

Dual Differential (EIA-422-A)/ Quad Single-Ended (EIA-423-A) Line Drivers

The AM26LS30 is a low power Schottky set of line drivers which can be configured as two differential drivers which comply with EIA-422-A standards, or as four single-ended drivers which comply with EIA-423-A standards. A mode select pin and appropriate choice of power supplies determine the mode. Each driver can source and sink currents in excess of 50 mA

In the differential mode (EIA-422-A), the drivers can be used up to 10 Mbaud. A disable pin for each driver permits setting the outputs into a high impedance mode within a ±10 V common mode range.

In the single-ended mode (EIA-423-A), each driver has a slew rate control pin which permits setting the slew rate of the output signal so as to comply with EIA-423-A and FCC requirements and to reduce crosstalk. When operated from symmetrical supplies (±5.0 V), the outputs exhibit zero imbalance.

The AM26LS30 is available in a 16-pin plastic DIP and surface mount package. Operating temperature range is -40° to +85°C.

- Operates as Two Differential EIA-422-A Drivers, or Four Single-Ended EIA-423-A Drivers
- High Impedance Outputs in Differential Mode
- Short Circuit Current Limit In Both Source and Sink Modes
- ± 10 V Common Mode Range on High Impedance Outputs
- ± 15 V Range on Inputs
- Low Current PNP Inputs Compatible with TTL, CMOS, and MOS Outputs
- Individual Output Slew Rate Control in Single–Ended Mode
- Replacement for the AMD AM25LS30 and National Semiconductor DS3691

Representative Block Diagrams Single-Ended Mode **Differential Mode** EIA-423-A EIA-422-A Enable AB SR-A Out A Out A Input A SR-R Out B Out B Out C Input D SR-C Out D Out C Enable CD SR-D VCC-1 Gnd-5 VEE-8 Mode-4

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DUAL DIFFERENTIAL QUAD SINGLE-ENDED LINE DRIVERS

SEMICONDUCTOR **TECHNICAL DATA**

PC SUFFIX PLASTIC PACKAGE **CASE 648**

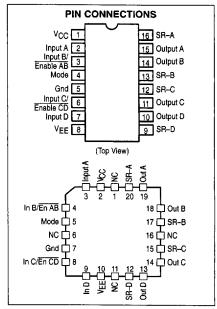




PLASTIC PACKAGE **CASE 775**

D SUFFIX PLASTIC PACKAGE CASE 751B (SO-16)





ORDERING INFORMATION

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Device	Operating Temperature Range	Package					
AM26LS30PC		Plastic DIP					
MC26LS30D	$T_A = -40^{\circ} \text{ to } +85^{\circ}\text{C}$	SO-16					
AM26LS30FN		PLCC-20					

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MAXIMUM OPERATING CONDITIONS (Pin numbers refer to DIP and SO-16 packages only.)

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Power Supply Voltage	VCC VEE	-0.5, +7.0 -7.0, +0.5	Vdc
input Voltage (All Inputs)	Vin	-0.5, +20	Vdc
Applied Output Voltage when in High Impedance Mode (V _{CC} = 5.0 V, Pin 4 = Logic 0, Pins 3, 6 = Logic 1)	Vza	±15	Vdc
Output Voltage with V _{CC} , V _{EE} = 0 V	V _{zb}	±15	
Output Current	ю	Self limiting	<u> </u>
Junction Temperature	TJ	- 65, +150	°C

Devices should not be operated at these limits. The "Recommended Operating Conditions" table provides conditions for actual device operation.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

Rating	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Power Supply Voltage (Differential Mode)	VCC VEE	+4.75 -0.5	5.0 0	+5.25 +0.3	Vdc
Power Supply Voltage (Single-Ended Mode)	VCC VEE	+4.75 5.25	+5.0 -5.0	+5.25 -4.75	
Input Voltage (All Inputs) Applied Output Voltage (when in High Impedance Mode) Applied Output Voltage, V _{CC} = 0	V _{in} V _{za} V _{zb}	0 -10 -10	_ _ _	+15 +10 +10	Vdc
Output Current	10	-65	-	+65	mA
Operating Ambient Temperature (See text)	TA	-40	-	+85	°C

All limits are not necessarily functional concurrently.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (EIA-422-A differential mode, Pin 4 ≤ 0.8 V, -40°C <TA < 85°C, 4.75 V ≤ V_{CC} ≤ 5.25 V, VEE = Gnd, unless otherwise noted. Pin numbers refer to DIP and SO-16 packages only.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Output Voltage (see Figure 1)			-		
Differential, R _L = ∞, V _{CC} = 5.25 V	V _{OD1}	-	4.2	6.0	Vdc
Differential, $R_L = 100 \Omega$, $V_{CC} = 4.75 V$	V _{OD2}	2.0	2.6	l –	Vdc
Change in Differential Voltage, R _L = 100 Ω (Note 4)	Iavod2	_	10	400	mVdc
Offset Voltage, R _L = 100 Ω	Vos	-	2.5	3.0	Vđc
Change in Offset Voltage*, $R_L = 100 \Omega$	IΔVOS	-	10	400	mVdc
Output Current (each output)					
Power Off Leakage, $V_{CC} = 0$, $-10 \text{ V} \leq V_{CC} \leq +10 \text{ V}$	IOLK	-100	0	+100	μА
High Impedance Mode, V _{CC} = 5.25 V, −10 V ≤ V _O ≤ +10 V	loz	-100	0	+100	`
Short Circuit Current (Note 2)	-			1	
High Output Shorted to Pin 5 (TA = 25°C)	ISC-	-150	-95	-60	mA
High Output Shorted to Pin 5 (-40°C < T _A <+85°C)	ISC-	-150	-	50	
Low Output Shorted to +6.0 V (TA = 25°C)	ISC+	60	75	150	
Low Output Shorted to +6.0 V (-40° C $<$ T _A $<$ +85 $^{\circ}$ C)	ISC+	50	-	150	
Inputs					
Low Level Voltage	V _{IL}	_	-	0.8	Vdc
High Level Voltage	VIН	2.0	-		Vdc
Current @ V _{in} = 2.4 V	Iн	_	0	40	μΑ
Current @ V _{in} = 15 V	Інн	_	0	100	
Current @ V _{in} = 0.4 V	կլ	-200	-8.0	-	
Current, $0 \le V_{in} \le 15 \text{ V}$, $V_{CC} = 0$	IIX	_	0	_	
Clamp Voltage (I _{in} = −12 mA)	VIK	-1.5	-	_	Vdc
Power Supply Current (V _{CC} = +5.25 V, Outputs Open)	1cc				mA
(0 ≤ Enable ≤ V _{CC})		_	16	30	

- NOTES: 1. All voltages measured with respect to Pin 5.
 2. Only one output shorted at a time, for not more than 1 second.
 3. Typical values established at +25°C, V_{CC} = +5.0 V, V_{EE} = -5.0 V.

 - 4. Vin switched from 0.8 to 2.0 V.
 - 5. Imbalance is the difference between $|V_{O2}|$ with $V_{in} < 0.8$ V and $|V_{O2}|$ with $V_{in} > 2.0$ V.

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TIMING CHARACTERISTICS (EIA-422-A differential mode, Pin 4 \leq 0.8 V, T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5.0 V, V_{EE} = Gnd, (Notes 1 and 3) unless otherwise noted.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Differential Output Rise Time (Figure 3)	tr	_	70	200	ns
Differential Output Fall Time (Figure 3)	tf	_	70	200	пѕ
Propagation Delay Time – Input to Differential Output Input Low to High (Figure 3) Input High to Low (Figure 3)	tPDH tPDL		90 90	200 200	ns
Skew Timing (Figure 3) tppH to tppL for Each Driver Max to Min tppH Within a Package Max to Min tppL Within a Package	tsk1 tsk2 tsk3	- - -	9.0 2.0 2.0	- - -	ns
Enable Timing (Figure 4) Enable to Active High Differential Output Enable to Active Low Differential Output Enable to 3-State Output From Active High Enable to 3-State Output From Active Low	[†] PZH [†] PZL [†] PHZ [†] PLZ	- - -	150 190 80 110	300 350 350 300	ns

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (EIA–423–A single–ended mode, Pin $4 \ge 2.0 \text{ V}$, $-40^{\circ}\text{C} < T_{A} < 85^{\circ}\text{C}$, $4.75 \text{ V} \le |\text{V}_{CC}|$, $|\text{V}_{EE}| \le 5.25 \text{ V}$, (Notes 1 and 3) unless otherwise noted).

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Output Voltage ($V_{CC} = V_{EE} = 4.75 \text{ V}$) Single–Ended Voltage, $R_L = \infty$ (Figure 2) Single–Ended Voltage, $R_L = 450 \Omega$, (Figure 2) Voltage Imbalance (Note 5), $R_L = 450 \Omega$	VO1 VO2 AVO2	4.0 3.6	4.2 3.95 0.05	6.0 6.0 0.4	Vdc
Slew Control Current (Pins 16, 13, 12, 9)	SLEW	_	±120	_	μА
Output Current (Each Output) Power Off Leakage, $V_{CC} = V_{EE} = 0$, $-6.0 \text{ V} \leq V_{O} \leq +6.0 \text{ V}$ Short Circuit Current (Output Short to Ground, Note 2) $V_{in} \leq 0.8 \text{ V} (T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C})$ $V_{in} \leq 0.8 \text{ V} (-40^{\circ}\text{C} < T_A < +85^{\circ}\text{C})$ $V_{in} \geq 2.0 \text{ V} (T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C})$ $V_{in} \geq 2.0 \text{ V} (-40^{\circ}\text{C} < T_A < +85^{\circ}\text{C})$	lolk ISC+ ISC+ ISC-	-100 60 50 -150 -150	0 80 - -95	+100 150 150 -60	μA mA
Inputs	Isc	-130		-50	
Low Level Voltage High Level Voltage Current @ $V_{in} = 2.4 \text{ V}$ Current @ $V_{in} = 15 \text{ V}$ Current @ $V_{in} = 0.4 \text{ V}$ Current, $0 \leq V_{in} \leq 15 \text{ V}$, $V_{CC} = 0$ Clamp Voltage ($I_{in} = -12 \text{ mA}$)	VIL VIH IIH IIL IIX VIK	- 2.0 - - -200 - -1.5	0 0 0 -8.0 0	0.8 - 40 100 - -	Vdc Vdc µA
Power Supply Current (Outputs Open)	Icc	_	17	30	mA
$V_{CC} = +5.25 \text{ V}, V_{EE} = -5.25 \text{ V}, V_{in} = 0.4 \text{ V}$	l E E	-22	-8.0	-	

TIMING CHARACTERISTICS (EIA-423-A single-ended mode, Pin 4 \geq 2.0 V, T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5.0 V, V_{EE} = -5.0 V, (Notes 1 and 3) unless otherwise noted.)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Output Timing (Figure 5)				<u> </u>	ł
Output Rise Time, C _C = 0	tr	_	65	300	ns
Output Fall Time, CC = 0	tf	_	65	300	113
Output Rise Time, CC = 50 pF	tr	_	3.0		μs
Output Fall Time, $C_C = 50 pF$	tr	-	3.0	_	,
Rise Time Coefficient (Figure 16)	C _{rt}	_	0.06	_	μs/pF
Propagation Delay Time, Input to Single Ended Output (Figure 5) Input Low to High, $C_C = 0$ Input High to Low, $C_C = 0$	^t PDH ^t PDL		100	300 300	ns
Skew Timing, C _C = 0 (Figure 5) tpDH to tpDL for Each Driver Max to Min tpDH Within a Package Max to Min tpDL Within a Package	†SK4 †SK5 †SK6	- - -	15 2.0 5.0	_ _ _	ns

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Table 1

			Inputs					Out	puts		
Operation	Vcc .	VEE	Mode	A	В	С	D	A	В	С	D
Differential	+5.0	Gnd	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 -	1	0
(EIA-422-A)			0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
,			0	x	1	0	1	z	Z	0	1
			0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
	l	i	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
			0	1	0	1	Х	1	0	Z	Z
Single-Ended	+5.0	-5.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(EIA-423-A)			1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
			1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
		1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
			1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
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X = Don't Care

Figure 1. Differential Output Test

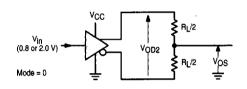


Figure 2. Single-Ended Output Test

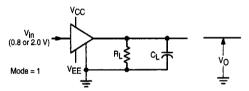
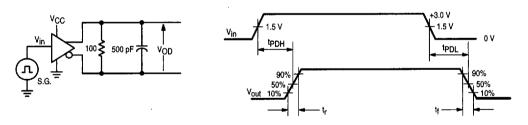


Figure 3. Differential Mode Rise/Fall Time and Data Propagation Delay



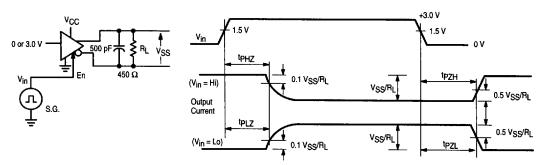
NOTES: 1. S.G. set to: $f \le 1.0$ MHz; duty cycle = 50%; t_r , t_f , ≤ 10 ns.

2. t_{SK1} = |t_{PDH}-t_{PDL}| for each driver.
3. t_{SK2} computed by subtracting the shortest t_{PDH} from the longest t_{PDH} of the 2 drivers within a package.
4. t_{SK3} computed by subtracting the shortest t_{PDL} from the longest t_{PDL} of the 2 drivers within a package.

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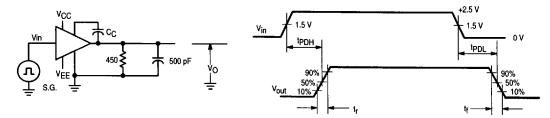
Z = High Impedance (Off)

Figure 4. Differential Mode Enable Timing



NOTES: 1. S.G. set to: $t \le 1.0$ MHz; duty cycle = 50%; $t_{\rm f}, t_{\rm f}, \le 10$ ns. 2. Above tests conducted by monitoring output current levels.

Figure 5. Single-Ended Mode Rise/Fall Time and Data Propagation Delay



NOTES: 1. S.G. set to: f ≤ 100 kHz; duty cycle = 50%; t_p. t_f. ≤ 10 ns.
2. t_{SK4} = 1t_{PDH}-t_{PDL} for each driver.
3. t_{SK5} computed by subtracting the shortest t_{PDH} from the longest t_{PDH} of the 4 drivers within a package.
4. t_{SK6} computed by subtracting the shortest t_{PDL} from the longest t_{PDL} of the 4 drivers within a package.

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Figure 6. Differential Output Voltage versus Load Current

5.0

4.0

4.0

Differential Mode
Mode = 0, V_{CC} = 5.0 V

0.8 or
2.0 V

1.0

0.8 or
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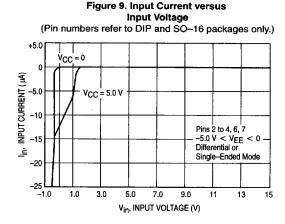
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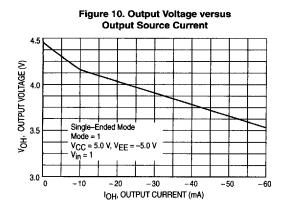
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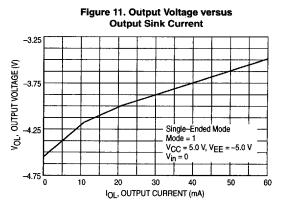
0.8 or
1.0

Figure 7. Internal Bias Current

Figure 8. Short Circuit Current versus Output Voltage +100 ISC, SHORT CIRCUIT CURRENT (mA) +60 Normally Low Output +20 -20 Normally High Output Differential Mode -60 Mode = 0, V_{CC} = 5.0 V -100 1.0 2.0 3.0 6.0 V₇₈, APPLIED OUTPUT VOLTAGE (V)







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Figure 12. Internal Positive Bias Current versus Load Current

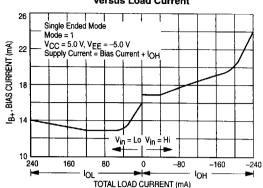


Figure 13. Internal Negative Bias Current versus Load Current

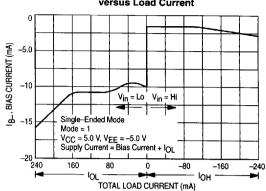


Figure 14. Short Circuit Current versus Output Voltage

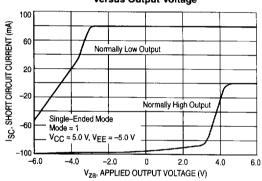


Figure 15. Short Circuit Current versus Temperature

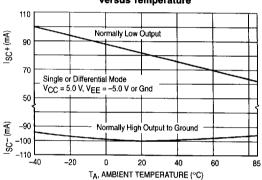
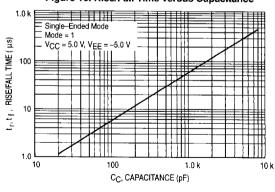


Figure 16. Rise/Fall Time versus Capacitance



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APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

(Pin numbers refer to DIP and SO-16 packages only.)

Description

The AM26LS30 is a dual function line driver — it can be configured as two differential output drivers which comply with EIA-422-A Standard, or as four single—ended drivers which comply with EIA-423-A Standard. The mode of operation is selected with the Mode pin (Pin 4) and appropriate power supplies (see Table 1). Each of the four outputs is capable of sourcing and sinking 60 to 70 mA while providing sufficient voltage to ensure proper data transmission.

As differential drivers, data rates to 10 Mbaud can be transmitted over a twisted pair for a distance determined by the cable characteristics. EIA-422-A Standard provides guidelines for cable length versus data rate. The advantage of a differential (balanced) system over a single-ended system is greater noise immunity, common mode rejection, and higher data rates.

Where extraneous noise sources are not a problem, the AM26LS30 may be configured as four single-ended drivers transmitting data rates to 100 Kbaud. Crosstalk among wires within a cable is controlled by the use of the slew rate control pins on the AM26LS30.

Mode Selection

(Differential Mode)

In this mode (Pins 4 and 8 at ground), only a +5.0 V supply $\pm5\%$ is required at V_{CC}. Pins 2 and 7 are the driver inputs, while Pins 10, 11, 14 and 15 are the outputs (see Block Diagram on page 1). The two outputs of a driver are always complementary and the differential voltage available at each pair of outputs is shown in Figure 6 for V_{CC} = 5.0 V. The differential output voltage will vary directly with V_{CC}. A "high" output can only source current, while a "low" output can only sink current (except for short circuit current – see Figure 8).

The two outputs will be in a high impedance mode when the respective Enable input (Pin 3 or 6) is high, or if V_{CC} \leq 1.1 V. Output leakage current over a common mode range of \pm 10 V is typically less than 1.0 μ A.

The outputs have short circuit current limiting, typically, less than 100 mA over a voltage range of 0 to +6.0 V (see Figure 8). Short circuits should not be allowed to last indefinitely as the IC may be damaged.

Pins 9, 12, 13 and 16 are not normally used when in this mode, and should be left open.

(Single-Ended Mode)

In this mode (Pin $4 \ge 2.0$ V) V_{CC} requires +5.0 V, and V_{EE} requires -5.0 V, both $\pm 5.0\%$. Pins 2, 3, 6, and 7 are inputs for the four drivers, and Pins 15, 14, 11, and 10 (respectively) are the outputs. The four drivers are independent of each other, and each output will be at a positive or a negative voltage depending on its input state, the load current, and the supply voltage. Figures 10 & 11 indicate the high and low output voltages for V_{CC} = 5.0 V, and V_{EE} = -5.0 V. The graph of Figure 10 will vary directly with V_{CC}, and the graph of

Figure 11 will vary directly with VEE. A "high" output can only source current, while a "low" output can only sink current (except short circuit current – see Figure 14).

The outputs will be in a high impedance mode only if $V_{CC} \le 1.1 \text{ V}$. Changing V_{EE} to 0 V does not set the outputs to a high impedance mode. Leakage current over a common mode range of $\pm 10 \text{ V}$ is typically less than 1.0 μ A.

The outputs have short circuit current limiting, typically less than 100 mA over a voltage range of ± 6.0 V (see Figure 14). Short circuits should not be allowed to last indefinitely as the IC may be damaged.

Capacitors connected between Pins 9, 12, 13, and 16 and their respective outputs will provide slew rate limiting of the output transition. Figure 16 indicates the required capacitor value to obtain a desired rise or fall time (measured between the 10% and 90% points). The positive and negative transition times will be within $\approx \pm 5\%$ of each other. Each output may be set to a different slew rate if desired.

Inputs

The five inputs determine the state of the outputs in accordance with Table 1. All inputs (regardless of the operating mode) have a nominal threshold of +1.3 V, and their voltage must be kept within a range of 0 V to +15 V for proper operation. If an input is taken more than 0.3 V below ground, excessive currents will flow, and the proper operation of the drivers will be affected. An open pin is equivalent to a logic high, but good design practices dictate that inputs should never be left open. Unused inputs should be connected to ground. The characteristics of the inputs are shown in Figure 9.

Power Supplies

 V_{CC} requires +5.0 V, ±5%, regardless of the mode of operation. The supply current is determined by the IC's internal bias requirements and the total load current. The internally required current is a function of the load current and is shown in Figure 7 for the differential mode.

In the single–ended mode, VEE must be -5.0~V, $\pm 5\%$ in order to comply with EIA–423–A standards. Figures 12 and 13 indicate the internally required bias currents as a function of total load current (the sum of the four output loads). The discontinuity at 0 load current exists due to a change in bias current when the inputs are switched. The supply currents vary = \pm 2.0 mA as VCC and VEE are varied from |4.75 V| to |5.25 V|.

Sequencing of the supplies during power–up/power–down is not required.

Bypass capacitors (0.1 μ F minimum on each supply pin) are recommended to ensure proper operation. Capacitors reduce noise induced onto the supply lines by the switching action of the drivers, particularly where long P.C. board tracks are involved. Additionally, the capacitors help absorb transients induced onto the drivers' outputs from the external cable (from ESD, motor noise, nearby computers, etc.).

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Operating Temperature Range

The maximum ambient operating temperature, listed as +85°C, is actually a function of the system use (i.e., specifically how many drivers within a package are used) and at what current levels they are operating. The maximum power which may be dissipated within the package is determined by:

$$P_{Dmax} = \frac{T_{Jmax} - T_{A}}{R_{\theta JA}}$$

where Reja = package thermal resistance which is typically: 67°C/W for the DIP (PC) package,

120°C/W for the SOIC (D) package.

T.Imax = max. allowable junction temperature (150°C)

TA = ambient air temperature near the IC package.

1) Differential Mode Power Dissipation

For the differential mode, the power dissipated within the package is calculated from:

$$P_D = [(V_{CC} - V_{OD}) \times I_O] (each driver) + (V_{CC} \times I_B)$$

where: VCC = the supply voltage

VOD = is taken from Figure 6 for the known value of IO

IB = the internal bias current (Figure 7)

As indicated in the equation, the first term (in brackets) must be calculated and summed for each of the two drivers, while the last term is common to the entire package. Note that the term (VCC-VOD) is constant for a given value of IO and does not vary with VCC. For an application involving the following conditions:

 $T_A = +85$ °C, $I_O = -60$ mA (each driver), $V_{CC} = 5.25$ V, the suitability of the package types is calculated as follows.

The power dissipated is:

PD =
$$[3.0 \text{ V} \times 60 \text{ mA} \times 2] + (5.25 \text{ V} \times 18 \text{ mA})$$

PD = 454 mW

The junction temperature calculates to:

$$T_{J} = 85^{\circ}C + (0.454 \text{ W} \times 67^{\circ}\text{C/W}) = 115^{\circ}\text{C}$$
 for the DIP package,

$$T_J = 85^{\circ}C + (0.454 \text{ W} \times 120^{\circ}\text{C/W}) = 139^{\circ}\text{C}$$
 for the SOIC package.

Since the maximum allowable junction temperature is not exceeded in any of the above cases, either package can be used in this application.

2) Single-Ended Mode Power Dissipation

For the single-ended mode, the power dissipated within the package is calculated from:

$$P_D = (I_{B+} \times V_{CC}) + (I_{B-} \times V_{EE}) + [(I_O \times (V_{CC} - V_{OH})](each driver)]$$

The above equation assumes IO has the same magnitude for both output states, and makes use of the fact that the absolute value of the graphs of Figures 10 and 11 are nearly identical. IB+ and IB- are obtained from the right half of Figures 12 and 13, and (VCC - VOH) can be obtained from Figure 10. Note that the term $(V_{CC} - V_{OH})$ is constant for a given value of IO and does not vary with VCC. For an application involving the following conditions:

 $T_A = +85$ °C, $I_O = -60$ mA (each driver), $V_{CC} = 5.25$ V, VEE = -5.25 V, the suitability of the package types is calculated as follows.

The power dissipated is:

$$P_D = (24 \text{ mA} \times 5.25 \text{ V}) + (-3.0 \text{ mA} \times -5.25 \text{ V}) + (60 \text{ mA} \times 1.45 \text{ V} \times 4.0)$$

 $P_D = 490 \, \text{mW}$

The junction temperature calculates to:

$$T_J = 85^{\circ}C + (0.490 \text{ W} \times 67^{\circ}C/\text{W}) = 118^{\circ}C$$
 for the DIP package,

$$T_J = 85^{\circ}C + (0.490 \text{ W} \times 120^{\circ}\text{C/W}) = 144^{\circ}\text{C}$$
 for the SOIC package.

Since the maximum allowable junction temperature is not exceeded in any of the above cases, either package can be used in this application.

SYSTEM EXAMPLES

(Pin numbers refer to DIP and SO-16 packages only.)

Differential System

An example of a typical EIA-422-A system is shown in Figure 17. Although EIA-422-A does not specifically address multiple driver situations, the AM26LS30 can be used in this manner since the outputs can be put into a high impedance mode. It is, however, the system designer's responsibility to ensure the Enable pins are properly controlled so as to prevent two drivers on the same cable from being "on" at the same time.

The limit on the number of receivers and drivers which may be connected on one system is determined by the input current of each receiver, the maximum leakage current of each "off" driver, and the DC current through each terminating resistor. The sum of these currents must not exceed the capability of the "on" driver (=60 mA). If the cable is of any significant length, with receivers at various points along its length, the common mode voltage may vary along its length, and this parameter must be considered when calculating the maximum driver current.

The cable requirements are defined not only by the AC characteristics and the data rate, but also by the DC resistance. The maximum resistance must be such that the minimum voltage across any receiver inputs is never less than 200 mV.

The ground terminals of each driver and receiver in Figure 17 must be connected together by a dedicated wire (or the shield) in the cable to provide a common reference. Chassis grounds or power line grounds should not be relied on for this common connection as they may generate significant common mode differences. Additionally, they usually do not provide a sufficiently low impedance at the frequencies of interest.

Single-Ended System

An example of a typical EIA–423–A system is shown in Figure 18. Multiple drivers on a single data line are not possible since the drivers cannot be put into a high impedance mode. Although each driver is shown connected to a single receiver, multiple receivers can be driven from a single driver as long as the total load current of the receivers and the terminating resistor does not exceed the capability of the driver (≈60 mA). If the cable is of any significant length, with receivers at various points along its length, the common mode voltage may vary along its length, and this parameter must be considered when calculating the maximum driver current.

The cable requirements are defined not only by the AC characteristics and the data rate, but also by the DC resistance. The maximum resistance must be such that the

minimum voltage across any receiver inputs is never less than 200 mV.

The ground terminals of each driver and receiver in Figure 18 must be connected together by a dedicated wire (or the shield) in the cable so as to provide a common reference. Chassis grounds or power line grounds should not be relied on for this common connection as they may generate significant common mode differences. Additionally, they usually do not provide a sufficiently low impedance at the frequencies of interest.

Additional Modes of Operation

If compliance with EIA-422-A or EIA-423-A Standard is not required in a particular application, the AM26LS30 can be operated in two other modes.

- 1) The device may be operated in the differential mode (Pin 4 = 0) with VEE connected to any voltage between ground and -5.25 V. Outputs in the low state will be referenced to VEE, resulting in a differential output voltage greater than that shown in Figure 6. The Enable pins will operate the same as previously described.
- 2) The device may be operated in the single-ended mode (Pin 4 = 1) with VEE connected to any voltage between ground and -5.25 V. Outputs in the high state will be at a voltage as shown in Figure 10, while outputs in a low state will be referenced to VEE.

Termination Resistors

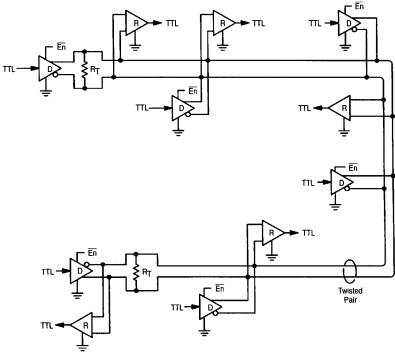
Transmission line theory states that, in order to preserve the shape and integrity of a waveform traveling along a cable, the cable must be terminated in an impedance equal to its characteristic impedance. In a system such as that depicted in Figure 17, in which data can travel in both directions, both physical ends of the cable must be terminated. Stubs leading to each receiver and driver should be as short as possible.

In a system such as that depicted in Figure 18, in which data normally travels in one direction only, a terminator is theoretically required only at the receiving end of the cable. However, if the cable is in a location where noise spikes of several volts can be induced onto it, then a terminator (preferably a series resistor) should be placed at the driver end to prevent damage to the driver.

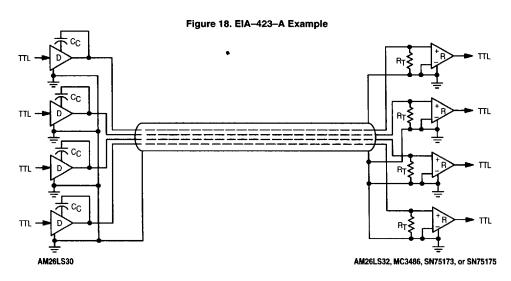
Leaving off the terminations will generally result in reflections which can have amplitudes of several volts above VCC or several volts below ground or VEE. These overshoots/undershoots can disrupt the driver and/or receiver, create false data, and in some cases, damage components on the bus.

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Figure 17. EIA-422-A Example



NOTES: 1. Terminating resistors R_T should be located at the physical ends of the cable. 2. Stubs should be as short as possible. 3. Receivers = AM26LS32, MC3486, SN75173 or SN75175. 4. Circuit grounds must be connected together through a dedicated wire.



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