

## Features

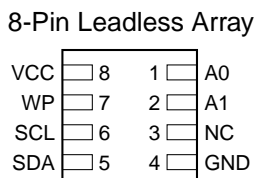
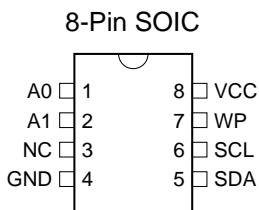
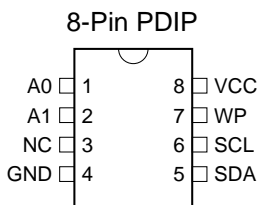
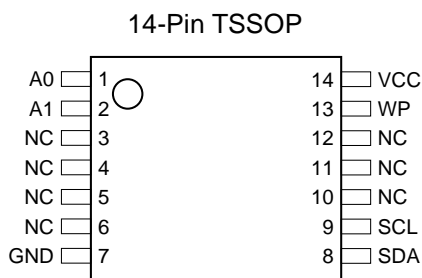
- Low Voltage and Standard Voltage Operation
  - 5.0 ( $V_{CC} = 4.5V$  to  $5.5V$ )
  - 2.7 ( $V_{CC} = 2.7V$  to  $5.5V$ )
  - 1.8 ( $V_{CC} = 1.8V$  to  $3.6V$ )
- Internally Organized 16,384 x 8 and 32,768 x 8
- 2-Wire Serial Interface
- Schmitt Trigger, Filtered Inputs for Noise Suppression
- Bidirectional Data Transfer Protocol
- 1 MHz (5V), 400 kHz (2.7V) and 100 kHz (1.8V) Compatibility
- Write Protect Pin for Hardware and Software Data Protection
- 64-Byte Page Write Mode (Partial Page Writes Allowed)
- Self-Timed Write Cycle (5 ms typical)
- High Reliability
  - Endurance: 100,000 Write Cycles
  - Data Retention: 40 Years
  - ESD Protection: > 4000V
- Automotive Grade and Extended Temperature Devices Available
- 8-Pin JEDEC PDIP, 8-Pin JEDEC and EIAJ SOIC, 14-Pin TSSOP, and 8-Pin Leadless Array Packages

## Description

The AT24C128/256 provides 131,072/262,144 bits of serial electrically erasable and programmable read only memory (EEPROM) organized as 16,384/32,768 words of 8 bits each. The device's cascadable feature allows up to 4 devices to share a common 2-wire bus. The device is optimized for use in many industrial and commercial applications where low power and low voltage operation are essential. The devices are available in space-saving 8-pin JEDEC PDIP, 8-pin EIAJ, 8-pin JEDEC SOIC, 14-pin TSSOP, and 8-pin LAP packages. In addition, the entire family is available in 5.0V (4.5V to 5.5V), 2.7V (2.7V to 5.5V) and 1.8V (1.8V to 3.6V) versions.

## Pin Configurations

Pin Name	Function
$A_0$ to $A_1$	Address Inputs
SDA	Serial Data
SCL	Serial Clock Input
WP	Write Protect
NC	No Connect



Bottom View



## 2-Wire Serial EEPROMs

128K (16,384 x 8)

256K (32,768 x 8)

AT24C128

AT24C256





## Pin Capacitance<sup>(1)</sup>

Applicable over recommended operating range from  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $f = 1.0\text{ MHz}$ ,  $V_{CC} = +1.8\text{V}$ .

Symbol	Test Condition	Max	Units	Conditions
$C_{I/O}$	Input/Output Capacitance (SDA)	8	pF	$V_{I/O} = 0\text{V}$
$C_{IN}$	Input Capacitance ( $A_0$ , $A_1$ , SCL)	6	pF	$V_{IN} = 0\text{V}$

Note: This parameter is characterized and is not 100% tested.

## DC Characteristics

Applicable over recommended operating range from:  $T_{AI} = -40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+85^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = +1.8\text{V}$  to  $+5.5\text{V}$ ,  $T_{AC} = 0^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+70^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = +1.8\text{V}$  to  $+5.5\text{V}$  (unless otherwise noted).

Symbol	Parameter	Test Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
$V_{CC1}$	Supply Voltage		1.8		3.6	V
$V_{CC2}$	Supply Voltage		2.7		5.5	V
$V_{CC3}$	Supply Voltage		4.5		5.5	V
$I_{CC1}$	Supply Current	$V_{CC} = 5.0\text{V}$	READ at 400 kHz	1.0	2.0	mA
$I_{CC2}$	Supply Current	$V_{CC} = 5.0\text{V}$	WRITE at 400 kHz	2.0	3.0	mA
$I_{SB1}$	Standby Current (1.8V option)	$V_{CC} = 1.8\text{V}$	$V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or $V_{SS}$		0.2	$\mu\text{A}$
		$V_{CC} = 3.6\text{V}$			2.0	
$I_{SB2}$	Standby Current (2.7V option)	$V_{CC} = 2.7\text{V}$	$V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or $V_{SS}$		0.5	$\mu\text{A}$
		$V_{CC} = 5.5\text{V}$			6.0	
$I_{SB3}$	Standby Current (5.0V option)	$V_{CC} = 4.5 - 5.5\text{V}$	$V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or $V_{SS}$		6.0	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{LI}$	Input Leakage Current	$V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or $V_{SS}$		0.10	3.0	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{LO}$	Output Leakage Current	$V_{OUT} = V_{CC}$ or $V_{SS}$		0.05	3.0	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{IL}$	Input Low Level <sup>(Note:)</sup>		-0.6		$V_{CC} \times 0.3$	V
$V_{IH}$	Input High Level <sup>(Note:)</sup>		$V_{CC} \times 0.7$		$V_{CC} + 0.5$	V
$V_{OL2}$	Output Low Level	$V_{CC} = 3.0\text{V}$	$I_{OL} = 2.1\text{ mA}$		0.4	V
$V_{OL1}$	Output Low Level	$V_{CC} = 1.8\text{V}$	$I_{OL} = 0.15\text{ mA}$		0.2	V

Note:  $V_{IL}$  min and  $V_{IH}$  max are reference only and are not tested

## AC Characteristics

Applicable over recommended operating range from  $T_A = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = +1.8\text{V}$  to  $+5.5\text{V}$ ,  $C_L = 100\text{ pF}$  (unless otherwise noted). Test conditions are listed in Note 2.

Symbol	Parameter	1.8-volt		2.7-volt		5.0-volt		Units
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$f_{SCL}$	Clock Frequency, SCL		100		400		1000	kHz
$t_{LOW}$	Clock Pulse Width Low	4.7		1.3		0.6		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{HIGH}$	Clock Pulse Width High	4.0		1.0		0.4		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{AA}$	Clock Low to Data Out Valid	0.1	4.5	0.05	0.9	0.05	0.55	$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{BUF}$	Time the bus must be free before a new transmission can start <sup>(1)</sup>	4.7		1.3		0.5		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{HD,STA}$	Start Hold Time	4.0		0.6		0.25		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{SU,STA}$	Start Set-up Time	4.7		0.6		0.25		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{HD,DAT}$	Data In Hold Time	0		0		0		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{SU,DAT}$	Data In Set-up Time	200		100		100		ns
$t_R$	Inputs Rise Time <sup>(1)</sup>		1.0		0.3		0.3	$\mu\text{s}$
$t_F$	Inputs Fall Time <sup>(1)</sup>		300		300		100	ns
$t_{SU,STO}$	Stop Set-up Time	4.7		0.6		0.25		$\mu\text{s}$
$t_{DH}$	Data Out Hold Time	100		50		50		ns
$t_{WR}$	Write Cycle Time		20		10		10	ms
Endurance <sup>(1)</sup>	5.0V, $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , Page Mode	100K		100K		100K		Write Cycles

Notes: 1. This parameter is characterized and is not 100% tested.

2. AC measurement conditions:

$R_L$  (connects to  $V_{CC}$ ):  $1.3\text{K}\Omega$  (2.7V, 5V),  $10\text{K}\Omega$  (1.8V)

Input pulse voltages:  $0.3V_{CC}$  to  $0.7V_{CC}$

Input rise and fall times:  $\leq 50\text{ns}$

Input and output timing reference voltages:  $0.5V_{CC}$

## Device Operation

**CLOCK and DATA TRANSITIONS:** The SDA pin is normally pulled high with an external device. Data on the SDA pin may change only during SCL low time periods (refer to Data Validity timing diagram). Data changes during SCL high periods will indicate a start or stop condition as defined below.

**START CONDITION:** A high-to-low transition of SDA with SCL high is a start condition which must precede any other command (refer to Start and Stop Definition timing diagram).

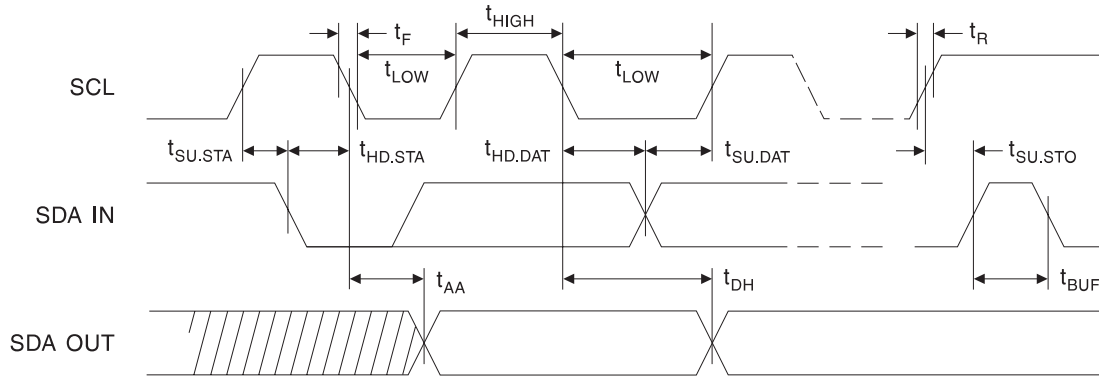
**STOP CONDITION:** A low-to-high transition of SDA with SCL high is a stop condition. After a read sequence, the stop command will place the EEPROM in a standby power mode (refer to Start and Stop Definition timing diagram).

**ACKNOWLEDGE:** All addresses and data words are serially transmitted to and from the EEPROM in 8-bit words. The EEPROM sends a zero during the ninth clock cycle to acknowledge that it has received each word.

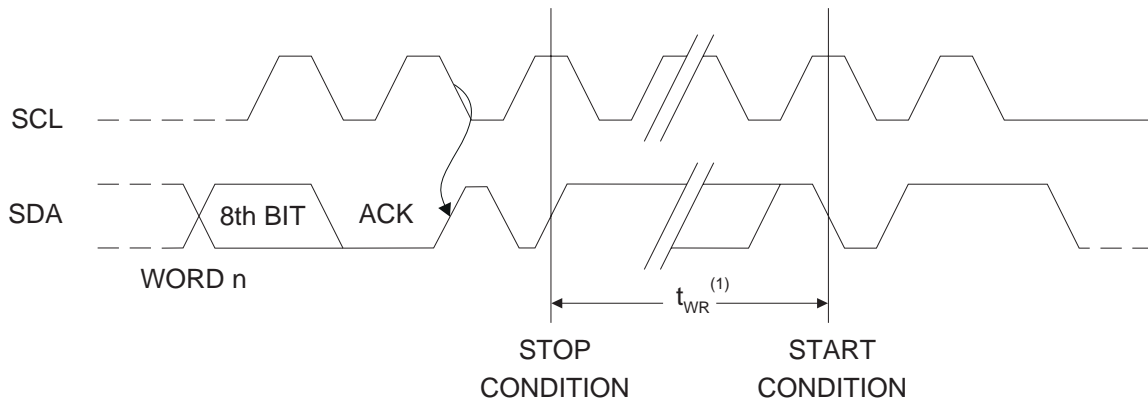
**STANDBY MODE:** The AT24C128/256 features a low power standby mode which is enabled: a) upon power-up and b) after the receipt of the STOP bit and the completion of any internal operations.

**MEMORY RESET:** After an interruption in protocol, power loss or system reset, any 2-wire part can be reset by following these steps: (a) Clock up to 9 cycles, (b) look for SDA high in each cycle while SCL is high and then (c) create a start condition as SDA is high.

## Bus Timing (SCL: Serial Clock, SDA: Serial Data I/O)

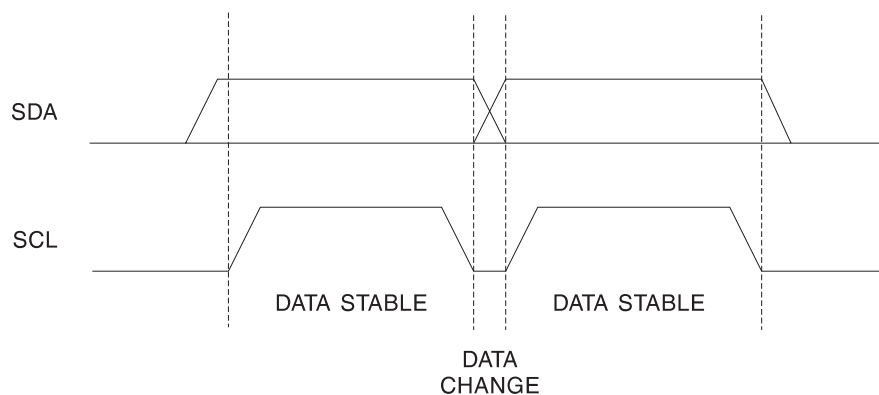


## Write Cycle Timing (SCL: Serial Clock, SDA: Serial Data I/O)

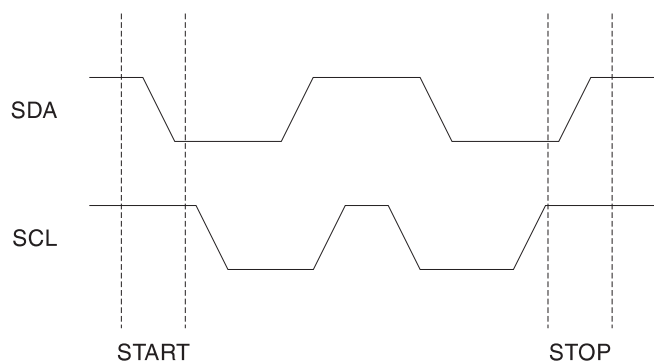


Note: 1. The write cycle time  $t_{WR}$  is the time from a valid stop condition of a write sequence to the end of the internal clear/write cycle.

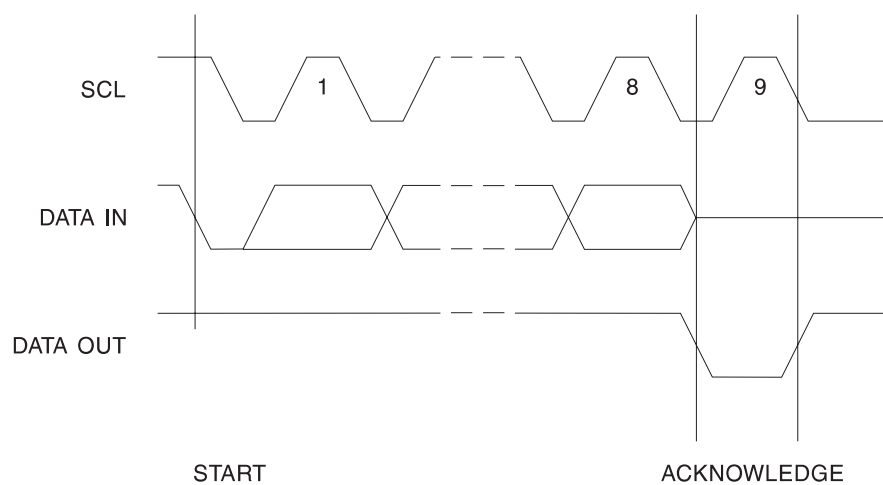
## Data Validity



## Start and Stop Definition



## Output Acknowledge



## Device Addressing

The 128K/256K EEPROM requires an 8-bit device address word following a start condition to enable the chip for a read or write operation (refer to Figure 1). The device address word consists of a mandatory one, zero sequence for the first five most significant bits as shown. This is common to all 2-wire EEPROM devices.

The 128K/256K uses the two device address bits A1, A0 to allow as many as four devices on the same bus. These bits must compare to their corresponding hardwired input pins. The A1 and A0 pins use an internal proprietary circuit that biases them to a logic low condition if the pins are allowed to float.

The eighth bit of the device address is the read/write operation select bit. A read operation is initiated if this bit is high and a write operation is initiated if this bit is low.

Upon a compare of the device address, the EEPROM will output a zero. If a compare is not made, the device will return to a standby state.

**DATA SECURITY:** The AT24C128/256 has a hardware data protection scheme that allows the user to write protect the whole memory when the WP pin is at  $V_{CC}$ .

## Write Operations

**BYTE WRITE:** A write operation requires two 8-bit data word addresses following the device address word and acknowledgment. Upon receipt of this address, the EEPROM will again respond with a zero and then clock in the first 8-bit data word. Following receipt of the 8-bit data word, the EEPROM will output a zero. The addressing device, such as a microcontroller, then must terminate the write sequence with a stop condition. At this time the EEPROM enters an internally-timed write cycle,  $t_{WR}$ , to the nonvolatile memory. All inputs are disabled during this write cycle and the EEPROM will not respond until the write is complete (refer to Figure 2).

**PAGE WRITE:** The 128K/256K EEPROM is capable of 64-byte page writes.

A page write is initiated the same way as a byte write, but the microcontroller does not send a stop condition after the first data word is clocked in. Instead, after the EEPROM acknowledges receipt of the first data word, the microcontroller can transmit up to 63 more data words. The EEPROM will respond with a zero after each data word received. The microcontroller must terminate the page write sequence with a stop condition (refer to Figure 3).

The data word address lower 6 bits are internally incremented following the receipt of each data word. The higher data word address bits are not incremented, retaining the memory page row location. When the word address, internally generated, reaches the page boundary, the following byte is placed at the beginning of the same page. If more than 64 data words are transmitted to the EEPROM, the

data word address will “roll over” and previous data will be overwritten. The address “roll over” during write is from the last byte of the current page to the first byte of the same page.

**ACKNOWLEDGE POLLING:** Once the internally-timed write cycle has started and the EEPROM inputs are disabled, acknowledge polling can be initiated. This involves sending a start condition followed by the device address word. The read/write bit is representative of the operation desired. Only if the internal write cycle has completed will the EEPROM respond with a zero, allowing the read or write sequence to continue.

## Read Operations

Read operations are initiated the same way as write operations with the exception that the read/write select bit in the device address word is set to one. There are three read operations: current address read, random address read and sequential read.

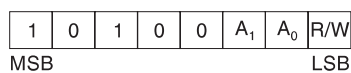
**CURRENT ADDRESS READ:** The internal data word address counter maintains the last address accessed during the last read or write operation, incremented by one. This address stays valid between operations as long as the chip power is maintained. The address “roll over” during read is from the last byte of the last memory page, to the first byte of the first page.

Once the device address with the read/write select bit set to one is clocked in and acknowledged by the EEPROM, the current address data word is serially clocked out. The microcontroller does not respond with an input zero but does generate a following stop condition (refer to Figure 4).

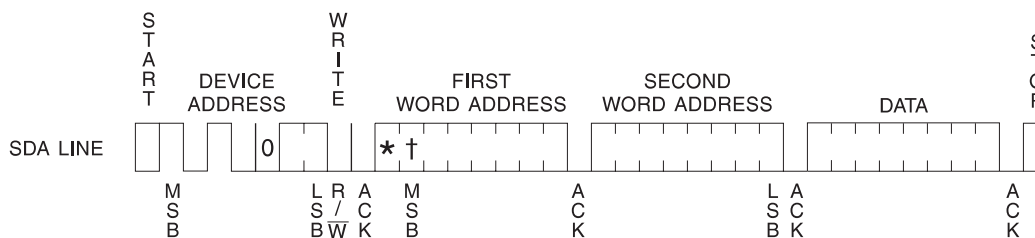
**RANDOM READ:** A random read requires a “dummy” byte write sequence to load in the data word address. Once the device address word and data word address are clocked in and acknowledged by the EEPROM, the microcontroller must generate another start condition. The microcontroller now initiates a current address read by sending a device address with the read/write select bit high. The EEPROM acknowledges the device address and serially clocks out the data word. The microcontroller does not respond with a zero but does generate a following stop condition (refer to Figure 5).

**SEQUENTIAL READ:** Sequential reads are initiated by either a current address read or a random address read. After the microcontroller receives a data word, it responds with an acknowledge. As long as the EEPROM receives an acknowledge, it will continue to increment the data word address and serially clock out sequential data words. When the memory address limit is reached, the data word address will “roll over” and the sequential read will continue. The sequential read operation is terminated when the microcontroller does not respond with a zero but does generate a following stop condition (refer to Figure 6).

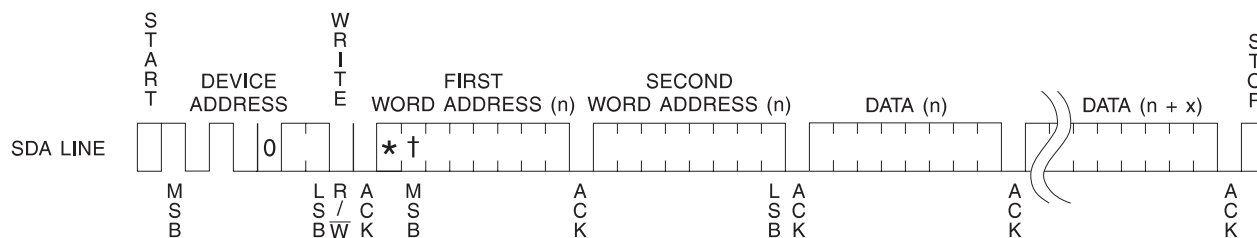
**Figure 1. Device Address**



**Figure 2. Byte Write**



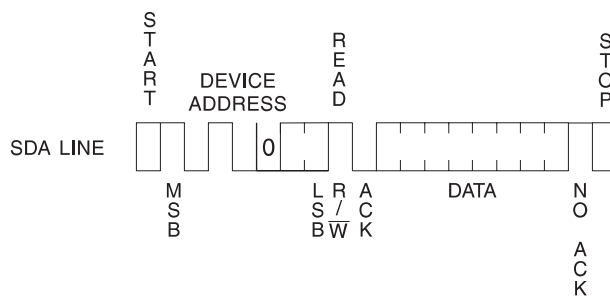
**Figure 3. Page Write**



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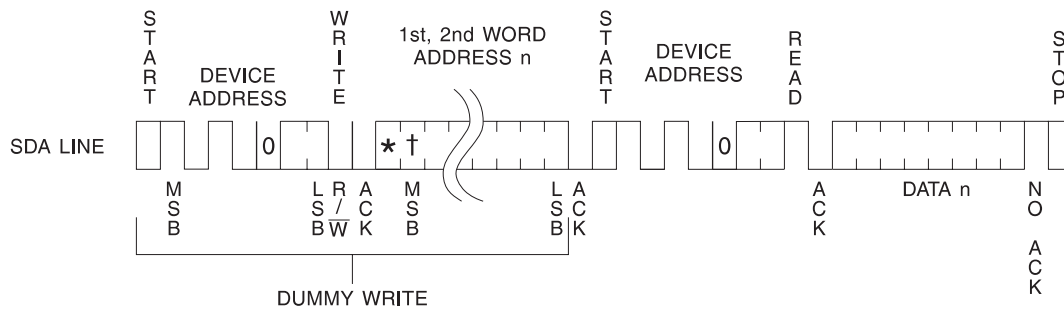
(† = DON'T CARE bit for the 128K)

**Figure 4. Current Address Read**





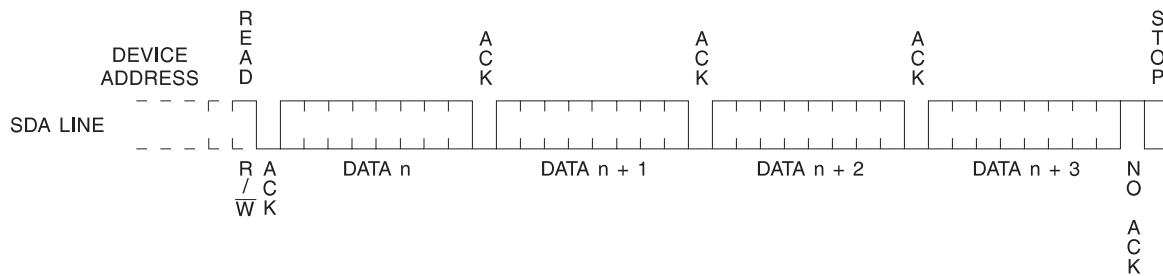
**Figure 5. Random Read**



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**Figure 6. Sequential Read**





## AT24C128 Ordering Information

$t_{WR}$ (max) (ms)	$I_{CC}$ (max) ( $\mu$ A)	$I_{SB}$ (max) ( $\mu$ A)	$f_{MAX}$ (kHz)	Ordering Code	Package	Operation Range
10	3000	6.0	1000	AT24C128-10PC AT24C128N-10SC AT24C128W-10SC AT24C128-10CC AT24C128C1-10CC AT24C128T1-10TC	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Commercial (0°C to 70°C)
	3000	6.0	1000	AT24C128-10PI AT24C128N-10SI AT24C128W-10SI AT24C128-10CI AT24C128C1-10CI AT24C128T1-10TI	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)
10	1500	0.5	400	AT24C128-10PC-2.7 AT24C128N-10SC-2.7 AT24C128W-10SC-2.7 AT24C128-10CC-2.7 AT24C128C1-10CC-2.7 AT24C128T1-10TC-2.7	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Commercial (0°C to 70°C)
	1500	0.5	400	AT24C128-10PI-2.7 AT24C128N-10SI-2.7 AT24C128W-10SI-2.7 AT24C128-10CI-2.7 AT24C128C1-10CI-2.7 AT24C128T1-10TI-2.7	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)

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Options	
<b>Blank</b>	Standard Operation (4.5V to 5.5V)
<b>-2.7</b>	Low-Voltage (2.7V to 5.5V)
<b>-1.8</b>	Low-Voltage (1.8V to 3.6V)

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20	800	0.2	100	AT24C128-10PC-1.8	8P3	Commercial (0°C to 70°C)
				AT24C128N-10SC-1.8	8S1	
				AT24C128W-10SC-1.8	8S2	
				AT24C128-10CC-1.8	8C	
				AT24C128C1-10CC-1.8	8C1	
				AT24C128T1-10TC-1.8	14T	
	800	0.2	100	AT24C128-10PI-1.8	8P3	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)
				AT24C128N-10SI-1.8	8S1	
				AT24C128W-10SI-1.8	8S2	
				AT24C128-10CI-1.8	8C	
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10	3000	6.0	1000	AT24C256-10PC AT24C256N-10SC AT24C256W-10SC AT24C256-10CC AT24C256C1-10CC AT24C256T1-10TC	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Commercial (0°C to 70°C)
	3000	6.0	1000	AT24C256-10PI AT24C256N-10SI AT24C256W-10SI AT24C256-10CI AT24C256C1-10CI AT24C256T1-10TI	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)
10	1500	0.5	400	AT24C256-10PC-2.7 AT24C256N-10SC-2.7 AT24C256W-10SC-2.7 AT24C256-10CC-2.7 AT24C256C1-10CC-2.7 AT24C256T1-10TC-2.7	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Commercial (0°C to 70°C)
	1500	0.5	400	AT24C256-10PI-2.7 AT24C256N-10SI-2.7 AT24C256W-10SI-2.7 AT24C256-10CI-2.7 AT24C256C1-10CI-2.7 AT24C256T1-10TI-2.7	8P3 8S1 8S2 8C 8C1 14T	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)

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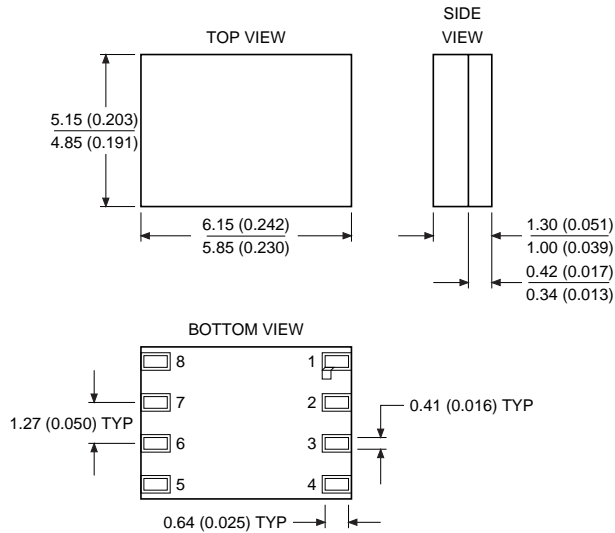
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				AT24C256W-10SC-1.8	8S2	
				AT24C256-10CC-1.8	8C	
				AT24C256C1-10CC-1.8	8C1	
				AT24C256T1-10TC-1.8	14T	
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				AT24C256W-10SI-1.8	8S2	
				AT24C256-10CI-1.8	8C	
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				AT24C256T1-10TI-1.8	14T	

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<b>8C1</b>	8-Lead, 0.300" Wide, Leadless Array Package (LAP)
<b>8P3</b>	8-Lead, 0.300" Wide, Plastic Dual Inline Package (PDIP)
<b>8S1</b>	8-Lead, 0.150" Wide, Plastic Gull Wing Small Outline Package (JEDEC SOIC)
<b>8S2</b>	8-Lead, 0.200" Wide, Plastic Gull Wing Small Outline Package (EIAJ SOIC)
<b>14T</b>	14-Lead, 0.170" Wide, Thin Shrink Small Outline Package (TSSOP)
Options	
<b>Blank</b>	Standard Operation (4.5V to 5.5V)
<b>-2.7</b>	Low-Voltage (2.7V to 5.5V)
<b>-1.8</b>	Low-Voltage (1.8V to 3.6V)

## Packaging Information

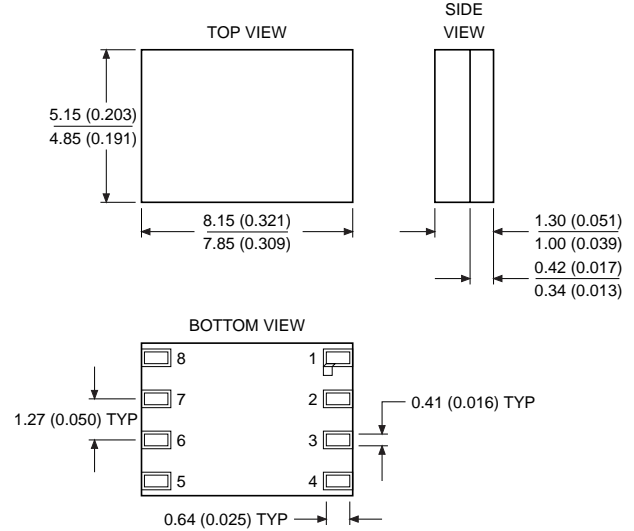
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Dimensions in Inches and (Millimeters)



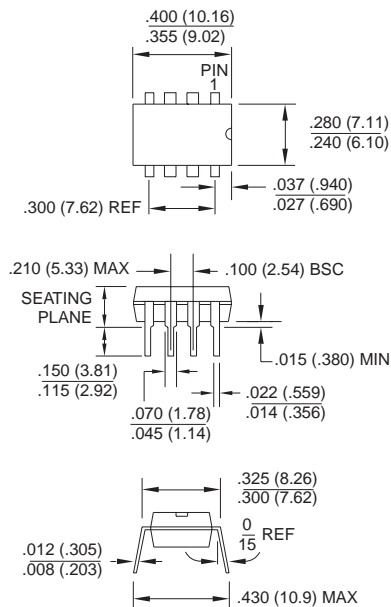
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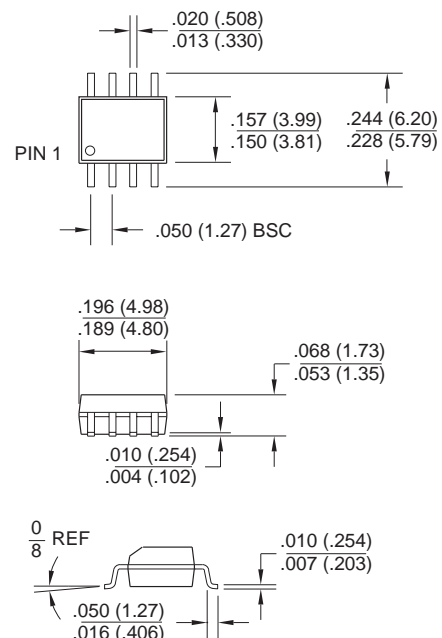
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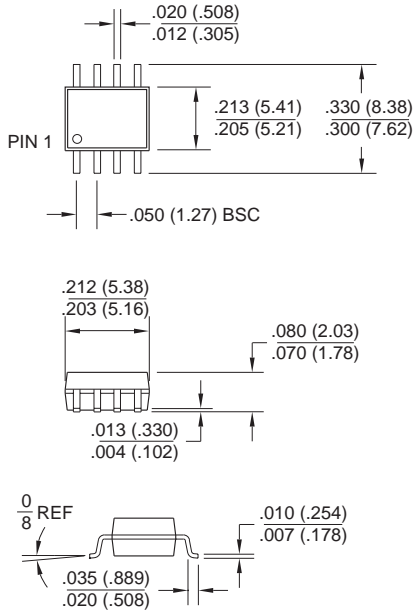
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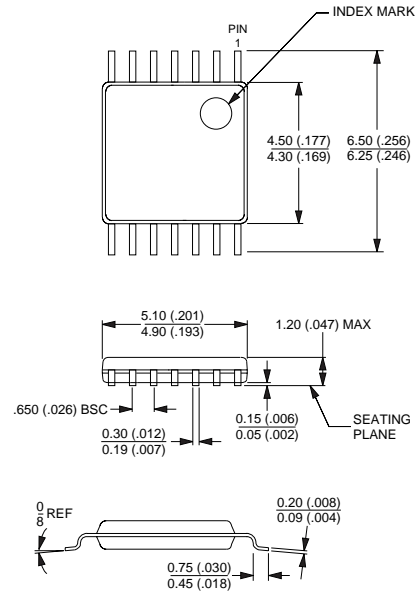


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**8S2**, 8-Lead, 0.200" Wide,  
Plastic Gull Wing Small Outline (EIAJ SOIC)  
Dimensions in Inches and (Millimeters)



**14T**, 14-Lead, 0.170" Wide, Thin Shrink Small  
Outline Package (TSSOP)  
Dimensions in Inches and (Millimeters)



\*Controlling dimension: millimeters

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