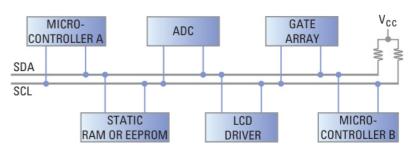
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# I<sup>2</sup>C and Serial Bus Devices

# I<sup>2</sup>C and Serial Bus Background

A complete  $I^2C$  system usually has at least one microcontroller, peripheral memory, hard disk, graphic chip, and other I/O subsystems. The  $I^2C$  bus is popular in computing, consumer electronics, and communications since it allows easy communication between two systems through two signal lines called SDA (Serial DAta line) and SCL (Serial CLock line). The  $I^2C$  bus has 3 modes of operation: Standard mode (0 to 100 kbps), Enhanced mode (0 to 400 kbps), and High-Speed mode (0 to 3.4 Mbps). Because all successive enhancements to the specification are backward compatible, mixed-mode communication is possible with the speed of the bus being controlled by the Bus Master chip.



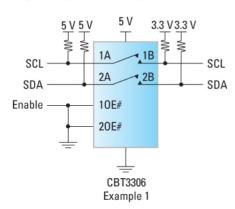
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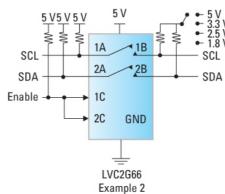
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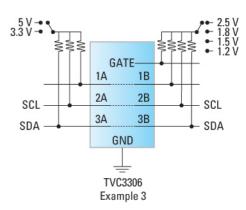
I<sup>2</sup>C-bus devices currently in the market range in supply voltage from 1.5 V to 5 V with commensurate I/O and threshold levels. Operating mixed threshold-level devices on the same bus requires level translation.

# I<sup>2</sup>C Bus Translation Solutions for mixed voltage levels:

The dual-channel signal switches shown below can be used to translate I<sup>2</sup>C signals (SDA and SCL) between mixed voltage levels as required by the IC's and system.





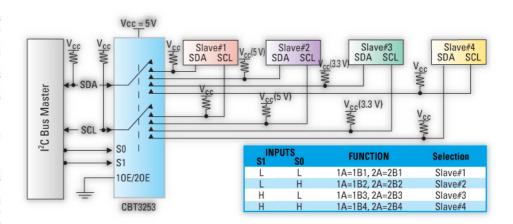


# Address conflict/bus contention:

I<sup>2</sup>C addresses for two different functions, such as LCD controller or temperature sensor, are intentionally unique to prevent bus contention. However, a problem arises when identical components are used more than once on a system. In this case, the designer may be forced to connect two devices with the same address to the bus. Addressing conflicts arise because there is no way to isolate one device from the others.

# I<sup>2</sup>C/SM Bus Multiplexer Solution for address conflict:

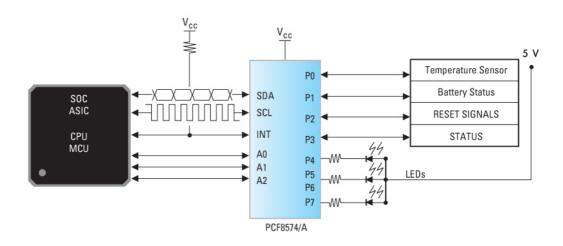
The CBT3253 is a near-zero delay, bi-directional, dual 1:4 multiplexer signal switch that operates at 5 V and is available in a tiny 16-pin QFN package. Data paths are selected through the use of control input select pins (S0 and S1). Using this device, the SDA and SCL signal pair can be fanned out to up to 4 downstream channels.



# PCF8574/A (8-BIT I/O Expander for I<sup>2</sup>C-Bus)

The PCF8574 and PCF8574A, which comply with Philips I<sup>2</sup>C protocol, provide an 8-bit, general-purpose, remote I/O expander for the I<sup>2</sup>C bus. These I/O expander devices have low current consumption and include latched outputs with high-current drive capability for directly driving LEDs.





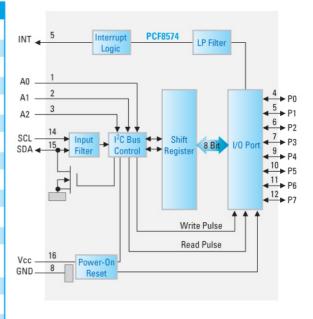
# **Features**

- Operating supply voltage 2.5 to 6 V
- Low standby current consumption of 10 uA maximum
- · I2C-bus to parallel port expander
- · Open-drain interrupt output
- 8-bit remote I/O port for the I<sup>2</sup>Cbus
- Compatible with most microcontrollers
- Latched outputs with high current drive capability for directly driving LEDs
- Address by 3 hardware address pins for use of up to 8 devices (up to 16 with PCF8574A)
- Drop-In replacement to Philips PCF8574/8574A

# **Pins Descriptions**

Symbol	Pin	Description
A0	1	Address input 0
A1	2	Address input 1
A2	3	Address input 2
P0	4	Bi-direction I/O 0
P1	5	Bi-direction I/O 1
P2	6	Bi-direction I/O 2
P3	7	Bi-direction I/O 3
GND	8	
P4	9	Bi-direction I/O 4
P5	10	Bi-direction I/O 5
P6	11	Bi-direction I/O 6
P7	12	Bi-direction I/O 7
INT	13	Interrupt Output (active low)
SCL	14	Serial Clock line
SDA	15	Serial data line
Vcc	16	Supply Voltage

# PCF8574/A Functional Block Diagram



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