General Description

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The MAX14483 has an isolation rating of $3.75kV_{RMS}$ for 60 seconds and is available in a 20-pin SSOP package with 5.5mm of creepage and clearance. The package material has a minimum comparative tracking index (CTI) of 400V, which gives it a group 2 rating in creepage tables.

The MAX14483 is rated for operation at ambient temperatures of -40°C to +125°C.

Applications

- Programmable Logic Controllers
- **Industrial Automation**
- Process Automation
- **Building Automation**
- **Robotics**
- **General SPI-bus Isolation**

Benefits and Features

- Saves Space and Components
	- 6 Isolated Channels in a 20-SSOP Package
- Low Propagation Delay on SCLK, SDI, and SDO
	- Up to 100MHz Clock, 200Mbps Data Rate
	- 10ns Typical Propagation Delay
	- 2ns Maximum Pulse Width Distortion
	- 250ps Typical Peak Jitter
- Robust Galvanic Isolation of Digital Signals
	- Withstands 3.75kVRMS for 60s (VISO)
	- Continuously Withstands 450VRMS (VIOWM)
	- Withstands ±10kV Surge between GNDA and GNDB with 1.2/50µs Waveform
	- High CMTI (50kV/us, Typical)
- Flexible System Design
	- Wide 1.71V to 5.5V Voltage Range on Each Side
	- **SDOEN** Control Pin for Sharing Isolators
	- Open-Drain FAULT Channel for Shared Interrupt on Master Side
	- Auxiliary Channel for Timing or Control
- Low Power Consumption
	- 1.53mW per Channel at SCLK = 10MHz with $V_{DD} = 3.3V$
	- 0.77mW per Channel at SCLK = 10MHz with $V_{DD} = 1.8V$

Safety Regulatory Approvals

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

[Ordering Information](#page-24-0) and [Typical Operating Circuits](#page-21-0) appear at end of data sheet.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Package Thermal Characteristics

Thermal Resistance, Single Layer Board

 Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Resistance (θJA)125°C/W Junction-to-Case Thermal Resistance (θJC)...............33°C/W Thermal Resistance, Four Layer Board Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Resistance (θJA)83°C/W Junction-to-Case Thermal Resistance (θJC)...............33°C/W

Package thermal resistances were obtained using the method described in JEDEC specification JESD51-7, using a four-layer board. For detailed information on package thermal considerations, refer to **www.maximintegrated.com/thermal-tutorial**.

DC Electrical Characteristics

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V to 5.5V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 1.71V to 5.5V, T_A = -40°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB} , T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 1)

DC Electrical Characteristics (continued)

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V to 5.5V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 1.71V to 5.5V, T_A = -40°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $\rm V_{DDA}$ - $\rm V_{GNDA}$ = 3.3V, $\rm V_{DDB}$ - $\rm V_{GNDB}$ = 3.3V, $\rm V_{GNDA}$ = $\rm V_{GNDB}$, T $\rm A$ = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 1)

Dynamic Characteristics

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V to 5.5V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 1.71V to 5.5V, C_L = 15pF, T_A = -40°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}, T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 2)

Dynamic Characteristics (continued)

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 1.71V to 5.5V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 1.71V to 5.5V, C_L = 15pF, T_A = -40°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = 3.3V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = 3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}, T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 2)

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Note 1: All devices are 100% production tested at $T_A = +25^\circ$ C. Specifications over temperature are guaranteed by design.

Note 2: Not production tested. Guaranteed by design and characterization.

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

Note 4: CMTI is the maximum sustainable common-mode voltage slew rate while maintaining the correct output. CMTI applies to both rising and falling common-mode voltage edges. Tested with the transient generator connected between GNDA and GNDB (V_{CM} = 1000V).

Figure 1. Test Circuit (A) and Timing Diagram (B)

ESD Protection

Insulation Characteristics

Table 1. 20-pin SSOP Insulation Characteristics

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

Note 6: Product is qualified at V_{ISO} for 60s and 100% production tested at 120% of V_{ISO} for 1s.

Note 7: Capacitance is measured with all pins on side A and side B tied together.

Safety Limits

Damage to the IC can result in a low-resistance path to ground or to the supply and, without current limiting, the MAX14483 could dissipate excessive amounts of power. Excessive power dissipation can damage the die and result in damage to the isolation barrier, potentially causing downstream issues. Table 2 shows the safety limits for the MAX14483.

The maximum safety temperature (T_S) for the device is the 150°C maximum junction temperature specified in the *[Absolute Maximum Ratings](#page-1-0)*. The power dissipation (P_D) and junction-to-ambient thermal impedance $(θ_{JA})$ determine

the junction temperature. Thermal impedance values (θJA and θJC) are available in the *[Package Thermal](#page-1-1) [Characteristics](#page-1-1)* section of the datasheet and power dissipation calculations are discussed in the Calculating Power Dissipation section. Calculate the junction temperature (T_J) as:

$$
T_J = T_A + (P_D \times \theta_{JA})
$$

[Figure 2](#page-8-0) and [Figure 3](#page-8-1) show the thermal derating curve for safety limiting the power and the current of the device. Ensure that the junction temperature does not exceed 150°C.

Figure 2. Thermal Derating Curve for Safety Power Limiting Figure 3. Thermal Derating Curve for Safety Current Limiting

Table 2. Safety Limiting Values for the MAX14483

Typical Operating Characteristics

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = +3.3V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = +3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB} , T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.)

SIDE B SUPPLY CURRENT vs. DATA RATE 14 DRIVING ONE 200Mbps CHANNEL ON SIDE A OTHER CHANNELS IN DEFAULT STATE, 12 $C_1 = 0pF$ $(\mathsf{m}\mathsf{A})$ 10 SUPPLY CURRENT (mA) $V_{DDB} = 1.8V$ $V_{DDB} = 2.5V$ SUPPLY CURRENT 8 $V_{DDB} = 3.3V$ $V_{DDB} = 5.0V$ 6 4 2 θ 0 25 50 75 100 125 150 175 200 DATA RATE (Mbps)

0 25 50 75 100 125 150 175 200

SIDE B SUPPLY CURRENT vs. DATA RATE DRIVING ONE 200Mbps CHANNEL ON SIDE B, OTHER CHANNELS IN DEFAULT STATE

> $= 1.8V$ $V_{DOB} = 2.5V$ $V_{DDB} = 3.3V$ $V_{DOB} = 5.0V$

V_{DDB}

DATA RATE (Mbps)

0.5 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5

SUPPLY CURRENT (mA)

SUPPLY CURRENT

 $\widetilde{(\mathsf{m}\mathsf{A})}$

Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

 $(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = +3.3V, V_{DDB} - V_{GNDB} = +3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB}$, $T_A = +25°C$, unless otherwise noted.)

PROPAGATION DELAY vs. TEMPERATURE 18 toc14 SCLK, SDI, OR SDO CHANNEL tPLH 15 12 PROPAGATION DELAY (ns) PROPAGATION DELAY (ns) 9 6 V_{DD} = 1.8V V_{DD} = 2.5V 3 V_{DD} = 3.3V V_{DD} $= 5.0V$ $0 \t -50$ -50 -25 0 25 50 75 100 125 TEMPERATURE (°C)

Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(V_{DDA} - V_{GNDA} = +3.3V, V_{ODB} - V_{GNDB} = +3.3V, V_{GNDA} = V_{GNDB} , T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.)

20 VDDB 19 SAA **IFAULT 3 | 2007 18 | 18 | OFAULT** 17 ISDO OSDO 16 IAUX 15 ISDI 13 ICS 1 2 3 4 5 OAUX 6 OSDI OCS <u>| 8</u> VDDA TOP VIEW **MAX14483** OSCLK $\boxed{7}$ $\boxed{14}$ ISCLK GNDA 10 11 GNDB $SBA \overline{9}$ **20 SSOP +** 12 SDOEN **IRDY**

Pin Configurations

Pin Description

Pin Description (continued)

Functional Diagram

Detailed Description

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The MAX14483 offers low-power operation, high electromagnetic interference (EMI) immunity, and stable temperature performance through Maxim's proprietary process technology. The device isolates different ground domains and blocks high-voltage/high-current transients from sensitive or human interface circuitry.

The MAX14483 is available with a maximum data rate of 200Mbps (SPI Data Rate Channels). The device has two supply inputs (V_{DDA} and V_{DDB}) that independently set the logic levels on either side of device. V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} are referenced to GNDA and GNDB, respectively.

The MAX14483 also features an internal refresh circuit to ensure output accuracy when an input remains in the same state indefinitely.

Digital Isolation

The MAX14483 provides galvanic isolation for digital signals that are transmitted between two ground domains. The device withstands up to $560V_{PEAK}$ of continuous isolation and up to 3.75kVRMS for up to 60 seconds in the 20-pin SSOP package, which has 5.5mm of creepage and clearance. The package material has a minimum comparative tracking index (CTI) of 400V, giving it a group 2 rating in creepage tables.

Level-Shifting

The wide supply voltage range of both V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} allows the MAX14483 to be used for level translation in addition to isolation. V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} can be independently set to any voltage from 1.71V to 5.5V. The supply voltage sets the logic level on the corresponding side of the isolator.

Isolation Channels

The MAX14483 has three types of channels [\(Table 3\)](#page-16-0). Low Data Rate Channels are FAULT, AUX and CS. SPI Data Rate Channels are SCLK, SDI, and SDO. Control and Monitor Channels are IRDY, SDOEN, SAA and SBA. Different types of channels have different electrical specifications.

Low Data Rate Channels

The Low Data Rate Channels are FAULT, AUX, and CS. Each channel is unidirectional; it only passes data in one direction, as indicated in the functional diagram. Each channel has a maximum data rate of 25Mbps. The FAULT and AUX channels are designed to support SPI devices which require control signals beyond the standard 4-wire SPI bus. The output drivers of AUX and \overline{CS} channels are push-pull, eliminating the need for pullup resistors. The FAULT channel output is open drain and requires a pullup resistor. All the outputs are able to drive both TTL and CMOS logic inputs. The input channels have an integrated glitch filter to help operate in noisy environments and avoid false triggering.

SPI Data Rate Channels

The SPI Data Rate Channels are SCLK, SDI, and SDO; these channels are designed to support standard 4-wire SPI bus signals $(\overline{CS}$ is considered as a Low Data Rate Channel). Each channel is unidirectional; it only passes data in one direction, as indicated in the functional diagram. Each channel has been optimized for fast data rate and minimal skew between channels, with a maximum data rate of 200Mbps and maximum channel-to-channel propagation delay skew of only 10.2ns with $V_{DD} = 1.8V$. The output driver of each channel is push-pull, eliminating the need for pullup resistors. The outputs are able to drive both TTL and CMOS logic inputs.

Control and Monitor Channels

The Control and Monitor Channels are IRDY, SDOEN, SAA and SBA. Each channel is unidirectional; it only passes data in one direction, as indicated in the functional diagram. The monitor channels (SAA, SBA) are designed to pass essentially DC signals and have significantly longer propagation delays than other channels, meaning they should not be used for data signals. The outputs are able to drive both TTL and CMOS logic inputs. SAA and SBA are set high when their respective opposite side of the isolator has power and is operating normally. When Side A or Side B is not powered, SAA or SBA is set low and all outputs are set to their default state (OSDO is high impedance when disabled). A nominal 100µs delay is added between the detection of the opposite side power and the assertion of SAA or SBA. This allows time for the power supply to settle, and ensures a minimum low pulse width for SAA and SBA.

The control channels (IRDY, SDOEN) have an integrated glitch filter. IRDY is an external input from the A side circuits (such as a Digital I/O device) to indicate that these devices are powered and active, allowing the B side circuit (such as a MCU SPI Master) to initiate data transfer across the isolation barrier. SDOEN is an output enable control for OSDO. SDOEN allows the B side of the MAX14483 to be shared with multiple SPI devices on the A side by enabling OSDO when \overline{ICS} is not asserted. The A side SPI devices can be configured either in the daisy chain mode, where a single \overline{CS} signal enables all Side A devices as well as the OSDO output, or in the independent slave mode, where one Side A device uses the $\overline{\text{CS}}$ channel in the MAX14483 and the rest of the Side A devices have their own \overline{CS} isolator channels, external to the MAX14483. The independent slave mode requires OSDO to be enabled any time one of the CS signals is asserted, which can be accomplished by

Table 3. Channel Summary

Table 4. Output Behavior During Undervoltage Conditions

connecting a GPO pin to SDOEN and asserting it any time any CS signal is asserted. In the case that the B side of the MAX14483 is not shared with multiple SPI devices, there is no need for OSDO to be high impedance, and SDOEN can be permanently connected to GNDB. Refer to *[Typical](#page-21-0) [Operating Circuits](#page-21-0)* for details.

Figure 4. VDDA - UVLO Controlling SAA Signal

Figure 5. IRDY Controlling SAA Signal

Startup and Undervoltage-Lockout

The V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} supplies are both internally monitored for undervoltage conditions. Undervoltage events can occur during power-up, power-down, or during normal operation due to a sagging supply voltage. When an undervoltage condition is detected on either supply, all outputs go to their default states regardless of the state of the inputs ([Table 4\)](#page-16-1). [Figure 4](#page-17-0) through [Figure 6](#page-17-1) show the behavior of the SAA and SBA signals during power-up, power-down and IRDY toggling.

Applications Information

Power-Supply Sequencing

The MAX14483 does not require special power supply sequencing. The logic levels are set independently on either side by V_{DDA} and V_{DDB}. Each supply can be present over the entire specified range regardless of the level or presence of the other supply.

Power-Supply Decoupling

To reduce ripple and the chance of introducing data errors, bypass V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} with 0.1µF low-ESR ceramic capacitors to GNDA and GNDB, respectively. Place the bypass capacitors as close to the power supply input pins as possible.

Figure 6. VDDB - UVLO Controlling SBA Signal

Layout Considerations

The PCB designer should follow some critical recommendations in order to get the best performance from the design.

- Keep the input/output traces as short as possible. Avoid using vias to make low-inductance paths for the signals.
- Have a solid ground plane underneath the highspeed signal layer.
- Keep the area underneath the MAX14483 free from ground and signal planes. Any galvanic or metallic connection between the Side A and the Side B defeats the isolation.

Calculating Power Dissipation

The required current for a given supply $(V_{\text{DDA}}$ or $V_{\text{DDB}})$ can be estimated by summing the current required for each channel. The supply current for a channel depends on whether the channel is an input or an output, the channel's data rate, and the capacitive or resistive load if it is an output. The typical current for an input or output at any data rate can be estimated from the graphs in Figure 7 and [Figure 8](#page-19-0). Please note the data in Figure 7 and [Figure](#page-19-0) [8](#page-19-0) are extrapolated from the supply current measurements in a typical operating condition.

The total current for a single channel is the sum of the "no load" current (shown in Figure 7 and [Figure 8](#page-19-0)), which is a function of Voltage and Data Rate, and the "load current", which depends on the type of load. Current into a capacitive load is a function of the load capacitance, the switching frequency, and the supply voltage.

$$
I_{CL} = C_{L} \times f_{SW} \times V_{DD}
$$

where

I_{CL} is the current required to drive the capacitive load.

 C_L is the load capacitance on the isolator's output pin.

 f_{SW} is the switching frequency (bits per second / 2).

 V_{DD} is the supply voltage on the output side of the isolator.

Current into a resistive load depends on the resistance, the supply voltage and the average duty cycle of the data waveform. The DC load current can be conservatively estimated by assuming the output is always high.

 I_{RL} = V_{DD} ÷ R_L

where

 $I_{\rm RI}$ is the current required to drive the resistive load.

 V_{DD} is the supply voltage on the output side of the isolator.

R_L is the load resistance on the isolator's output pin.

In the case of an SPI bus which often has intermittent read or write cycles, one other factor to consider is the active duty cycle percentage as well as the typical active current.

Example (shown in [Figure 9\)](#page-20-0): An SPI Master running at 10MHz and with 8-bit data package. The MAX14483 is operating with V_{DDB} = 2.5V, V_{DDA} = 3.3V, SCLK operating at 20Mbps with a 15pF load, SDI and SDO channels operating in 8-bit data frame at 10Mbps with a 15pF load on each, CS operating at effective rate of 2.5Mbps (20Mbps divide by 8) with a 15pF load, and AUX channel operating at 1Mbps with a 10pF load. Channels SAA and SBA are not in use and FAULT drives a resistive load when active. Refer to [Table 5](#page-19-1) and [Table 6](#page-19-2) for V_{DDA} and V_{DDB} supply current calculation worksheets.

V_{DDA} must supply:

- ISDO operating at 3.3V and 10Mbps, consuming 0.24mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- **IFAULT** operating at 3.3V and DC, consuming 0.14mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- OAUX operating at 3.3V and 1Mbps, consuming 0.19mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) I_{CL} on OAUX for 10pF capacitor at 3.3V is 0.017mA.
- OSDI operating at 3.3V and 10Mbps, consuming 0.30mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) I_{CL} on OSDI for 15pF capacitor at 3.3V is 0.25mA.
- OSCLK operating at 3.3V and 20Mbps, consuming 0.42mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) I_{CL} on OSCLK for 15pF capacitor at 3.3V is 0.50mA.
- \overline{OCS} operating at 3.3V and 2.5Mbps, consuming 0.21mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) I_{CI} on OCS for 15pF capacitor at 3.3V is 0.062mA.

Total current for side A = 2.33mA, typical.

V_{DDB} must supply:

- IAUX operating at 2.5V and 1Mbps, consuming 0.15mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- ISDI operating at 2.5V and 10Mbps, consuming 0.23mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- ISCLK operating at 2.5V and 20Mbps, consuming 0.33mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- **ICS** operating at 2.5V and 2.5Mbps, consuming 0.16mA, estimated from Figure 7.
- OSDO operating at 2.5V and 10Mbps, consuming 0.27mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) C_1 on OSDO for 15pF capacitor at 2.5V is 0.19mA.
- OFAULT operating at 2.5V and 1Mbps, consuming 0.18mA, estimated from [Figure 8.](#page-19-0) $I_{\rm RI}$ on OFAULT for 10kΩ resistor at 2.5V is 0.25mA.

Total current for side B = 1.76mA, typical.

> **SUPPLY CURRENT PER OUTPUT CHANNEL vs. DATA RATE**

Figure 7. Supply Current Per Input Channel

Figure 8. Supply Current Per Output Channel

Table 5. Side A Supply Current Calculation Worksheet

Table 6. Side B Supply Current Calculation Worksheet

Figure 9. Example Circuit for Supply Current Calculation

Typical Operating Circuit

Isolated SPI Interface

Typical Operating Circuit (continued)

Isolated SPI Daisy Chain, 16 Digital Outputs

Typical Operating Circuit (continued)

Isolated Independent Slave SPI Bus, 16 Digital Outputs

Ordering Information

Chip Information

PROCESS: BiCMOS

Package Information

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Revision History

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