

# L79xxC

### Negative voltage regulators

Datasheet – production data

### Features

- Output current up to 1.5 A
- Output voltages of 5; 8; 12; 15 V
- Thermal overload protection
- Short circuit protection
- Output transition SOA protection

### Description

The L79xxC series of three-terminal negative regulators is available in TO-220, TO-220FP and D<sup>2</sup>PAK packages and several fixed output voltages, making it useful in a wide range of applications. These regulators can provide local on-card regulation, eliminating the distribution problems associated with single point regulation; furthermore, having the same voltage option as the L78xx positive standard series, they are particularly suited for split power supplies. If adequate heat sinking is provided, they can deliver over 1.5 A output current. Although designed primarily as fixed voltage regulators, these devices can be used with external components to obtain adjustable voltages and currents.

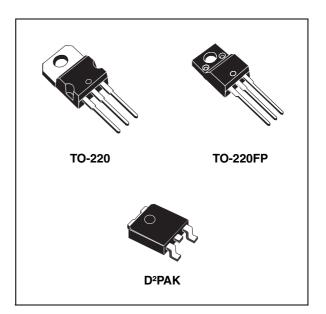


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Table 1.	Device	summary

Dart numbere	Order codes						
Part numbers	TO	-220	D <sup>2</sup> PAK	TO-220FP	voltages		
L7905C	L7905CV	L7905CV-DG <sup>(1)</sup>	L7905CD2T-TR	L7905CP	- 5 V		
L7908C	L7908CV	L7908CV-DG <sup>(1)</sup>			- 8 V		
L7912C	L7912CV	L7912CV-DG <sup>(1)</sup>	L7912CD2T-TR	L7912CP	- 12 V		
L7915C	L7915CV	L7915CV-DG <sup>(1)</sup>	L7915CD2T-TR	L7915CP	- 15 V		

1. TO-220 Dual Gauge frame.

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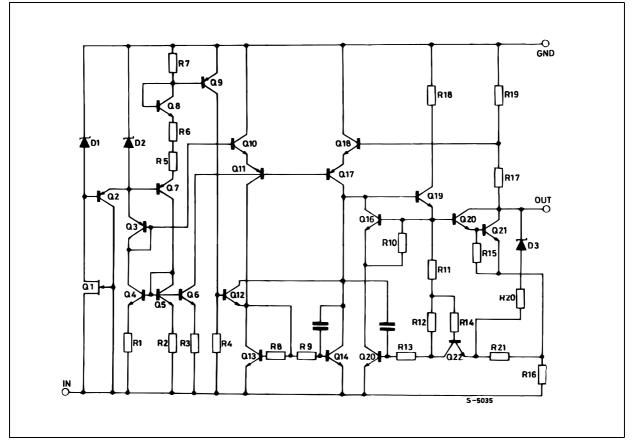
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## 1 Diagram

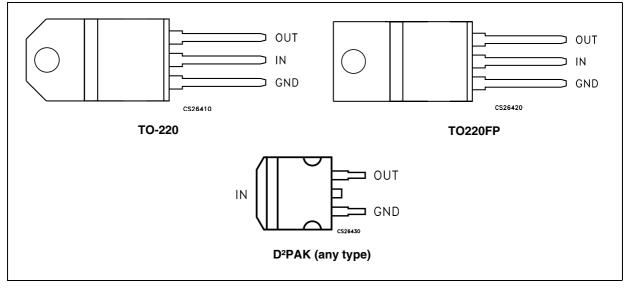
### Figure 1. Schematic diagram





## 2 Pin configuration







# 3 Maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter		Value	Unit
M	DC input voltage	for V <sub>O</sub> = - 5 to - 18 V		V
VI	DC input voltage for V <sub>O</sub> = - 20 to - 24 V		-40	
Ι <sub>Ο</sub>	Output current	·	Internally limited	
PD	Power dissipation		Internally limited	
T <sub>STG</sub>	Storage temperature range		-65 to 150	°C
T <sub>OP</sub>	Operating junction temperature range		0 to 150	°C

### Table 2. Absolute maximum ratings

Note: Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied.

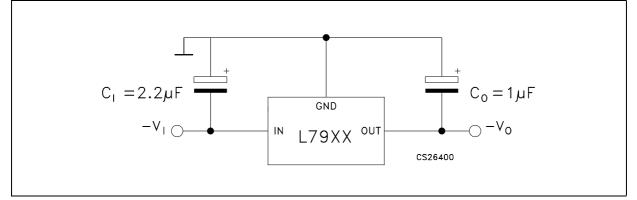
### Table 3.Thermal data

Symbol	nbol Parameter		TO-220	TO-220FP	Unit
R <sub>thJC</sub>	Thermal resistance junction-case	3	5	5	°C/W
R <sub>thJA</sub>	Thermal resistance junction-ambient	62.5	50	60	°C/W



## 4 Test circuit







### 5 Electrical characteristics

Refer to the test circuits, T<sub>J</sub> = 0 to 125 °C, V<sub>I</sub> = -10 V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500 mA, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2  $\mu$ F, C<sub>O</sub> = 1  $\mu$ F unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>O</sub>	Output voltage	$T_{\rm J} = 25^{\circ} \rm C$	-4.8	-5	-5.2	V
Vo	Output voltage $ \begin{array}{l} I_O = \text{-5 mA to -1 A, P}_O \leq 15 \text{ W} \\ V_I = \text{-8 to -20 V} \end{array} $		-4.75	-5	-5.25	V
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Line regulation	$V_{I} = -7 \text{ to } -25 \text{ V},  \text{T}_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			100	mV
Δνο. ,	Line regulation	$V_{I} = -8 \text{ to } -12 \text{ V}, \text{ T}_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			50	IIIV
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	AV (1) Lood regulation	$I_0 = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}, T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			100	mV
ΔνΟ. ,	Load regulation	$I_{O} = 250$ to 750 mA, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			50	IIIV
I <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current	$T_{\rm J} = 25^{\circ} \rm C$			3	mA
AL .	Quiescent current change	$I_0 = 5 \text{ mA to 1 A}$			0.5	mA
∆l <sub>d</sub>	Quescent current change	V <sub>I</sub> = -8 to -25 V			1.3	III/A
$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I <sub>O</sub> = 5 mA		-0.4		mV/°C
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10Hz to 100kHz, $T_J = 25^{\circ}C$		100		μV
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	ΔV <sub>I</sub> = 10 V, f = 120Hz	54	60		dB
V <sub>d</sub>	Dropout voltage	$I_{O} = 1 \text{ A}, T_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, \Delta V_{O} = 100 \text{ mV}$		1.4		V
I <sub>sc</sub>	Short circuit current			2.1		А

Table 4.Electrical characteristics of L7905C

 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 cycle is used.



Refer to the test circuits, T<sub>J</sub> = 0 to 125 °C, V<sub>I</sub> = -14 V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500 mA, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2  $\mu$ F, C<sub>O</sub> = 1  $\mu$ F unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>O</sub>	Output voltage	$T_{\rm J} = 25^{\circ}{\rm C}$	-7.7	-8	-8.3	V
Vo	Output voltage	$I_O$ = -5 mA to -1 A, $P_O$ $\leq$ 15 W $V_I$ = -11.5 to -23 V	-7.6	-8	-8.4	V
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Line regulation	$V_{\rm I}$ = -10.5 to -25 V, $T_{\rm J}$ = 25°C			160	mV
Δνο. ,		$V_{I} = -11$ to -17 V, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			80	IIIV
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Lood regulation	$I_0 = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}, T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			160	m\/
Δνο. ,	Load regulation	$I_0 = 250 \text{ to } 750 \text{ mA}, T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			80	mV
I <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$			3	mA
41	Quipagent ourrant change	$I_{O} = 5 \text{ mA to 1 A}$			0.5	mA
Δl <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current change	V <sub>I</sub> = -11.5 to -25 V			1	ШA
$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I <sub>O</sub> = 5 mA		-0.6		mV/°C
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10Hz to 100kHz, $T_J = 25^{\circ}C$		175		μV
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	ΔV <sub>I</sub> = 10 V, f = 120Hz	54	60		dB
V <sub>d</sub>	Dropout voltage	$I_{O} = 1 \text{ A}, \text{ T}_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, \Delta V_{O} = 100 \text{ mV}$		1.1		V
I <sub>sc</sub>	Short circuit current			1.5		Α

**Electrical characteristics of L7908C** Table 5.

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 cycle is used.

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Refer to the test circuits, T<sub>J</sub> = 0 to 125 °C, V<sub>I</sub> = -19 V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500 mA, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2  $\mu$ F, C<sub>O</sub> = 1  $\mu$ F unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Vo	Output voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$	-11.5	-12	-12.5	V
Vo	Output voltage	$I_O$ = -5 mA to -1 A, $P_O$ $\leq$ 15 W $V_I$ = -15.5 to -27 V	-11.4	-12	-12.6	V
AV. (1)	ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> Line regulation	$V_{\rm I}$ = -14.5 to -30 V, $T_{\rm J}$ = 25°C			240	mV
Δνο`΄		$V_{I} = -16$ to -22 V, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			120	IIIV
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	AV (1) Logd regulation	$I_{O} = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}, T_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			240	mV
Δνο`΄	Load regulation	$I_{O} = 250$ to 750 mA, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			120	
l <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$			3	mA
41	Quiessent aurrent abange	$I_{O} = 5 \text{ mA to } 1 \text{ A}$			0.5	mA
$\Delta I_d$	Quiescent current change	V <sub>1</sub> = -15 to -30 V			1	ШA
$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I <sub>O</sub> = 5 mA		-0.8		mV/°C
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10Hz to 100kHz, $T_J = 25^{\circ}C$		200		μV
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	ΔV <sub>I</sub> = 10 V, f = 120Hz	54	60		dB
V <sub>d</sub>	Dropout voltage	$I_{O} = 1 \text{ A}, \text{ T}_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, \Delta V_{O} = 100 \text{ mV}$		1.1		V
I <sub>sc</sub>	Short circuit current			1.5		Α

 Table 6.
 Electrical characteristics of L7912C

1. 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 cycle is used.



Refer to the test circuits, T<sub>J</sub> = 0 to 125 °C, V<sub>I</sub> = -23 V, I<sub>O</sub> = 500 mA, C<sub>I</sub> = 2.2  $\mu$ F, C<sub>O</sub> = 1  $\mu$ F unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Test conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
V <sub>O</sub>	Output voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$	-14.4	-15	-15.6	V
Vo	Output voltage $ \begin{array}{ll} I_O = -5 \text{ mA to -1 A}, \ P_O \leq 15 \ W \\ V_I = -18.5 \ to \ -30 \ V \end{array} $		-14.3	-15	-15.7	V
AV (1)	Line regulation	$V_{\rm J} = -17.5 \text{ to } -30 \text{ V}, \text{ T}_{\rm J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			300	mV
ΔνΟ(.,	$\Delta V_{O}^{(1)}$ Line regulation	$V_{I} = -20$ to $-26$ V, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			150	mv
ΔV <sub>O</sub> <sup>(1)</sup>	Lood regulation	$I_{O} = 5 \text{ mA to } 1.5 \text{ A}, T_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			300	m\/
Δνο, ,	Load regulation	$I_{O} = 250$ to 750 mA, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$			150	- mV
۱ <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$			3	mA
41	Quiessent aurrent abange	$I_{O} = 5 \text{ mA to } 1 \text{ A}$			0.5	m 4
Δl <sub>d</sub>	Quiescent current change	V <sub>I</sub> = -18.5 to -30 V			1	mA
$\Delta V_O / \Delta T$	Output voltage drift	I <sub>O</sub> = 5 mA		-0.9		mV/°C
eN	Output noise voltage	B = 10Hz to 100kHz, $T_{J} = 25^{\circ}C$		250		μV
SVR	Supply voltage rejection	$\Delta V_{I} = 10 \text{ V}, \text{ f} = 120 \text{Hz}$	54	60		dB
V <sub>d</sub>	Dropout voltage	$I_{O} = 1 \text{ A}, T_{J} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, \Delta V_{O} = 100 \text{ mV}$		1.1		V
I <sub>sc</sub>	Short circuit current			1.3		А

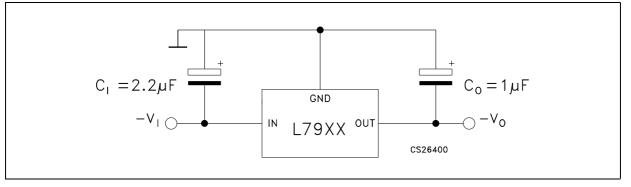
Table 7. Electrical characteristics of L7915C

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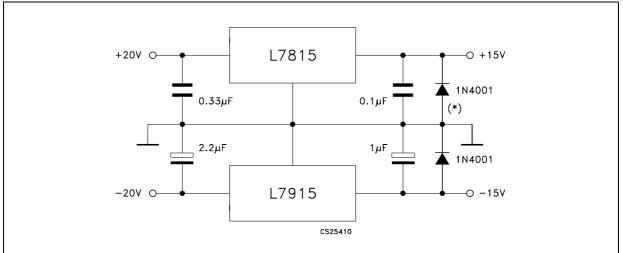
### 6 Application information

#### Figure 4. Fixed output regulator



- 1. To specify an output voltage, substitute voltage value for "XX".
- 2. Required for stability. For value given, capacitor must be solid tantalum. If aluminium electrolytic are used, at least ten times value should be selected. C1 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.

### Figure 5. Split power supply (± 15 V - 1 A)



(\*) Against potential latch-up problems.



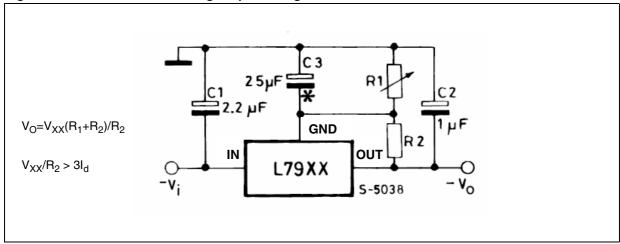
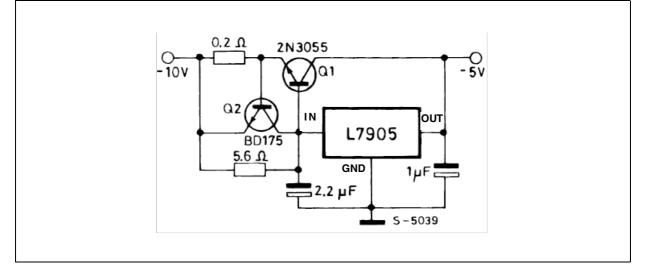


Figure 6. Circuit for increasing output voltage



#### Figure 7. High current negative regulator (- 5 V / 4 A with 5 A current limiting)





## 7 Package mechanical data

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of ECOPACK<sup>®</sup> packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK<sup>®</sup> specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: *www.st.com*. ECOPACK<sup>®</sup> is an ST trademark.

	Туре	STD - ST Dual (	Gauge	Туре S	STD - ST Single	Gauge
Dim.		mm.				
	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Min.	Тур.	Max.
А	4.40		4.60	4.40		4.60
b	0.61		0.88	0.61		0.88
b1	1.14		1.70	1.14		1.70
С	0.48		0.70	0.48		0.70
D	15.25		15.75	15.25		15.75
D1		1.27				
Е	10.00		10.40	10.00		10.40
е	2.40		2.70	2.40		2.70
e1	4.95		5.15	4.95		5.15
F	1.23		1.32	0.51		0.60
H1	6.20		6.60	6.20		6.60
J1	2.40		2.72	2.40		2.72
L	13.00		14.00	13.00		14.00
L1	3.50		3.93	3.50		3.93
L20		16.40			16.40	
L30		28.90			28.90	
ØP	3.75		3.85	3.75		3.85
Q	2.65		2.95	2.65		2.95

### Table 8.TO-220 mechanical data

Note: In spite of some difference in tolerances, the packages are compatible.



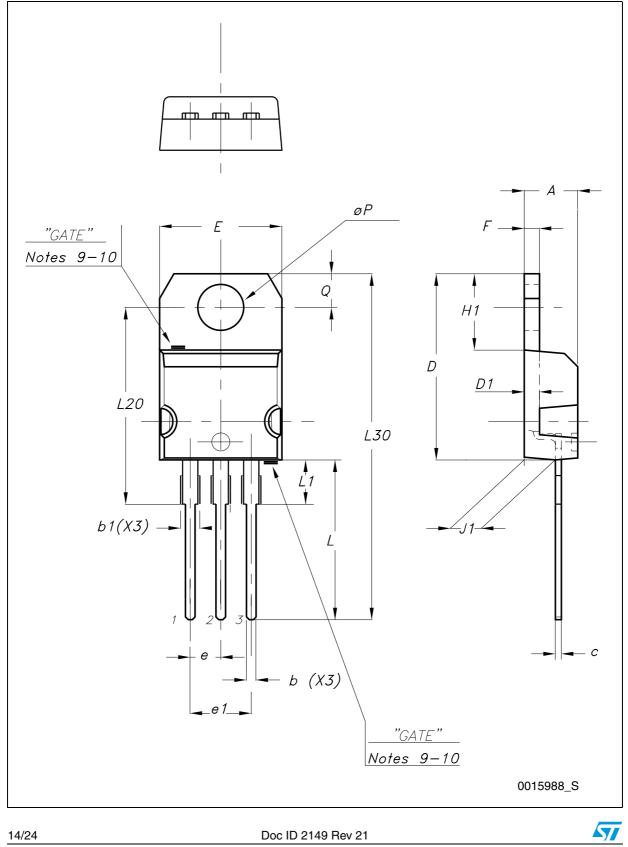


Figure 8. Drawing dimension TO-220 (type STD-ST Dual Gauge)

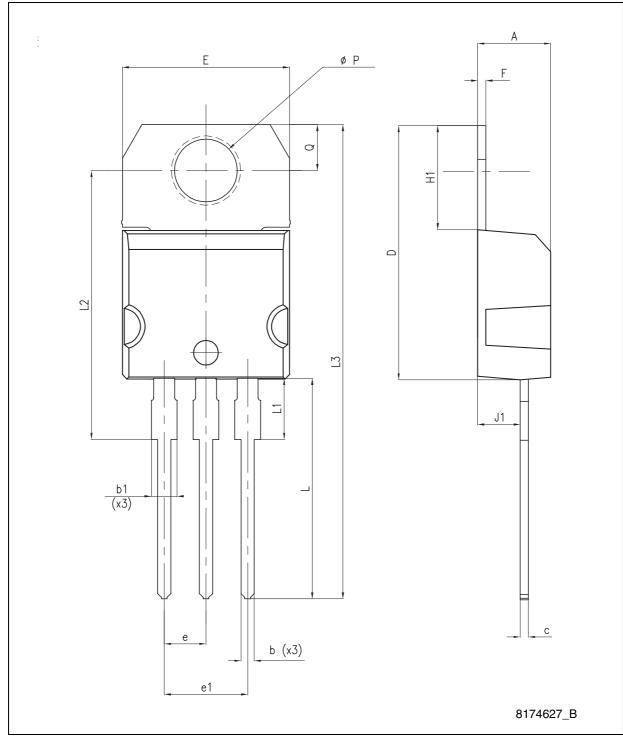


Figure 9. Drawing dimension TO-220 (type STD-ST Single Gauge)



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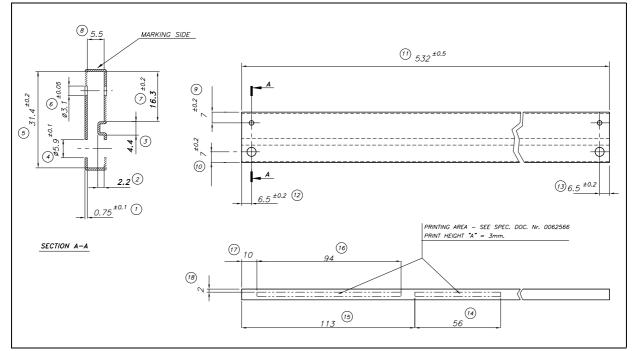
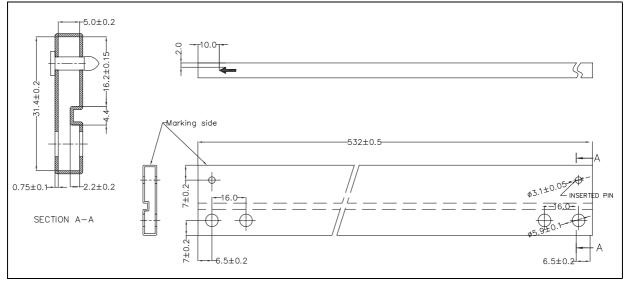


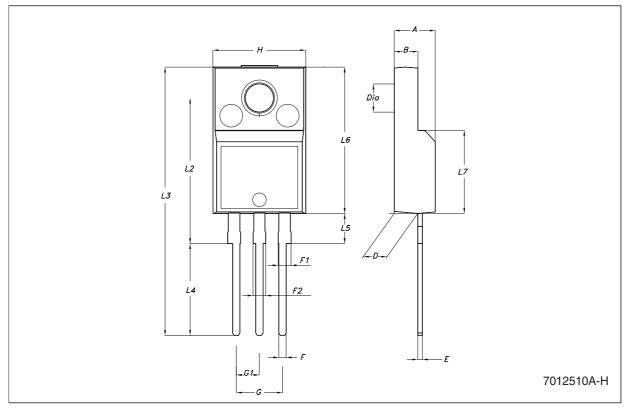
Figure 10. Drawing dimension tube for TO-220 Dual Gauge (mm)

### Figure 11. Drawing dimension tube for TO-220 Single Gauge (mm)





	TO-220FP mechanical data									
Dim		mm.			inch.					
Dim.	Min.	Тур	Max.	Min.	Тур.	Max.				
А	4.40		4.60	0.173		0.181				
В	2.5		2.7	0.098		0.106				
D	2.5		2.75	0.098		0.108				
Е	0.45		0.70	0.017		0.027				
F	0.75		1	0.030		0.039				
F1	1.15		1.50	0.045		0.059				
F2	1.15		1.50	0.045		0.059				
G	4.95		5.2	0.194		0.204				
G1	2.4		2.7	0.094		0.106				
Н	10.0		10.40	0.393		0.409				
L2		16			0.630					
L3	28.6		30.6	1.126		1.204				
L4	9.8		10.6	0.385		0.417				
L5	2.9		3.6	0.114		0.142				
L6	15.9		16.4	0.626		0.645				
L7	9		9.3	0.354		0.366				
DIA.	3		3.2	0.118		0.126				



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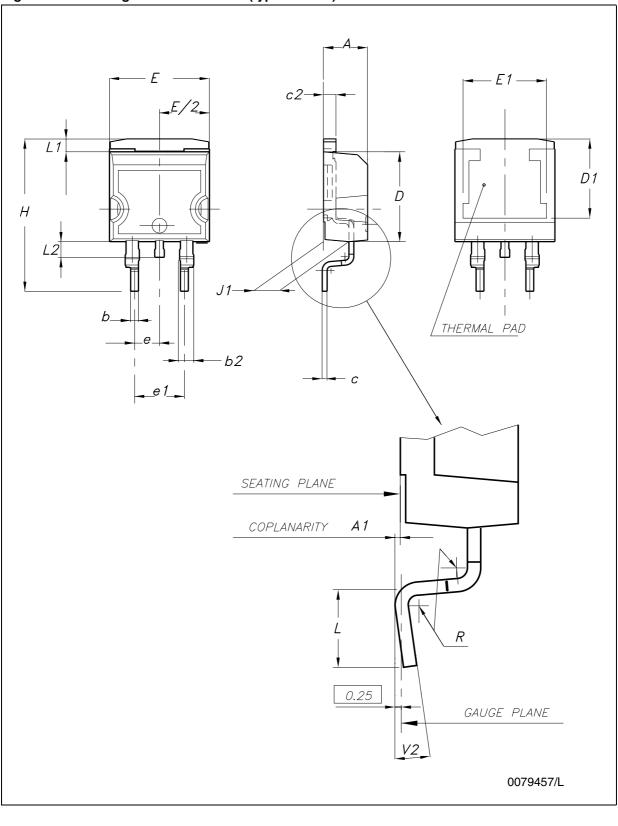


Figure 12. Drawing dimension D<sup>2</sup>PAK (type STD-ST)

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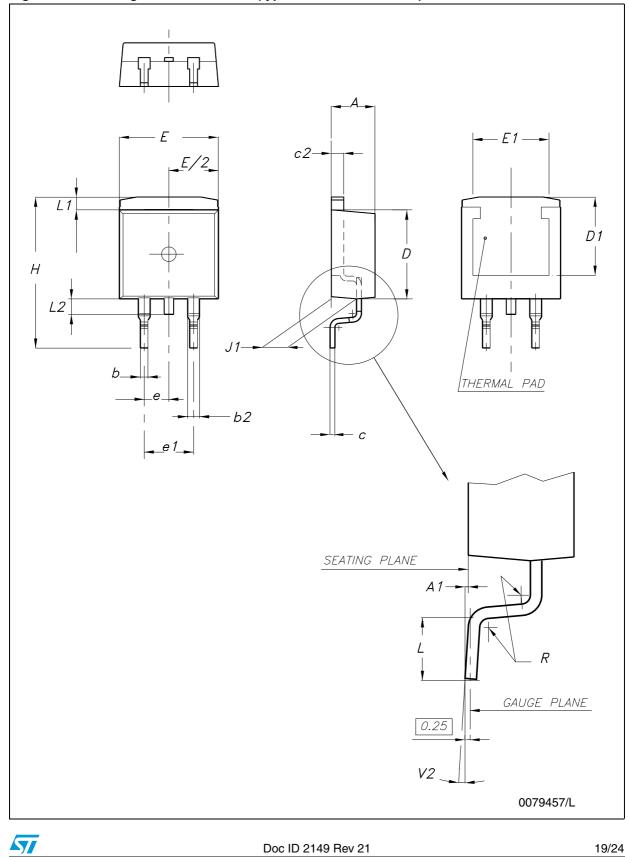


Figure 13. Drawing dimension D<sup>2</sup>PAK (type WOOSEOK-subcon.)

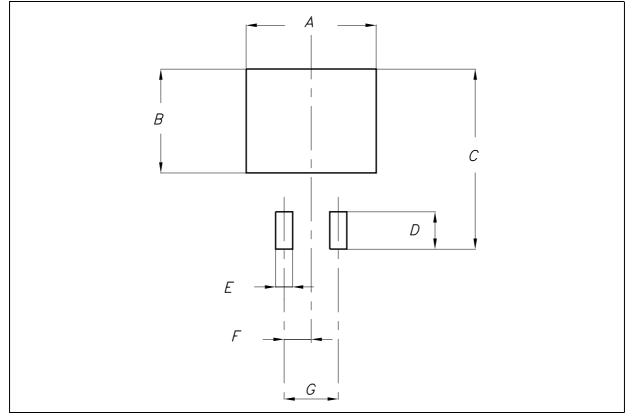
		Type STD-ST mm.			Type WOOSEOK-subcon. mm.			
Dim.								
	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Min.	Тур.	Max.		
А	4.40		4.60	4.30		4.70		
A1	0.03		0.23	0		0.20		
b	0.70		0.93	0.70		0.90		
b2	1.14		1.70	1.17		1.37		
с	0.45		0.60	0.45	0.50	0.60		
c2	1.23		1.36	1.25	1.30	1.40		
D	8.95		9.35	9	9.20	9.40		
D1	7.50			7.50				
E	10		10.40	9.80		10.20		
E1	8.50			7.50				
е		2.54			2.54			
e1	4.88		5.28		5.08			
Н	15		15.85	15	15.30	15.60		
J1	2.49		2.69	2.20		2.60		
L	2.29		2.79	1.79		2.79		
L1	1.27		1.40	1		1.40		
L2	1.30		1.75	1.20		1.60		
R		0.4			0.30			
V2	0°		8°	0°		3°		

Table 9.D²PAK mechanical data

*Note:* The D<sup>2</sup>PAK package coming from the subcontractor WOOSEOK is fully compatible with the ST's package suggested footprint.







### Figure 14. D<sup>2</sup>PAK footprint recommended data

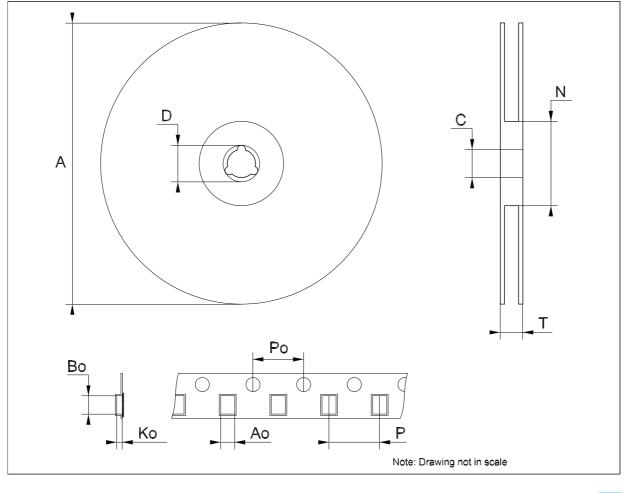
### Table 10.Footprint data

Values					
Dim.	mm.	inch.			
А	12.20	0.480			
В	9.75	0.384			
С	16.90	0.665			
D	3.50	0.138			
E	1.60	0.063			
F	2.54	0.100			
G	5.08	0.200			



## Tape & reel D<sup>2</sup>PAK-P<sup>2</sup>PAK-D<sup>2</sup>PAK/A-P<sup>2</sup>PAK/A mechanical data

Dim.		mm.			inch.		
	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Min.	Тур.	Max.	
А			180			7.086	
С	12.8	13.0	13.2	0.504	0.512	0.519	
D	20.2			0.795			
Ν	60			2.362			
Т			14.4			0.567	
Ao	10.50	10.6	10.70	0.413	0.417	0.421	
Во	15.70	15.80	15.90	0.618	0.622	0.626	
Ko	4.80	4.90	5.00	0.189	0.193	0.197	
Po	3.9	4.0	4.1	0.153	0.157	0.161	
Р	11.9	12.0	12.1	0.468	0.472	0.476	



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# 8 Revision history

Table 11.	Document revision history
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Date	Revision	Changes
22-Jun-2004	9	Order codes updated Table 3.
31-Aug-2005	10	Add new order codes (TO-220 E Type) on Table 3.
19-Jan-2007	11	D <sup>2</sup> PAK mechanical data updated and add footprint data.
06-Jun-2007	12	Order codes updated.
25-Oct-2007	13	Modified: Figure 3, Figure 4, Figure 6 and Figure 7.
05-Dec-2007	14	Modified: Table 1.
18-Feb-2008	15	Modified: Table 1 on page 1.
15-Jul-2008	16	Modified: Table 1 on page 1.
19-Jan-2010	17	Modified: <i>Table 8 on page 13</i> , added: <i>Figure 8 on page 14</i> , <i>Figure 9 on page 15</i> , <i>Figure 10</i> and <i>Figure 11 on page 16</i> .
26-May-2010	18	Modified: V <sub>I</sub> parameter <i>Table 2 on page 5</i> .
12-Nov-2010	19	Modified: R <sub>thJC</sub> value for TO-220 <i>Table 3 on page 5</i> .
18-Nov-2011	20	Added: order codes L7905CV-DG, L7912CV-DG and L7915CV-DG Table 1 on page 1.
15-May-2012	21	Added: order codes L7908CV-DG Table 1 on page 1.



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