

# MAX3243 3-V to 5.5-V Multichannel RS-232 Line Driver/Receiver With $\pm 15$ -kV ESD (HBM) Protection

## 1 Features

- Operates With 3-V to 5.5-V  $V_{CC}$  Supply
- Single-Chip and Single-Supply Interface for IBM™ PC/AT™ Serial Port
- RS-232 Bus-Pin ESD Protection of  $\pm 15$  kV Using Human-Body Model (HBM)
- Meets or Exceeds the Requirements of TIA/EIA-232-F and ITU V.28 Standards
- Three Drivers and Five Receivers
- Operates Up To 250 kbit/s
- Low Active Current: 300  $\mu$ A Typical
- Low Standby Current: 1  $\mu$ A Typical
- External Capacitors:  $4 \times 0.1 \mu$ F
- Accepts 5-V Logic Input With 3.3-V Supply
- Always-Active Noninverting Receiver Output (ROUT2B)
- Operating Temperature
  - MAX3243C: 0°C to 70°C
  - MAX3243I: –40°C to 85°C
- Serial-Mouse Driveability
- Auto-Powerdown Feature to Disable Driver Outputs When No Valid RS-232 Signal Is Sensed

## 2 Applications

- [Battery-Powered Systems](#)
- [Tablets](#)
- [Notebooks](#)
- [Laptops](#)
- [Hand-Held Equipment](#)

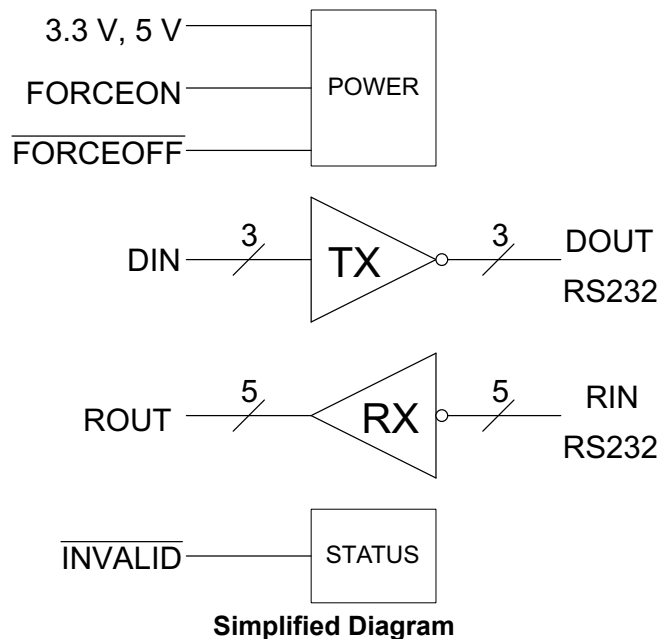
## 3 Description

The MAX3243 device consists of three line drivers, five line receivers which is ideal for DE-9 DTE interface.  $\pm 15$ -kV ESD (HBM) protection pin to pin (serial- port connection pins, including GND). Flexible power features saves power automatically. Special outputs ROUT2B and INVALID are always enabled to allow checking for ring indicator and valid RS232 input.

### Device Information

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE <sup>(1)</sup>	BODY SIZE
MAX3243	SSOP (28)	10.29 mm $\times$ 5.30 mm
	SOIC (28)	17.90 mm $\times$ 7.50 mm
	TSSOP (28)	9.70 mm $\times$ 4.40 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.



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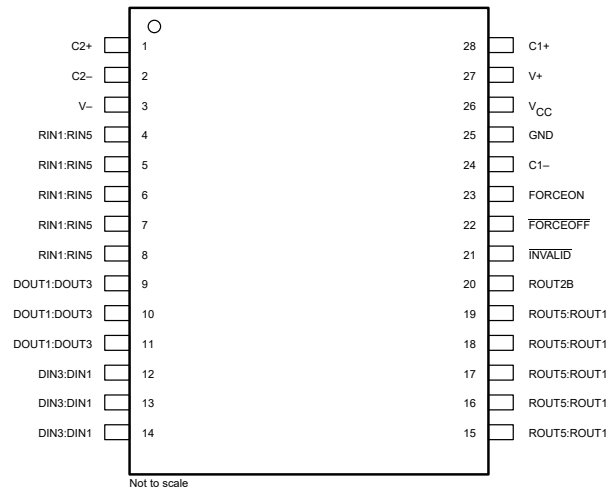
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• Changed the <i>Thermal Information</i> table.....	5
• Changed the MAX value of I <sub>CC</sub> Supply current auto-powerdown disabled from 1 mA to 1.2 mA in <i>Electrical Characteristics—Auto Power Down</i> .....	5

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## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



**Figure 5-1. DB, DW, or PW Package  
(Top View)**

**Table 5-1. Pin Functions**

PIN		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
C2+	1	—	Positive lead of C2 capacitor
C2–	2	—	Negative lead of C2 capacitor
V–	3	O	Negative charge pump output for storage capacitor only
RIN1:RIN5	4, 5, 6, 7, 8	I	RS232 line data input (from remote RS232 system)
DOUT1:DOUT3	9, 10, 11	O	RS232 line data output (to remote RS232 system)
DIN3:DIN1	12, 13, 14	I	Logic data input (from UART)
ROUT5:ROUT1	15, 16, 17, 18, 19	O	Logic data output (to UART)
ROUT2B	20	O	Always Active non-inverting output for RIN2 (normally used for ring indicator)
INVALID	21	O	Active low output when all RIN are unpowered
FORCEOFF	22	I	Low input forces DOUT1-5, ROUT1-5 high Z per <a href="#">Section 8.4</a>
FORCEON	23	I	High forces drivers on. Low is automatic mode per <a href="#">Section 8.4</a>
C1–	24	—	Negative lead on C1 capacitor
GND	25	—	Ground
V <sub>CC</sub>	26	—	Supply Voltage, Connect to 3V to 5.5V power supply
V+	27	O	Positive charge pump output for storage capacitor only
C1+	28	—	Positive lead of C1 capacitor

## 6 Specifications

### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) <sup>(1)</sup>

		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	
T <sub>J</sub>	Operating virtual junction temperature		150	°C	
T <sub>stg</sub>	Storage temperature range	-65	150	°C	

- (1) 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 [Section 6.3](#) is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- (2) All voltages are with respect to network GND.

### 6.2 ESD Ratings

			MAX	UNIT
V <sub>(ESD)</sub>	Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 RIN, DOUT, and GND pins <sup>(1)</sup>	15000	V
		Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 All other pins <sup>(1)</sup>	3000	
		Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101, all pins <sup>(2)</sup>	1000	

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.
- (2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

<sup>(1)</sup> (See [Figure 9-1](#))

			MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
V <sub>CC</sub>	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>	Driver and control input voltage	DIN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON	0	5.5	V	
V <sub>I</sub>	Receiver input voltage		-25	25	V	
T <sub>A</sub>	Operating free-air temperature	MAX3243C	0	70	°C	
		MAX3243I	-40	85		

- (1) Test conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V ± 0.3 V; C1 = 0.047 μF, C2–C4 = 0.33 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 5 V ± 0.5 V.

## 6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>	DB	DW	PW	UNIT
	16 PINS	16 PINS	16 PINS	
$R_{\theta JA}$ Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	76.1	59.0	70.3	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(top)}$ Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	35.8	28.8	21.0	°C/W
$R_{\theta JB}$ Junction-to-board thermal resistance	37.4	30.3	29.2	°C/W
$\Psi_{JT}$ Junction-to-top characterization parameter	7.4	7.8	1.3	°C/W
$\Psi_{JB}$ Junction-to-board characterization parameter	37.0	30.0	28.8	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(bot)}$ Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	N/A	N/A	N/A	°C/W

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report (SPRA953).

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics — Auto Power Down

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup> (see Figure 9-1)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP <sup>(1)</sup>	MAX	UNIT
Supply current Auto-powerdown disabled	No load, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ and FORCEON at $V_{CC}$ . $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ For DB and PW package		0.3	1.2	mA
Supply current Auto-powerdown disabled	No load, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ and FORCEON at $V_{CC}$ . $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ For DW package		0.3	1	mA
Supply current Powered off	No load, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ at GND. $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$		1	10	$\mu\text{A}$
Supply current Auto-powerdown enabled	No load, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ at $V_{CC}$ , FORCEON at GND, All RIN are open or grounded, All DIN are grounded. $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$		1	10	
$I_I$ Input leakage current of $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ , FORCEON	$V_I = V_{CC}$ or $V_I$ at GND		$\pm 0.01$	$\pm 1$	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{IT+}$ Receiver input threshold for $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ high-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}} = V_{CC}$			2.7	V
$V_{IT-}$ Receiver input threshold for $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ high-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}} = V_{CC}$	-2.7			V
$V_T$ Receiver input threshold for $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ low-level output voltage	FORCEON = GND, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}} = V_{CC}$	-0.3		0.3	V
$V_{OH}$ $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ high-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -1\text{ mA}$ , FORCEON = GND, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}} = V_{CC}$	$V_{CC} - 0.6$			V
$V_{OL}$ $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 1.6\text{ mA}$ , FORCEON = GND, $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}} = V_{CC}$			0.4	V

(1) Test conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1  $\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 0.3\text{ V}$ ; C1 = 0.047  $\mu\text{F}$ , C2–C4 = 0.33  $\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ .

## 6.6 Electrical Characteristics — Driver

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup> (see Figure 9-1)

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
V <sub>O</sub>	Output voltage (mouse driveability) DIN1 = DIN2 = GND, DIN3 = V <sub>CC</sub> , 3-kΩ to GND at DOUT3, DOUT1 = DOUT2 = 2.5 mA	±5			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
V <sub>hys</sub>	Input hysteresis			±1	V
I <sub>OS</sub>	Short-circuit output current <sup>(3)</sup> V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.6 V, V <sub>O</sub> = 0 V V <sub>CC</sub> = 5.5 V, V <sub>O</sub> = 0 V		±35	±60	mA
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>off</sub>	Output leakage current FORCEOFF = GND, V <sub>O</sub> = ±12 V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 3 to 3.6 V V <sub>O</sub> = ±10 V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 to 5.5 V			±25 ±25	μA

(1) Test conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V ± 0.3 V; C1 = 0.047 μF, 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.

## 6.7 Electrical Characteristics — Receiver

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup> (see Figure 9-1)

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>OH</sub> = 1.6 mA			0.4	V
V <sub>IT+</sub>	Positive-going input threshold voltage V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V		1.6 1.9	2.4 2.4	V
V <sub>IT-</sub>	Negative-going input threshold voltage V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V	0.6 0.8	1.1 1.4		V
V <sub>hys</sub>	Input hysteresis (V <sub>IT+</sub> - V <sub>IT-</sub> )		0.5		V
I <sub>off</sub>	Output leakage current (except ROUT2B) FORCEOFF = 0 V		±0.05	±10	μA
r <sub>I</sub>	Input resistance V <sub>I</sub> = ±3 V or ±25 V	3	5	7	kΩ

(1) Test conditions are C1–C4 = 0.1 μF at V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V ± 0.3 V; C1 = 0.047 μF, 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.

## 6.8 Switching Characteristics — Auto Power Down

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 7-5)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	TYP <sup>(1)</sup>	UNIT
t <sub>valid</sub>	Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V	1	μs
t <sub>invalid</sub>	Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V	30	μs
t <sub>en</sub>	Supply enable time V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V	100	μs

(1) 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.

## 6.9 Switching Characteristics — Driver

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(2)</sup> (see Figure 9-1) MAX3243C, MAX3243I

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP <sup>(1)</sup>	MAX	UNIT
Maximum data rate		$R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ One DOUT switching,	$C_L = 1000\text{ pF}$ See Figure 7-1	150	250		kbit/s
$t_{sk(p)}$	Pulse skew <sup>(3)</sup>	$R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7\text{ k}\Omega$	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ to $2500\text{ pF}$ See Figure 7-3		100		ns
$SR(tr)$	Slew rate, transition region (see Figure 7-1)	$V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V}$ , $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7\text{ k}\Omega$	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ to $1000\text{ pF}$	6	30		V/ $\mu$ s
			$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ to $2500\text{ pF}$	4	30		

- (1) All typical values are at  $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V}$  or  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ , and  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .
- (2) Test conditions are  $C_1\text{--}C_4 = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 0.3\text{ V}$ ;  $C_1 = 0.047\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2\text{--}C_4 = 0.33\text{ }\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ .
- (3) Pulse skew is defined as  $|t_{PLH} - t_{PHL}|$  of each channel of the same device.

## 6.10 Switching Characteristics — Receiver

over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(2)</sup>

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	TYP <sup>(1)</sup>	UNIT
$t_{PLH}$	Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ , See Figure 7-3	150	ns
$t_{PHL}$	Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output		150	ns
$t_{en}$	Output enable time	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ , $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ , See Figure 7-4	200	ns
$t_{dis}$	Output disable time		200	ns
$t_{sk(p)}$	Pulse skew <sup>(3)</sup>	See Figure 7-3	50	ns

- (1) All typical values are at  $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V}$  or  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ , and  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .
- (2) Test conditions are  $C_1\text{--}C_4 = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 0.3\text{ V}$ ;  $C_1 = 0.047\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_2\text{--}C_4 = 0.33\text{ }\mu\text{F}$  at  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ .
- (3) Pulse skew is defined as  $|t_{PLH} - t_{PHL}|$  of each channel of the same device.

## 6.11 Typical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V}$

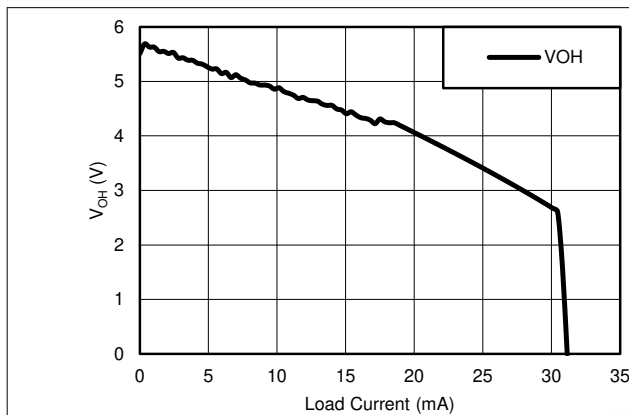


Figure 6-1. DOUT VOH vs Load Current

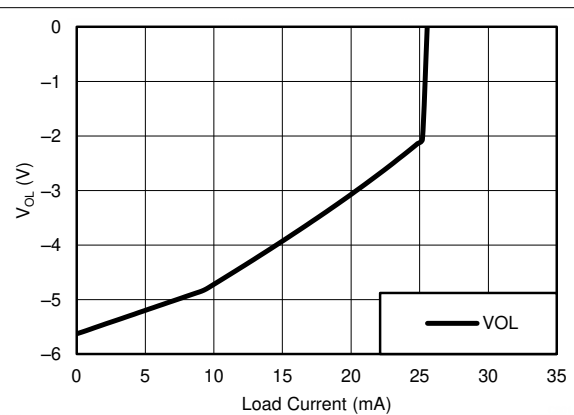
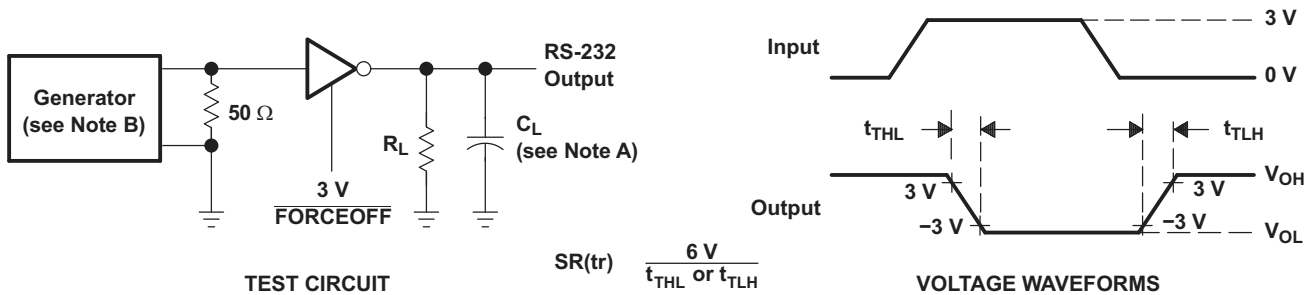


Figure 6-2. DOUT VOL vs Load Current

## 7 Parameter Measurement Information

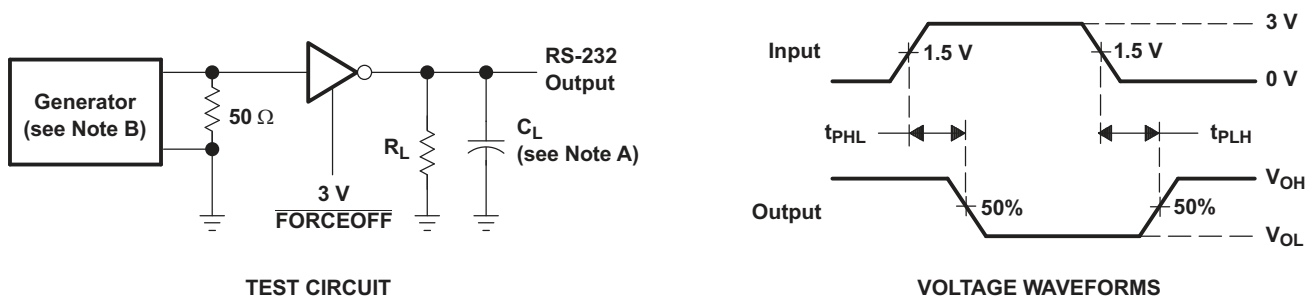
### 7.1



NOTES: A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.

B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 250 kbit/s (MAX3243C/I) and 1 Mbit/s (MAX3243FC/I),  $Z_O = 50\ \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10\ \text{ns}$ ,  $t_f \leq 10\ \text{ns}$ .

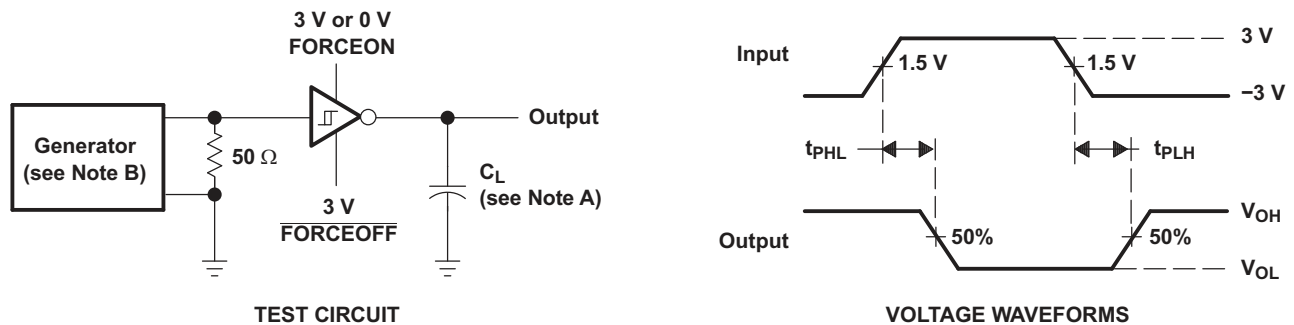
**Figure 7-1. Driver Slew Rate**



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B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: PRR = 250 kbit/s (MAX3243C/I) and 1 Mbit/s (MAX3243FC/I),  $Z_O = 50\ \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10\ \text{ns}$ ,  $t_f \leq 10\ \text{ns}$ .

**Figure 7-2. Driver Pulse Skew**

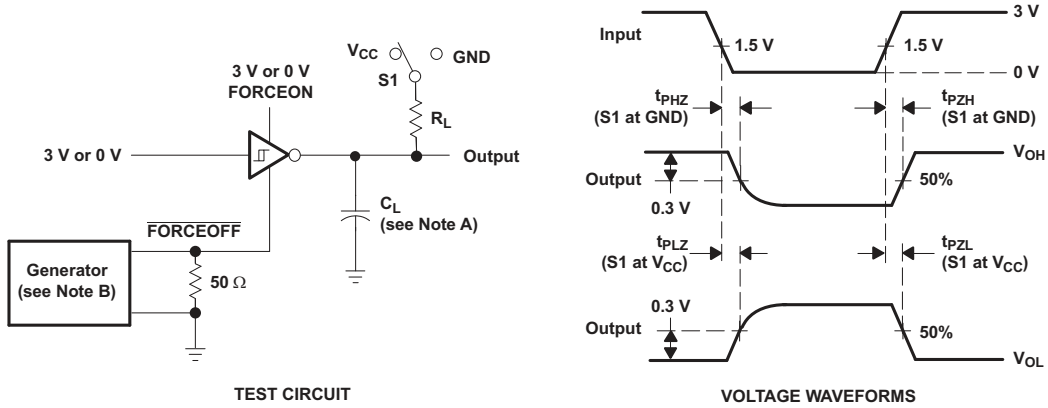


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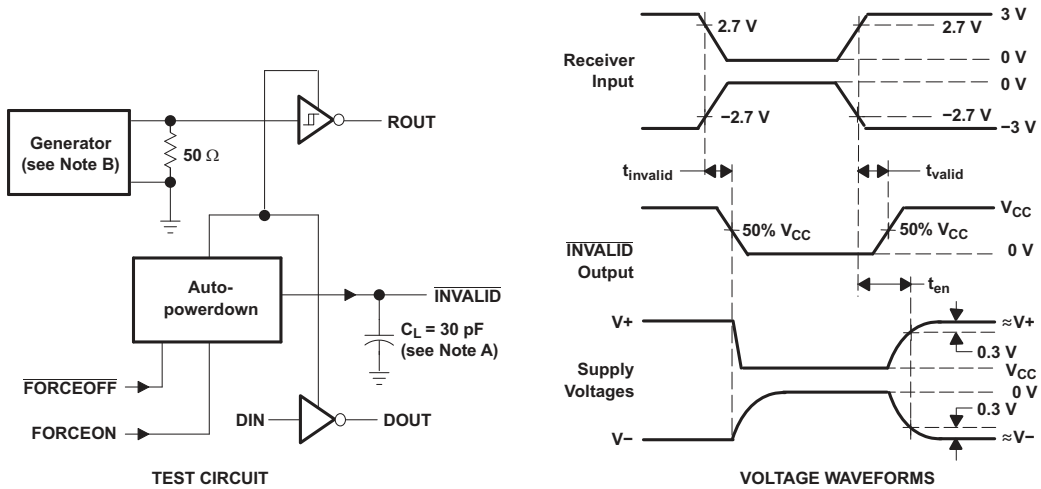
**Figure 7-3. Receiver Propagation Delay Times**





- NOTES: A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.  
 B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics:  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ , 50% duty cycle,  $t_r \leq 10$  ns,  $t_f \leq 10$  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 7-4. Receiver Enable and Disable Times



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

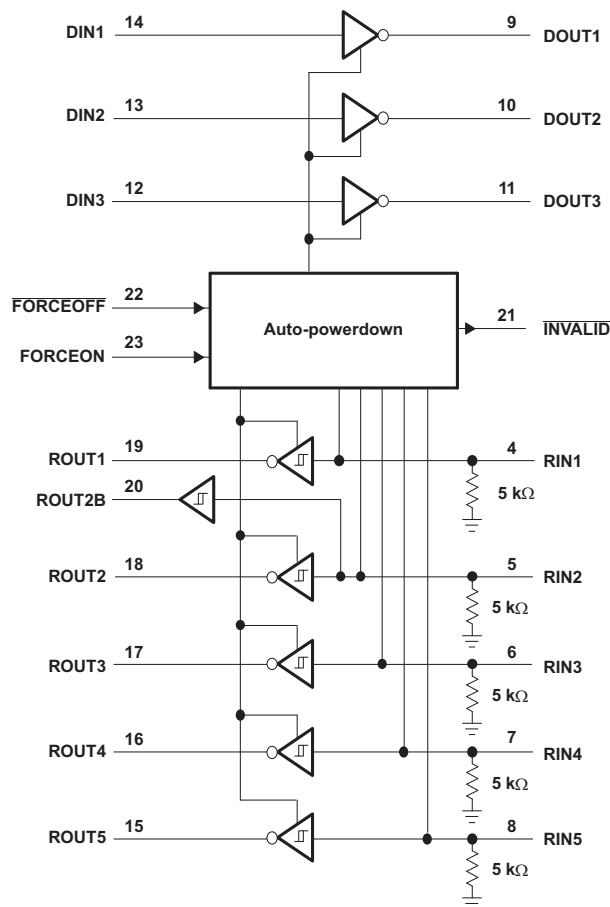
Figure 7-5.  $\overline{INVALID}$  Propagation Delay Times and Supply Enabling Time

## 8 Detailed Description

### 8.1 Overview

The MAX3243 device consists of three line drivers, five line receivers, and a dual charge-pump circuit with  $\pm 15$ -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 an asynchronous communication controller and the serial-port connector. This combination of drivers and receivers matches that needed for the typical serial port used in an IBM PC/AT, or compatible. 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 (ROUT2B), which allows applications using the ring indicator to transmit data while the device is powered down. Flexible control options for power management are available when the serial port is inactive. The auto-power-down feature functions when FORCEON is low and FORCEOFF is high. During this mode of operation, if the device does not sense a valid RS-232 signal, the driver outputs are disabled. If FORCEOFF is set low, both drivers and receivers (except ROUT2B) are shut off, and the supply current is reduced to 1  $\mu$ A. Disconnecting the serial port or turning off the peripheral drivers causes the auto-powerdown condition to occur. Auto-powerdown can be disabled when FORCEON and FORCEOFF are high and should be done when driving a serial mouse. With auto-powerdown enabled, the device is activated automatically when a valid signal is applied to any receiver input. The INVALID output is used to notify the user if an RS-232 signal is present at any receiver 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.

### 8.2 Functional Block Diagram



## 8.3 Feature Description

### 8.3.1 Auto-Power-Down

Auto-Power-Down can be used to automatically save power when the receivers are unconnected or connected to a powered down remote RS232 port. FORCEON being high will override Auto power down and the drivers will be active. FORCEOFF being low will override FORCEON and will power down all outputs except for ROUT2B and INVALID.

### 8.3.2 Charge Pump

The charge pump increases, inverts, and regulates voltage at V+ and V– pins and requires four external capacitors.

### 8.3.3 RS232 Driver

Three drivers interface standard logic level to RS232 levels. All DIN inputs must be valid high or low.

### 8.3.4 RS232 Receiver

Five receivers interface RS232 levels to standard logic levels. An open input will result in a high output on ROUT. Each RIN input includes an internal standard RS232 load.

### 8.3.5 ROUT2B Receiver

ROUT2B is an always-active noninverting output of RIN2 input, which allows applications using the ring indicator to transmit data while the device is powered down.

### 8.3.6 Invalid Input Detection

The INVALID output goes active low when all RIN inputs are unpowered. The INVALID output goes inactive high when any RIN input is connected to an active RS232 voltage level.

## 8.4 Device Functional Modes

**Table 8-1. Each Driver<sup>(1)</sup>**

INPUTS				OUTPUT	DRIVER STATUS
DIN	FORCEON	FORCEOFF	VALID RIN RS-232 LEVEL	DOUT	
X	X	L	X	Z	Powered off
L	H	H	X	H	Normal operation with auto-powerdown disabled
H	H	H	X	L	
L	L	H	YES	H	Normal operation with auto-powerdown enabled
H	L	H	YES	L	
X	L	H	NO	Z	Power off by auto-powerdown feature

(1) H = high level, L = low level, X = irrelevant, Z = high impedance, YES = any RIN valid, NO = all RIN invalid

**Table 8-2. Each Receiver<sup>(1)</sup>**

INPUTS			OUTPUTS	RECEIVER STATUS
RIN	FORCEON	FORCEOFF	ROUT	
X	X	L	Z	Powered off
L	X	H	H	Normal operation
H	X	H	L	
Open	X	H	H	

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

**Table 8-3.  $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$  and ROUT2B Outputs<sup>(1)</sup>**

INPUTS				OUTPUTS		OUTPUT STATUS
VALID RIN RS-232 LEVEL	RIN2	FORCEON	FORCEOFF	$\overline{\text{INVALID}}$	ROUT2B	
YES	L	X	X	H	L	Always Active
YES	H	X	X	H	H	
YES	OPEN	X	X	H	L	Always Active
NO	OPEN	X	X	L	L	

(1) H = high level, L = low level, X = irrelevant, Z = high impedance (off), OPEN = input disconnected or connected driver off, YES = any RIN valid, NO = all RIN invalid

## 9 Application and Implementation

### Note

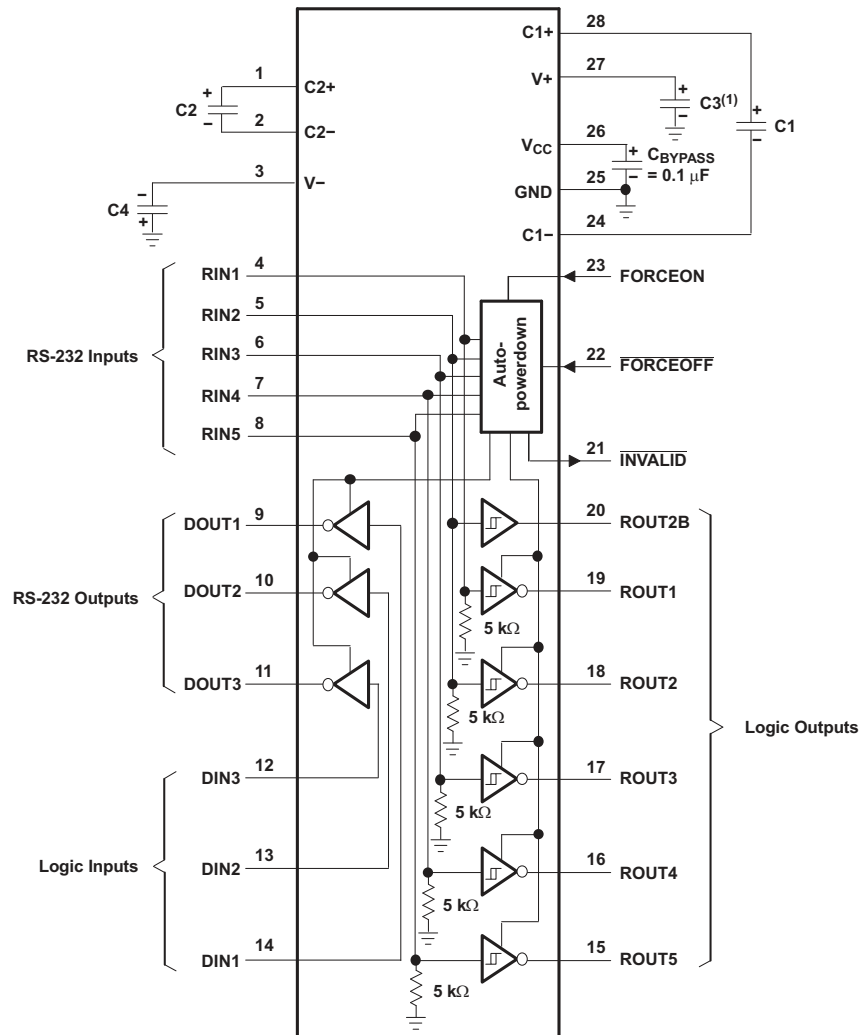
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### 9.1 Application Information

It is recommended to add capacitors as shown in [Figure 9-1](#).

### 9.2 Typical Application

ROUT and DIN connect to UART or general purpose logic lines. RIN and DOUT lines connect to a RS232 connector or cable.



(1) 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.

$V_{CC}$  vs CAPACITOR VALUES

$V_{CC}$	C1	C2, C3, and C4
3.3 V $\pm$ 0.3 V	0.1 $\mu$ F	0.1 $\mu$ F
5 V $\pm$ 0.5 V	0.047 $\mu$ F	0.33 $\mu$ F
3 V to 5.5 V	0.1 $\mu$ F	0.47 $\mu$ F

Figure 9-1. Typical Operating Circuit and Capacitor Values

### 9.2.1 Design Requirements

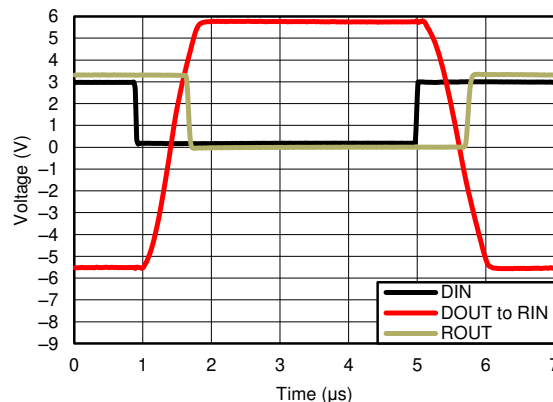
- $V_{CC}$  minimum is 3 V and maximum is 5.5V.
- Maximum recommended bit rate is 250 kbit/s.

### 9.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

- All DIN,  $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$  and FORCEON inputs must be connected to valid low or high logic levels.
- Select capacitor values based on  $V_{CC}$  level for best performance.

### 9.2.3 Application Curves

$V_{CC} = 3.3$  V



**Figure 9-2. Driver to Receiver Loopback Timing Waveform**

## 9.3 Power Supply Recommendations

$V_{CC}$  should be between 3 V and 5.5 V. Charge pump capacitors should be chosen using table in [Figure 9-1](#).

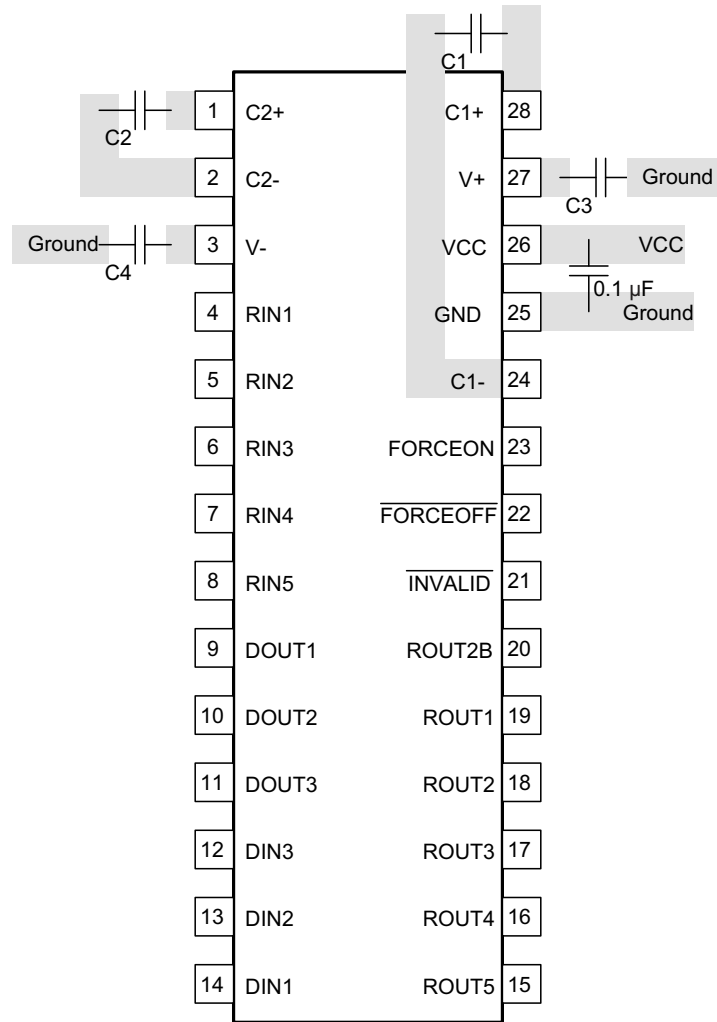
## 9.4 Layout

### 9.4.1 Layout Guidelines

Keep the external capacitor traces short. This is more important on C1 and C2 nodes that have the fastest rise and fall times.

In the [Layout Example](#) diagram, only critical layout sections are shown. Input and output traces will vary in shape and size depending on the customer application. FORCEON and  $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$  should be pulled up to  $V_{CC}$  or GND via a pullup resistor, depending on which configuration the user desires upon power-up.

### 9.4.2 Layout Example



**Figure 9-3. Layout Diagram**

## 10 Device and Documentation Support

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### 10.5 Glossary

[TI Glossary](#) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 11 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

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**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
MAX3243CDB	LIFEBUY	SSOP	DB	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	
MAX3243CDBG4	LIFEBUY	SSOP	DB	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	
MAX3243CDBR	ACTIVE	SSOP	DB	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	Samples
MAX3243CDBRE4	ACTIVE	SSOP	DB	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	Samples
MAX3243CDBRG4	ACTIVE	SSOP	DB	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	Samples
MAX3243CDW	LIFEBUY	SOIC	DW	28	20	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	
MAX3243CDWE4	LIFEBUY	SOIC	DW	28	20	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	
MAX3243CDWR	ACTIVE	SOIC	DW	28	1000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	Samples
MAX3243CDWRG4	ACTIVE	SOIC	DW	28	1000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX3243C	Samples
MAX3243CPW	LIFEBUY	TSSOP	PW	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3243C	
MAX3243CPWE4	LIFEBUY	TSSOP	PW	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3243C	
MAX3243CPWR	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3243C	Samples
MAX3243CPWRG4	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MA3243C	Samples
MAX3243IDB	LIFEBUY	SSOP	DB	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3243I	
MAX3243IDBG4	LIFEBUY	SSOP	DB	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3243I	
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MAX3243IDW	ACTIVE	SOIC	DW	28	20	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX3243I	Samples
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MAX3243IPW	LIFEBUY	TSSOP	PW	28	50	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MB3243I	
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MAX3243IPWRE4	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	RoHS & Green	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MB3243I	Samples

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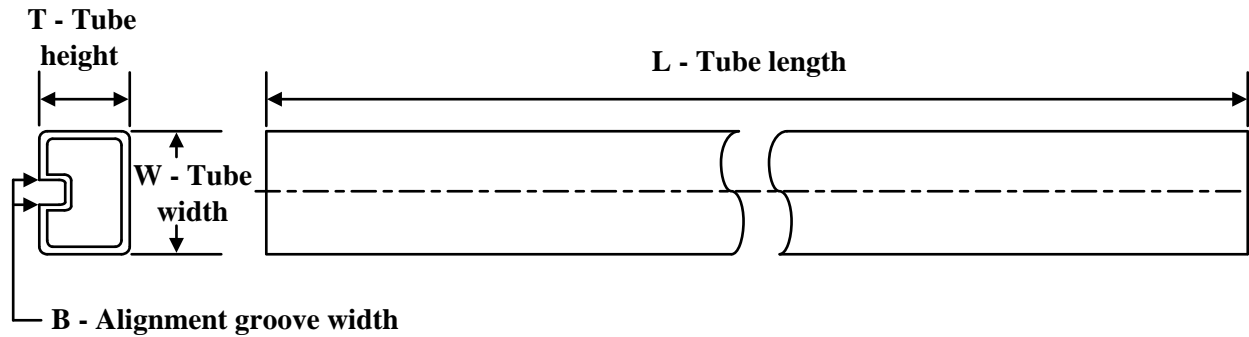

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MAX3243CDWR	SOIC	DW	28	1000	330.0	32.4	11.35	18.67	3.1	16.0	32.0	Q1
MAX3243CPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	330.0	16.4	6.9	10.2	1.8	12.0	16.0	Q1
MAX3243IDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	330.0	16.4	8.2	10.5	2.5	12.0	16.0	Q1
MAX3243IDWR	SOIC	DW	28	1000	330.0	32.4	11.35	18.67	3.1	16.0	32.0	Q1
MAX3243IPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	330.0	16.4	6.9	10.2	1.8	12.0	16.0	Q1

**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


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MAX3243CDWR	SOIC	DW	28	1000	350.0	350.0	66.0
MAX3243CPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	356.0	356.0	35.0
MAX3243IDBR	SSOP	DB	28	2000	356.0	356.0	35.0
MAX3243IDWR	SOIC	DW	28	1000	350.0	350.0	66.0
MAX3243IPWR	TSSOP	PW	28	2000	356.0	356.0	35.0

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MAX3243CDBG4	DB	SSOP	28	50	530	10.5	4000	4.1
MAX3243CDW	DW	SOIC	28	20	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX3243CDWE4	DW	SOIC	28	20	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX3243CPW	PW	TSSOP	28	50	530	10.2	3600	3.5
MAX3243CPW	PW	TSSOP	28	50	530	10.2	3600	3.5
MAX3243CPWE4	PW	TSSOP	28	50	530	10.2	3600	3.5
MAX3243CPWE4	PW	TSSOP	28	50	530	10.2	3600	3.5
MAX3243IDB	DB	SSOP	28	50	530	10.5	4000	4.1
MAX3243IDBG4	DB	SSOP	28	50	530	10.5	4000	4.1
MAX3243IDW	DW	SOIC	28	20	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
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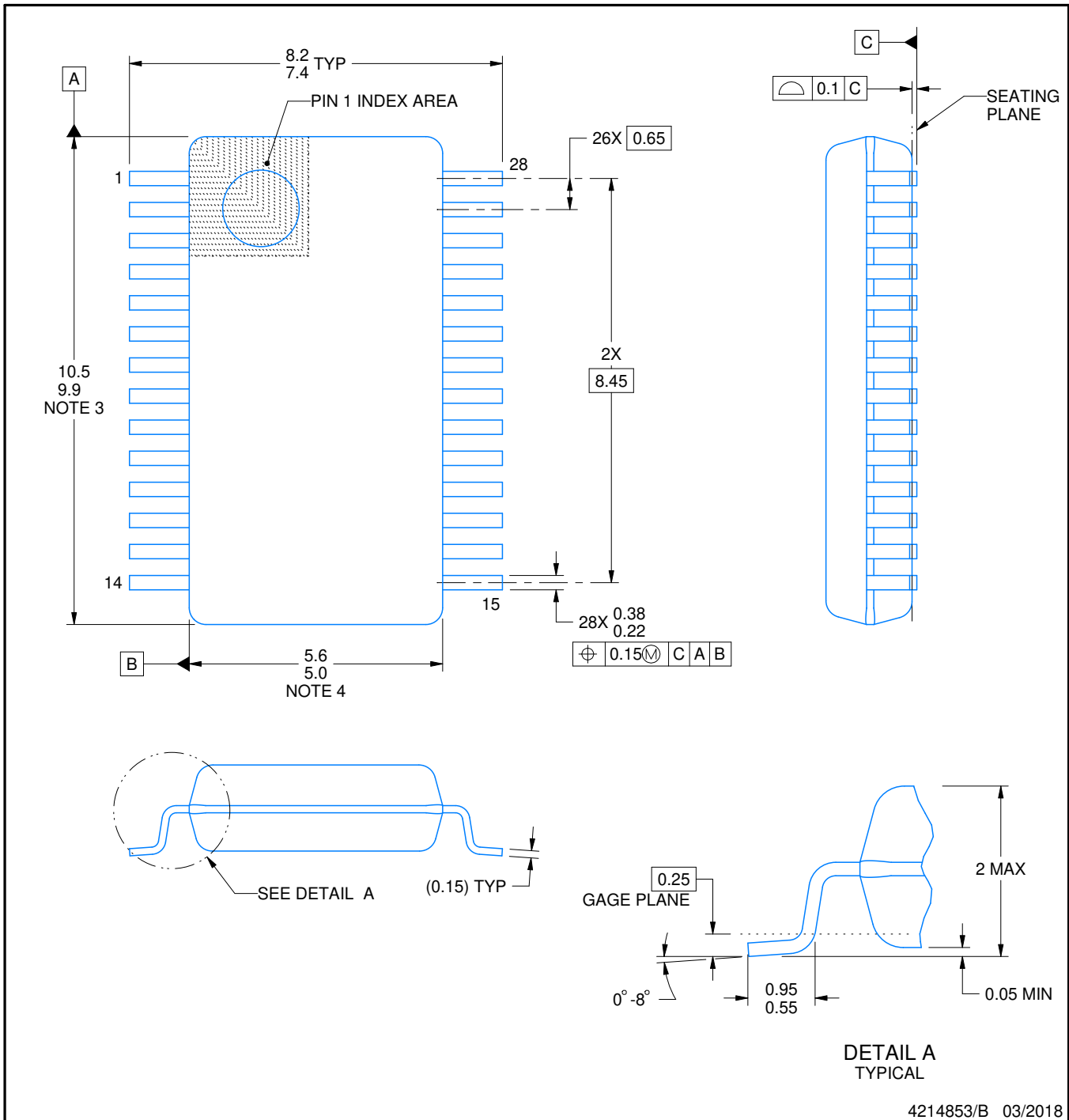
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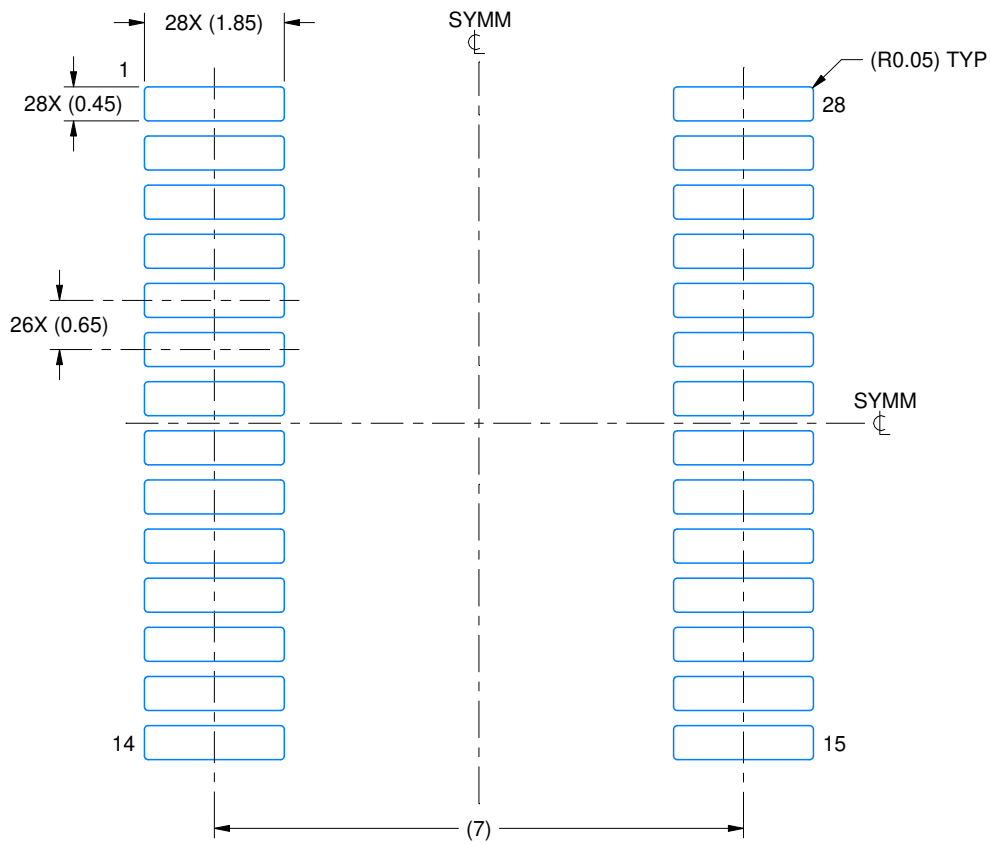
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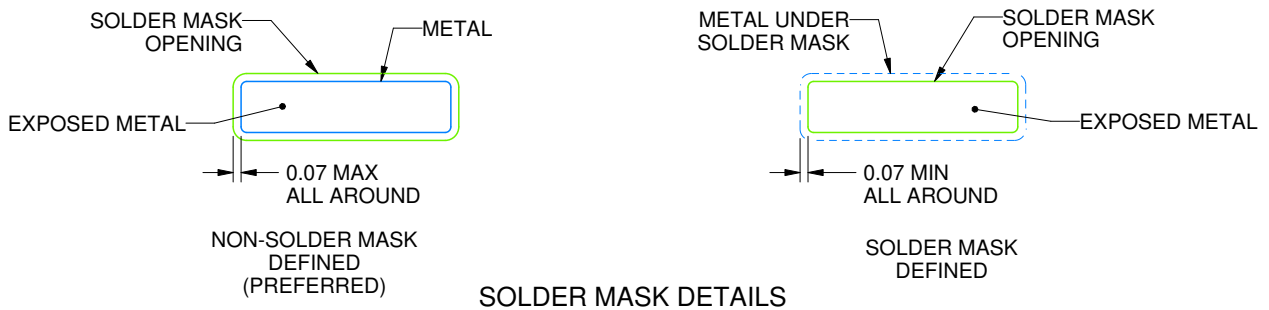
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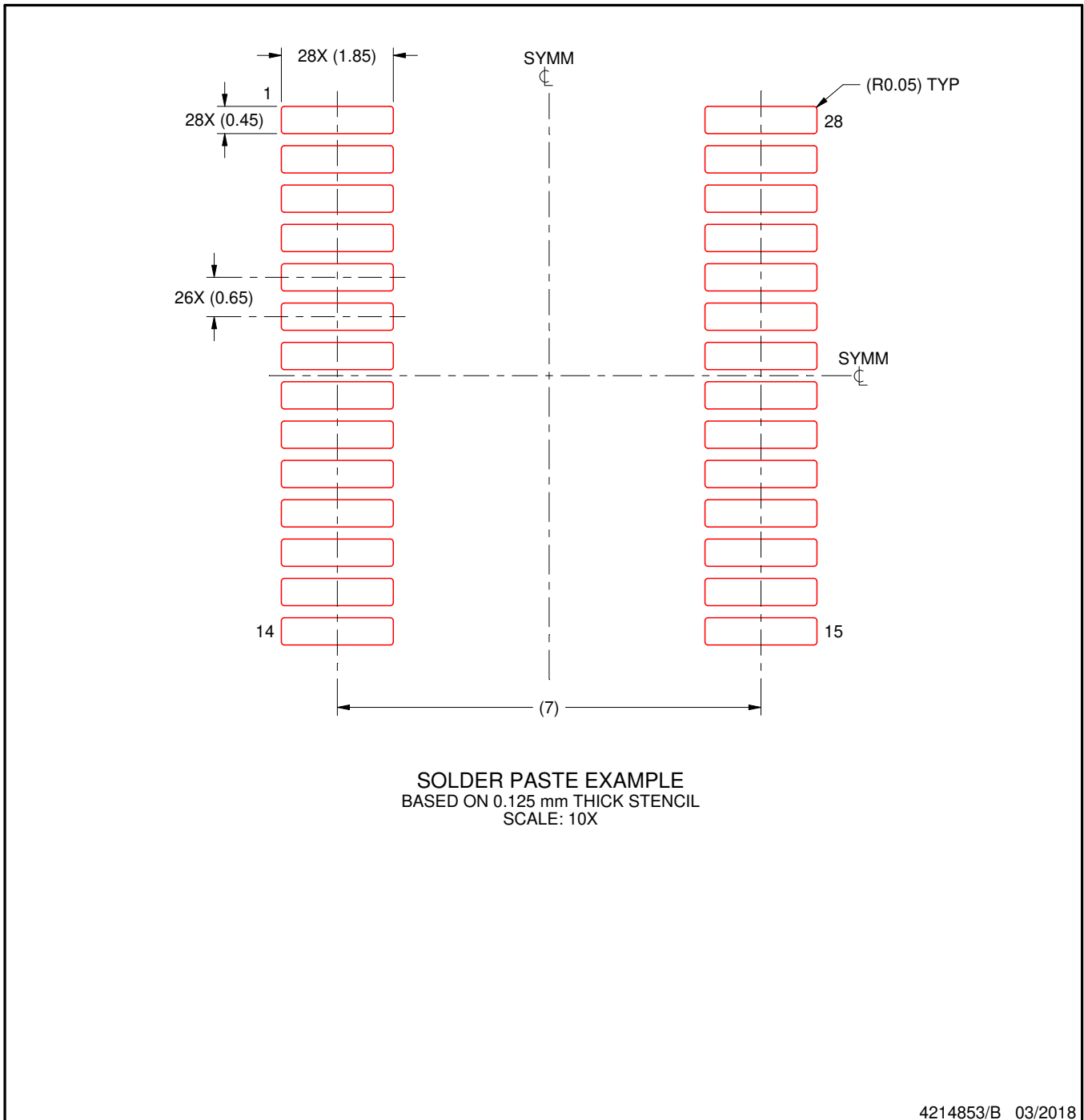
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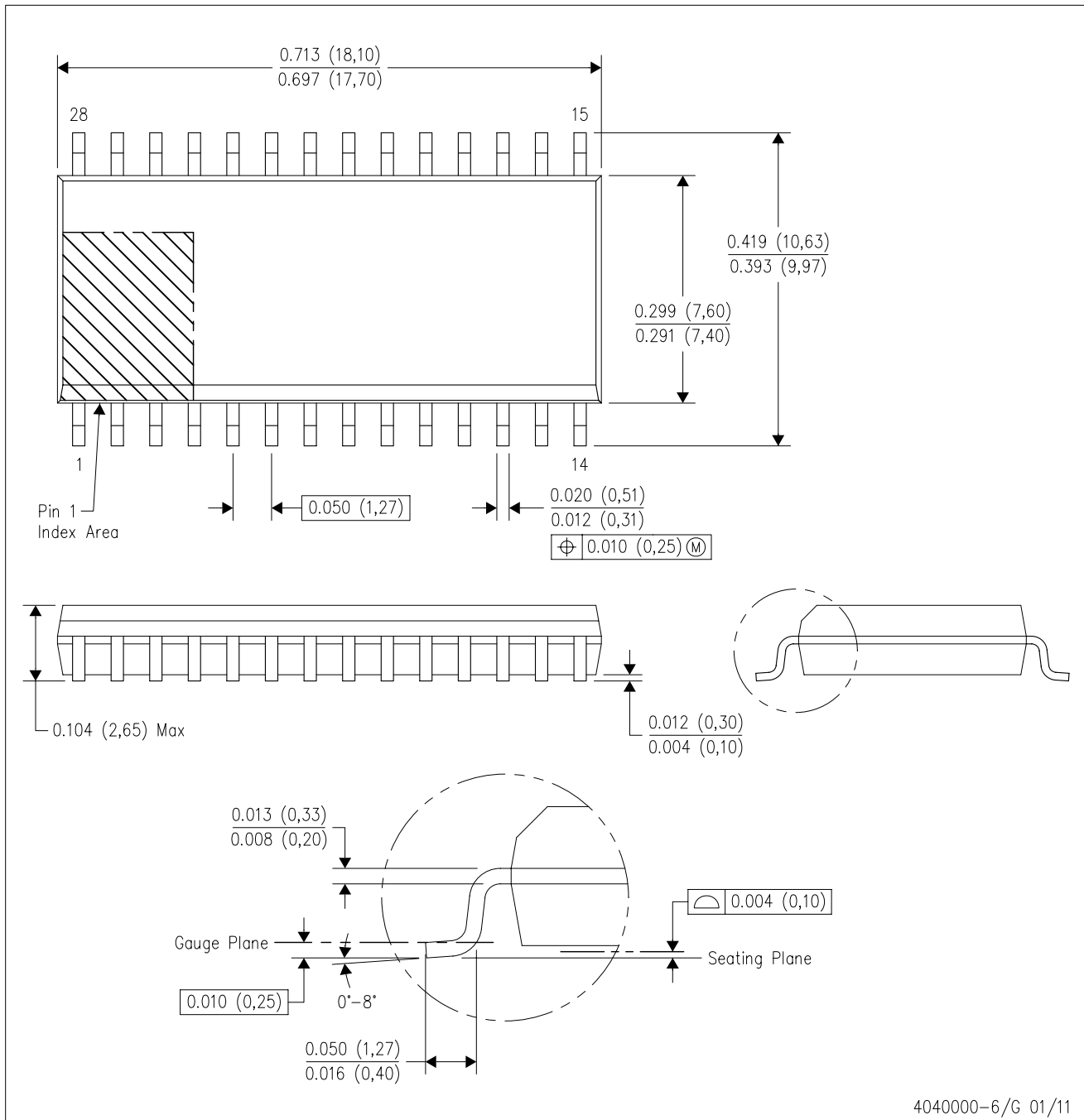
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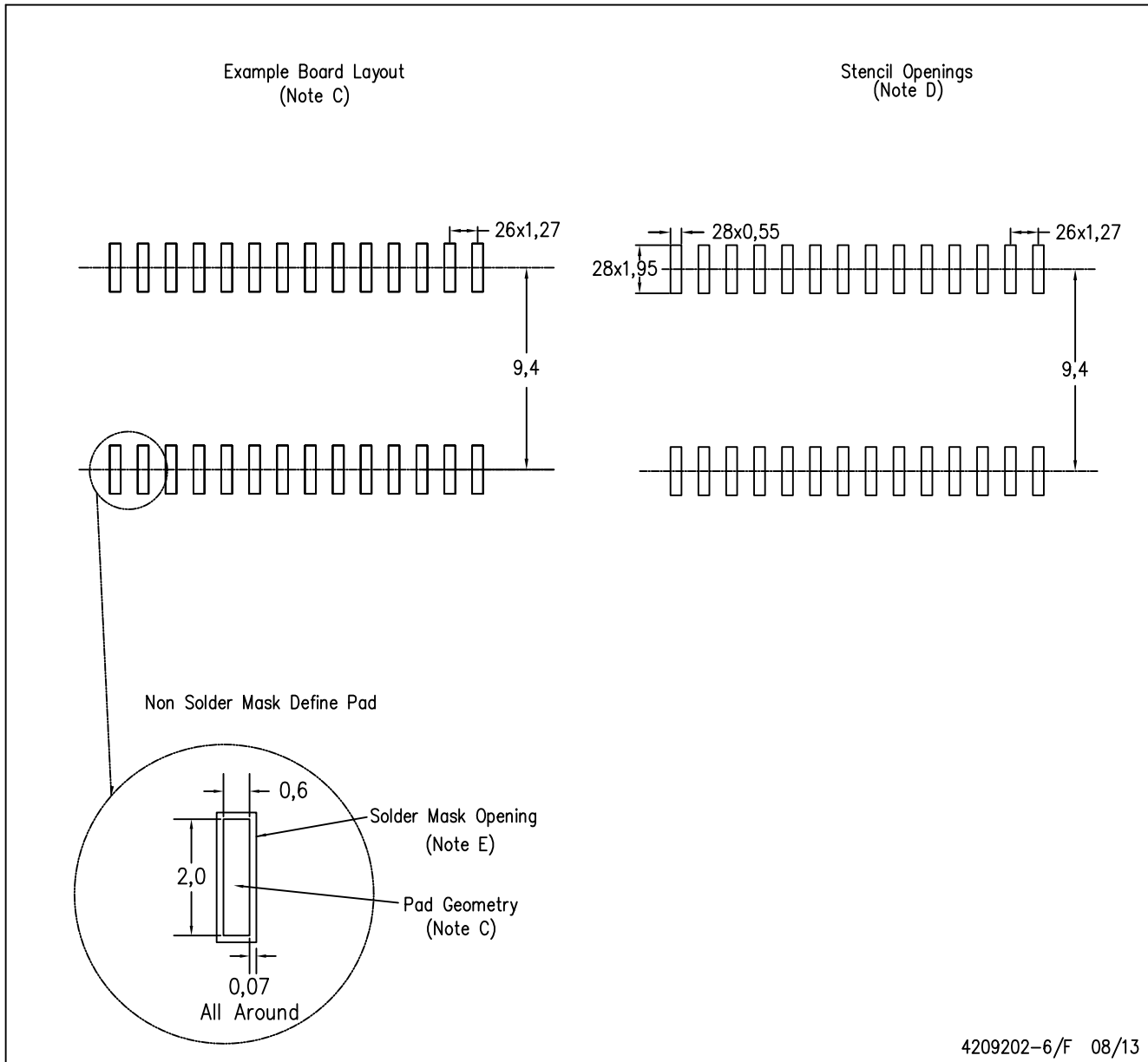


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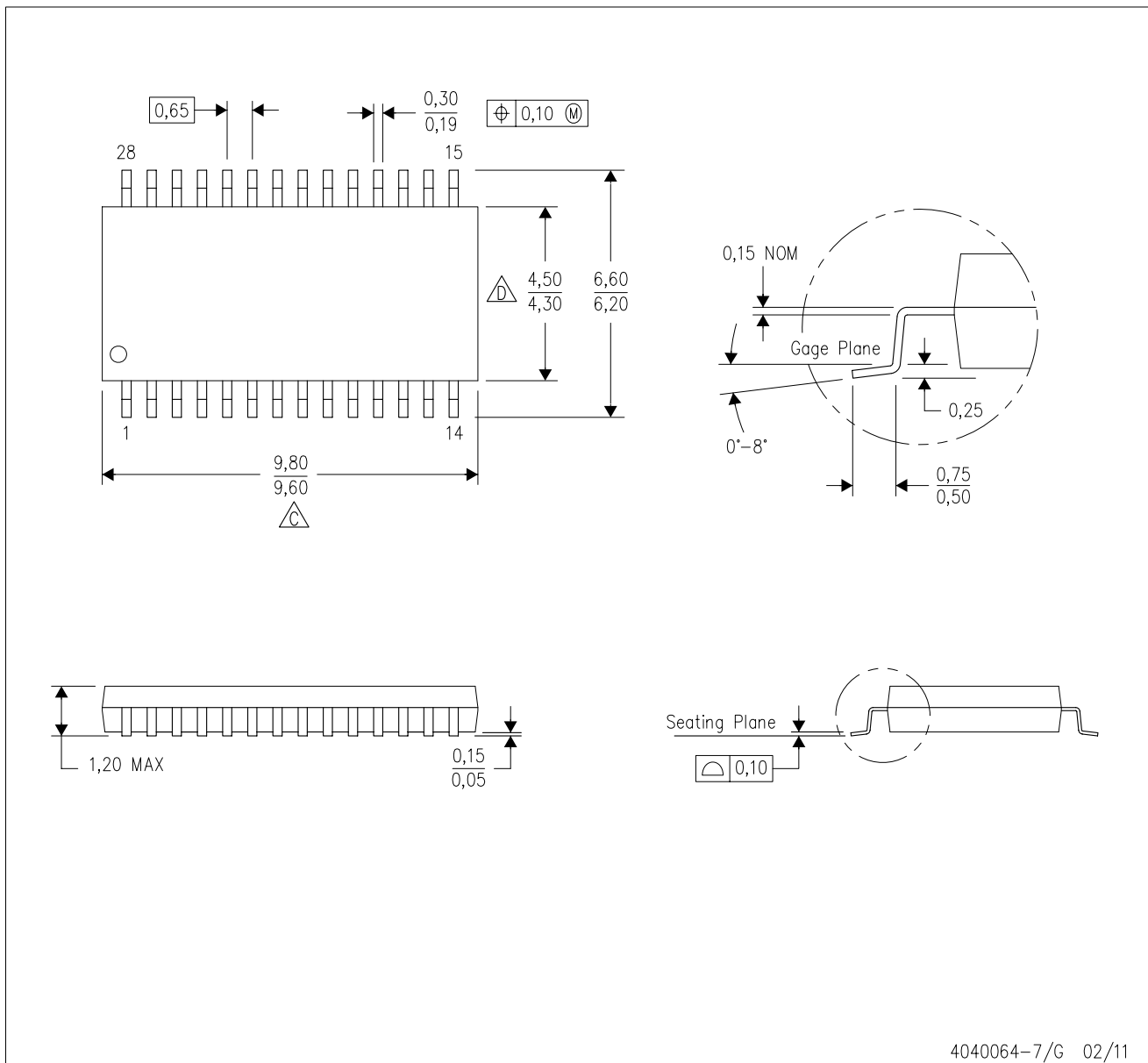


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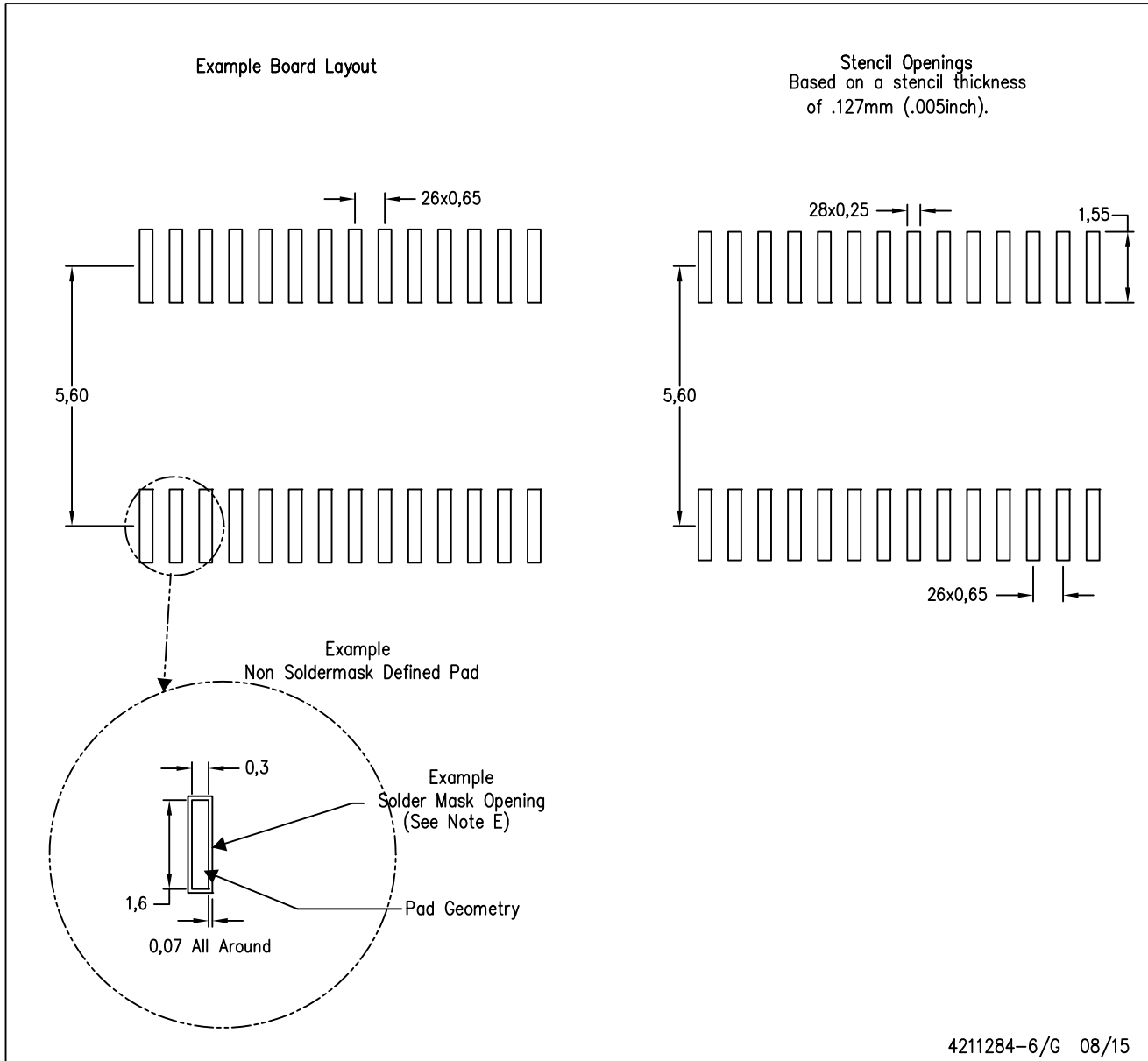
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  - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

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