

# 5.0A Low Dropout Voltage Regulator

# Adjustable & Fix Output

## **Description**

The Bay Linear B1581 is Monolithic low power 5.0A Adjustable and fixed NPN voltage regulator that are easy to use with minimum external components. It is suitable for applications requiring a well-regulated positive output voltage with low input-output differential voltage requirements and output voltage 1.5V, 2.5V, 3.0V, 3.3V, or 5V.

The B1581 Outstanding features include full power usage up to 5.0Amp of load current internal current limiting and thermal shutdown. Other fixed versions are also available consult with factory.

The B1581 is offered in a 5-pin TO-220, & TO-263 packages compatible with other 5 terminal regulators. For 5A Low dropout Regulator refer to the B1581 data sheet.

## **Features**

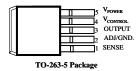
- Adjustable Output Down to 1.2V
- Fixed Output Voltages 2.5V, 3.0V 3.3V, and 5.0V
- **Output Current of 5.0A**
- Low Dropout Voltage 700mV Typ.
- **Current & Thermal Limiting**
- Standard 3-Terminal Low Cost TO-220, D<sup>2</sup> Packages
- Similar to industry Standard EZ1581/CS5205

# **Applications**

- 3.3V to 2.5V for Pentium Processor
- **SMPS Post Regulator**
- High Efficiency "Green" Computer **Systems**
- **High Efficiency Linear Power Supplies**
- 5V to 3.XXV fro Pentium Processor
- **Battery Charger**

## **Pin Connection**





## **Ordering Information**

| Devices | Package | Temp.         |  |
|---------|---------|---------------|--|
| B1581T  | TO-220  | 0 °C to 70 °C |  |
| B1581S  | TO-263  | 0 °C to 70 °C |  |

# **Absolute Maximum Rating**

| Parameter   | Symbol           | Value                | Unit |
|---|------------------|----------------------|------|
| Maximum Input Voltage   | $V_{\rm IN}$     | 7                    | V    |
| Power Dissipation   | $P_{O}$          | Internally Limited   | W    |
| Thermal Resistance Junction to Case                                   | $\theta_{ m JC}$ | 3                    | °C/W |
| Thermal Resistance Junction to Ambient                                | $	heta_{ m JA}$  | 50                   |      |
| Operating Junction Temperature Range Control Section Power Transistor | $T_J$            | 0 to 125<br>0 to 150 | °C   |
| Storage Temperature Range   | $T_{STG}$        | -65 to 150           |      |
| Lead Temperature (Soldering 10 Sec.)                                  | $T_{ m LEAD}$    | 260                  |      |

## **Electrical Characteristics**

 $(V_{IN} = 4.75 \text{V to } 5.25 \text{V}; I_O = 10 \text{mA to } 5.0 \text{Amp, unless otherwise specified})$ 

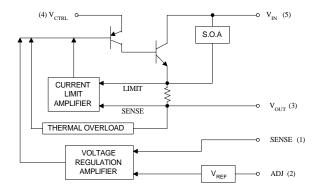
| Parameter             | Symbol                | Conditions  | MIN   | TYP   | MAX   | UNIT |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Output Voltage        | $V_{O}$               | $V_{CONT}=4V, V_{PWR}=2V$   | 1.485 | 1.5   | 1.515 | V    |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =3V, $V_{PWR}$ =2.3V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA to 5A                         | 1.475 |       | 1.525 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{\text{CONT}}=5V, V_{\text{PWR}}=3.3V$                                       | 2.475 | 2.5   | 2.525 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =4V, $V_{PWR}$ =3.3V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA to 5A                         | 2.460 |       | 2.540 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{\text{CONT}}$ =5.5V, $V_{\text{PWR}}$ =3.5V                                 | 2.970 | 3.0   | 3.030 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =4.5V, $V_{PWR}$ =3.8V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA - 5A                        | 2.950 |       | 3.050 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{\text{CONT}}$ =5.8V, $V_{\text{PWR}}$ =3.8V                                 | 3.267 | 3.3   | 3.333 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =4.8V, $V_{PWR}$ =4.1V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA - 5A                        | 3.247 |       | 3.353 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =7.5V, $V_{PWR}$ =5.5V   | 4.950 | 5.0   | 5.050 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =6.5V, $V_{PWR}$ =5.8V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA-5A                          | 4.920 |       | 5.080 |      |
| Reference Voltage     | $V_{ref}$             | $V_{CONT}$ =2.75V, $V_{PWR}$ =2V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA                              | 1.238 | 1.250 | 1.262 | V    |
|                       |                       | $V_{CONT}$ =2.7V, to 12V  | 1.230 |       | 1.270 |      |
|                       |                       | $V_{PWR}$ =3.3V to 5.5V, $I_{LOAD}$ =10mA to 5A                                 |       |       |       |      |
| Line Regulation (1)   | REG (line)            | $I_{O} = 10 \text{mA}, V_{IN} = 5 \text{V}, T = 25  ^{\circ}\text{C}$           |       | 0.04  | 0.2   | %    |
|                       |                       |   |       |       |       |      |
| Load Regulation (1)   | REG <sub>(LOAD)</sub> | $I_{O} = 10 \text{mA}, V_{IN} = 5 \text{V}, T = 25 ^{\circ}\text{C}$            |       | 0.08  | 0.40  |      |
|                       |                       |   |       |       |       |      |
| Dropout Voltage       | $V_{PWR}$ - $V_{OUT}$ | $V_{CONT}=V_{OUT}+2.5V$ , $I_{LOAD}=10mA$                                       |       | 0.10  | 0.17  | V    |
|                       |                       | $V_{\text{CONT}} = V_{\text{OUT}} + 2.5 \text{V}, I_{\text{LOAD}} = 5 \text{A}$ |       | 0.55  | 0.70  |      |
| Minimum load Current  | $I_{\min}$            |   |       | 5     | 10    | mA   |
| Current Limit         | $I_S$                 | $(V_{in}-V_{out})=3V$   | 5.5   | 6.8   |       | A    |
| Ground Pin Current    | $I_{O}$               | $V_{IN} = 5V$   |       | 6     | 10    | mA   |
| Temperature Stability | $T_{S}$               | $I_O = 10 \text{mA}, V_{IN} = 5 \text{V}$                                       |       | 0.5   |       | %    |
| Thermal Regulation    |                       | T= 25 °C, 30ms pulse  |       | 0.003 |       | %/W  |
| Ripple Rejection      | $R_A$                 | $T = 25  ^{\circ}\text{C},  V_{\text{IN}} = 5  \text{V}$                        | 60    | 80    |       | dB   |
| Thermal Resistance    | -                     | TO-220 Junction to Tab  |       | 3.0   | 3.0   | °C/W |
|                       |                       | Junction to Ambient   |       | 60    | 60    |      |
|                       |                       | DD Package Junction to Tab  |       | 3.0   | 3.0   |      |
|                       |                       | Junction to Ambient   |       | 60    | 60    | ĺ    |

Note: Output Switch tests are performed under pulsed conditions to minimize power dissipation

## PIN DESCRIPTION

- 1. Sense = Allows Kelvin sense of V<sub>OUT</sub> at the load. (Positive side of the reference voltage of the device).
- 2. ADJ = Negative side of the reference voltage for the device. Adding a small bypass capacitor from the ADJ pin to ground will improve the transient response.
- 3.  $V_{OUT}$  = Power output of the device.
- 4.  $V_{CTRL}$  = Supply pin for the control circuitry of the device. The current flow into this pin will be about 1% of the output current.  $V_{CTRL}$  must be between 1.0V and 1.3V greater than the output voltage for the device to regulate.
- 5.  $V_{IN}$  = Output load current is supplied through this pin.  $V_{IN}$  must be between 0.1V and 0.8V greater than the output voltage for the device to regulate.

## **BLOCK DIAGRAM**



## APPLICATIONS NOTES

The B1581 is designed as a high performance and low cost solution for application requiring a lower dropout than traditional NPN regulators.

The B1581 uses a separate input voltage  $V_{CTRL}$  ( $V_{CTRL} \ge V_{OUT} + 1.3V$ ) to minimize the dropout voltage. This allows the 2.5V power for the load to come from a 3.3V system supply. As added benefit this will reduce the heat dissipation, and lower heat sink and cooling fan cost. A typical application would use 5V for Vin and 3.3V for  $V_{CTRL}$  from a motherboard power supply to provide a nominal 2.5V output. Using the sense pin allows to Kelvin measure the output, reducing resistive-associated errors.

The B1581 can power the 2.5V core voltage for microprocessors such as Pentium  $^{\text{TM}}$ , P55C  $^{\text{TM}}$ , AMD5k86  $^{\text{TM}}$  and K6  $^{\text{TM}}$  and the IBM PowerPC  $^{\text{TM}}$  603EV and 604EV processors.

\*The reduction of heat dissipation is a result of the increase of the regulator efficiency (efficiency =  $V_{OUT} / V_{IN}$ ).

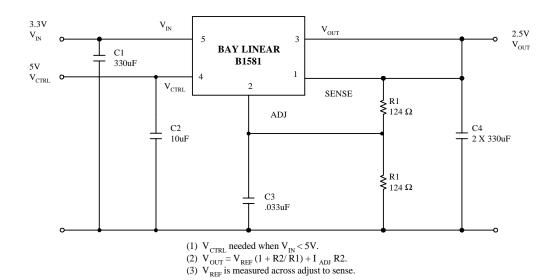
## Adjustable Regulator Design

1.25V reference voltage is being developed between the SENSE pin and the ADJ pin of the AS1581. Adding two external resistors (see fig 1.) will allow setting the output voltage from 1.25V to 6V.  $R_1$  is chosen so that this current is specified minimum load current of 10mA.  $R_2$  is given by the formula:  $V_{\rm OUT} = V_{\rm REF} \, (1 + R_2/R_1) + I_{\rm ADJ} \, (R_2)$ . The current flowing from the ADJ pin is typically 50µA. This ADJ pin contributes to the final VOUT but is usually neglected. Connecting the sense pin to the top of the resistor divider will improve load regulation.

Using the SENSE pin to Kelvin the load will increase accuracy of the output voltage during load regulation. For the fixed voltage devices, adding a capacitor at the GND pin will improve transient response. This capacitor is chosen in the range of  $1\mu F$  to  $0.1\mu F$  and will depend on the amount of output capacitance in the system.

## TYPICAL APPLICATION

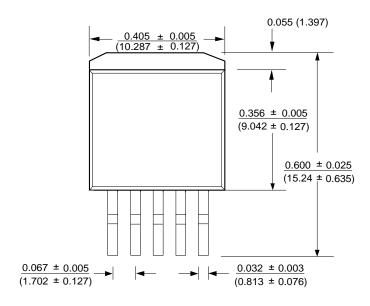
Fig. 1 Adjustable Regulator

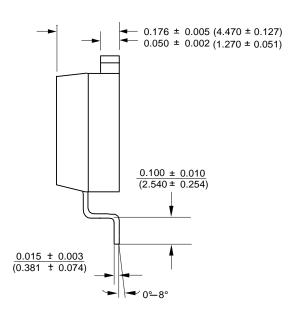


3.3V  $V_{IN}$ V<sub>OUT</sub> 2.5V BAY LINEAR V<sub>OUT</sub> C1 330uF B1581 5V 1  $V_{CIRL}$ V<sub>CTRL</sub> 2 SENSE FIXED \_\_\_ C4 \_\_\_ 2 X 330uF C2 10uF C3 .033uF

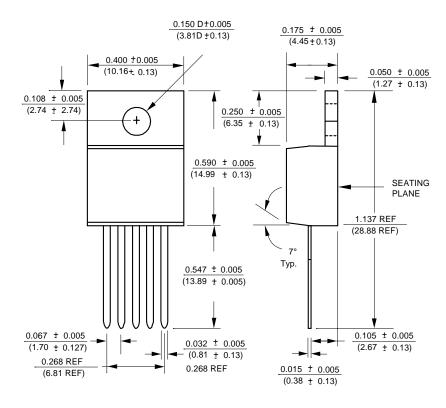
(1)  $V_{CIRL}$  is needed when  $V_{I\!N}\!<\!\!5V.$ 

Fig.2 Typical Fixed Regulator





## **TO-220-5**



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