



## LEVEL TRANSLATING I<sup>2</sup>C-BUS REPEATER

### ■ DESCRIPTION

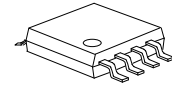
The UTC **UCA9517** is a CMOS integrated circuit that provides level shifting between low voltage (down to 0.9 V) and higher voltage (2.7V to 5.5V) I<sup>2</sup>C-bus or SMBus applications. While retaining all the operating modes and features of the I<sup>2</sup>C-bus system during the level shifts, it also permits extension of the I<sup>2</sup>C-bus by providing bidirectional buffering for both the data (SDA) and the clock (SCL) lines using the UTC **UCA9517** enables the system designer to isolate two halves of a bus for both voltage and capacitance. The SDA and SCL pins are over voltage tolerant and are high-impedance when the UTC **UCA9517** is unpowered.

The UTC **UCA9517** drivers are not enabled unless V<sub>CCA</sub> is above 0.8V and V<sub>CC</sub> is above 2.5V. The EN pin can also be used to turn the drivers on and off under system control. Caution should be observed to only change the state of the enable pin when the bus is idle.

The output pull-down on the B-side internal buffer LOW is set for approximately 0.5V, but the input voltage must be 80 mV or more below the output low level when the output internally is driven low. When the B-side I/O is driven LOW internally, the LOW is not recognized as a LOW by the input. This prevents a lock-up condition from occurring. The output pull-down on the A-side drives a hard LOW and the input level is set at 0.25×V<sub>CCA</sub> to accommodate the need for a lower LOW level in systems where the low voltage side supply voltage is as low as 0.9V.

### ■ FEATURES

- \* Voltage level translation from 0.9V to 5.5V and from 2.7V to 5.5V
- \* I<sup>2</sup>C-bus and SMBus compatible
- \* Active HIGH repeater enable input
- \* Open-drain input/outputs
- \* Lock-up free operation
- \* Supports arbitration and clock stretching across the repeater
- \* Accommodates Standard mode and Fast mode I<sup>2</sup>C-bus devices and multiple masters
- \* Powered-off high-impedance I<sup>2</sup>C-bus pins
- \* A-side operating supply voltage range of 0.9V to 5.5V
- \* B-side operating supply voltage range of 2.7V to 5.5V
- \* 5 V tolerant I<sup>2</sup>C-bus and enable pins
- \* 0 Hz to 400 kHz clock frequency (the maximum system operating frequency may be less than 400 kHz because of the delays added by the repeater).



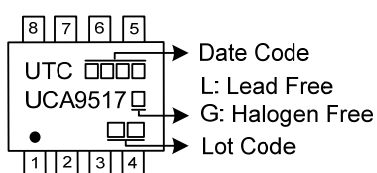
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## ■ ORDERING INFORMATION

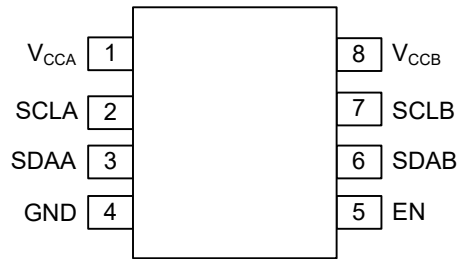
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| Lead Free       | Halogen Free   |         |           |
| UCA9517L-SM1-R  | UCA9517G-SM1-R | MSOP-8  | Tape Reel |

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| UCA9517G-SM1-R | <p>(1) Packing Type</p> <p>(2) Package Type</p> <p>(3) Green Package</p> | <p>(1) R: Tape Reel</p> <p>(2) SM1: MSOP-8</p> <p>(3) G: Halogen Free and Lead Free, L: Lead Free</p> |
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## ■ MARKING



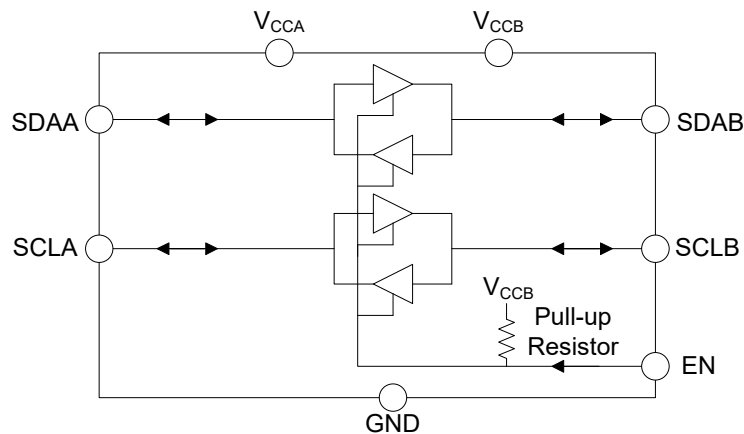
## ■ PIN CONFIGURATION



## ■ PIN DESCRIPTION

| PIN NO. | PIN NAME  | DESCRIPTION                          |
|---------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1       | $V_{CCA}$ | A-side supply Voltage (0.9V to 5.5V) |
| 2       | SCLA      | Serial clock A-side bus              |
| 3       | SDAA      | Serial data A-side bus               |
| 4       | GND       | Supply ground (0V)                   |
| 5       | EN        | Active HIGH repeater enable input    |
| 6       | SDAB      | Serial data B-side bus               |
| 7       | SCLB      | Serial clock B-side bus              |
| 8       | $V_{CCB}$ | B-side supply Voltage (2.7V to 5.5V) |

## ■ BLOCK DIAGRAM



■ ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATING (unless otherwise specified)(Note 1)

| PARAMETER  | SYMBOL           | CONDITIONS   | RATINGS    | UNIT |
|--|------------------|--------------|------------|------|
| Supply Voltage, A-Side Bus                             | V <sub>CCA</sub> | Adjustable   | -0.5 ~ 7.0 | V    |
| Supply Voltage, B-Side Bus                             | V <sub>CCB</sub> | 2.7V to 5.5V | -0.5 ~ 7.0 | V    |
| Voltage On I <sup>2</sup> C-bus B-side, or Enable (EN) | V <sub>BUS</sub> |              | -0.5 ~ 7.0 | V    |
| DC Current   | I <sub>I</sub>   | Any Pin      | 50         | mA   |
| Total Power Dissipation                                | P <sub>D</sub>   |              | 100        | mW   |
| Junction Temperature                                   | T <sub>J</sub>   |              | +125       | °C   |
| Storage Temperature                                    | T <sub>STG</sub> |              | -55 ~ +125 | °C   |

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

■ RECOMMENDED OPERATING COMDITIONS

| PARAMETER           | SYMBOL         | CONDITIONS            | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Ambient Temperature | T <sub>A</sub> | Operating in Free Air | -40 |     | +85 | °C   |

■ ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V<sub>CC</sub>=2.7V to 5.5V, GND=0V, T<sub>A</sub>= -40 °C to +85 °C, unless otherwise specified)

| PARAMETER  | SYMBOL                            | TEST CONDITIONS  | MIN                      | TYP  | MAX                      | UNIT |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
| <b>SUPPLIES</b>  |                                   |  |                          |      |                          |      |
| Supply Voltage, B-Side Bus                             | V <sub>CCB</sub>                  |  | 2.7                      |      | 5.5                      | V    |
| Supply Voltage, A-Side Bus                             | V <sub>CCA</sub>                  | (Note 1)   | 0.9                      |      | 5.5                      | V    |
| Supply Current on Pin V <sub>CCA</sub>                 | I <sub>CC(VCCA)</sub>             |  |                          |      | 1                        | mA   |
| HIGH-State Supply Current                              | I <sub>CCH</sub>                  | Both Channels HIGH<br>V <sub>CC</sub> =5.5V, SDA <sub>n</sub> =SCL <sub>n</sub> =V <sub>CC</sub> |                          | 1.5  | 5                        | mA   |
| LOW-State Supply Current                               | I <sub>CCL</sub>                  | Both Channels LOW, V <sub>CC</sub> =5.5V<br>One SDA and one SCL=GND<br>Other SDA and SCL Open    |                          | 1.5  | 5                        | mA   |
| Quiescent Supply Current In Contention                 | I <sub>CCA<sub>c</sub></sub>      | V <sub>CC</sub> =5.5V, SDA <sub>n</sub> =SCL <sub>n</sub> =V <sub>CC</sub>                       |                          | 1.5  | 5                        | mA   |
| <b>INPUT AND OUTPUT SDAB AND SCLB</b>                  |                                   |  |                          |      |                          |      |
| HIGH-Level Input Voltage                               | V <sub>IH</sub>                   |  | 0.7<br>×V <sub>CCB</sub> |      | 5.5                      | V    |
| LOW- Level Input Voltage                               | V <sub>IL</sub>                   | (Note 2)   | -0.5                     |      | 0.3<br>×V <sub>CCB</sub> | V    |
| LOW- Level Input Voltage Contention                    | V <sub>ILc</sub>                  |  | -0.5                     | 0.4  |                          | V    |
| Input Clamping Voltage                                 | V <sub>IK</sub>                   | I <sub>I</sub> =18mA   |                          |      | -1.2                     | V    |
| Input Leakage Current                                  | I <sub>LI</sub>                   | V <sub>I</sub> =5.5V   |                          |      | ±1                       | μA   |
| LOW-Level Input Current                                | I <sub>IL</sub>                   | SDA, SCL, V <sub>I</sub> =0.2V   |                          |      | 10                       | μA   |
| LOW-Level Output Voltage                               | V <sub>OL</sub>                   | I <sub>OL</sub> =100μA or 6mA  | 0.47                     | 0.52 | 0.6                      | V    |
| LOW-Level Input Voltage Below Output LOW-Level Voltage | V <sub>OL</sub> -V <sub>ILC</sub> | Guaranteed by design   |                          | 80   |                          | mV   |
| HIGH- Level Output Leakage Current                     | I <sub>LOH</sub>                  | V <sub>O</sub> =3.6V   |                          |      | 10                       | μA   |
| Input / Output Capacitance                             | C <sub>IO</sub>                   | V <sub>I</sub> =3V or 0V, V <sub>CC</sub> =3.3V  |                          | 6    |                          | pF   |
|  |                                   | V <sub>I</sub> =3V or 0V, V <sub>CC</sub> =0V  |                          | 6    |                          | pF   |

## ■ ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (Cont.)

| PARAMETER                          | SYMBOL              | TEST CONDITIONS                                   | MIN                      | TYP | MAX                       | UNIT |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------|-----|---------------------------|------|
| INPUT AND OUTPUT SDAA AND SCLA     |                     |   |                          |     |                           |      |
| HIGH-Level Input Voltage           | V <sub>IH</sub>     |   | 0.7<br>×V <sub>CCA</sub> |     | 5.5                       | V    |
| LOW- Level Input Voltage           | V <sub>IL</sub>     | (Note 3)  | -0.5                     |     | 0.25<br>×V <sub>CCA</sub> | V    |
| Input Clamping Voltage             | V <sub>IK</sub>     | I <sub>I</sub> =-18mA                             |                          |     | -1.2                      | V    |
| Input Leakage Current              | I <sub>LI</sub>     | V <sub>I</sub> =3.6V                              |                          |     | ±1                        | uA   |
| LOW-Level Input Voltage            | I <sub>IL</sub>     | SDA, SCL, V <sub>I</sub> =0.2V                    |                          |     | 10                        | uA   |
| LOW- Level Output Voltage          | V <sub>OL</sub>     | I <sub>OL</sub> =6mA                              |                          | 0.1 | 0.2                       | V    |
| HIGH-Level Output Leakage Current  | I <sub>LOH</sub>    | V <sub>O</sub> =3.6V                              |                          |     | 10                        | uA   |
| Input/Output Capacitance           | C <sub>IO</sub>     | V <sub>I</sub> = 3V or 0V, V <sub>CC</sub> =3.3V  |                          | 6   |                           | pF   |
|                                    |                     | V <sub>I</sub> = 3V or 0V, V <sub>CC</sub> =0V    |                          | 6   |                           | pF   |
| ENABLE                             |                     |   |                          |     |                           |      |
| LOW- Level Input Voltage           | V <sub>IL</sub>     |   | -0.5                     |     | 0.3<br>×V <sub>CCB</sub>  | V    |
| HIGH- Level Input Voltage          | V <sub>IH</sub>     |   | 0.7<br>×V <sub>CCB</sub> |     | 5.5                       | V    |
| LOW- Level Input Current on Pin EN | I <sub>IL(EN)</sub> | V <sub>I</sub> =0.2V, EN<br>V <sub>CC</sub> =3.6V |                          | -10 | -30                       | uA   |
| Input Leakage Current              | I <sub>LI</sub>     |   | -1                       |     | +1                        | uA   |
| Input Capacitance                  | C <sub>i</sub>      | V <sub>I</sub> =3.0V or 0V                        |                          | 6   |                           | pF   |

Notes: 1. LOW-level supply voltage.

2.  $V_{IL}$  specification is for the first LOW level seen by the SDAB/SCLB lines.  $V_{ILC}$  is for the second and subsequent LOW levels seen by the SDAB/SCLB lines.

3.  $V_{IL}$  for A-side with envelope noise must be below  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  for stable performance.

## ■ DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS

( $V_{CC}=2.7V$  to  $5.5V$ ,  $GND=0V$ ,  $T_A=-40^{\circ}C$  to  $+85^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise specified) (Note 1, 2)

| PARAMETER                     | SYMBOL      | TEST CONDITIONS                            | MIN                          | TYP<br>(Note 3) | MAX | UNIT |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--|------------------------------|-----------------|-----|------|
| <b>SUPPLIES</b>               |             |  |                              |                 |     |      |
| LOW to HIGH Propagation Delay | $t_{PLH}$   | B-side to A-side (Note 4)<br>Figure 1      | 100                          | 170             | 250 | ns   |
| HIGH to LOW Propagation Delay | $t_{PHL}$   | B-side to A-side<br>Figure 2               | $V_{CCA} \leq 2.7V$ (Note 5) | 30              | 85  | 110  |
|                               |             |  | $V_{CCA} \geq 3V$            | 10              | 66  | 300  |
| LOW to HIGH Transition Time   | $t_{t(LH)}$ | A-Side, Figure 2                           | 10                           | 130             | 170 | ns   |
| HIGH to LOW Transition Time   | $t_{t(HL)}$ | A-Side, Figure 2                           | $V_{CCA} \leq 2.7V$ (Note 5) | 1               | 22  | 105  |
|                               |             |  | $V_{CCA} \geq 3V$            | 1               | 20  | 175  |
| LOW to HIGH Propagation Delay | $t_{PLH}$   | A-Side to B-side (Note 6)<br>Figure 3      | 25                           | 53              | 110 | ns   |
| HIGH to LOW Propagation Delay | $t_{PHL}$   | A-Side to B-side (Note 6)<br>Figure 3      | 60                           | 100             | 230 | ns   |
| LOW to HIGH Transition Time   | $t_{t(LH)}$ | B-Side, Figure 3                           | 120                          | 140             | 170 | ns   |
| HIGH to LOW Transition Time   | $t_{t(HL)}$ | B-Side, Figure 3                           | 30                           | 63              | 90  | ns   |
| SET-UP Time                   | $t_{su}$    | EN HIGH Before START Condition<br>(Note 7) | 100                          |                 |     | ns   |
| Hold Time                     | $t_h$       | EN HIGH After STOP Condition<br>(Note 7)   | 100                          |                 |     | ns   |

Notes: 1. Times are specified with loads of  $1.35k\Omega$  pull-up resistance and  $57pF$  load capacitance on the B-side, and  $1.35k\Omega$  pull-up resistance and  $57pF$  load capacitance on the A-side. Different load resistance and capacitance will alter the RC time constant, thereby changing the propagation delay and transition times.

2. Pull-up voltages are  $V_{CCA}$  on the A-side and  $V_{CCB}$  on the B-side.

3. Typical values were measured with  $V_{CCA} = 3.3V$  at  $T_A=25^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise noted.

4. The  $t_{PLH}$  delay data from B-side to A-side is measured at  $0.5V$  on the B-side to  $0.5 \times V_{CCA}$  on the A-side when  $V_{CCA}$  is less than  $2V$ , and  $1.5V$  on the A-side if  $V_{CCA}$  is greater than  $2V$

5. Typical value measured with  $V_{CCA} = 2.7V$  at  $T_A=25^{\circ}C$

6. The proportional delay data from A-side to B-side is measured at  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  on the A-side to  $1.5V$  on the B-side.

7. The enable pin, EN, should only change state when the global bus and the repeater port are in an idle state

## ■ TEST CIRCUIT AND WAVEFORMS

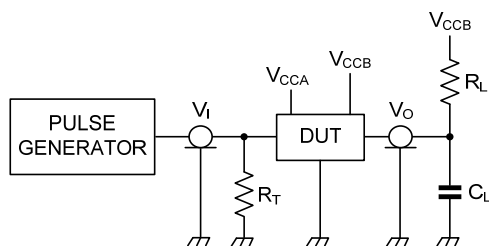


Fig 1. Test Circuit For Open-Drain Output

Notes:

1.  $R_L$  = Load Resistor, 1.35k $\Omega$ .

$C_L$  = load capacitance includes jig and probe capacitance; 57pF

$R_T$  = termination resistance should be equal to  $Z_O$  of pulse generators

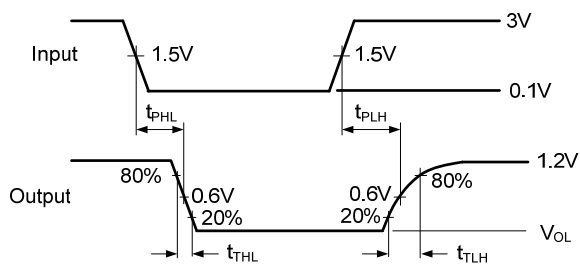


Fig 2. Propagation delay and transition times; Port B to Port A

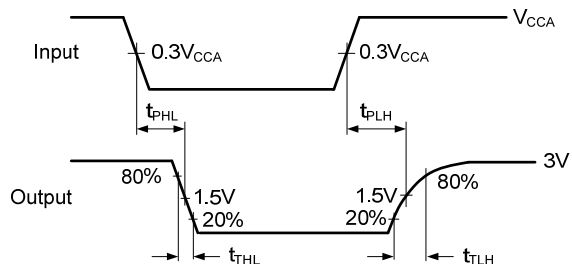


Fig 3. Propagation delay and transition times; Port A to Port B

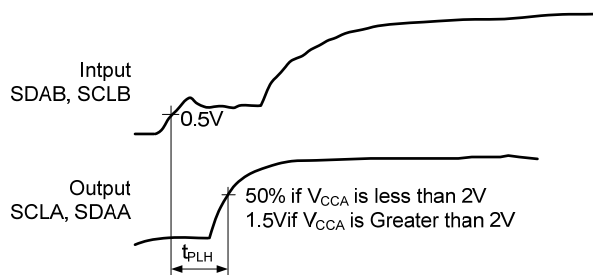


Fig 4. Propagation delay

## ■ FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The UTC **UCA9517** enables I<sup>2</sup>C-bus or SMBus translation down to  $V_{CCA}$  as low as 0.9V without degradation of system performance. The UTC **UCA9517** contains two bidirectional open-drain buffers specifically designed to support up-translation/down-translation between the low voltage (as low as 0.9V) and a 3.3V or 5V I<sup>2</sup>C-bus or SMBus. All inputs and I/Os are overvoltage tolerant to 5.5 V even when the device is unpowered ( $V_{CCB}$  and/or  $V_{CCA} = 0V$ ). The UTC **UCA9517** includes a power-up circuit that keeps the output drivers turned off until  $V_{CCB}$  is above 2.5V and the  $V_{CCA}$  is above 0.8V.  $V_{CCB}$  and  $V_{CCA}$  can be applied in any sequence at power-up. After power-up and with the enable (EN) HIGH, a LOW level on the A-side (below  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$ ) turns the corresponding B-side driver (either SDA or SCL) on and drives the B-side down to about 0.5V. When the A-side rises above  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  the B-side pull-down driver is turned off and the external pull-up resistor pulls the pin HIGH. When the B-side falls first and goes below  $0.3 \times V_{CCB}$  the A-side driver is turned on and the A-side pulls down to 0 V. The B-side pull-down is not enabled unless the B-side voltage goes below 0.4V. If the B-side low voltage does not go below 0.5V, the A-side driver will turn off when the B-side voltage is above  $0.7 \times V_{CCB}$ . If the B-side low voltage goes below 0.4V, the B-side pull-down driver is enabled and the B-side will only be able to rise to 0.5V until the A-side rises above  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$ , then the B-side will continue to rise being pulled up by the external pull-up resistor. The  $V_{CCA}$  is only used to provide the  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  reference to the A-side input comparators and for the power good detect circuit. The UTC **UCA9517** logic and all I/Os are powered by the  $V_{CCB}$  pin.

### Enable

The EN pin is active HIGH with an internal pull-up to  $V_{CCB}$  and allows the user to select when the repeater is active. This can be used to isolate a badly behaved slave on power-up until after the system power-up reset. It should never change state during an I<sup>2</sup>C-bus operation because disabling during a bus operation will hang the bus and enabling part way through a bus cycle could confuse the I<sup>2</sup>C-bus parts being enabled.

The enable pin should only change state when the global bus and the repeater port are in an idle state to prevent system failures.

### I<sup>2</sup>C-bus systems

As with the standard I<sup>2</sup>C-bus system, pull-up resistors are required to provide the logic HIGH levels on the buffered bus (standard open-collector configuration of the I<sup>2</sup>C-bus). The size of these pull-up resistors depends on the system, but each side of the repeater must have a pull-up resistor. This part designed to work with Standard mode and Fast mode I<sup>2</sup>C-bus devices in addition to SMBus devices. Standard mode I<sup>2</sup>C-bus devices only specify 3mA output drive; this limits the termination current to 3mA in a generic I<sup>2</sup>C-bus system where Standard mode devices and multiple masters are possible. Under certain conditions higher termination currents can be used.

## ■ TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUIT

A typical application is shown in Figure 5. In this example, the system master is running on a 3.3V I<sup>2</sup>C-bus while the slave is connected to a 1.2V bus. Both buses run at 400 kHz. Master devices can be placed on either bus.

The UTC **UCA9517** is 5V tolerant, so it does not require any additional circuitry to translate between 0.9V to 5.5V bus voltages and 2.7V to 5.5V bus voltages. When the A-side of the UTC **UCA9517** is pulled LOW by a driver on the I<sup>2</sup>C-bus, a comparator detects the falling edge when it goes below  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  and causes the internal driver on the B-side to turn on, causing the B-side to pull down to about 0.5V. When the B-side of the UTC **UCA9517** falls, first a CMOS hysteresis type input detects the falling edge and causes the internal driver on the A-side to turn on and pull the A-side pin down to ground.

On the B bus side of the UTC **UCA9517**, the clock and data lines would have a positive offset from ground equal to the VOL of the UTC **UCA9517**. After the 8th clock pulse, the data line will be pulled to the VOL of the slave device which is very close to ground in this example. At the end of the acknowledge, the level rises only to the LOW level set by the driver in the UTC **UCA9517** for a short delay while the A bus side rises above  $0.25 \times V_{CCA}$  then it continues HIGH. It is important to note that any arbitration or clock stretching events require that the LOW level on the B bus side at the input of the UTC **UCA9517** ( $V_{IL}$ ) be at or below 0.4V to be recognized by the UTC **UCA9517** and then transmitted to the A bus side.

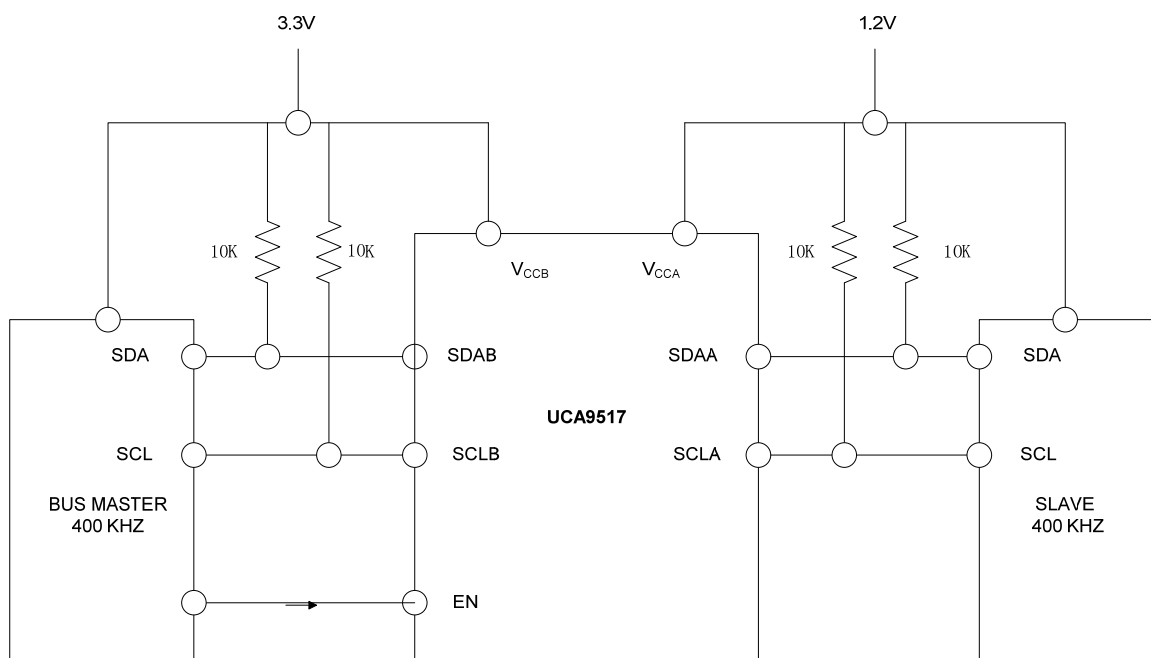


Fig5. Typical Application

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