



# 3V to 5.5V, up to 250kbps True RS-232 Transceiver with 4 $\mu$ A AutoShutdown Plus and Power-On Reset

**MAX3320A/B/L/T**

## General Description

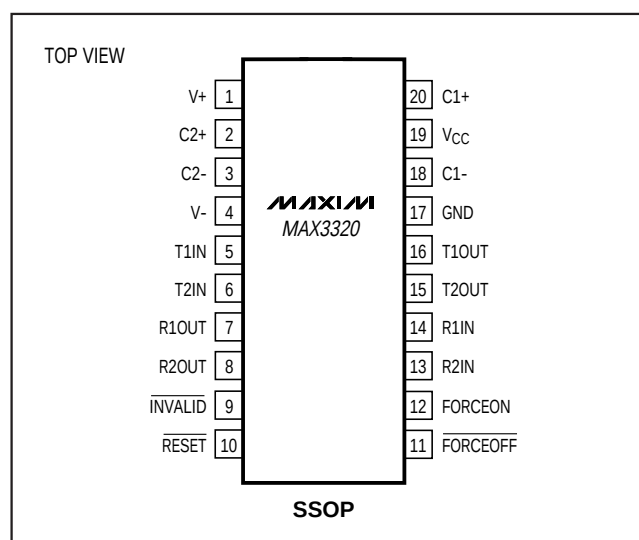
The MAX3320 combines a microprocessor ( $\mu$ P) supervisory circuit with an RS-232 transceiver. The power-on reset performs a single function: it asserts a reset signal whenever the  $V_{CC}$  supply voltage declines below a preset threshold, staying asserted for at least 100ms after  $V_{CC}$  rises above the reset threshold. The MAX3320 has an active-low  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  output, which is guaranteed to be in the correct state for  $V_{CC}$  down to 1V. The reset comparator is designed to ignore fast transients on  $V_{CC}$ . Reset thresholds suitable for operation with a variety of supply voltages are available.

The MAX3320 transceivers have a proprietary low-dropout transmitter output stage, enabling true RS-232 performance with a dual charge pump powered from a +3V to +5.5V supply. The device requires only four small 0.1 $\mu$ F external charge-pump capacitors, and is guaranteed to run at data rates of up to 250kbps. It comes in the space-saving 20-pin SSOP package.

## Applications

Palmtop Computers  
Portable/Battery-Powered Equipment  
Hand-Held Equipment  
Peripherals  
Printers

## Pin Configuration



## Features

- ◆ Precise Monitoring of 5V and 3.3V Power-Supply Voltages:
  - 100ms (min) Power-On  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  Pulse Width
  - Power-Supply Transient Immunity
  - Guaranteed  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  Valid to  $V_{CC} = 1V$
- ◆ 4 $\mu$ A Supply Current Achieved with AutoShutdown Plus
- ◆ Receivers Always Active
- ◆ Power-On Reset Always Active
- ◆ 4 $\mu$ A Low-Power Shutdown
- ◆ 250kbps Guaranteed Data Rate

## Ordering Information

| PART*       | TEMP. RANGE    | PIN-PACKAGE |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| MAX3320_CAP | 0°C to +70°C   | 20 SSOP     |
| MAX3320_EAP | -40°C to +85°C | 20 SSOP     |

\* This part offers a choice of reset threshold voltage. From the table below, select the suffix corresponding to the desired threshold and insert it into the blank to complete the part number.

| SUFFIX | RESET THRESHOLD (V) |
|--------|---------------------|
| A      | 4.25                |
| B      | 2.85                |
| L      | 4.63                |
| T      | 3.08                |

Typical Operating Circuit appears at end of data sheet.

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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

|                                                   |                                   |                                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| V <sub>CC</sub> .....                             | -0.3V to 6V                       | Short-Circuit Duration                                |                 |
| V <sub>+</sub> (Note 1) .....                     | -0.3V to 7V                       | T <sub>OUT</sub> .....                                | Continuous      |
| V <sub>-</sub> (Note 1) .....                     | 0.3V to -7V                       | Continuous Power Dissipation (T <sub>A</sub> = +70°C) |                 |
| V <sub>+</sub> +  V <sub>-</sub>   (Note 1) ..... | 13V                               | SSOP (derate 8.00mW/°C above +70°C) .....             | 640mW           |
| Input Voltages                                    |                                   | Operating Temperature Ranges                          |                 |
| T <sub>IN</sub> , FORCEOFF, FORCEON .....         | -0.3V to 6V                       | MAX3320_CAP .....                                     | 0°C to +70°C    |
| R <sub>IN</sub> .....                             | ±25V                              | MAX3320_EAP .....                                     | -40°C to +85°C  |
| Output Voltages                                   |                                   | Storage Temperature Range .....                       | -65°C to +160°C |
| T <sub>OUT</sub> .....                            | ±13.2V                            | Lead Temperature (soldering, 10sec) .....             | +300°C          |
| R <sub>OUT</sub> , INVALID, RESET .....           | -0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.3V) |                                                       |                 |

**Note 1:** V<sub>+</sub> and V<sub>-</sub> can have a magnitude of +7V (max), 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<sub>CC</sub> = 3V to 5.5V, C1–C4 = 0.1μF (tested at 3.3V ±10%), C1 = 0.047μF, C2–C4 = 0.33μF (tested at 5V ±10%), T<sub>A</sub> = T<sub>MIN</sub> to T<sub>MAX</sub>, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C.)

| PARAMETER                                       | CONDITIONS                                                                                                                                        | MIN                    | TYP                   | MAX  | UNITS |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------|-------|
| <b>DC CHARACTERISTICS</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                   |                        |                       |      |       |
| Power-Supply Current                            | No load, V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3V or 5V, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C                                                                                     |                        | 0.45                  | 1.0  | mA    |
| Shutdown Supply Current                         | FORCEOFF = GND, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C                                                                                                            |                        | 4.0                   | 10   | μA    |
| AutoShutdown Plus Supply Current                | All R <sub>IN</sub> unconnected, FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V <sub>CC</sub> , all T <sub>IN</sub> = V <sub>CC</sub> or GND, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C |                        | 4.0                   | 10   | μA    |
| <b>LOGIC INPUTS AND RECEIVER OUTPUTS</b>        |                                                                                                                                                   |                        |                       |      |       |
| Input Logic Threshold Low                       | T <sub>IN</sub> , FORCEON, FORCEOFF                                                                                                               |                        |                       | 0.8  | V     |
| Input Logic Threshold High                      | T <sub>IN</sub> , FORCEON, FORCEOFF                                                                                                               | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3V | 2.0                   |      | V     |
|                                                 |                                                                                                                                                   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V   | 2.4                   |      |       |
| Input Leakage Current                           | T <sub>IN</sub> , FORCEON, FORCEOFF                                                                                                               |                        | ±0.01                 | ±1.0 | μA    |
| Input Hysteresis                                | T <sub>IN</sub> , FORCEON, FORCEOFF                                                                                                               |                        | 250                   |      | mV    |
| Output Voltage Low                              | I <sub>OUT</sub> = 1.6mA                                                                                                                          |                        |                       | 0.4  | V     |
| Output Voltage High                             | I <sub>OUT</sub> = -1mA                                                                                                                           | V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.6  | V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.1 |      | V     |
| <b>RECEIVER INPUTS</b>                          |                                                                                                                                                   |                        |                       |      |       |
| Input Voltage Range                             |                                                                                                                                                   | -25                    |                       | 25   | V     |
| Input Threshold Low                             | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3V                                                                                                                            | 0.6                    | 1.2                   |      | V     |
|                                                 | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V                                                                                                                              | 0.8                    | 1.5                   |      |       |
| Input Threshold High                            | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.3V                                                                                                                            |                        | 1.5                   | 2.4  | V     |
|                                                 | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V                                                                                                                              |                        | 1.8                   | 2.4  |       |
| Input Hysteresis                                |                                                                                                                                                   |                        | 0.3                   |      | V     |
| Input Resistance                                | T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C                                                                                                                            | 3                      | 5                     | 7    | kΩ    |
| <b>INVALID OUTPUT</b>                           |                                                                                                                                                   |                        |                       |      |       |
| Receiver Input Threshold to INVALID Output High | Figure 3, positive threshold                                                                                                                      |                        |                       | 2.7  | V     |
|                                                 | Figure 3, negative threshold                                                                                                                      | -2.7                   |                       |      |       |
| Receiver Input Threshold to INVALID Output Low  | Figure 3                                                                                                                                          | -0.3                   |                       | 0.3  | V     |
| INVALID Output Voltage Low                      | I <sub>OUT</sub> = 1.6mA                                                                                                                          |                        |                       | 0.4  | V     |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

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| PARAMETER                                                                   | CONDITIONS                                                                    | MIN                   | TYP  | MAX  | UNITS |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------|------|-------|
| $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ Output Voltage High                             | I <sub>OUT</sub> = -1mA                                                       | V <sub>CC</sub> - 0.6 |      |      | V     |
| Receiver Positive or Negative Threshold to $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ High | Figure 3                                                                      | 0.1                   |      |      | μs    |
| Receiver Positive or Negative Threshold to $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$ Low  | Figure 3                                                                      | 90                    |      |      | μs    |
| AUTOSHUTDOWN PLUS (FORCEON = GND, FORCEOFF = V <sub>CC</sub> )              |                                                                               |                       |      |      |       |
| Receiver or Transmitter Edge to Transmitters Enabled                        | Figure 5                                                                      | 25                    |      |      | μs    |
| Receiver or Transmitter Edge to Shutdown                                    | Figure 3                                                                      | 15                    | 30   | 60   | sec   |
| TRANSMITTER OUTPUTS                                                         |                                                                               |                       |      |      |       |
| Output Voltage Swing                                                        | All transmitter outputs loaded with 3kΩ to ground                             | ±5.0                  | ±5.4 |      | V     |
| Output Resistance                                                           | V <sub>CC</sub> = V+ = V- = GND, V <sub>T_OUT</sub> = ±2V                     | 300                   | 10M  |      | Ω     |
| Output Short-Circuit Current                                                | T_OUT = GND, T_IN = V <sub>CC</sub> or GND                                    | ±35                   |      | ±60  | mA    |
| Output Leakage Current                                                      | V <sub>T_OUT</sub> = ±12V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 0 to 5.5V, transmitters disabled |                       |      | ±25  | μA    |
| RESET OUTPUT                                                                |                                                                               |                       |      |      |       |
| $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Operating Voltage Range                           | MAX3320_C                                                                     | 1.0                   | 5.5  |      | V     |
|                                                                             | MAX3320_E                                                                     | 1.2                   | 5.5  |      |       |
| $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Threshold                                         | MAX3320A                                                                      | 4.00                  | 4.25 | 4.50 | V     |
|                                                                             | MAX3320B                                                                      | 2.70                  | 2.85 | 3.00 |       |
|                                                                             | MAX3320L                                                                      | 4.50                  | 4.63 | 4.75 |       |
|                                                                             | MAX3320T                                                                      | 3.00                  | 3.08 | 3.15 |       |
| $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Output Voltage                                    | I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1.2mA, V <sub>CC</sub> = reset threshold, MAX3320B/T      | 0.3                   |      |      | V     |
|                                                                             | I <sub>SINK</sub> = 3.2mA, V <sub>CC</sub> = reset threshold, MAX3320A/L      | 0.4                   |      |      |       |
|                                                                             | I <sub>SINK</sub> = 50μA, V <sub>CC</sub> > 1V, MAX3320_C                     | 0.3                   |      |      |       |
|                                                                             | I <sub>SINK</sub> = 100μA, V <sub>CC</sub> > 1.2V, MAX3320_E                  | 0.4                   |      |      |       |

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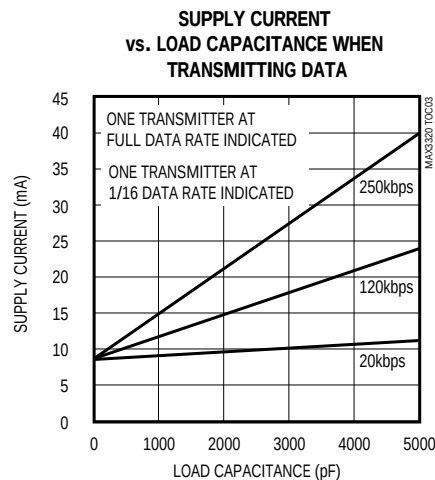
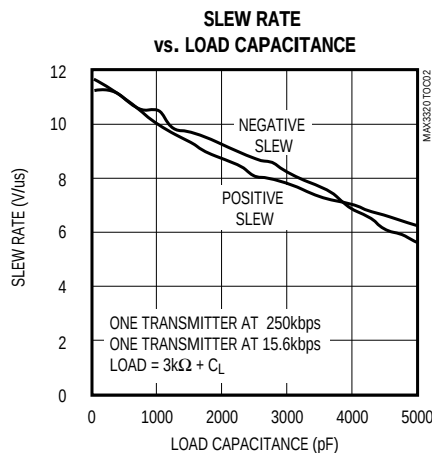
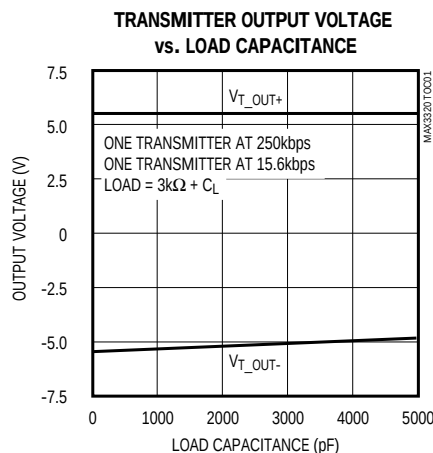
## TIMING CHARACTERISTICS

( $V_{CC}$  = 3V to 5.5V,  $C_1$ – $C_4$  = 0.1 $\mu$ F,  $C_1$ – $C_4$  = 0.1 $\mu$ F (for 3.3V  $\pm$ 10%),  $C_1$  = 0.047 $\mu$ F,  $C_2$ – $C_4$  = 0.33 $\mu$ F (tested at 5V  $\pm$ 10%),  $T_A$  =  $T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$ , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at  $T_A$  = +25°C.)

| PARAMETER                                | CONDITIONS                                                                                                  | MIN                     | TYP | MAX | UNITS      |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|------------|
| Maximum Data Rate                        | $R_L$ = 3k $\Omega$ , $C_L$ = 1000pF, one transmitter switching                                             | 250                     |     |     | kbps       |
| Receiver Propagation Delay               | $R_{IN}$ to $R_{OUT}$ , $C_L$ = 150pF                                                                       | $t_{PHL}$               |     | 0.3 | $\mu$ s    |
|                                          |                                                                                                             | $t_{PLH}$               |     | 0.3 |            |
| Transmitter Skew                         | $ t_{PHL} - t_{PLH} $                                                                                       |                         | 100 |     | ns         |
| Receiver Skew                            | $ t_{PHL} - t_{PLH} $                                                                                       |                         | 200 |     | ns         |
| Transition-Region Slew Rate              | $V_{CC}$ = 3.3V, $R_L$ = 3k $\Omega$ to 7k $\Omega$ , measured from +3V to -3V or -3V to +3V, $T_A$ = +25°C | $C_L$ = 150pF to 1000pF |     | 6   | V/ $\mu$ s |
|                                          |                                                                                                             | $C_L$ = 150pF to 2500pF |     | 4   |            |
| $V_{CC}$ to $\overline{RESET}$ Delay     | 100mV overdrive from reset threshold                                                                        |                         | 40  |     | $\mu$ s    |
| $\overline{RESET}$ Active Timeout Period | $V_{CC}$ = reset threshold                                                                                  | 100                     |     | 280 | ms         |

## Typical Operating Characteristics

( $V_{CC}$  = 3.3V, 250kbps data rate,  $C_1$ – $C_4$  = 0.1 $\mu$ F, all transmitters loaded with 3k $\Omega$ . Typical values are at  $T_A$  = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.)

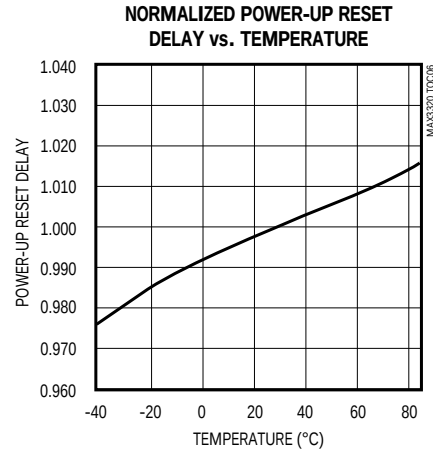
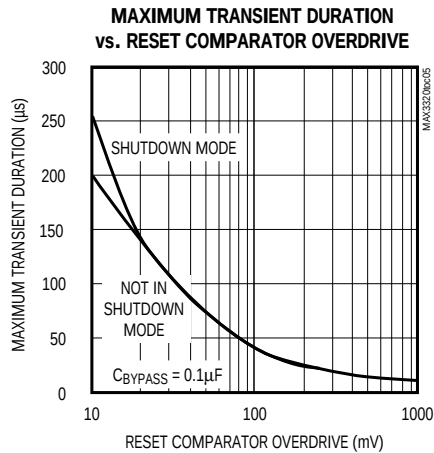


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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## Pin Description

| PIN    | NAME                         | FUNCTION                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | V+                           | 5.5V generated by the charge pump                                                                                                                                    |
| 2      | C2+                          | Positive terminal of inverting charge-pump capacitor                                                                                                                 |
| 3      | C2-                          | Negative terminal of inverting charge-pump capacitor                                                                                                                 |
| 4      | V-                           | -5.5V generated by the charge pump                                                                                                                                   |
| 5, 6   | T_IN                         | TTL/CMOS Transmitter Inputs (T1IN and T2IN)                                                                                                                          |
| 7, 8   | R_OUT                        | TTL/CMOS Receiver Outputs (R1OUT and R2OUT)                                                                                                                          |
| 9      | $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$  | Output of the Valid Signal Detector. Asserts when no valid RS-232 levels are present on any of the receiver inputs for 90 $\mu$ s.                                   |
| 10     | $\overline{\text{RESET}}$    | RESET Output. RESET remains low while $V_{CC}$ is below the reset threshold, and for 280ms (max) after $V_{CC}$ rises above the reset threshold.                     |
| 11     | $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ | Force-Off Input. Drive $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ low to shut down transmitters and on-board power supply. This overrides AutoShutdown Plus and FORCEON (Table 1). |
| 12     | FORCEON                      | Force-On Input. Drive FORCEON high to override AutoShutdown Plus, keeping transmitters on ( $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$ must be high) (Table 1).                    |
| 13, 14 | R_IN                         | RS-232 Receiver Inputs (R2IN and R1IN)                                                                                                                               |
| 15, 16 | T_OUT                        | RS-232 Transmitter Outputs (T2OUT and T1OUT)                                                                                                                         |
| 17     | GND                          | Ground                                                                                                                                                               |
| 18     | C1-                          | Negative terminal of voltage-doubler charge-pump capacitor                                                                                                           |
| 19     | V <sub>CC</sub>              | +3V to +5.5V Supply Voltage                                                                                                                                          |
| 20     | C1+                          | Positive terminal of voltage-doubler charge-pump capacitor                                                                                                           |

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Table 1. MAX3320 Output Control Truth Table

| FORCEON | FORCEOFF | AUTOSHUTDOWN PLUS* | OPERATION STATUS                     | T_OUT  | R_OUT  |
|---------|----------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| X       | 0        | X                  | Shutdown (forced off)                | High-Z | Active |
| 1       | 1        | X                  | Normal operation (forced on)         | Active | Active |
| 0       | 1        | <30sec*            | Normal operation (AutoShutdown Plus) | Active | Active |
| 0       | 1        | >30sec*            | Shutdown (AutoShutdown Plus)         | High-Z | Active |

X = Don't Care

\*Time since last receiver or transmitter input activity

## Detailed Description

### Dual Charge-Pump Voltage Converter

The MAX3320'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) while V<sub>CC</sub> remains in the 3V to 5.5V range. The charge pumps operate in discontinuous mode; they are enabled if the output voltages are less than 5.5V, and disabled if output voltages exceed 5.5V. 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 5V EIA/TIA-232 levels. The MAX3320 transmitters guarantee a 250kbps data rate with worst-case loads of 3k $\Omega$  in parallel with 1000pF, providing compatibility with PC-to-PC communication software (such as LapLink™). Transmitters can be paralleled to drive multiple receivers. Figure 1 shows a complete system connection.

When  $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$  is driven to ground, the transmitter's outputs become high impedance. When the AutoShutdown Plus circuitry senses that all receiver and transmitter inputs are inactive for more than 30sec, the transmitters turn off and the outputs go into a high-impedance state, but the receivers remain active. When the power is off or the MAX3320 is shut down, outputs may be driven up to  $\pm 12\text{V}$ .

**The transmitter inputs do not have pull-up resistors. Connect unused inputs to GND or V<sub>CC</sub>.**

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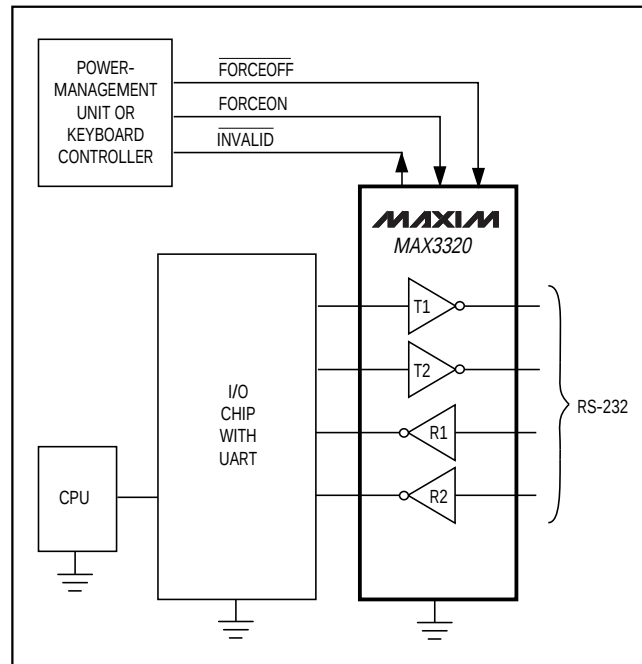


Figure 1. Interface Under Control of PMU

### RS-232 Receivers

The receivers convert RS-232 signals to CMOS-logic output levels. All receivers have inverting outputs and are active in shutdown  $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$  (Table 1).

### AutoShutdown Plus Mode

Maxim's AutoShutdown Plus feature, which operates when  $\overline{\text{FORCEOFF}}$  is high and  $\text{FORCEON}$  is low, achieves a 4 $\mu\text{A}$  supply current. When the MAX3320 senses no valid signal levels on all receiver and transmitter inputs for 30sec, the on-board power supply and drivers shut off,

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reducing supply current to 4μA. This occurs if the RS-232 cable is disconnected or the connected peripheral transmitters turn off. The system turns on again when a valid transition occurs at any RS-232 receiver or transmitter input. As a result, the system saves power without changes to the existing BIOS or operating system. The **INVALID** output is high when the receivers are active. Since **INVALID** indicates the receiver inputs' condition, it can be used in any mode (Figure 2).

Tables 1 and 2 and Figure 2 summarize the MAX3320's 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 enters AutoShutdown Plus mode and selects between these states automatically, based on the last receiver or transmitter input edge received.

When shut down, the device's charge pumps turn off, V+ decays to VCC, V- decays to ground, and the transmitter outputs turn off (high impedance). The time required to exit shutdown is typically 25μs (Figure 3a).

## Software-Controlled Shutdown

If direct software control is desired, use **INVALID** to indicate DTR or Ring Indicator signal. Connect **FORCEOFF** and **FORCEON** together to bypass the AutoShutdown Plus feature so the line acts like a **SHDN** input.

## Power-On Reset

In addition to issuing a reset to the microprocessor (μP) during power-up, power-down, and brownout conditions, the MAX3320 is relatively immune to short-duration, negative-going VCC transitions (glitches). Typically, a VCC transient that goes 100mV below the reset threshold and lasts 20μs or less does not cause a reset pulse (see *Typical Operating Characteristics*). Additional bypass capacitance mounted as close as possible to the VCC pin provides additional transient immunity.

Table 2. **INVALID** Truth Table

| RS-232 SIGNAL PRESENT AT RECEIVER INPUT | <b>INVALID</b> OUTPUT |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Yes                                     | H                     |
| No                                      | L                     |

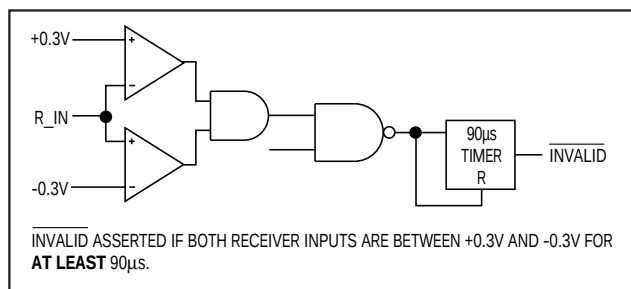


Figure 2a. **INVALID** Functional Diagram, **INVALID** Low

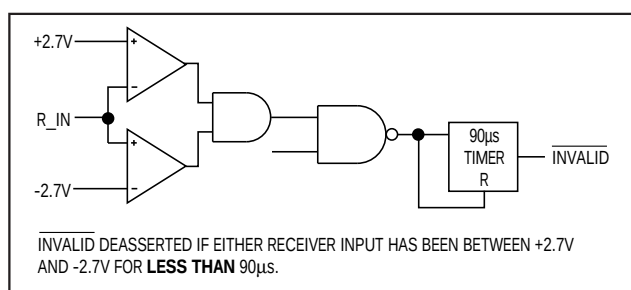


Figure 2b. **INVALID** Functional Diagram, **INVALID** High

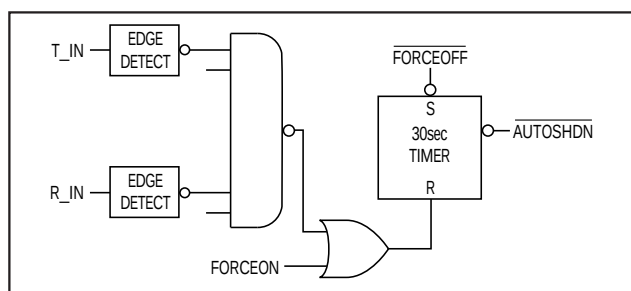


Figure 2c. AutoShutdown Plus Logic

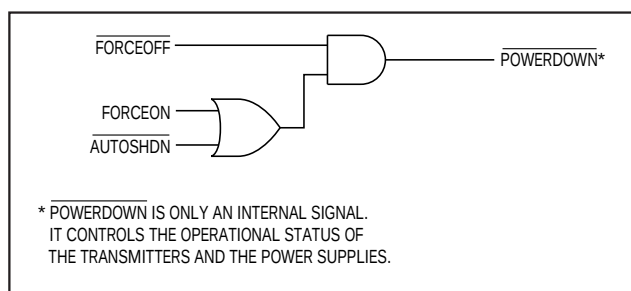


Figure 2d. Power-Down Logic

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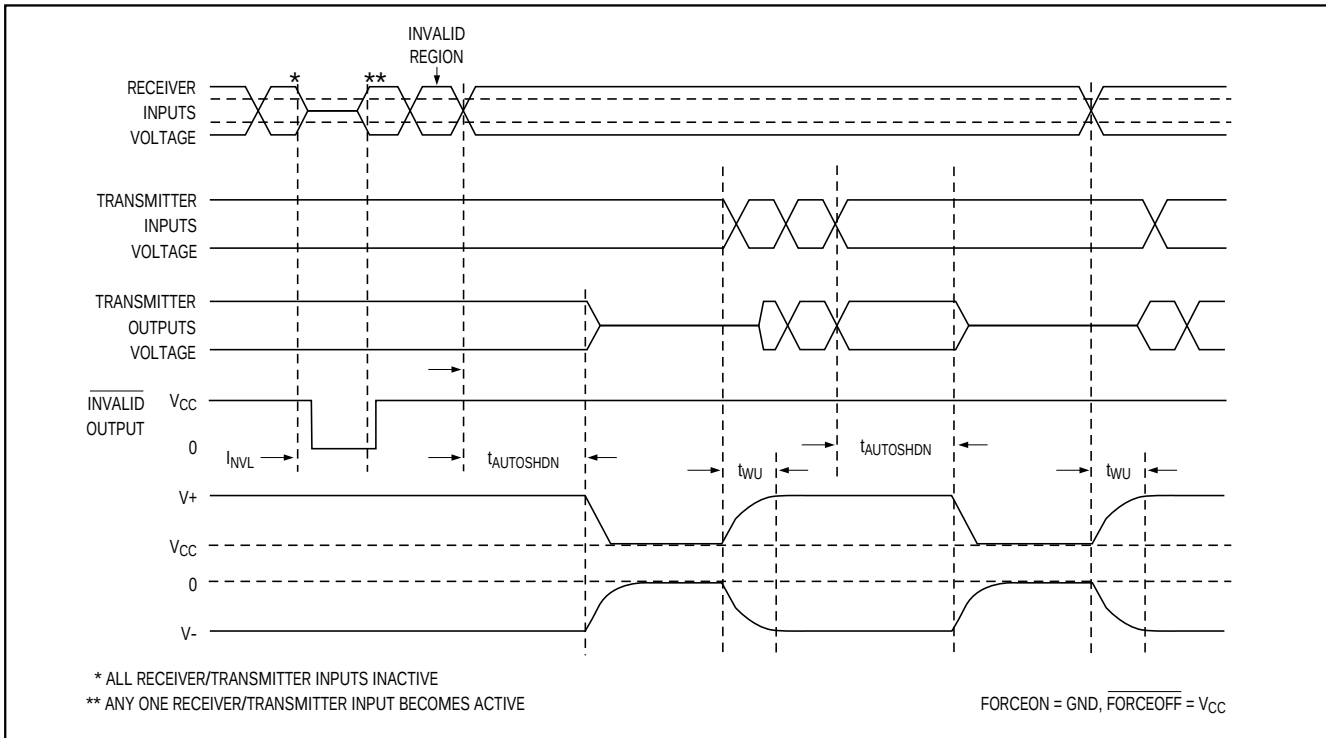


Figure 3a. AutoShutdown Plus and  $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$  Timing Diagram

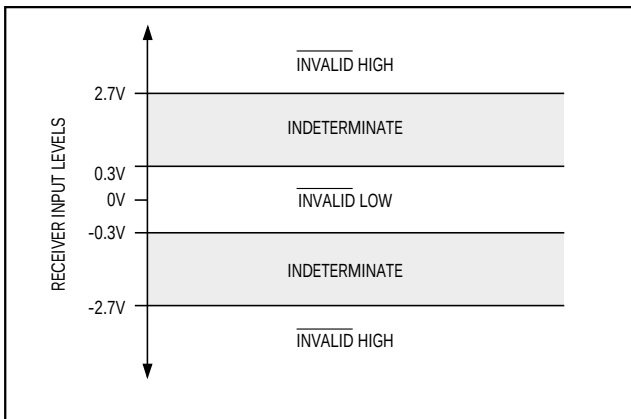


Figure 3b. Receiver Positive/Negative Thresholds for  $\overline{\text{INVALID}}$

## Applications Information

### Ensuring a Valid Reset Output Down to V<sub>CC</sub> = 0V

When V<sub>CC</sub> falls below 1V,  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  no longer sinks current: it becomes an open circuit. Therefore, high-impedance CMOS logic inputs connected to  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$

can drift to undefined voltages. This presents no problem in most applications, since most  $\mu$ Ps and other circuitry is inoperative with V<sub>CC</sub> below 1V. However, in applications where  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  must be valid down to 0V, add a pull-down resistor to ground, holding  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  low (Figure 4). R1's value is not critical; 100k $\Omega$  is large enough not to load  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ , and small enough to pull it to ground.

### Capacitor Selection

The capacitor type used for C1–C4 is not critical for proper operation; use either polarized or nonpolarized capacitors. The charge pump requires 0.1 $\mu$ F 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, C4, and CBYPASS, to maintain the proper ratios (C1 to the other capacitors).**



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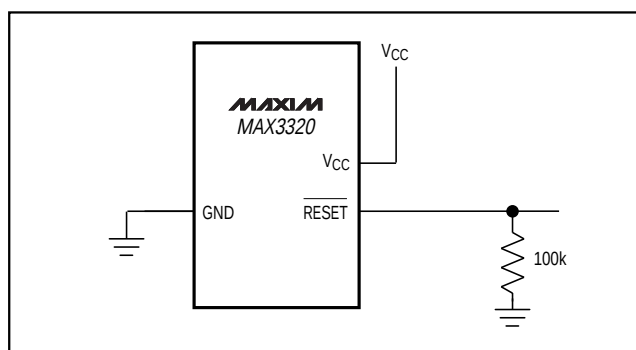


Figure 4. Ensuring  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  Valid to  $V_{CC} = 0V$

When using the minimum required capacitor values, make sure the capacitor value does not degrade excessively with temperatures outside the 0°C to +70°C range. If in doubt, use capacitors with a larger nominal value. The capacitor's equivalent series resistance (ESR), which usually rises at low temperatures, influences the amount of ripple on V+ and V-.

## Transmitter Outputs when Exiting Shutdown

Figure 5 shows two transmitter outputs when exiting shutdown mode. As they become active, the two transmitter outputs go to opposite RS-232 levels (one transmitter input is high; the other is low). Each transmitter is loaded with 3k $\Omega$  in parallel with 2500pF. The transmitter outputs display no ringing or undesirable transients as they exit shutdown. Note that the transmitters are enabled only when the magnitude of V- exceeds approximately 3V.

## High Data Rates

The MAX3320 maintains the RS-232  $\pm 5V$  minimum transmitter output voltage even at high data rates. Figure 6 shows a transmitter loop-back test circuit. Figure 7 shows a loop-back test result at 120kbps, and Figure 8 shows the same test at 250kbps. For Figure 7, both transmitters were driven simultaneously at 120kbps into RS-232 loads in parallel with 1000pF. For Figure 8, a single transmitter was driven at 250kbps, and both transmitters were loaded with an RS-232 receiver in parallel with 1000pF.

## Interconnection with 3V and 5V Logic

The MAX3320 can directly interface with various 5V logic families, including ACT and HCT CMOS. See Table 4 for more information on possible combinations of interconnections.

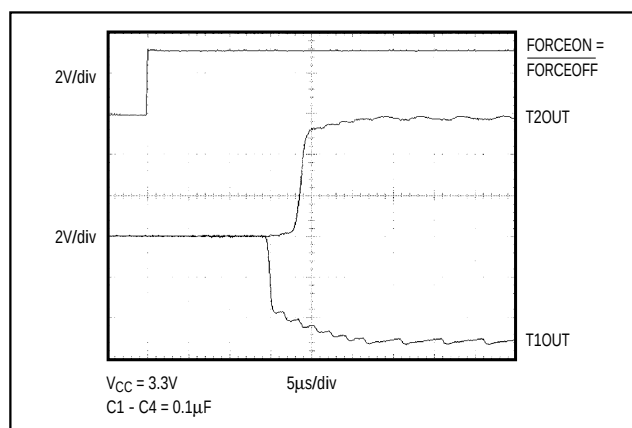


Figure 5. Transmitter Outputs when Exiting Shutdown or Powering Up

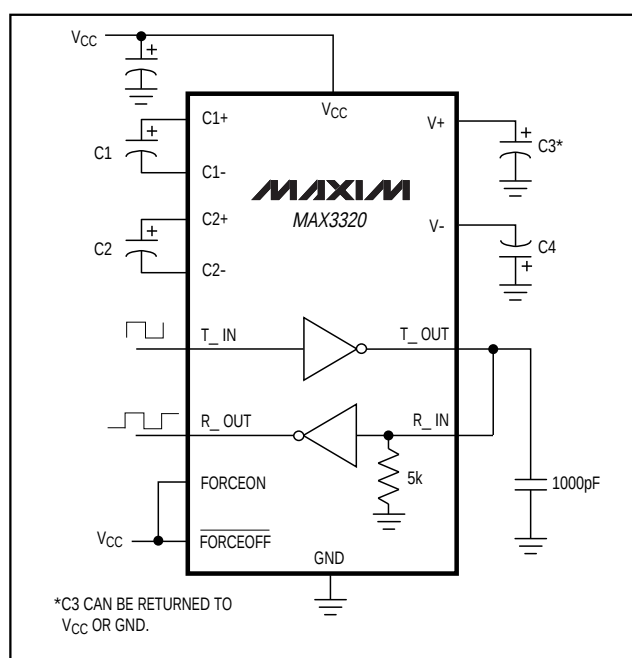


Figure 6. Loop-Back Test Circuit

Table 3. Required Minimum Capacitance Values

| VCC (V)    | C1 ( $\mu$ F) | C2, C3, C4, CBYPASS ( $\mu$ F) |
|------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| 3 to 3.6   | 0.1           | 0.1                            |
| 4.5 to 5.5 | 0.047         | 0.33                           |
| 3 to 5.5   | 0.1           | 0.47                           |

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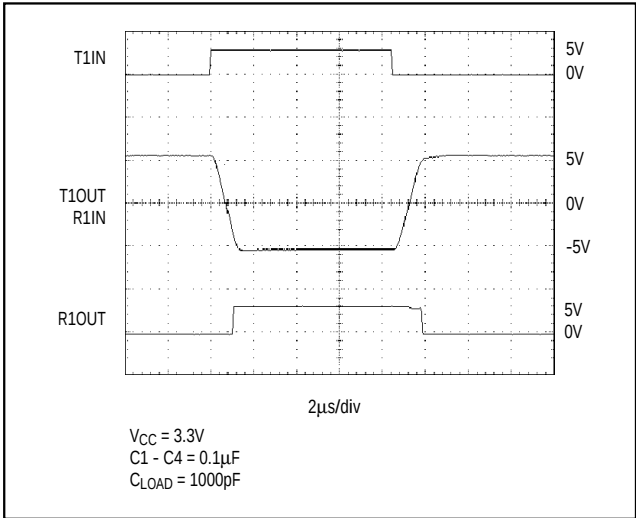


Figure 7. Loop-Back Test Result at 120kbps

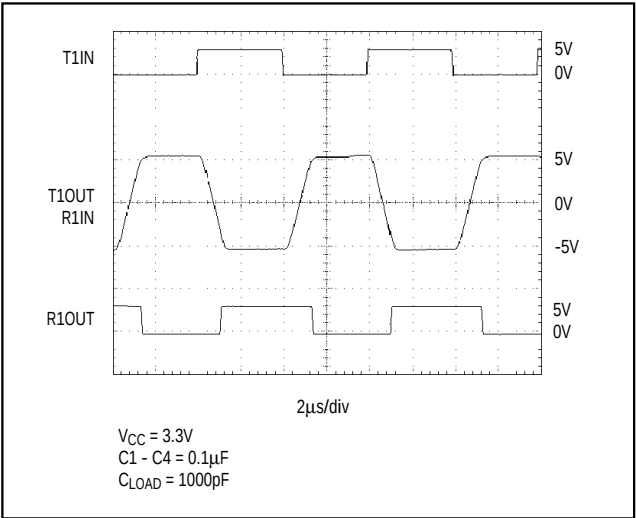


Figure 8. Loop-Back Test Result at 250kbps

Table 4. Logic-Family Compatibility with Various Supply Voltages

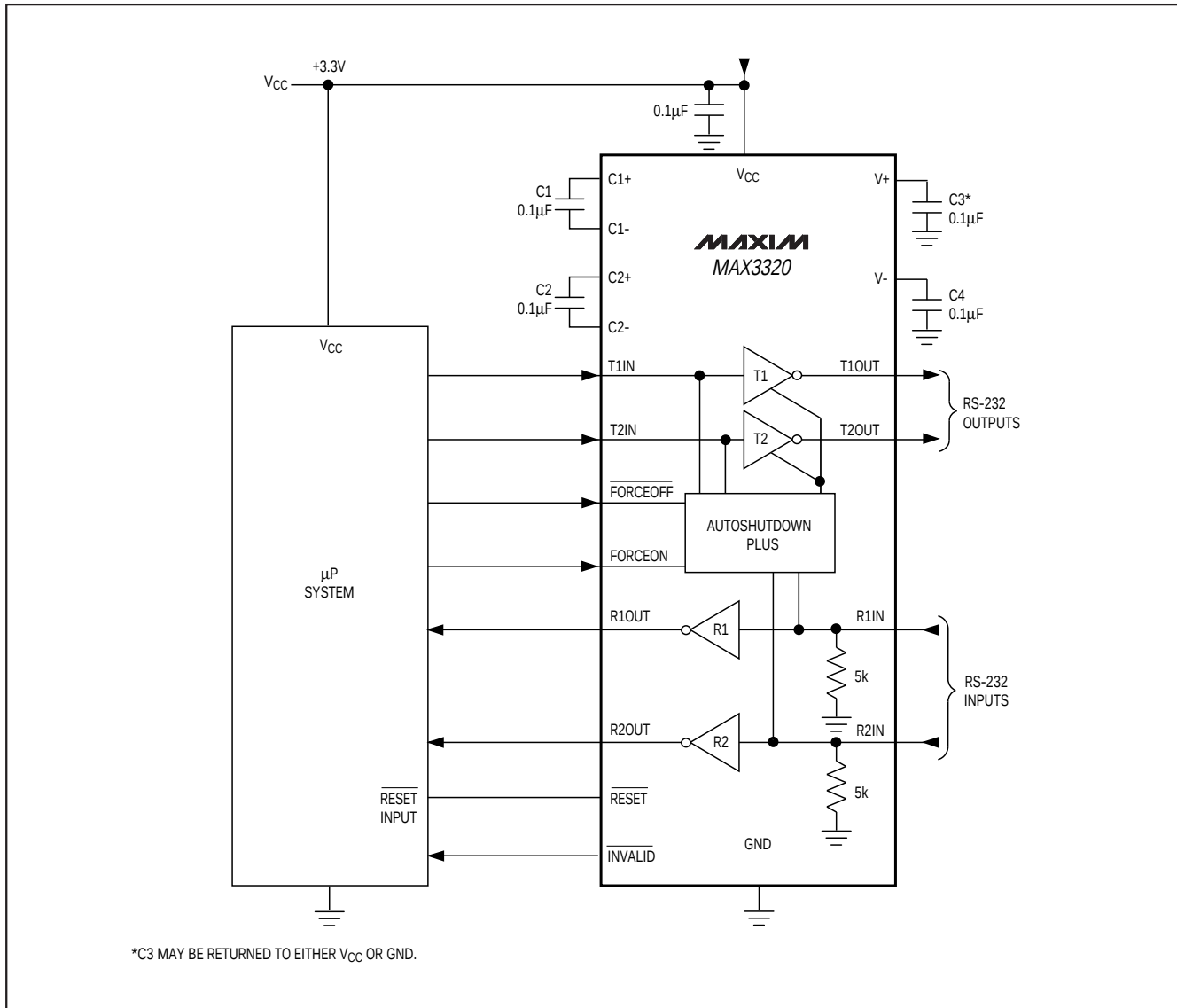
| SYSTEM POWER-SUPPLY VOLTAGE (V) | VCC SUPPLY VOLTAGE (V) | COMPATIBILITY                                                     |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3.3                             | 3.3                    | Compatible with all CMOS families                                 |
| 5                               | 5                      | Compatible with all TTL and CMOS families                         |
| 5                               | 3.3                    | Compatible with ACT and HCT CMOS, and with AC, HC, or CD4000 CMOS |

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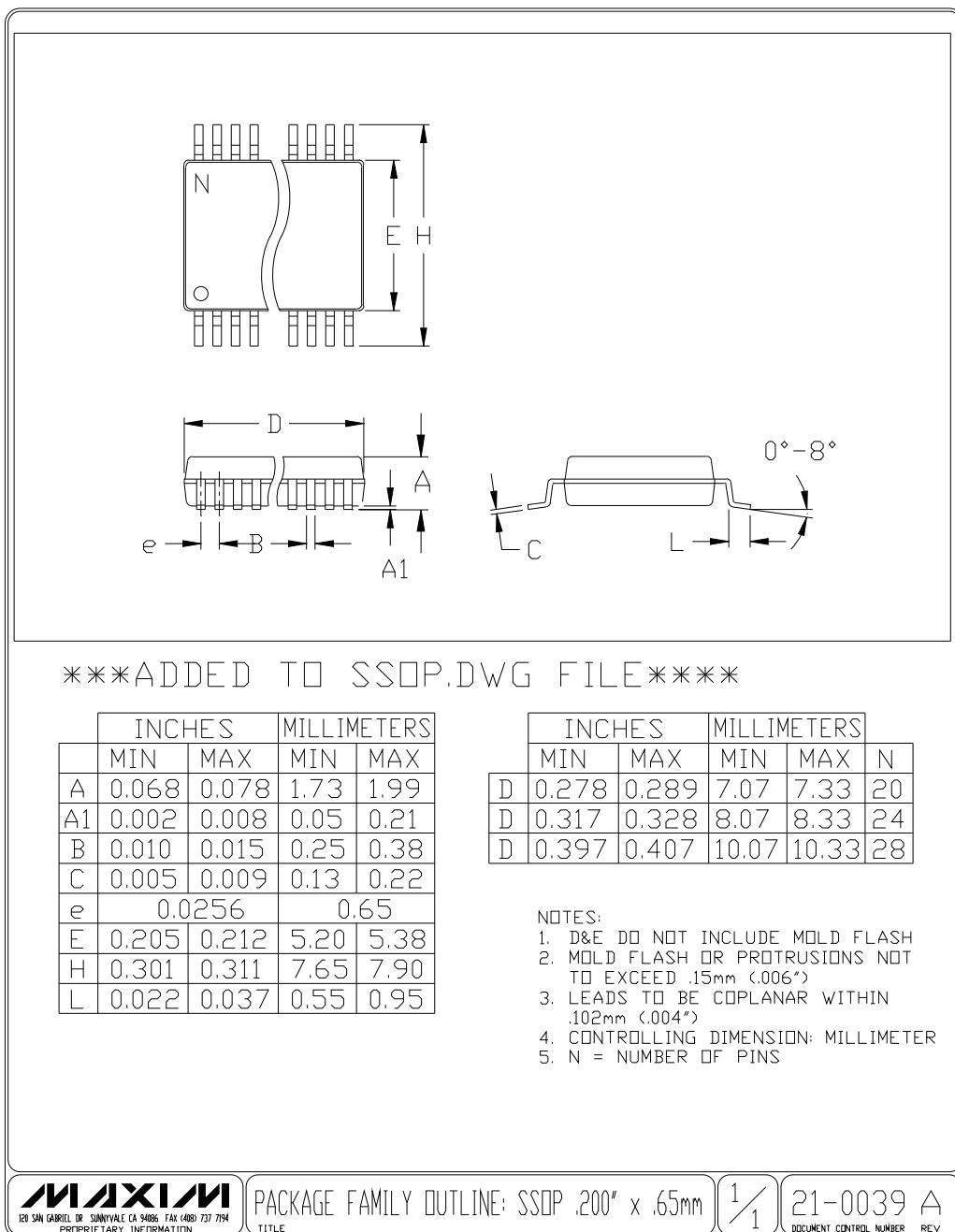
## Typical Operating Circuit

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