











LM4120





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## LM4120 Precision Micropower Low Dropout Voltage Reference

#### **Features**

- Small SOT23-5 Package
- Low Dropout Voltage: 120 mV Typical at 1 mA
- High Output Voltage Accuracy: 0.2%
- Source and Sink Current Output: ±5 mA
- Supply Current: 160 µA Typical
- Low Temperature Coefficient: 50 ppm/°C
- **Enable Pin**
- Fixed Output Voltages: 1.8, 2.048, 2.5, 3, 3.3, 4.096, and 5 V
- Industrial Temperature Range: -40°C to 85°C
- (For Extended Temperature Range, -40°C to 125°C, Contact TI)

## 2 Applications

- Portable, Battery-Powered Equipment
- Instrumentation and Process Control
- Automotive and Industrial
- Test Equipment
- **Data Acquisition Systems**
- **Precision Regulators**
- **Battery Chargers**
- **Base Stations**
- Communications
- Medical Equipment

## 3 Description

The LM4120 device is a precision low-power, low dropout bandgap voltage reference with up to 5-mA output current source and sink capability.

This series reference operates with input voltages as low as 2 V and up to 12 V, consuming 160-µA (typical) supply current. In power-down mode, device current drops to less than 2 µA.

The LM4120 comes in two grades (A and Standard) and seven voltage options for greater flexibility. The best grade devices (A) have an initial accuracy of 0.2%, while the standard have an initial accuracy of 0.5%, both with a temperature coefficient of 50 ppm/°C ensured from -40°C to 125°C.

The very low dropout voltage, low supply current, and power-down capability of the LM4120 make this product an ideal choice for battery-powered and portable applications.

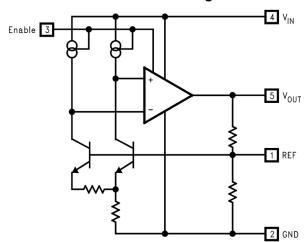
The device performance is ensured over the industrial temperature range (-40°C to 85°C), while certain specifications are ensured over the extended temperature range (-40°C to 125°C). Contact TI for full specifications over the extended temperature range. The LM4120 is available in a standard 5-pin SOT-23 package.

#### Device Information<sup>(1)</sup>

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)				
LM4120	SOT-23 (5)	1.60 mm × 2.90 mm				

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.

#### **Functional Block Diagram**





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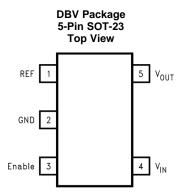
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## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



#### **Pin Functions**

	PIN		DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.	1/0	DESCRIPTION
Enable	3	I	Pulled to input for normal operation. Forcing this pin to ground will turn off the output.
GND	2	_	Negative supply or ground connection
REF	1	_	REF pin. This pin must be left unconnected.
V <sub>IN</sub>	4	1	Positive supply
V <sub>OUT</sub>	5	0	Reference output

## 6 Specifications

#### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) (1)

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
Maximum voltage on input or enable pins		-0.3	14	V
Output short-circuit duraion			Indefinite	
Power dissipation ( $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ ) (2) 350		mW		
Lead temperature	Soldering, (10 sec.)		260	°C
	Vapor Phase (60 sec.)		215	°C
	Infrared (15 sec.)		220	°C
Storage temperature, T <sub>stq</sub>		-65	150	°C

<sup>(1)</sup> Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under Recommended Operating Conditions. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

#### 6.2 ESD Ratings

			VALUE	UNIT
		Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 (1)	±2000	
V <sub>(ESD)</sub>	Electrostatic discharge	Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101 <sup>(2)</sup>	±750	V
		Machine Model	±200	

<sup>(1)</sup> JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

<sup>(2)</sup> Without PCB copper enhancements. The maximum power dissipation must be derated at elevated temperatures and is limited by T<sub>JMAX</sub> (maximum junction temperature), R<sub>BJA</sub> (junction-to-ambient thermal resistance) and T<sub>A</sub> (ambient temperature). The maximum power dissipation at any temperature is: PDiss<sub>MAX</sub> = (T<sub>JMAX</sub> – T<sub>A</sub>) / R<sub>BJA</sub> up to the value listed in the *Absolute Maximum Ratings*.

<sup>(2)</sup> JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.



## 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

	MIN	NOM MAX	UNIT
Ambient temperature	-40	85	°C
Junction temperature	-40	125	°C

## 6.4 Thermal Information

		LM4120	
	THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>	DBV [SOT-23]	UNIT
		5 PINS	
$R_{\theta JA}$	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	170.4	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(top)}$	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	123.9	°C/W
$R_{\theta JB}$	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	30.4	°C/W
ΨЈТ	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	17.2	°C/W
ΨЈВ	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	29.9	°C/W

<sup>(1)</sup> For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics application report, SPRA953.

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics

unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ ,  $I_{LOAD} = 0$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 0.01 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $T_A = T_i = 25 ^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS		MIN <sup>(1)</sup>	TYP (2)	MAX <sup>(1)</sup>	UNIT
1.8 V, 2.048 V,	AND 2.5 V						
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Output voltage initial accuracy LM4120A-1.800 LM4120A-2.048 LM4120A-2.500					±0.2%	
	LM4120-1.800 LM4120-2.048 LM4120-2.500					±0.5%	
TCV <sub>OUT</sub> /°C	Temperature coefficient	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq +125$ °C			14	50	ppm/°c
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta V_{IN}$ Line regulation	Line regulation	2 2 \/ < \/ < 12 \/			0.0007	0.008	%/V
	Line regulation	$3.3 \text{ V} \leq \text{V}_{\text{IN}} \leq 12 \text{ V}$	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C			0.01	70/ V
	Load regulation	0 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 1 mA			0.03	0.08	
			$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C			0.17	
۸۱/ /۸۱		1 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 5 mA			0.01	0.04	0/ /m Λ
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta I_{LOAD}$			$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C			0.1	%/mA
		$-1 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le 0 \text{ mA}$			0.04	0.12	
		$-5$ mA ≤ $I_{LOAD}$ ≤ $-1$ mA			0.01		
		J 0 A			45	65	
		$I_{LOAD} = 0 \text{ mA}$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			80	
\/ -\/	Dronout voltage (3)				120	150	mV
$V_{IN}$ - $V_{OUT}$	Dropout voltage (3)	$I_{LOAD} = 1 \text{ mA}$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			180	
					180	210	
		$I_{LOAD} = 5 \text{ mA}$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			250	

<sup>(1)</sup> Limits are 100% production tested at 25°C. Limits over the operating temperature range are ensured through correlation using Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods. The limits are used to calculate Tl's Averaging Outgoing Quality Level (AOQL).

<sup>(2)</sup> Typical numbers are at 25°C and represent the most likely parametric norm.

<sup>(3)</sup> Dropout voltage is the differential voltage between V<sub>OUT</sub> and V<sub>IN</sub> at which V<sub>OUT</sub> changes ≤ 1% from V<sub>OUT</sub> at V<sub>IN</sub> = 3.3 V for 1.8 V, 2 V, 2.5 V, and V<sub>OUT</sub> + 1 V for others. For 1.8-V option, dropout voltage is not ensured over temperature. A parasitic diode exists between input and output pins; it will conduct if V<sub>OUT</sub> is pulled to a higher voltage than V<sub>IN</sub>.



## **Electrical Characteristics (continued)**

unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ ,  $I_{LOAD} = 0$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 0.01 \mu\text{F}$ ,  $T_A = T_j = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

	PARAMETER	TEST COND	ITIONS	MIN <sup>(1)</sup>	TYP (2)	MAX (1)	UNIT	
.,	0(4)	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz			20			
$V_N$	Output <sup>(4)</sup>	10 Hz to 10 kHz			36		$\mu V_{PP}$	
	0				160	250		
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply current		-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			275	μA	
	Power-down supply	Enable = 0.4 V				1		
I <sub>SS</sub>	current	$-40$ °C $\leq$ T <sub>J</sub> $\leq$ 85°C Enable = 0.2 V	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			2	μA	
\/	Logic high input voltage				2.4		V	
V <sub>H</sub>	Logic nigh input voltage	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C		2.4			V	
V	Logic low input voltage				0.4		V	
$V_L$	Logic low input voltage	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C				0.2	V	
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lн	Logic high input current	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C				15	μA	
L	Logic low input current				0.1		μA	
	·	V 00VV			15			
I <sub>SC</sub> Short circuit current		$V_{IN} = 3.3 \text{ V}, V_{OUT} = 0$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C	6		30		
				17		mA		
		$V_{IN} = 12 \text{ V}, V_{OUT} = 0$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C	6		30		
Hyst	Thermal hysteresis (5)	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 125°C	Λ		0.5		mV/V	
ΔV <sub>OUT</sub>	Long term stability (6)	1000 hrs @ 25°C			100		ppm	
3 V, 3.3 V, 4.09		1.000 10 3 20 0					ΡΡ	
V <sub>оит</sub>	Output voltage initial accuracy LM4120A-3.000 LM4120A-3.300 LM4120A-4.096 LM4120A-5.000					±0.2%		
	LM4120-3.000 LM4120-3.300 LM4120-4.096 LM4120-5.000					±0.5%		
TCV <sub>OUT</sub> /°C	Temperature coefficient	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 125$ °C			14	50	ppm/°c	
۸۱/ /۸۱/	Line regulation	(//			0.0007	0.008	%/V	
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta V_{IN}$	Line regulation	$(V_{OUT} + 1 V) \le V_{IN} \le 12 V$	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C			0.01	/0/ V	
		0 m/ < 1 < 1 m/			0.03	0.08		
		0 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ 1 mA	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			0.17		
A\/ /AI	Lood roomistiss	1 m \ < 1 \ < 5 \cdots 1			0.01	0.04	0// 4	
$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta I_{LOAD}$	Load regulation	1 mA $\leq$ I <sub>LOAD</sub> $\leq$ 5 mA	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			0.1	%/mA	
		$-1 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le 0 \text{ mA}$	*		0.04	0.12		
		-5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ -1 mA			0.01			
					45	65		
		$I_{LOAD} = 0 \text{ mA}$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			80		
					120 150			
$V_{IN}$ – $V_{OUT}$	Dropout voltage (3)	$I_{LOAD} = 1 \text{ mA}$	–40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C		120	180	mV	
			40 0 = 1A = 00 0		180	210		

 <sup>(4)</sup> Output noise voltage is proportional to V<sub>OUT</sub>. V<sub>N</sub> for other voltage option is calculated using (V<sub>N</sub>(1.8 V) / 1.8) × V<sub>OUT</sub>. V<sub>N</sub> (2.5 V) = (36 μV<sub>PP</sub> / 1.8) × 2.5 = 46 μV<sub>PP</sub>.
 (5) Thermal hysteresis is defined as the change in 25°C output voltage before and after exposing the device to temperature extremes.

Long term stability is change in V<sub>REF</sub> at 25°C measured continuously during 1000 hours.



## **Electrical Characteristics (continued)**

unless otherwise specified, V  $_{IN}$  = 3.3 V, I  $_{LOAD}$  = 0, C  $_{OUT}$  = 0.01  $\mu F$ , T  $_{A}$  = T  $_{j}$  = 25  $^{\circ}$ C.

	PARAMETER	TEST CON	IDITIONS	MIN <sup>(1)</sup>	TYP (2)	MAX <sup>(1)</sup>	UNIT	
3 V, 3.3 V	, 4.096 V, AND 5 V (continued)							
V	Output noise voltage (4)	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz			20		\/	
V <sub>N</sub>	Output hoise voitage	10 Hz to 10 kHz			36		$\mu V_{PP}$	
	Complex compact				160	250		
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply current	–40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C				275	μΑ	
	Power-down supply	Enable = 0.4 V				1		
I <sub>SS</sub>	current	$-40$ °C $\leq$ T <sub>J</sub> $\leq$ 85°C Enable = 0.2 V	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C			2	μΑ	
V	Logio high input voltogo				2.4		V	
V <sub>H</sub>	Logic high input voltage	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C		2.4			V	
V	Logio low input voltago				0.4		V	
$V_L$	Logic low input voltage	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C				0.2	V	
	Logio bigh input ourrent				7			
IH	Logic high input current	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C				15	μΑ	
IL	Logic low input current				0.1		μΑ	
		V 0			15			
	Short circuit current	$V_{OUT} = 0$	$-40$ °C $\leq T_A \leq 85$ °C	6		30	A	
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short circuit current	V 42.V V 0			17		mA	
		$V_{IN} = 12 \text{ V}, V_{OUT} = 0$	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 85°C	6		30		
Hyst	Thermal hysteresis (5)	-40°C ≤ T <sub>A</sub> ≤ 125°C			0.5		mV/V	
$\Delta V_{OUT}$	Long term stability (6)	1000 hours @ 25°C			100		ppm	

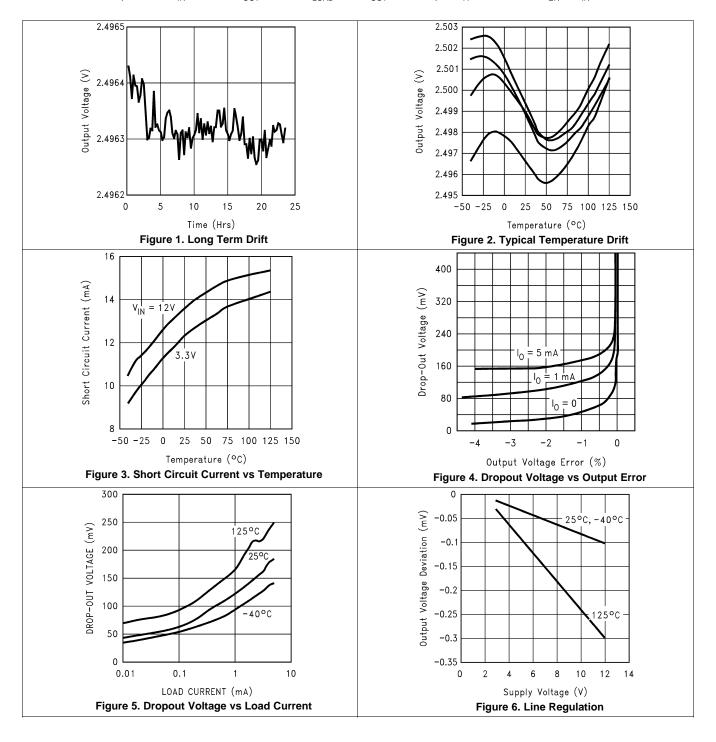
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## 6.6 Typical Characteristics

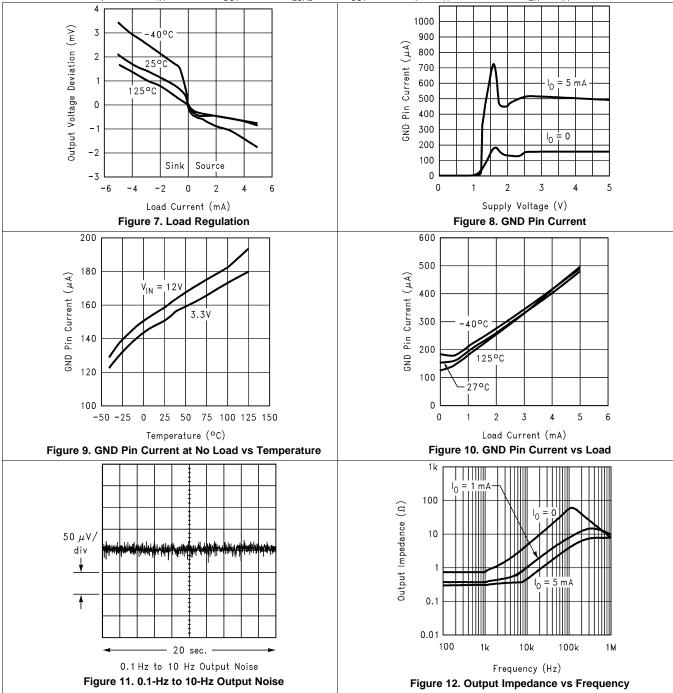
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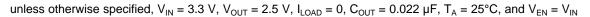
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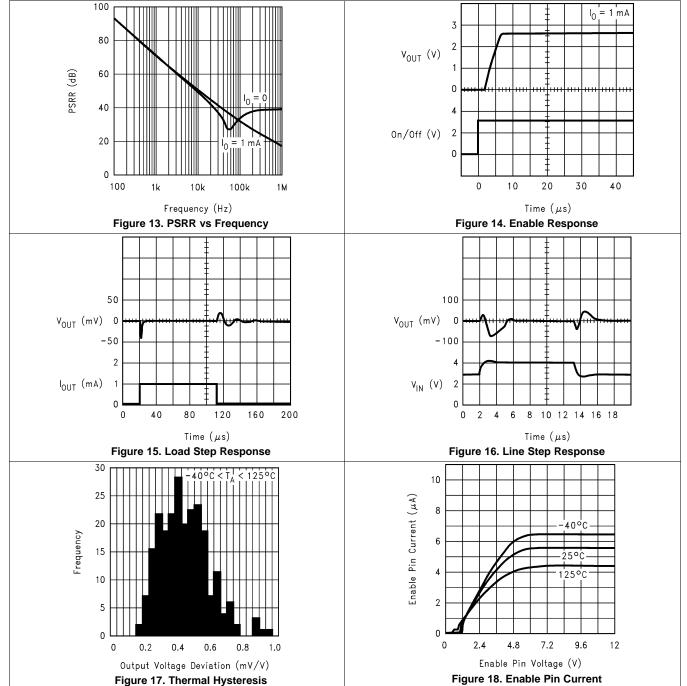
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## **Typical Characteristics (continued)**







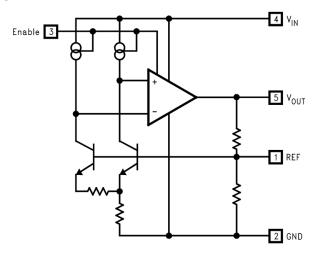
## 7 Detailed Description

#### 7.1 Overview

The LM4120 device is a precision bandgap voltage reference available in seven different voltage options with up to 5-mA current source and sink capability. This series reference can operate with input voltages from 2 V to 12 V while consuming 160- $\mu$ A (typical) supply current. In power-down mode, device current drops to less than 2  $\mu$ A. The LM4120 is available in two grades, A and Standard.

The best grade devices (A) have an initial accuracy of 0.2% with a TEMPCO of 50 ppm/°C ensured from −40°C to 125°C.

### 7.2 Functional Block Diagram



#### 7.3 Feature Description

#### **7.3.1** Enable

The ENABLE analog input pin with limited hysteresis generally requires 6  $\mu$ A (typical) of current to start up the part. During normal operation, the Enable pin must be connected to the VIN pin. There is a minimum slew rate on this pin of about 0.003 V/ $\mu$ s to prevent glitches on the output. All of these conditions can easily be met with ordinary CMOS or TTL logic. The Enable pin can also be used to remotely operate the LM4120 by pulling up the Enable pin voltage to the input voltage level.

When remotely shutting down the LM4120, the Enable pin must be pulled down to the ground. Floating this pin is not recommended.

#### 7.3.2 Reference

The REF pin must remain unconnected in all cases. The reference pin is sensitive to noise, and capacitive loading. Therefore, during the PCB layout care must be taken to keep this pin isolated as much as possible.

#### 7.4 Device Functional Modes

Table 1 describes the functional modes of the LM4120.

**Table 1. Enable Pin Mode Summary** 

ENABLE PIN CONNECTION	LOGIC STATE	DESCRIPTION
EN = VIN	1	Normal Operation. LM4120 starts up.
EN = GND 0		LM4120 in shutdown mode



## 8 Application and Implementation

#### NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### 8.1 Application Information

The standard application circuit for the LM4120 is shown in Figure 29. The device is designed to be stable with ceramic output capacitors in the range of 0.022  $\mu$ F to 0.047  $\mu$ F. The minimum required output capacitor is 0.022  $\mu$ F. These capacitors typically have an ESR of about 0.1  $\Omega$  to 0.5  $\Omega$ . Smaller ESR can be tolerated, but larger ESR cannot be tolerated. The output capacitor can be increased to improve load transient response, up to about 1  $\mu$ F. However, values above 0.047  $\mu$ F must be tantalum. With tantalum capacitors in the 1- $\mu$ F range, a small capacitor between the output and the reference pin is required. This capacitor will typically be in the 50-pF range. Care must be taken when using output capacitors of 1  $\mu$ F or larger. These applications must be thoroughly tested over temperature, line, and load.

An input capacitor is typically not required. However, a 0.1-µF ceramic can be used to help prevent line transients from entering the LM4120. Larger input capacitors must be tantalum or aluminum.

The reference pin is sensitive to noise, and capacitive loading. Therefore, the PCB layout must isolate this pin as much as possible.

The enable pin is an analog input with very little hysteresis. About 6 µA into this pin is required to turn the part on, and it must be taken close to GND to turn the part off (see *Electrical Characteristics* for thresholds). If the shutdown feature is not required, then this pin can safely be connected directly to the input supply.

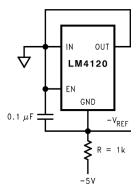


Figure 19. Voltage Reference With Negative Output Circuit

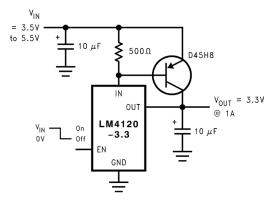


Figure 20. Precision High-Current Low-Dropout Regulator Circuit

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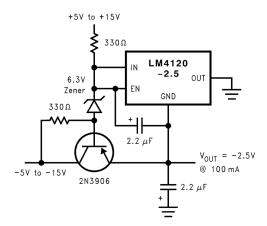


Figure 21. Precision High-Current Negative Voltage Regulator Circuit

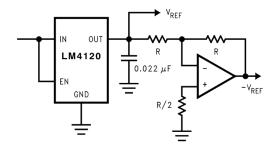


Figure 22. Voltage Reference With Complimentary Output Circuit

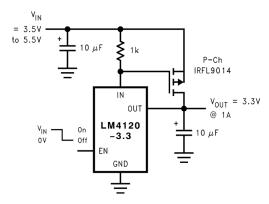


Figure 23. Precision High-Current Low-Dropout Regulator Circuit

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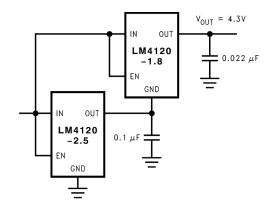


Figure 24. Stacking Voltage References Circuit

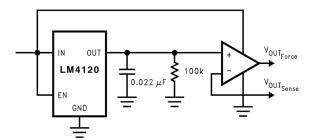


Figure 25. Precision Voltage Reference With Force and Sense Output Circuit

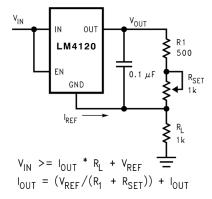


Figure 26. Programmable Current Source Circuit

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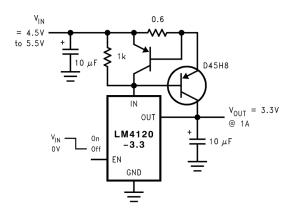


Figure 27. Precision Regulator With Current Limiting Circuit

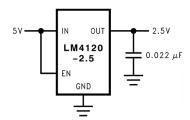


Figure 28. Power Supply Splitter Circuit

## 8.2 Typical Application

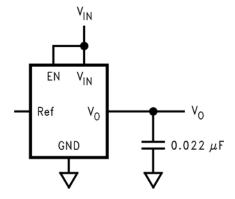


Figure 29. Standard Application Circuit

## 8.2.1 Design Requirements

For this design example, use the parameters listed in Table 2 as the input parameters.

**Table 2. Design Parameters** 

PARAMETER	EXAMPLE VALUE				
Output Voltage VOUT	1.8 V, 2.048 V, 2.5 V, 3 V, 3.3 V, 4.096 V, 5 V				
Input Voltage Range VIN	VOUT 120 mV to 12 V				
Load Current	1 mA (typical)				



#### 8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

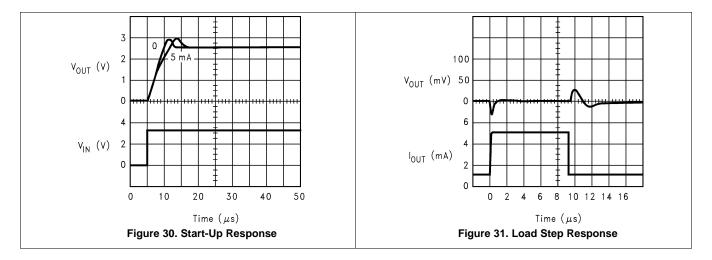
#### 8.2.2.1 Input Capacitors

Although not always required, an input capacitor is recommended. A supply bypass capacitor on the input assures that the reference is working from a source with low impedance, which improves stability. A bypass capacitor can also improve transient response by providing a reservoir of stored energy that the reference can utilize in case where the load current demand suddenly increases. The value used for CIN may be used without limit

#### 8.2.2.2 Output Capacitors

The LM4120 may require a 0.022-µF to 1-µF output capacitor for loop stability (compensation) as well as transient response. During the sudden changes in load current demand, the output capacitor must source or sink current during the time it takes the control loop of the LM4120 to respond.

#### 8.2.3 Application Curves



## 9 Power Supply Recommendations

Noise on the power-supply input can effect the output noise, but can be reduced by using an optional bypass capacitor between the input pin and the ground. A ceramic input capacitor more than 0.1  $\mu$ F or higher can be used for that purpose.



## 10 Layout

#### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

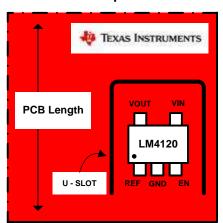
The mechanical stress due to PC board mounting can cause the output voltage to shift from its initial value. The center of a PC board generally has the highest mechanical and thermal expansion stress. Mounting the device near the edges or the corners of the board where mechanical stress is at its minimum. References in SOT packages are generally less prone to assembly stress than devices in Small Outline (SOIC) package.

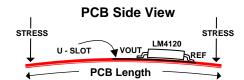
A mechanical isolation of the device by creating an island by cutting a U shape slot (U - SLOT) on the PCB while mounting the device helps in reducing the impact of the PC board stresses on the output voltage of the reference. This approach would also provide some thermal isolation from the rest of the circuit.

Figure 32 shows a recommended printed board layout for LM4120 along with an in-set diagram. The in-set diagram exhibits a slot cut on three sides of the reference IC, which provides a relief to the IC from external PCB stress.

#### 10.2 Layout Example

#### **PCB Top View**





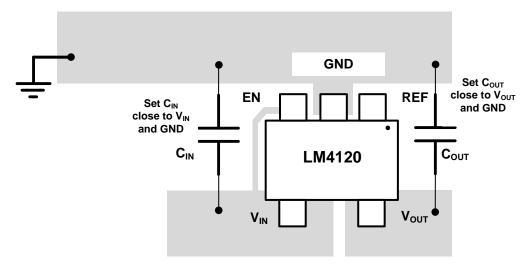


Figure 32. Typical Layout Example With LM4120

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#### 11.3 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

## 11.4 Glossary

SLYZ022 — TI Glossary.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

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						(4)	(5)		
LM4120AIM5-1.8/NOPB	Obsolete	Production	SOT-23 (DBV)   5	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 85	R21A
LM4120AIM5-2.5/NOPB	Obsolete	Production	SOT-23 (DBV)   5	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 85	R08A
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