# MCP434X/436X

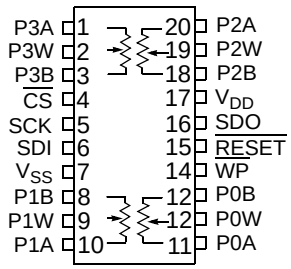
## 7/8-Bit Quad SPI Digital POT with Non-Volatile Memory

### Features

- Quad Resistor Network
- Potentiometer or Rheostat configuration options
- Resistor Network Resolution
  - 7-bit: 128 Resistors (129 Taps)
  - 8-bit: 256 Resistors (257 Taps)
- $R_{AB}$ Resistances options of:
  - 5 kΩ
  - 10 kΩ
  - 50 kΩ
  - 100 kΩ
- Zero Scale to Full Scale Wiper operation
- Low Wiper Resistance: 75 Ω (typical)
- Low Tempco:
  - Absolute (Rheostat): 50 ppm typical (0°C to 70°C)
  - Ratiometric (Potentiometer): 15 ppm typical
- Non-volatile Memory
  - Automatic Recall of Saved Wiper Setting
  - WiperLock™ Technology
- SPI serial interface (10 MHz, modes 0,0 & 1,1)
  - High-Speed Read/Writes to wiper registers
  - Read/Write to Data EEPROM registers
  - Serially enabled EEPROM write protect
- Resistor Network Terminal Disconnect Feature via Terminal Control (TCON) Register
- Reset input pin
- Write Protect Feature:
  - Hardware Write Protect ($\overline{WP}$) Control pin
  - Software Write Protect (WP) Configuration bit
- Brown-out reset protection (1.5V typical)
- Serial Interface Inactive current (2.5 uA typical)
- High-Voltage Tolerant Digital Inputs: Up to 12.5V
- Supports Split Rail Applications
- Internal weak pull-up on all digital inputs
- Wide Operating Voltage:
  - 2.7V to 5.5V - Device Characteristics Specified
  - 1.8V to 5.5V - Device Operation
- Wide Bandwidth (-3 dB) Operation:
  - 2 MHz (typical) for 5.0 kΩ device
- Extended temperature range (-40°C to +125°C)

### Package Types (Top View)

**MCP43X1** Quad Potentiometers

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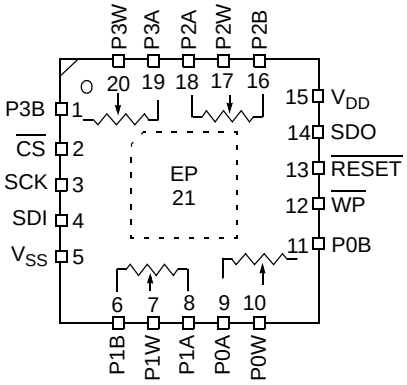
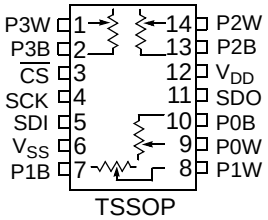



4x4 QFN

**MCP43X2** Quad Rheostat

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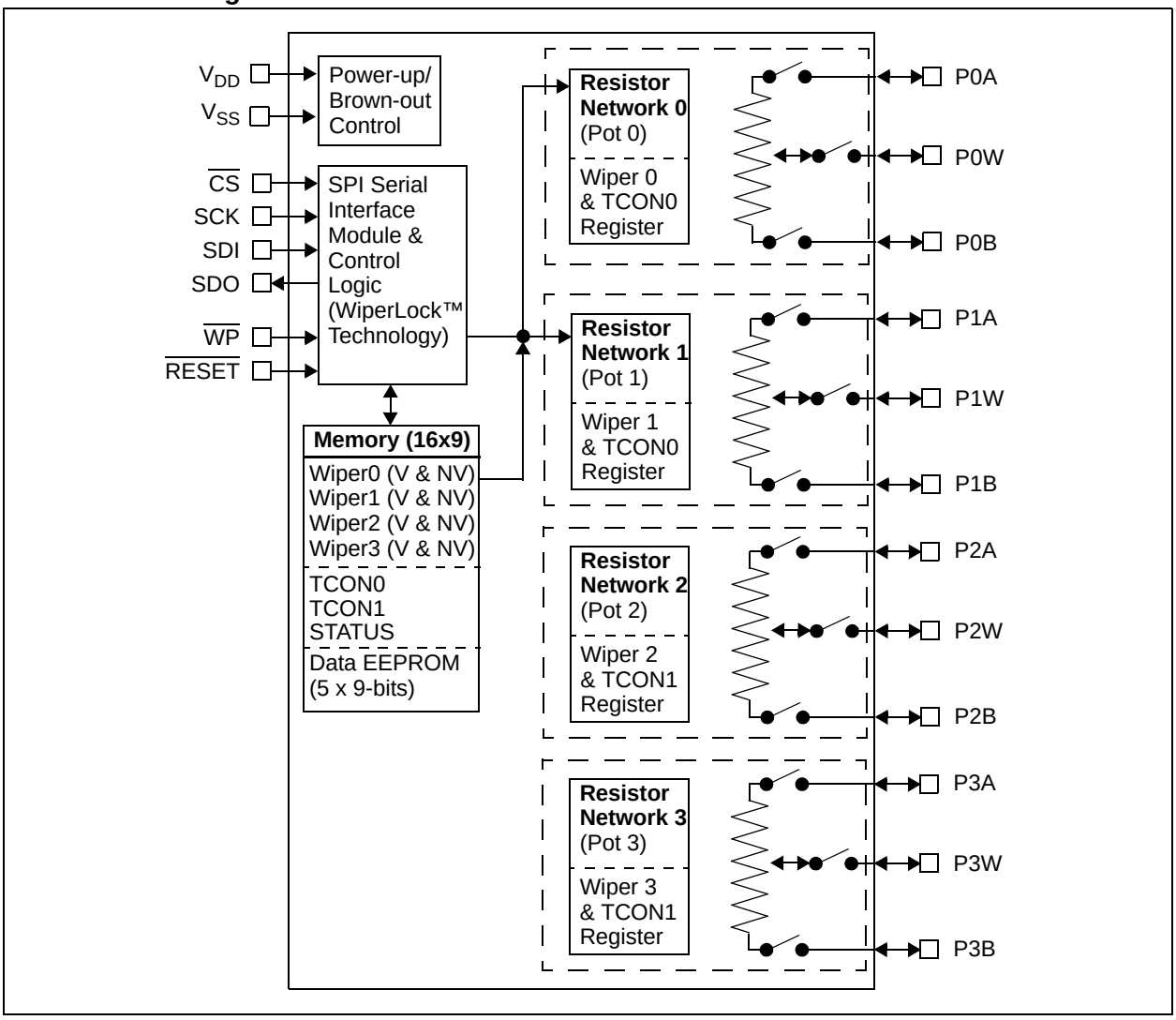
## Device Block Diagram




## Device Features

| Device | # of POTs | Wiper Configuration | Control Interface | Memory Type | WiperLock Technology | POR Wiper Setting | Resistance (typical) | | # of Taps | $V_{DD}$ Operating Range (2) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | $R_{AB}$ Options (kΩ) | Wiper - $R_W$ (Ω) | | |
| MCP4331 (3) | 4 | Potentiometer (1) | SPI | RAM | No | Mid-Scale | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 129 | 1.8V to 5.5V |
| MCP4332 (3) | 4 | Rheostat | SPI | RAM | No | Mid-Scale | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 129 | 1.8V to 5.5V |
| MCP4341 | 4 | Potentiometer (1) | SPI | EE | Yes | NV Wiper | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 129 | 2.7V to 5.5V |
| MCP4342 | 4 | Rheostat | SPI | EE | Yes | NV Wiper | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 129 | 2.7V to 5.5V |
| MCP4351 (3) | 4 | Potentiometer (1) | SPI | RAM | No | Mid-Scale | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 257 | 1.8V to 5.5V |
| MCP4352 (3) | 4 | Rheostat | SPI | RAM | No | Mid-Scale | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 257 | 1.8V to 5.5V |
| MCP4361 | 4 | Potentiometer (1) | SPI | EE | Yes | NV Wiper | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 257 | 2.7V to 5.5V |
| MCP4362 | 4 | Rheostat | SPI | EE | Yes | NV Wiper | 5.0, 10.0, 50.0, 100.0 | 75 | 257 | 2.7V to 5.5V |

**Note 1:** Floating either terminal (A or B) allows the device to be used as a Rheostat (variable resistor).

**2:** Analog characteristics only tested from 2.7V to 5.5V unless otherwise noted.

**3:** Please check Microchip web site for device release and availability.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# 1.0 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

## Absolute Maximum Ratings †

Voltage on $V_{DD}$ with respect to $V_{SS}$ ..... -0.6V to +7.0V
Voltage on $\overline{CS}$, SCK, SDI, SDI/SDO, $\overline{WP}$, and $\overline{RESET}$ with respect to $V_{SS}$ ..... -0.6V to 12.5V
Voltage on all other pins (PxA, PxW, PxB, and SDO) with respect to $V_{SS}$ ..... -0.3V to $V_{DD}$ + 0.3V
Input clamp current, $I_{IK}$
($V_I$ < 0, $V_I$ > $V_{DD}$, $V_I$ > $V_{PP}$ ON HV pins) .....±20 mA
Output clamp current, $I_{OK}$
($V_O$ < 0 or $V_O$ > $V_{DD}$) .....±20 mA
Maximum output current sunk by any Output pin .....25 mA
Maximum output current sourced by any Output pin .....25 mA
Maximum current out of $V_{SS}$ pin .....100 mA
Maximum current into $V_{DD}$ pin .....100 mA
Maximum current into PxA, PxW & PxB pins .....±2.5 mA
Storage temperature .....-65°C to +150°C
Ambient temperature with power applied .....-40°C to +125°C
Package power dissipation ($T_A$ = +50°C, $T_J$ = +150°C)
TSSOP-14.....1000 mW
TSSOP-20..... 1110 mW
QFN-20 (4x4) .....2320 mW
Soldering temperature of leads (10 seconds) .....+300°C
ESD protection on all pins .....≥ 4 kV (HBM), ..... ≥ 300V (MM)
Maximum Junction Temperature ($T_J$) .....+150°C

† **Notice:** Stresses above those listed under “Maximum Ratings” may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at those or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational listings of this specification is not implied. Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## AC/DC CHARACTERISTICS

| DC Characteristics | | **Standard Operating Conditions (unless otherwise specified)**<br>Operating Temperature –40°C ≤ $T_A$ ≤ +125°C (extended)<br>All parameters apply across the specified operating ranges unless noted.<br>$V_{DD}$ = +2.7V to 5.5V, 5 kΩ, 10 kΩ, 50 kΩ, 100 kΩ devices.<br>Typical specifications represent values for $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $T_A$ = +25°C. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** |
| Supply Voltage | $V_{DD}$ | 2.7 | — | 5.5 | V | |
| | | 1.8 | — | 2.7 | V | Serial Interface only. |
| $\overline{CS}$, SDI, SDO, SCK, WP, $\overline{RESET}$ pin Voltage Range | $V_{HV}$ | $V_{SS}$ | — | 12.5V | V | $V_{DD} \geq$ 4.5V; The $\overline{CS}$ pin will be at one of three input levels ($V_{IL}$, $V_{IH}$ or $V_{IHH}$). (**Note 6**) |
| | | $V_{SS}$ | — | $V_{DD}$ + 8.0V | V | $V_{DD}$ < 4.5V |
| $V_{DD}$ Start Voltage to ensure Wiper Reset | $V_{BOR}$ | — | — | 1.65 | V | RAM retention voltage ($V_{RAM}$) < $V_{BOR}$ |
| $V_{DD}$ Rise Rate to ensure Power-on Reset | $V_{DDRR}$ | (**Note 9**) | | | V/ms | |
| Delay after device exits the reset state ($V_{DD}$ > $V_{BOR}$) | $T_{BORD}$ | — | 10 | 20 | µs | |
| Supply Current **(Note 10)** | $I_{DD}$ | — | — | 450 | µA | Serial Interface Active, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $\overline{CS}$ = $V_{IL}$, SCK @ 5 MHz, write all 0's to volatile Wiper 0 (address 0h) |
| | | — | — | 1 | mA | EE Write Current, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $\overline{CS}$ = $V_{IL}$, SCK @ 5 MHz, write all 0's to non-volatile Wiper 0 (address 2h) |
| | | — | 2.5 | 5 | µA | Serial Interface Inactive, $\overline{CS}$ = $V_{IH}$, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V |
| | | — | 0.55 | 1 | mA | Serial Interface Active, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $\overline{CS}$ = $V_{IHH}$, SCK @ 5 MHz, decrement non-volatile Wiper 0 (address 2h) |

**Note 1:** Resistance is defined as the resistance between terminal A to terminal B.

**2:** INL and DNL are measured at $V_W$ with $V_A$ = $V_{DD}$ and $V_B$ = $V_{SS}$.

**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

**4:** **MCP43X2** only, includes $V_{WZSE}$ and $V_{WFSE}$.

**5:** Resistor terminals A, W and B's polarity with respect to each other is not restricted.

**6:** This specification by design.

**7:** Non-linearity is affected by wiper resistance ($R_W$), which changes significantly over voltage and temperature.

**8:** The **MCP43X1** is externally connected to match the configurations of the **MCP43X2**, and then tested.

**9:** POR/BOR is not rate dependent.

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## AC/DC CHARACTERISTICS (CONTINUED)

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** | |
| Resistance (± 20%) | $R_{AB}$ | 4.0 | 5 | 6.0 | kΩ | -502 devices **(Note 1)** | |
| | | 8.0 | 10 | 12.0 | kΩ | -103 devices **(Note 1)** | |
| | | 40.0 | 50 | 60.0 | kΩ | -503 devices **(Note 1)** | |
| | | 80.0 | 100 | 120.0 | kΩ | -104 devices **(Note 1)** | |
| Resolution | N | 257 | | | Taps | 8-bit | No Missing Codes |
| | | 129 | | | Taps | 7-bit | No Missing Codes |
| Step Resistance | $R_S$ | — | $R_{AB}$ / (256) | — | Ω | 8-bit | **Note 6** |
| | | — | $R_{AB}$ / (128) | — | Ω | 7-bit | **Note 6** |
| Nominal Resistance Match | (\| $R_{ABWC}$ - $R_{ABMEAN}$ \|) / $R_{ABMEAN}$ | — | 0.2 | 1.50 | % | **MCP43X1** devices only | |
| | | — | 0.2 | 1.25 | % | | |
| | | — | 0.2 | 1.0 | % | | |
| | | — | 0.2 | 1.0 | % | | |
| | (\| $R_{BWWC}$ - $R_{BWMEAN}$ \|) / $R_{BWMEAN}$ | — | 0.25 | 1.75 | % | Code = Full Scale | |
| | | — | 0.25 | 1.50 | % | | |
| | | — | 0.25 | 1.25 | % | | |
| | | — | 0.25 | 1.25 | % | | |
| Wiper Resistance (**Note 3, Note 4)** | $R_W$ | — | 75 | 160 | Ω | $V_{DD}$ = 5.5 V, $I_W$ = 2.0 mA, code = 00h | |
| | | — | 75 | 300 | Ω | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7 V, $I_W$ = 2.0 mA, code = 00h | |
| Nominal Resistance Tempco | $\Delta R_{AB}/\Delta T$ | — | 50 | — | ppm/°C | $T_A$ = -20°C to +70°C | |
| | | — | 100 | — | ppm/°C | $T_A$ = -40°C to +85°C | |
| | | — | 150 | — | ppm/°C | $T_A$ = -40°C to +125°C | |
| Ratiometeric Tempco | $\Delta V_{WB}/\Delta T$ | — | 15 | — | ppm/°C | Code = Midscale (80h or 40h) | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** |
| Resistor Terminal Input Voltage Range (Terminals A, B and W) | $V_A, V_W, V_B$ | Vss | — | $V_{DD}$ | V | **Note 5, Note 6** |
| Maximum current through A, W or B | $I_W$ | — | — | 2.5 | mA | **Note 6**, Worst case current through wiper when wiper is either Full Scale or Zero Scale. |
| Leakage current into A, W or B | $I_{WL}$ | — | 100 | — | nA | **MCP43X1** PxA = PxW = PxB = $V_{SS}$ |
| | | — | 100 | — | nA | **MCP43X2** PxB = PxW = $V_{SS}$ |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** | | |
| Full Scale Error (**MCP43X1** only) (8-bit code = 100h, 7-bit code = 80h) | $V_{WFSE}$ | -6.0 | -0.1 | — | LSb | 5 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -4.0 | -0.1 | — | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -3.5 | -0.1 | — | LSb | 10 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -2.0 | -0.1 | — | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -0.8 | -0.1 | — | LSb | 50 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -0.5 | -0.1 | — | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -0.5 | -0.1 | — | LSb | 100 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | -0.5 | -0.1 | — | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| Zero Scale Error (**MCP43X1** only) (8-bit code = 00h, 7-bit code = 00h) | $V_{WZSE}$ | — | +0.1 | +6.0 | LSb | 5 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +3.0 | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +3.5 | LSb | 10 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +2.0 | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +0.8 | LSb | 50 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +0.5 | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +0.5 | LSb | 100 kΩ | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| | | — | +0.1 | +0.5 | LSb | | 7-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V |
| Potentiometer Integral Non-linearity | INL | -1 | ±0.5 | +1 | LSb | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V **MCP43X1** devices only **(Note 2)** | |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 7-bit | | |
| Potentiometer Differential Non-linearity | DNL | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 8-bit | 3.0V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V **MCP43X1** devices only **(Note 2)** | |
| | | -0.25 | ±0.125 | +0.25 | LSb | 7-bit | | |
| Bandwidth -3 dB (See Figure 2-54, load = 30 pF) | BW | — | 2 | — | MHz | 5 kΩ | 8-bit | Code = 80h |
| | | — | 2 | — | MHz | | 7-bit | Code = 40h |
| | | — | 1 | — | MHz | 10 kΩ | 8-bit | Code = 80h |
| | | — | 1 | — | MHz | | 7-bit | Code = 40h |
| | | — | 200 | — | kHz | 50 kΩ | 8-bit | Code = 80h |
| | | — | 200 | — | kHz | | 7-bit | Code = 40h |
| | | — | 100 | — | kHz | 100 kΩ | 8-bit | Code = 80h |
| | | — | 100 | — | kHz | | 7-bit | Code = 40h |

**Note 1:** Resistance is defined as the resistance between terminal A to terminal B.

**2:** INL and DNL are measured at $V_W$ with $V_A$ = $V_{DD}$ and $V_B$ = $V_{SS}$.

**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

**4:** **MCP43X2** only, includes $V_{WZSE}$ and $V_{WFSE}$.

**5:** Resistor terminals A, W and B's polarity with respect to each other is not restricted.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** | | |
| Rheostat Integral Non-linearity **MCP43X1** (**Note 4, Note 8**) **MCP43X2** devices only **(Note 4)** | R-INL | -1.5 | ±0.5 | +1.5 | LSb | 5 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 900 µA |
| | | -8.25 | +4.5 | +8.25 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 480 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.125 | ±0.5 | +1.125 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 900 µA |
| | | -6.0 | +4.5 | +6.0 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 480 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.5 | ±0.5 | +1.5 | LSb | 10 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 450 µA |
| | | -5.5 | +2.5 | +5.5 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 240 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.125 | ±0.5 | +1.125 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 450 µA |
| | | -4.0 | +2.5 | +4.0 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 240 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.5 | ±0.5 | +1.5 | LSb | 50 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 90 µA |
| | | -2.0 | +1 | +2.0 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 48 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.125 | ±0.5 | +1.125 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 90 µA |
| | | -1.5 | +1 | +1.5 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 48 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -1.0 | ±0.5 | +1.0 | LSb | 100 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 45 µA |
| | | -1.5 | +0.25 | +1.5 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 24 µA (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.8 | ±0.5 | +0.8 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 45 µA |
| | | -1.125 | +0.25 | +1.125 | LSb | | | 3.0V, $I_W$ = 24 µA (**Note 7**) |

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**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

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| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** | | |
| Rheostat Differential Non-linearity **MCP43X1** (**Note 4, Note 8**) **MCP43X2** devices only **(Note 4)** | R-DNL | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 5 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 900 µA |
| | | -1.0 | +0.5 | +1.0 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 900 µA |
| | | -0.75 | +0.5 | +0.75 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 10 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 450 µA |
| | | -1.0 | +0.25 | +1.0 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 450 µA |
| | | -0.75 | +0.5 | +0.75 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 50 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 90 µA |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 90 µA |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | 100 kΩ | 8-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 45 µA |
| | | -0.5 | ±0.25 | +0.5 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | 7-bit | 5.5V, $I_W$ = 45 µA |
| | | -0.375 | ±0.25 | +0.375 | LSb | | | 3.0V (**Note 7**) |
| Capacitance ($P_A$) | $C_{AW}$ | — | 75 | — | pF | f =1 MHz, Code = Full Scale | | |
| Capacitance ($P_w$) | $C_W$ | — | 120 | — | pF | f =1 MHz, Code = Full Scale | | |
| Capacitance ($P_B$) | $C_{BW}$ | — | 75 | — | pF | f =1 MHz, Code = Full Scale | | |

**Note 1:** Resistance is defined as the resistance between terminal A to terminal B.

**2:** INL and DNL are measured at $V_W$ with $V_A = V_{DD}$ and $V_B = V_{SS}$.

**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

**4:** **MCP43X2** only, includes $V_{WZSE}$ and $V_{WFSE}$.

**5:** Resistor terminals A, W and B's polarity with respect to each other is not restricted.

**6:** This specification by design.

**7:** Non-linearity is affected by wiper resistance ($R_W$), which changes significantly over voltage and temperature.

**8:** The **MCP43X1** is externally connected to match the configurations of the **MCP43X2**, and then tested.

**9:** POR/BOR is not rate dependent.

**10:** Supply current is independent of current through the resistor network.

## AC/DC CHARACTERISTICS (CONTINUED)

| DC Characteristics | | Standard Operating Conditions (unless otherwise specified)<br>Operating Temperature –40°C ≤ $T_A$ ≤ +125°C (extended)<br>All parameters apply across the specified operating ranges unless noted.<br>$V_{DD}$ = +2.7V to 5.5V, 5 kΩ, 10 kΩ, 50 kΩ, 100 kΩ devices.<br>Typical specifications represent values for $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $T_A$ = +25°C. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** |
| **Digital Inputs/Outputs ($\overline{CS}$, SDI, SDO, SCK, $\overline{WP}$, $\overline{RESET}$)** | | | | | | |
| Schmitt Trigger High Input Threshold | $V_{IH}$ | 0.45 $V_{DD}$ | — | — | V | 2.7V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 5.5V (Allows 2.7V Digital $V_{DD}$ with 5V Analog $V_{DD}$) |
| | | 0.5 $V_{DD}$ | — | — | V | 1.8V ≤ $V_{DD}$ ≤ 2.7V |
| Schmitt Trigger Low Input Threshold | $V_{IL}$ | — | — | 0.2$V_{DD}$ | V | |
| Hysteresis of Schmitt Trigger Inputs | $V_{HYS}$ | — | 0.1$V_{DD}$ | — | V | |
| High Voltage Input Entry Voltage | $V_{IHH}$ | 8.5 | — | 12.5 **(6)** | V | Threshold for WiperLock™ Technology |
| High Voltage Input Exit Voltage | $V_{IHH}$ | — | — | $V_{DD}$ + 0.8V | V | |
| High Voltage Limit | $V_{MAX}$ | — | — | 12.5 **(6)** | V | Pin can tolerate $V_{MAX}$ or less. |
| Output Low Voltage (SDO) | $V_{OL}$ | $V_{SS}$ | — | 0.3$V_{DD}$ | V | $I_{OL}$ = 5 mA, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V |
| | | $V_{SS}$ | — | 0.3$V_{DD}$ | V | $I_{OL}$ = 1 mA, $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V |
| Output High Voltage (SDO) | $V_{OH}$ | 0.7$V_{DD}$ | — | $V_{DD}$ | V | $I_{OH}$ = -2.5 mA, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V |
| | | 0.7$V_{DD}$ | — | $V_{DD}$ | V | $I_{OL}$ = -1 mA, $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V |

**Note 1:** Resistance is defined as the resistance between terminal A to terminal B.

**2:** INL and DNL are measured at $V_W$ with $V_A$ = $V_{DD}$ and $V_B$ = $V_{SS}$.

**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

**4:** **MCP43X2** only, includes $V_{WZSE}$ and $V_{WFSE}$.

**5:** Resistor terminals A, W and B's polarity with respect to each other is not restricted.

**6:** This specification by design.

**7:** Non-linearity is affected by wiper resistance ($R_W$), which changes significantly over voltage and temperature.

**8:** The **MCP43X1** is externally connected to match the configurations of the **MCP43X2**, and then tested.

**9:** POR/BOR is not rate dependent.

**10:** Supply current is independent of current through the resistor network.


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## AC/DC CHARACTERISTICS (CONTINUED)

| DC Characteristics | | Standard Operating Conditions (unless otherwise specified)<br>Operating Temperature –40°C ≤ $T_A$ ≤ +125°C (extended)<br>All parameters apply across the specified operating ranges unless noted.<br>$V_{DD}$ = +2.7V to 5.5V, 5 kΩ, 10 kΩ, 50 kΩ, 100 kΩ devices.<br>Typical specifications represent values for $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $T_A$ = +25°C. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** | |
| Weak Pull-up Current | $I_{PU}$ | — | — | 1.75 | mA | Internal $V_{DD}$ pull-up, $V_{IHH}$ pull-down, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $V_{\overline{CS}}$ = 12.5V | |
| | | — | 170 | — | µA | $\overline{CS}$ pin, $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $V_{\overline{CS}}$ = 3V | |
| $\overline{CS}$ Pull-up / Pull-down Resistance | $R_{CS}$ | — | 16 | — | kΩ | $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $V_{\overline{CS}}$ = 3V | |
| $\overline{RESET}$ Pull-up Resistance | $R_{RESET}$ | — | 16 | — | kΩ | $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $V_{\overline{RESET}}$ = 0V | |
| Input Leakage Current | $I_{IL}$ | -1 | — | 1 | µA | $V_{IN}$ = $V_{DD}$ (all pins) and $V_{IN}$ = $V_{SS}$ (all pins except $\overline{RESET}$) | |
| Pin Capacitance | $C_{IN}$, $C_{OUT}$ | — | 10 | — | pF | $f_C$ = 20 MHz | |
| **RAM (Wiper, TCON) Value** | | | | | | | |
| Value Range | N | 0h | — | 1FFh | hex | 8-bit device | |
| | | 0h | — | 1FFh | hex | 7-bit device | |
| TCON POR/BOR Setting | | 1FF | | | hex | All Terminals connected | |
| **EEPROM** | | | | | | | |
| Endurance | $E_{ndurance}$ | — | 1M | — | Cycles | | |
| EEPROM Range | N | 0h | — | 1FFh | hex | | |
| Initial NV Wiper POR/BOR Setting | N | 080h | | | hex | 8-bit | WiperLock Technology = Off |
| | | 040h | | | hex | 7-bit | WiperLock Technology = Off |
| Initial EEPROM POR/BOR Setting | N | 000h | | | hex | | |
| EEPROM Programming Write Cycle Time | $t_{WC}$ | — | 3 | 10 | ms | | |
| **Power Requirements** | | | | | | | |
| Power Supply Sensitivity (**MCP43X1**) | PSS | — | 0.0015 | 0.0035 | %/% | 8-bit | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V, $V_A$ = 2.7V, Code = 80h |
| | | — | 0.0015 | 0.0035 | %/% | 7-bit | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V, $V_A$ = 2.7V, Code = 40h |

**Note 1:** Resistance is defined as the resistance between terminal A to terminal B.

**2:** INL and DNL are measured at $V_W$ with $V_A$ = $V_{DD}$ and $V_B$ = $V_{SS}$.

**3:** **MCP43X1** only.

**4:** **MCP43X2** only, includes $V_{WZSE}$ and $V_{WFSE}$.

**5:** Resistor terminals A, W and B's polarity with respect to each other is not restricted.

**6:** This specification by design.

**7:** Non-linearity is affected by wiper resistance ($R_W$), which changes significantly over voltage and temperature.

**8:** The **MCP43X1** is externally connected to match the configurations of the **MCP43X2**, and then tested.

**9:** POR/BOR is not rate dependent.

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## 1.1 SPI Mode Timing Waveforms and Requirements

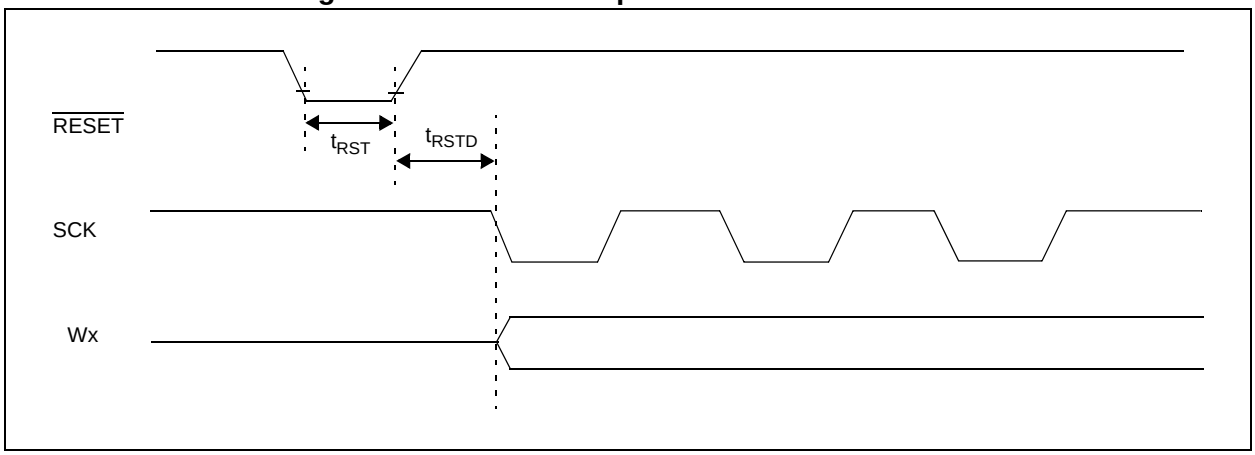


***FIGURE 1-1:*** *RESET Waveforms.*

**TABLE 1-1: RESET TIMING**

| **Timing Characteristics** | | **Standard Operating Conditions (unless otherwise specified)**<br>Operating Temperature –40°C ≤ $T_A$ ≤ +125°C (extended)<br>All parameters apply across the specified operating ranges unless noted.<br>$V_{DD}$ = +2.7V to 5.5V, 5 kΩ, 10 kΩ, 50 kΩ, 100 kΩ devices.<br>Typical specifications represent values for $V_{DD}$ = 5.5V, $T_A$ = +25°C. | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** |
| $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pulse width | $t_{RST}$ | 50 | — | — | ns | |
| $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ rising edge normal mode (Wiper driving and SPI interface operational) | $t_{RSTD}$ | — | — | 20 | ns | |


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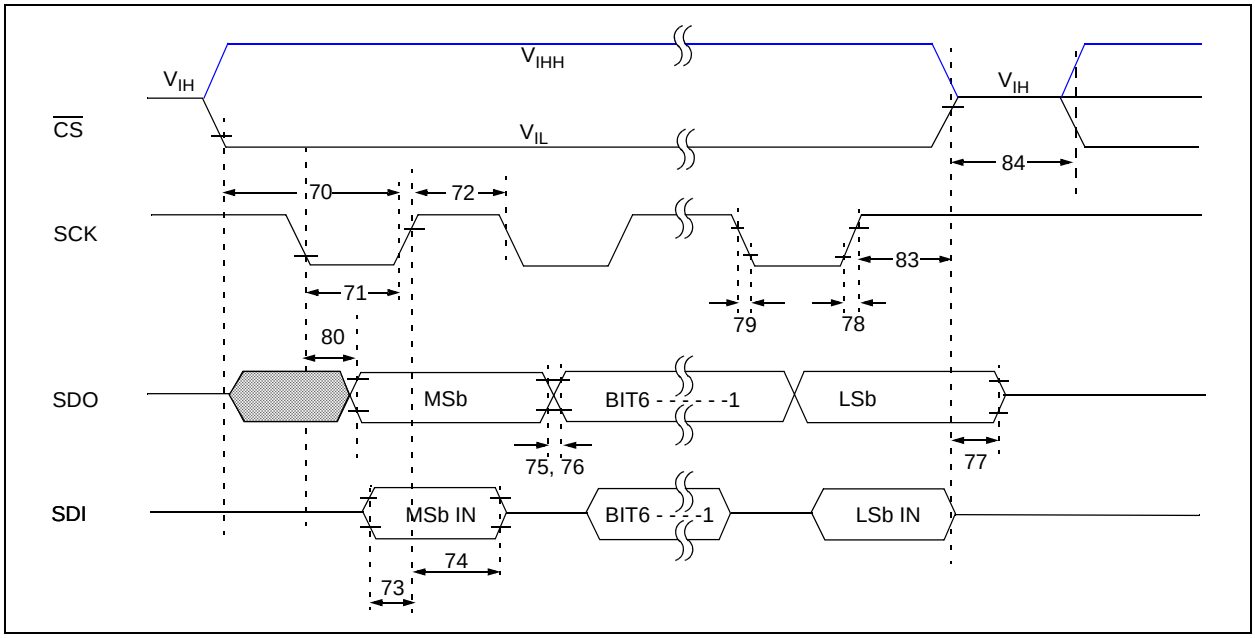


***FIGURE 1-2:*** *SPI Timing Waveform (Mode = 11).*

**TABLE 1-2: SPI REQUIREMENTS (MODE = 11)**

| # | Characteristic | Symbol | Min | Max | Units | Conditions |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | SCK Input Frequency | $F_{SCK}$ | — | 10 | MHz | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | — | 1 | MHz | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 70 | $\overline{CS}$ Active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) to SCK↑ input | TcsA2scH | 60 | — | ns | |
| 71 | SCK input high time | TscH | 45 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 500 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 72 | SCK input low time | TscL | 45 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 500 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 73 | Setup time of SDI input to SCK↑ edge | TDIV2scH | 10 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 20 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 74 | Hold time of SDI input from SCK↑ edge | TscH2DIL | 20 | — | ns | |
| 77 | $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) to SDO output hi-impedance | TcsH2DOZ | — | 50 | ns | **Note 1** |
| 80 | SDO data output valid after SCK↓ edge | TscL2DOV | — | 70 | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | | 170 | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 83 | $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) after SCK↑ edge | TscH2csI | 100 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 1 | | ms | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 84 | Hold time of $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) to $\overline{CS}$ Active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) | TcsA2csI | 50 | — | ns | |

**Note 1:** This specification by design.

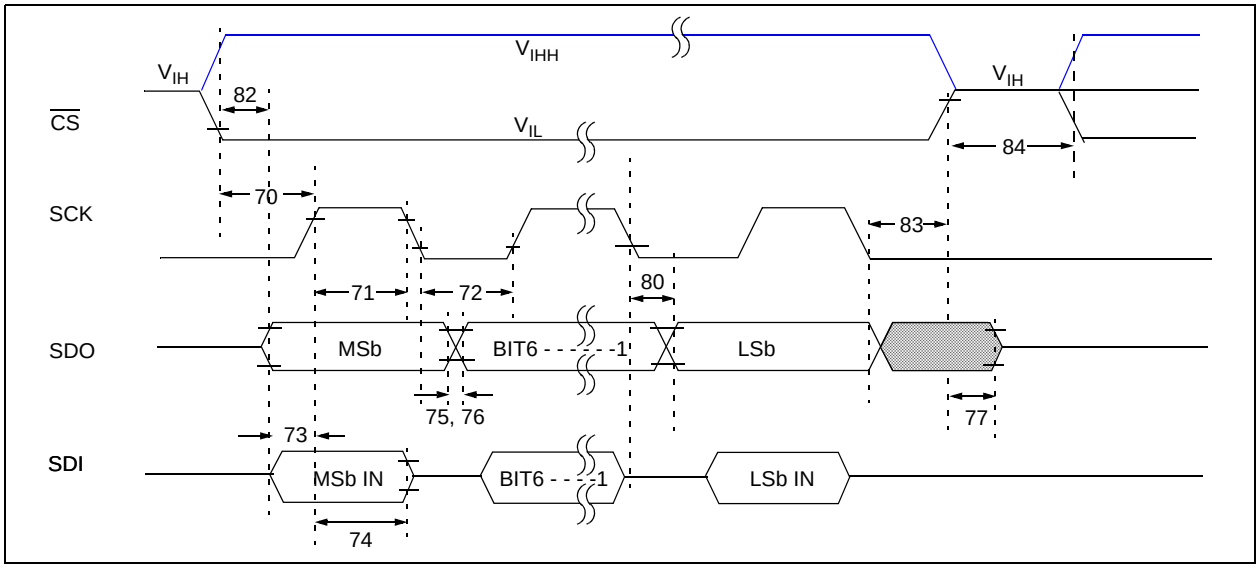


***FIGURE 1-3:*** *SPI Timing Waveform (Mode = 00).*

**TABLE 1-3: SPI REQUIREMENTS (MODE = 00)**

| # | Characteristic | Symbol | Min | Max | Units | Conditions |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | SCK Input Frequency | $F_{SCK}$ | — | 10 | MHz | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | — | 1 | MHz | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 70 | $\overline{CS}$ Active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) to SCK↑ input | TcsA2scH | 60 | — | ns | |
| 71 | SCK input high time | TscH | 45 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 500 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 72 | SCK input low time | TscL | 45 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 500 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 73 | Setup time of SDI input to SCK↑ edge | TDIV2scH | 10 | — | ns | |
| 74 | Hold time of SDI input from SCK↑ edge | TscH2DIL | 20 | — | ns | |
| 77 | $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) to SDO output hi-impedance | TcsH2DOZ | — | 50 | ns | **Note 1** |
| 80 | SDO data output valid after SCK↓ edge | TscL2DOV | — | 70 | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | | 170 | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 82 | SDO data output valid after $\overline{CS}$ Active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) | TssL2doV | — | 85 | ns | |
| 83 | $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) after SCK↓ edge | TscH2csI | 100 | — | ns | $V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V |
| | | | 1 | | ms | $V_{DD}$ = 1.8V to 2.7V |
| 84 | Hold time of $\overline{CS}$ Inactive ($V_{IH}$) to $\overline{CS}$ Active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) | TcsA2csI | 50 | — | ns | |

**Note 1:** This specification by design.


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## TEMPERATURE CHARACTERISTICS

| **Electrical Specifications:** Unless otherwise indicated, $V_{DD}$ = +2.7V to +5.5V, $V_{SS}$ = GND. | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Parameters** | **Sym** | **Min** | **Typ** | **Max** | **Units** | **Conditions** |
| **Temperature Ranges** | | | | | | |
| Specified Temperature Range | $T_A$ | -40 | — | +125 | °C | |
| Operating Temperature Range | $T_A$ | -40 | — | +125 | °C | |
| Storage Temperature Range | $T_A$ | -65 | — | +150 | °C | |
| **Thermal Package Resistances** | | | | | | |
| Thermal Resistance, 14L-TSSOP | $\theta_{JA}$ | — | 100 | — | °C/W | |
| Thermal Resistance, 20L-QFN | $\theta_{JA}$ | — | 43 | — | °C/W | |
| Thermal Resistance, 20L-TSSOP | $\theta_{JA}$ | — | 90 | — | °C/W | |

**NOTES:**


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## 2.0 TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES

**Note:** The graphs and tables provided following this note are a statistical summary based on a limited number of samples and are provided for informational purposes only. The performance characteristics listed herein are not tested or guaranteed. In some graphs or tables, the data presented may be outside the specified operating range (e.g., outside specified power supply range) and therefore outside the warranted range.

**Note:** Unless otherwise indicated, $T_A$ = +25°C, $V_{DD}$ = 5V, $V_{SS}$ = 0V.

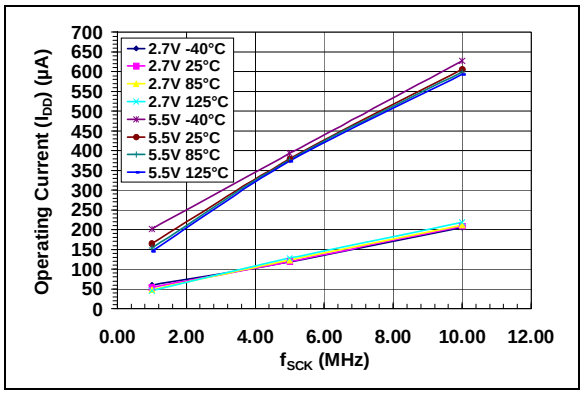


***FIGURE 2-1:*** *Device Current ($I_{DD}$) vs. SPI Frequency ($f_{SCK}$) and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V and 5.5V).*

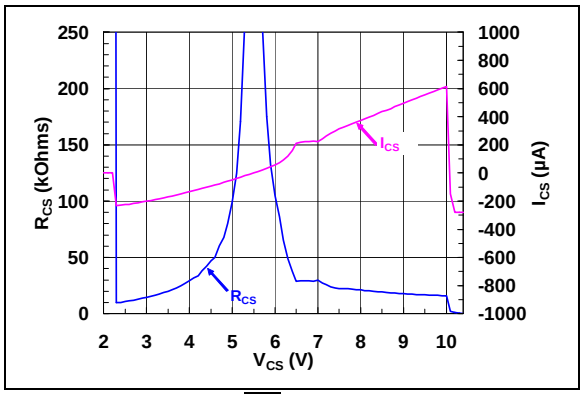


***FIGURE 2-4:*** *$\overline{CS}$ Pull-up/Pull-down Resistance ($R_{\overline{CS}}$) and Current ($I_{\overline{CS}}$) vs. $\overline{CS}$ Input Voltage ($V_{\overline{CS}}$) ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

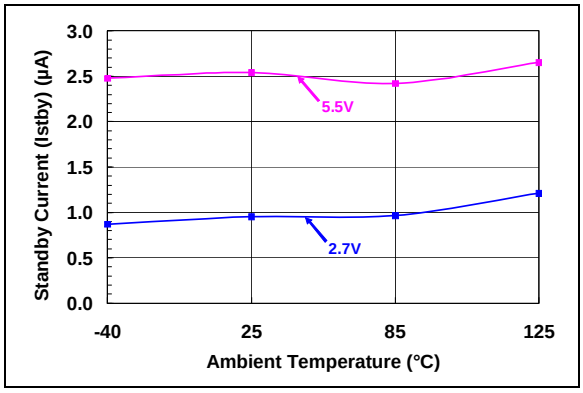


***FIGURE 2-2:*** *Device Current ($I_{SHDN}$) and $V_{DD}$. ($\overline{CS}$ = $V_{DD}$) vs. Ambient Temperature.*

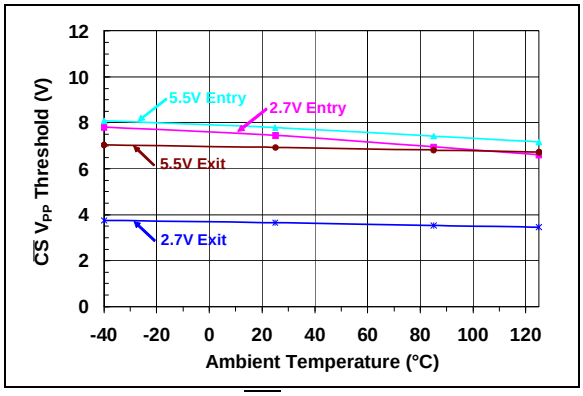


***FIGURE 2-5:*** *$\overline{CS}$ High Input Entry/Exit Threshold vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

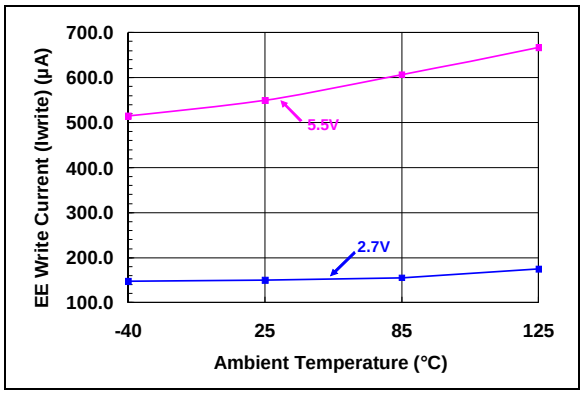


***FIGURE 2-3:*** *Write Current ($I_{WRITE}$) vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

**Note:** Unless otherwise indicated, $T_A$ = +25°C, $V_{DD}$ = 5V, $V_{SS}$ = 0V.

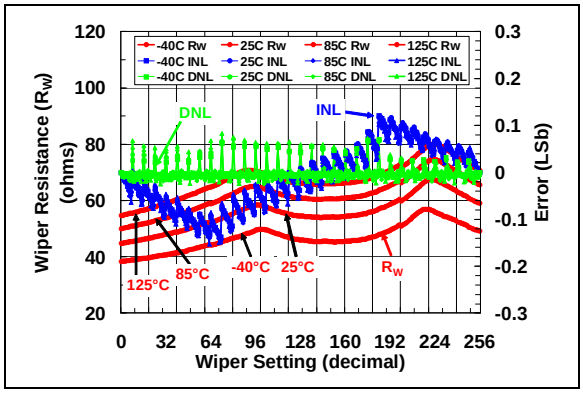


***FIGURE 2-6:*** *5 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

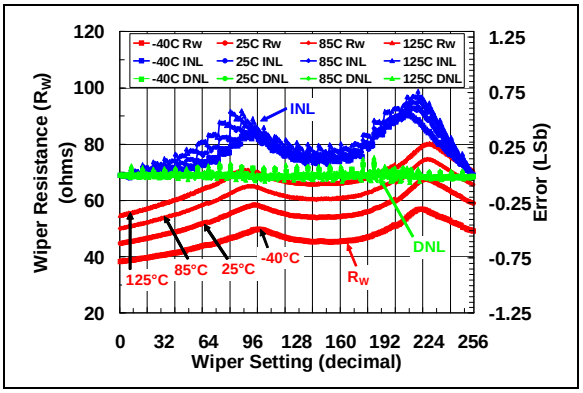


***FIGURE 2-9:*** *5 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

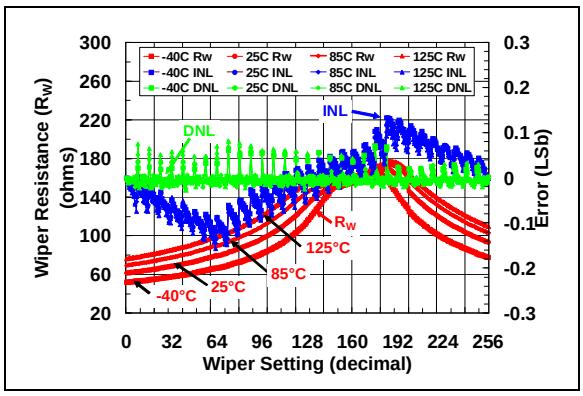


***FIGURE 2-7:*** *5 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

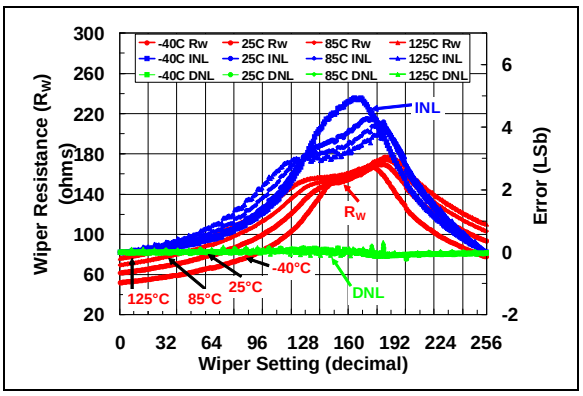


***FIGURE 2-10:*** *5 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

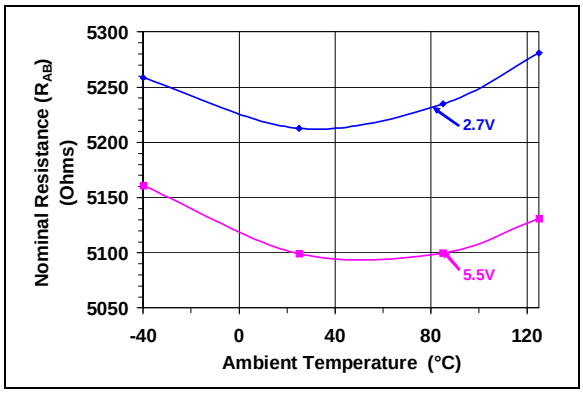


***FIGURE 2-8:*** *5 kΩ – Nominal Resistance (Ω) vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

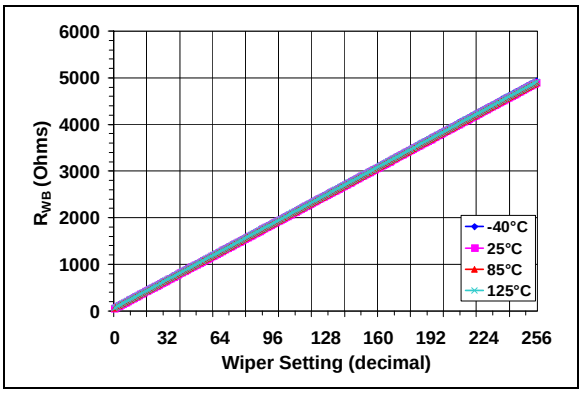


***FIGURE 2-11:*** *5 kΩ – $R_{WB}$ (Ω) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature.*


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**Note:** Unless otherwise indicated, $T_A$ = +25°C, $V_{DD}$ = 5V, $V_{SS}$ = 0V.

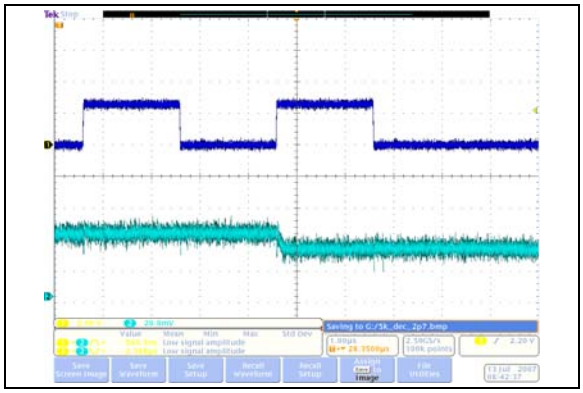


***FIGURE 2-12:*** *5 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

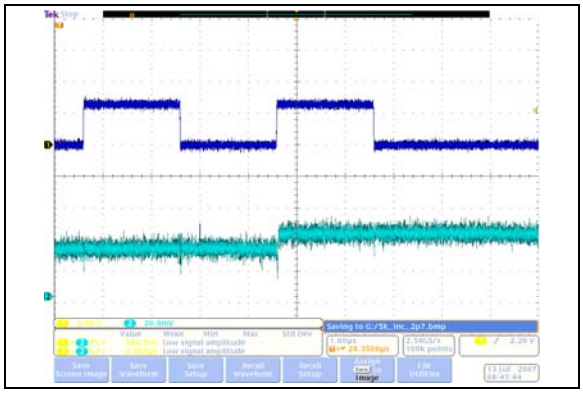
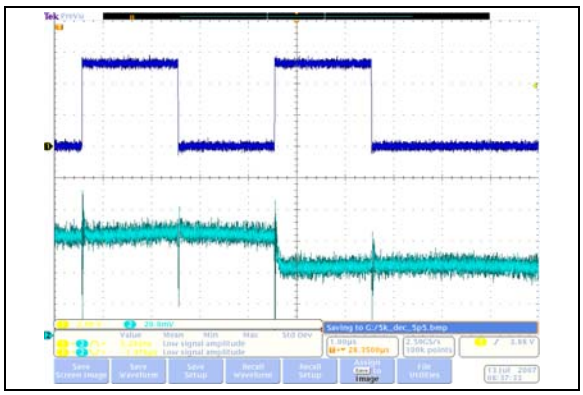


***FIGURE 2-15:*** *5 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*



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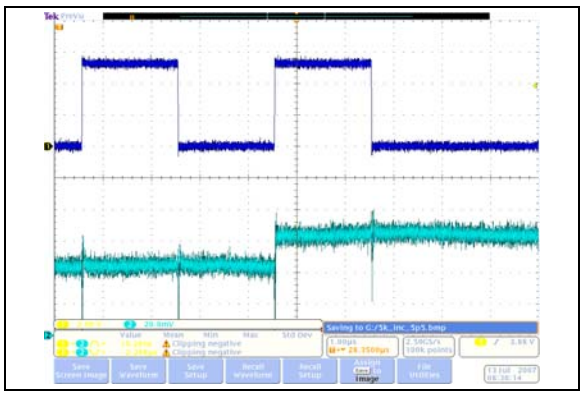

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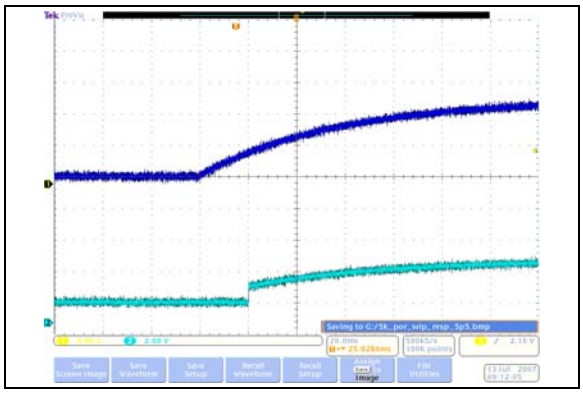

***FIGURE 2-14:*** *5 kΩ – Power-Up Wiper Response Time (20 ms/Div).*

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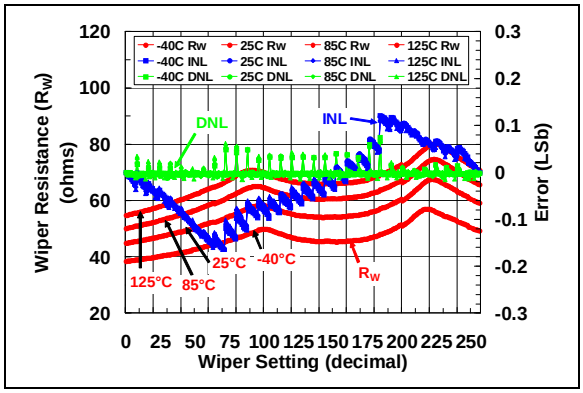


***FIGURE 2-17:*** *10 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

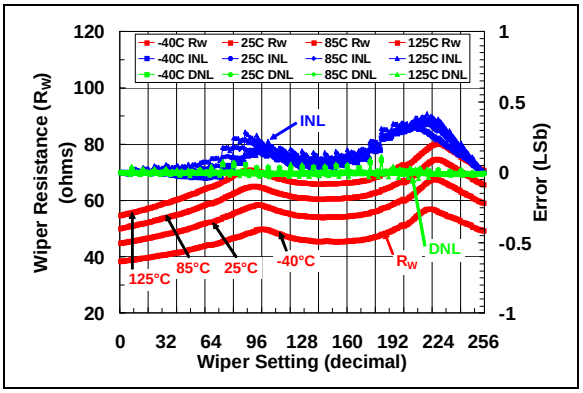


***FIGURE 2-20:*** *10 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

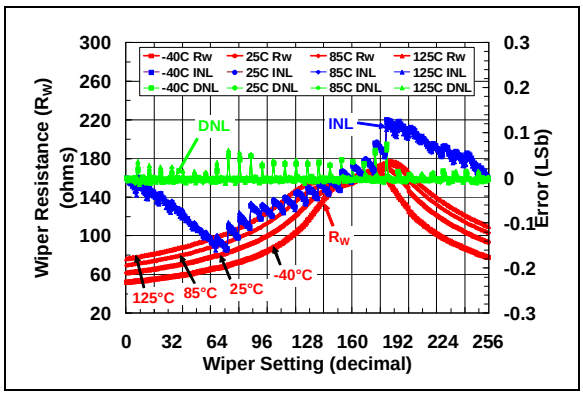


***FIGURE 2-18:*** *10 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

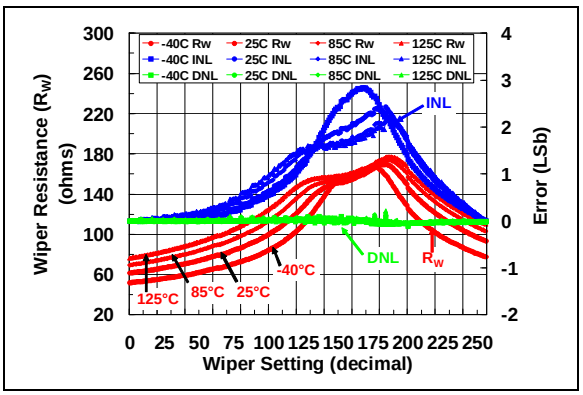


***FIGURE 2-21:*** *10 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

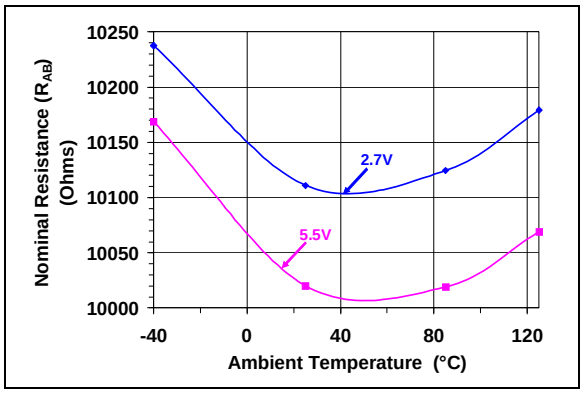


***FIGURE 2-19:*** *10 kΩ – Nominal Resistance (Ω) vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

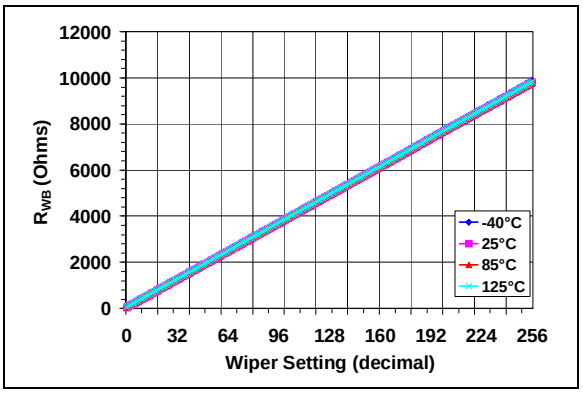


***FIGURE 2-22:*** *10 kΩ – $R_{WB}$ (Ω) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature.*


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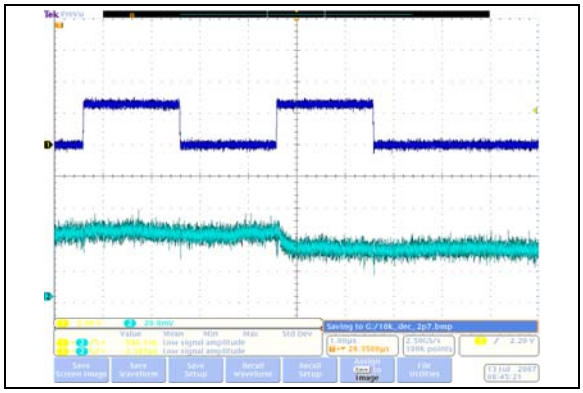

***FIGURE 2-23:*** *10 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

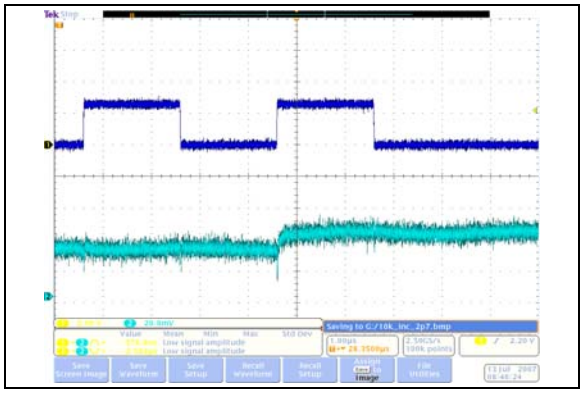

***FIGURE 2-25:*** *10 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

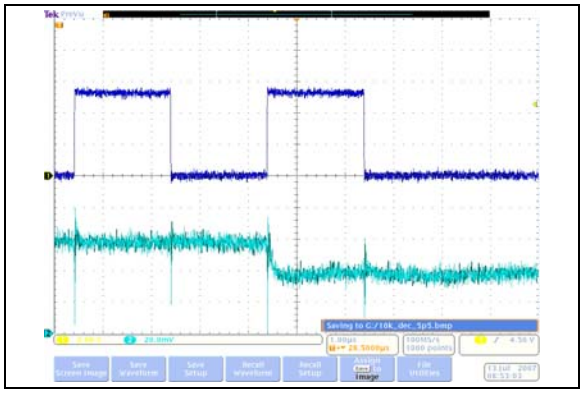

***FIGURE 2-24:*** *10 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

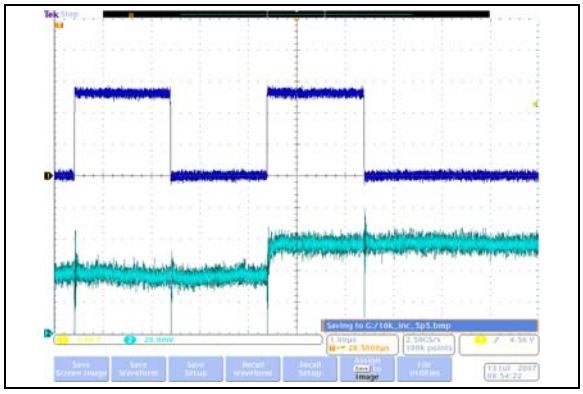

***FIGURE 2-26:*** *10 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

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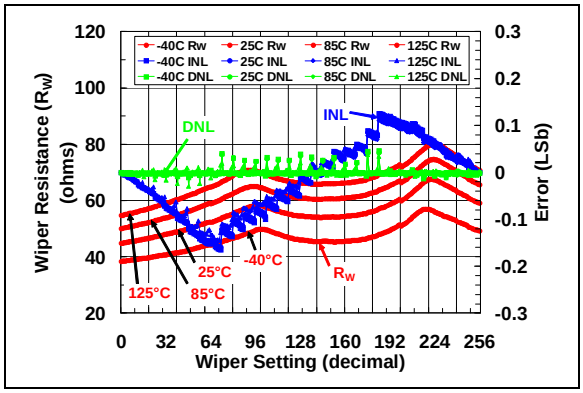



***FIGURE 2-27:*** *50 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

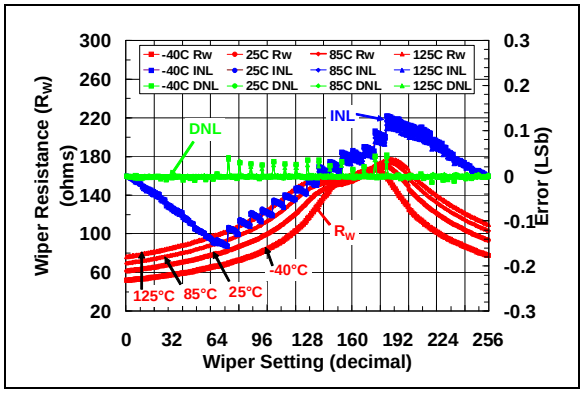



***FIGURE 2-28:*** *50 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

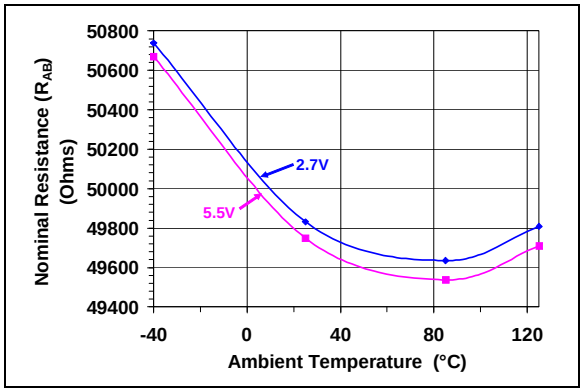



***FIGURE 2-29:*** *50 kΩ – Nominal Resistance (Ω) vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

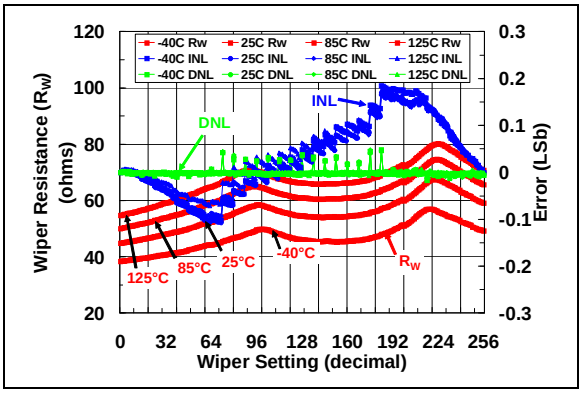
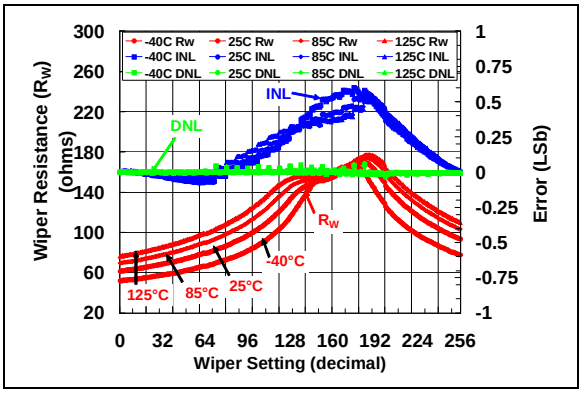



***FIGURE 2-30:*** *50 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

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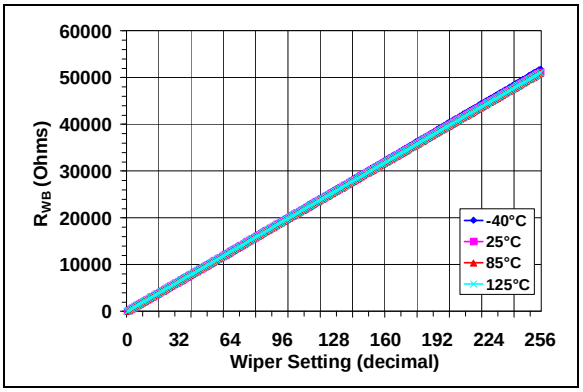


***FIGURE 2-32:*** *50 kΩ – $R_{WB}$ (Ω) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature.*


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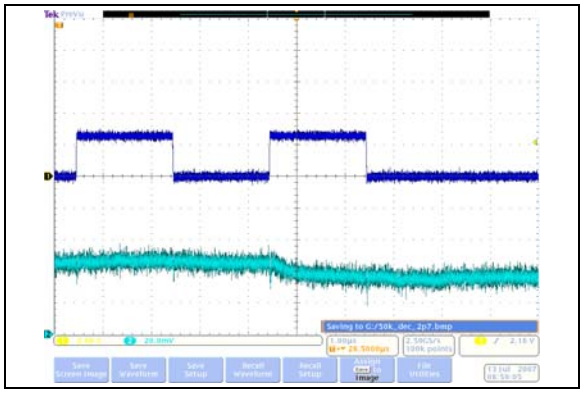

***FIGURE 2-33:*** *50 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

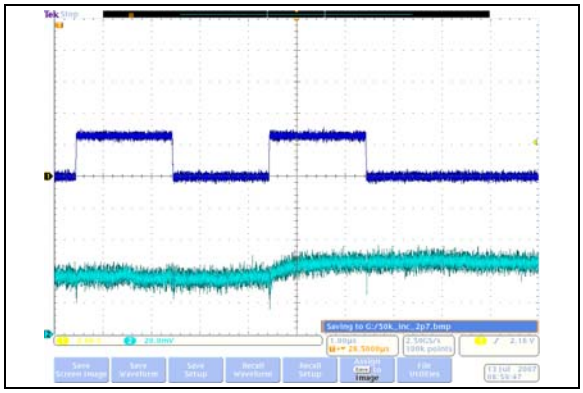

***FIGURE 2-35:*** *50 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

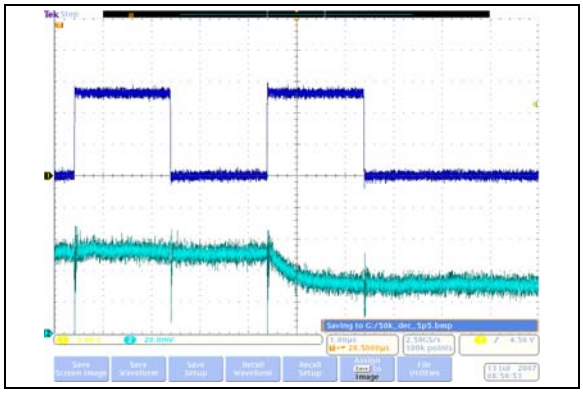

***FIGURE 2-34:*** *50 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

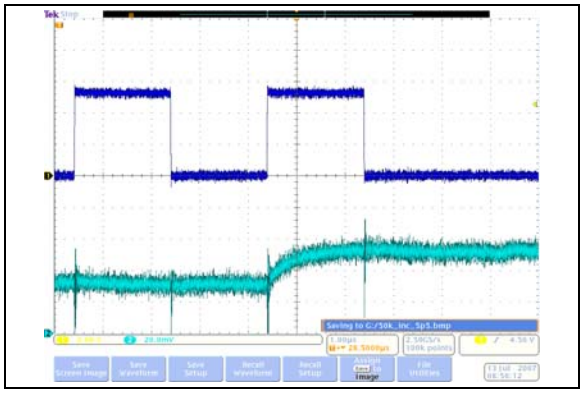

***FIGURE 2-36:*** *50 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

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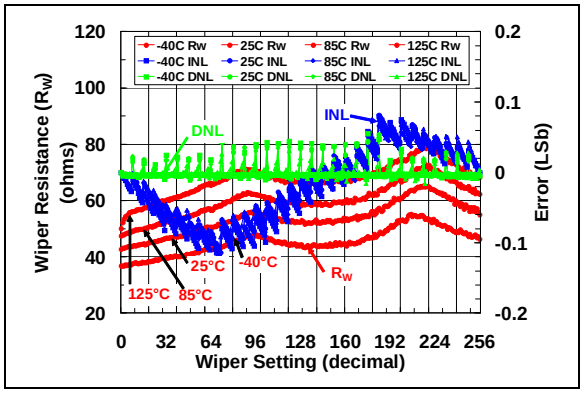


***FIGURE 2-37:*** *100 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

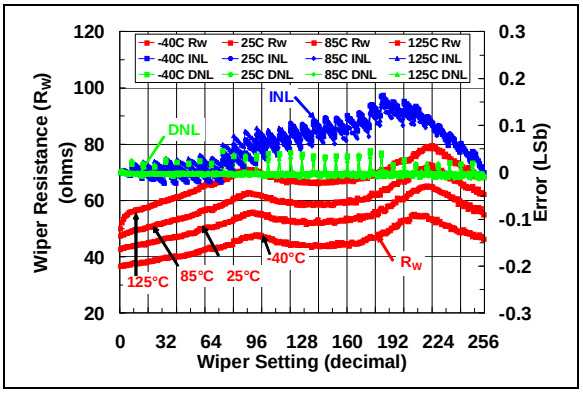


***FIGURE 2-40:*** *100 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V).*

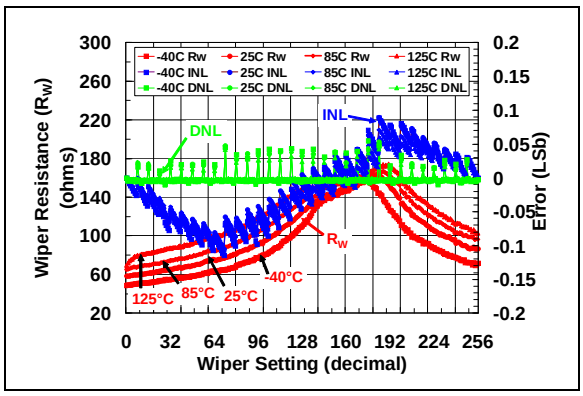


***FIGURE 2-38:*** *100 kΩ Pot Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

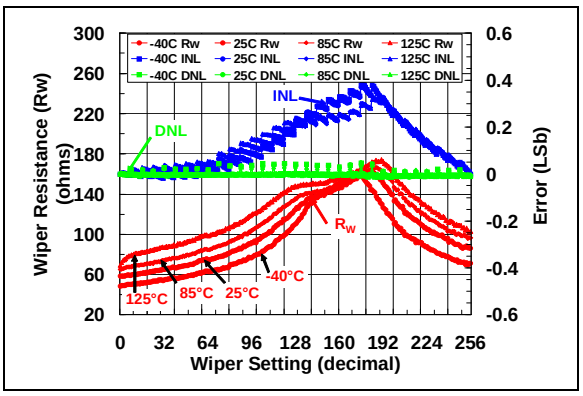


***FIGURE 2-41:*** *100 kΩ Rheo Mode – $R_W$ (Ω), INL (LSb), DNL (LSb) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature ($V_{DD}$ = 3.0V).*

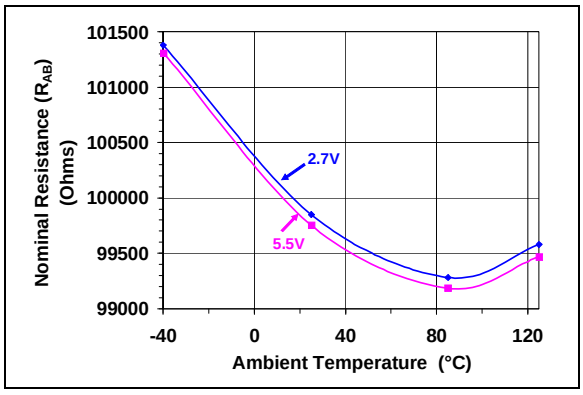


***FIGURE 2-39:*** *100 kΩ – Nominal Resistance (Ω) vs. Ambient Temperature and $V_{DD}$.*

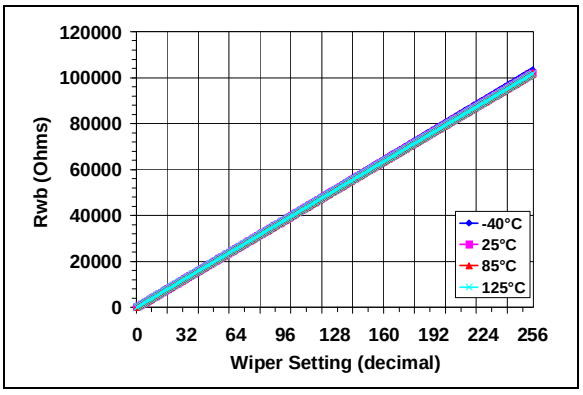


***FIGURE 2-42:*** *100 kΩ – $R_{WB}$ (Ω) vs. Wiper Setting and Ambient Temperature.*


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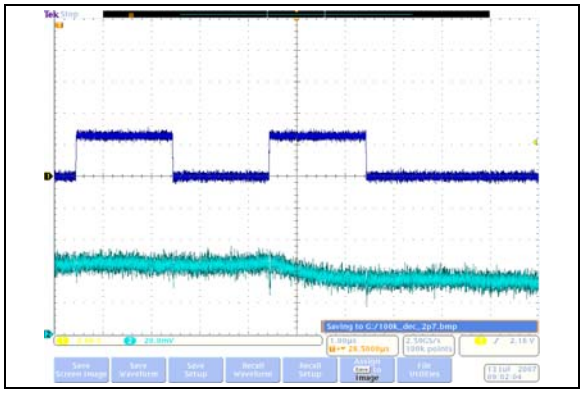

***FIGURE 2-43:*** *100 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

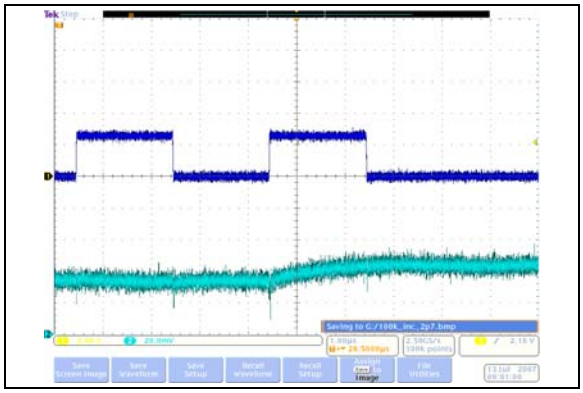

***FIGURE 2-45:*** *100 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V) (1 µs/Div).*

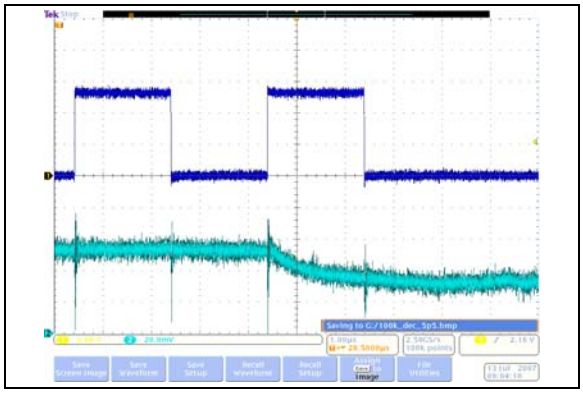

***FIGURE 2-44:*** *100 kΩ – Low-Voltage Decrement Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

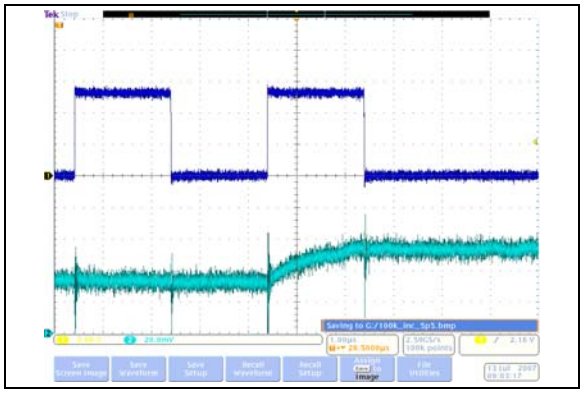

***FIGURE 2-46:*** *100 kΩ – Low-Voltage Increment Wiper Settling Time ($V_{DD}$ = 5.5V) (1 µs/Div).*

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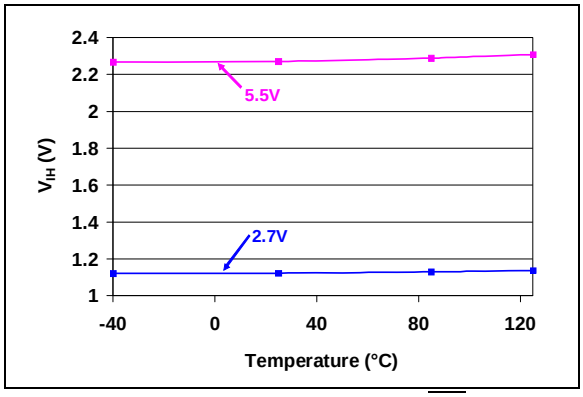


***FIGURE 2-47:*** *$V_{IH}$ (SDI, SCK, $\overline{CS}$, and $\overline{RESET}$) vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*

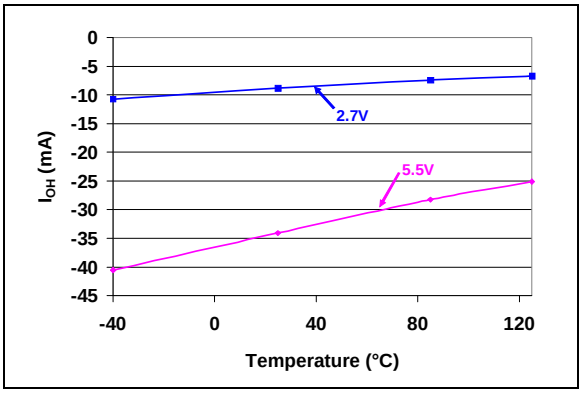


***FIGURE 2-49:*** *$I_{OH}$ (SDO) vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*

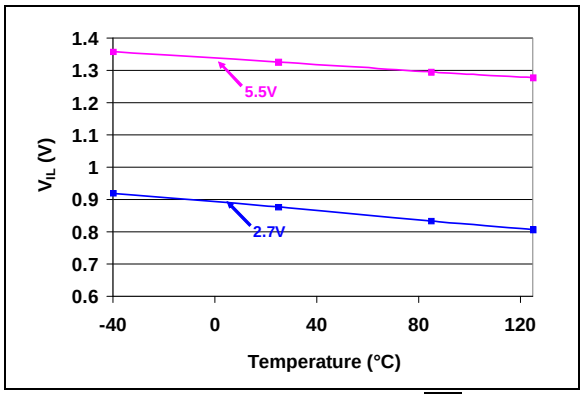


***FIGURE 2-48:*** *$V_{IL}$ (SDI, SCK, $\overline{CS}$, and $\overline{RESET}$) vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*

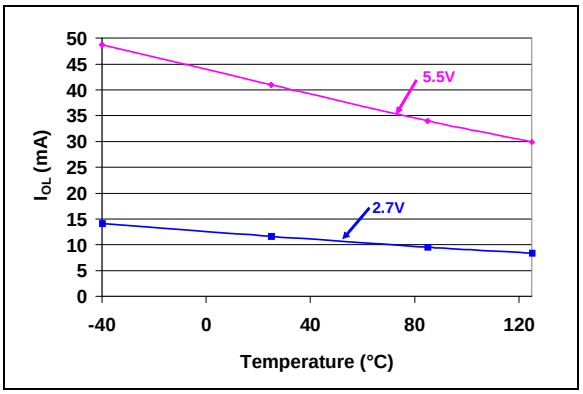


***FIGURE 2-50:*** *$I_{OL}$ (SDO) vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*


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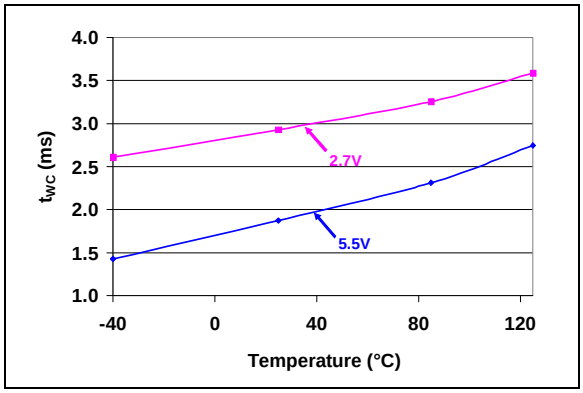


***FIGURE 2-51:*** *Nominal EEPROM Write Cycle Time vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*

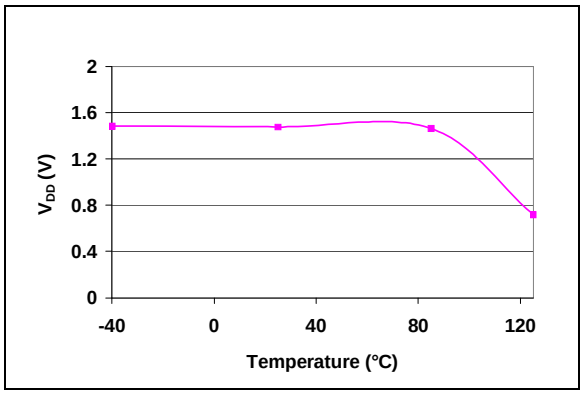


***FIGURE 2-52:*** *POR/BOR Trip point vs. $V_{DD}$ and Temperature.*

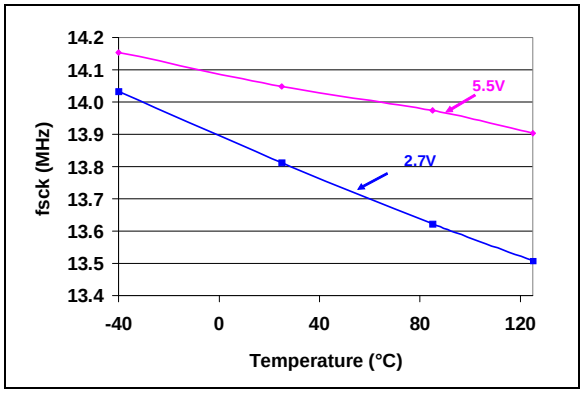


***FIGURE 2-53:*** *SCK Input Frequency vs. Voltage and Temperature.*

## 2.1 Test Circuits

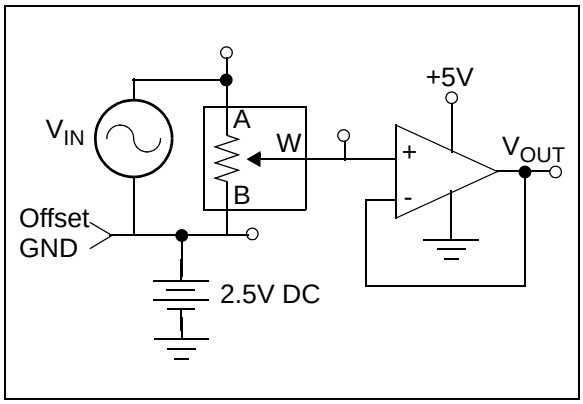


***FIGURE 2-54:*** *-3 db Gain vs. Frequency Test.*

**NOTES:**


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## 3.0 PIN DESCRIPTIONS

The descriptions of the pins are listed in Table 3-1.
Additional descriptions of the device pins follows.

**TABLE 3-1: PINOUT DESCRIPTION FOR THE MCP434X/436X**

| Pin | | | Symbol | I/O | Buffer Type | Weak Pull-up/ down (Note 1) | Standard Function |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TSSOP | | QFN | | | | | |
| 14L | 20L | 20L | | | | | |
| — | 1 | 19 | P3A | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 3 Terminal A |
| 1 | 2 | 20 | P3W | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 3 Wiper Terminal |
| 2 | 3 | 1 | P3B | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 3 Terminal B |
| 3 | 4 | 2 | $\overline{CS}$ | I | HV w/ST | “smart” | SPI Chip Select Input |
| 4 | 5 | 3 | SCK | I | HV w/ST | “smart” | SPI Clock Input |
| 5 | 6 | 4 | SDI | I | HV w/ST | “smart” | SPI Serial Data Input |
| 6 | 7 | 5 | $V_{SS}$ | — | P | — | Ground |
| 7 | 8 | 6 | P1B | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 1 Terminal B |
| 8 | 9 | 7 | P1W | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 1 Wiper Terminal |
| — | 10 | 8 | P1A | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 1 Terminal A |
| — | 11 | 9 | P0A | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 0 Terminal A |
| 9 | 12 | 10 | P0W | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 0 Wiper Terminal |
| 10 | 13 | 11 | P0B | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 0 Terminal B |
| — | 14 | 12 | $\overline{WP}$ | I | I | “smart” | Hardware EEPROM Write Protect |
| — | 15 | 13 | $\overline{RESET}$ | I | HV w/ST | Yes | Hardware Reset Pin |
| 11 | 16 | 14 | SDO | O | O | No | SPI Serial Data Output |
| 12 | 17 | 15 | $V_{DD}$ | — | P | — | Positive Power Supply Input |
| 13 | 18 | 16 | P2B | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 2 Terminal B |
| 14 | 19 | 17 | P2W | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 2 Wiper Terminal |
| — | 20 | 18 | P2A | A | Analog | No | Potentiometer 2 Terminal A |
| — | — | 21 | EP | — | — | — | Exposed Pad. **(Note 2)** |

**Legend:** HV w/ST = High Voltage tolerant input (with Schmidtt trigger input)
A = Analog pins (Potentiometer terminals) I = digital input (high Z)
O = digital output I/O = Input / Output
P = Power

**Note 1:** The pin’s “smart” pull-up shuts off while the pin is forced low. This is done to reduce the standby and shut-down current.

**2:** The QFN package has a contact on the bottom of the package. This contact is conductively connected to the die substrate, and therefore should be unconnected or connected to the same ground as the device’s $V_{SS}$ pin.

### 3.1 Chip Select ($\overline{CS}$)

The $\overline{CS}$ pin is the serial interface's chip select input. Forcing the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IL}$ enables the serial commands. Forcing the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IHH}$ enables the high-voltage serial commands.

### 3.2 Serial Data In (SDI)

The SDI pin is the serial interfaces Serial Data In pin. This pin is connected to the Host Controllers SDO pin.

### 3.3 Ground ($V_{SS}$)

The $V_{SS}$ pin is the device ground reference.

### 3.4 Potentiometer Terminal B

The terminal B pin is connected to the internal potentiometer's terminal B.

The potentiometer's terminal B is the fixed connection to the Zero Scale wiper value of the digital potentiometer. This corresponds to a wiper value of 0x00 for both 7-bit and 8-bit devices.

The terminal B pin does not have a polarity relative to the terminal W or A pins. The terminal B pin can support both positive and negative current. The voltage on terminal B must be between $V_{SS}$ and $V_{DD}$.

MCP43XX devices have four terminal B pins, one for each resistor network.

### 3.5 Potentiometer Wiper (W) Terminal

The terminal W pin is connected to the internal potentiometer's terminal W (the wiper). The wiper terminal is the adjustable terminal of the digital potentiometer. The terminal W pin does not have a polarity relative to terminals A or B pins. The terminal W pin can support both positive and negative current. The voltage on terminal W must be between $V_{SS}$ and $V_{DD}$.

MCP43XX devices have four terminal W pins, one for each resistor network.

### 3.6 Potentiometer Terminal A

The terminal A pin is available on the MCP43X1 devices, and is connected to the internal potentiometer's terminal A.

The potentiometer's terminal A is the fixed connection to the Full Scale wiper value of the digital potentiometer. This corresponds to a wiper value of 0x100 for 8-bit devices or 0x80 for 7-bit devices.

The terminal A pin does not have a polarity relative to the terminal W or B pins. The terminal A pin can support both positive and negative current. The voltage on terminal A must be between $V_{SS}$ and $V_{DD}$.

The terminal A pin is not available on the MCP43X2 devices, and the internally terminal A signal is floating.

MCP43X1 devices have four terminal A pins, one for each resistor network.

### 3.7 Write Protect ($\overline{WP}$)

The $\overline{WP}$ pin is used to force the non-volatile memory to be write protected.

### 3.8 Reset ($\overline{RESET}$)

The $\overline{RESET}$ pin is used to force the device into the POR/BOR state.

### 3.9 Serial Data Out (SDO)

The SDO pin is the serial interfaces Serial Data Out pin. This pin is connected to the Host Controllers SDI pin.

This pin allows the Host Controller to read the digital potentiometers registers, or monitor the state of the command error bit.

### 3.10 Positive Power Supply Input ($V_{DD}$)

The $V_{DD}$ pin is the device's positive power supply input. The input power supply is relative to $V_{SS}$.

While the device $V_{DD} < V_{min}$ (2.7V), the electrical performance of the device may not meet the data sheet specifications.

### 3.11 Exposed Pad (EP)

This pad is conductively connected to the device's substrate. This pad should be tied to the same potential as the $V_{SS}$ pin (or left unconnected). This pad could be used to assist as a heat sink for the device when connected to a PCB heat sink.


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## 4.0 FUNCTIONAL OVERVIEW

This Data Sheet covers a family of four non-volatile Digital Potentiometer and Rheostat devices that will be referred to as MCP43XX. The MCP43X1 devices are the Potentiometer configuration, while the MCP43X2 devices are the Rheostat configuration.

As the **Device Block Diagram** shows, there are four main functional blocks. These are:

- **POR/BOR and RESET Operation**
- **Memory Map**
- **Resistor Network**
- **Serial Interface (SPI)**

The POR/BOR operation and the Memory Map are discussed in this section and the Resistor Network and SPI operation are described in their own sections. The **Device Commands** commands are discussed in **Section 7.0**.

## 4.1 POR/BOR and $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Operation

The Power-on Reset is the case where the device is having power applied to it from $V_{SS}$. The Brown-out Reset occurs when a device had power applied to it, and that power (voltage) drops below the specified range.

The devices RAM retention voltage ($V_{RAM}$) is lower than the POR/BOR voltage trip point ($V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$). The maximum $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage is less then 1.8V.

When $V_{POR}/V_{BOR} < V_{DD} < 2.7V$, the electrical performance may not meet the data sheet specifications. In this region, the device is capable of reading and writing to its EEPROM and incrementing, decrementing, reading and writing to its volatile memory if the proper serial command is executed.

When $V_{DD} < V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ or the RESET pin is Low, the pin weak pull-ups are enabled.

### 4.1.1 POWER-ON RESET

When the device powers up, the device $V_{DD}$ will cross the $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage. Once the $V_{DD}$ voltage crosses the $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage, the following happens:

- Volatile wiper register is loaded with value in the corresponding non-volatile wiper register
- The TCON registers are loaded their default value
- The device is capable of digital operation

### 4.1.2 BROWN-OUT RESET

When the device powers down, the device $V_{DD}$ will cross the $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage.

Once the $V_{DD}$ voltage decreases below the $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage the following happens:

- Serial Interface is disabled
- EEPROM Writes are disabled

If the $V_{DD}$ voltage decreases below the $V_{RAM}$ voltage, the following happens:

- Volatile wiper registers may become corrupted
- TCON registers may become corrupted

As the voltage recovers above the $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ voltage see **Section 4.1.1 "Power-on Reset"**.

Serial commands not completed due to a brown-out condition may cause the memory location (volatile and non-volatile) to become corrupted.

### 4.1.3 $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ PIN

The $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin can be used to force the device into the POR/BOR state of the device. When the $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin is forced Low, the device is forced into the reset state. This means that the TCON and STATUS registers are forced to their default values and the volatile wiper registers are loaded with the value in the corresponding Non-Volatile wiper register. Also the SPI interface is disabled. Any non-volatile write cycle is not interrupted, and allowed to complete.

This feature allows a hardware method for all registers to be updated at the same time.

### 4.1.4 INTERACTION OF $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ PIN AND BOR/POR CIRCUITRY

Figure 4-1 shows how the $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin signal and the POR/BOR signal interact to control the hardware reset state of the device.

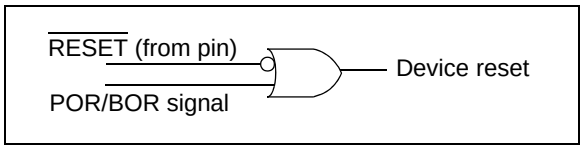


***FIGURE 4-1:*** *POR/BOR Signal and $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Pin Interaction.*

## 4.2 Memory Map

The device memory is 16 locations that are 9-bits wide (16x9 bits). This memory space contains both volatile and non-volatile locations (see Table 4-1).

**TABLE 4-1: MEMORY MAP AND THE SUPPORTED COMMANDS**

| Address | Function | Memory Type | Allowed Commands | Disallowed Commands (2) | Factory Initialization | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 00h | Volatile Wiper 0 | RAM | Read, Write, Increment, Decrement | — | | — |
| 01h | Volatile Wiper 1 | RAM | Read, Write, Increment, Decrement | — | | — |
| 02h | Non-Volatile Wiper 0 | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 8-bit | 80h |
| | | | | | 7-bit | 40h |
| 03h | Non-Volatile Wiper 1 | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 8-bit | 80h |
| | | | | | 7-bit | 40h |
| 04h | Volatile TCON0 Register | RAM | Read, Write | Increment, Decrement | | — |
| 05h | Status Register | RAM | Read | Write, Increment, Decrement | | — |
| 06h | Volatile Wiper 2 | RAM | Read, Write, Increment, Decrement | — | | — |
| 07h | Volatile Wiper 3 | RAM | Read, Write, Increment, Decrement | — | | — |
| 08h | Non-Volatile Wiper 2 | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 8-bit | 80h |
| | | | | | 7-bit | 40h |
| 09h | Non-Volatile Wiper 3 | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 8-bit | 80h |
| | | | | | 7-bit | 40h |
| 0Ah | Volatile TCON1 Register | RAM | Read, Write | Increment, Decrement | | — |
| 0Bh | Data EEPROM | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 000h | |
| 0Ch | Data EEPROM | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 000h | |
| 0Dh | Data EEPROM | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 000h | |
| 0Eh | Data EEPROM | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 000h | |
| 0Fh | Data EEPROM | EEPROM | Read, Write (1) | Increment, Decrement | 000h | |

**Note 1:** When an EEPROM write is active, these are invalid commands and will generate an error condition. The user should use a read of the Status register to determine when the write cycle has completed. To exit the error condition, the user must take the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the $V_{IH}$ level and then back to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).

**2:** This command on this address will generate an error condition. To exit the error condition, the user must take the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the $V_{IH}$ level and then back to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).


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### 4.2.1 NON-VOLATILE MEMORY (EEPROM)

This memory can be grouped into two uses of non-volatile memory. These are:

- **General Purpose Registers**
- **Non-Volatile Wiper Registers**

The non-volatile wipers starts functioning below the devices $V_{POR}/V_{BOR}$ trip point.

#### 4.2.1.1 General Purpose Registers

These locations allow the user to store up to 5 (9-bit) locations worth of information.

#### 4.2.1.2 Non-Volatile Wiper Registers

These locations contain the wiper values that are loaded into the corresponding volatile wiper register whenever the device has a POR/BOR event. There are four registers, one for each resistor network.

The non-volatile wiper register enables stand-alone operation of the device (without Microcontroller control) after being programmed to the desired value.

#### 4.2.1.3 Factory Initialization of Non-Volatile Memory (EEPROM)

The Non-Volatile Wiper values will be initialized to mid-scale value. This is shown in Table 4-2.

The General purpose EEPROM memory will be programmed to a default value of 0x000.

It is good practice in the manufacturing flow to configure the device to your desired settings.

**TABLE 4-2: DEFAULT FACTORY SETTINGS SELECTION**

| Resistance Code | Typical $R_{AB}$ Value | Default POR Wiper Setting | Wiper Code | | WiperLock™ Technology and Write Protect Setting |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 8-bit | 7-bit | |
| -502 | 5.0 kΩ | Mid scale | 80h | 40h | Disabled |
| -103 | 10.0 kΩ | Mid scale | 80h | 40h | Disabled |
| -503 | 50.0 kΩ | Mid scale | 80h | 40h | Disabled |
| -104 | 100.0 kΩ | Mid scale | 80h | 40h | Disabled |

#### 4.2.1.4 Special Features

There are 5 non-volatile bits that are not directly mapped into the address space. These bits control the following functions:

- EEPROM Write Protect
- WiperLock Technology for Non-Volatile Wiper 0
- WiperLock Technology for Non-Volatile Wiper 1
- WiperLock Technology for Non-Volatile Wiper 2
- WiperLock Technology for Non-Volatile Wiper 3

The operation of WiperLock Technology is discussed in **Section 5.3**. The state of the WL0, WL1, WL2, WL3, and WP bits is reflected in the STATUS register (see Register 4-1).

## EEPROM Write Protect

All internal EEPROM memory can be Write Protected. When EEPROM memory is Write Protected, Write commands to the internal EEPROM are prevented.

Write Protect ($\overline{WP}$) can be enabled/disabled by two methods. These are:

- External $\overline{WP}$ Hardware pin (MCP43X1 devices only)
- Non-Volatile configuration bit (WP)

High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable the non-volatile WP bit. These commands are shown in **Section 7.9 "Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology (High Voltage)"**.

To write to EEPROM, both the external $\overline{WP}$ pin and the internal WP EEPROM bit must be disabled. Write Protect does not block commands to the volatile registers.

### 4.2.2 VOLATILE MEMORY (RAM)

There are seven Volatile Memory locations. These are:

- Volatile Wiper 0
- Volatile Wiper 1
- Volatile Wiper 2
- Volatile Wiper 3
- Status Register
- Terminal Control (TCON0) Register 0
- Terminal Control (TCON)1 Register 1

The volatile memory starts functioning at the RAM retention voltage ($V_{RAM}$).

#### 4.2.2.1 Status (STATUS) Register

This register contains 7 status bits. These bits show the state of the WiperLock bits, the Write Protect bit, and if an EEPROM write cycle is active. The STATUS register can be accessed via the READ commands. Register 4-1 describes each STATUS register bit.

The STATUS register is placed at Address 05h.

**REGISTER 4-1: STATUS REGISTER**

| R-1 | R-1 | R-1 | R-1 | R-0 | R-x | R-x | R-1 | R-x |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D8:D7 | | WL3 (1) | WL2 (1) | EEWA | WL1 (1) | WL0 (1) | — | WP (1) |
| bit 7 | | | | | | | | bit 0 |

| **Legend:** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R = Readable bit | W = Writable bit | U = Unimplemented bit, read as '0' | |
| -n = Value at POR | '1' = Bit is set | '0' = Bit is cleared | x = Bit is unknown |

bit 8-7 **D8:D7:** Reserved. Forced to "1"

bit 6 **WL3:** WiperLock Status bit for Resistor Network 3 (Refer to **Section 5.3 "WiperLock™ Technology"** for further information)

The WiperLock Technology bit (WL3) prevents the Volatile and Non-Volatile Wiper 3 addresses and the TCON1 register bits R3HW, R3A, R3W, and R3B from being written to. High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable WiperLock Technology.

1 = Wiper and TCON1 register bits R3HW, R3A, R3W, and R3B of Resistor Network 3 (Pot 3) are "Locked" (Write Protected)

0 = Wiper and TCON1 of Resistor Network 3 (Pot 3) can be modified

**Note:** The WL3 bit always reflects the result of the last programming cycle to the non-volatile WL3 bit. After a POR/BOR or $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin event, the WL3 bit is loaded with the non-volatile WL3 bit value.

bit 5 **WL2:** WiperLock Status bit for Resistor Network 2 (Refer to **Section 5.3 "WiperLock™ Technology"** for further information)

The WiperLock Technology bit (WL2) prevents the Volatile and Non-Volatile Wiper 2 addresses and the TCON1 register bits R2HW, R2A, R2W, and R2B from being written to. High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable WiperLock Technology.

1 = Wiper and TCON1 register bits R2HW, R2A, R2W, and R2B of Resistor Network 2 (Pot 2) are "Locked" (Write Protected)

0 = Wiper and TCON1 of Resistor Network 2 (Pot 2) can be modified

**Note:** The WL0 bit always reflects the result of the last programming cycle to the non-volatile WL0 bit. After a POR/BOR or $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin event, the WL0 bit is loaded with the non-volatile WL0 bit value.

bit 4 **EEWA:** EEPROM Write Active Status bit

This bit indicates if the EEPROM Write Cycle is occurring.

1 = An EEPROM Write cycle is currently occurring. Only serial commands to the Volatile memory locations are allowed (addresses 00h, 01h, 04h, and 05h)

0 = An EEPROM Write cycle is NOT currently occurring

**Note 1:** Requires a High Voltage command to modify the state of this bit (for Non-Volatile devices only). This bit is Not directly written, but reflects the system state (for this feature).


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**REGISTER 4-1: STATUS REGISTER (CONTINUED)**

bit 3 **WL1:** WiperLock Status bit for Resistor Network 1 (Refer to **Section 5.3 “WiperLock™ Technology”** for further information)

The WiperLock Technology bit (WL1) prevents the Volatile and Non-Volatile Wiper 1 addresses and the TCON0 register bits R1HW, R1A, R1W, and R1B from being written to. High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable WiperLock Technology.

1 = Wiper and TCON0 register bits R1HW, R1A, R1W, and R1B of Resistor Network 1 (Pot 1) are “Locked” (Write Protected)

0 = Wiper and TCON0 of Resistor Network 1 (Pot 1) can be modified

**Note:** The WL1 bit always reflects the result of the last programming cycle to the non-volatile WL1 bit. After a POR/BOR or $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin event, the WL1 bit is loaded with the non-volatile WL1 bit value.

bit 2 **WL0:** WiperLock Status bit for Resistor Network 0 (Refer to **Section 5.3 “WiperLock™ Technology”** for further information)

The WiperLock Technology bit (WL0) prevents the Volatile and Non-Volatile Wiper 0 addresses and the TCON0 register bits R0HW, R0A, R0W, and R0B from being written to. High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable WiperLock Technology.

1 = Wiper and TCON0 register bits R0HW, R0A, R0W, and R0B of Resistor Network 0 (Pot 0) are “Locked” (Write Protected)

0 = Wiper and TCON0 of Resistor Network 0 (Pot 0) can be modified

**Note:** The WL0 bit always reflects the result of the last programming cycle to the non-volatile WL0 bit. After a POR/BOR or $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ pin event, the WL0 bit is loaded with the non-volatile WL0 bit value.

bit 1 **Reserved:** Forced to “1”

bit 0 **WP:** EEPROM Write Protect Status bit (Refer to **Section “EEPROM Write Protect”** for further information)

This bit indicates the status of the write protection on the EEPROM memory. When Write Protect is enabled, writes to all non-volatile memory are prevented. This includes the General Purpose EEPROM memory, and the non-volatile Wiper registers. Write Protect does not block modification of the volatile wiper register values or the volatile TCON0 and TCON1 register values (via Increment, Decrement, or Write commands).

This status bit is an OR of the devices Write Protect pin ($\overline{\text{WP}}$) and the internal non-volatile WP bit. High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable the internal WP EEPROM bit.

1 = EEPROM memory is Write Protected

0 = EEPROM memory can be written

**Note 1:** Requires a High Voltage command to modify the state of this bit (for Non-Volatile devices only). This bit is Not directly written, but reflects the system state (for this feature).

#### 4.2.2.2 Terminal Control (TCON) Registers

There are two Terminal Control (TCON) Registers. These are called TCON0 and TCON1. Each register contains 8 control bits. Four bits for each Wiper. Register 4-2 describes each bit of the TCON0 register, while Register 4-3 describes each bit of the TCON1 register.

The state of each resistor network terminal connection is individually controlled. That is, each terminal connection (A, B and W) can be individually connected/ disconnected from the resistor network. This allows the system to minimize the currents through the digital potentiometer.

The value that is written to the specified TCON register will appear on the appropriate resistor network terminals when the serial command has completed.

When the WL1 bit is enabled, writes to the TCON0 register bits R1HW, R1A, R1W, and R1B are inhibited.

When the WL0 bit is enabled, writes to the TCON0 register bits R0HW, R0A, R0W, and R0B are inhibited.

When the WL3 bit is enabled, writes to the TCON1 register bits R3HW, R3A, R3W, and R3B are inhibited.

When the WL2 bit is enabled, writes to the TCON1 register bits R2HW, R2A, R2W, and R2B are inhibited.

On a POR/BOR these registers are loaded with 1FFh (9-bits), for all terminals connected. The Host Controller needs to detect the POR/BOR event and then update the Volatile TCON register values.


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**REGISTER 4-2: TCON0 BITS (1)**

| R-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D8 | R1HW | R1A | R1W | R1B | R0HW | R0A | R0W | R0B |
| bit 8 | | | | | | | | bit 0 |

| **Legend:** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R = Readable bit | W = Writable bit | U = Unimplemented bit, read as '0' | |
| -n = Value at POR | '1' = Bit is set | '0' = Bit is cleared | x = Bit is unknown |

bit 8 **D8:** Reserved. Forced to "1"

bit 7 **R1HW:** Resistor 1 Hardware Configuration Control bit

This bit forces Resistor 1 into the "shutdown" configuration of the Hardware pin
1 = Resistor 1 is NOT forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration
0 = Resistor 1 is forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration

bit 6 **R1A:** Resistor 1 Terminal A (P1A pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 1 Terminal A to the Resistor 1 Network
1 = P1A pin is connected to the Resistor 1 Network
0 = P1A pin is disconnected from the Resistor 1 Network

bit 5 **R1W:** Resistor 1 Wiper (P1W pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 1 Wiper to the Resistor 1 Network
1 = P1W pin is connected to the Resistor 1 Network
0 = P1W pin is disconnected from the Resistor 1 Network

bit 4 **R1B:** Resistor 1 Terminal B (P1B pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 1 Terminal B to the Resistor 1 Network
1 = P1B pin is connected to the Resistor 1 Network
0 = P1B pin is disconnected from the Resistor 1 Network

bit 3 **R0HW:** Resistor 0 Hardware Configuration Control bit

This bit forces Resistor 0 into the "shutdown" configuration of the Hardware pin
1 = Resistor 0 is NOT forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration
0 = Resistor 0 is forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration

bit 2 **R0A:** Resistor 0 Terminal A (P0A pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 0 Terminal A to the Resistor 0 Network
1 = P0A pin is connected to the Resistor 0 Network
0 = P0A pin is disconnected from the Resistor 0 Network

bit 1 **R0W:** Resistor 0 Wiper (P0W pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 0 Wiper to the Resistor 0 Network
1 = P0W pin is connected to the Resistor 0 Network
0 = P0W pin is disconnected from the Resistor 0 Network

bit 0 **R0B:** Resistor 0 Terminal B (P0B pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 0 Terminal B to the Resistor 0 Network
1 = P0B pin is connected to the Resistor 0 Network
0 = P0B pin is disconnected from the Resistor 0 Network

**Note 1:** These bits do not affect the wiper register values.

**REGISTER 4-3: TCON1 BITS (1)**

| R-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 | R/W-1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D8 | R3HW | R3A | R3W | R3B | R2HW | R2A | R2W | R2B |
| bit 8 | | | | | | | | bit 0 |

| **Legend:** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| R = Readable bit | W = Writable bit | U = Unimplemented bit, read as '0' | |
| -n = Value at POR | '1' = Bit is set | '0' = Bit is cleared | x = Bit is unknown |

bit 8 **D8:** Reserved. Forced to "1"

bit 7 **R3HW:** Resistor 3 Hardware Configuration Control bit

This bit forces Resistor 3 into the "shutdown" configuration of the Hardware pin
1 = Resistor 3 is NOT forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration
0 = Resistor 3 is forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration

bit 6 **R3A:** Resistor 3 Terminal A (P3A pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 3 Terminal A to the Resistor 3 Network
1 = P3A pin is connected to the Resistor 3 Network
0 = P3A pin is disconnected from the Resistor 3 Network

bit 5 **R3W:** Resistor 3 Wiper (P3W pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 3 Wiper to the Resistor 3 Network
1 = P3W pin is connected to the Resistor 3 Network
0 = P3W pin is disconnected from the Resistor 3 Network

bit 4 **R3B:** Resistor 3 Terminal B (P3B pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 3 Terminal B to the Resistor 3 Network
1 = P3B pin is connected to the Resistor 3 Network
0 = P3B pin is disconnected from the Resistor 3 Network

bit 3 **R2HW:** Resistor 2 Hardware Configuration Control bit

This bit forces Resistor 2 into the "shutdown" configuration of the Hardware pin
1 = Resistor 2 is NOT forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration
0 = Resistor 2 is forced to the hardware pin "shutdown" configuration

bit 2 **R2A:** Resistor 2 Terminal A (P0A pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 2 Terminal A to the Resistor 2 Network
1 = P2A pin is connected to the Resistor 2 Network
0 = P2A pin is disconnected from the Resistor 2 Network

bit 1 **R2W:** Resistor 2 Wiper (P0W pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 2 Wiper to the Resistor 2 Network
1 = P2W pin is connected to the Resistor 2 Network
0 = P2W pin is disconnected from the Resistor 2 Network

bit 0 **R2B:** Resistor 2 Terminal B (P2B pin) Connect Control bit

This bit connects/disconnects the Resistor 2 Terminal B to the Resistor 2 Network
1 = P2B pin is connected to the Resistor 2 Network
0 = P2B pin is disconnected from the Resistor 2 Network

**Note 1:** These bits do not affect the wiper register values.


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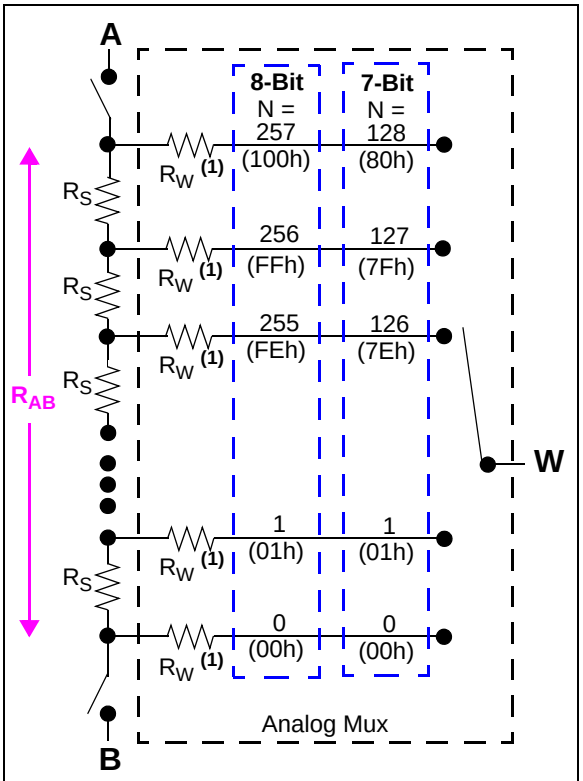
## 5.0 RESISTOR NETWORK

The Resistor Network has either 7-bit or 8-bit resolution. Each Resistor Network allows zero scale to full scale connections. Figure 5-1 shows a block diagram for the resistive network of a device.

The Resistor Network is made up of several parts. These include:

- Resistor Ladder
- Wiper
- Shutdown (Terminal Connections)

Devices have either four resistor networks. These are referred to as Pot 0, Pot 1 Pot 2, and Pot 3.




**Note 1:** The wiper resistance is dependent on several factors including, wiper code, device $V_{DD}$, Terminal voltages (on A, B, and W), and temperature.
Also for the same conditions, each tap selection resistance has a small variation. This $R_W$ variation has greater effects on some specifications (such as INL) for the smaller resistance devices (5.0 kΩ) compared to larger resistance devices (100.0 kΩ).

***FIGURE 5-1:*** *Resistor Block Diagram.*

### 5.1 Resistor Ladder Module

The resistor ladder is a series of equal value resistors ($R_S$) with a connection point (tap) between the two resistors. The total number of resistors in the series (ladder) determines the $R_{AB}$ resistance (see Figure 5-1). The end points of the resistor ladder are connected to analog switches which are connected to the device Terminal A and Terminal B pins. The $R_{AB}$ (and $R_S$) resistance has small variations over voltage and temperature.

For an 8-bit device, there are 256 resistors in a string between terminal A and terminal B. The wiper can be set to tap onto any of these 256 resistors thus providing 257 possible settings (including terminal A and terminal B).

For a 7-bit device, there are 128 resistors in a string between terminal A and terminal B. The wiper can be set to tap onto any of these 128 resistors thus providing 129 possible settings (including terminal A and terminal B).

Equation 5-1 shows the calculation for the step resistance.

**EQUATION 5-1: $R_S$ CALCULATION**

$$R_S = \frac{R_{AB}}{(256)} \quad \text{8-bit Device}$$

$$R_S = \frac{R_{AB}}{(128)} \quad \text{7-bit Device}$$

## 5.2 Wiper

Each tap point (between the $R_S$ resistors) is a connection point for an analog switch. The opposite side of the analog switch is connected to a common signal which is connected to the Terminal W (Wiper) pin.

A value in the volatile wiper register selects which analog switch to close, connecting the W terminal to the selected node of the resistor ladder.

The wiper can connect directly to Terminal B or to Terminal A. A zero scale connections, connects the Terminal W (wiper) to Terminal B (wiper setting of 000h). A full scale connections, connects the Terminal W (wiper) to Terminal A (wiper setting of 100h or 80h). In these configurations the only resistance between the Terminal W and the other Terminal (A or B) is that of the analog switches.

A wiper setting value greater than full scale (wiper setting of 100h for 8-bit device or 80h for 7-bit devices) will also be a Full Scale setting (Terminal W (wiper) connected to Terminal A). Table 5-1 illustrates the full wiper setting map.

Equation 5-2 illustrates the calculation used to determine the resistance between the wiper and terminal B.

**EQUATION 5-2: $R_{WB}$ CALCULATION**

$$R_{WB} = \frac{R_{AB}N}{(256)} + R_W \qquad \text{8-bit Device}$$

N = 0 to 256 (decimal)

$$R_{WB} = \frac{R_{AB}N}{(128)} + R_W \qquad \text{7-bit Device}$$

N = 0 to 128 (decimal)

**TABLE 5-1: VOLATILE WIPER VALUE VS. WIPER POSITION MAP**

| Wiper Setting | | Properties |
|---|---|---|
| 7-bit | 8-bit | |
| 3FFh – 081h | 3FFh – 101h | Reserved (Full Scale (W = A)), Increment and Decrement commands ignored |
| 080h | 100h | Full Scale (W = A), Increment commands ignored |
| 07Fh – 041h | 0FFh – 081h | W = N |
| 040h | 080h | W = N (Mid Scale) |
| 03Fh – 001h | 07Fh – 001h | W = N |
| 000h | 000h | Zero Scale (W = B) Decrement command ignored |

## 5.3 WiperLock™ Technology

The MCP43XX device's WiperLock technology allows application-specific calibration settings to be secured in the EEPROM without requiring the use of an additional write-protect pin. There are four WiperLock Technology configuration bits (WL0, WL1, WL2, and WL3). These bits prevent the Non-Volatile and Volatile addresses and bits for the specified resistor network from being written.

The WiperLock technology prevents the serial commands from doing the following:

- Changing a volatile wiper value
- Writing to the specified non-volatile wiper memory location
- Changing the related volatile TCON register bits

For either Resistor Network 0, Resistor Network 1, Resistor Network 2, or Resistor Network 3 (Potx), the WLx bit controls the following:

- Non-Volatile Wiper Register
- Volatile Wiper Register
- Volatile TCON register bits RxHW, RxA, RxW, and RxB

High Voltage commands are required to enable and disable WiperLock. Please refer to the **Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology (High Voltage)** command for operation.

### 5.3.1 POR/BOR OPERATION WHEN WIPERLOCK TECHNOLOGY ENABLED

The WiperLock Technology state is not affected by a POR/BOR event. A POR/BOR event will load the Volatile Wiper register value with the Non-Volatile Wiper register value, refer to **Section 4.1**.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## 5.4 Shutdown

Shutdown is used to minimize the device's current consumption. The MCP43XX has one method to achieve this. This is:

- **Terminal Control Register (TCON)**

This is different from the MCP42XXX devices in that the Hardware Shutdown Pin ($\overline{SHDN}$) has been replaced by a $\overline{RESET}$ pin. The Hardware Shutdown Pin function is still available via software commands to the TCON register.

### 5.4.1 TERMINAL CONTROL REGISTER (TCON)

The Terminal Control (TCON) register is a volatile register used to configure the connection of each resistor network terminal pin (A, B, and W) to the Resistor Network. These registers are shown in Register 4-2 and Register 4-3.

The RxHW bits forces the selected resistor network into the same state as the MCP42X1's $\overline{SHDN}$ pin. Alternate low power configurations may be achieved with the RxA, RxW, and RxB bits.

When the RxHW bit is "0":

- The P0A, P1A, P2A, and P3A terminals are disconnected
- The P0W, P1W, P2W, and P3W terminals are simultaneously connect to the P0B, P1B, P2B, and P3B terminals, respectively (see Figure 5-2)

| | |
|---|---|
| **Note:** | When the RxHW bit forces the resistor network into the hardware $\overline{SHDN}$ state, the state of the TCON0 or TCON1 register's RxA, RxW, and RxB bits is overridden (ignored). When the state of the RxHW bit no longer forces the resistor network into the hardware $\overline{SHDN}$ state, the TCON0 or TCON1 register's RxA, RxW, and RxB bits return to controlling the terminal connection state. In other words, the RxHW bit does not corrupt the state of the RxA, RxW, and RxB bits. |

The RxHW bit does NOT corrupt the values in the Volatile Wiper Registers nor the TCON register. When the Shutdown mode is exited (RxHW bit = "1"):

- The device returns to the Wiper setting specified by the Volatile Wiper value
- The TCON register bits return to controlling the terminal connection state

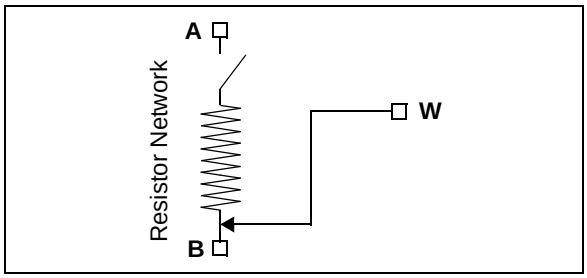


***FIGURE 5-2:*** *Resistor Network Shutdown State (RxHW = '0').*

**NOTES:**


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## 6.0 SERIAL INTERFACE (SPI)

The MCP43XX devices support the SPI serial protocol. This SPI operates in the slave mode (does not generate the serial clock).

The SPI interface uses up to four pins. These are:

- $\overline{CS}$ - Chip Select
- SCK - Serial Clock
- SDI - Serial Data In
- SDO - Serial Data Out

Typical SPI Interface is shown in Figure 6-1. In the SPI interface, the Master's Output pin is connected to the Slave's Input pin and the Master's Input pin is connected to the Slave's Output pin.

The MCP4XXX SPI's module supports two (of the four) standard SPI modes. These are Mode `0,0` and `1,1`. The SPI mode is determined by the state of the SCK pin ($V_{IH}$ or $V_{IL}$) on the when the $\overline{CS}$ pin transitions from inactive ($V_{IH}$) to active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).

All SPI interface signals are high-voltage tolerant.

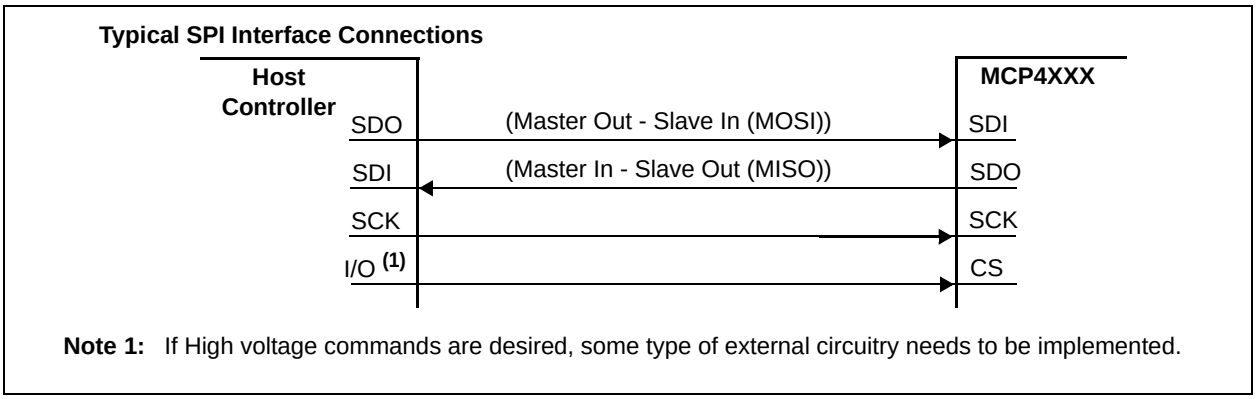


***FIGURE 6-1:*** *Typical SPI Interface Block Diagram.*

## 6.1 SDI, SDO, SCK, and $\overline{CS}$ Operation

The operation of the four SPI interface pins are discussed in this section. These pins are:

- SDI (Serial Data In)
- SDO (Serial Data Out)
- SCK (Serial Clock)
- $\overline{CS}$ (Chip Select)

The serial interface works on either 8-bit or 16-bit boundaries depending on the selected command. The Chip Select ($\overline{CS}$) pin frames the SPI commands.

### 6.1.1 SERIAL DATA IN (SDI)

The Serial Data In (SDI) signal is the data signal into the device. The value on this pin is latched on the rising edge of the SCK signal.

### 6.1.2 SERIAL DATA OUT (SDO)

The Serial Data Out (SDO) signal is the data signal out of the device. The value on this pin is driven on the falling edge of the SCK signal.

Once the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the active level ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$), the SDO pin will be driven. The state of the SDO pin is determined by the serial bit's position in the command, the command selected, and if there is a command error state (CMDERR).

### 6.1.3 SERIAL CLOCK (SCK) (SPI FREQUENCY OF OPERATION)

The SPI interface is specified to operate up to 10 MHz. The actual clock rate depends on the configuration of the system and the serial command used. Table 6-1 shows the SCK frequency for different configurations.

**TABLE 6-1: SCK FREQUENCY**

| Memory Type Access | | Command | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | Read | Write, Increment, Decrement |
| Non-Volatile Memory | SDI, SDO | 10 MHz | 10 MHz (1, 2) |
| Volatile Memory | SDI, SDO | 10 MHz | 10 MHz |

**Note 1:** Non-Volatile memory does not support the Increment or Decrement command.

**2:** After a Write command, the internal write cycle must complete before the next SPI command is received.

**3:** This is the maximum clock frequency without an external pull-up resistor.

### 6.1.4 THE $\overline{CS}$ SIGNAL

The Chip Select ($\overline{CS}$) signal is used to select the device and frame a command sequence. To start a command, or sequence of commands, the $\overline{CS}$ signal must transition from the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) to an active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).

After the $\overline{CS}$ signal has gone active, the SDO pin is driven and the clock bit counter is reset.

**Note:** There is a required delay after the $\overline{CS}$ pin goes active to the 1st edge of the SCK pin.

If an error condition occurs for an SPI command, then the Command byte's Command Error (CMDERR) bit (on the SDO pin) will be driven low ($V_{IL}$). To exit the error condition, the user must take the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the $V_{IH}$ level.

When the $\overline{CS}$ pin returns to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) the SPI module resets (including the address pointer). While the $\overline{CS}$ pin is in the inactive state ($V_{IH}$), the serial interface is ignored. This allows the Host Controller to interface to other SPI devices using the same SDI, SDO, and SCK signals.

The $\overline{CS}$ pin has an internal pull-up resistor. The resistor is disabled when the voltage on the $\overline{CS}$ pin is at the $V_{IL}$ level. This means that when the $\overline{CS}$ pin is not driven, the internal pull-up resistor will pull this signal to the $V_{IH}$ level. When the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven low ($V_{IL}$), the resistance becomes very large to reduce the device current consumption.

The high voltage capability of the $\overline{CS}$ pin allows High Voltage commands. High Voltage commands allow the device's WiperLock Technology and write protect features to be enabled and disabled.


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## 6.2 The SPI Modes

The SPI module supports two (of the four) standard SPI modes. These are Mode 0,0 and 1,1. The mode is determined by the state of the SDI pin on the rising edge of the 1st clock bit (of the 8-bit byte).

### 6.2.1 MODE 0,0

In **Mode 0,0**: SCK idle state = low ($V_{IL}$), data is clocked in on the SDI pin on the rising edge of SCK and clocked out on the SDO pin on the falling edge of SCK.

### 6.2.2 MODE 1,1

In **Mode 1,1**: SCK idle state = high ($V_{IH}$), data is clocked in on the SDI pin on the rising edge of SCK and clocked out on the SDO pin on the falling edge of SCK.

## 6.3 SPI Waveforms

Figure 6-2 through Figure 6-5 show the different SPI command waveforms. Figure 6-2 and Figure 6-3 are read and write commands. Figure 6-4 and Figure 6-5 are increment and decrement commands. The high voltage increment and decrement commands are used to enable and disable WiperLock Technology and Write Protect.

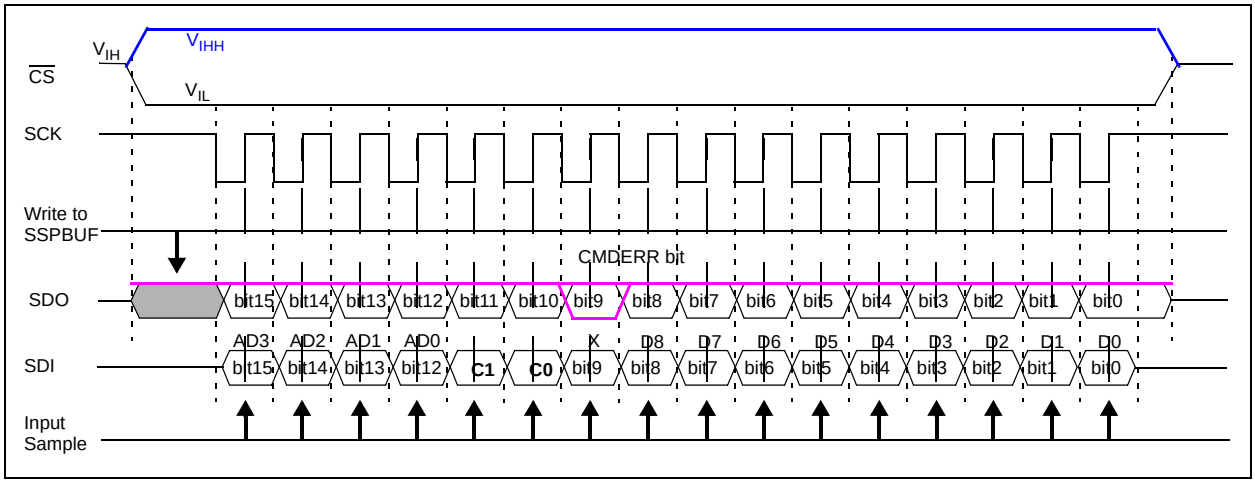


***FIGURE 6-2:*** *16-Bit Commands (Write, Read) - SPI Waveform (Mode 1,1).*

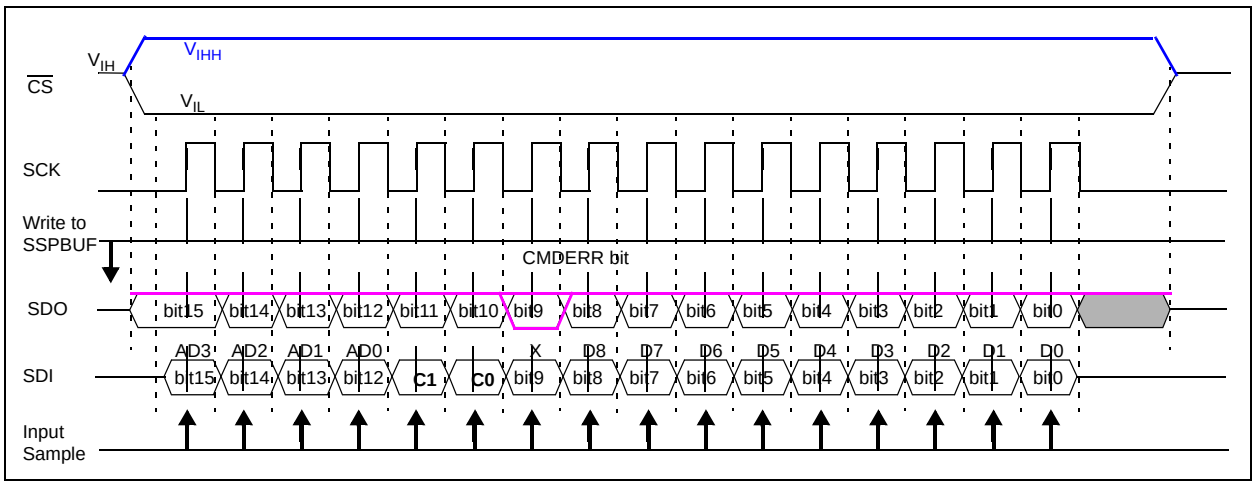


***FIGURE 6-3:*** *16-Bit Commands (Write, Read) - SPI Waveform (Mode 0,0).*

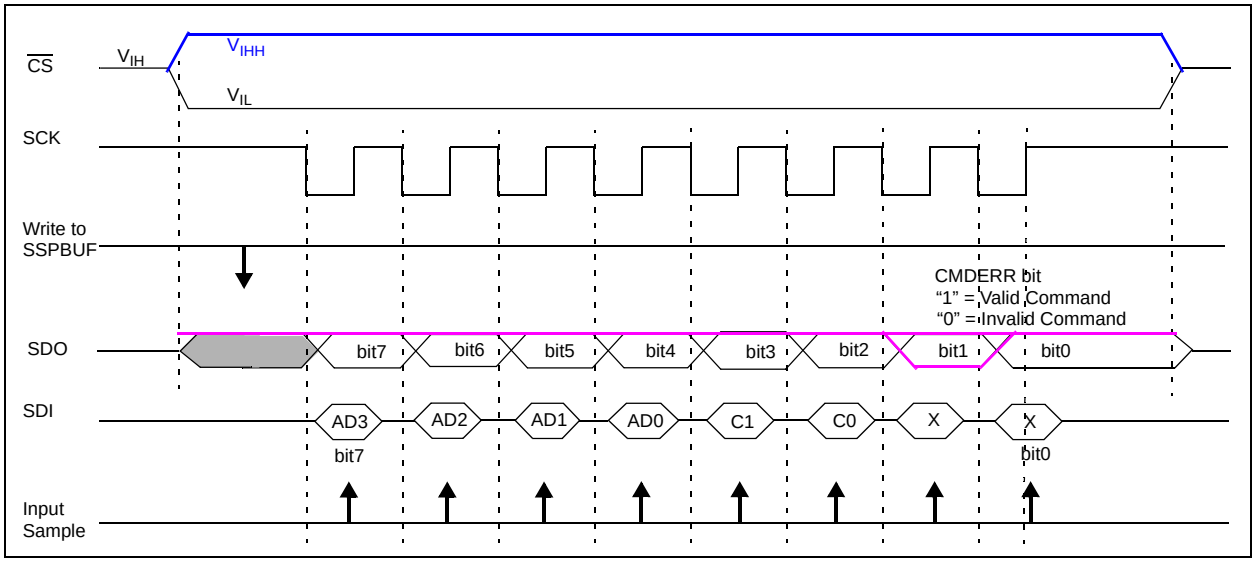


***FIGURE 6-4:*** *8-Bit Commands (Increment, Decrement, Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology) - SPI Waveform with PIC MCU (Mode 1,1).*

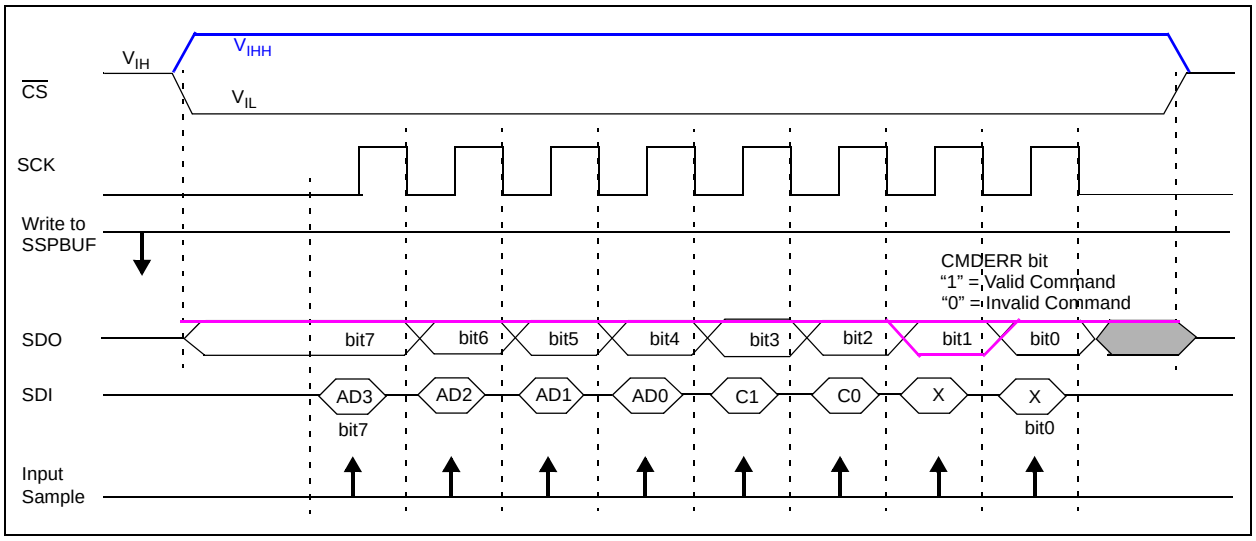


***FIGURE 6-5:*** *8-Bit Commands (Increment, Decrement, Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology) - SPI Waveform with PIC MCU (Mode 0,0).*


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## 7.0 DEVICE COMMANDS

The MCP43XX's SPI command format supports 16 memory address locations and four commands. Each command has two modes. These are:

- Normal Serial Commands
- High-Voltage Serial Commands

Normal serial commands are those where the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven to $V_{IL}$. With High-Voltage Serial Commands, the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven to $V_{IHH}$. In each mode, there are four possible commands. These commands are shown in Table 7-1.

The 8-bit commands (**Increment Wiper** and **Decrement Wiper** commands) contain a Command Byte, see Figure 7-1, while 16-bit commands (**Read Data** and **Write Data** commands) contain a Command Byte and a Data Byte. The Command Byte contains two data bits, see Figure 7-1.

Table 7-2 shows the supported commands for each memory location and the corresponding values on the SDI and SDO pins.

Table 7-3 shows an overview of all the SPI commands and their interaction with other device features.

## 7.1 Command Byte

The Command Byte has three fields, the Address, the Command, and 2 Data bits, see Figure 7-1. Currently only one of the data bits is defined (D8). This is for the Write command.

The device memory is accessed when the master sends a proper Command Byte to select the desired operation. The memory location getting accessed is contained in the Command Byte's AD3:AD0 bits. The action desired is contained in the Command Byte's C1:C0 bits, see Table 7-1. C1:C0 determines if the desired memory location will be read, written, Incremented (wiper setting +1) or Decremented (wiper setting -1). The Increment and Decrement commands are only valid on the volatile wiper registers, and in High Voltage commands to enable/disable WiperLock Technology and Software Write Protect.

As the Command Byte is being loaded into the device (on the SDI pin), the device's SDO pin is driving. The SDO pin will output high bits for the first six bits of that command. On the 7th bit, the SDO pin will output the CMDERR bit state (see **Section 7.3 "Error Condition"**). The 8th bit state depends on the command selected.

**TABLE 7-1: COMMAND BIT OVERVIEW**

| C1:C0 Bit States | Command | # of Bits | Operates on Volatile/ Non-Volatile memory |
|---|---|---|---|
| 11 | Read Data | 16-Bits | Both |
| 00 | Write Data | 16-Bits | Both |
| 01 | Increment (1) | 8-Bits | Volatile Only |
| 10 | Decrement (1) | 8-Bits | Volatile Only |

**Note 1:** High Voltage Increment and Decrement commands on select non-volatile memory locations enable/disable WiperLock Technology and the software Write Protect feature.

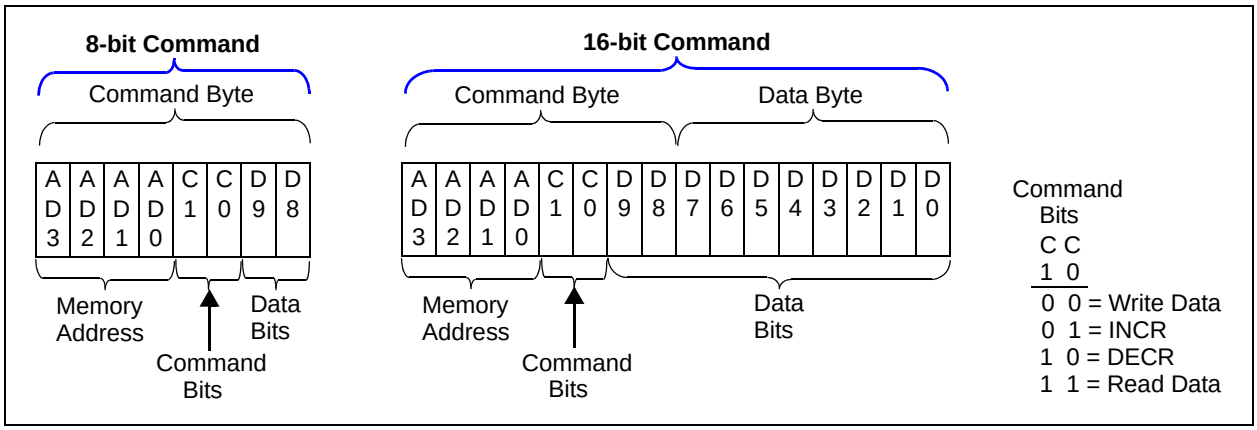


***FIGURE 7-1:*** *General SPI Command Formats.*

**TABLE 7-2: MEMORY MAP AND THE SUPPORTED COMMANDS**

| Address | | Command | Data (10-bits) (1) | SPI String (Binary) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Value | Function | | | MOSI (SDI pin) | MISO (SDO pin) (2) |
| 00h | Volatile Wiper 0 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0000 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0000 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | Increment Wiper | — | 0000 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | Decrement Wiper | — | 0000 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 01h | Volatile Wiper 1 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0001 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0001 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | Increment Wiper | — | 0001 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | Decrement Wiper | — | 0001 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 02h | NV Wiper 0 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0010 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0010 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | HV Inc. (WL0 DIS) (3) | — | 0010 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | HV Dec. (WL0 EN) (4) | — | 0010 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 03h | NV Wiper 1 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0011 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0011 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | HV Inc. (WL1 DIS) (3) | — | 0011 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | HV Dec. (WL1 EN) (4) | — | 0011 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 04h (5) | Volatile TCON 0 Register | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0100 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0100 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 05h (5) | Status Register | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0101 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 06h | Volatile Wiper 2 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0110 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0110 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | Increment Wiper | — | 0110 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | Decrement Wiper | — | 0110 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 07h | Volatile Wiper 3 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0111 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 0111 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | Increment Wiper | — | 0111 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | Decrement Wiper | — | 0111 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 08h | NV Wiper 2 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1000 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1000 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | HV Inc. (WL2 DIS) (3) | — | 1000 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | HV Dec. (WL2 EN) (4) | — | 1000 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 09h | NV Wiper 3 | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1001 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1001 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | HV Inc. (WL3 DIS) (3) | — | 1001 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | HV Dec. (WL3 EN) (4) | — | 1001 1000 | 1111 1111 |
| 0Ah (5) | Volatile TCON 1 Register | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1010 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1010 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 0Bh (5) | Data EEPROM | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1011 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1011 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 0Ch (5) | Data EEPROM | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1100 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1100 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 0Dh (5) | Data EEPROM | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1101 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1101 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 0Eh (5) | Data EEPROM | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1110 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1110 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| 0Fh | Data EEPROM | Write Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 00nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 1111 1111 1111 |
| | | Read Data | nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 11nn nnnn nnnn | 1111 111n nnnn nnnn |
| | | HV Inc. (WP DIS) (3) | — | 1111 0100 | 1111 1111 |
| | | HV Dec. (WP EN) (4) | — | 1111 1000 | 1111 1111 |

**Note 1:** The Data Memory is only 9-bits wide, so the MSb is ignored by the device.

**2:** All these Address/Command combinations are valid, so the CMDERR bit is set. Any other Address/Command combination is a command error state and the CMDERR bit will be clear.

**3:** Disables WiperLock Technology for wiper 0, wiper 1, wiper 2, wiper3, or disables Write Protect.

**4:** Enables WiperLock Technology for wiper 0, wiper 1, wiper 2, wiper3, or enables Write Protect.

**5:** Increment or Decrement commands are invalid for these addresses.


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## 7.2 Data Byte

Only the Read Command and the Write Command use the Data Byte, see Figure 7-1. These commands concatenate the 8 bits of the Data Byte with the one data bit (D8) contained in the Command Byte to form 9-bits of data (D8:D0). The Command Byte format supports up to 9-bits of data so that the 8-bit resistor network can be set to Full Scale (100h or greater). This allows wiper connections to Terminal A and to Terminal B.

The D9 bit is currently unused, and corresponds to the position on the SDO data of the CMDERR bit.

## 7.3 Error Condition

The CMDERR bit indicates if the four address bits received (AD3:AD0) and the two command bits received (C1:C0) are a valid combination (see Table 4-1). The CMDERR bit is high if the combination is valid and low if the combination is invalid.

The command error bit will also be low if a write to a Non-Volatile Address has been specified and another SPI command occurs before the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

SPI commands that do not have a multiple of 8 clocks are ignored.

Once an error condition has occurred, any following commands are ignored. All following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared by forcing the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$).

### 7.3.1 ABORTING A TRANSMISSION

All SPI transmissions must have the correct number of SCK pulses to be executed. The command is not executed until the complete number of clocks have been received. Some commands also require the $\overline{CS}$ pin to be forced inactive ($V_{IH}$). If the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) the serial interface is reset. Partial commands are not executed.

SPI is more susceptible to noise than other bus protocols. The most likely case is that this noise corrupts the value of the data being clocked into the MCP43XX or the SCK pin is injected with extra clock pulses. This may cause data to be corrupted in the device, or a command error to occur, since the address and command bits were not a valid combination. The extra SCK pulse will also cause the SPI data (SDI) and clock (SCK) to be out of sync. Forcing the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) resets the serial interface. The SPI interface will ignore activity on the SDI and SCK pins until the $\overline{CS}$ pin transition to the active state is detected ($V_{IH}$ to $V_{IL}$ or $V_{IH}$ to $V_{IHH}$).

| | |
|---|---|
| **Note 1:** | When data is not being received by the MCP43XX, It is recommended that the $\overline{CS}$ pin be forced to the inactive level ($V_{IL}$) |
| **2:** | It is also recommended that long continuous command strings should be broken down into single commands or shorter continuous command strings. This reduces the probability of noise on the SCK pin corrupting the desired SPI commands. |

## 7.4 Continuous Commands

The device supports the ability to execute commands continuously. While the $\overline{CS}$ pin is in the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). Any sequence of valid commands may be received.

The following example is a valid sequence of events:

1. $\overline{CS}$ pin driven active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).
2. Read Command.
3. Increment Command (Wiper 0).
4. Increment Command (Wiper 0).
5. Decrement Command (Wiper 1).
6. Write Command (Volatile memory).
7. Write Command (Non-Volatile memory).
8. $\overline{CS}$ pin driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

**Note 1:** It is recommended that while the $\overline{CS}$ pin is active, only one type of command should be issued. When changing commands, it is recommended to take the $\overline{CS}$ pin inactive then force it back to the active state.

**2:** It is also recommended that long command strings should be broken down into shorter command strings. This reduces the probability of noise on the SCK pin corrupting the desired SPI command string.


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**TABLE 7-3: COMMANDS**

| Command Name | # of Bits | Writes Value in EEPROM | Operates on Volatile/ Non-Volatile memory | High Voltage ($V_{IHH}$) on CS pin? | Impact on WiperLock or Write Protect | Works when Wiper is "locked"? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Write Data** | 16-Bits | Yes (1) | Both | — | unlocked (1) | No |
| **Read Data** | 16-Bits | — | Both | — | unlocked (1) | No |
| **Increment Wiper** | 8-Bits | — | Volatile Only | — | unlocked (1) | No |
| **Decrement Wiper** | 8-Bits | — | Volatile Only | — | unlocked (1) | No |
| High Voltage **Write Data** | 16-Bits | Yes | Both | Yes | unchanged | No |
| High Voltage **Read Data** | 16-Bits | — | Both | Yes | unchanged | Yes |
| High Voltage **Increment Wiper** | 8-Bits | — | Volatile Only | Yes | unchanged | No |
| High Voltage **Decrement Wiper** | 8-Bits | — | Volatile Only | Yes | unchanged | No |
| **Modify Write Protect or Wiper-Lock Technology (High Voltage)** - Enable | 8-Bits | — (2) | Non-Volatile Only (2) | Yes | locked/ protected (2) | Yes |
| **Modify Write Protect or Wiper-Lock Technology (High Voltage)** - Disable | 8-Bits | — (3) | Non-Volatile Only (3) | Yes | unlocked/ unprotected (3) | Yes |

**Note 1:** This command will only complete if wiper is "unlocked" (WiperLock Technology is Disabled).

**2:** If the command is executed using address 02h, 03h, 08h, or 09h then that corresponding wiper is locked or if with address 0Fh, then Write Protect is enabled.

**3:** If the command is executed using with address 02h, 03h, 08h, or 09h, then that corresponding wiper is unlocked or if with address 0Fh, then Write Protect is disabled.

## 7.5 Write Data Normal and High Voltage

The Write command is a 16-bit command. The Write Command can be issued to both the Volatile and Non-Volatile memory locations. The format of the command is shown in Figure 7-2.

A Write command to a Volatile memory location changes that location after a properly formatted Write Command (16-clock) have been received.

A Write command to a Non-Volatile memory location will only start a write cycle after a properly formatted Write Command (16-clock) have been received and the $\overline{CS}$ pin transitions to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$).

| **Note:** | Writes to certain memory locations will be dependant on the state of the WiperLock Technology bits and the Write Protect bit. |
|---|---|

### 7.5.1 SINGLE WRITE TO VOLATILE MEMORY

The write operation requires that the $\overline{CS}$ pin be in the active state ($V_{IL}$or $V_{IHH}$). Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin will be in the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) and is driven to the active state ($V_{IL}$). The 16-bit Write Command (Command Byte and Data Byte) is then clocked in on the SCK and SDI pins. Once all 16 bits have been received, the specified volatile address is updated. A write will not occur if the write command isn't exactly 16 clocks pulses. This protects against system issues from corrupting the Non-Volatile memory locations.

Figure 6-2 and Figure 6-3 show possible waveforms for a single write.

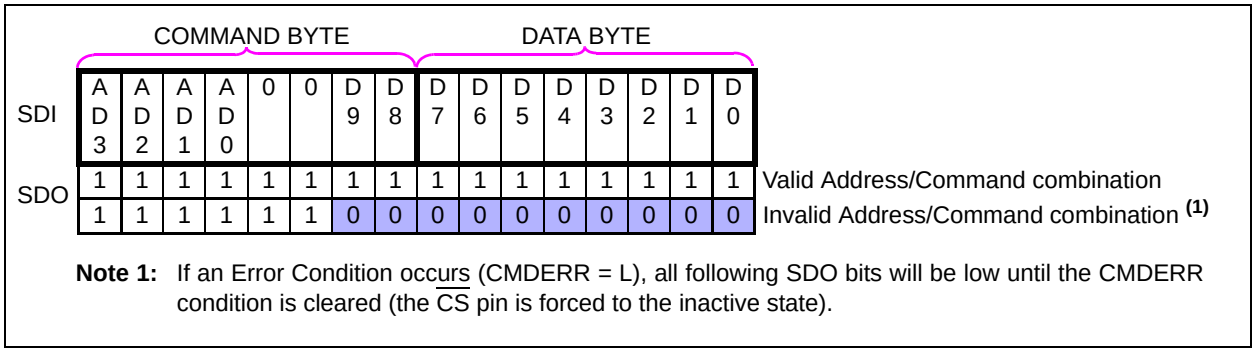
### 7.5.2 SINGLE WRITE TO NON-VOLATILE MEMORY

The sequence to write to a single non-volatile memory location is the same as a single write to volatile memory with the exception that after the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$), the EEPROM write cycle ($t_{WC}$) is started. A write cycle will not start if the write command isn't exactly 16 clocks pulses. This protects against system issues from corrupting the Non-Volatile memory locations.

After the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$), the serial interface may immediately be re-enabled by driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the active state ($V_{IL}$or $V_{IHH}$).

During an EEPROM write cycle, only serial commands to Volatile memory (addresses 00h, 01h, 04h, 05h, 06h, 07h, and 0Ah) are accepted. All other serial commands are ignored until the EEPROM write cycle ($t_{wc}$) completes. This allows the Host Controller to operate on the Volatile Wiper registers and the TCON register, and to Read the Status Register. The EEWA bit in the Status register indicates the status of an EEPROM Write Cycle.

Once a write command to a Non-Volatile memory location has been received, NO other SPI commands should be received before the $\overline{CS}$ pin transitions to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) or the current SPI command will have a Command Error (CMDERR) occur.




**Note 1:** If an Error Condition occurs (CMDERR = L), all following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared (the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state).

***FIGURE 7-2:*** *Write Command - SDI and SDO States.*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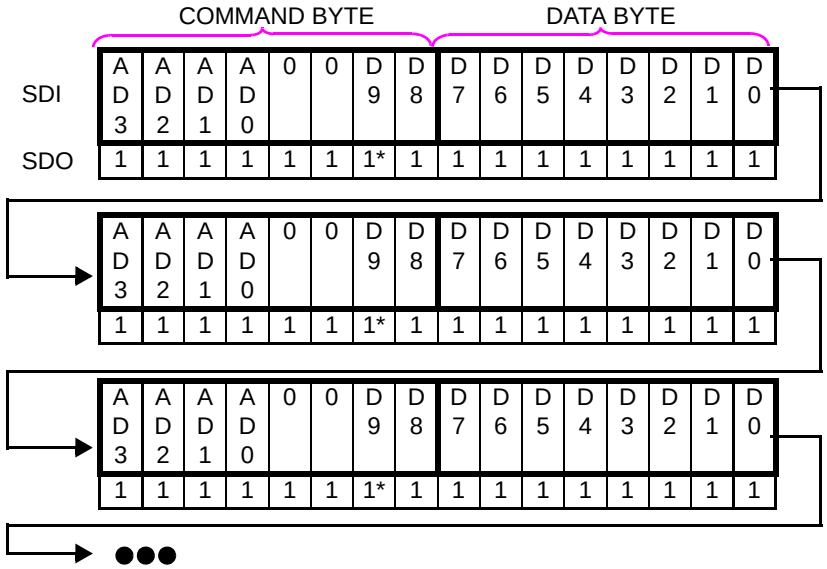
### 7.5.3 CONTINUOUS WRITES TO VOLATILE MEMORY

Continuous writes are possible only when writing to the volatile memory registers (address 00h, 01h, and 04h).

Figure 7-3 shows the sequence for three continuous writes. The writes do not need to be to the same volatile memory address.

### 7.5.4 CONTINUOUS WRITES TO NON-VOLATILE MEMORY

Continuous writes to non-volatile memory are not allowed, and attempts to do so will result in a command error (CMDERR) condition.




**Note 1:** If a Command Error (CMDERR) occurs at this bit location (*), then all following SDO bits will be driven low until the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

***FIGURE 7-3:*** *Continuous Write Sequence (Volatile Memory only).*

## 7.6 Read Data Normal and High Voltage

The Read command is a 16-bit command. The Read Command can be issued to both the Volatile and Non-Volatile memory locations. The format of the command is shown in Figure 7-4.

The first 6 bits of the Read command determine the address and the command. The 7th clock will output the CMDERR bit on the SDO pin. The remaining 9-clocks the device will transmit the 9 data bits (D8:D0) of the specified address (AD3:AD0).

Figure 7-4 shows the SDI and SDO information for a Read command.

During a write cycle (Write or High Voltage Write to a Non-Volatile memory location) the Read command can only read the Volatile memory locations. By reading the Status Register (04h), the Host Controller can determine when the write cycle has completed (via the state of the EEWA bit).

### 7.6.1 SINGLE READ

The read operation requires that the $\overline{CS}$ pin be in the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin will be in the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) and is driven to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). The 16-bit Read Command (Command Byte and Data Byte) is then clocked in on the SCK and SDI pins. The SDO pin starts driving data on the 7th bit (CMDERR bit) and the addressed data comes out on the 8th through 16th clocks. Figure 6-2 through Figure 6-3 show possible waveforms for a single read.

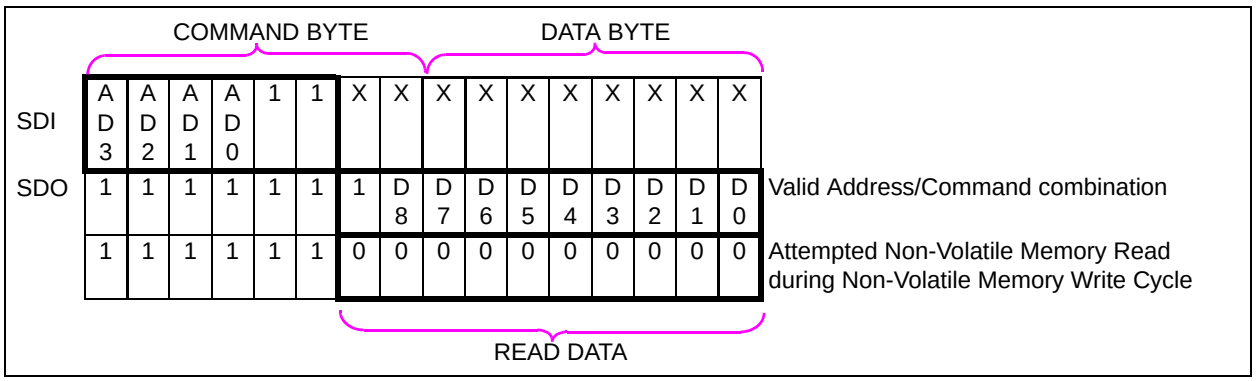



***FIGURE 7-4:*** *Read Command - SDI and SDO States.*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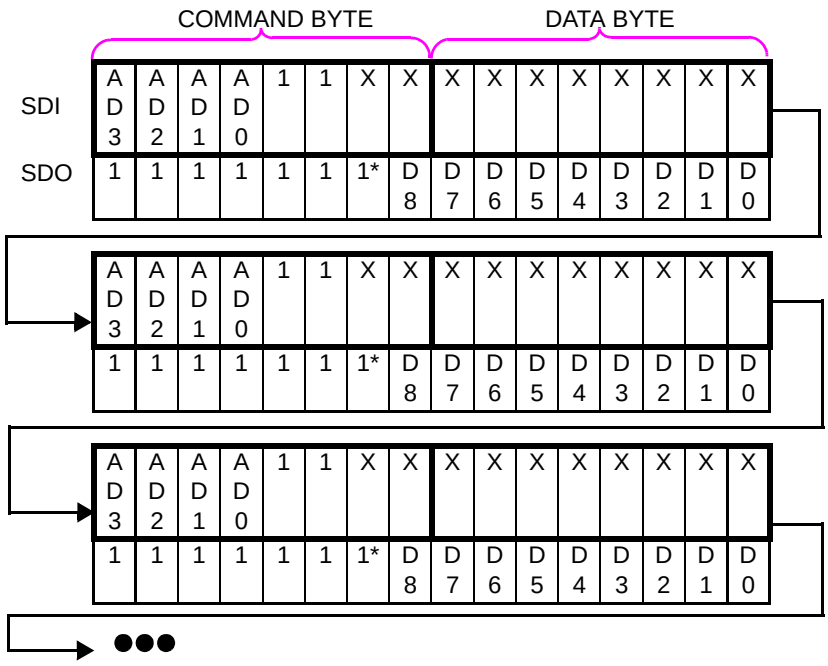
### 7.6.2 CONTINUOUS READS

Continuous reads allow the devices memory to be read quickly. Continuous reads are possible to all memory locations. If a non-volatile memory write cycle is occurring, then Read commands may only access the volatile memory locations.

Figure 7-5 shows the sequence for three continuous reads. The reads do not need to be to the same memory address.




**Note 1:** If a Command Error (CMDERR) occurs at this bit location (*), then all following SDO bits will be driven low until the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

***FIGURE 7-5:*** *Continuous Read Sequence.*

## 7.7 Increment Wiper Normal and High Voltage

The Increment Command is an 8-bit command. The Increment Command can only be issued to volatile memory locations. The format of the command is shown in Figure 7-6.

An Increment Command to the volatile memory location changes that location after a properly formatted command (8-clocks) have been received.

Increment commands provide a quick and easy method to modify the value of the volatile wiper location by +1 with minimal overhead.

COMMAND BYTE

(INCR COMMAND (n+1))

| | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 0 | 1 | X | X | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SDI | | | | | | | | | |
| SDO | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | **Note 1, 2** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | **Note 1, 3** |

**Note 1:** Only functions when writing the volatile wiper registers (AD3:AD0) 0h and 1h.

**2:** Valid Address/Command combination.

**3:** Invalid Address/Command combination all following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared. (the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state).

**4:** If a Command Error (CMDERR) occurs at this bit location (*), then all following SDO bits will be driven low until the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

***FIGURE 7-6:*** *Increment Command - SDI and SDO States.*

**Note:** Table 7-2 shows the valid addresses for the Increment Wiper command. Other addresses are invalid.

### 7.7.1 SINGLE INCREMENT

Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin starts at the inactive state ($V_{IH}$), but may be already be in the active state due to the completion of another command.

Figure 6-4 through Figure 6-5 show possible waveforms for a single increment. The increment operation requires that the $\overline{CS}$ pin be in the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin will be in the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) and is driven to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). The 8-bit Increment Command (Command Byte) is then clocked in on the SDI pin by the SCK pins. The SDO pin drives the CMDERR bit on the 7th clock.

The wiper value will increment up to 100h on 8-bit devices and 80h on 7-bit devices. After the wiper value has reached Full Scale (8-bit =100h, 7-bit =80h), the wiper value will not be incremented further. If the Wiper register has a value between 101h and 1FFh, the Increment command is disabled. See Table 7-4 for additional information on the Increment Command versus the current volatile wiper value.

The Increment operations only require the Increment command byte while the $\overline{CS}$ pin is active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) for a single increment.

After the wiper is incremented to the desired position, the $\overline{CS}$ pin should be forced to $V_{IH}$ to ensure that unexpected transitions on the SCK pin do not cause the wiper setting to change. Driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IH}$ should occur as soon as possible (within device specifications) after the last desired increment occurs.

**TABLE 7-4: INCREMENT OPERATION VS. VOLATILE WIPER VALUE**

| Current Wiper Setting | | Wiper (W) Properties | Increment Command Operates? |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7-bit Pot | 8-bit Pot | | |
| 3FFh<br>081h | 3FFh<br>101h | Reserved<br>(Full Scale (W = A)) | No |
| 080h | 100h | Full Scale (W = A) | No |
| 07Fh<br>041h | 0FFh<br>081 | W = N | Yes |
| 040h | 080h | W = N (Mid Scale) | |
| 03Fh<br>001h | 07Fh<br>001 | W = N | |
| 000h | 000h | Zero Scale (W = B) | Yes |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### 7.7.2 CONTINUOUS INCREMENTS

Continuous Increments are possible only when writing to the volatile memory registers (address 00h, and 01h).

Figure 7-7 shows a Continuous Increment sequence for three continuous writes. The writes do not need to be to the same volatile memory address.

When executing an continuous Increment commands, the selected wiper will be altered from n to n+1 for each Increment command received. The wiper value will increment up to 100h on 8-bit devices and 80h on 7-bit devices. After the wiper value has reached Full Scale (8-bit =100h, 7-bit =80h), the wiper value will not be incremented further. If the Wiper register has a value between 101h and 1FFh, the Increment command is disabled.

Increment commands can be sent repeatedly without raising $\overline{CS}$ until a desired condition is met. The value in the Volatile Wiper register can be read using a Read Command and written to the corresponding Non-Volatile Wiper EEPROM using a Write Command.

When executing a continuous command string, the Increment command can be followed by any other valid command.

The wiper terminal will move after the command has been received (8th clock).

After the wiper is incremented to the desired position, the $\overline{CS}$ pin should be forced to $V_{IH}$ to ensure that unexpected transitions (on the SCK pin do not cause the wiper setting to change). Driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IH}$ should occur as soon as possible (within device specifications) after the last desired increment occurs.

| | COMMAND BYTE (INCR COMMAND (n+1)) | | | | | | | | COMMAND BYTE (INCR COMMAND (n+2)) | | | | | | | | COMMAND BYTE (INCR COMMAND (n+3)) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SDI | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 0 | 1 | X | X | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 0 | 1 | X | X | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 0 | 1 | X | X | |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | **Note 1, 2** |
| SDO | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |

**Note 1:** Only functions when writing the volatile wiper registers (AD3:AD0) 0h and 1h.

**2:** Valid Address/Command combination.

**3:** Invalid Address/Command combination.

**4:** If an Error Condition occurs (CMDERR = L), all following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared (the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state).

***FIGURE 7-7:*** *Continuous Increment Command - SDI and SDO States.*

## 7.8 Decrement Wiper Normal and High Voltage

The Decrement Command is an 8-bit command. The Decrement Command can only be issued to volatile memory locations. The format of the command is shown in Figure 7-6.

A Decrement Command to the volatile memory location changes that location after a properly formatted command (8 clocks) have been received.

Decrement commands provide a quick and easy method to modify the value of the volatile wiper location by -1 with minimal overhead.

COMMAND BYTE

(DECR COMMAND (n+1))

| | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 1 | 0 | X | X | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SDI | | | | | | | | | |
| SDO | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | **Note 1, 2** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | **Note 1, 3** |

**Note 1:** Only functions when writing the volatile wiper registers (AD3:AD0) 0h and 1h.

**2:** Valid Address/Command combination.

**3:** Invalid Address/Command combination all following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared. (the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state).

**4:** If a Command Error (CMDERR) occurs at this bit location (*), then all following SDO bits will be driven low until the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$).

***FIGURE 7-8:*** *Decrement Command - SDI and SDO States.*

**Note:** Table 7-2 shows the valid addresses for the Decrement Wiper command. Other addresses are invalid.

### 7.8.1 SINGLE DECREMENT

Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin starts at the inactive state ($V_{IH}$), but may already be in the active state due to the completion of another command.

Figure 6-4 through Figure 6-5 show possible waveforms for a single Decrement. The decrement operation requires that the $\overline{CS}$ pin be in the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). Typically, the $\overline{CS}$ pin will be in the inactive state ($V_{IH}$) and is driven to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$). Then the 8-bit Decrement Command (Command Byte) is clocked in on the SDI pin by the SCK pins. The SDO pin drives the CMDERR bit on the 7th clock.

The wiper value will decrement from the wiper's Full Scale value (100h on 8-bit devices and 80h on 7-bit devices). Above the wiper's Full Scale value (8-bit =101h to 1FFh, 7-bit = 81h to FFh), the decrement command is disabled. If the Wiper register has a Zero Scale value (000h), then the wiper value will not decrement. See Table 7-4 for additional information on the Decrement Command vs. the current volatile wiper value.

The Decrement commands only require the Decrement command byte, while the $\overline{CS}$ pin is active ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$) for a single decrement.

After the wiper is decremented to the desired position, the $\overline{CS}$ pin should be forced to $V_{IH}$ to ensure that unexpected transitions on the SCK pin do not cause the wiper setting to change. Driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IH}$ should occur as soon as possible (within device specifications) after the last desired decrement occurs.

**TABLE 7-5: DECREMENT OPERATION VS. VOLATILE WIPER VALUE**

| Current Wiper Setting | | Wiper (W) Properties | Decrement Command Operates? |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7-bit Pot | 8-bit Pot | | |
| 3FFh<br>081h | 3FFh<br>101h | Reserved<br>(Full Scale (W = A)) | No |
| 080h | 100h | Full Scale (W = A) | Yes |
| 07Fh<br>041h | 0FFh<br>081 | W = N | Yes |
| 040h | 080h | W = N (Mid Scale) | |
| 03Fh<br>001h | 07Fh<br>001 | W = N | |
| 000h | 000h | Zero Scale (W = B) | No |


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### 7.8.2 CONTINUOUS DECREMENTS

Continuous Decrements are possible only when writing to the volatile memory registers (address 00h, 01h, and 04h).

Figure 7-9 shows a continuous Decrement sequence for three continuous writes. The writes do not need to be to the same volatile memory address.

When executing continuous Decrement commands, the selected wiper will be altered from n to n-1 for each Decrement command received. The wiper value will decrement from the wiper's Full Scale value (100h on 8-bit devices and 80h on 7-bit devices). Above the wiper's Full Scale value (8-bit =101h to 1FFh, 7-bit = 81h to FFh), the decrement command is disabled. If the Wiper register has a Zero Scale value (000h), then the wiper value will not decrement. See Table 7-4 for additional information on the Decrement Command vs. the current volatile wiper value.

Decrement commands can be sent repeatedly without raising $\overline{CS}$ until a desired condition is met. The value in the Volatile Wiper register can be read using a Read Command and written to the corresponding Non-Volatile Wiper EEPROM using a Write Command.

When executing a continuous command string, the Decrement command can be followed by any other valid command.

The wiper terminal will move after the command has been received (8th clock).

After the wiper is decremented to the desired position, the $\overline{CS}$ pin should be forced to $V_{IH}$ to ensure that "unexpected" transitions (on the SCK pin do not cause the wiper setting to change). Driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to $V_{IH}$ should occur as soon as possible (within device specifications) after the last desired decrement occurs.

| | COMMAND BYTE (DECR COMMAND (n-1)) | | | | | | | | COMMAND BYTE (DECR COMMAND (n-1)) | | | | | | | | COMMAND BYTE (DECR COMMAND (n-1)) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SDI | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 1 | 0 | X | X | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 1 | 0 | X | X | AD3 | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 | 1 | 0 | X | X | |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1* | 1 | **Note 1, 2** |
| SDO | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |
| | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | **Note 3, 4** |

**Note 1:** Only functions when writing the volatile wiper registers (AD3:AD0) 0h and 1h.

**2:** Valid Address/Command combination.

**3:** Invalid Address/Command combination.

**4:** If an Error Condition occurs (CMDERR = L), all following SDO bits will be low until the CMDERR condition is cleared (the $\overline{CS}$ pin is forced to the inactive state).

***FIGURE 7-9:*** *Continuous Decrement Command - SDI and SDO States.*

## 7.9 Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology (High Voltage) Enable and Disable

This command is a special case of the High Voltage **Decrement Wiper** and High Voltage **Increment Wiper** commands to the non-volatile memory locations 02h, 03h, and 0Fh. This command is used to enable or disable either the software Write Protect, wiper 0, wiper 1, wiper 2 and wiper 3 WiperLock Technology. Table 7-6 shows the memory addresses, the High Voltage command and the result of those commands on the non-volatile WP, WL0 WL1, WL2, or WL3 bits. The format of the command is shown in Figure 7-8 (Enable) or Figure 7-6 (Disable).

### 7.9.1 SINGLE ENABLE WRITE PROTECT OR WIPERLOCK TECHNOLOGY (HIGH VOLTAGE)

Figure 6-4 through Figure 6-5 show possible waveforms for a single Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology command.

A Modify Write Protect or WiperLock Technology Command will only start an EEPROM write cycle ($t_{WC}$) after a properly formatted Command (8-clocks) has been received and the $\overline{CS}$ pin transitions to the inactive state ($V_{IH}$).

After the $\overline{CS}$ pin is driven inactive ($V_{IH}$), the serial interface may immediately be re-enabled by driving the $\overline{CS}$ pin to the active state ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IHH}$).

During an EEPROM write cycle, only serial commands to Volatile memory (addresses 00h, 01h, 04h, 05h, 06h, 07h, and 0Ah) are accepted. All other serial commands are ignored until the EEPROM write cycle ($t_{WC}$) completes. This allows the Host Controller to operate on the Volatile Wiper registers and the TCON register, and to Read the Status Register. The EEWA bit in the Status register indicates the status of an EEPROM Write Cycle.

**TABLE 7-6: ADDRESS MAP TO MODIFY WRITE PROTECT AND WIPERLOCK TECHNOLOGY**

| Memory Address | Command's and Result | |
|---|---|---|
| | **High Voltage Decrement Wiper** | **High Voltage Increment Wiper** |
| 00h | Wiper 0 register is decremented | Wiper 0 register is incremented |
| 01h | Wiper 1 register is decremented | Wiper 1 register is incremented |
| 02h | WL0 is enabled | WL0 is disabled |
| 03h | WL1 is enabled | WL1 is disabled |
| 04h (1) | TCON0 register not changed, CMDERR bit is set | TCON0 register not changed, CMDERR bit is set |
| 05h (1) | STATUS register not changed, CMDERR bit is set | STATUS register not changed, CMDERR bit is set |
| 06h | Wiper 2 register is decremented | Wiper 2 register is incremented |
| 07h | Wiper 3 register is decremented | Wiper 3 register is incremented |
| 08h | WL2 is enabled | WL2 is disabled |
| 09h | WL3 is enabled | WL3 is disabled |
| 0Ah (1) | TCON1 register not changed, CMDERR bit is set | TCON1 register not changed, CMDERR bit is set |
| 0Bh - 0Eh (1) | Reserved | Reserved |
| 0Fh | WP is enabled | WP is disabled |

**Note 1: Reserved addresses:** Increment or Decrement commands are invalid for these addresses.


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## 8.0 APPLICATIONS EXAMPLES

Non-volatile digital potentiometers have a multitude of practical uses in modern electronic circuits. The most popular uses include precision calibration of set point thresholds, sensor trimming, LCD bias trimming, audio attenuation, adjustable power supplies, motor control overcurrent trip setting, adjustable gain amplifiers and offset trimming. The MCP434X/436X devices can be used to replace the common mechanical trim pot in applications where the operating and terminal voltages are within CMOS process limitations ($V_{DD}$ = 2.7V to 5.5V).

### 8.1 Split Rail Applications

All inputs that would be used to interface to a Host Controller support High Voltage on their input pin. This allows the MCP43XX device to be used in split power rail applications.

An example of this is a battery application where the PIC® MCU is directly powered by the battery supply (4.8V) and the MCP43XX device is powered by the 3.3V regulated voltage.

For SPI applications, these inputs are:

- $\overline{CS}$
- SCK
- SDI (or SDI/SDO)
- $\overline{WP}$
- $\overline{RESET}$

Figure 8-1 through Figure 8-2 show three example split rail systems. In this system, the MCP43XX interface input signals need to be able to support the PIC MCU output high voltage ($V_{OH}$).

In Example #1 (Figure 8-1), the MCP43XX interface input signals need to be able to support the PIC MCU output high voltage ($V_{OH}$). If the split rail voltage delta becomes too large, then the customer may be required to do some level shifting due to MCP43XX $V_{OH}$ levels related to Host Controller $V_{IH}$ levels.

In Example #2 (Figure 8-2), the MCP43XX interface input signals need to be able to support the lower voltage of the PIC MCU output high voltage level ($V_{OH}$).

Table 8-1 shows an example PIC microcontroller I/O voltage specifications and the MCP43XX specifications. So this PIC MCU operating at 3.3V will drive a $V_{OH}$ at 2.64V, and for the MCP43XX operating at 5.5V, the $V_{IH}$ is 2.47V. Therefore, the interface signals meet specifications.

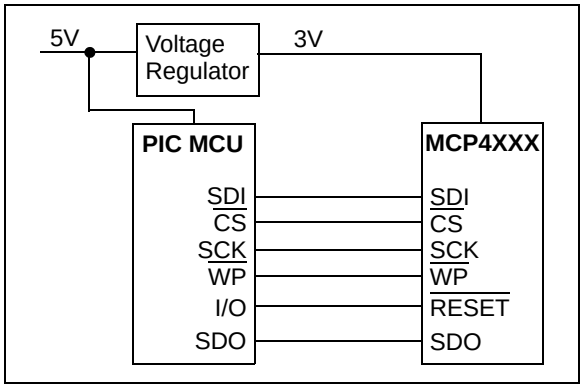


***FIGURE 8-1:*** *Example Split Rail System 1.*

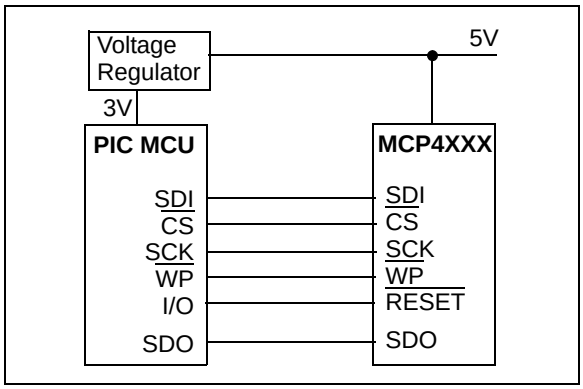


***FIGURE 8-2:*** *Example Split Rail System 2.*

**TABLE 8-1: $V_{OH}$ - $V_{IH}$ COMPARISONS**

| PIC (1) | | | MCP4XXX (2) | | | Comment |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $V_{DD}$ | $V_{IH}$ | $V_{OH}$ | $V_{DD}$ | $V_{IH}$ | $V_{OH}$ | |
| 5.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 2.7 | 1.215 | — (3) | |
| 5.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 1.35 | — (3) | |
| 4.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 1.485 | — (3) | |
| 3.3 | 2.64 | 2.64 | 4.5 | 2.025 | — (3) | |
| 3.0 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 5.0 | 2.25 | — (3) | |
| 2.7 | 2.16 | 2.16 | 5.5 | 2.475 | — (3) | |

**Note 1:** $V_{OH}$ minimum = 0.8 * $V_{DD}$;
$V_{OL}$ maximum = 0.6V
$V_{IH}$ minimum = 0.8 * $V_{DD}$;
$V_{IL}$ maximum = 0.2 * $V_{DD}$;

**2:** $V_{OH}$ minimum (SDA only) =;
$V_{OL}$ maximum = 0.2 * $V_{DD}$
$V_{IH}$ minimum = 0.45 * $V_{DD}$;
$V_{IL}$ maximum = 0.2 * $V_{DD}$

**3:** The only MCP4XXX output pin is SDO, which is Open-Drain (or Open-Drain with Internal Pull-up) with High Voltage Support

## 8.2 Techniques to Force the $\overline{CS}$ Pin to $V_{IHH}$

The circuit in Figure 8-3 shows a method using the TC1240A doubling charge pump. When the $\overline{SHDN}$ pin is high, the TC1240A is off, and the level on the $\overline{CS}$ pin is controlled by the PIC® microcontrollers (MCUs) IO2 pin.

When the SHDN pin is low, the TC1240A is on and the $V_{OUT}$ voltage is 2 * $V_{DD}$. The resistor $R_1$ allows the $\overline{CS}$ pin to go higher than the voltage such that the PIC MCU's IO2 pin "clamps" at approximately $V_{DD}$.

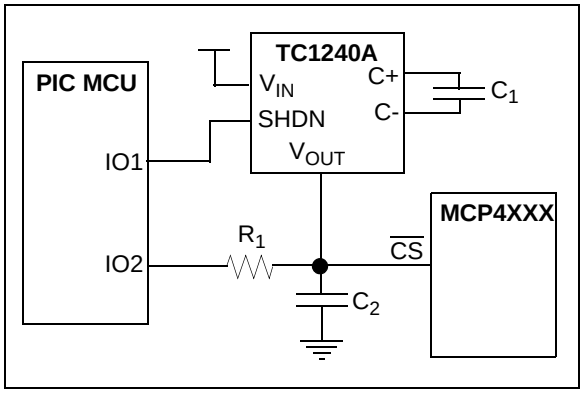


***FIGURE 8-3:*** *Using the TC1240A to Generate the $V_{IHH}$ Voltage.*

The circuit in Figure 8-4 shows the method used on the MCP402X Non-volatile Digital Potentiometer Evaluation Board (Part Number: MCP402XEV). This method requires that the system voltage be approximately 5V. This ensures that when the PIC10F206 enters a brown-out condition, there is an insufficient voltage level on the $\overline{CS}$ pin to change the stored value of the wiper. The MCP402X Non-volatile Digital Potentiometer Evaluation Board User's Guide (DS51546) contains a complete schematic.

GP0 is a general purpose I/O pin, while GP2 can either be a general purpose I/O pin or it can output the internal clock.

For the serial commands, configure the GP2 pin as an input (high impedance). The output state of the GP0 pin will determine the voltage on the $\overline{CS}$ pin ($V_{IL}$ or $V_{IH}$).

For high-voltage serial commands, force the GP0 output pin to output a high level ($V_{OH}$) and configure the GP2 pin to output the internal clock. This will form a charge pump and increase the voltage on the $\overline{CS}$ pin (when the system voltage is approximately 5V).

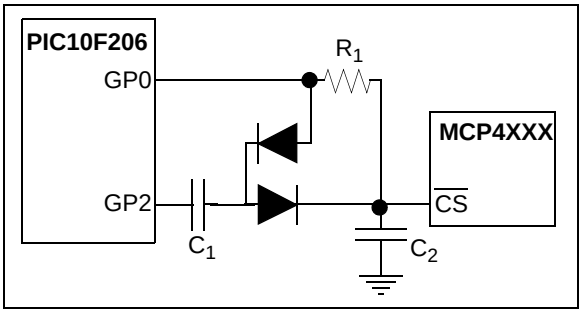


***FIGURE 8-4:*** *MCP4XXX Non-volatile Digital Potentiometer Evaluation Board (MCP402XEV) implementation to generate the $V_{IHH}$ voltage.*

## 8.3 Using Shutdown Modes

Figure 8-5 shows a possible application circuit where the independent terminals could be used. Disconnecting the wiper allows the transistor input to be taken to the Bias voltage level (disconnecting A and or B may be desired to reduce system current). Disconnecting Terminal A modifies the transistor input by the $R_{BW}$ rheostat value to the Common B. Disconnecting Terminal B modifies the transistor input by the $R_{AW}$ rheostat value to the Common A. The Common A and Common B connections could be connected to $V_{DD}$ and $V_{SS}$.

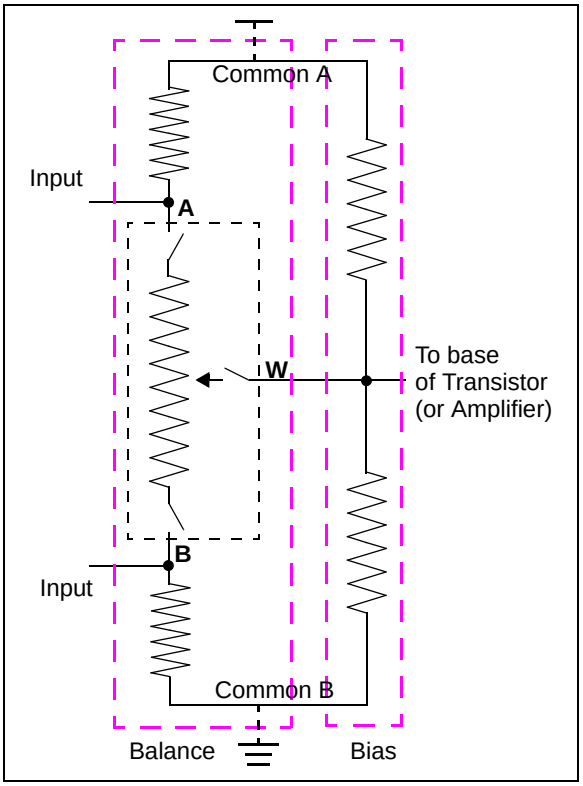


***FIGURE 8-5:*** *Example Application Circuit using Terminal Disconnects.*


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## 8.4 Design Considerations

In the design of a system with the MCP43XX devices, the following considerations should be taken into account:

- **Power Supply Considerations**
- **Layout Considerations**

### 8.4.1 POWER SUPPLY CONSIDERATIONS

The typical application will require a bypass capacitor in order to filter high-frequency noise, which can be induced onto the power supply's traces. The bypass capacitor helps to minimize the effect of these noise sources on signal integrity. Figure 8-6 illustrates an appropriate bypass strategy.

In this example, the recommended bypass capacitor value is 0.1 µF. This capacitor should be placed as close (within 4 mm) to the device power pin ($V_{DD}$) as possible.

The power source supplying these devices should be as clean as possible. If the application circuit has separate digital and analog power supplies, $V_{DD}$ and $V_{SS}$ should reside on the analog plane.

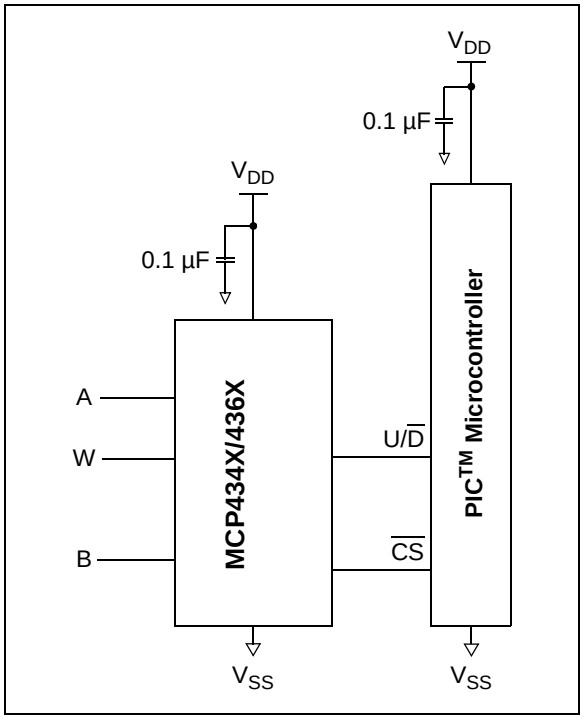


***FIGURE 8-6:*** *Typical Microcontroller Connections.*

### 8.4.2 LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

Several layout considerations may be applicable to your application. These may include:

- **Noise**
- **Footprint Compatibility**
- **PCB Area Requirements**

#### 8.4.2.1 Noise

Inductively-coupled AC transients and digital switching noise can degrade the input and output signal integrity, potentially masking the MCP43XX's performance. Careful board layout minimizes these effects and increases the Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR). Multi-layer boards utilizing a low-inductance ground plane, isolated inputs, isolated outputs and proper decoupling are critical to achieving the performance that the silicon is capable of providing. Particularly harsh environments may require shielding of critical signals.

If low noise is desired, breadboards and wire-wrapped boards are not recommended.

#### 8.4.2.2 Footprint Compatibility

The specification of the MCP43XX pinouts was done to allow systems to be designed to easily support the use of either the dual (MCP42XX) or quad (MCP43XX) device.

Figure 8-7 shows how the dual pinout devices fit on the quad device footprint. For the Rheostat devices, the dual device is in the MSOP package, so the footprints would need to be offset from each other.

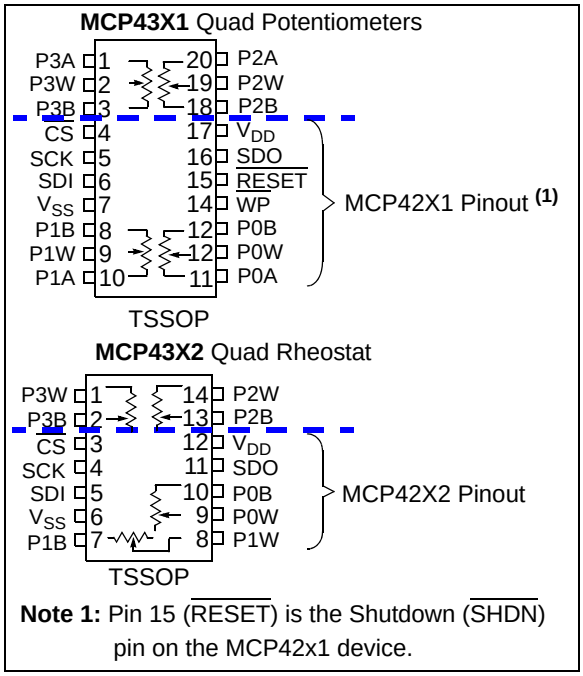


***FIGURE 8-7:*** *Quad Pinout (TSSOP Package) vs. Dual Pinout.*

Figure 8-8 shows possible layout implementations for an application to support the quad and dual options on the same PCB.

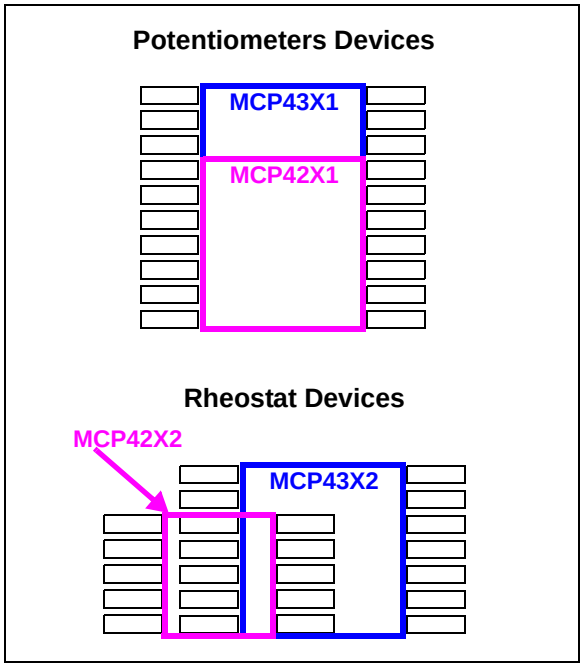


***FIGURE 8-8:*** *Layout to support Quad and Dual Devices.*

#### 8.4.2.3 PCB Area Requirements

In some applications, PCB area is a criteria for device selection. Table 8-2 shows the package dimensions and area for the different package options. The table also shows the relative area factor compared to the smallest area. For space critical applications, the QFN package would be the suggested package.

**TABLE 8-2: PACKAGE FOOTPRINT (1)**

| Package | | | Package Footprint | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pins | Type | Code | Dimensions (mm) | | Area ($mm^2$) | Relative Area |
| | | | X | Y | | |
| 14 | TSSOP | ST | 5.10 | 6.40 | 32.64 | 2.04 |
| 20 | QFN | ML | 4.00 | 4.00 | 16.00 | 1 |
| | TSSOP | ST | 6.60 | 6.40 | 42.24 | 2.64 |

**Note 1:** Does not include recommended land pattern dimensions.

### 8.4.3 RESISTOR TEMPCO

Characterization curves of the resistor temperature coefficient (Tempco) are shown in Figure 2-8, Figure 2-19, Figure 2-29, and Figure 2-39.

These curves show that the resistor network is designed to correct for the change in resistance as temperature increases. This technique reduces the end to end change is $R_{AB}$ resistance.

### 8.4.4 HIGH VOLTAGE TOLERANT PINS

High Voltage support ($V_{IHH}$) on the Serial Interface pins supports two features. These are:

- In-Circuit Accommodation of split rail applications and power supply sync issues
- User configuration of the Non-Volatile EEPROM, Write Protect, and WiperLock feature

| | |
|---|---|
| **Note:** | In many applications, the High Voltage will only be present at the manufacturing stage so as to “lock” the Non-Volatile wiper value (after calibration) and the contents of the EEPROM. This ensures that since High Voltage is not present under normal operating conditions, these values can not be modified. |


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# 9.0 DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

## 9.1 Development Tools

Several development tools are available to assist in your design and evaluation of the MCP43XX devices. The currently available tools are shown in Table 9-1.

These boards may be purchased directly from the Microchip web site at www.microchip.com.

## 9.2 Technical Documentation

Several additional technical documents are available to assist you in your design and development. These technical documents include Application Notes, Technical Briefs, and Design Guides. Table 9-2 shows some of these documents.

**TABLE 9-1: DEVELOPMENT TOOLS**

| Board Name | Part # | Supported Devices |
|---|---|---|
| 20-pin TSSOP and SSOP Evaluation Board | TSSOP20EV | MCP43XX |
| MCP4361 Evaluation Board (1) | MCP43XXEV | MCP4361 |
| MCP42XX Digital Potentiometer PICtail Plus Demo Board | MCP42XXDM-PTPLS | MCP42XX |
| MCP4XXX Digital Potentiometer Daughter Board (2) | MCP4XXXDM-DB | MCP42XXX, MCP42XX, MCP4021, and MCP4011 |

**Note 1:** This Evaluation Board is planned to be available by March 2010. This board uses the TSSOP20EV PCB and requires the PICkit Serial Analyzer (see User's Guide for details). This kit also includes 1 blank TSSOP20EV PCB.

**2:** Requires the use of a PICDEM Demo board (see User's Guide for details)

**TABLE 9-2: TECHNICAL DOCUMENTATION**

| Application Note Number | Title | Literature # |
|---|---|---|
| AN1080 | Understanding Digital Potentiometers Resistor Variations | DS01080 |
| AN737 | Using Digital Potentiometers to Design Low-Pass Adjustable Filters | DS00737 |
| AN692 | Using a Digital Potentiometer to Optimize a Precision Single Supply Photo Detect | DS00692 |
| AN691 | Optimizing the Digital Potentiometer in Precision Circuits | DS00691 |
| AN219 | Comparing Digital Potentiometers to Mechanical Potentiometers | DS00219 |
| — | Digital Potentiometer Design Guide | DS22017 |
| — | Signal Chain Design Guide | DS21825 |

**NOTES:**


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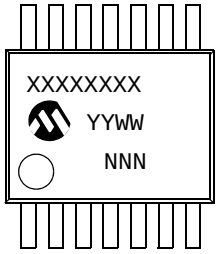
## 10.0 PACKAGING INFORMATION

### 10.1 Package Marking Information

14-Lead TSSOP

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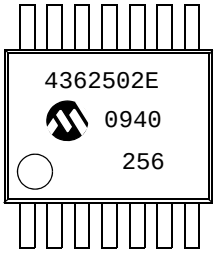
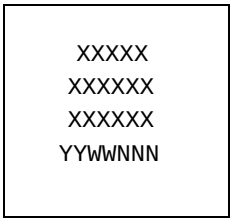



20-Lead QFN (4x4)

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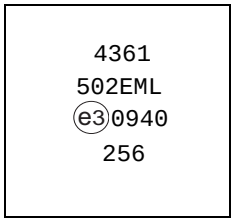


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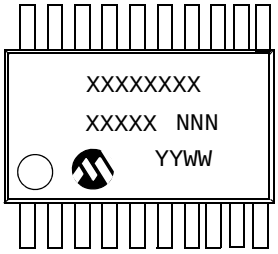


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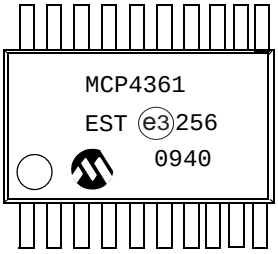


| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Legend:** | XX...X | Customer-specific information |
| | Y | Year code (last digit of calendar year) |
| | YY | Year code (last 2 digits of calendar year) |
| | WW | Week code (week of January 1 is week ‘01’) |
| | NNN | Alphanumeric traceability code |
| | (e3) | Pb-free JEDEC designator for Matte Tin (Sn) |
| | * | This package is Pb-free. The Pb-free JEDEC designator ((e3)) can be found on the outer packaging for this package. |

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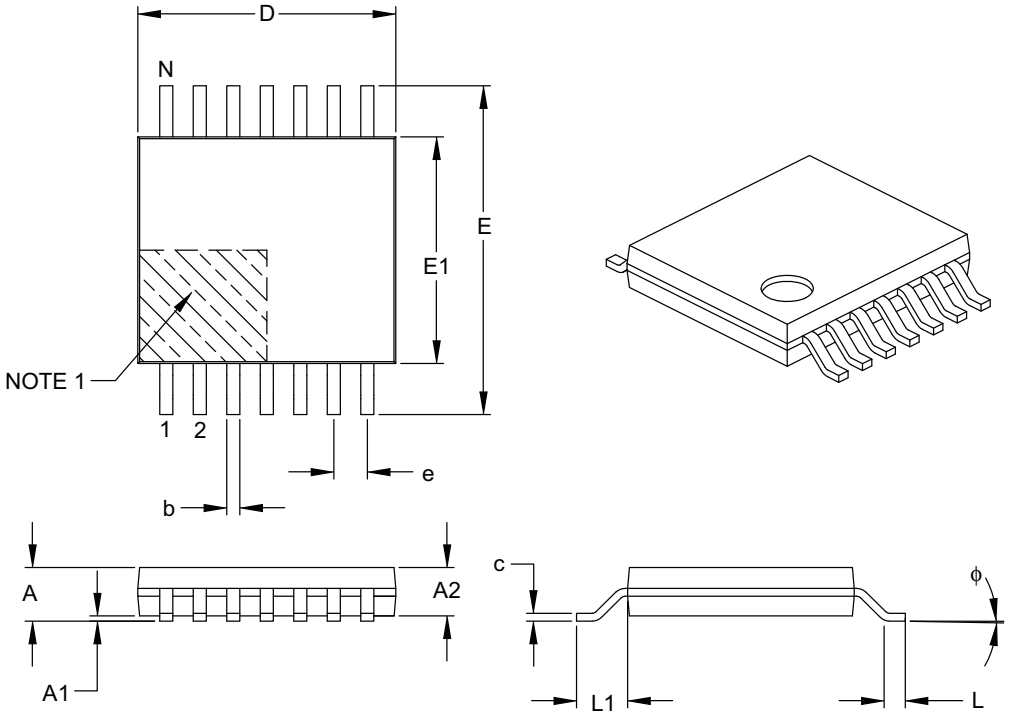


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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Number of Pins | N | | 14 | |
| Pitch | e | | 0.65 BSC | |
| Overall Height | A | – | – | 1.20 |
| Molded Package Thickness | A2 | 0.80 | 1.00 | 1.05 |
| Standoff | A1 | 0.05 | – | 0.15 |
| Overall Width | E | | 6.40 BSC | |
| Molded Package Width | E1 | 4.30 | 4.40 | 4.50 |
| Molded Package Length | D | 4.90 | 5.00 | 5.10 |
| Foot Length | L | 0.45 | 0.60 | 0.75 |
| Footprint | L1 | | 1.00 REF | |
| Foot Angle | ϕ | 0° | – | 8° |
| Lead Thickness | c | 0.09 | – | 0.20 |
| Lead Width | b | 0.19 | – | 0.30 |

**Notes:**

1. Pin 1 visual index feature may vary, but must be located within the hatched area.
2. Dimensions D and E1 do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash or protrusions shall not exceed 0.15 mm per side.
3. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.

BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances.
REF: Reference Dimension, usually without tolerance, for information purposes only.

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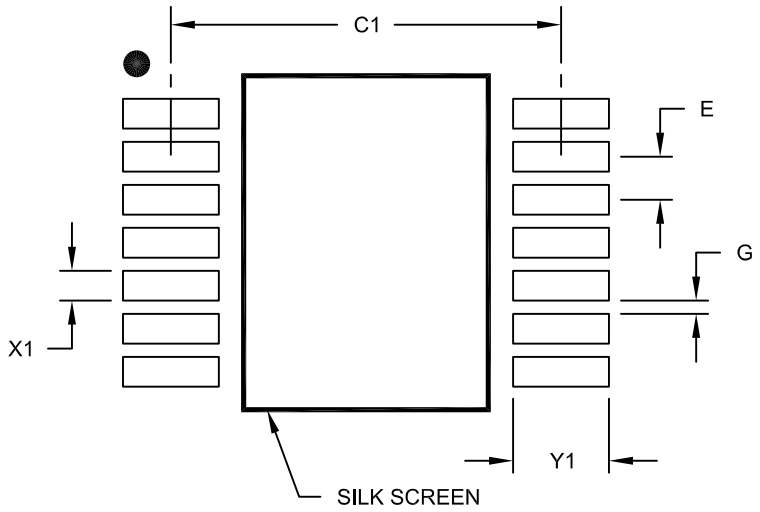


RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN

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| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Contact Pitch | E | 0.65 BSC | | |
| Contact Pad Spacing | C1 | | 5.90 | |
| Contact Pad Width (X28) | X1 | | | 0.45 |
| Contact Pad Length (X28) | Y1 | | | 1.45 |
| Distance Between Pads | G | 0.20 | | |

Notes:

1. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M

BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances.

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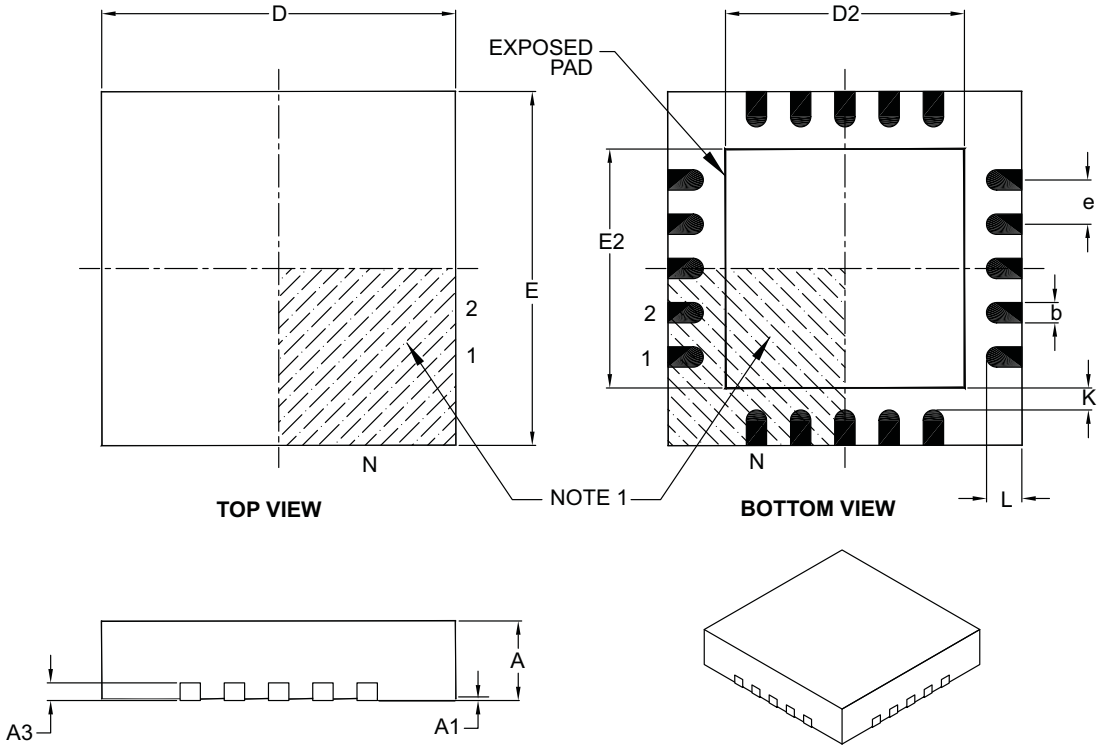


| Units | | MILLIMETERS | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Number of Pins | N | | 20 | |
| Pitch | e | | 0.50 BSC | |
| Overall Height | A | 0.80 | 0.90 | 1.00 |
| Standoff | A1 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| Contact Thickness | A3 | | 0.20 REF | |
| Overall Width | E | | 4.00 BSC | |
| Exposed Pad Width | E2 | 2.60 | 2.70 | 2.80 |
| Overall Length | D | | 4.00 BSC | |
| Exposed Pad Length | D2 | 2.60 | 2.70 | 2.80 |
| Contact Width | b | 0.18 | 0.25 | 0.30 |
| Contact Length | L | 0.30 | 0.40 | 0.50 |
| Contact-to-Exposed Pad | K | 0.20 | – | – |

**Notes:**

1. Pin 1 visual index feature may vary, but must be located within the hatched area.
2. Package is saw singulated.
3. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.

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REF: Reference Dimension, usually without tolerance, for information purposes only.

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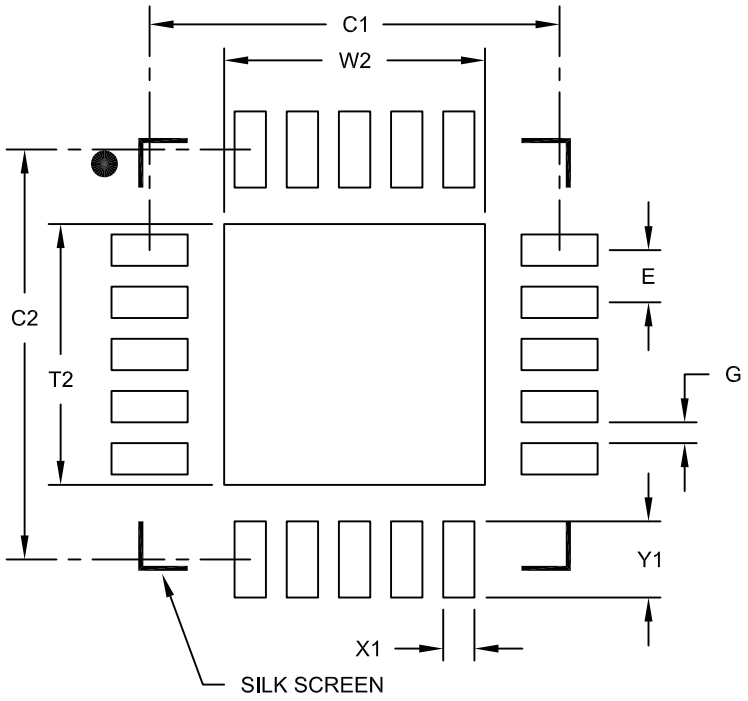


RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN

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| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Contact Pitch | E | | 0.50 BSC | |
| Optional Center Pad Width | W2 | | | 2.50 |
| Optional Center Pad Length | T2 | | | 2.50 |
| Contact Pad Spacing | C1 | | 3.93 | |
| Contact Pad Spacing | C2 | | 3.93 | |
| Contact Pad Width | X1 | | | 0.30 |
| Contact Pad Length | Y1 | | | 0.73 |
| Distance Between Pads | G | 0.20 | | |

Notes:

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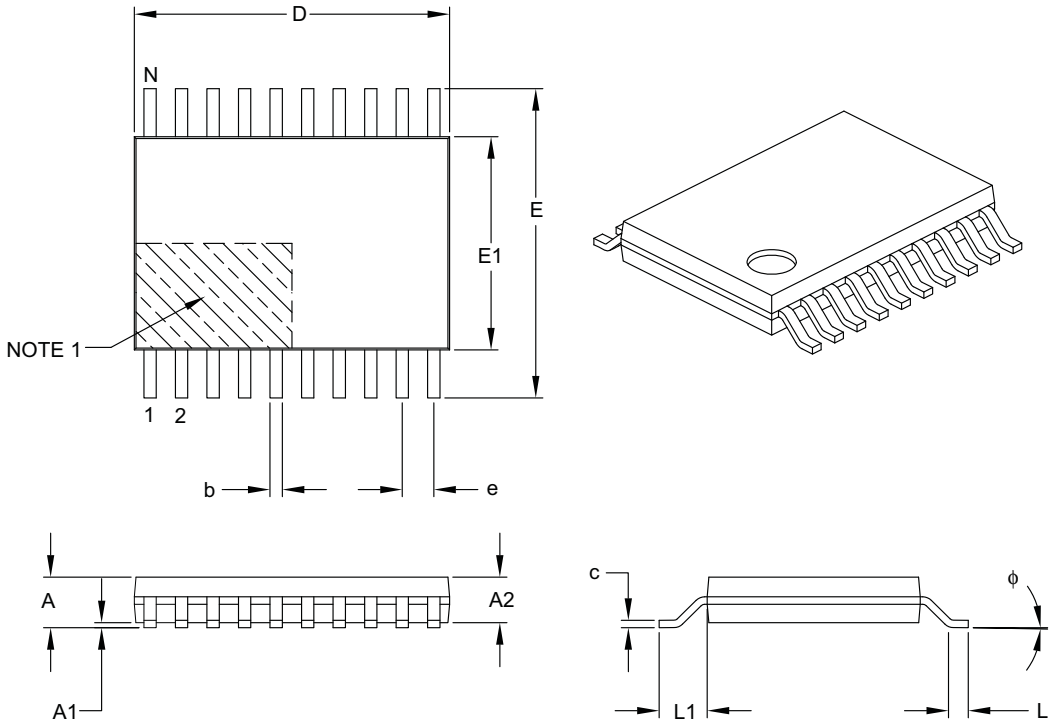


| Units | | MILLIMETERS | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Number of Pins | N | | 20 | |
| Pitch | e | | 0.65 BSC | |
| Overall Height | A | – | – | 1.20 |
| Molded Package Thickness | A2 | 0.80 | 1.00 | 1.05 |
| Standoff | A1 | 0.05 | – | 0.15 |
| Overall Width | E | | 6.40 BSC | |
| Molded Package Width | E1 | 4.30 | 4.40 | 4.50 |
| Molded Package Length | D | 6.40 | 6.50 | 6.60 |
| Foot Length | L | 0.45 | 0.60 | 0.75 |
| Footprint | L1 | | 1.00 REF | |
| Foot Angle | ϕ | 0° | – | 8° |
| Lead Thickness | c | 0.09 | – | 0.20 |
| Lead Width | b | 0.19 | – | 0.30 |

**Notes:**

1. Pin 1 visual index feature may vary, but must be located within the hatched area.
2. Dimensions D and E1 do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash or protrusions shall not exceed 0.15 mm per side.
3. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.

BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances.
REF: Reference Dimension, usually without tolerance, for information purposes only.

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20-Lead Plastic Thin Shrink Small Outline (ST) - 4.4 mm Body [TSSOP]

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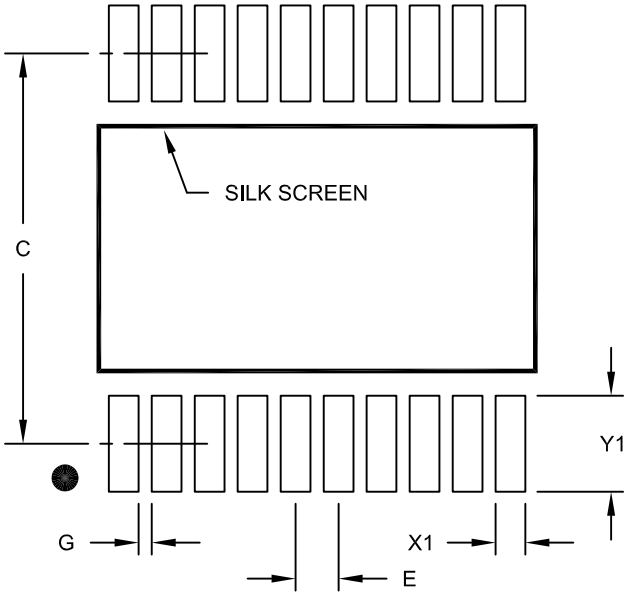


RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN

| Units | | MILLIMETERS | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dimension Limits | | MIN | NOM | MAX |
| Contact Pitch | E | | 0.65 BSC | |
| Contact Pad Spacing | C | | 5.90 | |
| Contact Pad Width (X28) | X1 | | | 0.45 |
| Contact Pad Length (X28) | Y1 | | | 1.45 |
| Distance Between Pads | G | 0.20 | | |

Notes:

1. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M

BSC: Basic Dimension. Theoretically exact value shown without tolerances.

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# APPENDIX A: REVISION HISTORY

## Revision A (December 2009)

- Original Release of this Document.

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## PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

To order or obtain information, e.g., on pricing or delivery, refer to the factory or the listed sales office.

| PART NO. | -XXX | X | /XX |
|---|---|---|---|
| Device | Resistance Version | Temperature Range | Package |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Device | MCP4341: | Quad Non-Volatile 7-bit Potentiometer |
| | MCP4341T: | Quad Non-Volatile 7-bit Potentiometer (Tape and Reel) |
| | MCP4342: | Quad Non-Volatile 7-bit Rheostat |
| | MCP4342T: | Quad Non-Volatile 7-bit Rheostat (Tape and Reel) |
| | MCP4361: | Quad Non-Volatile 8-bit Potentiometer |
| | MCP4361T: | Quad Non-Volatile 8-bit Potentiometer (Tape and Reel) |
| | MCP4362: | Quad Non-Volatile 8-bit Rheostat |
| | MCP4362T: | Quad Non-Volatile 8-bit Rheostat (Tape and Reel) |
| Resistance Version: | 502 = | 5 kΩ |
| | 103 = | 10 kΩ |
| | 503 = | 50 kΩ |
| | 104 = | 100 kΩ |
| Temperature Range | E = | -40°C to +125°C (Extended) |
| Package | ST = | Plastic Thin Shrink Small Outline (TSSOP), 14/20-lead |
| | ML = | Plastic Quad Flat No-lead (4x4 QFN), 20-lead |

**Examples:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| a) | MCP4341-502E/XX: | 5 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| b) | MCP4341T-502E/XX: | T/R, 5 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| c) | MCP4341-103E/XX: | 10 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| d) | MCP4341T-103E/XX: | T/R, 10 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| e) | MCP4341-503E/XX: | 50 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| f) | MCP4341T-503E/XX: | T/R, 50 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| g) | MCP4341-104E/XX: | 100 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| h) | MCP4341T-104E/XX: | T/R, 100 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| a) | MCP4342-502E/XX: | 5 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| b) | MCP4342T-502E/XX: | T/R, 5 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| c) | MCP4342-103E/XX: | 10 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| d) | MCP4342T-103E/XX: | T/R, 10 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| e) | MCP4342-503E/XX: | 50 kΩ, 8LD Device |
| f) | MCP4342T-503E/XX: | T/R, 50 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| g) | MCP4342-104E/XX: | 100 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| h) | MCP4342T-104E/XX: | T/R, 100 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| a) | MCP4361-502E/XX: | 5 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| b) | MCP4361T-502E/XX: | T/R, 5 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| c) | MCP4361-103E/XX: | 10 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| d) | MCP4361T-103E/XX: | T/R, 10 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| e) | MCP4361-503E/XX: | 50 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| f) | MCP4361T-503E/XX: | T/R, 50 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| g) | MCP4361-104E/XX: | 100 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| h) | MCP4361T-104E/XX: | T/R, 100 kΩ, 20-LD Device |
| a) | MCP4362-502E/XX: | 5 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| b) | MCP4362T-502E/XX: | T/R, 5 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| c) | MCP4362-103E/XX: | 10 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| d) | MCP4362T-103E/XX: | T/R, 10 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| e) | MCP4362-503E/XX: | 50 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| f) | MCP4362T-503E/XX: | T/R, 50 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| g) | MCP4362-104E/XX: | 100 kΩ, 14-LD Device |
| h) | MCP4362T-104E/XX: | T/R, 100 kΩ, 14-LD Device |

XX = ST for 14/20-lead TSSOP
= ML for 20-lead QFN

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