

## Dual 4-Channel Driver with Oscillator



The EL6838 is a high performance, dual output, laser driver for writeable 'super-combo' CD - DVD drives. The

ENA pin enables the chip, while the SEL1 pin selects the I<sub>OUT</sub> pin. Various waveforms can be generated where the amplitude is determined by the currents flowing into I<sub>INR</sub>, I<sub>IN2</sub>, I<sub>IN3</sub>, and I<sub>IN4</sub>. The timing is determined by the signals at OUTEN2, OUTEN3, and OUTEN4. The oscillator is enabled when OSCEN is high. The amplified I<sub>INR</sub> current of the selected channel is enabled when the ENA pin is high. The total output current is the sum of the read current, the enabled write currents, and the oscillator current when enabled.

Usually a voltage DAC will drive a resistor that is in series with the I<sub>INR</sub>, I<sub>IN2</sub>, I<sub>IN3</sub>, and I<sub>IN4</sub> input. The resistor allows the user to optimize the current gain for each channel.

Output write current pulses are enabled when a low is applied to the OUTEN2, OUTEN3, or OUTEN4 pin. The write current will flow to the selected output. When SEL1 is high I<sub>OUT1</sub> is selected. OUTENR enables read and oscillator current.

The R<sub>F</sub> oscillators frequency is determined by R<sub>FREQ1</sub> or R<sub>FREQ2</sub>, and its amplitude by R<sub>AMP1</sub> or R<sub>AMP2</sub>.

### Ordering Information

PART NUMBER	TEMP. RANGE	PACKAGE	PKG. DWG #
EL6838CL	0°C to +70°C	24-Pin LPP	MDP0046

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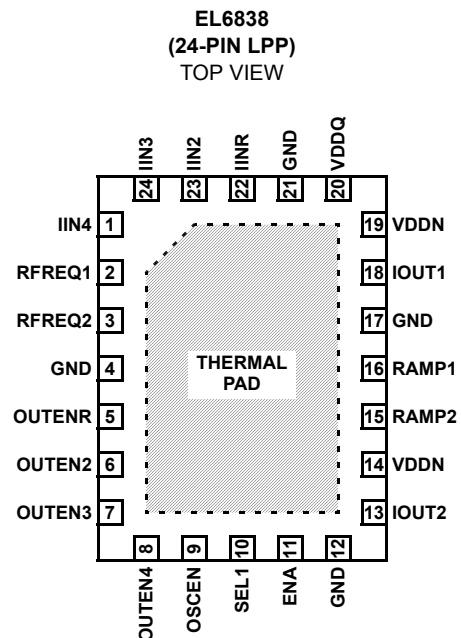
## Features

- Two channels for CD or DVD
- Voltage-controlled output current source requiring one external set resistor per channel
- Rise time = 0.8ns
- Fall time = 0.8ns
- Channel 2 to 250mA max
- Channel 3 to 150mA max
- Channel 4 to 100mA max
- On chip oscillator with frequency and amplitude control by use of external resistors to ground
- Oscillator frequency to 600MHz
- Oscillator amplitude to 100mAp-p
- Single +5V supply (±10%)
- Chip Enables for power savings

## Applications

- Super Combo drives

## Pinout



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