

5-V MULTICHANNEL RS-232 LINE DRIVER/RECEIVER WITH ±15-kV ESD PROTECTION

FEATURES

- ESD Protection for RS-232 I/O Pins
 - ±15-kV Human-Body Model (HBM)
- Meets or Exceeds the Requirements of TIA/EIA-232-F and ITU v.28 Standards
- Operates at 5-V V_{CC} Supply
- Four Drivers and Four Receivers
- Operates up to 120 kbit/s
- External Capacitors: $4 \times 0.1 \mu\text{F}$
- Latch-Up Performance Exceeds 100 mA Per JESD 78, Class II

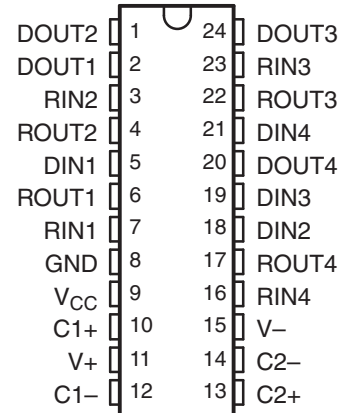
APPLICATIONS

- Battery-Powered Systems
- PDAs
- Notebooks
- Laptops
- Palmtop PCs
- Hand-Held Equipment

DESCRIPTION

The MAX208 device consists of four line drivers, four line receivers, and a dual charge-pump circuit with ±15-kV HBM ESD 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. The charge pump and four small external capacitors allow operation from a single 5-V supply. The devices operate at data signaling rates up to 120 kbit/s and a maximum of 30-V/ μs driver output slew rate.

DB OR DW PACKAGE
(TOP VIEW)



ORDERING INFORMATION⁽¹⁾

T_A	PACKAGE ⁽²⁾		ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
0°C to 70°C	SOIC – DW	Tube of 25	MAX208CDW	MAX208C
		Reel of 2000	MAX208CDWR	
	SSOP – DB	Tube of 60	MAX208CDB	MA208C
		Reel of 2000	MAX208CDBR	
–40°C to 85°C	SOIC – DW	Tube of 25	MAX208IDW	MAX208I
		Reel of 2000	MAX208IDWR	
	SSOP – DB	Tube of 60	MAX208IDB	MB208I
		Reel of 2000	MAX208IDBR	

- (1) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum at the end of this document, or see the TI web site at www.ti.com.
- (2) Package drawings, thermal data, and symbolization are available at www.ti.com/packaging.



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**FUNCTION TABLE
EACH DRIVER⁽¹⁾**

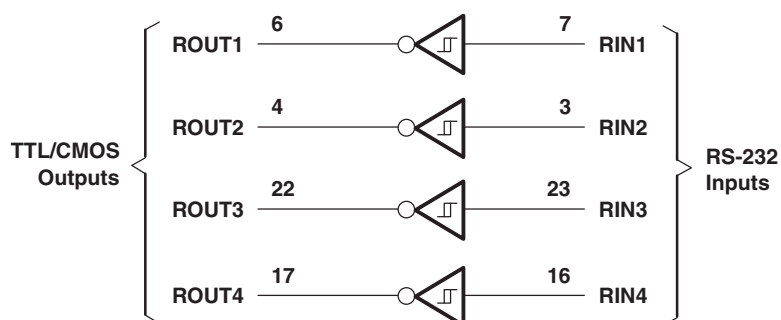
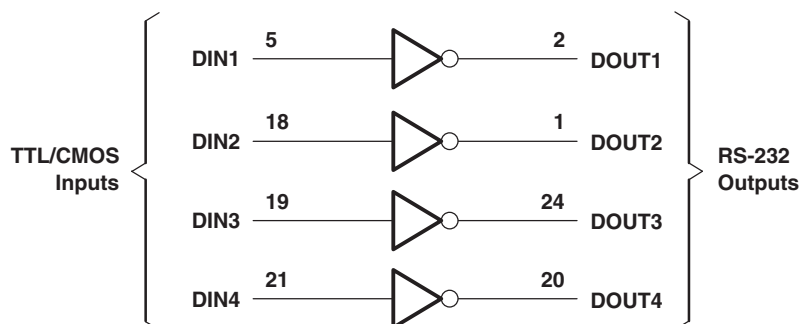
INPUT DIN	OUTPUT DOUT
L	H
H	L

(1) H = high level, L = low level

**FUNCTION TABLE
EACH RECEIVER⁽¹⁾**

INPUT RIN	OUTPUT ROUT
L	H
H	L
Open	H

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

logic diagram (positive logic)


ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS⁽¹⁾

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

V _{CC}	Supply voltage range ⁽²⁾		–0.3 V to 6 V
V ₊	Positive charge pump voltage range ⁽²⁾		V _{CC} – 0.3 V to 14 V
V _–	Negative charge pump voltage range ⁽²⁾		–14 V to 0.3 V
V ₊ – V _–	Supply voltage difference ⁽²⁾		13 V
V _I	Input voltage range	Drivers	–0.3 V to V ₊ + 0.3 V
		Receivers	±30 V
V _O	Output voltage range	Drivers	V _– – 0.3 V to V ₊ + 0.3 V
		Receivers	–0.3 V to V _{CC} + 0.3 V
	Short-circuit duration on DOUT		Continuous
θ _{JA}	Package thermal impedance ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	DB package	63°C/W
		DW package	46°C/W
T _J	Operating virtual-junction temperature		150°C
T _{stg}	Storage temperature range		–65°C to 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 *recommended operating conditions* 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.
- (3) 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)/θ_{JA}. Operating at the absolute maximum T_J of 150°C can impact reliability.
- (4) The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

C1 to C4 = 0.1 μF at V_{CC} = 5 V ± 0.5 V (see [Figure 4](#))

			MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
V _{CC}	Supply voltage		4.5	5	5.5	V
V _{IH}	Driver high-level input voltage	DIN	2			V
V _{IL}	Driver low-level input voltage	DIN			0.8	V
V _I	Driver input voltage	DIN	0		5.5	V
	Receiver input voltage		–30		30	
T _A	Operating free-air temperature	MAX208C	0		70	°C
		MAX208I	–40		85	

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

C1 to C4 = 0.1 μF at V_{CC} = 5 V ± 0.5 V (see [Figure 4](#)), over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
I _{CC}	Supply current		11	20	mA

DRIVER SECTION

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

C1 to C4 = 0.1 μ F at $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ (see [Figure 4](#)), over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V_{OH} High-level output voltage	DOOUT at $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to GND, DIN = GND	5	9		V
V_{OL} Low-level output voltage	DOOUT at $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to GND, DIN = V_{CC}	–5	–9		V
I_{IH} High-level input current	$V_I = V_{CC}$		15	200	μ A
I_{IL} Low-level input current	$V_I = 0\text{ V}$		–15	–200	μ A
I_{OS} Short-circuit output current ⁽¹⁾	$V_{CC} = 5.5\text{ V}$, $V_O = 0\text{ V}$		± 10	± 60	mA
r_o Output resistance	V_{CC} , V_+ , and $V_- = 0\text{ V}$, $V_O = \pm 2\text{ V}$	300			Ω

- (1) 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

C1 to C4 = 0.1 μ F at $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ (see [Figure 4](#)), over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP ⁽¹⁾	MAX	UNIT
Maximum data rate	$C_L = 50$ to 1000 pF , One DOOUT switching, $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7\text{ k}\Omega$, See Figure 1	120			kbit/s
$t_{PLH(D)}$ Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output	$C_L = 2500\text{ pF}$, All drivers loaded, $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$, See Figure 1		2		μ s
$t_{PHL(D)}$ Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output	$C_L = 2500\text{ pF}$, All drivers loaded, $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$, See Figure 1		2		μ s
$t_{sk(p)}$ Pulse skew ⁽²⁾	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$ to 2500 pF , See Figure 2		300		ns
SR(tr) Slew rate, transition region (see Figure 1)	$C_L = 50\text{ pF}$ to 2500 pF , $R_L = 3\text{ k}\Omega$ to $7\text{ k}\Omega$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$	3	6	30	V/ μ s

- (1) All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ and $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$.

- (2) Pulse skew is defined as $|t_{PLH} - t_{PHL}|$ of each channel of the same device.

ESD PROTECTION

PIN	TEST CONDITIONS	TYP	UNIT
DOOUT, RIN	Human-Body Model	± 15	kV

RECEIVER SECTION

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

C1 to C4 = 0.1 μ F at $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 0.5\text{ V}$ (see [Figure 4](#)), over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V_{OH}	High-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -1\text{ mA}$	3.5			V
V_{OL}	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 1.6\text{ mA}$			0.4	V
V_{IT+}	Positive-going input threshold voltage	$V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$		1.7	2.4	V
V_{IT-}	Negative-going input threshold voltage	$V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$	0.8	1.2		V
V_{hys}	Input hysteresis ($V_{IT+} - V_{IT-}$)	$V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$	0.2	0.5	1	V
r_i	Input resistance	$V_I = \pm 3\text{ V}$ to $\pm 25\text{ V}$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$	3	5	7	k Ω

SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS

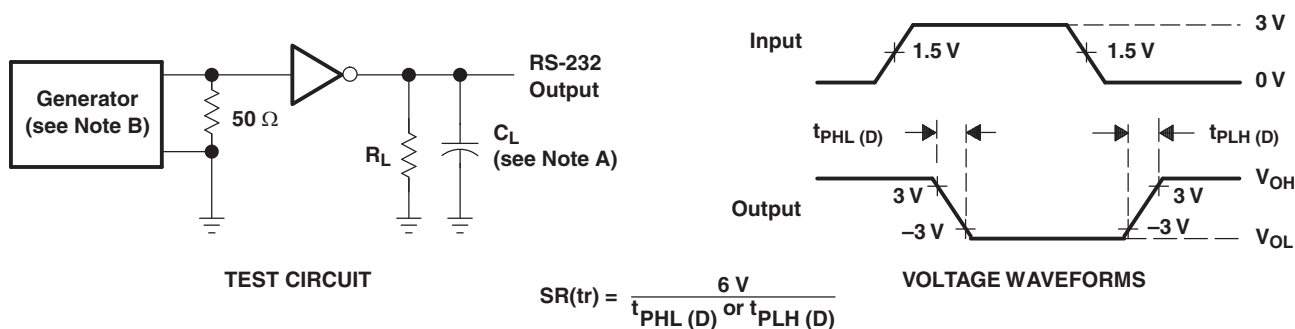
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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP ⁽¹⁾	MAX	UNIT
$t_{PLH(R)}$	Propagation delay time, low- to high-level output	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$		0.5	10	μ s
$t_{PHL(R)}$	Propagation delay time, high- to low-level output	$C_L = 150\text{ pF}$		0.5	10	μ s
$t_{sk(p)}$	Pulse skew ⁽²⁾			300		ns

(1) All typical values are at $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ and $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$.

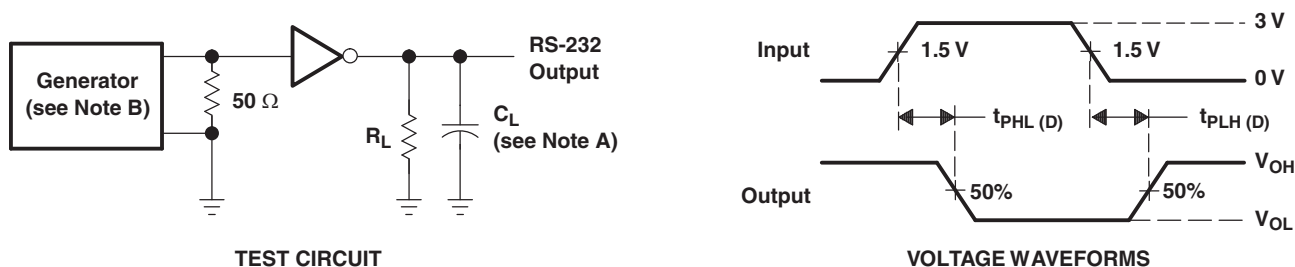
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PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



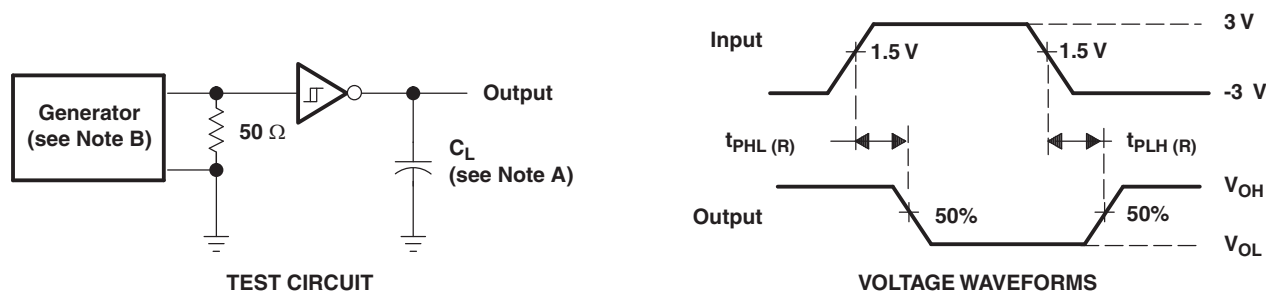
- A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.
- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics:
 PRR = 120 kbit/s, $Z_O = 50\ \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_r \leq 10\text{ ns}$, $t_f \leq 10\text{ ns}$.

Figure 1. Driver Slew Rate



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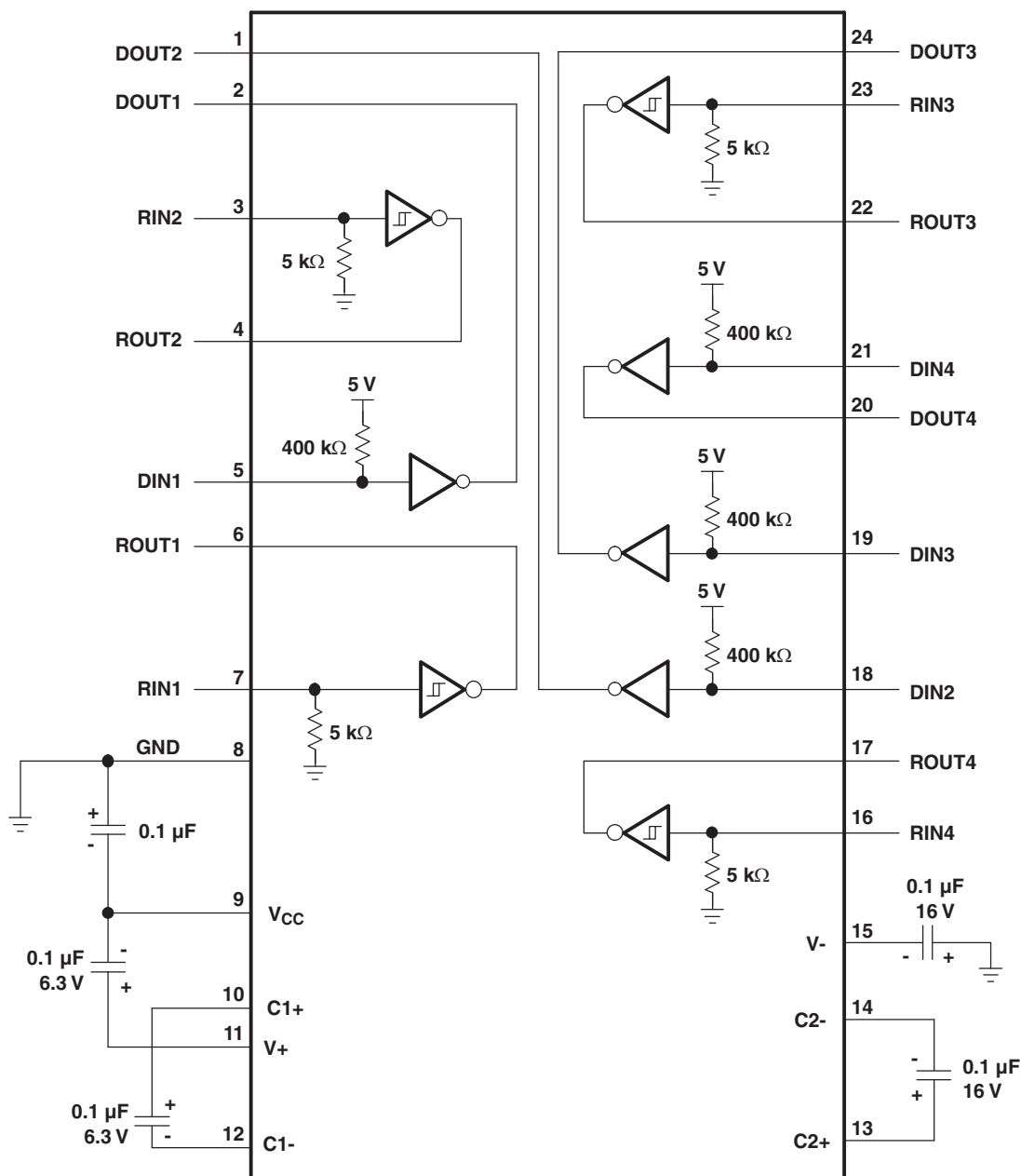
Figure 2. Driver Pulse Skew



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- B. The pulse generator has the following characteristics: $Z_O = 50\ \Omega$, 50% duty cycle, $t_r \leq 10\text{ ns}$, $t_f \leq 10\text{ ns}$.

Figure 3. Receiver Propagation Delay Times

APPLICATION INFORMATION



- A. Resistor values shown are nominal.
- B. Non-polarized ceramic capacitors are acceptable. If polarized tantalum or electrolytic capacitors are used, they should be connected as shown.

Figure 4. Typical Operating Circuit and Capacitor Values

Capacitor Selection

The capacitor type used for C1–C4 is not critical for proper operation. The MAX208 requires 0.1- μ F capacitors, although capacitors up to 10 μ F can be used without harm. Ceramic dielectrics are suggested for the 0.1- μ F capacitors. When using the minimum recommended capacitor values, ensure that the capacitance value does not degrade excessively as the operating temperature varies. If in doubt, use capacitors with a larger (e.g., 2 $\times$) nominal value. The capacitors' effective series resistance (ESR), which usually rises at low temperatures, influences the amount of ripple on V+ and V–.

Use larger capacitors (up to 10 μ F) to reduce the output impedance at V+ and V–.

Bypass V_{CC} to ground with at least 0.1 μ F. In applications sensitive to power-supply noise generated by the charge pumps, decouple V_{CC} to ground with a capacitor the same size as (or larger than) the charge-pump capacitors (C1 to C4).

ESD Protection

TI MAX208 devices have standard ESD protection structures incorporated on the pins to protect against electrostatic discharges encountered during assembly and handling. In addition, the RS232 bus pins (driver outputs and receiver inputs) of these devices have an extra level of ESD protection. Advanced ESD structures were designed to successfully protect these bus pins against ESD discharge of ± 15 kV when powered down.

ESD Test Conditions

ESD testing is stringently performed by TI, based on various conditions and procedures. Please contact TI for a reliability report that documents test setup, methodology, and results.

Human-Body Model (HBM)

The HBM of ESD testing is shown in Figure 5, while Figure 6 shows the current waveform that is generated during a discharge into a low impedance. The model consists of a 100-pF capacitor, charged to the ESD voltage of concern and subsequently discharged into the DUT through a 1.5-k Ω resistor.

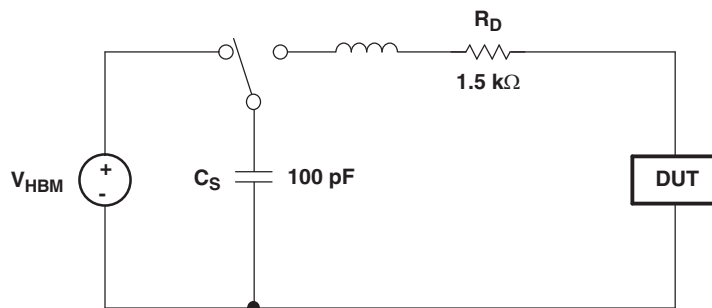


Figure 5. HBM ESD Test Circuit

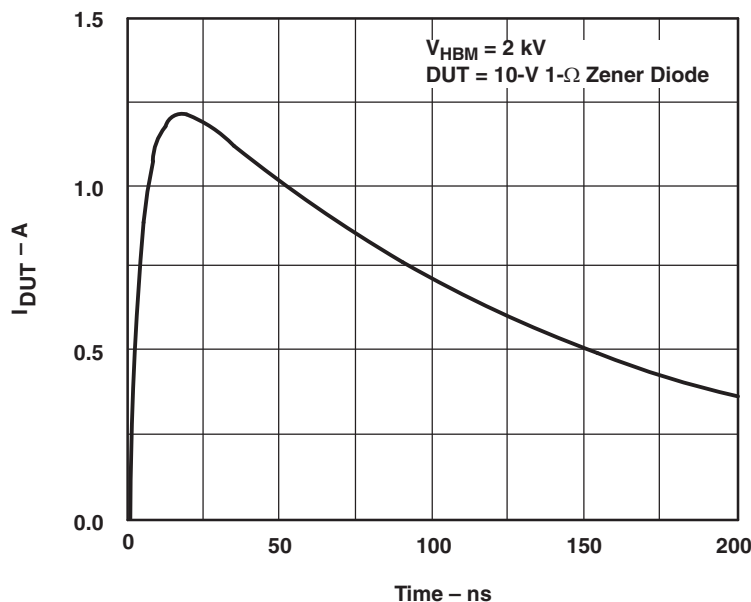


Figure 6. Typical HBM Current Waveform

Machine Model (MM)

The MM ESD test applies to all pins using a 200-pF capacitor with no discharge resistance. The purpose of the MM test is to simulate possible ESD conditions that can occur during the handling and assembly processes of manufacturing. In this case, ESD protection is required for all pins, not just RS-232 pins. However, after PC board assembly, the MM test no longer is as pertinent to the RS-232 pins.

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable part number	Status (1)	Material type (2)	Package Pins	Package qty Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material (4)	MSL rating/ Peak reflow (5)	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
MAX208CDBR	Obsolete	Production	SSOP (DB) 24	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	0 to 70	MA208C
MAX208CDW	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX208C
MAX208CDW.A	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX208C
MAX208CDW.B	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX208C
MAX208CDWR	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX208C
MAX208CDWR.A	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	MAX208C
MAX208IDB	Obsolete	Production	SSOP (DB) 24	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 85	MB208I
MAX208IDBR	Obsolete	Production	SSOP (DB) 24	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 85	MB208I
MAX208IDW	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX208I
MAX208IDW.A	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX208I
MAX208IDW.B	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	25 TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX208I
MAX208IDWR	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX208I
MAX208IDWR.A	Active	Production	SOIC (DW) 24	2000 LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	MAX208I

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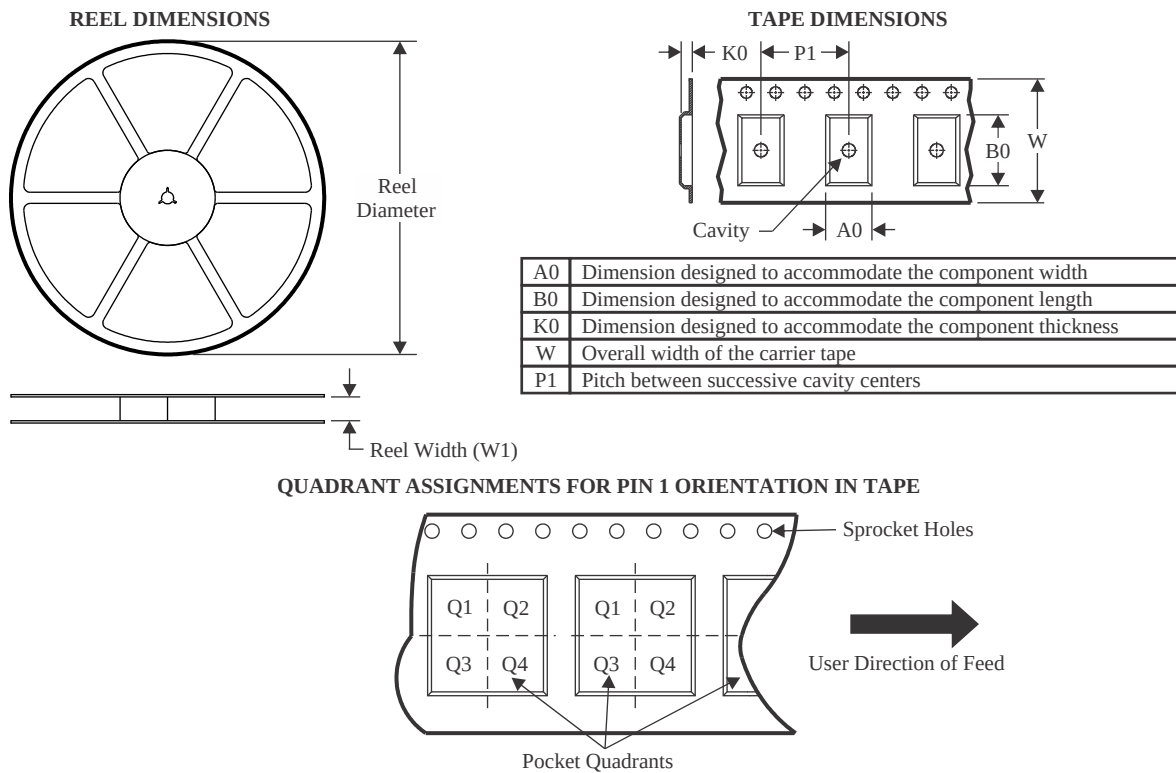
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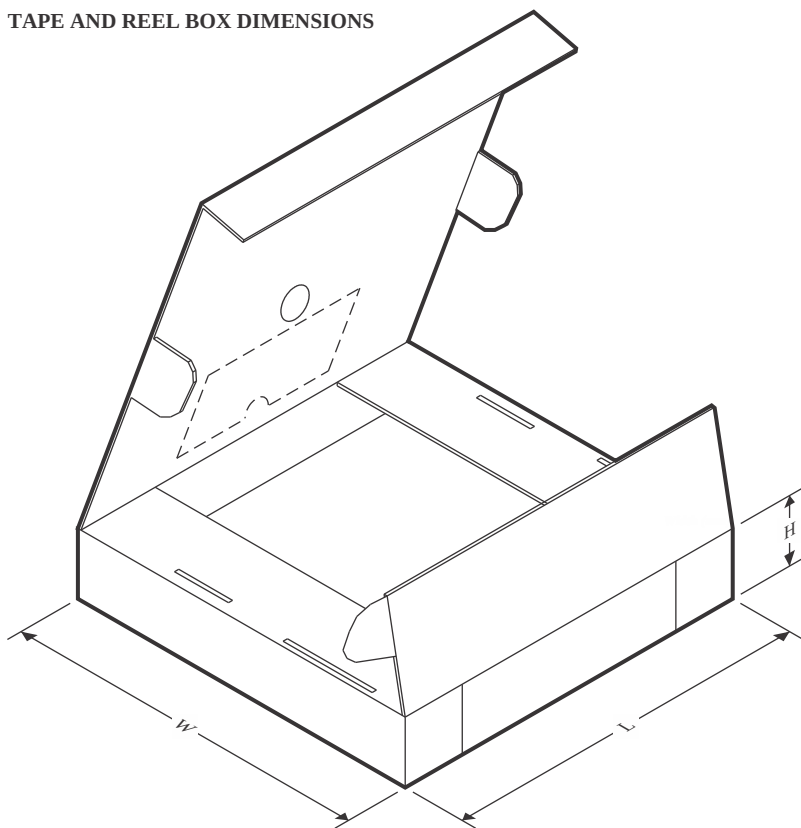
TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION



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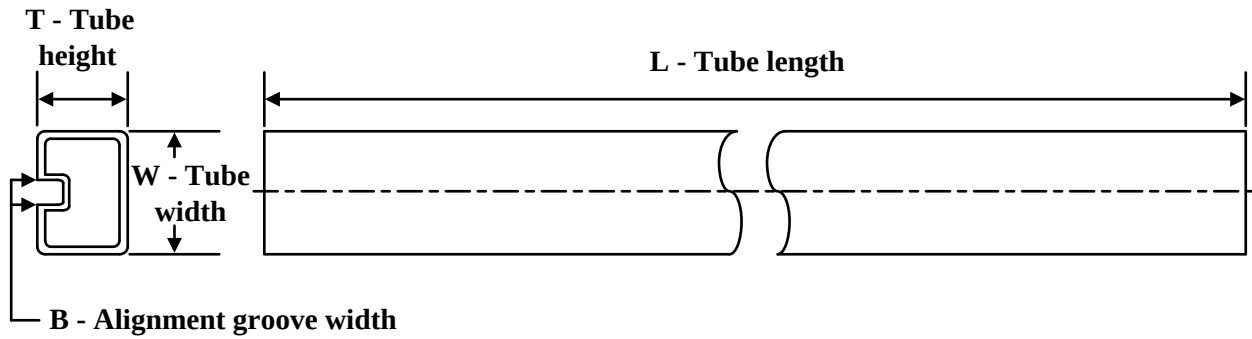
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MAX208CDWR	SOIC	DW	24	2000	330.0	24.4	10.75	15.7	2.7	12.0	24.0	Q1
MAX208IDWR	SOIC	DW	24	2000	330.0	24.4	10.75	15.7	2.7	12.0	24.0	Q1

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
MAX208CDWR	SOIC	DW	24	2000	350.0	350.0	43.0
MAX208IDWR	SOIC	DW	24	2000	350.0	350.0	43.0

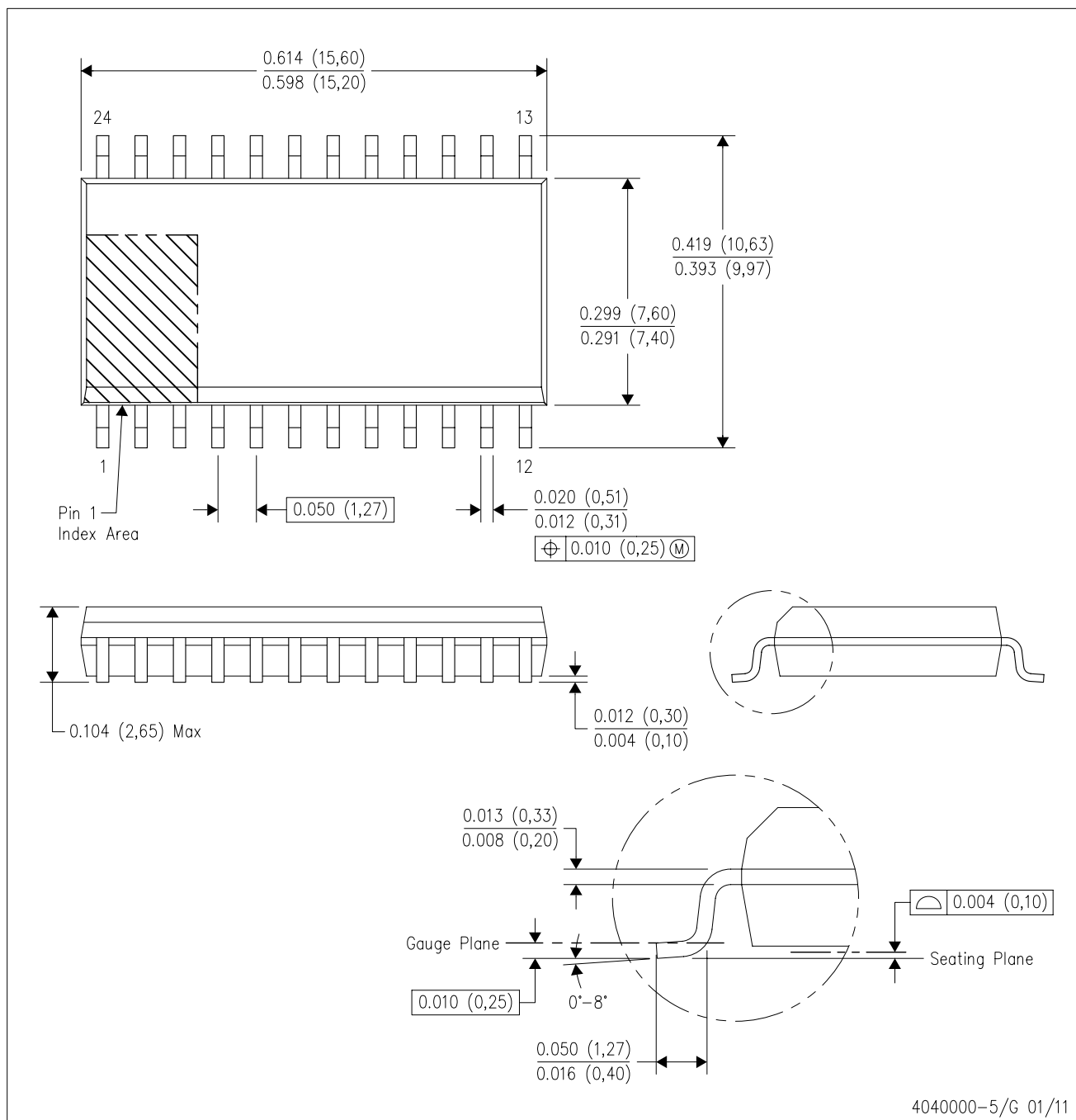
TUBE


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Device	Package Name	Package Type	Pins	SPQ	L (mm)	W (mm)	T (μm)	B (mm)
MAX208CDW	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX208CDW.A	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX208CDW.B	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX208IDW	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX208IDW.A	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6
MAX208IDW.B	DW	SOIC	24	25	506.98	12.7	4826	6.6

DW (R-PDSO-G24)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE

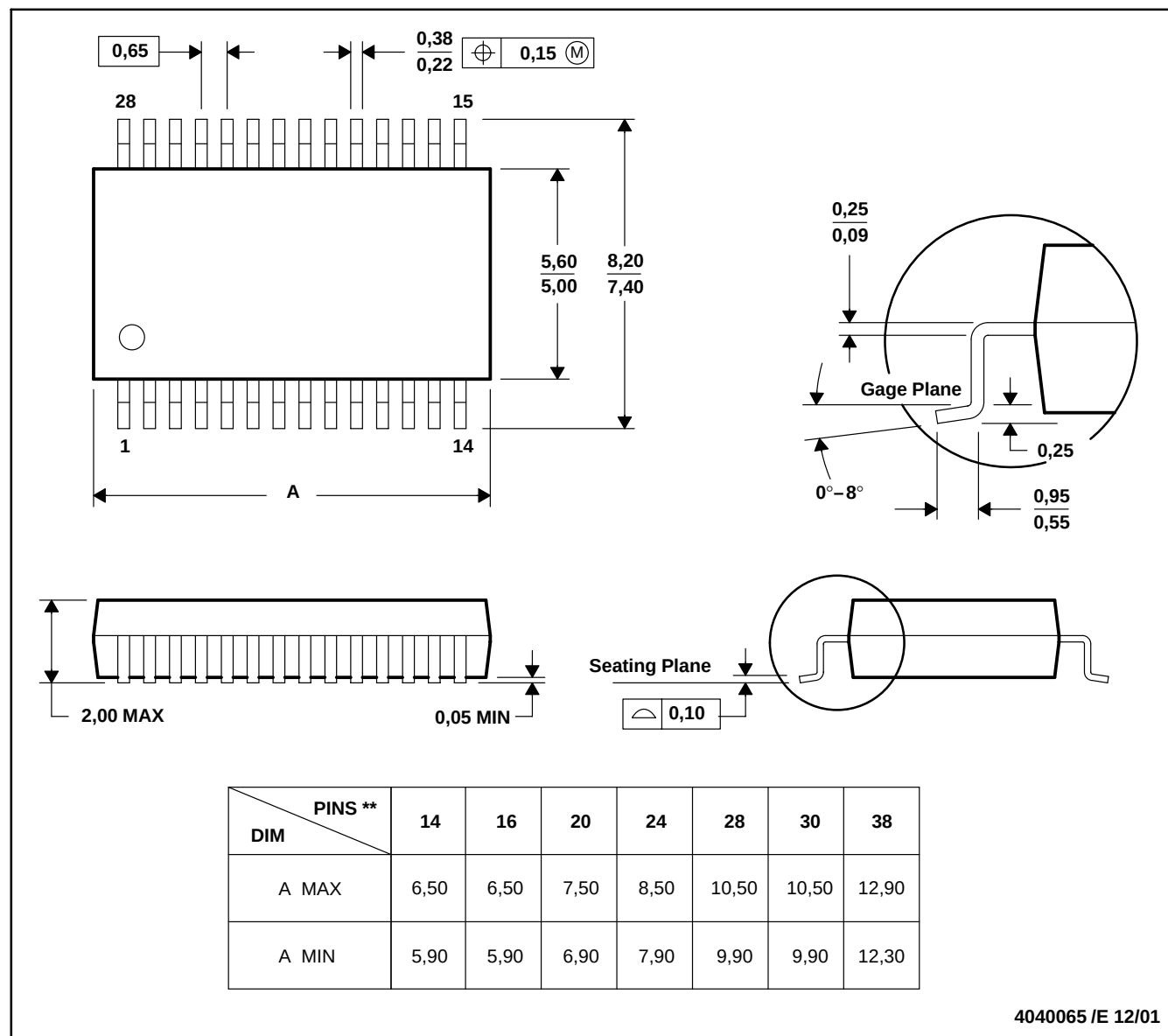


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 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion not to exceed 0.006 (0,15).
 - D. Falls within JEDEC MS-013 variation AD.

DB (R-PDSO-G**)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE

28 PINS SHOWN



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