# Low-Power, Slew-Rate-Limited RS-485/RS-422 Transceivers 

## General Description

The MAX481, MAX483, MAX485, MAX487-MAX491, and MAX1487 are low-power transceivers for RS-485 and RS422 communication. Each part contains one driver and one receiver. The MAX483, MAX487, MAX488, and MAX489 feature reduced slew-rate drivers that minimize EMI and reduce reflections caused by improperly terminated cables, thus allowing error-free data transmission up to 250kbps. The driver slew rates of the MAX481, MAX485, MAX490, MAX491, and MAX1487 are not limited, allowing them to transmit up to 2.5 Mbps .
These transceivers draw between $120 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ and $500 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ of supply current when unloaded or fully loaded with disabled drivers. Additionally, the MAX481, MAX483, and MAX487 have a low-current shutdown mode in which they consume only $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$. All parts operate from a single 5 V supply.
Drivers are short-circuit current limited and are protected against excessive power dissipation by thermal shutdown circuitry that places the driver outputs into a high-impedance state. The receiver input has a fail-safe feature that guarantees a logic-high output if the input is open circuit.

The MAX487 and MAX1487 feature quarter-unit-load receiver input impedance, allowing up to 128 MAX487/ MAX1487 transceivers on the bus. Full-duplex communications are obtained using the MAX488-MAX491, while the MAX481, MAX483, MAX485, MAX487, and MAX1487 are designed for half-duplex applications.

## Applications

Low-Power RS-485 Transceivers
Low-Power RS-422 Transceivers
Level Translators
Transceivers for EMI-Sensitive Applications Industrial-Control Local Area Networks

## Next Generation Device Features

- For Fault-Tolerant Applications MAX3430: $\pm 80 \mathrm{~V}$ Fault-Protected, Fail-Safe, 1/4 Unit Load, +3.3V, RS-485 Transceiver MAX3440E-MAX3444E: $\pm 15 k V$ ESD-Protected, $\pm 60 \mathrm{~V}$ Fault-Protected, 10 Mbps , Fail-Safe, RS-485/J1708 Transceivers
- For Space-Constrained Applications MAX3460-MAX3464: +5V, Fail-Safe, 20Mbps, Profibus RS-485/RS-422 Transceivers MAX3362: +3.3V, High-Speed, RS-485/RS-422 Transceiver in a SOT23 Package MAX3280E-MAX3284E: $\pm 15 \mathrm{kV}$ ESD-Protected, 52Mbps, +3V to +5.5V, SOT23, RS-485/RS-422, True Fail-Safe Receivers

MAX3293/MAX3294/MAX3295: 20Mbps, +3.3V, SOT23, RS-855/RS-422 Transmitters

- For Multiple Transceiver Applications MAX3030E-MAX3033E: $\pm 15 k V$ ESD-Protected, +3.3V, Quad RS-422 Transmitters
- For Fail-Safe Applications MAX3080-MAX3089: Fail-Safe, High-Speed (10Mbps), Slew-Rate-Limited RS-485/RS-422 Transceivers
- For Low-Voltage Applications MAX3483E/MAX3485E/MAX3486E/MAX3488E/ MAX3490E/MAX3491E: +3.3V Powered, $\pm 15 k V$ ESD-Protected, 12Mbps, Slew-Rate-Limited, True RS-485/RS-422 Transceivers

Ordering Information appears at end of data sheet.

| PART NUMBER | HALF/FULL DUPLEX | DATA RATE (Mbps) | SLEW-RATE LIMITED | LOW-POWER SHUTDOWN | RECEIVER/ DRIVER ENABLE | QUIESCENT CURRENT ( $\mu \mathrm{A}$ ) | NUMBER OF TRANSMITTERS ON BUS | PIN COUNT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX481 | Half | 2.5 | No | Yes | Yes | 300 | 32 | 8 |
| MAX483 | Half | 0.25 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 120 | 32 | 8 |
| MAX485 | Half | 2.5 | No | No | Yes | 300 | 32 | 8 |
| MAX487 | Half | 0.25 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 120 | 128 | 8 |
| MAX488 | Full | 0.25 | Yes | No | No | 120 | 32 | 8 |
| MAX489 | Full | 0.25 | Yes | No | Yes | 120 | 32 | 14 |
| MAX490 | Full | 2.5 | No | No | No | 300 | 32 | 8 |
| MAX491 | Full | 2.5 | No | No | Yes | 300 | 32 | 14 |
| MAX1487 | Half | 2.5 | No | No | Yes | 230 | 128 | 8 |

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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Supply Voltage (VCC)
( ...........................................................
$-.12 \mathrm{~V}$
Control Input Voltage ( $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}, \mathrm{DE}$ ).................... 0.5 V to (VCC +0.5 V )
Driver Input Voltage (DI)............................-0.5V to (VCC +0.5 V )
Driver Output Voltage (A, B). $\qquad$ .-8 V to +12.5 V
-8 V to +12.5 V
Receiver Output Voltage (RO) $\qquad$ -0.5 V to $(\mathrm{VCC}+0.5 \mathrm{~V})$ Continuous Power Dissipation ( $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )
8-Pin Plastic DIP (derate $9.09 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) .... 727 mW 14-Pin Plastic DIP (derate $10.00 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) .. 800 mW 8 -Pin SO (derate $5.88 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) $\ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ . ~ 471 \mathrm{~mW}$

14-Pin SO (derate $8.33 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )............... 667 mW 8-Pin $\mu$ MAX (derate $4.1 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) .............. 830 mW 8-Pin CERDIP (derate $8.00 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )......... 640 mW 14-Pin CERDIP (derate $9.09 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )....... 727 mW Operating Temperature Ranges
MAX4__C_ JMAX1487C_A ............................... $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ MAX4__ E- JMAX1487E_A .............................. $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ MAX4__MJ」MAX1487MJA ............................... $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range ............................. $65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+160^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10 sec ) ............................. $+300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

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

## DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5 \mathrm{~V} \pm 5 \%, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MIN}}$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MAX}}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS |  | MIN | TYP MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Differential Driver Output (no load) | VOD1 |  |  |  | 5 | V |
| Differential Driver Output (with load) | VOD2 | $\mathrm{R}=50 \Omega$ (RS-422) |  | 2 |  | V |
|  |  | $\mathrm{R}=27 \Omega$ (RS-485), Figure 4 |  | 1.5 | 5 |  |
| Change in Magnitude of Driver Differential Output Voltage for Complementary Output States | $\Delta \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{OD}}$ | $\mathrm{R}=27 \Omega$ or $50 \Omega$, Figure 4 |  |  | 0.2 | V |
| Driver Common-Mode Output Voltage | Voc | $\mathrm{R}=27 \Omega$ or $50 \Omega$, Figure 4 |  |  | 3 | V |
| Change in Magnitude of Driver Common-Mode Output Voltage for Complementary Output States | $\Delta \mathrm{VOD}$ | $\mathrm{R}=27 \Omega$ or $50 \Omega$, Figure 4 |  |  | 0.2 | V |
| Input High Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IH}}$ | DE, DI, $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ |  | 2.0 |  | V |
| Input Low Voltage | VIL | DE, DI, $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ |  |  | 0.8 | V |
| Input Current | IIN1 | DE, DI, $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ |  |  | $\pm 2$ | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Input Current (A, B) | IIN2 | $D E=0 V$ <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ or 5.25 V , all devices except MAX487/MAX1487 | V IN $=12 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 1.0 | mA |
|  |  |  | V IN $=-7 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | -0.8 |  |
|  |  | MAX487/MAX1487, <br> $D E=0 V, V_{C C}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ or 5.25 V | V IN $=12 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.25 | mA |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=-7 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | -0.2 |  |
| Receiver Differential Threshold Voltage | VTH | $-7 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{VCM} \leq 12 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | -0.2 | 0.2 | V |
| Receiver Input Hysteresis | $\Delta V_{\text {TH }}$ | $\mathrm{VCM}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 70 | mV |
| Receiver Output High Voltage | VOH | $\mathrm{IO}=-4 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{VID}=200 \mathrm{mV}$ |  | 3.5 |  | V |
| Receiver Output Low Voltage | VOL | $\mathrm{IO}=4 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{VID}=-200 \mathrm{mV}$ |  |  | 0.4 | V |
| Three-State (high impedance) Output Current at Receiver | IozR | $0.4 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{Vo} \leq 2.4 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | $\pm 1$ | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Receiver Input Resistance | RIN | $-7 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CM}} \leq 12 \mathrm{~V}$, all devices except MAX487/MAX1487 |  | 12 |  | k $\Omega$ |
|  |  | $-7 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CM}} \leq 12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{MAX} 487 / \mathrm{MAX} 1487$ |  | 48 |  | k $\Omega$ |

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## DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5 \mathrm{~V} \pm 5 \%, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\text {MIN }}$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MAX}}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS |  |  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No-Load Supply Current (Note 3) | IcC | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAX488/MAX489, } \\ & \text { DE, DI, } \mathrm{RE}=0 \mathrm{~V} \text { or } \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 120 | 250 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MAX490/MAX491, } \\ & \text { DE, DI, } \overline{R E}=0 \mathrm{~V} \text { or VCC } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 300 | 500 |  |
|  |  | MAX481/MAX485, $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ | $D E=V_{C C}$ |  |  | 500 | 900 |  |
|  |  |  | DE $=0 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 300 | 500 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MAX1487} \\ & \mathrm{RE}=0 \mathrm{~V} \text { or } \mathrm{VCC} \end{aligned}$ | $D E=\mathrm{Vcc}$ |  |  | 300 | 500 |  |
|  |  |  | DE $=0 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 230 | 400 |  |
|  |  | MAX483/MAX487, $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ | $\mathrm{DE}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ | MAX483 |  | 350 | 650 |  |
|  |  |  |  | MAX487 |  | 250 | 400 |  |
|  |  |  | DE $=0 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 120 | 250 |  |
| Supply Current in Shutdown | ISHDN | MAX481/483/487, DE $=0 \mathrm{~V}, \overline{\mathrm{RE}}=\mathrm{VCC}$ |  |  |  | 0.1 | 10 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Driver Short-Circuit Current, Vo $=$ High | IOSD1 | $-7 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{VO}_{0} \leq 12 \mathrm{~V}$ ( Note 4) |  |  | 35 |  | 250 | mA |
| Driver Short-Circuit Current, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{O}}=$ Low | IOSD2 | $-7 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{Vo} \leq 12 \mathrm{~V}$ ( Note 4) |  |  | 35 |  | 250 | mA |
| Receiver Short-Circuit Current | IOSR | $\mathrm{OV} \leq \mathrm{VO} \leq \mathrm{VCC}$ |  |  | 7 |  | 95 | mA |

## SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS—MAX481/MAX485, MAX490/MAX491, MAX1487

( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5 \mathrm{~V} \pm 5 \%, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MIN}}$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MAX}}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS |  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Driver Input to Output | tPLH | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  | 10 | 30 | 60 | ns |
|  | tPHL |  |  | 10 | 30 | 60 |  |
| Driver Output Skew to Output | tSKEW | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega, C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  |  | 5 | 10 | ns |
| Driver Rise or Fall Time | tR, tF | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ | MAX481, MAX485, MAX1487 | 3 | 15 | 40 | ns |
|  |  |  | MAX490C/E, MAX491C/E | 5 | 15 | 25 |  |
|  |  |  | MAX490M, MAX491M | 3 | 15 | 40 |  |
| Driver Enable to Output High | tzH | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=100 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  |  | 40 | 70 | ns |
| Driver Enable to Output Low | tZL | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=100 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  |  | 40 | 70 | ns |
| Driver Disable Time from Low | tLZ | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  |  | 40 | 70 | ns |
| Driver Disable Time from High | thz | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  |  | 40 | 70 | ns |
| Receiver Input to Output | tPLH, tPHL | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Figures } 6 \text { and } 10, \\ & \text { RDIFF }=54 \Omega \text {, } \\ & C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF} \end{aligned}$ | MAX481, MAX485, MAX1487 | 20 | 90 | 200 | ns |
|  |  |  | MAX490C/E, MAX491C/E | 20 | 90 | 150 |  |
|  |  |  | MAX490M, MAX491M | 20 | 90 | 200 |  |
| \| tPLH - tPHL I Differential Receiver Skew | tSKD | Figures 6 and 10, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  |  | 13 |  | ns |
| Receiver Enable to Output Low | tZL | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Enable to Output High | tzH | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Disable Time from Low | tLZ | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Disable Time from High | thz | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Maximum Data Rate | fmax | MAX481 (Note 5) |  | 2.5 |  |  | Mbps |
| Time to Shutdown | tSHDN |  |  | 50 | 200 | 600 | ns |

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SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS—MAX481/MAX485, MAX490/MAX491, MAX1487 (continued)
( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5 \mathrm{~V} \pm 5 \%, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\text {MIN }}$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MAX}}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output High (MAX481) | tZH(SHDN) | Figures 7 and 9, CL = 100pF, S2 closed |  | 40 | 100 | ns |
| Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low (MAX481) | tZL(SHDN) | Figures 7 and 9, CL = 100pF, S1 closed |  | 40 | 100 | ns |
| Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output High (MAX481) | tZH(SHDN) | Figures 5 and 11, $C_{L}=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed, $A-B=2 V$ |  | 300 | 1000 | ns |
| Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low (MAX481) | tZL(SHDN) | Figures 5 and 11, $C_{L}=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S 1 closed, $B-A=2 V$ |  | 300 | 1000 | ns |

## SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS—MAX483, MAX487/MAX488/MAX489

( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5 \mathrm{~V} \pm 5 \%, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MIN}}$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{MAX}}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Driver Input to Output | tPLH | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ | 250 | 800 | 2000 | ns |
|  | tPHL |  | 250 | 800 | 2000 |  |
| Driver Output Skew to Output | tSKEW | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C L 2=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  | 100 | 800 | ns |
| Driver Rise or Fall Time | tR, tF | Figures 6 and 8, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ | 250 |  | 2000 | ns |
| Driver Enable to Output High | tzH | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=100 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed | 250 |  | 2000 | ns |
| Driver Enable to Output Low | tZL | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=100 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed | 250 |  | 2000 | ns |
| Driver Disable Time from Low | tLZ | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed | 300 |  | 3000 | ns |
| Driver Disable Time from High | thz | Figures 7 and 9, CL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed | 300 |  | 3000 | ns |
| Receiver Input to Output | tPLH | Figures 6 and 10, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C L 1=C L 2=100 \mathrm{pF}$ | 250 |  | 2000 | ns |
|  | tPHL |  | 250 |  | 2000 |  |
| I tPLH - tPHL I Differential Receiver Skew | tSKD | Figures 6 and 10, RDIFF $=54 \Omega$, $C_{L 1}=C_{L 2}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  | 100 |  | ns |
| Receiver Enable to Output Low | tZL | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Enable to Output High | tzH | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Disable Time from Low | tLZ | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S1 closed |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Receiver Disable Time from High | thz | Figures 5 and 11, CRL $=15 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  | 20 | 50 | ns |
| Maximum Data Rate | fmax | tPLH, tPHL < 50\% of data period | 250 |  |  | kbps |
| Time to Shutdown | tSHDN | MAX483/MAX487 (Note 5) | 50 | 200 | 600 | ns |
| Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output High | tZH(SHDN) | MAX483/MAX487, Figures 7 and 9, $C L=100 \mathrm{pF}$, S2 closed |  |  | 2000 | ns |
| Driver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low | tZL(SHDN) | MAX483/MAX487, Figures 7 and 9, $C L=100 \mathrm{pF}, \mathrm{S} 1$ closed |  |  | 2000 | ns |
| Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output High | tZH(SHDN) | MAX483/MAX487, Figures 5 and 11, $C L=15 \mathrm{pF}, \mathrm{S} 2$ closed |  |  | 2500 | ns |
| Receiver Enable from Shutdown to Output Low | tZL(SHDN) | MAX483/MAX487, Figures 5 and 11, $C L=15 p F, S 1$ closed |  |  | 2500 | ns |

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## NOTES FOR ELECTRICAL/SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS

Note 1: 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.
Note 2: All typical specifications are given for $\mathrm{V}_{C C}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ and $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
Note 3: Supply current specification is valid for loaded transmitters when $\mathrm{DE}=0 \mathrm{~V}$.
Note 4: Applies to peak current. See Typical Operating Characteristics.
Note 5: The MAX481/MAX483/MAX487 are put into shutdown by bringing $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ high and DE low. If the inputs are in this state for less than 50 ns, the parts are guaranteed not to enter shutdown. If the inputs are in this state for at least 600 ns, the parts are guaranteed to have entered shutdown. See Low-Power Shutdown Mode section.

## Typical Operating Characteristics

( $\mathrm{VCC}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


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$\qquad$ Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)
$\left(\mathrm{V}_{C C}=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$, unless otherwise noted. $)$


DRIVER OUTPUT LOW VOLTAGE

OUTPUT CURRENT vs.
DRIVER OUTPUT HIGH VOLTAGE


MAX481/MAX485/MAX490/MAX491 SUPPLY CURRENT vs. TEMPERATURE


MAX1487


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Pin Description

| PIN |  |  |  |  | NAME | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX48 MAX485 MA | AX483/ AX487/ 487 | MAX488/ MAX490 |  | MAX489/ MAX491 |  |  |
| DIP/SO | $\mu \mathrm{MAX}$ | DIP/SO | $\mu \mathrm{MAX}$ | DIP/SO |  |  |
| 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | RO | Receiver Output: If A > B by 200 mV , RO will be high; If $A<B$ by 200 mV , RO will be low. |
| 2 | 4 | - | - | 3 | $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ | Receiver Output Enable. RO is enabled when $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ is low; RO is high impedance when $\overline{R E}$ is high. |
| 3 | 5 | - | - | 4 | DE | Driver Output Enable. The driver outputs, Y and Z , are enabled by bringing $D E$ high. They are high impedance when $D E$ is low. If the driver outputs are enabled, the parts function as line drivers. While they are high impedance, they function as line receivers if $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ is low. |
| 4 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 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. |
| 5 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 6, 7 | GND | Ground |
| - | - | 5 | 7 | 9 | Y | Noninverting Driver Output |
| - | - | 6 | 8 | 10 | Z | Inverting Driver Output |
| 6 | 8 | - | - | - | A | Noninverting Receiver Input and Noninverting Driver Output |
| - | - | 8 | 2 | 12 | A | Noninverting Receiver Input |
| 7 | 1 | - | - | - | B | Inverting Receiver Input and Inverting Driver Output |
| - | - | 7 | 1 | 11 | B | Inverting Receiver Input |
| 8 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 14 | VCC | Positive Supply: $4.75 \mathrm{~V} \leq \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}} \leq 5.25 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| - | - | - | - | 1, 8, 13 | N.C. | No Connect-not internally connected |

TOP VIEW



NOTE: PIN LABELS Y AND Z ON TIMING, TEST, AND WAVEFORM DIAGRAMS REFER TO PINS A AND B WHEN DE IS HIGH. TYPICAL OPERATING CIRCUIT SHOWN WITH DIP/SO PACKAGE.

Figure 1. MAX481/MAX483/MAX485/MAX487/MAX1487 Pin Configuration and Typical Operating Circuit

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Figure 2. MAX488/MAX490 Pin Configuration and Typical Operating Circuit


Figure 3. MAX489/MAX491 Pin Configuration and Typical Operating Circuit

## Applications Information

The MAX481/MAX483/MAX485/MAX487-MAX491 and MAX1487 are low-power transceivers for RS-485 and RS422 communications. The MAX481, MAX485, MAX490, MAX491, and MAX1487 can transmit and receive at data rates up to 2.5 Mbps , while the MAX483, MAX487, MAX488, and MAX489 are specified for data rates up to 250 kbps . The MAX488-MAX491 are full-duplex transceivers while the MAX481, MAX483, MAX485, MAX487, and MAX1487 are half-duplex. In addition, Driver Enable (DE) and Receiver Enable ( $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ ) pins are included on the MAX481, MAX483, MAX485, MAX487, MAX489, MAX491, and MAX1487. When disabled, the driver and receiver outputs are high impedance.

## MAX487/MAX1487:

128 Transceivers on the Bus
The $48 \mathrm{k} \Omega, 1 / 4$-unit-load receiver input impedance of the MAX487 and MAX1487 allows up to 128 transceivers on a bus, compared to the 1-unit load ( $12 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ input impedance) of standard RS-485 drivers (32 transceivers maximum). Any combination of MAX487/ MAX1487 and other RS-485 transceivers with a total of 32 unit loads or less can be put on the bus. The MAX481/MAX483/MAX485 and MAX488-MAX491 have standard $12 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ Receiver Input impedance.

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Figure 4. Driver DC Test Load


Figure 6. Driver/Receiver Timing Test Circuit

## MAX483/MAX487/MAX488/MAX489:

 Reduced EMI and ReflectionsThe MAX483 and MAX487-MAX489 are slew-rate limited, minimizing EMI and reducing reflections caused by improperly terminated cables. Figure 12 shows the driver output waveform and its Fourier analysis of a 150 kHz signal transmitted by a MAX481, MAX485, MAX490, MAX491, or MAX1487. High-frequency har-


Figure 5. Receiver Timing Test Load


Figure 7. Driver Timing Test Load
monics with large amplitudes are evident. Figure 13 shows the same information displayed for a MAX483, MAX487, MAX488, or MAX489 transmitting under the same conditions. Figure 13's high-frequency harmonics have much lower amplitudes, and the potential for EMI is significantly reduced.

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Figure 8. Driver Propagation Delays

Figure 10. Receiver Propagation Delays



Figure 9. Driver Enable and Disable Times (except MAX488 and MAX490)


Figure 11. Receiver Enable and Disable Times (except MAX488 and MAX490)

Function Tables (MAX481/MAX483/MAX485/MAX487/MAX1487)

Table 1. Transmitting

| INPUTS |  |  | OUTPUTS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\overline{R E}$ | $D E$ | $D I$ | $Z$ | $Y$ |
| $X$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| $X$ | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | $X$ | High-Z | High-Z |
| 1 | 0 | $X$ | High-Z* | High-Z* |

X = Don't care
High-Z = High impedance

* Shutdown mode for MAX481/MAX483/MAX487

Table 2. Receiving

| INPUTS |  |  | OUTPUT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\overline{R E}$ | DE | A-B | RO |
| 0 | 0 | $\geq+0.2 \mathrm{~V}$ | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | $\leq-0.2 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | Inputs open | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | $x$ | High-Z* |

## X = Don't care

High-Z = High impedance

* Shutdown mode for MAX481/MAX483/MAX487


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Figure 12. Driver Output Waveform and FFT Plot of MAX481/ MAX485/MAX490/MAX491/MAX1487 Transmitting a 150 kHz Signal

## Low-Power Shutdown Mode (MAX481/MAX483/MAX487)

A low-power shutdown mode is initiated by bringing both $\overline{R E}$ high and DE low. The devices will not shut down unless both the driver and receiver are disabled. In shutdown, the devices typically draw only $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ of supply current.
$\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$ and DE may be driven simultaneously; the parts are guaranteed not to enter shutdown if $\overline{R E}$ is high and $D E$ is low for less than 50 ns . If the inputs are in this state for at least 600ns, the parts are guaranteed to enter shutdown.
For the MAX481, MAX483, and MAX487, the tZH and tZL enable times assume the part was not in the lowpower shutdown state (the MAX485/MAX488-MAX491 and MAX1487 can not be shut down). The tZH(SHDN) and tZL(SHDN) enable times assume the parts were shut down (see Electrical Characteristics).
It takes the drivers and receivers longer to become enabled from the low-power shutdown state ( $\mathrm{tZH}(\mathrm{SHDN})$, tZL(SHDN)) than from the operating mode (tZH, tZL). (The parts are in operating mode if the $\overline{\mathrm{RE}}$, DE inputs equal a logical 0,1 or 1,1 or 0,0 .)


Figure 13. Driver Output Waveform and FFT Plot of MAX483/ MAX487-MAX489 Transmitting a 150 kHz Signal

## Driver Output Protection

Excessive output current and power dissipation caused by faults or by bus contention are prevented by two mechanisms. A foldback current limit on the output stage provides immediate protection against short circuits over the whole common-mode voltage range (see Typical Operating Characteristics). In addition, a thermal shutdown circuit forces the driver outputs into a high-impedance state if the die temperature rises excessively

Propagation Delay Many digital encoding schemes depend on the difference between the driver and receiver propagation delay times. Typical propagation delays are shown in Figures 15-18 using Figure 14's test circuit.
The difference in receiver delay times, I tpLH - tpHL I, is typically under 13ns for the MAX481, MAX485, MAX490, MAX491, and MAX1487 and is typically less than 100ns for the MAX483 and MAX487-MAX489.
The driver skew times are typically 5ns (10ns max) for the MAX481, MAX485, MAX490, MAX491, and MAX1487, and are typically 100ns (800ns max) for the MAX483 and MAX487-MAX489.

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Figure 14. Receiver Propagation Delay Test Circuit


Figure 15. MAX481/MAX485/MAX490/MAX491/MAX1487 Receiver tPHL


Figure 17. MAX483, MAX487-MAX489 Receiver tPHL


Figure 16. MAX481/MAX485/MAX490/MAX491/MAX1487 Receiver tPLH


Figure 18. MAX483, MAX487-MAX489 Receiver tPLH

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Line Length vs. Data Rate
The RS-485/RS-422 standard covers line lengths up to 4000 feet. For line lengths greater than 4000 feet, see Figure 23.
Figures 19 and 20 show the system differential voltage for the parts driving 4000 feet of 26AWG twisted-pair wire at 110 kHz into $120 \Omega$ loads.

Typical Applications
The MAX481, MAX483, MAX485, MAX487-MAX491, and MAX1487 transceivers are designed for bidirectional data communications on multipoint bus transmission lines.


Figure 19. MAX481/MAX485/MAX490/MAX491/MAX1487 System Differential Voltage at 110 kHz Driving 4000ft of Cable

Figures 21 and 22 show typical network applications circuits. These parts can also be used as line repeaters, with cable lengths longer than 4000 feet, as shown in Figure 23.
To minimize reflections, the line should be terminated at both ends in its characteristic impedance, and stub lengths off the main line should be kept as short as possible. The slew-rate-limited MAX483 and MAX487-MAX489 are more tolerant of imperfect termination.


Figure 20. MAX483, MAX487-MAX489 System Differential Voltage at 110 kHz Driving 4000ft of Cable


Figure 21. MAX481/MAX483/MAX485/MAX487/MAX1487 Typical Half-Duplex RS-485 Network

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NOTE: $\overline{R E}$ AND DE ON MAX489/MAX491 ONLY

Figure 22. MAX488-MAX491 Full-Duplex RS-485 Network


Isolated RS-485
For isolated RS-485 applications, see the MAX253 and MAX1480 data sheets.

Figure 23. Line Repeater for MAX488-MAX491

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Ordering Information

| PART | TEMP. RANGE | PIN-PACKAGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MAX481CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX481CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX481CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu \mathrm{MAX}$ |
| MAX481C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX481EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX481ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX481MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX483CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX483CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX483CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu \mathrm{MAX}$ |
| MAX483C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX483EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX483ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX483MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX485CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX485CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX485CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu \mathrm{MAX}$ |
| MAX485C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX485EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX485ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX485MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX487CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX487CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX487CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu \mathrm{MAX}$ |
| MAX487C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX487EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX487ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX487MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX488CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX488CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX488CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu \mathrm{MAX}$ |
| MAX488C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX488EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX488ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX488MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX489CPD | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 Plastic DIP |
| MAX489CSD | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 SO |
| MAX489C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice* |
| MAX489EPD | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 Plastic DIP |
| MAX489ESD | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 SO |
| MAX489MJD | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 CERDIP |

_Ordering Information (continued)

| PART | TEMP. RANGE | PIN-PACKAGE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MAX490CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX490CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX490CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $8 \mu$ MAX |
| MAX490C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice |
| MAX490EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX490ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX490MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |
| MAX491CPD | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 Plastic DIP |
| MAX491CSD | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 SO |
| MAX491C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice ${ }^{*}$ |
| MAX491EPD | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 Plastic DIP |
| MAX491ESD | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 SO |
| MAX491MJD | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 14 CERDIP |
| MAX1487CPA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX1487CSA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX1487CUA | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 PMAX |
| MAX1487C/D | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Dice |
| MAX1487EPA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 Plastic DIP |
| MAX1487ESA | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 SO |
| MAX1487MJA | $-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 8 CERDIP |

* Contact factory for dice specifications.

Chip Topographies
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MAX489/MAX491


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