

GENERAL DESCRIPTION



The ICS889831 is a high speed 1-to-4 Differentialto-LVPECL/ECL Fanout Buffer and is a member of the HiPerClockS™family of high performance clock solutions from ICS. The ICS889831 is optimized for high speed and very low output

skew, making it suitable for use in demanding applications such as SONET, 1 Gigabit and 10 Gigabit Ethernet, and Fibre Channel. The internally terminated differential input and VREF_AC pin allow other differential signal families such as LVDS, LVHSTL and CML to be easily interfaced to the input with minimal use of external components. The device also has an output enable pin which may be useful for system test and debug purposes. The ICS889831 is packaged in a small 3mm x 3mm 16-pin VFQFN package which makes it ideal for use in space-constrained applications.

FEATURES

- 4 differential LVPECL/ECL outputs
- IN, nIN pair can accept the following differential input levels: LVPECL, LVDS, CML, SSTL
- 50 Ω internal input termination to V_T
- Maximum output frequency: > 2.1GHz
- Output skew: 30ps (maximum)
- Part-to-part skew: 185ps (maximum)
- Additive phase jitter, RMS: 0.27ps (typical)
- Propagation delay: 570ps (maximum)
- LVPECL mode operating voltage supply range: $V_{cc} = 2.5V \pm 5\%$, 3.3V $\pm 5\%$, $V_{EE} = 0V$
- ECL mode operating voltage supply range: $V_{cc} = 0V$, $V_{ee} = -3.3V \pm 5\%$, $2.5V \pm 5\%$
- -40°C to 85°C ambient operating temperature
- · Lead-Free package fully RoHS compliant

BLOCK DIAGRAM



PIN ASSIGNMENT



ICS889831 16-Lead VFQFN 3mm x 3mm x 0.95 package body K Package Top View



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TABLE 1. PIN DESCRIPTIONS

Number	Name	Т	уре	Description
1, 2	Q1, nQ1	Output		Differential output pair. LVPECL / ECL interface levels.
3, 4	Q2, nQ2	Output		Differential output pair. LVPECL / ECL interface levels.
5, 6	Q3, nQ3	Output		Differential output pair. LVPECL / ECL interface levels.
7, 14	V _{cc}	Power		Positive supply pins.
8	EN	Input	Pullup	Synchronizing clock enable. When LOW, Q outputs will go LOW and nQ outputs will go HIGH on the next LOW transition at IN inputs. Input threshold is V_{cc} /2V. Includes a 37k Ω pull-up resistor. Default state is HIGH when left floating. The internal latch is clocked on the falling edge of the input signal IN. LVTTL / LVCMOS interface levels.
9	nIN	Input		Inverting differential clock input. 50 Ω internal input termination to V _T .
10	V _{REF_AC}	Output		Reference voltage for AC-coupled applications.
11	V _T	Input		Termination input.
12	IN	Input		Non-inverting differential clock input. 50 Ω internal input termination to V_T.
13	V _{EE}	Power		Negative supply pin.
15, 16	Q0, nQ0	Output		Differential output pair. LVPECL / ECL interface levels.

NOTE: *Pullup* refers to internal input resistors. See Table 2, Pin Characteristics, for typical values.

TABLE 2. PIN CHARACTERISTICS

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
R _{PULLUP}	Input Pullup Resistor			37		kΩ



TABLE 3A. CONTROL INPUT FUNCTION TABLE

Input	Outputs			
EN	Q0:Q3	nQ0:nQ3		
0	Disabled; LOW	Disabled; HIGH		
1	Enabled	Enabled		

After EN switches, the clock outputs are disabled or enabled following a falling input clock edge as shown in *Figure 1*.





TABLE 3B. TRUTH TABLE

	Inputs	Outputs		
IN	nIN	EN	Q0:Q3	nQ0:nQ3
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
Х	Х	0	0(1)	1 ⁽¹⁾

NOTE 1: On next negative transition of the input signal (IN).



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Supply Voltage, V_{cc}	4.6V (LVPECL mode, $V_{EE} = 0$)	NOTE: Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute
Negative Supply Voltage, $V_{_{EE}}$	-4.6V (ECL mode, $V_{cc} = 0$)	Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage
Inputs, V ₁ (LVPECL mode)	-0.5V to V $_{\rm cc}$ + 0.5 V	to the device. These ratings are stress specifi-
Inputs, V ₁ (ECL mode)	0.5V to V_{EE} - 0.5V	cations only. Functional operation of product at
Outputs, I _o		these conditions or any conditions beyond those
Continuous Current	50mA	listed in the DC Characteristics or AC Character-
Surge Current	100mA	istics is not implied. Exposure to absolute maxi-
Input Current, IN, nIN	±50mA	mum rating conditions for extended periods may
V_{τ} Current, $I_{v\tau}$	±100mA	affect product reliability.
Input Sink/Source, I _{REF_AC}	± 0.5mA	
Operating Temperature Range, TA	-40°C to +85°C	
Storage Temperature, T _{STG}	-65°C to 150°C	
Package Thermal Impedance, θ_{JA} (Junction-to-Ambient)	51.5°C/W (0 lfpm)	

TABLE 4A. POWER SUPPLY DC CHARACTERISTICS,	$V_{\rm CC} = 2.5V \pm 5\%, 3.3V$	′ ± 5%; V _{EE} = 0V
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Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
V _{cc}	Positive Supply Voltage		2.375	3.3	3.465	V
I _{EE}	Power Supply Current				60	mA

Table 4B. LVCMOS/LVTTL DC Characteristics, $V_{\rm CC}$ = 2.5V \pm 5%, 3.3V \pm 5%; $V_{\rm EE}$ = 0V

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
V _{IH}	Input High Voltage		2		V _{cc} + 0.3	V
V _{IL}	Input Low Voltage		0		0.8	V
I _{IH}	Input High Current	$V_{\rm CC} = V_{\rm IN} = 3.465 V$			5	μA
I	Input Low Current	$V_{\rm CC} = 3.465$ V, $V_{\rm IN} = 0$ V	-150			μA

Table 4C. DC Characteristics, $V_{_{CC}}$ = 2.5V \pm 5%, 3.3V \pm 5%; $V_{_{EE}}$ = 0V

Symbol	Parameter		Test Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
R _{IN}	Differential Input Resistance	(IN, nIN)	IN-to-VT	40	50	60	Ω
V _{IH}	Input High Voltage	(IN, nIN)		1.2		V _{cc}	V
V _{IL}	Input Low Voltage	(IN, nIN)		0		V _{IH} - 0.15	V
V _{IN}	Input Voltage Swing			0.15		2.8	V
$V_{\text{REF}_{AC}}$	Reference Voltage			V _{cc} - 1.42	V _{cc} - 1.37	V _{cc} - 1.32	V
V _{DIFF_IN}	Differential Input Voltage Swing			0.3		3.4	V
I _{IN}	Input Current; NOTE 1	(IN, nIN)				35	mA

NOTE 1: Guaranteed by design.



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TABLE 4D. LVPECL DC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{cc} = 2.375V$ to 3.465V; $V_{ee} = 0V$

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
V _{OH}	Output High Voltage; NOTE 1		V _{cc} - 1.125	V _{cc} - 1.005	V _{cc} - 0.935	V
V _{OL}	Output Low Voltage; NOTE 1		V _{cc} - 1.895	V _{cc} - 1.78	V _{cc} - 1.67	V
V _{OUT}	Output Voltage Swing		0.6		1.0	V
V	Differential Output Voltage Swing		1.2		2.0	V

NOTE 1: Outputs terminated with 50 Ω to V $_{cc}$ - 2V.

TABLE 5. AC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{CC} = 0V$; $V_{EE} = -3.3V \pm 5\%$, $-2.5V \pm 5\%$ or $V_{CC} = 2.5 \pm 5\%$, $3.3V \pm 5\%$; $V_{EE} = 0V$

Symbol	Parameter		Condition	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
f _{MAX}	Maximum Output Frequend	су	Output Swing \geq 450mV	2.1			GHz
+	Propagation Delay; (Different	ential);	Input Swing: 100mV	300	435	570	ps
ι _{PD}	NOTE 1		Input Swing: 800mV	255	370	485	ps
<i>t</i> sk(o)	Output Skew; NOTE 2, 4					30	ps
<i>t</i> sk(pp)	Part-to-Part Skew; NOTE 3, 4					185	ps
<i>t</i> jit	Buffer Additive Phase Jitter, RMS; refer to Additive Phase Jitter section		155.52MHz, Integration Range: 12kHz - 20MHz		0.27		ps
t _R /t _F	Output Rise/Fall Time		20% to 80%	100		250	ps
t _s	Clock Enable Setup Time	EN to IN, nIN		300			ps
t _H	Clock Enable Hold Time	EN to IN, nIN		300			ps

All parameters characterized at \leq 1GHz unless otherwise noted.

NOTE 1: Measured from the differential input crossing point to the differential output crossing point.

NOTE 2: Defined as skew between outputs at the same supply voltage and with equal load conditions.

Measured at the output differential cross points.

NOTE 3: Defined as skew between outputs on different devices operating at the same supply voltages and with equal load conditions. Using the same type of inputs on each device, the outputs are measured at the differential cross points.

NOTE 4: This parameter is defined in accordance with JEDEC Standard 65.



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Additive Phase Jitter

The spectral purity in a band at a specific offset from the fundamental compared to the power of the fundamental is called the *dBc Phase Noise*. This value is normally expressed using a Phase noise plot and is most often the specified plot in many applications. Phase noise is defined as the ratio of the noise power present in a 1Hz band at a specified offset from the fundamental frequency to the power value of the fundamental. This ratio is expressed in decibels (dBm) or a ratio of the power in the 1Hz band to the power in the fundamental. When the required offset is specified, the phase noise is called a **dBc** value, which simply means dBm at a specified offset from the fundamental. By investigating jitter in the frequency domain, we get a better understanding of its effects on the desired application over the entire time record of the signal. It is mathematically possible to calculate an expected bit error rate given a phase noise plot.



As with most timing specifications, phase noise measurements have issues. The primary issue relates to the limitations of the equipment. Often the noise floor of the equipment is higher than the noise floor of the device. This is illustrated above. The de-

vice meets the noise floor of what is shown, but can actually be lower. The phase noise is dependant on the input source and measurement equipment.



PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION





APPLICATION INFORMATION

TERMINATION FOR 3.3V LVPECL OUTPUTS

The clock layout topology shown below is a typical termination for LVPECL outputs. The two different layouts mentioned are recommended only as guidelines.

FOUT and nFOUT are low impedance follower outputs that generate ECL/LVPECL compatible outputs. Therefore, terminating resistors (DC current path to ground) or current sources must be used for functionality. These outputs are designed to drive



FIGURE 2A. LVPECL OUTPUT TERMINATION

 50Ω transmission lines. Matched impedance techniques should be used to maximize operating frequency and minimize signal distortion. *Figures 2A and 2B* show two different layouts which are recommended only as guidelines. Other suitable clock layouts may exist and it would be recommended that the board designers simulate to guarantee compatibility across all printed circuit and clock component process variations.



FIGURE 2B. LVPECL OUTPUT TERMINATION



TERMINATION FOR 2.5V LVPECL OUTPUTS

Figure 3A and *Figure 3B* show examples of termination for 2.5V LVPECL driver. These terminations are equivalent to terminating 50Ω to V_{cc} - 2V. For V_{cc} = 2.5V, the V_{cc} - 2V is very close to



FIGURE 3A. 2.5V LVPECL DRIVER TERMINATION EXAMPLE



FIGURE 3C. 2.5V LVPECL TERMINATION EXAMPLE

ground level. The R3 in Figure 3B can be eliminated and the termination is shown in *Figure 3C*.



FIGURE 3B. 2.5V LVPECL DRIVER TERMINATION EXAMPLE



nation requirements.

2.5V LVPECL INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50Ω Termination Interfaces

The IN /nIN with built-in 50 Ω terminations accepts LVDS, LVPECL, LVHSTL, CML, SSTL and other differential signals. Both V_{OUT} and V_{OH} must meet the V_{PP} and V_{CMR} input requirements. *Figures 4A to 4D* show interface examples for the HiPerClockS IN/nIN input with built-in 50 Ω terminations driven

Figure 4A. HiPerClockS IN/nIN Input with Built-in 50Ω Driven by an LVDS Driver



by the most common driver types. The input interfaces sug-

gested here are examples only. If the driver is from another ven-

dor, use their termination recommendation. Please consult with

the vendor of the driver component to confirm the driver termi-





Figure 4C. HIPERCLOCKS IN/nIN INPUT with Built-in 50 Ω Driven by an Open Collector CML Driver



Figure 4E. HiPerClockS IN/nIN Input with Built-in 50Ω Driven by an SSTL Driver



Figure 4D. HIPERCLOCKS IN/NIN INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50 DRIVEN BY A CML DRIVER WITH BUILT-IN 50 PULLUP



nation requirements.

3.3V LVPECL INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50Ω Termination Interfaces

The IN /nIN with built-in 50 Ω terminations accepts LVDS, LVPECL, LVHSTL, CML, SSTL and other differential signals. Both V_{OUT} and V_{OH} must meet the V_{PP} and V_{CMR} input requirements. *Figures 5A to 5E* show interface examples for the HiPerClockS IN/nIN input with built-in 50 Ω terminations driven

3.3V $Z_{0} = 50 \text{ Ohm}$ U_{VT} $Z_{0} = 50 \text{ Ohm}$ U_{VT} V_{T} Receiver With Built-In 50 Ohm

Figure 5A. HiPerClockS IN/nIN Input with Built-in 50 Ω Driven by an LVDS Driver



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dor, use their termination recommendation. Please consult with

the vendor of the driver component to confirm the driver termi-

FIGURE 5B. HIPERCLOCKS IN/nIN INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50Ω DRIVEN BY AN LVPECL DRIVER



FIGURE 5C. HIPERCLOCKS IN/NIN INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50Ω DRIVEN BY A CML DRIVER WITH OPEN COLLECTOR



Figure 5E. HIPERCLOCKS IN/nIN INPUT WITH BUILT-IN 50 Ω Driven by an SSTL Driver



Figure 5D. HIPErClockS IN/nIN Input with Built-in 50 Ω Driven by a CML Driver with Built-In 50 Ω Pullup



3.3V Differential Input with Built-In 50Ω Termination Unused Input Handling

To prevent oscillation and to reduce noise, it is recommended to have pullup and pulldown connect to true and compliment of the unused input as shown in *Figure 6*.



FIGURE 6. UNUSED INPUT HANDLING

2.5V Differential Input with Built-In 50Ω Termination Unused Input Handling

To prevent oscillation and to reduce noise, it is recommended to have pullup and pulldown connect to true and compliment of the unused input as shown in *Figure 7*.



FIGURE 7. UNUSED INPUT HANDLING



SCHEMATIC EXAMPLE

Figure 8 shows a schematic example of the ICS889831. This schematic provides examples of input and output handling. The ICS889831 input has built-in 50Ω termination resistors. The input can directly accept various types of differential signal without AC couple. For AC couple termination, the ICS889831 also provides the VREF_AC pin for proper offset level after the AC couple. This example shows the ICS889831 input driven by a

2.5V LVPECL driver with AC couple. The ICS889831 outputs are LVPECL driver. In this example, we assume the traces are long transmission line and the receiver is high input impedance without built-in matched load. An example of 3.3V LVPECL termination is shown in this schematic. Additional termination approaches are shown in the LVPECL Termination Application Note.



FIGURE 8. ICS889831 APPLICATION SCHEMATIC EXAMPLE



Power Considerations

This section provides information on power dissipation and junction temperature for the ICS839831. Equations and example calculations are also provided.

1. Power Dissipation.

The total power dissipation for the ICS889831 is the sum of the core power plus the power dissipated in the load(s). The following is the power dissipation for V_{cc} = 3.63V, which gives worst case results. **NOTE:** Please refer to Section 3 for details on calculating power dissipated in the load.

- Power (core)_{MAX} = V_{CC MAX} * I_{EE MAX} = 3.63V * 60mA = **217.8mW**
- Power (outputs)_{MAX} = 30.94mW/Loaded Output pair
 If all outputs are loaded, the total power is 4 * 30.94mW = 123.8mW
- Power Dissipation at built-in terminations: Assume the input is driven by a 3.3V SSTL driver as shown in Figure 5E and estimated approximately 1.75V drop across IN and nIN.
 Total Power Dissipation for the two 50Ω built-in terminations is: (1.75V)²/(50Ω + 50Ω) = **30.6mW**

Total Power MAX (3.63V, with all outputs switching) = 217.8mW + 123.8mW + 30.6mW = 372.2mW

2. Junction Temperature.

Junction temperature, Tj, is the temperature at the junction of the bond wire and bond pad and directly affects the reliability of the device. The maximum recommended junction temperature for HiPerClockS[™] devices is 125°C.

The equation for Tj is as follows: $Tj = \theta_{JA} * Pd_{total} + T_{A}$

Tj = Junction Temperature

 θ_{JA} = Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Resistance

Pd_total = Total Device Power Dissipation (example calculation is in section 1 above)

 $T_A =$ Ambient Temperature

In order to calculate junction temperature, the appropriate junction-to-ambient thermal resistance θ_{JA} must be used. Assuming a moderate air flow of 0 linear feet per minute and a multi-layer board, the appropriate value is 51.5°C/W per Table 6 below.

Therefore, Tj for an ambient temperature of 85°C with all outputs switching is:

 $85^{\circ}C + 0.372W * 51.5^{\circ}C/W = 104^{\circ}C$. This is well below the limit of $125^{\circ}C$.

This calculation is only an example. Tj will obviously vary depending on the number of loaded outputs, supply voltage, air flow, and the type of board (single layer or multi-layer).

TABLE 6. THERMAL RESISTANCE θ_{JA} for 16-pin VFQFN, Forced Convection

θ _{JA} vs. 0 Velocity (Linear Feet per Minute)			
Multi-Layer PCB, JEDEC Standard Test Boards	0 51.5°C/W		



3. Calculations and Equations.

The purpose of this section is to derive the power dissipated into the load.

LVPECL output driver circuit and termination are shown in Figure 9.



To calculate worst case power dissipation into the load, use the following equations which assume a 50 Ω load, and a termination voltage of V_{cc} - 2V.

• For logic high, $V_{OUT} = V_{OH_MAX} = V_{CC_MAX} - 0.935V$ $(V_{CC_MAX} - V_{OH_MAX}) = 0.935V$

• For logic low,
$$V_{OUT} = V_{OL_MAX} = V_{CC_MAX} - 1.67V$$

 $(V_{CC_MAX} - V_{OL_MAX}) = 1.67V$

Pd_H is power dissipation when the output drives high. Pd_L is the power dissipation when the output drives low.

$$\begin{split} Pd_{-}H &= [(V_{_{OH_MAX}} - (V_{_{CC_MAX}} - 2V))/R_{_{L}}] * (V_{_{CC_MAX}} - V_{_{OH_MAX}}) = [(2V - (V_{_{CC_MAX}} - V_{_{OH_MAX}}))/R_{_{L}}] * (V_{_{CC_MAX}} - V_{_{OH_MAX}}) = [(2V - 0.935V)/50\Omega] * 0.935V = 19.92mW \end{split}$$

$$Pd_{L} = [(V_{OL_{MAX}} - (V_{CC_{MAX}} - 2V))/R_{L}] * (V_{CC_{MAX}} - V_{OL_{MAX}}) = [(2V - (V_{CC_{MAX}} - V_{OL_{MAX}}))/R_{L}] * (V_{CC_{MAX}} - V_{OL_{MAX}}) = [(2V - 1.67V)/50\Omega] * 1.67V = 11.02mW$$

Total Power Dissipation per output pair = Pd_H + Pd_L = 30.94mW



RELIABILITY INFORMATION

TABLE 7. $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{\text{JA}} \text{vs.}$ Air Flow Table for 16 Lead VFQFN

θ_{IA} vs. 0 Air Flow (Linear Feet per Minute)

Multi-Layer PCB, JEDEC Standard Test Boards

51.5°C/W

TRANSISTOR COUNT The transistor count for ICS889831 is: 234 Pin compatible with SY89831U



PACKAGE OUTLINE - K SUFFIX FOR 16 LEAD VFQFN



JEDEC VARIATION ALL DIMENSIONS IN MILLIMETERS				
SYMBOL	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM		
N	16			
А	0.80	1.0		
A1	0	0.05		
A3	0.25 Reference			
b	0.18	0.30		
е	0.50 BASIC			
N _D	4			
N _E	4			
D	3.0			
D2	0.25	1.25		
E	3.0			
E2	0.25	1.25		
L	0.30	0.50		

Reference Document: JEDEC Publication 95, MO-220

TABLE 8. PACKAGE DIMENSIONS



TABLE 9. ORDERING INFORMATION

Part/Order Number	Marking	Package	Shipping Packaging	Temperature
ICS889831AK	831A	16 Lead VFQFN	tube	-40°C to 85°C
ICS889831AKT	831A	16 Lead VFQFN	3500 tape & reel	-40°C to 85°C
ICS889831AKLF	TBD	16 Lead "Lead-Free" VFQFN	tube	-40°C to 85°C
ICS889831AKLFT	TBD	16 Lead "Lead-Free" VFQFN	3500 tape & reel	-40°C to 85°C

NOTE: Parts that are ordered with an "LF" suffix to the part number are the Pb-Free configuration and are RoHS compliant.

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