Evaluating the **ADP1764** and **ADP1765** Low \( V_{\text{Inr}} \) Low Noise, CMOS Linear Regulators

**FEATURES**

- Full featured evaluation boards for **ADP1764** and **ADP1765**
- Input voltage range: 1.10 V to 1.98 V
- Output current range:
  - **ADP1764**: 0 mA to 4 A
  - **ADP1765**: 0 mA to 5 A
- Evaluation available on adjustable or fixed output voltage
- Convenient test points for electrical measurements
- Operating temperature range: −40°C to +125°C

**ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NEEDED**

- Voltage source
- Voltmeter
- Ammeter
- Electronic resistor load

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The **ADP1764-1.0-EVALZ** and **ADP1765-1.0-EVALZ** fixed evaluation boards and the **ADP1764-ADJ-EVALZ** and **ADP1765-ADJ-EVALZ** adjustable evaluation boards demonstrate the functionality of the **ADP1764** and the **ADP1765** series of linear regulators.

Simple device measurements, such as line and load regulation, dropout voltage, and ground current, are demonstrated with only a single voltage supply, a voltmeter, an ammeter, and load resistors.

Figure 1 and Figure 2 show the **ADP1765** evaluation boards; the **ADP1764** fixed and adjustable evaluation boards are identical to the **ADP1765**.

For full details on the **ADP1764** and the **ADP1765** linear regulators, see the **ADP1764** and the **ADP1765** data sheets, which should be consulted in conjunction with this user guide when using these evaluation boards.
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REVISION HISTORY

1/2017—Revision 0: Initial Version
EVALUATION BOARD HARDWARE

EVALUATION BOARD CONFIGURATIONS

The ADP1764 and ADP1765 evaluation boards come supplied with different components, depending on the adjustable or fixed version ordered. Components common to all versions are C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, J1, and R2. Use R1 for the ADP1764-ADJ-EVALZ and ADP1765-ADJ-EVALZ evaluation boards. Figure 9 and Figure 10 show the schematics of these evaluation board configurations, and Table 1 describes the hardware components.

The ADP1764-ADJ-EVALZ and ADP1765-ADJ-EVALZ have an output voltage range of 0.5 V to 1.5 V. The output voltage is set to 1.0 V by the external 6.8 kΩ adjust resistor.

Calculate the output voltage (V\text{OUT}) by

\[ V_{\text{OUT}} = A_D \times (R_{\text{ADJ}} \times I_{\text{ADJ}}) \]

where:
- \( A_D \) is the gain factor with a typical value of 2.99 between the VADJ pin and VOUT pin.
- \( R_{\text{ADJ}} \) is the resistor connected between the VADJ pin and ground.
- \( I_{\text{ADJ}} \) is the 50 µA constant current from the VADJ pin.

The ADP1764-1.0-EVALZ and ADP1765-1.0-EVALZ fixed evaluation boards use a 1.0 V output model. Do not connect R1 for the fixed output option.

Calculate the start-up time of the regulator by

\[
\begin{align*}
I_{\text{START-UP FIXED}} &= I_{\text{DELAY}} + V_{\text{REF}} \times \left( \frac{C_{\text{SS}}}{I_{\text{SS}}} \right) \\
I_{\text{START-UP ADJ}} &= I_{\text{DELAY}} + V_{\text{ADJ}} \times \left( \frac{C_{\text{SS}}}{I_{\text{SS}}} \right)
\end{align*}
\]

where:
- \( I_{\text{DELAY}} \) is a fixed delay of 100 µs.
- \( V_{\text{REF}} \) is a 0.5 V internal reference for the fixed output model option.
- \( C_{\text{SS}} \) is the soft start capacitance from the SS pin to GND.
- \( I_{\text{SS}} \) is the current sourced from the SS pin (10 µA).
- \( V_{\text{ADJ}} \) is the voltage at the VADJ pin equal to \( R_{\text{ADJ}} \times I_{\text{ADJ}} \).

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<th>Component</th>
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<tr>
<td>U1</td>
<td>ADP1764 and ADP1765 low dropout linear regulators. For the fixed output option, U1 uses the 1.0 V output option of the ADP1764 and the ADP1765. For the adjustable output option, U1 uses the adjustable option of the ADP1764 and the ADP1765 and is set to 1.0 V.</td>
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<tr>
<td>C1</td>
<td>Input bypass capacitor (C\text{IN}), 22 µF, 0603 size.</td>
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<td>C2</td>
<td>Output capacitor (C\text{OUT}), 22 µF, 0603 size.</td>
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<td>C3</td>
<td>Soft start capacitor (C\text{SS}), 1000 pF, 0603 size. (not installed in the evaluation board)</td>
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<td>C4</td>
<td>Regulator capacitor (C\text{REG}), 1 µF, 0603 size.</td>
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<td>C5</td>
<td>Reference capacitor (C\text{REF}), 1 µF, 0603 size.</td>
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<td>J1</td>
<td>Jumper (connects EN to VIN for automatic startup)</td>
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<td>R1</td>
<td>Adjust resistor (R\text{ADJ}) used to set the output voltage of the adjustable version of the ADP1764 and the ADP1765.</td>
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<td>R2</td>
<td>Pull-up resistor (R\text{PULL-UP}) used for the open-drain PG output pin.</td>
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OUTPUT VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

Figure 3 shows how the evaluation boards can be connected to a voltage source and a voltmeter for basic output voltage accuracy measurements.

A resistor can be used as the load for the regulator. Ensure that the resistor has a power rating that is adequate to handle the power expected to dissipate across it. Use an electronic load as an alternative. Ensure the voltage source can supply enough current for the expected load levels.

Follow these steps to connect the evaluation board to a voltage source and voltmeter:

1. Connect the negative terminal of the voltage source to one of the GND pads on the evaluation board.
2. Connect the positive terminal of the voltage source to the VIN pad on the evaluation board.
3. Connect a load between the VOUT pad and one of the GND pads on the evaluation board.
4. Connect the negative terminal of the voltmeter to one of the GND pads on the evaluation board.
5. Connect the positive terminal of the voltmeter to the VOUT pad on the evaluation board.

When these steps are completed, the voltage source can be turned on. If J1 is inserted (connecting EN to VIN for automatic startup), the regulator powers up.

If the load current is large, the user must connect the voltmeter as close as possible to the output capacitor to reduce the effects of ohmic voltage drops (IR).
LINE REGULATION MEASUREMENTS

For line regulation measurements, the change in the output of the regulator is measured when the input is varied. For good line regulation, the output must change as little as possible with varying input levels. To ensure that the device is not in dropout mode during line regulation measurement, VIN must be varied between $V_{OUT} + 0.2\,V$ (or 1.1 V, whichever is greater) and 1.98 V. For example, for an ADP1764 or an ADP1765 device with a fixed 1.3 V output, VIN must be varied between 1.5 V and 1.98 V. This measurement can be repeated under different load conditions. Figure 4 shows the typical line regulation performance of an ADP1764 and an ADP1765 with a fixed 1.3 V output.

LOAD REGULATION MEASUREMENTS

For load regulation measurements, the output of the regulator is monitored while the load is varied. For good load regulation, the output must change as little as possible with varying load. The input voltage must be held constant during load regulation measurement. The load current can be varied from 0 mA to 4 A for the ADP1764 and 0 mA to 5 A for the ADP1765. Figure 5 shows the typical load regulation performance of an ADP1764 and an ADP1765 with a fixed 1.3 V output for an input voltage of 1.5 V.

DROPOUT VOLTAGE MEASUREMENTS

The dropout voltage can be measured using the configuration shown in Figure 3. Dropout voltage is defined as the input to output voltage differential when the input voltage is set to the nominal output voltage. The ADP1764 and the ADP1765 only enter dropout mode for output voltages of at least 1.2 V. For lower voltage outputs, the ADP1764 and the ADP1765 enter undervoltage lockout and shut down. The dropout voltage increases with larger loads.

For accurate measurements, use a second voltmeter to monitor the input voltage across the input capacitor. The input supply voltage may need adjusting to account for IR drops, especially when using large load currents. Figure 6 shows the typical curve of dropout voltage measurements with different load currents.

GROUND CURRENT MEASUREMENTS

Figure 8 shows how the ADP1764 and ADP1765 evaluation boards can connect to a voltage source and an ammeter for ground current measurements.

A resistor can be used as the load for the regulator. Ensure the resistor has a power rating that is adequate to handle the power expected to be dissipated across it. Use an electronic load as an alternative. Ensure that the voltage source can supply enough current for the expected load levels.

Follow these steps to connect the evaluation board to a voltage source and ammeter:

1. Connect the positive terminal of the voltage source to the VIN pad on the evaluation board.
2. Connect the positive terminal of the ammeter to one of the GND pads on the evaluation board.
3. Connect the negative terminal of the ammeter to the negative terminal of the voltage source.
4. Connect a load between the VOUT pad on the evaluation board and the negative terminal of the voltage source.

When these connection steps are completed, the voltage source can be turned on. If J1 is inserted (connecting EN to VIN for automatic startup), the regulator powers up.
GROUND CURRENT CONSUMPTION

Ground current measurements can determine how much current the internal circuits of the regulator consume while the circuits perform the regulation function. To be efficient, the regulator must consume as little current as possible. Typically, the regulator uses the maximum current when supplying its largest load level (4 A for the ADP1764 and 5 A for the ADP1765). Figure 7 shows the typical ground current consumption for various load levels at V\text{OUT} = 1.3 \, \text{V} and T_A = 25\,^\circ\text{C}.

When the device is disabled (EN = GND), the ground current drops to less than 2 \, \mu\text{A}.

Figure 7. Ground Current vs. Input Voltage, V\text{OUT} = 1.3 \, \text{V}, T_A = 25\,^\circ\text{C}

Figure 8. Ground Current Measurement Setup
EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATICS AND ARTWORK

Figure 9. Fixed Output Schematic

Figure 10. Adjustable Output Schematic
ORDERING INFORMATION

BILL OF MATERIALS

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<td>Capacitors, MLCC, 22 µF, 10 V, 0603, X5R</td>
<td>Murata (or equivalent)</td>
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<td>C3</td>
<td>Capacitor, MLCC, 1000 pF, 100 V, 0603, X7R</td>
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<td>C4, C5</td>
<td>Capacitors, MLCC, 1 µF, 10 V, 0603, X7R</td>
<td>Murata (or equivalent)</td>
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<td>J1</td>
<td>Header/jumper, single, S1, S2, two pins</td>
<td>FCI</td>
<td>69157–102HLF</td>
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<td>R1</td>
<td>Resistor, 0603, 6.8 kΩ, 1% tolerance (do not install on the fixed model)</td>
<td>Any manufacturer</td>
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<td>R2</td>
<td>Resistor, 0603, 100 kΩ, 1% tolerance</td>
<td>Any manufacturer</td>
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<td>U1</td>
<td>IC, low input, low dropout regulators, including the following devices:</td>
<td>Analog Devices, Inc.</td>
<td>ADP1764ACPZ-1.0-R7</td>
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1 Not installed in the evaluation board.

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