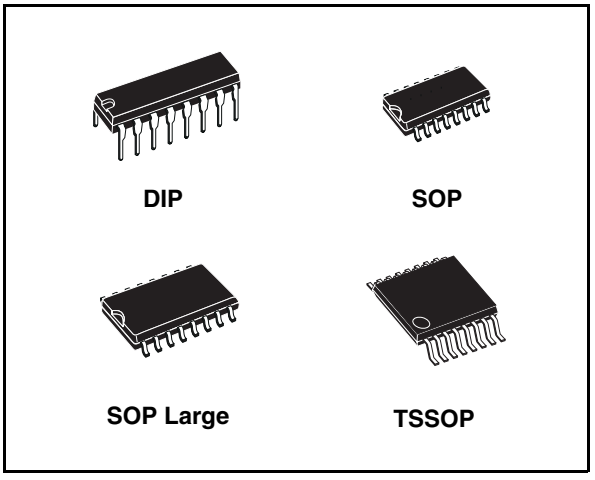
ST232B
ST232C

5 V powered multi-channel RS-232 drivers and receivers

Features

- Supply voltage range: 4.5 to 5.5 V
- Supply current no load (typ.): 5 mA
- Transmitter output voltage swing (typ): ±7.8 V
- Controlled output slew rate
- Receiver input voltage range: ± 30 V
- Data rate (typ.): 220 kbps
- Operating temperature range:
  - -40 ° to 85 °C
  - 0 ° to 70 °C
- Compatible with MAX232 and MAX202



Description

The ST232 is a 2 driver, 2 receiver device following EIA/TIA-232 and V.28 communication standard. It is particularly suitable for applications where ±12 V is not available. The ST232 uses a single 5 V power supply and only four external capacitors (0.1 µF). Typical applications are in: portable computers, low power modems, interfaces translation, battery powered RS-232 system, multi-drop RS-232 networks.

Table 1. Device summary

Order code	Temperature range	Package	Packaging
ST232CN	0 to 70 °C	DIP-16	25 parts per tube / 40 tube per box
ST232CDR	0 to 70 °C	SO-16 (tape and reel)	2500 parts per reel
ST232BDR	-40 to 85 °C	SO-16 (tape and reel)	2500 parts per reel
ST232CWR	0 to 70 °C	SO-16 Large (tape and reel)	1000 parts per reel
ST232BWR	-40 to 85 °C	SO-16 Large (tape and reel)	1000 parts per reel
ST232CTR	0 to 70 °C	TSSOP16 (tape and reel)	2500 parts per reel
ST232BTR	-40 to 85 °C	TSSOP16 (tape and reel)	2500 parts per reel

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1 Pin configuration

Figure 1. Pin connections (top view)

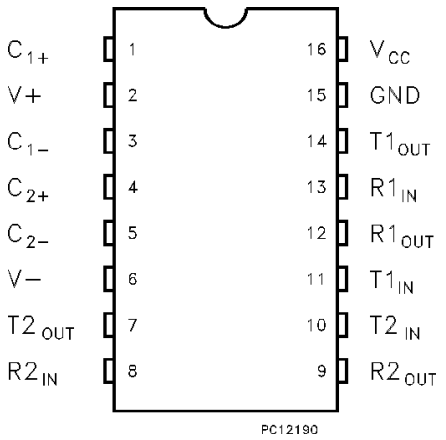


Table 2. Pin description

Pin n°	Symbol	Note
1	C_1+	Positive terminal for the first charge pump capacitor
2	V+	Doubled voltage terminal
3	C_1-	Negative terminal for the first charge pump capacitor
4	C_2+	Positive terminal for the second charge pump capacitor
5	C_2-	Negative terminal for the second charge pump capacitor
6	V-	Inverted voltage terminal
7	$T2_{OUT}$	Second transmitter output voltage
8	$R2_{IN}$	Second receiver input voltage
9	$R2_{OUT}$	Second receiver output voltage
10	$T2_{IN}$	Second transmitter input voltage
11	$T1_{IN}$	First transmitter input voltage
12	$R1_{OUT}$	First receiver output voltage
13	$R1_{IN}$	First receiver input voltage
14	$T1_{OUT}$	First transmitter output voltage
15	GND	Ground
16	V_{CC}	Supply voltage

2 Maximum ratings

Table 3. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{CC}	Supply voltage	-0.3 to 6	V
T_{IN}	Transmitter input voltage range	-0.3 to (V_{CC} + 0.3)	V
R_{IN}	Receiver input voltage range	±30	V
T_{OUT}	Transmitter output voltage range	(V_+ + 0.3) to (V_- - 0.3)	V
R_{OUT}	Receiver output voltage range	-0.3 to (V_{CC} + 0.3)	V
T_{SCTOUT}	Short circuit duration on T_{OUT}	infinite	
T_{STG}	Storage temperature range	-65 to + 150	

Note: 1 Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied.

2 No external supply can be applied to V+ terminal and V- terminal.

3 Electrical characteristics

Table 4. Electrical characteristics

(C_1 - C_4 = 0.1 µF, V_{CC} = 5 V ± 10 %, T_A = -40 to 85 °C, unless otherwise specified. Typical values are referred to T_A = 25 °C).

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{SUPPLY}	V_{CC} Power supply current	No Load, T_A = 25°C		5	10	mA

Table 5. Transmitter electrical characteristics

(C_1 - C_4 = 0.1 µF, V_{CC} = 5 V ± 10 %, T_A = -40 to 85 °C, unless otherwise specified. Typical values are referred to T_A = 25 °C).

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_{TOUT}	Output voltage swing	All transmitter outputs are loaded with 3kΩ to GND	±5	±7.8		V
I_{TIL}	Input leakage current				±40	µA
V_{TIL}	Input logic threshold low		0.8			V
V_{TIH}	Input logic threshold high				2	V
SR_T	Transition slew rate	T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5V R_L = 3 to 7kΩ, C_L = 50 to 2500pF (1)		7	30	V/µs
D_R	Data rate	(2)	120	220		kbits/s
R_{TOUT}	Transmitter output resistance	V_{CC} = V+ = V- = 0V V_{OUT} = ±2V	300			Ω
I_{SC}	Transmitter output short circuit current	One T_{XOUT} to GND		±10	±60	mA

1. Measured from 3 V to -3 V or from -3 V to 3 V
2. One transmitter output is loaded with R_L = 3 kΩ to 7 kΩ, C_L = 50 to 1000 pF

Table 6. Receiver electrical characteristics

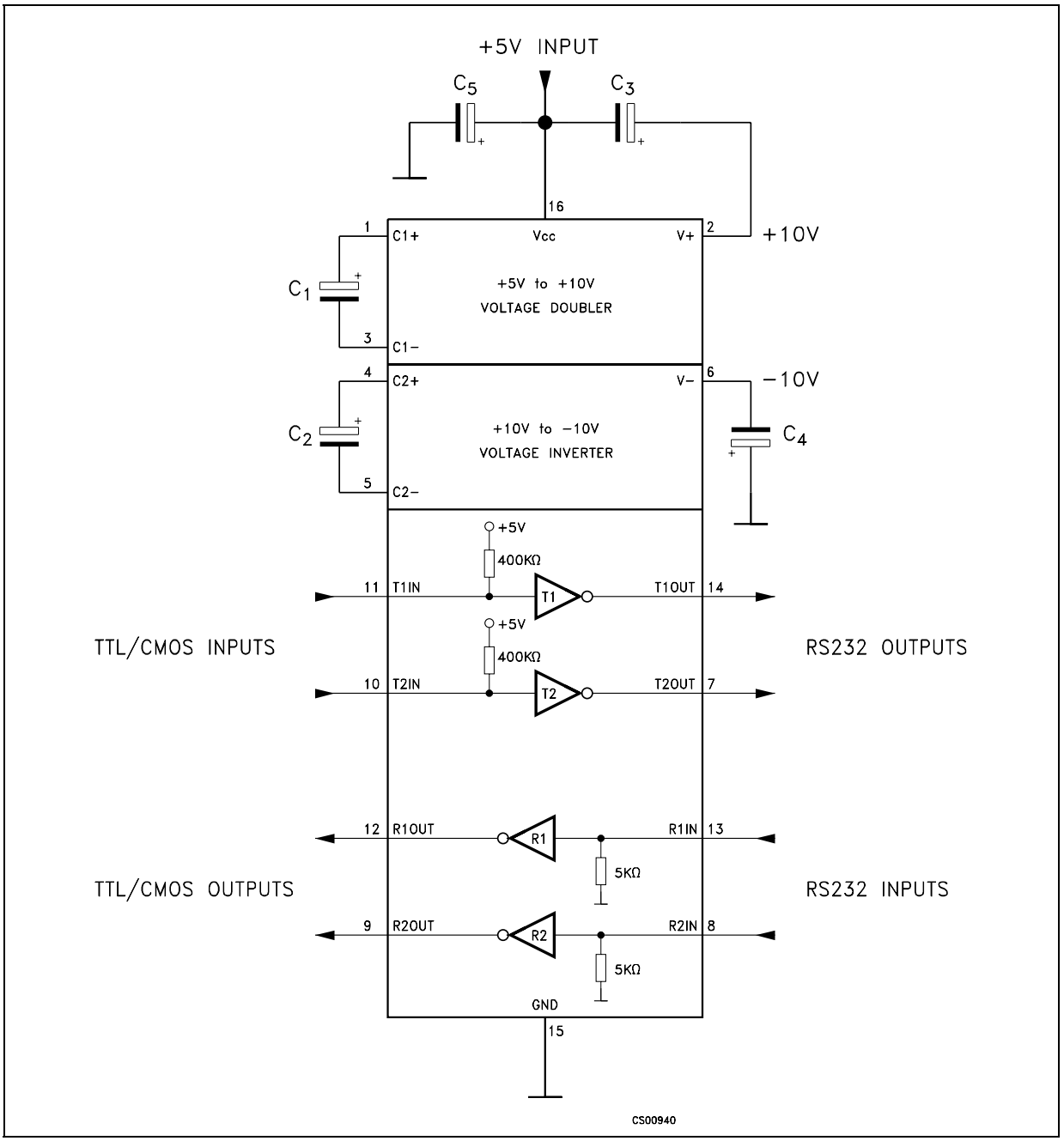
(C_1 - C_4 = 0.1 µF, V_{CC} = 5 V ± 10 %, T_A = -40 to 85 °C, unless otherwise specified. Typical values are referred to T_A = 25 °C).

Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
V_{RIN}	Receiver input voltage operating range		-30		30	V
R_{RIN}	RS-232 input resistance	T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5 V, V_{RIN} = 5V	3	5	7	kΩ
V_{RIL}	RS-232 input threshold low	T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5 V	0.8	1.2		V
V_{RIH}	RS-232 input threshold high	T_A = 25°C, V_{CC} = 5 V		1.7	2.4	V
V_{RIHYS}	RS-232 input hysteresis	V_{CC} = 5V	0.2	0.5	1	V
V_{ROL}	TTL/CMOS output voltage low	I_{OUT} = 3.2mA (to V_{CC})			0.4	V
V_{ROH}	TTL/CMOS output voltage high	I_{OUT} = -1mA (to GND)	3.5	V_{CC}-0.4		V
I_{SCR}	Receiver output short circuit current			±10		mA
t_{DR}	Receiver propagation delay	C_L = 150pF (1)		0.3	1	µs

1. RS-232 in to TTL-CMOS out (from 50% to 50%)

4 Typical application

Figure 2. Application circuit (1) (2)



1. $C_{1\text{-}4}$ capacitors can even be 1µF ones
2. $C_{1\text{-}4}$ can be common or biased capacitors

Table 7. Capacitance value (µF)

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

5 Typical performance characteristics

(Unless otherwise specified T_J = 25 °C)

Figure 3. Supply current vs temperature

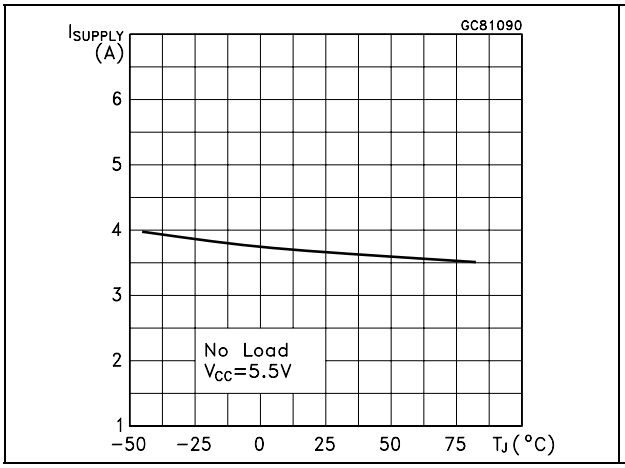


Figure 4. Data rate vs temperature

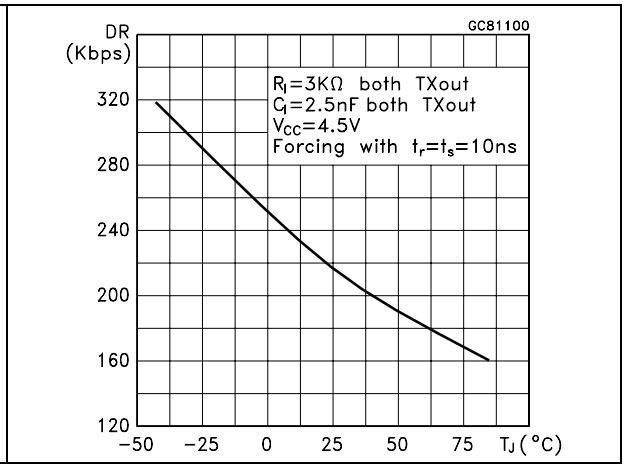
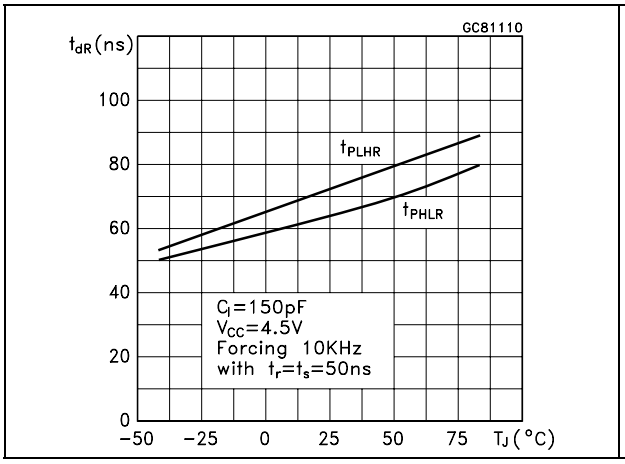


Figure 5. Receiver propagation delay



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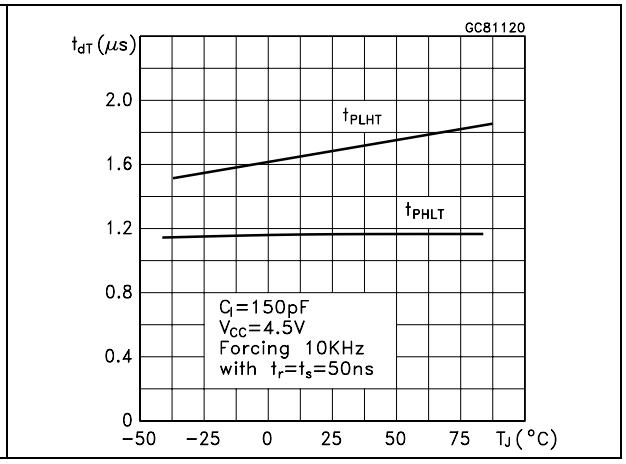


Figure 7. High level output voltage swing vs temperature

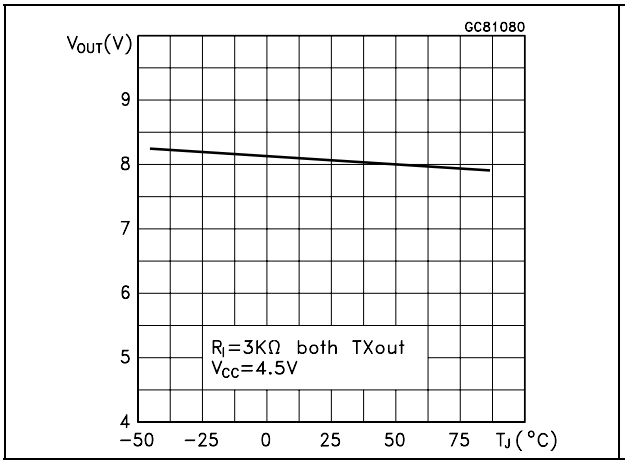


Figure 8. Low level output voltage swing vs temperature

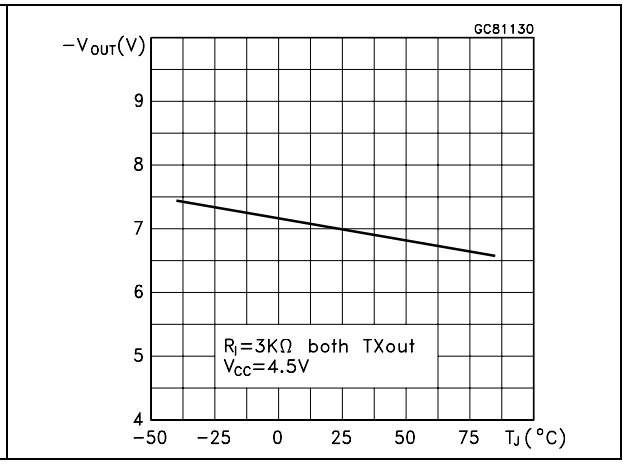
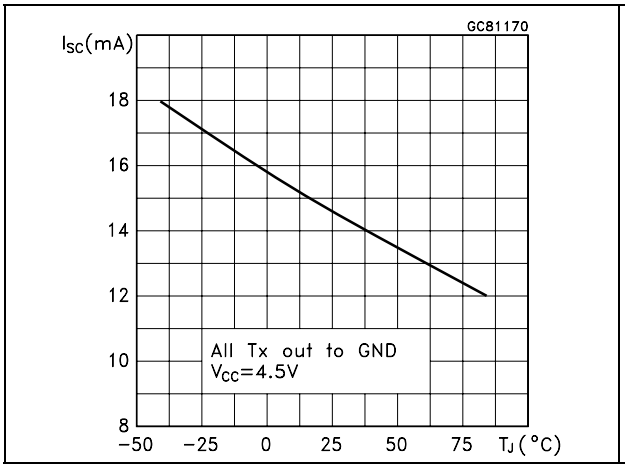


Figure 9. High level transmitter output short circuit current vs temperature



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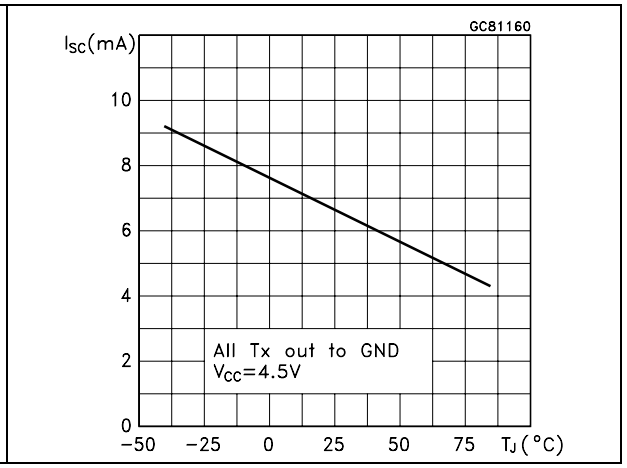

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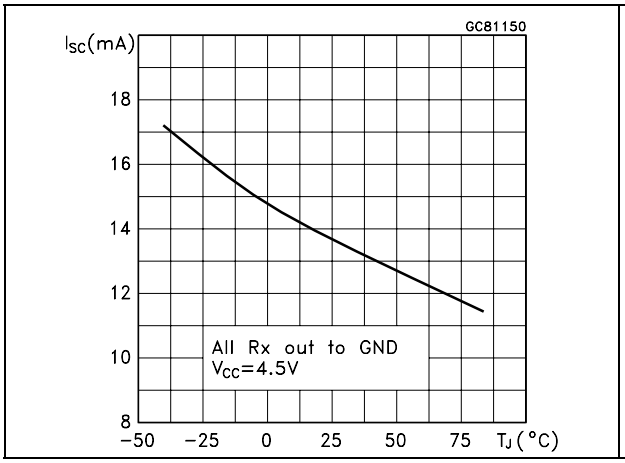

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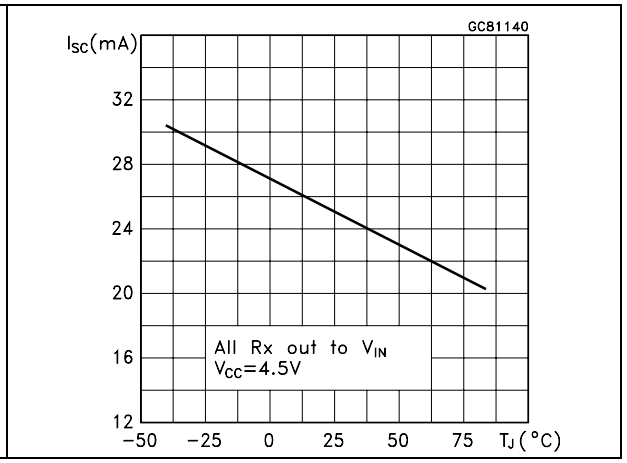

Plastic DIP-16 (0.25) mechanical data

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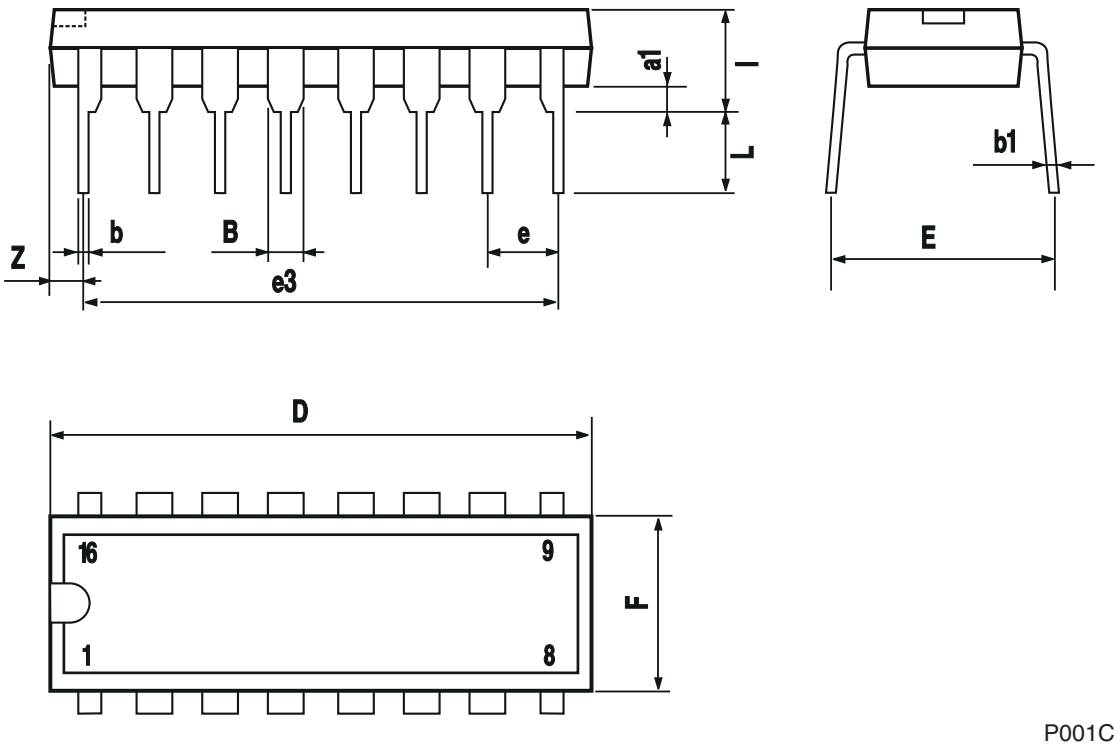
a1	0.51			0.020		
B	0.77		1.65	0.030		0.065
b		0.5			0.020	
b1		0.25			0.010	
D			20			0.787
E		8.5			0.335	
e		2.54			0.100	
e3		17.78			0.700	
F			7.1			0.280
I			5.1			0.201
L		3.3			0.130	
Z			1.27			0.050



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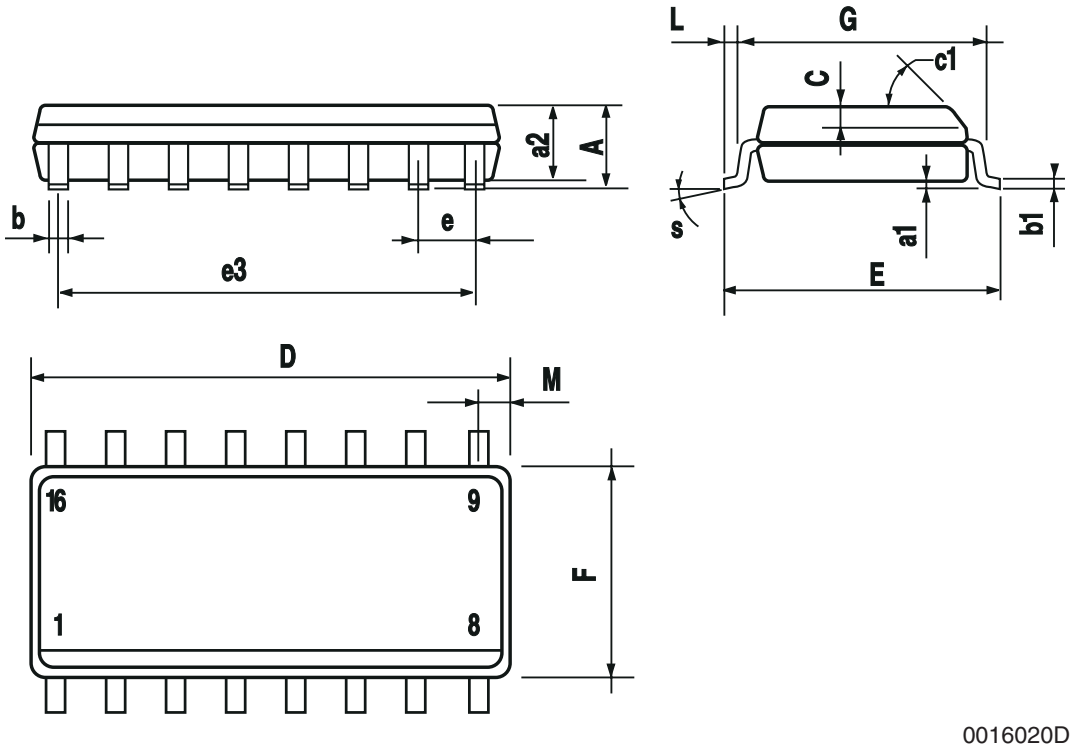
SO-16 mechanical data

Dim.	mm.			inch.		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A			1.75			0.068
a1	0.1		0.25	0.004		0.010
a2			1.64			0.063
b	0.35		0.46	0.013		0.018
b1	0.19		0.25	0.007		0.010
C		0.5			0.019	
c1	45° (typ.)					
D	9.8		10	0.385		0.393
E	5.8		6.2	0.228		0.244
e		1.27			0.050	
e3		8.89			0.350	
F	3.8		4.0	0.149		0.157
G	4.6		5.3	0.181		0.208
L	0.5		1.27	0.019		0.050
M			0.62			0.024
S	8° (max.)					



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SO-16L mechanical data

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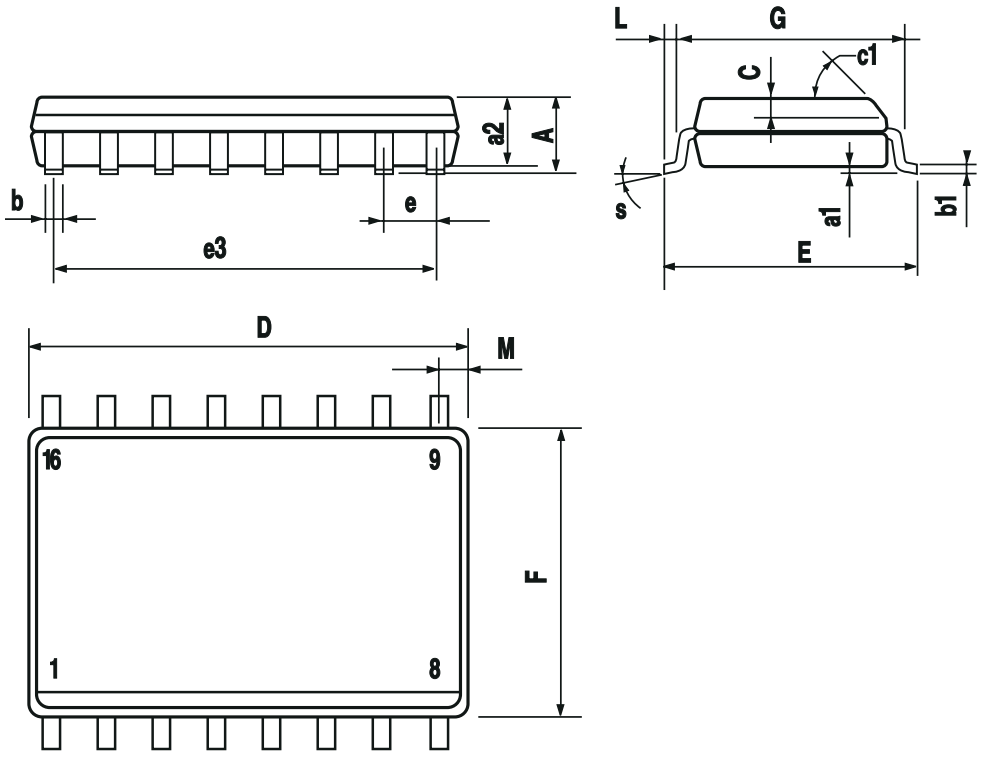
A			2.65			0.104
a1	0.1		0.2	0.004		0.008
a2			2.45			0.096
b	0.35		0.49	0.014		0.019
b1	0.23		0.32	0.009		0.012
C		0.5			0.020	
c1	45° (typ.)					
D	10.1		10.5	0.397		0.413
E	10.0		10.65	0.393		0.419
e		1.27			0.050	
e3		8.89			0.350	
F	7.4		7.6	0.291		0.300
G						
L	0.5		1.27	0.020		0.050
M			0.75			0.029
S	8° (max.)					



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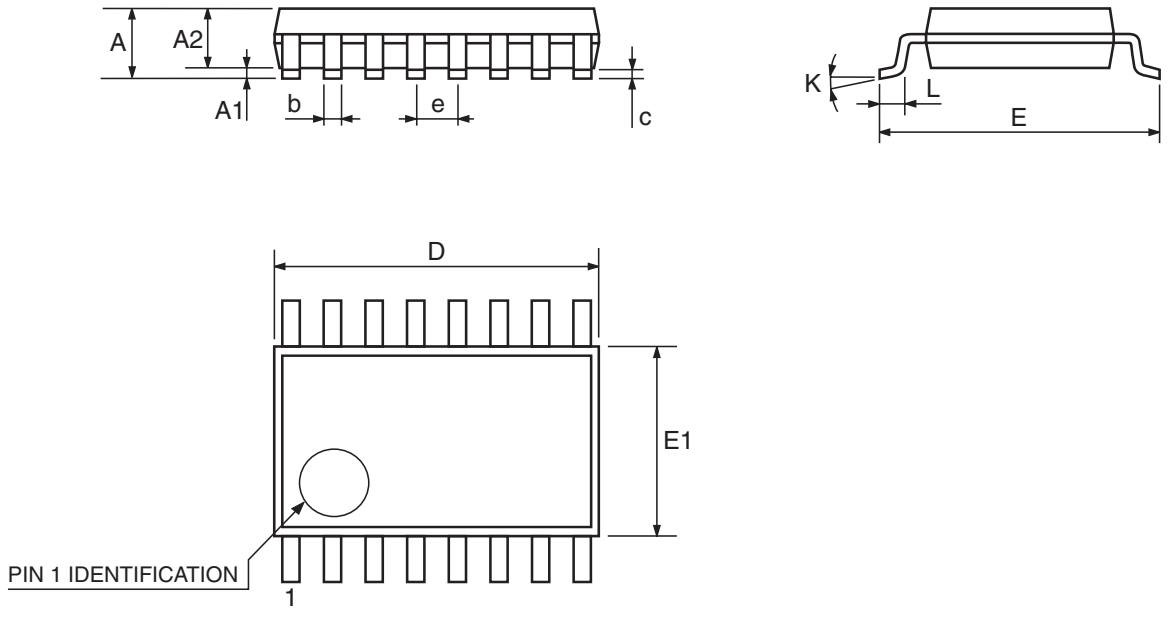
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A2	0.8	1	1.05	0.031	0.039	0.041
b	0.19		0.30	0.007		0.012
c	0.09		0.20	0.004		0.0079
D	4.9	5	5.1	0.193	0.197	0.201
E	6.2	6.4	6.6	0.244	0.252	0.260
E1	4.3	4.4	4.48	0.169	0.173	0.176
e		0.65 BSC			0.0256 BSC	
K	0°		8°	0°		8°
L	0.45	0.60	0.75	0.018	0.024	0.030