# **RENESAS** Low Voltage Zero Delay Buffer **MPC961P**

**DATASHEET**

The MPC961 is a 2.5 V or 3.3 V compatible, 1:18 PLL based zero delay buffer. With output frequencies of up to 200 MHz, output skews of 150 ps the device meets the needs of the most demanding clock tree applications.

#### **Features**

- Fully Integrated PLL
- Up to 200 MHz I/O Frequency
- **LVCMOS Outputs**
- Outputs Disable in High Impedance
- LVPECL Reference Clock Options
- LQFP Packaging
- 32-lead Pb-free Package Available
- $\pm 50$  ps Cycle-Cycle Jitter
- 150 ps Output Skews

#### **Functional Description**

The MPC961 is offered with two different input configurations. The MPC961P offers an LVCMOS reference clock while the MPC961P offers an LVPECL reference clock.

When pulled high the  $\overline{OE}$  pin will force all of the outputs (except QFB) into a high impedance state. Because the OE pin does not affect the QFB output, down stream clocks can be disabled without the internal PLL losing lock.

The MPC961 is fully 2.5 V or 3.3 V compatible and requires no external loop filter components. All control inputs accept

LVCMOS compatible levels and the outputs provide low impedance LVCMOS outputs capable of driving terminated 50  $\Omega$  transmission lines. For series terminated lines the MPC961 can drive two lines per output giving the device an effective fanout of 1:36. The device is packaged in a 32 lead LQFP package to provide the optimum combination of board density and performance.





The MPC961P requires an external RC filter for the analog power supply pin V<sub>CCA</sub>. Refer to [APPLICATIONS INFORMATION](#page-5-0) for details.



### **Figure 1. MPC961P Logic Diagram**

**Figure 2. 32-Lead Pinout** (Top View)

### **Table 1. Pin Configurations**



### **Table 2. Function Table**



#### **Table 3. Absolute Maximum Ratings(1)**



1. 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 under absolute-maximum-rated conditions is not implied.

## **Table 4. DC Characteristics** ( $V_{CC}$  = 3.3 V  $\pm$  5%, T<sub>A</sub> = -40° to 85°C)



1. Exceeding the specified  $V_{\text{CMR}}/V_{\text{PP}}$  window results in a t<sub>PD</sub> changes of approximately 250 ps.

2. The MPC961P is capable of driving 50  $\Omega$  transmission lines on the incident edge. Each output drives one 50  $\Omega$  parallel terminated transmission line to a termination voltage of  $V_{TT}$ . Alternatively, the device drives up two 50  $\Omega$  series terminated transmission lines.



## **Table 5. AC Characteristics** ( $V_{CC}$  = 3.3 V  $\pm$  5%, T<sub>A</sub> = -40° to 85°C)<sup>(1)</sup>

1. AC characteristics apply for parallel output termination of 50  $\Omega$  to V<sub>TT</sub>.

2.  $t_{PD}$  applies for  $V_{CMR} = V_{CC} - 1.3$  V and  $V_{PP} = 800$  mV.

3. Refer to [APPLICATIONS INFORMATION](#page-5-0) for part-to-part skew calculation.

4. Refer to [APPLICATIONS INFORMATION](#page-5-0) for calculation for other confidence factors than 10.

### **Table 6. DC Characteristics** ( $V_{CC}$  = 2.5 V  $\pm$  5%, T<sub>A</sub> = -40° to 85°C)



1. Exceeding the specified  $V_{CMR}/V_{PP}$  window results in a t<sub>PD</sub> changes < 250 ps.

2. The MPC961P is capable of driving 50  $\Omega$  transmission lines on the incident edge. Each output drives one 50  $\Omega$  parallel terminated transmission line to a termination voltage of V<sub>TT</sub>. Alternatively, the device drives up two 50  $\Omega$  series terminated transmission lines.



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4. Refer to [APPLICATIONS INFORMATION](#page-5-0) for calculation for other confidence factors than 1o.

#### **APPLICATIONS INFORMATION**

#### <span id="page-5-0"></span>**Power Supply Filtering**

The MPC961P is a mixed analog/digital product and as such it exhibits some sensitivities that would not necessarily be seen on a fully digital product. Analog circuitry is naturally susceptible to random noise, especially if this noise is seen on the power supply pins. The MPC961P provides separate power supplies for the output buffers  $(V_{CC})$  and the phaselocked loop  $(V_{\text{CCA}})$  of the device. The purpose of this design technique is to 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  $V_{\text{CCA}}$  pin for the MPC961P.

[Figure 3](#page-5-1) illustrates a typical power supply filter scheme. The MPC961P is most susceptible to noise with spectral content in the 10 kHz to 5 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  $V_{CC}$  supply and the  $V_{CCA}$ pin of the MPC961P. From the data sheet the  $I_{CCA}$  current (the current sourced through the  $V_{CCA}$  pin) is typically 2 mA (5 mA maximum), assuming that a minimum of 2.375 V ( $V_{CC}$  = 3.3 V or  $V_{CC}$  = 2.5 V) must be maintained on the  $V_{CCA}$ pin. The resistor  $R_F$  shown in [Figure 3](#page-5-1) must have a resistance of 270  $\Omega$  (V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.3 V) or 5 to 15  $\Omega$  (V<sub>CC</sub> = 2.5 V) 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 it's 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.





<span id="page-5-1"></span>Although the MPC961P 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 schemes discussed in this section should be adequate to eliminate power supply noise related problems in most designs.

#### **Driving Transmission Lines**

The MPC961P clock driver was designed to drive high speed signals in a terminated transmission line environment. To provide the optimum flexibility to the user the output drivers were designed to exhibit the lowest impedance possible. With an output impedance of less than 15  $\Omega$  the drivers can drive either parallel or series terminated transmission lines. For more information on transmission lines the reader is referred to application note AN1091.

In most high performance clock networks point-to-point distribution of signals is the method of choice. In a point-topoint scheme either series terminated or parallel terminated transmission lines can be used. The parallel technique terminates the signal at the end of the line with a 50  $\Omega$ resistance to  $V_{CC}/2$ . This technique draws a fairly high level of DC current and thus only a single terminated line can be driven by each output of the MPC961P clock driver. For the series terminated case however there is no DC current draw, thus the outputs can drive multiple series terminated lines. [Figure 4](#page-5-2) illustrates an output driving a single series terminated line vs two series terminated lines in parallel. When taken to its extreme the fanout of the MPC961P clock driver is effectively doubled due to its capability to drive multiple lines.



#### <span id="page-5-2"></span>**Figure 4. Single versus Dual Transmission Lines**

The waveform plots of [Figure 5](#page-6-0) show the simulation results of an output driving a single line vs two lines. In both cases the drive capability of the MPC961P output buffer is more than sufficient to drive 50  $\Omega$  transmission lines on the incident edge. Note from the delay measurements in the simulations a delta of only 43 ps exists between the two differently loaded outputs. This suggests that the dual line driving need not be used exclusively to maintain the tight output-to-output skew of the MPC961P. The output waveform in [Figure 5](#page-6-0) shows a step in the waveform, this step is caused by the impedance mismatch seen looking into the driver. The parallel combination of the 36  $\Omega$  series resistor plus the output impedance does not match the parallel combination of

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the line impedances. The voltage wave launched down the two lines will equal:

$$
VL = VS (ZO / (RS + RO + ZO))
$$
  
Z<sub>O</sub> = 50 Ω || 50 Ω  
R<sub>S</sub> = 36 Ω || 36 Ω  
R<sub>O</sub> = 14 Ω  
V<sub>L</sub> = 3.0 (25 / (18 + 14 + 25) = 3.0 (25 / 57)  
= 1.31 V

At the load end the voltage will double, due to the near unity reflection coefficient, to 2.62 V. It will then increment towards the quiescent 3.0 V in steps separated by one round trip delay (in this case 4.0 ns).



**Figure 5. Single versus Dual Waveforms**

<span id="page-6-0"></span>Since this step is well above the threshold region it will not cause any false clock triggering, however designers may be uncomfortable with unwanted reflections on the line. To better match the impedances when driving multiple lines the situation in [Figure 6](#page-6-1) should be used. In this case the series terminating resistors are reduced such that when the parallel combination is added to the output buffer impedance the line impedance is perfectly matched.



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SPICE level and IBIS output buffer models are available for engineers who want to simulate their specific interconnect schemes.

#### **Using the MPC961P in Zero-Delay Applications**

Nested clock trees are typical applications for the MPC961P. Designs using the MPC961P as LVCMOS PLL fanout buffer with zero insertion delay will show significantly lower clock skew than clock distributions developed from CMOS fanout buffers. The external feedback option of the MPC961P clock driver allows for its use as a zero delay buffer. By using the QFB output as a feedback to the PLL the propagation delay through the device is virtually eliminated. The PLL aligns the feedback clock output edge with the clock input reference edge resulting a near zero delay through the device. The maximum insertion delay of the device in zero-delay applications is measured between the reference clock input and any output. This effective delay consists of the static phase offset, I/O jitter (phase or long-term jitter), feedback path delay and the output-to-output skew error relative to the feedback output.

#### **Calculation of Part-to-Part Skew**

The MPC961P zero delay buffer supports applications where critical clock signal timing can be maintained across several devices. If the reference clock inputs of two or more MPC961P are connected together, the maximum overall timing uncertainty from the common PCLK input to any output is:

$$
SK(PP) = t_{(\emptyset)} + t_{SK(O)} + t_{PD, \text{ LINE}(FB)} + t_{\text{JIT}(\emptyset)} \cdot CF
$$

This maximum timing uncertainty consist of 4 components: static phase offset, output skew, feedback board trace delay and I/O (phase) jitter:



**Figure 7. MPC961P Max. Device-to-Device Skew**

Due statistical nature of I/O jitter a rms value (1 $\sigma$ ) is specified. I/O jitter numbers for other confidence factors (CF) can be derived from [Table 8.](#page-7-0)



#### <span id="page-7-0"></span>**Table 8. Confidence Factor CF**

The feedback trace delay is determined by the board layout and can be used to fine-tune the effective delay through each device. In the following example calculation a I/O jitter confidence factor of 99.7% ( $\pm$  3 $\sigma$ ) is assumed, resulting in a worst case timing uncertainty from input to any output of  $-236$  ps to 361 ps relative to PCLK (f = 125 MHz,  $V_{\text{CC}} = 2.5 \text{ V}$ :

*tSK(PP) = [-50 ps...175ps] + [-150 ps...150 ps] + [(12ps @ -3)...(12ps @ 3)] + tPD, LINE(FB) tSK(PP) = [-236ps...361ps] + tPD, LINE(FB)*

Due to the frequency dependence of the I/O jitter, [Figure 8](#page-7-1) "Max. I/O Jitter versus frequency" can be used for a more precise timing performance analysis.



**Figure 8. Max. I/O Jitter versus Frequency**

#### <span id="page-7-1"></span>**Power Consumption of the MPC961P and Thermal Management**

The MPC961P AC specification is guaranteed for the entire operating frequency range up to 200 MHz. The MPC961P power consumption and the associated long-term reliability may decrease the maximum frequency limit, depending on operating conditions such as clock frequency, supply voltage, output loading, ambient temperature, vertical convection and thermal conductivity of package and board. This section describes the impact of these parameters on the junction temperature and gives a guideline to estimate the MPC961P die junction temperature and the associated device reliability. For a complete analysis of power consumption as a function of operating conditions and associated long term device reliability refer to the Application Note AN1545. According the AN1545, the long-term device reliability is a function of the die junction temperature:

Junction temperature $(°C)$	<b>MTBF (Years)</b>
100	20.4
110	9.1
120	4.2
130	2.0

<span id="page-7-2"></span>**Table 9. Die Junction Temperature and MTBF**

Increased power consumption will increase the die junction temperature and impact the device reliability (MTBF). According to the system-defined tolerable MTBF, the die junction temperature of the MPC961P needs to be controlled and the thermal impedance of the board/package should be optimized. The power dissipated in the MPC961P is represented in equation 1.

Where  $I_{CCQ}$  is the static current consumption of the MPC961P,  $C_{PD}$  is the power dissipation capacitance per output,  $(M)\Sigma C_L$  represents the external capacitive output load, N is the number of active outputs (N is always 27 in case of the MPC961P). The MPC961P supports driving transmission lines to maintain high signal integrity and tight timing parameters. Any transmission line will hide the lumped capacitive load at the end of the board trace, therefore,  $\Sigma C_1$ is zero for controlled transmission line systems and can be eliminated from equation 1. Using parallel termination output termination results in equation 2 for power dissipation.

In equation 2, P stands for the number of outputs with a parallel or thevenin termination,  $V_{OL}$ ,  $I_{OL}$ ,  $V_{OH}$ , and  $I_{OH}$  are a function of the output termination technique and  $DC<sub>O</sub>$  is the clock signal duty cycle. If transmission lines are used  $\Sigma\mathsf{C}_\mathsf{L}$  is zero in equation 2 and can be eliminated. In general, the use of controlled transmission line techniques eliminates the impact of the lumped capacitive loads at the end lines and greatly reduces the power dissipation of the device. Equation 3 describes the die junction temperature  $T_J$  as a function of the power consumption.

$$
P_{TOT} = \left[ l_{CCQ} + V_{CC} \cdot f_{CLOCK} \cdot (N \cdot C_{PD} + \sum_{M} C_{L}) \right] \cdot V_{CC}
$$
  
\n
$$
P_{TOT} = V_{CC} \cdot \left[ l_{CCQ} + V_{CC} \cdot f_{CLOCK} \cdot (N \cdot C_{PD} + \sum_{M} C_{L}) \right] + \sum_{P} \left[ DC_{Q} \cdot l_{OH} \cdot (V_{CC} - V_{OH}) + (1 - DC_{Q}) \cdot l_{OL} \cdot V_{OL} \right]
$$
  
\nEquation 2  
\n
$$
T_{J} = T_{A} + P_{TOT} \cdot R_{thja}
$$
  
\nEquation 3

$$
f_{\text{CLOCK},\text{MAX}} = \frac{1}{C_{\text{PD}} \cdot N \cdot V^2_{\text{CC}}} \cdot \left[ \frac{T_{j,\text{MAX}} - T_A}{R_{\text{thja}}} - (I_{\text{CCQ}} \cdot V_{\text{CC}}) \right]
$$

Where  $R<sub>thia</sub>$  is the thermal impedance of the package (junction to ambient) and  $T_A$  is the ambient temperature. According to [Table 9](#page-7-2), the junction temperature can be used to estimate the long-term device reliability. Further, combining equation 1 and equation 2 results in a maximum operating frequency for the MPC961P in a series terminated transmission line system.

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200  $f_{MAX}$  (AC) 180 OPERATING FREQUENCY (MHz) OPERATING FREQUENCY (MHz)  $T_A$  $= 85$ 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20  $\overline{0}$ 0 500 400 300 200 100 I<sub>FPM</sub>, CONVECTION



T<sub>J,MAX</sub> should be selected according to the MTBF system requirements and [Table 9](#page-7-2).  $R<sub>thja</sub>$  can be derived from [Table 10.](#page-8-0) The  $R<sub>thia</sub>$  represent data based on 1S2P boards, using 2S2P boards will result in a lower thermal impedance than indicated below.

If the calculated maximum frequency is below 200 MHz, it becomes the upper clock speed limit for the given application conditions. The following two derating charts describe the safe frequency operation range for the MPC961P. The charts were calculated for a maximum tolerable die junction temperature of  $110^{\circ}$ C, corresponding to an estimated MTBF of 9.1 years, a supply voltage of 3.3 V and series terminated transmission line or capacitive loading. Depending on a given set of these operating conditions and the available device convection a decision on the maximum operating frequency can be made. There are no operating frequency limitations if a 2.5 V power supply or the system specifications allow for a MTBF of 4 years (corresponding to a max. junction temperature of 120°C.



**Figure 10. Maximum MPC961P Frequency, VCC = 3.3 V, MTBF 9.1 Years, 4 pF Load per Line**



**Figure 11. TCLK MPC961P AC Test Reference for**  $V_{CC}$  **= 3.3 V and**  $V_{CC}$  **= 2.5 V** 

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Figure 12. Propagation Delay (t<sub> $\oslash$ </sub>, static phase **offset) Test Reference**



The time from the PLL controlled edge to the non controlled edge, divided by the time between PLL controlled edges, expressed as a percentage



The variation in cycle time of a signal between adjacent cycles, over a random sample of adjacent cycle pairs

#### **Figure 16. Cycle-to-Cycle Jitter**



**Figure 13. Output Transition Time Test Reference**



The pin-to-pin skew is defined as the worst case difference in propagation delay between any similar delay path within a single device

### Figure 14. Output Duty Cycle (DC) **Figure 15. Output-to-Output Skew** t<sub>SK(O)</sub>



The deviation in cycle time of a signal with respect to the ideal period over a random sample of cycles

#### **Figure 17. Period Jitter**



The deviation in t $_{0}$  for a controlled edge with respect to a  ${\mathsf T}_0$ mean in a random sample of cycles

**Figure 18. I/O Jitter**

## **PACKAGE DIMENSIONS**



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