EXAMALOG
DEVICES **15 kV ESD Protected, 2.7 V to 3.6 V Serial Port Transceivers with Green Idle™**

ADM3307E/ADM3310E/ADM3311E/ADM3312E/ADM3315E*

FEATURES

Green Idle Power-Saving Mode Single 2.7 V to 3.6 V Power Supply Operates with 3 V Logic 0.1 F to 1 F Charge Pump Capacitors Low EMI Low Power Shutdown: 20 nA Full RS-232 Compliance 460 kbits/s Data Rate 1 Receiver Active in Shutdown (2 for ADM3310E) ESD >15 kV IEC 1000-4-2 on RS-232 I/Os (ADM33xxE) ESD >15 kV IEC 1000-4-2 on CMOS and RS-232 I/Os (ADM3307E)

APPLICATIONS

Mobile Phone Handsets/Data Cables Laptop and Notebook Computers Printers Peripherals Modems PDAs/Hand-Held Devices/Palmtop Computers

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ADM33xxE line of driver/receiver products is designed to fully meet the EIA-232 standard while operating with a single 2.7 V to 3.6 V power supply. The devices feature an on-board charge pump dc-to-dc converter, eliminating the need for dual power supplies. This dc-to-dc converter contains a voltage tripler and a voltage inverter that internally generates positive and negative supplies from the input 3 V power supply. The dcto-dc converter operates in Green Idle mode, whereby the charge pump oscillator is gated ON and OFF to maintain the output voltage at \pm 7.25 V under varying load conditions. This minimizes the power consumption and makes these products ideal for battery-powered portable devices.

The ADM33xxE devices are suitable for operation in harsh electrical environments and contain ESD protection up to ± 15 kV on their RS-232 lines (ADM3310E, ADM3311E, ADM3312E, and ADM3315E). The ADM3307E contains ESD protection up to ± 15 kV on all I/O lines (CMOS, RS-232, \overline{EN} , and SD).

A shutdown facility that reduces the power consumption to 66 nW is also provided. While in shutdown, one receiver remains active (two receivers active with ADM3310E), thereby allowing monitoring of peripheral devices. This feature allows the device to be shut down until a peripheral device begins communication.

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The active receiver can alert the processor, which can then take the ADM33xxE device out of the shutdown mode.

The ADM3307E contains five drivers and three receivers and is intended for mobile phone data lump cables and portable computing applications.

The ADM3311E contains three drivers and five receivers and is intended for serial port applications on notebook/laptop computers.

The ADM3310E is a low current version of the ADM3311E. This device also allows two receivers to be active in shutdown mode.

The ADM3312E contains three drivers and three receivers and is intended for serial port applications, PDAs, mobile phone data lump cables, and other hand-held devices.

The ADM3315E is a low current version of the ADM3312E, with a 22 $k\Omega$ receiver input resistance that reduces the drive requirements of the DTE. Its main applications are PDAs, palmtop computers, and mobile phone data lump cables.

The ADM33xxE devices are fabricated using CMOS technology for minimal power consumption. All parts feature a high level of overvoltage protection and latch-up immunity.

All ADM33xxE devices are available in a 32-lead 5 mm \times 5 mm LFCSP package and in a TSSOP package (ADM3307E, ADM3310E, and ADM3311E in a 28-lead TSSOP; ADM3312E and ADM3315E in a 24-lead TSSOP). The ADM3311E also comes in a 28-lead SSOP package.

The ADM33xxE devices are ruggedized RS-232 line drivers/ receivers that operate from a single supply of 2.7 V to 3.6 V. Step-up voltage converters coupled with level shifting transmitters and receivers allow RS-232 levels to be developed while operating from a single supply. Features include low power consumption, Green Idle operation, high transmission rates, and compatibility with the EU directive on electromagnetic compatibility. This EM compatibility directive includes protection against radiated and conducted interference, including high levels of electrostatic discharge.

All RS-232 (and CMOS, SD, and \overline{EN} for ADM3307E) inputs and outputs are protected against electrostatic discharges (up to ± 15 kV). This ensures compliance with IEC 1000-4-2 requirements.

These devices are ideally suited for operation in electrically harsh environments or where RS-232 cables are frequently being plugged/unplugged. They are also immune to high RF field strengths without special shielding precautions.

Emissions are also controlled to within very strict limits. CMOS technology is used to keep the power dissipation to an absolute minimum, allowing maximum battery life in portable applications.

FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAMS

NOTES

1 INTERNAL 400k PULL-UP RESISTOR ON EACH CMOS INPUT. 2 INTERNAL 5k PULL-DOWN RESISTOR ON EACH RS-232 INPUT. **1 INTERNAL 400k PULL-UP RESISTOR ON EACH CMOS INPUT. 2 INTERNAL 5k PULL-DOWN RESISTOR ON EACH RS-232 INPUT.**

1 INTERNAL 400k PULL-UP RESISTOR ON EACH CMOS INPUT. 2 INTERNAL 5k (22k FOR ADM3315E) PULL-DOWN RESISTOR ON EACH RS-232 INPUT.

SPECIFICATIONS $V_{cc} = 2.7 V$ to 3.6 V, C1–C5 = 0.1 μ F. All specifications T_{MIN} to T_{MAX}, unless otherwise noted.)

SPECIFICATIONS (continued)

NOTES

¹Measured at +3 V to -3 V or -3 V to +3 V. ²Includes CMOS I/O, SD, and $\overline{\text{EN}}$ for ADM3307E.

Specification subject to change without notice.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS*

*Stresses above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operation sections of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect reliability.

PRODUCT SELECTION GUIDE

 $\rm ^*I_{CC}$ Shutdown is 20 nA typically.

ORDERING GUIDE

 \overline{Z} = Pb-free part.

CAUTION

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Electrostatic charges as high as 4000 V readily accumulate on the human body and test equipment and can discharge without detection. Although the ADM33xxE feature proprietary ESD protection circuitry, permanent damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy electrostatic discharges. Therefore, proper ESD precautions are recommended to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

PIN CONFIGURATIONS

ADM3312E/ADM3315E

PIN FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS

Table I. ADM3307E Truth Table

Table III. ADM3311 Truth Table

Table II. ADM3310E Truth Table

Table IV. ADM3312E/ADM3315E Truth Table

Typical Performance Characteristics

TPC 1. Charge Pump V+ Exiting Shutdown

TPC 2. Charge Pump V– Exiting Shutdown

TPC 3. Charge Pump V+, V– vs. Load Current $(V_{CC} = 3.3 V)$

TPC 4. Transmitter Output vs. Load Capacitance $(V_{CC} = 3.3 V, Data Rate = 460 kbps)$

TPC 5. Slew Rate vs. Load Capacitance (V_{CC} = 3.3 V)

TPC 6. Supply Current vs. Load Capacitance ($R_L = 3$ k Ω) $(V_{CC} = 3.3 V, Data Rate = 460 kbps)$

TCP 7. Supply Current vs. Load Capacitance (R_L = Infinite) $(V_{CC} = 3.3 V, Data Rate = 460 kbps)$

 TPC 8. Supply Current vs. Load Capacitance $(V_{CC} = 3.3 V, R_L = 5 k\Omega)$

TPC 9. Transmitter Output (High) Exiting Shutdown

TPC 10. Transmitter Output (Low) Exiting Shutdown

TPC 11. Transmitter Output Voltage High/Low vs. Load Capacitance (V_{CC} = 3.3 V, CLK = 1 Mb/s, R_L = 5 k Ω , ADM3307E)

TPC 12. Oscillator Frequency vs. Load Current

TCP 13. I_{CC} vs. V_{CC} (Unloaded)

TPC 14. I_{CC} vs. V_{CC} ($R_L = 3$ k Ω)

CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

The internal circuitry consists mainly of four sections. These include the following:

- 1. A charge pump voltage converter
- 2. 3.3 V logic to EIA-232 transmitters
- 3. EIA-232 to 3.3 V logic receivers
- 4. Transient protection circuit on all I/O lines

Charge Pump DC-to-DC Voltage Converter

The charge pump voltage converter consists of a 250 kHz (300 kHz for ADM3307E) oscillator and a switching matrix. The converter generates a \pm 9 V supply from the input 3.0 V level. This is done in two stages using a switched capacitor technique, as illustrated. First, the 3.0 V input supply is tripled to 9.0 V using capacitor C4 as the charge storage element. The +9.0 V level is then inverted to generate –9.0 V using C5 as the storage element.

However, it should be noted that, unlike other charge pump dc-todc converters, the charge pump on the ADM3307E does not run open-loop. The output voltage is regulated to ± 7.25 V (or ± 6.5 V for the ADM3310E and ADM3315E) by the Green Idle circuit and never reaches \pm 9 V in practice. This saves power as well as maintains a more constant output voltage.

Figure 1. Charge Pump Voltage Tripler

The tripler operates in two phases. During the oscillator low phase, S1 and S2 are closed and C1 charges rapidly to V_{CC} . S3, S4, and S5 are open, and S6 and S7 are closed.

During the oscillator high phase, S1 and S2 are open, and S3 and S4 are closed, so the voltage at the output of S3 is $2V_{CC}$. This voltage is used to charge C2. In the absence of any discharge current, C2 charges up to $2V_{CC}$ after several cycles. During the oscillator high phase, as previously mentioned, S6 and S7 are closed, so the voltage at the output of S6 is $3V_{CC}$. This voltage is then used to charge C3. The voltage inverter is illustrated in Figure 2.

During the oscillator high phase, S10 and S11 are open, while S8 and S9 are closed. C3 is charged to $3V_{CC}$ from the output of the voltage tripler over several cycles. During the oscillator low

phase, S8 and S9 are open, while S10 and S11 are closed. C3 is connected across C5, whose positive terminal is grounded and whose negative terminal is the V– output. Over several cycles, C5 charges to -3 V_{CC}.

The V+ and V– supplies may also be used to power external circuitry if the current requirements are small. Please refer to TPC 3 in the Typical Performance Characteristics section.

What Is Green Idle?

Green Idle is a method of minimizing power consumption under idle (no transmit) conditions while still maintaining the ability to transmit data instantly.

How Does it Work?

Charge pump type dc-to-dc converters used in RS-232 line drivers normally operate open-loop, i.e., the output voltage is not regulated in any way. Under light load conditions, the output voltage is close to twice the supply voltage for a doubler and three times the supply voltage for a tripler, with very little ripple. As the load current increases, the output voltage falls and the ripple voltage increases.

Even under no-load conditions, the oscillator and charge pump operate at a very high frequency with consequent switching losses and current drain.

Green Idle works by monitoring the output voltage and maintaining it at a constant value of around 7 V*. When the voltage rises above 7.25 V^* the oscillator is turned off. When the voltage falls below $7 V[*]$, the oscillator is turned on and a burst of charging pulses is sent to the reservoir capacitor. When the oscillator is turned off, the power consumption of the charge pump is virtually zero, so the average current drain under light load conditions is greatly reduced.

A block diagram of the Green Idle circuit is shown in Figure 3. Both V+ and V– are monitored and compared to a reference voltage derived from an on-chip band gap device. If either V+ or V– fall below 7 V^* , the oscillator starts up until the voltage rises above 7.25 V**.

Figure 3. Block Diagram of Green Idle Circuit

The operation of Green Idle for V+ under various load conditions is illustrated in Figure 4. Under light load conditions, C1 is maintained in a charged condition, and only a single oscillator pulse is required to charge up C2. Under these conditions, V+ may actually overshoot 7.25 V** slightly.

Figure 4. Operation of Green Idle under Various Load **Conditions**

Under medium load conditions, it may take several cycles for C2 to charge up to 7.25 V^{**} . The average frequency of the oscillator is higher because there are more pulses in each burst and the bursts of pulses are closer together and more frequent.

Under high load conditions, the oscillator is on continuously if the charge pump output cannot reach 7.25 V^* .

Green Idle Versus Shutdown

Shutdown mode minimizes power consumption by shutting down the charge pump altogether. In this mode, the switches in the voltage tripler are configured so $V+$ is connected directly to V_{CC} . V– is zero because there is no charge pump operation to charge C5. This means there is a delay when coming out of Shutdown mode before V+ and V– achieve their normal operating voltages. Green Idle maintains the transmitter supply voltages under transmitter idle conditions so this delay does not occur.

Doesn't it Increase Supply Voltage Ripple?

The ripple on the output voltage of a charge pump operating in open-loop depends on three factors: the oscillator frequency, the value of the reservoir capacitor, and the load current. The value of the reservoir capacitor is fixed. Increasing the oscillator frequency decreases the ripple voltage; decreasing the oscillator frequency increases it. Increasing the load current increases the ripple voltage; decreasing the load current decreases it. The ripple voltage at light loads is naturally lower than that for high load currents.

Using Green Idle, the ripple voltage is determined by the high and low thresholds of the Green Idle circuit. These are nominally 7 V* and 7.25 V**, so the ripple is 250 mV under most load conditions. With very light load conditions, there may be some overshoot above 7.25 V**, so the ripple is slightly greater. Under heavy load conditions where the output never reaches 7.25 V**, the Green Idle circuit is inoperative and the ripple voltage is determined by the load current, the same as in a normal charge pump.

What about Electromagnetic Compatibility?

Green Idle does not operate with a constant oscillator frequency. As a result, the frequency and spectrum of the oscillator signal vary with load. Any radiated and conducted emissions also vary accordingly. Like other Analog Devices RS-232 transceiver products, the ADM33xxE devices feature slew rate limiting and other techniques to minimize radiated and conducted emissions.

Transmitter (Driver) Section

The drivers convert 3.3 V logic input levels into EIA-232 output levels. With V_{CC} = 3.0 V and driving an EIA-232 load, the output voltage swing is typically ± 6.4 V (or ± 5.5 V for ADM3310E and ADM3315E).

Unused inputs may be left unconnected, as an internal 400 kV pull-up resistor pulls them high forcing the outputs into a low state. The input pull-up resistors typically source 8 mA when grounded, so unused inputs should either be connected to V_{CC} or left unconnected in order to minimize power consumption.

Receiver Section

The receivers are inverting level shifters that accept RS-232 input levels and translate them into 3.3 V logic output levels. The inputs have internal 5 kQ pull-down resistors (22 kQ for the ADM3310E) to ground and are also protected against overvoltages of up to ± 30 V. Unconnected inputs are pulled to 0 V by the internal 5 $k\Omega$ (or 22 k Ω for the ADM3315E) pull-down resistor. This, therefore, results in a Logic 1 output level for unconnected inputs or for inputs connected to GND.

The receivers have Schmitt trigger inputs with a hysteresis level of 0.14 V. This ensures error-free reception for both noisy inputs and for inputs with slow transition times.

ENABLE AND SHUTDOWN

The enable function is intended to facilitate data bus connections where it is desirable to three-state the receiver outputs. In the disabled mode, all receiver outputs are placed in a high impedance state. The shutdown function is intended to shut the device down, thereby minimizing the quiescent current. In shutdown, all transmitters are disabled. All receivers are shut down, except for receiver R3 (ADM3307E, ADM3312E, and ADM3315E), receiver R5 (ADM3311E), and receivers R4 and R5 (ADM3310E). Note that disabled transmitters are not three-stated in shutdown, so it is not permitted to connect multiple (RS-232) driver outputs together.

The shutdown feature is very useful in battery-operated systems since it reduces the power consumption to 66 nW. During shutdown, the charge pump is also disabled. When exiting shutdown, the charge pump is restarted and it takes approximately $100 \,\mu s$ for it to reach its steady state operating conditions.

Figure 5. Receiver Disable Timing

Figure 6. Receiver Enable Timing

High Baud Rate

The ADM33xxE features high slew rates, permitting data transmission at rates well in excess of the EIA/RS-232E specifications. RS-232 voltage levels are maintained at data rates up to 230 kbps (460 kbps for ADM3307E) under worst-case loading conditions. This allows for high speed data links between two terminals.

LAYOUT AND SUPPLY DECOUPLING

Because of the high frequencies at which the ADM33xxE oscillator operates, particular care should be taken with printed circuit board layout, with all traces being as short as possible and C1 to C3 being connected as close to the device as possible. The use of a ground plane under and around the device is also highly recommended.

When the oscillator starts up during Green Idle operation, large current pulses are taken from V_{CC} . For this reason, V_{CC} should be decoupled with a parallel combination of 10μ F tantalum and 0.1 μ F ceramic capacitors, mounted as close to the V_{CC} pin as possible.

Capacitors C1 to C3 can have values between 0.1 μ F and 1 μ F. Larger values give lower ripple. These capacitors can be either electrolytic capacitors chosen for low equivalent series resistance (ESR) or nonpolarized types, but the use of ceramic types is highly recommended. If polarized electrolytic capacitors are used, polarity must be observed (as shown by C1+).

ESD/EFT TRANSIENT PROTECTION SCHEME

The ADM33xxE uses protective clamping structures on all inputs and outputs that clamp the voltage to a safe level and dissipate the energy present in ESD (electrostatic) and EFT (electrical fast transients) discharges. A simplified schematic of the protection structure is shown below in Figures 7a and 7b (see Figures 8a and 8b for ADM3307E protection structure). Each input and output contains two back-to-back high speed clamping diodes. During normal operation with maximum RS-232 signal levels, the diodes have no effect as one or the other is reverse biased depending on the polarity of the signal. If however the voltage exceeds about $\pm 50 \text{ V}$, reverse breakdown occurs and the voltage is clamped at this level. The diodes are large p-n junctions designed to handle the instantaneous current surge that can exceed several amperes.

The transmitter outputs and receiver inputs have a similar protection structure. The receiver inputs can also dissipate some of the energy through the internal 5 kQ (or 22 kQ for the ADM3310E) resistor to GND as well as through the protection diodes.

Figure 7a. Receiver Input Protection Scheme

Figure 7b. Transmitter Output Protection Scheme

The ADM3307E protection scheme is slightly different (see Figures 8a and 8b). The receiver inputs, transmitter inputs, and transmitter outputs contain two back-to-back high speed clamping diodes. The receiver outputs (CMOS outputs), SD and EN pins contain a single reverse biased high speed clamping diode. Under normal operation with maximum CMOS signal levels, the receiver output, SD, and \overline{EN} protection diodes have no effect because they are reversed biased. If, however, the voltage exceeds about 15 V, reverse breakdown occurs and the voltage is clamped at this level. If the voltage reaches -0.7 V, the diode is forward biased and the voltage is clamped at this level. The receiver inputs can also dissipate some of the energy through the internal 5 $k\Omega$ resistor to GND as well as through the protection diodes.

Figure 8a. ADM3307E Receiver Input Protection Scheme

Figure 8b. ADM3307E Transmitter Output Protection Scheme

The protection structures achieve ESD protection up to ± 15 kV on all RS-232 I/O lines (and all CMOS lines, including SD and \overline{EN} for the ADM3307E). The methods used to test the protection scheme are discussed later.

ESD TESTING (IEC 1000-4-2)

IEC 1000-4-2 (previously 801-2) specifies compliance testing using two coupling methods, contact discharge and air-gap discharge. Contact discharge calls for a direct connection to the unit being tested. Air-gap discharge uses a higher test voltage but does not make direct contact with the unit under testing. With air discharge, the discharge gun is moved toward the unit under testing, which develops an arc across the air gap, thus the term air discharge. This method is influenced by humidity, temperature, barometric pressure, distance, and rate of closure of the discharge gun. The contact discharge method, while less realistic, is more repeatable and is gaining acceptance in preference to the air-gap method.

Although very little energy is contained within an ESD pulse, the extremely fast rise time coupled with high voltages can cause failures in unprotected semiconductors. Catastrophic destruction can occur immediately as a result of arcing or heating. Even if catastrophic failure does not occur immediately, the device may suffer from parametric degradation that may result in degraded performance. The cumulative effects of continuous exposure can eventually lead to complete failure.

I/O lines are particularly vulnerable to ESD damage. Simply touching or plugging in an I/O cable can result in a static discharge that can damage or completely destroy the interface product connected to the I/O port. Traditional ESD test methods, such as the MIL-STD-883B method 3015.7, do not fully test a product's susceptibility to this type of discharge. This test was intended to test a product's susceptibility to ESD damage during handling. Each pin is tested with respect to all other pins. There are some important differences between the traditional test and the IEC test:

- (a) The IEC test is much more stringent in terms of discharge energy. The peak current injected is over four times greater.
- (b) The current rise time is significantly faster in the IEC test.
- (c) The IEC test is carried out while power is applied to the device.

It is possible that the ESD discharge could induce latch-up in the device under test. This test, therefore, is more representative of a real world I/O discharge where the equipment is operating normally with power applied. For maximum peace of mind, however, both tests should be performed, ensuring maximum protection both during handling and later during field service.

Figure 9. ESD Test Standards

Figure 10. Human Body Model ESD Current Waveform

Figure 11. IEC1000-4-2 ESD Current Waveform

The ADM33xxE devices are tested using both of the previously mentioned test methods. All pins are tested with respect to all other pins as per the Human Body Model, ESD Assoc. Std. 55.1 specification. In addition, all I/O pins are tested as per the IEC 1000-4-2 test specification. The products were tested under the following conditions:

(a) Power-On—Normal Operation

(b) Power-Off

There are four levels of compliance defined by IEC 1000-4-2. The ADM33xxE parts meet the most stringent compliance level for both contact and air-gap discharge. This means the products are able to withstand contact discharges in excess of 8 kV and airgap discharges in excess of 15 kV.

Dimensions shown in millimeters

Revision History

