

## 4-Channel Low-Noise Amplifier

### Features

- ▶ 2.5V  $\pm$  0.125V operation
- ▶ 4 independent channels
- ▶ Fully differential inputs and outputs
- ▶ 0.74nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  input-referred noise at 18.5dB gain
- ▶ Ultra low current noise 0.35pA/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- ▶ 600k $\Omega$  /17.5pF internal input impedance
- ▶ 100MHz amplifier bandwidth
- ▶ Linear-in-dB continuous variable gain control
- ▶ Four digital programmable gain settings for PGA
- ▶ 60MHz whole channel bandwidth at maximum gain
- ▶ 70dB maximum channel gain
- ▶ Variable gain scaling control
- ▶ Active input impedance matching

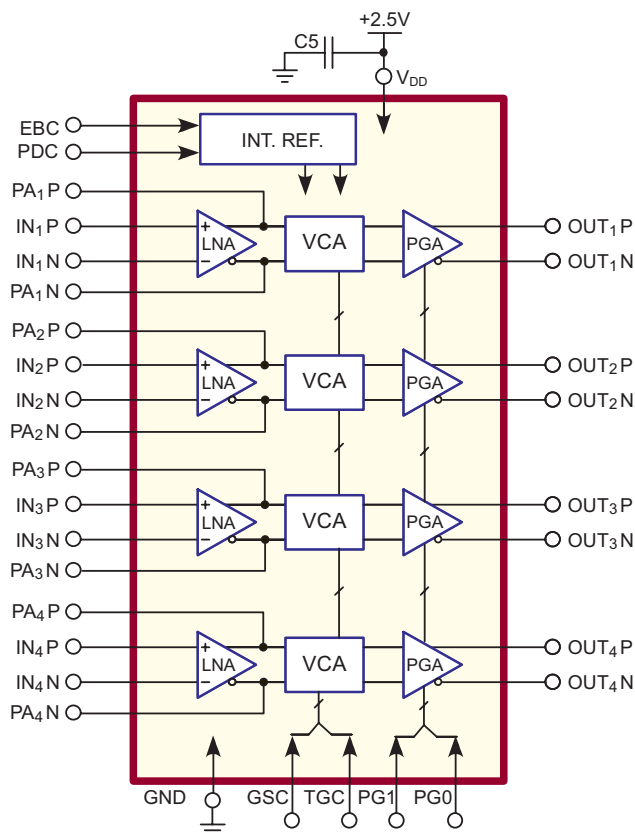
### General Description

The MD3880 is a 4-channel, variable gain amplifier (VGA) paired with a low noise amplifier (LNA) that delivers fully differential input and output for ultrasound applications. The 18.5dB gain of the LNA allows the whole channel to have 0.74nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  of input-referred voltage noise at 5MHz. The LNA is capable of active impedance control to improve noise performance, provided that the applications can take advantage of input impedance matching. The output of the LNA is fed directly into the VGA without using an external coupling capacitor. The VGA is composed of a voltage controlled attenuator (VCA) and a programmable gain amplifier (PGA). The VCA can be continuously varied linear-in-dB by a control voltage ( $V_{\text{TGC}}$ ) from 0dB to a maximum 47dB. In addition, the gain of the PGA can be varied between four discrete settings.

### Applications

- ▶ Medical ultrasound receiver LNA & TGC
- ▶ Doppler signal amplification
- ▶ Transducer signal conditioning

### Typical Application Circuit



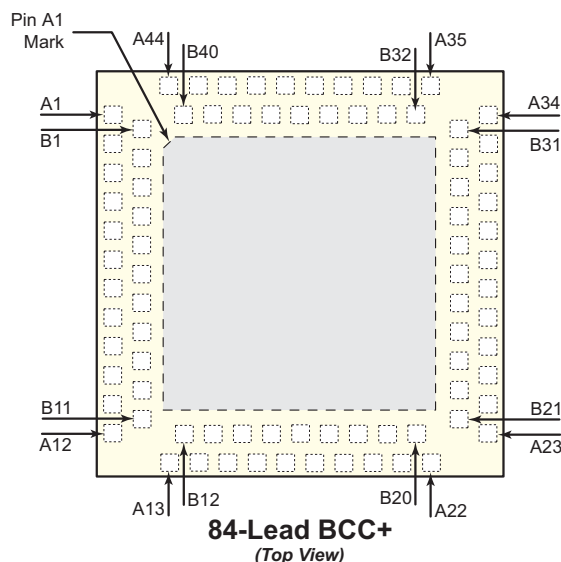
## Ordering Information

| Device | Package Option                                                       |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
|        | 84-Lead BCC+<br>7x7mm body,<br>0.80mm height (max.),<br>0.50mm pitch |
| MD3880 | MD3880B2-G                                                           |

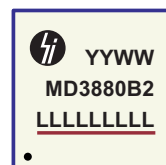
-G indicates package is RoHS compliant ("Green")



## Pin Configuration



## Product Marking



L = Lot Number  
YY = Year Sealed  
WW = Week Sealed  
— = "Green" Packaging

84-Lead BCC+ Package

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                              | Value             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|
| $V_{DD}$ , positive supply             | -0.5V to +3.5V    |
| $V_{IN}$ , any input pin voltage range | -0.5V to $V_{DD}$ |
| Operating temperature                  | -40°C to +85°C    |
| Storage temperature                    | -65°C to +150°C   |
| Power dissipation                      | 2.0W              |

Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these conditions is not implied. Continuous operation of the device at the absolute rating level may affect device reliability. All voltages are referenced to device ground.

## Operating Supply Voltages

(Over operating conditions unless otherwise specified,  $V_{DD} = +2.5V$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$ )

| Sym       | Parameter               | Min   | Typ | Max   | Units | Conditions                               |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|------------------------------------------|
| $V_{DD}$  | Power supply            | 2.375 | 2.5 | 2.625 | V     | $T_A = -40^\circ C$ to $+85^\circ C$     |
| $I_{DDQ}$ | $V_{DD}$ supply current | -     | -   | 45    | mA    | Power down, PDC=1, total of all channels |
| $I_{DD}$  | $V_{DD}$ supply current | -     | 75  | -     | mA    | PDC = 0                                  |
| PWR       | Power dissipation       | -     | 700 | -     | mW    | Total of all channels                    |
|           |                         | -     | 175 | -     | mW    | Per channel                              |
| PSRR      | PSRR                    | -     | -60 | -     | dB    | f = 100kHz                               |

## Logic Data and Clock Inputs Characteristics

(Over operating conditions unless otherwise specified,  $V_{DD} = +2.5V$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$ )

| Sym      | Parameter                   | Min         | Typ | Max         | Units   | Conditions |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|-------------|---------|------------|
| $V_{IH}$ | Input logic high voltage    | $0.8V_{DD}$ | -   | $V_{DD}$    | V       | ---        |
| $V_{IL}$ | Input logic low voltage     | 0           | -   | $0.2V_{DD}$ | V       | ---        |
| $I_{IH}$ | Input logic high current    | -           | -   | 1.0         | $\mu A$ | ---        |
| $I_{IL}$ | Input logic low current     | -1.0        | -   | -           | $\mu A$ | ---        |
| $C_{IN}$ | Input logic pin capacitance | -           | 10  | -           | pF      | ---        |

## Electrical Characteristics

(All typical values are under the condition of  $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{DD} = 2.5\text{V}$ , Load resistance =  $1\text{k}\Omega$  across the differential outputs,  $C_{LOAD} = 1\text{pF}$ ,  $f_{IN} = 10\text{MHz}$ ,  $PG0 = 0$ ,  $PG1 = 0$ ,  $V_{GSC} = 2.5\text{V}$ ,  $V_{CM} = 1.25\text{V}$ ,  $GAIN_{LNA} = 18.5\text{dB}$ , Single-ended input:  $R_S = R_{IN} = 50\Omega$ .  $R_{IN}$  is formed by active termination with  $R_{FB} = 237\Omega$  and  $C_{FB}$ , Differential signal output, unless otherwise noted.)

### Low Noise Amplifier

| Sym            | Parameter                   | Min | Typ       | Max | Units                        | Conditions                                                            |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $G_{LNA}$      | Amplifier gain              | -   | 18.5      | -   | dB                           | ---                                                                   |
| $R_{IN}$       | Input resistance            | -   | 600       | -   | $\text{k}\Omega$             | Without active termination                                            |
| $C_{IN}$       | Input capacitance           | -   | 17.5      | -   | pF                           | Without active termination                                            |
| $I_{BIAS}$     | Input bias current          | -   | 1         | -   | nA                           | From ESD leakage                                                      |
| CMRR           | Common mode rejection ratio | -   | -65       | -   | dB                           | $PG0 = PG1 = V_{DD}$ , $V_{TGC} = 2.0\text{V}$ , $f = 1\text{MHz}$    |
| $V_{IN}$       | Input voltage range         | -   | $\pm 210$ | -   | mV                           | AC-coupled                                                            |
| $V_{IN-NOISE}$ | Input voltage noise, 5MHz   | -   | 0.74      | -   | $\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ | Without active termination                                            |
| $I_{IN-NOISE}$ | Input current noise         | -   | 0.35      | -   | $\text{pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ | Without active termination                                            |
| NF             | Noise figure                | -   | 2.3       | -   | dB                           | $f = 5\text{MHz}$ , without active termination                        |
|                |                             | -   | 3.7       | -   | dB                           | $R_S = R_{IN} = 50\Omega$ , $f = 5\text{MHz}$ with active termination |
| BW             | Bandwidth                   | -   | 100       | -   | MHz                          | Small signal bandwidth                                                |

### Overall Channel

| Sym            | Parameter                            | Min | Typ      | Max | Units                        | Conditions                                          |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|-----|----------|-----|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Gain           | Whole channel gain                   | -   | 70       | -   | dB                           | Without active termination, max. gain               |
| $BW_{VGA}$     | -3dB bandwidth                       | -   | 60       | -   | MHz                          | Small signal bandwidth at max. gain                 |
| $SR_{VGA}$     | Slew rate                            | -   | 500      | -   | $\text{V}/\mu\text{s}$       | ---                                                 |
| $VO_{VGA}$     | Output signal range                  | -   | 4        | -   | $V_{PP}$                     | $RL > 1\text{k}\Omega$ differentially               |
| $R_{OUT}$      | Output Impedance                     | -   | 3        | -   | $\Omega$                     | $f = 5\text{MHz}$ , single ended                    |
| $I_{OUTS}$     | Output short-circuit current         | -   | $\pm 40$ | -   | mA                           | ---                                                 |
| $V_{IN-NOISE}$ | Input voltage noise                  | -   | 0.8      | -   | $\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ | At max. gain and 5MHz                               |
| IMD            | Intermodulation distortion, two-tone | -   | -76      | -   | dBc                          | 1MHz, $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 30dB gain               |
|                |                                      | -   | -70      | -   |                              | 10MHz, $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 30dB gain              |
| HD3            | Third harmonic distortion            | -   | -73      | -   | dBc                          | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 1MHz, 30dB gain               |
|                |                                      | -   | -69      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 10MHz, 30dB gain              |
|                |                                      | -   | -55      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 1MHz, 10dB gain               |
|                |                                      | -   | -47      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 10MHz, 10dB gain              |
| HD2            | Second harmonic distortion           | -   | -87      | -   | dBc                          | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 1MHz, 30dB gain               |
|                |                                      | -   | -70      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 10MHz, 30dB gain              |
|                |                                      | -   | -53      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 1MHz, 10dB gain               |
|                |                                      | -   | -51      | -   |                              | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , 10MHz, 10dB gain              |
| $A_{OUT1dB}$   | 1dB compression point                | -   | -1.3     | -   | dBm                          | $V_{OUT} = 1V_{PP}$ , $f = 10\text{MHz}$ , 8dB gain |

## Overall Channel

| Sym                 | Parameter                            | Min | Typ     | Max | Units | Conditions                                                                           |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|---------|-----|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CSTK                | Crosstalk                            | -   | -78     | -   | dB    | PG0 and PG1 = 1, 30dB gain, 1MHz, 1V <sub>PP</sub> at adjacent channel               |
| $\Delta t_{gd}$     | Group delay variation                | -   | $\pm 2$ | -   | ns    | 2 MHz < f < 50 MHz, Full Gain Range                                                  |
| $t_{OLR}$           | Overload recovery time               | -   | 5       | -   | ns    | 8dB Gain, V <sub>IN</sub> = 50mV <sub>PP</sub> to 1V <sub>PP</sub> change, f = 10MHz |
| V <sub>DC-OUT</sub> | DC output level, V <sub>IN</sub> = 0 | -   | 1.25    | -   | V     | ---                                                                                  |

**Note:** V<sub>IN</sub> is the voltage at the non-inverting node of the amplifier.

## Accuracy

| Sym                 | Parameter                | Min | Typ       | Max | Units | Conditions                                                             |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----|-----------|-----|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| G <sub>SLOPE</sub>  | Gain slope               | 31  | 33        | 35  | dB/V  | V <sub>GSC</sub> = 2.5V                                                |
| G <sub>MAT</sub>    | Ch. to ch. gain matching | -   | $\pm 0.1$ | -   | dB    | V <sub>TGC</sub> = 0V or 2.0V                                          |
| E <sub>GAIN</sub>   | Gain error               | -   | $\pm 0.8$ | -   | dB    | Referenced to best fit dB-linear curve, 0.5V < V <sub>TGC</sub> < 1.7V |
| V <sub>OS-OUT</sub> | Output offset voltage    | -   | $\pm 20$  | -   | mV    | Reference to 1.25V                                                     |

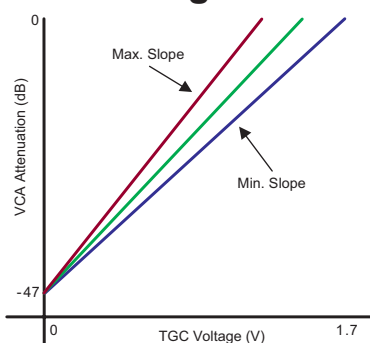
## Gain Control Interface

| Sym               | Parameter               | Min | Typ | Max | Units      | Conditions                                  |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|---------------------------------------------|
| V <sub>TGC</sub>  | Gain control voltage    | 0   | -   | 2   | V          | Linear in dB, See gain scaling diagram      |
| V <sub>GSC</sub>  | Gain slope voltage      | 2.0 | -   | 2.5 | V          | About 41dB/V at 2.0V and 33dB/V at 2.5V     |
| R <sub>GSC</sub>  | Input resistance of GSC | -   | 120 | -   | k $\Omega$ | ---                                         |
| R <sub>TGC</sub>  | Input resistance of TGC | -   | 1.5 | -   | M $\Omega$ | Connected to $\frac{3}{4}$ V <sub>GSC</sub> |
| td <sub>TGC</sub> | Response time           | -   | 0.2 | -   | $\mu$ s    | 95% full gain change                        |

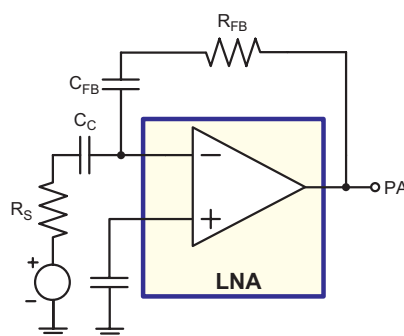
## PGA Gain Control Table

| PG1, PG0 | PGA Gain (dB) |
|----------|---------------|
| 0,0      | 35            |
| 0,1      | 40.5          |
| 1,0      | 46            |
| 1,1      | 51.5          |

## TGC and GSC Voltage for Gain Scaling



## Configurations for Active Feedback



## Pin Configuration

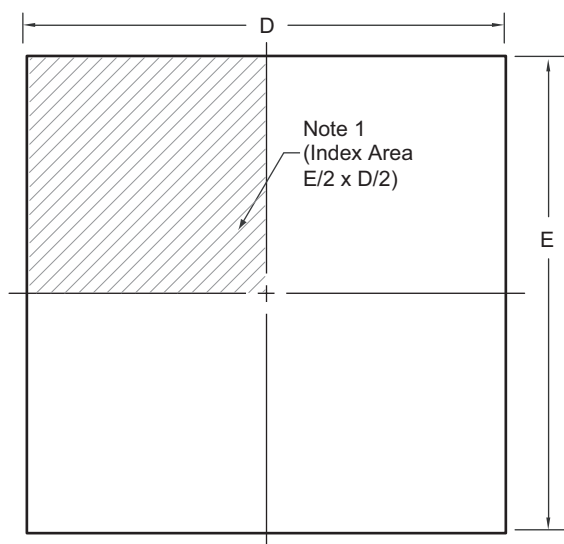
| Pin # | Pin Name          | Pin # | Pin Name           | Pin # | Pin Name          | Pin # | Pin Name           |
|-------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|--------------------|
| A1    | IN <sub>1</sub> P | A22   | AGND               | A43   | GND               | B20   | NC                 |
| A2    | IN <sub>1</sub> N | A23   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   | A44   | AGND              | B21   | OUT <sub>4</sub> P |
| A3    | PA <sub>1</sub> P | A24   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   | B1    | PA <sub>1</sub> N | B22   | CM4                |
| A4    | PA <sub>2</sub> N | A25   | AGND               | B2    | AV <sub>DD</sub>  | B23   | OUT <sub>4</sub> N |
| A5    | AV <sub>DD</sub>  | A26   | OUT <sub>3</sub> P | B3    | AGND              | B24   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   |
| A6    | PA <sub>2</sub> P | A27   | CM3                | B4    | IN <sub>2</sub> P | B25   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   |
| A7    | PA <sub>3</sub> N | A28   | OUT <sub>3</sub> N | B5    | IN <sub>2</sub> N | B26   | AGND               |
| A8    | AV <sub>DD</sub>  | A29   | OUT <sub>2</sub> P | B6    | AGND              | B27   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   |
| A9    | PA <sub>3</sub> P | A30   | CM2                | B7    | IN <sub>3</sub> P | B28   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   |
| A10   | AGND              | A31   | OUT <sub>2</sub> N | B8    | IN <sub>3</sub> N | B29   | AGND               |
| A11   | IN <sub>4</sub> P | A32   | OUT <sub>1</sub> P | B9    | PA <sub>4</sub> N | B30   | CM1                |
| A12   | IN <sub>4</sub> N | A33   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   | B10   | AV <sub>DD</sub>  | B31   | OUT <sub>1</sub> N |
| A13   | AGND              | A34   | AV <sub>DD</sub>   | B11   | PA <sub>4</sub> P | B32   | NC                 |
| A14   | AGND              | A35   | AGND               | B12   | NC                | B33   | NC                 |
| A15   | EBC               | A36   | GND                | B13   | GND               | B34   | NC                 |
| A16   | AGND              | A37   | V <sub>DD</sub>    | B14   | PDC               | B35   | NC                 |
| A17   | GSC               | A38   | V <sub>DD</sub>    | B15   | AV <sub>DD</sub>  | B36   | NC                 |
| A18   | CM0               | A39   | GND                | B16   | NC                | B37   | NC                 |
| A19   | A0                | A40   | GND                | B17   | A1                | B38   | NC                 |
| A20   | PG1               | A41   | V <sub>DD</sub>    | B18   | PG0               | B39   | NC                 |
| A21   | GND               | A42   | V <sub>DD</sub>    | B19   | TGC               | B40   | NC                 |

## Pin Description

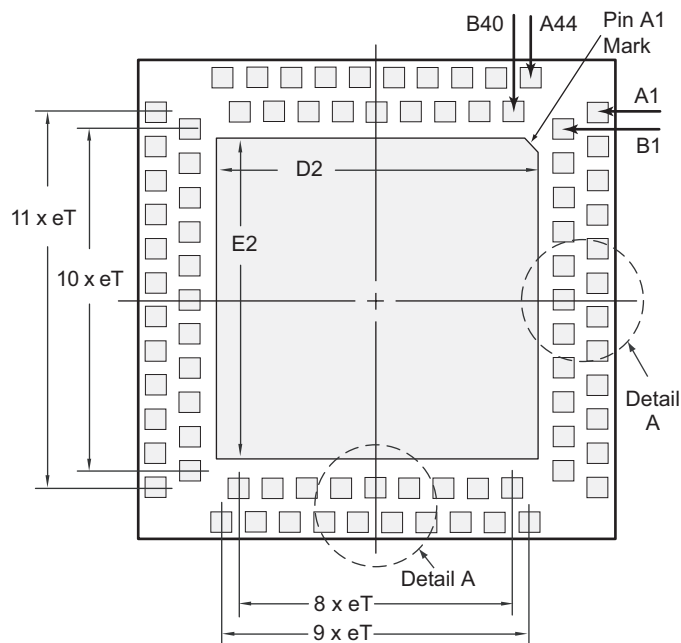
| Pin Name             | Description                                                               |
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| V <sub>DD</sub>      | V <sub>DD</sub> voltage supply                                            |
| GND                  | Ground                                                                    |
| AVDD                 | Analog supply                                                             |
| AGND                 | Analog ground                                                             |
| IN <sub>1~4</sub> P  | Positive polarity LNA input of channel 1~4                                |
| IN <sub>1~4</sub> N  | Negative polarity LNA input of channel 1~4                                |
| PA <sub>1~4</sub> P  | Channel 1~4 LNA positive output                                           |
| PA <sub>1~4</sub> N  | Channel 1~4 LNA negative output                                           |
| OUT <sub>1~4</sub> P | Positive polarity PGA output of channel 1~4                               |
| OUT <sub>1~4</sub> N | Negative polarity PGA output of channel 1~4                               |
| PDC                  | PDC = 1, power down and enable external biasing, 450kΩ internal pull down |
| EBC                  | External current biasing                                                  |
| GSC                  | Input of gain scaling control for all channels                            |
| A0, A1               | Reserved, should connect to AV <sub>DD</sub>                              |
| PG0, PG1             | PGA Gain select inputs (PG0 = LSB, PG1 = MSB)                             |
| TGC                  | Attenuator control input                                                  |
| CM0~4                | 0.1μF bypass capacitors to ground                                         |

# 84-Lead BCC+ Package Outline (B2)

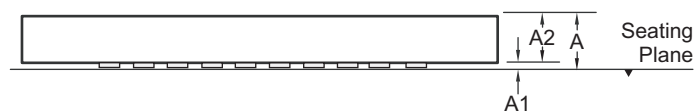
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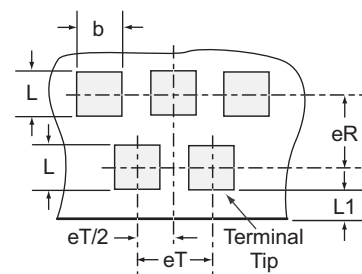
**Top View**



**Bottom View**



**Side View**



**Detail A**

## Notes:

- Details of Pin 1 identifier are optional, but must be located within the indicated area. The Pin 1 identifier may be either a mold, or an embedded metal or marked feature.

| Symbol         |     | A    | A1   | A2   | b    | D    | D2   | E    | E2   | eR       | eT       | L    | L1       |
|----------------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|----------|------|----------|
| Dimension (mm) | MIN | 0.65 | 0.05 | 0.60 | 0.20 | 6.85 | 4.55 | 6.85 | 4.55 | 0.50 BSC | 0.50 BSC | 0.20 | 0.10 REF |
|                | NOM | -    | -    | 0.65 | 0.30 | 7.00 | 4.70 | 7.00 | 4.70 |          |          | 0.30 |          |
|                | MAX | 0.80 | 0.10 | 0.70 | 0.40 | 7.15 | 4.85 | 7.15 | 4.85 |          |          | 0.40 |          |

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