

## MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)

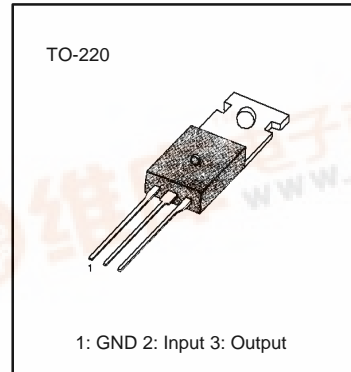
## FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)

### 3-TERMINAL 1A NEGATIVE VOLTAGE REGULATORS

The MC79XX series of three-terminal negative regulators are available in TO-220 package and with several fixed output voltages, making them useful in a wide range of applications. Each type employs internal current limiting, thermal shut-down and safe area protection, making it essentially indestructible.

### FEATURES

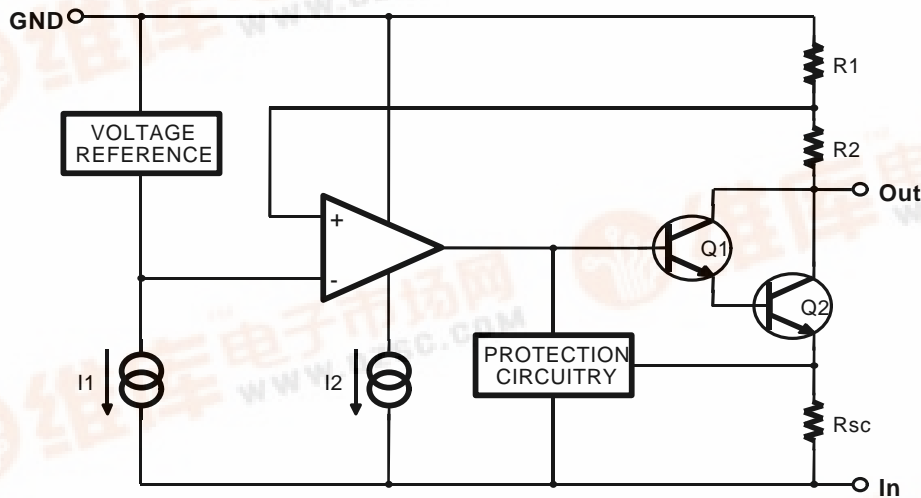
- Output Current in Excess of 1A
- Output Voltages of -5, -6, -8, -12, -15, -18, -24V
- Internal Thermal Overload Protection
- Short Circuit Protection
- Output Transistor Safe-Area Compensation



### ORDERING INFORMATION

Device	Output Voltage Tolerance	Package	Operating Temperature
MC79XXCT (LM79XXCT) (KA79XX)	± 4%	TO-220	0 ~+125°C
KA79XXA	± 2%		

### BLOCK DIAGRAM



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**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** ( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise specified)

Characteristic	Symbol	Value	Unit
Input Voltage	$V_I$	-35	V
Thermal Resistance Junction-Cases	$R_{\theta JC}$	5	$^\circ\text{C} / \text{W}$
Junction-Air	$R_{\theta JA}$	65	$^\circ\text{C} / \text{W}$
Operating Temperature Range	$T_{OPR}$	0 ~ +125	$^\circ\text{C}$
Storage Temperature Range	$T_{STG}$	- 65 ~ +150	$^\circ\text{C}$

**LM7905 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 10\text{V}$ ,  $I_O = 500\text{mA}$ ,  $0^\circ\text{C} \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu\text{F}$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$	- 4.8	- 5.0	- 5.2	V
		$I_O = 5\text{mA}$ to $1\text{A}$ , $P_O = 15\text{W}$ $V_I = -7$ to $-20\text{V}$	- 4.75	- 5.0	- 5.25	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$ $V_I = -7$ to $-20\text{V}$ $I_O = 1\text{A}$		5	50	mV
		$V_I = -8$ to $-12\text{V}$ $I_O = 1\text{A}$		2	25	
		$V_I = -7.5$ to $-25\text{V}$		7	50	
		$V_I = -8$ to $-12\text{V}$ $I_O = 1\text{A}$		7	50	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$I_O = 5\text{mA}$ to $1.5\text{A}$		10	100	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$ $I_O = 250$ to $750\text{mA}$		3	50	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5\text{mA}$ to $1\text{A}$		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -8$ to $-25\text{V}$		0.1	0.8	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5\text{mA}$		- 0.4		mV/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10\text{Hz}$ to $100\text{KHz}$ $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$		40		$\mu\text{V}$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120\text{Hz}$ , $I_O = -35\text{V}$ $\Delta V_I = 10\text{V}$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$ $I_O = 1\text{A}$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , $V_I = -35\text{V}$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ\text{C}$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7906 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 11V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	- 5.75	- 6	- 6.25	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A, $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -9$ to - 21V	- 5.7	- 6	- 6.3	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		10	120	mV
		$V_I = -8$ to - 25V $V_I = -9$ to -12V		5	60	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to 1.5A		10	120	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to 750mA		3	60	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A			0.5	mA
		$V_I = -9$ to -25V			1.3	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.5		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to 100KHz $T_A = +25^\circ C$		130		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7908 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 14V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	- 7.7	- 8	- 8.3	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A, $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -1.5$ to -23V	- 7.6	- 8	- 8.4	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		10	100	mV
		$V_I = -10.5$ to -25V $V_I = -11$ to -17V		5	80	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to 1.5A		12	160	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to 750mA		4	80	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -11.5$ to -25V		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.6		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to 100KHz $T_A = +25^\circ C$		175		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7909 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 14V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq 125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	- 8.7	- 9.0	- 9.3	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A, $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -1.5$ to -23V	- 8.6	- 9.0	- 9.4	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		10	180	mV
		$V_I = -10.5$ to -25V $V_I = -11$ to -17V		5	90	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to 1.5A		12	180	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to 750mA		4	90	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to 1A		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -11.5$ to -25V		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.6		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to 100KHz $T_A = +25^\circ C$		175		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7912 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 18V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	-11.5	-12	-12.5	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$ , $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -15.5$ to $-27V$	-11.4	-12	-12.6	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		12	240	mV
		$V_I = -14.5$ to $-30V$ $V_I = -16$ to $-22V$		6	120	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to $1.5A$		12	240	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to $750mA$		4	120	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -15$ to $-30V$		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.8		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to $100KHz$ $T_A = +25^\circ C$		200		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7915 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 23V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	-14.4	-15	-15.6	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$ , $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -18$ to $-30V$	-14.25	-15	-15.75	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		12	300	mV
		$V_I = -17.5$ to $-30V$ $V_I = -20$ to $-26V$		6	150	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to $1.5A$		12	300	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to $750mA$		4	150	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -18.5$ to $-30V$		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.9		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to $100KHz$ $T_A = +25^\circ C$		250		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7918 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 27V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	-17.3	-18	-18.7	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$ , $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -22.5$ to $-33V$	-17.1	-18	-18.9	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = 25^\circ C$		15	360	mV
		$V_I = -21$ to $-33V$ $V_I = -24$ to $-30V$		8	180	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to $1.5A$		15	360	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to $750mA$		5	180	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$			0.5	mA
		$V_I = -22$ to $-33V$			1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-1		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to $100KHz$ $T_A = +25^\circ C$		300		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.



**LM7924 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**(V<sub>I</sub> = 33V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500mA, 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2μF, C<sub>O</sub> = 1μF, unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	V <sub>O</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C	- 23	- 24	- 25	V
		I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1A, P <sub>O</sub> ≤ 15W V <sub>I</sub> = -27 to -38V	- 22.8	- 24	- 25.2	
Line Regulation	ΔV <sub>O</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C		15	480	mV
		V <sub>I</sub> = - 27 to - 38V V <sub>I</sub> = - 30 to - 36V		8	180	
Load Regulation	ΔV <sub>O</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1.5A		15	480	mV
		T <sub>J</sub> = + 25°C I <sub>O</sub> = 250 to 750mA		5	240	
Quiescent Current	I <sub>Q</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = + 25°C		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	ΔI <sub>Q</sub>	I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1A			0.5	mA
		V <sub>I</sub> = -27 to -38V			1	
Temperature Coefficient of V <sub>D</sub>	ΔV <sub>O</sub> /ΔT	I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA		-1		mV/°C
Output Noise Voltage	V <sub>N</sub>	f = 10Hz to 100KHz T <sub>A</sub> = + 25°C		400		μV
Ripple Rejection	RR	f = 120Hz ΔV <sub>I</sub> = 10V	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	V <sub>D</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C I <sub>O</sub> = 1A		2		V
Short Circuit Current	I <sub>SC</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = + 25°C, V <sub>I</sub> = -35V		300		mA
Peak Current	I <sub>PK</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in V<sub>O</sub> due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**LM7905A ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**(V<sub>I</sub> = 10V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500mA, 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2μF, C<sub>O</sub> = 1μF, unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	V <sub>O</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C	- 4.9	- 5.0	- 5.1	V
		I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1A, P <sub>O</sub> 15W V <sub>I</sub> = -7 to -20V	- 4.8	-5.0	- 5.2	
Line Regulation	ΔV <sub>O</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C V <sub>I</sub> = -7 to -20V I <sub>O</sub> = 1A		5	50	mV
		T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C V <sub>I</sub> = -8 to -12V I <sub>O</sub> = 1A		2	25	
		V <sub>I</sub> = -7.5 to -25V		7	50	
		V <sub>I</sub> = -8 to -12V I <sub>O</sub> = 1A		7	50	
Load Regulation	ΔV <sub>O</sub>	I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1.5A		10	100	mV
		T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C I <sub>O</sub> = 250 to 750mA		3	50	
Quiescent Current	I <sub>Q</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	ΔI <sub>Q</sub>	I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA to 1A		0.05	0.5	mA
		V <sub>I</sub> = -8 to -25V		0.1	0.8	
Temperature Coefficient of V <sub>O</sub>	ΔV <sub>O</sub> /ΔT	I <sub>O</sub> = 5mA		- 0.4		mV/°C
Output Noise Voltage	V <sub>N</sub>	f = 10Hz to 100KHz T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C		40		μV
Ripple Rejection	RR	f = 120Hz, I <sub>O</sub> = -35V ΔV <sub>I</sub> = 10V	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	V <sub>D</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C I <sub>O</sub> = 1A		2		V
Short Circuit Current	I <sub>SC</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C, V <sub>I</sub> = -35V		300		mA
Peak Current	I <sub>PK</sub>	T <sub>J</sub> = +25°C		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in V<sub>O</sub> due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7912A ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 18V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	-11.75	-12	-12.25	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$ , $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -15.5$ to $-27V$	-11.5	-12	-12.5	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		12	240	mV
		$V_I = -14.5$ to $-30V$ $V_I = -16$ to $-22V$		6	120	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to $1.5A$		12	240	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to $750mA$		4	120	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -15$ to $-30V$		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.8		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to $100KHz$ $T_A = +25^\circ C$		200		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

**MC79XX (LM79XX) (KA79XX/A)****FIXED VOLTAGE REGULATOR (NEGATIVE)****LM7915A ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

( $V_I = 23V$ ,  $I_O = 500mA$ ,  $0^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$ ,  $C_I = 2.2\mu F$ ,  $C_O = 1\mu F$ , unless otherwise specified.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Output Voltage	$V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$	-14.7	-15	-15.3	V
		$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$ , $P_O = 15W$ $V_I = -18$ to $-30V$	-14.4	-15	-15.6	
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		12	300	mV
		$V_I = -17.5$ to $-30V$ $V_I = -20$ to $-26V$		6	150	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_O$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 5mA$ to $1.5A$		12	300	mV
		$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 250$ to $750mA$		4	150	
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		3	6	mA
Quiescent Current Change	$\Delta I_Q$	$I_O = 5mA$ to $1A$		0.05	0.5	mA
		$V_I = -18.5$ to $-30V$		0.1	1	
Temperature Coefficient of $V_O$	$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	$I_O = 5mA$		-0.9		mV/ $^\circ C$
Output Noise Voltage	$V_N$	$f = 10Hz$ to $100KHz$ $T_A = +25^\circ C$		250		$\mu V$
Ripple Rejection	RR	$f = 120Hz$ $\Delta V_I = 10V$	54	60		dB
Dropout Voltage	$V_D$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ $I_O = 1A$		2		V
Short Circuit Current	$I_{SC}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$ , $V_I = -35V$		300		mA
Peak Current	$I_{PK}$	$T_J = +25^\circ C$		2.2		A

\* Load and line regulation are specified at constant junction temperature. Changes in  $V_O$  due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. Pulse testing with low duty is used.

## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Fig.1 Output Voltage

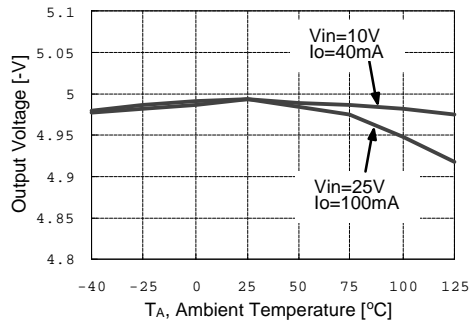


Fig. 2 Load Regulation

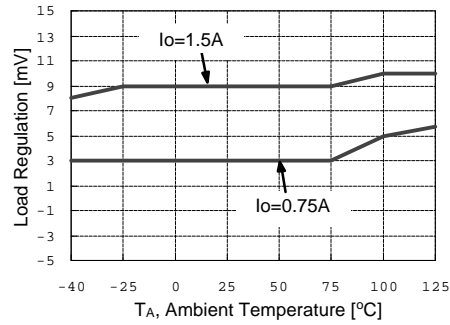


Fig.3 Quiescent Current

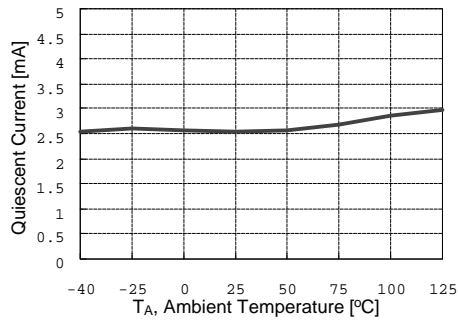


Fig. 4 Dropout Voltage

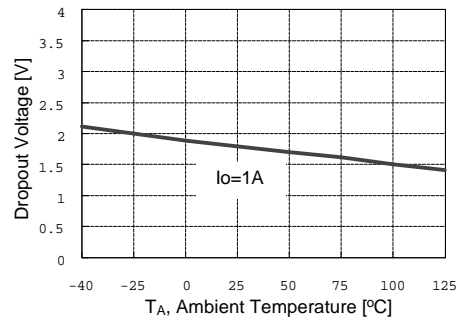
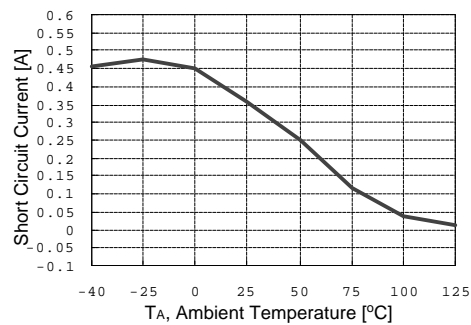
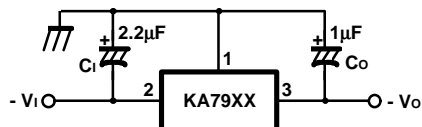


Fig.5 Short Circuit Current

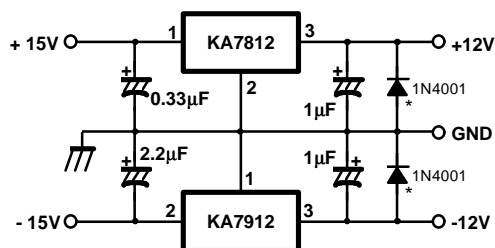


## TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Fig. 6 Negative Fixed output regulator

**Notes:**

- (1) To specify an output voltage, substitute voltage value for "XX".
- (2) Required for stability. For value given, capacitor must be solid tantalum. If aluminum electrolytics are used, at least ten times value shown should be selected.  $C_i$  is required if regulator is located an appreciable distance from power supply filter.
- (3) To improve transient response. If large capacitors are used, a high current diode from input to output (1N4001 or similar) should be introduced to protect the device from momentary input short circuit.

Fig. 7 Split power supply ( $\pm 12V/1A$ )

\*: Against potential latch-up problems.

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