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High-Speed, Micropower, Low-Voltage, SOT23, Rail-to-Rail I/O Comparators

General Description

The MAX987/MAX988/MAX991/MAX992/MAX995/MAX996 single/dual/quad micropower comparators feature low-voltage operation and rail-to-rail inputs and outputs. Their operating voltage ranges from +2.5V to +5.5V, making them ideal for both 3V and 5V systems. These comparators also operate with ±1.25V to ±2.75V dual supplies. They consume only 48µA per comparator while achieving a 120ns propagation delay.

Input bias current is typically 1.0pA, and input offset voltage is typically 0.5mV. Internal hysteresis ensures clean output switching, even with slow-moving input signals.

The output stage's unique design limits supply-current surges while switching, virtually eliminating the supply glitches typical of many other comparators. The MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 have a push-pull output stage that sinks as well as sources current. Large internal output drivers allow rail-to-rail output swing with loads up to 8mA. The MAX988/MAX992/MAX996 have an open-drain output stage that can be pulled beyond V_{CC} to 6V (max) above V_{EE}. These open-drain versions are ideal for level translators and bipolar to single-ended converters.

The single MAX987/MAX988 are available in tiny 5-pin SC70 packages, while the dual MAX991/MAX992 are available in ultra-small 8-pin SOT23 and µMAX® packages.

Selector Guide

PART	COMPARATORS PER PACKAGE	OUTPUT STAGE
MAX987	1	Push-Pull
MAX988	1	Open-Drain
MAX991	2	Push-Pull
MAX992	2	Open-Drain
MAX995	4	Push-Pull
MAX996	4	Open-Drain

Applications

Portable/Battery-Powered Systems

Mobile Communications

Zero-Crossing Detectors

Window Comparators

Level Translators

Threshold Detectors/Discriminators

Ground/Supply Sensing

IR Receivers

Digital Line Receivers

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Features

- ♦ **120ns Propagation Delay**
- ♦ **48µA Quiescent Supply Current**
- ♦ **+2.5V to +5.5V Single-Supply Operation**
- ♦ **Common-Mode Input Voltage Range Extends 250mV Beyond the Rails**
- ♦ **Push-Pull Output Stage Sinks and Sources 8mA Current (MAX987/MAX991/MAX995)**
- ♦ **Open-Drain Output Voltage Extends Beyond V_{CC} (MAX988/MAX992/MAX996)**
- ♦ **Unique Output Stage Reduces Output Switching Current, Minimizing Overall Power Consumption**
- ♦ **100µA Supply Current at 1MHz Switching Frequency**
- ♦ **No Phase Reversal for Overdriven Inputs**
- ♦ **Available in Space-Saving Packages:**
  5-Pin SOT23 (MAX987/MAX988)
  8-Pin µMAX (MAX991/MAX992)

Ordering Information

PART	PIN-PACKAGE	PKG CODE	TOP MARK
MAX987EXK-T	5 SC70-5	X5-1	ABM
MAX987EUK-T	5 SOT23-5	U5-1	ABZB
MAX987ESA	8 SO	S8-2	—

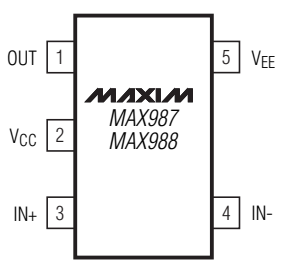
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Note: *All devices specified over the -40°C to +85°C operating temperature range.*

Typical Application Circuit appears at end of data sheet.

Pin Configurations

TOP VIEW



SOT23/SC70

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Supply Voltage (V_{CC} to V_{EE}) 6V
IN_-, IN_+ to V_{EE} .....-0.3V to (V_{CC} + 0.3V)
Current into Input Pins .....±20mA
OUT_ to V_{EE}
MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 .....-0.3V to (V_{CC} + 0.3V)
MAX988/MAX992/MAX996 .....-0.3V to +6V
OUT_ Short-Circuit Duration to V_{EE} or V_{CC} 10s
Continuous Power Dissipation (T_A = +70°C)
5-Pin SC70 (derate 3.1mW/°C above +70°C).....247mW
5-Pin SOT23 (derate 7.10mW/°C above +70°C).....571mW
8-Pin SOT23 (derate 9.1mW/°C above +70°C).....727mW
8-Pin SO (derate 5.88mW/°C above +70°C).....471mW
8-Pin µMAX (derate 4.5mW/°C above +70°C).....362mW
14-Pin TSSOP (derate 9.1mW/°C above +70°C).....727mW
14-Pin SO (derate 8.33mW/°C above +70°C).....667mW
Operating Temperature Range .....-40°C to +85°C
Storage Temperature Range .....-65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) .....+300°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 in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (Note 1)

(V_{CC} = +2.7V to +5.5V, V_{EE} = 0V, V_{CM} = 0V, T_A = -40°C to +85°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at T_A = +25°C.)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Supply Voltage	V_{CC}	Inferred from PSRR test		2.5		5.5	V
Supply Current per Comparator	I_{CC}	V_{CC} = 5V	T_A = +25°C		53	80	µA
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C			96	
		V_{CC} = 2.7V	T_A = +25°C		48	80	
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C			96	
Power-Supply Rejection Ratio	PSRR	2.5V ≤ V_{CC} ≤ 5.5V		55	80		dB
Common-Mode Voltage Range (Note 2)	V_{CMR}	T_A = +25°C		V_{EE} - 0.25		V_{CC} + 0.25	V
		T_A = -40°C to +85°C		V_{EE}		V_{CC}	
Input Offset Voltage (Note 3)	V_{OS}	Full common-mode range	T_A = +25°C		±0.5	±5	mV
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C			±7	
Input Hysteresis	V_{HYST}				±2.5		mV
Input Bias Current (Note 4)	I_B				0.001	10	nA
Input Offset Current	I_{OS}				0.5		pA
Input Capacitance	C_{IN}				1.0		pF
Common-Mode Rejection Ratio	CMRR			50	80		dB
Output Leakage Current (MAX988/MAX992/ MAX996 only)	I_{LEAK}	V_{OUT} = high				1.0	µA
Output Short-Circuit Current	I_{SC}	Sourcing or sinking, V_{OUT} = V_{EE} or V_{CC}	V_{CC} = 5V		95		mA
			V_{CC} = 2.7V		35		
OUT Output-Voltage Low	V_{OL}	V_{CC} = 5V, I_{SINK} = 8mA	T_A = +25°C		0.2	0.4	V
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C			0.55	
		V_{CC} = 2.7V, I_{SINK} = 3.5mA	T_A = +25°C		0.15	0.3	
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C			0.4	
OUT Output-Voltage High (MAX987/MAX991/ MAX995 Only)	V_{OH}	V_{CC} = 5V, I_{SOURCE} = 8mA	T_A = +25°C	4.6	4.85		V
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C	4.45			
		V_{CC} = 2.7V, I_{SOURCE} = 3.5mA	T_A = +25°C	2.4	2.55		
			T_A = -40°C to +85°C	2.3			

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

(V_{CC} = +2.7V to +5.5V, V_{EE} = 0V, V_{CM} = 0V, T_A = -40°C to +85°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at T_A = +25°C.)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS			MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
OUT Rise Time (MAX987/MAX991/ MAX995 Only)	t_{RISE}	V_{CC} = 5.0V		C_L = 15pF		15		ns
				C_L = 50pF		20		
				C_L = 200pF		40		
OUT Fall Time	t_{FALL}	V_{CC} = 5.0V		C_L = 15pF		15		ns
				C_L = 50pF		20		
				C_L = 200pF		40		
Propagation Delay	t_{PD-}	C_L = 15pF, V_{CC} = 5V	MAX987/MAX991/ MAX995 only	10mV overdrive		210		ns
				100mV overdrive		120		
			MAX988/MAX992/ MAX996 only, R_{PULLUP} = 5.1kΩ	10mV overdrive		210		
				100mV overdrive		120		
	t_{PD+}	MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 only, C_L = 15pF, V_{CC} = 5V		10mV overdrive		210		
				100mV overdrive		120		
Power-Up Time	t_{PU}					25		µs

Note 1: All device specifications are 100% production tested at T_A = +25°C. Limits over the extended temperature range are guaranteed by design, not production tested.

Note 2: Inferred from the V_{OS} test. Either or both inputs can be driven 0.3V beyond either supply rail without output phase reversal.

Note 3: V_{OS} is defined as the center of the hysteresis band at the input.

Note 4: I_B is defined as the average of the two input bias currents (I_{B-}, I_{B+}).

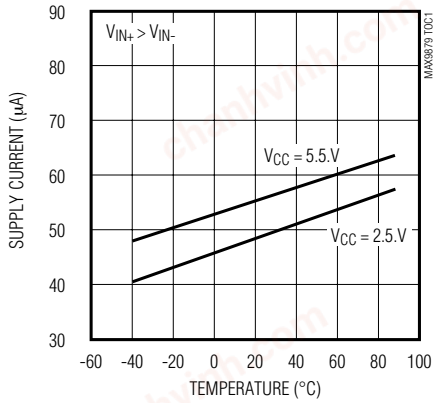
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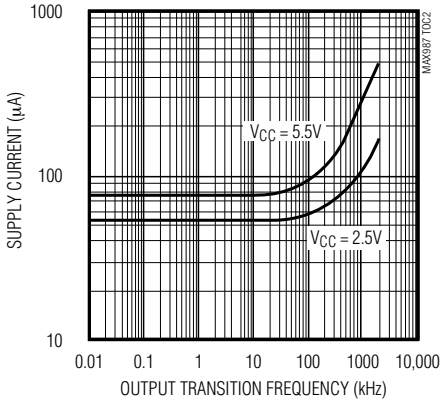
Typical Operating Characteristics

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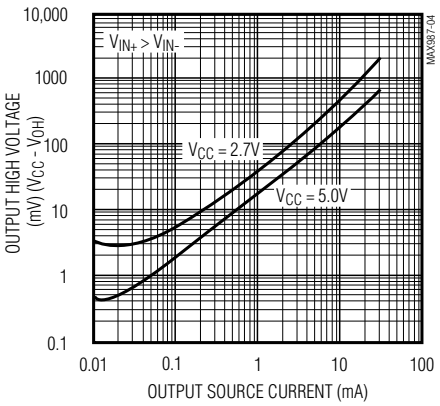
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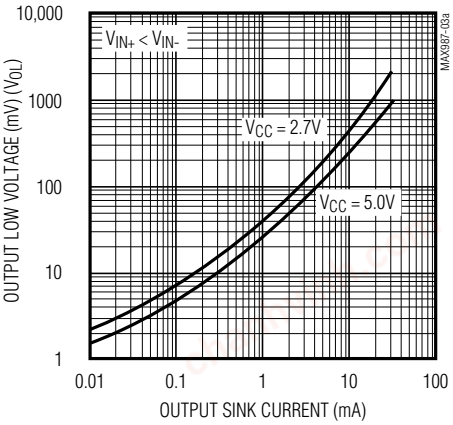
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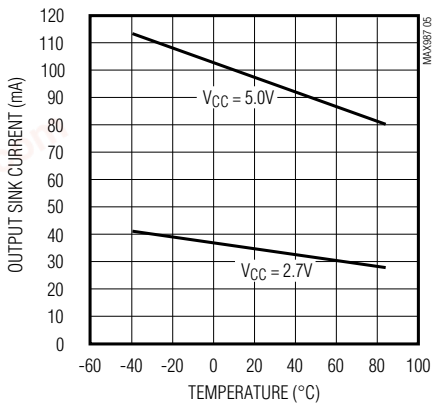
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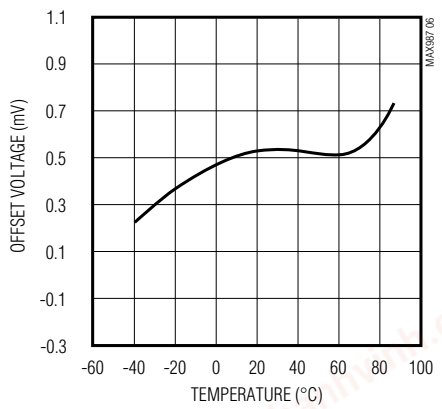
OUTPUT LOW VOLTAGE vs. OUTPUT SINK CURRENT



OUTPUT SHORT-CIRCUIT CURRENT vs. TEMPERATURE



INPUT OFFSET VOLTAGE vs. TEMPERATURE



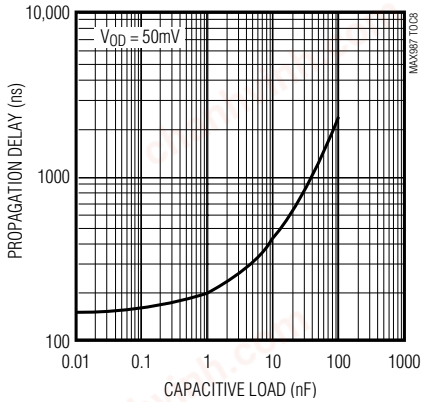
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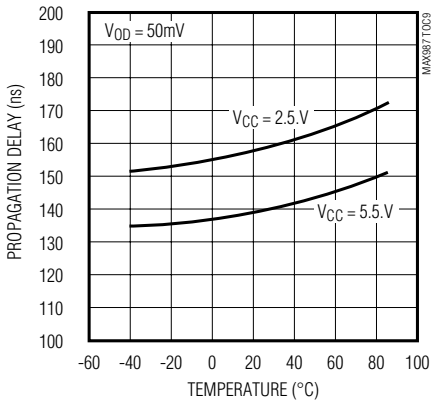
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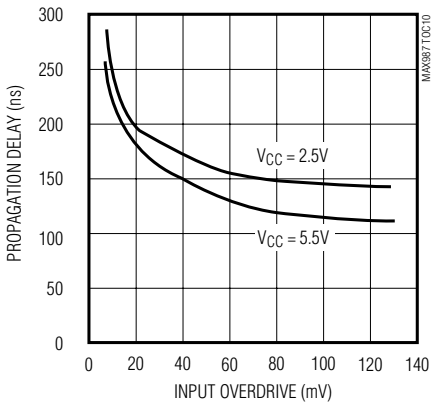
PROPAGATION DELAY vs. CAPACITIVE LOAD



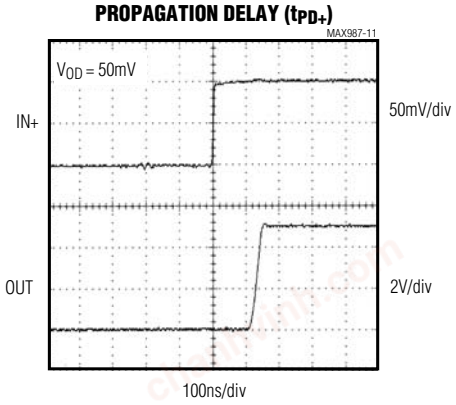
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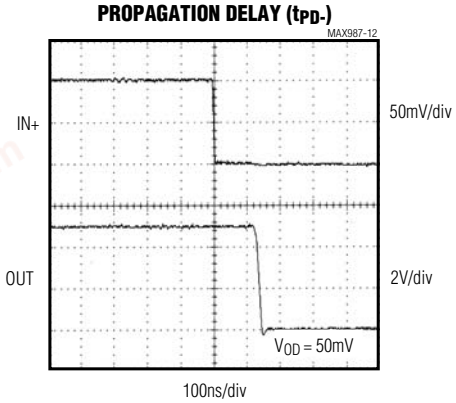
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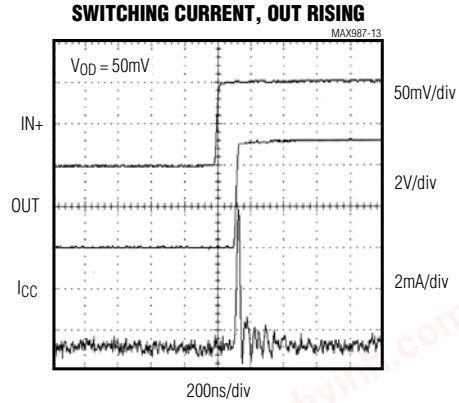
MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 PROPAGATION DELAY (t_{PD+})



PROPAGATION DELAY (t_{PD-})



MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 SWITCHING CURRENT, OUT RISING



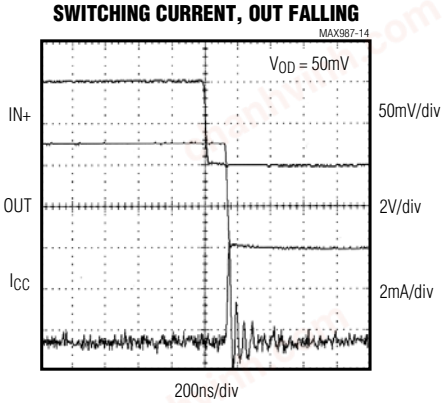
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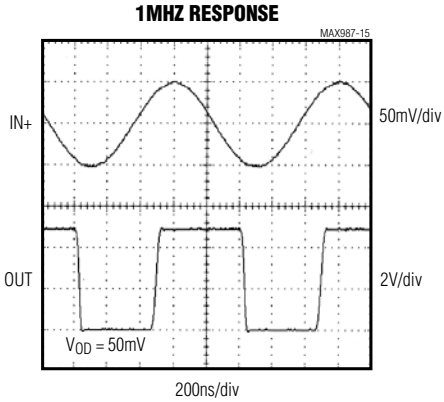
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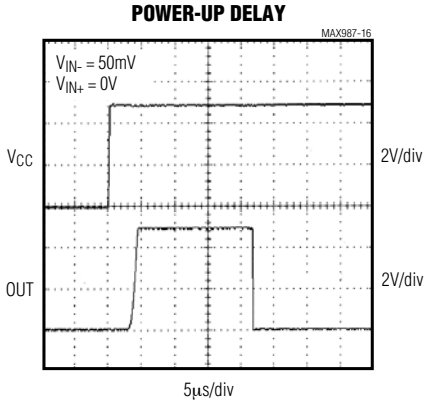
SWITCHING CURRENT, OUT FALLING



1MHZ RESPONSE



POWER-UP DELAY



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Pin Description

PIN				NAME	FUNCTION
MAX987 MAX988		MAX991 MAX996	MAX995 MAX996		
SOT23/ SC70	SO	SO/µMAX/ SOT23	SO/ TSSOP		
1	6	—	—	OUT	Comparator Output
2	7	8	4	V_{CC}	Positive Supply Voltage
3	3	—	—	IN+	Comparator Noninverting Input
4	2	—	—	IN-	Comparator Inverting Input
5	4	4	11	V_{EE}	Negative Supply Voltage
—	—	1	1	OUTA	Comparator A Output
—	—	2	2	INA-	Comparator A Inverting Input
—	—	3	3	INA+	Comparator A Noninverting Input
—	—	5	5	INB+	Comparator B Noninverting Input
—	—	6	6	INB-	Comparator B Inverting Input
—	—	7	7	OUTB	Comparator B Output
—	—	—	8	OUTC	Comparator C Output
—	—	—	9	INC-	Comparator C Inverting Input
—	—	—	10	INC+	Comparator C Noninverting Input
—	—	—	12	IND+	Comparator D Noninverting Input
—	—	—	13	IND-	Comparator D Inverting Input
—	—	—	14	OUTD	Comparator D Output
—	1, 5, 8	—	—	N.C.	No Connection. Not internally connected.

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Detailed Description

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The output stage employs a unique design that minimizes supply-current surges while switching, virtually eliminating the supply glitches typical of many other comparators. The MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 have a push-pull output structure that sinks as well as sources current. The MAX988/MAX992/MAX996 have an open-drain output stage that can be pulled beyond V_{CC} to an absolute maximum of 6V above V_{EE}.

Input Stage Circuitry

The devices' input common-mode range extends from -0.25V to (V_{CC} + 0.25V). These comparators may operate at any differential input voltage within these limits. Input bias current is typically 1.0pA if the input voltage is between the supply rails. Comparator inputs are protected from overvoltage by internal body diodes connected to the supply rails. As the input voltage exceeds the supply rails, these body diodes become forward biased and begin to conduct. Consequently, bias currents increase exponentially as the input voltage exceeds the supply rails.

Output Stage Circuitry

These comparators contain a unique output stage capable of rail-to-rail operation with up to 8mA loads. Many comparators consume orders of magnitude more current during switching than during steady-state operation. However, with this family of comparators, the supply-current change during an output transition is extremely small. The *Typical Operating Characteristics* Supply Current vs. Output Transition Frequency graph shows the minimal supply-current increase as the output switching frequency approaches 1MHz. This characteristic eliminates the need for power-supply filter capacitors to reduce glitches created by comparator switching currents. Battery life increases substantially in high-speed, battery-powered applications.

Applications Information

Additional Hysteresis

MAX987/MAX991/MAX995

The MAX987/MAX991/MAX995 have ±2.5mV internal hysteresis. Additional hysteresis can be generated with three resistors using positive feedback (Figure 1). Unfortunately, this method also slows hysteresis response time. Use the following procedure to calculate resistor values for the MAX987/MAX991/MAX995.

1) Select R3. Leakage current at IN is under 10nA; therefore, the current through R3 should be at least 1µA to minimize errors caused by leakage current. The current through R3 at the trip point is (V_{REF} - V_{OUT}) / R3. Considering the two possible output states and solving for R3 yields two formulas: R3 = V_{REF} / 1µA or R3 = (V_{REF} - V_{CC}) / 1µA. Use the smaller of the two resulting resistor values. For example, if V_{REF} = 1.2V and V_{CC} = 5V, then the two R3 resistor values are 1.2MΩ and 3.8MΩ. Choose a 1.2MΩ standard value for R3.
2) Choose the hysteresis band required (V_{HB}). For this example, choose 50mV.
3) Calculate R1 according to the following equation:

   $$R1 = R3 \times (V_{HB} / V_{CC})$$

   For this example, insert the values R1 = 1.2MΩ x (50mV / 5V) = 12kΩ.
4) Choose the trip point for V_{IN} rising (V_{THR}; V_{THF} is the trip point for V_{IN} falling). This is the threshold voltage at which the comparator switches its output from low to high as V_{IN} rises above the trip point. For this example, choose 3V.

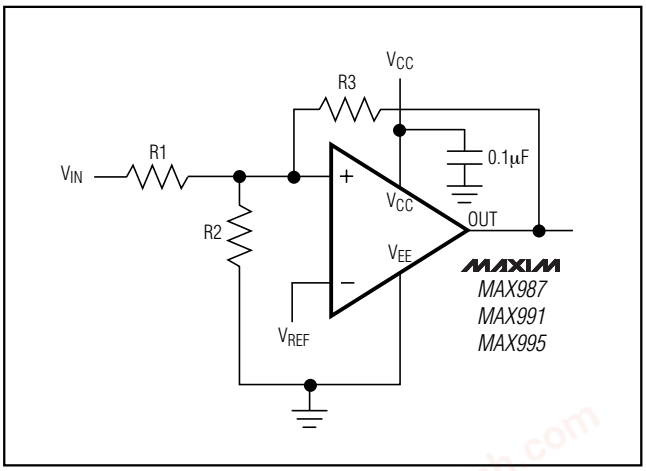


Figure 1. Additional Hysteresis (MAX987/MAX991/MAX995)

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5) Calculate R2 as shown. For this example, choose an 8.2kΩ standard value:

$$R2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{V_{THR}}{V_{REF} \times R1}\right) - \frac{1}{R1} - \frac{1}{R3}}$$

$$R2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{3.0V}{1.2 \times 12k\Omega}\right) - \frac{1}{12k\Omega} - \frac{1}{2.2M\Omega}} = 8.03k\Omega$$

6) Verify trip voltages and hysteresis as follows:

$$V_{IN} \text{ rising: } V_{THR} = V_{REF} \times R1 \times \left(\frac{1}{R1} + \frac{1}{R2} + \frac{1}{R3}\right)$$

$$V_{IN} \text{ falling: } V_{THF} = V_{THR} - \left(\frac{R1 \times V_{CC}}{R3}\right)$$

$$\text{Hysteresis} = V_{THR} - V_{THF}$$

MAX988/MAX992/MAX996

The MAX988/MAX992/MAX996 have ±2.5mV internal hysteresis. They have open-drain outputs and require an external pullup resistor (Figure 2). Additional hysteresis can be generated using positive feedback, but the formulas differ slightly from those of the MAX987/MAX991/MAX995.

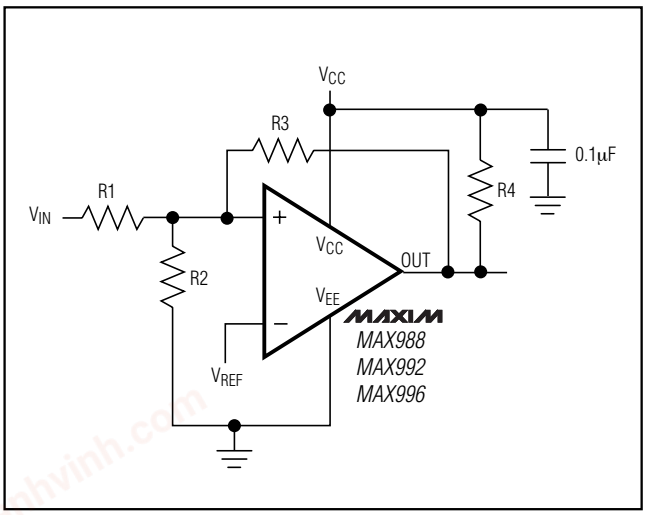


Figure 2. Additional Hysteresis (MAX988/MAX992/MAX996)

Use the following procedure to calculate resistor values:

1) Select R3 according to the formulas R3 = V_{REF} / 1µA or R3 = (V_{REF} - V_{CC}) / 1µA - R4. Use the smaller of the two resulting resistor values.
2) Choose the hysteresis band required (V_{HB}). For this example, choose 50mV.
3) Calculate R1 according to the following equation:

$$R1 = (R3 + R4) \times (V_{HB} / V_{CC})$$

4) Choose the trip point for V_{IN} rising (V_{THR}; V_{THF} is the trip point for V_{IN} falling). This is the threshold voltage at which the comparator switches its output from low to high as V_{IN} rises above the trip point.
5) Calculate R2 as follows:

$$R2 = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{V_{THR}}{V_{REF} \times R1}\right) - \frac{1}{R1} - \frac{1}{R3 + R4}}$$

6) Verify trip voltages and hysteresis as follows:

$$V_{IN} \text{ rising: } V_{THR} = V_{REF} \times R1 \times \left(\frac{1}{R1} + \frac{1}{R2} + \frac{1}{R3 + R4}\right)$$

$$V_{IN} \text{ falling: } V_{THF} = V_{THR} - \left(\frac{R1 \times V_{CC}}{R3 + R4}\right)$$

$$\text{Hysteresis} = V_{THR} - V_{THF}$$

Circuit Layout and Bypassing

These comparators' high-gain bandwidth requires design precautions to maximize their high-speed capability. The recommended precautions are:

1) Use a PCB with an unbroken, low-inductance ground plane.
2) Place a decoupling capacitor (a 0.1µF ceramic capacitor is a good choice) as close to V_{CC} as possible.
3) On the inputs and outputs, keep lead lengths short to avoid unwanted parasitic feedback around the comparators.
4) Solder the devices directly to the PCB instead of using a socket.

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Zero-Crossing Detector

Figure 3 shows a zero-crossing detector application. The MAX987's inverting input is connected to ground, and its noninverting input is connected to a 100mVp-p signal source. As the signal at the noninverting input crosses 0V, the comparator's output changes state.

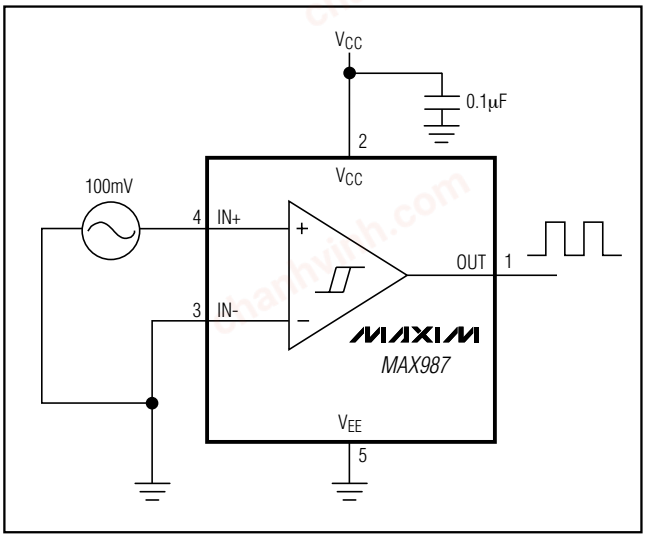


Figure 3. Zero-Crossing Detector

Logic-Level Translator

Figure 4 shows an application that converts 5V logic levels to 3V logic levels. The MAX988 is powered by the +5V supply voltage, and the pullup resistor for the MAX988's open-drain output is connected to the +3V supply voltage. This configuration allows the full 5V logic swing without creating overvoltage on the 3V logic inputs. For 3V to 5V logic-level translation, simply connect the +3V supply to VCC and the +5V supply to the pullup resistor.

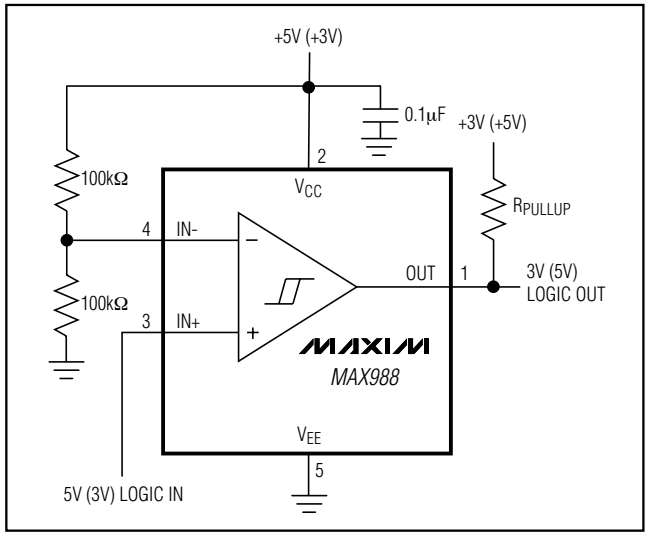
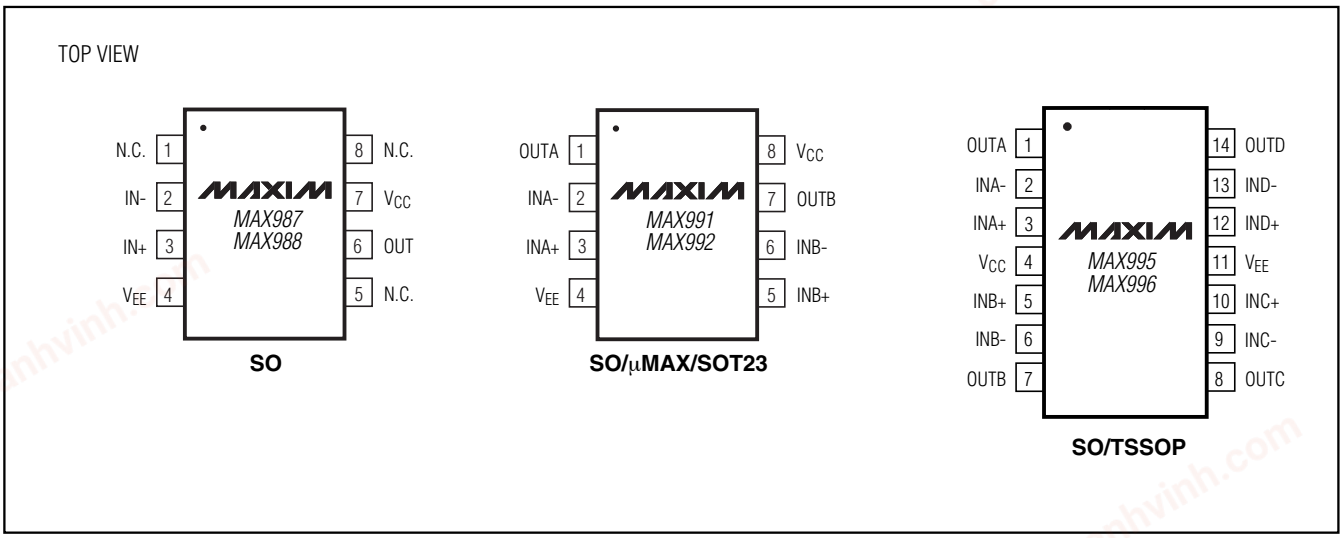


Figure 4. Logic-Level Translator

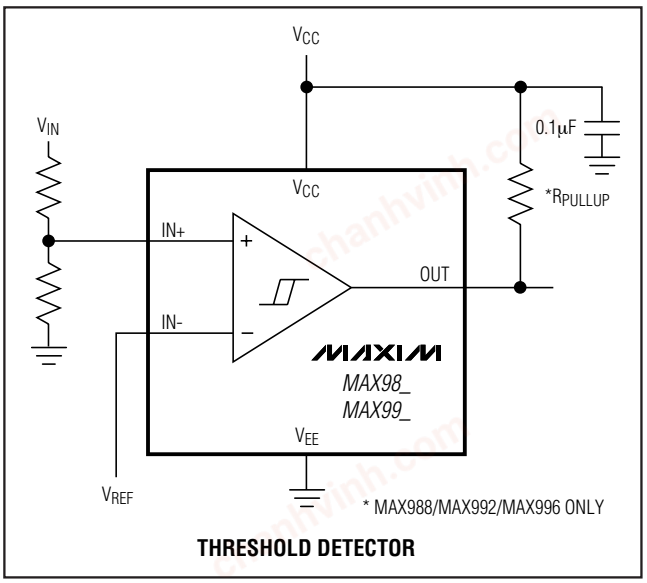
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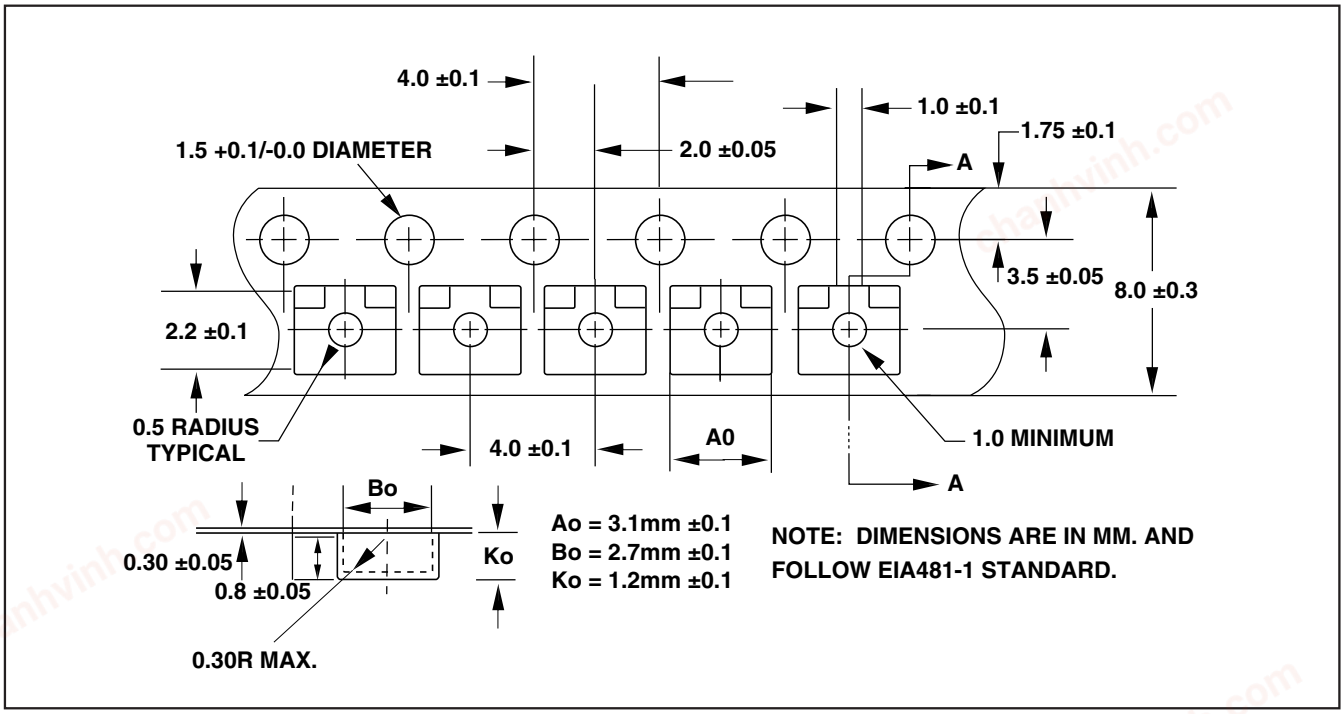
THRESHOLD DETECTOR

Ordering Information (continued)

PART	PIN-PACKAGE	PKG CODE	TOP MARK
MAX988EXK-T	5 SC70-5	X5-1	ABN
MAX988EUK-T	5 SOT23-5	U5-1	ABZC
MAX988ESA	8 SO	S8-2	—
MAX991EKA-T	8 SOT23-8	K8-5	AAEB
MAX991EUA-T	8 µMAX-8	U8-1	—
MAX991ESA	8 SO	S8-2	—
MAX992EKA-T	8 SOT23-8	K8-5	AAEC
MAX992EUA-T	8 µMAX-8	U8-1	—
MAX992ESA	8 SO	S8-2	—
MAX995EUD	14 TSSOP	U14-1	—
MAX995ESD	14 SO	S14-4	—
MAX996EUD	14 TSSOP	U14-1	—
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Note: *All devices specified over the -40°C to +85°C operating temperature range.*

Tape-and-Reel Information

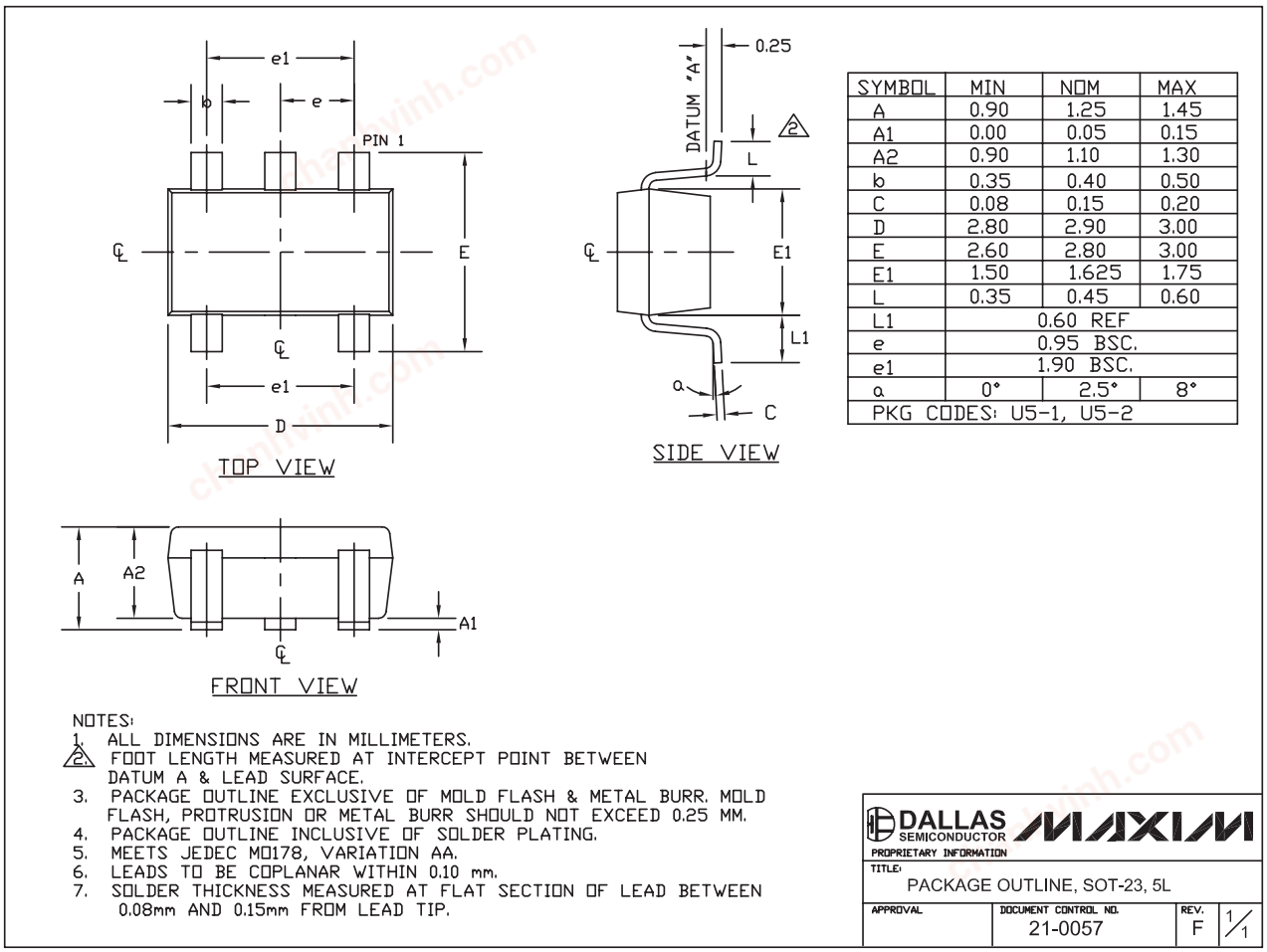


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SYMBOL	MIN	NOM	MAX
A	0.90	1.25	1.45
A1	0.00	0.05	0.15
A2	0.90	1.10	1.30
b	0.35	0.40	0.50
C	0.08	0.15	0.20
D	2.80	2.90	3.00
E	2.60	2.80	3.00
E1	1.50	1.625	1.75
L	0.35	0.45	0.60
L1	0.60 REF		
e	0.95 BSC.		
e1	1.90 BSC.		
α	0°	2.5°	8°
PKG CODES: U5-1, U5-2			

NOTES:
1. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.
2. FOOT LENGTH MEASURED AT INTERCEPT POINT BETWEEN DATUM A & LEAD SURFACE.
3. PACKAGE OUTLINE EXCLUSIVE OF MOLD FLASH & METAL BURR. MOLD FLASH, PROTRUSION OR METAL BURR SHOULD NOT EXCEED 0.25 MM.
4. PACKAGE OUTLINE INCLUSIVE OF SOLDER PLATING.
5. MEETS JEDEC MO178, VARIATION AA.
6. LEADS TO BE COPLANAR WITHIN 0.10 mm.
7. SOLDER THICKNESS MEASURED AT FLAT SECTION OF LEAD BETWEEN 0.08mm AND 0.15mm FROM LEAD TIP.

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PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

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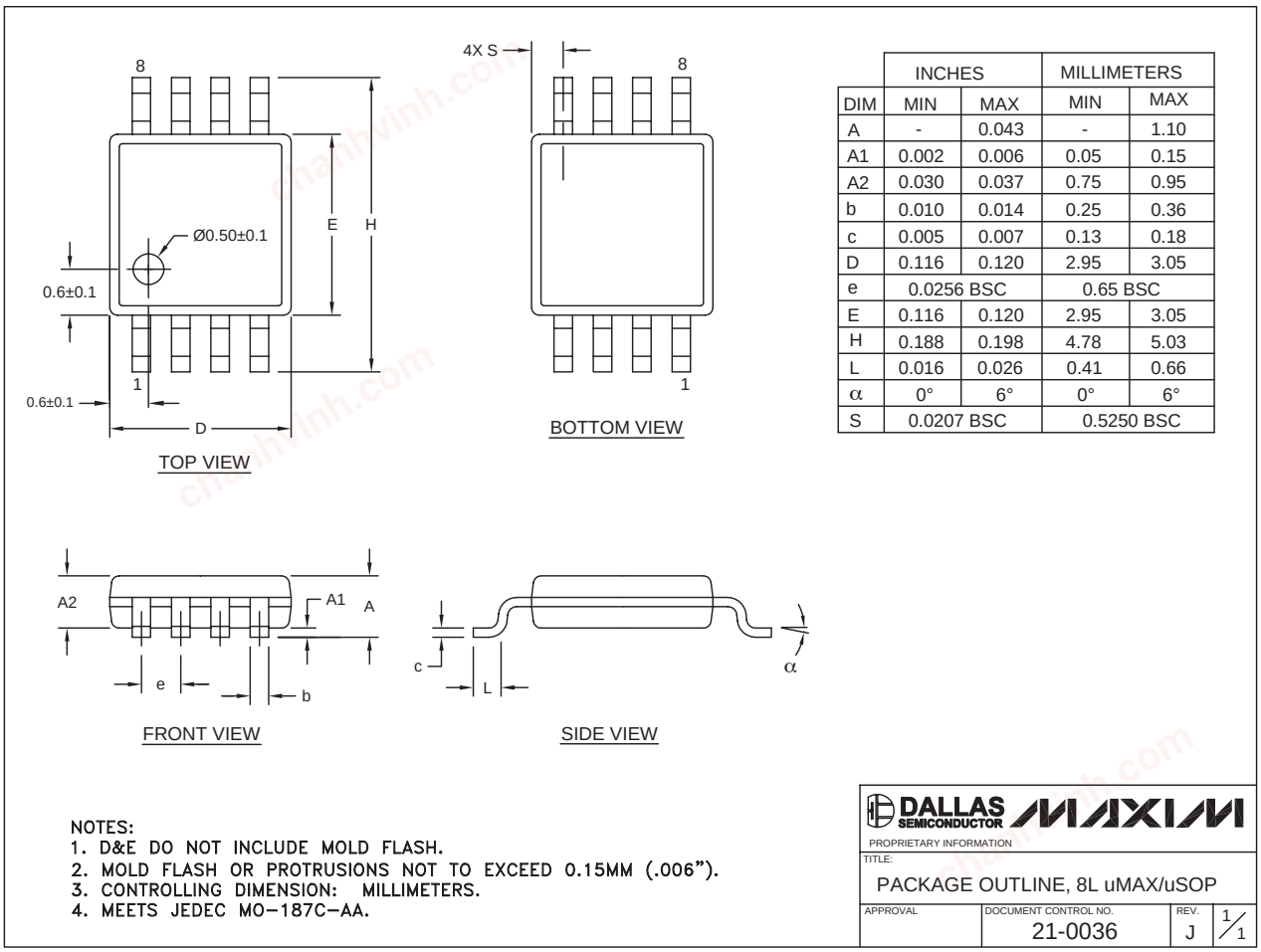
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	INCHES		MILLIMETERS	
DIM	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
A	-	0.043	-	1.10
A1	0.002	0.006	0.05	0.15
A2	0.030	0.037	0.75	0.95
b	0.010	0.014	0.25	0.36
c	0.005	0.007	0.13	0.18
D	0.116	0.120	2.95	3.05
e	0.0256 BSC		0.65 BSC	
E	0.116	0.120	2.95	3.05
H	0.188	0.198	4.78	5.03
L	0.016	0.026	0.41	0.66
α	0°	6°	0°	6°
S	0.0207 BSC		0.5250 BSC	

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