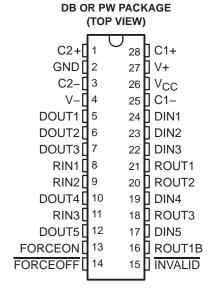
- **Qualification in Accordance With** AEC-Q100†
- **Qualified for Automotive Applications**
- **Customer-Specific Configuration Control** Can Be Supported Along With Major-Change Approval
- **ESD Protection Exceeds 2000 V Per** MIL-STD-883, Method 3015; Exceeds 200 V Using Machine Model (C = 200 pF, R = 0)
- Meets or Exceeds 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 . . . $4 \times 0.1 \mu F$
- Accepts 5-V Logic Input With 3.3-V Supply
- **Always-Active Noninverting Receiver** Output (ROUT1B)

RS-232 Bus-Pin ESD Protection Exceeds ±15 kV Using Human-Body Model (HBM)



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/µs driver output slew rate.

ORDERING INFORMATION

TA	PACK	AGE [‡]	ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
-40°C to 85°C	SSOP (DB)	Tape and reel	MAX3238IDBRQ1	MAX3238Q
-40 C to 65 C	TSSOP (PW)	Tape and reel	MAX3238IPWRQ1	MB3238Q

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



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[†] Contact factory for details. Q100 qualification data available on request.

3-V TO 5.5-V MULTICHANNEL RS-232 LINE DRIVER/RECEIVER

WITH ±15-kV ESD (HBM) PROTECTION SLLS569A - MAY 2003 - REVISED JANUARY 2004

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 $\overline{FORCEOFF}$ 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 μ 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 $\overline{FORCEOFF}$ are high. With auto-powerdown plus enabled, the device automatically activates once a valid signal is applied to any receiver or driver input. $\overline{INVALID}$ 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 μ s. $\overline{INVALID}$ is low (invalid data) if all receiver input voltages are between -0.3 V and 0.3 V for more than 30 μ s. Refer to Figure 5 for receiver input levels.

Function Tables

EACH DRIVER

		INF	PUTS	OUTPUT	
DIN	FORCEON	FORCEOFF	TIME ELAPSED SINCE LAST RIN OR DIN TRANSITION	DOUT	DRIVER STATUS
Χ	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 auto-powerdown
Н	L	Н	>30 s	Z	plus feature

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

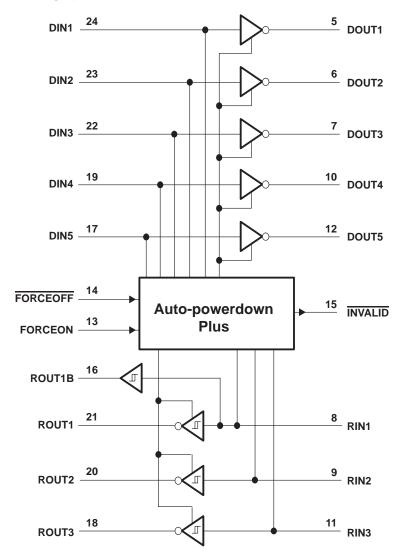
EACH RECEIVER

		INF	PUTS	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)



MAX3238-Q1

3-V TO 5.5-V MULTICHANNEL RS-232 LINE DRIVER/RECEIVER WITH ±15-kV ESD (HBM) PROTECTION SLLS569A - MAY 2003 - REVISED JANUARY 2004

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)	
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)	
Receiver	–25 V to 25 V
Output voltage range, V _O : Driver	13.2 V to 13.2 V
Receiver (INVALID)	0.3 V to V _{CC} + 0.3 V
Package thermal impedance, θ_{JA} (see Notes 2 and 3): DB package	62°C/W
PW package	62°C/W
Lead temperature 1,6 mm (1/16 inch) from case for 10 seconds	260°C
Storage temperature range, T _{stq}	–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)

						MAX	UNIT
	Ownelland		V _{CC} = 3.3 V	3	3.3	3.6	.,
	Supply voltage		V _{CC} = 5 V	4.5	5	5.5	V
.,	Driver and control high level in attach	DIN FORCEOU	V _{CC} = 3.3 V	2			V
VIH	Driver and control high-level input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON	V _C C = 5 V	2.4			V
VIL	Driver and control low-level input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON				8.0	V
٧ı	Driver and control input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON		0		5.5	V
٧ı	Receiver input voltage			-25		25	V
T _A	Operating free-air temperature		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 μF 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)

	PARAM	ETER	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	
.00	(T _A = 25°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 $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$ 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.



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	ST CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP†	MAX	UNIT
Vон	High-level output voltage	All DOUT at $R_L = 3 \text{ k}\Omega$ to	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	II DOUT at R _L = 3 k Ω to GND		-5	-5.4		V
lін	High-level input current	VI = VCC				±0.01	±1	μΑ
IIL	Low-level input current	V _I at GND				±0.01	±1	μΑ
		V _C C = 3.6 V,	VO = 0 V			±35	±60	4
los	Short-circuit output current‡	V _C C = 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
l _{off}	Output leakage current	FORCEOFF = GND,	$V_0 = \pm 12 V$,	$V_{CC} = 0 \text{ to } 5.5 \text{ V}$			±25	μΑ

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

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 μF at VCC = 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 and Figure 6)

	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS			TYP [†]	MAX	UNIT
	Maximum data rate	C _L = 1000 pF, One DOUT switching,	$R_L = 3 k\Omega$, See Figure 1	150	250		kbit/s
tsk(p)	Pulse skew§	C _L = 150 pF to 2500 pF	R _L = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ, See Figure 2		100		ns
SR(tr)	Slew rate, transition region	V _{CC} = 3.3 V,	C _L = 150 pF to 1000 pF	6		30	V/µs
SK(II)	(see Figure 1)	$R_L = 3 \text{ k}\Omega \text{ to } 7 \text{ k}\Omega$	C _L = 150 pF to 2500 pF	4		30	ν/μ5

[†] 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.

[§] 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 μF 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	$I_{OH} = -1 \text{ mA}$	V _{CC} – 0.6 V	V _{CC} – 0.1 V		V
VOL	Low-level output voltage	I _{OL} = 1.6 mA			0.4	V
.,	Desilies and a femal three hald cells as	V _{CC} = 3.3 V		1.5	2.4	
V _{IT+}	Positive-going input threshold voltage	V _{CC} = 5 V		1.8	2.4	\ \
.,	News the section beautifus about the section of	V _{CC} = 3.3 V	0.6	1.2		.,
V _{IT} –	Negative-going input threshold voltage	V _{CC} = 5 V	0.8	1.5		٧
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 $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$.

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 7 7 9	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 ± 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.

 $[\]ddagger$ Pulse skew is defined as $|t_{PLH} - t_{PHL}|$ 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 μF at V_{CC} = 5 V \pm 0.5 V.

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 [†]	MAX	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			٧
VT(invalid)	Receiver input threshold for INVALID low-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}	-0.3		0.3	٧
VOH	INVALID high-level output voltage	I _{OH} = -1 mA, FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V _{CC}	V _{CC} – 0.6			٧
VOL	INVALID low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 1.6 \text{ mA}$, FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V_{CC}			0.4	٧

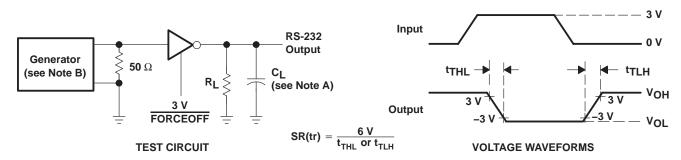
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switching characteristics over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 5)

	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



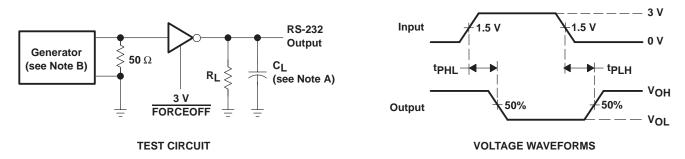
NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.

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

Figure 1. Driver Slew Rate



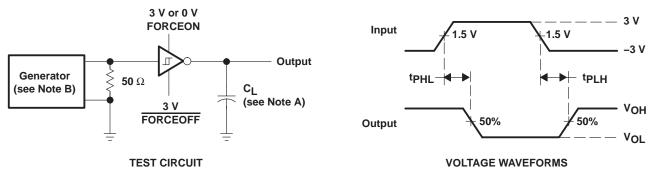
PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



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.

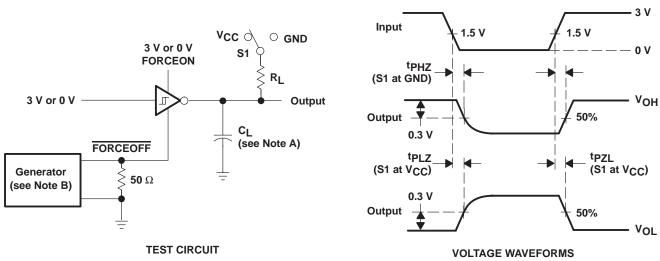
Figure 2. Driver Pulse Skew



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



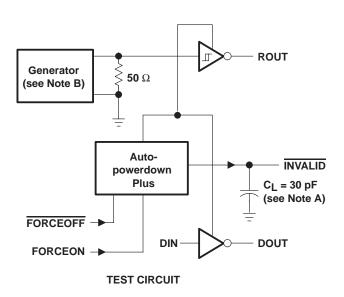
NOTES: A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.

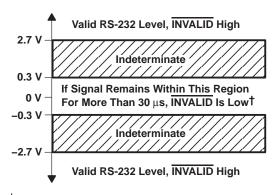
- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: $Z_Q = 50 \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_f \le 10$ ns, $t_f \le 10$ ns.
- C. tpLz and tpHz are the same as tdis.
- D. tpzL and tpzH are the same as ten.

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.

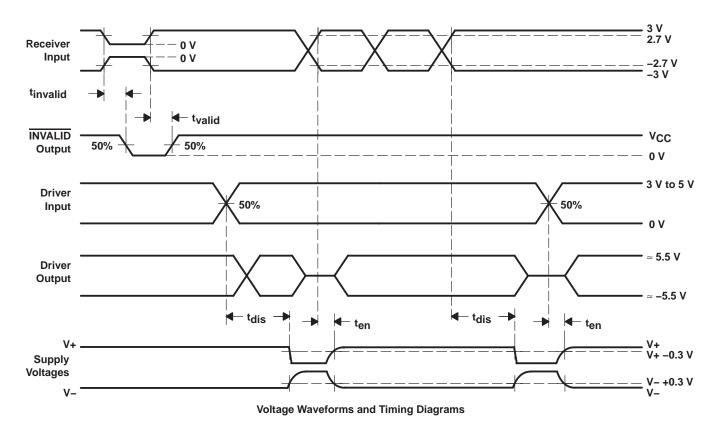
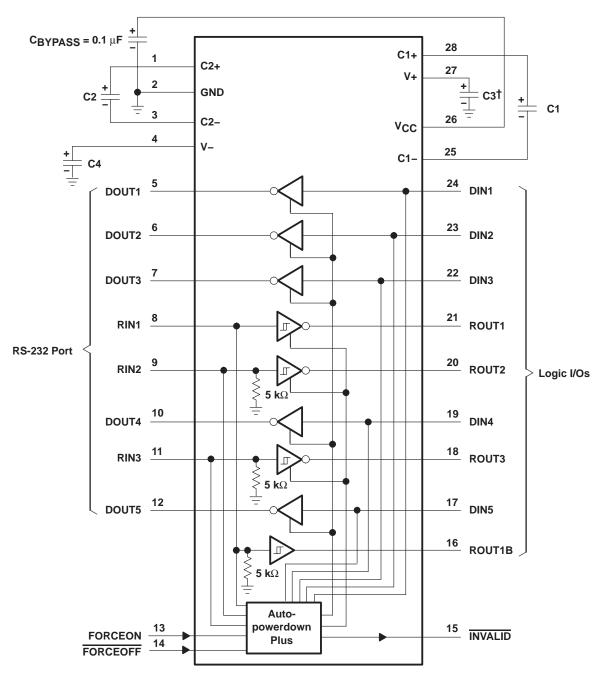


Figure 5. INVALID Propagation-Delay Times and Supply-Enabling Time



APPLICATION INFORMATION



†C3 can be connected to VCC or GND.

NOTE A: Resistor values shown are nominal.

V_{CC} vs CAPACITOR VALUES

VCC	C1	C2, C3, and C4		
	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





PACKAGE OPTION ADDENDUM

8-Aug-2006

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status ⁽¹⁾	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins I	Package Qty	Eco Plan ⁽²⁾	Lead/Ball Finish	MSL Peak Temp ⁽³⁾
MAX3238IDBQ1	ACTIVE	SSOP	DB	28	50	TBD	Call TI	Call TI
MAX3238IDBRQ1	ACTIVE	SSOP	DB	28	2000	TBD	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-220C-UNLIM
MAX3238IPWQ1	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	28	50	TBD	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-220C-1 YEAR
MAX3238IPWRQ1	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	TBD	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-220C-1 YEAR

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DB (R-PDSO-G**)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE

28 PINS SHOWN



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B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.

C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion not to exceed 0,15.

D. Falls within JEDEC MO-150

PW (R-PDSO-G**)

14 PINS SHOWN

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE



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D. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

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