3-V TO 5.5-V MULTICHANNEL RS-232 LINE DRIVER/RECEIVER WITH ±15-kV ESD (HBM) PROTECTION

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- RS-232 Bus-Pin ESD Protection Exceeds ±15 kV Using Human-Body Model (HBM)
- Meets or Exceeds the Requirements of TIA/EIA-232-F and ITU v.28 Standards
- Operates With 3-V to 5.5-V V_{CC} Supply
- Operates Up To 250 kbit/s
- Five Drivers and Three Receivers
- Low Standby Current . . . 1 μA Typical
- External Capacitors . . . 4 × 0.1 μF
- Accepts 5-V Logic Input With 3.3-V Supply
- Always-Active Noninverting Receiver Output (ROUT1B)
- Alternative High-Speed Pin-Compatible Device (1 Mbit/s)
 - SNx5C3238
- Applications
 - Battery-Powered Systems, PDAs, Notebooks, Subnotebooks, Laptops, Palmtop PCs, Hand-Held Equipment, Modems, and Printers

DB OR PW PACKAGE (TOP VIEW) 28 T C1+ C2+[GND 2 27 N+ 26 V_{CC} C2-[]3 V−∏4 25 C1-DOUT1 5 24 | DIN1 DOUT2 6 23 | DIN2 DOUT3 7 22 DIN3 21 🛮 ROUT1 RIN1 ¶8 20 **∏** ROUT2 RIN2 9 DOUT4 10 19 DIN4 RIN3 [] 11 18 ROUT3 17 DIN5 DOUT5 12 FORCEON 16 | ROUT1B 15 NVALID FORCEOFF 14

description/ordering information

The MAX3238 consists of five line drivers, three line receivers, and a dual charge-pump circuit with ±15-kV ESD (HBM) protection pin to pin (serial-port connection pins, including GND). The device meets the requirements of TIA/EIA-232-F and provides the electrical interface between notebook and subnotebook computer applications. The charge pump and four small external capacitors allow operation from a single 3-V to 5.5-V supply. In addition, the device includes an always-active noninverting output (ROUT1B), which allows applications using the ring indicator to transmit data while the device is powered down. These devices operate at data signaling rates up to 250 kbit/s and a maximum of 30-V/us driver output slew rate.

ORDERING INFORMATION

TA	PACKAGE	<u>=</u> †	ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
	CCOD (DD)	Tube of 50	MAX3238CDB	MAY2020C
000 to 7000	SSOP (DB)	Reel of 2000	MAX3238CDBR	MAX3238C MA3238C MAX3238I
−0°C to 70°C	TOCOR (DIA)	Tube of 50	MAX3238CPW	MA20200
	TSSOP (PW)	Reel of 2000	MAX3238CPWR	MA3238C
	0000 (DD)	Tube of 50	MAX3238IDB	MAYOOO
4000 / 0500	SSOP (DB)	Reel of 2000	MAX3238IDBR	MAX32381
-40°C to 85°C	TSSOP (PW)	Tube of 50	MAX3238IPW	MB3238I
	1330F (FW)	Reel of 2000	MAX3238IPWR	IVIDOZOOI

[†] Package drawings, standard packing quantities, thermal data, symbolization, and PCB design guidelines are available at www.ti.com/sc/package.



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description/ordering information (continued)

Flexible control options for power management are featured when the serial port and driver inputs are inactive. The auto-powerdown plus feature functions when FORCEON is low and FORCEOFF is high. During this mode of operation, if the device does not sense valid signal transitions on all receiver and driver inputs for approximately 30 s, the built-in charge pump and drivers are powered down, reducing the supply current to 1 μA. By disconnecting the serial port or placing the peripheral drivers off, auto-powerdown plus occurs if there is no activity in the logic levels for the driver inputs. Auto-powerdown plus can be disabled when FORCEON and FORCEOFF are high. With auto-powerdown plus enabled, the device activates automatically when a valid signal is applied to any receiver or driver input. INVALID is high (valid data) if any receiver input voltage is greater than 2.7 V or less than –2.7 V, or has been between –0.3 V and 0.3 V for less than 30 μs. INVALID is low (invalid data) if all receiver input voltages are between -0.3 V and 0.3 V for more than 30 µs. Refer to Figure 5 for receiver input levels.

Function Tables

EACH DRIVER

		INI	PUTS	OUTPUT	
DIN	FORCEON	FORCEOFF	TIME ELAPSED SINCE LAST RIN OR DIN TRANSITION	DOUT	DRIVER STATUS
Х	Χ	L	X	Z	Powered off
L	Н	Н	X	Н	Normal operation with
Н	Н	Н	X	L	auto-powerdown plus disabled
L	L	Н	<30 s	Н	Normal operation with
Н	L	Н	<30 s	L	auto-powerdown plus enabled
L	L	Н	>30 s	Z	Powered off by
Н	L	Н	>30 s	Z	auto-powerdown plus feature

H = high level, L = low level, X = irrelevant, Z = high impedance

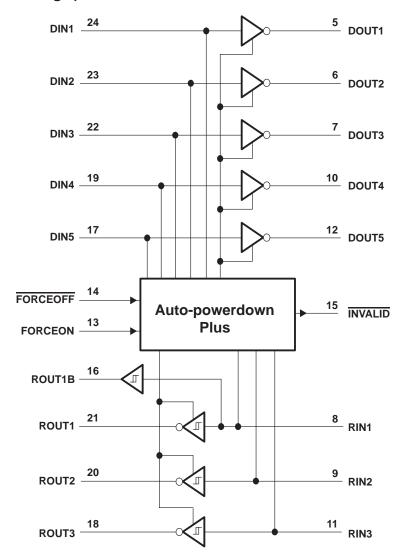
EACH RECEIVER

		INP	UTS	OUTP	UTS	
RIN1	RIN2-RIN3	FORCEOFF	TIME ELAPSED SINCE LAST RIN OR DIN TRANSITION	ROUT1B	ROUT	RECEIVER STATUS
L	Χ	L	X	L	Z	Powered off while
Н	Χ	L	X	Н	Z	ROUT1B is active
L	L	Н	<30 s	L	Н	
L	Н	Н	<30 s	L	L	Normal operation with
Н	L	Н	<30 s	Н	Н	auto-powerdown plus
Н	Н	Н	<30 s	Н	L	disabled/enabled
Open	Open	Н	>30 s	L	Н	

H = high level, L = low level, X = irrelevant, Z = high impedance (off), Open = input disconnected or connected driver off



logic diagram (positive logic)



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absolute maximum ratings over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

Supply voltage range, V _{CC} (see Note 1)	0.3 V to 6 V
Positive output supply voltage range, V+ (see Note 1)	0.3 V to 7 V
Negative output supply voltage range, V- (see Note 1)	0.3 V to –7 V
Supply voltage difference, V+ – V– (see Note 1)	13 V
Input voltage range, V _I : Driver (FORCEOFF, FORCEON)	0.3 V to 6 V
Receiver	–25 V to 25 V
Output voltage range, V _O : Driver	
Receiver (INVALID)	0.3 V to V _{CC} + 0.3 V
Package thermal impedance, θ_{JA} (see Notes 2 and 3): DB package	
PW package	62°C/W
Operating virtual junction temperature, T _J	150°C
Storage temperature range, T _{stg}	–65°C to 150°C

[†] Stresses beyond those listed under "absolute maximum ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under "recommended operating conditions" is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

- NOTES: 1. All voltages are with respect to network GND.
 - 2. Maximum power dissipation is a function of T_J(max), θ_{JA}, and T_A. The maximum allowable power dissipation at any allowable ambient temperature is $P_D = (T_J(max) - T_A)/\theta_{JA}$. Operating at the absolute maximum T_J of 150°C can affect reliability.
 - 3. The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

recommended operating conditions (see Note 4 and Figure 6)

				MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
	Owner have been		V _{CC} = 3.3 V	3	3.3	3.6	
	Supply voltage		V _{CC} = 5 V	4.5	5	5.5	٧
.,	Driver and control high level in a valuable as	DIN FORCES FORCES	V _{CC} = 3.3 V	2			V
VIH	Driver and control high-level input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON	V _{CC} = 5 V	2.4			
V_{IL}	Driver and control low-level input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON				8.0	V
٧ _I	Driver and control input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON		0		5.5	V
٧ _I	Receiver input voltage			-25		25	V
Τ.	T _A Operating free-air temperature		MAX3238C	0		70	00
١A			MAX3238I	-40		85	°C

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V \pm 0.15 V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V \pm 0.3 V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2–C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.

electrical characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 4 and Figure 6)

	PARAME	TER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP‡	MAX	UNIT
Ц	Input leakage current	FORCEOFF, FORCEON			±0.01	±1	μΑ
		Auto-powerdown plus disabled	No load, FORCEOFF and FORCEON at V _{CC}		0.5	2	mA
Icc	Supply current	Powered off	No load, FORCEOFF at GND		1	10	
	$(T_A = 25^{\circ}C)$	Auto-powerdown plus enabled	No load, FORCEOFF at V _{CC} , FORCEON at GND, All RIN are open or grounded		1	10	μΑ

[‡] All typical values are at V_{CC} = 3.3 V or V_{CC} = 5 V, and T_A = 25°C.

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.15$ V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.3$ V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2-C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.



DRIVER SECTION

electrical characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 4 and Figure 6)

	PARAMETER	TES	TEST CONDITIONS			TYP [†]	MAX	UNIT
Vон	High-level output voltage	All DOUT at R _L = $3 \text{ k}\Omega$ to	GND		5	5.4		V
VOL	Low-level output voltage	All DOUT at $R_L = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$ to	GND		-5	-5.4		V
lн	High-level input current	VI = VCC				±0.01	±1	μΑ
Ι _Ι L	Low-level input current	V _I at GND				±0.01	±1	μΑ
	0	V _{CC} = 3.6 V,	VO = 0 V			±35	±60	A
los	Short-circuit output current‡	V _{CC} = 5.5 V,	VO = 0 V			±40	±100	mA
r _O	Output resistance	V_{CC} , V+, and V- = 0 V,	V _O = ±2 V		300	10M		Ω
	Outrat la also as assument	FORCEOFF = GND	$V_0 = \pm 12 \text{ V},$	$V_{CC} = 3 \text{ V to } 3.6 \text{ V}$			±25	^
loff	Output leakage current	FORCEOFF = GND	$V_0 = \pm 10 \text{ V},$	V _{CC} = 4.5 V to 5.5 V			±25	μΑ

[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

switching characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 4 and Figure 6)

	PARAMETER	TEST CO	TEST CONDITIONS			MAX	UNIT
	Maximum data rate	C _L = 1000 pF, One DOUT switching,	$R_L = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$, See Figure 1	150	250		kbit/s
t _{sk(p)}	Pulse skew§	C _L = 150 pF to 2500 pF	R _L = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ, See Figure 2		100		ns
CD(4*)	Slew rate, transition region	V _{CC} = 3.3 V,	C _L = 150 pF to 1000 pF	6		30	1///
SR(tr)	(see Figure 1)	V_{CC} = 3.3 V, R_L = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ	$C_{I} = 150 \text{ pF to } 2500 \text{ pF}$	4		30	V/μs

[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.



^{\$} Short-circuit durations should be controlled to prevent exceeding the device absolute power-dissipation ratings, and not more than one output should be shorted at a time.

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.15$ V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.3$ V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2–C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.

[§] Pulse skew is defined as |tplh - tphl| of each channel of the same device.

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V \pm 0.15 V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V \pm 0.3 V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2–C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.

RECEIVER SECTION

electrical characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 4 and Figure 6)

	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP†	MAX	UNIT	
Vон	High-level output voltage	I _{OH} = -1 mA	VCC-0.6 V	V _{CC} -0.1 V		V	
VOL	Low-level output voltage	I _{OL} = 1.6 mA			0.4	V	
.,	Decitive as less lessed that about the set	V _{CC} = 3.3 V		1.5	2.4		
V _{IT+}	Positive-going input threshold voltage	V _{CC} = 5 V		1.8	2.4	V	
.,	N	V _{CC} = 3.3 V	0.6	1.2		.,	
V _{IT} _	Negative-going input threshold voltage	V _{CC} = 5 V	0.8	1.5		V	
V _{hys}	Input hysteresis (V _{IT+} - V _{IT-})			0.3		V	
l _{off}	Output leakage current (except ROUT1B)	FORCEOFF = 0 V		±0.05	±10	μΑ	
rį	Input resistance	$V_I = \pm 3 \text{ V to } \pm 25 \text{ V}$	3	5	7	kΩ	

[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V ± 0.15 V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 V ± 0.3 V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2–C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.

switching characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 4)

	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN TYPT	MAX	UNIT
tPLH	Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output	0 450 5 0 5 5 5 5 5 5	150		ns
tPHL	Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output	C _L = 150 pF, See Figure 3	150		ns
t _{en}	Output enable time	0 450 5 B 010 0 5 5 5 5 5 5	200		ns
tdis	Output disable time	$C_L = 150 \text{ pF}, R_L = 3 \text{ k}\Omega, \text{See Figure 4}$	200		ns
tsk(p)	Pulse skew [‡]	See Figure 3	50		ns

[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

NOTE 4: Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.15$ V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μ F at V_{CC} = 3.3 $V \pm 0.3$ V; and C1 = 0.047 μ F and C2-C4 = 0.33 μ F at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.



[‡]Pulse skew is defined as |tpLH - tpHL| of each channel of the same device.

AUTO-POWERDOWN PLUS SECTION

electrical characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 5)

	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP† N	ΛΑΧ	UNIT
VT+(valid)	Receiver input threshold for INVALID high-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}			2.7	V
V _T -(valid)	Receiver input threshold for INVALID high-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}	-2.7			V
VT(invalid)	Receiver input threshold for INVALID low-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}	-0.3		0.3	V
VOH	INVALID high-level output voltage	I _{OH} = -1 mA, FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}	V _{CC} -0.6			V
V _{OL}	INVALID low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 1.6 \text{ mA}$, FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V_{CC}			0.4	V

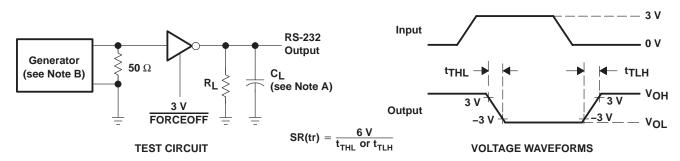
[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

switching characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 5)

	PARAMETER	MIN	TYP [†]	MAX	UNIT
^t valid	Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output		0.1		μs
^t invalid	Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output		50		μs
ten	Supply enable time		25		μs
^t dis	Receiver or driver edge to auto-powerdown plus	15	30	60	S

[†] All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ or $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, and $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

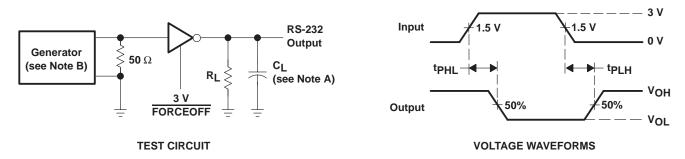


NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.

B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 250 kbit/s, $Z_O = 50 \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_f \le 10$ ns. $t_f \le 10$ ns.

Figure 1. Driver Slew Rate

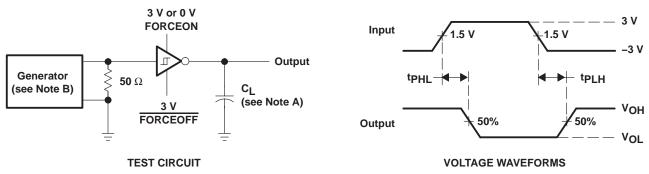
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NOTES: A. C_I includes probe and jig capacitance.

B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 250 kbit/s, $Z_O = 50 \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_r \le 10$ ns, $t_f \le 10$ ns.

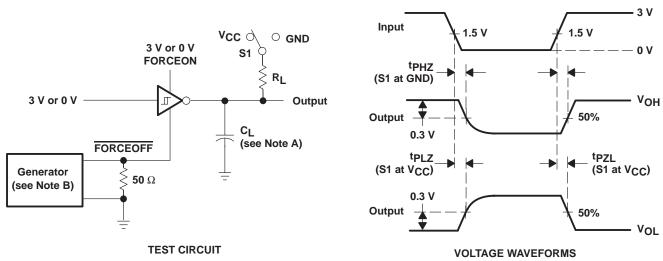
Figure 2. Driver Pulse Skew



NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.

B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: $Z_O = 50 \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_\Gamma \le 10$ ns, $t_f \le 10$ ns.

Figure 3. Receiver Propagation Delay Times



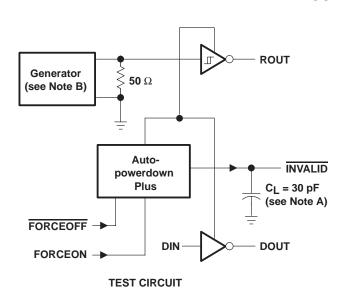
NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.

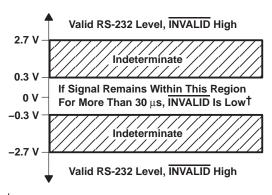
- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: $Z_Q = 50 \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_f \le 10$ ns, $t_f \le 10$ ns.
- C. tpLz and tpHz are the same as tdis.
- D. tpzL and tpzH are the same as ten.

Figure 4. Receiver Enable and Disable Times



PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION





† Auto-powerdown plus disables drivers and reduces supply current to 1 μ A.

- NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.
 - B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 5 kbit/s, Z_{O} = 50 Ω , 50% duty cycle, $t_f \le 10$ ns, $t_f \le 10$ ns.

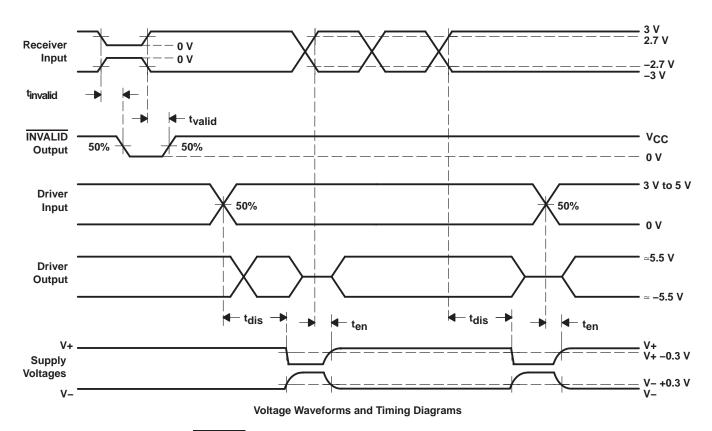
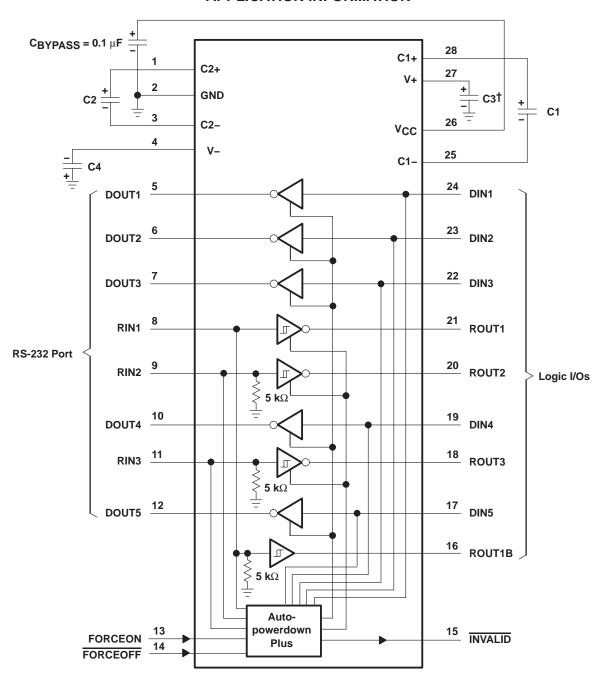


Figure 5. INVALID Propagation-Delay Times and Supply-Enabling Time



APPLICATION INFORMATION



V_{CC} vs CAPACITOR VALUES

†C3 can be connected to V_{CC} or GND.

NOTES: A. Resistor values shown are nominal.

B. Nonpolarized ceramic capacitors are acceptable. If polarized tantalum or electrolytic capacitors are used, they should be connected as shown.

VCC	C1	C2, C3, and C4				
$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{3.3 V} \pm \textbf{0.15 V} \\ \textbf{3.3 V} \pm \textbf{0.3 V} \\ \textbf{5 V} \pm \textbf{0.5 V} \\ \textbf{3 V to 5.5 V} \end{array}$	0.1 μF 0.22 μF 0.047 μF 0.22 μF	0.1 μF 0.22 μF 0.33 μF 1 μF				

Figure 6. Typical Operating Circuit and Capacitor Values



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PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable part number	Status	Material type	Package Pins	Package qty Carrier	RoHS	Lead finish/	MSL rating/	Op temp (°C)	Part marking
	(1)	(2)			(3)	Ball material	Peak reflow		(6)
						(4)	(5)		
MAX3238CDBR	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3238C
MAX3238CDBR.A	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3238C
MAX3238CDBR.B	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3238C
MAX3238CDBRE4	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3238C
MAX3238CPWR	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3238C
MAX3238CPWR.A	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3238C
MAX3238CPWR.B	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3238C
MAX3238IDBR	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3238I
MAX3238IDBR.A	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3238I
MAX3238IDBR.B	Active	Production	SSOP (DB) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3238I
MAX3238IPWR	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MB3238I
MAX3238IPWR.A	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MB3238I
MAX3238IPWR.B	Active	Production	TSSOP (PW) 28	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MB3238I

⁽¹⁾ Status: For more details on status, see our product life cycle.

⁽²⁾ Material type: When designated, preproduction parts are prototypes/experimental devices, and are not yet approved or released for full production. Testing and final process, including without limitation quality assurance, reliability performance testing, and/or process qualification, may not yet be complete, and this item is subject to further changes or possible discontinuation. If available for ordering, purchases will be subject to an additional waiver at checkout, and are intended for early internal evaluation purposes only. These items are sold without warranties of any kind.

⁽³⁾ RoHS values: Yes, No, RoHS Exempt. See the TI RoHS Statement for additional information and value definition.

⁽⁴⁾ Lead finish/Ball material: Parts may have multiple material finish options. Finish options are separated by a vertical ruled line. Lead finish/Ball material values may wrap to two lines if the finish value exceeds the maximum column width.

⁽⁵⁾ MSL rating/Peak reflow: The moisture sensitivity level ratings and peak solder (reflow) temperatures. In the event that a part has multiple moisture sensitivity ratings, only the lowest level per JEDEC standards is shown. Refer to the shipping label for the actual reflow temperature that will be used to mount the part to the printed circuit board.

⁽⁶⁾ Part marking: There may be an additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category of the part.



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Multiple part markings will be inside parentheses. Only one part marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a part. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire part marking for that device.

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OTHER QUALIFIED VERSIONS OF MAX3238:

Automotive : MAX3238-Q1

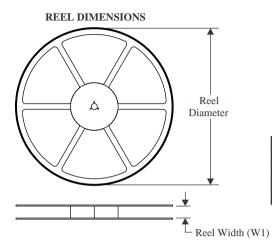
NOTE: Qualified Version Definitions:

Automotive - Q100 devices qualified for high-reliability automotive applications targeting zero defects

PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION

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TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION



TAPE DIMENSIONS KO P1 BO W Cavity A0

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A0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component width
В0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component length
K0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness
W	Overall width of the carrier tape
P1	Pitch between successive cavity centers

QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing		SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
MAX3238CDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	330.0	16.4	8.45	10.55	2.5	12.0	16.2	Q1
MAX3238CPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	330.0	16.4	6.75	10.1	1.8	12.0	16.0	Q1
MAX3238IDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	330.0	16.4	8.45	10.55	2.5	12.0	16.2	Q1
MAX3238IPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	330.0	16.4	6.75	10.1	1.8	12.0	16.0	Q1
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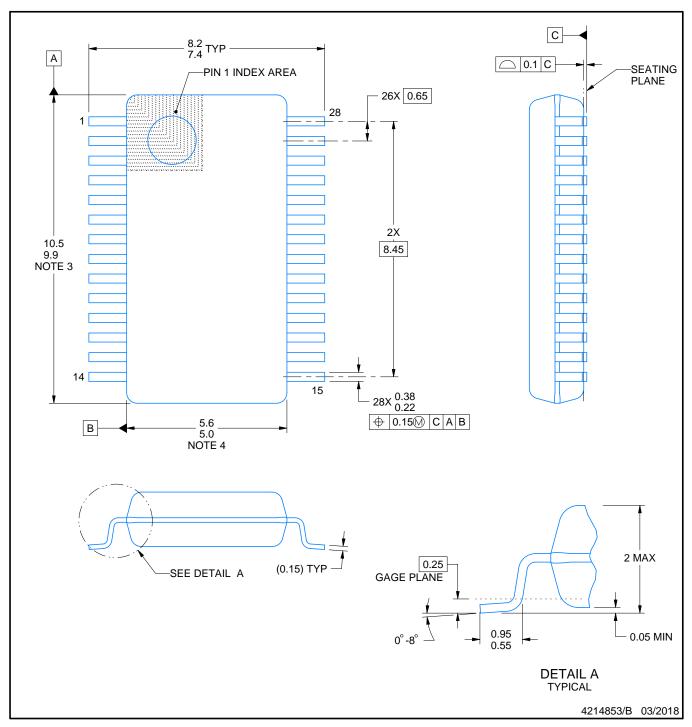


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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
MAX3238CDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	353.0	353.0	32.0
MAX3238CPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	353.0	353.0	32.0
MAX3238IDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	353.0	353.0	32.0
MAX3238IPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	353.0	353.0	32.0
MAX3238IPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	350.0	350.0	43.0



SMALL OUTLINE PACKAGE



NOTES:

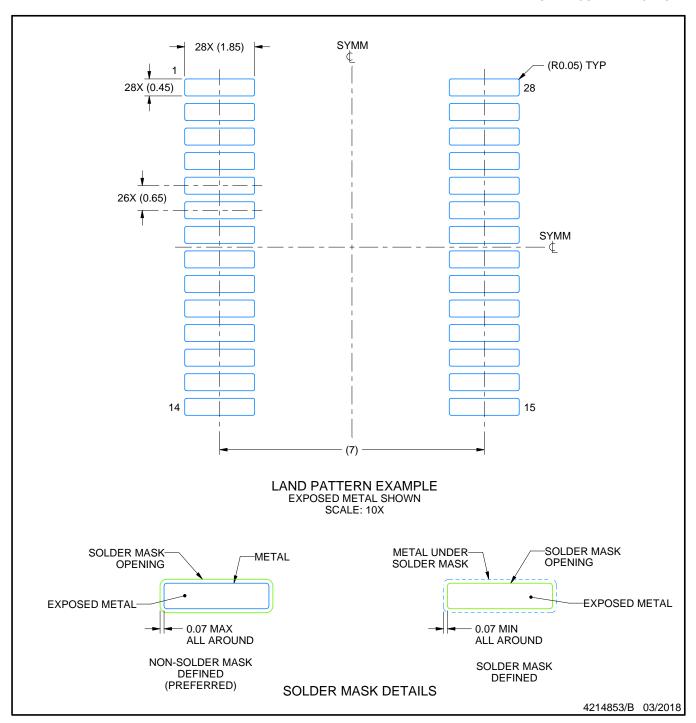
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 2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.

 3. This dimension does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not
- exceed 0.15 mm per side.
- 4. This dimension does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.25 mm per side.
- 5. Reference JEDEC registration MO-150.



SMALL OUTLINE PACKAGE



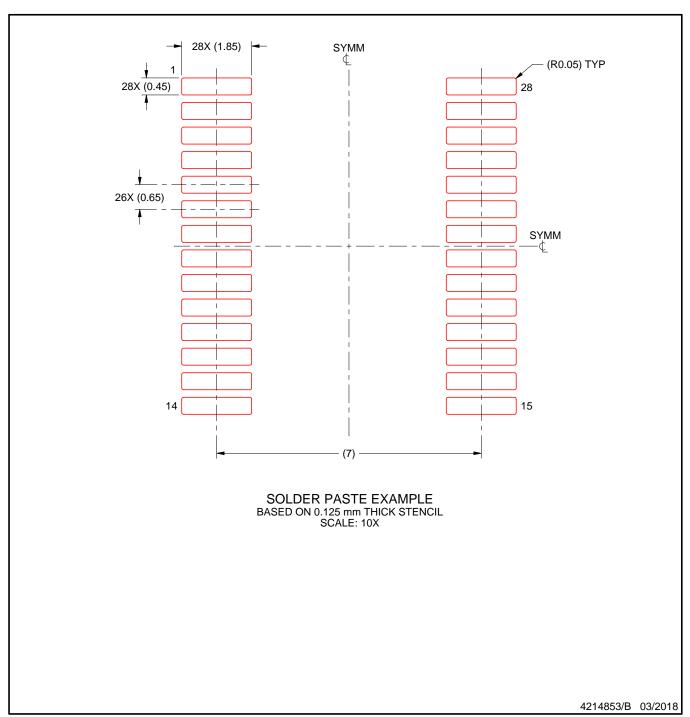
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6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.



SMALL OUTLINE PACKAGE



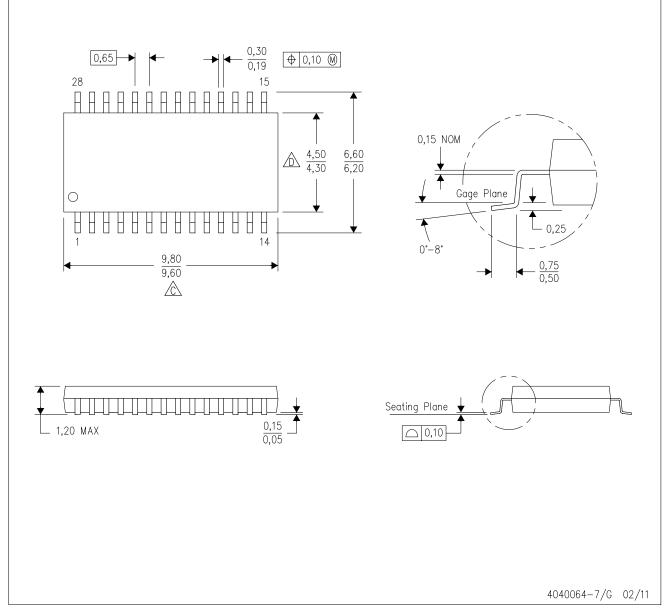
NOTES: (continued)

- 8. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.
- 9. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.



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PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



NOTES:

- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M—1994.
- B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- Body length does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0,15 each side.
- Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0,25 each side.
- E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153



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