# LM2576 



## 52kHz Simple 3A Buck Regulator

## General Description

The LM2576 series of monolithic integrated circuits provide all the active functions for a step-down (buck) switching regulator. Fixed versions are available with a $3.3 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \mathrm{~V}$, or 12 V fixed output. Adjustable versions have an output voltage range from 1.23 V to 37 V . Both versions are capable of driving a 3A load with excellent line and load regulation.
These regulators are simple to use because they require a minimum number of external components and include internal frequency compensation and a fixed-frequency oscillator.
The LM2576 series offers a high efficiency replacement for popular three-terminal adjustable linear regulators. It substantially reduces the size of the heat sink, and in many cases no heat sink is required.
A standard series of inductors available from several different manufacturers are ideal for use with the LM2576 series. This feature greatly simplifies the design of switch-mode power supplies.
The feedback voltage is guaranteed to $\pm 2 \%$ tolerance for adjustable versions, and the output voltage is guaranteed to $\pm 3 \%$ for fixed versions, within specified input voltages and output load conditions. The oscillator frequency is guaranteed to $\pm 10 \%$. External shutdown is included, featuring less than $200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ standby current. The output switch includes cycle-bycycle current limiting and thermal shutdown for full protection under fault conditions.

## Features

- $3.3 \mathrm{~V}, 5 \mathrm{~V}, 12 \mathrm{~V}$, and adjustable output versions
- Voltage over specified line and load conditions:

Fixed version: $\pm 3 \%$ max. output voltage
Adjustable version: $\pm 2 \%$ max. feedback voltage

- Guaranteed 3A output current
- Wide input voltage range:

4 V to 40 V

- Wide output voltage range
1.23 V to 37 V
- Requires only 4 external components
- 52 kHz fixed frequency internal oscillator
- Low power standby mode $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}$ typically < $200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$
- $80 \%$ efficiency (adjustable version typically $>80 \%$ )
- Uses readily available standard inductors
- Thermal shutdown and current limit protection
- 100\% electrical thermal limit burn-in


## Applications

- Simple high-efficiency step-down (buck) regulator
- Efficient pre-regulator for linear regulators
- On-card switching regulators
- Positive to negative converter (inverting Buck-Boost)
- Isolated Flyback Converter using minimum number of external components
- Negative Boost Converter


## Typical Applications



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$V_{\text {OUT }}=1.23\left(1+\frac{\mathrm{R} 2}{\mathrm{R} 1}\right)$

Fixed Regulator in Typical Application

## Ordering Information

| Part Number ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  | Range | Temperature Package |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Standard | RoHS Compliant** |  |  |
| LM2576BT*† | LM2576WT* ${ }^{\text {* }}$ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-220-5 |
| LM2576-3.3BT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | LM2576-3.3WT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-220-5 |
| LM2576-5.0BT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | LM2576-5.0WT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-220-5 |
| LM2576-12BT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | LM2576-12WT ${ }^{\dagger}$ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-220-5 |
| LM2576BU* | LM2576WU* | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-263-5 |
| LM2576-3.3BU | LM2576-3.3WU | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-263-5 |
| LM2576-5.0BU | LM2576-5.0WU | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-263-5 |
| LM2576-12BU | LM2576-12WU | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | TO-263-5 |

* Adjustable output regulators.
**RoHS compliant with "hot-melting solder" exemption.
${ }^{\dagger}$ Contact factory for bent or staggered leads option.


## Pin Configurations



## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

Maximum Supply Voltage
ON/OFF Pin Input Voltage
Output Voltage to Ground (Steady State)
Power Dissipation
Storage Temperature Range
Minimum ESD Rating
$C=100 \mathrm{pF}, \mathrm{R}=1.5 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
FB Pin
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10 sec .)
Maximum Junction Temperature

## Operating Ratings

$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Temperature Range } & -40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \leq \mathrm{T}_{j} \leq+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ \text { Supply Voltage } & 40 \mathrm{~V}\end{array}$

Electrical Characteristics Specifications with standard typeface are for $T_{J}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and those with boldface type apply over full Operating Temperature Range. Unless otherwise specified, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=12 \mathrm{~V}$, and $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{LOAD}}=500 \mathrm{~mA}$.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Typ | LM2576 | Limit <br> (Note 2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

SYSTEM PARAMETERS, ADJUSTABLE REGULATORS (Note 3) Test Circuit Figure 1

| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Feedback Voltage | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=0.5 \mathrm{~A} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 1.230 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.217 \\ & 1.243 \end{aligned}$ | V $\mathrm{V}(\min )$ $\mathrm{V}(\max )$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\overline{V_{\text {OUT }}}$ | Feedback Voltage LM2576 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \mathrm{~A} \leq \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{LOAD}} \leq 3 \mathrm{~A}, 8 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} \leq 40 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 1.230 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.193 / 1.180 \\ & 1.267 / 1.280 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $\eta$ | Efficiency | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=3 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ | 82 |  | \% |

SYSTEM PARAMETERS, 3.3V REGULATORS (Note 3) Test Circuit Figure 1

| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=0.5 \mathrm{~A} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=3.3 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 3.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.234 \\ & 3.366 \end{aligned}$ | V (min) <br> V (max) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage <br> LM2576-3.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \mathrm{~A} \leq \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }} \leq 3 \mathrm{~A}, 6 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} \leq 40 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=3.3 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 3.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.168 / 3.135 \\ & 3.432 / 3.465 \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{V}(\min )$ <br> V(max) |
| $\eta$ | Efficiency | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=3 \mathrm{~A}$ | 75 |  | \% |

SYSTEM PARAMETERS, 5V REGULATORS (Note 3) Test Circuit Figure 1

| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=0.5 \mathrm{~A}$ <br> $\mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ | 5.0 | 4.900 | V <br> $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{min})$ <br> $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{max})$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage | $0.5 \mathrm{~A} \leq \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }} \leq 3 \mathrm{~A}, 8 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} \leq 40 \mathrm{~V}$ | 5.0 | 5.100 | V |
|  | LM2576-5.0 | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | $4.800 / 4.750$ | $\mathrm{~V}(\mathrm{~min})$ |
| $\eta$ |  |  |  | $5.200 / 5.250$ | $\mathrm{~V}(\mathrm{max})$ |

SYSTEM PARAMETERS, 12V REGULATORS (Note 3) Test Circuit Figure 1

| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=0.5 \mathrm{~A} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=12 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 12 | $\begin{aligned} & 11.760 \\ & 12.240 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ | Output Voltage LMLM2576-12 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.5 \mathrm{~A} \leq \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }} \leq 3 \mathrm{~A}, 15 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} \leq 40 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=12 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | 12 | $\begin{aligned} & 11.520 / 11.400 \\ & 12.480 / 12.600 \end{aligned}$ | V (min) <br> $\mathrm{V}(\max )$ |
| $\eta$ | Efficiency | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}=3 \mathrm{~A}$ | 88 |  | \% |

## Electrical Characteristics (continued)

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Typ | LM2576 | Units |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Limit |  | (Limits) |  |

## DEVICE PARAMETERS, ADJUSTABLE REGULATOR

| $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{B}}$ | Feedback Bias Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ | 50 | $100 / 500$ | nA |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |

DEVICE PARAMETERS, FIXED and ADJUSTABLE REGULATORS

| $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{O}}$ | Oscillator Frequency |  | 52 | $\begin{aligned} & 47 / 42 \\ & 58 / 63 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{kHz} \\ \mathrm{kHz}(\min ) \\ \mathrm{kHz}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {SAT }}$ | Saturation Voltage | $\mathrm{I}_{\text {OUT }}=3 \mathrm{~A}($ Note 4) | 1.4 | 1.8/2.0 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{V} \\ \mathrm{~V}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |
| DC | Max Duty Cycle (ON) | (Note 5) | 98 | 93 | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \%(\min ) \end{gathered}$ |
| ${ }^{\text {CL }}$ | Current Limit | Peak Current, $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{ON}} \leq 3 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ (Note 4) | 5.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 4.2 / 3.5 \\ & 6.9 / 7.5 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}$ | Output Leakage Current | $\begin{array}{ll} \hline \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=40 \mathrm{~V},(\text { Note } 6), & \text { Output }=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ \text { Output }=-1 \mathrm{~V} \\ \text { (Note 6) } & \text { Output }=-1 \mathrm{~V} \end{array}$ | 7.5 | 2 <br> 30 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{mA}(\max ) \\ \mathrm{mA} \\ \mathrm{~mA}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}$ | Quiescent Current | (Note 6) | 5 | 10 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{mA} \\ \mathrm{~mA}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\text {STBY }}$ | Standby Quiescent Current | ON/OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) | 50 | 200 | $\begin{gathered} \mu \mathrm{A} \\ \mu \mathrm{~A}(\mathrm{max}) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \theta_{\mathrm{JA}} \\ & \theta_{\mathrm{JA}} \\ & \theta_{\mathrm{JC}} \end{aligned}$ | Thermal Resistance | T,U Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 7) T,U Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8) T,U Package, Junction to Case | $\begin{gathered} 65 \\ 45 \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ |  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$ |

Electrical Characteristics (continued)

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Typ | LM2576 | Units |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Limit |  |  |  |

ON/OFF CONTROL, FIXED and ADJUSTABLE REGULATORS Test Circuit Figure 1

| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IH }}$ <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IL }}$ | ON/OFF Pin Logic Input Level | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.4 \\ & 1.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 2.2 / 2.4 \\ & 1.0 / 0.8 \end{aligned}$ | $V(\min )$ <br> V(max) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{IH}}$ | ON /OFF Pin Logic Current | ON /OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) | 4 | 30 | $\begin{gathered} \mu \mathrm{A} \\ \mu \mathrm{~A}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{IL}}$ |  | ON/OFF Pin = OV (ON) | 0.01 | 10 | $\begin{gathered} \mu \mathrm{A} \\ \mu \mathrm{~A}(\max ) \end{gathered}$ |

Note 1: Absolute Maximum Rating indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating Ratings indicate conditions for which the device is intended to be functional, but do not guarantee specific performance limits. For guaranteed specifications and test conditions, see the Electrical Characteristics.
Note 2: All limits guaranteed at room temperature (standard type face) and at temperature extremes (bold type face). All room temperature limits are $100 \%$ production tested. All limits at temperature extreme are guaranteed via testing.
Note 3: External components such as the catch diode, inductor, input and output capacitors can affect switching regulator system performance. When the LM2576/LM1576 is used as shown in Figure 1 test circuit, system performance will be shown in system parameters section of Electrical Characteristics.
Note 4: Output (pin 2) sourcing current. No diode, inductor or capacitor connected to output.
Note 5: Feedback (pin 4) removed from output and connected to 0 V .
Note 6: Feedback (pin 4) removed from output and connected to 12 V to force the output transistor OFF.
Note 7: Junction to ambient thermal resistance (no external heat sink) for the 5-lead TO-220 package mounted vertically, with $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ leads in a socket, or on PC board with minimum copper area.
Note 8: Junction to ambient thermal resistance (no external heat sink) for the 5-lead TO-220 package mounted vertically, with $1 / 4$ " leads soldered to PC board containing approximately 4 square inches of copper area surrounding the leads.
Note 9: Junction to ambient thermal resistance with approximately 1 square inch of pc board copper surrounding the leads. Additional copper will lower thermal resistance further.

## Typical Performance Characteristics



## Typical Performance Characteristics (continued) (Circuit of Figure 1)



Current Limit


## Minimum Operating Voltage





Switch
Saturation Voltage


## Line Regulation





Efficiency


Feedback Pin Current



$\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=5 \mathrm{~V} \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=45 \mathrm{~V}$
A: Output pin voltage $50 \mathrm{~V} /$ div
: Output pin current 2A/div
C : Inductor current $2 \mathrm{~A} /$ div
D: Output ripple voltage $50 \mathrm{mV} / \mathrm{div}$., AC coupled
Horizontal Time Base: $5 \mu \mathrm{~S} / \mathrm{div}$

## Test Circuits and Layout Guidelines



Note: Pin numbers are for TO-220 Package
Figure 1.
As in any switching regulator, layout is very important. Rapidly switching currents associated with wiring inductance generate voltage transients which can cause problems. For minimal stray inductance and ground loops, the length of the leads indicated by heavy lines should be kept as short as possible. Single-point grounding (as indicated) or ground plane construction should be used for best results.

## Block Diagrams



Note: Pin numbers are for the TO-220 package

Fixed Regulator
Adjustable Regulator

## Package Information



5-Lead TO-220 (T)


5-Lead TO-263 (U)

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