1.2 GHz / 550 MHz Dual Fractional-N FlexiPower PLL for Frequency Synthesis

Features

- Ultra-Low Power via FlexiPower variable supply voltages
- Modulo-32 fractional-N main counters
- On-board fractional spur compensation: no tuning required, stable over temp.
- Improved phase noise compared to integer-N architectures

Product Description

The PE3291 is a dual fractional-N FlexiPower phase-lock loop (PLL) IC designed for frequency synthesis and fabricated on Peregrine's patented UTSi® CMOS process. Each PLL includes a FlexiPower™ prescaler, phase detector, charge pump and on-board fractional spur compensation.

The FlexiPower prescalers are supplied power on dedicated pins and can operate at a substantial power savings at voltages as low as 0.8 volts, while allowing a 3 volt charge pump supply. For 3 volt only systems, on-chip voltage regulation may be used to generate the prescaler power supplies.

Figure 1 illustrates the implementation of the FlexiPower technology. The prescaler power supply may be provided externally or internally regulated down from Vdd. In a typical 950 MHz application the total current consumed by the PLL is 2.1mA. Operation at reduced current levels provides significant battery life extension. The PE3291 allows the system designer to minimize power consumption by controlling the voltage on the prescaler. For additional operating speeds and current consumptions refer to Figures 5 and 6.

PE3291 provides fractional-N division with power-of-two denominator values up to 32. This allows comparison frequencies up to 32 times the channel spacing, providing a lower phase noise floor than integer PLLs. The 32/33 RF prescaler (PLL1) operates up to 1.2 GHz and the 16/17 IF prescaler (PLL2) operates up to 550 MHz.
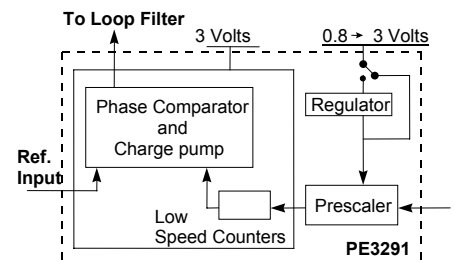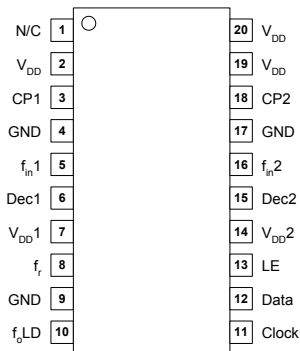
Applications

- CDMA handsets
- CDMA base stations
- Analog Cordless phones
- One and two way pagers

Figure 1: FlexiPower technology enables the prescaler to operate at voltages down to 0.8 volts. This significantly reduces the total power

Figure 2. Pin Configuration: TSSOP (JEDEC MO-153-AC)

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N/C       1            20   V_DD
V_DD      2            19   V_DD
CP1       3            18   CP2
GND       4            17   GND
f_in1     5            16   f_in2
Dec1      6            15   Dec2
V_DD1     7            14   V_DD2
f_r       8            13   LE
GND       9            12   Data
f_oLD    10            11   Clock
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Table 1. Pin Descriptions

Pin No.	Pin Name	Type	Description
1	N / C		No connect.
2	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Power supply voltage input. Input may range from 2.7 V to 3.6 V. A bypass capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.
3	CP1	Output	Internal charge-pump output from PLL1 for connection to a loop filter for driving the input of an external VCO.
4	GND		Ground.
5	$f_{in}1$	Input	Prescaler input from the PLL1 (RF) VCO. Maximum frequency is 1.2 GHz.
6	Dec1		Power supply decoupling pin for PLL1. A capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.
7	V_{DD1}		PLL1 prescaler power supply (FlexiPower 1).
8	f_r	Input	Reference frequency input.
9	GND		Ground.
10	f_oLD	Output	Multiplexed output of the PLL1 and PLL2 main counters or reference counters, Lock Detect signals, and data out of the shift register. CMOS output (see Table 11, f_oLD Programming Truth Table).
11	Clock	Input	CMOS clock input. Serial data for the various counters is clocked in on the rising edge into the 21-bit shift register.
12	Data	Input	Binary serial data input. CMOS input data entered MSB first. The two LSBs are the control bits.
13	LE	Input	Load Enable CMOS input. When LE is high, data word stored in the 21-bit serial shift register is loaded into one of the four appropriate latches (as assigned by the control bits).
14	V_{DD2}	Output	PLL2 prescaler power supply (FlexiPower 2).
15	Dec2	Output	Power supply decoupling pin for PLL2. A capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.
16	$F_{in}2$	Input	Prescaler input from the PLL2 (IF) VCO. Maximum frequency is 550 MHz.
17	GND		Ground.
18	CP2	Output	Internal charge-pump output for PLL2. For connection to a loop filter for driving the input of an external VCO.
19	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Same as pin 2.
20	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Same as pin 2.

Note 1: V_{DD} pins 2, 19, and 20 are connected by diodes and must be supplied with the same voltage level.

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Figure 3. Pin Configuration: 24-Pin BCC (Top View)
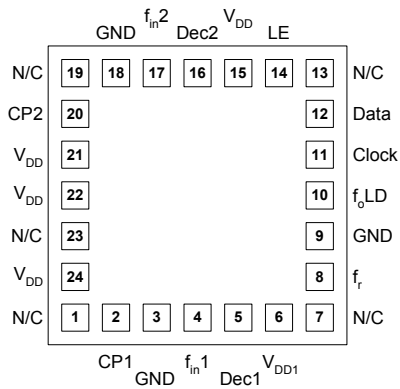
Table 2. Pin Descriptions

Pin No.	Pin Name	Type	Description
1	N / C		No connect.
2	CP1	Output	Internal charge-pump output from PLL1 for connection to a loop filter for driving the input of an external VCO.
3	GND		Ground
4	$f_{in}1$	Input	Prescaler input from the PLL1 (RF) VCO. Maximum frequency is 1.2 GHz.
5	Dec1		Power supply decoupling pin for PLL1. A capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.
6	V_{DD1}		PLL1 prescaler power supply (FlexiPower 1).
7	N / C		No connect.
8	f_r	Input	Reference frequency input.
9	GND		Ground.
10	f_oLD	Output	Multiplexed output of the PLL1 and PLL2 main counters or reference counters, Lock Detect signals, and data out of the shift register. CMOS output (see Table 11, f_oLD Programming Truth Table).
11	Clock	Input	CMOS clock input. Serial data for the various counters is clocked in on the rising edge into the 21-bit shift register.
12	Data	Input	Binary serial data input. CMOS input data entered MSB first. The two LSBs are the control bits.
13	N / C		No connect.
14	LE	Input	Load Enable CMOS input. When LE is high, data word stored in the 21-bit serial shift register is loaded into one of the four appropriate latches (as assigned by the control bits).
15	V_{DD2}		PLL2 prescaler power supply (FlexiPower 2).
16	Dec2		Power supply decoupling pin for PLL2. A capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.
17	$f_{in}2$	Input	Prescaler input from the PLL2 (IF) VCO. Maximum frequency is 550MHz.
18	GND		Ground.
19	N / C		No connect.
20	CP2	Output	Internal charge-pump output for PLL2. For connection to a loop filter for driving the input of an external VCO.
21	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Power supply voltage input. Input may range from 2.7 V to 3.6 V. A bypass capacitor should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.

Pin No.	Pin Name	Type	Description
22	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Same as pin 21.
23	N / C		No connect.
24	V_{DD}	(Note 1)	Same as pin 21.

Note 1: V_{DD} pins 21, 22, and 24 are connected by diodes and must be supplied with the same voltage level.

PE3291 Description

The PE3291 is intended for such applications as the local oscillator for the RF and first IF of dual-conversion transceivers. The RF PLL (PLL1) includes a 32/33 prescaler with a 1.2 GHz maximum frequency of operation, where the IF PLL (PLL2) incorporates a 16/17 prescaler with a 550 MHz maximum frequency of operation. Using an advanced fractional-N phase-locked loop technique, the PE3291 can generate a stable, very low phase- noise signal. The dual fractional architecture allows fine resolution in both PLLs, with no degradation in phase noise performance.

Data is transferred into the PE3291 via a three-wire interface (Data, Clock, LE). Supply voltage can range from 2.7 to 3.6 volts for V_{DD} and from 0.8 to 3.6 volts for the FlexiPower supply. PE3291 features very low power consumption and is available in a JEDEC MO-153-AC (TSSOP), 20-pin package, and a 24-lead BCC.

FlexiPower Operation

Each FlexiPower PLL prescaler can be supplied its own dedicated supply voltage as low as 0.8 volts for substantial power savings. The maximum frequency of operation scales with the FlexiPower supply voltage. If voltages less than V_{DD} are not available, the FlexiPower supplies can be internally generated, but the power savings will not be as great as when using external FlexiPower supplies.

Spurious Response

A critical parameter for synthesizer designs is spurious output. Spurs occur at the integer multiples of the step size away from center tone. An important feature of fractional synthesizers is their ability to reduce these spurious sidebands. The PE3291 has a built-in method for reducing these spurs, with no external components or tuning required. In addition, this circuitry works over the full commercial temperature range.

Figure 4. PE3291 Block Diagram

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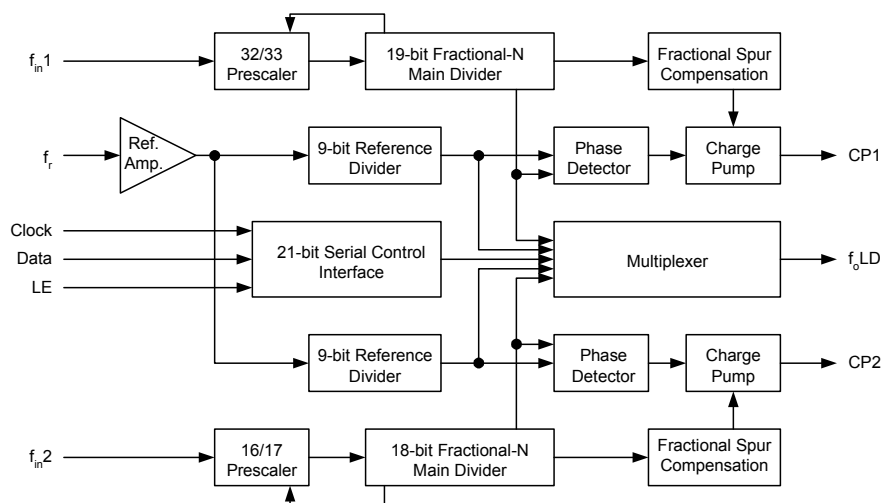
Table 3. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Symbol	Parameter/Conditions	Min	Max	Units
V_{DD}	Supply voltage	-0.3	4.0	V
V_I	Voltage on any input	-0.3	V_{DD} + 0.3	V
I_I	DC into any input	-10	+10	mA
I_O	DC into any output	-10	+10	mA
T_{stg}	Storage temperature range	-65	150	°C

Table 4. Operating Ratings

Symbol	Parameter/Conditions	Min	Max	Units
V_{DD}	Supply voltage	2.7	3.3	V
T_A	Operating ambient temperature range	-40	85	°C

Table 5. ESD Ratings

Symbol	Parameter/Conditions	Level	Units
V_{ESD}	ESD voltage human body model (Note 1)	1000	V

Note 1: Periodically sampled, not 100% tested. Tested per MIL-STD-883, M3015 C2

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Precautions

When handling this UTSi device, observe the same precautions that you would use with other ESD-sensitive devices. Although this device contains circuitry to protect it from damage due to ESD, precautions should be taken to avoid exceeding the rating specified in Table 5.

Latch-Up Avoidance

Unlike conventional CMOS devices, UTSi CMOS devices are immune to latch-up.

Table 6. DC Characteristics

V_{DD} = 3.0 V, -40° C < T_A < 85° C, unless otherwise specified

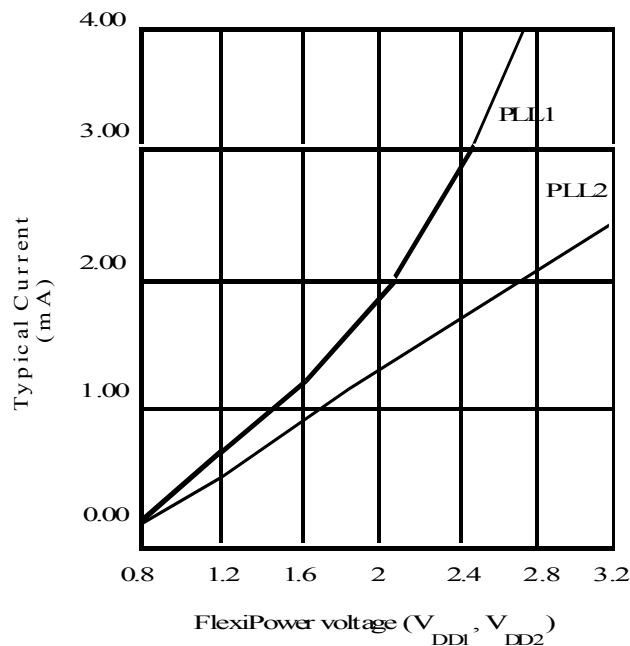| Symbol	Parameter	Conditions		Min	Typ	Max	Units
I_{DD}	3 V supply current when V_{DD1} and V_{DD2} are internally regulated down from V_{DD} (note 1)	(10 MHz Ref. Freq.) P_2, P_1 = 01 RF C_{10}, C_{20} = 01	RF PLL1 low speed IF PLL2 off		1.4		mA
		P_2, P_1 = 1X C_{10}, C_{20} = 01	RF PLL1 high speed IF PLL2 off		2.0		mA
		P_2, P_1 = 01 C_{10}, C_{20} = 00	RF PLL1 low speed IF PLL2 low speed		2.1		mA
		P_2, P_1 = 10 C_{10}, C_{20} = 00	RF PLL1 high speed IF PLL2 low speed		2.7		mA
		P_2, P_1 = 11 C_{10}, C_{20} = 00	RF PLL1 high speed IF PLL2 high speed		3.1		mA
I_{DD}	3 V supply current when V_{DD1} and V_{DD2} are externally supplied (note 1)	P_2, P_1 = 00	2 PLL's enabled 1 PLL enabled		1.0 0.7		mA mA
I_{DD1}	PLL1 FlexiPower Prescaler supply current (see fig. 5)	P_2, P_1 = 00 V_{DD1} = 1/0 volt V_{DD1} = 1.8 volts V_{DD1} = 2.7 volts	PLL1 enabled		0.5 1.5 4.0		mA mA mA
I_{DD2}	PLL2 FlexiPower Prescaler supply current (see fig. 5)	P2, P1 = 00 V_{DD2} = 1.0 volt V_{DD2} = 1.8 volts V_{DD2} = 2.7 volts	PLL2 enabled		0.4 1.2 2.0		mA mA mA
I_{stby}	Total standby current				5	50	μA
Digital inputs: Clock, Data, LE							
V_{IH}	High level input voltage	V_{DD} = 2.7 to 3.6 volts		0.7 x V_{DD}			V
V_{IL}	Low level input voltage	V_{DD} = 2.7 to 3.6 volts				0.3 x V_{DD}	V
I_{IH}	High level input current	V_{IH} = V_{DD} = 3.6 volts		-1		+1	μA
I_{IL}	Low level input current	V_{IL} = 0, V_{DD} = 3.6 volts		-1		+1	μA

Note 1: The total current consumed by the device is I_{DD} when internal regulation is employed and I_{DD} + I_{DD1} + I_{DD2} when V_{DD1} and V_{DD2} are externally supplied. When V_{DD1} and V_{DD2} are internally generated, pins 7 and 14 should be left floating.

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Table 6. DC Characteristics (continued)

V_{DD} = 3.0 V, -40° C < T_A < 85° C, unless otherwise specified

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Reference Divider input: f_r						
I_{IHR}	Input current	$V_{IH} = V_{DD}$ = 3.6 volts			+25	μA
I_{ILR}	Input current	V_{IL} = 0, V_{DD} = 3.6 volts	-25			μA
Digital output: f_0LD						
V_{OLD}	Output voltage LOW	I_{out} = 1 mA				V
V_{OHD}	Output voltage HIGH	I_{out} = -1 mA	V_{DD}-0.4			V
Charge Pump outputs: CP1, CP2						
$I_{CP - Source}$	Drive current	$VC_P = V_{DD}$ / 2		-70		μA
$I_{CP - Sink}$				70		μA
I_{CPL}	Leakage current	0.5 V < V_{CP} < V_{DD}-0.5 volt	-5		5	nA
$I_{CP - Source}$ vs. $I_{CP - Sink}$	Sink vs. Source mismatch	$V_{CP} = V_{DD}$ / 2, T_A = 25° C			10	%
I_{CP} vs. T_A	Output current vs. temperature	$V_{CP} = V_{DD}$ / 2		10		%
I_{CP} vs. V_{CP}	Output current magnitude variation vs. voltage	0.5 V < V_{CP} < V_{DD} – 0.5 volt, T_A = 25° C		10		%

Figure 5. Prescaler Current vs. FlexiPower voltage (V_{DD1} and V_{DD2} externally supplied)

Table 7. AC Characteristics

V_{DD} = 3.0 V, -40° C < T_A < 85° C, unless otherwise specified

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Units
Control Interface and Latches (see figure 8)					
f_{Clk}	Serial data clock frequency			10	MHz
t_{ClockH}	Serial clock HIGH time		50		ns
t_{ClockL}	Serial clock LOW time		50		ns
t_{DSU}	Data set-up time to Clock rising edge		50		ns
t_{DHLD}	Data hold time after Clock rising edge		10		ns
t_{LEW}	LE pulse width		50		ns
t_{CLE}	Clock falling edge to LE rising edge		50		ns
t_{LEC}	LE falling edge to Clock rising edge		50		ns
$t_{Data\ Out}$	Data Out delay after Clock falling edge (f_oLD pin)	C_L = 50 pf		90	ns
Main Divider (Including Prescaler)					

$f_{in}1$	Operating frequency (see figure 6)	P_2, P_1 = 00
		    V_{DD1} = 1.0 volts
		    V_{DD1} = 1.8 volts
		    V_{DD1} = 2.7 volts
		
		P_2, P_1 = 01
		    V_{DD1} = internally generated (low speed)
		
		P_2, P_1 = 1X = (10 or 11)
		    V_{DD1} = internally generated (high speed)
			300
			300
			300
			
			300
			
			300
				450
				900
				1200
				
				800
				
				1100
					MHz
					MHz
					MHz
					
					MHz
					
					MHz

$f_{in}2$	Operating frequency (see figure 6)	P_2, P_1 = 00
		    V_{DD1} = 1.0 volts
		    V_{DD1} = 1.8 volts
		    V_{DD1} = 2.7 volts
		
		P_2, P_1 = 01 or 10
		    V_{DD2} = internally generated (low speed)
		
		P_2, P_1 = 11
		    V_{DD1} = internally generated (high speed)
			45
			45
			45
			
			45
			
			45
				300
				550
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$Pf_{in}1$	Input level range	External AC coupling	-10	5	MHz
$Pf_{in}2$	Input level range	External AC coupling	-10	5	dBm
f_c	Comparison frequency			10	MHz
Reference Divider					
f_r	Operating frequency			50	MHz
V_{fr}	Input sensitivity	External AC coupling (note 1)	0.5		V_{P-P}

Note 1:   CMOS logic levels may be used if DC coupled.

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Figure 6. PLL Maximum Frequency vs. FlexiPower voltage
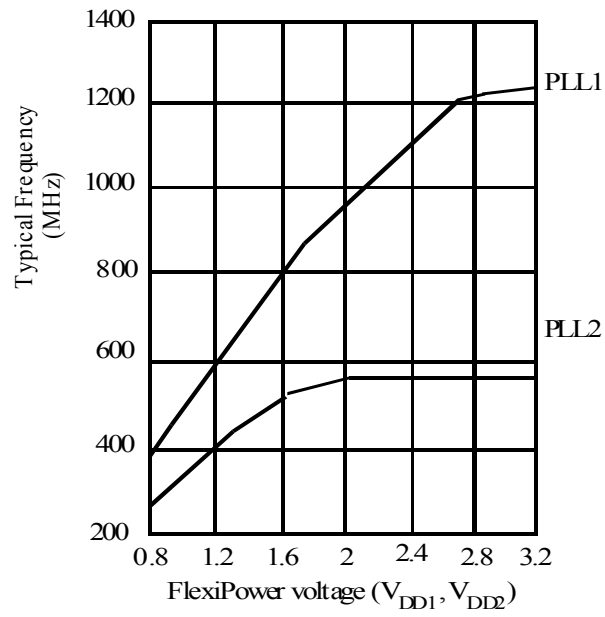
Functional Description

The Functional Block Diagram in Figure 7 shows a 21-bit serial control register, a multiplexed output, and PLL sections PLL1 and PLL2. Each PLL contains a fractional-N main counter chain, a reference counter, a phase detector, and an internal charge pump with on-chip fractional spur compensation. Each fractional-N main counter chain includes an internal dual modulus prescaler, supporting counters, and a fractional accumulator.

Serial input data is clocked on the rising edge of Clock, MSB first. The last two bits are the address bits that determine the register address. Data is transferred into the counters as shown in Table 8, PE3291 Register Set. If the f_oLD pin is configured as data out, then the contents of shift register bit S_{20} are clocked on the falling edge of Clock onto the f_oLD pin. This feature allows the PE3291 and compatible devices to be connected in a daisy-chain configuration.

The PLL1 (RF) VCO frequency $f_{in}1$ is related to the reference frequency f_r by the following equation:

$$f_{in}1 = [(32 \times M_1) + A_1 + (F_1/32)] \times (f_r/R_1)$$

(1) Note that A_1 must be less than M_1. Also, $f_{in}1$ must be greater than or equal to $1024 \times (f_r/R_1)$ to obtain contiguous channels.

The PLL2 (IF) VCO frequency $f_{in}2$ is related to the reference frequency f_r by the following equation:

$$f_{in}2 = [(16 \times M2) + A_2 + (F_2/32)] \times (f_r/R_2)$$

(2) Note that A_2 must be less than M_2. Also, $f_{in}2$ must be greater than or equal to $256 \times (f_r/R_2)$ to obtain contiguous channels.

F_1 sets PLL1 fractionality. If F_1 is an even number, the PE3291 automatically reduces the fraction. For example, if $F_1 = 12$, then the fraction 12/32 is automatically reduced to 3/8. In this way, fractional denominators of 2, 4, 8, 16 and 32 are available. F_2 sets the fractionality for PLL2 in the same manner.

Figure 7. Functional Block Diagram

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Table 8. Register Set

S_{20}	S_{19}	S_{18}	S_{17}	S_{16}	S_{15}	S_{14}	S_{13}	S_{12}	S_{11}	S_{10}	S_9	S_8	S_7	S_6	S_5	S_4	S_3	S_2	S_1	S_0
Reserved				Test	PLL2 Synthesizer control					PLL2 Reference counter R_2 divide ratio									Address	
				0	C_{24}	C_{23}	C_{22}	C_{21}	C_{20}	R_{28}	R_{27}	R_{26}	R_{25}	R_{24}	R_{23}	R_{22}	R_{21}	R_{20}	0	0
Res.	PLL2 Main counter M_2 divide ratio									PLL2 Swallow counter A_2 divide ratio				PLL2 Fractional counter F_2 numerator value					Address	
	M_{28}	M_{27}	M_{26}	M_{25}	M_{24}	M_{23}	M_{22}	M_{21}	M_{20}	A_{23}	A_{22}	A_{21}	A_{20}	F_{24}	F_{23}	F_{22}	F_{21}	F_{20}	0	1
Res.	FlexiPower voltage regulation			PLL1 Synthesizer control					PLL1 Reference counter R_1 divide ratio										Address	
	P_2	**Res.**	P_1	C_{14}	C_{13}	C_{12}	C_{11}	C_{10}	R_{18}	R_{17}	R_{16}	R_{15}	R_{14}	R_{13}	R_{12}	R_{11}	R_{10}		1	0
PLL1 Main counter M_1 divide ratio									PLL1 Swallow counter A_1 divide ratio					PLL1 Fractional counter F_1 numerator value					Address	
M_{18}	M_{17}	M_{16}	M_{15}	M_{14}	M_{13}	M_{12}	M_{11}	M_{10}	A_{14}	A_{13}	A_{12}	A_{11}	A_{10}	F_{14}	F_{13}	F_{12}	F_{11}	F_{10}	1	1

MSB (first in)

(last in) LSB

Figure 8. Serial Interface Mode Timing Diagram
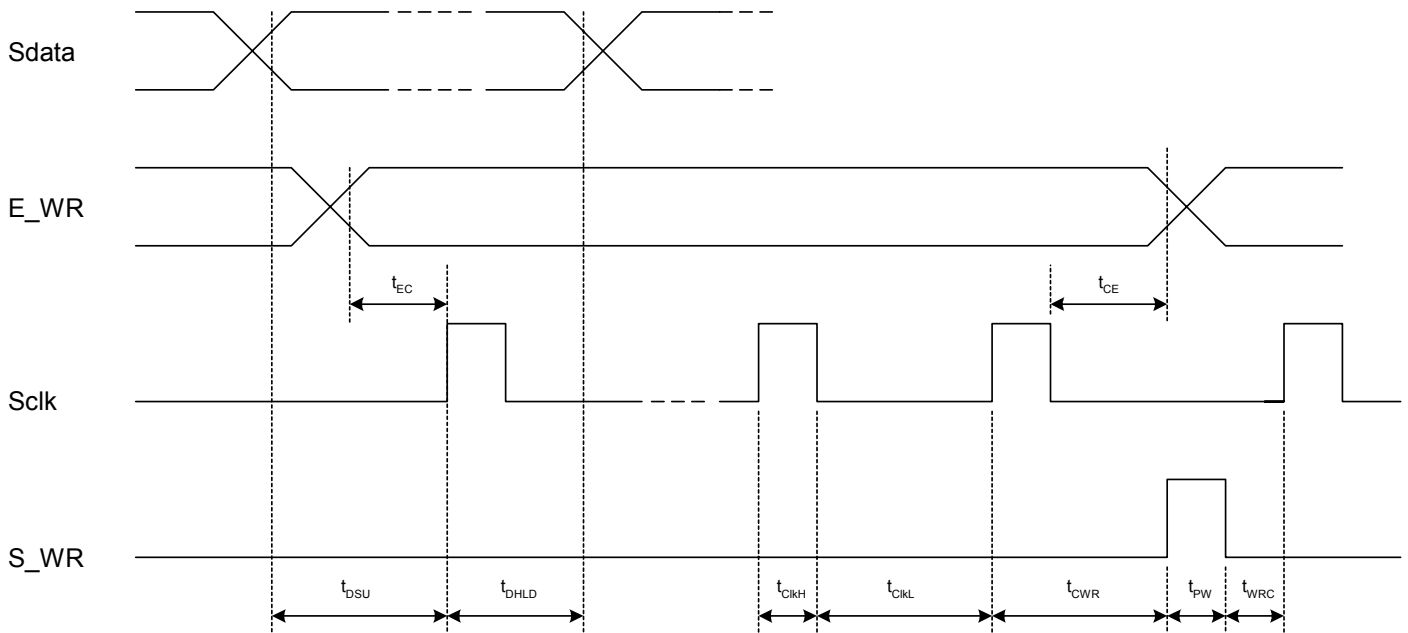
Programmable Divide Values (R1, R2, F1, F2, A1, A2, M1, M2)

Data is clocked into the 21-bit shift register, MSB first. When LE is asserted HIGH, data is latched into the registers addressed by the last two bits shifted into the 21-bit register, according to Table 8. For example, to program the PLL1 (RF) swallow counter, A_1, the last two bits shifted into the register (S_0, S_1) would be (1,1). The 5-bit A_1 counter would then be programmed according to Table 9. For normal operation, S_{16} of address (0,0) (the Test bit) must be programmed to 0 even if PLL2 (IF) is not used.

Table 9. PE3291 Counter Programming Example

Divide Value	MSB				LSB	Address	
	S_{11}	S_{10}	S_9	S_8	S_7	S_1	S_0
	A_{14}	A_{13}	A_{12}	A_{11}	A_{10}	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
2	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Program Modes

Several modes of operation can be programmed with bits C_{10} - C_{14} and C_{20} - C_{24}, including the phase detector polarity, charge pump high impedance, output of the foLD pin and power-down modes. The PE3291 modes of operation are shown on Table 10. The truth table for the foLD output is shown in Table 11.

Table 10. PE3291 Program Modes

S_{15}	S_{14}	S_{13}	S_{12}	S_{11}	S_1	S_0
C_{24} See Table 10	C_{23} See Table 10	C_{22} 0 = PLL1 CP normal 1 = PLL1 CP High Z	C_{21} (Note 2) 0 = PLL1 Phase Detector inverted 1 = PLL1 Phase Detector normal	C_{20} (Note 1) 0 = PLL1 on 1 = PLL1 off	0	0
C_{14} See Table 10	C_{13} See Table 10	C_{12} 0 = PLL1 CP normal 1 = PLL1 CP High Z	C_{11} (Note 2) 0 = PLL1 Phase Detector inverted 1 = PLL1 Phase Detector normal	C_{10} (Note 1) 0 = PLL1 on 1 = PLL1 off	1	0

Note 1: The PLL1 power-down mode disables all of PLL1's components except the R_1 counter and the reference frequency input buffer, with CP1 (pin 3) and $f_{in}1$ (pin 5) becoming high impedance. The power down of PLL2 has similar results with CP2 (pin 18) and $f_{in}2$ (pin 16) becoming high impedance. Power down of both PLL1 and PLL2 further disables counters R_1 and R_2, the reference frequency input, and the f_oLD output, causing f_r (pin 8) and f_oLD (pin 10) to become high impedance. The Serial Control Interface remains active at all times.

Note 2: The C_{11} and C_{21} bits should be set according to the voltage versus frequency slope of the VCO as shown in Figure 9. This relationship presumes the use of a passive loop filter. If an inverting active loop filter is used the relationship is also inverted.

Figure 9. VCO Characteristics
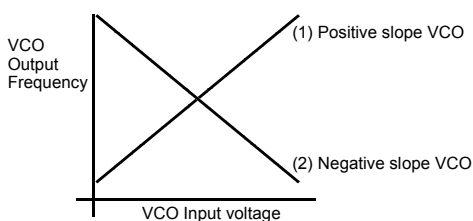
- When VCO1 (RF) slope is positive like (1), C_{11} should be set HIGH.
- When VCO1 (RF) slope is negative like (2), C_{11} should be set LOW.
- When VCO2 (IF) slope is positive like (1), C_{21} should be set HIGH.
- When VCO2 (IF) slope is negative like (2), C_{21} should be set LOW.

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Table 11. f_oLD Programming Truth Table

X = don't care condition

f_oLD Output State	C_{14} (PLL1F_0)	C_{13} (PLL1LD)	C_{24} (PLL2F_0)	C_{23} (PLL2LD)
Disabled (Note 1)	0	0	0	0
PLL 1 Lock detect (Note 2) (LD1)	0	1	0	0
PLL2 Lock detect (Note 2) (LD2)	0	0	0	1
PLL1 / PLL2 Lock detect (Note 2)	0	1	0	1
PLL1 Reference divider output (f_c1)	1	X	0	0
PLL2 Reference divider output (f_c2)	0	X	1	0
PLL1 Programmable divider output (f_p1)	1	X	0	1
PLL2 Programmable divider output (f_p2)	0	X	1	1
Serial data out	1	0	1	0
Reserved	1	0	1	1
Reserved	1	1	1	0
Counter reset (Note 3)	1	1	1	1

Note 1: When the f_oLD is disabled the output is a CMOS LOW.

Note 2: Lock detect indicates when the VCO frequency is in "lock". When PLL1 is in lock and PLL1 lock detect is selected, the f_oLD pin will be HIGH with narrow pulses LOW. When PLL2 is in lock and PLL2 lock detect is selected, the f_oLD pin will be HIGH with narrow pulses LOW. When PLL1 / PLL2 lock detect is selected the f_oLD pin will be HIGH with narrow pulses LOW only when both PLL1 and PLL2 are in lock.

Note 3: The counter reset state when activated resets all counters. Upon removal of the reset, counters M, A, and F resume counting in close alignment with the R counter (the maximum error is one prescaler cycle). The reset bits can be activated to allow smooth acquisition upon powering up.

Programming the FlexiPower voltage

The PE3291 can be programmed to internally regulate down from the V_{DD} voltage to supply the FlexiPower voltage, as shown in Table 12. This is implemented by programming P_2, P_1 (S_{18} & S_{16} - address 1,0). When programmed with 0,0 external voltage supplies must be provided to the part at pins V_{DD1} and V_{DD2}. When using internal regulation, the FlexiPower supply pins should be left unconnected.

Table 12. FlexiPower Voltage Regulation Programming

P_2	P_1	FlexiPower 1 voltage (RF PLL1)	FlexiPower 2 voltage (IF PLL2)
0	0	No regulation (FlexiPower externally provided)	
0	1	Low power	Low power
1	0	High speed	Low power
1	1	High speed	High speed

Phase Comparator Characteristics

PLL1 has the timing relationships shown below for f_c1, f_p1, LD1, UP1, and DOWN1. When C_{11} = HIGH, UP1 directs the internal PLL1 charge pump to source current and DOWN1 directs the PLL1 internal charge pump to sink current. If C_{11} = LOW, UP1 and DOWN1 are interchanged.

PLL2 has the timing relationships shown below for f_c2, f_p2, LD2, UP2, and DOWN2. When C_{21} = HIGH, UP2 directs the internal PLL2 charge pump to source current and DOWN2 directs the PLL2 internal charge pump to sink current. If C_{21} = LOW, UP2 and DOWN2 are interchanged.

Figure 10. Phase Comparator Timing Diagram
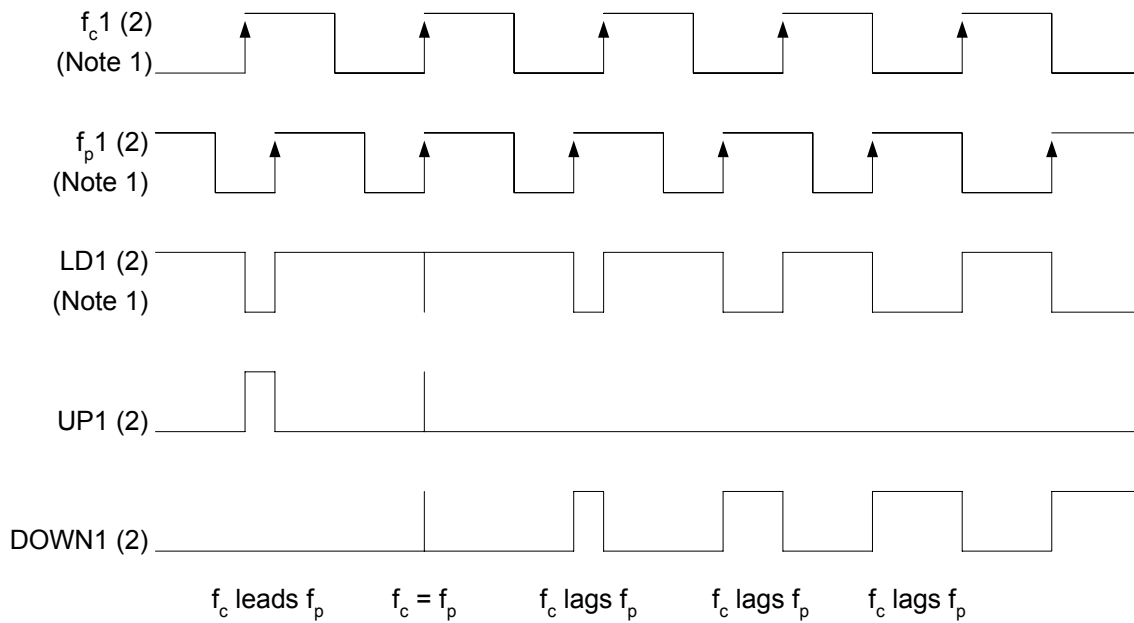
Note 1: $f_c1(2)$, $f_p1(2)$, and LD1(2) are accessible via the f_oLD pin per programming in Table 11.

Loop Filter

Second/Third Order Loops

Choosing the optimum loop filter for a design encompasses many trade offs. The rule of thumb for choosing the loop filter bandwidth is 10 percent of the step size. A second order loop (C_1 C_2 R_2 and C_4 C_5 R_5 in Figure 11 omitting C_3 R_3 C_6 and R_6) will provide the least amount of components and the fastest lock times. If lock time is an issue, one might try opening up the loop filter, although if it is too wide, instability will dominate and worsen lock time. If lock time is not an issue, a narrower second order filter will minimize residual FM without requiring additional components.

Third Order loop filters (C_1 C_2 R_2 C_3 R_3 and C_4 C_5 R_5 C_6 R_6 in Figure 11) provide a good compromise between lock time and residual FM. We have found using a third order loop with 20 dB of rejection at the step size will halve the Residual FM as measured with a similar second order loop, with minimum effect on lock time.

Loop Filter Bandwidth Design Considerations

As part of the spur compensation circuitry, the PE329x series PLLs contain capacitors to ground internal to the charge pump. PLL1 contains a 50 pF capacitor and PLL2 contains a 100 pF capacitor. To ensure accurate loop filter calculations, it is critical that the calculated value of the first shunt capacitor (C_3 & C_4 in Figure 11) be at least 100 pF for PLL1 and 200 pF for PLL2. With this requirement satisfied, the remaining loop components can be calculated.

For a stable loop, it is also important that the loop bandwidth be less than or equal to one tenth of the step size.

Digital Control Lines

Control Line Noise

We have noticed frequency jitter during programming when a low impedance, such as a capacitor to ground, is placed next to any control line pin (clock, data, and load enable). The use of a 51 k ohm resistor in series with the control line will eliminate the problem with no effect to programming time.

Enable Line Voltage

The PE329x series PLLs use a level sensitive load enable. Therefore the digital controller must provide an active low to the part at all times except when the data is to be loaded into the shift register. If the PLL controller does not hold the voltage low, a high impedance resistor to ground should be added to the enable line to ensure stable operation.

5 Volt Operation:

The PE329x series PLLs are not capable of accepting control voltages greater than 3.6 volts. Interface to

5 volt controllers requires the addition of resistor dividers to comply with the 3.6 volt maximum operation voltage.

Figure 11. Application Example
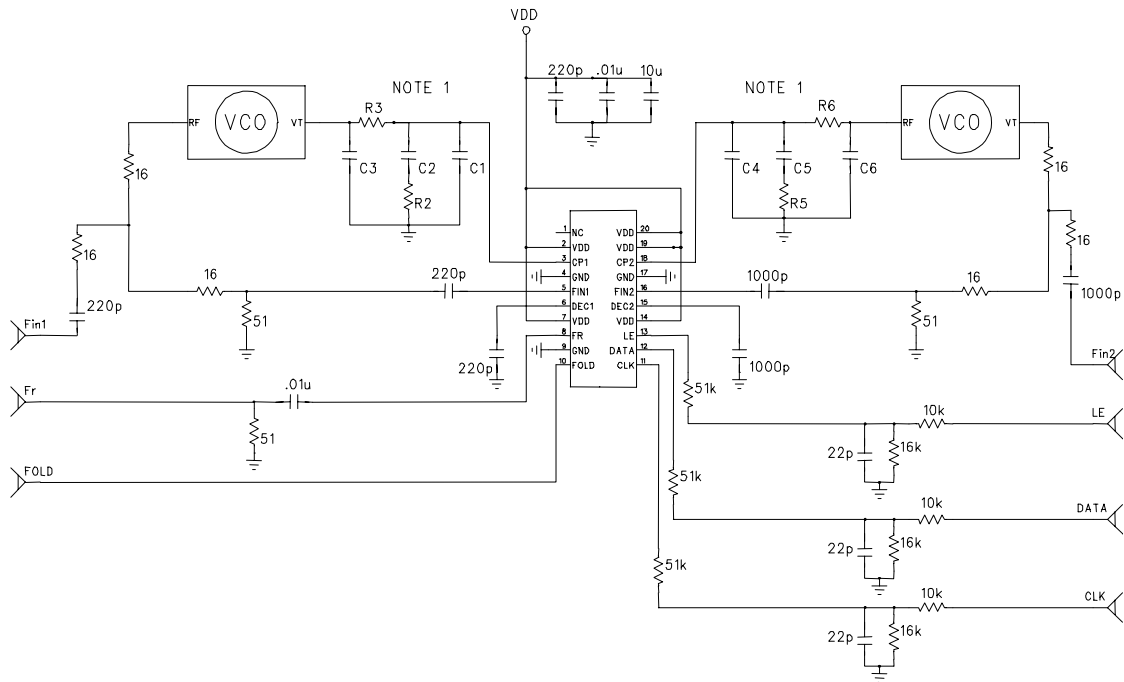
Note 1: For optimum fractional spur and lock-time performance C_2 and C_5 should be polyester (or poly propylene). In addition, the loop filter components must be free from contamination. Contamination will result in poor spur performance. For accurate loop bandwidth, C_3 must be greater than or equal to 100 pF, and C_4 must be greater than or equal to 200 pF.
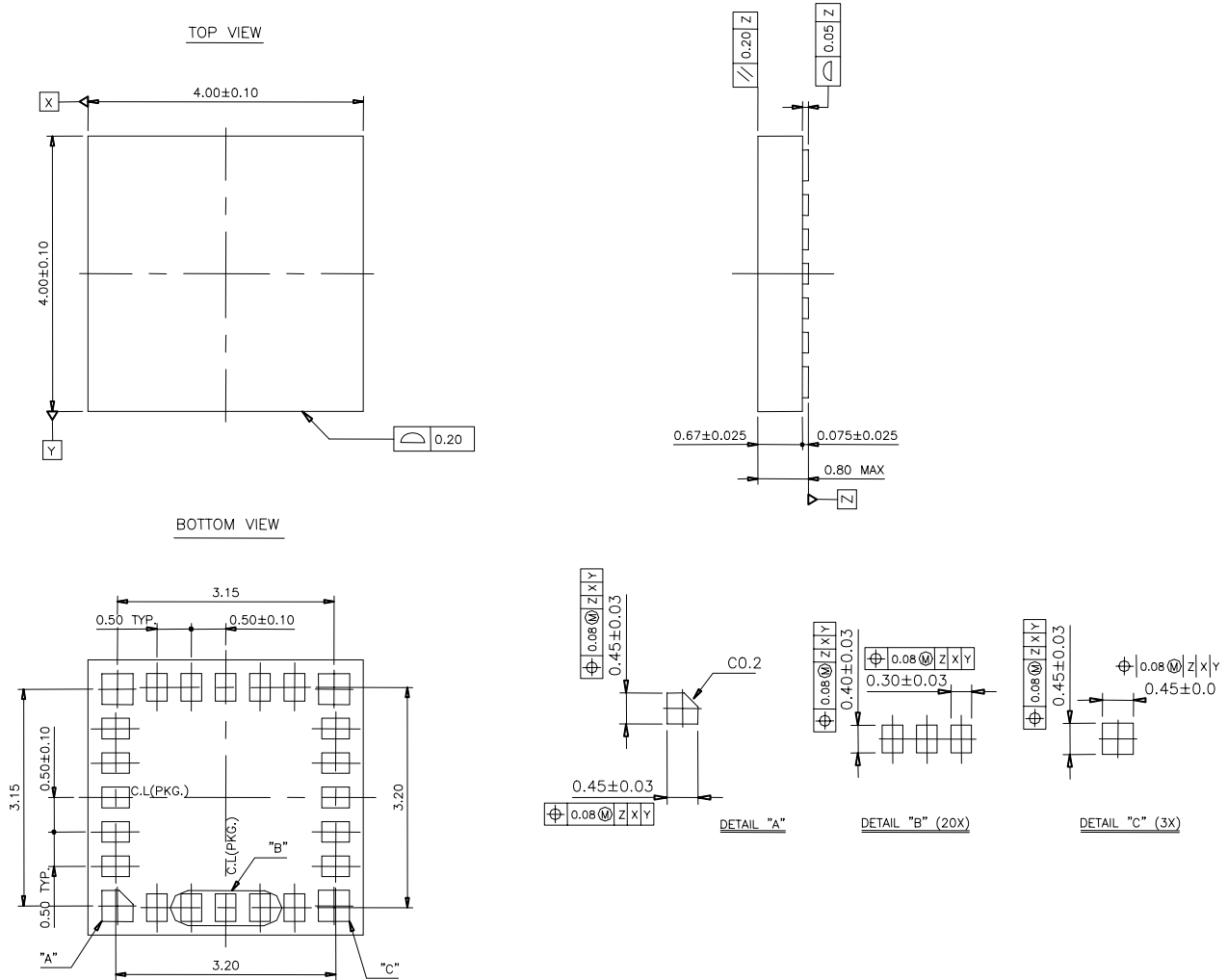
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Figure 12. Package Drawing

20-lead TSSOP (JEDEC MO-153-AC)
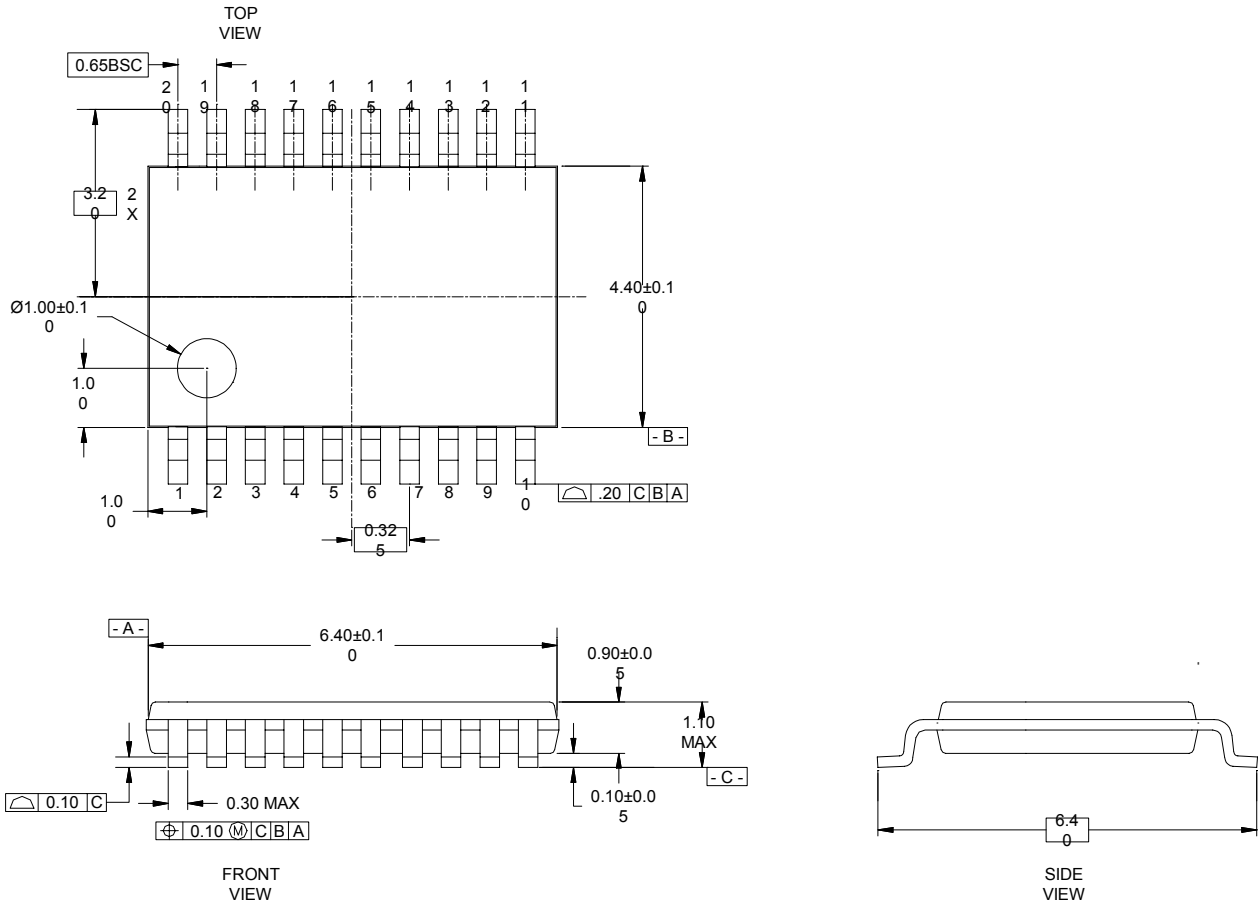
Figure 13. Package Drawing

24-lead BCC

Table 13. Ordering Information

Order Code	Part Marking	Description	Package	Shipping Method
3291-11	PE3291	Screened to datasheet specs., fully qualified	20-lead TSSOP	74 units / Tube
3291-12	PE3291	Screened to datasheet specs., fully qualified	20-lead TSSOP	2000 unit / T&R
3291-14	3291	Screened to datasheet specs., fully qualified	24-lead BCC	640 Unit Trays
3291-15	3291	Screened to datasheet specs., fully qualified	24-lead BCC	2000 Unit T&R
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