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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ICS8431-21 is a general purpose clock frequency synthesizer for IA64/32 application and a member of the HiPerClockS™ family of High Performance Clock Solutions from ICS. The VCO operates at a frequency range of 250MHz to 700MHz

providing an output frequency range of 62.5MHz to 350MHz. The output frequency can be programmed using the parallel interface, M0 through M8 to the configuration logic, and the output divider control pin, DIV_SEL. Spread spectrum clocking is programmed via the control inputs SSC_CTL0 and SSC_CTL1.

Programmable features of the ICS8431-21 support four operational modes. The four modes are spread spectrum clocking (SSC), non-spread spectrum clock and two test modes which are controlled by the SSC_CTL[1:0] pins. Unlike other synthesizers, the ICS8431-21 can immediately change spread-spectrum operation without having to reset the device.

In SSC mode, the output clock is modulated in order to achieve a reduction in EMI. In one of the PLL bypass test modes, the PLL is disconnected as the source to the differential output allowing an external source to be connected to the TEST_I/O pin. This is useful for in-circuit testing and allows the differential output to be driven at a lower frequency throughout the system clock tree. In the other PLL bypass mode, the oscillator divider is used as the source to both the M and the Fout divide by 2. This is useful for characterizing the oscillator and internal dividers.

FEATURES

- Fully integrated PLL
- Differential 3.3V LVPECL output
- Crystal oscillator interface
- Output frequency range: 62.5MHz to 350MHz
- Crystal input frequency range: 14MHz to 25MHz
- VCO range: 250MHz to 700MHz
- Programmable PLL loop divider for generating a variety of output frequencies
- Spread Spectrum Clocking (SSC) fixed at 1/2% modulation for environments requiring ultra low EMI
- PLL bypass modes supporting in-circuit testing and on-chip functional block characterization
- Cycle-to-cycle jitter: 30ps (maximum)
- 3.3V supply voltage
- 0°C to 85°C ambient operating temperature
- Replaces ICS8431-01 and ICS8431-11
- Lead-Free package fully RoHS compliant

BLOCK DIAGRAM PIN ASSIGNMENT

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FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The ICS8431-21 features a fully integrated PLL and therefore requires no external components for setting the loop bandwidth. The output of the oscillator is divided by 16 prior to the phase detector. With a 16MHz crystal this provides a 1MHz reference frequency. The VCO of the PLL operates over a range of 250MHz to 700MHz. The output of the M divider is also applied to the phase detector.

The phase detector and the M divider force the VCO output frequency to be 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 lock. The output of the VCO is scaled by a divider prior to being sent to the LVPECL output buffer. The divider provides a 50% output duty cycle.

The programmable features of the ICS8431-21 support four output operational modes and a programmable M divider and output divider. The four output operational modes are spread spectrum clocking (SSC), non-spread spectrum clock and two test modes and are controlled by the SSC_CTL[1:0] pins.

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The PLL loop divider or M divider is programmed by using inputs M0 through M8. While the nP_LOAD input is held LOW, the data present at M0:M8 is transparent to the M divider. On the LOW-to-HIGH transition of nP_LOAD, the M0:M8 data is latched into the M divider and any further changes at the M0:M8 inputs will not be seen by the M divider until the next LOW transition on nP_LOAD.

The relationship between the VCO frequency, the crystal frequency and the M divider is defined as follows:

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fVCO = \frac{fxtal}{16} \times M
$$

The M value and the required values of M0:M8 for programming the VCO are shown in Table 3B, Programmable VCO Frequency Function Table. The frequency out is defined as follows:

$$
FOUT = \frac{fVCO}{N} = \frac{f x \text{tal} \times M}{16 \times N}
$$

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For the ICS8431-21, the output divider may be set to either $\div 2$ or $\div 4$ by the DIV SEL pin. For an input of 16 MHz, valid M values for which the PLL will achieve lock are defined as: $250 \le M \le 511$.

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TABLE 1. PIN DESCRIPTIONS

NOTE: Pullup and Pulldown refer to internal input resistors. See Table 2, Pin Characteristics, for typical values.

TABLE 2. PIN CHARACTERISTICS

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TABLE 3A. SSC CONTROL INPUT FUNCTION TABLE

NOTE 1: Used for in house debug and characterization.

TABLE 3B. PROGRAMMABLE VCO FREQUENCY FUNCTION TABLE (NOTE 1)

NOTE 1: Assumes a 16MHz crystal.

TABLE 3C. FUNCTION TABLE

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

NOTE: Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These ratings are stress specifications only. Functional operation of product at these conditions or any conditions beyond those listed in the DC Characteristics or AC Characteristics is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

TABLE 4A. POWER SUPPLY DC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{CC} = V_{CCA} = V_{CCO} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$ **,** $T_A = 0^{\circ}C$ **to 85°C**

TABLE 4B. LVCMOS / LVTTL DC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{CC} = V_{CCA} = V_{CCO} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$ **,** $T_A = 0^{\circ}C$ **to 85°C**

TABLE 4C. LVPECL DC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{CC} = V_{CCA} = V_{CCO} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$, $TA = 0^{\circ}C$ to 85°C

NOTE 1: Output terminated with 50Ω to V_{cco} - 2V. See Parameter Measurement Section, 3.3V Output Load Test Circuit.

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TABLE 5. CRYSTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Parameter	Test Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
l Mode of Oscillation		Fundamental			
Frequency		14	16	25	MHz
Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR)				40	Ω
Shunt Capacitance					рF

TABLE 6. AC CHARACTERISTICS, $V_{CC} = V_{CCA} = V_{CCO} = 3.3V \pm 5\%$, $TA = 0^{\circ}C$ to 85°C

See Figures in the Parameter Measurement Information section.

NOTE 1: Jitter performance using XTAL inputs.

NOTE 2: Only valid within the VCO operating range.

NOTE 3: For XTAL input, refer to Application Note.

NOTE 4: Spread Spectrum clocking enabled.

NOTE 5: This parameter is defined in accordance with JEDEC Standard 65.

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

POWER SUPPLY FILTERING TECHNIQUES

As in any high speed analog circuitry, the power supply pins are vulnerable to random noise. The ICS8431-21 provides separate power supplies to isolate any high switching noise from the outputs to the internal PLL. V_{cc} , V_{cc} , and V_{cc} should be individually connected to the power supply plane through vias, and bypass capacitors should be used for each pin. To achieve optimum jitter performance, better power supply isolation is required. Figure 3 illustrates how a 10 Ω along with a 10μF and a .01μF bypass capacitor should be connected to

TERMINATION FOR LVPECL OUTPUTS

The clock layout topology shown below is typical for IA64/32 platforms. 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 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 2A. LVPECL OUTPUT TERMINATION FIGURE 2B. LVPECL OUTPUT TERMINATION

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CRYSTAL INPUT INTERFACE

The ICS8431-21 has been characterized with 18pF parallel resonant crystals. The capacitor values, C1 and C2, shown in Figure 3 below were determined using a 25MHz, 18pF parallel resonant crystal and were chosen to minimize the ppm error. The optimum C1 and C2 values can be slightly adjusted for different board layouts.

SPREAD SPECTRUM

Spread-spectrum clocking is a frequency modulation technique for EMI reduction. When spread-spectrum is enabled, a 30kHz triangle waveform is used with 0.5% down-spread (+0.0% / -0.5%) from the nominal 200MHz clock frequency. An example of a triangle frequency modulation profile is shown in Figure 4A below. The ramp profile can be expressed as:

- Fnom = Nominal Clock Frequency in Spread OFF mode (200MHz with 16MHz IN)
- Fm = Nominal Modulation Frequency (30kHz)
- δ = Modulation Factor (0.5% down spread)
- (1δ) fnom + 2 fm x δ x fnom x t when 0 < t < $\frac{1}{2 \epsilon m}$, 2 fm

 $(1 - \delta)$ fnom - 2 fm x δ x fnom x t when $\frac{1}{2 \delta m}$ < t < 2 fm 1 fm

The ICS8431-21 triangle modulation frequency deviation will not exceed 0.6% down-spread from the nominal clock frequency (+0.0% / -0.5%). An example of the amount of down spread relative to the nominal clock frequency can be seen in the frequency domain, as shown in Figure 4B. The ratio of this width to the fundamental frequency is typically 0.4%, and will not exceed 0.6%. The resulting spectral reduction will be greater than 7dB, as shown in Figure 4B. It is important to note the ICS8431-21 7dB minimum spectral reduction is the component-specific EMI reduction, and will not necessarily be the same as the system EMI reduction.

 $\Delta - 10$ dBm $\delta = .4\%$ **B** V $\sqrt{14}$

FIGURE 4B. 200MHZ CLOCK OUTPUT IN FREQUENCY DOMAIN

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LAYOUT GUIDELINE

The schematic of the ICS8431-21 layout example used in this layout guideline is shown in Figure 5A. The ICS8431-21 recommended PCB board layout for this example is shown in Figure 5B. This layout example is used as a general guideline. The layout in the actual system will depend on the selected component types and the density of the P.C. board.

FIGURE 5A. SCHEMATIC EXAMPLE

The following component footprints are used in this layout example:

All the resistors and capacitors are size 0603.

POWER AND GROUNDING

Place the decoupling capacitors C1, C2 and C6, as close as possible to the power pins. If space allows, placment of the decoupling capacitor on the component side is preferred. This can reduce unwanted inductance between the decoupling capacitor and the power pin generated by the via.

Maximize the power and ground pad sizes and number of vias capacitors. This can reduce the inductance between the power and ground planes and the component power and ground pins.

The RC filter consisting of R5, C3, and C4 should be placed as close to the V_{CCA} pin as possible.

CLOCK TRACES AND TERMINATION

Poor signal integrity can degrade the system performance or cause system failure. In synchronous high-speed digital systems, the clock signal is less tolerant to poor signal integrity than other signals. Any ringing on the rising or falling edge or excessive ring back can cause system failure. The shape of the trace and the trace delay might be restricted by the available space on the board and the component location. While routing the traces, the clock signal traces should be routed first and should be locked prior to routing other signal traces.

• The 50Ω output trace pair should have same length.

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- Avoid sharp angles on the clock trace. Sharp angle turns cause the characteristic impedance to change on the transmission lines.
- Keep the clock traces on the same layer. Whenever possible, avoid placing vias on the clock traces. Placement of vias on the traces can affect the trace characteristic impedance and hence degrade signal integrity.
- To prevent cross talk, avoid routing other signal traces in parallel with the clock traces. If running parallel traces is unavoidable, allow a separation of at least three trace widths between the differential clock trace and the other signal trace.
- Make sure no other signal traces are routed between the clock trace pair.
- The matching termination resistors should be located as close to the receiver input pins as possible.

The matching termination resistors R1, R2, R3 and R4 should be located as close to the receiver input pins as possible. Other termination scheme can also be used but is not shown in the example. L 9

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The crystal X1 should be located as close as possible to the pins 25 (XTAL_OUT) and 26 (XTAL_IN). The trace length between the X1 and U1 should be kept to a minimum to avoid unwanted parasitic inductance and capacitance. Other signal traces should not be routed near the crystal traces.

FIGURE 5B. PCB BOARD LAYOUT FOR ICS8431-21

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POWER CONSIDERATIONS

This section provides information on power dissipation and junction temperature for the ICS8431-21. Equations and example calculations are also provided.

1. Power Dissipation.

The total power dissipation for the ICS8431-21 is the sum of the core power plus the power dissipated in the load(s). The following is the power dissipation for V_{cc} = $3.3V + 5\%$ = 3.465V, which gives worst case results. **NOTE:** Please refer to Section 3 for details on calculating power dissipated in the load.

- Power (core)_{MAX} = $V_{CC~MAX}$ * $I_{EE~MAX}$ = 3.465V * 155mA = 537.1mW
- Power (outputs)_{MAX} = 30mW/Loaded Output pair If all outputs are loaded, the total power is 1 * 30mW = **30mW**

Total Power $_{\text{max}}$ (3.465V, with all outputs switching) = 537.1mW + 30mW = 567.1mW

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 HiPerClockSTM devices is 125°C.

The equation for Tj is as follows: $Tj = \theta_{JA} * Pd_total +$

Tj = Junction Temperature

 θ_{14} = 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_{μ} must be used. Assuming a moderate air flow of 200 linear feet per minute and a multi-layer board, the appropriate value is 39.7°C/W per Table 7 below.

Therefore, Tj for an ambient temperature of 85°C with all outputs switching is: 85° C + 0.567W $*$ 39.7°C/W = 107.5°C. This is below the limit of 125°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 7. THERMAL RESISTANCE θ**JA FOR 28-PIN SOIC, FORCED CONVECTION**

NOTE: Most modern PCB designs use multi-layered boards. The data in the second row pertains to most designs.

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 6.

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

- For logic high, $V_{\text{OUT}} = V_{\text{OH MAX}} = V_{\text{CCO MAX}} 0.9V$ $(V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} - V_{\text{OH_MAX}}) = 0.9V$
- For logic low, $V_{\text{OUT}} = V_{\text{OL}_{MAX}} = V_{\text{CC}_{MAX}} 1.7V$

$$
(V_{_{\text{CCO_MAX}}} - V_{_{\text{OL_MAX}}}) = 1.7V
$$

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

 $\mathsf{Pd_H} = [(V_{\text{OH_MAX}} - (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot 2V))/R_{\text{L}}] * (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot V_{\text{OH_MAX}}) = [(2V - (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot V_{\text{OH_MAX}}))/R_{\text{L}}] * (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot V_{\text{OH_MAX}}) = [(2V - (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot V_{\text{OH_MAX}}) - (V_{\text{CCO_MAX}} \cdot V_{\text{OH_MAX}})]$ [(2V - 0.9V)/50Ω] * 0.9V = **19.8mW**

 $\mathsf{Pd}_\mathsf{L} = [(\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{OL_MAX}} - (\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{CCO}_\mathsf{MAX}} - 2\mathsf{V})) / \mathsf{R}_{}] \star (\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{CCO}_\mathsf{MAX}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{OL_MAX}}) = [(\mathsf{2V} - (\mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{CCO}_\mathsf{MAX}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{OL_MAX}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{CL_MAX}} - \mathsf{V}_{\mathsf{OL_MAX}}) = \mathsf{N}_{\mathsf{CL_MAX}}]$ [(2V - 1.7V)/50Ω] * 1.7V = **10.2mW**

Total Power Dissipation per output pair = Pd_H + Pd_L = **30mW**

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RELIABILITY INFORMATION

TABLE 8. θJA**VS. AIR FLOW TABLE FOR 28 LEAD SOIC**

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PACKAGE OUTLINE - M SUFFIX FOR 28 LEAD SOIC

TABLE 9. PACKAGE DIMENSIONS

Reference Document: JEDEC Publication 95, MS-013, MO-119

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TABLE 10. ORDERING INFORMATION

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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