

# SP481E / SP485E

## Enhanced Low Power Half-Duplex RS-485 Transceivers

#### **Description**

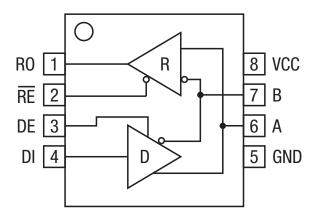
The <u>SP481E</u> and <u>SP485E</u> are a family of half-duplex transceivers that meet the specifications of RS-485 and RS-422 serial protocols with enhanced ESD performance. The ESD tolerance has been improved on these devices to over ±15kV for both Human Body Model and IEC61000-4-2 Air Discharge Method. These devices are pin-to-pin compatible with MaxLinear's SP481 and SP485 devices as well as popular industry standards. As with the original versions, the SP481E and SP485E feature Maxlinear's BiCMOS design allowing low power operation without sacrificing performance. The SP481E and SP485E meet the requirements of the RS-485 and RS-422 protocols up to 10Mbps under load. The SP481E is equipped with a low power shutdown mode.

#### FEATURES

- 5V only
- Low power BiCMOS
- Driver / receiver enable for multi-drop configurations
- Low power shutdown mode (SP481E)
- Enhanced ESD specifications:
- □ ±15kV Human Body Model
- □ ±15kV IEC61000-4-2 Air Discharge
- ±8kV IEC61000-4-2 Contact
  Discharge
- Available in RoHS compliant, lead free packaging.

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#### **Block Diagram**



SP481E and SP485E

#### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

These are stress ratings only and functional operation of the device at these ratings or any other above those indicated in the operation sections of the specifications below is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods of time may affect reliability.

| V <sub>CC</sub> |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Input Voltages  |   |
|                 | Logic0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V)                       |
|                 | Drivers0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V) Receivers $\pm$ 15V |
| Output Voltages | 5   |
|                 | Logic0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V)                       |
|                 | Drivers±15V   |
|                 | Receivers0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.5V)                   |
| Storage Tempe   | rature65°C to +150°C  |
| Power Dissipati | on  |
| 8-pin NSOIC     | 550mW   |
|                 | (derate C C C) = M/(2C e berre + 70%)                       |

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#### **Electrical Characteristics**

 $T_{AMB} = T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$  and  $V_{CC} = 5V \pm 5\%$  unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETERS   | MIN.    | TYP. | MAX.            | UNITS | CONDITIONS                                   |
|--|---------|------|-----------------|-------|--|
| SP481E / SP485E Driver DC Characte   | ristics |      |                 |       |  |
| Differential output voltage  |         |      | V <sub>CC</sub> | V     | Unloaded; R = $\infty \Omega$ ; Figure 1     |
| Differential output voltage  | 2       |      | V <sub>CC</sub> | V     | With load; R = $50\Omega$ (RS-422); Figure 1 |
| Differential output voltage  | 1.5     |      | V <sub>CC</sub> | V     | With load; R = $27\Omega$ (RS-485); Figure 1 |
| Change in magnitude of driver<br>differential output voltage for<br>complimentary states |         |      | 0.2             | V     | R = $27\Omega$ or R = $50\Omega$ ; Figure 1  |
| Driver common-mode output voltage  |         |      | 3               | V     | R = $27\Omega$ or R = $50\Omega$ ; Figure 1  |
| Input high voltage   | 2.0     |      |                 | V     | Applies to DE, DI, RE                        |
| Input low voltage  |         |      | 0.8             | V     | Applies to DE, DI, RE                        |
| Input current  |         |      | ±10             | μA    | Applies to DE, DI, RE                        |
| Driver short circuit current<br>V <sub>OUT</sub> = HIGH                                  |         |      | ±250            | mA    | $-7V \le V_0 \le 12V$                        |
| Driver short circuit current<br>V <sub>OUT</sub> = LOW                                   |         |      | ±250            | mA    | $-7V \le V_0 \le 12V$                        |

| HBM - Human Body Model (A and B pins)±15kV        |
|---|
| HBM - Human Body Model (All other pins)±3kV       |
| IEC61000-4-2 Air Discharge (A and B pins)±15kV    |
| IEC61000-4-2 Contact Discharge (A and B pins)±8kV |

## **Electrical Characteristics (Continued)**

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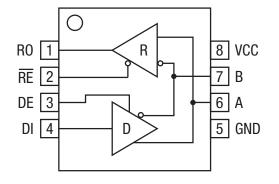
| PARAMETERS   | MIN.         | TYP. | MAX. | UNITS | CONDITIONS  |  |  |
|--|--------------|------|------|-------|---|--|--|
| SP481E / SP485E Driver AC Charac                                   | teristics    |      |      |       |   |  |  |
| Maximum data rate  | 10           |      |      | Mbps  | $\overline{RE}$ = 5V, DE = 5V; R <sub>DIFF</sub> = 54Ω,<br>C <sub>L1</sub> = C <sub>L2</sub> = 100pF            |  |  |
| Driver input to output, t <sub>PLH</sub>                           |              | 30   | 60   | ns    | - See Figures 3 & 5, $R_{DIFF} = 54\Omega$ ,  |  |  |
| Driver input to output, t <sub>PLH</sub><br>(SP485EMN ONLY)        |              | 30   | 80   | ns    | $C_{L1} = C_{L2} = 100 \text{pF}$   |  |  |
| Driver input to output, t <sub>PHL</sub>                           |              | 30   | 60   | ns    | - See Figures 3 & 5, $R_{DIFF} = 54\Omega$ ,  |  |  |
| Driver input to output, t <sub>PHL</sub><br>(SP485EMN ONLY)        |              | 30   | 80   | ns    | $C_{L1} = C_{L2} = 100 \text{pF}$   |  |  |
| Driver skew  |              | 5    | 10   | ns    | See Figures 3 and 5, $t_{SKEW} =  t_{DPHL} - t_{DPLH} $   |  |  |
| Driver rise or fall time   |              | 15   | 40   | ns    | From 10%-90%; R <sub>DIFF</sub> = 54 $\Omega$<br>C <sub>L1</sub> = C <sub>L2</sub> = 100pF; See Figures 3 and 6 |  |  |
| Driver enable to output high                                       |              | 40   | 70   | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF, See Figures 4 and 6, S <sub>2</sub> closed   |  |  |
| Driver enable to output low  |              | 40   | 70   | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF, See Figures 4 and 6, S <sub>1</sub> closed   |  |  |
| Driver disable time from high                                      |              | 40   | 70   | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF, See Figures 4 and 6, S <sub>2</sub> closed   |  |  |
| Driver disable time from low                                       |              | 40   | 70   | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF, See Figures 4 and 6, $S_1$ closed  |  |  |
| SP481E / SP485E Receiver DC Cha                                    | racteristics |      |      |       |   |  |  |
| Differential input threshold                                       | -0.2         |      | 0.2  | Volts | $-7V \le V_{CM} \le 12V$  |  |  |
| Differential input threshold<br>(SP485EMN ONLY)                    | -0.4         |      | 0.4  | Volts | $-7V \le V_{CM} \le 12V$  |  |  |
| Input hysteresis   |              | 20   |      | mV    | $V_{CM} = 0V$   |  |  |
| Output voltage high  | 3.5          |      |      | Volts | V <sub>ID</sub> = 200mV, I <sub>O</sub> = -4mA  |  |  |
| Output voltage low   |              |      | 0.4  | Volts | V <sub>ID</sub> = 200mV, I <sub>O</sub> = 4mA   |  |  |
| Three-state(high impedance)<br>output current                      |              |      | ±1   | μΑ    | $0.4V \le V_0 \le 2.4V; \overline{RE} = 5V$   |  |  |
| Input resistance   | 12           | 15   |      | kΩ    | $-7V \le V_{CM} \le 12V$  |  |  |
| Input current (A, B); V <sub>IN</sub> = 12V                        |              |      | 1.0  | mA    | DE = 0V, $V_{CC}$ = 0V or 5.25V, $V_{IN}$ = 12V   |  |  |
| Input current (A, B); V <sub>IN</sub> = -7V                        |              |      | -0.8 | mA    | DE = 0V, $V_{CC}$ = 0V or 5.25V, $V_{IN}$ = -7V   |  |  |
| Short circuit current  | 7            |      | 95   | mA    | $0V \le V_O \le V_{CC}$   |  |  |
| SP481E / SP485E Receiver AC Cha                                    | racteristics |      |      |       |   |  |  |
| Maximum data rate  | 10           |      |      | Mbps  | RE = 0V, DE = 0V  |  |  |
| Receiver input to output   | 20           | 45   | 100  | ns    | $t_{PLH}$ ; See Figures 3 & 7,<br>$R_{DIFF}$ = 54 $\Omega$ , $C_{L1}$ = $C_{L2}$ = 100pF                        |  |  |
| Receiver input to output   | 20           | 45   | 100  | ns    | $t_{PHL}$ ; See Figures 3 & 7,<br>$R_{DIFF}$ = 54 $\Omega$ , $C_{L1}$ = $C_{L2}$ = 100pF                        |  |  |
| Differential receiver skew<br> t <sub>PHL</sub> - t <sub>PLH</sub> |              | 13   |      | ns    | $R_{DIFF} = 54\Omega$ , $C_{L1} = C_{L2} = 100$ pF,<br>See Figures 3 and 7                                      |  |  |
| Receiver enable to output low                                      |              | 45   | 70   | ns    | C <sub>RL</sub> = 15pF, Figures 2 & 8; S <sub>1</sub> Closed  |  |  |
| Receiver enable to output high                                     |              | 45   | 70   | ns    | C <sub>RL</sub> = 15pF, Figures 2 & 8; S <sub>2</sub> Closed  |  |  |
| Receiver Disable from low  |              | 45   | 70   | ns    | C <sub>RL</sub> = 15pF, Figures 2 & 8; S <sub>1</sub> Closed  |  |  |
| Receiver Disable from high   |              | 45   | 70   | ns    | C <sub>RL</sub> = 15pF, Figures 2 & 8; S <sub>2</sub> Closed  |  |  |

## **Electrical Characteristics, Continued**

 $T_{AMB}$  =  $T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}\,$  and  $V_{CC}$  = 5V ±5% unless otherwise noted

| PARAMETERS                                   | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | UNITS | CONDITIONS  |
|--|------|------|------|-------|---|
| SP481E Shutdown Timing                       |      | ·    |      |       |   |
| Time to shutdown                             | 50   | 200  | 600  | ns    | RE = 5V, DE = 0V  |
| Driver enable from shutdown to output high   |      | 40   | 100  | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF; See Figures 4 and 6; S <sub>2</sub> Closed           |
| Driver enable from shutdown to output low    |      | 40   | 100  | ns    | $C_L$ = 100pF; See Figures 4 and 6; S <sub>1</sub> Closed           |
| Receiver enable from shutdown to output high |      | 300  | 1000 | ns    | $C_L$ = 15pF; See Figures 2 and 8; S <sub>2</sub> Closed            |
| Receiver enable from shutdown to output low  |      | 300  | 1000 | ns    | C <sub>L</sub> = 15pF; See Figures 2 and 8; S <sub>1</sub> Closed   |
| Power Requirements                           |      | ·    | ·    |       |   |
| Supply voltage V <sub>CC</sub>               | 4.75 |      | 5.25 | Volts |   |
| Supply current                               | •    |      |      | •     |   |
| No load                                      |      | 900  |      | μA    | $\overline{RE}$ , DI = 0V or V <sub>CC</sub> ; DE = V <sub>CC</sub> |
| No load                                      |      | 600  |      | μA    | RE = 0V, DI = 0V or 5V; DE = 0V                                     |
| Shutdown mode (SP481E)                       |      |      | 10   | μA    | $DE = 0V, \overline{RE} = V_{CC}$                                   |
| Environmental and Mechanical                 |      |      | ·    |       |   |
| Operating Temperture                         |      |      |      |       |   |
| Commercial (_C_)                             | 0    |      | 70   | °C    |   |
| Industrial (_E_)                             | -40  |      | 85   | °C    |   |
| (_M_)  | -40  |      | 125  | °C    |   |
| Storage Temperature                          | -65  |      | 150  | °C    |   |
| Package                                      |      | ·    | ·    | ·     | ·   |
| NSOIC (_N)                                   |      |      |      |       |   |

## **Pin Functions**



SP481E and SP485E Pinout (Top View)

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Description                                  |
|------------|----------|--|
| 1          | RO       | Receiver output                              |
| 2          | RE       | Receiver output enable active LOW            |
| 3          | DE       | Driver output enable active HIGH             |
| 4          | DI       | Driver input                                 |
| 5          | GND      | Ground connection                            |
| 6          | А        | Non-inverting driver output / receiver input |
| 7          | В        | Inverting driver output / receiver input     |
| 8          | VCC      | Positive supply $4.75V \le Vcc \le 5.25V$    |



### **Test Circuits**

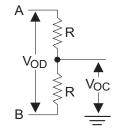


Figure 1: RS-485 Driver DC Test Load Circuit

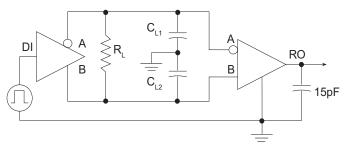


Figure 3: RS-485 Driver/Receiver Timing Test Circuit

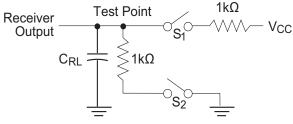


Figure 2: Receiver Timing Test Load Circuit

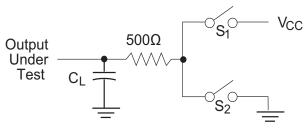
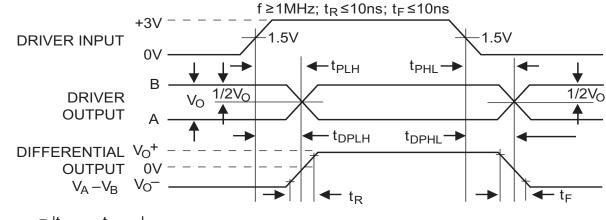


Figure 4: Driver Timing Test Load #2 Circuit

### Switching Waveforms



 $t_{SKEW} = |t_{DPLH} - t_{DPHL}|$ 

Figure 5: Driver Propagation Delays

## Switching Waveforms (Continued)

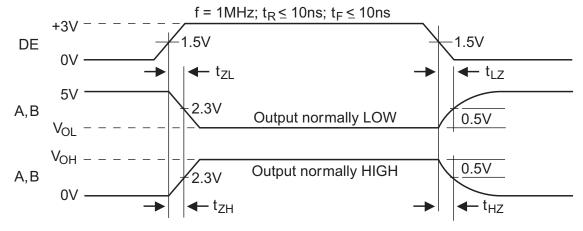


Figure 6: Driver Enable and Disable Times

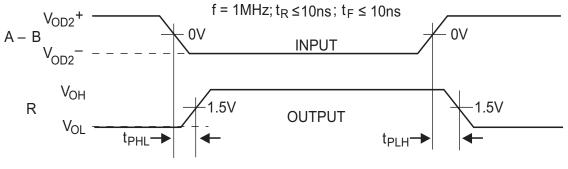


Figure 7: Receiver Propagation Delays

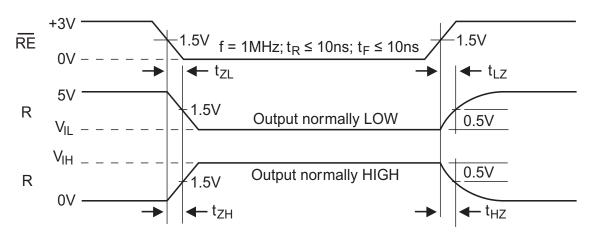


Figure 8: Receiver Enable and Disable Times

#### Description

The SP481E and SP485E are half-duplex differential transceivers that meet the requirements of RS-485 and RS-422. Fabricated with an Maxlinear proprietary BiCMOS process, this product requires a fraction of the power of older bipolar designs.

The RS-485 standard is ideal for multi-drop applications and for long-distance interfaces. RS-485 allows up to 32 drivers and 32 receivers to be connected to a data bus, making it an ideal choice for multi-drop applications. Since the cabling can be as long as 4,000 feet, RS-485 transceivers are equipped with a wide (-7V to 12V) common mode range to accommodate ground potential differences. Because RS-485 is a differential interface, data is virtually immune to noise in the transmission line.

#### Drivers

The driver outputs of the SP481E and SP485E are differential outputs meeting the RS-485 and RS-422 standards. The typical voltage output swing with no load will be 0 Volts to 5 Volts. With worst case loading of  $54\Omega$  across the differential outputs, the drivers can maintain greater than 1.5V voltage levels. The drivers of the SP481E and SP485E have an enable control line which is active HIGH. A logic HIGH on DE (pin 3) will enable the differential driver outputs.

The transmitters of the SP481E and SP485E will operate up to at least 10Mbps.

#### Receivers

The SP481E and SP485E receivers have differential inputs with an input sensitivity as low as  $\pm 200$ mV. Input impedance of the receivers is typically  $15k\Omega$  ( $12k\Omega$  minimum). A wide common mode range of -7V to +12V allows for large ground potential differences between systems. The receivers of the SP481E and SP485E have a tri-state enable control pin. A logic LOW on RE (pin 2) will enable the receiver, a logic HIGH on RE (pin 2) will disable the receiver.

The receiver for the SP481E and SP485E will operate up to at least 10Mbps. The receiver for each of the two devices is equipped with the fail-safe feature. Fail-safe guarantees that the receiver output will be in a HIGH state when the input is left unconnected.

#### Shutdown Mode

The SP481E is equipped with a Shutdown mode. To enable the shutdown state, both driver and receiver must be disabled simultaneously. A logic LOW on DE (pin 3) and a Logic HIGH on  $\overline{\text{RE}}$  (pin 2) will put the SP481E into Shutdown mode. In Shutdown, supply current will drop to typically 1µA.

|    | INPUTS | i i |                   | OUTI | PUTS |
|----|--------|-----|-------------------|------|------|
| RE | DE     | DI  | LINE<br>CONDITION | A    | В    |
| X  | 1      | 1   | No Fault          | 1    | 0    |
| Х  | 1      | 0   | No Fault          | 0    | 1    |
| Х  | 0      | Х   | Х                 | Z    | Z    |
| Х  | 1      | Х   | Fault             | Z    | Z    |



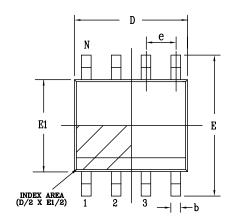
| INF | UTS |             | OUTPUTS |
|-----|-----|-------------|---------|
| RE  | DE  | A - B       | R       |
| 0   | 0   | 0.2V        | 1       |
| 0   | 0   | -0.2V       | 0       |
| 0   | 0   | Inputs Open | 1       |
| 1   | 0   | Х           | Z       |

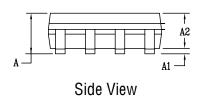
Table 2: Receive Function Truth Table

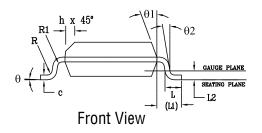
## **Mechanical Dimensions**

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Top View







|         | PACKAGE OUTLINE NSOIC .150" BODY<br>JEDEC MS-012 VARIATION AA |   |      |           |          |       |  |  |  |
|---------|---|---|------|-----------|----------|-------|--|--|--|
| SYMBOLS |   | COMMON DIMENSIONS IN MM<br>(Control Unit) COMMON DIMENSIONS IN INCl<br>(Reference Unit) |      |           |          |       |  |  |  |
|         | MIN   | NOM   | MAX  | MIN       | NOM      | MAX   |  |  |  |
| A       | 1.35  | —   | 1.75 | 0.053     | —        | 0.069 |  |  |  |
| A1      | 0.10  | _   | 0.25 | 0.004     | —        | 0.010 |  |  |  |
| A2      | 1.25  | —   | 1.65 | 0.049     | —        | 0.065 |  |  |  |
| b       | 0.31  | —   | 0.51 | 0.012     | —        | 0.020 |  |  |  |
| с       | 0.17  | —   | 0.25 | 0.007     | —        | 0.010 |  |  |  |
| E       |   | 6.00 BSC 0.236 BSC  |      |           |          |       |  |  |  |
| E1      |   | 3.90 BSC  | )    | 0         | ).154 BS | С     |  |  |  |
| e       |   | 1.27 BSC  | )    | 0.050 BSC |          |       |  |  |  |
| h       | 0.25  | —   | 0.50 | 0.010     | —        | 0.020 |  |  |  |
| L       | 0.40  | _   | 1.27 | 0.016     | —        | 0.050 |  |  |  |
| L1      |   | 1.04 REF  |      | 0         | .041 REF |       |  |  |  |
| L2      | (   | 0.25 BSC  | 2    | 0         | .010 BS0 | 2     |  |  |  |
| R       | 0.07  | —   | _    | 0.003     | —        | —     |  |  |  |
| R1      | 0.07  | —   | _    | 0.003     | —        | —     |  |  |  |
| q       | 0°  | _   | 8°   | 0'        | _        | 8°    |  |  |  |
| đ       | 5*  | _   | 15*  | 5*        | 5' —     |       |  |  |  |
| q2      | 0.  | _   |      | 0.        | _        | —     |  |  |  |
| D       | 4   | 4.90 BSC 0.193 BSC  |      |           |          |       |  |  |  |
| N       |   | 8   |      |           |          |       |  |  |  |

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### **Ordering Information**<sup>(1)</sup>

| Part Number   | Operating Temperature Range | Lead-Free          | Package     | Packaging Method |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------|
| SP481ECN-L/TR | 0°C to 70°C                 |                    |             | Reel             |
| SP481EEN-L/TR | -40°C to 85°C               |                    |             | Reel             |
| SP485ECN-L    | 0°C to 70°C                 |                    |             | Tube             |
| SP485ECN-L/TR | 0000700                     | Yes <sup>(2)</sup> | 8-pin NSOIC | Reel             |
| SP485EEN-L    | -40°C to 85°C               |                    |             | Tube             |
| SP485EEN-L/TR | -40 C 10 65 C               |                    |             | Reel             |
| SP485EMN-L/TR | -40°C to 125°C              |                    |             | Reel             |

#### NOTE:

1. Refer to <u>www.exar.com/SP481E</u> and <u>www.exar.com/SP485E</u> for most up-to-date Ordering Information.

2. Visit <u>www.exar.com</u> for additional information on Environmental Rating.

#### **Revision History**

| Revision | Date     | Description  |
|----------|----------|--|
|          | 05/11/07 | Legacy Sipex Datasheet   |
| 1.0.0    | 12/18/08 | Convert to Exar Format. Update ordering information as a result of discontinued Lead type package options per PDN 081126-01. Remove "Top Mark" information from ordering page.   |
| 1.0.1    | 11/19/09 | Correct table 1 error for driver output A and B outputs  |
| 1.0.2    | 08/08/10 | Change SP485EMN-L and SP485EMN-L/TR temperature range error from +85C to +125C in ordering information section.  |
| 1.0.3    | 05/27/11 | Remove driver minimum limits of propagation delay and Rise/Fall time. Remove SP481ECP-L and SP481EEP-L per PDN 110510-01   |
| 1.0.4    | 05/24/13 | Correct type errors per PCN 13-0503-01   |
| 1.0.5    | 03/12/18 | Update to MaxLinear logo. Remove GND from Differential Output Voltage min (page 2).<br>Update format and ordering information table. Truth Tables moved to page 7 description section.<br>Removed obsolete PDIP from absolute maximums, mechanicals and mechanical dimensions.<br>ESD IEC61000-4-2 Contact Discharge rating added. |



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