

# SN54HC138, SN74HC138 3-LINE TO 8-LINE DECODERS/DEMULTIPLEXERS

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- Designed Specifically for High-Speed Memory Decoders and Data Transmission Systems
- Incorporate Three Enable Inputs to Simplify Cascading and/or Data Reception
- Package Options Include Plastic Small-Outline (D), Thin Shrink Small-Outline (PW), and Ceramic Flat (W) Packages, Ceramic Chip Carriers (FK), and Standard Plastic (N) and Ceramic (J) 300-mil DIPs

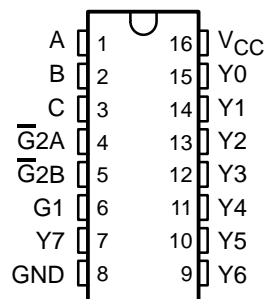
## description

The 'HC138 are designed to be used in high-performance memory-decoding or data-routing applications requiring very short propagation delay times. In high-performance memory systems, these decoders can be used to minimize the effects of system decoding. When employed with high-speed memories utilizing a fast enable circuit, the delay times of these decoders and the enable time of the memory are usually less than the typical access time of the memory. This means that the effective system delay introduced by the decoders is negligible.

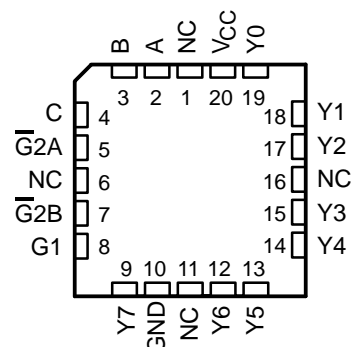
The conditions at the binary-select inputs at the three enable inputs select one of eight output lines. Two active-low and one active-high enable inputs reduce the need for external gates or inverters when expanding. A 24-line decoder can be implemented without external inverters and a 32-line decoder requires only one inverter. An enable input can be used as a data input for demultiplexing applications.

The SN54HC138 is characterized for operation over the full military temperature range of  $-55^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The SN74HC138 is characterized for operation from  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $85^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

SN54HC138 . . . J OR W PACKAGE  
SN74HC138 . . . D, N, OR PW PACKAGE  
(TOP VIEW)



SN54HC138 . . . FK PACKAGE  
(TOP VIEW)



NC – No internal connection



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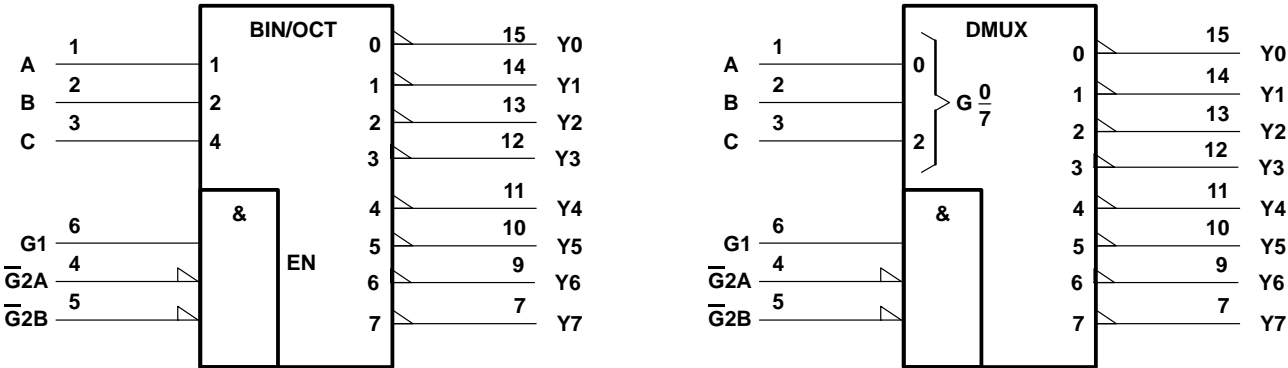
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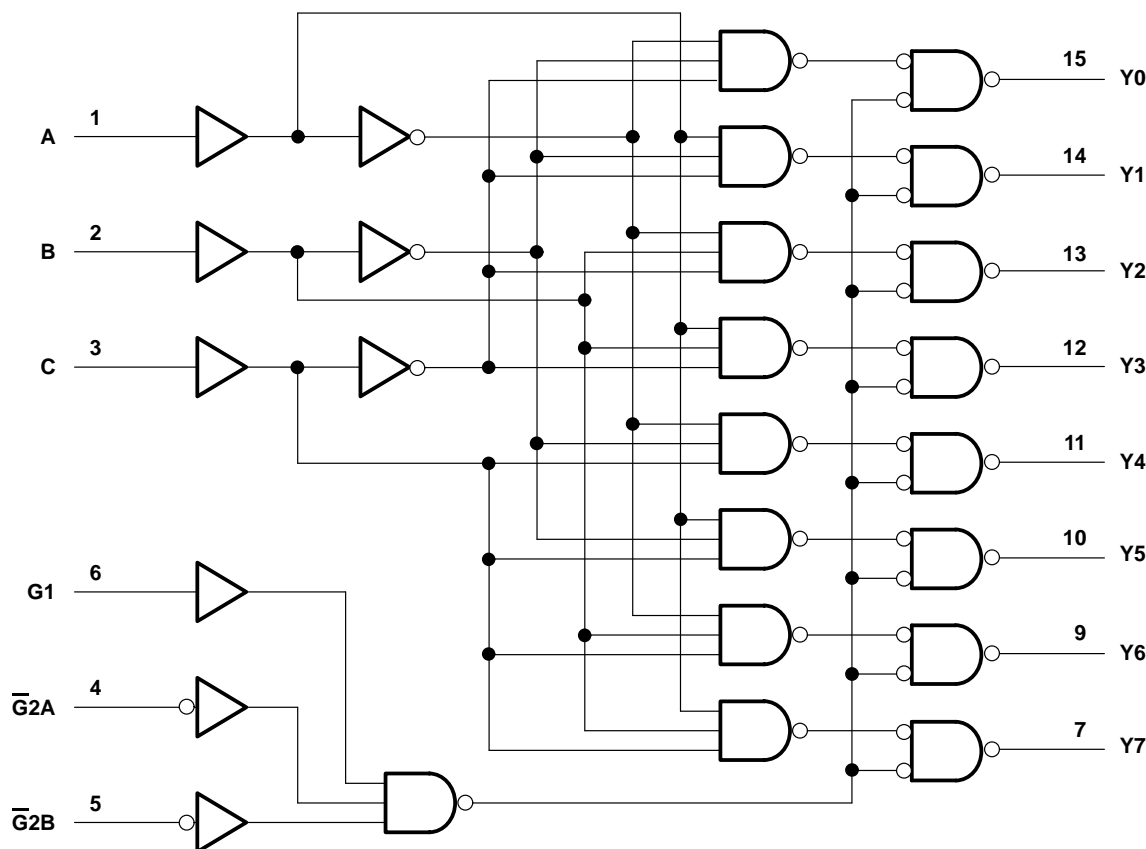
FUNCTION TABLE													
INPUTS						OUTPUTS							
ENABLE			SELECT										
G1	$\overline{G2A}$	$\overline{G2B}$	C	B	A	Y0	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Y7
X	H	X	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
X	X	H	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
L	X	X	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
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logic symbols (alternatives)†



† These symbols are in accordance with ANSI/IEEE Std 91-1984 and IEC Publication 617-12.  
Pin numbers shown are for the D, J, N, PW, and W packages.

**logic diagram (positive logic)**



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**absolute maximum ratings over operating free-air temperature range†**

Supply voltage range, $V_{CC}$	–0.5 V to 7 V
Input clamp current, $I_{IK}$ ( $V_I < 0$ or $V_I > V_{CC}$ ) (see Note 1)	$\pm 20$ mA
Output clamp current, $I_{OK}$ ( $V_O < 0$ or $V_O > V_{CC}$ ) (see Note 1)	$\pm 20$ mA
Continuous output current, $I_O$ ( $V_O = 0$ to $V_{CC}$ )	$\pm 25$ mA
Continuous current through $V_{CC}$ or GND	$\pm 50$ mA
Maximum power dissipation at $T_A = 55^\circ\text{C}$ (in still air) (see Note 2):	
D package	1.3 W
N package	1.1 W
PW package	0.5 W
Storage temperature range, $T_{stg}$	–65°C to 150°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 under “recommended operating conditions” is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

- NOTES: 1. The input and output voltage ratings may be exceeded if the input and output current ratings are observed.  
2. The maximum package power dissipation is calculated using a junction temperature of 150°C and a board trace length of 750 mils, except for the N package, which has a trace length of zero.

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### recommended operating conditions

			SN54HC138			SN74HC138			UNIT
			MIN	NOM	MAX	MIN	NOM	MAX	
V <sub>CC</sub>	Supply voltage		2	5	6	2	5	6	V
V <sub>IH</sub>	High-level input voltage	V <sub>CC</sub> = 2 V	1.5			1.5			V
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 V	3.15			3.15			
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 6 V	4.2			4.2			
V <sub>IL</sub>	Low-level input voltage	V <sub>CC</sub> = 2 V	0			0			V
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 V	0			1.35			
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 6 V	0			1.8			
V <sub>I</sub>	Input voltage		0		V <sub>CC</sub>	0		V <sub>CC</sub>	V
V <sub>O</sub>	Output voltage		0		V <sub>CC</sub>	0		V <sub>CC</sub>	V
t <sub>t</sub>	Input transition (rise and fall) time	V <sub>CC</sub> = 2 V	0		1000	0		1000	ns
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 V	0		500	0		500	
		V <sub>CC</sub> = 6 V	0		400	0		400	
T <sub>A</sub>	Operating free-air temperature		−55		125	−40		85	°C

### electrical characteristics over recommended operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS		$V_{CC}$	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$			SN54HC138		SN74HC138		UNIT
				MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
$V_{OH}$	$V_I = V_{IH} \text{ or } V_{IL}$	$I_{OH} = -20\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	2 V	1.9	1.998		1.9		1.9		V
			4.5 V	4.4	4.499		4.4		4.4		
			6 V	5.9	5.999		5.9		5.9		
		$I_{OH} = -4\text{ mA}$	4.5 V	3.98	4.3		3.7		3.84		
		$I_{OH} = -5.2\text{ mA}$	6 V	5.48	5.8		5.2		5.34		
$V_{OL}$	$V_I = V_{IH} \text{ or } V_{IL}$	$I_{OL} = 20\text{ }\mu\text{A}$	2 V		0.002	0.1		0.1		0.1	V
			4.5 V		0.001	0.1		0.1		0.1	
			6 V		0.001	0.1		0.1		0.1	
		$I_{OL} = 4\text{ mA}$	4.5 V		0.17	0.26		0.4		0.33	
		$I_{OL} = 5.2\text{ mA}$	6 V		0.15	0.26		0.4		0.33	
$I_I$	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or } 0$		6 V		$\pm 0.1$	$\pm 100$		$\pm 1000$		$\pm 1000$	nA
$I_{CC}$	$V_I = V_{CC} \text{ or } 0, I_O = 0$		6 V			8		160		80	$\mu\text{A}$
$C_i$			2 V to 6 V		3	10		10		10	pF



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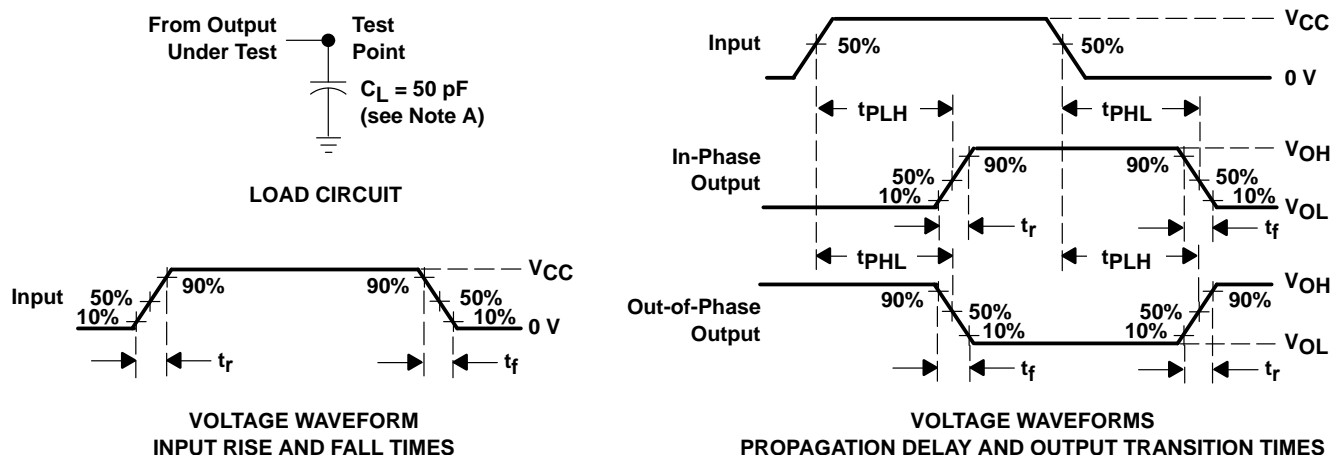
switching characteristics over recommended operating free-air temperature range,  $C_L = 50$  pF (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 1)

PARAMETER	FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	$V_{CC}$	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$			SN54HC138		SN74HC138		UNIT
				MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
$t_{pd}$	A, B, or C	Any Y	2 V		67	180		270		225	ns
			4.5 V		18	36		54		45	
			6 V		15	31		46		38	
	Enable	Any Y	2 V		66	155		235		195	
			4.5 V		18	31		47		39	
			6 V		15	26		40		33	
$t_t$		Any	2 V		38	75		110		95	ns
			4.5 V		8	15		22		19	
			6 V		6	13		19		16	

operating characteristics,  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	TYP	UNIT
$C_{pd}$	Power dissipation capacitance	No load	85	pF

## PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



- NOTES:
- A.  $C_L$  includes probe and test-fixture capacitance.
  - B. Phase relationships between waveforms were chosen arbitrarily. All input pulses are supplied by generators having the following characteristics:  $PRR \leq 1$  MHz,  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ ,  $t_r = 6$  ns,  $t_f = 6$  ns.
  - C. The outputs are measured one at a time with one input transition per measurement.
  - D.  $t_{PLH}$  and  $t_{PHL}$  are the same as  $t_{pd}$ .

Figure 1. Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

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