

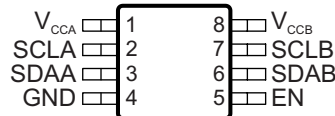
LEVEL-TRANSLATING I²C BUS REPEATER

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FEATURES

- Two-Channel Bidirectional Buffer
- I²C Bus and SMBus Compatible
- Operating Supply Voltage Range of 0.9 V to 5.5 V on A Side
- Operating Supply Voltage Range of 2.7 V to 5.5 V on B Side
- Voltage-Level Translation From 0.9 V to 5.5 V and 2.7 V to 5.5 V
- Footprint and Function Replacement for PCA9515B
- Active-High Repeater-Enable Input
- Open-Drain I²C I/O
- 5.5-V Tolerant I²C and Enable Input Support
- Mixed-Mode Signal Operation
- Lockup-Free Operation
- Accommodates Standard Mode and Fast Mode I²C Devices and Multiple Masters
- Powered-Off High-Impedance I²C Pins
- 400-kHz Fast I²C Bus
- Latch-Up Performance Exceeds 100 mA Per JESD 78, Class II
- ESD Protection Exceeds JESD 22
 - 5500-V Human-Body Model (A114-A)
 - 200-V Machine Model (A115-A)
 - 1000-V Charged-Device Model (C101)

DGK PACKAGE
(TOP VIEW)



DESCRIPTION/ORDERING INFORMATION

This dual bidirectional I²C buffer is operational at 2.7 V to 5.5 V.

The TCA9517A is a BiCMOS integrated circuit intended for I²C bus and SMBus systems. It can provide bidirectional voltage-level translation (up-translation/down-translation) between low voltages (down to 0.9 V) and higher voltages (2.7 V to 5.5 V) in mixed-mode applications. This device enables I²C and similar bus systems to be extended, without degradation of performance even during level shifting.

The TCA9517A buffers both the serial data (SDA) and the serial clock (SCL) signals on the I²C bus, thus allowing two buses of 400-pF bus capacitance to be connected in an I²C application. This device can also be used to isolate two halves of a bus for voltage and capacitance.

The TCA9517A has two types of drivers—A-side drivers and B-side drivers. All inputs and I/Os are overvoltage tolerant to 5.5 V, even when the device is unpowered (V_{CCB} and/or $V_{CCA} = 0$ V).

The TCA9517A offers a higher contention level threshold, V_{ILC} , than the TCA9517 and can be used in applications where a larger input logic low is required on the B-side.

ORDERING INFORMATION

T _A	PACKAGES ⁽¹⁾ (2)		ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
–40°C to 85°C	VSSOP – DGK	Tape and reel	TCA9517ADGKR	BSK

(1) Package drawings, thermal data, and symbolization are available at www.ti.com/packaging.

(2) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum at the end of this document, or see the TI website at www.ti.com.



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DESCRIPTION/ORDERING INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The B-side drivers operate from 2.7 V to 5.5 V. The output low level for this internal buffer is approximately 0.5 V, but the input voltage must be 70 mV or more below the output low level when the output internally is driven low. The higher-voltage low signal is called a buffered low. When the B-side I/O is driven low internally, the low is not recognized as a low by the input. This feature prevents a lockup condition from occurring when the input low condition is released.

This type of design on the B side prevents it from being used in series with the PCA9515B and another TCA9517A (B side). This is because these devices do not recognize buffered low signals as a valid low and do not propagate it as a buffered low again.

The A-side drivers operate from 0.9 V to 5.5 V and drive more current. They do not require the buffered low feature (or the static offset voltage). This means that a low signal on the B side translates to a nearly 0-V low on the A side, which accommodates smaller voltage swings of lower-voltage logic. The output pulldown on the A side drives a hard low, and the input level is set at $0.3 V_{CCA}$ to accommodate the need for a lower low level in systems where the low-voltage-side supply voltage is as low as 0.9 V.

The A side of two or more TCA9517As can be connected together to allow a star topography, with the A side on the common bus. Also, the A side can be connected directly to any other buffer with static- or dynamic-offset voltage. Multiple TCA9517As can be connected in series, A side to B side, with no buildup in offset voltage and with only time-of-flight delays to consider. Because of the buffered low voltage from the B side, the TCA9517 cannot be connected B side to B side or the B side cannot be connected to a device with rise time accelerators.

The TCA9517A drivers are enabled when V_{CCA} is above 0.8 V and V_{CCB} is above 2.5 V.

The TCA9517A has an active-high enable (EN) input with an internal pullup to V_{CCB} , which allows the user to select when the repeater is active. This can be used to isolate a badly behaved slave on power-up reset. The EN input should change state only when the global bus and repeater port are in an idle state, to prevent system failures.

The TCA9517A includes a power-up circuit that keeps the output drivers turned off until V_{CCB} is above 2.5 V and the V_{CCA} is above 0.8 V. V_{CCB} and V_{CCA} can be applied in any sequence at power up. After power up and with the EN high, a low level on the A side (below $0.3 V_{CCA}$) turns the corresponding B-side driver (either SDA or SCL) on and drives the B side down to approximately 0.5 V. When the A side rises above $0.3 V_{CCA}$, the B-side pulldown driver is turned off and the external pullup resistor pulls the pin high. When the B side falls first and goes below $0.3 V_{CCB}$, the A-side driver is turned on and the A side pulls down to 0 V. The B-side pulldown is not enabled unless the B-side voltage goes below 0.4 V. If the B-side low voltage does not go below 0.5 V, the A-side driver turns off when the B-side voltage is above $0.7 V_{CCB}$. If the B-side low voltage goes below 0.4 V, the B-side pulldown driver is enabled, and the B side is able to rise to only 0.5 V until the A side rises above $0.3 V_{CCA}$.

V_{CCA} is only used to provide the $0.3 V_{CCA}$ reference to the A-side input comparators and for the power-good-detect circuit. The TCA9517A logic and all I/Os are powered by the V_{CCB} pin.

As with the standard I²C system, pullup resistors are required to provide the logic-high levels on the buffered bus. The TCA9517A has standard open-drain configuration of the I²C bus. The size of these pullup resistors depends on the system, but each side of the repeater must have a pullup resistor. The device is designed to work with Standard mode and Fast mode I²C devices in addition to SMBus devices. Standard mode I²C devices only specify 3 mA in a generic I²C system, where Standard mode devices and multiple masters are possible. Under certain conditions, higher termination currents can be used.

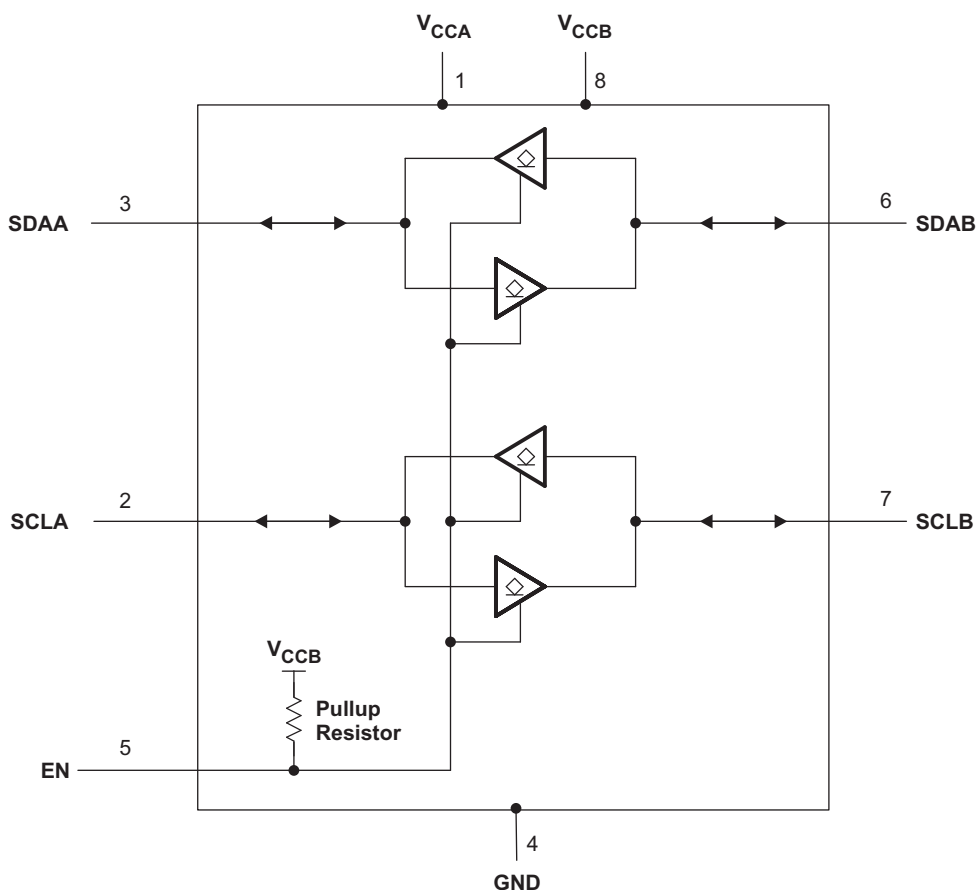
TERMINAL FUNCTIONS

NO.	NAME	DESCRIPTION
1	V _{CCA}	A-side supply voltage (0.9 V to 5.5 V)
2	SCLA	Serial clock bus, A side. Connect to V _{CCA} through a pullup resistor.
3	SDAA	Serial data bus, A side. Connect to V _{CCA} through a pullup resistor.
4	GND	Supply ground
5	EN	Active-high repeater enable input
6	SDAB	Serial data bus, B side. Connect to V _{CCB} through a pullup resistor.
7	SCLB	Serial clock bus, B side. Connect to V _{CCB} through a pullup resistor.
8	V _{CCB}	B-side and device supply voltage (2.7 V to 5.5 V)

Table 1. FUNCTION TABLE

INPUT EN	FUNCTION
L	Outputs disabled
H	SDAA = SDAB SCLA = SCLB

Figure 1. FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS⁽¹⁾

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{CCB}	Supply voltage range		–0.5	7	V
V _{CCA}	Supply voltage range		–0.5	7	V
V _I	Enable input voltage range ⁽²⁾		–0.5	7	V
V _{I/O}	I ² C bus voltage range ⁽²⁾		–0.5	7	V
I _{IK}	Input clamp current	V _I < 0		–50	mA
I _{OK}	Output clamp current	V _O < 0		–50	
I _O	Continuous output current			±50	mA
	Continuous current through V _{CC} or GND			±100	mA
T _{stg}	Storage temperature range		–65	150	°C

- (1) 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 under "recommended operating conditions" is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- (2) The input negative-voltage and output voltage ratings may be exceeded if the input and output current ratings are observed.

THERMAL IMPEDANCE

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
θ _{JA}	Package thermal impedance ⁽¹⁾	DGK package		172	°C/W

- (1) The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{CCA}	Supply voltage, A-side bus		0.9 ⁽¹⁾	5.5	V
V _{CCB}	Supply voltage, B-side bus		2.7	5.5	V
V _{IH}	High-level input voltage	SDAA, SCLA	0.7 × V _{CCA}	5.5	V
		SDAB, SCLB	0.7 × V _{CCB}	5.5	
		EN	0.7 × V _{CCB}	5.5	
V _{IL}	Low-level input voltage	SDAA, SCLA		0.3 × V _{CCA}	V
		SDAB, SCLB ⁽²⁾		0.3 × V _{CCB}	
		EN		0.3 × V _{CCB}	
I _{OL}	Low-level output current			6	mA
T _A	Operating free-air temperature		–40	85	°C

- (1) Low-level supply voltage
- (2) V_{IL} specification is for the first low level seen by the SDAB and SCLB lines. V_{ILC} is for the second and subsequent low levels seen by the SDAB and SCLB lines. See [V_{ILC} AND PULL-UP RESISTOR SIZING](#) for V_{ILC} application information

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

 $V_{CCB} = 2.7\text{ V to }5.5\text{ V}$, $GND = 0\text{ V}$, $T_A = -40^{\circ}\text{C to }85^{\circ}\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER			TEST CONDITIONS	V _{CCB}	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V _{IK}	Input clamp voltage		I _I = −18 mA	2.7 V to 5.5 V			−1.2	V
V _{OL}	Low-level output voltage	SDAB, SCLB	I _{OL} = 100 μA or 6 mA, V _{ILA} = V _{ILB} = 0 V	2.7 V to 5.5 V	0.45	0.52	0.6	V
		SDAA, SCLA	I _{OL} = 6 mA			0.1	0.2	
V _{OL} − V _{ILC}	Low-level input voltage below low-level output voltage	SDAB, SCLB	guaranteed by design	2.7 V to 5.5 V		70		mV
V _{ILC}	SDA and SCL low-level input voltage contention	SDAB, SCLB		2.7 V to 5.5 V		0.45		V
I _{CC}	Quiescent supply current for V _{CCA}		Both channels low, SDAA = SCLA = GND and SDAB = SCLB = open, or SDAA = SCLA = open and SDAB = SCLB = GND				1	mA
I _{CC}	Quiescent supply current		Both channels high, SDAA = SCLA = V _{CCA} and SDAB = SCLB = V _{CCB} and EN = V _{CCB}	5.5 V		1.5	5	mA
			Both channels low, SDAA = SCLA = GND and SDAB = SCLB = open			1.5	5	
			In contention, SDAA = SCLA = GND and SDAB = SCLB = GND			3	5	
I _I	Input leakage current	SDAB, SCLB	V _I = V _{CCB}	2.7 V to 5.5 V			±1	μA
			V _I = 0.2 V			10		
		SDAA, SCLA	V _I = V _{CCB}				±1	
			V _I = 0.2 V			10		
		EN	V _I = V _{CCB}				±1	
			V _I = 0.2 V			−10	−30	
I _{OH}	High-level output leakage current	SDAB, SCLB	V _O = 3.6 V	2.7 V to 5.5 V		10	μA	
		SDAA, SCLA				10		
C _I	Input capacitance	EN	V _I = 3 V or 0 V	3.3 V	6	10	pF	
		SCLA, SCLB	V _I = 3 V or 0 V	3.3 V	8	13		
				0 V	7	11		
C _{IO}	Input/output capacitance	SDAA, SDAB	V _I = 3 V or 0 V	3.3 V	8	13	pF	
				0 V	7	11		

TIMING REQUIREMENTS

over recommended operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
t_{su} Setup time, EN high before Start condition ⁽¹⁾	100		ns
t_h Hold time, EN high after Stop condition ⁽¹⁾	100		ns

(1) EN should change state only when the global bus and the repeater port are in an idle state.

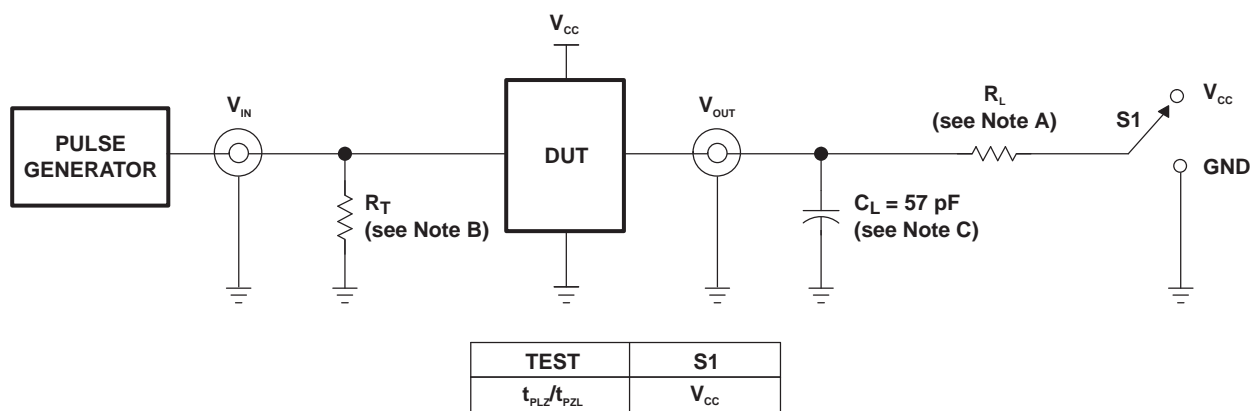
I²C INTERFACE TIMING REQUIREMENTS

$V_{CCB} = 2.7\text{ V to }5.5\text{ V}$, $GND = 0\text{ V}$, $T_A = -40^\circ\text{C to }85^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

PARAMETER		FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP ⁽³⁾	MAX	UNIT
t_{PLZ}	Propagation delay	SDAB, SCLB ⁽⁴⁾ (see Figure 5)	SDAA, SCLA ⁽⁴⁾ (see Figure 5)		80	141	350	ns
		SDAA, SCLA ⁽⁵⁾ (see Figure 4)	SDAB, SCLB ⁽⁵⁾ (see Figure 4)		25	74	110	
t_{PZL}	Propagation delay	SDAB, SCLB	SDAA, SCLA	$V_{CCA} \leq 2.7\text{ V}$ (see Figure 3)	30	76 ⁽⁶⁾	110	ns
				$V_{CCA} \geq 3\text{ V}$ (see Figure 3)	10	86	230	
		SDAA, SCLA ⁽⁵⁾ (see Figure 4)	SDAB, SCLB ⁽⁵⁾ (see Figure 4)		60	107	230	
t_{TLH}	Transition time	80%	20%	$V_{CCA} \leq 2.7\text{ V}$ (see Figure 4)	10	12	15	ns
				$V_{CCA} \geq 3\text{ V}$ (see Figure 4)	40	42	45	
					110	125	140	
t_{THL}	Transition time	80%	20%	$V_{CCA} \leq 2.7\text{ V}$ (see Figure 4)	1	52 ⁽⁶⁾	105	ns
				$V_{CCA} \geq 3\text{ V}$ (see Figure 4)	20	67	175	
					30	48	90	

- (1) Times are specified with loads of 1.35-k Ω pullup resistance and 50-pF load capacitance on the B side and 167- Ω pullup and 57-pF load capacitance on the A side. Different load resistance and capacitance alter the RC time constant, thereby changing the propagation delay and transition times.
- (2) Pullup voltages are V_{CCA} on the A side and V_{CCB} on the B side.
- (3) Typical values were measured with $V_{CCA} = V_{CCB} = 3.3\text{ V}$ at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise noted.
- (4) The t_{PLH} delay data from B to A side is measured at 0.4 V on the B side to 0.5 V_{CCA} on the A side when V_{CCA} is less than 2 V, and 1.5 V on the A side if V_{CCA} is greater than 2 V.
- (5) The proportional delay data from A to B side is measured at 0.3 V_{CCA} on the A side to 1.5 V on the B side.
- (6) Typical value measured with $V_{CCA} = 2.7\text{ V}$ at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



TEST CIRCUIT FOR OPEN-DRAIN OUTPUT

- A. $R_L = 167 \Omega$ (0.9 V to 2.7 V) and $R_L = 450 \Omega$ (3.0 V to 5.5 V) on the A side and 1.35 k Ω on the B side
- B. R_T termination resistance should be equal to Z_{OUT} of pulse generators.
- C. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.
- D. All input pulses are supplied by generators having the following characteristics: PRR ≤ 10 MHz, $Z_O = 50 \Omega$, slew rate ≥ 1 V/ns.
- E. The outputs are measured one at a time, with one transition per measurement.
- F. t_{PLH} and t_{PHL} are the same as t_{pd} .
- G. t_{PLZ} and t_{PHZ} are the same as t_{dis} .
- H. t_{PZL} and t_{PZH} are the same as t_{en} .

Figure 2. Test Circuit

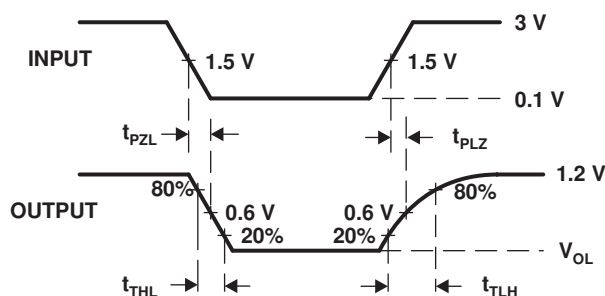


Figure 3. Waveform 1 – Propagation Delay and Transition Times for B Side to A Side

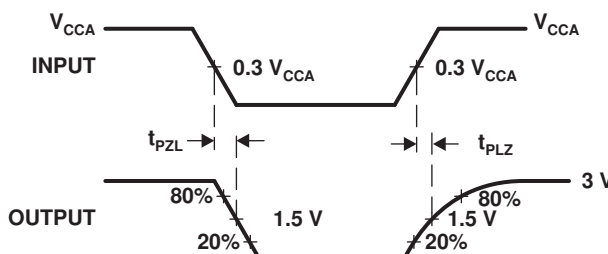


Figure 4. Waveform 2 – Propagation Delay and Transition Times for A Side to B Side

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION (continued)

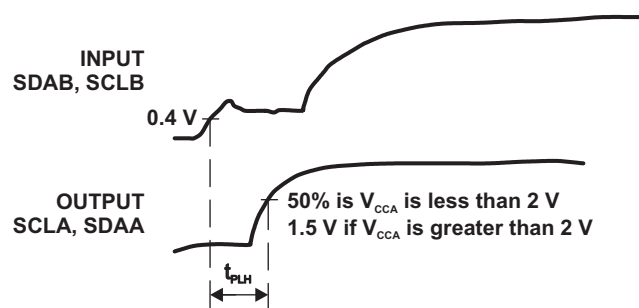


Figure 5. Waveform 3

APPLICATION INFORMATION

A typical application is shown in Figure 6. In this example, the system master is running on a 3.3-V I²C bus, and the slave is connected to a 1.2-V bus. Both buses run at 400 kHz. Master devices can be placed on either bus.

The TCA9517A is 5-V tolerant, so it does not require any additional circuitry to translate between 0.9-V to 5.5-V bus voltages and 2.7-V to 5.5-V bus voltages.

When the A side of the TCA9517A is pulled low by a driver on the I²C bus, a comparator detects the falling edge when it goes below 0.3 V_{CCA} and causes the internal driver on the B side to turn on, causing the B side to pull down to about 0.5 V. When the B side of the TCA9517A falls, first a CMOS hysteresis-type input detects the falling edge and causes the internal driver on the A side to turn on and pull the A-side pin down to ground. In order to illustrate what would be seen in a typical application, refer to Figure 8 and Figure 9. If the bus master in Figure 6 were to write to the slave through the TCA9517A, waveforms shown in Figure 8 would be observed on the A bus. This looks like a normal I²C transmission, except that the high level may be as low as 0.9 V, and the turn on and turn off of the acknowledge signals are slightly delayed.

On the B-side bus of the TCA9517A, the clock and data lines would have a positive offset from ground equal to the V_{OL} of the TCA9517A. After the eighth clock pulse, the data line is pulled to the V_{OL} of the slave device, which is very close to ground in this example. At the end of the acknowledge, the level rises only to the low level set by the driver in the TCA9517A for a short delay, while the A-bus side rises above 0.3 V_{CCA} and then continues high.

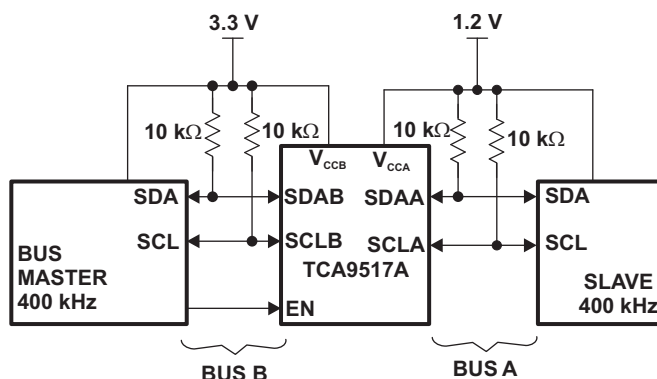


Figure 6. Typical Application

V_{ILC} AND PULL-UP RESISTOR SIZING

For the TCA9517A to function correctly, all devices on the B-side must be able to pull the B-side below the voltage input low contention level (V_{ILC}). This means that the V_{OL} of any device on the B-side must be below 0.45V.

V_{OL} of a device can be adjusted by changing the I_{OL} through the device which is set by the pull-up resistance value. The pull-up resistance on the B-side must be carefully selected to ensure that logic levels will be transferred correctly to the A-side.

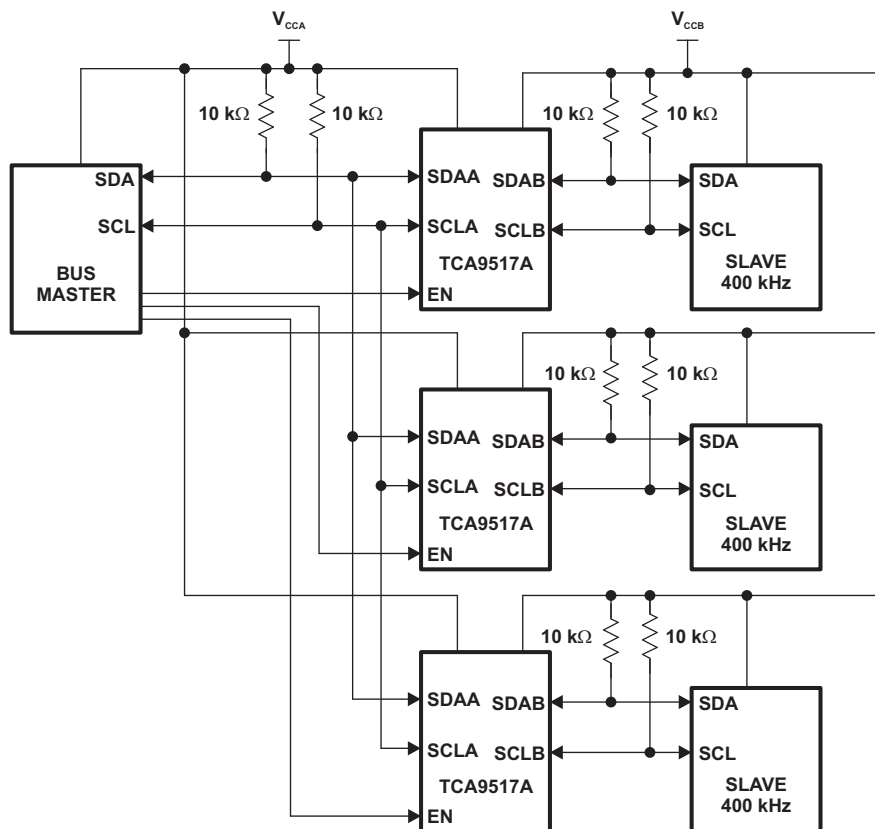


Figure 7. Typical Star Application

Multiple TCA9517A A sides can be connected in a star configuration, allowing all nodes to communicate with each other.

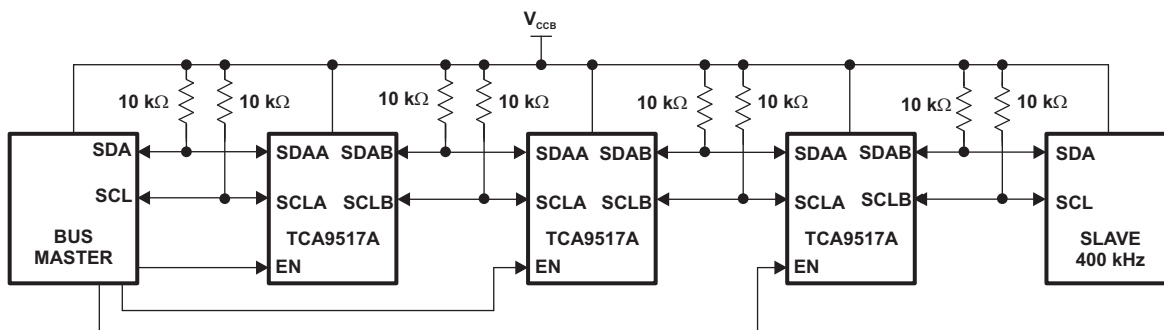


Figure 8. Typical Series Application

Multiple TCA9517As can be connected in series as long as the A side is connected to the B side. I²C bus slave devices can be connected to any of the bus segments. The number of devices that can be connected in series is limited by repeater delay/time-of-flight considerations on the maximum bus speed requirements.

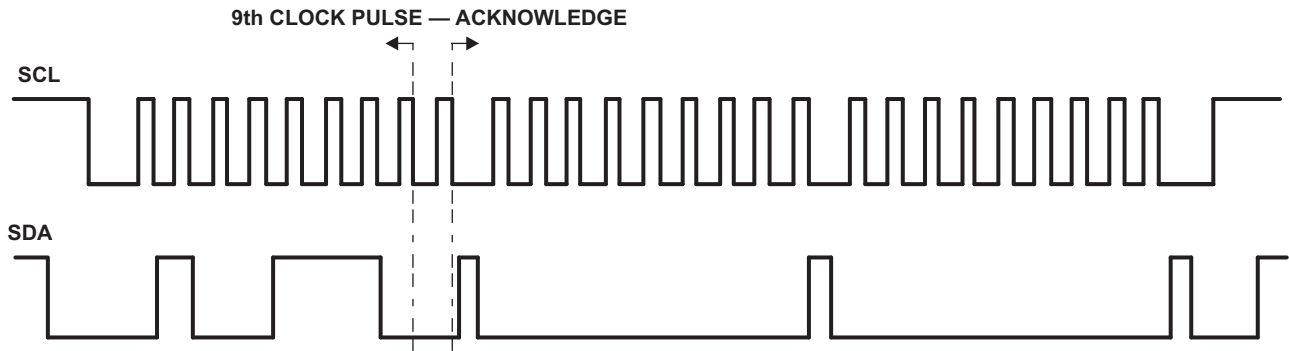


Figure 9. Bus A (0.9-V to 5.5-V Bus) Waveform

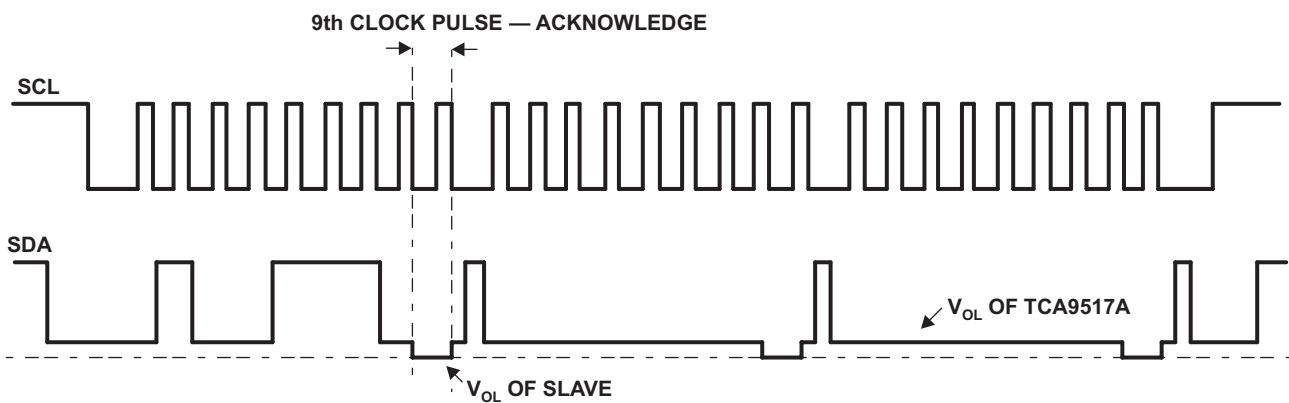


Figure 10. Bus B (2.7-V to 5.5-V Bus) Waveform

REVISION HISTORY

Changes from Original (December 2012) to Revision A

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- Updated the TOP-SIDE MARKING column of the ORDERING INFORMATION TABLE. [1](#)

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead/Ball Finish	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
TCA9517ADGKR	ACTIVE	VSSOP	DGK	8	2500	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAUAG	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	BSK	Samples

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:

ACTIVE: Product device recommended for new designs.

LIFEBUY: TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. -- The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

(4) There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

(5) Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

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TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION


*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TCA9517ADGKR	VSSOP	DGK	8	2500	330.0	12.4	5.3	3.4	1.4	8.0	12.0	Q1

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
TCA9517ADGKR	VSSOP	DGK	8	2500	364.0	364.0	27.0

DGK (S-PDSO-G8)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Body length does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.15 per end.
 - D. Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.50 per side.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-187 variation AA, except interlead flash.

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