## RELIABILITY REPORT

FOR

### MAX9238EUM

PLASTIC ENCAPSULATED DEVICES

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# **MAXIM INTEGRATED PRODUCTS**

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#### Conclusion

The MAX9238 successfully meets the quality and reliability standards required of all Maxim products. In addition, Maxim's continuous reliability monitoring program ensures that all outgoing product will continue to meet Maxim's quality and reliability standards.

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## I. Device Description

#### A. General

The MAX9238 descrializes three LVDS serial-data inputs into 21 single-ended LVCMOS/LVTTL outputs. A parallel-rate LVDS clock received with the LVDS data streams provides timing for descrialization. The outputs have a separate supply, allowing 1.8V to 5V output logic levels. All these devices are hot-swappable and allow "on-the-fly" frequency programming.

The MAX9238 features DC balance, which allows isolation between a serializer and deserializer using AC-coupling. The deserializer decodes data transmitted by one of the MAX9209/MAX9211/ MAX9213/MAX9215 serializers.

The MAX9238 has a falling-edge output strobe. The MAX9238 operates in DCbalanced mode only.

The MAX9238 operates with a parallel input clock of 16MHz to 66MHz. The transition time of the singleended outputs is increased on the low-frequency MAX9236 for reduced EMI. The LVDS inputs meet ISO 10605 ESD specification, ±25kV for Air Discharge and ±8kV Contact Discharge.

The MAX9238 is available in 48-pin TSSOP packages and operates over the -40°C to +85°C temperature range.

## B. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| <u>Item</u>  | Rating                 |
|--|------------------------|
| VCC to GND   | -0.5V to +4.0V         |
| VCCO to GND  | -0.5V to +6.0V         |
| RxIN_, RxCLK IN_ to GND                              | -0.5V to +4.0V         |
| PWRDWN to GND  | -0.5V to 6.0V          |
| RxOUT_, RxCLK OUT to GND                             | -0.5V to (VCCO + 0.5V) |
| Continuous Power Dissipation (TA = +70°C)            |                        |
| 48-Pin TSSOP (derate 16mW/°C above +70°C)            | 1282mW                 |
| Storage Temperature Range                            | -65°C to +150°C        |
| Junction Temperature                                 | +150°C                 |
| ESD Protection                                       |                        |
| Human Body Model (RD = $1.5k\Omega$ , CS = $100pF$ ) |                        |
| All Pins to GND                                      | ±5kV                   |
| ISO 10605 (RD = $2k\Omega$ , CS = $330pF$ )          |                        |
| Contact Discharge (RxIN_, RxCLK IN_) to GND          | ±8kV                   |
| Air Discharge (RxIN_, RxCLK IN_) to GND              | ±25kV                  |
| Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s)                    | +300°C                 |

#### **II. Manufacturing Information**

A. Description/Function: Hot-Swappable, 21-Bit, DC-Balanced LVDS Descrializers

B. Process: TC35

C. Number of Device Transistors: 14,104

D. Fabrication Location: Taiwan

E. Assembly Location: Philippines, and USA

F. Date of Initial Production: April, 2005

## **III. Packaging Information**

A. Package Type: 48-Pin TSSOP

B. Lead Frame: Copper

C. Lead Finish: Solder Plate

D. Die Attach: Silver-Filled Epoxy

E. Bondwire: Gold (1.0 mil dia.)

F. Mold Material: Epoxy with silica filler

G. Assembly Diagram: # 05-9000-1779

H. Flammability Rating: Class UL94-V0

I. Classification of Moisture Sensitivity

per JEDEC standard J-STD-020-C: Level 3

#### IV. Die Information

A. Dimensions: 97 x 139 mils

B. Passivation: Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>/SiO<sub>2</sub> (Silicon nitride/ Silicon dioxide)

C. Interconnect: Aluminum/Si (Si = 1%)

D. Backside Metallization: None

E. Minimum Metal Width: Metal 1 = 0.5 / Metal 2 = 0.6 / Metal 3 = 0.6 microns (as drawn)

F. Minimum Metal Spacing: Metal 1 = 0.45 / Metal 2 = 0.5 / Metal 3 = 0.6 microns (as drawn)

G. Bondpad Dimensions: 5 mil. Sq.

H. Isolation Dielectric: SiO<sub>2</sub>

I. Die Separation Method: Wafer Saw

#### V. Quality Assurance Information

A. Quality Assurance Contacts: Jim Pedicord (Manager, Reliability Operations)
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B. Outgoing Inspection Level: 0.1% for all electrical parameters guaranteed by the Datasheet.

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C. Observed Outgoing Defect Rate: < 50 ppm

D. Sampling Plan: Mil-Std-105D

## VI. Reliability Evaluation

### A. Accelerated Life Test

The results of the 135°C biased (static) life test are shown in **Table 1**. Using these results, the Failure Rate ( $\lambda$ ) is calculated as follows:

$$\lambda = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\text{MTTF}}} = \underbrace{\frac{1.83}{192 \times 4340 \times 240 \times 2}}_{\text{Temperature Acceleration factor assuming an activation energy of } \underbrace{\frac{1.83}{192 \times 4340 \times 240 \times 2}}_{\text{Chi square value for MTTF upper limit)}}$$

$$\lambda = 4.58 \times 10^{-9}$$

 $\lambda$  = 4.58 F.I.T. (60% confidence level @ 25°C)

This low failure rate represents data collected from Maxim's reliability monitor program. In addition to routine production Burn-In, Maxim pulls a sample from every fabrication process three times per week and subjects it to an extended Burn-In prior to shipment to ensure its reliability. The reliability control level for each lot to be shipped as standard product is 59 F.I.T. at a 60% confidence level, which equates to 3 failures in an 80 piece sample. Maxim performs failure analysis on any lot that exceeds this reliability control level. Attached Burn-In Schematic (Spec. # 06-6150) shows the static Burn-In circuit. Maxim also performs quarterly 1000 hour life test monitors. This data is published in the Product Reliability Report (RR-1N). Current monitor data for the TC35 Process results in a FIT Rate of 0.28 @ 25C and 4.76 @ 55C (0.8 eV, 60% UCL)

#### B. Moisture Resistance Tests

Maxim pulls pressure pot samples from every assembly process three times per week. Each lot sample must meet an LTPD = 20 or less before shipment as standard product. Additionally, the industry standard 85°C/85%RH testing is done per generic device/package family once a quarter.

### C. E.S.D. and Latch-Up Testing

The HS37Z-1 die type has been found to have all pins able to withstand a transient pulse of  $\pm 2500$ V Mil-Std-883 Method 3015 (reference attached ESD Test Circuit). Latch-Up testing has shown that this device withstands a current of  $\pm 250$ mA.

## Table 1 Reliability Evaluation Test Results

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| TEST ITEM            | TEST CONDITION  | FAILURE<br>IDENTIFICATION        | PACKAGE | SAMPLE<br>SIZE | NUMBER OF<br>FAILURES |
|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Static Life Tes      | t (Note 1)  |                                  |         |                |                       |
|                      | Ta = 135°C<br>Biased<br>Time = 192 hrs.                 | DC Parameters<br>& functionality |         | 240            | 0                     |
| Moisture Testi       | ng (Note 2)   |                                  |         |                |                       |
| Pressure Pot         | Ta = 121°C<br>P = 15 psi.<br>RH= 100%<br>Time = 168hrs. | DC Parameters<br>& functionality | TSSOP   | 77             | 0                     |
| 85/85                | Ta = 85°C<br>RH = 85%<br>Biased<br>Time = 1000hrs.      | DC Parameters<br>& functionality |         | 77             | 0                     |
| Mechanical St        | ress (Note 2)   |                                  |         |                |                       |
| Temperature<br>Cycle | -65°C/150°C<br>1000 Cycles<br>Method 1010               | DC Parameters<br>& functionality |         | 77             | 0                     |

Note 1: Life Test Data may represent plastic DIP qualification lots. Note 2: Generic Package/Process data

#### Attachment #1

TABLE II. Pin combination to be tested. 1/2/

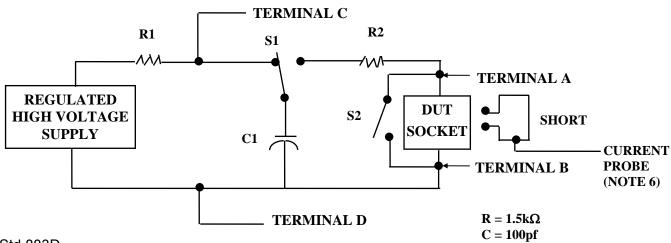
|    | Terminal A (Each pin individually connected to terminal A with the other floating) | Terminal B (The common combination of all like-named pins connected to terminal B) |
|----|--|--|
| 1. | All pins except V <sub>PS1</sub> 3/  | All V <sub>PS1</sub> pins  |
| 2. | All input and output pins  | All other input-output pins  |

- 1/ Table II is restated in narrative form in 3.4 below.
- No connects are not to be tested.
   Repeat pin combination I for each named Power supply and for ground

(e.g., where  $V_{PS1}$  is  $V_{DD}$ ,  $V_{CC}$ ,  $V_{SS}$ ,  $V_{BB}$ , GND,  $+V_S$ ,  $-V_S$ ,  $V_{RFF}$ , etc.).

#### 3.4 Pin combinations to be tested.

- Each pin individually connected to terminal A with respect to the device ground pin(s) connected a. to terminal B. All pins except the one being tested and the ground pin(s) shall be open.
- Each pin individually connected to terminal A with respect to each different set of a combination b. of all named power supply pins (e.g.,  $V_{SS1}$ , or  $V_{SS2}$  or  $V_{SS3}$  or  $V_{CC1}$ , or  $V_{CC2}$ ) connected to terminal B. All pins except the one being tested and the power supply pin or set of pins shall be open.
- Each input and each output individually connected to terminal A with respect to a combination of C. all the other input and output pins connected to terminal B. All pins except the input or output pin being tested and the combination of all the other input and output pins shall be open.



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