

MAX14945

2.75kV_{RMS} Isolated 500kbps Half-Duplex RS-485/RS-422 Transceiver with ±30kV ESD Protection

General Description

The MAX14945 isolated RS-485/RS-422 transceiver provides 2750V_{RMS} (60s) of galvanic isolation between the cable side (RS-485/RS-422 driver/receiver side) and the UART side of the device. Isolation improves communication by breaking ground loops and reduces noise when there are large differences in ground potential between ports. Signals are passed across the isolation barrier through integrated high-voltage capacitors. This device allows for robust communication at any speed up to 500kbps.

The device includes one half-duplex drive/receive channel. The receiver is 1/8-unit load, allowing up to 256 transceivers on a common bus.

Integrated true fail-safe circuitry ensures a logic-high on the receiver output when inputs are shorted or open. Undervoltage lockout disables the driver when the cable side or UART side power supplies are below functional levels.

The driver outputs/receiver inputs are protected from ±30kV electrostatic discharge (ESD) to GNDB on the cable side, as specified by the Human Body Model (HBM).

The MAX14945 is available in a wide body 16-pin SO package and operates over the -40°C to +85°C temperature range.

Benefits and Features

- High-Performance Transceiver Enables Flexible Designs
 - Integrated LDO for Cable-Side Power
 - Compliant with RS-485 EIA/TIA-485 Standard
 - 500kbps Maximum Data Rate
 - Allows Up to 256 Devices on the Bus
- Integrated Protection Ensures Robust Communication
 - ±30kV ESD (HBM) on Driver Outputs/Receiver Inputs
 - 2.75kV_{RMS} Withstand-Isolation Voltage for 60s (V_{ISO})
 - 630V_{PEAK} Maximum Repetitive Peak-Isolation Voltage (V_{IORM})
 - 445V_{RMS} Maximum Working-Isolation Voltage (V_{IOWM})
 - > 30 Years Lifetime at Rated Working Voltage
 - Withstands ±10kV Surge per IEC 61000-4-5
 - Thermal Shutdown

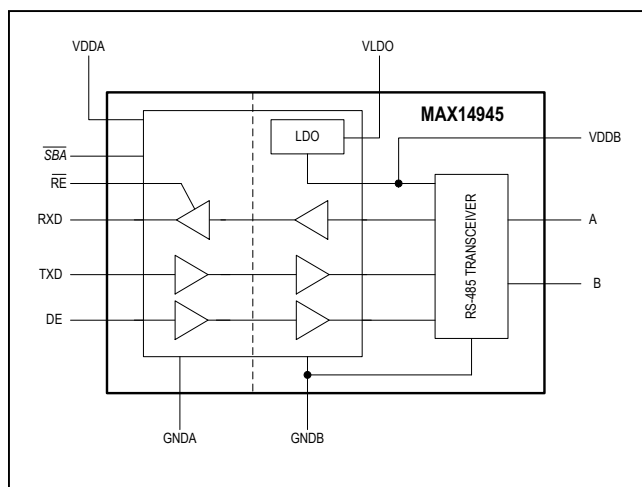
Safety Regulatory Approvals

- UL According to UL1577
- cUL According to CSA Bulletin 5A

Applications

- Industrial Automation Equipment
- Programmable Logic Controllers
- HVAC
- Power Meters

Functional Diagram



Ordering Information/Selector Guide appears at end of data sheet.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

V _{DDA} to GNDA	-0.3V to +6V	Continuous Power Dissipation (T _A = +70°C) 16-pin Wide SOIC (derate 14.1mW/°C above +70°C)..... 1126.8mW Operating Temperature Range..... -40°C to +85°C Junction Temperature..... +150°C Storage Temperature Range..... -65°C to +150°C Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s)..... +300°C Soldering Temperature (reflow)..... +260°C
V _{DDB} to GNDB.....	-0.3V to +6V	
V _{LDO} to GNDB.....	-0.3V to +16V	
TXD, DE, \overline{RE} to GNDA	-0.3V to +6V	
\overline{SBA} , RXD to GNDA	-0.3V to (V _{DDA} + 0.3V)	
A, B to GNDB	-8V to +13V	
Short Circuit Duration (RXD, \overline{SBA} to GNDA, A, B, V _{DDB} to GNDB).....	Continuous	

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 in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Package Thermal Characteristics (Note 1)

Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Resistance (θ _{JA})	71°C/W	Junction-to-Case Thermal Resistance (θ _{JC}).....	23°C/W
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Note 1: Package thermal resistances were obtained using the method described in JEDEC specification JESD51-7, using a four-layer board. For detailed information on package thermal considerations, refer to www.maximintegrated.com/thermal-tutorial.

DC Electrical Characteristics

(V_{DDA} – V_{GNDA} = 1.71V to 5.5V, V_{DDB} – V_{GNDB} = 4.5V to 5.5V, T_A = T_{MIN} to T_{MAX}, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V_{DDA} – V_{GNDA} = 3.3V, V_{DDB} – V_{GNDB} = 5V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}, and T_A = +25°C.) (Notes 2, 3)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
POWER						
Supply Voltage	V _{DDA}		1.71		5.5	V
	V _{DDB}		4.5		5.5	
Supply Current	I _{DDA}	V _{DDA} = 5V, DE = high, \overline{RE} = TXD = low, RXD unconnected, no load		4	6.6	mA
	I _{DDB}	DE = high, \overline{RE} = TXD = low, RXD unconnected, no load, V _{DDB} = 5V		6.3	12.5	
Undervoltage-Lockout Threshold	V _{UVLOA}	V _{DDA} rising	1.50	1.58	1.65	V
	V _{UVLOB}	V _{DDB} rising	2.55	2.7	2.85	
Undervoltage-Lockout Threshold Hysteresis	V _{UVHYSTA}			50		mV
	V _{UVHYSTB}			200		
LDO						
LDO Supply Voltage	V _{LDO}	Relative to GNDB, LDO is on (Note 4)	4.68		14	V
LDO Supply Current	I _{LDO}	DE = high, \overline{RE} = TXD = low, no load, V _{LDO} = 5.5V		6.5	12.9	mA
LDO Output Voltage	V _{DDB}		4.5	5	5.5	V
LDO Current Limit				300		mA
Load Regulation		V _{LDO} = 5.68V, I _{LOAD} = 20mA to 40mA		0.19	1.7	mV/mA
Line Regulation		V _{LDO} = 5.68V to 14V, I _{LOAD} = 20mA		0.12	1.8	mV/V

DC Electrical Characteristics (continued)

($V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V$ to $5.5V$, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 4.5V$ to $5.5V$, $T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX} , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V$, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 5V$, $V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}$, and $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$.) (Notes 2, 3)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Dropout Voltage		$V_{LDO} = 4.68V$, $I_{DDB} = -120mA$		100	180	mV
Load Capacitance		Nominal value	1		10	μF
LOGIC INTERFACE (TXD, RXD, DE, \overline{RE}, \overline{SBA})						
Input High Voltage	V_{IH}	\overline{RE} , TXD, DE to GND	$2.25V \leq V_{DDA} \leq 5.5V$	0.7 x V_{DDA}		V
			$1.71V \leq V_{DDA} \leq 1.89V$	0.78 x V_{DDA}		
Input Low Voltage	V_{IL}	\overline{RE} , TXD, DE to GND	$2.25V \leq V_{DDA} \leq 5.5V$	0.8		V
			$1.71V \leq V_{DDA} \leq 1.89V$	0.6		
Input Hysteresis	V_{HYS}	\overline{RE} , TXD, DE to GND		220		mV
Input Capacitance	C_{IN}	\overline{RE} , TXD, DE, $f = 1MHz$		2		pF
Input Pullup Current	I_{PU}	TXD	-10	-4.5	-1.5	μA
Input Pulldown Current	I_{PD}	DE, \overline{RE}	1.5	4.5	10	μA
\overline{SBA} Pullup Resistance	R_{SBA}		3	5	8	k Ω
Output Voltage High	V_{OH}	RXD to GND, $I_{OUT} = -4mA$		V_{DDA} -0.4		V
Output Voltage Low	V_{OL}	RXD to GND, $I_{OUT} = 4mA$			0.40	V
		\overline{SBA} to GND, $I_{OUT} = 4mA$			0.45	
Short-Circuit Output Pullup Current	I_{SH_PU}	$0V \leq V_{RXD} \leq V_{DDA}$, $\overline{RE} = low$	-42			mA
Short-Circuit Output Pulldown Current	I_{SH_PD}	$0V \leq V_{RXD} \leq V_{DDA}$, $\overline{RE} = low$			+40	mA
		$0V \leq V_{\overline{SBA}} \leq V_{DDA}$, side B is powered and working			+60	
Three-State Output Current	I_{OZ}	$0V \leq V_{RXD} \leq V_{DDA}$, $\overline{RE} = high$	-1		+1	μA
DRIVER						
Differential Driver Output	$ V_{OD} $	$R_L = 54\Omega$, TXD = high or low, Figure 1a			2	V
		$R_L = 100\Omega$, TXD = high or low, Figure 1a			3	
		$-7V \leq V_{CM} \leq +12V$, Figure 1b	1.5		5	
Change in Magnitude of Differential Driver Output Voltage	ΔV_{OD}	$R_L = 54\Omega$ (Note 5)			0.2	V
Driver Common Mode Output Voltage	V_{OC}	$R_L = 54\Omega$		$V_{DDB}/2$	3	V

DC Electrical Characteristics (continued)

($V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V$ to $5.5V$, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 4.5V$ to $5.5V$, $T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX} , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V$, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 5V$, $V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}$, and $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$.) (Notes 2, 3)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Change in Magnitude of Common-Mode Voltage	ΔV_{OC}	$R_L = 54\Omega$ (Note 5)			0.2	V
Driver Short-Circuit Output Current	I_{OSD}	$GNDB \leq V_{OUT} \leq +12V$, output low (Note 6)	+40		+250	mA
		$-7V \leq V_{OUT} \leq V_{DDB}$, output high (Note 6)	-250		-40	
Driver Short-Circuit Foldback Output Current	I_{OSDF}	$(V_{DDB} - 1V) \leq V_{OUT} \leq +12V$, output low (Note 6)	+20			mA
		$-7V \leq V_{OUT} \leq +1V$, output high (Note 6)			-20	
RECEIVER						
Input Current (A and B)	I_A, I_B	DE = low, $V_{DDB} = GNDB$ or $5.5V$	$V_{IN} = +12V$		+125	μA
			$V_{IN} = -7V$	-100		
Receiver Differential Threshold Voltage	V_{TH}	$-7V \leq V_{CM} \leq +12V$	-200	-125	-50	mV
Receiver Input Hysteresis	ΔV_{TH}	$V_{CM} = 0V$		15		mV
Receiver Input Resistance	R_{IN}	$-7V \leq V_{CM} \leq +12V$, DE = low	96			k Ω
PROTECTION						
Thermal-Shutdown Threshold	T_{SHDN}	Temperature Rising		+160		$^{\circ}C$
Thermal-Shutdown Hysteresis	T_{HYST}			15		$^{\circ}C$
ESD Protection (A and B Pins to GNDB)		Human Body Model		±30		kV
		IEC 61000-4-2 Air Gap Discharge		±15		
		IEC 61000-4-2 Contact Discharge		±10		
ESD Protection (All Other Pins)		Human Body Model		±4		kV

Switching Electrical Characteristics

($V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V$ to 5.5V, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 4.5V$ to 5.5V, $T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX} , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V$, $V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 5V$, $V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}$, and $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$.) (Note 7)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
DYNAMIC						
Common Mode Transient Immunity	CMTI	(Note 8)		35		kV/μs
Glitch Rejection		TXD, DE, RXD	10	17	29	ns
DRIVER						
Driver Propagation Delay	t_{DPLH} , t_{DPHL}	$R_L = 54\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 2 and Figure 3			1040	ns
Differential Driver Output Skew $ t_{DPLH} - t_{DPHL} $	t_{DSKEW}	$R_L = 54\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 2 and Figure 3			144	ns
Driver Differential Output Rise or Fall Time	t_{LH} , t_{HL}	$R_L = 54\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 2 and Figure 3			900	ns
Maximum Data Rate	DR _{MAX}		500			kbps
Driver Enable to Output High	t_{DZH}	$R_L = 500\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 4			2540	ns
Driver Enable to Output Low	t_{DZL}	$R_L = 500\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 5			2540	ns
Driver Disable Time from Low	t_{DLZ}	$R_L = 500\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 5			140	ns
Driver Disable Time from High	t_{DHZ}	$R_L = 500\Omega$, $C_L = 50pF$, Figure 4			140	ns
RECEIVER						
Receiver Propagation Delay	t_{RPLH} , t_{RPHL}	$C_L = 15pF$, Figure 6 and 7 (Note 9)			240	ns
Receiver Output Skew $ t_{RPLH} - t_{RPHL} $	t_{RSKEW}	$C_L = 15pF$, Figure 6 and 7 (Note 9)			34	ns
Maximum Data Rate	DR _{MAX}		500			kbps
Receiver Enable to Output High	t_{RZH}	$R_L = 1k\Omega$, $C_L = 15pF$, S2 closed, Figure 8			20	ns
Receiver Enable to Output Low	t_{RZL}	$R_L = 1k\Omega$, $C_L = 15pF$, S1 closed, Figure 8			30	ns
Receiver Disable Time From Low	t_{RLZ}	$R_L = 1k\Omega$, $C_L = 15pF$, S1 closed, Figure 8			20	ns
Receiver Disable Time From High	t_{RHZ}	$R_L = 1k\Omega$, $C_L = 15pF$, S2 closed, Figure 8			20	ns

Note 2: All devices are 100% production tested at $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$. Specifications over temperature are guaranteed by design.

Note 3: All currents into the device are positive. All currents out of the device are negative. All voltages are referenced to their respective ground (GNDA or GNDB), unless otherwise noted.

Note 4: V_{LDO} max indicates voltage capability of the circuit. Power dissipation requirements may limit V_{LDO} max to a lower value.

Note 5: ΔV_{OD} and ΔV_{OC} are the changes in V_{OD} and V_{OC} , respectively, when the TXD input changes state.

Note 6: The short circuit output current applies to the peak current just prior to foldback current limiting.

Note 7: Not production tested. Guaranteed by design.

Note 8: CMTI is the maximum sustainable common-mode voltage slew rate while maintaining the correct output states. CMTI applies to both rising and falling common-mode voltage edges. Tested with the transient generator connected between GNDA and GNDB.

Note 9: Capacitive load includes test probe and fixture capacitance.

Insulation Characteristics

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	VALUE	UNITS
Partial Discharge Test Voltage	V _{PR}	Method B1 = V _{IORM} × 1.875 (t = 1s, partial discharge < 5pC)	1182	V _P
Maximum Repetitive Peak Withstand Voltage	V _{IORM}	Peak voltage for 50 yrs, min (Note 7)	630	V _P
Maximum Working Isolation Voltage	V _{IOWM}	(Note 7)	445	V _{RMS}
Maximum Transient Isolation Voltage	V _{IOTM}	t = 1s	4600	V _P
Maximum Withstand Isolation Voltage	V _{ISO}	t = 60s, f = 60Hz (Note 7, 8)	2750	V _{RMS}
Maximum Surge Isolation Voltage	V _{ISOM}	IEC 61000-4-5, 1.2/50μs	10	kV
Insulation Resistance	R _S	T _A = +150°C, V _{IO} = 500V	>10 ⁹	Ω
Barrier Capacitance Input to Output	C _{IO}		2	pF
Creepage Distance	CPG	Wide SO	8	mm
Clearance Distance	CLR	Wide SO	8	mm
Internal Clearance		Distance through insulation	0.015	mm
Comparitive Tracking Resistance Index	CTI	Material Group II (IEC 60112)	575	
Climatic Category			40/125/21	
Pollution Degree (DIN VDE 0110, Table 1)			2	

Note 10: V_{IORM}, V_{IOWM}, and V_{ISO} are defined by the IEC 60747-5-5 standard.

Note 11: Product is qualified at V_{ISO} for 60 seconds. 100% production tested at 120% of V_{ISO} for 1 second.

Safety Regulatory Approvals

UL
The MAX14945 is certified under UL1577. For more details, see File E351759.
Rate up to 2750V _{RMS} isolation voltage for basic insulation.
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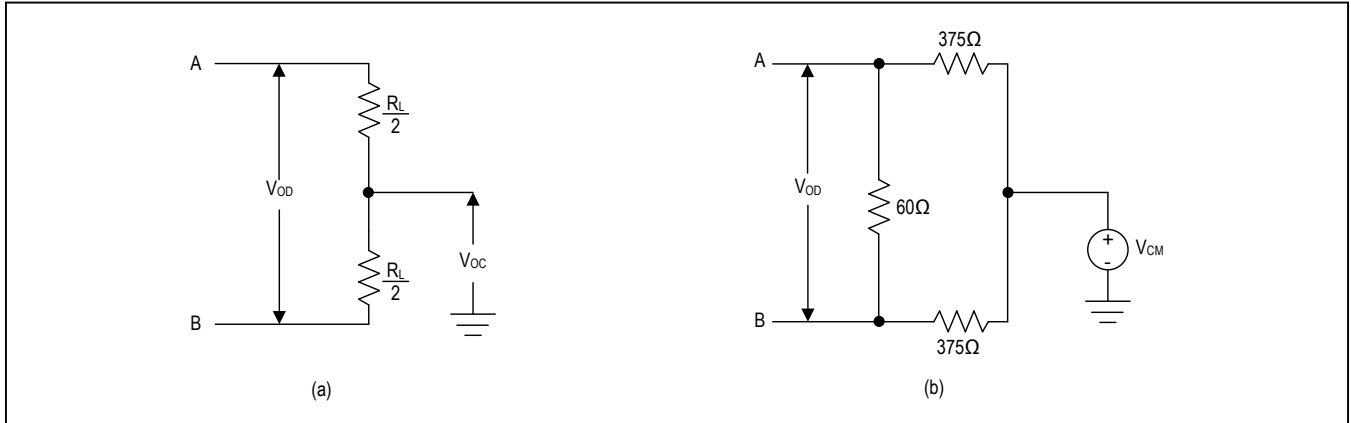


Figure 1. Driver DC Test Load

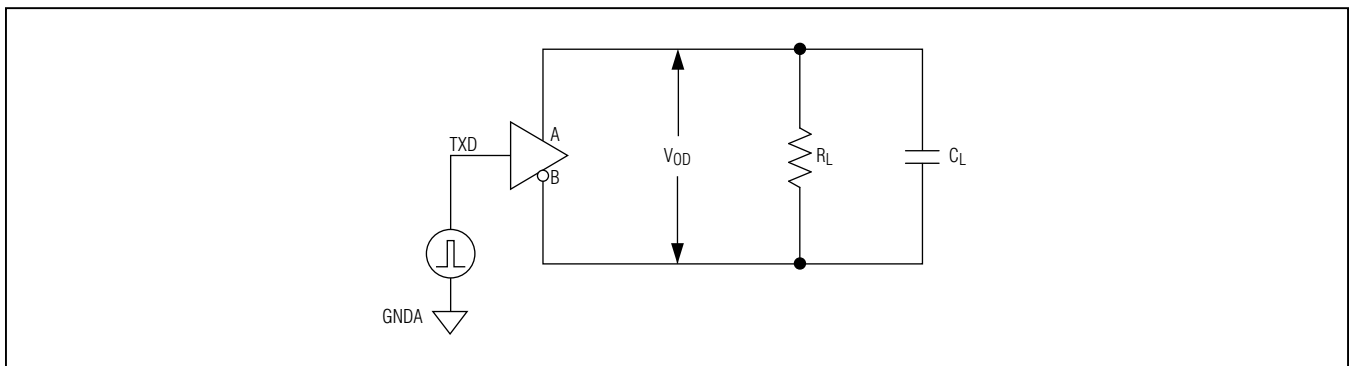


Figure 2. Driver Timing Test Circuit

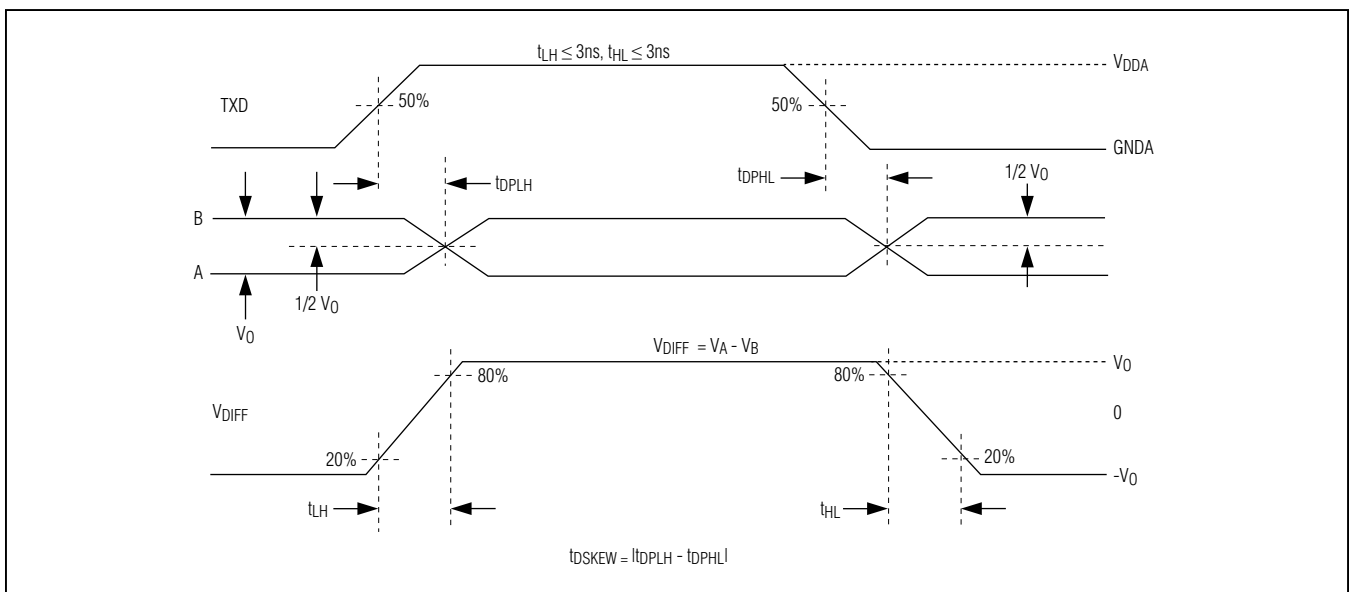


Figure 3. Driver Propagation Delays

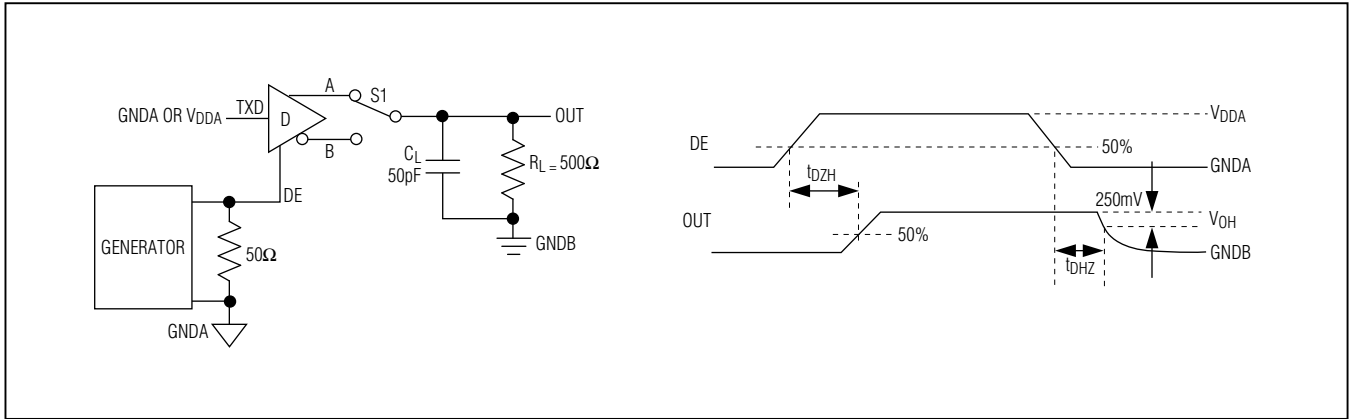


Figure 4. Driver Enable and Disable Times (t_{DZH} , t_{DHZ})

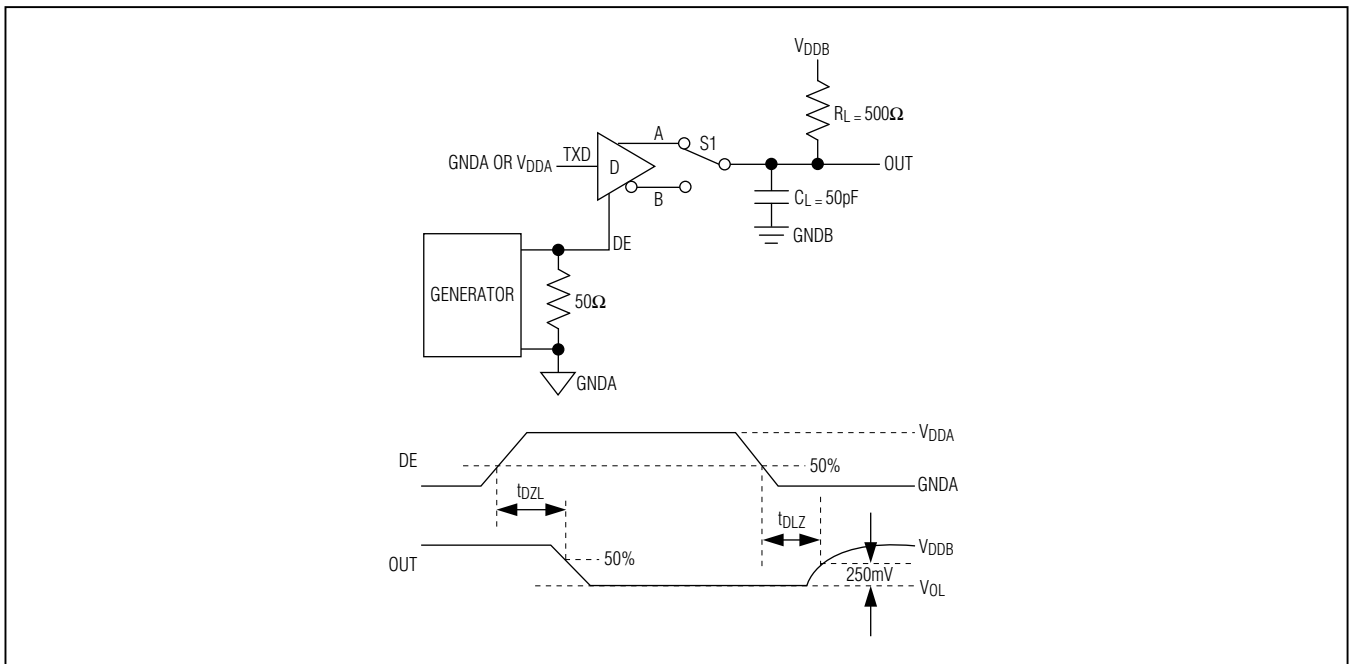


Figure 5. Driver Enable and Disable Times (t_{DZL} , t_{DLZ})

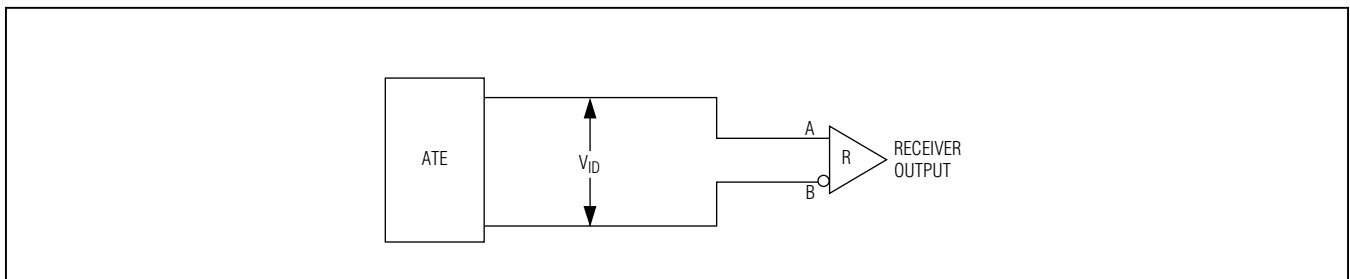


Figure 6. Receiver Propagation Delay Test Circuit

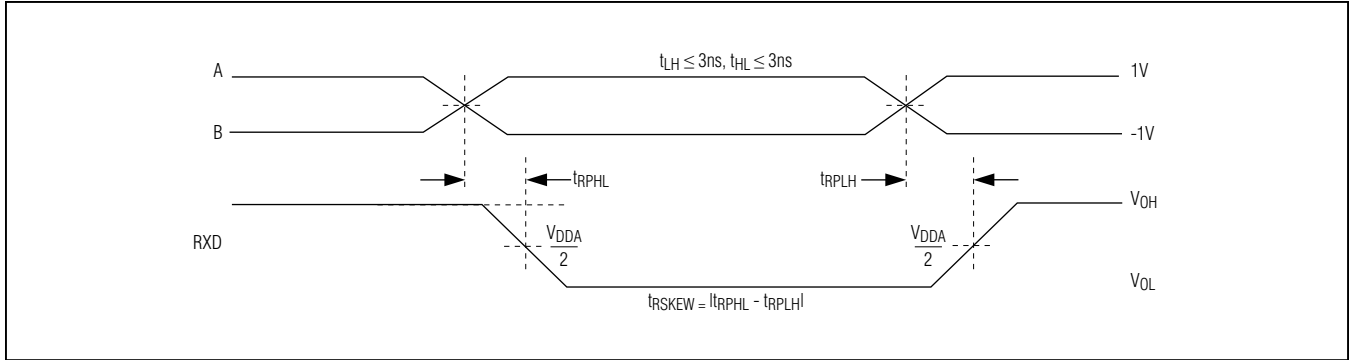


Figure 7. Receiver Propagation Delays

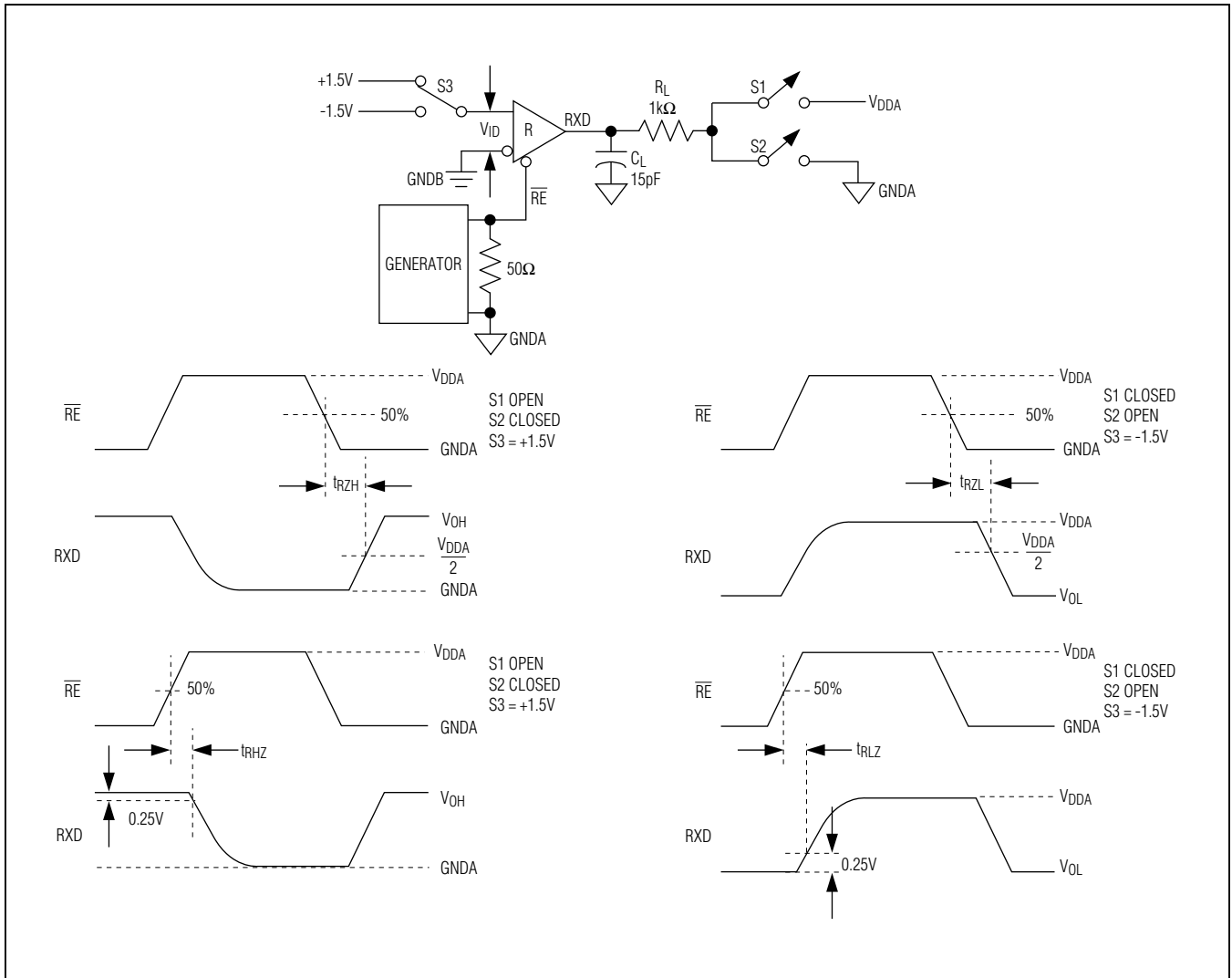
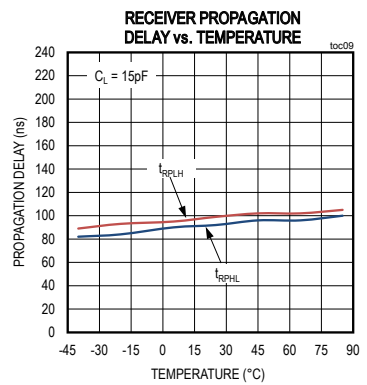
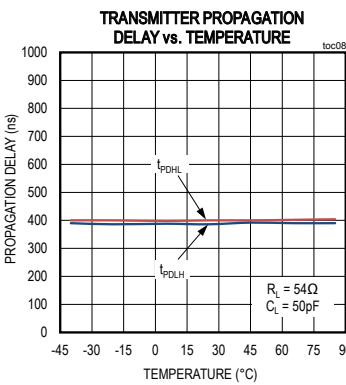
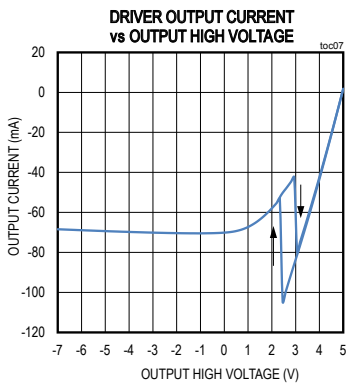
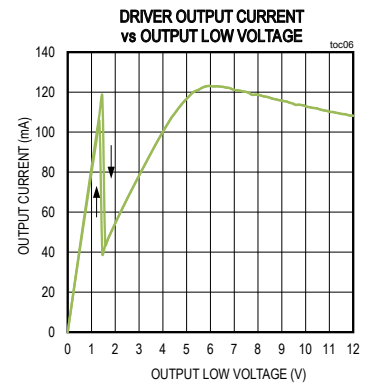
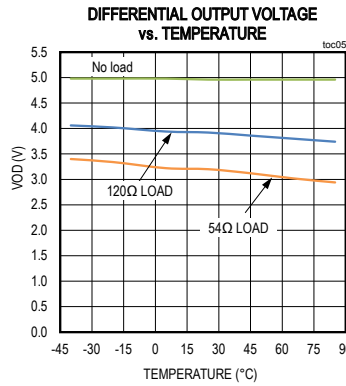
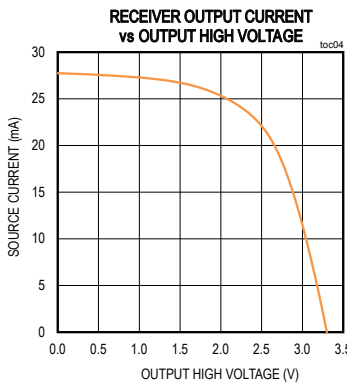
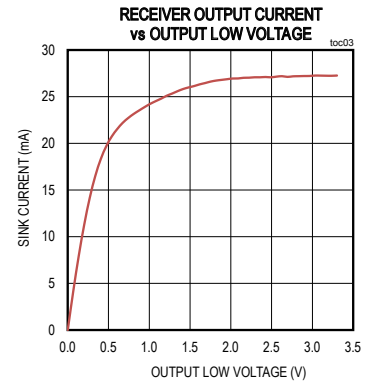
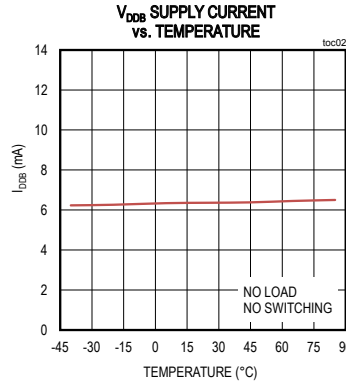
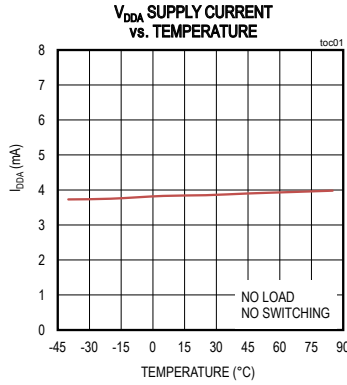


Figure 8. Receiver Enable and Disable Times

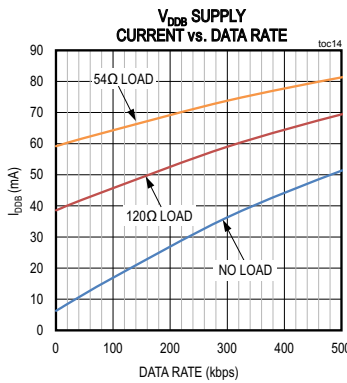
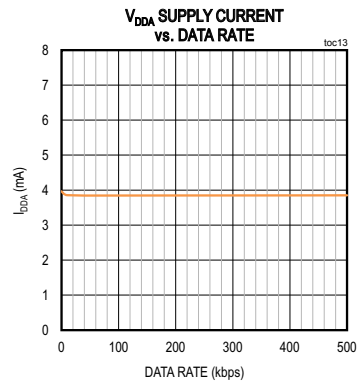
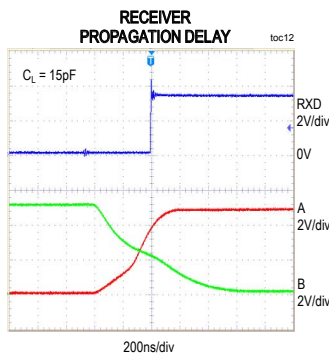
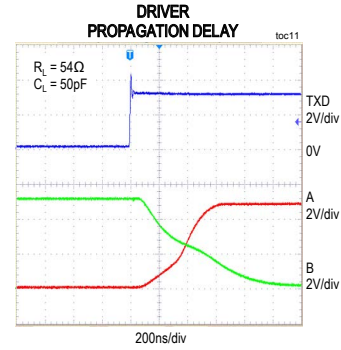
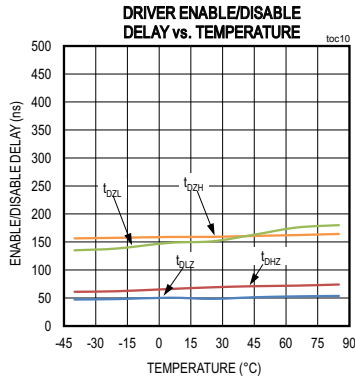
Typical Operating Characteristics

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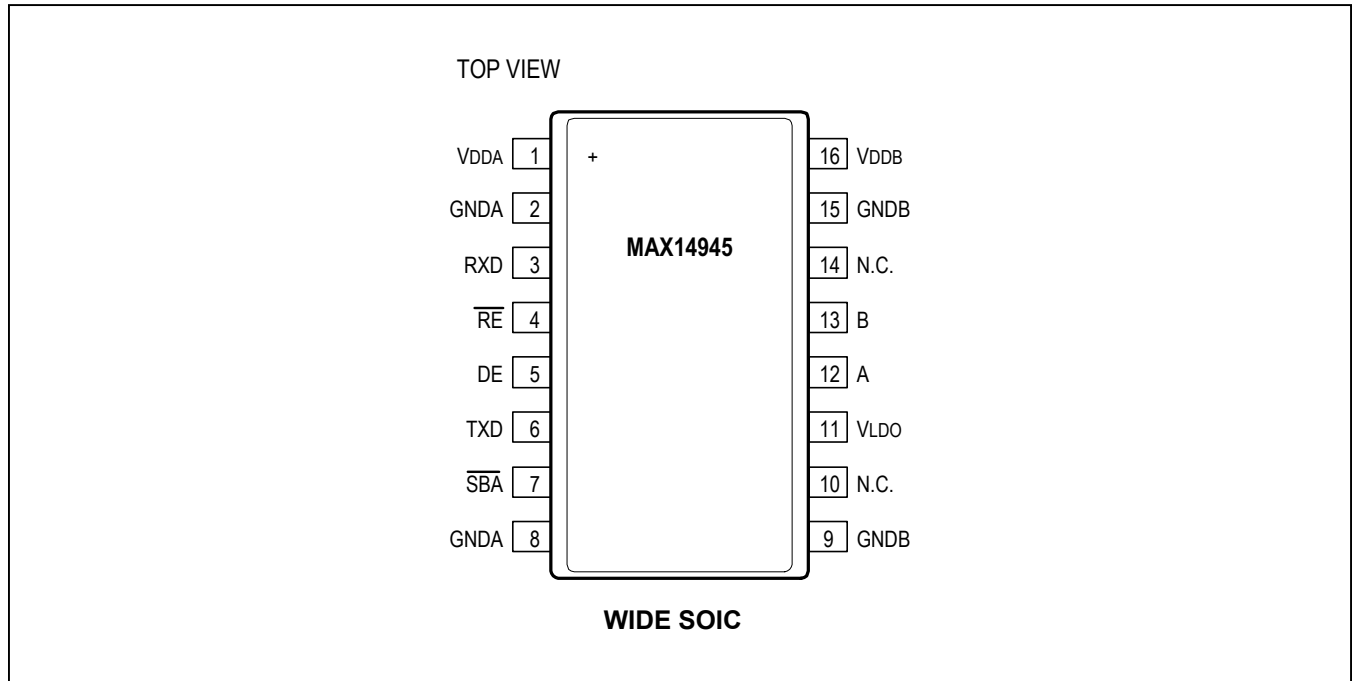


Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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Pin Configuration



Pin Description

PIN	NAME	REFERENCE	FUNCTION
1	V _{DDA}	GNDA	UART/Logic-Side Power Input. Bypass V _{DDA} to GNDA with both 0.1µF and 1µF capacitors as close to the device as possible.
2, 8	GNDA	—	UART/Logic-Side Ground. GNDA is the ground reference for digital signals.
3	RXD	GNDA	Receiver Data Output. Drive \overline{RE} low to enable RXD. With \overline{RE} low, RXD is high when $(V_A - V_B) > -50mV$ and is low when $(V_A - V_B) < -200mV$. RXD is high when V _{DDb} is less than V _{UVLOB} . RXD is high impedance when \overline{RE} is high.
4	\overline{RE}	GNDA	Receiver Output Enable. Drive \overline{RE} low or connect to GNDA to enable RXD. Drive \overline{RE} high to disable RXD. RXD is high-impedance when \overline{RE} is high. \overline{RE} has an internal 4.5µA pulldown to GNDA.

Pin Description (continued)

PIN	NAME	REFERENCE	FUNCTION
5	DE	GNDA	Driver Output Enable. Drive DE high to enable bus driver outputs A and B. Drive DE low or connect to GNDA to disable A and B. A and B are high impedance when DE is low. DE has an internal 4.5μA pulldown to GNDA.
6	TXD	GNDA	Driver Input. With DE high, a low on TXD forces the noninverting output (A) low and the inverting output (B) high. Similarly, a high on TXD forces the noninverting output high and the inverting output low. TXD has an internal 4.5μA pullup to V _{DDA} .
7	$\overline{\text{SBA}}$	GNDA	Side B Active Indicator Output. $\overline{\text{SBA}}$ asserts low when side B is powered and working. $\overline{\text{SBA}}$ has an internal 5kΩ pullup resistor to V _{DDA} .
9, 15	GNDB	—	Cable-Side Ground. GNDB is the ground reference for the internal LDO and the RS-485/RS-422 bus signals.
10, 14	N.C.	—	No Connection. Not internally connected.
11	V _{LDO}	GNDB	LDO Power Input. Connect a minimum voltage of 4.68V to V _{LDO} to power the cable-side of the transceiver. Bypass V _{LDO} to GNDB with both 0.1μF and 1μF capacitors as close to the device as possible. To disable the internal LDO, leave V _{LDO} unconnected or connect to GNDB.
12	A	GNDB	Noninverting Receiver Input and Noninverting Driver Output
13	B	GNDB	Inverting Receiver Input and Inverting Driver Output
16	V _{DDB}	GNDB	Cable-Side Power Input/Isolated LDO Power Output. Bypass V _{DDB} to GNDB with both 0.1μF and 1μF capacitor as close as possible to the device. V _{DDB} is the output of the internal LDO when power is applied to V _{LDO} . When the internal LDO is not used (V _{LDO} is unconnected or connected to GNDB), V _{DDB} is the positive supply input for the cable-side of the IC.

Function Tables

TRANSMITTING					
INPUTS				OUTPUTS	
V _{DDA}	V _{DDB}	DE	TXD	A	B
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	1	1	1	0
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	1	0	0	1
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	0	X	High-Z	High-Z
< V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	X	X	High-Z	High-Z
≥ V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	X	X	High-Z	High-Z
< V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	X	X	High-Z	High-Z

*Note: Drive DE low to disable the transmitter outputs. Drive DE high to enable the transmitter outputs. DE has an internal pull-down to GNDA.

X = Don't care

RECEIVING				
INPUTS				OUTPUTS
V _{DDA}	V _{DDB}	\overline{RE}	(V _A - V _B)	RXD
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	0	> -50mV	1
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	0	< -200mV	0
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	0	Open/Short	1
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	1	X	High-Z
< V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	X	X	High-Z
≥ V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	0	X	1
< V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	X	X	High-Z

*Note: Drive \overline{RE} high to disable the receiver output. Drive \overline{RE} low to enable to receiver output. \overline{RE} has an internal pull-down to GNDA.

X = Don't care

\overline{SBA}		
V _{DDA}	V _{DDB}	\overline{SBA}
< V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	High
< V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	High
≥ V _{UVLOA}	< V _{UVLOB}	High
≥ V _{UVLOA}	≥ V _{UVLOB}	Low

Detailed Description

The MAX14945 isolated RS-485/RS-422 transceiver provides 2750V_{RMS} (60s) of galvanic isolation between the RS-485/RS-422 cable side of the transceiver and the UART side. This device allows up to 500kbps communication across an isolation barrier when a large potential exists between grounds on each side of the barrier.

Isolation

Data isolation is achieved using integrated capacitive isolation that allows data transmission between the UART-side and the cable-side of the transceiver.

Integrated LDO

The device includes an internal low-dropout regulator with a set 5V (typ) output that is used to power the cable-side of the IC. The output of the LDO is V_{DDB}. The LDO has a 300mA (typ) current limit. If the LDO is unused, connect V_{LDO} to GND and apply +5V directly to V_{DDB}.

True Fail-Safe

The device guarantees a logic-high on the receiver output when the receiver inputs are shorted or open, or when connected to a terminated transmission line with all drivers disabled. The receiver threshold is fixed between -50mV and -200mV. If the differential receiver input voltage (V_A - V_B) is greater than or equal to -50mV, RXD is logic-high. In the case of a terminated bus with all transmitters disabled, the receiver's differential input voltage is pulled to zero by the termination resistors. Due to the receiver thresholds of the MAX14945, this results in a logic-high at RXD.

Driver Output Protection

Two mechanisms prevent excessive output current and power dissipation caused by faults or bus contention. The first, a foldback current limit on the output stage, provides immediate protection against short circuits over the entire common-mode voltage range. The second, a thermal-shutdown circuit, forces the driver outputs into a high-impedance state if the die temperature exceeds +160°C (typ).

Thermal Shutdown

The device is protected from overtemperature damage by integrated thermal shutdown circuitry. When the junction temperature (T_J) exceeds +160°C (typ), the driver outputs go high-impedance. The device resumes normal operation when T_J falls below +145°C (typ).

Applications Information

256 Transceivers on the Bus

The standard RS-485 receiver input impedance is one unit load. A standard driver can drive up to 32 unit-loads. The MAX14945 transceiver has a 1/8-unit load receiver, which allows up to 256 transceivers, connected in parallel, on one communication line. Connect any combination of these devices, and/or other RS-485 devices, for a maximum of 32 unit-loads to the line.

Typical Application

The MAX14945 transceiver is designed for bidirectional data communications on multipoint bus transmission lines. [Figure 9](#) shows a typical network application circuit. To minimize reflections, the bus should be terminated at both ends in its characteristic impedance, and stub lengths off the main line should be kept as short as possible.

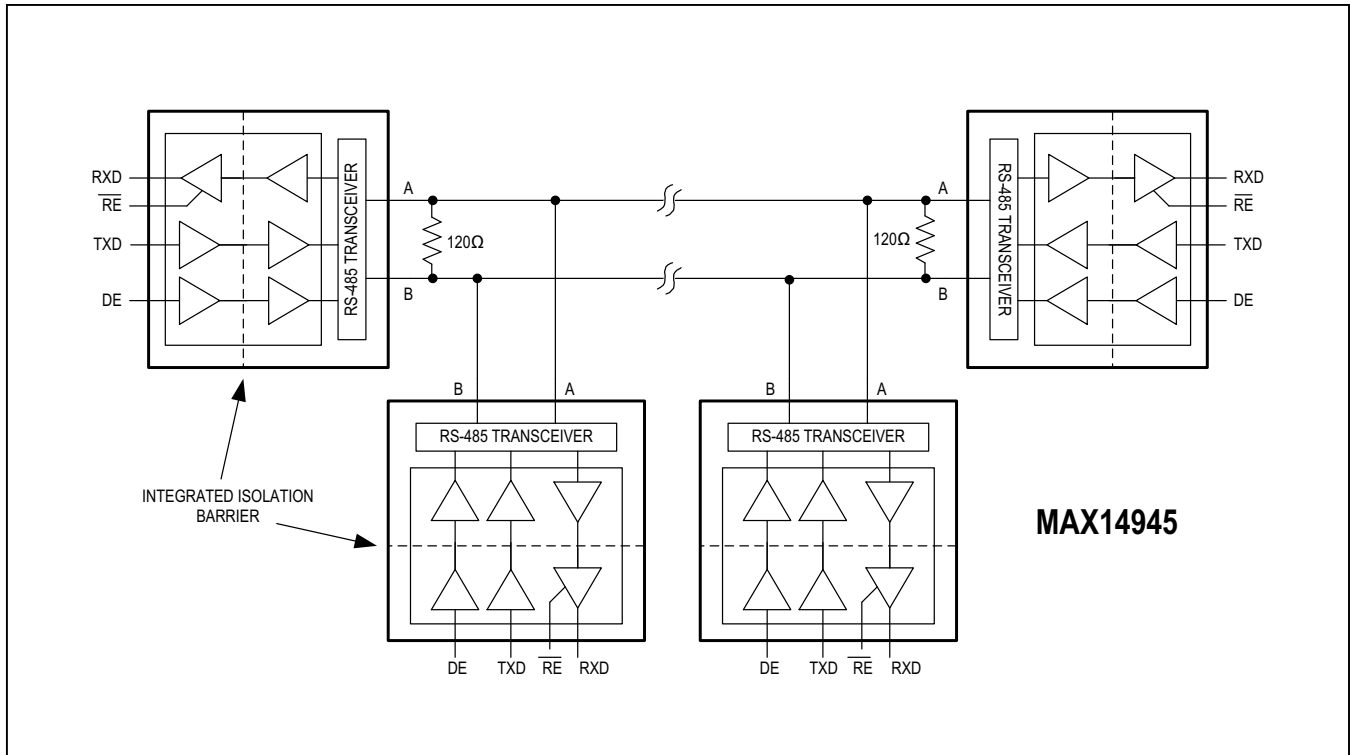


Figure 9. Typical Isolated Half-Duplex RS-485 Application

Layout Considerations

It is recommended to design an isolation, or keep-out channel underneath the isolator that is free from ground and signal planes. Any galvanic or metallic connection between the cable-side and UART-side defeats the isolation.

Ensure that the decoupling capacitors between V_{DDA} and $GNDA$ and between V_{LDO} , V_{DDB} , and $GNDB$ are located as close as possible to the IC to minimize inductance.

Route important signal lines close to the ground plane to minimize possible external influences. On the cable-side of the device, it is good practice to have the bus connectors and termination resistor as close as possible to the A and B pins.

Extended ESD Protection

ESD protection structures are incorporated on all pins to protect against electrostatic discharge encountered during handling and assembly. The driver outputs and receiver inputs of the MAX14945 have extra protection against static electricity to both the UART-side and cable-side ground references. The ESD structures withstand high-ESD events during normal operation and when powered down. After an ESD event, the devices keep working without latch-up or damage.

Bypass V_{DDA} to $GNDA$ and bypass V_{DDB} and V_{LDO} to $GNDB$ with 0.1 μ F and 1 μ F capacitors to ensure maximum ESD protection.

ESD protection can be tested in various ways. The transmitter outputs and receiver inputs of the MAX14945 are characterized for protection to the cable-side ground ($GNDB$) to the following limits:

- ±30kV HBM
- ±15kV using the Air-Gap Discharge method specified in IEC 61000-4-2
- ±10kV using the Contact Discharge method specified in IEC 61000-4-2

ESD Test Conditions

ESD performance depends on a variety of conditions. Contact Maxim for a reliability report that documents test setup, test methodology, and test results.

Human Body Model (HBM)

[Figure 10](#) shows the HBM test model, while [Figure 11](#) shows the current waveform it generates when discharged in a low-impedance state. This model consists of a 100pF capacitor charged to the ESD voltage of interest, which is then discharged into the test device through a 1.5k Ω resistor.

IEC 61000-4-2

The IEC 61000-4-2 standard covers ESD testing and performance of finished equipment. However, it does not specifically refer to integrated circuits. The MAX14945 help in designing equipment to meet IEC 61000-4-2 without the need for additional ESD protection components.

The major difference between tests done using the HBM and IEC 61000-4-2 is higher peak current in IEC 61000-4-2 because series resistance is lower in the IEC 61000-4-2 model. Hence, the ESD withstand voltage measured to IEC 61000-4-2 is generally lower than that measured using the HBM.

[Figure 12](#) shows the IEC 61000-4-2 model and [Figure 13](#) shows the current waveform for IEC 61000-4-2 ESD Contact Discharge Test.

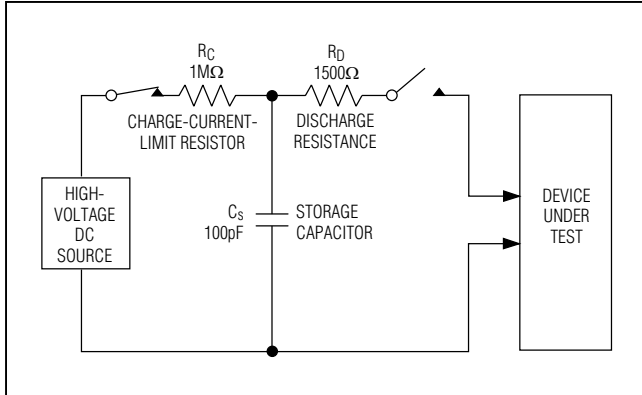


Figure 10. Human Body ESD Test Model

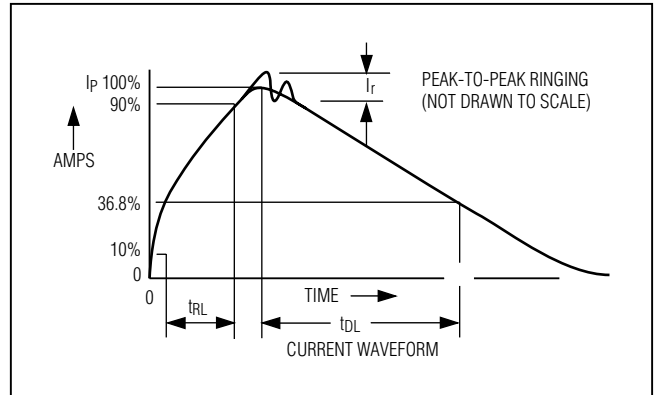


Figure 11. Human Body Current Waveform

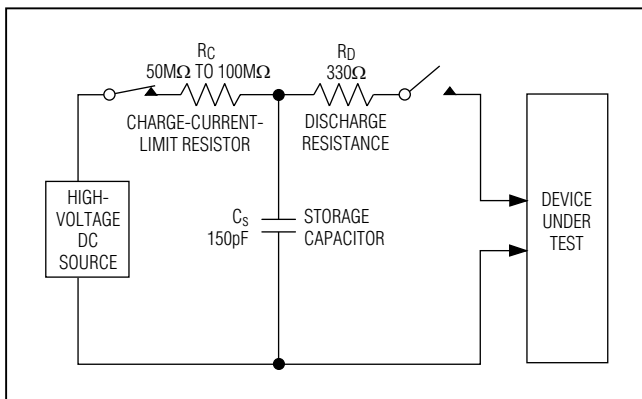


Figure 12. IEC 61000-4-2 ESD Test Model

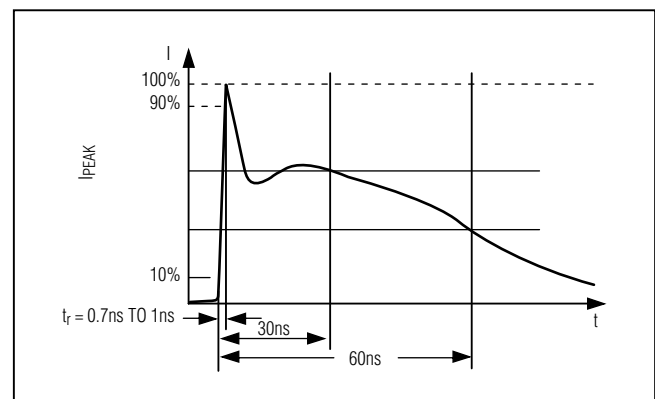
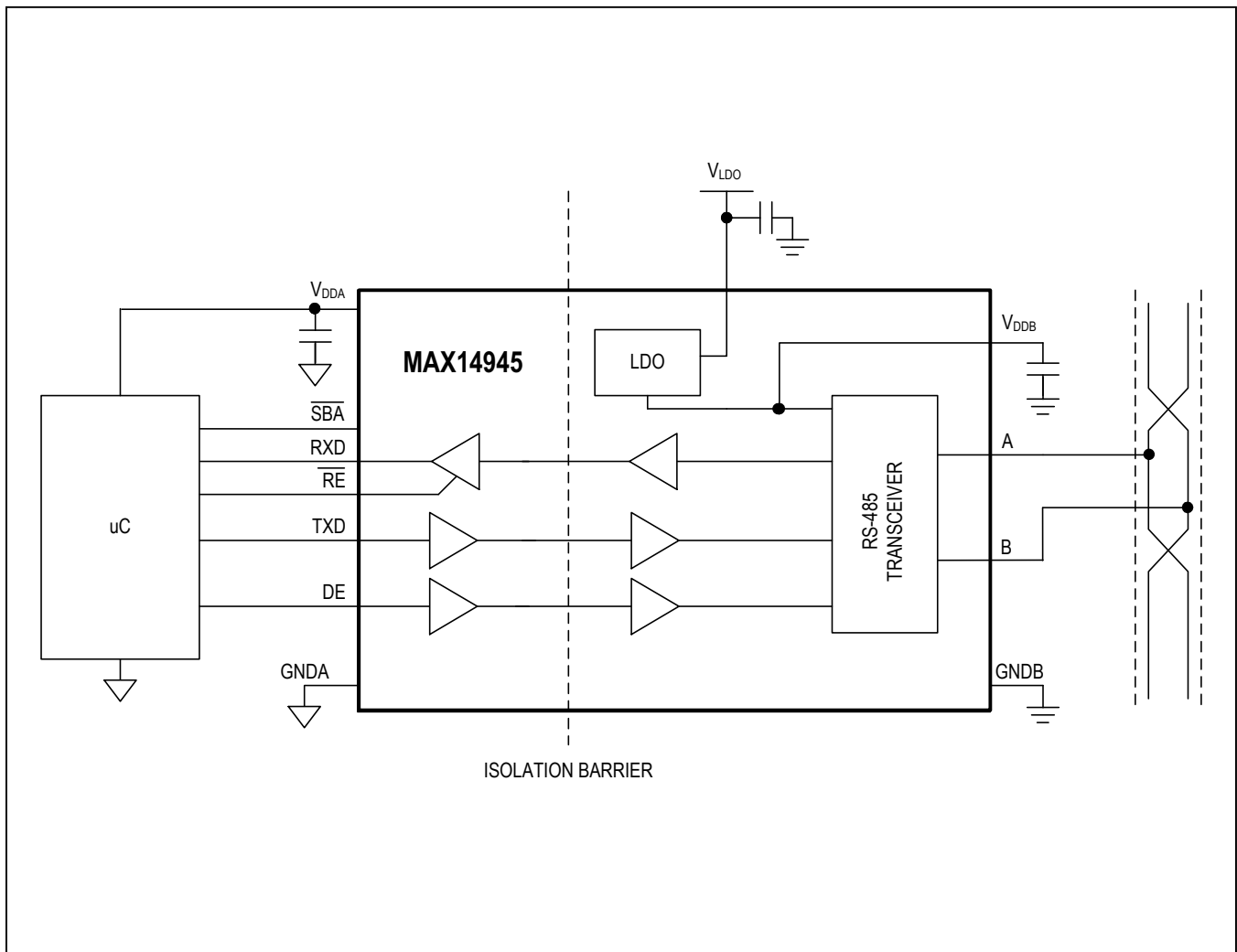


Figure 13. IEC 61000-4-2 ESD Generator Current Waveform

Typical Application Circuit



MAX14945

2.75kV_{RMS} Isolated 500kbps Half-Duplex RS-485/
RS-422 Transceiver with ±30kV ESD Protection

Ordering Information/Selector Guide

PART	TEMP RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX14945EWE+	-40°C to +85°C	16 SOIC (W)
MAX14945EWE+T	-40°C to +85°C	16 SOIC (W)

+Denotes a lead(Pb)-free/RoHS-compliant package.
T = Tape and reel.

Package Information

For the latest package outline information and land patterns (footprints), go to www.maximintegrated.com/packages. Note that a "+", "#", or "-" in the package code indicates RoHS status only. Package drawings may show a different suffix character, but the drawing pertains to the package regardless of RoHS status.

PACKAGE TYPE	PACKAGE CODE	OUTLINE NO.	LAND PATTERN NO.
16 SOIC	W16M+9	21-0042	91-0107

Chip Information

PROCESS: BiCMOS