

## 150 mA Low-Dropout Voltage Regulator

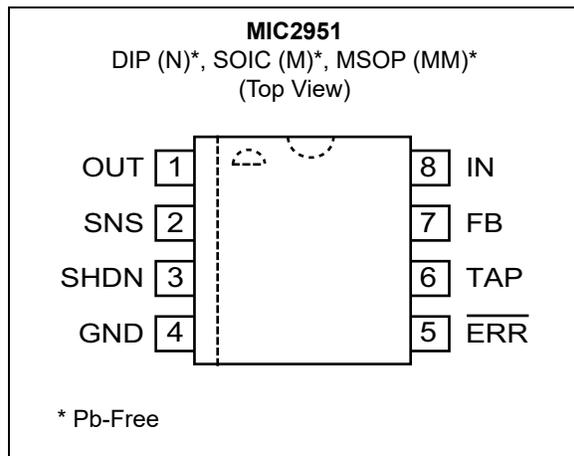
### Features

- High Accuracy 3.3V, 4.85V, or 5V, Guaranteed 150 mA Output
- Extremely Low Quiescent Current
- Low-Dropout Voltage
- Extremely Tight Load and Line Regulation
- Very Low Temperature Coefficient
- Use as Regulator or Reference
- Needs Only 1.5  $\mu$ F for Stability
- Current and Thermal Limiting
- Unregulated DC Input Can Withstand  $-20$ V Reverse Battery and  $+60$ V Positive Transients
- Error Flag Warns of Output Dropout
- Logic-Controlled Electronic Shutdown
- Output Programmable from 1.24 to 29V

### Applications

- Automotive Electronics
- Voltage Reference
- Avionics
- Cellular Telephones
- Battery Powered Equipment
- SMPS Post-Regulator
- High Efficiency Linear Power Supplies

### Package Type



### General Description

The MIC2951 is a “bulletproof” micropower voltage regulator with very low dropout voltage (typically 40 mV at light loads and 250 mV at 100 mA), and very low quiescent current. Like its predecessor, the LP2951, the quiescent current of the MIC2951 increases only slightly in dropout, which prolongs the battery life. The MIC2951 is pin-for-pin compatible with the LP2951, but offers a lower dropout, lower quiescent current, reverse battery, and automotive load dump protection.

The key additional features and protection offered include higher output current (150 mA), positive transient protection for up to 60V (load dump), and the ability to survive an unregulated input voltage transient of  $-20$ V below ground (reverse battery).

The plastic DIP, SOIC, and MSOP versions offer system functions such as programmable output voltage and logic controlled shutdown.

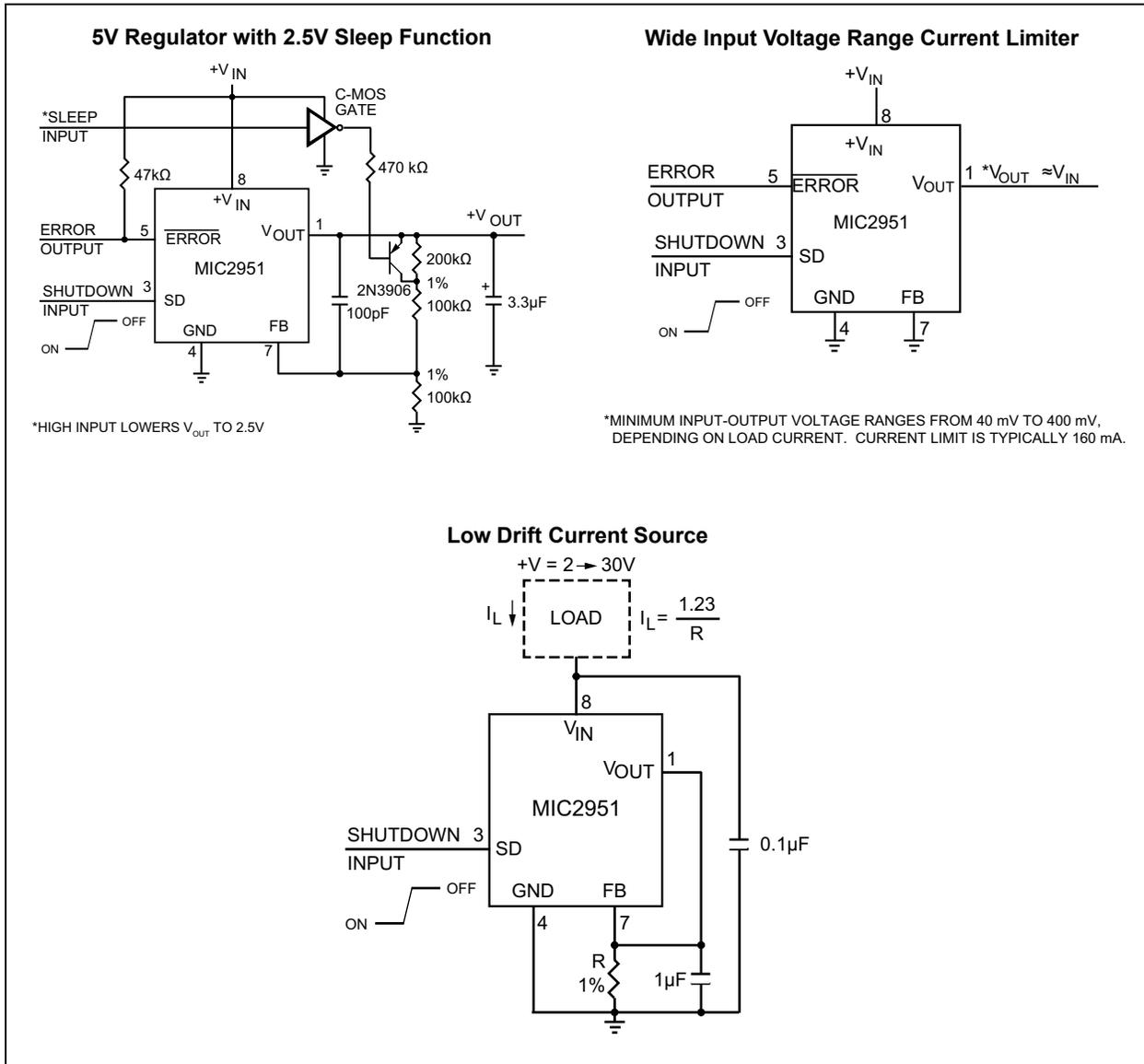
These system functions also include an error flag output that warns of a low output voltage, which is often due to failing batteries on the input. This may also be used as a power-on reset. A logic-compatible shutdown input is also available which enables the regulator to be switched on and off. This part may also be pin-strapped for a 5V output, or programmed from 1.24V to 29V with the use of two external resistors.

The MIC2951 is available as an -02 or -03 version.

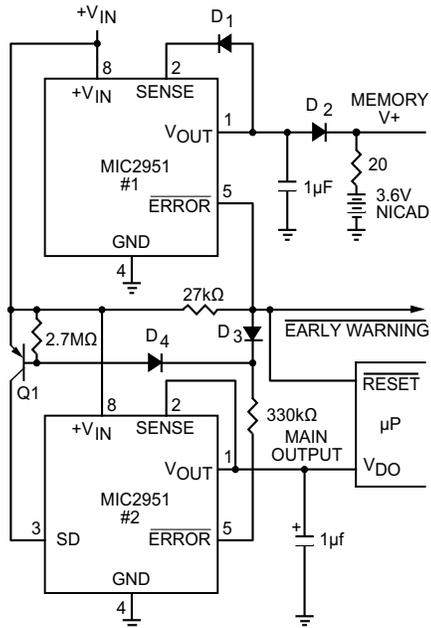
The MIC2951 has a tight initial tolerance (0.5% typical), a very low output voltage temperature coefficient, which allows use as a low-power voltage reference, and extremely good load and line regulation (0.04% typical). This greatly reduces the error in the overall circuit and is the result of careful design techniques and process control.

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## Typical Application Circuits



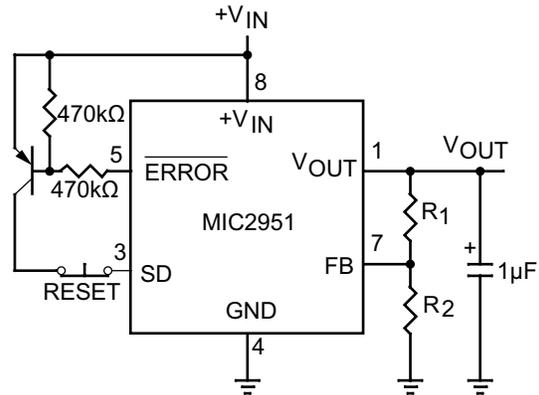
## Regulator with Early Warning and Auxiliary Output



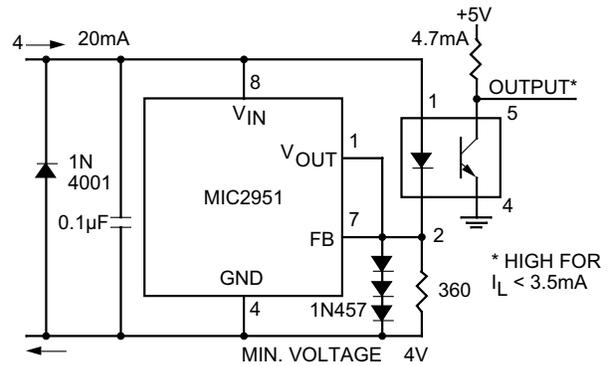
- EARLY WARNING FLAG ON LOW INPUT VOLTAGE
- MAIN OUTPUT LATCHES OFF AT LOWER INPUT VOLTAGES
- BATTERY BACKUP ON AUXILIARY OUTPUT

OPERATION: REG. #1'S  $V_{OUT}$  IS PROGRAMMED ONE DIODE DROP ABOVE 5 V. ITS ERROR FLAG BECOMES ACTIVE WHEN  $V_{IN} \leq 5.7$  V. WHEN  $V_{IN}$  DROPS BELOW 5.3 V, THE ERROR FLAG OF REG. #2 BECOMES ACTIVE AND VIA Q1 LATCHES THE MAIN OUTPUT OFF. WHEN  $V_{IN}$  AGAIN EXCEEDS 5.7 V REG. #1 IS BACK IN REGULATION AND THE EARLY WARNING SIGNAL RISES, UNLATCHING REG. #2 VIA D3.

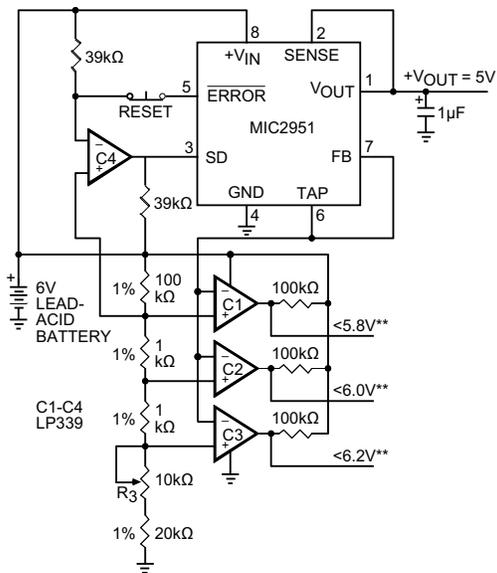
## Latch Off When Error Flag Occurs



## Open Circuit Detector for 4 mA to 20 mA Current Loop



## Regulator with State-of-Charge Indicator



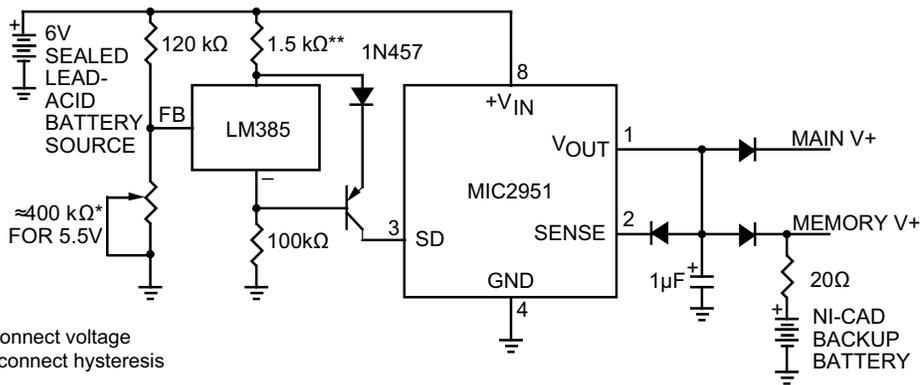
C1 TO C4 ARE COMPARATORS (LP339 OR EQUIVALENT)

\*OPTIONAL LATCH OFF WHEN DROP OUT OCCURS. ADJUST R3 FOR C2 SWITCHING WHEN  $V_{IN}$  IS 6.0V

\*\*OUTPUTS GO LOW WHEN  $V_{IN}$  DROPS BELOW DESIGNATED THRESHOLDS.

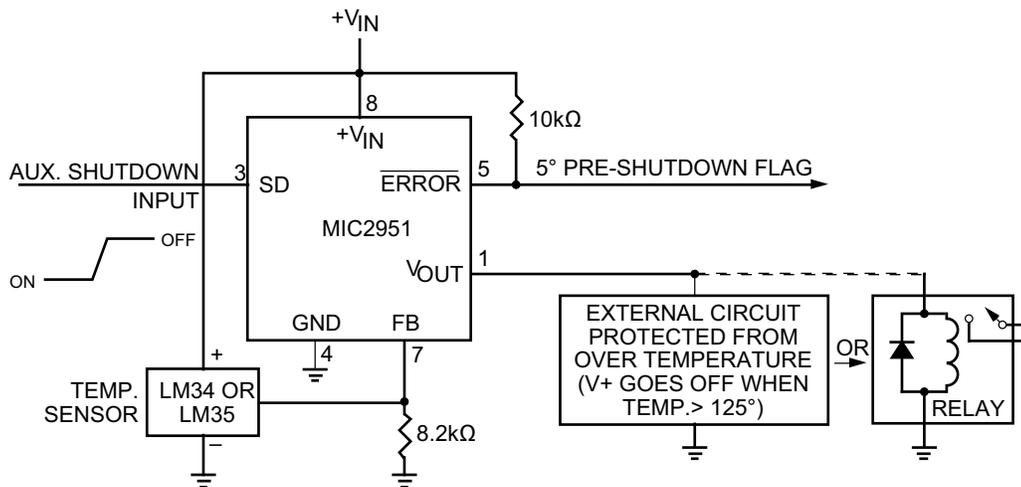
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## Low Battery Disconnect

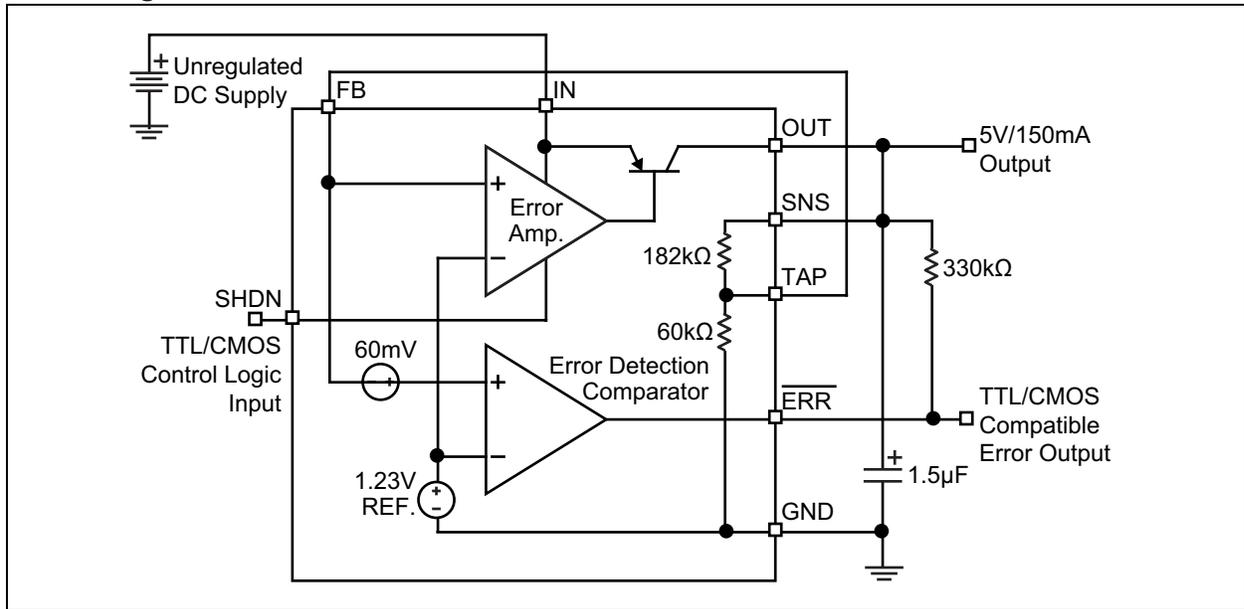


For values shown, Regulator shuts down when  $V_{IN} < 5.5\text{ V}$  and turns on again at  $6.0\text{ V}$ . Current drain in disconnected mode is  $150\ \mu\text{A}$ .

## System Overtemperature Protection Circuit



## Block Diagram



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## 1.0 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

### Absolute Maximum Ratings †

Input Voltage, $V_{IN}$ (Note 1) .....	-20V to +60V
Feedback Input Voltage, $V_{FB}$ (Note 2, Note 3) .....	-1.5V to +26V
Shutdown Input Voltage, $V_{SHDN}$ (Note 2) .....	-0.3V to +30V
Power Dissipation $P_D$ (Note 4) .....	Internally Limited
ESD .....	Note 5

### Operating Ratings ††

Input Supply Voltage, $V_{IN}$ .....	+2.0V to +30V
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† **Notice:** Exceeding the absolute maximum rating may damage the device.

†† **Notice:** The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating rating.

**Note 1:** The maximum positive supply voltage of 60V must be of limited duration ( $\leq 100$  ms) and duty cycle ( $\leq 1\%$ ). The maximum continuous supply voltage is 30V.

**2:** When used in dual-supply systems where the output terminal sees loads returned to a negative supply, the output voltage should be diode-clamped to ground.

**3:**  $V_{SHDN} \geq 2V$ ,  $V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 0$ , with the FB pin connected to TAP.

**4:** The thermal resistance of the 8-pin DIP (N) package is  $105^{\circ}C/W$  junction-to-ambient when soldered directly to a PC board. Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance for the SOIC (M) package is  $160^{\circ}C/W$ . Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance for the MSOP (MM) is  $250^{\circ}C/W$ .

**5:** Device is ESD sensitive. Handling precautions are recommended.

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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Output Voltage $T_J = 25^\circ C$	$V_{OUT}$	4.975	5.000	5.025	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )
		4.950	5.000	5.050	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		3.267	3.300	3.333	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		4.802	4.850	4.899	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
Output Voltage $-25^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +85^\circ C$	$V_{OUT}$	4.950	—	5.050	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )
		4.925	—	5.075	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		3.251	—	3.350	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		4.777	—	4.872	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
Output Voltage Over Full Temperature Range $-40^\circ C$ to $+125^\circ C$	$V_{OUT}$	<b>4.940</b>	—	<b>5.060</b>	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )
		<b>4.900</b>	—	<b>5.100</b>	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		<b>3.234</b>	—	<b>3.366</b>	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		<b>4.753</b>	—	<b>4.947</b>	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ )

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- 6:** Dropout voltage is defined as the input to output differential at which the output voltage drops 100 mV below its nominal value measured at 1V differential. At very low values of programmed output voltage, the minimum input supply voltage of 2V (2.3V over temperature) must be taken into account.
- 7:** Thermal regulation is defined as the change in output voltage at a time "t" after a change in power dissipation is applied, excluding load or line regulation effects. Specifications are for a 50 mA load pulse at  $V_{IN} = 30V$  (1.25W pulse) for  $t = 10 ms$ .
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- 9:** Comparator thresholds are expressed in terms of a voltage differential at the FB terminal below the nominal reference voltage measured at 6V input. To express these thresholds in terms of output voltage change, multiply by the error amplifier gain =  $V_{OUT} / V_{REF} = (R1 + R2) / R2$ . For example, at a programmed output voltage of 5V, the error output is guaranteed to go low when the output drops by  $95 mV \times 5V / 1.235V = 384 mV$ . Thresholds remain constant as a percent of  $V_{OUT}$  as  $V_{OUT}$  is varied, with the dropout warning occurring at typically 5% below nominal, 7.5% guaranteed.
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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Output Voltage Over Load Variation	$V_{OUT}$	<b>4.930</b>	—	<b>5.070</b>	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , $T_J \leq T_{J(max)}$
		<b>4.880</b>	—	<b>5.120</b>	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , $T_J \leq T_{J(max)}$
		<b>3.221</b>	—	<b>3.379</b>	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , $T_J \leq T_{J(max)}$
		<b>4.733</b>	—	<b>4.967</b>	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , $T_J \leq T_{J(max)}$
Output Voltage Temperature Coefficient	$\Delta V_{OUT} / \Delta T$	—	<b>20</b>	<b>100</b>	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	<b>50</b>	<b>150</b>	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	<b>50</b>	<b>150</b>	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	50	150	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)

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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_{OUT}/V_{OUT}$	—	0.03	0.10	%	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ), (Note 4, 5)
		—	—	<b>0.20</b>	%	
		—	0.04	0.20	%	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 4, 5)
		—	—	<b>0.40</b>	%	
		—	0.04	0.20	%	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 4, 5)
		—	—	<b>0.40</b>	%	
		—	0.04	0.20	%	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 4, 5)
		—	—	<b>0.40</b>	%	
Load Regulation	$\Delta V_{OUT}/V_{OUT}$	—	0.04	0.10	%	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , (Note 4)
		—	—	<b>0.20</b>	%	
		—	0.10	0.20	%	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , (Note 4)
		—	—	<b>0.30</b>	%	
		—	0.10	0.20	%	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , (Note 4)
		—	—	<b>0.30</b>	%	
		—	0.10	0.20	%	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $100 \mu A \leq I_L \leq 150 \text{ mA}$ , (Note 4)
		—	—	<b>0.30</b>	%	

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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Dropout Voltage	$V_{DO}$	—	40	80	mV	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 100 \mu A$ , (Note 6)
		—	—	<b>140</b>	mV	
		—	250	300	mV	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 100 mA$ , (Note 6)
		—	300	450	mV	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 150 mA$ , (Note 6)
		—	—	<b>600</b>	mV	
		—	40	80	mV	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 \mu A$ , (Note 6)
		—	—	<b>150</b>	mV	
		—	250	350	mV	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 mA$ , (Note 6)
		—	320	450	mV	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 150 mA$ , (Note 6)
		—	—	<b>600</b>	mV	
		—	40	80	mV	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 \mu A$ , (Note 6)
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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Ground Current	$I_{GND}$	—	120	180	$\mu A$	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 100 \mu A$
		—	—	<b>300</b>	$\mu A$	
		—	1.7	2.5	mA	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 100 mA$
		—	—	<b>3.5</b>	mA	
		—	4	6	mA	MIC2951-02/-03, $I_L = 150 mA$
		—	—	<b>8</b>	mA	
		—	100	180	$\mu A$	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 \mu A$
		—	—	<b>300</b>	$\mu A$	
		—	1.7	2.5	mA	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 mA$
		—	4	6	mA	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 150 mA$
		—	—	<b>10</b>	mA	
		—	120	180	$\mu A$	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 \mu A$
		—	—	<b>300</b>	$\mu A$	
		—	1.7	2.5	mA	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 100 mA$
		—	—	<b>3.5</b>	mA	
		—	4	6	mA	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $I_L = 150 mA$
—	—	<b>8</b>	mA			

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- 4:** Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature, using pulse testing with a low duty cycle. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects are covered in the specification for thermal regulation.
- 5:** Line regulation for the MIC2951 is tested at  $150^\circ C$  for  $I_L = 1 mA$ . For  $I_L = 100 \mu A$  and  $T_J = 125^\circ C$ , line regulation is guaranteed by design to 0.2%. See [Typical Performance Curves](#) for line regulation versus temperature and load current.
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- 7:** Thermal regulation is defined as the change in output voltage at a time "t" after a change in power dissipation is applied, excluding load or line regulation effects. Specifications are for a 50 mA load pulse at  $V_{IN} = 30V$  (1.25W pulse) for  $t = 10 ms$ .
- 8:**  $V_{REF} \leq V_{OUT} \leq (V_{IN} - 1 V)$ ,  $2.3V \leq V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $100 \mu A < I_L \leq 150 mA$ ,  $T_J \leq T_{JMAX}$ .
- 9:** Comparator thresholds are expressed in terms of a voltage differential at the FB terminal below the nominal reference voltage measured at 6V input. To express these thresholds in terms of output voltage change, multiply by the error amplifier gain =  $V_{OUT} / V_{REF} = (R1 + R2) / R2$ . For example, at a programmed output voltage of 5V, the error output is guaranteed to go low when the output drops by  $95 mV \times 5V / 1.235V = 384 mV$ . Thresholds remain constant as a percent of  $V_{OUT}$  as  $V_{OUT}$  is varied, with the dropout warning occurring at typically 5% below nominal, 7.5% guaranteed.
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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Dropout Ground Current	$I_{GND\_DO}$	—	280	350	$\mu A$	MIC2951-02/-03,
		—	—	<b>400</b>	$\mu A$	$V_{IN} = 4.5V$ , $I_L = 100 \mu A$
		—	150	350	$\mu A$	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ),
		—	—	<b>400</b>	$\mu A$	$V_{IN} = 3.0V$ , $I_L = 100 \mu A$
		—	280	350	$\mu A$	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), $V_{IN} = 4.3V$ ,
		—	—	<b>400</b>	$\mu A$	$I_L = 100 \mu A$
Current Limit	$I_{LIM}$	—	300	400	mA	$V_{OUT} = 0V$
		—	—	<b>450</b>	mA	
Thermal Regulation	$\Delta V_{OUT}/\Delta P_D$	—	0.05	0.20	%/W	Note 7
Output Noise	$e_{no}$	—	430	—	$\mu V_{RMS}$	10 Hz to 100 kHz, $C_L = 1.5 \mu F$
		—	160	—	$\mu V_{RMS}$	10 Hz to 10 kHz, $C_L = 200 \mu F$
		—	100	—	$\mu V_{RMS}$	10 Hz to 100 kHz, $C_L = 3.3 \mu F$ , 0.01 $\mu F$ bypass Feedback to Output

- Note 1:**  $V_{SHDN} \geq 2V$ ,  $V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 0$ , with the FB pin connected to TAP.
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- 8:**  $V_{REF} \leq V_{OUT} \leq (V_{IN} - 1 V)$ ,  $2.3V \leq V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $100 \mu A < I_L \leq 150 mA$ ,  $T_J \leq T_{JMAX}$ .
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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Reference Voltage	$V_{REF}$	1.210	1.235	1.250	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )
		<b>1.200</b>	—	<b>1.260</b>	V	
		1.210	1.235	1.260	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		<b>1.200</b>	—	<b>1.270</b>	V	
		1.210	1.235	1.260	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		<b>1.200</b>	—	<b>1.270</b>	V	
		1.210	1.235	1.260	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		<b>1.200</b>	—	<b>1.270</b>	V	
Reference Voltage	$V_{REF}$	<b>1.190</b>	—	<b>1.270</b>	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm\%$ ) (Note 8)
		<b>1.185</b>	—	<b>1.285</b>	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ) (Note 8)
		<b>1.185</b>	—	<b>1.285</b>	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ) (Note 8)
		<b>1.185</b>	—	<b>1.285</b>	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ) (Note 8)
Feedback Bias Current	$I_{FB}$	—	20	40	nA	—
		—	—	<b>60</b>	nA	—
Reference Voltage Temperature Coefficient	$V_{REF\_TC}$	—	20	—	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	50	—	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	<b>50</b>	—	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)
		—	50	—	ppm/ $^\circ C$	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ ), (Note 3)

**Note 1:**  $V_{SHDN} \geq 2V$ ,  $V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 0$ , with the FB pin connected to TAP.

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**Note 3:** Output or reference voltage temperature coefficient is defined as the worst case voltage change divided by the total temperature range.

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**Note 8:**  $V_{REF} \leq V_{OUT} \leq (V_{IN} - 1 V)$ ,  $2.3V \leq V_{IN} \leq 30V$ ,  $100 \mu A < I_L \leq 150 mA$ ,  $T_J \leq T_{JMAX}$ .

**Note 9:** Comparator thresholds are expressed in terms of a voltage differential at the FB terminal below the nominal reference voltage measured at 6V input. To express these thresholds in terms of output voltage change, multiply by the error amplifier gain  $= V_{OUT} / V_{REF} = (R1 + R2) / R2$ . For example, at a programmed output voltage of 5V, the error output is guaranteed to go low when the output drops by  $95 mV \times 5V / 1.235V = 384 mV$ . Thresholds remain constant as a percent of  $V_{OUT}$  as  $V_{OUT}$  is varied, with the dropout warning occurring at typically 5% below nominal, 7.5% guaranteed.

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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Feedback Bias Current Temperature Coefficient	$I_{FB\_TC}$	—	0.1	—	nA/°C	—
Error Comparator Flag Output Leakage Current	$I_{ERR\_LEAK}$	—	0.01	1.00	$\mu A$	$V_{OH} = 30V$
		—	—	<b>2.00</b>	$\mu A$	
Error Comparator Flag Output Low Voltage Flag	$V_{ERR\_LOW}$	—	150	250	mV	$V_{IN} = 4.5V, I_{OL} = 200 \mu A$
		—	—	<b>400</b>	mV	
Error Comparator Flag Upper Threshold Voltage	$V_{ERR\_HIGH\_TH}$	40	60	—	mV	Note 9
		<b>25</b>	—	—	mV	
Error Comparator Lower Threshold Voltage	$V_{ERR\_LOW\_TH}$	—	75	95	mV	Note 9
		—	—	<b>140</b>	mV	
Error Comparator Hysteresis	$V_{ERR\_HYST}$	—	15	—	mV	Note 9

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Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
Shutdown Input Logic Voltage	$V_{SHDN}$	—	1.3	—	V	MIC2951-02 ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )
		—	—	<b>0.7</b>	V	Low
		<b>2.0</b>	—	—	V	High
		—	1.3	—	V	MIC2951-03 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		—	—	<b>0.7</b>	V	Low
		<b>2.0</b>	—	—	V	High
		—	1.3	—	V	MIC2951-3.3 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		—	—	<b>0.7</b>	V	Low
		<b>2.0</b>	—	—	V	High
		—	1.3	—	V	MIC2951-4.8 ( $\pm 1\%$ )
		—	—	<b>0.7</b>	V	Low
<b>2.0</b>	—	—	V	High		
Shutdown Input Current	$I_{SHDN}$	—	30	50	$\mu A$	$V_{SHUTDOWN} = 2.4V$
		—	—	<b>100</b>	$\mu A$	
		—	450	600	$\mu A$	$V_{SHUTDOWN} = 30V$
		—	—	<b>750</b>	$\mu A$	
Regulator Output Current in Shutdown	$I_{OUT\_SHDN}$	—	3	10	$\mu A$	Note 1
		—	—	<b>20</b>	$\mu A$	

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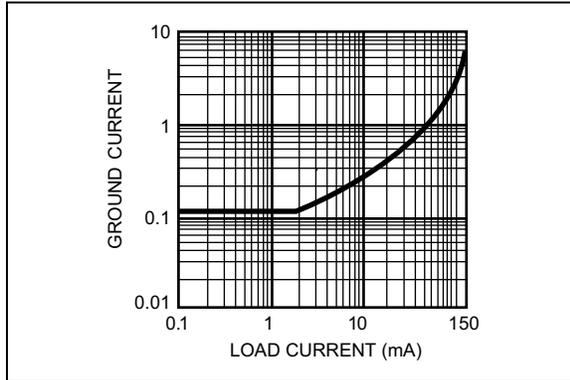
## TEMPERATURE SPECIFICATIONS (Note 1)

Parameters	Sym.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units	Conditions
<b>Temperature Ranges</b>						
Lead Temperature	—	—	—	+260	°C	Soldering, 5s
Junction Operating Temperature	$T_J$	-40	—	+125	°C	—
Storage Temperature Range	$T_A$	-65	—	+150	°C	—
<b>Package Thermal Resistances</b>						
Thermal Resistance, SOIC-8Ld	$\theta_{JA}$	—	<b>TBD</b>	—	°C/W	
Thermal Resistance, PDIP-8Ld	$\theta_{JA}$	—	<b>TBD</b>	—	°C/W	

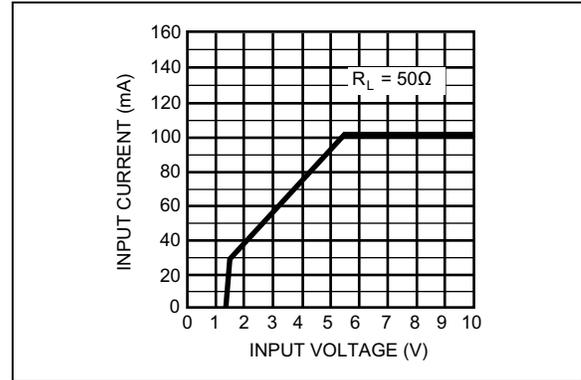
**Note 1:** The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of ambient temperature, the maximum allowable junction temperature and the thermal resistance from junction to air (i.e.,  $T_A$ ,  $T_J$ ,  $\theta_{JA}$ ). Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation will cause the device operating junction temperature to exceed the maximum +125°C rating. Sustained junction temperatures above +125°C can impact the device reliability.

## 2.0 TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES

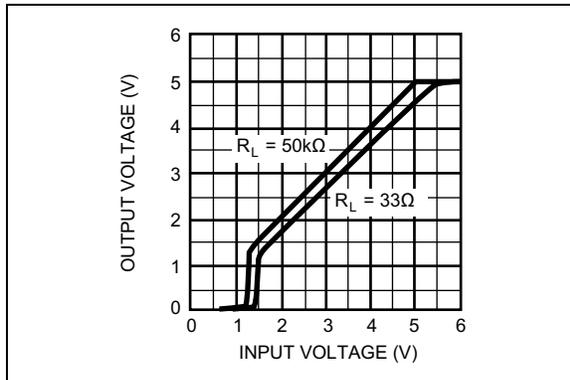
**Note:** The graphs and tables provided following this note are a statistical summary based on a limited number of samples and are provided for informational purposes only. The performance characteristics listed herein are not tested or guaranteed. In some graphs or tables, the data presented may be outside the specified operating range (e.g., outside specified power supply range) and therefore outside the warranted range.



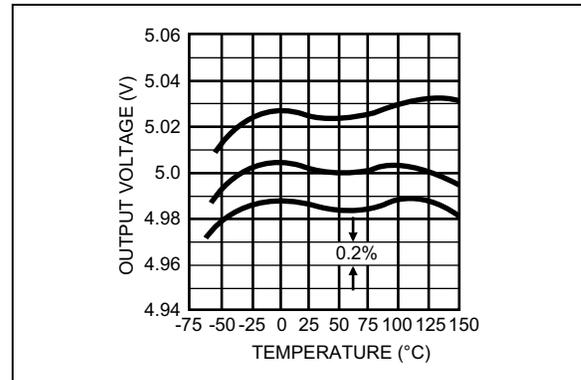
**FIGURE 2-1:** Ground Pin Current vs. Load Current.



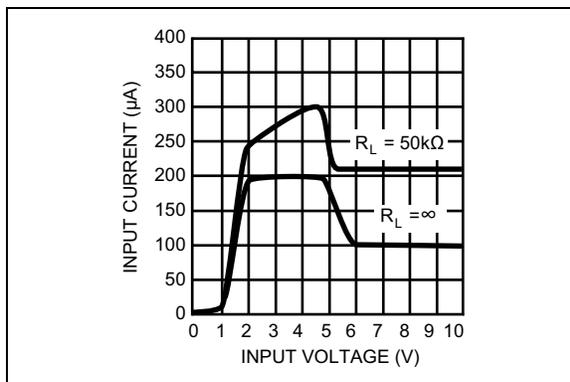
**FIGURE 2-4:** Input Current vs. Input Voltage.



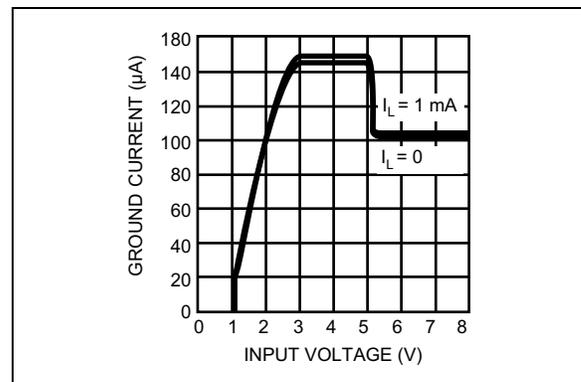
**FIGURE 2-2:** Dropout Characteristics.



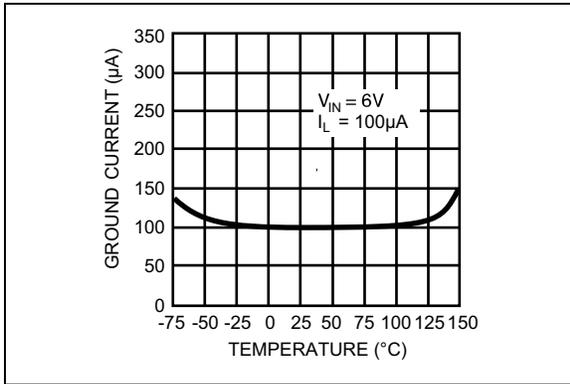
**FIGURE 2-5:** Output Voltage vs. Temperature of 3 Representative Units.



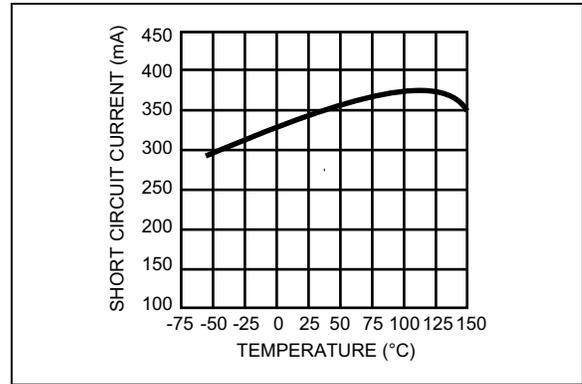
**FIGURE 2-3:** Input Current vs. Input Voltage.



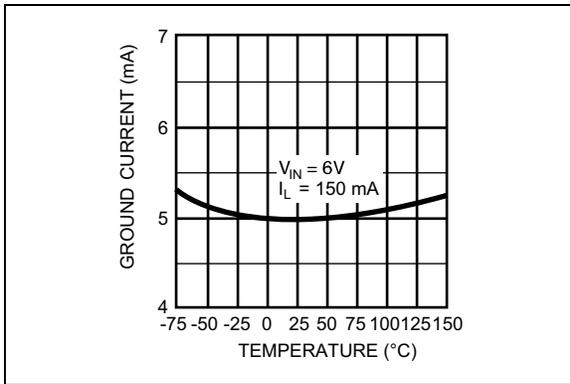
**FIGURE 2-6:** Ground Pin Current vs. Input Voltage.



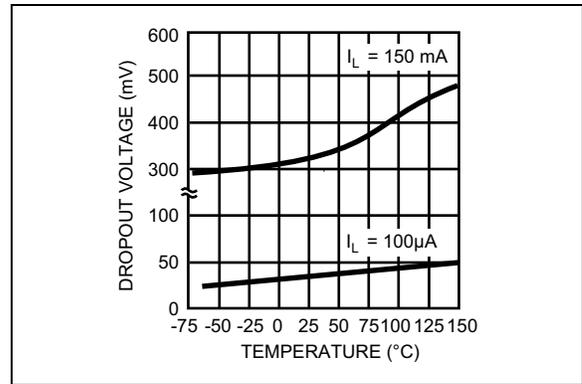
**FIGURE 2-7:** Ground Pin Current vs. Temperature.



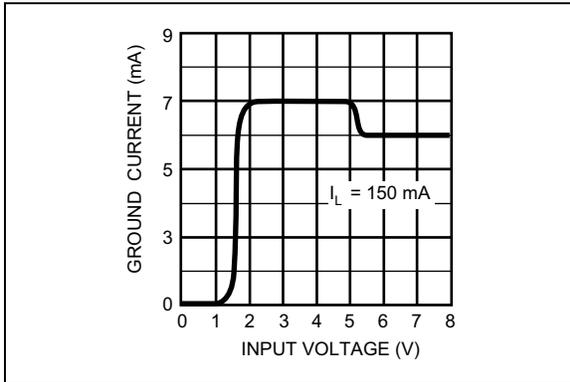
**FIGURE 2-10:** Short Circuit Current vs. Temperature.



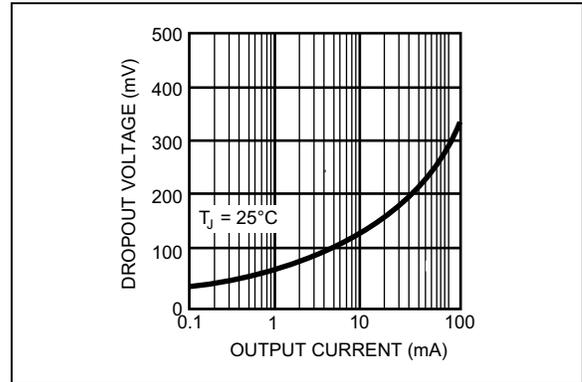
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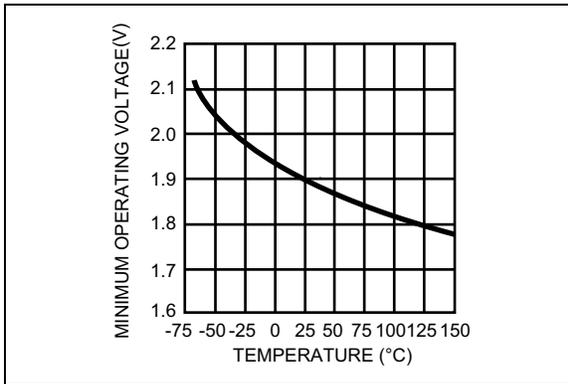
**FIGURE 2-11:** Dropout Voltage vs. Temperature.



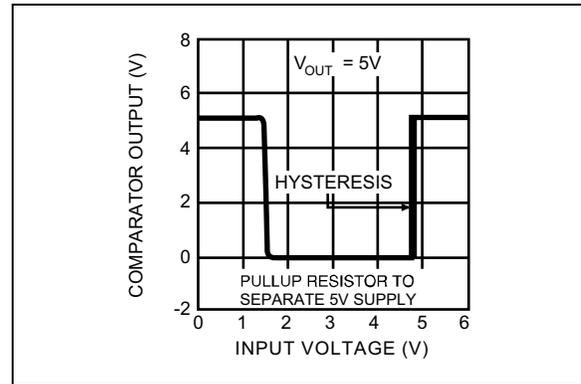
**FIGURE 2-9:** Ground Pin Current vs. Input Voltage.



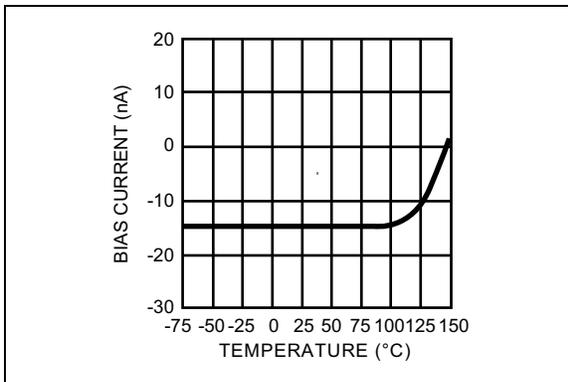
**FIGURE 2-12:** Dropout Voltage vs. Load Current.



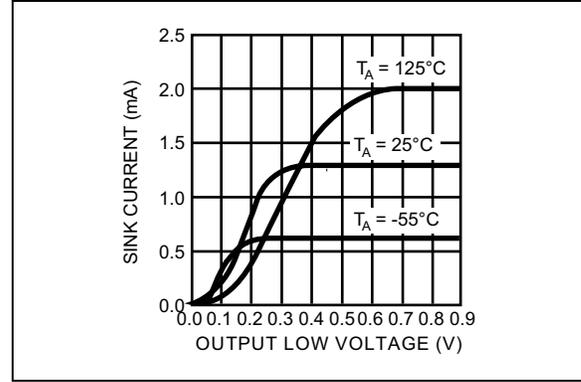
**FIGURE 2-13:** Minimum Operating Voltage vs. Temperature.



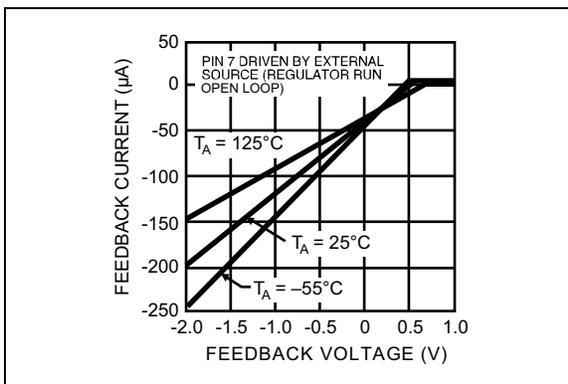
**FIGURE 2-16:** Error Comparator Output vs. Input Voltage.



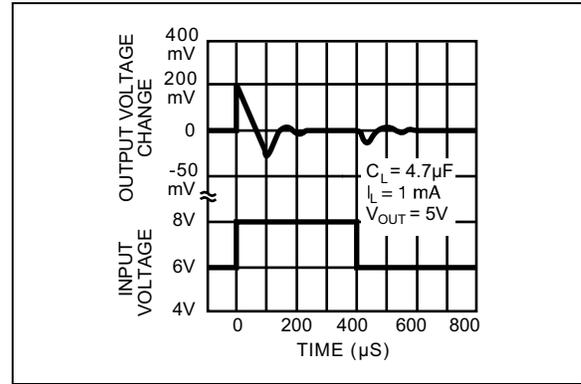
**FIGURE 2-14:** Feedback Bias Current vs. Temperature.



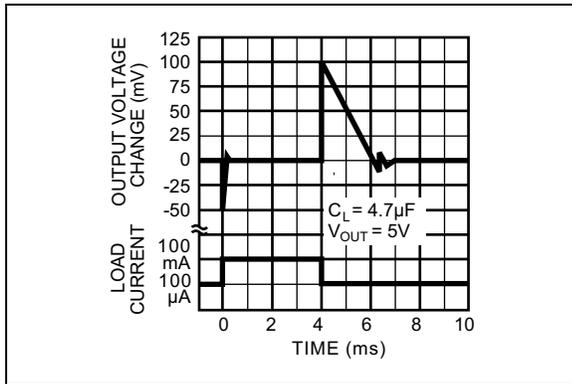
**FIGURE 2-17:** Comparator Sink Current vs. Output Low Voltage.



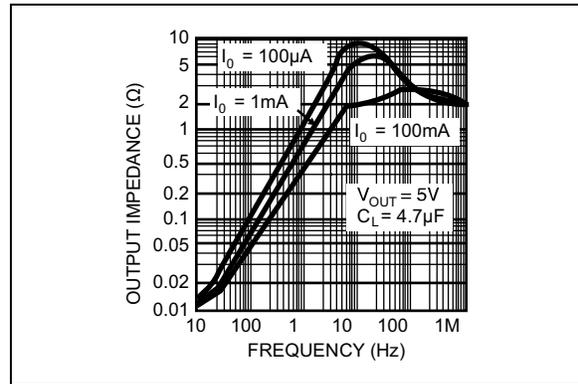
**FIGURE 2-15:** Feedback Pin Current vs. Feedback Voltage.



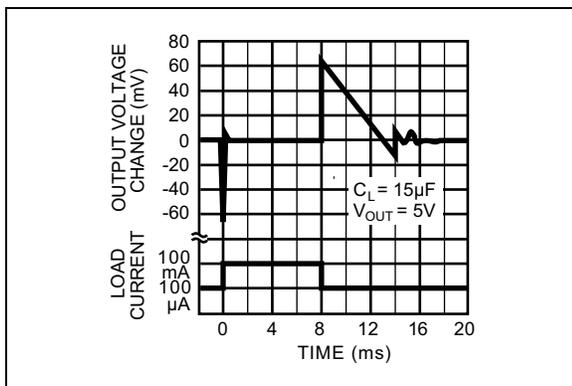
**FIGURE 2-18:** Line Transient Response.



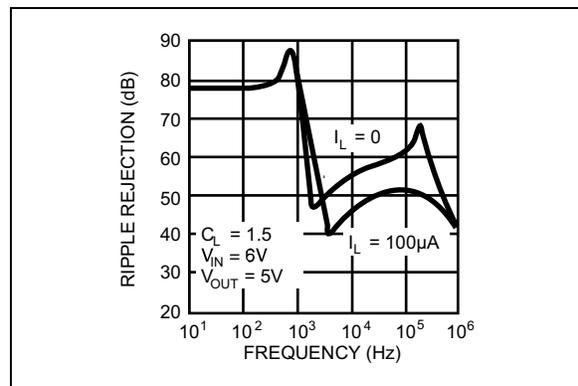
**FIGURE 2-19:** Load Transient Response.



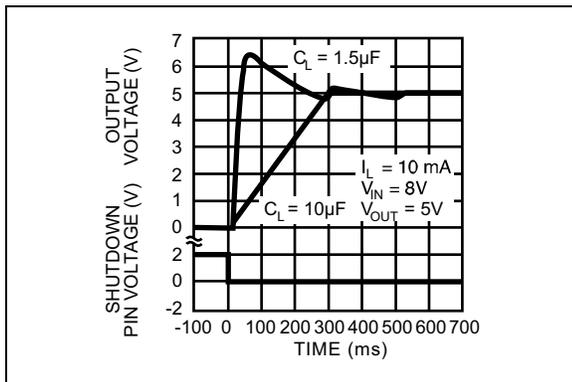
**FIGURE 2-22:** Output Impedance.



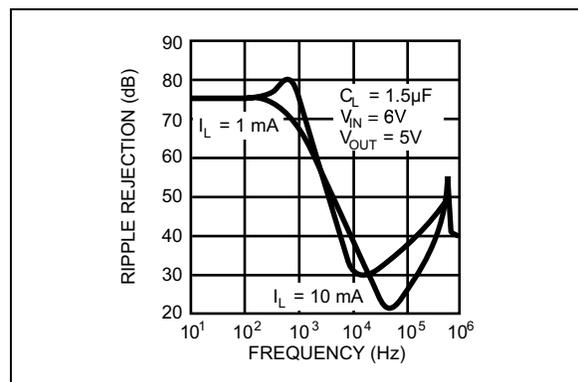
**FIGURE 2-20:** Load Transient Response.



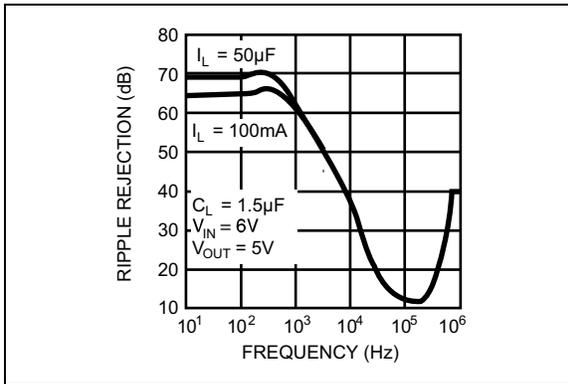
**FIGURE 2-23:** Power Supply Ripple Rejection.



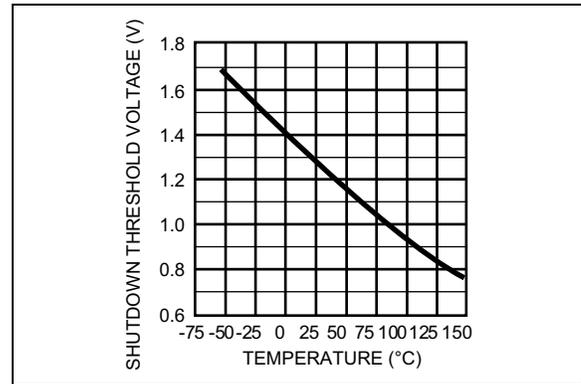
**FIGURE 2-21:** Start-Up from SHDN.



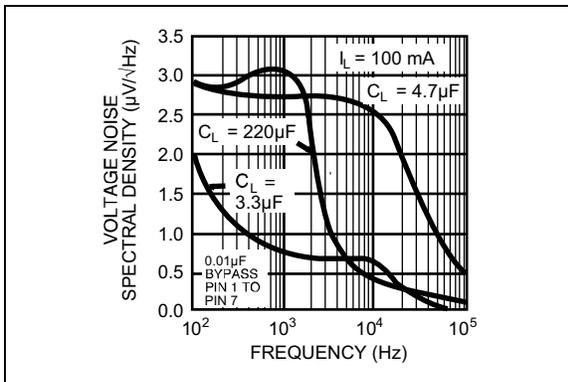
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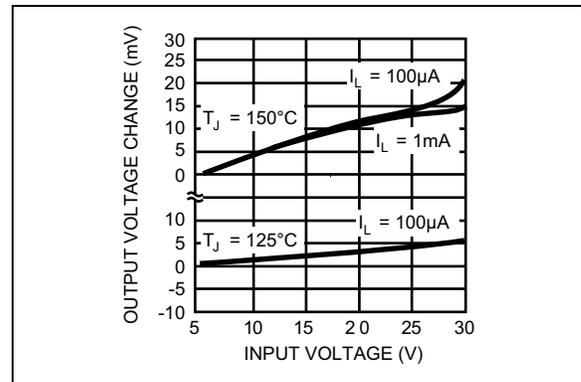
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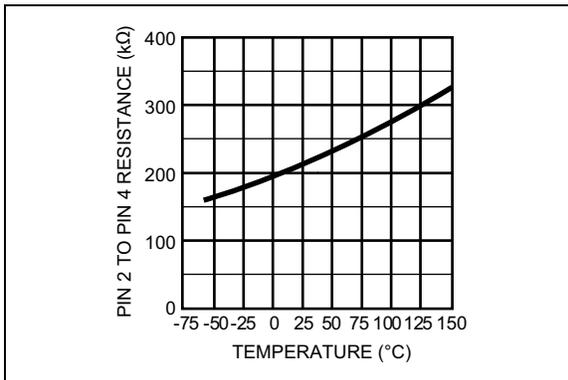
**FIGURE 2-28:** Shutdown Threshold Voltage vs. Temperature.



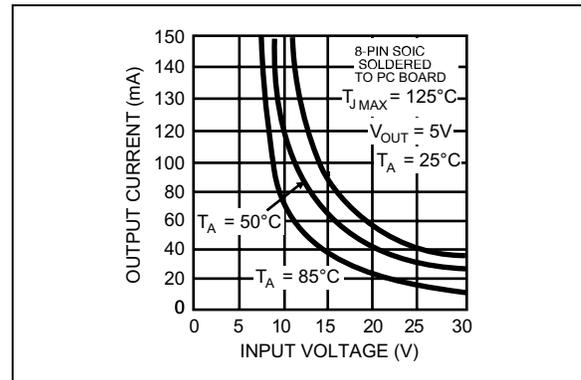
**FIGURE 2-26:** Output Noise.



**FIGURE 2-29:** Line Regulation.

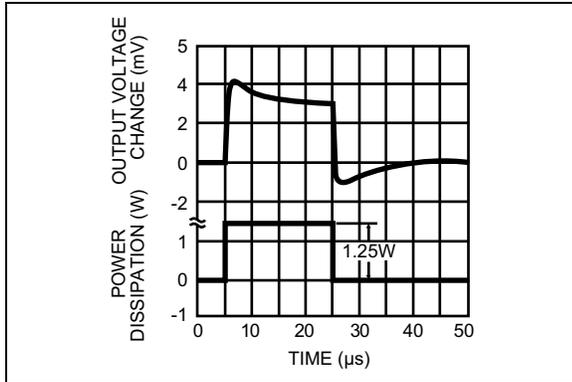


**FIGURE 2-27:** Divider Resistance vs. Temperature.

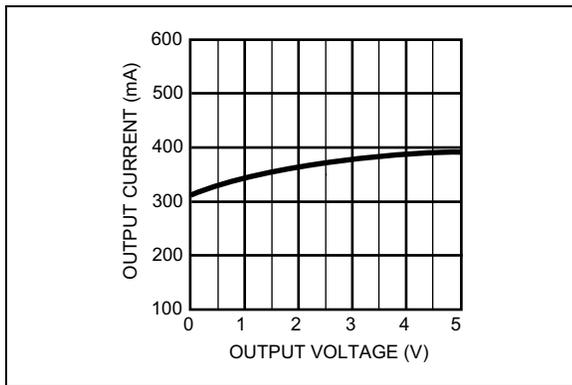


**FIGURE 2-30:** Maximum Rated Output Current vs. Input Voltage.

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**FIGURE 2-31:** Thermal Response.



**FIGURE 2-32:** Foldback Current Limiting.

## 3.0 PIN DESCRIPTIONS

The descriptions of the pins are listed in [Table 3-1](#).

**TABLE 3-1: PIN FUNCTION TABLE**

Pin Number	Pin Name	Description
1	OUT	Regulated Output.
2	SNS	Sense (Input): Output-voltage sensing end of internal voltage divider for fixed 5V operation. Not used in adjustable configuration.
3	SHDN	Shutdown/Enable (Input): TTL compatible input. High = shutdown, low or open = enable.
4	GND	Ground.
5	$\overline{\text{ERR}}$	Error Flag (Output): Active low, open-collector output (low = error, floating = normal).
6	TAP	3.3V/4.85V/5V Tap: Output of internal voltage divider when the regulator is configured for fixed operation. Not used in adjustable configuration.
7	FB	Feedback (Input): 1.235V feedback from internal voltage divider's TAP (for fixed operation) or external resistor network (adjustable configuration).
8	IN	Unregulated Supply Input.

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## 4.0 APPLICATION CIRCUITS AND ISSUES

### 4.1 Automotive Applications

The MIC2951 is ideally suited for automotive applications for a variety of reasons. It will operate over a wide range of input voltages, have very low dropout voltages (40 mV at light loads), and very low quiescent currents. These features are necessary for use in battery powered systems, such as automobiles. It is also a “bulletproof” device; with the ability to survive both reverse battery (negative transients up to 20V below ground), and load dump (positive transients up to 60V) conditions. A wide operating temperature range with low temperature coefficients is yet another reason to use this versatile regulator in automotive designs.

### 4.2 External Capacitors

A 1.5  $\mu\text{F}$  (or greater) capacitor is required between the MIC2951 output and ground to prevent oscillations due to instability. Most types of tantalum or aluminum electrolytics will be adequate; film types will work, but are costly and therefore not recommended. Many aluminum electrolytics have electrolytes that freeze at about  $-30^{\circ}\text{C}$ , so solid tantalums are recommended for operation below  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The important parameters of the capacitor are an effective series resistance of about  $5\Omega$  or less and a resonant frequency above 500 kHz. The value of this capacitor may be increased without limit.

At lower values of output current, less output capacitance is required for output stability. The capacitor can be reduced to 0.5  $\mu\text{F}$  for current below 10 mA or 0.15  $\mu\text{F}$  for currents below 1 mA. Using the regulator at voltages below 5V runs the error amplifier at lower gains so that more output capacitance is needed. For the worst-case situation of a 150 mA load at 1.23V output (Output shorted to Feedback) a 5  $\mu\text{F}$  (or greater) capacitor should be used.

The MIC2950 will remain stable and in regulation with no load in addition to the internal voltage divider, unlike many other voltage regulators. This is especially important in CMOS RAM keep-alive applications. When setting the output voltage of the MIC2951 with external resistors, a minimum load of 1  $\mu\text{A}$  is recommended.

A 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  capacitor should be placed from the MIC2951 input to ground if there is more than 10 inches of wire between the input and the AC filter capacitor or if a battery is used as the input.

Stray capacitance to the MIC2951 Feedback terminal (pin 7) can cause instability. This may especially be a problem when using high value external resistors to set the output voltage. Adding a 100 pF capacitor between Output and Feedback and increasing the output capacitor to at least 3.3  $\mu\text{F}$  will remedy this.

### 4.3 Error Detection Comparator Output

A logic low output will be produced by the comparator whenever the MIC2951 output falls out of regulation by more than approximately 5%. This figure is the comparator’s built-in offset of about 60mV divided by the 1.235V reference voltage. (Refer to the [Block Diagram](#)). This trip level remains “5% below normal” regardless of the programmed output voltage of the MIC2951. For example, the error flag trip level is typically 4.75V for a 5V output or 11.4V for a 12V output. The out of regulation condition may be due either to low input voltage, current limiting, thermal limiting, or overvoltage on input (over 40V).

[Figure 4-1](#) is a timing diagram depicting the /ERROR signal and the regulated output voltage as the MIC2951 input is ramped up and down. The /ERROR signal becomes valid (low) at about 1.3V input. It goes high at about 5V input (the input voltage at which  $V_{\text{OUT}} = 4.75$  for 5.0V applications). Since the MIC2951’s dropout voltage is load-dependent (see curve in [Typical Performance Curves](#)), the input voltage trip point (about 5V) will vary with the load current. The output voltage trip point does not vary with load.

The error comparator has an open-collector output which requires an external pull-up resistor. Depending on system requirements, this resistor may be returned to the output or some other supply voltage. In determining a value for this resistor, note that while the output is rated to sink 200  $\mu\text{A}$ , this sink current adds to battery drain in a low battery condition. Suggested values range from 100 k $\Omega$  to 1 M $\Omega$ . The resistor is not required if this output is unused.

### 4.4 Programming the Output Voltage

The MIC2951 may be pin-strapped for 5V (or 3.3V or 4.85V) using its internal voltage divider by tying Pin 1 (output) to Pin 2 (sense) and Pin 7 (feedback) to Pin 6 (5V Tap). Alternatively, it may be programmed for any output voltage between its 1.235V reference and its 30V maximum rating. Taking into account the dropout voltage, the maximum output voltage recommended is 29V. An external pair of resistors is required, as shown in [Figure 4-2](#).

The complete equation for the output voltage is shown in [Equation 4-1](#).

## EQUATION 4-1:

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times \left\{ 1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2} \right\} + I_{FB} R_1$$

Where:

$V_{REF}$  = The nominal 1.235 reference voltage  
 $I_{FB}$  = The feedback pin bias current, nominally -20 nA

The minimum recommended load current of 1  $\mu$ A forces an upper limit of 1.2 M $\Omega$  on the value of R2, if the regulator must work with no load (a condition often found in CMOS in standby),  $I_{FB}$  will produce a 2% typical error in  $V_{OUT}$  which may be eliminated at room temperature by trimming R1. For better accuracy, choosing R2 = 100 k $\Omega$  reduces this error to 0.17% while increasing the resistor program current to 12  $\mu$ A.

## 4.5 Reducing Output Noise

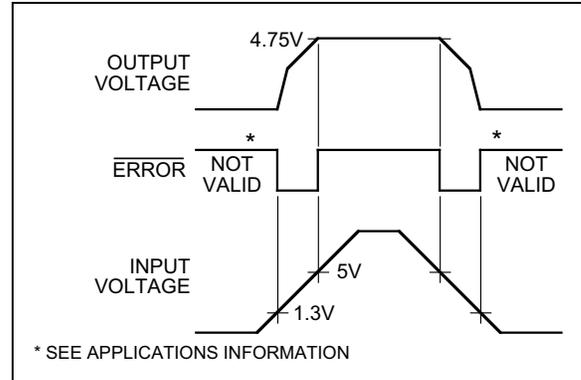
In some applications it may be advantageous to reduce the AC noise present at the output. One method is to reduce the regulator bandwidth by increasing the size of the output capacitor. This method is relatively inefficient, as increasing the capacitor from 1  $\mu$ F to 220  $\mu$ F only decreases the noise from 430  $\mu$ V to 160  $\mu$ V RMS for a 100 kHz bandwidth at 5V output.

Noise can be reduced fourfold by a bypass capacitor across R1, since it reduces the high frequency gain from 4 to unity. Choose from either [Equation 4-2](#) or about 0.01  $\mu$ F.

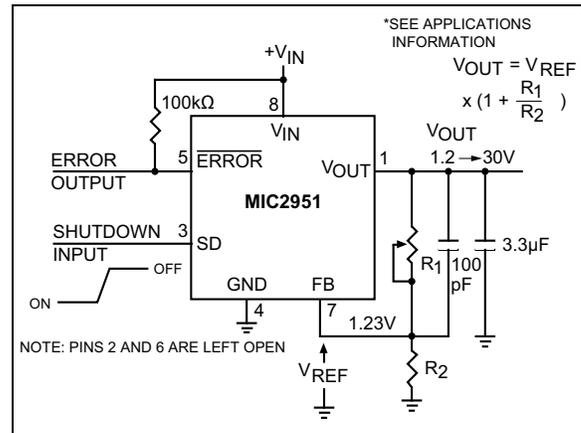
## EQUATION 4-2:

$$C_{BYPASS} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_1 \cdot 200Hz}$$

When doing this, the output capacitor must be increased to 3.3  $\mu$ F to maintain stability. These changes reduce the output noise from 430  $\mu$ V to 100  $\mu$ V<sub>rms</sub> for a 100 kHz bandwidth at 5V output. With the bypass capacitor added, noise no longer scales with output voltage so that improvements are more dramatic at higher output voltages.



**FIGURE 4-1:** ERROR Output Timing.



**FIGURE 4-2:** Adjustable Regulator.

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## 5.0 SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM

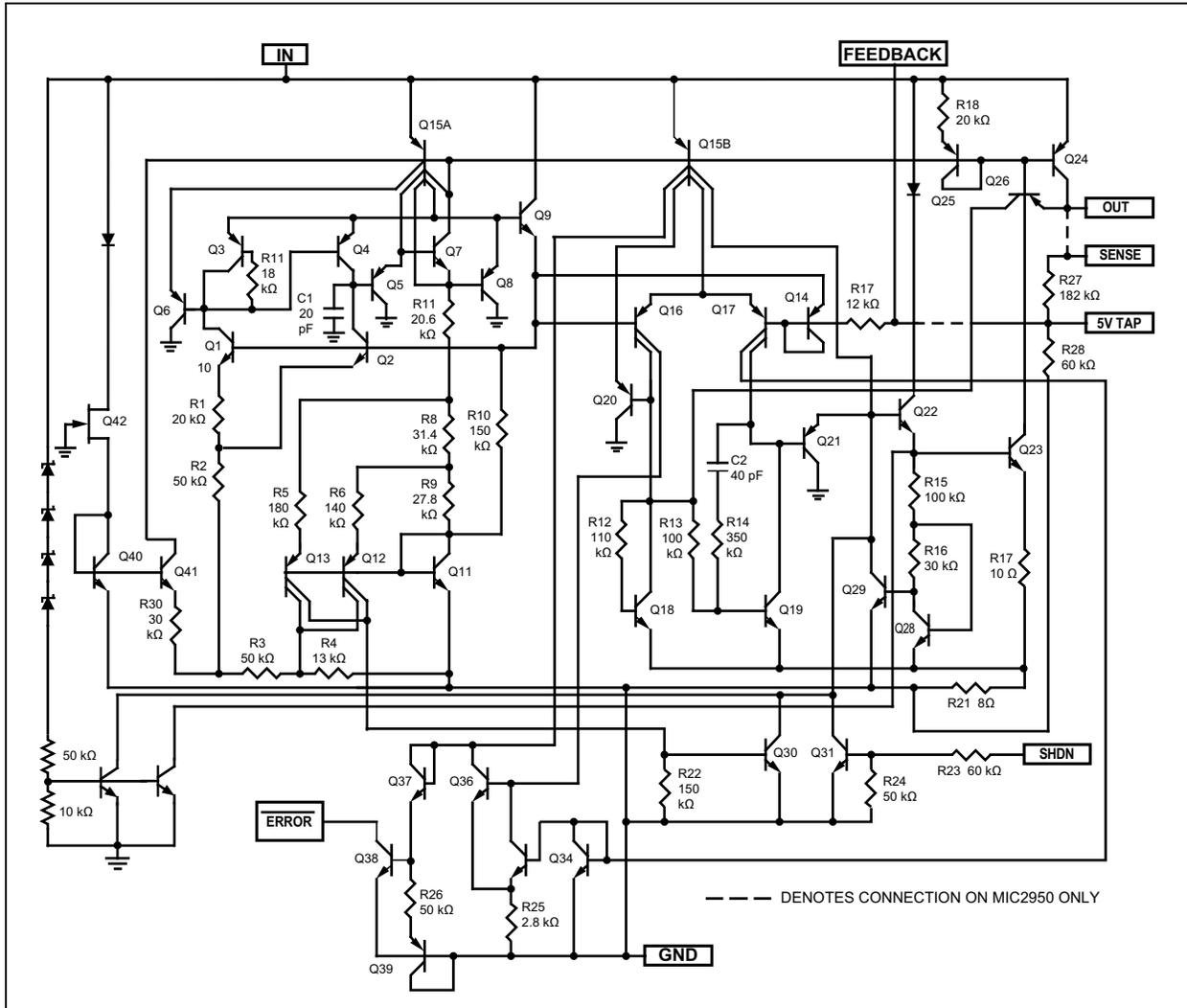


FIGURE 5-1: Schematic Diagram.

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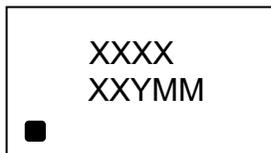
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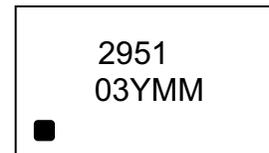
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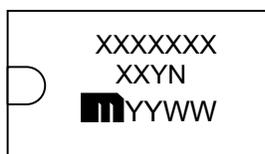
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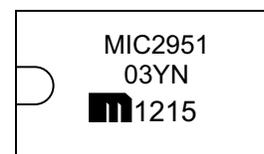
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8-Lead PDIP\*



Example



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	YY	Year code (last 2 digits of calendar year)
	WW	Week code (week of January 1 is week '01')
	NNN	Alphanumeric traceability code
	(e3)	Pb-free JEDEC® designator for Matte Tin (Sn)
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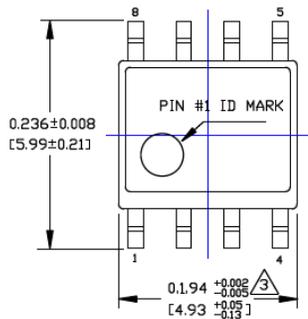
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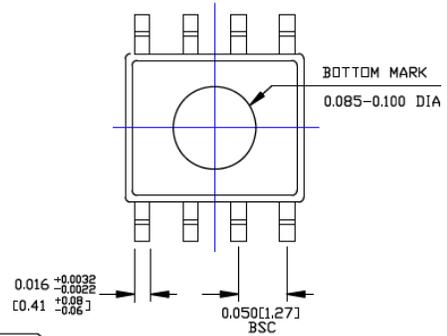
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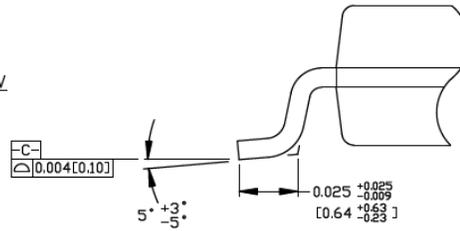
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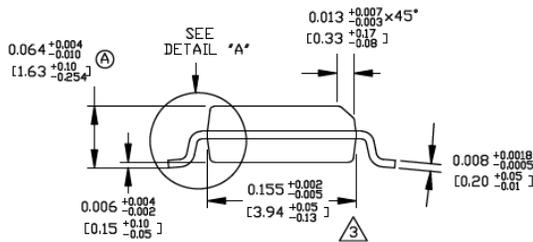
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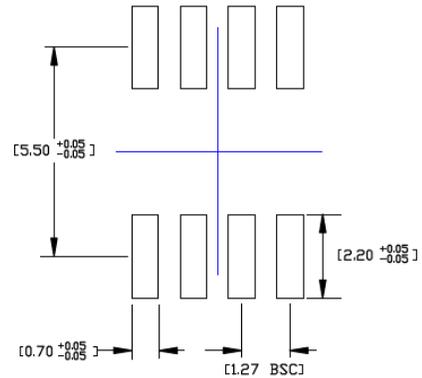
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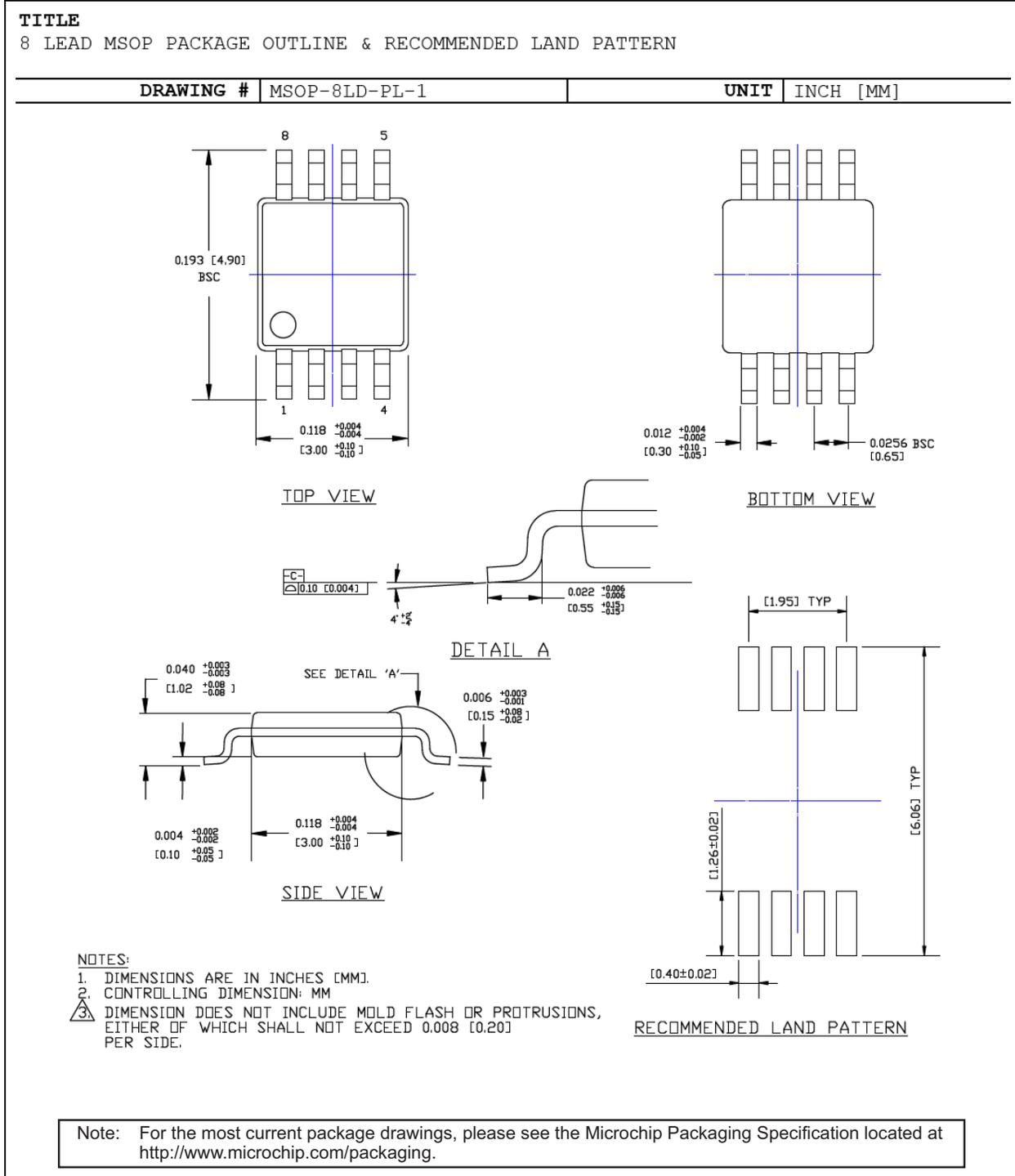
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## 8-Lead MSOP Package Outline & Recommended Land Pattern



## APPENDIX A: REVISION HISTORY

### Revision A (November 2020)

- Converted Micrel document MIC2951 to Microchip data sheet template DS20006447A.
- Minor grammatical text changes throughout.
- Removed all reference to MIC2950 which has been EOL.

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	03 =	5.0V ±1.0%		
<b>Temperature Range:</b>	Y =	-40°C to +125°C (RoHS Compliant)		
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