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±15kV ESD Protected, +125°C, 40Mbps, 3.3V, Full Fail-Safe, RS-485/RS-422 Transceivers

Intersil's ISL3179E is a ±15kV IEC61000 ESD Protected, 3.3V powered, single transceiver that meets both the RS-485 and RS-422 standards for balanced communication. This device has low bus currents (+220µA/-150µA), so it presents a "1/5 unit load" to the RS-485 bus. This allows up to 160 transceivers on the network without violating the RS-485 specification's 32 unit load maximum, and without using repeaters.

Receiver (Rx) inputs feature a "Full Fail-Safe" design, which ensures a logic high Rx output if Rx inputs are floating, shorted, or terminated but undriven.

Hot Plug circuitry ensures that the Tx and Rx outputs remain in a high impedance state while the power supply stabilizes.

Ordering Information

PART NUMBER (Notes 1, 2)	PART MARKING	TEMP. RANGE (°C)	PACKAGE (Pb-Free)	PKG. DWG. #
ISL3179EFBZ	3179 EFBZ	-40 to +125	8 Ld SOIC	M8.15
ISL3179EFUZ	179FZ	-40 to +125	8 Ld MSOP	M8.118
ISL3179EFRZ	79FZ	-40 to +125	10 Ld DFN	L10.3x3C
ISL3179EIBZ	3179 EIBZ	-40 to +85	8 Ld SOIC	M8.15
ISL3179EIUZ	179IZ	-40 to +85	8 Ld MSOP	M8.118
ISL3179EIRZ	79IZ	-40 to +85	10 Ld DFN	L10.3x3C

NOTES:

1. Add "-T" suffix for tape and reel.
2. These Intersil Pb-free plastic packaged products employ special Pb-free material sets; molding compounds/die attach materials and 100% matte tin plate PLUS ANNEAL - e3 termination finish, which is RoHS compliant and compatible with both SnPb and Pb-free soldering operations. Intersil Pb-free products are MSL classified at Pb-free peak reflow temperatures that meet or exceed the Pb-free requirements of IPC/JEDEC J STD-020.

Features

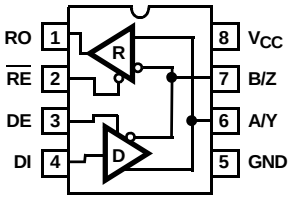
- IEC61000 ESD Protection on RS-485 I/O Pins . . . ±16.5kV
  - Class 3 HBM ESD Level on all Other Pins . . . . . >9kV
- Specified for +125°C Operation
- High Data Rates . . . . . up to 40Mbps
- 5V Tolerant Logic Inputs
- 1/5 Unit Load Allows up to 160 Devices on the Bus
- Full Fail-Safe (Open, Shorted, Terminated/Undriven) Receiver
- Hot Plug - Tx and Rx Outputs Remain Three-State During Power-Up
- Low Quiescent Current . . . . . 4mA (Max)
- Low Current Shutdown Mode . . . . . 1µA (Max)
- -7V to +12V Common Mode Input Voltage Range
- Three-State Rx and Tx Outputs
- 16/16.5ns (Max) Tx/Rx Propagation Delays; 1.5ns (Max) Skew
- Operates from a Single +3.3V Supply (10% Tolerance)
- Current Limiting and Thermal Shutdown for driver Overload Protection
- Pb-Free Plus (RoHS Compliant)

Applications

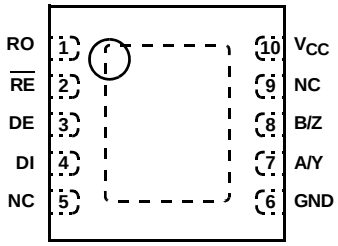
- Motor Controller/Position Encoder Systems
- Factory Automation
- Field Bus Networks
- Security Networks
- Building Environmental Control Systems
- Industrial/Process Control Networks

Pinouts

ISL3179E
(8 LD SOIC, MSOP)
TOP VIEW



ISL3179E
(10 LD DFN)
TOP VIEW



Truth Table

TRANSMITTING				
INPUTS			OUTPUTS	
$\overline{RE}$	DE	DI	B/Z	A/Y
X	1	1	0	1
X	1	0	1	0
0	0	X	High-Z	High-Z
1	0	X	High-Z*	High-Z*

NOTE: *Shutdown Mode

Truth Table

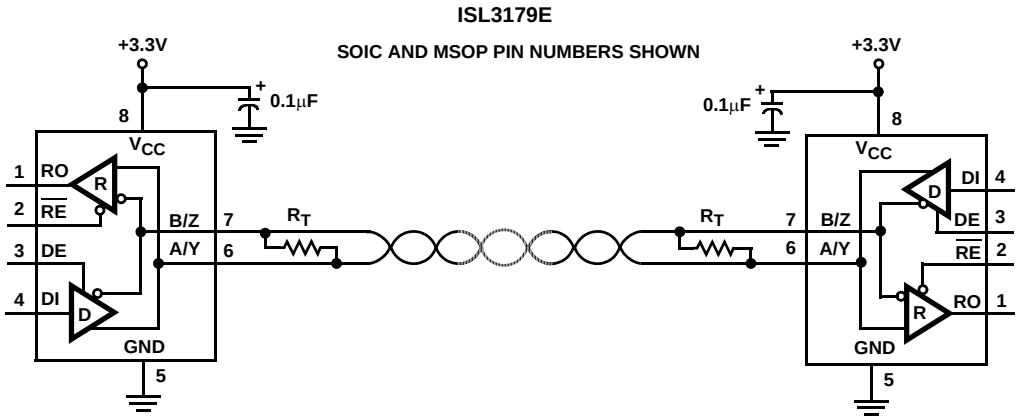
RECEIVING			
INPUTS			OUTPUT
$\overline{RE}$	DE	A-B	RO
0	0	≥ -0.05V	1
0	0	≤ -0.2V	0
0	0	Inputs Open/Shorted	1
1	1	X	High-Z
1	0	X	High-Z*

NOTE: *Shutdown Mode

Pin Descriptions

PIN	FUNCTION
RO	Receiver output: If A-B ≥ -50mV, RO is high; If A-B ≤ -200mV, RO is low; RO = High if A and B are unconnected (floating) or shorted, or connected to a terminated bus that is undriven.
$\overline{RE}$	Receiver output enable. RO is enabled when $\overline{RE}$ is low; RO is high impedance when $\overline{RE}$ is high. If the Rx enable function isn't required, connect $\overline{RE}$ directly to GND.
DE	Driver output enable. The driver outputs, Y and Z, are enabled by bringing DE high, and they are high impedance when DE is low. If the Tx enable function isn't required, connect DE to V_{CC} through a 1kΩ or greater resistor.
DI	Driver input. A low on DI forces output Y low and output Z high. Similarly, a high on DI forces output Y high and output Z low.
GND	Ground connection.
A/Y	±16.5kV IEC61000 ESD Protected RS-485/422 level, non-inverting receiver input and non-inverting driver output. Pin is an input (A) if DE = 0; pin is an output (Y) if DE = 1.
B/Z	±16.5kV IEC61000 ESD Protected RS-485/422 level, inverting receiver input and inverting driver output. Pin is an input (B) if DE = 0; pin is an output (Z) if DE = 1.
V_{CC}	System power supply input (3.0V to 3.6V).
NC	No Connection.

Typical Operating Circuit



Absolute Maximum Ratings

V_{CC} to Ground 7V
Input Voltages
DI, DE, $\overline{RE}$ . . . . . -0.3V to 7V
Input/Output Voltages
A/Y, B/Z . . . . . -9V to +13V
RO . . . . . -0.3V to (V_{CC} +0.3V)
Short Circuit Duration
Y, Z . . . . . Continuous
ESD Rating . . . . . See Specification Table

Thermal Information

Thermal Resistance (Typical, Note 3)	θ_{JA} (°C/W)
8 Ld SOIC Package	160
8 Ld MSOP Package	137
10 Ld DFN Package	46

Maximum Junction Temperature (Plastic Package) . . . . . +150°C
Maximum Storage Temperature Range . . . . . -65°C to +150°C
Pb-free reflow profile . . . . . .see link below
http://www.intersil.com/pbfree/Pb-FreeReflow.asp

Operating Conditions

Temperature Range
ISL3179EF . . . . . .-40°C to +125°C
ISL3179EI . . . . . .-40°C to +85°C

CAUTION: Do not operate at or near the maximum ratings listed for extended periods of time. Exposure to such conditions may adversely impact product reliability and result in failures not covered by warranty.

NOTE:

3. θ_{JA} is measured with the component mounted on a high effective thermal conductivity (with direct attach for DFN) test board in free air. See Tech Brief TB379 for details.

Electrical Specifications

Test Conditions: V_{CC} = 3.0V to 3.6V; Unless Otherwise Specified. Typicals are at V_{CC} = 3.3V, T_A = +25°C, (Note 4)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	TEST CONDITIONS	TEMP (°C)	MIN (Note 14)	TYP	MAX (Note 14)	UNITS
DC CHARACTERISTICS							
Driver Differential V_{OUT}	V_{OD}	R_L = 100Ω (RS-422) (Figure 1A), (Note 13)	Full	2	2.3	-	V
		R_L = 54Ω (RS-485) (Figure 1A)	Full	1.5	2.1	V_{CC}	V
		No Load	Full	-	-	V_{CC}	
		R_L = 60Ω, -7V ≤V_{CM} ≤12V (Figure 1B), (Note 13)	Full	1.5	2	-	V
Change in Magnitude of Driver Differential V_{OUT} for Complementary Output States	ΔV_{OD}	R_L = 54Ω or 100Ω (Figure 1A)	Full	-	0.01	0.2	V
Driver Common-Mode V_{OUT}	V_{OC}	R_L = 54Ω or 100Ω (Figure 1A)	Full	-	2	2.5	V
Change in Magnitude of Driver Common-Mode V_{OUT} for Complementary Output States	ΔV_{OC}	R_L = 54Ω or 100Ω (Figure 1A)	Full	-	0.02	0.2	V
Logic Input High Voltage	V_{IH}	DI, DE, $\overline{RE}$	Full	2	-	-	V
Logic Input Low Voltage	V_{IL}	DI, DE, $\overline{RE}$	Full	-	-	0.8	V
Logic Input Current	I_{IN1}	DI = DE = $\overline{RE}$ = 0V or V_{CC}	Full	-2	-	2	µA
Input Current (A/Y, B/Z)	I_{IN2}	DE = 0V, V_{CC} = 0V or 3.6V, V_{IN} = 12V	Full	-	-	220	µA
		DE = 0V, V_{CC} = 0V or 3.6V, V_{IN} = -7V	Full	-160	-	-	µA
Driver Short-Circuit Current, V_O = High or Low	I_{OSD1}	DE = V_{CC}, -7V ≤V_Y or V_Z ≤12V (Note 6)	Full	-	-	±250	mA
Receiver Differential Threshold Voltage	V_{TH}	-7V ≤ V_{CM} ≤ 12V	Full	-200	-	-50	mV
Receiver Input Hysteresis	ΔV_{TH}	V_{CM} = 0V	25	-	28	-	mV
Receiver Output High Voltage	V_{OH}	I_O = -12mA, V_{ID} = -50mV	Full	V_{CC} - 0.5	-	-	V
Receiver Output Low Voltage	V_{OL}	I_O = +10mA, V_{ID} = -200mV	Full	-	-	0.4	V
Receiver Output Low Current	I_{OL}	V_{OL} = 1V, V_{ID} = -200mV	Full	25	-	-	mA

Electrical Specifications Test Conditions: V_{CC} = 3.0V to 3.6V; Unless Otherwise Specified. Typicals are at V_{CC} = 3.3V, T_A = +25°C, (Note 4) **(Continued)**

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	TEST CONDITIONS	TEMP (°C)	MIN (Note 14)	TYP	MAX (Note 14)	UNITS
Three-State (high impedance) Receiver Output Current	I_{OZR}	$0.4V \le V_O \le 2.4V$	Full	-1	0.015	1	µA
Receiver Input Resistance	R_{IN}	$-7V \le V_{CM} \le 12V$	Full	54	80	-	kΩ
Receiver Short-Circuit Current	I_{OSR}	$0V \le V_O \le V_{CC}$	Full	±20	-	±110	mA
SUPPLY CURRENT							
No-Load Supply Current (Note 5)	I_{CC}	DI = DE = 0V or V_{CC}	Full	-	2.6	4	mA
Shutdown Supply Current	I_{SHDN}	DE = 0V, $\overline{RE}$ = V_{CC}, DI = 0V or V_{CC}	Full	-	0.05	1	µA
ESD PERFORMANCE							
RS-485 Pins (A/Y, B/Z)		IEC61000-4-2, Air-Gap Discharge Method	25	-	±16.5	-	kV
		IEC61000-4-2, Contact Discharge Method	25	-	±9	-	kV
		Human Body Model, From Bus Pins to GND	25	-	±16.5	-	kV
All Pins		HBM, per MIL-STD-883 Method 3015	25	-	>±9	-	kV
		Machine Model	25	-	>±400	-	V
DRIVER SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS							
Maximum Data Rate	f_{MAX}	$V_{OD} \ge \pm 1.5V$, R_D = 54Ω, C_L = 100pF (Figure 4)	-40 to 85	40	60	-	Mbps
			125	16	32	-	Mbps
Driver Differential Output Delay	t_{DD}	R_D = 54Ω, C_D = 50pF (Figure 2)	Full	-	11	16	ns
Prop Delay Part-to-Part Skew	t_{SKP-P}	R_D = 54Ω, C_D = 50pF (Figure 2), (Note 12)	Full	-	-	4	ns
Driver Differential Output Skew	t_{SKEW}	R_D = 54Ω, C_D = 50pF (Figure 2)	Full	-	0	1.5	ns
Driver Differential Rise or Fall Time	t_R, t_F	R_D = 54Ω, C_D = 50pF (Figure 2)	Full	-	4	7	ns
Driver Enable to Output High	t_{ZH}	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = GND (Figure 3), (Note 7)	Full	-	18	25	ns
Driver Enable to Output Low	t_{ZL}	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 3), (Note 7)	Full	-	16	25	ns
Driver Disable from Output High	t_{HZ}	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = GND (Figure 3),	Full	-	15	25	ns
Driver Disable from Output Low	t_{LZ}	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 3),	Full	-	18	25	ns
Time to Shutdown	t_{SHDN}	(Note 9)	Full	60	-	600	ns
Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output High	$t_{ZH(SHDN)}$	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = GND (Figure 3), (Notes 9, 10)	Full	-	-	1000	ns
Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low	$t_{ZL(SHDN)}$	R_L = 110Ω, C_L = 50pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 3), (Notes 9, 10)	Full	-	-	1000	ns
RECEIVER SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS							
Maximum Data Rate	f_{MAX}	V_{ID} = ±1.5V	Full	40	60	-	Mbps
Receiver Input to Output Delay	t_{PLH}, t_{PHL}	(Figure 5)	Full	-	10	16.5	ns
Prop Delay Part-to-Part Skew	t_{SKP-P}	(Figure 5), (Note 12)	Full	-	-	4	ns
Receiver Skew $\lvert t_{PLH} - t_{PHL} \rvert$	t_{SKD}	(Figure 5)	Full	-	0	1.5	ns
Receiver Enable to Output High	t_{ZH}	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = GND (Figure 6), (Note 8)	Full	-	10	15	ns
Receiver Enable to Output Low	t_{ZL}	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 6), (Note 8)	Full	-	11	15	ns
Receiver Disable from Output High	t_{HZ}	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = GND (Figure 6)	Full	-	10	15	ns
Receiver Disable from Output Low	t_{LZ}	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 6)	Full	-	10	15	ns

Electrical Specifications Test Conditions: V_{CC} = 3.0V to 3.6V; Unless Otherwise Specified. Typicals are at V_{CC} = 3.3V, T_A = +25°C, (Note 4) **(Continued)**

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	TEST CONDITIONS	TEMP (°C)	MIN (Note 14)	TYP	MAX (Note 14)	UNITS
Time to Shutdown	t_{SHDN}	(Note 9)	Full	60	-	600	ns
Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output High	$t_{ZH(SHDN)}$	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = GND (Figure 6), (Notes 9, 11)	Full	-	-	1000	ns
Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low	$t_{ZL(SHDN)}$	R_L = 1kΩ, C_L = 15pF, SW = V_{CC} (Figure 6), (Notes 9, 11)	Full	-	-	1000	ns

NOTES:

4. All currents into device pins are positive; all currents out of device pins are negative. All voltages are referenced to device ground unless otherwise specified.
5. Supply current specification is valid for loaded drivers when DE = 0V.
6. Applies to peak current. See “Typical Performance Curves” on page 10 for more information.
7. Because of the shutdown feature, keep $\overline{RE}$ = 0 to prevent the device from entering SHDN.
8. Because of the shutdown feature, the $\overline{RE}$ signal high time must be short enough (typically <100ns) to prevent the device from entering SHDN.
9. These IC’s are put into shutdown by bringing $\overline{RE}$ high and DE low. If the inputs are in this state for less than 60ns, the parts are guaranteed not to enter shutdown. If the inputs are in this state for at least 700ns, the parts are guaranteed to have entered shutdown. See “Low Power Shutdown Mode” on page 9.
10. Keep $\overline{RE}$ = VCC, and set the DE signal low time >700ns to ensure that the device enters SHDN.
11. Set the $\overline{RE}$ signal high time >700ns to ensure that the device enters SHDN.
12. This is the part-to-part skew between any two units tested with identical test conditions (Temperature, V_{CC}, etc.).
13. V_{CC} = 3.3V ±5%
14. Parts are 100% tested at +25°C. Over temperature limits established by characterization and are not production tested.

Test Circuits and Waveforms

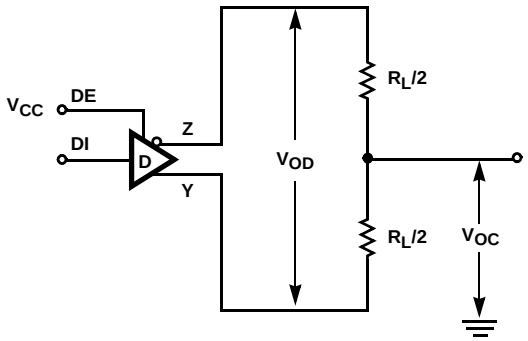


FIGURE 1A. V_{OD} AND V_{OC}

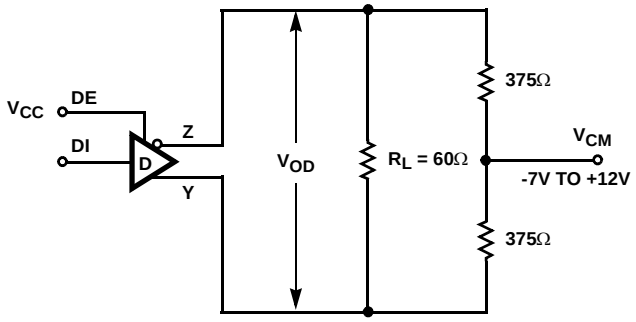


FIGURE 1B. V_{OD} WITH COMMON MODE LOAD

FIGURE 1. DC DRIVER TEST CIRCUITS

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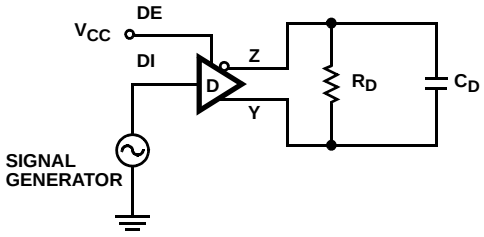


FIGURE 2A. TEST CIRCUIT

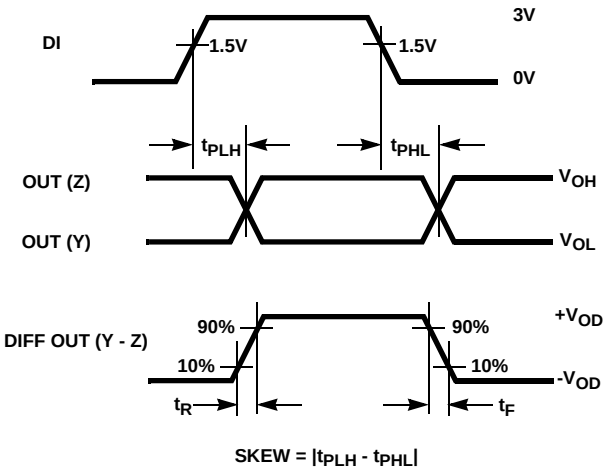
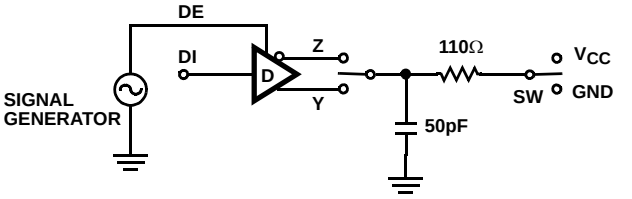


FIGURE 2B. MEASUREMENT POINTS

FIGURE 2. DRIVER PROPAGATION DELAY AND DIFFERENTIAL TRANSITION TIMES



PARAMETER	OUTPUT	$\overline{RE}$	DI	SW
t_{HZ}	Y/Z	X	1/0	GND
t_{LZ}	Y/Z	X	0/1	V_{CC}
t_{ZH}	Y/Z	0 (Note 7)	1/0	GND
t_{ZL}	Y/Z	0 (Note 7)	0/1	V_{CC}
$t_{ZH(SHDN)}$	Y/Z	1 (Note 10)	1/0	GND
$t_{ZL(SHDN)}$	Y/Z	1 (Note 10)	0/1	V_{CC}

FIGURE 3A. TEST CIRCUIT

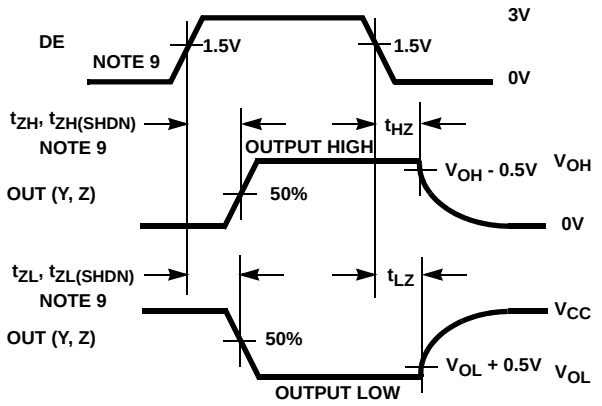


FIGURE 3B. MEASUREMENT POINTS

FIGURE 3. DRIVER ENABLE AND DISABLE TIMES

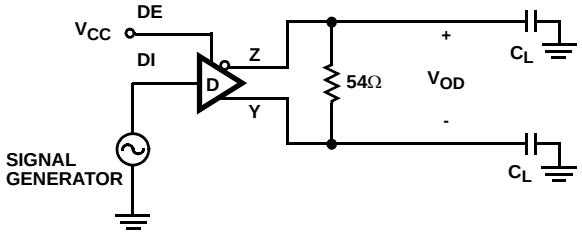


FIGURE 4A. TEST CIRCUIT

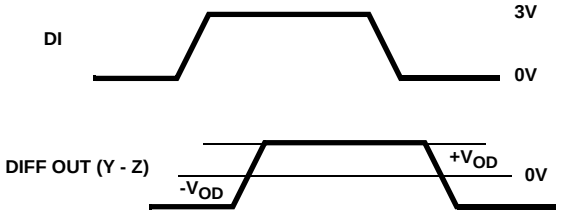


FIGURE 4B. MEASUREMENT POINTS

FIGURE 4. DRIVER DATA RATE

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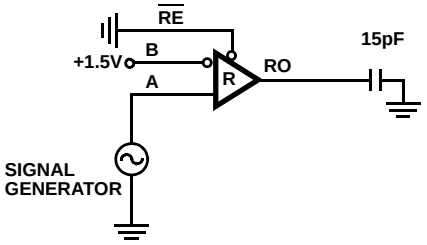


FIGURE 5A. TEST CIRCUIT

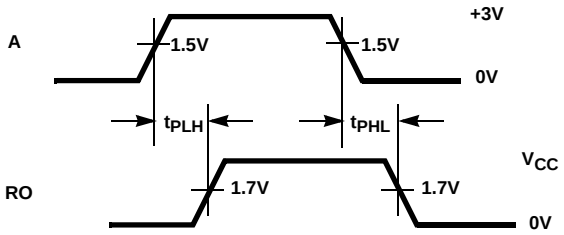
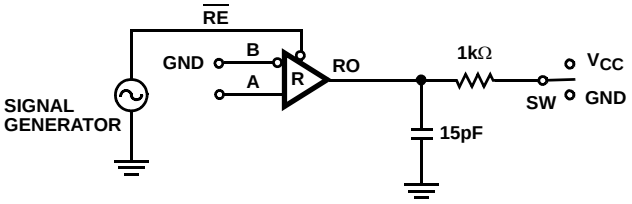


FIGURE 5B. MEASUREMENT POINTS

FIGURE 5. RECEIVER PROPAGATION DELAY



PARAMETER	DE	A	SW
t_{HZ}	0	+1.5V	GND
t_{LZ}	0	-1.5V	V_{CC}
t_{ZH} (Note 8)	0	+1.5V	GND
t_{ZL} (Note 8)	0	-1.5V	V_{CC}
$t_{ZH(SHDN)}$ (Note 11)	0	+1.5V	GND
$t_{ZL(SHDN)}$ (Note 11)	0	-1.5V	V_{CC}

FIGURE 6A. TEST CIRCUIT

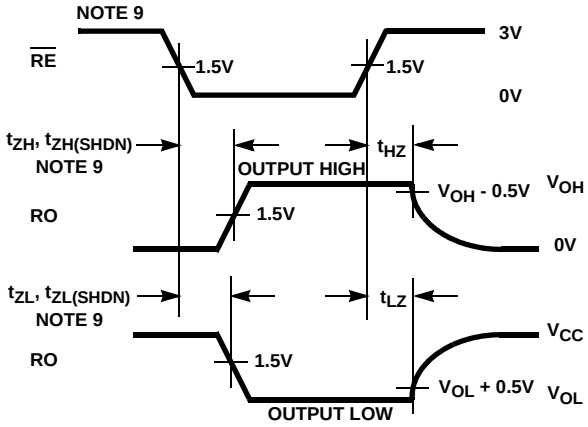


FIGURE 6B. MEASUREMENT POINTS

FIGURE 6. RECEIVER ENABLE AND DISABLE TIMES

Application Information

RS-485 and RS-422 are differential (balanced) data transmission standards for use in long haul or noisy environments. RS-422 is a subset of RS-485, so RS-485 transceivers are also RS-422 compliant. RS-422 is a point-to-multipoint (multidrop) standard, which allows only one driver and up to 10 (assuming one unit load devices) receivers on each bus. RS-485 is a true multipoint standard, which allows up to 32 one unit load devices (any mix of drivers and receivers) on each bus. To allow for multipoint operation, the RS-485 spec requires that drivers must handle bus contention without sustaining any damage.

Another important advantage of RS-485 is the extended common mode range (CMR), which specifies that the driver outputs and receiver inputs withstand signals that range from +12V to -7V. RS-422 and RS-485 are intended for runs as long as 4000' (~1200m), so the wide CMR is necessary to handle ground potential differences, as well as voltages induced in the cable by external fields.

Receiver (Rx) Features

This transceiver utilizes a differential input receiver for maximum noise immunity and common mode rejection. Input sensitivity is ±200mV, as required by the RS-422 and RS-485 specifications. Receiver inputs function with common mode voltages as great as +9/-7V outside the power supplies (i.e., +12V and -7V), making them ideal for long networks, or industrial environments, where induced voltages are a realistic concern.

The receiver input resistance of 50kΩ surpasses the RS-422 spec of 4kΩ, and is five times the RS-485 "Unit Load" (UL) requirement of 12kΩ minimum. Thus, the ISL3179E is known as a "one-fifth UL" transceiver, and there can be up to 160 devices on the RS-485 bus while still complying with the RS-485 loading spec.

The receiver is a "Full Fail-Safe" version that guarantees a high level receiver output if the receiver inputs are unconnected (floating), shorted together, or connected to a terminated bus with all the transmitters disabled (terminated/undriven).

Rx outputs deliver large low state currents (typically 28mA at V_{OL} = 1V) to ease the design of optically coupled isolated networks.

Receivers easily meet the 40Mbps data rate supported by the driver, and the receiver output is tri-statable via the active low $\overline{RE}$ input.

Driver (Tx) Features

The RS-485/RS-422 driver is a differential output device that delivers at least 1.5V across a 54Ω load (RS-485), and at least 2V across a 100Ω load (RS-422). The drivers feature low propagation delay skew to maximize bit width, and to minimize EMI.

Outputs of the drivers are not slew rate limited, so faster output transition times allow data rates of at least 40Mbps. Driver outputs are tri-statable via the active high DE input.

For parallel applications, bit-to-bit skews between any two ISL3179E transmitter and receiver pairs are guaranteed to be no worse than 8ns (4ns max for any two Tx, 4ns max for any two Rx).

ESD Protection

All pins on the ISL3179E include class 3 (>9kV) Human Body Model (HBM) ESD protection structures, but the RS-485 pins (driver outputs and receiver inputs) incorporate advanced structures allowing them to survive ESD events in excess of ±16.5kV HBM and ±16.5kV IEC61000-4-2. The RS-485 pins are particularly vulnerable to ESD strikes because they typically connect to an exposed port on the exterior of the finished product. Simply touching the port pins, or connecting a cable, can cause an ESD event that might destroy unprotected ICs. These new ESD structures protect the device whether or not it is powered up, and without degrading the RS-485 common mode range of -7V to +12V. This built-in ESD protection eliminates the need for board level protection structures (e.g., transient suppression diodes), and the associated, undesirable capacitive load they present.

IEC61000-4-2 Testing

The IEC61000 test method applies to finished equipment, rather than to an individual IC. Therefore, the pins most likely to suffer an ESD event are those that are exposed to the outside world (the RS-485 pins in this case), and the IC is tested in its typical application configuration (power applied) rather than testing each pin-to-pin combination. The IEC61000 standard's lower current limiting resistor coupled with the larger charge storage capacitor yields a test that is much more severe than the HBM test. The extra ESD protection built into this device's RS-485 pins allows the design of equipment meeting level 4 criteria without the need for additional board level protection on the RS-485 port.

AIR-GAP DISCHARGE TEST METHOD

For this test method, a charged probe tip moves toward the IC pin until the voltage arcs to it. The current waveform delivered to the IC pin depends on approach speed, humidity, temperature, etc., so it is more difficult to obtain repeatable results. The ISL3179E RS-485 pins withstand ±16.5kV air-gap discharges.

CONTACT DISCHARGE TEST METHOD

During the contact discharge test, the probe contacts the tested pin before the probe tip is energized, thereby eliminating the variables associated with the air-gap discharge. The result is a more repeatable and predictable test, but equipment limits prevent testing devices at voltages higher than ±9kV. The RS-485 pins of the ISL3179E survive ±9kV contact discharges.

Hot Plug Function

When a piece of equipment powers up, there is a period of time where the processor or ASIC driving the RS-485 control lines (DE, $\overline{RE}$) is unable to ensure that the RS-485 Tx and Rx outputs are kept disabled. If the equipment is connected to the bus, a driver activating prematurely during power up may crash the bus. To avoid this scenario, the ISL3179E incorporates a "Hot Plug" function. Circuitry monitoring V_{CC} ensures that, during power up and power down, the Tx and Rx outputs remain disabled, regardless of the state of DE and $\overline{RE}$, if V_{CC} is less than ~2.4V. This gives the processor/ASIC a chance to stabilize and drive the RS-485 control lines to the proper states.

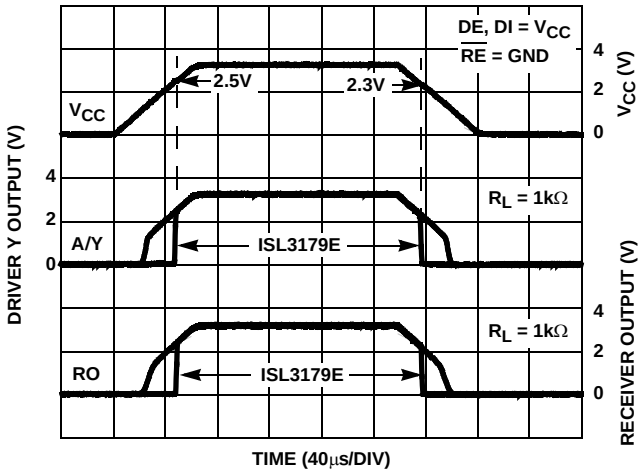


FIGURE 7. HOT PLUG PERFORMANCE (ISL3179E) vs ISL83485 WITHOUT HOT PLUG CIRCUITRY

Data Rate, Cables, and Terminations

RS-485/422 are intended for network lengths up to 4000', but the maximum system data rate decreases as the transmission length increases. Devices operating at 40Mbps are limited to lengths less than 100'.

Twisted pair is the cable of choice for RS-485/RS-422 networks. Twisted pair cables tend to pick up noise and other electromagnetically induced voltages as common mode signals, which are effectively rejected by the differential receiver in this IC.

Proper termination is imperative to minimize reflections. In point-to-point, or point-to-multipoint (single driver on bus) networks, the main cable should be terminated in its characteristic impedance (typically 120Ω) at the end farthest from the driver. In multi-receiver applications, stubs connecting receivers to the main cable should be kept as short as possible. Multipoint (multi-driver) systems require that the main cable be terminated in its characteristic impedance at both ends. Stubs connecting a transceiver to the main cable should be kept as short as possible.

The ISL3179E may also be used at slower data rates over longer cables, but there are some limitations. The Rx is optimized for high speed operation, so its output may glitch if the Rx input differential transition times are too slow. Keeping the transition times below 500ns, which equates to the Tx driving a 1000' (305m) CAT 5 cable, yields excellent performance over the full operating temperature range.

Built-In Driver Overload Protection

As stated previously, the RS-485 spec requires that drivers survive worst case bus contentions undamaged. These transmitters meet this requirement via driver output short circuit current limits, and on-chip thermal shutdown circuitry.

The driver output stages incorporate short circuit current limiting circuitry which ensures that the output current never exceeds the RS-485 spec, even at the common mode voltage range extremes. In the event of a major short circuit condition, the device also includes a thermal shutdown feature that disables the drivers whenever the die temperature becomes excessive. This eliminates the power dissipation, allowing the die to cool. The drivers automatically reenable after the die temperature drops about +15°C. If the contention persists, the thermal shutdown/reenable cycle repeats until the fault is cleared. Receivers stay operational during thermal shutdown.

Low Power Shutdown Mode

This BiCMOS transceiver uses a fraction of the power required by their bipolar counterparts, but it also includes a shutdown feature that reduces the already low quiescent I_{CC} to a 50nA trickle. It enters shutdown whenever the receiver and driver are ***simultaneously*** disabled ($\overline{RE}$ = V_{CC} and DE = GND) for a period of at least 600ns. Disabling both the driver and the receiver for less than 60ns guarantees that the transceiver will not enter shutdown.

Note that receiver and driver enable times increase when the transceiver enables from shutdown. Refer to Notes 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, at the end of the "Electrical Specification" table on page 5, for more information.

Typical Performance Curves V_{CC} = 3.3V, T_A = +25°C; Unless Otherwise Specified

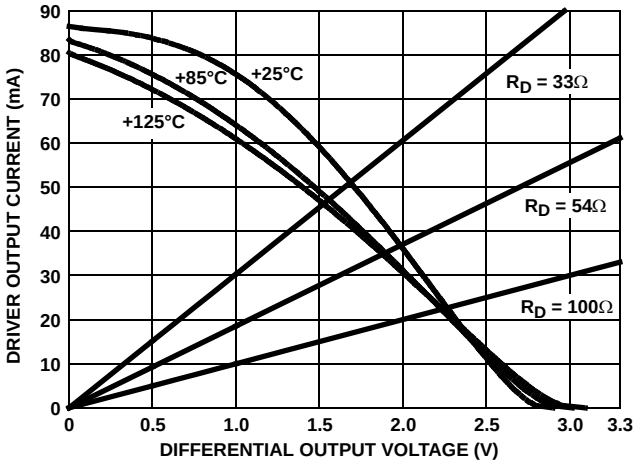


FIGURE 8. DRIVER OUTPUT CURRENT vs DIFFERENTIAL OUTPUT VOLTAGE

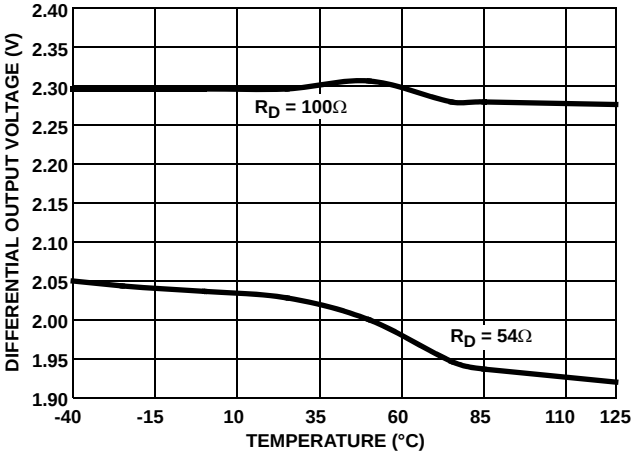


FIGURE 9. DRIVER DIFFERENTIAL OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs TEMPERATURE

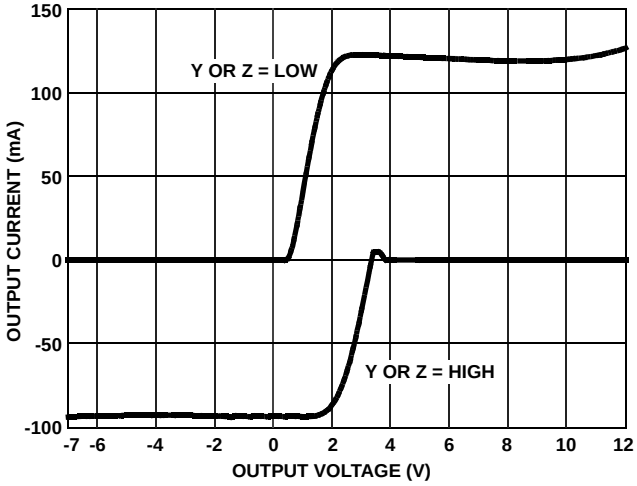


FIGURE 10. DRIVER OUTPUT CURRENT vs SHORT CIRCUIT VOLTAGE

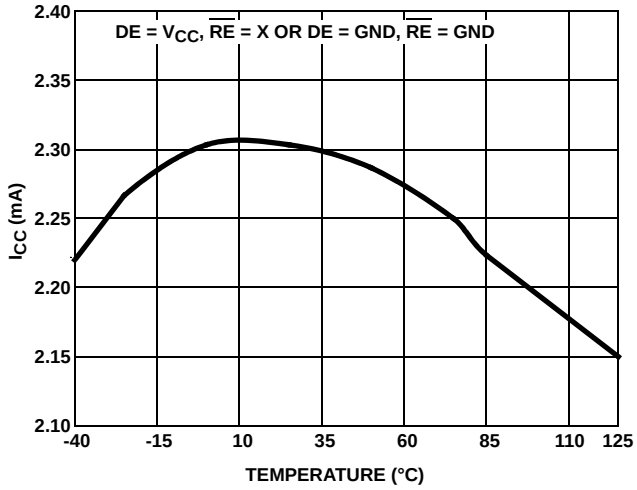


FIGURE 11. SUPPLY CURRENT vs TEMPERATURE

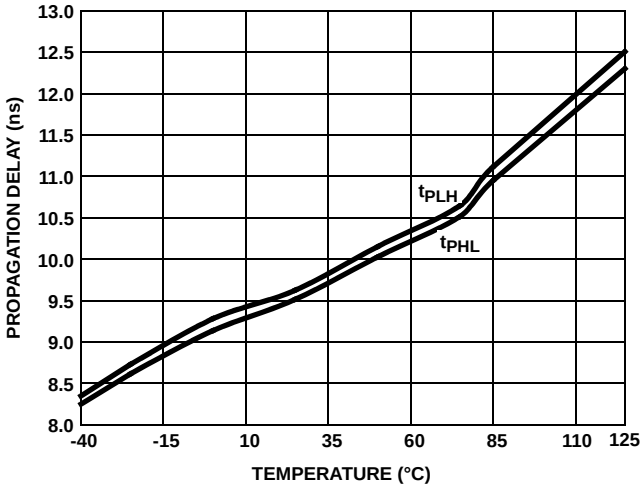


FIGURE 12. DRIVER DIFFERENTIAL PROPAGATION DELAY vs TEMPERATURE

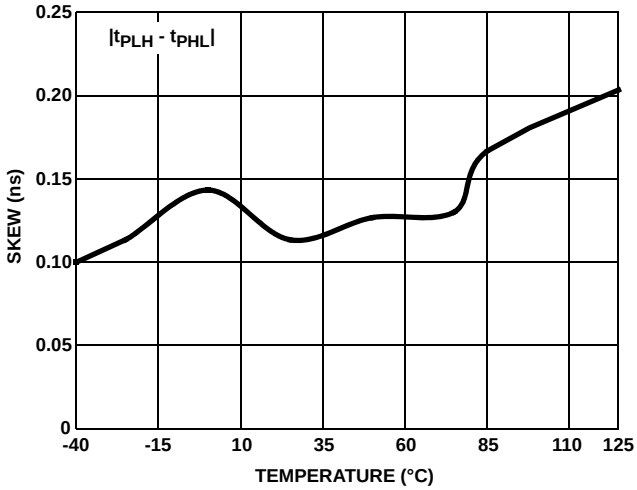


FIGURE 13. DRIVER DIFFERENTIAL SKEW vs TEMPERATURE

Typical Performance Curves V_{CC} = 3.3V, T_A = +25°C; Unless Otherwise Specified **(Continued)**

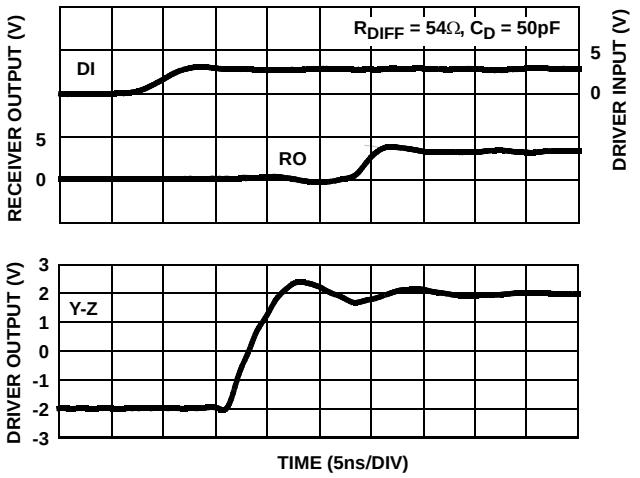
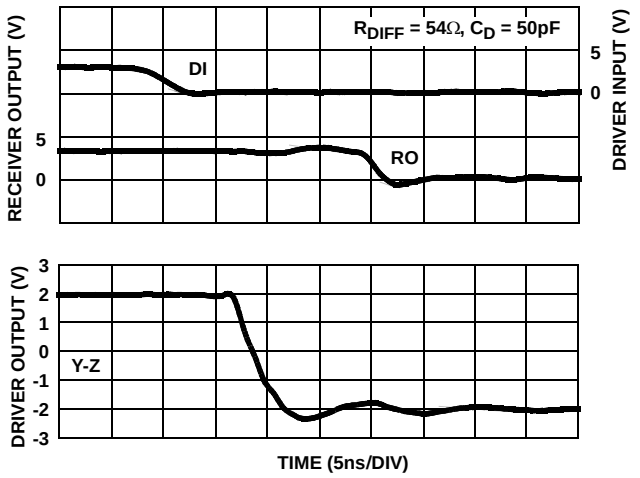


FIGURE 14. DRIVER AND RECEIVER WAVEFORMS



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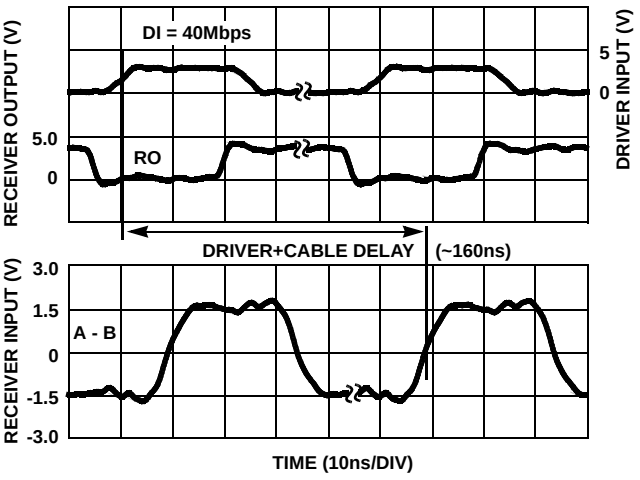

FIGURE 16. DRIVER AND RECEIVER WAVEFORMS DRIVING 100 FEET (31 METERS) OF CAT5 CABLE (DOUBLE TERMINATED WITH 120Ω)

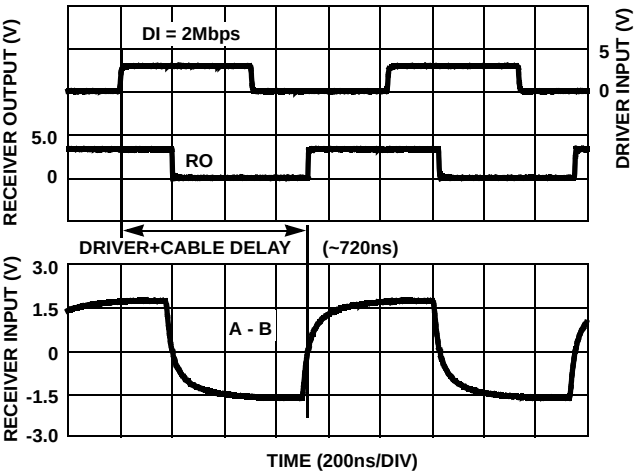

FIGURE 17. DRIVER AND RECEIVER WAVEFORMS DRIVING 500 FEET (152 METERS) OF CAT5 CABLE (DOUBLE TERMINATED WITH 120Ω)

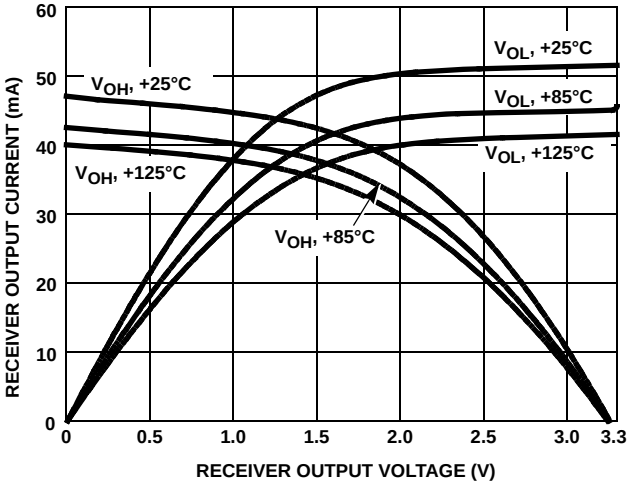

FIGURE 18. RECEIVER OUTPUT CURRENT vs RECEIVER OUTPUT VOLTAGE

Die Characteristics

SUBSTRATE AND DFN THERMAL PAD POTENTIAL (POWERED UP):

GND

TRANSISTOR COUNT:

768

PROCESS:

Si Gate BiCMOS

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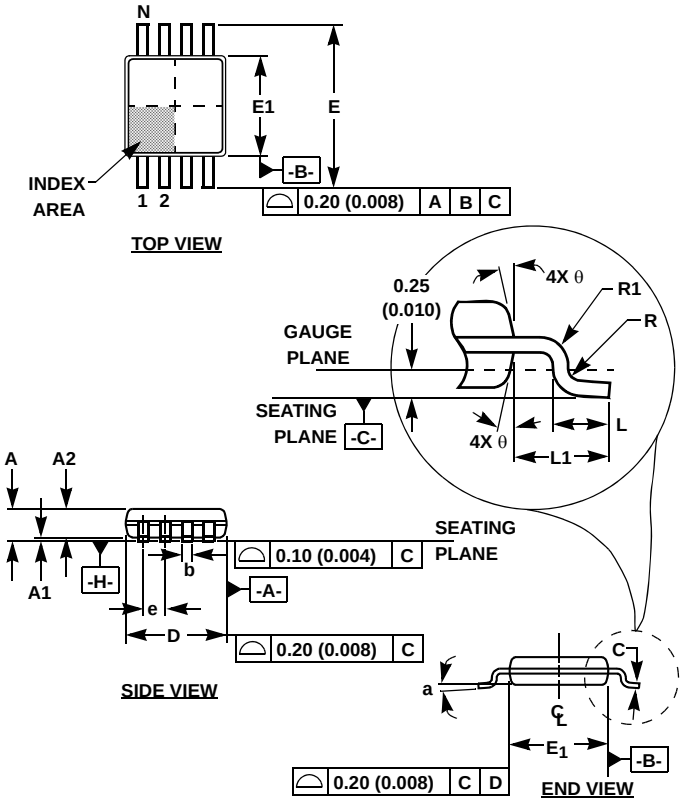

NOTES:

1. These package dimensions are within allowable dimensions of JEDEC MO-187BA.
2. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ANSI Y14.5M-1994.
3. Dimension “D” does not include mold flash, protrusions or gate burrs and are measured at Datum Plane. Mold flash, protrusion and gate burrs shall not exceed 0.15mm (0.006 inch) per side.
4. Dimension “E1” does not include interlead flash or protrusions and are measured at Datum Plane. [- H -] Interlead flash and protrusions shall not exceed 0.15mm (0.006 inch) per side.
5. Formed leads shall be planar with respect to one another within 0.10mm (0.004) at seating Plane.
6. “L” is the length of terminal for soldering to a substrate.
7. “N” is the number of terminal positions.
8. Terminal numbers are shown for reference only.
9. Dimension “b” does not include dambar protrusion. Allowable dambar protrusion shall be 0.08mm (0.003 inch) total in excess of “b” dimension at maximum material condition. Minimum space between protrusion and adjacent lead is 0.07mm (0.0027 inch).
10. Datums [-A -] and [- B -] to be determined at Datum plane [- H -].
11. Controlling dimension: MILLIMETER. Converted inch dimensions are for reference only.

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8 LEAD MINI SMALL OUTLINE PLASTIC PACKAGE

SYMBOL	INCHES		MILLIMETERS		NOTES
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
A	0.037	0.043	0.94	1.10	-
A1	0.002	0.006	0.05	0.15	-
A2	0.030	0.037	0.75	0.95	-
b	0.010	0.014	0.25	0.36	9
c	0.004	0.008	0.09	0.20	-
D	0.116	0.120	2.95	3.05	3
E1	0.116	0.120	2.95	3.05	4
e	0.026 BSC		0.65 BSC		-
E	0.187	0.199	4.75	5.05	-
L	0.016	0.028	0.40	0.70	6
L1	0.037 REF		0.95 REF		-
N	8		8		7
R	0.003	-	0.07	-	-
R1	0.003	-	0.07	-	-
0	5^o	15^o	5^o	15^o	-
α	0^o	6^o	0^o	6^o	-

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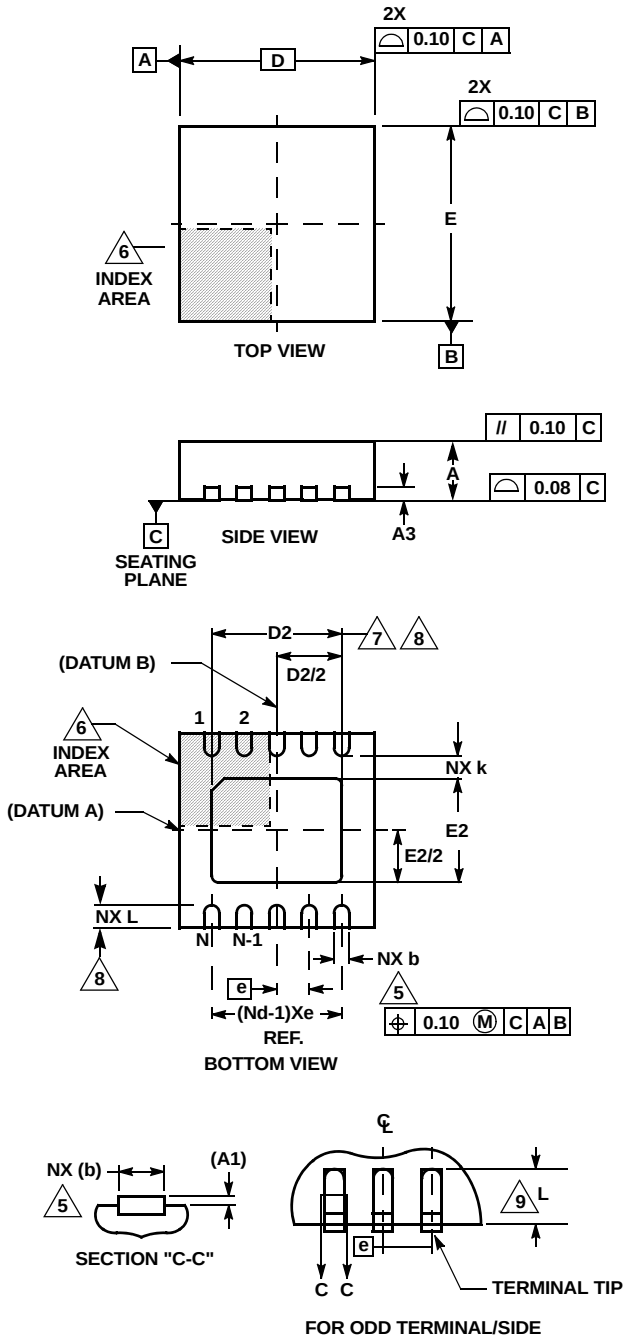
Dual Flat No-Lead Plastic Package (DFN)



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10 LEAD DUAL FLAT NO-LEAD PLASTIC PACKAGE

SYMBOL	MILLIMETERS			NOTES
	MIN	NOMINAL	MAX	
A	0.85	0.90	0.95	-
A1	-	-	0.05	-
A3		0.20 REF		-
b	0.20	0.25	0.30	5, 8
D		3.00 BSC		-
D2	2.33	2.38	2.43	7, 8
E		3.00 BSC		-
E2	1.59	1.64	1.69	7, 8
e		0.50 BSC		-
k	0.20	-	-	-
L	0.35	0.40	0.45	8
N		10		2
Nd		5		3

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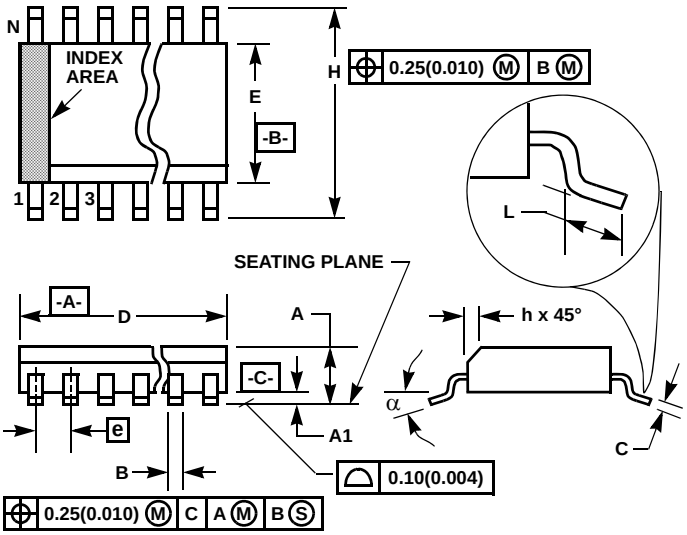
NOTES:

1. Dimensioning and tolerancing conform to ASME Y14.5-1994.
2. N is the number of terminals.
3. Nd refers to the number of terminals on D.
4. All dimensions are in millimeters. Angles are in degrees.
5. Dimension b applies to the metallized terminal and is measured between 0.15mm and 0.30mm from the terminal tip.
6. The configuration of the pin #1 identifier is optional, but must be located within the zone indicated. The pin #1 identifier may be either a mold or mark feature.
7. Dimensions D2 and E2 are for the exposed pads which provide improved electrical and thermal performance.
8. Nominal dimensions are provided to assist with PCB Land Pattern Design efforts, see Intersil Technical Brief TB389.
9. COMPLIANT TO JEDEC MO-229-WEED-3 except for dimensions E2 & D2.

Small Outline Plastic Packages (SOIC)



NOTES:

1. Symbols are defined in the “MO Series Symbol List” in Section 2.2 of Publication Number 95.
2. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ANSI Y14.5M-1982.
3. Dimension “D” does not include mold flash, protrusions or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusion and gate burrs shall not exceed 0.15mm (0.006 inch) per side.
4. Dimension “E” does not include interlead flash or protrusions. Interlead flash and protrusions shall not exceed 0.25mm (0.010 inch) per side.
5. The chamfer on the body is optional. If it is not present, a visual index feature must be located within the crosshatched area.
6. “L” is the length of terminal for soldering to a substrate.
7. “N” is the number of terminal positions.
8. Terminal numbers are shown for reference only.
9. The lead width “B”, as measured 0.36mm (0.014 inch) or greater above the seating plane, shall not exceed a maximum value of 0.61mm (0.024 inch).
10. Controlling dimension: MILLIMETER. Converted inch dimensions are not necessarily exact.

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8 LEAD NARROW BODY SMALL OUTLINE PLASTIC PACKAGE

SYMBOL	INCHES		MILLIMETERS		NOTES
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
A	0.0532	0.0688	1.35	1.75	-
A1	0.0040	0.0098	0.10	0.25	-
B	0.013	0.020	0.33	0.51	9
C	0.0075	0.0098	0.19	0.25	-
D	0.1890	0.1968	4.80	5.00	3
E	0.1497	0.1574	3.80	4.00	4
e	0.050 BSC		1.27 BSC		-
H	0.2284	0.2440	5.80	6.20	-
h	0.0099	0.0196	0.25	0.50	5
L	0.016	0.050	0.40	1.27	6
N	8		8		7
α	0°	8°	0°	8°	-

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