



TCA9555 Low-Voltage 16-Bit I²C and SMBus I/O Expander With Interrupt Output and Configuration Registers

1 Features

- Low Standby-Current Consumption of 3 μ A Max
- I²C to Parallel Port Expander
- Open-Drain Active-Low Interrupt Output
- 5-V Tolerant I/O Ports
- Compatible With Most Microcontrollers
- 400-kHz Fast I²C Bus
- Configurable Slave Address with 3 Address Pins
- Polarity Inversion Register
- Latched Outputs With High-Current Drive Capability for Directly Driving LEDs
- Latch-Up Performance Exceeds 100 mA Per JESD 78, Class II
- ESD Protection Exceeds JESD 22
 - 2000-V Human-Body Model (A114-A)
 - 1000-V Charged-Device Model (C101)

2 Applications

- Servers
- Routers (Telecom Switching Equipment)
- Personal Computers
- Personal Electronics

- Industrial Automation Equipment
- Products with GPIO-Limited Processors

3 Description

This 16-bit I/O expander for the two-line bidirectional bus (I²C) is designed for 1.65-V to 5.5-V V_{CC} operation. It provides general-purpose remote I/O expansion for most microcontroller families via the I²C interface.

The TCA9555 consists of two 8-bit Configuration (input or output selection), Input Port, Output Port, and Polarity Inversion (active high or active low operation) registers. At power on, the I/Os are configured as inputs. The system master can enable the I/Os as either inputs or outputs by writing to the I/O configuration bits. The data for each input or output is kept in the corresponding Input or Output register. The polarity of the Input Port register can be inverted with the Polarity Inversion register.

Device Information⁽¹⁾

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
TCA9555	TSSOP (24)	7.80 mm x 4.40 mm
	WQFN (24)	4.00 mm x 4.00 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the datasheet.

Simplified Schematic

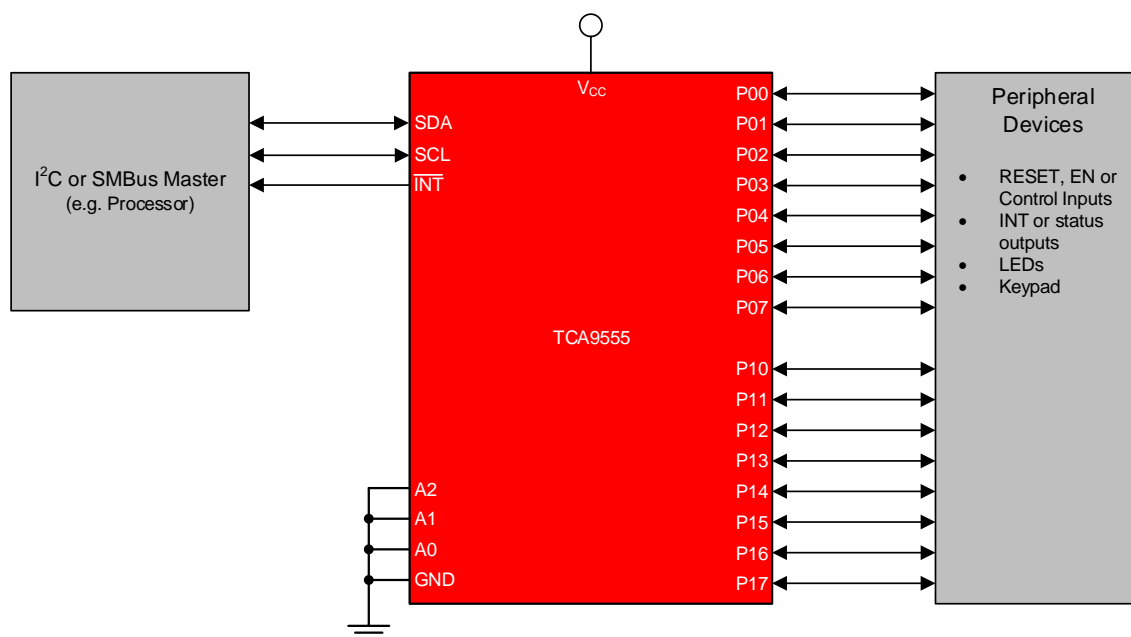


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4 Revision History

Changes from Revision A (July 2009) to Revision B

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- Added *Pin Configuration and Functions* section, *ESD Ratings* table, *Feature Description* section, *Device Functional Modes*, *Application and Implementation* section, *Power Supply Recommendations* section, *Layout* section, *Device and Documentation Support* section, and *Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information* section **1**

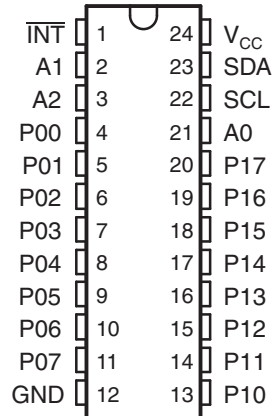
5 Description (continued)

The TCA9555 is identical to the [TCA9535](#), except for the inclusion of the internal I/O pull-up resistor, which pulls the I/O to a default high when configured as an input and undriven.

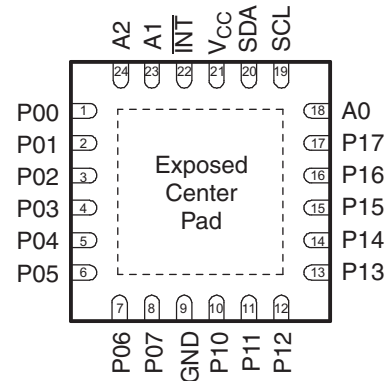
Three hardware pins (A0, A1, and A2) are used to program the I²C address, which allows up to eight TCA9555 devices to share the same I²C bus or SMBus. The fixed I²C address of the TCA9555 is the same as the [PCF8575](#), [PCF8575C](#), and [PCF8574](#), allowing up to eight of these devices in any combination to share the same I²C bus or SMBus.

6 Pin Configuration and Functions

PW/DW Package
24-Pin TSSOP
Top View



RTW Package
24-Pin WQFN With Exposed Thermal Pad
Top View



The exposed center pad, if used, must be connected as a secondary ground or left electrically open.

Pin Functions

NAME	PIN NO.		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
	TSSOP (PW)	WQFN (RTW)		
A0	21	18	Input	Address input 0. Connect directly to V _{CC} or ground.
A1	2	23	Input	Address input 1. Connect directly to V _{CC} or ground.
A2	3	24	Input	Address input 2. Connect directly to V _{CC} or ground.
GND	12	9	GND	Ground
INT	1	22	Output	Interrupt output. Connect to V _{CC} through a pullup resistor.
P00	4	1	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P00 is configured as an input.
P01	5	2	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P01 is configured as an input.
P02	6	3	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P02 is configured as an input.
P03	7	4	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P03 is configured as an input.
P04	8	5	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P04 is configured as an input.
P05	9	6	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P05 is configured as an input.
P06	10	7	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P06 is configured as an input.
P07	11	8	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P07 is configured as an input.
P10	13	10	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P10 is configured as an input.
P11	14	11	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P11 is configured as an input.
P12	15	12	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P12 is configured as an input.
P13	16	13	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P13 is configured as an input.
P14	17	14	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P14 is configured as an input.
P15	18	15	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P15 is configured as an input.
P16	19	16	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P16 is configured as an input.
P17	20	17	I/O	P-port I/O. Push-pull design structure. At power on, P17 is configured as an input.
SCL	22	19	Input	Serial clock bus. Connect to V _{CC} through a pullup resistor.
SDA	23	20	Input	Serial data bus. Connect to V _{CC} through a pullup resistor.
V _{CC}	24	21	Supply	Supply voltage

7 Specifications

7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)⁽¹⁾

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{CC}	Supply voltage		–0.5	6	V
V _I	Input voltage ⁽²⁾		–0.5	6	V
V _O	Output voltage ⁽²⁾		–0.5	6	V
I _{IK}	Input clamp current	V _I < 0		–20	mA
I _{OK}	Output clamp current	V _O < 0		–20	mA
I _{IOK}	Input/output clamp current	V _O < 0 or V _O > V _{CC}		±20	mA
I _{OL}	Continuous output low current	V _O = 0 to V _{CC}		50	mA
I _{OH}	Continuous output high current	V _O = 0 to V _{CC}		–50	mA
I _{CC}	Continuous current through GND			–250	mA
	Continuous current through V _{CC}			160	
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.

7.2 ESD Ratings

		VALUE	UNIT
V _(ESD)	Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 ⁽¹⁾	±2000
		Charged-device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101 ⁽²⁾	±1000

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.
- (2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

			MIN	MAX	UNIT
V _{CC}	Supply voltage		1.65	5.5	V
V _{IH}	High-level input voltage	SCL, SDA	0.7 × V _{CC}	5.5	V
		A2–A0, P07–P00, P17–P10	0.7 × V _{CC}	5.5	
V _{IL}	Low-level input voltage	SCL, SDA	–0.5	0.3 × V _{CC}	V
		A2–A0, P07–P00, P17–P10	–0.5	0.3 × V _{CC}	
I _{OH}	High-level output current	P07–P00, P17–P10		–10	mA
I _{OL}	Low-level output current	P07–P00, P17–P10		25	mA
T _A	Operating free-air temperature		–40	85	°C

7.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾		TCA9555		UNIT
		PW (TSSOP)	RTW (WQFN)	
		24 PINS	24 PINS	
R _{θJA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	108.8	43.6	°C/W
R _{θJC(top)}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	54.0	46.2	°C/W
R _{θJB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	62.8	22.1	°C/W
ψ _{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	11.1	1.5	°C/W
ψ _{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	62.3	22.2	°C/W
R _{θJC(bot)}	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	N/A	10.7	°C/W

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](#).

7.5 Electrical Characteristics

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

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	V _{CC}	MIN	TYP ⁽¹⁾	MAX	UNIT
V _{IK}	Input diode clamp voltage	I _I = –18 mA	1.65 V to 5.5 V	–1.2			V
V _{POR}	Power-on reset voltage	V _I = V _{CC} or GND, I _O = 0	1.65 V to 5.5 V		1.5	1.65	V
V _{OH}	P-port high-level output voltage ⁽²⁾	I _{OH} = –8 mA	1.65 V	1.2			V
			2.3 V	1.8			
			3 V	2.6			
			4.75 V	4.1			
		I _{OH} = –10 mA	1.65 V	1.8			
			2.3 V	1.7			
			3 V	2.5			
			4.75 V	4			
I _{OL}	Low-level output current	SDA	V _{OL} = 0.4 V	1.65 V to 5.5 V	3		mA
		P port ⁽³⁾	V _{OL} = 0.5 V	1.65 V to 5.5 V	8	20	mA
			V _{OL} = 0.7 V	1.65 V to 5.5 V	10	24	mA
		INT	V _{OL} = 0.4 V	1.65 V to 5.5 V	3		mA
I _I	Input leakage current	SCL, SDA Input leakage	V _I = V _{CC} or GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		±1	μA
		A2–A0 Input leakage	V _I = V _{CC} or GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		±1	μA
I _{IH}	Input high leakage current	P port	V _I = V _{CC}	1.65 V to 5.5 V		1	μA
I _{IL}	Input low leakage current	P port	V _I = GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		–100	μA

- (1) All typical values are at nominal supply voltage (1.8-V, 2.5-V, 3.3-V, or 5-V V_{CC}) and T_A = 25°C.

- (2) Each I/O must be externally limited to a maximum of 25 mA, and each octal (P07–P00 and P17–P10) must be limited to a maximum current of 100 mA, for a device total of 200 mA.

- (3) The total current sourced by all I/Os must be limited to 160 mA (80 mA for P07–P00 and 80 mA for P17–P10).

Electrical Characteristics (continued)

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

PARAMETER			TEST CONDITIONS	V _{CC}	MIN	TYP ⁽¹⁾	MAX	UNIT
I _{CC}	Quiescent current	Operating mode	V _I = V _{CC} or GND, I _O = 0, I/O = inputs, f _{SCL} = 400 kHz, No load	5.5 V		100	200	μA
				3.6 V		30	75	
				2.7 V		20	50	
				1.95 V		10	45	
	Quiescent current	Low inputs	V _I = GND, I _O = 0, I/O = inputs, f _{SCL} = 0 kHz, No load	5.5 V		1.1	1.5	mA
				3.6 V		0.7	1.3	
				2.7 V		0.5	1	
				1.95 V		0.3	0.9	
		High inputs	V _I = V _{CC} , I _O = 0, I/O = inputs, f _{SCL} = 0 kHz, No load	5.5 V		2.5	3	μA
				3.6 V		2	2.6	
				2.7 V		1.5	2.5	
				1.95 V		1.2	2.3	
ΔI _{CC} Additional current in standby mode			One input at V _{CC} – 0.6 V, Other inputs at V _{CC} or GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		1.5	mA	
C _I	Input capacitance	SCL	V _I = V _{CC} or GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		3	7	pF
C _{io}	Input/output pin capacitance	SDA	V _{IO} = V _{CC} or GND	1.65 V to 5.5 V		3	7	pF
		P port				3.7	9.5	

7.6 I²C Interface Timing Requirements

over recommended operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) (see [Figure 14](#))

			STANDARD MODE I ² C BUS		FAST MODE I ² C BUS		UNIT
			MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
f _{scl}	I ² C clock frequency		0	100	0	400	kHz
t _{sch}	I ² C clock high time		4		0.6		μs
t _{scl}	I ² C clock low time		4.7		1.3		μs
t _{sp}	I ² C spike time			50		50	ns
t _{sds}	I ² C serial-data setup time		250		100		ns
t _{sdh}	I ² C serial-data hold time		0		0		ns
t _{icr}	I ² C input rise time			1000	20 + 0.1C _b	300	ns
t _{icf}	I ² C input fall time			300	20 + 0.1C _b	300	ns
t _{ocf}	I ² C output fall time (10-pF to 400-pF bus)			300	20 + 0.1C _b	300	ns
t _{buf}	I ² C bus free time between Stop and Start		4.7		1.3		μs
t _{sts}	I ² C Start or repeated Start condition setup		4.7		0.6		μs
t _{sth}	I ² C Start or repeated Start condition hold		4		0.6		μs
t _{sps}	I ² C Stop condition setup		4		0.6		μs
t _{vd(Data)}	Valid-data time	SCL low to SDA output valid	50		50		ns
t _{vd(ack)}	Valid-data time of ACK condition	ACK signal from SCL low to SDA (out) low	0.1	0.9	0.1	0.9	μs
C _b	I ² C bus capacitive load			400		400	pF

7.7 Switching Characteristics

over recommended operating free-air temperature range, $C_L \leq 100$ pF (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 15 and Figure 16)

PARAMETER	FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	MIN	MAX	UNIT
t_{iv} Interrupt valid time	P port	\overline{INT}		4	μ s
t_{ir} Interrupt reset delay time	SCL	\overline{INT}		4	μ s
t_{pv} Output data valid	SCL	P port		200	ns
t_{ps} Input data setup time	P port	SCL	150		ns
t_{ph} Input data hold time	P port	SCL	1		μ s

7.8 Typical Characteristics

$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

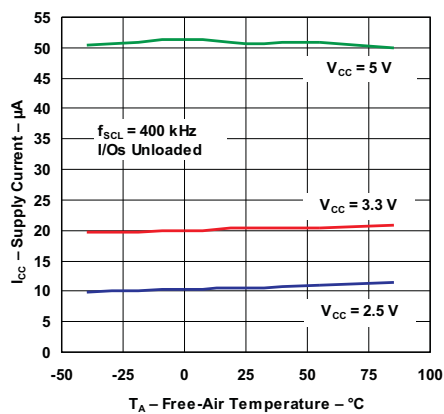


Figure 1. Supply Current vs Temperature

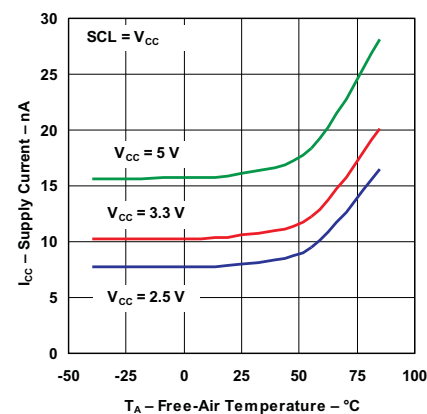


Figure 2. Standby Supply Current vs Temperature

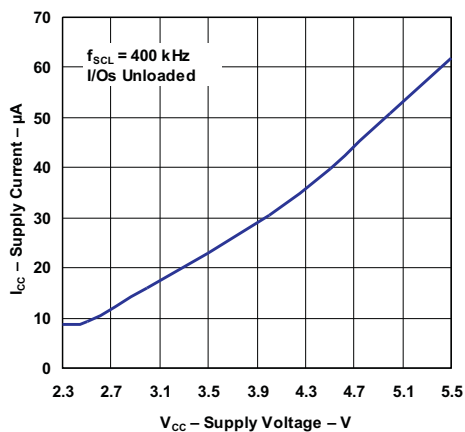


Figure 3. Supply Current vs Supply Voltage

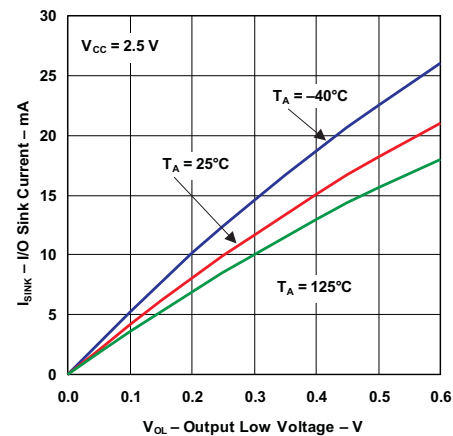


Figure 4. I/O Sink Current vs Output Low Voltage

Typical Characteristics (continued)

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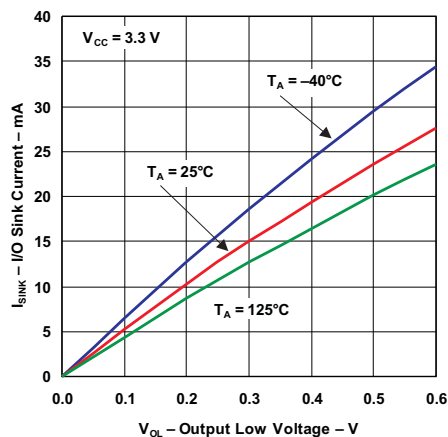


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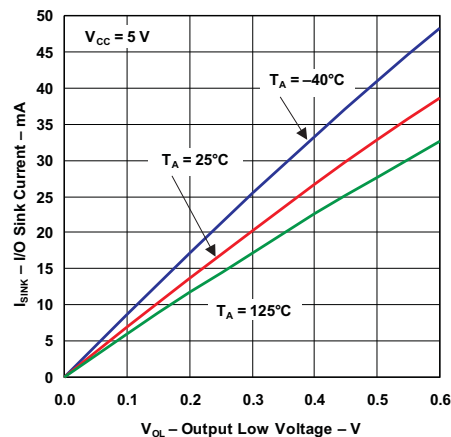


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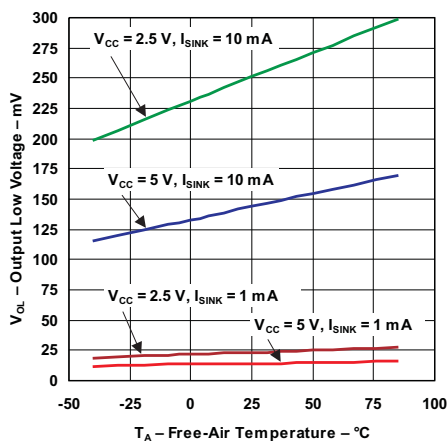


Figure 7. I/O Sink Current vs Temperature

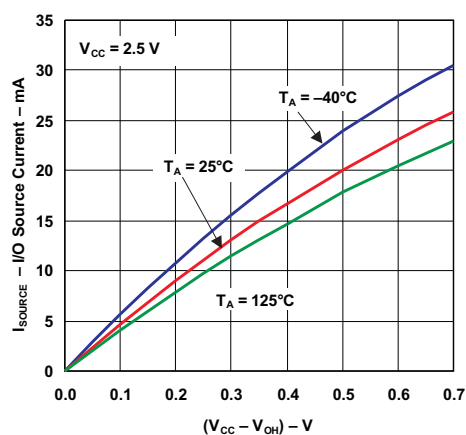


Figure 8. I/O Sink Current vs Output High Voltage

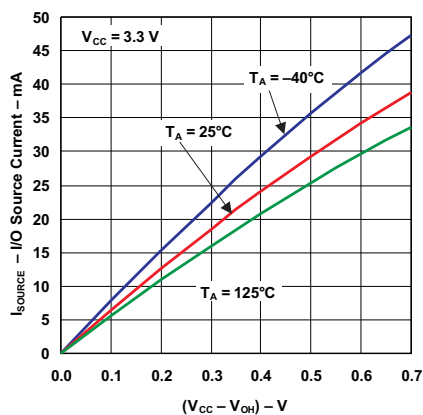


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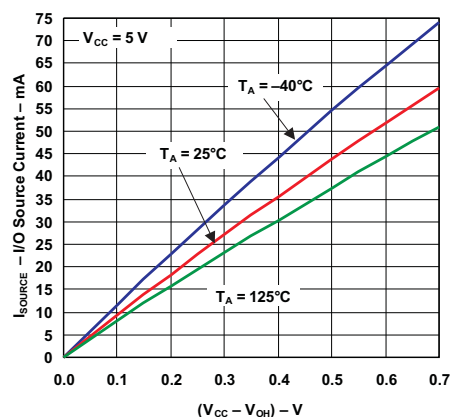


Figure 10. I/O Sink Current vs Output High Voltage

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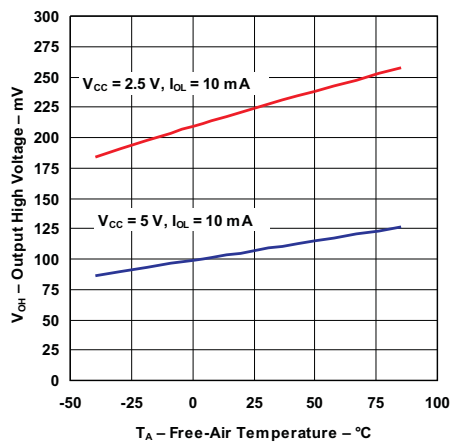


Figure 11. I/O High Voltage vs Temperature

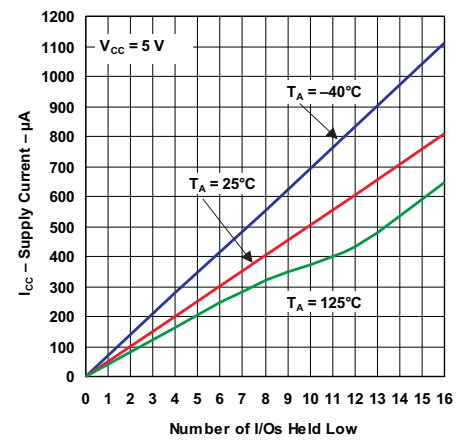


Figure 12. Supply Current vs Number of I/Os Held Low

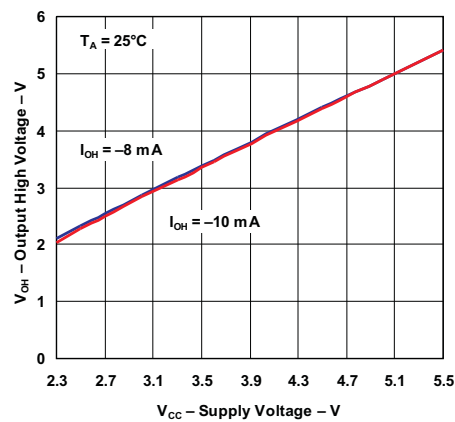
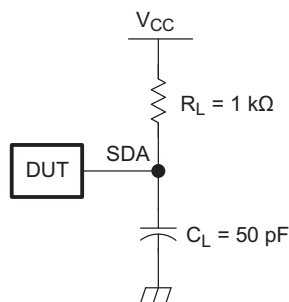
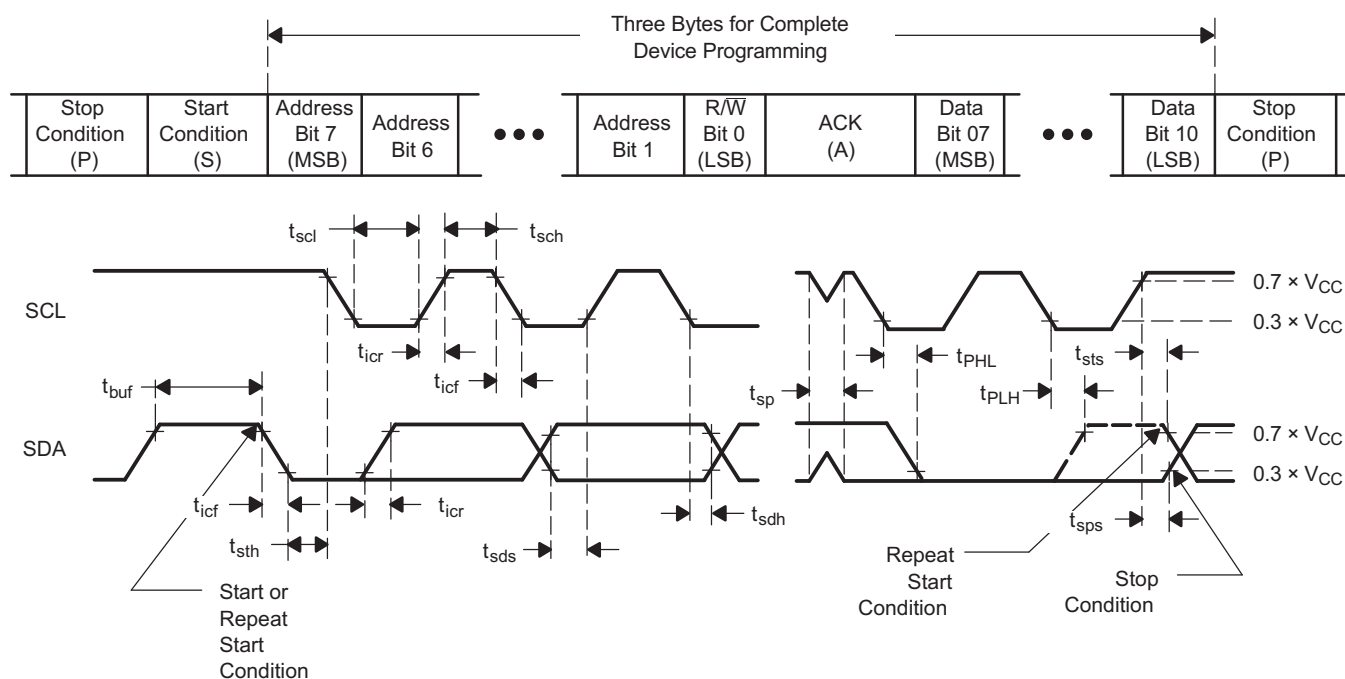


Figure 13. Output High Voltage vs Supply Voltage

8 Parameter Measurement Information



SDA LOAD CONFIGURATION



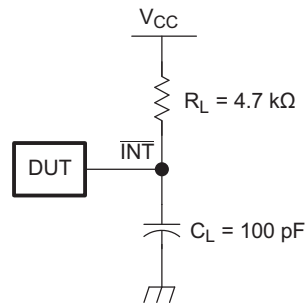
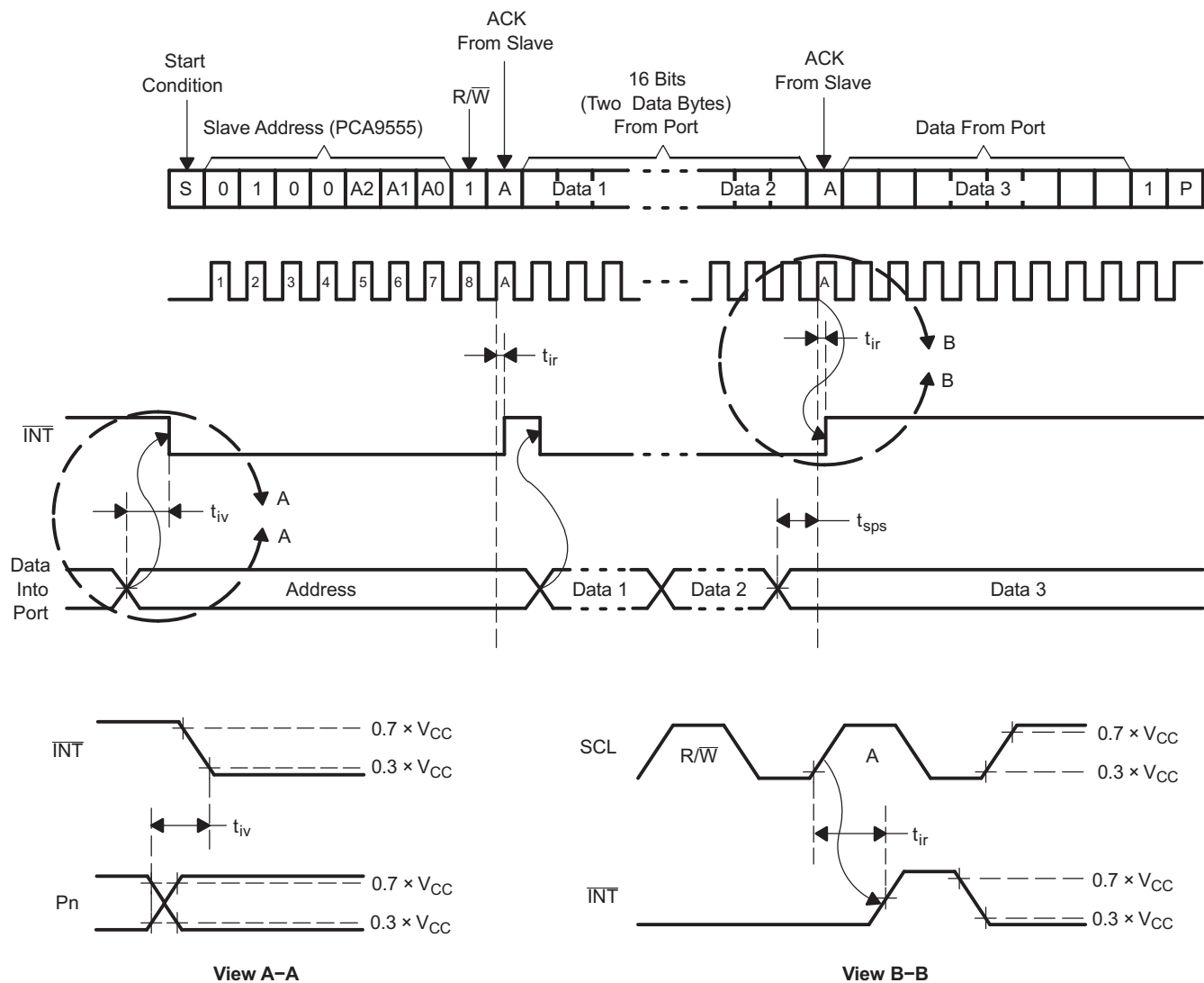
VOLTAGE WAVEFORMS

BYTE	DESCRIPTION
1	I ² C address
2, 3	P-port data

- A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.
- B. All inputs are supplied by generators having the following characteristics: $PRR \leq 10\text{ MHz}$, $Z_O = 50\text{ }\Omega$, $t_r/t_f \leq 30\text{ ns}$.
- C. All parameters and waveforms are not applicable to all devices.

Figure 14. I²C Interface Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

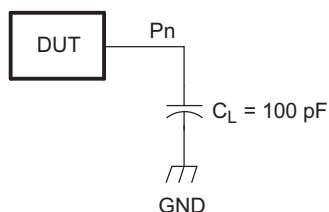
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INTERRUPT LOAD CONFIGURATION


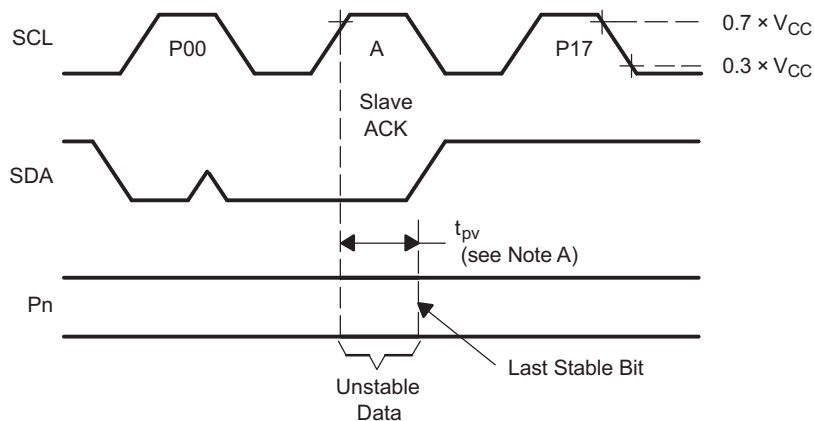
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Figure 15. Interrupt Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

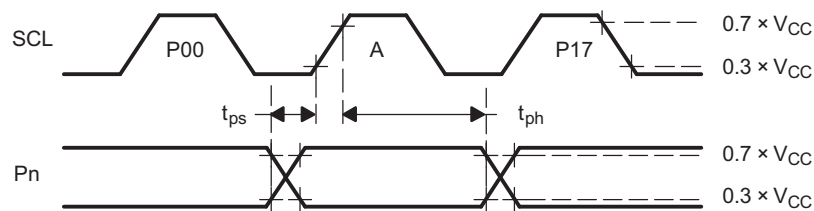
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P-PORT LOAD CONFIGURATION



WRITE MODE (R/W = 0)

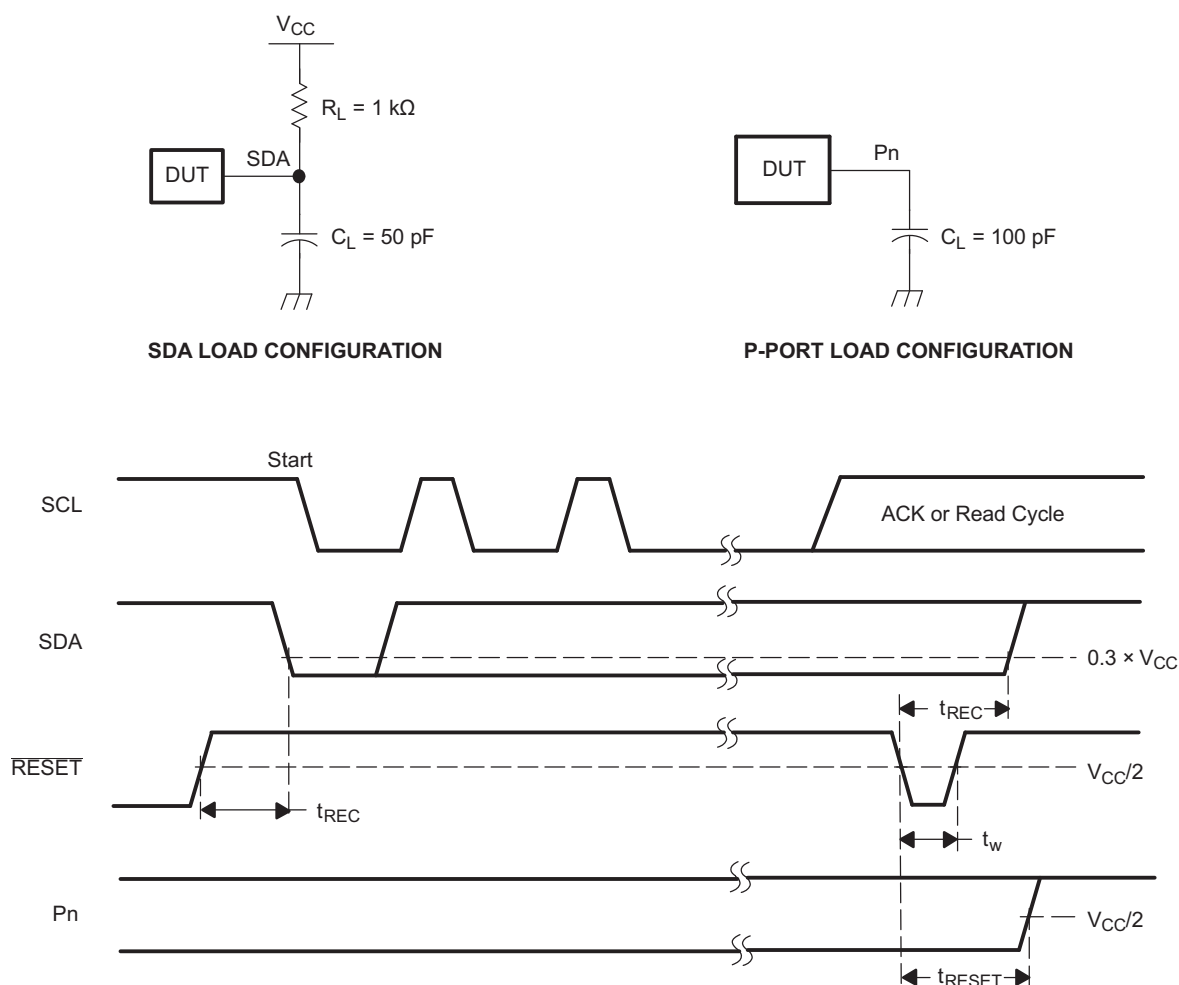


READ MODE (R/W = 1)

- A. C_L includes probe and jig capacitance.
- B. t_{pv} is measured from 0.7 × V_{CC} on SCL to 50% I/O (Pn) output.
- C. All inputs are supplied by generators having the following characteristics: PRR ≤ 10 MHz, Z_O = 50 Ω, t_r/t_f ≤ 30 ns.
- D. The outputs are measured one at a time, with one transition per measurement.
- E. All parameters and waveforms are not applicable to all devices.

Figure 16. P-Port Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

Parameter Measurement Information (continued)



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- I/Os are configured as inputs.
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Figure 17. Reset Load Circuits and Voltage Waveforms

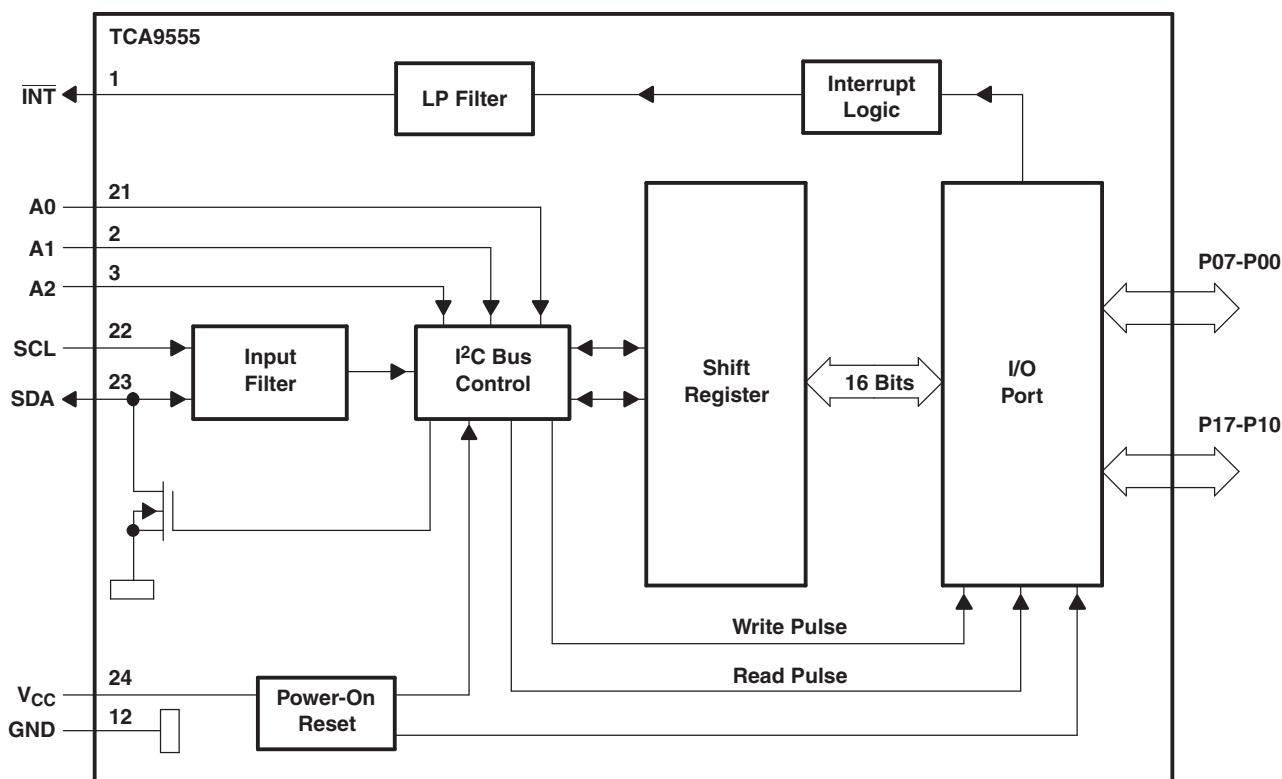
9 Detailed Description

9.1 Overview

The TCA9555 is a 16-bit I/O expander for the two-line bidirectional bus (I²C) is designed for 1.65-V to 5.5-V V_{CC} operation. It provides general-purpose remote I/O expansion for most microcontroller families via the I²C interface.

One of the features of the TCA9555, is that the \overline{INT} output can be connected to the interrupt input of a microcontroller. By sending an interrupt signal on this line, the remote I/O can inform the microcontroller if there is incoming data on its ports without having to communicate via the I²C bus. Thus, the TCA9555 can remain a simple slave device.

9.2 Functional Block Diagram



- A. Pin numbers shown are for the PW package.
- B. All I/Os are set to inputs at reset.

Figure 18. Logic Diagram (Positive Logic)

9.3 Feature Description

9.3.1 5-V Tolerant I/O Ports

The TCA9555 features I/O ports which are tolerant of up to 5 V. This allows the TCA9555 to be connected to a large array of devices. To minimize ICC, any inputs should be sure that the input voltage stays within V_{IH} and V_{IL} of the device as described in [Electrical Characteristics](#).

Feature Description (continued)

9.3.2 Hardware Address Pins

The TCA9555 features 3 hardware address pins (A0, A1, and A2) to allow the user to program the device's I²C address by pulling each pin to either V_{CC} or GND to signify the bit value in the address. This allows up to 8 TCA9555 to be on the same bus without address conflicts. See [Functional Block Diagram](#) to see the 3 pins. The voltage on the pins must not change while the device is powered up in order to prevent possible I²C glitches as a result of the device address changing during a transmission. All of the pins must be tied either to V_{CC} or GND and cannot be left floating.

9.3.3 Interrupt ($\overline{\text{INT}}$) Output

An interrupt is generated by any rising or falling edge of the port inputs in the input mode of the TCA9555. After time, t_{iv} , the signal $\overline{\text{INT}}$ is valid. Resetting the interrupt circuit is achieved when data on the port is changed to the original setting (IE the port is originally in a high state, but goes low and $\overline{\text{INT}}$ is asserted, then goes back high before a read on the port is performed. $\overline{\text{INT}}$ will be cleared in this scenario), data is read from the port that generated the interrupt or in a stop condition on the I²C bus for the TCA9555. Resetting occurs in the read mode at the acknowledge (ACK) bit or not acknowledge (NACK) bit after the falling edge of the SCL signal. Interrupts that occur during the ACK or NACK clock pulse can be lost (or be very short) due to the resetting of the interrupt during this pulse. Each change of the I/Os after resetting is detected and is transmitted as $\overline{\text{INT}}$.

Reading from or writing to another device does not affect the interrupt circuit, and a pin configured as an output cannot cause an interrupt. Changing an I/O from an output to an input may cause a false interrupt to occur if the state of the pin does not match the contents of the Input Port register. Because each 8-bit port is read independently, the interrupt caused by port 0 is not cleared by a read of port 1, or vice versa.

$\overline{\text{INT}}$ has an open-drain structure and requires a pullup resistor to V_{CC} (Typically 10k Ω in value).

9.4 Device Functional Modes

9.4.1 Power-On Reset (POR)

When power (from 0 V) is applied to V_{CC}, an internal power-on reset circuit holds the TCA9555 in a reset condition until V_{CC} has reached V_{POR}. At that time, the reset condition is released, and the TCA9555 registers and I²C/SMBus state machine initialize to their default states. After that, V_{CC} must be lowered to below V_{PORF} and back up to the operating voltage for a power-reset cycle.

9.4.2 Powered-Up

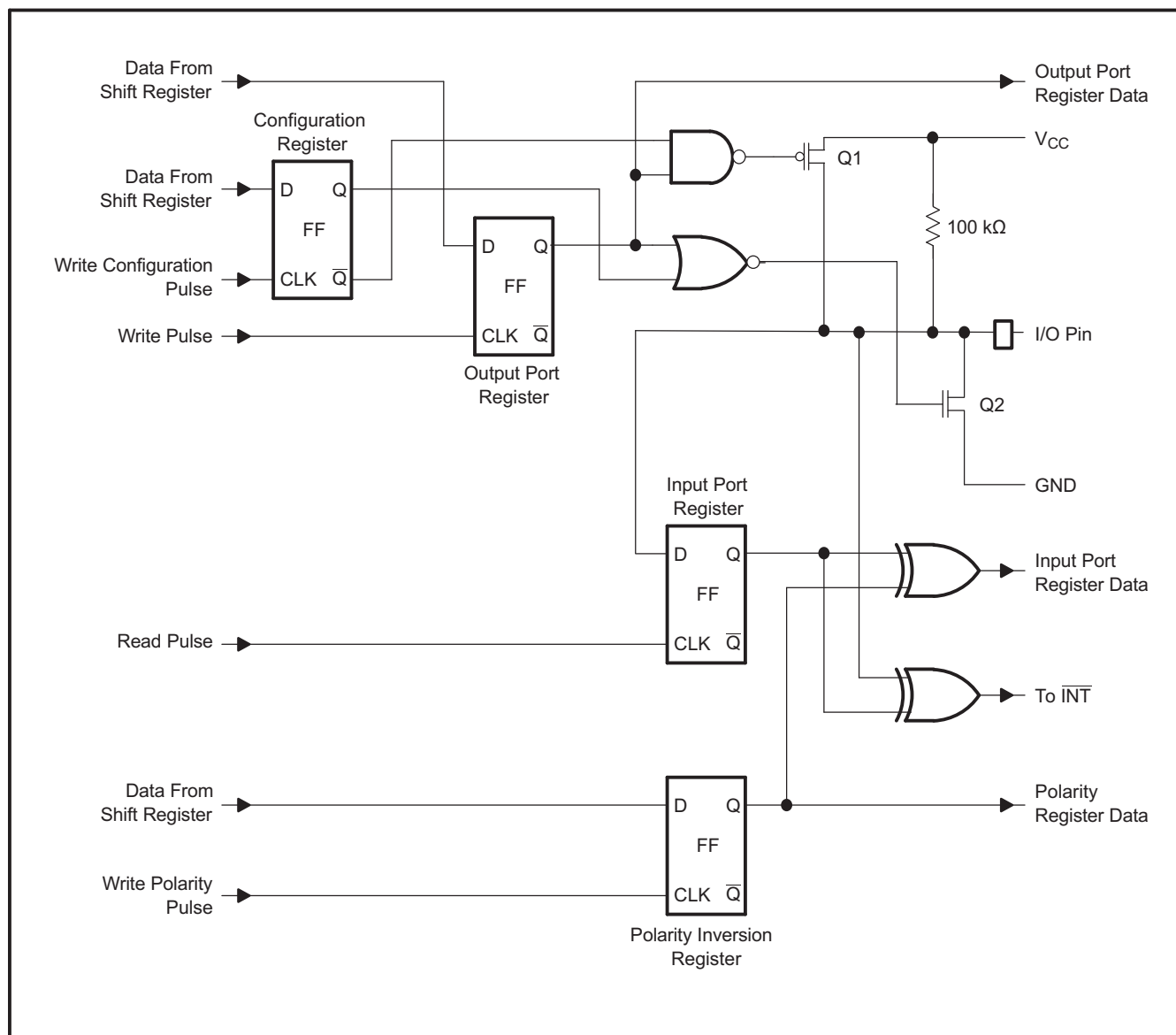
When power has been applied to V_{CC} above V_{POR}, and the POR has taken place, the device is in a functioning mode. In this state, the device will be ready to accept any incoming I²C requests and will be monitoring for changes on the input ports.

9.5 Programming

9.5.1 I/O Port

When an I/O is configured as an input, FETs Q1 and Q2 are off, creating a high-impedance input. The input voltage may be raised above V_{CC} to a maximum of 5.5 V.

If the I/O is configured as an output, Q1 or Q2 is enabled, depending on the state of the Output Port register. In this case, there are low-impedance paths between the I/O pin and either V_{CC} or GND. The external voltage applied to this I/O pin should not exceed the recommended levels for proper operation.



Programming (continued)

The following is the general procedure for a master to access a slave device:

1. If a master wants to send data to a slave:
 - Master-transmitter sends a START condition and addresses the slave-receiver.
 - Master-transmitter sends data to slave-receiver.
 - Master-transmitter terminates the transfer with a STOP condition.
2. If a master wants to receive or read data from a slave:
 - Master-receiver sends a START condition and addresses the slave-transmitter.
 - Master-receiver sends the requested register to read to slave-transmitter.
 - Master-receiver receives data from the slave-transmitter.
 - Master-receiver terminates the transfer with a STOP condition.

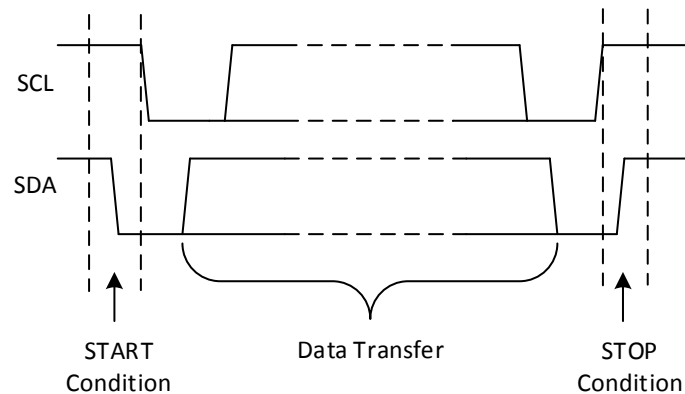


Figure 20. Definition of Start and Stop Conditions

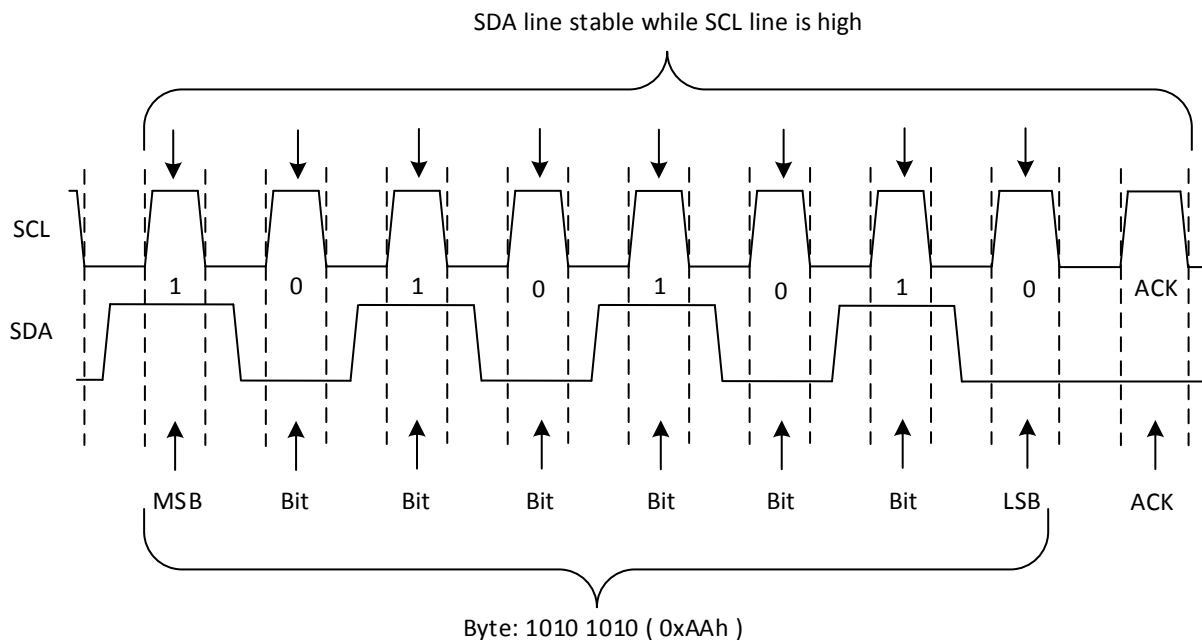


Figure 21. Bit Transfer

Programming (continued)

Table 1. Interface Definition

BYTE	BIT							
	7 (MSB)	6	5	4	3	2	1	0 (LSB)
I ² C slave address	L	H	L	L	A2	A1	A0	R/ \overline{W}
P0x I/O data bus	P07	P06	P05	P04	P03	P02	P01	P00
P1x I/O data bus	P17	P16	P15	P14	P13	P12	P11	P10

9.5.2.1 Bus Transactions

Data is exchanged between the master and the TCA9555 through write and read commands, and this is accomplished by reading from or writing to registers in the slave device.



Registers are locations in the memory of the slave which contain information, whether it be the configuration information or some sampled data to send back to the master. The master must write information to these registers in order to instruct the slave device to perform a task.

9.5.2.1.1 Writes

To write on the I²C bus, the master will send a START condition on the bus with the address of the slave, as well as the last bit (the R/ \overline{W} bit) set to 0, which signifies a write. After the slave sends the acknowledge bit, the master will then send the register address of the register to which it wishes to write. The slave will acknowledge again, letting the master know it is ready. After this, the master will start sending the register data to the slave until the master has sent all the data necessary (which is sometimes only a single byte), and the master will terminate the transmission with a STOP condition.

See [Control Register and Command Byte](#) section to see list of the TCA9555's internal registers and a description of each one.

Figure 22 shows an example of writing a single byte to a slave register.

-  Master controls SDA line
-  Slave controls SDA line

Write to one register in a device

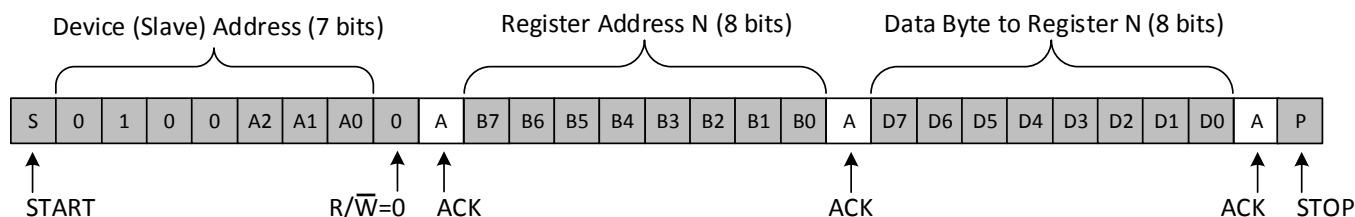


Figure 22. Write to Register

Programming (continued)

9.5.2.1.2 Reads

Reading from a slave is very similar to writing, but requires some additional steps. In order to read from a slave, the master must first instruct the slave which register it wishes to read from. This is done by the master starting off the transmission in a similar fashion as the write, by sending the address with the R/W bit equal to 0 (signifying a write), followed by the register address it wishes to read from. Once the slave acknowledges this register address, the master will send a START condition again, followed by the slave address with the R/W bit set to 1 (signifying a read). This time, the slave will acknowledge the read request, and the master will release the SDA bus but will continue supplying the clock to the slave. During this part of the transaction, the master will become the master-receiver, and the slave will become the slave-transmitter.

The master will continue to send out the clock pulses, but will release the SDA line so that the slave can transmit data. At the end of every byte of data, the master will send an ACK to the slave, letting the slave know that it is ready for more data. Once the master has received the number of bytes it is expecting, it will send a NACK, signaling to the slave to halt communications and release the bus. The master will follow this up with a STOP condition.

See [Control Register and Command Byte](#) section to see list of the TCA9555's internal registers and a description of each one.

Figure 25 shows an example of reading a single byte from a slave register.

 Master controls SDA line

 Slave controls SDA line

Read from one register in a device

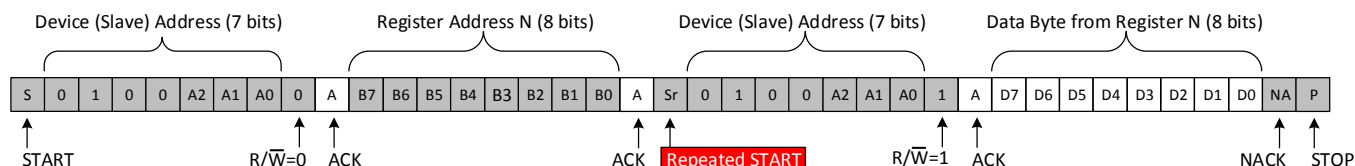
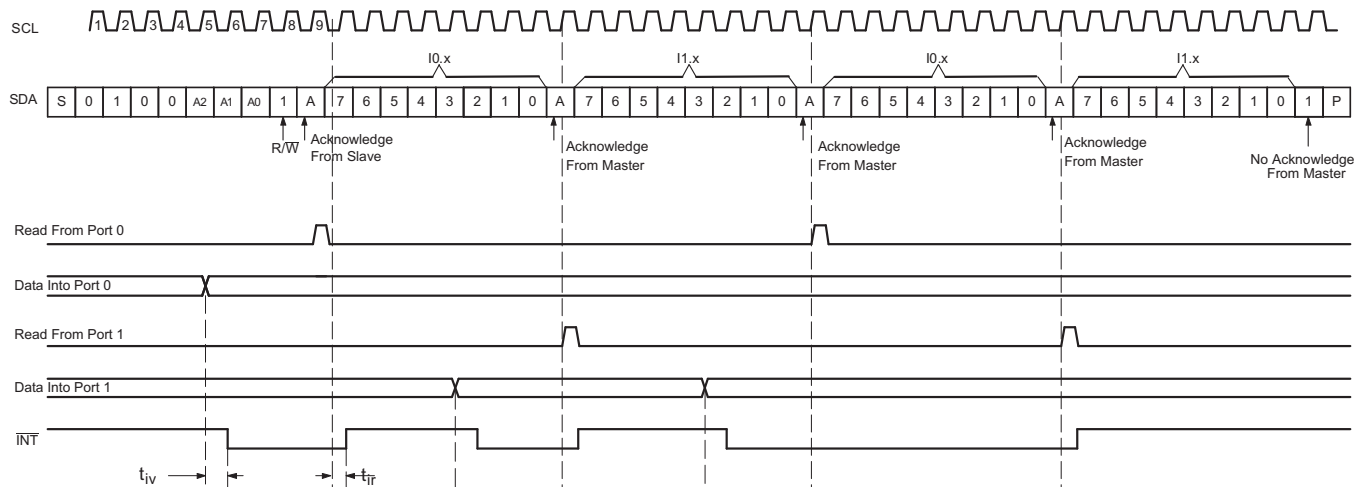


Figure 25. Read from Register

After a restart, the value of the register defined by the command byte matches the register being accessed when the restart occurred. For example, if the command byte references Input Port 1 before the restart, and the restart occurs when Input Port 0 is being read, the stored command byte changes to reference Input Port 0. The original command byte is forgotten. If a subsequent restart occurs, Input Port 0 is read first. Data is clocked into the register on the rising edge of the ACK clock pulse. After the first byte is read, additional bytes may be read, but the data now reflect the information in the other register in the pair. For example, if Input Port 1 is read, the next byte read is Input Port 0.

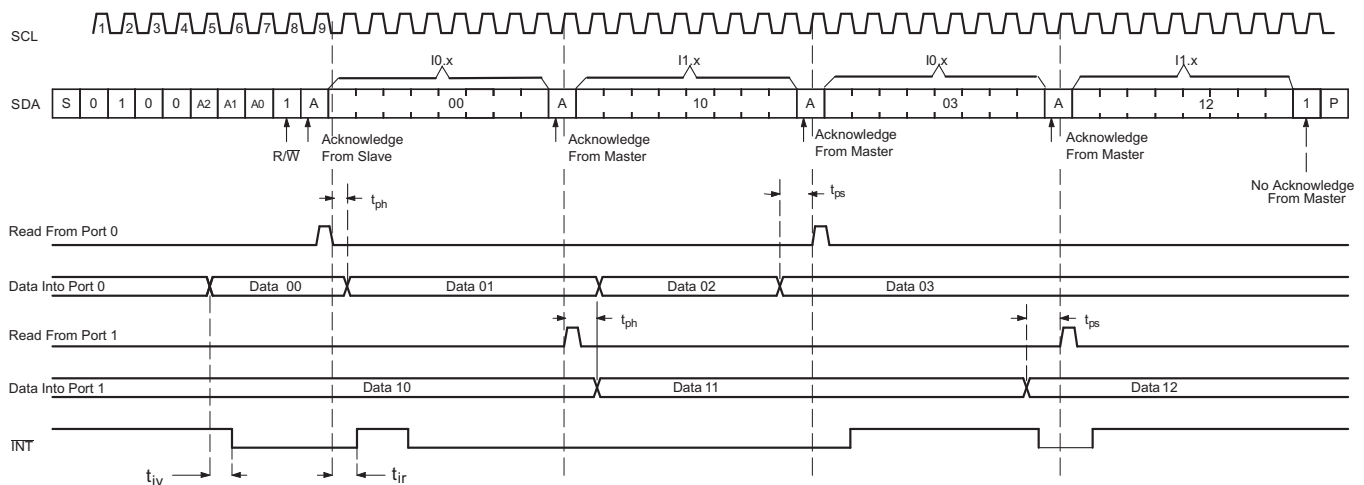
Data is clocked into the register on the rising edge of the ACK clock pulse. There is no limitation on the number of data bytes received in one read transmission, but when the final byte is received, the bus master must not acknowledge the data.

Programming (continued)



- Transfer of data can be stopped at any time by a Stop condition. When this occurs, data present at the latest acknowledge phase is valid (output mode). It is assumed that the command byte previously has been set to 00 (read Input Port register).
- This figure eliminates the command byte transfer, a restart, and slave address call between the initial slave address call and actual data transfer from the P port.

Figure 26. Read Input Port Register, Scenario 1



- Transfer of data can be stopped at any time by a Stop condition. When this occurs, data present at the latest acknowledge phase is valid (output mode). It is assumed that the command byte previously has been set to 00 (read Input Port register).
- This figure eliminates the command byte transfer, a restart, and slave address call between the initial slave address call and actual data transfer from the P port.

Figure 27. Read Input Port Register, Scenario 2

Programming (continued)

9.5.3 Device Address

Figure 28 shows the address byte of the TCA9555.

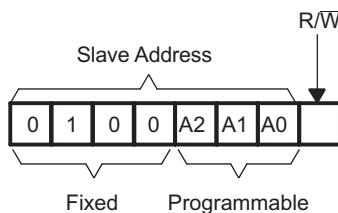


Figure 28. TCA9555 Address

Table 2. Address Reference

INPUTS			I ² C BUS SLAVE ADDRESS
A2	A1	A0	
L	L	L	32 (decimal), 0x20 (hexadecimal)
L	L	H	33 (decimal), 0x21 (hexadecimal)
L	H	L	34 (decimal), 0x22 (hexadecimal)
L	H	H	35 (decimal), 0x23 (hexadecimal)
H	L	L	36 (decimal), 0x24 (hexadecimal)
H	L	H	37 (decimal), 0x25 (hexadecimal)
H	H	L	38 (decimal), 0x26 (hexadecimal)
H	H	H	39 (decimal), 0x27 (hexadecimal)

The last bit of the slave address defines the operation (read or write) to be performed. A high (1) selects a read operation, while a low (0) selects a write operation.

9.5.4 Control Register and Command Byte

Following the successful acknowledgment of the address byte, the bus master sends a command byte that is stored in the control register in the TCA9555. Three bits of this data byte state the operation (read or write) and the internal register (input, output, polarity inversion, or configuration) that will be affected. This register can be written or read through the I²C bus. The command byte is sent only during a write transmission.

Once a command byte has been sent, the register that was addressed continues to be accessed by reads until a new command byte has been sent.

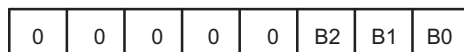


Figure 29. Control Register Bits

Table 3. Command Byte

CONTROL REGISTER BITS			COMMAND BYTE (HEX)	REGISTER	PROTOCOL	POWER-UP DEFAULT
B2	B1	B0				
0	0	0	0x00	Input Port 0	Read byte	xxxx xxxx
0	0	1	0x01	Input Port 1	Read byte	xxxx xxxx
0	1	0	0x02	Output Port 0	Read/write byte	1111 1111
0	1	1	0x03	Output Port 1	Read/write byte	1111 1111
1	0	0	0x04	Polarity Inversion Port 0	Read/write byte	0000 0000
1	0	1	0x05	Polarity Inversion Port 1	Read/write byte	0000 0000
1	1	0	0x06	Configuration Port 0	Read/write byte	1111 1111

Table 3. Command Byte (continued)

CONTROL REGISTER BITS			COMMAND BYTE (HEX)	REGISTER	PROTOCOL	POWER-UP DEFAULT
B2	B1	B0				
1	1	1	0x07	Configuration Port 1	Read/write byte	1111 1111

9.6 Register Maps

9.6.1 Register Descriptions

The Input Port registers (registers 0 and 1) reflect the incoming logic levels of the pins, regardless of whether the pin is defined as an input or an output by the Configuration register. It only acts on read operation. Writes to these registers have no effect. The default value, X, is determined by the externally applied logic level.

Before a read operation, a write transmission is sent with the command byte to indicate to the I²C device that the Input Port register will be accessed next.

Table 4. Registers 0 and 1 (Input Port Registers)

Bit	I0.7	I0.6	I0.5	I0.4	I0.3	I0.2	I0.1	I0.0
Default	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bit	I1.7	I1.6	I1.5	I1.4	I1.3	I1.2	I1.1	I1.0
Default	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

The Output Port registers (registers 2 and 3) show the outgoing logic levels of the pins defined as outputs by the Configuration register. Bit values in this register have no effect on pins defined as inputs. In turn, reads from this register reflect the value that is in the flip-flop controlling the output selection, not the actual pin value.

Table 5. Registers 2 and 3 (Output Port Registers)

Bit	O0.7	O0.6	O0.5	O0.4	O0.3	O0.2	O0.1	O0.0
Default	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bit	O1.7	O1.6	O1.5	O1.4	O1.3	O1.2	O1.1	O1.0
Default	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

The Polarity Inversion registers (registers 4 and 5) allow polarity inversion of pins defined as inputs by the Configuration register. If a bit in this register is set (written with 1), the corresponding port pin's polarity is inverted. If a bit in this register is cleared (written with a 0), the corresponding port pin's original polarity is retained.

Table 6. Registers 4 and 5 (Polarity Inversion Registers)

Bit	N0.7	N0.6	N0.5	N0.4	N0.3	N0.2	N0.1	N0.0
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bit	N1.7	N1.6	N1.5	N1.4	N1.3	N1.2	N1.1	N1.0
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The Configuration registers (registers 6 and 7) configure the directions of the I/O pins. If a bit in this register is set to 1, the corresponding port pin is enabled as an input with a high-impedance output driver. If a bit in this register is cleared to 0, the corresponding port pin is enabled as an output.

Table 7. Registers 6 and 7 (Configuration Registers)

Bit	C0.7	C0.6	C0.5	C0.4	C0.3	C0.2	C0.1	C0.0
Default	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bit	C1.7	C1.6	C1.5	C1.4	C1.3	C1.2	C1.1	C1.0
Default	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

NOTE

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Applications of the TCA9555 will have this device connected as a slave to an I²C master (processor), and the I²C bus may contain any number of other slave devices. The TCA9555 will typically be in a remote location from the master, placed close to the GPIOs to which the master needs to monitor or control.

IO Expanders such as the TCA9555 are typically used for controlling LEDs (for feedback or status lights), controlling enable or reset signals of other devices, and even reading the outputs of other devices or buttons.

10.2 Typical Application

Figure 30 shows an application in which the TCA9555 can be used to control multiple subsystems, and even read inputs from buttons.

- Device address is configured as 0100100 for this example.
- P00, P02, and P03 are configured as outputs.
- P01, P04–P07, and P10–P17 are configured as inputs.
- Pin numbers shown are for the PW package.

Figure 30. Typical Application

Typical Application (continued)

10.2.1 Design Requirements

The designer must take into consideration the system, to be sure not to violate any of the parameters. [Table 8](#) shows some key parameters which must not be violated.

Table 8. Design Parameters

DESIGN PARAMETER	EXAMPLE VALUE
I ² C and Subsystem Voltage (V _{CC})	5 V
Output current rating, P-port sinking (I _{OL})	25 mA
I ² C bus clock (SCL) speed	400 kHz

10.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

10.2.2.1 Minimizing I_{CC} When I/O Is Used to Control LED

When an I/O is used to control an LED, normally it is connected to V_{CC} through a resistor as shown in [Figure 30](#). Because the LED acts as a diode, when the LED is off, the I/O V_{IN} is about 1.2 V less than V_{CC}. The ΔI_{CC} parameter in Electrical Characteristics shows how I_{CC} increases as V_{IN} becomes lower than V_{CC}. For battery-powered applications, it is essential that the voltage of I/O pins is greater than or equal to V_{CC} when the LED is off to minimize current consumption.

[Figure 31](#) shows a high-value resistor in parallel with the LED. [Figure 32](#) shows V_{CC} less than the LED supply voltage by at least 1.2 V. Both of these methods maintain the I/O V_{IN} at or above V_{CC} and prevent additional supply current consumption when the LED is off.

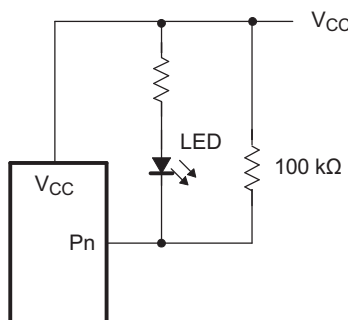


Figure 31. High-Value Resistor in Parallel With LED

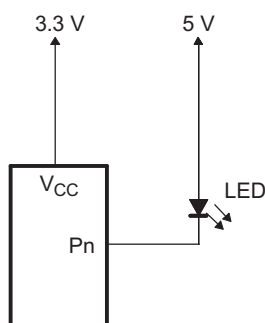


Figure 32. Device Supplied by Lower Voltage

10.2.2.2 Pullup Resistor Calculation

The pull-up resistors, R_P , for the SCL and SDA lines need to be selected appropriately and take into consideration the total capacitance of all slaves on the I²C bus. The minimum pull-up resistance is a function of V_{CC} , $V_{OL(max)}$, and I_{OL} :

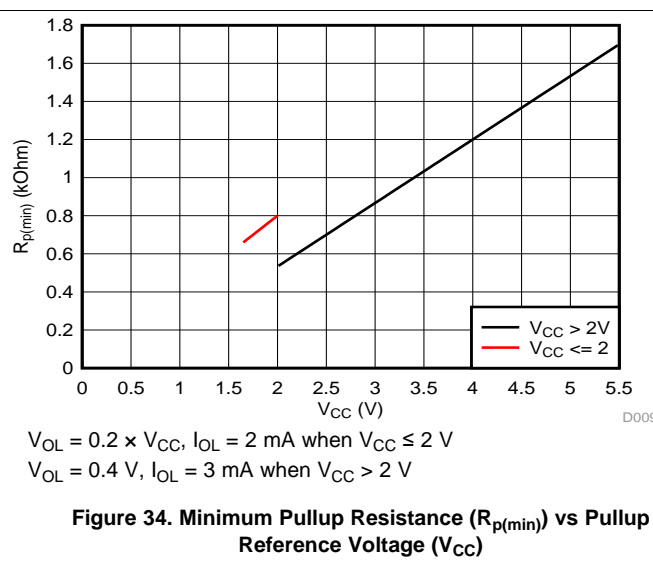
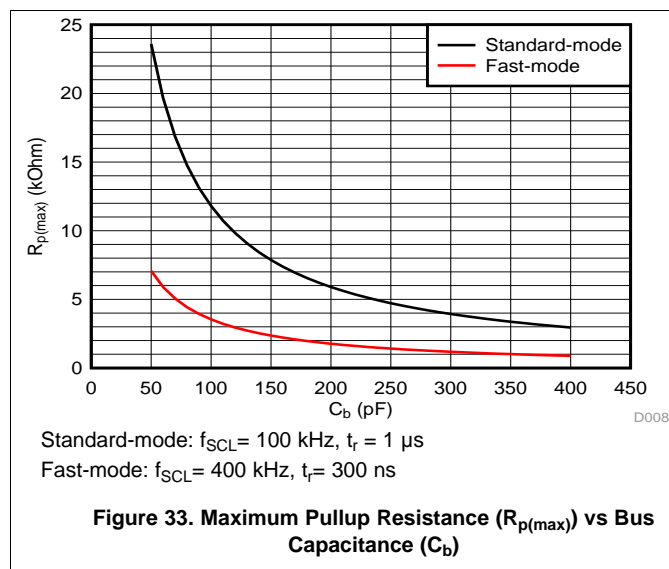
$$R_{p(min)} = \frac{V_{CC} - V_{OL(max)}}{I_{OL}} \quad (1)$$

The maximum pull-up resistance is a function of the maximum rise time, t_r (300 ns for fast-mode operation, $f_{SCL} = 400$ kHz) and bus capacitance, C_b :

$$R_{p(max)} = \frac{t_r}{0.8473 \times C_b} \quad (2)$$

The maximum bus capacitance for an I²C bus must not exceed 400 pF for standard-mode or fast-mode operation. The bus capacitance can be approximated by adding the capacitance of the TCA9538, C_i for SCL or C_{io} for SDA, the capacitance of wires/connections/traces, and the capacitance of additional slaves on the bus. For further details, refer to *I²C Pull-up Resistor Calculation* (SLVA689).

10.2.3 Application Curves



11 Power Supply Recommendations

In the event of a glitch (data output or input or even power) or data corruption, TCA9555 can be reset to its default conditions by using the power-on reset feature. Power-on reset requires that the device go through a power cycle to be completely reset. This reset also happens when the device is powered on for the first time in an application.

The two types of power-on reset are shown in [Figure 35](#) and [Figure 36](#).

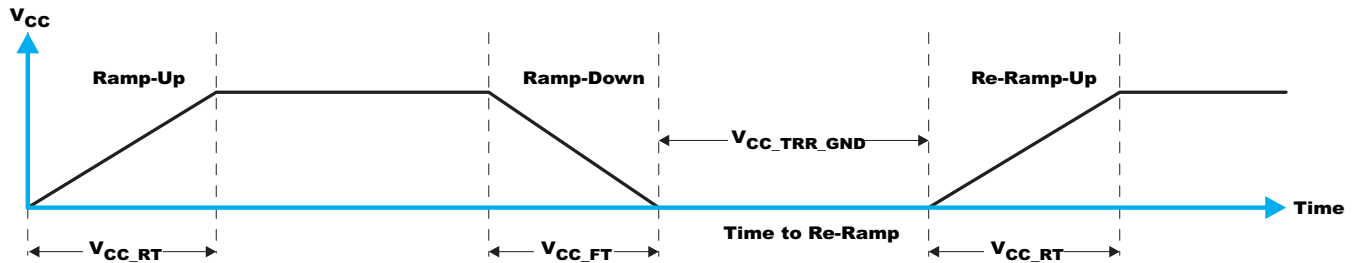


Figure 35. V_{CC} is Lowered Below 0.2 V or 0 V and Then Ramped Up to V_{CC}

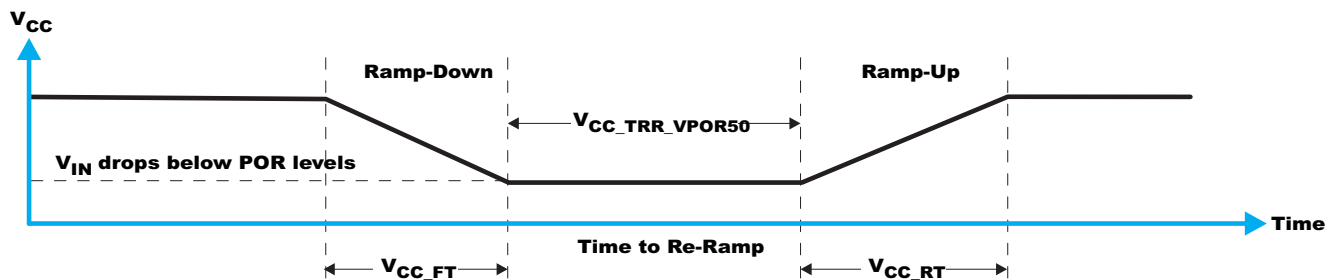


Figure 36. V_{CC} is Lowered Below the POR Threshold, Then Ramped Back Up to V_{CC}

[Table 9](#) specifies the performance of the power-on reset feature for TCA9555 for both types of power-on reset.

Table 9. RECOMMENDED SUPPLY SEQUENCING AND RAMP RATES⁽¹⁾

PARAMETER			MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V_{CC_FT}	Fall rate of V_{CC}	See Figure 35	0.1	2000		ms
V_{CC_RT}	Rise rate of V_{CC}	See Figure 35	0.1	2000		ms
$V_{CC_TRR_GND}$	Time to re-ramp (when V_{CC} drops to GND)	See Figure 35	1			μ s
$V_{CC_TRR_POR50}$	Time to re-ramp (when V_{CC} drops to $V_{POR_MIN} - 50$ mV)	See Figure 36	1			μ s
V_{CC_GH}	Level that V_{CCP} can glitch down to, but not cause a functional disruption when $V_{CCX_GW} = 1$ μ s	See Figure 37			1.2	V
V_{CC_GW}	Glitch width that will not cause a functional disruption when $V_{CCX_GH} = 0.5 \times V_{CCX}$	See Figure 37			10	μ s
V_{PORF}	Voltage trip point of POR on falling V_{CC}		0.7			V
V_{PORR}	Voltage trip point of POR on rising V_{CC}				1.4	V

(1) $T_A = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to 85°C (unless otherwise noted)

Glitches in the power supply can also affect the power-on reset performance of this device. The glitch width (V_{CC_GW}) and height (V_{CC_GH}) are dependent on each other. The bypass capacitance, source impedance, and device impedance are factors that affect power-on reset performance. Figure 37 and Table 9 provide more information on how to measure these specifications.



Figure 37. Glitch Width and Glitch Height

V_{POR} is critical to the power-on reset. V_{POR} is the voltage level at which the reset condition is released and all the registers and the I²C/SMBus state machine are initialized to their default states. The value of V_{POR} differs based on the V_{CC} being lowered to or from 0. Figure 38 and Table 9 provide more details on this specification.

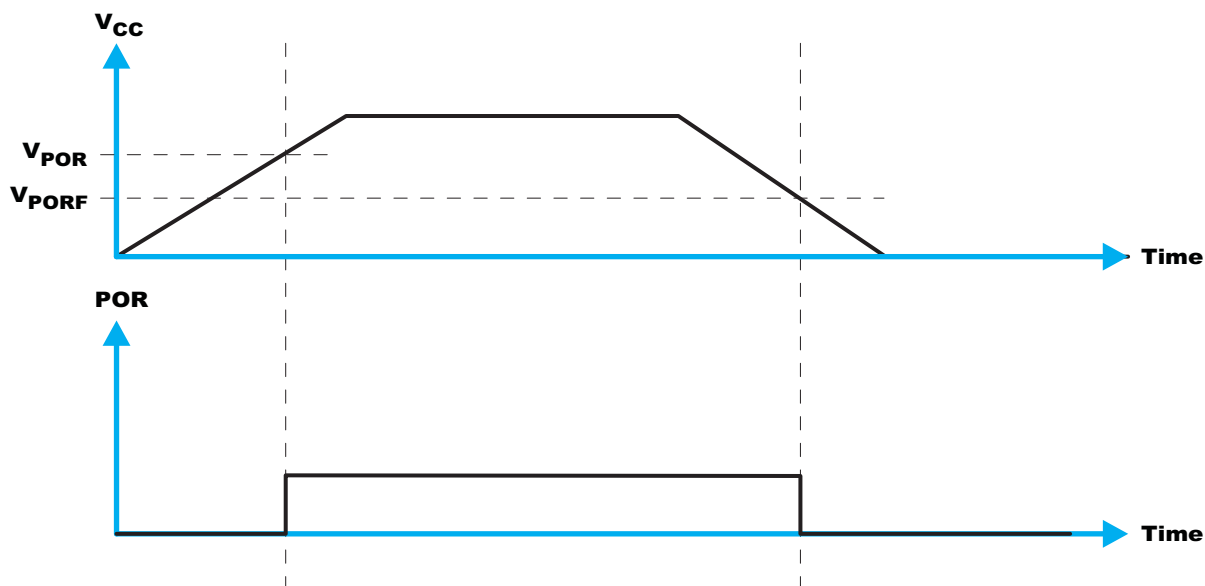


Figure 38. V_{POR}

12 Layout

12.1 Layout Guidelines

For printed circuit board (PCB) layout of the TCA9555, common PCB layout practices should be followed, but additional concerns related to high-speed data transfer such as matched impedances and differential pairs are not a concern for I²C signal speeds.

In all PCB layouts, it is a best practice to avoid right angles in signal traces, to fan out signal traces away from each other upon leaving the vicinity of an integrated circuit (IC), and to use thicker trace widths to carry higher amounts of current that commonly pass through power and ground traces. By-pass and de-coupling capacitors are commonly used to control the voltage on the V_{CC} pin, using a larger capacitor to provide additional power in the event of a short power supply glitch and a smaller capacitor to filter out high-frequency ripple. These capacitors should be placed as close to the TCA9555 as possible. These best practices are shown in [Layout Example](#).

For the layout example provided in [Layout Example](#), it would be possible to fabricate a PCB with only 2 layers by using the top layer for signal routing and the bottom layer as a split plane for power (V_{CC}) and ground (GND). However, a 4 layer board is preferable for boards with higher density signal routing. On a 4 layer PCB, it is common to route signals on the top and bottom layer, dedicate one internal layer to a ground plane, and dedicate the other internal layer to a power plane. In a board layout using planes or split planes for power and ground, vias are placed directly next to the surface mount component pad which needs to attach to V_{CC}, or GND and the via is connected electrically to the internal layer or the other side of the board. Vias are also used when a signal trace needs to be routed to the opposite side of the board, but this technique is not demonstrated in [Layout Example](#).

12.2 Layout Example

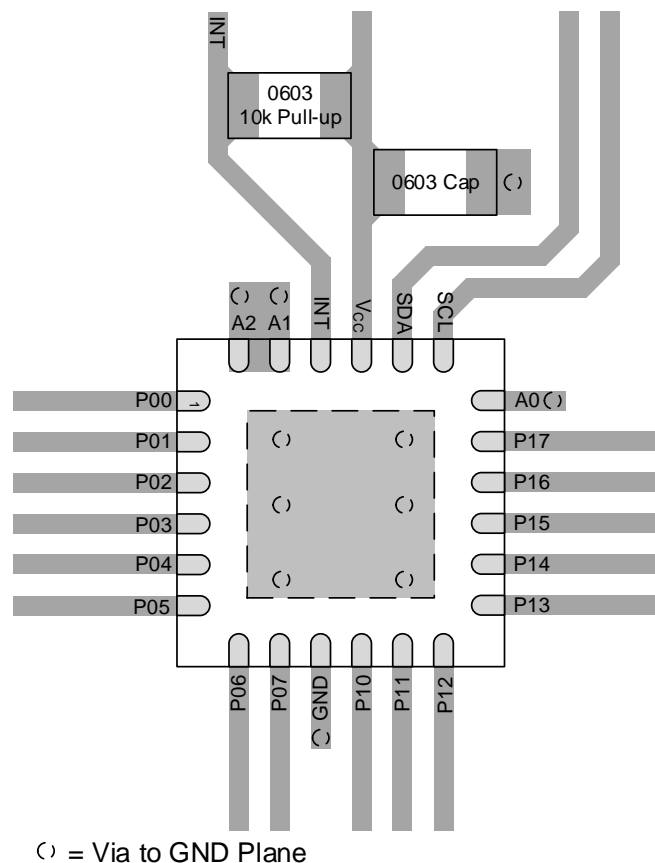


Figure 39. TCA9555 Layout Example

13 Device and Documentation Support

13.1 Documentation Support

13.1.1 Related Documentation

For related documentation see the following:

I²C Pull-up Resistor Calculation, [SLVA689](#)

13.2 Community Resources

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13.3 Trademarks

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13.4 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

13.5 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

14 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

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
TCA9555PWR	ACTIVE	TSSOP	PW	24	2000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 85	PW555	Samples
TCA9555RTWR	ACTIVE	WQFN	RTW	24	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	PW555	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.

NRND: Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

PREVIEW: Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

OBSOLETE: TI has discontinued the production of the device.

(2) Eco Plan - The planned eco-friendly classification: Pb-Free (RoHS), Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt), or Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) - please check <http://www.ti.com/productcontent> for the latest availability information and additional product content details.

TBD: The Pb-Free/Green conversion plan has not been defined.

Pb-Free (RoHS): TI's terms "Lead-Free" or "Pb-Free" mean semiconductor products that are compatible with the current RoHS requirements for all 6 substances, including the requirement that lead not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous materials. Where designed to be soldered at high temperatures, TI Pb-Free products are suitable for use in specified lead-free processes.

Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt): This component has a RoHS exemption for either 1) lead-based flip-chip solder bumps used between the die and package, or 2) lead-based die adhesive used between the die and leadframe. The component is otherwise considered Pb-Free (RoHS compatible) as defined above.

Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br): TI defines "Green" to mean Pb-Free (RoHS compatible), and free of Bromine (Br) and Antimony (Sb) based flame retardants (Br or Sb do not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous material)

(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
TCA9555RTWR	WQFN	RTW	24	3000	330.0	12.4	4.25	4.25	1.15	8.0	12.0	Q2

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS

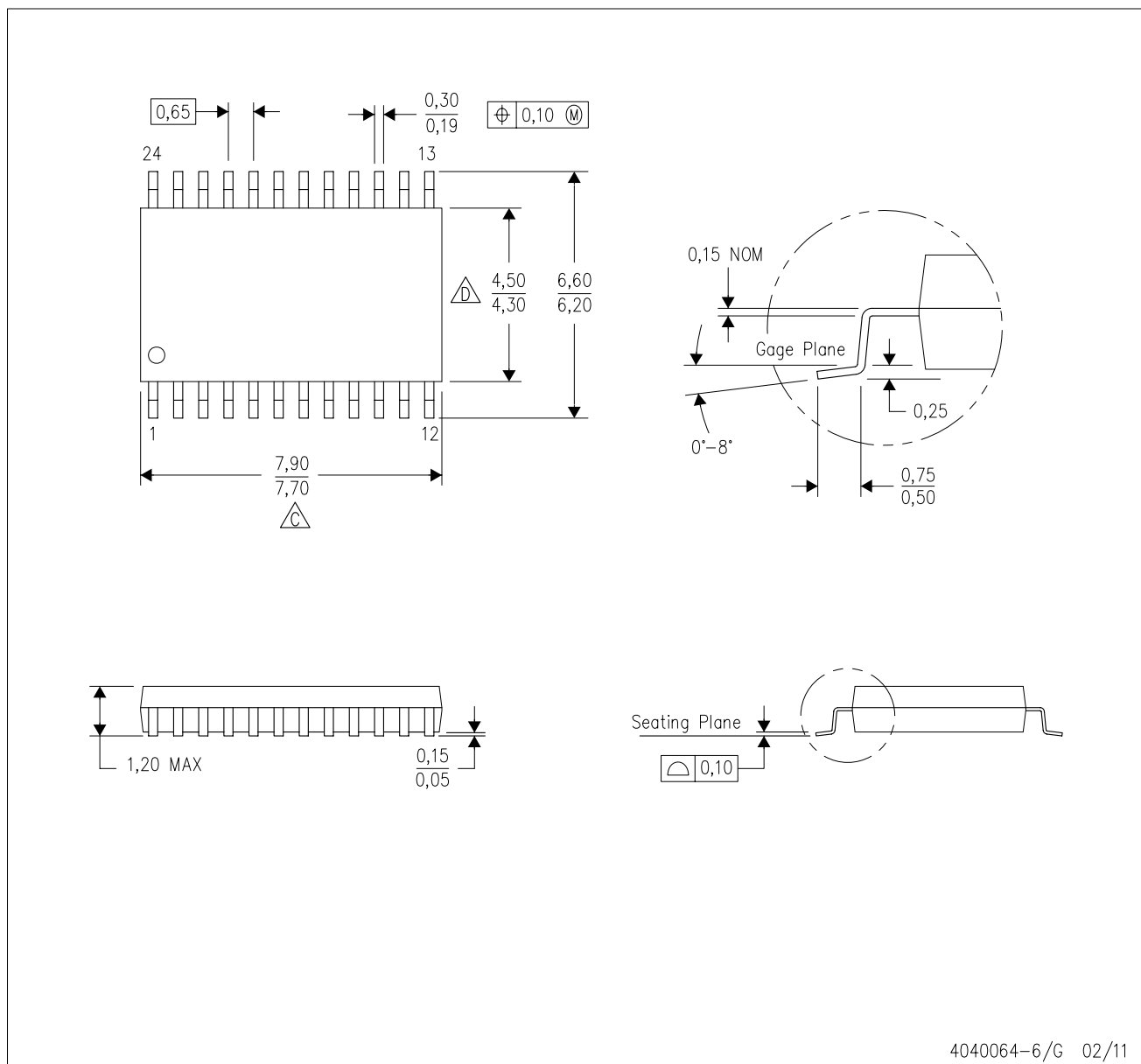


*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
TCA9555RTWR	WQFN	RTW	24	3000	367.0	367.0	35.0

PW (R-PDSO-G24)

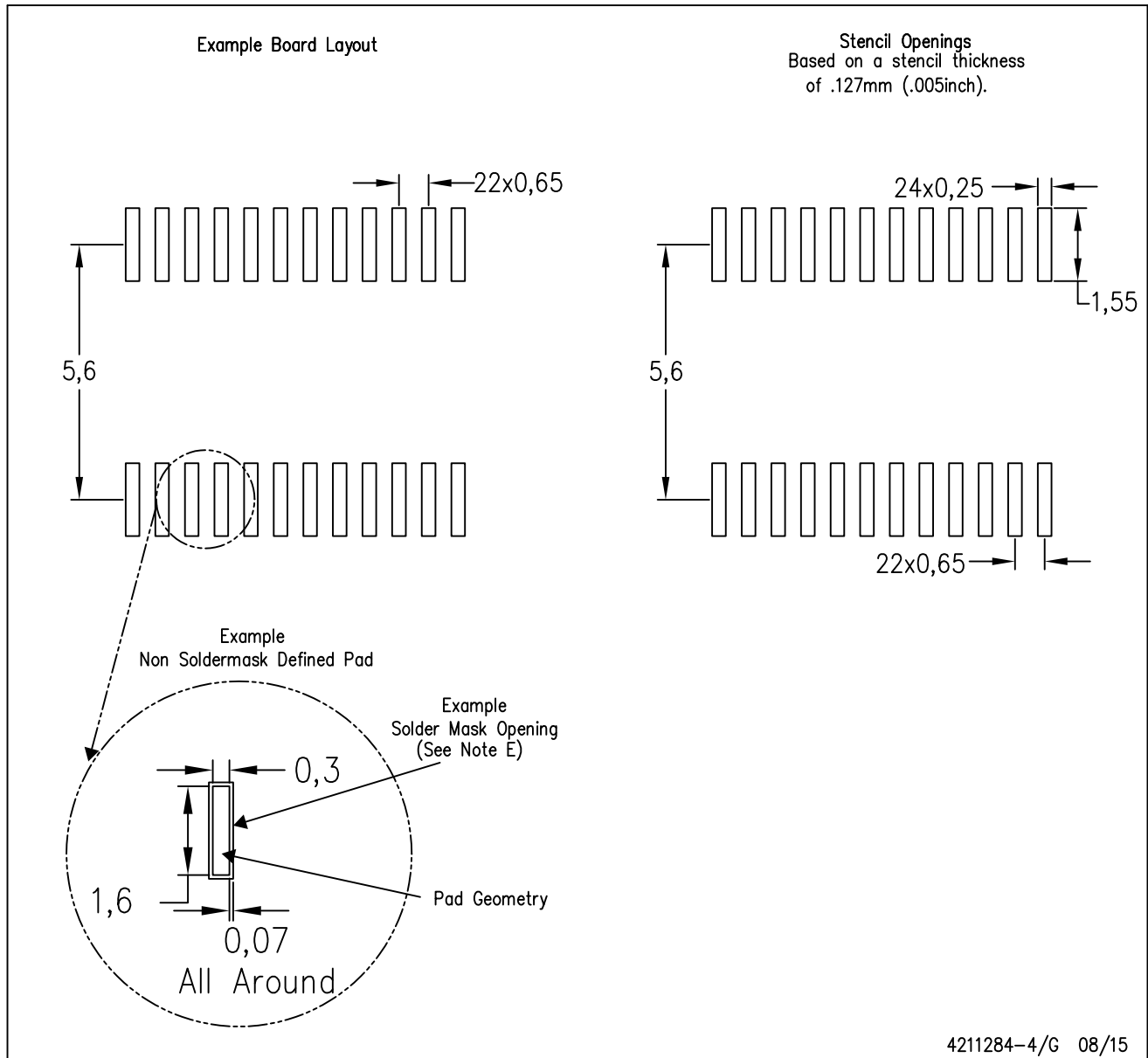
PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M-1994.
 - 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 each side.
 - D. Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0,25 each side.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

PW (R-PDSO-G24)

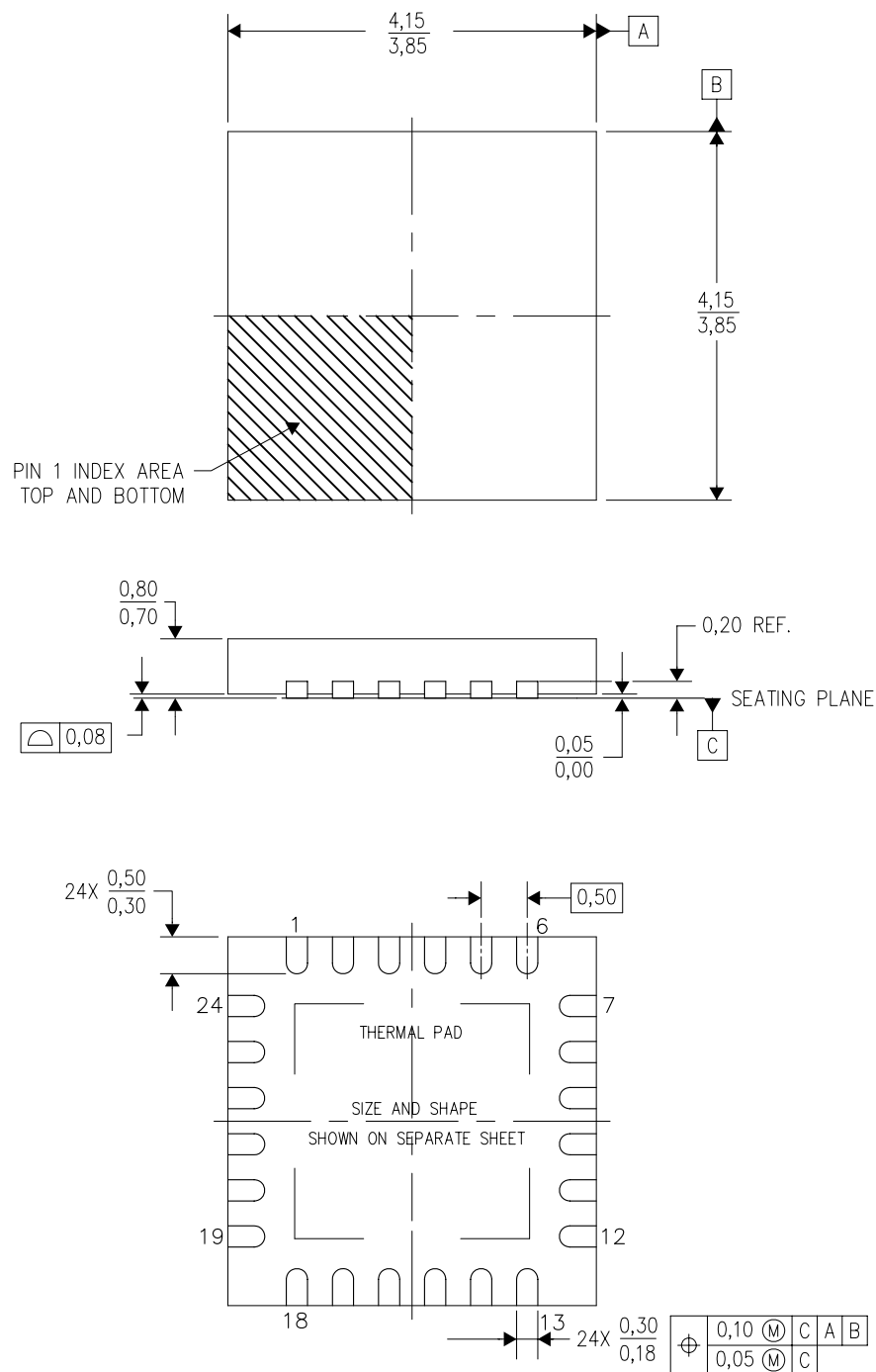
PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate design.
 - D. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC-7525 for other stencil recommendations.
 - E. Customers should contact their board fabrication site for solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads.

RTW (S-PWQFN-N24)

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO-LEAD



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- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M-1994.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Quad Flatpack, No-Leads (QFN) package configuration.
 - D. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance.
 - E. See the additional figure in the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad features and dimensions.
 - F. Falls within JEDEC MO-220.

RTW (S-PWQFN-N24)

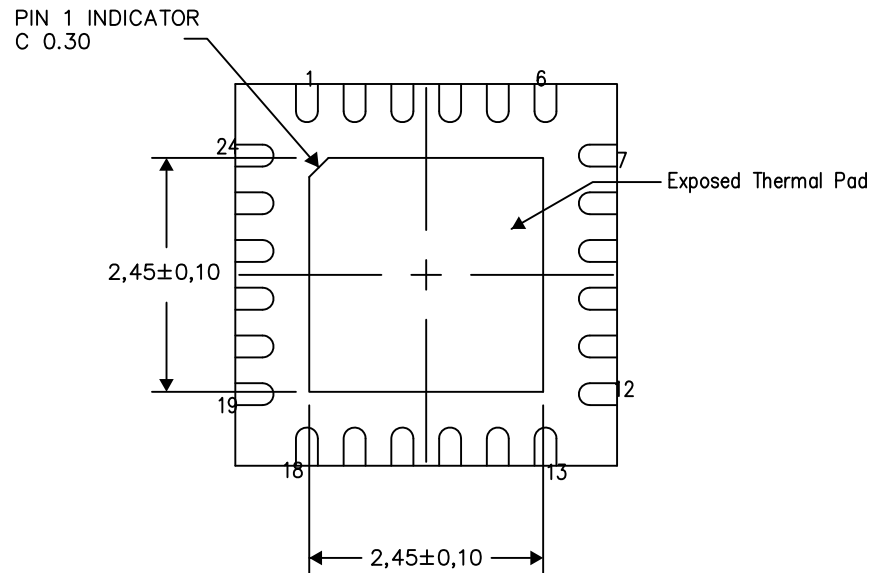
PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO-LEAD

THERMAL INFORMATION

This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No-Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Bottom View

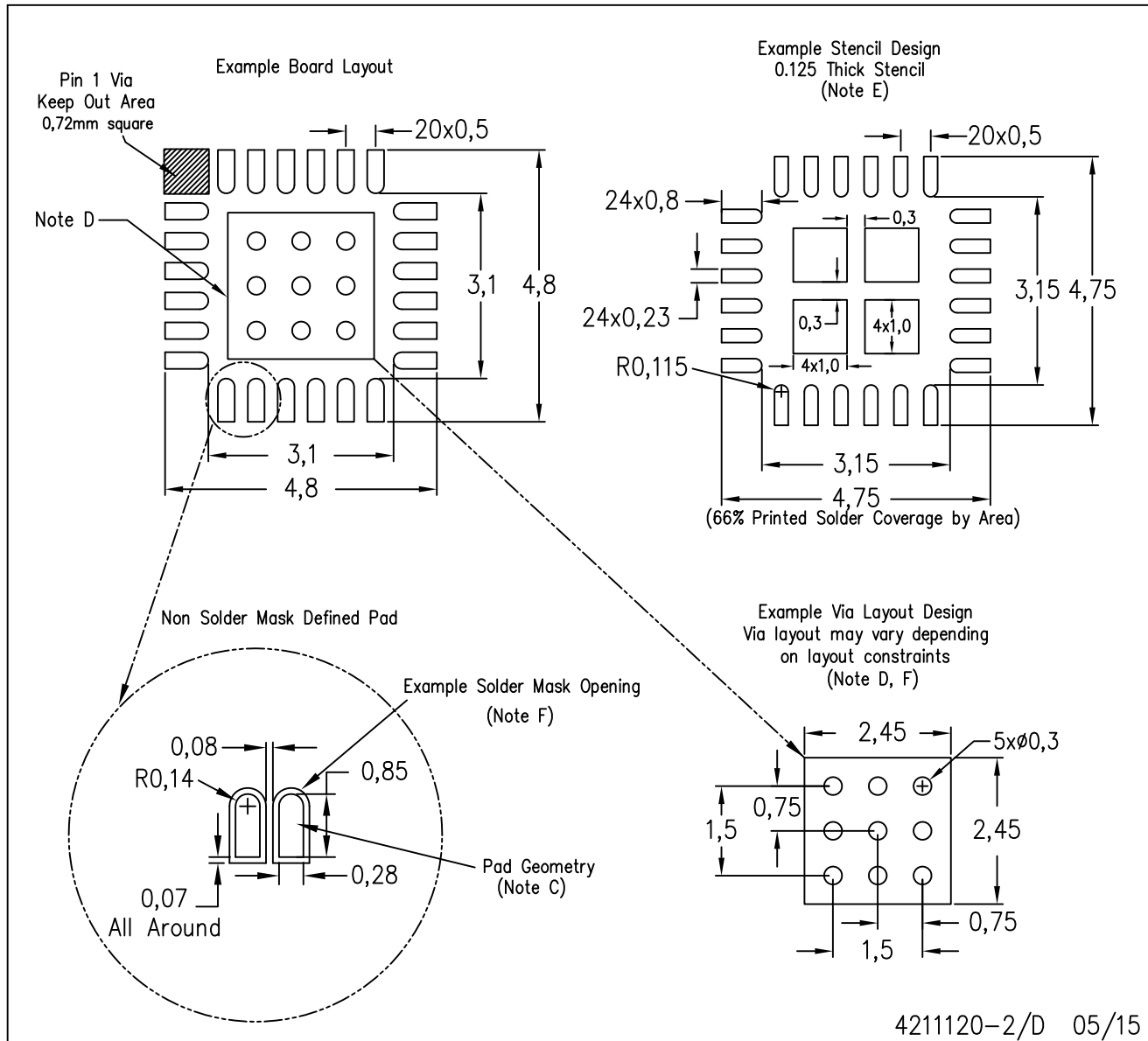
Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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NOTES: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters

RTW (S-PWQFN-N24)

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO-LEAD



- NOTES:
- All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
 - This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, Quad Flat-Pack Packages, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com <<http://www.ti.com>>.
 - Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
 - Customers should contact their board fabrication site for recommended solder mask tolerances and via tenting recommendations for vias placed in the thermal pad.

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