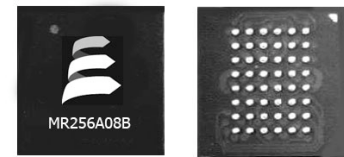


Features

- Fast 35 ns Read/Write Cycle
- SRAM Compatible Timing Uses Existing SRAM Controllers Without Redesign
- Unlimited Read & Write Endurance
- Data Always Non-volatile for >20-years at Temperature
- One Memory Replaces Flash, SRAM, EEPROM and BBRAM in System for Simpler, More Efficient Design
- Replace battery-backed SRAM solutions with MRAM to eliminate battery assembly, reliability, and liability issues
- 3.3 Volt Power Supply
- Automatic Data Protection on Power Loss
- Commercial, Industrial, and Automotive Temperatures
- RoHS-Compliant SRAM-compatible TSOPII Package
- RoHS-Compliant SRAM-compatible BGA Package Shrinks Board Area By Three Times



Introduction

The MR256A08B is a 262,144-bit magnetoresistive random access memory (MRAM) device organized as 32,768 words of 8 bits. The MR256A08B offers SRAM compatible 35 ns read/write timing with unlimited endurance. Data is always non-volatile for greater than 20-years. Data is automatically protected on power loss by low-voltage inhibit circuitry to prevent writes with voltage out of specification. The MR256A08B is the ideal memory solution for applications that must permanently store and retrieve critical data and programs quickly.

The MR256A08B is available in small footprint 400-mil, 44-lead plastic small-outline TSOP type-II package or 8 mm x 8 mm, 48-pin ball grid array (BGA) package with 0.75 mm ball centers. These packages are compatible with similar low-power SRAM products and other non-volatile RAM products.

The MR256A08B provides highly reliable data storage over a wide range of temperatures. The product is offered with commercial temperature (0 to +70 °C), industrial temperature (-40 to +85 °C), and automotive temperature (-40 to +125 °C) range options.

Device Pin Assignment

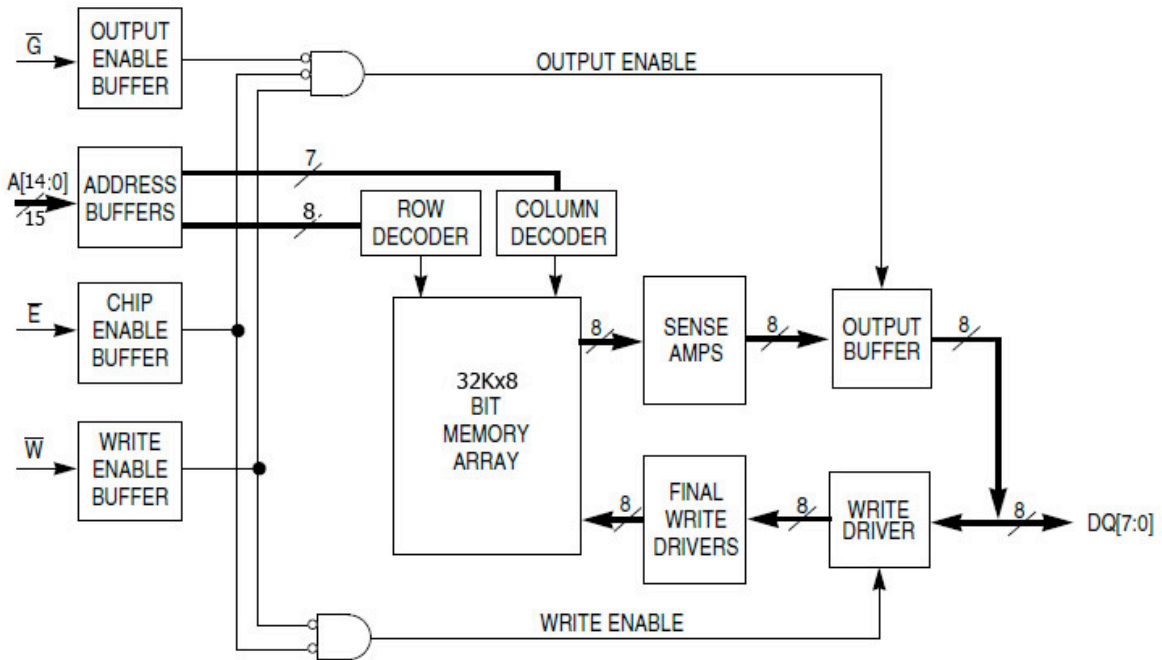
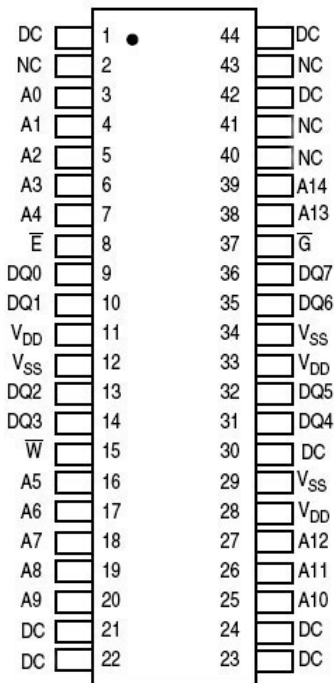


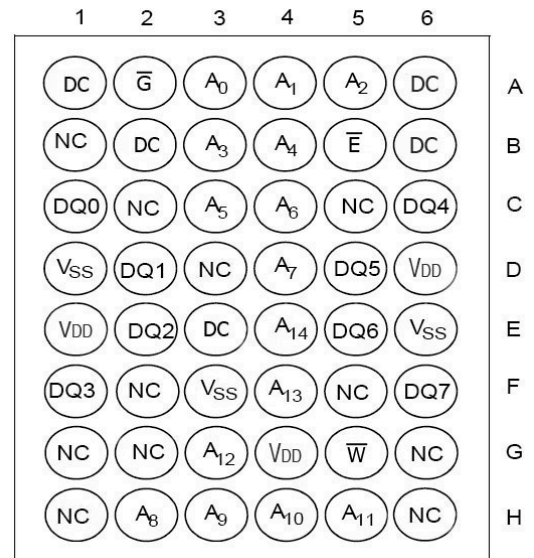
Figure 1. Block Diagram



44-Pin TSOP Type II

Table 1. Pin Functions

Signal Name	Function
A	Address input
\bar{E}	Chip enable
\bar{W}	Write enable
\bar{G}	Output enable
DQ	Data I/O
V _{DD}	Power supply
V _{SS}	Ground
DC	Do not connect this pin
NC	No connect - connection is optional



48-Pin BGA

Table 2. Operating Modes

\overline{E}^1	\overline{G}^1	\overline{W}^1	Mode	V_{DD} Current	DQ[7:0] ²
H	X	X	Not selected	I_{SB1}, I_{SB2}	Hi-Z
L	H	H	Output disabled	I_{DDR}	Hi-Z
L	L	H	Byte read	I_{DDR}	D_{Out}
L	X	L	Byte write	I_{DDW}	D_{In}

NOTES:

¹ H = high, L = low, X = don't care

² Hi-Z = high impedance

Electrical Specifications

Absolute Maximum Ratings

This device contains circuitry to protect the inputs against damage caused by high static voltages or electric fields; however, it is advised that normal precautions be taken to avoid application of any voltage greater than maximum rated voltages to these high-impedance (Hi-Z) circuits.

The device also contains protection against external magnetic fields. Precautions should be taken to avoid application of any magnetic field more intense than the maximum field intensity specified in the maximum ratings.

Absolute Maximum Ratings¹

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Supply voltage ²	V_{DD}	-0.5 to 4.0	V
Voltage on any pin ²	V_{In}	-0.5 to $V_{DD} + 0.5$	V
Output current per pin	I_{Out}	± 20	mA
Package power dissipation ³	P_D	0.600	W
Temperature under bias MR256A08B (Commercial)	T_{Bias}	-10 to 85	°C
Storage temperature	T_{stg}	-55 to 150	°C
Lead temperature during solder (3 minute max)	T_{Lead}	260	°C
Maximum magnetic field during write MR256A08B (All Temperatures)	H_{max_write}	2000	A/m
Maximum magnetic field during read or standby	H_{max_read}	8000	A/m

NOTES:

¹ Permanent device damage may occur if absolute maximum ratings are exceeded. Functional operation should be restricted to recommended operating conditions. Exposure to excessive voltages or magnetic fields could affect device reliability.

² All voltages are referenced to V_{SS} .

³ Power dissipation capability depends on package characteristics and use environment.

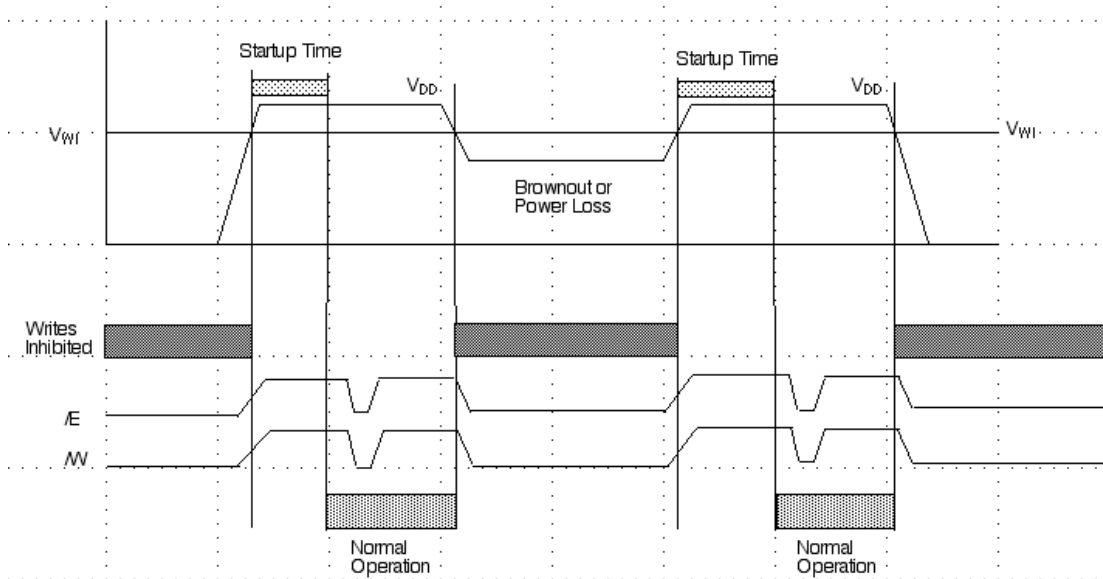
Table 4. Operating Conditions

Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Power supply voltage	V_{DD}	3.0 ¹	3.3	3.6	V
Write inhibit voltage	V_{WI}	2.5	2.7	3.0 ¹	V
Input high voltage	V_{IH}	2.2	—	$V_{DD} + 0.3$ ²	V
Input low voltage	V_{IL}	-0.5 ³	—	0.8	V
Operating temperature MR256A08B (Commercial) MR256A08BC (Industrial) MR256A08BM (Automotive) ⁴	T_A	0 -40 -40		70 85 125	°C

NOTES:

- 1 There is a 2 ms startup time once V_{DD} exceeds V_{DDmin} . See Power up and Powerdown Sequencing section below
- 2 $V_{IH} (max) = V_{DD} + 0.3 V_{dc}$; $V_{IH} (max) = V_{DD} + 2.0 V_{ac}$ (pulse width ≤ 10 ns) for $I \leq 20.0$ mA.
- 3 $V_{IL} (min) = -0.5 V_{dc}$; $V_{IL} (min) = -2.0 V_{ac}$ (pulse width ≤ 10 ns) for $I \leq 20.0$ mA.
- 4 Automotive temperature profile assumes 10% Duty Cycle at Maximum Temperature (2-years out of 20-year Life)



Power Up and Power Down Sequencing

MRAM is protected from write operations whenever V_{DD} is less than V_{WI} . As soon as V_{DD} exceeds V_{DDmin} , there is a startup time of 2 ms before read or write operations can start. This time allows memory power supplies to stabilize. The $/E$ and $/W$ control signals should track V_{DD} on power up to $V_{DD}-0.2v$ or V_{IH} (whichever is lower) and remain high for the startup time. In most systems, this means that these signals should be pulled up with a resistor so that signal remains high if the driving signal is Hi-Z during power up. Any logic that drives $/E$ and $/W$ should hold the signals high with a power-on reset signal for longer than the startup time. During power loss or brownout where V_{DD} goes below V_{WI} , writes are protected and a startup time must be observed when power returns above V_{DDmin} .

dc Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input leakage current	$I_{lkg(I)}$	—	—	±1	μA
Output leakage current	$I_{lkg(O)}$	—	—	±1	μA
Output low voltage ($I_{OL} = +4 \text{ mA}$) ($I_{OL} = +100 \text{ μA}$)	V_{OL}	—	—	0.4 $V_{SS} + 0.2$	V
Output high voltage ($I_{OH} = -4 \text{ mA}$) ($I_{OH} = -100 \text{ μA}$)	V_{OH}	2.4 $V_{DD} - 0.2$	—	—	V

Power Supply Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Typ	Max	Unit
ac active supply current — read modes ¹ ($I_{Out} = 0 \text{ mA}$, $V_{DD} = \text{max}$)	I_{DDR}	30	TBD	mA
ac active supply current — write modes ¹ ($V_{DD} = \text{max}$) MR256A08B (Commercial) MR256A08BC (Industrial) MR256A08BM (Automotive)	I_{DDW}	65 65 65	TBD	mA
ac standby current ($V_{DD} = \text{max}$, $\bar{E} = V_{IH}$) (no other restrictions on other inputs)	I_{SB1}	TBD	TBD	mA
CMOS standby current ($\bar{E} \geq V_{DD} - 0.2 \text{ V}$ and $V_{In} \leq V_{SS} + 0.2 \text{ V}$ or $\geq V_{DD} - 0.2 \text{ V}$) ($V_{DD} = \text{max}$, $f = 0 \text{ MHz}$)	I_{SB2}	5	TBD	mA

NOTES:

¹ All active current measurements are measured with one address transition per cycle and at minimum cycle time.

Timing Specifications

Table 7. Capacitance¹

Parameter	Symbol	Typ	Max	Unit
Address input capacitance	C_{In}	—	6	pF
Control input capacitance	C_{In}	—	6	pF
Input/output capacitance	$C_{I/O}$	—	8	pF

NOTES:

¹ $f = 1.0 \text{ MHz}$, $dV = 3.0 \text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, periodically sampled rather than 100% tested.

Table 8. ac Measurement Conditions

Parameter	Value
Logic input timing measurement reference level	1.5 V
Logic output timing measurement reference level	1.5 V
Logic input pulse levels	0 or 3.0 V
Input rise/fall time	2 ns
Output load for low and high impedance parameters	See Figure 3A
Output load for all other timing parameters	See Figure 3B

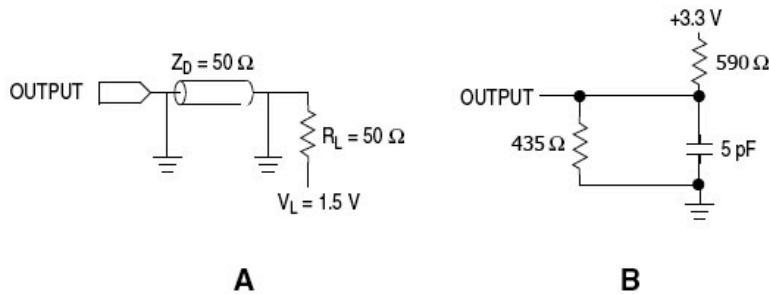


Figure 3. Output Load for ac Test

Timing Specifications

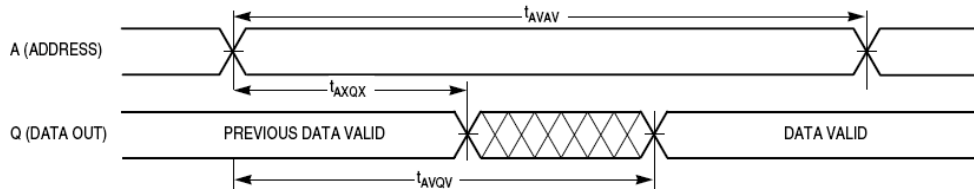
Read Mode

Table 9. Read Cycle Timing^{1,2}

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Read cycle time	t_{AVAV}	35	—	ns
Address access time	t_{AVQV}	—	35	ns
Enable access time ³	t_{ELOV}	—	35	ns
Output enable access time	t_{GLQV}	—	15	ns
Byte enable access time	t_{BLOV}	—	15	ns
Output hold from address change	t_{AXQX}	3	—	ns
Enable low to output active ^{4,5}	t_{ELOX}	3	—	ns
Output enable low to output active ^{4,5}	t_{GLQX}	0	—	ns
Byte enable low to output active ^{4,5}	t_{BLOX}	0	—	ns
Enable high to output Hi-Z ^{4,5}	t_{EHOZ}	0	15	ns
Output enable high to output Hi-Z ^{4,5}	t_{GHOZ}	0	10	ns
Byte high to output Hi-Z ^{4,5}	t_{BHOZ}	0	10	ns

NOTES:

- 1 \bar{W} is high for read cycle.
- 2 Power supplies must be properly grounded and decoupled, and bus contention conditions must be minimized or eliminated during read or write cycles.
- 3 Addresses valid before or at the same time \bar{E} goes low.
- 4 This parameter is sampled and not 100% tested.
- 5 Transition is measured ± 200 mV from steady-state voltage.



NOTES:

Device is continuously selected ($\bar{E} \leq V_{IL}$, $\bar{G} \leq V_{IL}$).

Figure 5. Read Cycle 1

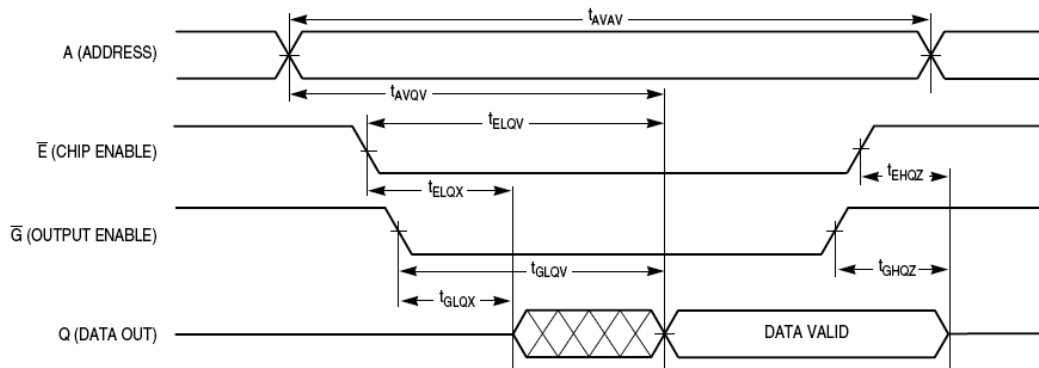


Figure 6. Read Cycle 2

Timing Specifications

Write Mode

Table 10. Write Cycle Timing 1 (\overline{W} Controlled)^{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Write cycle time ⁶	t_{AVAV}	35	—	ns
Address set-up time	t_{AVWL}	0	—	ns
Address valid to end of write (\overline{G} high)	t_{AVWH}	18	—	ns
Address valid to end of write (\overline{G} low)	t_{AVWH}	20	—	ns
Write pulse width (\overline{G} high)	t_{WLWH} t_{WLEH}	15	—	ns
Write pulse width (\overline{G} low)	t_{WLWH} t_{WLEH}	15	—	ns
Data valid to end of write	t_{DVWH}	10	—	ns
Data hold time	t_{WHDX}	0	—	ns
Write low to data Hi-Z ^{7, 8, 9}	t_{WLQZ}	0	12	ns
Write high to output active ^{7, 8, 9}	t_{WHQX}	3	—	ns
Write recovery time	t_{WHAX}	12	—	ns

NOTES:

- 1 A write occurs during the overlap of \overline{E} low and \overline{W} low.
- 2 Power supplies must be properly grounded and decoupled, and bus contention conditions must be minimized or eliminated during read and write cycles
- 3 If \overline{G} goes low at the same time or after \overline{W} goes low, the output will remain in a high-impedance state.
- 4 After \overline{W} , \overline{E} , or $\overline{UB}/\overline{LB}$ has been brought high, the signal must remain in steady-state high for a minimum of 2 ns.
- 5 The minimum time between \overline{E} being asserted low in one cycle to \overline{E} being asserted low in a subsequent cycle is the same as the minimum cycle time allowed for the device.
- 6 All write cycle timings are referenced from the last valid address to the first transition address.
- 7 This parameter is sampled and not 100% tested.
- 8 Transition is measured ± 200 mV from steady-state voltage.
- 9 At any given voltage or temperature, t_{WLQZ} max < t_{WHQX} min.

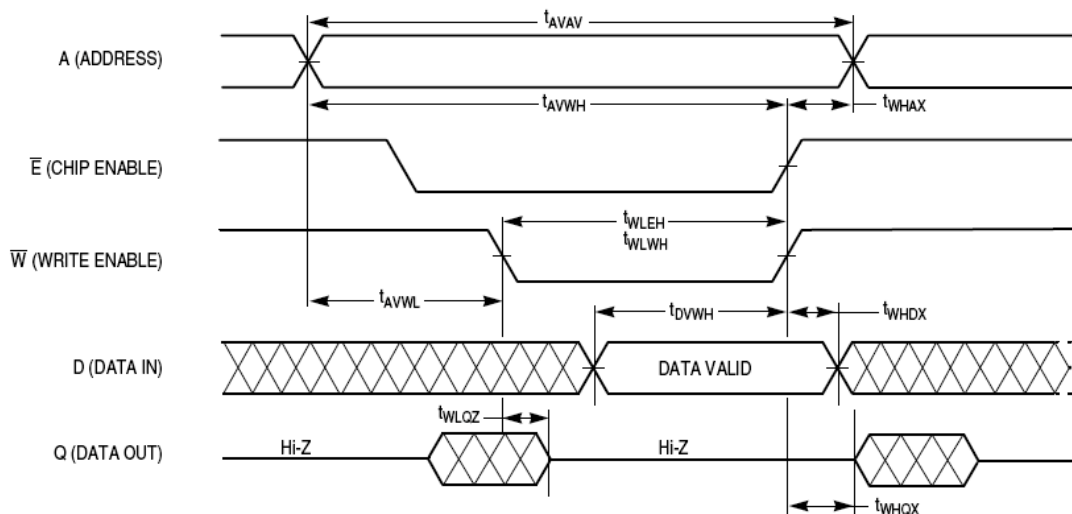


Figure 7. Write Cycle 1 (\overline{W} Controlled)

Timing Specifications

Table 11. Write Cycle Timing 2 (\overline{E} Controlled)^{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Write cycle time ⁶	t_{AVAV}	35	—	ns
Address set-up time	t_{AVEL}	0	—	ns
Address valid to end of write (\overline{G} high)	t_{AVEH}	18	—	ns
Address valid to end of write (\overline{G} low)	t_{AVEH}	20	—	ns
Enable to end of write (\overline{G} high)	t_{ELEH} t_{ELWH}	15	—	ns
Enable to end of write (\overline{G} low) ^{7, 8}	t_{ELEH} t_{ELWH}	15	—	ns
Data valid to end of write	t_{DVEH}	10	—	ns
Data hold time	t_{EHDX}	0	—	ns
Write recovery time	t_{EHAX}	12	—	ns

NOTES:

- 1 A write occurs during the overlap of \overline{E} low and \overline{W} low.
- 2 Power supplies must be properly grounded and decoupled, and bus contention must be minimized or eliminated during read and write cycles.
- 3 If \overline{G} goes low at the same time or after \overline{W} goes low, the output will remain in a high-impedance state.
- 4 After \overline{W} , \overline{E} , or $\overline{UB/LB}$ has been brought high, the signal must remain in steady-state high for a minimum of 2 ns.
- 5 The minimum time between \overline{E} being asserted low in one cycle to \overline{E} being asserted low in a subsequent cycle is the same as the minimum cycle time allowed for the device.
- 6 All write cycle timings are referenced from the last valid address to the first transition address.
- 7 If \overline{E} goes low at the same time or after \overline{W} goes low, the output will remain in a high-impedance state.
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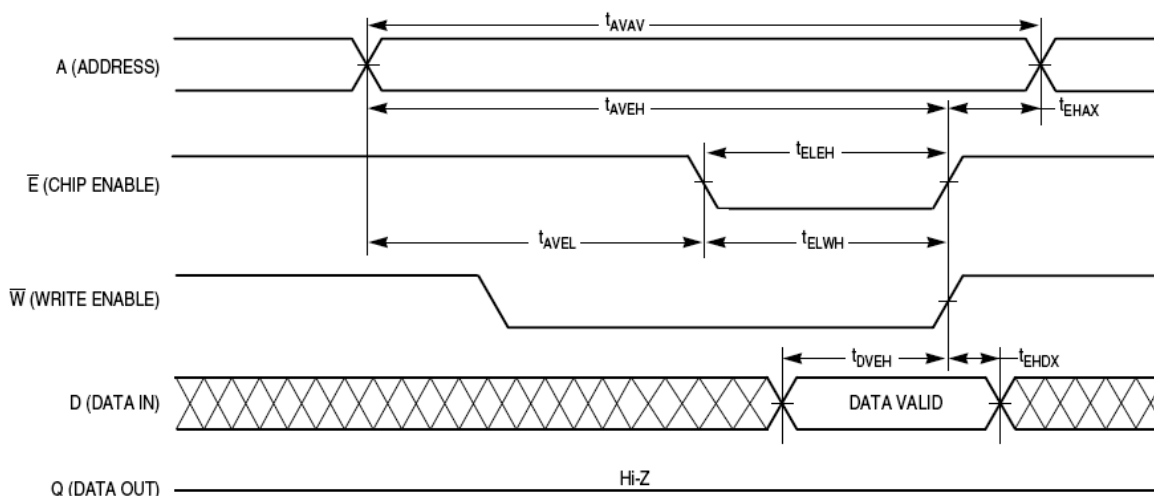
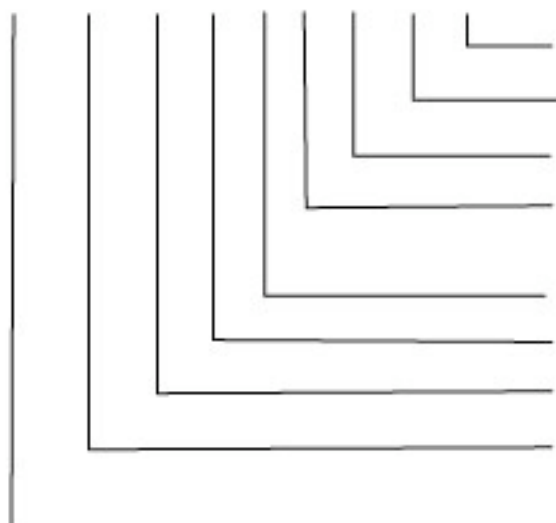


Figure 8. Write Cycle 2 (\overline{E} Controlled)

Ordering Information

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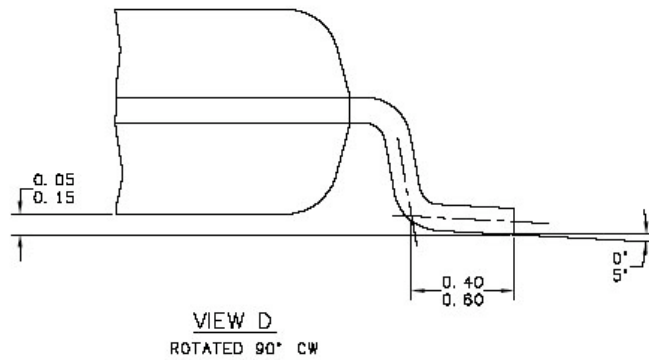
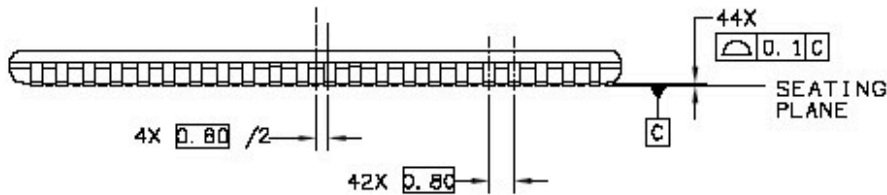
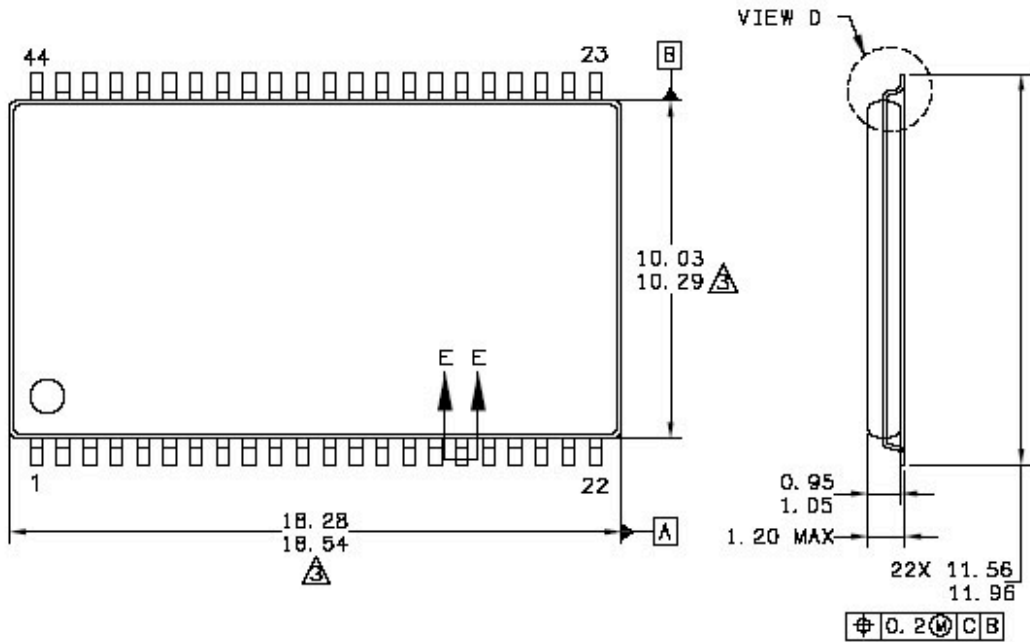
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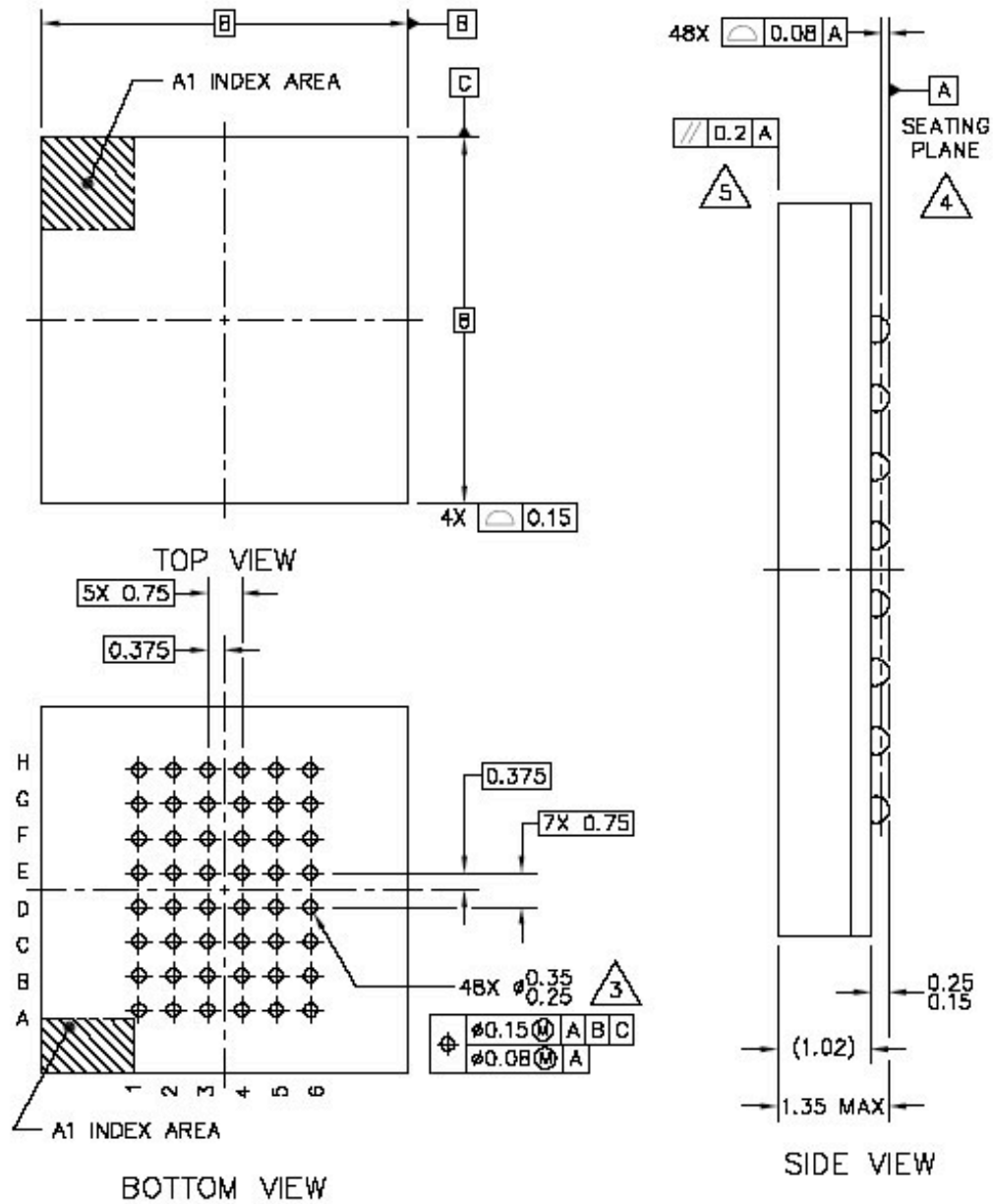
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 Speed (35 ns)
 Package (YS=TSOPII, MA=BGA)
 Temperature Range (Blank=0 to 70°C, C=-40 to +85°C, M=-40 to +125°C)
 Revision (A=180 nm, B=130 nm)
 Data Width (08=8-bit, 16=16-bit)
 Type (A=Asynchronous, S=Synchronous)
 Density (256=256Kb, 0=1Mb, 1=2Mb, 2=4Mb, 4=16Mb)
 Magneto-resistive RAM (MR)

Part Number	Description	Temperature
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MR256A08BMA35	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 48-BGA	Commercial
MR256A08BCYS35	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 44-TSOP	Industrial
MR256A08BCYS35R	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 44-TSOP T&R	Industrial
MR256A08BCMA35	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 48-BGA	Industrial
MR256A08BMYS35	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 44-TSOP	Automotive
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MR256A08BMMA35	3.3 V 32Kx8 MRAM 48-BGA	Automotive

Mechanical Drawing (44-TSOP)



Mechanical Drawing (48-BGA)



NOTES:

1. ALL DIMENSIONS IN MILLIMETERS.
2. DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING PER ASME Y14.5M-1994.
3. MAXIMUM SOLDER BALL DIAMETER MEASURED PARALLEL TO DATUM A.
4. DATUM A, THE SEATING PLANE, IS DETERMINED BY THE SPHERICAL CROWNS OF THE SOLDER BALLS.
5. PARALLELISM MEASUREMENT SHALL EXCLUDE ANY EFFECT OF MARK ON TOP SURFACE OF PACKAGE.

Revision History

Revision	Date	Description of Change
0	Sep 12, 2008	Initial Advance Information Release
1	Mar 25, 2009	Add Industrial and Automotive Temperature Options