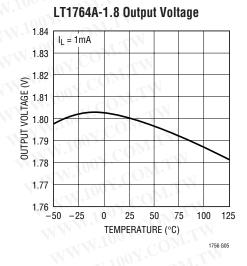


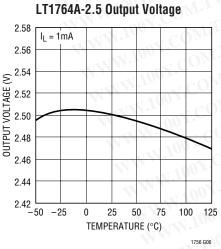


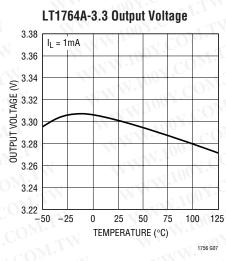
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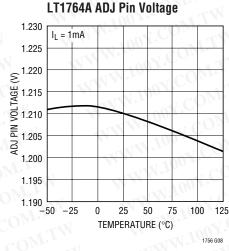


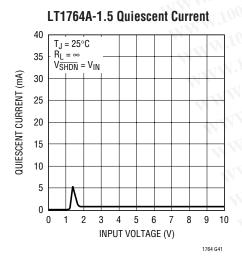


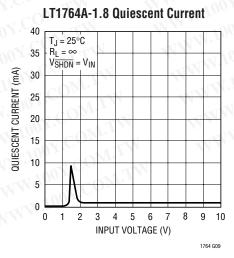


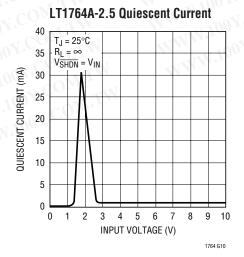






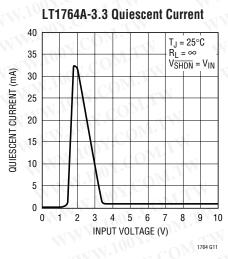


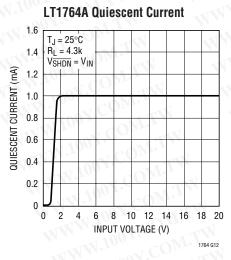


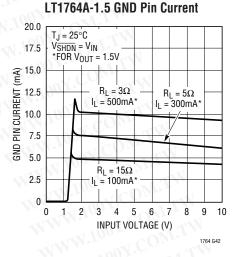


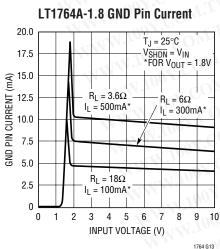
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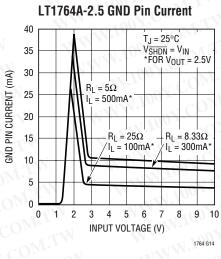
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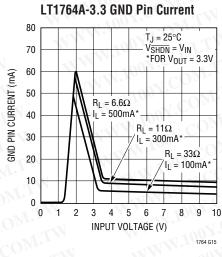


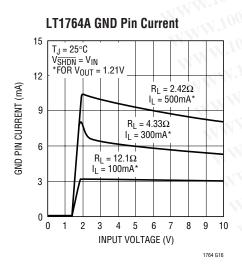


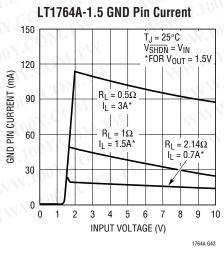


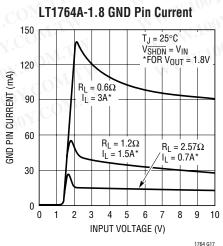




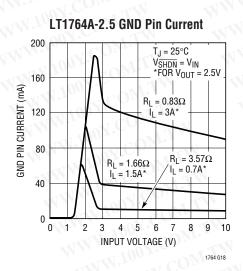


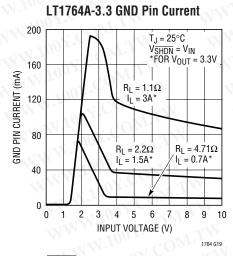


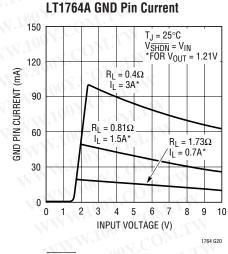


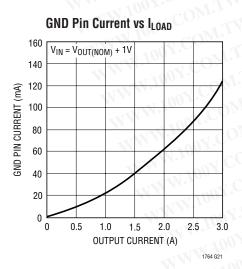


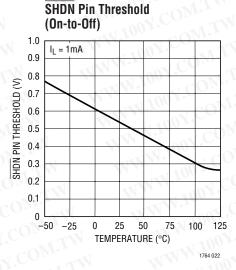
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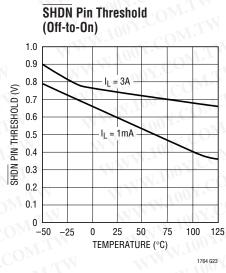


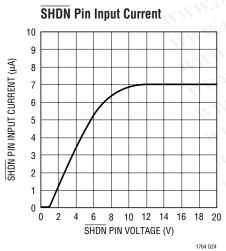


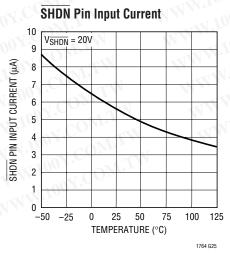


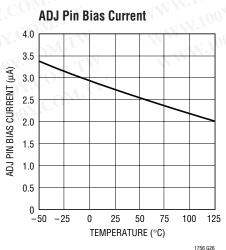








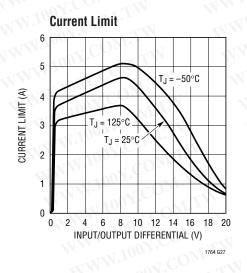


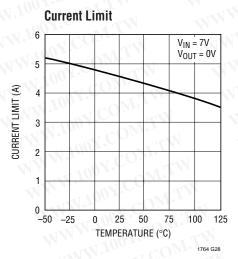


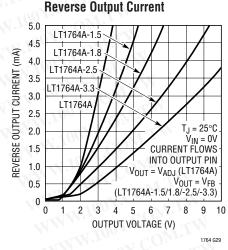
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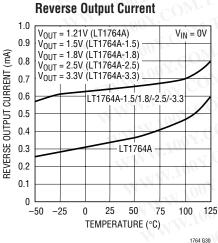
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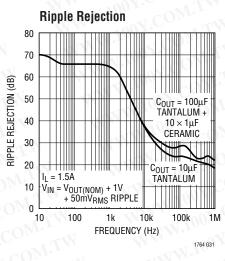
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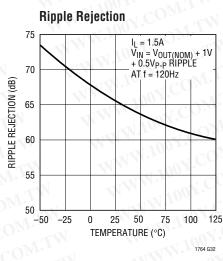


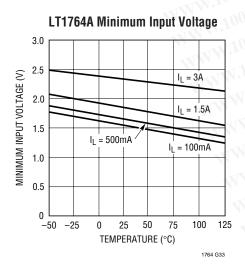


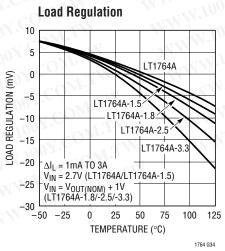


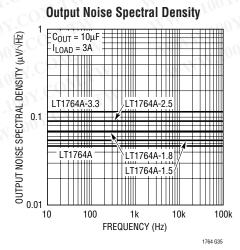




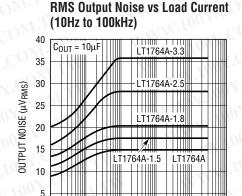








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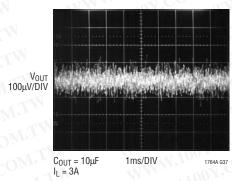


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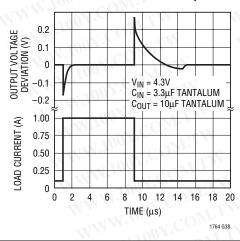
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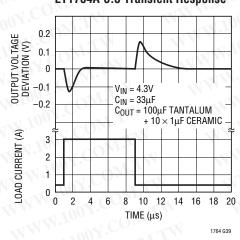
LT1764A-3.3 10Hz to 100kHz **Output Noise** 





0.1 LOAD CURRENT (A)





### PIN FUNCTIONS

SHDN (Pin 1): Shutdown. The SHDN pin is used to put the LT1764A regulators into a low power shutdown state. The output will be off when the SHDN pin is pulled low. The SHDN pin can be driven either by 5V logic or opencollector logic with a pull-up resistor. The pull-up resistor is required to supply the pull-up current of the opencollector gate, normally several microamperes, and the SHDN pin current, typically 7µA. If unused, the SHDN pin must be connected to V<sub>IN</sub>. The device will be in the low power shutdown state if the SHDN pin is not connected.

IN (Pin 2): Input. Power is supplied to the device through the IN pin. A bypass capacitor is required on this pin if the device is more than six inches away from the main input filter capacitor. In general, the output impedance of a battery rises with frequency, so it is advisable to include a bypass capacitor in battery-powered circuits. A bypass capacitor in the range of 1µF to 10µF is sufficient. The LT1764A regulators are designed to withstand reverse voltages on the IN pin with respect to ground and the OUT pin. In the case of a reverse input, which can happen if a battery is plugged in backwards, the device will act as if there is a diode in series with its input. There will be no reverse current flow into the regulator and no reverse voltage will appear at the load. The device will protect both itself and the load.



### PIN FUNCTIONS

GND (Pin 3): Ground.

**OUT (Pin 4):** Output. The output supplies power to the load. A minimum output capacitor of  $10\mu F$  is required to prevent oscillations. Larger output capacitors will be required for applications with large transient loads to limit peak voltage transients. See the Applications Information section for more information on output capacitance and reverse output characteristics.

**SENSE (Pin 5):** Sense. For fixed voltage versions of the LT1764A (LT1764A-1.5/LT1764A-1.8/LT1764A-2.5/LT1764A-3.3), the SENSE pin is the input to the error amplifier. Optimum regulation will be obtained at the point where the SENSE pin is connected to the OUT pin of the regulator. In critical applications, small voltage drops are caused by the resistance ( $R_P$ ) of PC traces between the regulator and the load. These may be eliminated by connecting the SENSE pin to the output at the load as shown in Figure 1 (Kelvin Sense Connection). Note that the voltage drop across the external PC traces will add to the

dropout voltage of the regulator. The SENSE pin bias current is  $600\mu$ A at the nominal rated output voltage. The SENSE pin can be pulled below ground (as in a dual supply system where the regulator load is returned to a negative supply) and still allow the device to start and operate.

**ADJ** (**Pin 5**): Adjust. For the adjustable LT1764A, this is the input to the error amplifier. This pin is internally clamped to  $\pm 7$ V. It has a bias current of  $3\mu A$  which flows into the pin. The ADJ pin voltage is 1.21V referenced to ground and the output voltage range is 1.21V to 20V.

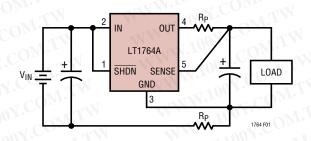


Figure 1. Kelvin Sense Connection

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The LT1764A series are 3A low dropout regulators optimized for fast transient response. The devices are capable of supplying 3A at a dropout voltage of 340mV. The low operating quiescent current (1mA) drops to less than 1µA in shutdown. In addition to the low quiescent current, the LT1764A regulators incorporate several protection features which make them ideal for use in battery-powered systems. The devices are protected against both reverse input and reverse output voltages. In battery backup applications where the output can be held up by a backup battery when the input is pulled to ground, the LT1764A-X acts like it has a diode in series with its output and prevents reverse current flow. Additionally, in dual supply applications where the regulator load is returned to a negative supply, the output can be pulled below ground by as much as 20V and still allow the device to start and operate.

### **Adjustable Operation**

The adjustable version of the LT1764A has an output voltage range of 1.21V to 20V. The output voltage is set by

the ratio of two external resistors as shown in Figure 2. The device servos the output to maintain the voltage at the ADJ pin at 1.21V referenced to ground. The current in R1 is then equal to 1.21V/R1 and the current in R2 is the current in R1 plus the ADJ pin bias current. The ADJ pin bias current,  $3\mu$ A at 25°C, flows through R2 into the ADJ pin. The output voltage can be calculated using the formula in Figure 2. The value of R1 should be less than 4.17k to minimize errors in the output voltage caused by the ADJ pin bias current. Note that in shutdown the output is turned off and the divider current will be zero.

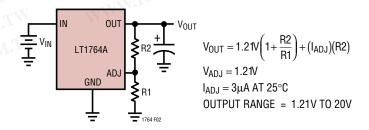


Figure 2. Adjustable Operation

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The adjustable device is tested and specified with the ADJ pin tied to the OUT pin for an output voltage of 1.21V. Specifications for output voltages greater than 1.21V will be proportional to the ratio of the desired output voltage to 1.21V:  $V_{OUT}/1.21V$ . For example, load regulation for an output current change of 1mA to 3A is -3mV typical at  $V_{OUT} = 1.21V$ . At  $V_{OUT} = 5V$ , load regulation is:

(5V/1.21V)(-3mV) = -12.4mV

#### **Output Capacitance and Transient Response**

The LT1764A regulators are designed to be stable with a wide range of output capacitors. The ESR of the output capacitor affects stability, most notably with small capacitors. A minimum output capacitor of  $10\mu\text{F}$  with an ESR of  $3\Omega$  or less is recommended to prevent oscillations. Larger values of output capacitance can decrease the peak deviations and provide improved transient response for larger load current changes. Bypass capacitors, used to decouple individual components powered by the LT1764A-X, will increase the effective output capacitor value.

Extra consideration must be given to the use of ceramic capacitors. Ceramic capacitors are manufactured with a variety of dielectrics, each with different behavior over temperature and applied voltage. The most common dielectrics used are Z5U, Y5V, X5R and X7R. The Z5U and Y5V dielectrics are good for providing high capacitances in a small package, but exhibit strong voltage and temperature coefficients as shown in Figures 3 and 4. When used with a 5V regulator, a 10µF Y5V capacitor can exhibit

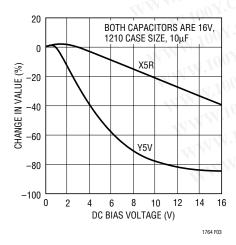


Figure 3. Ceramic Capacitor DC Bias Characteristics

an effective value as low as  $1\mu F$  to  $2\mu F$  over the operating temperature range. The X5R and X7R dielectrics result in more stable characteristics and are more suitable for use as the output capacitor. The X7R type has better stability across temperature, while the X5R is less expensive and is available in higher values.

Voltage and temperature coefficients are not the only sources of problems. Some ceramic capacitors have a piezoelectric response. A piezoelectric device generates voltage across its terminals due to mechanical stress, similar to the way a piezoelectric accelerometer or microphone works. For a ceramic capacitor the stress can be induced by vibrations in the system or thermal transients.

#### **Overload Recovery**

Like many IC power regulators, the LT1764A-X has safe operating area protection. The safe area protection decreases the current limit as input-to-output voltage increases and keeps the power transistor inside a safe operating region for all values of input-to-output voltage. The protection is designed to provide some output current at all values of input-to-output voltage up to the device breakdown.

When power is first turned on, as the input voltage rises, the output follows the input, allowing the regulator to start up into very heavy loads. During the start-up, as the input voltage is rising, the input-to-output voltage differential is small, allowing the regulator to supply large output currents. With a high input voltage, a problem can occur

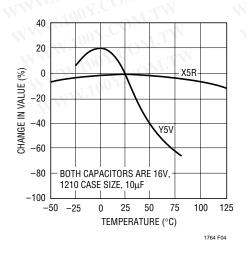


Figure 4. Ceramic Capacitor Temperature Characteristics



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wherein removal of an output short will not allow the output voltage to recover. Other regulators, such as the LT1085, also exhibit this phenomenon, so it is not unique to the LT1764A series.

The problem occurs with a heavy output load when the input voltage is high and the output voltage is low. Common situations are immediately after the removal of a short circuit or when the SHDN pin is pulled high after the input voltage has already been turned on. The load line for such a load may intersect the output current curve at two points. If this happens, there are two stable output operating points for the regulator. With this double intersection, the input power supply may need to be cycled down to zero and brought up again to make the output recover.

#### **Output Voltage Noise**

The LT1764A regulators have been designed to provide low output voltage noise over the 10Hz to 100kHz bandwidth while operating at full load. Output voltage noise is typically  $50\text{nV}\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  over this frequency bandwidth for the LT1764A (adjustable version). For higher output voltages (generated by using a resistor divider), the output voltage noise will be gained up accordingly. This results in RMS noise over the 10Hz to 100kHz bandwidth of  $15\mu\text{V}_{RMS}$  for the LT1764A increasing to  $37\mu\text{V}_{RMS}$  for the LT1764A-3.3.

Higher values of output voltage noise may be measured when care is not exercised with regards to circuit layout and testing. Crosstalk from nearby traces can induce unwanted noise onto the output of the LT1764A-X. Power supply ripple rejection must also be considered; the LT1764A regulators do not have unlimited power supply rejection and will pass a small portion of the input noise through to the output.

#### **Thermal Considerations**

The power handling capability of the device is limited by the maximum rated junction temperature (125°C). The power dissipated by the device is made up of two components:

 Output current multiplied by the input/output voltage differential: (I<sub>OUT</sub>)(V<sub>IN</sub> - V<sub>OUT</sub>), and 2. GND pin current multiplied by the input voltage:  $(I_{GND})(V_{IN})$ .

The GND pin current can be found using the GND Pin Current curves in the Typical Performance Characteristics. Power dissipation will be equal to the sum of the two components listed above.

The LT1764A series regulators have internal thermal limiting designed to protect the device during overload conditions. For continuous normal conditions, the maximum junction temperature rating of 125°C must not be exceeded. It is important to give careful consideration to all sources of thermal resistance from junction to ambient. Additional heat sources mounted nearby must also be considered.

For surface mount devices, heat sinking is accomplished by using the heat spreading capabilities of the PC board and its copper traces. Surface mount heatsinks and plated through-holes can also be used to spread the heat generated by power devices.

The following table lists thermal resistance for several different board sizes and copper areas. All measurements were taken in still air on 1/16" FR-4 board with one ounce copper.

Table 1. Q Package, 5-Lead DD

COPPEI	R AREA	W.T.	THERMAL RESISTANCE
TOPSIDE*	BACKSIDE	BOARD AREA	(JUNCTION-TO-AMBIENT)
2500mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	23°C/W
1000mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	25°C/W
125mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	2500mm <sup>2</sup>	33°C/W

<sup>\*</sup>Device is mounted on topside.

#### T Package, 5-Lead TO-220

Thermal Resistance (Junction-to-Case) = 2.5°C/W

#### **Calculating Junction Temperature**

Example: Given an output voltage of 3.3V, an input voltage range of 4V to 6V, an output current range of 0mA to 500mA and a maximum ambient temperature of 50°C, what will the maximum junction temperature be?

The power dissipated by the device will be equal to:

 $I_{OUT(MAX)}(V_{IN(MAX)} - V_{OUT}) + I_{GND}(V_{IN(MAX)})$ 

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where,

 $I_{OUT(MAX)} = 500$ mA  $V_{IN(MAX)} = 6V$   $I_{GND}$  at ( $I_{OUT} = 500$ mA,  $V_{IN} = 6V$ ) = 10mA So.

$$P = 500 \text{mA}(6\text{V} - 3.3\text{V}) + 10 \text{mA}(6\text{V}) = 1.41\text{W}$$

Using a DD package, the thermal resistance will be in the range of 23°C/W to 33°C/W depending on the copper area. So the junction temperature rise above ambient will be approximately equal to:

$$1.41W(28^{\circ}C/W) = 39.5^{\circ}C$$

The maximum junction temperature will then be equal to the maximum junction temperature rise above ambient plus the maximum ambient temperature or:

$$T_{\text{JMAX}} = 50^{\circ}\text{C} + 39.5^{\circ}\text{C} = 89.5^{\circ}\text{C}$$

#### **Protection Features**

The LT1764A regulators incorporate several protection features which make them ideal for use in battery-powered circuits. In addition to the normal protection features associated with monolithic regulators, such as current limiting and thermal limiting, the devices are protected against reverse input voltages, reverse output voltages and reverse voltages from output to input.

Current limit protection and thermal overload protection are intended to protect the device against current overload conditions at the output of the device. For normal operation, the junction temperature should not exceed 125°C.

The input of the device will withstand reverse voltages of 20V. Current flow into the device will be limited to less than 1mA and no negative voltage will appear at the output. The device will protect both itself and the load. This provides protection against batteries which can be plugged in backward.

The output of the LT1764A-X can be pulled below ground without damaging the device. If the input is left open circuit or grounded, the output can be pulled below ground by 20V. For fixed voltage versions, the output will act like a large resistor, typically 5k or higher, limiting current flow to typically less than 600µA. For adjustable versions, the

output will act like an open circuit; no current will flow out of the pin. If the input is powered by a voltage source, the output will source the short-circuit current of the device and will protect itself by thermal limiting. In this case, grounding the SHDN pin will turn off the device and stop the output from sourcing the short-circuit current.

The ADJ pin of the adjustable device can be pulled above or below ground by as much as 7V without damaging the device. If the input is left open circuit or grounded, the ADJ pin will act like an open circuit when pulled below ground and like a large resistor (typically 5k) in series with a diode when pulled above ground.

In situations where the ADJ pin is connected to a resistor divider that would pull the ADJ pin above its 7V clamp voltage if the output is pulled high, the ADJ pin input current must be limited to less than 5mA. For example, a resistor divider is used to provide a regulated 1.5V output from the 1.21V reference when the output is forced to 20V. The top resistor of the resistor divider must be chosen to limit the current into the ADJ pin to less than 5mA when the ADJ pin is at 7V. The 13V difference between OUT and ADJ pins divided by the 5mA maximum current into the ADJ pin yields a minimum top resistor value of 2.6k.

In circuits where a backup battery is required, several different input/output conditions can occur. The output voltage may be held up while the input is either pulled to ground, pulled to some intermediate voltage, or is left open circuit. Current flow back into the output will follow the curve shown in Figure 5.

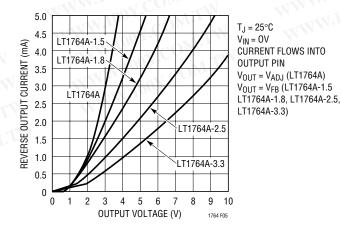


Figure 5. Reverse Output Current



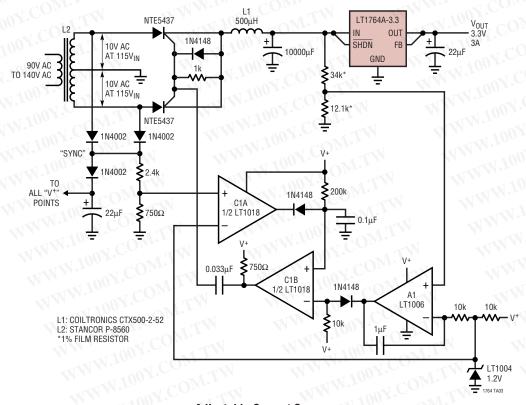
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When the IN pin of the LT1764A-X is forced below the OUT pin or the OUT pin is pulled above the IN pin, input current will typically drop to less than  $2\mu A$ . This can happen if the input of the device is connected to a discharged (low

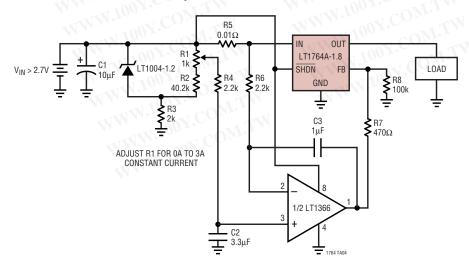
voltage) battery and the output is held up by either a backup battery or a second regulator circuit. The state of the SHDN pin will have no effect on the reverse output current when the output is pulled above the input.

### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

#### **SCR Preregulator Provides Efficiency Over Line Variations**



#### **Adjustable Current Source**



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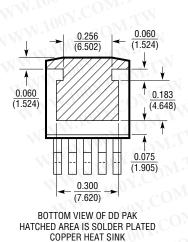
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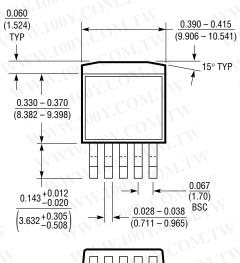
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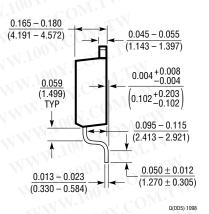
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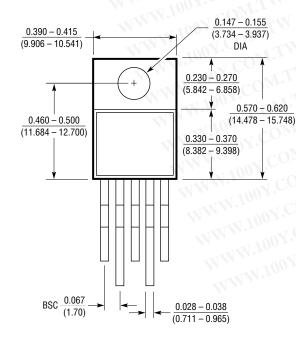


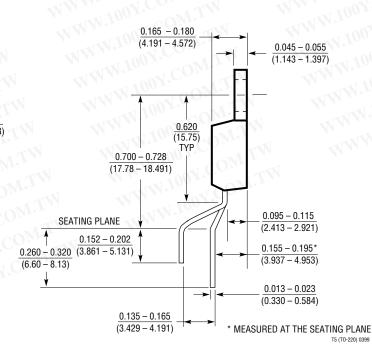




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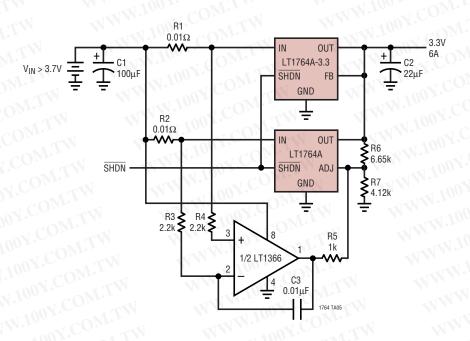
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#### Paralleling of Regulators for Higher Output Current



# RELATED PARTS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
LT1120	125mA Low Dropout Regulator with 20µA IQ	Includes 2.5V Reference and Comparator
LT1121	150mA Micropower Low Dropout Regulator	30μA I <sub>Q</sub> , SOT-223 Package
LT1129	700mA Micropower Low Dropout Regulator	50μA Quiescent Current
LT1175	500mA Negative Low Dropout Micropower Regulator	45μA I <sub>Q</sub> , 0.26V Dropout Voltage, SOT-223 Package
LT1374	4.5A, 500kHz Step-Down Converter	4.5A, 0.07Ω Internal Switch, SO-8 Package
LT1521	300mA Low Dropout Micropower Regulator with Shutdown	15μA I <sub>Q</sub> , Reverse Battery Protection
LT1529	3A Low Dropout Regulator with 50μA I <sub>Q</sub>	500mV Dropout Voltage
LT1573	UltraFast™ Transient Response Low Dropout Regulator	Drives External PNP
LT1575	UltraFast Transient Response Low Dropout Regulator	Drives External N-Channel MOSFET
LTC1735	Synchronous Step-Down Converter	High Efficiency, OPTI-LOOP® Compensation
LT1761 Series	100mA, Low Noise, Low Dropout Micropower Regulators in SOT-23	20μA Quiescent Current, 20μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, ThinSOT™ Package
LT1762 Series	150mA, Low Noise, LDO Micropower Regulators	25μA Quiescent Current, 20μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, MSOP Package
LT1763 Series	500mA, Low Noise, LDO Micropower Regulators	30μA Quiescent Current, 20μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, SO-8 Package
LT1962	300mA, Low Noise, LDO Micropower Regulator	20μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, MSOP Package
LT1963A	1.5A, Low Noise, Fast Transient Response LDO	40μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, SOT-223 Package
LT1964	200mA, Low Noise, Negative LDO Micropower Regulator	30μV <sub>RMS</sub> Noise, ThinSOT Package

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