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I2C OPTO-ISOLATOR CIRCUIT

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CIRCUIT OPTO-ISOLATEUR I2C

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO0139515A2] An opto-isolator circuit for providing isolation between a bi-directional, I2C transmission line and a pair of single-direction transmission lines. The opto-isolator circuit includes a bi-directional port for receiving data from, and providing data to, the bi-directional transmission line. The circuit further includes an output path that has (i) a first buffer for receiving outgoing data from the bi-directional port, (ii) a first opto-isolator for receiving the outgoing data from an output of the first buffer, and (iii) a second buffer for receiving the outgoing data from an output of the first opto-isolator and providing the outgoing data to an output port. The circuit also includes an input path, that has (i) a third buffer for receiving incoming data from an input port, (ii) a second opto-isolator for receiving the incoming data from an output of the third buffer, and (iii) a fourth buffer for receiving the incoming data from an output of the second opto-isolator. The fourth buffer provides the incoming data to the bi-directional port such that characteristics of the incoming data are compatible with I2C characteristics.  
[origin: WO0139515A2] An opto-isolator circuit (100) for providing isolation between a bi-directional, I2C transmission line and a pair of single-direction transmission lines (32, 34). The opto-isolator circuit (100) includes a bi-directional port (102) for receiving data from, and providing data to, the bi-directional transmission line. The circuit further includes an output path that has (i) a first buffer (108) for receiving outgoing data from the bi-directional port (102), (ii) a first opto-isolator (110) for receiving the outgoing data from an output of the first buffer (108), and (iii) a second buffer (112) for receiving the outgoing data from an output of the first opto-isolator (110) and providing the outgoing data to an output port (104). The circuit also includes an input path, that has (i) a third buffer (114) for receiving incoming data from an input port (106), (ii) a second opto-isolator (116) for receiving the incoming data from an output of the third buffer (114), and (iii) a fourth buffer (118) for receiving the incoming data from an output of the second opto-isolator (116). The fourth buffer (118) provides the incoming data to the bi-directional port (102) such that characteristics of the incoming data are compatible with I2C characteristics.

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