400 MHz Low Voltage PECL Clock Synthesizer

The MPC9229 is a 3.3V compatible, PLL based clock synthesizer targeted for high performance clock generation in mid-range to high-performance telecom, networking and computing applications. With output frequencies from 25 MHz to 400 MHz and the support of differential PECL output signals the device meets the needs of the most demanding clock applications.

Features

- 25 MHz to 400 MHz synthesized clock output signal
- · Differential PECL output
- LVCMOS compatible control inputs
- · On-chip crystal oscillator for reference frequency generation
- 3.3V power supply
- · Fully integrated PLL
- · Minimal frequency overshoot
- · Serial 3-wire programming interface
- · Parallel programming interface for power-up
- · 32 lead LQFP and 28 PLCC packaging
- · SiGe Technology
- Ambient temperature range 0°C to +70°C
- Pin and function compatible to the MC12429

Functional Description

The internal crystal oscillator uses the external quartz crystal as the basis of its frequency reference. The frequency of the internal crystal oscillator is divided by 16 and then multiplied by the PLL. The VCO within the PLL operates over a range of 800 to 1600 MHz. Its output is scaled by a divider that is configured by either the serial or parallel interfaces. The crystal oscillator frequency $f_{\mbox{\scriptsize XTAL}}$, the PLL feedback-divider M and the PLL post-divider N determine the output frequency.

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The feedback path of the PLL is internal. The PLL adjusts the VCO output frequency to be 4·M times the reference frequency by adjusting the VCO control voltage. Note that for some values of M (either too high or too low) the PLL will not achieve phase lock. The PLL will be stable if the VCO frequency is within the specified VCO frequency range (800 to 1600 MHz). The M-value must be programmed by the serial or parallel interface.

The PLL post-divider N is configured through either the serial or the parallel interfaces, and can provide one of four division ratios (1, 2, 4, or 8). This divider extends performance of the part while providing a 50% duty cycle. The output driver is driven differentially from the output divider, and is capable of driving a pair of transmission lines terminated 50Ω to $V_{CC}-2.0V$. The positive supply voltage for the internal PLL is separated from the power supply for the core logic and output drivers to minimize noise induced jitter.

The configuration logic has two sections: serial and parallel. The parallel interface uses the values at the M[8:0] and N[1:0] inputs to configure the internal counters. It is recommended on system reset to hold the $\overline{P_LOAD}$ input LOW until power becomes valid. On the LOW–to–HIGH transition of $\overline{P_LOAD}$, the parallel inputs are captured. The parallel interface has priority over the serial interface. Internal pullup resistors are provided on the M[8:0] and N[1:0] inputs prevent the LVCMOS compatible control inputs from floating.

The serial interface centers on a fourteen bit shift register. The shift register shifts once per rising edge of the S_CLOCK input. The serial input S_DATA must meet setup and hold timing as specified in the AC Characteristics section of this document. The configuration latches will capture the value of the shift register on the HIGH—to—LOW edge of the S_LOAD input. See the programming section for more information. The TEST output reflects various internal node values, and is controlled by the T[2:0] bits in the serial data stream. In order to minimize the PLL jitter, it is recommended to avoid active signal on the TEST output.





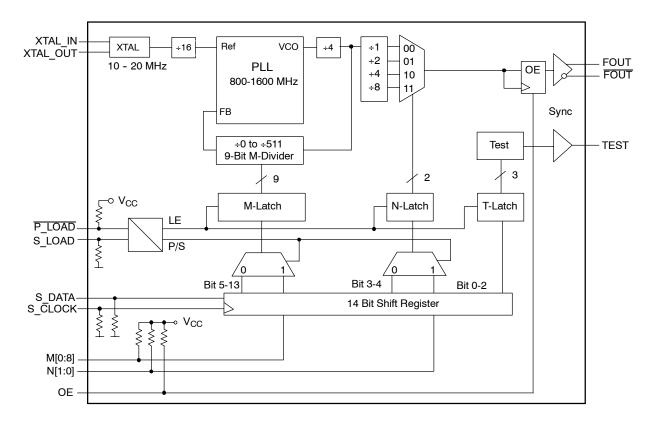


Figure 1. MPC9229 Logic Diagram

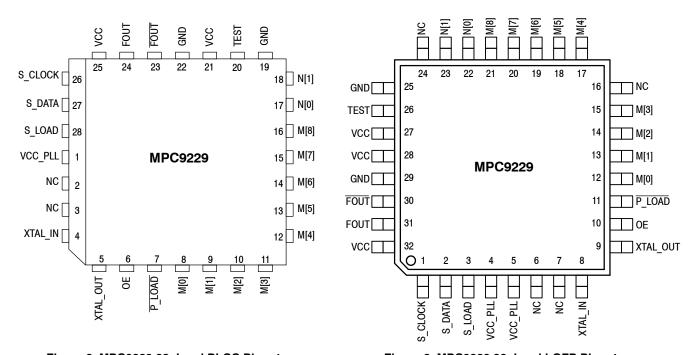


Figure 2. MPC9229 28-Lead PLCC Pinout (Top View)

Figure 3. MPC9229 32-Lead LQFP Pinout (Top View)

Table 1. Pin Configuration

| Pin | I/O | Default | Type | Function |
|-------------------|--------|---------|-----------------|---|
| XTAL_IN, XTAL_OUT | | | Analog | Crystal oscillator interface |
| FOUT, FOUT | Output | | LVPECL | Differential clock output |
| TEST | Output | | LVCMOS | Test and device diagnosis output |
| S_LOAD | Input | 0 | LVCMOS | Serial configuration control input. This inputs controls the loading of the configuration latches with the contents of the shift register. The latches will be transparent when this signal is high, thus the data must be stable on the high-to-low transition. |
| P_LOAD | Input | 1 | LVCMOS | Parallel configuration control input. This input controls the loading of the configuration latches with the content of the parallel inputs (M and N). The latches will be transparent when this signal is low, thus the parallel data must be stable on the low-to-high transition of P_LOAD. P_LOAD is state sensitive |
| S_DATA | Input | 0 | LVCMOS | Serial configuration data input. |
| S_CLOCK | Input | 0 | LVCMOS | Serial configuration clock input. |
| M[0:8] | Input | 1 | LVCMOS | Parallel configuration for PLL feedback divider (M). M is sampled on the low-to-high transition of P_LOAD. |
| N[1:0] | Input | 1 | LVCMOS | Parallel configuration for Post-PLL divider (N). N is sampled on the low-to-high transition of P_LOAD |
| OE | Input | 1 | LVCMOS | Output enable (active high) The output enable is synchronous to the output clock to eliminate the possibility of runt pulses on the F_{OUT} output. OE = L low stops F_{OUT} in the logic low state $(F_{OUT} = L, \overline{FOUT} = H)$ |
| GND | Supply | Supply | Ground | Negative power supply (GND) |
| V _{CC} | Supply | Supply | V _{CC} | Positive power supply for I/O and core. All V_{CC} pins must be connected to the positive power supply for correct operation |
| VCC_PLL | Supply | Supply | V _{CC} | PLL positive power supply (analog power supply) |

Table 2. Output frequency range and PLL Post-divider N

| | • | 1 , 3 | |
|---|---|-----------------|------------------------|
| ı | V | | _ |
| 1 | 0 | Output division | Output frequency range |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 200 - 400 MHz |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 100 - 200 MHz |
| 1 | 0 | 4 | 50 - 100 MHz |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 25 - 50 MHz |

Table 3. General Specifications

| Symbol | Characteristics | Min | Тур | Max | Unit | Condition |
|-----------------|--|------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| V _{TT} | Output Termination Voltage | | V _{CC} - 2 | | V | |
| MM | ESD protection (Machine Model) | 200 | | | V | |
| HBM | ESD protection (Human Body Model) | 2000 | | | V | |
| LU | Latch-Up Immunity | 200 | | | mA | |
| C _{IN} | Input Capacitance | | 4.0 | | pF | Inputs |
| θЈΑ | LQFP 32 Thermal resistance junction to ambient JESD 51-3, single layer test board JESD 51-6, 2S2P multilayer test board | | 83.1 73.3 68.9 63.8 57.4 | 86.0 75.4 70.9 65.3 59.6 | °C/W °C/W °C/W °C/W °C/W | Natural convection 100 ft/min 200 ft/min 400 ft/min 800 ft/min |
| | JESD 51-6, 252F Illululayer lest board | | 54.4 52.5 50.4 47.8 | 55.7 53.8 51.5 48.8 | °C/W °C/W °C/W °C/W | 100 ft/min 200 ft/min 400 ft/min 800 ft/min |
| θЈС | LQFP 32 Thermal resistance junction to case | | 23.0 | 26.3 | °C/W | MIL-SPEC 883E Method 1012.1 |

Table 4. Absolute Maximum Ratings^a

| Symbol | Characteristics | Min | Max | Unit | Condition |
|------------------|---------------------|------|-----------------------|------|-----------|
| V _{CC} | Supply Voltage | -0.3 | 3.9 | V | |
| V _{IN} | DC Input Voltage | -0.3 | V _{CC} + 0.3 | V | |
| V _{OUT} | DC Output Voltage | -0.3 | V _{CC} + 0.3 | V | |
| I _{IN} | DC Input Current | | ±20 | mA | |
| I _{OUT} | DC Output Current | | ±50 | mA | |
| T _S | Storage Temperature | -65 | 125 | °C | |

a. Absolute maximum continuous ratings are those maximum values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Exposure to these
conditions or conditions beyond those indicated may adversely affect device reliability. Functional operation at absolute-maximum-rated
conditions is not implied.

Table 5. DC Characteristics ($V_{CC} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$, $T_A = 0$ °C to +70°C)

| Symbol | Characteristics | Min | Тур | Max | Unit | Condition | | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| LVCMOS | LVCMOS control inputs (P_LOAD, S_LOAD, S_DATA, S_CLOCK, M[0:8], N[0:1], OE) | | | | | | | | |
| V _{IH} | Input High Voltage | 2.0 | | V _{CC} + 0.3 | V | LVCMOS | | | |
| V_{IL} | Input Low Voltage | | | 0.8 | V | LVCMOS | | | |
| I _{IN} | Input Current ^a | | | ±200 | μΑ | $V_{IN} = V_{CC}$ or GND | | | |
| Differential | clock output F _{OUT} ^b | | | | | | | | |
| V_{OH} | Output High Voltage ^c | V _{CC} -1.02 | | V _{CC} -0.74 | V | LVPECL | | | |
| V_{OL} | Output Low Voltage ^c | V _{CC} -1.95 | | V _{CC} -1.60 | V | LVPECL | | | |
| Test and di | agnosis output TEST | | | | | | | | |
| V _{OH} | Output High Voltage ^c | 2.0 | | | V | I _{OH} = -0.8 mA | | | |
| V _{OL} | Output Low Voltage ^c | | | 0.55 | V | $I_{OL} = 0.8 \text{ mA}$ | | | |
| Supply current | | | | | | | | | |
| I _{CC_PLL} | Maximum PLL Supply Current | | | 20 | mA | V _{CC_PLL} Pins | | | |
| I _{CC} | Maximum Supply Current | | | 100 | mA | All V _{CC} Pins | | | |

a. Inputs have pull-down resistors affecting the input current.

b. Outputs terminated 50Ω to V_{TT} = V_{CC} - 2V.

c. The MPC9229 TEST output levels are compatible to the MC12429 output levels.

Table 6. AC Characteristics ($V_{CC} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$, $T_A = 0^{\circ}C$ to $+70^{\circ}C$)^a

| Symbol | Characteristics | Min | Тур | Max | Unit | Condition |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|-----|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| f _{XTAL} | Crystal interface frequency range | 10 | | 20 | MHz | |
| f _{VCO} | VCO frequency range ^b | 800 | | 1600 | MHz | |
| f _{MAX} | Output Frequency | 200 100 50 25 | | 400 200 100 50 | MHz MHz MHz MHz | |
| DC | Output duty cycle | 45 | 50 | 55 | % | |
| t _r , t _f | Output Rise/Fall Time | 0.05 | | 0.3 | ns | 20% to 80% |
| fs_clock | Serial interface programming clock frequency ^c | 0 | | 10 | MHz | |
| t _{P,MIN} | Minimum pulse width (S_LOAD, P_LOAD) | 50 | | | ns | |
| t _S | Setup Time S_DATA to S_CLOCK S_CLOCK to S_LOAD M, N to P_LOAD | 20 20 20 | | | ns ns ns | |
| t _S | Hold Time S_DATA to S_CLOCK M, N to P_LOAD | 20 20 | | | ns ns | |
| t _{JIT(CC)} | Cycle-to-cycle jitter | | | 90 130 160 190 | ps ps ps ps | |
| t _{JIT(PER)} | Period Jitter | | | 70 120 140 170 | ps ps ps ps | |
| t _{LOCK} | Maximum PLL Lock Time | | | 10 | ms | |

a. AC characteristics apply for parallel output termination of 50Ω to $V_{TT.}$

b. The input frequency f_{XTAL} and the PLL feedback divider M must match the VCO frequency range: f_{VCO} = f_{XTAL} · M ÷ 4.
 c. The frequency of S_CLOCK is limited to 10 MHz in serial programming mode. S_CLOCK can be switched at higher frequencies when used as test clock in test mode 6. See application section for more details.

Programming the MPC9229

Programming the MPC9229 amounts to properly configuring the internal PLL dividers to produce the desired synthesized frequency at the output. The output frequency can be represented by this formula:

$$f_{OUT} = (f_{XTAL} \div 16) \cdot (4 \cdot M) \div (4 \cdot N) \text{ or}$$
 (1)

$$f_{OUT} = (f_{XTAL} \div 16) \cdot M \div N \tag{2}$$

where f_{XTAL} is the crystal frequency, M is the PLL feedback-divider and N is the PLL post-divider. The input frequency and the selection of the feedback divider M is limited by the VCO-frequency range. f_{XTAL} and M must be configured

to match the VCO frequency range of 800 to 1600 MHz in order to achieve stable PLL operation:

$$M_{MIN} = 4 \cdot f_{VCO,MIN} \div f_{XTAL}$$
 and (3)

$$M_{MAX} = 4 \cdot f_{VCO,MAX} \div f_{XTAL} \tag{4}$$

For instance, the use of a 16 MHz input frequency requires the configuration of the PLL feedback divider between M=200 and M = 400. Table 7 shows the usable VCO frequency and M divider range for other example input frequencies. Assuming that a 16 MHz input frequency is used, equation (2) reduces to:

$$f_{OUT} = M \div N \tag{5}$$

Table 7. MPC9229 Frequency Operating Range

| | | VCO f | VCO frequency for an crystal interface frequency of | | | | | | Output frequency for f _{XTAL} =16 MHz and for N = | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|---|------|------|------|------|-----|--|------|-------|--|
| М | M[8:0] | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 16 | |
| 160 | 010100000 | | | | | | 800 | | | | | |
| 170 | 010101010 | | | | | | 850 | | | | | |
| 180 | 010110100 | | | | | 810 | 900 | | | | | |
| 190 | 010111110 | | | | | 855 | 950 | | | | | |
| 200 | 011001000 | | | | 800 | 900 | 1000 | 200 | 100 | 50 | 25 | |
| 210 | 011010010 | | | | 840 | 945 | 1050 | 210 | 105 | 52.5 | 26.25 | |
| 220 | 011011100 | | | | 880 | 990 | 1100 | 220 | 110 | 55 | 27.50 | |
| 230 | 011100110 | | | 805 | 920 | 1035 | 1150 | 230 | 115 | 57.5 | 28.75 | |
| 240 | 011110000 | | | 840 | 960 | 1080 | 1200 | 240 | 120 | 60 | 30 | |
| 250 | 011111010 | | | 875 | 100 | 1125 | 1250 | 250 | 125 | 62.5 | 31.25 | |
| 260 | 100000100 | | | 910 | 1040 | 1170 | 1300 | 260 | 130 | 65 | 32.50 | |
| 270 | 100001110 | | 810 | 945 | 1080 | 1215 | 1350 | 270 | 135 | 67.5 | 33.75 | |
| 280 | 100011000 | | 840 | 980 | 1120 | 1260 | 1400 | 280 | 140 | 70 | 35 | |
| 290 | 100100010 | | 870 | 1015 | 1160 | 1305 | 1450 | 290 | 145 | 72.5 | 36.25 | |
| 300 | 100101100 | | 900 | 1050 | 1200 | 1350 | 1500 | 300 | 150 | 75 | 37.5 | |
| 310 | 100110110 | | 930 | 1085 | 1240 | 1395 | 1550 | 310 | 155 | 77.5 | 38.75 | |
| 320 | 101000000 | 800 | 960 | 1120 | 1280 | 1440 | 1600 | 320 | 160 | 80 | 40 | |
| 330 | 101001010 | 825 | 990 | 1155 | 1320 | 1485 | | 330 | 165 | 82.5 | 41.25 | |
| 340 | 101010100 | 850 | 1020 | 1190 | 1360 | 1530 | | 340 | 170 | 85 | 42.5 | |
| 350 | 101011110 | 875 | 1050 | 1225 | 1400 | 1575 | | 350 | 175 | 87.5 | 43.75 | |
| 360 | 101101000 | 900 | 1080 | 1260 | 1440 | | | 360 | 180 | 90 | 45 | |
| 370 | 101110010 | 925 | 1110 | 1295 | 1480 | | | 370 | 185 | 92.5 | 46.25 | |
| 380 | 101111100 | 950 | 1140 | 1330 | 1520 | | | 380 | 190 | 95 | 47.5 | |
| 390 | 110000110 | 975 | 1170 | 1365 | 1560 | | | 390 | 195 | 97.5 | 48.75 | |
| 400 | 110010000 | 1000 | 1200 | 1400 | 1600 | | | 400 | 200 | 100 | 50 | |
| 410 | 110011010 | 1025 | 1230 | 1435 | | | | | | | | |
| 420 | 110100100 | 1050 | 1260 | 1470 | | | | | | | | |
| 430 | 110101110 | 1075 | 1290 | 1505 | | | | | | | | |
| 440 | 110111000 | 1100 | 1320 | 1540 | | | | | | | | |
| 450 | 111000010 | 1125 | 1350 | 1575 | | | | | | | | |
| 510 | 111111110 | 1275 | 1530 | | | | | | | | | |

Substituting N for the four available values for N (1, 2, 4, 8) yields:

Table 8. Output Frequency Range for f_{XTAL} = 16 MHz

| N | | N | | F _{OUT} range | F _{OUT} step | |
|---|---|-------|-----|------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1 | 0 | Value | | | | |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | М | 200 - 400 MHz | 1 MHz | |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | M÷2 | 100 - 200 MHz | 500 kHz | |
| 1 | 0 | 4 | M÷4 | 50 - 100 MHz | 250 kHz | |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | M÷8 | 25 - 50 MHz | 125 kHz | |

Example frequency calculation for an 16 MHz input frequency

If an output frequency of 131 MHz was desired the following steps would be taken to identify the appropriate M and N values. According to Table 8, 131 MHz falls in the frequency set by an value of 2 so N[1:0] = 01. For N = 2 the output frequency is $F_{OUT} = M \div 2$ and $M = F_{OUT} \times 2$. Therefore $M = 2 \times 131 = 262$, so M[8:0] = 100000110. Following this procedure a user can generate any whole frequency between 25 MHz and 400 MHz. Note than for N > 2 fractional values of can be realized. The size of the programmable frequency steps (and thus the indicator of the fractional output frequencies achievable) will be equal to:

$$f_{STEP} = f_{XTAL} \div 16 \div N \tag{6}$$

Using the parallel and serial interface

The M and N counters can be loaded either through a parallel or serial interface. The parallel interface is controlled via the P LOAD signal such that a LOW to HIGH transition will latch the information present on the M[8:0] and N[1:0] inputs into the M and N counters. When the P LOAD signal is LOW the input latches will be transparent and any changes on the M[8:0] and N[1:0] inputs will affect the FOUT output pair. To use the serial port the S CLOCK signal samples the information on the S DATA line and loads it into a 14 bit shift register. Note that the P LOAD signal must be HIGH for the serial load operation to function. The Test register is loaded with the first three bits, the N register with the next two and the M register with the final eight bits of the data stream on the S DATA input. For each register the most significant bit is loaded first (T2, N1 and M8). A pulse on the S LOAD pin after the shift register is fully loaded will transfer the divide values into the counters. The HIGH to LOW transition on the S LOAD input will latch the new divide values into the counters. Figure 4 illustrates the timing diagram for both a parallel and a serial load of the MPC9229 synthesizer. M[8:0] and N[1:0] are normally specified once at power-up through the parallel interface, and then possibly again through the serial interface. This approach allows the application to come up at one frequency and then change or fine-tune the clock as the ability to control the serial interface becomes available.

Using the test and diagnosis output TEST

The TEST output provides visibility for one of the several internal nodes as determined by the T[2:0] bits in the serial configuration stream. It is not configurable through the parallel interface. Although it is possible to select the node that represents F_{OUT}, the CMOS output is not able to toggle fast enough for higher output frequencies and should only be used for test and diagnosis. The T2, T1 and T0 control bits are preset to '000' when P LOAD is LOW so that the PECL FOUT outputs are as jitter-free as possible. Any active signal on the TEST output pin will have detrimental affects on the jitter of the PECL output pair. In normal operations, jitter specifications are only guaranteed if the TEST output is static. The serial configuration port can be used to select one of the alternate functions for this pin. Most of the signals available on the TEST output pin are useful only for performance verification of the MPC9229 itself. However the PLL bypass mode may be of interest at the board level for functional debug. When T[2:0] is set to 110 the MPC9229 is placed in PLL bypass mode. In this mode the S CLOCK input is fed directly into the M and N dividers. The N divider drives the FOUT differential pair and the M counter drives the TEST output pin. In this mode the S CLOCK input could be used for low speed board level functional test or debug. Bypassing the PLL and driving FOUT directly gives the user more control on the test clocks sent through the clock tree. Figure 6 shows the functional setup of the PLL bypass mode. Because the S CLOCK is a CMOS level the input frequency is limited to 200 MHz. This means the fastest the F_{OUT} pin can be toggled via the S CLOCK is 100 MHz as the divide ratio of the Post-PLL divider is 2 (if N = 1). Note that the M counter output on the TEST output will not be a 50% duty cycle.

Table 9. Test and Debug Configuration for TEST

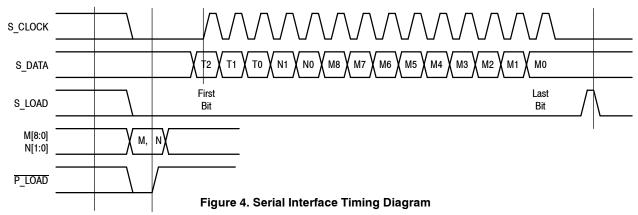
| | T[2:0] | | TEST output |
|----|--------|----|--|
| T2 | T1 | T0 | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 14-bit shift register out ^a |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | Logic 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | f _{XTAL} ÷ 16 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | M-Counter out |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | FOUT |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | Logic 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | M-Counter out in PLL-bypass mode |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | FOUT ÷ 4 |

a. Clocked out at the rate of S CLOCK

Table 10. Debug Configuration for PLL bypass^a

| Output | Configuration |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| F _{OUT} | S_CLOCK ÷ N |
| TEST | M-Counter out ^b |

- a. T[2:0]=110. AC specifications do not apply in PLL bypass mode.
- b. clocked out at the rate of S_CLOCK÷(4·N)



Power Supply Filtering

The MPC9229 is a mixed analog/digital product. Its analog circuitry is naturally susceptible to random noise, especially if this noise is seen on the power supply pins. Random noise on the VCC PLL pin impacts the device characteristics. The MPC9229 provides separate power supplies for the digital circuitry (VCC) and the internal PLL (VCC PLL) of the device. The purpose of this design technique is to try and isolate the high switching noise digital outputs from the relatively sensitive internal analog phase-locked loop. In a controlled environment such as an evaluation board, this level of isolation is sufficient. However, in a digital system environment where it is more difficult to minimize noise on the power supplies a second level of isolation may be required. The simplest form of isolation is a power supply filter on the VCC PLL pin for the MPC9229. Figure 5 illustrates a typical power supply filter scheme. The MPC9229 is most susceptible to noise with spectral content in the 1 kHz to 1 MHz range. Therefore, the filter should be designed to target this range. The key parameter that needs to be met in the final filter design is the DC voltage drop that will be seen between the VCC supply and the MPC9229 pin of the MPC9229. From the data sheet, the VCC PLL current (the current sourced through the VCC PLL pin) is maximum 20 mA, assuming that a minimum of 2.835 V must be maintained on the VCC PLL pin. The resistor shown in Figure 5 must have a resistance of 10-15 Ω to meet the voltage drop criteria. The RC filter pictured will provide a broadband filter with approximately 100:1 attenuation for noise whose spectral content is above 20 kHz. As the noise frequency crosses the series resonant point of an individual capacitor its overall impedance begins to look inductive and thus increases with increasing frequency. The parallel capacitor combination shown ensures that a low impedance path to ground exists for frequencies well above the bandwidth of the PLL. Generally, the resistor/capacitor filter will be cheaper, easier to implement and provide an adequate level of supply filtering. A higher level of attenuation can be achieved by replacing the resistor with an appropriate valued inductor. A 1000 μH choke will show a significant impedance at 10 kHz frequencies and above. Because of the current draw and the voltage that must be maintained on the VCC PLL pin, a low DC resistance inductor is required (less than 15 Ω).

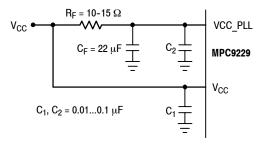


Figure 5. V_{CC PLL} Power Supply Filter

Layout Recommendations

The MPC9229 provides sub-nanosecond output edge rates and thus a good power supply bypassing scheme is a must. Figure 6 shows a representative board layout for the MPC9229. There exists many different potential board layouts and the one pictured is but one. The important aspect of the layout in Figure 6 is the low impedance connections between VCC and GND for the bypass capacitors. Combining good quality general purpose chip capacitors with good PCB layout techniques will produce effective capacitor resonances at frequencies adequate to supply the instantaneous switching current for the MPC9229 outputs. It is imperative that low inductance chip capacitors are used; it is equally important that the board layout does not introduce back all of the inductance saved by using the leadless capacitors. Thin interconnect traces between the capacitor and the power plane should be avoided and multiple large vias should be used to tie the capacitors to the buried power planes. Fat interconnect and large vias will help to minimize layout induced inductance and thus maximize the series resonant point of the bypass capacitors. Note the dotted lines circling the crystal oscillator connection to the device. The oscillator is a series resonant circuit and the voltage amplitude across the crystal is relatively small. It is imperative that no actively switching signals cross under the crystal as crosstalk energy coupled to these lines could significantly impact the jitter of the device. Special attention should be paid to the layout of the crystal to ensure a stable, jitter free interface between the crystal and the on-board oscillator. Although the MPC9229 has several design features to minimize the susceptibility to

power supply noise (isolated power and grounds and fully differential PLL), there still may be applications in which overall performance is being degraded due to system power supply noise. The power supply filter and bypass schemes discussed in this section should be adequate to eliminate power supply noise related problems in most designs.

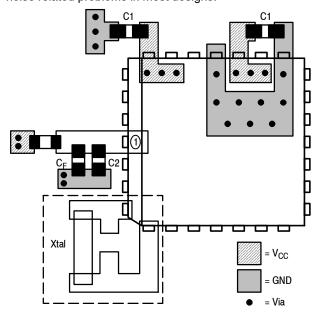


Figure 6. PCB Board Layout Recommendation for the PLCC28 Package

Using the On-Board Crystal Oscillator

The MPC9229 features a fully integrated on-board crystal oscillator to minimize system implementation costs. The oscillator is a series resonant, multivibrator type design as opposed to the more common parallel resonant oscillator design. The series resonant design provides better stability and eliminates the need for large on chip capacitors. The oscillator is totally self contained so that the only external component required is the crystal. As the oscillator is somewhat sensitive to loading on its inputs the user is advised to mount the crystal as close to the MPC9229 as possible to avoid any board level parasitics. To facilitate co-location

surface mount crystals are recommended, but not required. Because the series resonant design is affected by capacitive loading on the xtal terminals loading variation introduced by crystals from different vendors could be a potential issue. For crystals with a higher shunt capacitance it may be required to place a resistance across the terminals to suppress the third harmonic. Although typically not required it is a good idea to layout the PCB with the provision of adding this external resistor. The resistor value will typically be between 500 and $1\mbox{K}\Omega.$

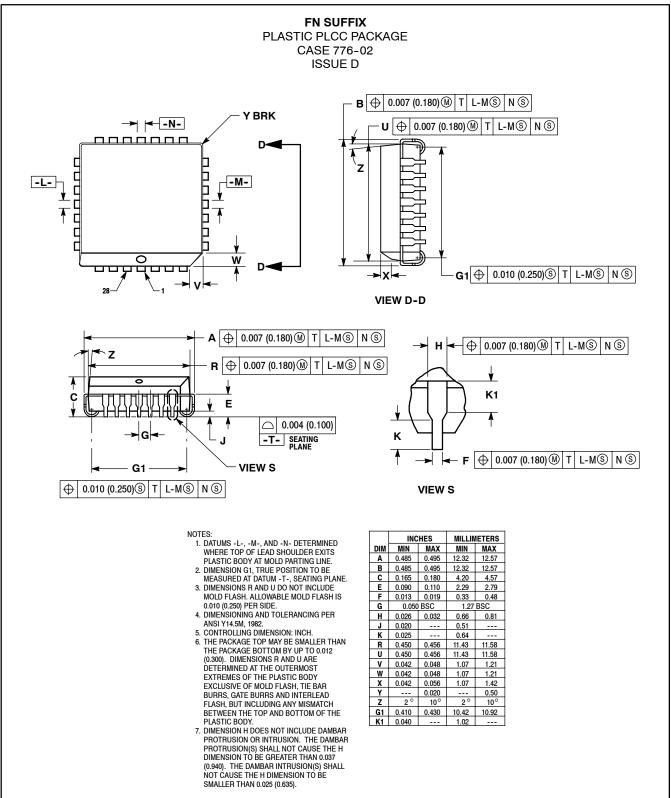
The oscillator circuit is a series resonant circuit and thus for optimum performance a series resonant crystal should be used. Unfortunately most crystals are characterized in a parallel resonant mode. Fortunately there is no physical difference between a series resonant and a parallel resonant crystal. The difference is purely in the way the devices are characterized. As a result a parallel resonant crystal can be used with the MPC9229 with only a minor error in the desired frequency. A parallel resonant mode crystal used in a series resonant circuit will exhibit a frequency of oscillation a few hundred ppm lower than specified, a few hundred ppm translates to kHz inaccuracies. In a general computer application this level of inaccuracy is immaterial. Table 11 below specifies the performance requirements of the crystals to be used with the MPC9229.

Table 11. Recommended Crystal Specifications

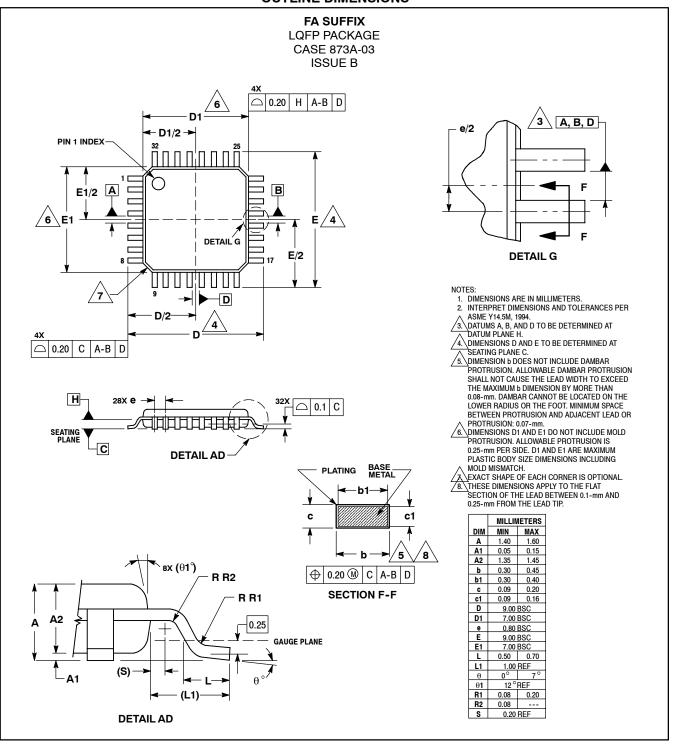
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| Parameter | Value |
| Crystal Cut | Fundamental AT Cut |
| Resonance | Series Resonance* |
| Frequency Tolerance | ±75ppm at 25°C |
| Frequency/Temperature Stability | ±150pm 0 to 70°C |
| Operating Range | 0 to 70°C |
| Shunt Capacitance | 5-7pF |
| Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) | 50 to 80Ω |
| Correlation Drive Level | 100μW |
| Aging | 5ppm/Yr (First 3 Years) |

See accompanying text for series versus parallel resonant discussion.

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