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## UT232A

**Preliminary**

*CMOS IC*

# HIGH PERFORMANCE RS-232 LINE DRIVERS/RECEIVERS

■ **DESCRIPTION**

The UTC **UT232A** has two drivers and two receivers with dual charge-pump circuit. It meets RS-232D and V.28 specifications. Its high performance includes increased drive current for longer and more flexible cable configurations and 10V/μs slew rate, 120kbps guaranteed transmission rate. For easier use, enhancements include better ESD protection for RS-232 I/O pins, low power dissipation and four external small 0.1μF charge pump capacitors.

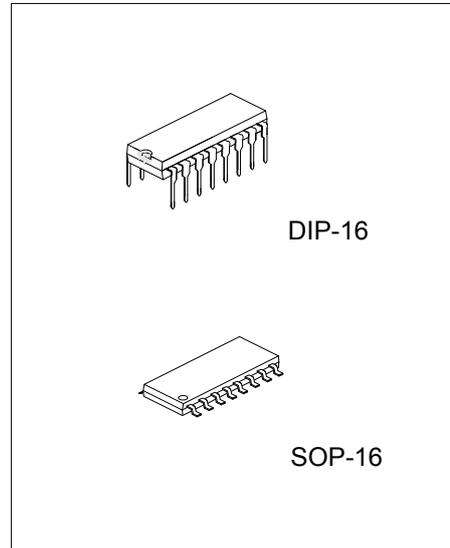The UTC **UT232A** is available in DIP-16 package and SOP-16 package.

DIP-16

SOP-16

■ **FEATURES**

* Single power supply: 3.3V~5.5V
* Low power supply current: 10mA
* Multiple drivers and receivers
* Receiver input levels: ±25V
* 3-State outputs of TTL/CMOS receiver
* High output slew rate: 10V/μs under load
* High data rate: 120kbps under load
* Four external small charge pump capacitors: 0.1μF
* Exceeds ±8KV HBM ESD protection for RS-232 I/O pins

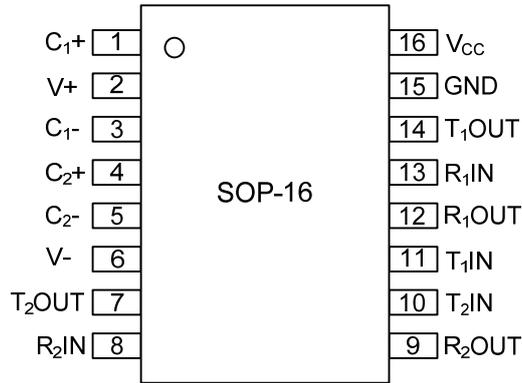■ **ORDERING INFORMATION**

| Ordering Number | | Package | Packing |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lead Free | Halogen Free | | |
| UT232AL-D16-T | UT232AG-D16-T | DIP-16 | Tube |
| UT232AL-S16-R | UT232AG-S16-R | SOP-16 | Tape Reel |

UT232AL-D16-T

(1) Packing Type

(2) Package Type

(3) Lead Free

(1) T: Tube, R: Tape Reel

(2) D16: DIP-16, S16: SOP-16

(3) L: Lead Free, G: Halogen Free

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■ **PIN CONFIGURATION**

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    C₁+ ┌ 1 │  ○              16 ┐ V_CC
    V+  ┌ 2 │                 15 ┐ GND
    C₁- ┌ 3 │                 14 ┐ T₁OUT
    C₂+ ┌ 4 │     SOP-16      13 ┐ R₁IN
    C₂- ┌ 5 │                 12 ┐ R₁OUT
    V-  ┌ 6 │                 11 ┐ T₁IN
  T₂OUT ┌ 7 │                 10 ┐ T₂IN
   R₂IN ┌ 8 │                  9 ┐ R₂OUT
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■ **PIN DESCRIPTION**

| PIN NO. | PIN NAME | DESCRIPTION |
|---------|----------|-------------|
| 1 | $C_1+$ | Positive terminal of the voltage doubler Charge-Pump Capacitor |
| 2 | $V+$ | Positive voltage generated by the charge pump |
| 3 | $C_1-$ | Negative terminal of the voltage doubler Charge-Pump Capacitor |
| 4 | $C_2+$ | Positive terminal of inverting Charge-Pump Capacitor |
| 5 | $C_2-$ | Negative terminal of inverting Charge-Pump Capacitor |
| 6 | $V-$ | Negative voltage generated by the charge pump |
| 7 | $T_2OUT$ | RS-232 Transmitter Outputs |
| 8 | $R_2IN$ | RS-232 Receiver Inputs |
| 9 | $R_2OUT$ | TTL/CMOS Receiver Outputs |
| 10 | $T_2IN$ | TTL/CMOS Transmitter Inputs |
| 11 | $T_1IN$ | TTL/CMOS Transmitter Inputs |
| 12 | $R_1OUT$ | TTL/CMOS Receiver Outputs |
| 13 | $R_1IN$ | RS-232 Receiver Inputs |
| 14 | $T_1OUT$ | RS-232 Transmitter Outputs |
| 15 | GND | Ground |
| 16 | $V_{CC}$ | Power Supply |
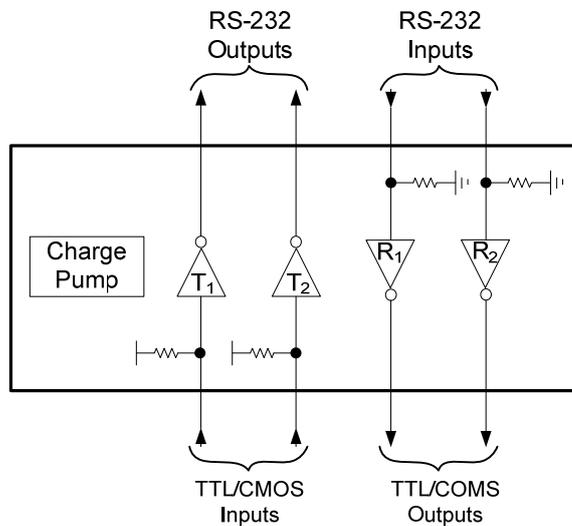
■ **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | RATINGS | UNIT |
|---|---|---|---|
| Supply voltage range | $V_{CC}$ | -0.3 ~ +6.0 | V |
| Positive-output supply voltage range | V+ | -0.3 ~+13.2 | V |
| Negative-output supply voltage range | V- | +0.3 ~ -13.2 | V |
| Input Voltages | $T_{IN}$ | -0.3 ~ +6.0 | V |
| | $R_{IN}$ | -25 ~ +25 | V |
| Output Voltages | $T_{OUT}$ | -13.2 ~ +13.2 | V |
| | $R_{OUT}$ | -0.3 ~ ($V_{CC}$+0.3) | V |
| Short Circuit Duration | $T_{OUT}$ | Continuous | |
| Power Dissipation | $P_D$ | 375 | mW |
| Operating Temperature | $T_{OPR}$ | 0 ~ +70 | °C |

Notes: 1 Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which the device could be permanently damaged. Absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only and functional device operation is not implied.

2 All voltages are with respect to network GND.

■ **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

($V_{CC}$=+5.0V; $T_A$=+25°C; 0.1µF charge pump capacitors; $T_{MIN}$ to $T_{MAX}$ unless otherwise specified)

| PARAMETER | | SYMBOL | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TTL INPUT** | | | | | | | |
| Logic Threshold | Low | $V_{TL}$ | $T_{IN}$; $\overline{EN}$ , $\overline{SD}$ | | | 0.8 | V |
| | High | $V_{TH}$ | $T_{IN}$; $\overline{EN}$ , $\overline{SD}$ | 2.0 | | | V |
| Logic Pull up Current | | $I_{TH}$ | $T_{IN}$=0V | | 15 | 200 | µA |
| Maximum Data Rate | | | $C_L$=2500pF, $R_L$=3kΩ | 120 | | | kbps |
| **TTL OUTPUT** | | | | | | | |
| TTL/CMOS Output Voltage | Low | $V_{OL}$ | $I_{OUT}$=1.6mA; $V_{CC}$=+5.0V | | | 0.4 | V |
| | High | $V_{OH}$ | $I_{OUT}$=-1.0mA | 3.5 | | | V |
| **RS-232 OUTPUT** | | | | | | | |
| Output Voltage Swing | | $V_{O(SW)}$ | All transmitter outputs loaded With 3kΩ to GND | ±5.0 | ±9.0 | | V |
| Output Resistance | | $R_O$ | $V_{CC}$=0V; $V_{OUT}$=±2.0V | 300 | 10M | | Ω |
| Output Short Circuit Current | | $I_{O(SC)}$ | Infinite duration | | ±18 | | mA |
| **RS-232 INPUT** | | | | | | | |
| Voltage Range | | $V_{I(SW)}$ | | -25 | | +25 | V |
| Voltage Threshold | Low | $V_{THR(L)}$ | $V_{CC}$=+5.0V, $T_A$=+25°C | 0.8 | 1.2 | | V |
| | High | $V_{THR(H)}$ | | | 1.7 | 2.4 | V |
| Hysteresis | | $V_{HYS}$ | $V_{CC}$=+5.0V, $T_A$=+25°C | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | V |
| Resistance | | $R_I$ | $T_A$=+25°C, -15V≤$V_{IN}$≤+15V | 3 | 5 | 8 | kΩ |
| **DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS** | | | | | | | |
| Propagation Delay, RS232 to TTL | | $t_{PD}$ | | | 1.5 | | µs |
| Instantaneous Slew Rate | | SR | $C_L$=220pF, $R_L$=3kΩ-7kΩ; measured from +3V ~ -3V or -3V ~ +3V | | | 35 | V/µs |
| Transition Region Slew Rate | | SR | $C_L$=2500pF, $R_L$=3kΩ;measured from +3V ~ -3V or -3V ~ +3V | | 10 | | V/µs |
| **POWER REQUIREMENTS** | | | | | | | |
| $V_{CC}$ Power Supply Current | | $I_{CC}$ | No load, $T_A$=+25°C; $V_{CC}$=+5.0V | | 10 | 15 | mA |
| | | | All transmitters $R_L$=3kΩ;$T_A$=+25°C | | 25 | | mA |

■ FUNCTION DESCRIPTION

**Driver/Transmitter**

The drivers are inverting transmitters, which accept TTL or CMOS inputs and output the RS-232 signals with an inverted sense relative to the input logic levels. Typically the RS-232 output voltage swing is ±9.0V. Even under worst case loading conditions of 3kΩ and 2500pF, the output is guaranteed to be ±5.0V, which is consistent with the RS-232 standard specifications. The transmitter outputs are protected against infinite short-circuits to ground without degradation in reliability.

The instantaneous slew rate of the transmitter output is internally limited to a maximum of 35V/μs. However, the transition region slew rate of these enhanced products is typically 10V/μs. The smooth transition of the loaded output from VOL to VOH clearly meets the monotonicity requirements.

**Receivers**

The receivers convert RS-232 input signals to inverted TTL signals. Since the input is usually from a transmission line, where long cable lengths and system interference can degrade the signal, the inputs have a typical hysteresis margin of 0.5V.

This ensures that the receiver is virtually immune to noisy transmission lines. The input thresholds are 0.8V minimum and 2.4V maximum, again well within the ±3.0V RS-232 requirements. The receiver inputs are also protected against voltages up to ±25V. Should an input be left unconnected, a 5kΩ pull down resistor to ground will commit the output of the receiver to a high state.

In actual system applications, it is quite possible for signals to be applied to the receiver inputs before power is applied to the receiver circuitry.

This occurs, for example, when a PC user attempts to print, only to realize the printer wasn't turned on. In this case an RS-232 signal from the PC will appear on the receiver input at the printer. When the printer power is turned on, the receiver will operate normally. All of these enhanced devices are fully protected.

**Charge Pump**

The charge pump section of the devices allows the circuit to operate from a single +5.0V power supply by generating the required operating voltages internal to the devices. The charge pump consists of a voltage doubler and a voltage inverter. As shown in Figure 1, an internal oscillator triggers the charge accumulation and voltage inversion. The voltage doubler momentarily stores a charge on capacitor C1 equal to $V_{CC}$, referenced to ground. During the next transition of the oscillator this charge is boot-strapped to transfer charge to capacitor C3. The voltage across C3 is now from $V_{CC}$ to V+.

In the inverter section as shown in Figure 2, the voltage across C3 is transferred to C2 forcing a range of 0V to V+ across C2. Boot-strapping of C2 will then transfer charge to C4 to generate V-. One of the significant enhancements over previous products of this type is that the values of the capacitors are no longer critical and have been decreased in size considerably to 0.1μF. Because the charge pump runs at a much higher frequency, the 0.1uF capacitors are sufficient to transfer and sustain charges to the two transmitters.
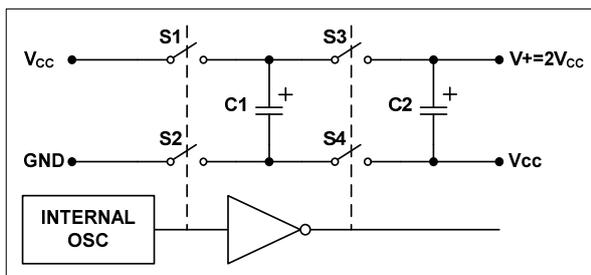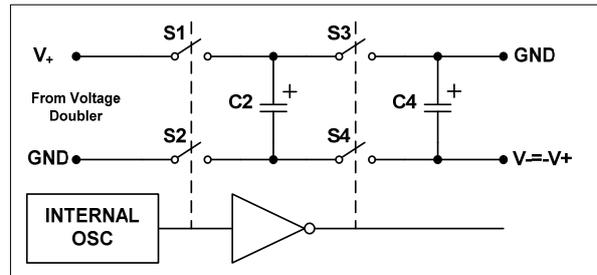


Figure 1 Charge Pump Voltage Doubler



Figure 2 Charge Pump Voltage Inverter

■ **APPLICATION INFORMATION**

To operate from a single +5.0V supply, the UTC **UT232A** include charge pump voltage converters which can allow it. To generate the RS-232 output levels these converters convert the +5.0V input power to the ±9V needed. The current drain due to charge pump operation is considerably reduced with this power supplied externally. The UTC **UT232A** can operate over the commercial, industrial and military temperature ranges.
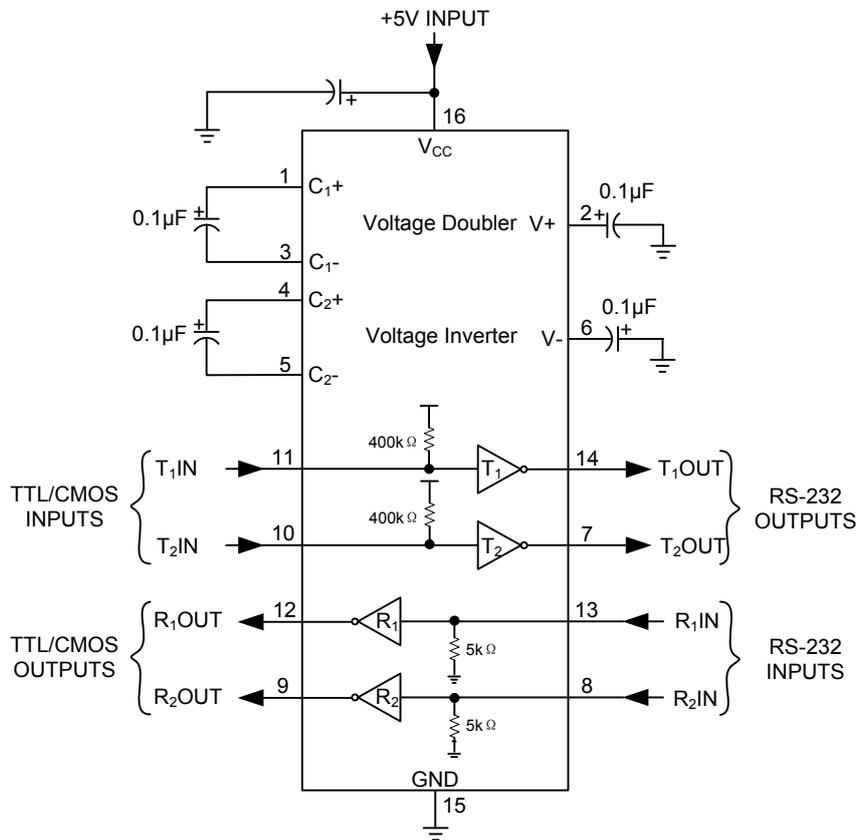


Connecting the capacitor to $V_{CC}$ (+5.0V) is recommended.