### **General Description**

The MAX3668 is a complete, +3.3V laser driver with automatic power control (APC) circuitry for SDH/SONET applications up to 622Mbps. It accepts differential PECL inputs, provides bias and modulation currents, and operates over a temperature range of -40°C to +85°C.

An APC feedback loop is incorporated to maintain a constant average optical power over temperature and lifetime. The wide modulation current range of 5mA to 75mA and bias current of 1mA to 80mA are easy to program, making this product ideal for use in various SDH/SONET applications.

The MAX3668 also provides enable control and a failuremonitor output to indicate when the APC loop is unable to maintain the average optical power. The MAX3668 is available in a 5mm 32-pin TQFP package as well as in dice.

### **Applications**

622Mbps SDH/SONET Access Nodes

Laser Driver Transmitters

Section Regenerators

### **Features**

- ♦ Single +3.3V or +5.0V Operation
- 38mA Supply Current at +3.3V
- Programmable Modulation Current from 5mA to 75mA
- Programmable Bias Current from 1mA to 80mA
- Rise/Fall Time <200ps</p>
- Automatic Average Power Control with Failure Monitor
- Complies with ANSI, ITU, and Bellcore SONET/SDH Specifications
- Enable Control

### **Ordering Information**

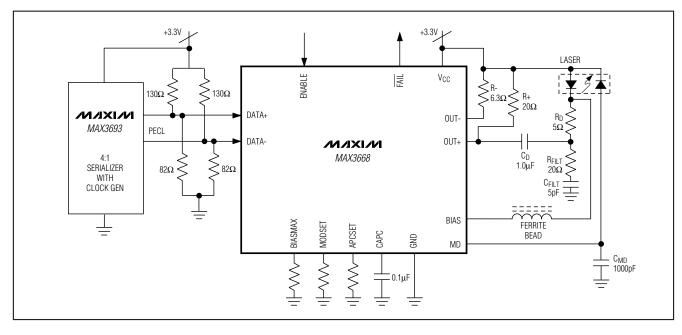
PART	TEMP RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX3668EHJ	-40°C to +85°C	32 TQFP (5mm x 5mm)
MAX3668EHJ+	-40°C to +85°C	32 TQFP (5mm x 5mm)
MAX3668E/D	Note	Dice*

**Note:** Dice are designed to operate over a -40°C to +140°C junction temperature (Tj) range, but are tested and guaranteed at  $T_A = +25$ °C.

\*Contact factory for availability. +Denotes lead-free package.

Pin Configuration appears at end of data sheet.

### **Typical Operating Circuit**



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### **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Supply Voltage, V <sub>CC</sub> Current into BIAS	
Current into OUT+, OUT	
Current into MD	5mA to +5mA
Voltage at DATA+, DATA-, ENABLE,	
FAIL	0.5V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V)
Voltage at OUT+, OUT	+1.5V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 1.5V)
Voltage at MODSET, APCSET, BIASM	AX,
CAPC	0.5V to +3.0V

Voltage at BIAS	+1.0V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V)
Continuous Power Dissipation ( $T_A = +85^{\circ}$	
32-Pin TQFP (derate 14.3mW/°C above	e +85°C) 929mW
Operating Junction Temperature Range	55°C to +150°C
Processing Temperature (Die)	+400°C
Storage Temperature Range	65°C to +165°C
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s)	+300°C

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

### DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONE	DITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Supply Current		(Note 2)			38	60	mA
Bias Current Range	IBIAS	$V_{BIAS} = V_{CC} - 1.6V$		1		80	mA
Bias Off Current		ENABLE = low (Note 3	3)			100	μΑ
Rice Current Stability		IBIAS = 80mA	I <sub>BIAS</sub> = 80mA		390		
Bias Current Stability		APC open loop IBIAS = 1mA			920		ppm/°C
Bias Current Absolute Accuracy		APC open loop		-15		15	%
Differential Input Voltage	VID	Figure 1		200		1600	mVp-p
Common-Mode Input Voltage	VICM	PECL compatible		V <sub>CC</sub> - 1.49	V <sub>CC</sub> - 1.32	V <sub>CC</sub> - V <sub>ID</sub> /4	V
DATA+, DATA- Input Current	l <sub>IN</sub>			-1		10	μA
Manitar Diada Current Stability		(Nata 4)	I <sub>MD</sub> = 1mA	-480	10	480	100
Monitor Diode Current Stability		(Note 4)	I <sub>MD</sub> = 18µA (Note 5)		70	ppm/	ppm/°C
Monitor Diode Current Absolute Accuracy				-15		15	%
DC Monitor Diode Current	I <sub>MD</sub>			18		1000	μA
Monitor Diode Input Voltage (MD Pin)	V <sub>MD</sub>				0.8		V
TTL Input High Voltage	VIH			2.0			V
TTL Input Low Voltage	VIL					0.8	V
TTL Output High Voltage (FAIL)	V <sub>OH</sub>	Sourcing 50µA		2.4	V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.3	V <sub>CC</sub>	V
TTL Output Low Voltage (FAIL)	V <sub>OL</sub>	Sinking 100µA		0.1		0.44	V

 $(V_{CC} = +3.14V \text{ to } +5.5V, T_A = -40^{\circ}C \text{ to } +85^{\circ}C, \text{ unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at } V_{CC} = +3.3V, T_A = +25^{\circ}C.)$  (Note 1)

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### **AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

(V<sub>CC</sub> = +3.14V to +5.5V, load as shown in Figure 2,  $T_A$  = -40°C to +85°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V<sub>CC</sub> = +3.3V,  $T_A$  = +25°C.) (Note 6)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Modulation Current Range	IMOD	(Note 7)		5		75	mA
Modulation Off Current		ENABLE = low (Note 3)				200	μA
Madulation Ourrant Stability		I <sub>MOD</sub> = 75mA		-620	175	620	- ppm/°C
Modulation Current Stability		I <sub>MOD</sub> = 5mA (Note 5)			300		
Modulation Current Absolute Accuracy				-15		15	%
Output Pige/Fall Time	to to	20% to 80%,	I <sub>MOD</sub> = 5mA		100	200	
Output Rise/Fall Time	t <sub>R/tF</sub>	$R_L = 10\Omega    20\Omega$ load	$I_{MOD} = 75 mA$		230	375	ps
Jitter Generation (peak-to-peak)		(Note 8)				100	ps
Pulse-Width Distortion		(Notes 9, 10)	$I_{MOD} = 5mA$		70	155	ps
(peak-to-peak)		(NOLES 9, 10)	$I_{MOD} = 75 mA$		10	135	μs
Enable/Start-Up Delay		Open loop			250		ns
Maximum Consecutive Identical Digits at 622Mbps	CID			80			Bits

**Note 1:** Characteristics at -40°C are guaranteed by design and characterization. Dice are tested at  $T_A = +25$ °C only.

**Note 2:** Tested with R<sub>MODSET</sub> =  $5.11k\Omega$  (I<sub>MOD</sub>  $\approx$  38mA), R<sub>BIASMAX</sub> =  $4.56k\Omega$  (I<sub>BIAS</sub>  $\approx$  52mA), excluding I<sub>BIAS</sub> and I<sub>MOD</sub>.

**Note 3:** Both the bias and modulation currents will be disabled if any of the current set pins are shorted to ground.

Note 4: This assumes that the laser to monitor diode transfer function does not change with temperature.

**Note 5:** See *Typical Operating Characteristics* for worst-case distributions.

**Note 6:** AC characteristics are guaranteed by design and characterization.

Note 7: Total I<sub>MOD</sub> out of OUT+. Refer to the *Design Procedure* for information regarding current delivered to the laser.

Note 8: Input signal is a 622Mbps, 2<sup>13</sup>- 1 PRBS with 80 inserted zeros.

Note 9: Input signal is a 622Mbps, 11110000 pattern.

**Note 10:** PWD = (wider pulse – narrower pulse) / 2.

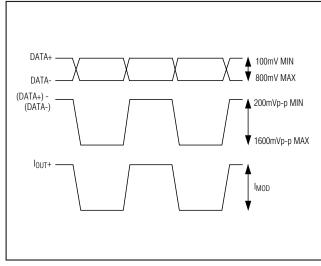


Figure 1. Required Input Signal and Output Polarity

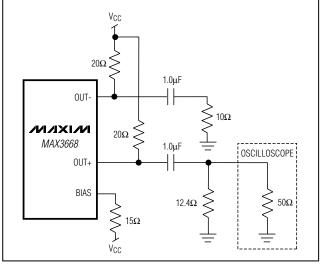


Figure 2. Output Termination for Characterization



**Typical Operating Characteristics** 

TEMPERATURE (°C)

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### (V<sub>CC</sub> = +3.3V, T<sub>A</sub> = $+25^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise noted.) EYE DIAGRAM (622Mbps, 1300nm LASER EYE DIAGRAM **EYE DIAGRAM** WITH 467MHz FILTER) $(I_{MOD} = 35mA)$ $(I_{MOD} = 75mA)$ 622Mbps 2<sup>23</sup> - 1 PRBS 622Mbps PATTERN = 2<sup>13</sup> - 1 + 80 CID PATTERN = 2<sup>13</sup> - 1 + 80 CID $I_{MOD} = 75 mA$ $I_{MOD} = 35 \text{mA}$ 193ps/div 200ps/div 200ps/div **MODULATION CURRENT** MONITOR DIODE CURRENT **BIAS CURRENT vs.** vs. MODULATION SET RESISTOR vs. APC SET RESISTOR MAXIMUM BIAS SET RESISTOR 100 10 1000 100 1 MOD (mA) I<sub>BIAS</sub> (mA) I<sub>MD</sub> (mA) 10 0.1 10 0.01 1 1 10 100 0.1 10 100 0.1 1 10 100 1000 1 1 $\mathsf{R}_{\text{MODSET}}\left(\mathsf{k}\Omega\right)$ $R_{APCSET}(k\Omega)$ $R_{BIASMAX}(k\Omega)$ SUPPLY CURRENT **PULSE-WIDTH DISTORTION RANDOM JITTER** vs. MODULATON CURRENT vs. MODULATION CURRENT vs. TEMPERATURE 50 21 55 INCLUDES RANDOM JITTER DUE TO MEASUREMENT 45 40 50 20 EQUIPMENT RANDOM JITTER (ps p-p) $V_{CC} = +5.0V$ SUPPLY CURRENT (mA) 35 45 19 30 PWD (ps) 25 $V_{CC} = +3.3V$ 20 40 18 15 17 10 35 $I_{BIAS} = 48 mA$ 5 $I_{MOD} = 33 mA$ 30 0 16 -40 10 35 60 85 20 -15 20 40 0 40 60 0 60 80 80

I<sub>MOD</sub> (mA)

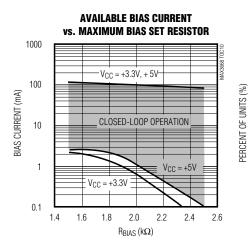
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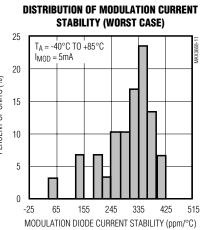
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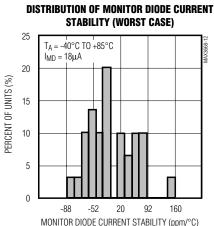
I<sub>MOD</sub> (mA)

### Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(V<sub>CC</sub> = +3.3V, T<sub>A</sub> =  $+25^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise noted.)







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\_\_\_\_Pin Description

PIN	NAME	FUNCTION	
1, 2, 6, 15, 17, 20, 24	V <sub>CC</sub>	Positive Supply Voltage	
3	DATA+	Positive PECL Data Input	
4	DATA-	Negative PECL Data Input	
5, 7, 8, 10, 14, 21, 22, 30	GND	Ground	
9	ENABLE	TTL/CMOS Enable Input. High for normal operation, low to disable laser bias and modulation currents. Internally pulled high.	
11	FAIL	TTL Output. Indicates APC failure when low. Internally pulled high through a $6k\Omega$ resistor.	
12, 13, 26, 27, 28	N.C.	No Connection. Leave unconnected.	
16	BIAS	Laser Bias Current Output. Isolate from laser with a ferrite bead.	
18	OUT+	Positive Modulation Current Output. I <sub>MOD</sub> flows into this pad when the input signal is high. Connect this pad to AC coupling network.	
19	OUT-	Negative Modulation Current Output. I <sub>MOD</sub> flows into this pad when the input signal is low. Connect this pad to V <sub>CC</sub> through a $6.3\Omega$ resistor.	
23	MD	Monitor Photodiode Connection. Connect this pad to the monitor photodiode anode. A capaci- tor to ground is required to filter high-speed AC monitor photocurrent.	
25	CAPC	APC Compensation Capacitor. A 0.1µF capacitor connected from this pad to ground controls the dominant pole of the automatic power control (APC) feedback loop.	
29	APCSET	APC Set Resistor. A resistor connected from this pad to ground sets the desired average optical power. The resulting current is equal to the desired DC monitor diode current. Connect a $100k\Omega$ resistor from this pad to ground if APC is not used.	
31	MODSET	Modulation Set Resistor. A resistor from this pad to ground sets the laser modulation current.	
32	BIASMAX	Maximum Bias Set Resistor. A resistor from this pad to ground sets the maximum laser bias current. The APC function can subtract from this maximum value but cannot add to it. This resistor controls the bias-current level when the APC loop is not used.	

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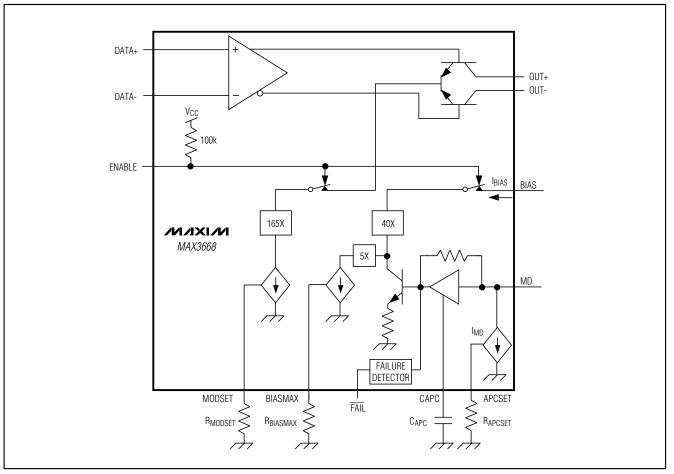


Figure 3. Functional Diagram

### \_Detailed Description

The MAX3668 laser driver consists of two main parts: a high-speed modulation driver and a laser-biasing block with Automatic Power Control (APC). The circuit is optimized for low-voltage (+3.3V) operation.

The output stage is composed of a high-speed differential pair and a programmable modulation current source. Since the modulation output drives a maximum current of 75mA into the laser with a 230ps edge speed, large transient voltage spikes can be generated due to the parasitic inductance. These transients and the laser forward voltage leave insufficient headroom for the proper operation of the laser driver if the modulation output is DC-coupled to the laser diode. To solve this problem, the MAX3668's modulation output is designed to be AC-coupled to the cathode of a laser diode. A simplified functional diagram is shown in Figure 3.

The MAX3668 modulation output is optimized for driving a  $20\Omega$  ||  $10\Omega$  load; the minimum required voltage at OUT+ is 2.0V. Modulation current swings of 75mA are possible. To interface with the laser diode, a damping resistor (R<sub>D</sub>) is required for impedance matching. An RC shunt network may be used to compensate for the laser-diode parasitic inductance, thereby improving the optical output aberrations and duty-cycle distortion.

At a 622Mbps data rate, any capacitive load at the cathode of a laser diode degrades the optical output performance. Since the BIAS output is directly connected to the laser cathode, minimize the parasitic capacitance associated with this pin by using an inductor to isolate the BIAS pin from the laser cathode.

# +3.3V, 622Mbps SDH/SONET Laser Driver with Automatic Power Control **Short-Circuit Protection**

The MAX3668 provides short-circuit protection for the modulation, bias, and monitor current sources. If either BIASMAX, MODSET, or APCSET is shorted to ground, the bias and modulation outputs will be turned off.

### **Design Procedure**

When designing a laser transmitter, the optical output is usually expressed in terms of average power and extinction ratio. Table 1 gives the relationships that are helpful in converting between the optical average power and the modulation current. These relationships are valid if the average duty cycle of the optical waveform is 50%.

### Programming the Modulation Current

In addition to being a function of RMODSET, the modulation current delivered to the laser (IMODI) also depends on the values of the series damping resistor (R<sub>D</sub>), the shunt compensation resistance (RFILT), and the laser diode's resistance (see Typical Operating Circuit).

The modulation current (assuming CFILT << CD) into the laser diode can be represented by the following:

$$MODL = MOD \left[ \frac{20\Omega}{20\Omega + (R_D + r_{LASER})} \right]$$

Assuming  $R_D = 5\Omega$  and  $r_{LASER} = 5\Omega$ , this equation is simplified to:

$$I_{MODL} = I_{MOD}(0.67)$$

For  $R_{\Box} = 5.0\Omega$  and a laser resistance of approximately  $5\Omega$ , refer to the Modulation Current vs. Modulation Set Resistor graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics and select the value of RMODSET that corresponds to the required current at +25°C.

### **Programming the Bias Current**

When using the MAX3668 in open-loop operation, the bias current is determined by the RBIASMAX resistor. To select this resistor, determine the required bias current at +25°C. Refer to the Bias Current vs. Maximum Bias Set Resistor graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics and select the value of RBIASMAX that corresponds to the required current at +25°C.

When using the MAX3668 in closed-loop operation, the RBIASMAX resistor sets the maximum bias current available to the laser diode over temperature and life. The APC loop can subtract from this maximum value but cannot add to it. Refer to the Bias Current vs. Maximum Bias Set Resistor graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics and select the value of RBIASMAX that corresponds to the end-of-life bias current at +85°C.

### Automatic Power Control

To maintain constant average optical power, the MAX3668 incorporates an APC loop to compensate for the changes in laser threshold current over temperature and lifetime. A back-facet photodiode mounted in the laser package is used to convert the optical power into a photocurrent. The APC loop adjusts the laser bias current so the monitor current is matched to a reference current set by RAPCSET. The time constant of the APC loop is determined by an external capacitor (CAPC). To eliminate the pattern-dependent jitter associated with the APC loop-time constant and to guarantee loop stability, the recommended value for CAPC is 0.1µF.

When the APC loop is functioning, the maximum allowable bias current is set by an external resistor, RBIASMAX. An APC failure flag  $(\overline{FAIL})$  is set low when the bias current can no longer be adjusted to achieve the desired average optical power.

APC closed-loop operation requires the user to set three currents with external resistors connected between ground and BIASMAX, MODSET, and APCSET. Detailed guidelines for these resistor settings are described in the Design Procedure section.

### **Open-Loop Operation**

If necessary, the MAX3668 is fully operational without APC. In this case, the laser current is directly set by two external resistors connected from ground to BIASMAX and MODSET. Connect a 100k $\Omega$  resistor from APCSET to ground and leave MD open for open-loop operation.

### **Enable Control**

The MAX3668 incorporates a laser driver enable function. When ENABLE is low, both the bias and modulation currents are off. The typical laser enable time is 250ns.

### **APC Failure Monitor**

The MAX3668 provides an APC failure monitor (TTL/CMOS) to indicate an APC loop tracking failure. FAIL is set low when the APC loop can no longer adjust the bias current to maintain the desired monitor current. This output is internally pulled up to V<sub>CC</sub> through a  $6k\Omega$  resistor.

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	RELATION
Average Power	Pave	$P_{AVE} = (P_0 + P_1) / 2$
Extinction Ratio	r <sub>e</sub>	$r_{e} = P_{1} / P_{0}$
Optical Power High	P <sub>1</sub>	$P_1 = 2P_{AVE} \cdot r_e / (r_e + 1)$
Optical Power Low	P <sub>0</sub>	$P_0 = 2P_{AVE} / (r_e + 1)$
Optical Amplitude	Рр-р	$Pp-p = 2P_{AVE}(r_e - 1) / (r_e + 1)$
Laser Slope Efficiency	η	$\eta = Pp-p / I_{MOD}$
Modulation Current	IMOD	$I_{MOD} = Pp-p / \eta$

### Table 1. Optical Power Definition



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### **Programming the APC Loop**

When the MAX3668's APC feature is used, program the average optical power by adjusting the APCSET resistor. To select this resistor, determine the desired monitor current to be maintained over temperature and life. Refer to the Monitor Diode Current vs. APC Set Resistor graph in the *Typical Operating Characteristics* and select the value of RAPCSET that corresponds to the required current.

### Interfacing with the Laser Diode

To minimize optical output aberrations due to the laser parasitic inductance, an RC shunt network may be used (see Typical Operating Circuit). If R<sub>L</sub> represents the laser diode resistance, the recommended total resistance for R<sub>D</sub> + R<sub>L</sub> is 10 $\Omega$ . Starting values for coaxial lasers are R<sub>FILT</sub> = 20 $\Omega$  and C<sub>FILT</sub> = 5pF. R<sub>FILT</sub> and C<sub>FILT</sub> should be experimentally adjusted to optimize the output waveform. A bypass capacitor should also be placed as close to the laser anode as possible for best performance.

### **Pattern-Dependent Jitter (PDJ)**

When transmitting NRZ data with long strings of consecutive identical digits (CID), LF droop can contribute to pattern-dependent jitter. To minimize this pattern-dependent jitter, two external components must be properly chosen: capacitor C<sub>APC</sub>, which dominates the APC loop time constant; and AC-coupling capacitor C<sub>D</sub>.

To filter out noise effects and guarantee loop stability, the recommended value for  $C_{APC}$  is  $0.1\mu$ F. This results in an APC loop bandwidth of 20kHz. Consequently, the pattern-dependent jitter associated with an APC loop time constant can be ignored.

The time constant associated with the DC blocking capacitor on  $I_{MOD}$  will have an effect on PDJ. It is important that this time constant produce minimum droop for long consecutive bit streams.

Referring to Figure 4, the droop resulting from long time periods without transitions can be represented by the following equation:

$$(100\% - DROOP) = e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}$$

AC coupling of I<sub>MOD</sub> results in a discharge level for  $\tau$  that is equal to P<sub>AVG</sub>. An overall droop of 6% relative to P<sub>p-p</sub> equates to a 12% droop relative to P<sub>AVG</sub>. To ensure a droop of less than 12% (6% relative to P<sub>p-p</sub>), this equation can be solved for  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\tau = \frac{-t}{\ln(1 - 0.12)} = 7.8t$$

If  $t_1$  equals 80 consecutive unit intervals without a transition, the time constant associated with the DC blocking capacitor needs to be longer than:

 $\tau_{AC} \ge R_{AC}C_D = 7.8$  (80 bits) (1.6ns/bit) = 1.0µs

 $R_{\text{FILT}}$  can be ignored for C\_{\text{FILT}} << C\_{\text{D}}, therefore the estimated value of  $R_{\text{AC}}$  is:

$$R_{AC} = 20\Omega || (R_D + r_{LASER})$$

Assuming  $R_D = 5\Omega$ , and  $r_{LASER} = 5\Omega$ :

$$R_{AC} = 6.7\Omega$$

with  $C_D = 1.0\mu F$ ,  $\tau_{AC} = 6.7\mu s$ .

### **Input Termination Requirement**

The MAX3668 data inputs are PECL-compatible. However, it is not necessary to drive the MAX3668 with a standard PECL signal. As long as the specified common-mode voltage and differential voltage swings are met, the MAX3668 will operate properly.

### **Calculate Power Consumption**

The total power dissipation of the MAX3668 can be estimated by the following:

$$P = V_{CC} \times I_{CC} + (V_{CC} - V_f) \times I_{BIAS}$$
$$+ I_{MOD} (V_{CC} - 20\Omega \times I_{MOD} / 2)$$

where  $I_{BIAS}$  is the maximum bias current set by  $R_{BIAS-MAX},\ I_{MOD}$  is the modulation current, and  $V_f$  is the typical laser forward voltage.

### **Applications Information**

The following is an example of how to set up the MAX3668.

### Select Laser

A communication-grade laser should be selected for 622Mbps applications. Assume the laser output average power is PAVE = OdBm, the minimum extinction

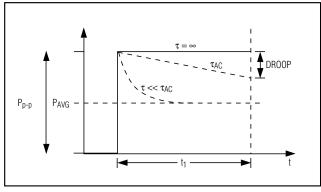


Figure 4. Droop

ratio is  $r_e = 6.6$  (8.2dB), the operating temperature is -40°C to +85°C, and the laser diode has the following characteristics:

Wavelength:	$\lambda = 1.3 \mu m$
Threshold Current:	$I_{TH} = 22mA \text{ at } +25^{\circ}C$
Threshold Temperature Coefficient:	β <sub>TH</sub> = 1.3%/°C
Laser to Monitor Transfer:	$\rho_{MON} = 0.2 \text{A/W}$
Laser Slope Efficiency:	η = 0.05mW/mA at +25°C

### **Determine RAPCSET**

The desired monitor diode current is estimated by  $I_{MD} = P_{AVE} \times P_{MON} = 200 \mu A$ . The Monitor Diode Current vs. APC Set Resistor graph in the *Typical Operating Characteristics* shows that RAPCSET should be  $6k\Omega$ .

### **Determine RMODSET**

To achieve a minimum extinction ratio ( $r_e$ ) of 6.6 over temperature and lifetime, calculate the required extinction ratio at +25°C. Assuming  $r_e$  = 20, the peak-to-peak optical power P<sub>p-p</sub> = 1.81mW according to Table 1. The required modulation current is 1.81(mW) / 0.05(mW/mA) = 36.2mA. The Modulation Current vs. Modulation Set Resistor graph in the (*see Typical Operating Characteristics*) shows that R<sub>MODSET</sub> should be 5k $\Omega$ .

### **Determine RBIASMAX**

Calculate the maximum threshold current ( $I_{TH(MAX)}$ ) at  $T_A = +85^{\circ}C$  and end of life. Assuming  $I_{TH(MAX)} = 50$ mA, the maximum bias current should be:

 $I_{BIAS} = I_{TH(MAX)} + I_{MOD} / 2$ 

In this example,  $I_{BIAS} = 68.1$ mA. The Bias Current vs. Maximum Bias Set Resistor graph in the *Typical Operating Characteristics* shows that R<sub>BIASMAX</sub> should be  $3k\Omega$ .

### Modulation Current More than 50mA

To drive modulation currents greater than 50mA at 3.3V, external pull-up inductors (Figure 5) should be used to DC-bias the modulation output at V<sub>CC</sub>. Such a configuration isolates the laser forward voltage from the output circuitry and allows the output at OUT+ to swing above and below the supply voltage V<sub>CC</sub>.

At +5V power supply, the headroom voltage for the MAX3668 is significantly improved. In this case, it is possible to achieve a modulation current of more than 50mA (using resistor pull-ups as shown in the *Typical Operating Circuit*). The MAX3668 can also be DC-coupled to a laser diode when operating at +5V supply; the voltage at OUT+ should be  $\geq$ 2.0V for proper operation.

### Wire Bonding Die

For high current density and reliable operation, the MAX3668 uses gold metalization. Make connections to the die with gold wire only, using ball-bonding techniques. Wedge bonding is not recommended. Die-pad size is 4 mils (100µm) square, and die thickness is 12 mils (300µm) mils.

### **Layout Considerations**

To minimize inductance, keep the connections between the MAX3668 output pins and LD as close as possible. Optimize the laser diode performance by placing a bypass capacitor as close as possible to the laser anode. Use good high-frequency layout techniques and multilayer boards with uninterrupted ground planes to minimize EMI and crosstalk.

### Laser Safety and IEC 825

Using the MAX3668 laser driver alone does not ensure that a transmitter design is compliant with IEC 825. The entire transmitter circuit and component selections must be considered. Customers must determine the level of fault tolerance required by their application, recognizing that Maxim products are not designed or authorized for use as components in systems intended for surgical implant into the body, for applications intended to support or sustain life, or for any other application where the failure of a Maxim product could create a situation where personal injury or death may occur.

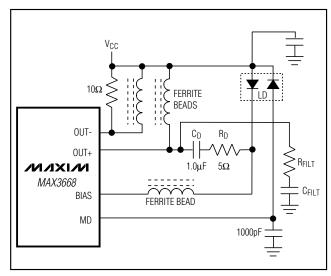
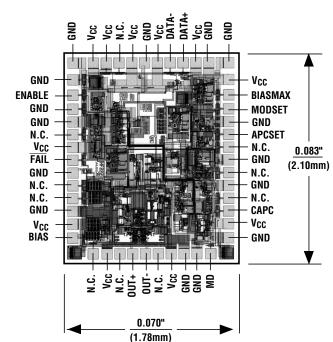


Figure 5. Output Termination for Maximum Modulation Current

**Pin Configuration MAX3668 DN** TOP VIEW BIASMAX MODSET GND APCSET N.C. N.C. N.C. CAPC 31 29 27 GND 32 28 26 30 25 ENABLE GND 24 V<sub>CC</sub> V<sub>CC</sub> 1 GND 23 MD V<sub>CC</sub> 2 N.C. DATA+ 3 Vcc 22 GND FAIL ΝΛΧΙΛΝ 21 GND DATA- 4 GND MAX3668 N.C. GND 5 20 V<sub>CC</sub> N.C. 19 OUT-V<sub>CC</sub> 6 GND V<sub>CC</sub> Bias 18 OUT+ GND 7 GND 8 17 V<sub>CC</sub> ප ENABLE ල 10 12 13 11 14 15 16 GND V<sub>CC</sub> BIAS GND FAIL N.C. N.C.

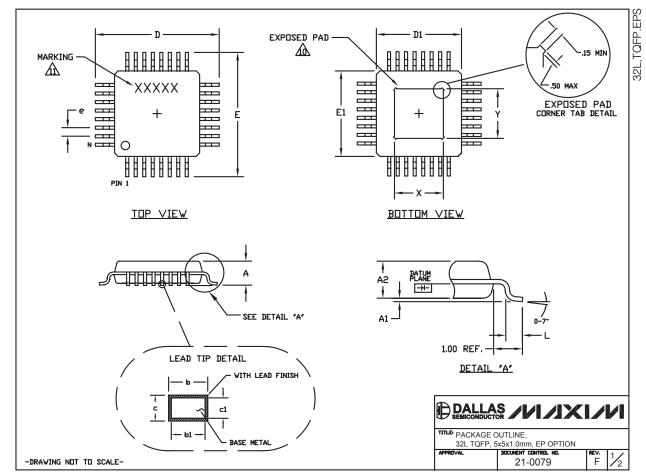
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### NDTES:

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- DIMENSIONS. THE TOP OF PACKAGE IS SMALLER THAN THE BOTTOM OF PACKAGE BY 0.15 MILLIMETERS. DIMENSION & DOES NOT INCLUDE DAMBAR PROTRUSION. ALLOWABLE DAMBAR PROTRUSION SHALL BE 0.08 MM TOTAL IN EXCESS OF THE & DIMENSION AT MAXIMUM MATERIAL CONDITION. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS. THIS OUTLINE CONFORMS TO JEDEC PUBLICATION 95, REGISTRATION MS=026

- A THIS DUTLINE CURFORMS TO JEDEC POBLICATION 95, REGISTRATION MS-026.
  LEADS SHALL BE COPLANAR WITHIN .004 INCH.
  EXPOSED DIE PAD SHALL BE COPLANAR WITH BOTTOM OF PACKAGE WITHIN 2 MILS (.05 MM).
  DIMENSIONS X AND Y APPLY TO EXPOSED PAD (EP) VERSIONS ONLY. SEE INDIVIDUAL PRODUCT DATASHEET TO DETERMINE IF A PRODUCT USES EXPOSED PAD PACKAGE.
  MADIVING IS COP DACKAGE.
- AN MARKING IS FOR PACKAGE DRIENTATION REFERENCE ONLY.

	COMMON D	IMENSIONS	
	DIMENSIONS I	N MILLIMETERS	
	JEDEC	AAA-HD	
	5x5x	1.0 MM	
	MIN.	MAX.	
A	- Are	1.20	
A <sub>1</sub>	0.05	0.15	
Az	0.95	1.05	
D	6.80	7.20	
D1	4.80	5.20	
Ε	6.80	7.20	
E1	4.80	5.20	
L	0.45	0.75	
N	32		
e	0.50	BSC.	
ю	0.17	0.27	
b1	0.17	0.23	
с	0.09	0.20	
c1	0.09	0.16	
x	2.70	3.30	
Y	2.70	3.30	

TITLE PACKAGE C 32L TQFP, 5	UTLINE, x5x1.0mm, EP OPTION	1		
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