

1µA Supply-Current, True +3V to +5.5V RS-232 Transceivers with AutoShutdown™

General Description

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 achieve 1µA supply current with Maxim's revolutionary AutoShutdown[™] feature. When the MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 do not sense a valid signal level on their receiver inputs, the on-board power supply and drivers shut down. This occurs if the RS-232 cable is disconnected or if the transmitters of the connected peripheral are turned off. The system turns on again when a valid level is applied to any RS-232 receiver input. As a result, the system saves power without changes to the existing BIOS or operating system.

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 transceivers are 3Vpowered EIA/TIA-232 and V.28/V.24 communications interfaces intended for notebook computer applications. A proprietary, high-efficiency, dual charge-pump power supply and a low-dropout transmitter combine to deliver true RS-232 performance from a single +3.0V to +5.5V supply. A guaranteed data rate of 120kbps provides compatibility with popular software for communicating with personal computers.

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 require only 0.1µF capacitors in 3.3V operation, and can operate from input voltages ranging from +3.0V to +5.5V. They are ideal for 3.3V-only systems, mixed 3.3V and 5.0V systems, or 5.0V-only systems that require true RS-232 performance.

The MAX3221 is a 1-driver/1-receiver 16-pin SSOP version of the 20-pin MAX3223 (2-driver/2-receiver). The MAX3243 3-driver/5-receiver, complete serial port is ideal for notebook or subnotebook computers. The MAX3243 includes one complementary always-active receiver. This receiver can monitor an external device (such as a modem) in shutdown, without forward biasing the protection diodes in a UART that may have V_{CC} completely removed.

Selector Guide

PART	Тх	Rx	V _{CC} RANGE (V)	AutoShutdown
MAX3221	1	1	3.0 to 5.5	Yes
MAX3223	2	2	3.0 to 5.5	Yes
MAX3243	3	5	3.0 to 5.5	Yes

_Features

- ♦ 1µA Supply Current Achieved with AutoShutdown
- Small 0.1µF Capacitors
- True RS-232 Operation from V_{CC} = +3.0V to +5.5V
- Meets EIA/TIA-562 Specifications Down to 2.7V
- Guaranteed 120kbps Data Rate
- ♦ 6V/µs Min Guaranteed Slew Rate
- Smallest Single-Supply RS-232 Transceiver (MAX3221)
- Guaranteed Mouse Driveability (MAX3243)

_Applications

Notebook, Subnotebook, and Palmtop Computers

Battery-Powered Equipment

Hand-Held Equipment

Peripherals

Printers

Ordering Information

PART	TEMP. RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX3221CAE	0°C to +70°C	16 SSOP
MAX3221EAE	-40°C to +85°C	16 SSOP
MAX3223CPP	0°C to +70°C	20 Plastic DIP
MAX3223CAP	0°C to +70°C	20 SSOP
MAX3223EPP	-40°C to +85°C	20 Plastic DIP
MAX3223EAP	-40°C to +85°C	20 SSOP
MAX3243CWI	0°C to +70°C	28 Wide SO
MAX3243CAI	0°C to +70°C	28 SSOP
MAX3243EWI	-40°C to +85°C	28 Wide SO
MAX3243EAI	-40°C to +85°C	28 SSOP

Pin Configurations appear at end of data sheet. Typical Operating Circuits appear at end of data sheet.

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

V _{CC} 0.3V to +6V
V+ (Note 1)0.3V to +7V
V- (Note 1)+0.3V to -7V
V+ + V- (Note 1)+13V
Input Voltages
T_IN, FORCEOFF, FORCEON, EN (MAX3223)0.3V to +6V
R_IN±25V
Output Voltages
T_OUT±13.2V
R_OUT, INVALID0.3V to (V _{CC} + 0.3V)
Short-Circuit Duration
T_OUTContinuous

Note 1: V+ and V- can have maximum magnitudes of 7V, but their absolute difference cannot exceed 13V.

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.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V_{CC} = +3.0V to +5.5V, C1–C4 = 0.1µF (Note 2), T_A = T_{MIN} to T_{MAX}, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at T_A = +25°C.)

PARAMETER		COND	ITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
DC CHARACTERISTICS	1							1
Supply Current, AutoShutdown	V _{CC} = 3.3V All R_IN ope FORCEOFF			N = GND,		1.0	10	μA
Supply Current, Shutdown	or 5.0V,	or 5.0V, FORCEOFF = GND				1.0	10	μΑ
Supply Current, AutoShutdown Disabled	$T_A = +25^{\circ}C$				0.3	1.0	mA	
LOGIC INPUTS AND RECEIVER	OUTPUTS				I			1
Input Logic Threshold Low	T_IN, FORC	EON, FORCE	OFF, EN (MA	X3223)			0.8	V
Input Logic Threshold Lligh		$V_{\rm CC} = 3.3 V$		2.0			V	
Input Logic Threshold High	T_IN, EN, FORCEON, FORCEC		RUEUFF	$V_{CC} = 5.0V$	2.4			
Input Leakage Current	T_IN, EN, FORCEON, FORCEOFF				±0.01	±1.0	μA	
Output Leakage Current	Receivers disabled				±0.05	±10	μA	
Output Voltage Low	IOUT = 1.6m	hΑ					0.4	V
Output Voltage High	Iout = -1.0mA		Vcc - 0.6	Vcc - 0.1		V		
AUTOSHUTDOWN (FORCEON =	GND, FORCE	EOFF = V _{CC})						4
Receiver Input Thresholds to	Figure 5		Positive thr	eshold			2.7	V
Transmitters Enabled	rigure 5		Negative th	reshold	-2.7			v
Receiver Input Thresholds to Transmitters Disabled	1µA supply	current, Figur	re 5		-0.3		0.3	V
INVALID Output Voltage Low	IOUT = 1.6m	۱A					0.4	V
INVALID Output Voltage High	Iout = -1.0mA				Vcc - 0.6			V
Receiver Threshold to Transmitters Enabled (twu)	Figure 5				250		μs	
Receiver Positive or Negative Threshold to INVALID High (t _{INVH})	Figure 5					1		μs
Receiver Positive or Negative Threshold to INVALID Low (t _{INVL})	Figure 5					30		μs

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

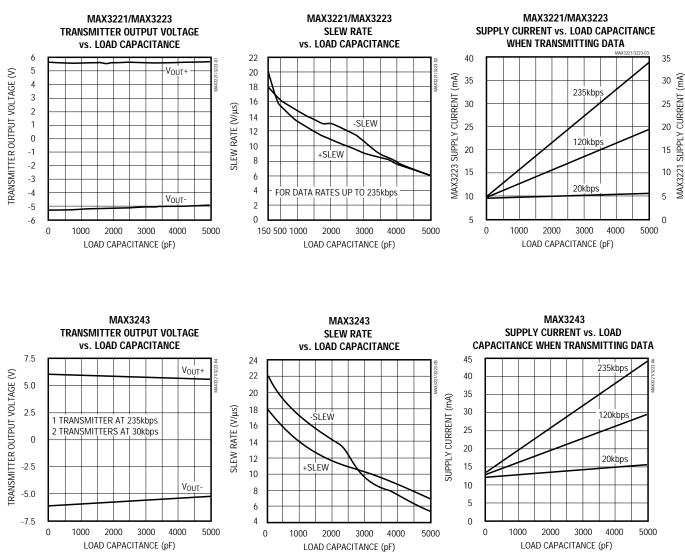
 $(V_{CC} = +3.0V \text{ to } +5.5V, C1-C4 = 0.1\mu F \text{ (Note 2), TA} = T_{MIN} \text{ to } T_{MAX}, \text{ unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at TA} = +25^{\circ}C.)$

PARAMETER	CONI	DITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
RECEIVER INPUTS	I						
Input Voltage Range				-25		25	V
Input Throshold Low	TA J25°C		Vcc = 3.3V	0.6	1.2		V
Input Threshold Low	$T_A = +25^{\circ}C$		$V_{CC} = 5.0V$	0.8	1.5		V
Input Throspold Lligh	$T_A = +25^{\circ}C$		$V_{CC} = 3.3V$		1.5	2.4	V
Input Threshold High	IA = +25 C		$V_{CC} = 5.0V$		1.8	2.4	- V
Input Hysteresis					0.3		V
Input Resistance	$T_A = +25^{\circ}C$			3	5	7	kΩ
TRANSMITTER OUTPUTS	L		Ľ				
Output Voltage Swing	All transmitter outputs lo	aded with 3k	2 to ground	±5.0	±5.4		V
Output Resistance	Vcc = V+ = V- = 0V, tra	nsmitter outpu	$it = \pm 2V$	300	10M		Ω
Output Short-Circuit Current					±35	±100	mA
Output Leakage Current	$V_{OUT} = \pm 12V$, $V_{CC} = 0V$ or 3.0V to 5.5V, transmitters disabled					±25	μΑ
MOUSE DRIVEABILITY (MAX32	243)						
Transmitter Output Voltage	T1IN = T2IN = GND, T3IN = V_{CC} , T3OUT loaded with 3k Ω to GND, T1OUT and T2OUT loaded with 2.5mA each			±5			V
TIMING CHARACTERISTICS							
Maximum Data Rate	$R_L = 3k\Omega$, $C_L = 1000pF$, one transmit	er switching	120	235		kbps
Receiver Propagation Delay	Receiver input to receiv	er output,	tphl		0.3		116
Receiver Propagation Delay	CL = 150pF		t _{PLH}		0.3		– µs
Receiver Output Enable Time	Normal operation				200		ns
Receiver Output Disable Time	Normal operation				200		ns
Transmitter Skew	tphl - tplh				100	500	ns
Receiver Skew	tphl - tplh				200	1000	ns
Transition-Region Slew Rate	$V_{CC} = 3.3V,$ $R_{L} = 3k\Omega \text{ to } 7k\Omega,$ $T_{A} = +25^{\circ}C$	C _L = 200pl	F to 2500pF	4	8.0	30	Mue
Transmon-Region Siew Rale	$T_A = +25^{\circ}C,$ measured from +3V to -3V or -3V to +3V $C_L = 200 \text{pF}$		to 1000pF	6		30	– V/µs

Note 2: $C1-C4 = 0.1\mu$ F, tested at 3.3V ±10%. $C1 = 0.047\mu$ F, $C2-C4 = 0.33\mu$ F, tested at 5.0V ±10%.

 $(V_{CC} = +3.3V, 235kbps data rate, 0.1\mu F capacitors, all transmitters loaded with 3k\Omega, T_A = +25^{\circ}C, unless otherwise noted.)$

Typical Operating Characteristics



MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243

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_Pin Description

MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX324:

	PIN		NAME	FUNCTION	
MAX3221	MAX3223	MAX3243	NAME	FUNCTION	
1	1	_	ĒN	Receiver Enable Control. Drive low for normal operation. Drive high to force the receiver outputs into a high-Z state.	
5	5	1	C2+	Positive terminal of inverting charge-pump capacitor	
6	6	2	C2-	Negative terminal of inverting charge-pump capacitor	
7	7	3	V-	-5.5V generated by the charge pump	
8	9, 16	4–8	R_IN	RS-232 Receiver Inputs	
13	8, 17	9, 10, 11	T_OUT	RS-232 Transmitter Outputs	
11	12, 13	12, 13, 14	T_IN	TTL/CMOS Transmitter Inputs	
9	10, 15	15–19	R_OUT	TTL/CMOS Receiver Outputs	
	_	20	R2OUTB	Noninverting Receiver Output—active in shutdown	
10	11	21	INVALID	Output of the valid signal detector. Indicates if a valid RS-232 level is pres- ent on receiver inputs logic "1".	
16	20	22	FORCEOFF	Drive low to shut down transmitters and on-board power supply. This over- rides all automatic circuitry and FORCEON (Table 1).	
12	14	23	FORCEON	Drive high to override automatic circuitry keeping transmitters on (FORCEOFF must be high) (Table 1).	
4	4	24	C1-	Negative terminal of the voltage doubler charge-pump capacitor	
14	18	25	GND	Ground	
15	19	26	Vcc	+3.0V to +5.5V Supply Voltage	
3	3	27	V+	+5.5V generated by the charge pump	
2	2	28	C1+	Positive terminal of the voltage doubler charge-pump capacitor	

Detailed Description

Dual Charge-Pump Voltage Converter The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243's internal power supply consists of a regulated dual charge pump that provides output voltages of +5.5V (doubling charge pump) and -5.5V (inverting charge pump), regardless of the input voltage (V_{CC}) over the +3.0V to +5.5V range. The charge pumps operate in a discontinuous mode: if the output voltages are less than 5.5V, the charge pumps are enabled; if the output voltages exceed 5.5V, the charge pumps are disabled. Each charge pump requires a flying capacitor (C1, C2) and a reservoir capacitor (C3, C4) to generate the V+ and V- supplies.

RS-232 Transmitters

The transmitters are inverting level translators that convert CMOS-logic levels to 5.0V EIA/TIA-232 levels. They guarantee a 120kbps data rate with worst-case loads of $3k\Omega$ in parallel with 1000pF, providing compatibility with PC-to-PC communication software (such as LaplinkTM). Typically, the MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 can operate at data rates of 235kbps. Transmitters can be paralleled to drive multiple receivers or mice (MAX3243). Figure 1 shows a complete system connection.

When FORCEOFF is driven to ground, or the Auto-Shutdown circuitry senses invalid voltage levels at all receiver inputs, the transmitters are disabled and the outputs are forced into a high-impedance state.

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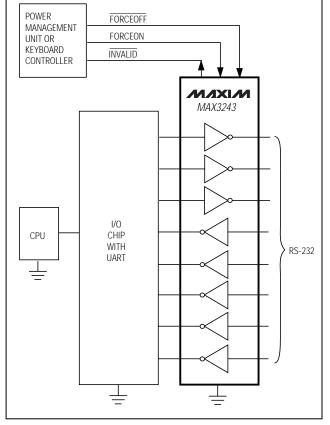
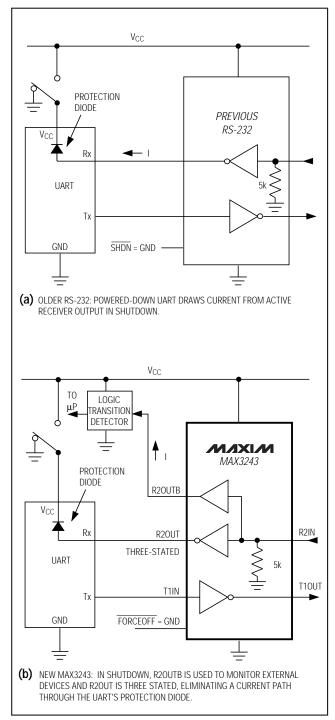


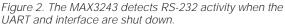
Figure 1. Interface Under Control of PMU

RS-232 Receivers

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243's receivers convert RS-232 signals to CMOS-logic output levels. All receivers have one inverting three-state output. In shutdown (FORCEOFF = low) or in AutoShutdown, the MAX3221/MAX3223's receivers are active (Table 1). Driving EN high places the receiver(s) in a high-impedance state. The MAX3243's receivers are high impedance when the part is shut down.

The MAX3243 has an always-active complementary output (R2OUTB). R2OUTB is an extra output that monitors receiver activity while the other receivers are high impedance. This allows Ring Indicator to be monitored without forward biasing other devices connected to the receiver outputs. This is ideal for systems where V_{CC} is set to 0V in shutdown to accommodate peripherals, such as UARTs (Figure 2).





+2.7V

Table 1a. MAX3221/MAX3223FORCEOFF andEnable Control Truth Table

FORCEOFF	ĒN	T_OUT	R_OUT
0	0	High-Z	Active
0	1	High-Z	High-Z
1	0	Active*	Active
1	1	Active*	High-Z

Table 1b. MAX3243FORCEOFFControlTruth Table

FORCEOFF	T_OUT	R_OUT	R2OUTB
0	High-Z	High-Z	Active
1	Active*	Active*	Active

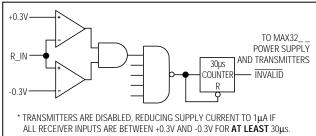
*Note: If the part is in AutoShutdown mode (FORCEOFF = V_{CC}, FORCEON = GND), it is shut down if no valid RS-232 levels are present on all receiver inputs.

AutoShutdown

A 1µA supply current is achieved with Maxim's new AutoShutdown feature, which operates when FORCEON is low and FORCEOFF is high. When the MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 sense no valid signal levels on all receiver inputs for 30µs, the on-board power supply and drivers are shut off, reducing supply current to 1µA. This occurs if the RS-232 cable is disconnected or the connected peripheral transmitters are turned off. The system turns on again when a valid level is applied to any RS-232 receiver input. As a result, the system saves power without changes to the existing BIOS or operating system. When using AutoShutdown, the INVALID output is high when the device is on and low when the device is shut down. Because INVALID indicates the receiver inputs' condition, it can be used in any mode (Figure 3).

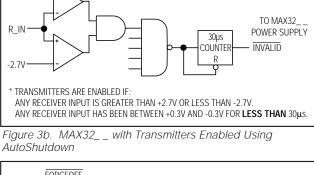
Table 2 and Figure 3c summarize the MAX3221/ MAX3223/MAX3243 operating modes. FORCEON and FORCEOFF override the automatic circuitry and force the transceiver into its normal operating state or into its low-power standby state. When neither control is asserted, the IC selects between these states automatically based on receiver input levels. Figures 3a, 3b, and 5a depict valid and invalid RS-232 receiver levels.

A mouse or other system with AutoShutdown may need time to wake up. Figure 4 shows a circuit that forces the transmitters on for 100ms, allowing enough time for the









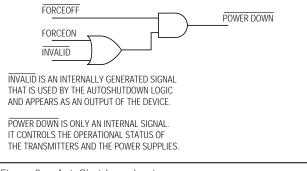


Figure 3c. AutoShutdown Logic

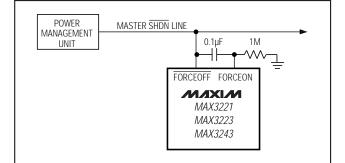


Figure 4. AutoShutdown with Initial Turn-On to Wake Up a Mouse or Another System



Table 2. AutoShutdown Logic

RS-232 SIGNAL PRESENT AT RECEIVER INPUT	FORCEOFF INPUT	FORCEON INPUT	INVALID OUTPUT TRANSCEIVER STATUS	
Yes	Н	Х	Н	Normal Operation
No	Н	Н	L	Normal Operation (Forced On)
No	Н	L	L	Shutdown (AutoShutdown)
Yes	L	Х	Н	Shutdown (Forced Off)
No	L	Х	L	Shutdown (Forced Off)

other system to realize that the MAX3221/MAX3223/ MAX3243 is awake. If the other system outputs valid RS-232 signals within that time, the RS-232 ports on both systems remain enabled.

When shut down, the device's charge pumps are turned off, V+ decays to V_{CC}, V- decays to ground, and the transmitter outputs are disabled (high impedance). The time required to exit shutdown is typically 100 μ s (Figure 5b).

Software-Controlled Shutdown

If direct software control is desired, INVALID can be used to indicate DTR or Ring Indicator signal. Tie FORCEOFF and FORCEON together to bypass Auto-Shutdown so the line acts like a SHDN input.

_Applications Information

Capacitor Selection

The capacitor type used for C1–C4 is not critical for proper operation; either polarized or nonpolarized capacitors may be used. The charge pump requires 0.1µF capacitors for 3.3V operation. For other supply voltages, refer to Table 3 for required capacitor values. Do not use values smaller than those listed in Table 3. Increasing the capacitor values (e.g., by a factor of 2) reduces ripple on the transmitter outputs and slightly reduces power consumption. C2, C3, and C4 can be increased without changing C1's value. **However, do not increase C1 without also increasing the values of C2, C3, and C4 to maintain the proper ratios (C1 to the other capacitors).**

When using the minimum required capacitor values, make sure the capacitor value does not degrade excessively with temperature. If in doubt, use capacitors with a larger nominal value. The capacitor's equivalent series resistance (ESR) usually rises at low temperatures and influences the amount of ripple on V+ and V-.

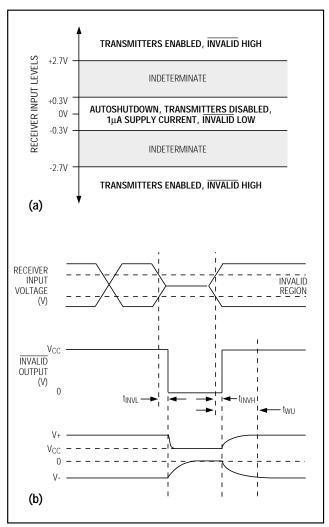


Figure 5. AutoShutdown Trip Levels

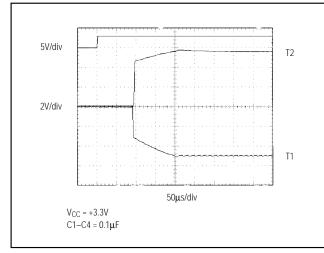


Figure 6. Transmitter Outputs when Exiting Shutdown or Powering Up

Power-Supply Decoupling

In most circumstances a 0.1μ F bypass capacitor is adequate. In applications that are sensitive to powersupply noise, decouple V_{CC} to ground with a capacitor of the same value as the charge-pump capacitor C1. Connect bypass capacitors as close to the IC as possible.

Transmitter Outputs when Exiting Shutdown

Figure 6 shows two transmitter outputs when exiting shutdown mode. As they become active, the two transmitter outputs are shown going to opposite RS-232 levels. Each transmitter is loaded with $3k\Omega$ in parallel with 2500pF. The transmitter outputs display no ringing or undesirable transients as they come out of shutdown. Note that the transmitters are enabled only when the magnitude of V- exceeds approximately 3V. Figure 7a shows the MAX3243's transmitter output voltage vs. current per transmitter. Figure 7b is a mouse driver test circuit.

Mouse Driveability (MAX3243)

The MAX3243 has been specifically designed to power serial mice while operating from low-voltage power supplies. It has been tested with samples of ten major mouse models from six manufacturers including the leading three: Logitech (5 models), Mouse Systems, and

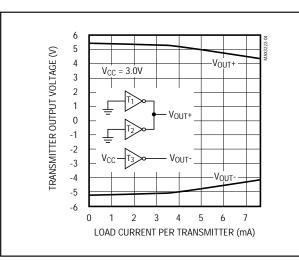


Figure 7a. MAX3243 Transmitter Output Voltage vs. Load Current per Transmitter

Microsoft. The MAX3243 successfully drove all serial mice and met their respective current and voltage requirements. Figure 7a shows the transmitter outputs under increasing load current. The MAX3243's switching regulator ensures the transmitters will supply at least $\pm 5V$ during worst-case conditions. The AutoShutdown feature does not work with a mouse, so FORCEOFF and FORCEON should be connected to V_{CC}.

High Data Rates

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 maintain the RS-232 ±5.0V minimum transmitter output voltage even at high data rates. Figure 8 shows a transmitter loopback test circuit. Figure 9 shows a loopback test result at 120kbps, and Figure 10 shows the same test at 235kbps. For Figure 9, all three transmitters were driven simultaneously at 120kbps into RS-232 loads in parallel with 1000pF. For Figure 10, a single transmitter was driven at 235kbps, but all three transmitters were loaded with an RS-232 receiver in parallel with 1000pF.

Interconnection with 3V and 5V Logic

The MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243 can directly interface with various 5V logic families, including ACT and HCT CMOS. See Table 4 for more information on possible combinations of interconnections.

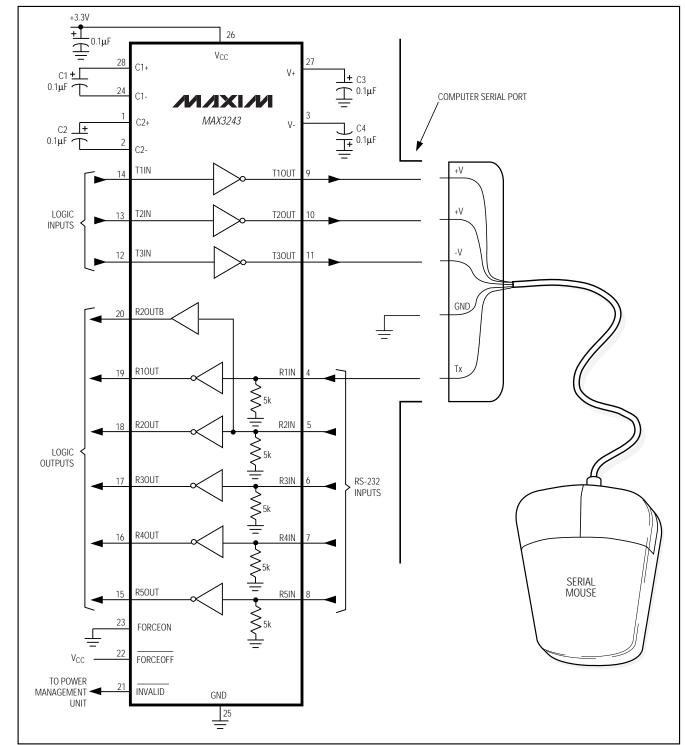


Figure 7b. Mouse Driver Test Circuit

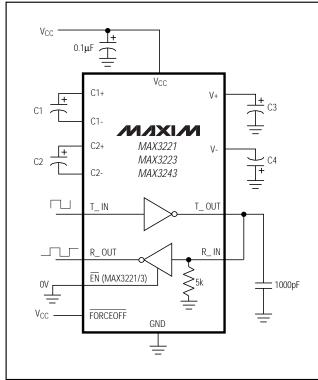


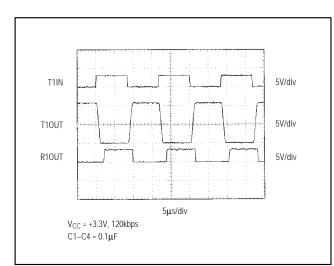
Table 3. Required Capacitor Values

V _{CC} (V)	C1 (μF)	C2, C3, C4 (μF)
3.0 to 3.6	0.1	0.1
4.5 to 5.5	0.047	0.33
3.0 to 5.5	0.1	0.47

Table 4. Logic Family Compatibility withVarious Supply Voltages

SYSTEM POWER- SUPPLY VOLTAGE (V)	V _{CC} SUPPLY VOLTAGE (V)	COMPATIBILITY
3.3	3.3	Compatible with all CMOS families.
5	5	Compatible with all TTL and CMOS-logic families.
5	3.3	Compatible with ACT and HCT CMOS, and with TTL. Incompatible with AC, HC, or CD4000 CMOS.

Figure 8. Loopback Test Circuit





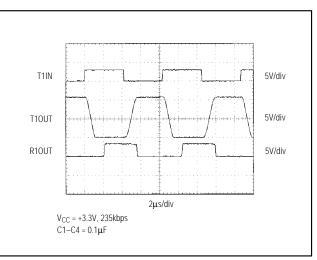
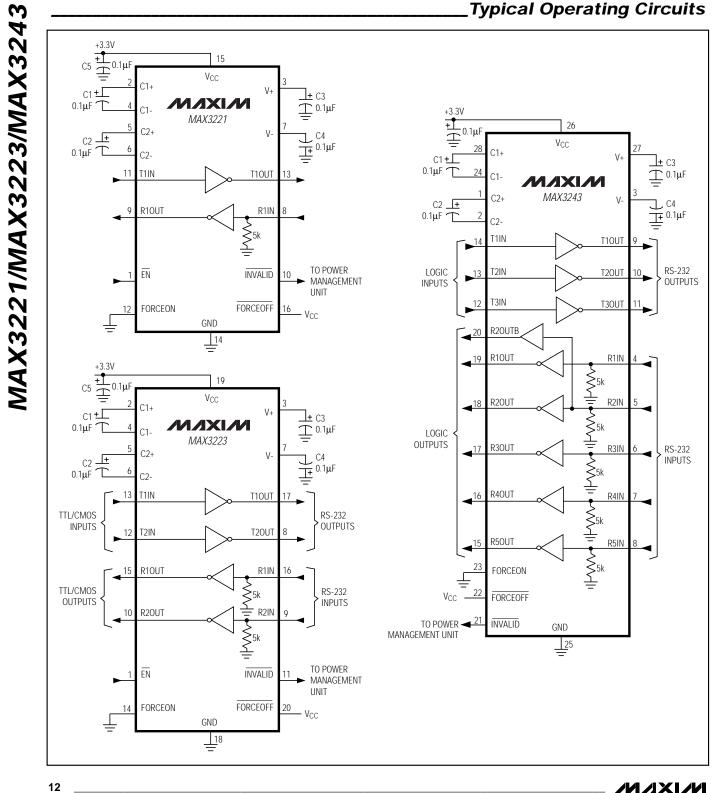


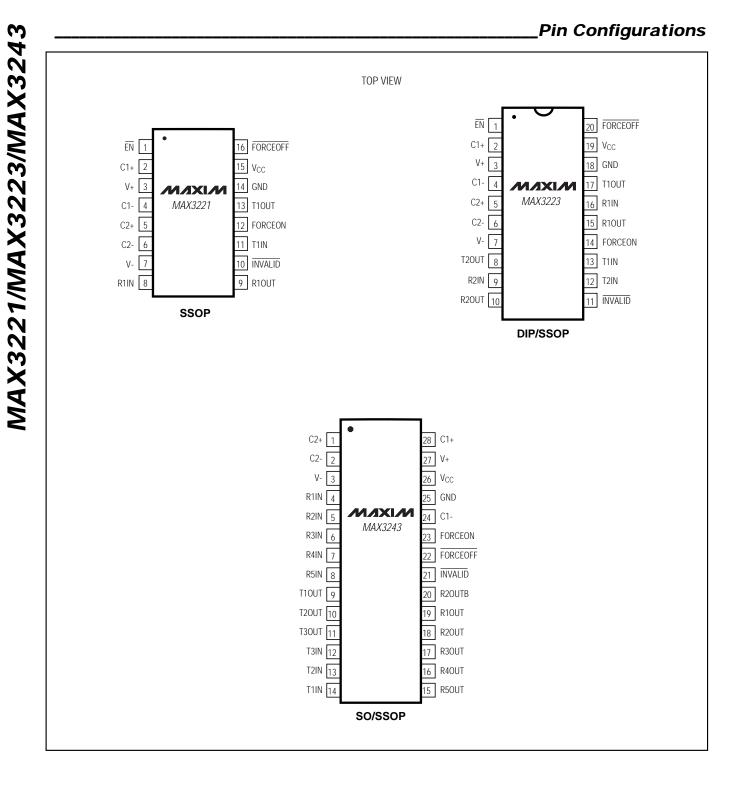
Figure 10. Loopback Test Result at 235kbps

MAX3221/MAX3223/MAX3243



_3V-Powered EIA/TIA-232 and EIA/TIA-562 Transceivers from Maxim

PART	POWER- SUPPLY VOLTAGE (V)	No. OF TRANSMITTERS/ RECEIVERS	No. OF RECEIVERS ACTIVE IN SHUTDOWN	GUAR- ANTEED DATA RATE (kbps)	EIA/TIA- 232 OR 562	FEATURES
MAX212	3.0 to 3.6	3/5	5	120	232	Drives mice
MAX218	1.8 to 4.25	2/2	2	120	232	Operates directly from batteries without a voltage regulator
MAX562	2.7 to 5.25	3/5	5	230	562	230kbps guaranteed data rate
MAX563	3.0 to 3.6	2/2	2	120	562	0.1µF capacitors
MAX3212	2.7 to 3.6	3/5	5	235	232	AutoShutdown, complementary receiver, drives mice, transient detection
MAX3221	3.0 to 5.5	1/1	1	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, 16-pin SSOP
MAX3222	3.0 to 5.5	2/2	2	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, MAX242 pinout
MAX3223	3.0 to 5.5	2/2	2	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, AutoShutdown
MAX3232	3.0 to 5.5	2/2	N/A	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, MAX232 pinout
MAX3241	3.0 to 5.5	3/5	5	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, 2 complemen- tary receivers, drives mice
MAX3243	3.0 to 5.5	3/5	1	120	232	0.1µF capacitors, AutoShutdown complementary receiver, drives mice



Chip Information

MAX3221

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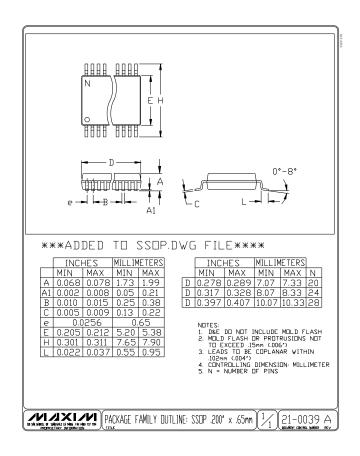
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MAX3243

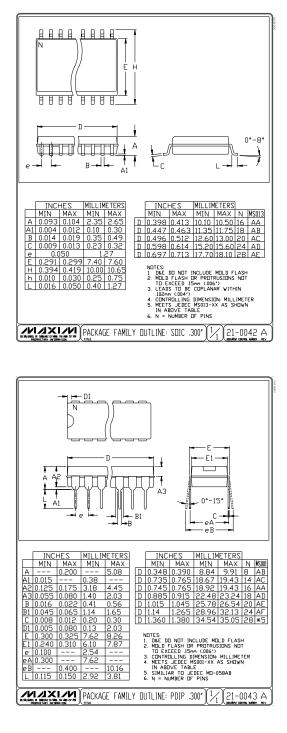
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