

# Simple 3 Amp Step-Down Fixed Voltage Regulators

**PRELIMINARY**

## FEATURES

- 5V, 12V and 15V Output,  $\pm 3\%$  Max Over Line and Load Conditions
- Guaranteed 3A Output Current
- Wide Input Voltage Range, from  $V_{OUT} + 2V$  to 40V (60V for HV)
- Requires Only 4 External Components
- 52 kHz Fixed Frequency Internal Oscillator
- Low Power Standby Mode,  $I_Q$  Typically  $< 200 \mu A$
- Efficiency Typically Over 80%
- Uses Readily Available Standard Inductors
- Thermal Shutdown and Current Limit Protection
- 100% Electrical Thermal Limit Burn-in
- Replacement for LM2576 Series

## DESCRIPTION

The UC1576/UC2576 family of devices provides all the active functions necessary to implement a simple step-down (buck) switching regulator. Utilizing a minimum number of external components, these regulators offer a simple, high efficiency replacement for popular three-terminal adjustable linear regulators, greatly reducing, and in many cases eliminating, the need for a heat sink.

The UC1576/UC2576 series features an output voltage of 5V, 12V or 15V (see Table 1) and is capable of driving a 3A load while maintaining excellent line and load regulation. Other features include internal frequency compensation, an on-chip fixed frequency oscillator with a  $\pm 10\%$  tolerance and feedback voltage with  $\pm 3\%$  tolerance within specified input voltages and output load conditions. External shutdown with a standby current of  $200 \mu A$  is provided. The output switch includes cycle-by-cycle current limiting and thermal shutdown for full protection under fault conditions.

A standard series of inductors and capacitors are available from several manufacturers optimized for use with the UC1576/UC2576 series. This feature greatly simplifies the design of switched mode power supplies.

## APPLICATIONS

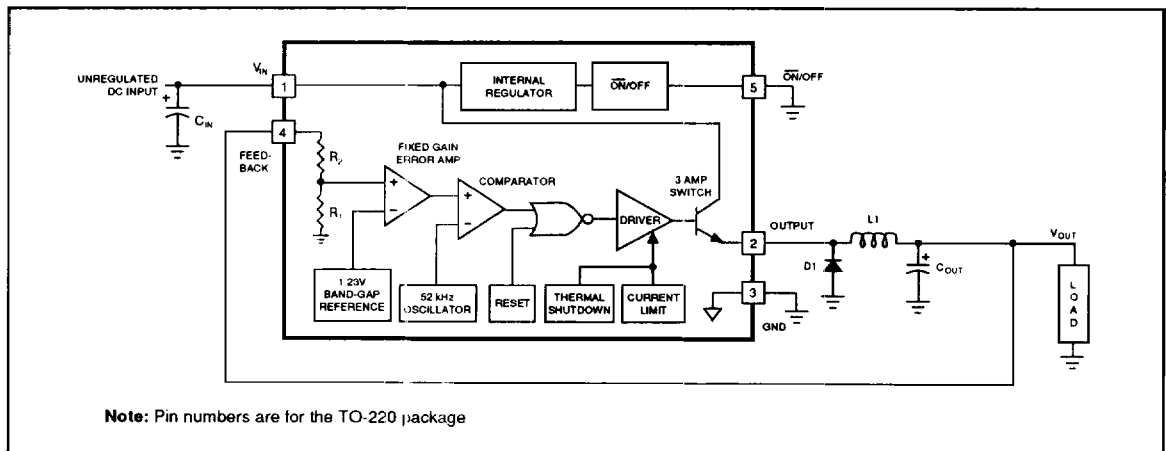
- Simple High-Efficiency Step-Down (buck) Regulator
- Efficient Pre-Regulator for Linear Regulators
- On-Card Switching Regulators
- Positive to Negative Converter (Inverting, Buck-Boost)
- Isolated Flyback Converter using Minimum Number of External Components
- Negative Boost Converter

## CONNECTION DIAGRAM

### 5-PIN TO-220 (TOP VIEW) T-PACKAGE



## BLOCK DIAGRAM



**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** (Note 1)

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the UICC Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

Maximum Supply Voltage  
 UC1576/UC2576 .....45V  
 UC2576HV .....63V  
 ON/OFF Pin Input Voltage ..... $-0.3 \leq V \leq +40V$   
 Output Voltage to Ground (Steady State) .....-1V  
 Power Dissipation .....Internally Limited  
 Storage Temperature Range .....-65°C to +150°C  
 Minimum ESD Rating  
 (C = 100 pF, R = 1.5 kΩ) .....2 kV  
 FB Pin (Pin 4) .....1 kV  
 Lead Temperature  
 (Soldering, 10 sec.) .....260°C

**OPERATING RATINGS**

Maximum Junction Temperature .....150°C  
 Temperature Range  
 UC1576 ..... $-55^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +150^\circ C$   
 UC2576/UC2576HV ..... $-40^\circ C \leq T_J \leq +125^\circ C$   
 Supply Voltage  
 UC1576/UC2576 .....40V  
 UC2576HV .....60V

**TEST CIRCUIT AND LAYOUT GUIDELINES** (Figure 1)

C<sub>IN</sub> .....100 μF, 75V Aluminum Electrolytic  
 C<sub>OUT</sub> .....1000 μF, 15V Aluminum Electrolytic  
 D1 .....Schottky, MBR360  
 L1 .....100 μH (PE-92108) for UC2576-5  
       220 μH (PE-53116) for UC2576-12, and UC2576-15  
 5-Pin TO-220 Socket .....2936 (Loranger Mfg. Co.)  
 4-Pin TO-3 Socket .....8112-AG7 (Augat Inc.)

Order Number For:		Output Voltage	Temperature Range
Standard Voltage Rating (40V)	High Voltage Rating (60V)		
UC2576T-5.0	UC2576HVT-5.0	5.0	-40°C ≤ T <sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C
UC2576T-12	UC2576HVT-12	12.0	
UC2576T-15	UC2576HVT-15	15.0	
UC1576K-5.0		5.0	-55°C ≤ T <sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C
UC1576K-12		12.0	
UC1576K-15		15.0	

TABLE 1

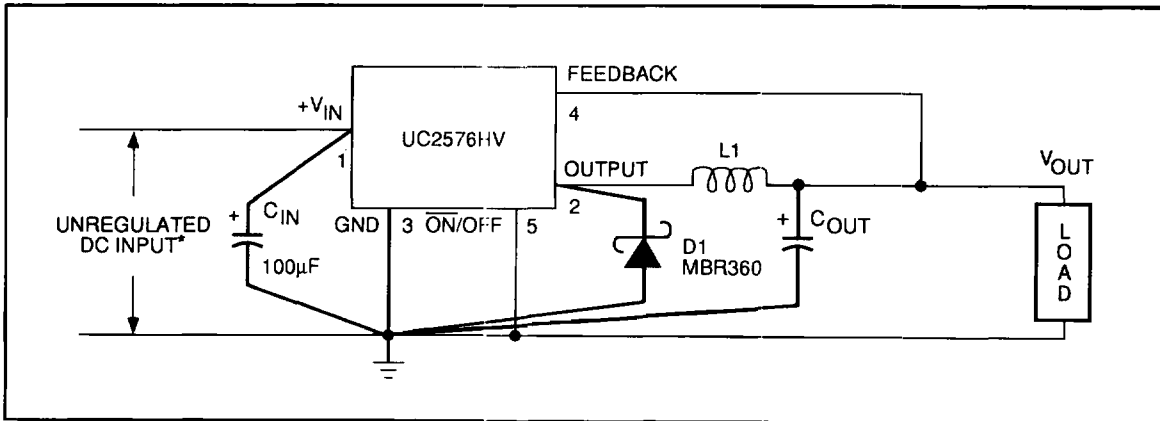


FIGURE 1

Note: Pin numbers are for the TO-220 package

\* 7-40V (60HV) for-5, 15-35V (60HV) for-12, 17-40V (60HV) for-15

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.

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS:** (Unless otherwise stated, these specifications apply for  $T_A = -55^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  for UC1576-5 and  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+125^\circ\text{C}$  for the UC2576-5/UC2576HV-5,  $T_A = T_J$ ). Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$  and  $I_{LOAD} = 500\text{mA}$ .

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	UC1576-5			UC2576-5 UC2576HV-5			UNITS
		MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 2) Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	4.950	5.0	5.050	4.900	5.0	5.100	V
Output Voltage UC1576/UC2576	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $8\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	4.800 4.850	5.0	5.200 5.150	4.750 4.800	5.0	5.250 5.200	V
Output Voltage UC2576HV	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $8\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$				4.750 4.800	5.0	5.275 5.225	V
Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 3\text{A}$ , $V_{OUT} = 5\text{V}$		77			77		%
<b>DEVICE PARAMETERS</b>								
Oscillator Frequency	(Note 9) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	43 47	52	62 58	42 47	52	63 58	KHz
Saturation Voltage	$I_{OUT} = 3\text{A}$ (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ$		1.4	2.0 1.8		1.4	2.0 1.8	V
Max Duty Cycle (ON)	(Note 4) $T_J = 25^\circ$	93	98		93	98		%
Current Limit	Peak Current (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	A
Output Leakage Current	$V_{IN} = 40\text{V}$ , ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ), Output = 0V $V_{IN} = 60\text{V}$ for HV Output = -1V (Note 5) Output = -1V		7.5	2 30		7.5	2 30	mA
Quiescent Current	(Note 5) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		5	12 10		5	12 10	mA
Standby Quiescent Current	ON/OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		50	500 200		50	500 200	$\mu\text{A}$
Thermal Resistance	K Package, Junction to Ambient K Package, Junction to Case T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 7) T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8) T Package, Junction to Case		35 1.5			65 45 2		$^\circ\text{C/W}$
<b>ON/OFF CONTROL</b> Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
ON/OFF Pin Logic Input Level	$V_{OUT} = 0\text{V}$ $V_{OUT} = 5\text{V}$ $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	24 2.2	1.5 1.4	0.8	2.4 2.2	1.5 1.4	0.8 1.0	V
ON/OFF Pin Input Current	ON/OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ) ON/OFF Pin = 0V (ON) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )		12 0	30 10		12 0	30 10	$\mu\text{A}$

**UC1576-12**  
**UC2576-12**  
**UC2576HV-12**

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS:** (Unless otherwise stated, these specifications apply for  $T_A = -55^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  for UC1576-12 and  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+125^\circ\text{C}$  for the UC2576-12/UC2576HV-12,  $T_A = T_J$ ). Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 25\text{V}$  and  $I_{LOAD} = 500\text{mA}$ .

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	UC1576-12			UC2576-12 UC2576HV-12			UNITS
		MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 2) Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 25\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	11.88	12.0	12.12	11.76	12.0	12.24	V
Output Voltage UC1576/UC2576	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $15\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	11.52 11.64	12.0	12.48 12.36	11.40 11.52	12.0	12.60 12.48	V
Output Voltage UC2576HV	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $15\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$				11.40 11.52	12.0	12.65 12.52	V
Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 15\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 3\text{A}$ , $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}$		88			88		%
<b>DEVICE PARAMETERS</b>								
Oscillator Frequency	(Note 9) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	43 47	52	62 58	42 47	52	63 58	KHz
Saturation Voltage	$I_{OUT} = 3\text{A}$ (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ$		1.4	2.0 1.8		1.4	2.0 1.8	V
Max Duty Cycle (ON)	(Note 4) $T_J = 25^\circ$	93	98		93	98		%
Current Limit	Peak Current (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	A
Output Leakage Current	$V_{IN} = 40\text{V}$ , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , Output = 0V $V_{IN} = 60\text{V}$ for HV, Output = -1V (Note 6) Output = -1V		7.5	2 30		7.5	2 30	A
Quiescent Current	(Note 6) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		5	12 10		5	12 10	mA
Standby Quiescent Current	$\overline{\text{ON}}/\text{OFF}$ Pin = 5V (OFF) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		50	500 200		50	500 200	$\mu\text{A}$
Thermal Resistance	K Package, Junction to Ambient K Package, Junction to Case T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 7) T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8) T Package, Junction to Case		35 1.5			65 45 2		$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
<b>ON/OFF CONTROL</b> Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
ON/OFF Pin Logic Input Level	$V_{OUT} = 0\text{V}$ $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}$ $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	2.4 2.2	1.5 1.4	0.8 1.0	2.4 2.2	1.5 1.4	0.8 1.0	V
ON/OFF Pin Input Current	$\overline{\text{ON}}/\text{OFF}$ Pin = 5V (OFF) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ) $\overline{\text{ON}}/\text{OFF}$ Pin = 0V (ON) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )		12 0	30 10		12 0	30 10	$\mu\text{A}$



**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS:** (Unless otherwise stated, these specifications apply for  $T_A = -55^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  for UC1576-15 and  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+125^\circ\text{C}$  for the UC2576-15/UC2576HV-15,  $T_A = T_J$ ). Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 30\text{V}$  and  $I_{LOAD} = 500\text{mA}$ .

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	UC1576-15			UC2576-15 UC2576HV-15			UNITS
		MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 2) Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 30\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	14.85	15.0	15.15	14.70	15.0	15.30	V
Output Voltage UC1576/UC2576	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $18\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	14.40	15.0	15.60	14.25	15.0	15.75	V
Output Voltage UC2576HV	$0.5\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 3\text{A}$ , $18\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ Circuit of <i>Figure 1</i> $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$				14.25	15.0	15.83	V
Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 18\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 3\text{A}$ , $V_{OUT} = 15\text{V}$		88			88		%
<b>DEVICE PARAMETERS</b>								
Oscillator Frequency	(Note 9) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	43 47	52	62 58	42 47	52	63 58	KHz
Saturation Voltage	$I_{OUT} = 3\text{A}$ (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		1.4	2.0 1.8		1.4	2.0 1.8	V
Max Duty Cycle (ON)	(Note 4) $T_J = 25^\circ$	93	98		93	98		%
Current Limit	Peak Current (Note 3) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	3.5 4.2	5.8	7.5 6.9	A
Output Leakage Current	$V_{IN} = 40\text{V}$ , $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , Output = 0V $V_{IN} = 60\text{V}$ for HV Output = -1V (Note 6) Output = -1V		7.5	2 30		7.5	2 30	mA
Quiescent Current	(Note 6) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		5	12 10		5	12 10	mA
Standby Quiescent Current	ON/OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		50	500 200		50	500 200	$\mu\text{A}$
Thermal Resistance	K Package, Junction to Ambient K Package, Junction to Case T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 7) T Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8) T Package, Junction to Case		35 1.5			65 45 2		$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
<b>ON/OFF CONTROL</b> Test Circuit <i>Figure 1</i>								
ON/OFF Pin Logic Input Level	$V_{OUT} = 0\text{V}$ $V_{OUT} = 12\text{V}$ $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$	2.4	1.5		2.4	1.5		V
			1.4	0.8		1.4	0.8	
ON/OFF Pin Input Current	ON/OFF Pin = 5V (OFF) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ) ON/OFF Pin = 0V (ON) ( $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )			1.0			1.0	$\mu\text{A}$
			12	30		12	30	

**Note 1:** Absolute Maximum Ratings 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:** External components such as the catch diode, inductor, input and output capacitors can affect switching regulator system performance. When the UC1576/UC2576 is used as shown in the Figure 1 test circuit, system performance will be as shown in system parameters section of Electrical Characteristics

**Note 3:** Output (pin 2) sourcing current. No diode, inductor or capacitor connected to output.

**Note 4:** Feedback (pin 4) removed from output and connected to 0V.

**Note 5:** Feedback (pin 4) removed from output and connected to 12V to force the output transistor OFF.

**Note 6:** Feedback (pin 4) removed from output and connected to 25V 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 inch leads in a socket, or on a PC board with minimum copper area.

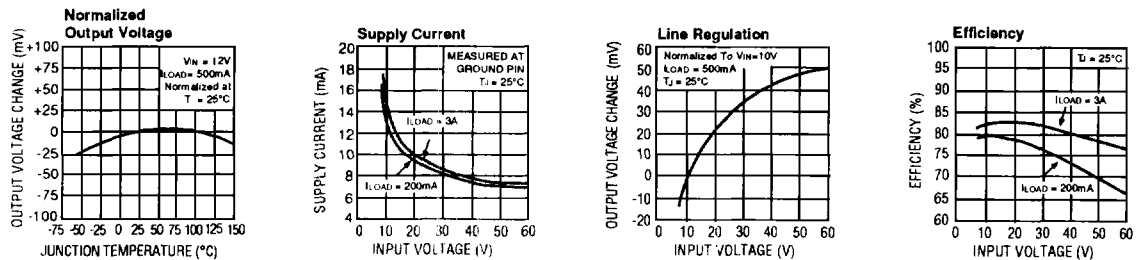
**Note 8:** Junction to ambient thermal resistance (no external heat sink) for the 5 lead TO-220 package mounted vertically, with 1/4 inch leads soldered to a PC board containing approximately 4 square inches of copper area surrounding the leads.

**Note 9:** The oscillator frequency reduces to approximately 18 kHz in the event of an output short or an overload which pulls the output lower than 3V for UC2576-5.0, or lower than 7.2V for UC2576-12 and lower than 9V for UC2576-15. This self protection features lowers the average power dissipation of the IC by lowering the minimum duty cycle from 5% down to approximately 2%.

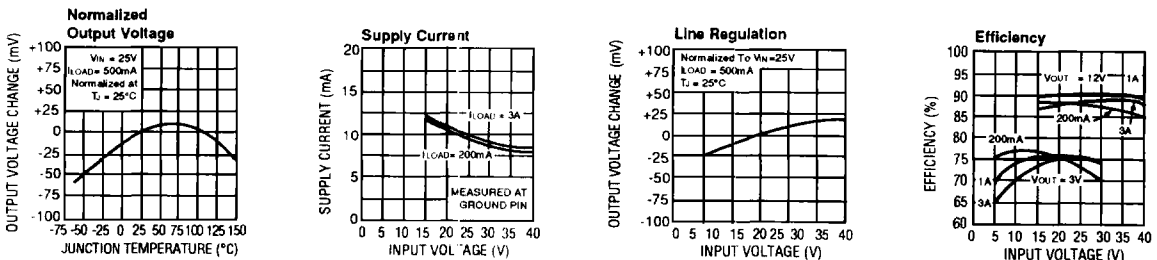
**Note 10:** Refer to RETS UC1576K For current revision of military RETS/SMD.

## Typical Performance Characteristics (Circuit of Figure 1)

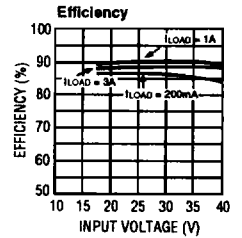
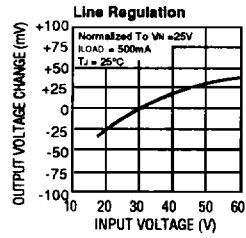
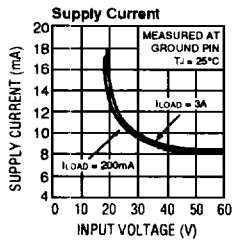
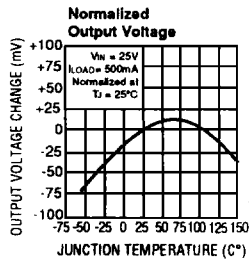
### UC1576-5.0/UC2576-5.0



### UC1576-12/UC2576-12



UC1576-15/UC2576-15



Other Characteristics:

