- 3 1/2 DIGIT LED DRIVER (23 segments)
- CURRENT GENERATOR OUTPUTS (no resistors required)
- CONTINUOUS BRIGHTNESS CONTROL
- SERIAL DATA INPUT
- NO LOAD SIGNAL REQUIRED
- WIDE SUPPLY VOLTAGE OPERATION
- TTL COMPATIBILITY


## Applications examples

- MICROPROCESSOR DISPLAYS
- INDUSTRIAL CONTROL INDICATION
- RELAY DRIVER
- INSTRUMENTATION READOUTS


## DESCRIPTION

The M5480 is a monolithic MOS integrated circuit produced with a N -channel silicon gate technology. It utilizes the M5451 die packaged in a 28-pin plas-tic package making it ideal for a $31 / 2$ digit dispaly. Asingle pin controls the LED dispaly brightness by setting a reference current through a variable resistor connected either to $V_{D D}$ or to a separate supply of 13.2 V maximum.
The M5480 is a pin-to-pin replacement of the NS MM 5480.


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PIN CONNECTIONS


## BLOCK DIAGRAM (Figure 1)



## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

| Symbol | Parameter | Value | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $V_{D D}$ | Supply Voltage | -0.3 to 15 | V |
| $V_{1}$ | Input Voltage | -0.3 to 15 | V |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{O} \text { (off) }}$ | Off State Output Voltage | 15 | V |
| 10 | Output Sink Current | 40 | mA |
| $\mathrm{P}_{\text {tot }}$ | Total Package Power Dissipation at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ at $85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 940 \\ & 490 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{mW} \\ & \mathrm{~mW} \end{aligned}$ |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | Junction Temperature | 150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Toper | Operating Temperature Range | $-25,+85$ | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\text {stg }}$ | Storage Temperature Range | $-65,+150$ | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

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

## STATIC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(Tamb within operating range, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}=4.75 \mathrm{~V}$ to 13.2 V , $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{SS}}=0 \mathrm{~V}$,unless otherwise specified)

| Symbol | Parameter |  | Test Conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| VDD | Supply Voltage |  |  | 4.75 |  | 13.2 | V |
| ldD | Supply Current |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}=13.2 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 7 | mA |
| V | Input Voltages | Logical "0" Level Logical "1" Level | $\begin{aligned} & \pm 10 \mu \mathrm{~A} \text { Input Bias } \\ & 4.75 \leq \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}} \leq 5.25 \\ & \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DD}}>5.25 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} -0.3 \\ 2.2 \\ V_{D D}-2 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.8 \\ & V_{D D} \\ & V_{D D} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |
| IB | Brightness Input | Current (note 2) |  | 0 |  | 0.75 | mA |
| $V_{B}$ | Brightness Input | Voltage (pin 13) | Input Current $=750 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{~T}_{\text {amb }}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 3 |  | 4.3 | V |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {O(off) }}$ | Off State Outpu | Voltage |  |  | 13.2 | 18 | V |
| 10 | Output Sink C Segment OFF Segment ON | ent (note 3) | $\begin{array}{\|l} \mathrm{Vo}=3 \mathrm{~V} \\ \mathrm{Vo}=1 \mathrm{~V}(\text { note } 4) \\ \text { Brightness } \operatorname{In} .=0 \mu \mathrm{~A} \\ \text { Brightness } \mathrm{In} .=100 \mu \mathrm{~A} \\ \text { Brightness } \operatorname{In} .=750 \mu \mathrm{~A} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 2 \\ 12 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.7 \\ & 15 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10 \\ 10 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 25 \end{gathered}$ | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ <br> $\mu \mathrm{A}$ <br> mA <br> mA |
| $\mathrm{f}_{\text {clock }}$ | Input Clock Fre | uency |  | 0 |  | 0.5 | MHz |
| lo | Output Matchin | (note 1) |  |  |  | $\pm 20$ | \% |

Notes: 1. Output matching is calculated as the percent variation from $I_{\operatorname{MAX}}+I_{\operatorname{MIN}} / 2$.
2. With a fixed resistor on the brightness input some variation in brightness will occur from one device to another.
3. Absolute maximum for each output should be limited to 40 mA .
4. The $\mathrm{V}_{0}$ voltage should be regulated by the user

## FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The M5480 is specifically designed to operate $31 / 2$ digit alphanumeric displays with minimal interface with the display and the data source. Serial data transfer from the data source to the display driver is accomplished with 2 signals, serial data and clock. Using a format of a leading "1" followed by the 35 data bits allows data transfer without an additional load signal. The 35 data bits are latched after the 36th bit is complete, thus providing nonmultiplexed, direct drive to the display.
Outputs change only if the serial data bits differ from the previous time.
Display brightness is determined by control of the output current for LED displays. A 1 nF capacitor should be connected to brightness control, pin 13, to prevent possible oscillations.

A block diagram is shown in Figure 1. The output current is typically 20 times greater than the current into pin 13, which is set by an external variable resistor.

There is an internal limiting resistor of $400 \Omega$ nominal value.
Figure 2 shows the input data format. A start bit of logical "1" precedes the 35 bits of data. At the 36 th clock a LOAD signal is generated synchronously with the high state of the clock, which loads the 35 bits of the shift registers into the latches.
At the low state of the clock a RESET signal is generated which clears all the shift registers for the next set of data. The shift registers are static mas-ter-slave configurations. There is no clear for the master portion of the first register, thus allowing continuous operation.

Figure 2 : Input Data Format


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There must be a complete set of 36 clocks or the shift registers will not clear.
When power is first applied to the chip an internal power ON reset signal is generated which resets all registers and all latches. The START bit and the first clock return the chip to its normal operation.
Figure 3 shows the timing relationships between Data, and Clock. A maximum clock frequency of 0.5 MHz is assumed.

Figure 4 shows the Output Data Format for the M5480. Because it uses only 23 of the possible 35 outputs, 12 of the bits are "Don't Care".
For applications where a lesser number of outputs are used, it is possible to either increase the current per output, or operate the part at higher than 1 V Vout.
The following equation can be used for calculations.
$\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{j}}=\left[(\right.$ Vout $)\left(\right.$ LLed) (No.of segments) $+\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}} .7 \mathrm{~mA}$ ] $\left(132^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}\right)+$ Tamb
where:
$\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{j}}$ = junction temperature $\left(150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ max)
Vout = the voltage at the LED driver outputs
LLED = the LED current
$132^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}=$ thermal coefficient of the package
Tamb $=$ ambient temperature
Figure 3


Figure 4 : Serial Data Bus / Outputs Correspondance

| 5451 | 35 | 34 | 33 | 32 | 31 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 19 | START |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5480 | X | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 19 | X | X | 18 | X | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | X | START |  |
| 5451 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | START |
| 5480 | X | X | X | 11 | 10 | 9 | 8 | X | X | X | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | X | START |

## TYPICAL APPLICATION

BASIC 3 1/2 Digit Interface.


## POWER DISSIPATION OF THE IC

The power dissipation of the IC can be limited using different configurations.


In this application R must be chosen taking into account the worst operating conditions.
$R$ is determined by the maximum number of segments activated.
$R=\frac{V_{C}-V_{\text {DMAX }}-V_{\text {OUT MIN }}}{N_{\text {MAX }} \cdot I_{D}}$

The worst case condition for the device is when roughly half of the maximum number of segments are activated.
It must be checked that the total power dissipation does not exceed the absolute maximum ratings of the device.
In critical cases more resistors can be used in conjunction with groups of segments.
In this case the current variation in the single resistor is reduced and $P_{\text {tot }}$ limited.


In this configuration the drop on the serial connected diodes is quite stable if the diodes are properly chosen.
The total power dissipation of the IC depends, in a first approximation, only on the number of segments activated.


In this configuration VOUT $+\mathrm{V}_{\text {D }}$ is constant. The total power dissipation of the IC depends only on the number of segments activated.

## PACKAGE MECHANICAL DATA

## 28 PINS - PLASTIC DIP



| Dimensions | Millimeters |  |  | Inches |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Min. | Typ. | Max. |
| a1 |  | 0.63 |  |  | 0.025 |  |
| b |  | 0.45 |  |  | 0.018 |  |
| b1 | 0.23 |  | 0.31 | 0.009 |  | 0.012 |
| b2 |  | 1.27 |  |  | 0.050 |  |
| D |  |  | 37.4 |  |  | 1.470 |
| E | 15.2 |  | 16.68 | 0.598 |  | 0.657 |
| e |  | 2.54 |  |  | 0.100 |  |
| e3 |  | 33.02 |  |  | 1.300 |  |
| F |  |  | 14.1 |  |  | 0.555 |
| i |  | 4.445 |  |  | 0.175 |  |
| L |  | 3.3 |  |  | 0.130 |  |

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