



VRE117/118/119

Precision Reference Supplies



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FEATURES

- **VERY HIGH ACCURACY:** 3.000 V OUTPUT $\pm 200 \mu\text{V}$
- **EXTREMELY LOW DRIFT:** 0.6 ppm/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
- **LOW WARM-UP DRIFT:** 1 ppm Typ.
- **EXCELLENT STABILITY:** 6 ppm/1000 Hrs. Typ.
- **EXCELLENT LINE REGULATION:** 3 ppm/V Typ.
- **HERMETIC 14-PIN CERAMIC DIP**
- **MILITARY PROCESSING OPTION**

APPLICATIONS

- **PRECISION A/D and D/A CONVERTERS**
- **TRANSDUCER EXCITATION**
- **ACCURATE COMPARATOR THRESHOLD REFERENCE**
- **HIGH RESOLUTION SERVO SYSTEMS**
- **DIGITAL VOLTMETERS**
- **HIGH PRECISION TEST and MEASUREMENT INSTRUMENTS**

DESCRIPTION

VRE117 Series Precision Voltage References provide ultrastable +3.000V (VRE117), -3.000V (VRE118) and $\pm 3.000\text{V}$ (VRE119) outputs with $\pm 0.200 \text{ mV}$ initial accuracy and temperature coefficient as low as 0.6 ppm/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ over the full military temperature range. This improvement in accuracy is made possible by a unique, proprietary multipoint laser compensation technique developed by Thaler Corporation. Significant improvements have been made in other performance parameters as well, including initial accuracy, warm-up drift, line regulation, and long-term stability, making the VRE117 series the most accurate and stable 3.0V reference available.

VRE117/118/119 devices are available in two operating temperature ranges, -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and -55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, and two performance grades. All devices are packaged in 14-pin hermetic ceramic packages for maximum long-term stability. "M" versions are screened for high reliability and quality.

Superior stability, accuracy, and quality make these references ideal for precision applications such as A/D and D/A converters, high-accuracy test and measurement instrumentation, and transducer excitation.

SELECTION GUIDE

| Type | Output | Temperature Operating Range | Max. Volt Deviation |
|----------|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| VRE117C | +3.0V | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 200 μV |
| VRE117CA | +3.0V | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 100 μV |
| VRE117M | +3.0V | -55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 400 μV |
| VRE117MA | +3.0V | -55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 200 μV |
| VRE118C | -3.0V | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 200 μV |
| VRE118CA | -3.0V | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 100 μV |
| VRE118M | -3.0V | -55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 400 μV |
| VRE118MA | -3.0V | -55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +125 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 200 μV |
| VRE119C | $\pm 3.0\text{V}$ | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 200 μV |
| VRE119CA | $\pm 3.0\text{V}$ | -25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ | 100 μV |
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ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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Vps = ±15V, T = 25°C, RL = 10kΩ unless otherwise noted.

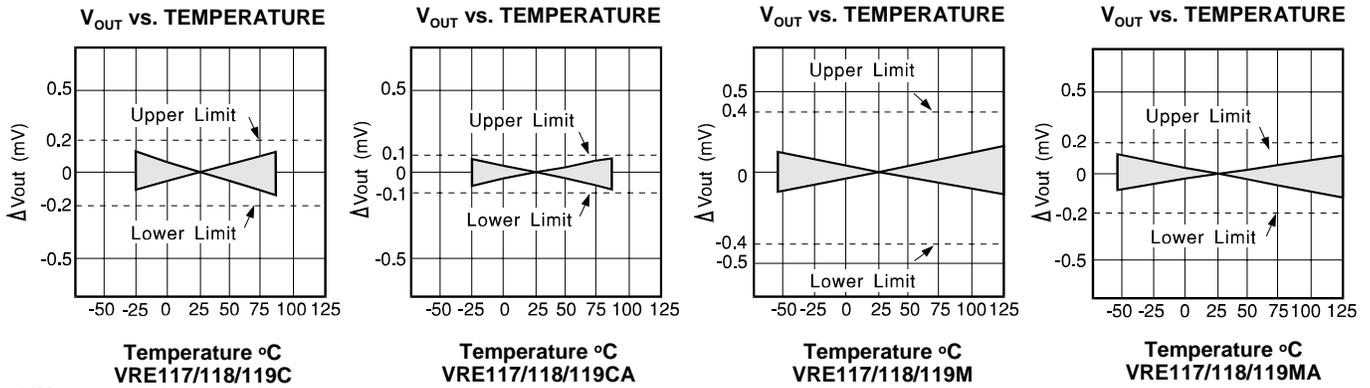
| MODEL | C | | | CA | | | M | | | MA | | | |
|---|------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| PARAMETERS | MIN | TYP | MAX | MIN | TYP | MAX | MIN | TYP | MAX | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Power Supply | ±13.5 | | ±22 | * | | * | * | | * | * | | * | V |
| Operating Temperature | -25 | | 85 | * | | * | -55 | | 125 | -55 | | 125 | °C |
| Storage Temperature | -65 | | 150 | * | | * | * | | * | * | | * | °C |
| Short Circuit Protection | Continuous | | | | * | | | * | | | * | | |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VRE117 | | +3.0 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | V |
| VRE118 | | -3.0 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | V |
| VRE119 | | ±3.0 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | V |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE ERRORS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Initial Error | | | 300 | | | 200 | | | 300 | | | 200 | μV |
| Warmup Drift | | 2 | | | 1 | | | 2 | | | 1 | | ppm |
| Tmin - Tmax ⁽¹⁾ | | | 200 | | | 100 | | | 400 | | | 200 | μV |
| Long-Term Stability | | 6 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | ppm/1000hr. |
| Noise (.1-10Hz) | | 1.5 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | μVpp |
| OUTPUT CURRENT | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Range | ±10 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | | mA |
| REGULATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Line | | 3 | 10 | | * | * | | * | * | | * | * | ppm/V |
| Load | | 3 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | ppm/mA |
| OUTPUT ADJUSTMENT | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Range | | 5 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | mV |
| Temperature Coefficient | | 1 | | | * | | | * | | | * | | μV/°C/mV |
| POWER SUPPLY CURRENTS ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| VRE117 +PS/ -PS | | 5 | 7 | | * | * | | * | * | | * | * | mA |
| VRE119 +PS | | 7 | 9 | | * | * | | * | * | | * | * | mA |
| VRE118/119 -PS | | 4 | 6 | | * | * | | * | * | | * | * | mA |

NOTES: *Same as C Models.

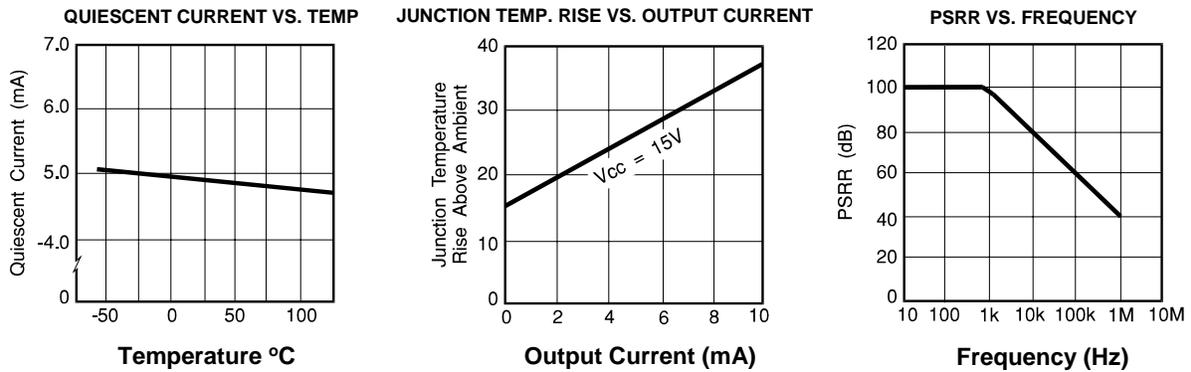
1. Using the box method, the specified value is the maximum deviation from the output voltage at 25°C over the specified operating temperature range.

2. The specified values are unloaded.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES

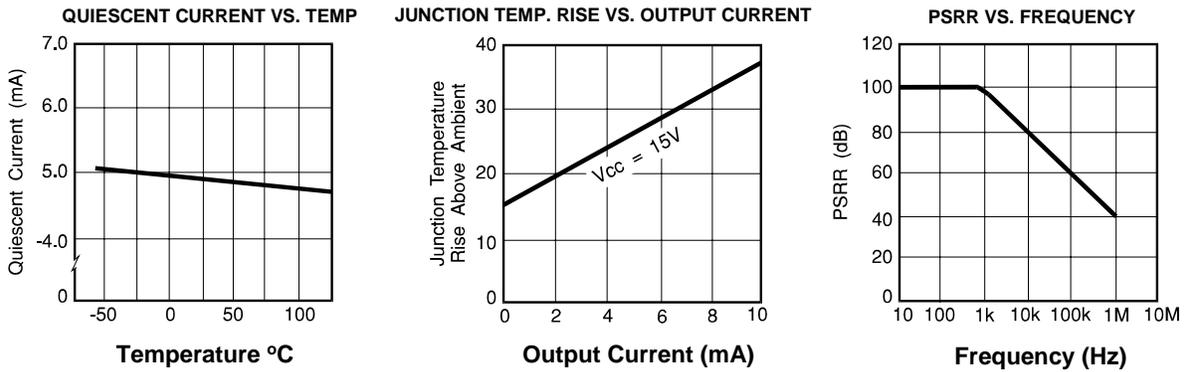


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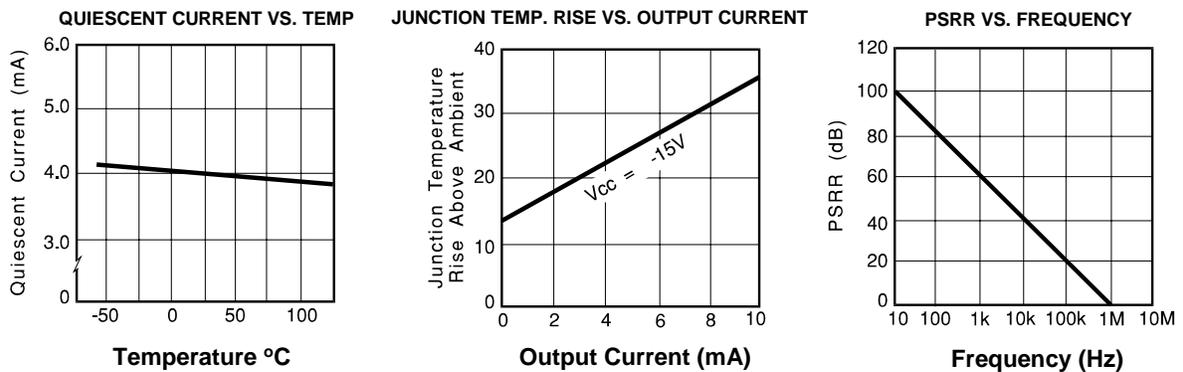


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POSITIVE OUTPUT



NEGATIVE OUTPUT



DISCUSSION OF PERFORMANCE

THEORY OF OPERATION

The following discussion refers to the schematic below. A FET current source is used to bias a 6.3V zener diode. The zener voltage is divided by the resistor network R1 and R2. This voltage is then applied to the noninverting input of the operational amplifier which amplifies the voltage to produce a 3.000V output. The gain is determined by the resistor networks R3 and R4: $G=1 + R4/R3$. The 6.3V zener diode is used because it is the most stable diode over time and temperature.

The current source provides a closely regulated zener current, which determines the slope of the reference's voltage vs. temperature function. By trimming the zener current, a lower drift over temperature can be achieved. But since the voltage vs. temperature function is nonlinear, this method leaves a residual error over wide temperature ranges.

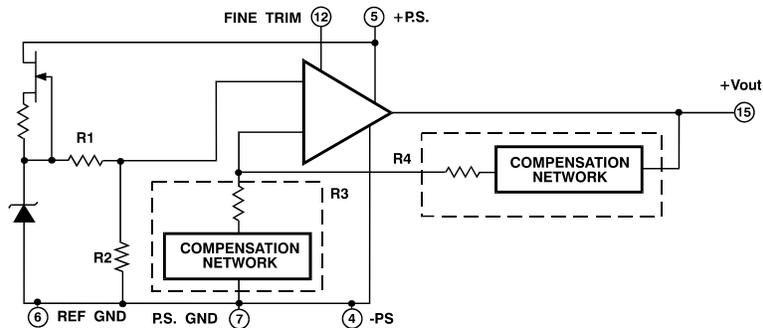
To remove this residual error, Thaler Corporation has developed a nonlinear compensation network of thermistors and resistors that is used in the VRE117 series references. This proprietary network eliminates most of the nonlinearity in the voltage vs. temperature function. By then adjusting the slope, Thaler Corporation produces a very stable voltage over wide temperature ranges. This network is less than 2% of the overall network resistance so it has a negligible effect on long term stability.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

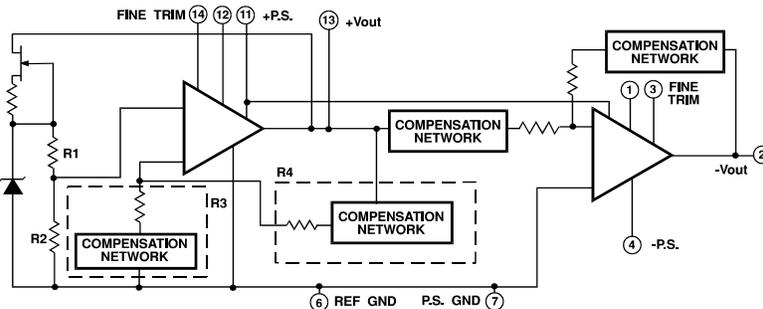
Figure 1 shows the proper connection of the VRE117 series voltage reference with the optional trim resistors. When trimming the VRE119, the positive voltage should be trimmed first since the negative voltage tracks the positive side. Pay careful attention to the circuit layout to avoid noise pickup and voltage drops in the lines.

The VRE117 series voltage references have the ground terminal brought out on two pins (pin 6 and pin 7) which are connected together internally. This allows the user to achieve greater accuracy when using a socket. Voltage references have a voltage drop across their power supply ground pin due to quiescent current flowing through the contact resistance. If the contact resistance was constant with time and temperature, this voltage drop could be trimmed out. When the reference is plugged into a socket, this source of error can be as high as 20ppm. By connecting pin 7 to the power supply ground and pin 6 to a high impedance ground point in the measurement circuit, the error due to the contact resistance can be eliminated. If the unit is soldered into place the contact resistance is sufficiently small that it doesn't effect performance.

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EXTERNAL CONNECTIONS

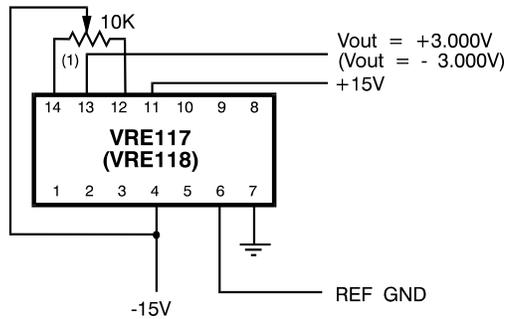
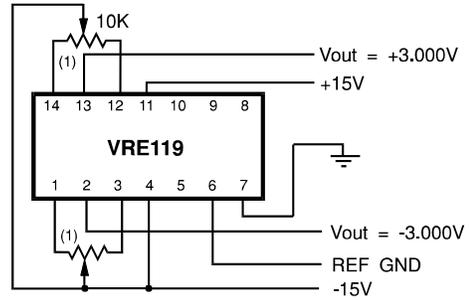
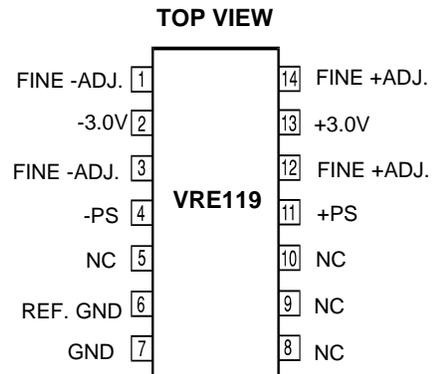
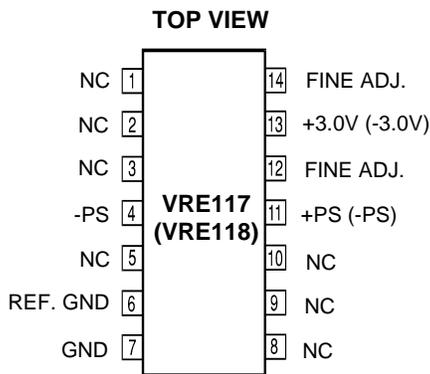


FIGURE 1



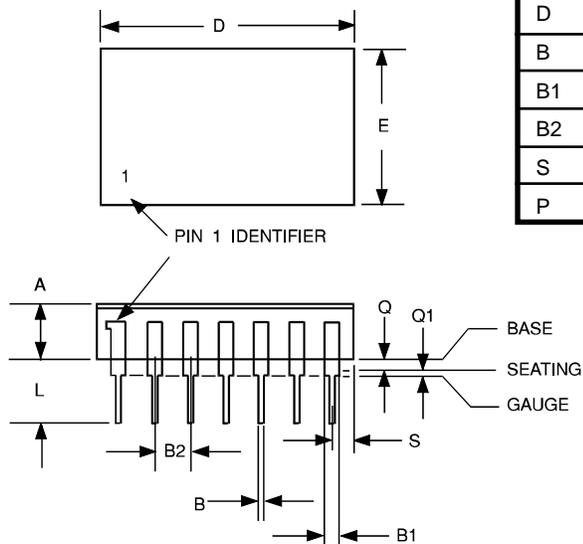
1. Optional Fine Adjust for approximately $\pm 5\text{mV}$. VRE118 trim pot center tap connects to -15V.

PIN CONFIGURATION



MECHANICAL

14-PIN HYBRID PACKAGE



| DIM | INCHES | | MILLIMETER | | DIM | INCHES | | MILLIMETER | |
|-----|--------|------|------------|------|-----|--------|------|------------|-----|
| | MIN | MAX | MIN | MAX | | MIN | MAX | MIN | MAX |
| E | .480 | .500 | 12.1 | 12.7 | A | .120 | .155 | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| L | .195 | .215 | 4.9 | 5.4 | Q | .015 | .035 | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| D | .775 | .805 | 19.7 | 20.4 | Q1 | N/A | .030 | N/A | 0.7 |
| B | .016 | .020 | 0.4 | 0.5 | C | .009 | .012 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| B1 | .038 | .042 | 0.9 | 1.0 | G1 | .290 | .310 | 7.3 | 7.8 |
| B2 | .095 | .105 | 2.4 | 2.6 | | | | | |
| S | .085 | .105 | 2.1 | 2.6 | | | | | |
| P | .004 | .006 | 0.10 | 0.15 | | | | | |

