



**MAX3238E**  
**3-V TO 5.5-V MULTICHANNEL RS-232 LINE DRIVER/RECEIVER**  
**WITH  $\pm 15$ -kV ESD (HBM) PROTECTION**



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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  $\mu$ A. 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  $\mu$ s. INVALID is low (invalid data) if all receiver input voltages are between  $-0.3$  V and 0.3 V for more than 30  $\mu$ s. Refer to Figure 5 for receiver input levels.

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

| T <sub>A</sub>                                | PACKAGE <sup>(1)</sup> |              | ORDERABLE PART NUMBER | TOP-SIDE MARKING |
|---|------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 0°C to 70°C                                   | SSOP – DB              | Tube of 50   | MAX3238ECDB           | MAX3238EC        |
|   |                        | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238ECDBR          |                  |
|   | TSSOP – PW             | Tube of 50   | MAX3238ECPW           | MP238EC          |
|   |                        | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238ECPWR          |                  |
|   | SOIC – DW              | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238ECDWR          | MAX3238EC        |
|   | QFN – RHB              | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238ECRHBR         | Preview          |
| $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $85^{\circ}\text{C}$ | SSOP – DB              | Tube of 50   | MAX3238EIDB           | MAX3238EI        |
|   |                        | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238EIDBR          |                  |
|   | TSSOP – PW             | Tube of 50   | MAX3238EIPW           | MP238EI          |
|   |                        | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238EIPWR          |                  |
|   | SOIC – DW              | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238ICDWR          | MAX3238EI        |
|   | QFN – RHB              | Reel of 2000 | MAX3238EIRHBR         | Preview          |

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

**FUNCTION TABLES**
**Each Driver<sup>(1)</sup>**

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

(1) H = high level, L = low level, X = irrelevant, Z = high impedance

**Each Receiver<sup>(1)</sup>**

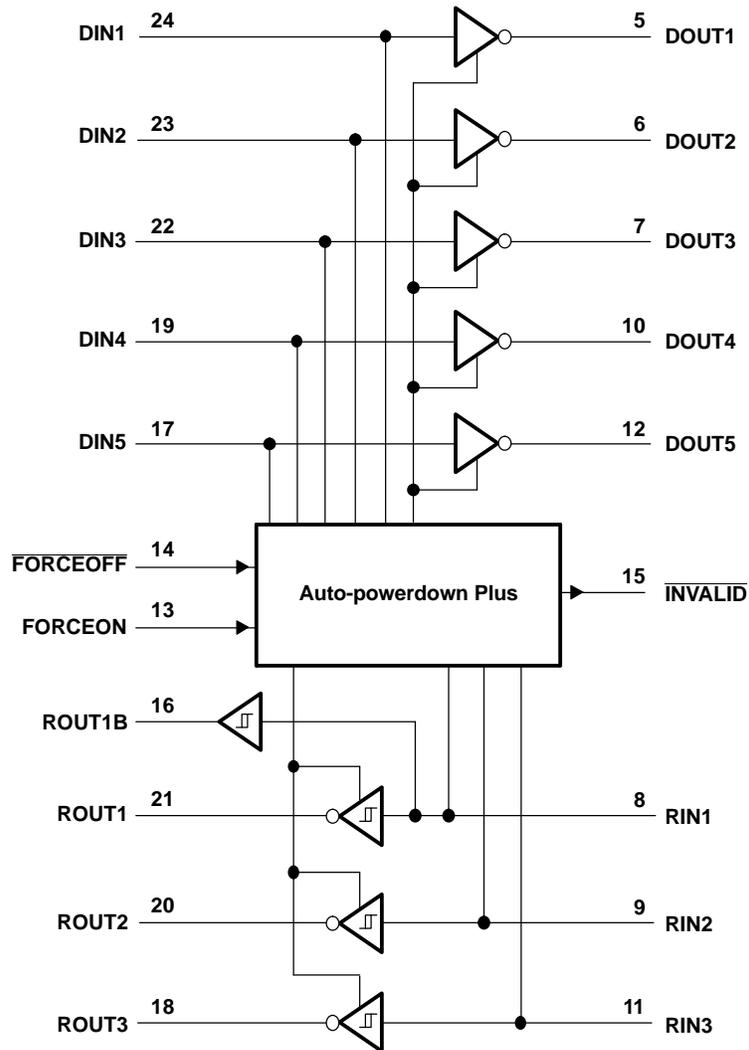
| INPUTS |           |          |   | OUTPUTS |                 | RECEIVER STATUS  |
|--------|-----------|----------|---|---------|-----------------|--|
| RIN1   | RIN2–RIN3 | FORCEOFF | TIME ELAPSED SINCE LAST RIN OR DIN TRANSITION | ROUT1B  | ROUT2 AND ROUT3 |  |
| L      | X         | L        | X   | L       | Z               | Powered off while ROUT1B is active                         |
| H      | X         | L        | X   | H       | Z               |  |
| L      | L         | H        | <30 s   | L       | H               | Normal operation with auto-powerdown plus disabled/enabled |
| L      | H         | H        | <30 s   | L       | L               |  |
| H      | L         | H        | <30 s   | H       | H               |  |
| H      | H         | H        | <30 s   | H       | L               |  |
| Open   | Open      | H        | <30 s   | L       | H               |  |

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**LOGIC DIAGRAM (POSITIVE LOGIC)**



## Absolute Maximum Ratings<sup>(1)</sup>

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

|                  |   | MIN                        | MAX   | UNIT                  |      |
|------------------|---|----------------------------|-------|-----------------------|------|
| V <sub>CC</sub>  | Supply voltage range <sup>(2)</sup>                 | -0.3                       | 6     | V                     |      |
| V+               | Positive-output supply voltage range <sup>(2)</sup> | -0.3                       | 7     | V                     |      |
| V-               | Negative-output supply voltage range <sup>(2)</sup> | 0.3                        | -7    | V                     |      |
| V+ - V-          | Supply voltage difference <sup>(2)</sup>            |                            | 13    | V                     |      |
| V <sub>I</sub>   | Input voltage range                                 | Driver (FORCEOFF, FORCEON) | -0.3  | 6                     | V    |
|                  |   | Receiver                   | -25   | 25                    |      |
| V <sub>O</sub>   | Output voltage range                                | Driver                     | -13.2 | 13.2                  | V    |
|                  |   | Receiver (INVALID)         | -0.3  | V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.3 |      |
| $\theta_{JA}$    | Package thermal impedance <sup>(3)(4)</sup>         | DB package                 |       | 62                    | °C/W |
|                  |   | DW package                 |       | 46                    |      |
|                  |   | PW package                 |       | 62                    |      |
|                  |   | RHB package                |       | TBD                   |      |
| T <sub>J</sub>   | Operating virtual junction temperature              |                            | 150   | °C                    |      |
| T <sub>stg</sub> | Storage temperature range                           | -65                        | 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.
- All voltages are with respect to network GND.
- Maximum power dissipation is a function of T<sub>J</sub>(max),  $\theta_{JA}$ , and T<sub>A</sub>. The maximum allowable power dissipation at any allowable ambient temperature is P<sub>D</sub> = (T<sub>J</sub>(max) - T<sub>A</sub>)/ $\theta_{JA}$ . Operating at the absolute maximum T<sub>J</sub> of 150°C can affect reliability.
- The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

## Recommended Operating Conditions<sup>(1)</sup>

See Figure 6

|                 |   | MIN                     | NOM                     | MAX | UNIT |   |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|
| Supply voltage  |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V | 3                       | 3.3 | 3.6  | V |
|                 |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V   | 4.5                     | 5   | 5.5  |   |
| V <sub>IH</sub> | Driver and control high-level input voltage | DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON  | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V | 2   | 5.5  | V |
|                 |   |                         | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V   | 2.4 | 5.5  |   |
| V <sub>IL</sub> | Driver and control low-level input voltage  | DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON  |                         | 0   | 0.8  | V |
| V <sub>I</sub>  | Receiver input voltage                      | -25                     |                         | 25  | V    |   |
| T <sub>A</sub>  | Operating free-air temperature              | MAX3238EC               | 0                       | 70  | °C   |   |
|                 |   | MAX3238EI               | -40                     | 85  |      |   |

- Testing supply conditions are C1-C4 = 0.1  $\mu$ F at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V  $\pm$  0.15 V; C1-C4 = 0.22  $\mu$ F at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V  $\pm$  0.3 V; and C1 = 0.047  $\mu$ F and C2-C4 = 0.33  $\mu$ F at V<sub>CC</sub> = 5 V  $\pm$  0.5 V.

## Electrical Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>

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

| PARAMETER       |  | TEST CONDITIONS              | MIN   | TYP <sup>(2)</sup> | MAX     | UNIT    |
|-----------------|--|------------------------------|---|--------------------|---------|---------|
| I <sub>I</sub>  | Input leakage current                  | FORCEOFF, FORCEON            |   | $\pm 0.01$         | $\pm 1$ | $\mu$ A |
| I <sub>CC</sub> | Supply current (T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C) | Auto-powerdown plus disabled | No load, FORCEOFF and FORCEON at V <sub>CC</sub>                                    | 0.5                | 2       | mA      |
|                 |  | Powered off                  | No load, FORCEOFF at GND  | 1                  | 10      |         |
|                 |  | Auto-powerdown plus enabled  | No load, FORCEOFF at V <sub>CC</sub> , FORCEON at GND, All RIN are open or grounded | 1                  | 10      | $\mu$ A |

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**DRIVER SECTION**

**Electrical Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>**

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see [Figure 6](#))

| PARAMETER       |   | TEST CONDITIONS   | MIN  | TYP <sup>(2)</sup> | MAX  | UNIT |
|-----------------|---|---|--|--------------------|------|------|
| V <sub>OH</sub> | High-level output voltage                   | All DOUT at R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ to GND                  | 5  | 5.4                |      | V    |
| V <sub>OL</sub> | Low-level output voltage                    | All DOUT at R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ to GND                  | -5   | -5.4               |      | V    |
| I <sub>IH</sub> | High-level input current                    | V <sub>I</sub> = V <sub>CC</sub>                          |  | ±0.01              | ±1   | μA   |
| I <sub>IL</sub> | Low-level input current                     | V <sub>I</sub> at GND                                     |  | ±0.01              | ±1   | μA   |
| I <sub>OS</sub> | Short-circuit output current <sup>(3)</sup> | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.6 V, V <sub>O</sub> = 0 V             |  | ±35                | ±60  | mA   |
|                 |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5.5 V, V <sub>O</sub> = 0 V             |  | ±40                | ±100 |      |
| r <sub>o</sub>  | Output resistance                           | V <sub>CC</sub> , V+, and V- = 0 V, V <sub>O</sub> = ±2 V | 300  | 10M                |      | Ω    |
| I <sub>OZ</sub> | Output leakage current                      | FORCEOFF = GND  | V <sub>O</sub> = ±12 V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 3 V to 3.6 V   |                    | ±25  | μA   |
|                 |   |   | V <sub>O</sub> = ±10 V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 V to 5.5 V |                    | ±25  |      |

- (1) Testing supply conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V ± 0.15 V; C1–C4 = 0.22 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V ± 0.3 V; and C1 = 0.047 μF and C2–C4 = 0.33 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 5 V ± 0.5 V.
- (2) All typical values are at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V or V<sub>CC</sub> = 5 V, and T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C.
- (3) 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.

**Switching Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>**

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see [Figure 6](#))

| PARAMETER          |  | TEST CONDITIONS   | MIN                                | TYP <sup>(2)</sup> | MAX | UNIT   |
|--------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----|--------|
|                    | Maximum data rate  | C <sub>L</sub> = 1000 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ, One DOUT switching, See <a href="#">Figure 1</a> | 250                                | 400                |     | kbit/s |
| t <sub>sk(p)</sub> | Pulse skew <sup>(3)</sup>                                    | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF to 2500 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ, See <a href="#">Figure 2</a>   |                                    | 100                |     | ns     |
| SR(tr)             | Slew rate, transition region (see <a href="#">Figure 1</a> ) | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V, R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ  | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF to 1000 pF | 6                  | 30  | V/μs   |
|                    |  |   | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF to 2500 pF | 4                  | 30  |        |

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- (3) Pulse skew is defined as |t<sub>PLH</sub> - t<sub>PHL</sub>| of each channel of the same device.

**ESD Protection**

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS                  | TYP | UNIT |
|-----------|----------------------------------|-----|------|
| DOUT      | HBM                              | ±15 | kV   |
|           | IEC 61000-4-2, Air-Gap Discharge | ±15 |      |
|           | IEC 61000-4-2, Contact Discharge | ±8  |      |

## RECEIVER SECTION

### Electrical Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see [Figure 6](#))

| PARAMETER        |   | TEST CONDITIONS                | MIN                   | TYP <sup>(2)</sup>    | MAX | UNIT |
|------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----|------|
| V <sub>OH</sub>  | High-level output voltage                               | I <sub>OH</sub> = -1 mA        | V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.6 | V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.1 |     | V    |
| V <sub>OL</sub>  | Low-level output voltage                                | I <sub>OL</sub> = 1.6 mA       |                       |                       | 0.4 | V    |
| V <sub>IT+</sub> | Positive-going input threshold voltage                  | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V        |                       | 1.5                   | 2.4 | V    |
|                  |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V          |                       | 1.8                   | 2.4 |      |
| V <sub>IT-</sub> | Negative-going input threshold voltage                  | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V        | 0.6                   | 1.2                   |     | V    |
|                  |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V          | 0.8                   | 1.5                   |     |      |
| V <sub>hys</sub> | Input hysteresis (V <sub>IT+</sub> - V <sub>IT-</sub> ) |                                |                       | 0.3                   |     | V    |
| I <sub>OZ</sub>  | Output leakage current (except ROUT1B)                  | FORCEOFF = 0 V                 |                       | ±0.05                 | ±10 | µA   |
| r <sub>i</sub>   | Input resistance  | V <sub>i</sub> = ±3 V to ±25 V | 3                     | 5                     | 7   | kΩ   |

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(2) All typical values are at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V or V<sub>CC</sub> = 5 V, and T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C.

### Switching Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)

| PARAMETER          |   | TEST CONDITIONS  | TYP <sup>(2)</sup> | UNIT |
|--------------------|---|--|--------------------|------|
| t <sub>PLH</sub>   | Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF, See <a href="#">Figure 3</a>                        | 150                | ns   |
| t <sub>PHL</sub>   | Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF, See <a href="#">Figure 3</a>                        | 150                | ns   |
| t <sub>en</sub>    | Output enable time                                | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ, See <a href="#">Figure 4</a> | 200                | ns   |
| t <sub>dis</sub>   | Output disable time                               | C <sub>L</sub> = 150 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 3 kΩ, See <a href="#">Figure 4</a> | 200                | ns   |
| t <sub>sk(p)</sub> | Pulse skew <sup>(3)</sup>                         | See <a href="#">Figure 3</a>   | 50                 | ns   |

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### ESD Protection

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS                  | TYP | UNIT |
|-----------|----------------------------------|-----|------|
| RIN       | HBM                              | ±15 | kV   |
|           | IEC 61000-4-2, Air-Gap Discharge | ±15 |      |
|           | IEC 61000-4-2, Contact Discharge | ±8  |      |

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**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            | MAX | UNIT |
|------------------|---|--|----------------|-----|------|
| $V_{T+(valid)}$  | Receiver input threshold for $\overline{INVALID}$ high-level output voltage | FORCEON = GND, $\overline{FORCEOFF} = V_{CC}$                    |                | 2.7 | V    |
| $V_{T-(valid)}$  | Receiver input threshold for $\overline{INVALID}$ high-level output voltage | FORCEON = GND, $\overline{FORCEOFF} = V_{CC}$                    | -2.7           |     | V    |
| $V_{T(invalid)}$ | Receiver input threshold for $\overline{INVALID}$ low-level output voltage  | FORCEON = GND, $\overline{FORCEOFF} = V_{CC}$                    | -0.3           | 0.3 | V    |
| $V_{OH}$         | $\overline{INVALID}$ high-level output voltage                              | $I_{OH} = -1$ mA, FORCEON = GND, $\overline{FORCEOFF} = V_{CC}$  | $V_{CC} - 0.6$ |     | V    |
| $V_{OL}$         | $\overline{INVALID}$ low-level output voltage                               | $I_{OL} = 1.6$ mA, FORCEON = GND, $\overline{FORCEOFF} = V_{CC}$ |                | 0.4 | V    |

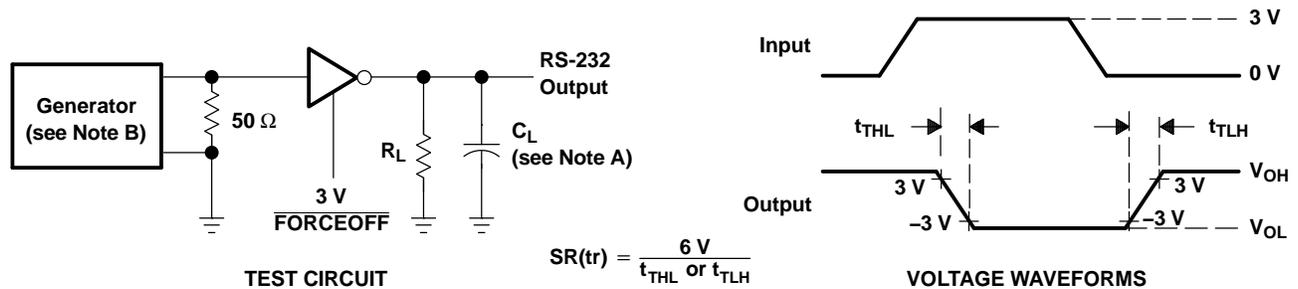
**Switching Characteristics**

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

| PARAMETER     |   | MIN | TYP <sup>(1)</sup> | MAX | UNIT    |
|---------------|---|-----|--------------------|-----|---------|
| $t_{valid}$   | Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output |     | 0.1                |     | $\mu$ s |
| $t_{invalid}$ | Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output |     | 50                 |     | $\mu$ s |
| $t_{en}$      | Supply enable time                                |     | 25                 |     | $\mu$ s |
| $t_{dis}$     | Receiver or driver edge to auto-powerdown plus    | 15  | 30                 | 60  | s       |

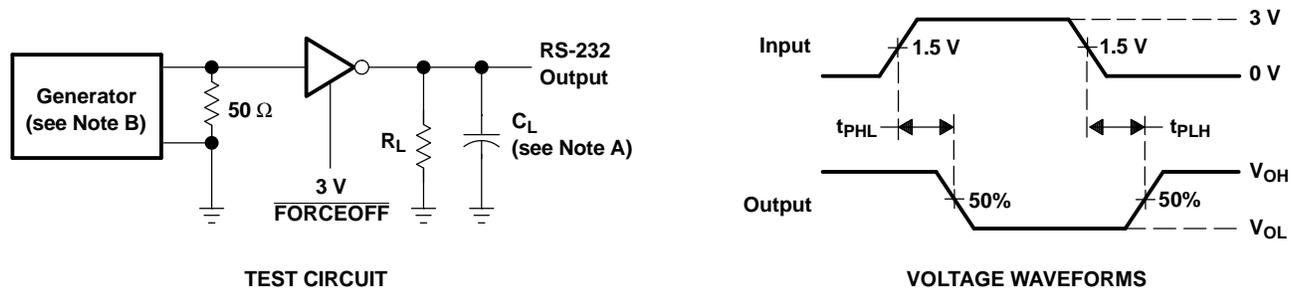
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PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



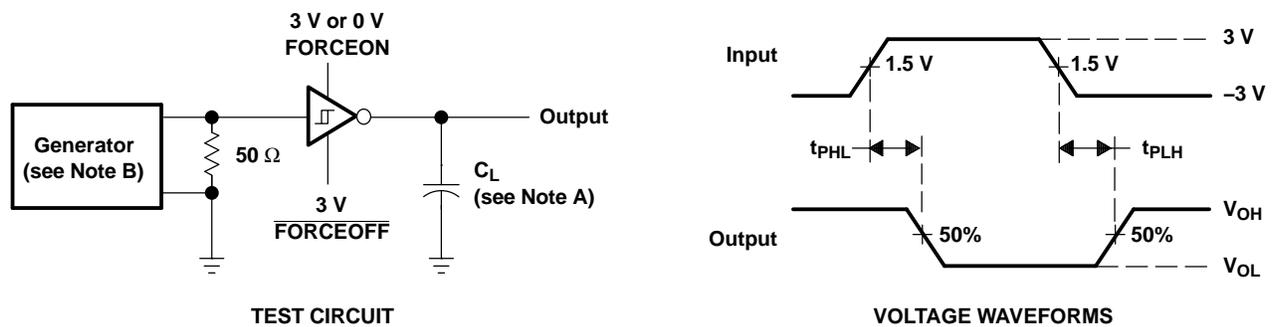
- A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.
- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 250 kbit/s,  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  ns.

Figure 1. Driver Slew Rate



- 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,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  ns.

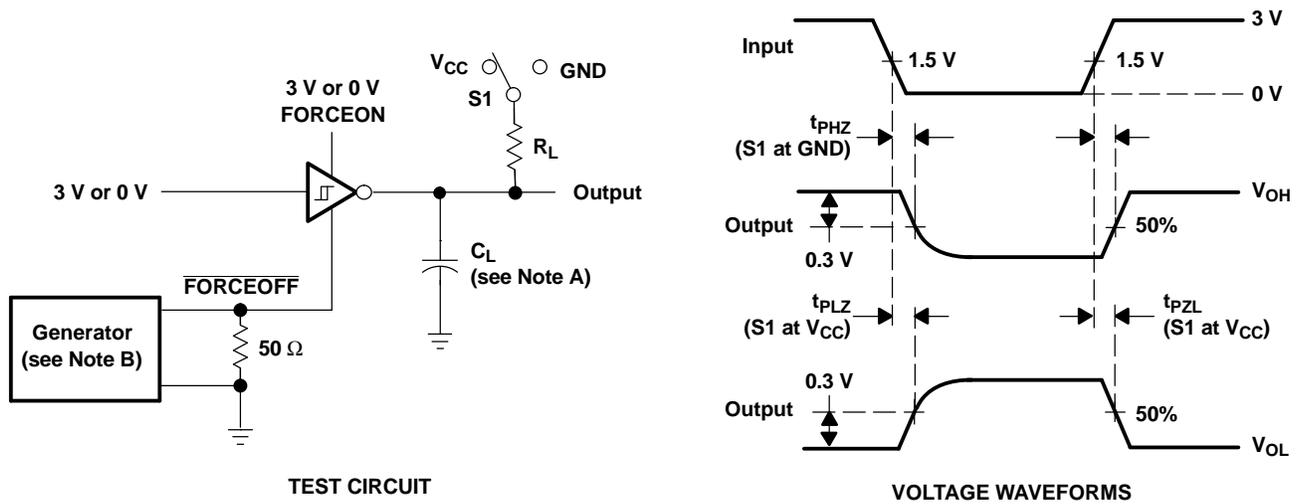
Figure 2. Driver Pulse Skew



- A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.
- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics:  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  ns.

Figure 3. Receiver Propagation Delay Times

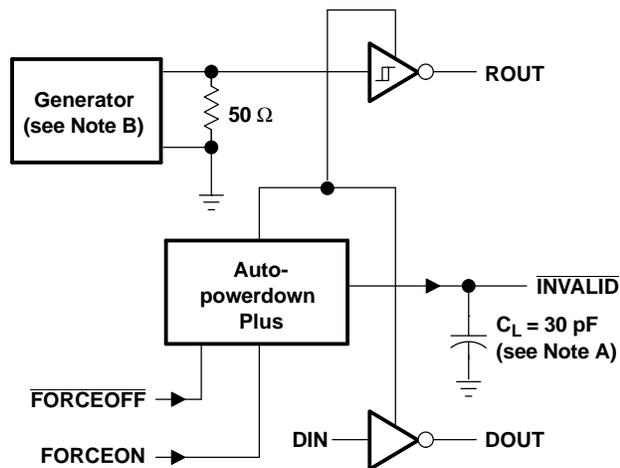
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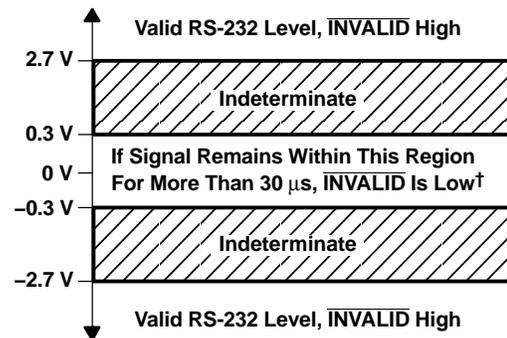
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- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics:  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10 \text{ ns}$ ,  $t_f \leq 10 \text{ ns}$ .
- C.  $t_{PLZ}$  and  $t_{PHZ}$  are the same as  $t_{dis}$ .
- D.  $t_{PZL}$  and  $t_{PZH}$  are the same as  $t_{en}$ .

**Figure 4. Receiver Enable and Disable Times**

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION (continued)



TEST CIRCUIT



† Auto-powerdown plus disables drivers and reduces supply current to 1  $\mu$ A.

- NOTES: A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.  
B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 5 kbit/s,  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  ns.

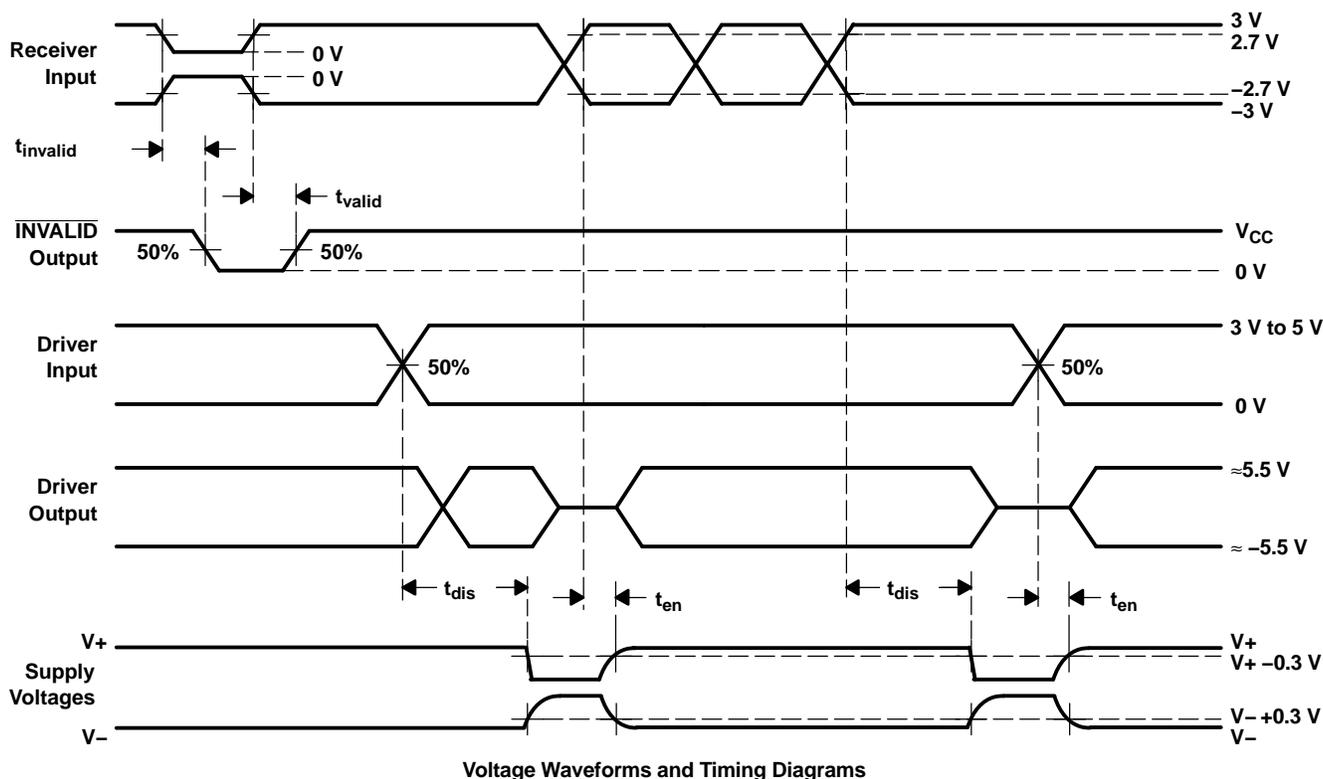
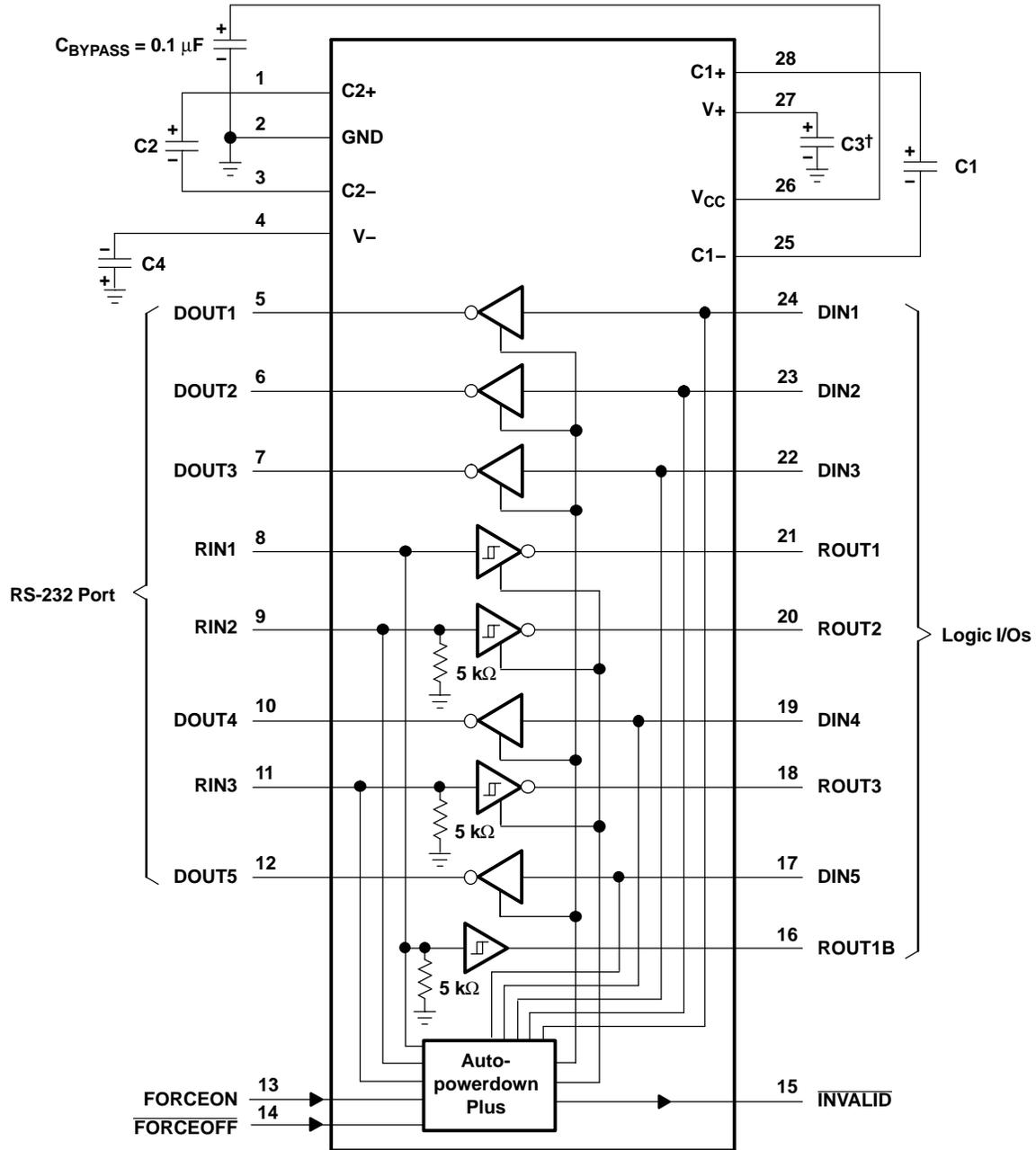


Figure 5.  $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$  Propagation-Delay Times and Supply-Enabling Time

**APPLICATION INFORMATION**



**V<sub>CC</sub> vs CAPACITOR VALUES**

| V <sub>CC</sub> | C1       | C2, C3, and C4 |
|-----------------|----------|----------------|
| 3.3 V ± 0.15 V  | 0.1 μF   | 0.1 μF         |
| 3.3 V ± 0.3 V   | 0.22 μF  | 0.22 μF        |
| 5 V ± 0.5 V     | 0.047 μF | 0.33 μF        |
| 3 V to 5.5 V    | 0.22 μF  | 1 μF           |

† C3 can be connected to V<sub>CC</sub> 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.

**Figure 6. Typical Operating Circuit and Capacitor Values**

**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

| Orderable Device | Status<br>(1) | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | Package Qty | Eco Plan<br>(2) | Lead finish/<br>Ball material<br>(6) | MSL Peak Temp<br>(3) | Op Temp (°C) | Device Marking<br>(4/5) | Samples                 |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| MAX3238ECDB      | ACTIVE        | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 50          | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | 0 to 70      | MAX3238EC               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238ECDBR     | ACTIVE        | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | 0 to 70      | MAX3238EC               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238ECDWR     | ACTIVE        | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | 0 to 70      | MAX3238EC               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238ECPW      | ACTIVE        | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 50          | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | 0 to 70      | MP238EC                 | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238ECPWR     | ACTIVE        | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | 0 to 70      | MP238EC                 | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIDB      | ACTIVE        | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 50          | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MAX3238EI               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIDBR     | ACTIVE        | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MAX3238EI               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIDW      | ACTIVE        | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 20          | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MAX3238EI               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIDWR     | ACTIVE        | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MAX3238EI               | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIPW      | ACTIVE        | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 50          | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MP238EI                 | <a href="#">Samples</a> |
| MAX3238EIPWR     | ACTIVE        | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000        | RoHS & Green    | NIPDAU                               | Level-1-260C-UNLIM   | -40 to 85    | MP238EI                 | <a href="#">Samples</a> |

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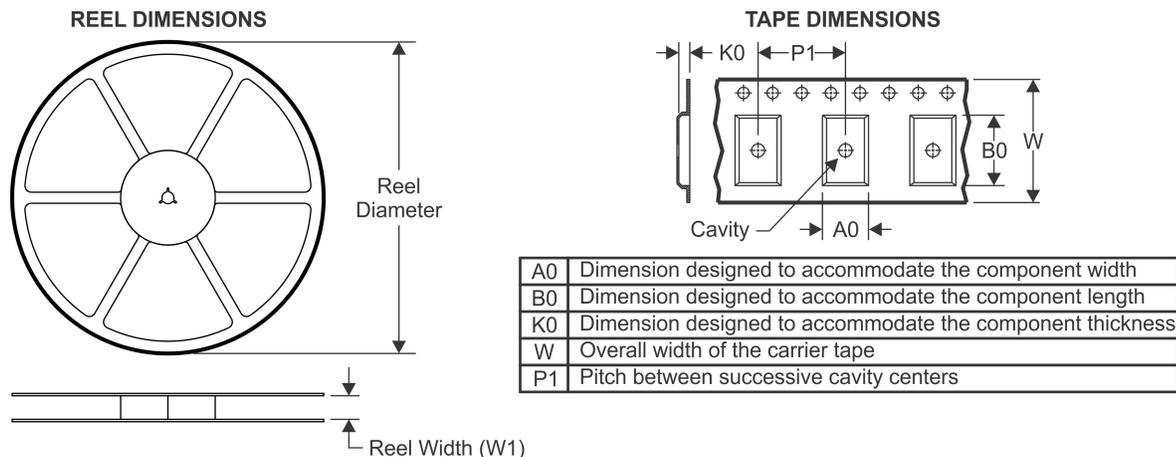
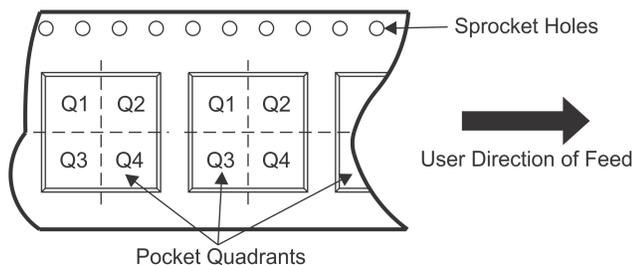
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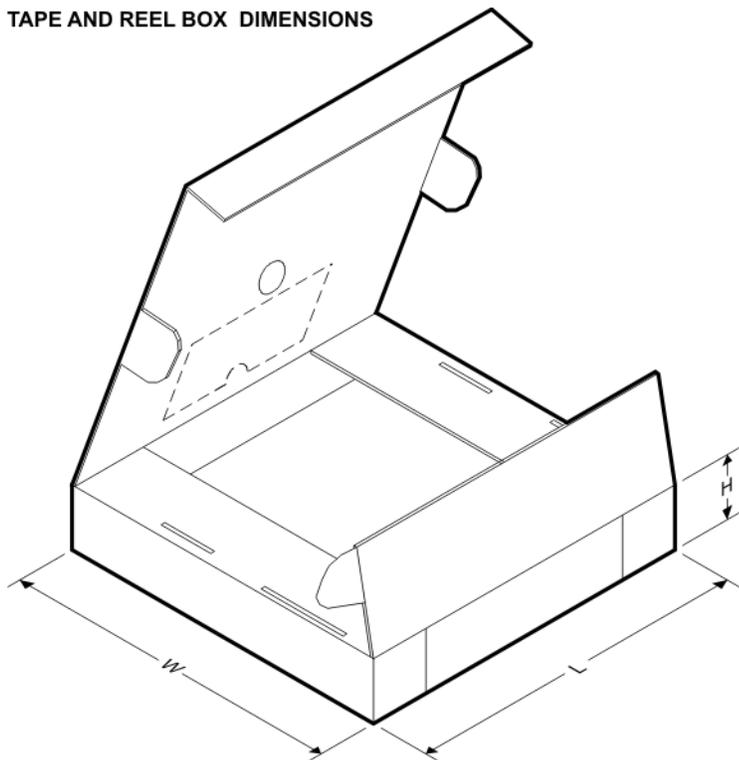
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**QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE**


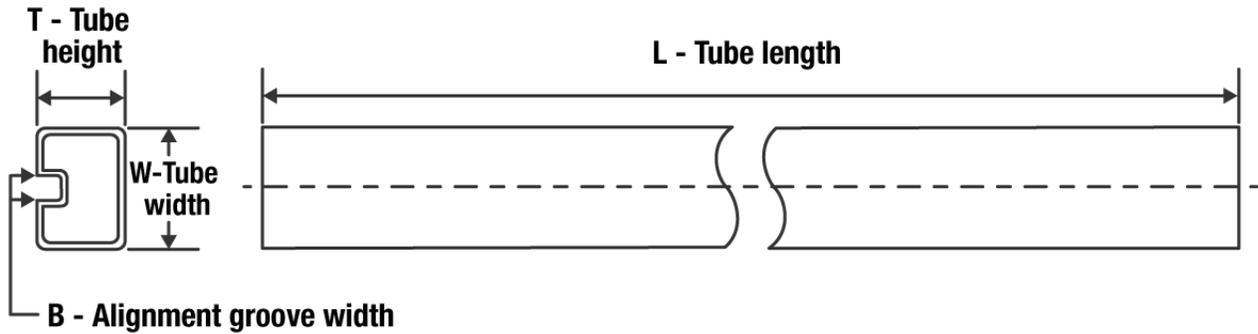
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| Device        | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ  | Reel Diameter (mm) | Reel Width W1 (mm) | A0 (mm) | B0 (mm) | K0 (mm) | P1 (mm) | W (mm) | Pin1 Quadrant |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|------|------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|
| MAX3238ECDDBR | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000 | 330.0              | 16.4               | 8.2     | 10.5    | 2.5     | 12.0    | 16.0   | Q1            |
| MAX3238ECDWR  | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000 | 330.0              | 32.4               | 11.35   | 18.67   | 3.1     | 16.0    | 32.0   | Q1            |
| MAX3238ECPWR  | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000 | 330.0              | 16.4               | 6.9     | 10.2    | 1.8     | 12.0    | 16.0   | Q1            |
| MAX3238EIDDBR | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000 | 330.0              | 16.4               | 8.2     | 10.5    | 2.5     | 12.0    | 16.0   | Q1            |
| MAX3238EIDWR  | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000 | 330.0              | 32.4               | 11.35   | 18.67   | 3.1     | 16.0    | 32.0   | Q1            |
| MAX3238EIPWR  | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000 | 330.0              | 16.4               | 6.9     | 10.2    | 1.8     | 12.0    | 16.0   | Q1            |

**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


\*All dimensions are nominal

| Device       | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ  | Length (mm) | Width (mm) | Height (mm) |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| MAX3238ECDBR | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000 | 853.0       | 449.0      | 35.0        |
| MAX3238ECDWR | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000 | 350.0       | 350.0      | 66.0        |
| MAX3238ECPWR | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000 | 853.0       | 449.0      | 35.0        |
| MAX3238EIDBR | SSOP         | DB              | 28   | 2000 | 853.0       | 449.0      | 35.0        |
| MAX3238EIDWR | SOIC         | DW              | 28   | 1000 | 350.0       | 350.0      | 66.0        |
| MAX3238EIPWR | TSSOP        | PW              | 28   | 2000 | 853.0       | 449.0      | 35.0        |

**TUBE**


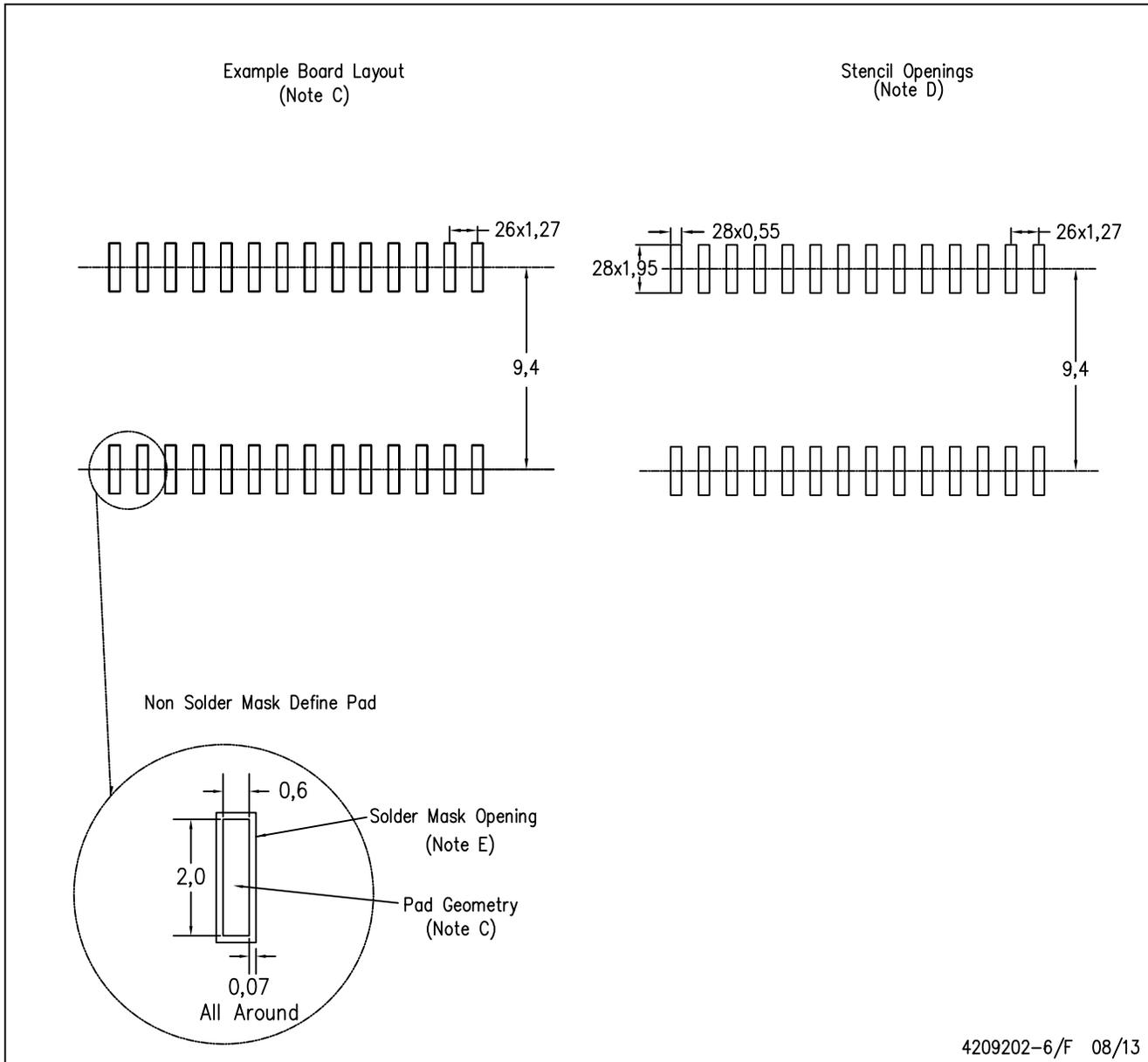
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| Device      | Package Name | Package Type | Pins | SPQ | L (mm) | W (mm) | T (μm) | B (mm) |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| MAX3238ECDB | DB           | SSOP         | 28   | 50  | 530    | 10.5   | 4000   | 4.1    |
| MAX3238ECPW | PW           | TSSOP        | 28   | 50  | 530    | 10.2   | 3600   | 3.5    |
| MAX3238EIDB | DB           | SSOP         | 28   | 50  | 530    | 10.5   | 4000   | 4.1    |
| MAX3238EIDW | DW           | SOIC         | 28   | 20  | 506.98 | 12.7   | 4826   | 6.6    |
| MAX3238EIPW | PW           | TSSOP        | 28   | 50  | 530    | 10.2   | 3600   | 3.5    |



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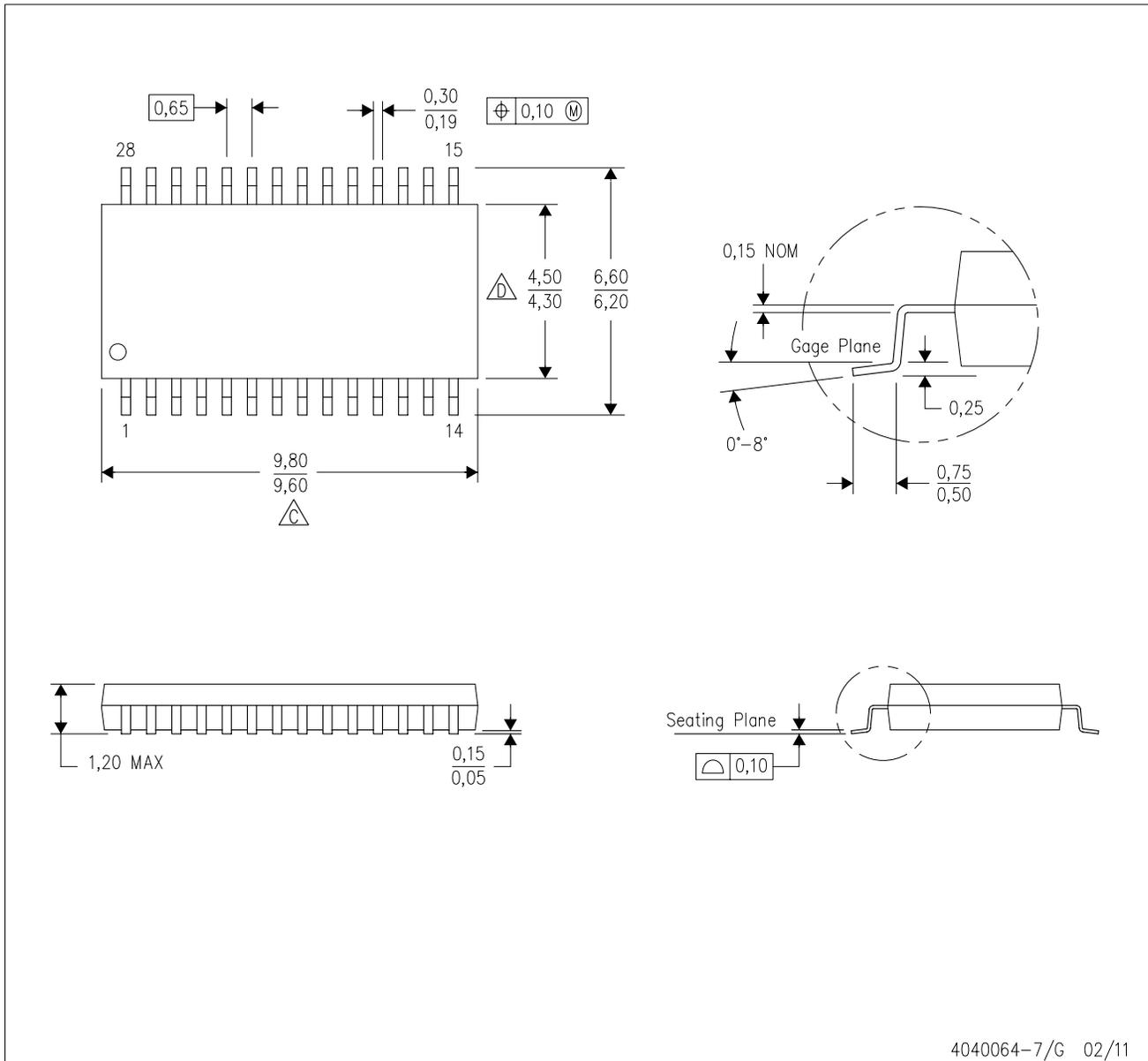
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- NOTES:
- All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
  - This drawing is subject to change without notice.
  - Refer to IPC7351 for alternate board design.
  - Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC-7525
  - Customers should contact their board fabrication site for solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads.

PW (R-PDSO-G28)

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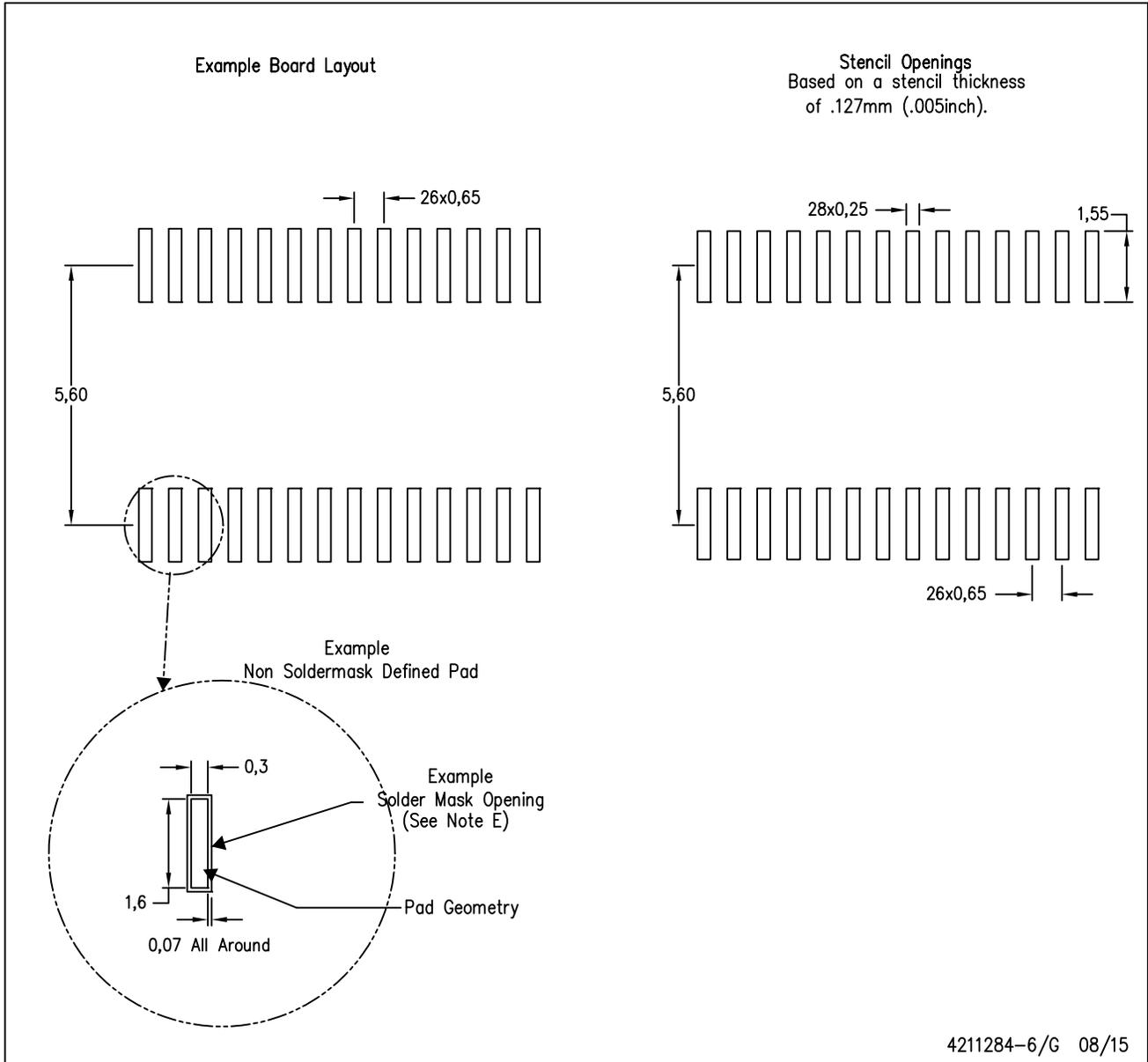


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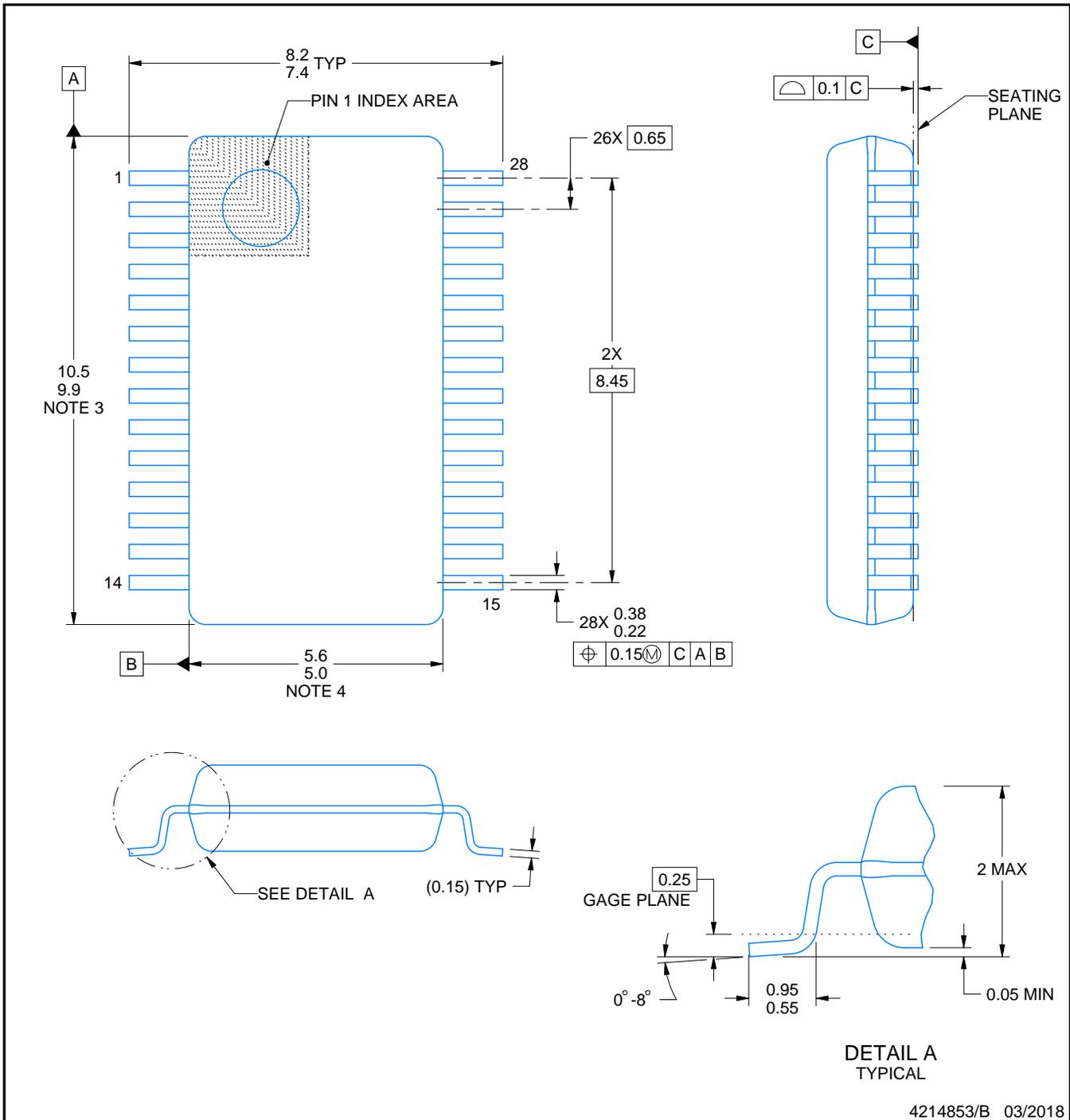
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  - C. Body length does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0,15 each side.
  - D. Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0,25 each side.
  - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

PW (R-PDSO-G28)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
  - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
  - C. Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate design.
  - D. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC-7525 for other stencil recommendations.
  - E. Customers should contact their board fabrication site for solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads.



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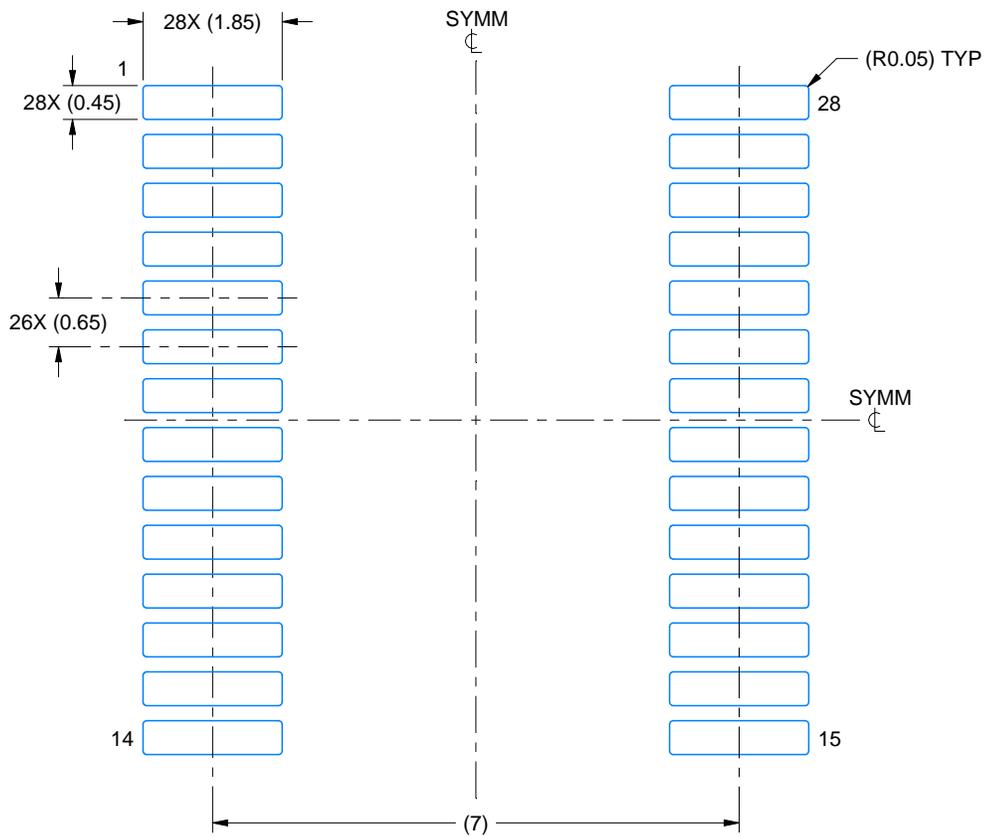
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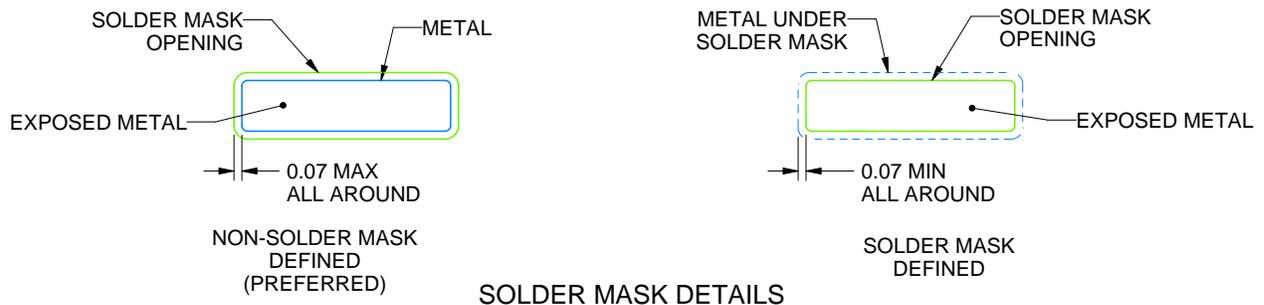
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SSOP - 2 mm max height

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LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE  
EXPOSED METAL SHOWN  
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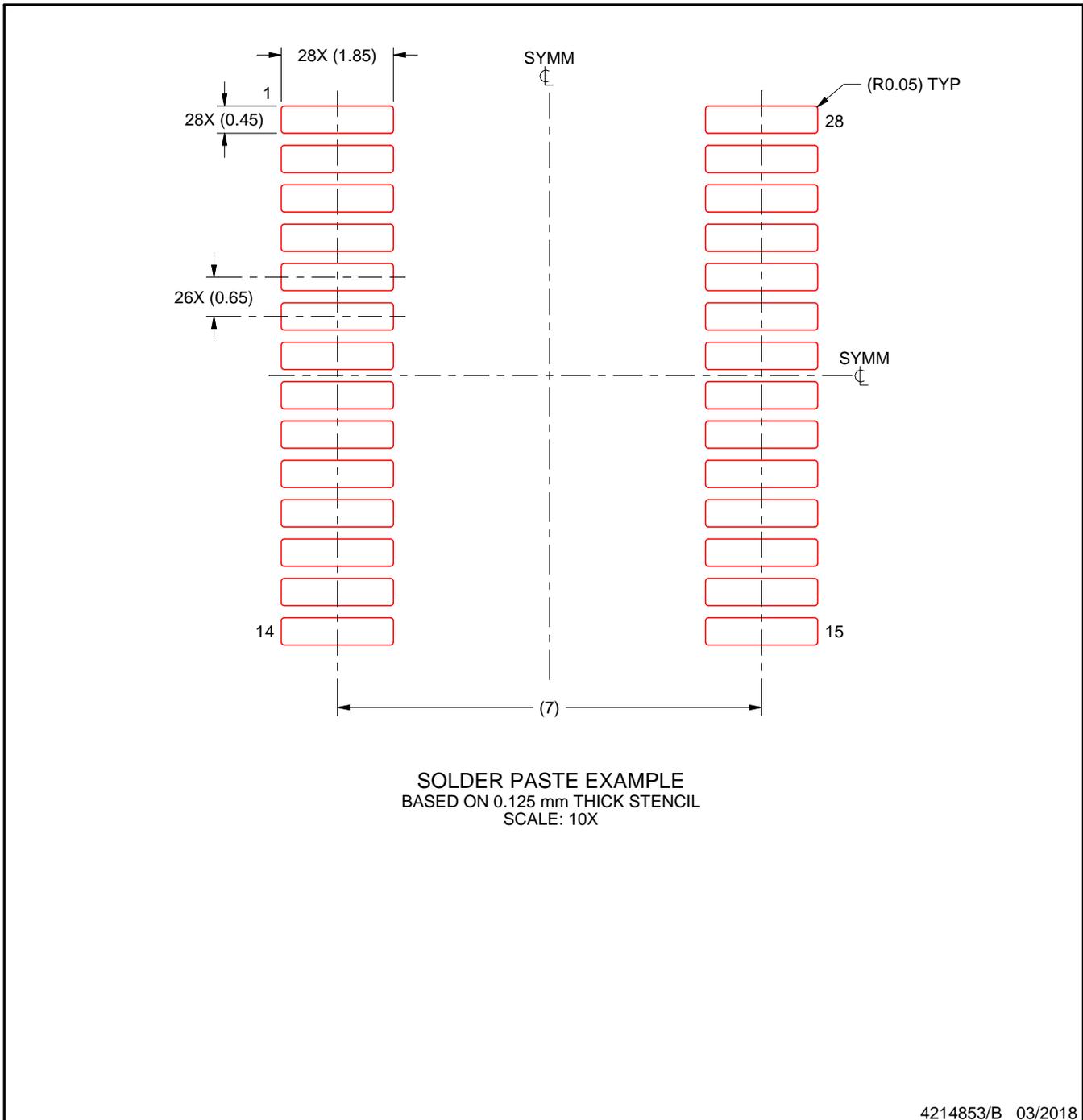
- 6. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.
- 7. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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SSOP - 2 mm max height

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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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