

SN54HC161, SN74HC161 4-BIT SYNCHRONOUS BINARY COUNTERS

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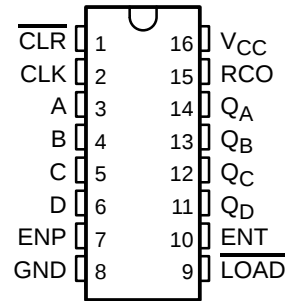
- Wide Operating Voltage Range of 2 V to 6 V
- Outputs Can Drive Up To 10 LSTTL Loads
- Low Power Consumption, 80- μ A Max I_{CC}
- Typical $t_{pd} = 14$ ns
- ± 4 -mA Output Drive at 5 V
- Low Input Current of 1 μ A Max
- Internal Look-Ahead for Fast Counting
- Carry Output for n-Bit Cascading
- Synchronous Counting
- Synchronously Programmable

description/ordering information

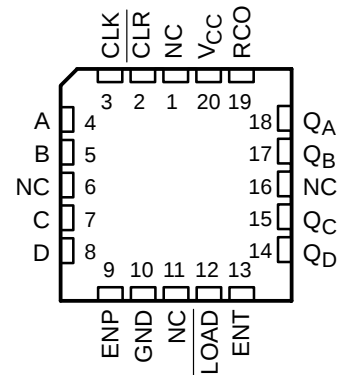
These synchronous, presettable counters feature an internal carry look-ahead for application in high-speed counting designs. The 'HC161 devices are 4-bit binary counters. Synchronous operation is provided by having all flip-flops clocked simultaneously so that the outputs change coincident with each other when so instructed by the count-enable (ENP, ENT) inputs and internal gating. This mode of operation eliminates the output counting spikes that are normally associated with synchronous (ripple-clock) counters. A buffered clock (CLK) input triggers the four flip-flops on the rising (positive-going) edge of the clock waveform.

These counters are fully programmable; that is, they can be preset to any number between 0 and 9 or 15. As presetting is synchronous, setting up a low level at the load input disables the counter and causes the outputs to agree with the setup data after the next clock pulse, regardless of the levels of the enable inputs.

SN54HC161 . . . J OR W PACKAGE
SN74HC161 . . . D, N, NS, OR PW PACKAGE
(TOP VIEW)



SN54HC161 . . . FK PACKAGE
(TOP VIEW)



NC – No internal connection

ORDERING INFORMATION

T _A	PACKAGE†		ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
–40°C to 85°C	PDIP – N	Tube	SN74HC161N	SN74HC161N
	SOIC – D	Tube	SN74HC161D	HC161
		Tape and reel	SN74HC161DR	
	SOP – NS	Tape and reel	SN74HC161NSR	HC161
–55°C to 125°C	TSSOP – PW	Tape and reel	SN74HC161PWR	HC161
	CDIP – J	Tube	SNJ54HC161J	SNJ54HC161J
	CFP – W	Tube	SNJ54HC161W	SNJ54HC161W
	LCCC – FK	Tube	SNJ54HC161FK	SNJ54HC161FK

† Package drawings, standard packing quantities, thermal data, symbolization, and PCB design guidelines are available at www.ti.com/sc/package.



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description/ordering information (continued)

The clear function for the 'HC161 devices is asynchronous. A low level at the clear ($\overline{\text{CLR}}$) input sets all four of the flip-flop outputs low, regardless of the levels of the CLK, load ($\overline{\text{LOAD}}$), or enable inputs.

The carry look-ahead circuitry provides for cascading counters for n-bit synchronous applications without additional gating. Instrumental in accomplishing this function are ENP, ENT, and a ripple-carry output (RCO). Both ENP and ENT must be high to count, and ENT is fed forward to enable RCO. Enabling RCO produces a high-level pulse while the count is maximum (9 or 15 with Q_A high). This high-level overflow ripple-carry pulse can be used to enable successive cascaded stages. Transitions at ENP or ENT are allowed, regardless of the level of CLK.

These counters feature a fully independent clock circuit. Changes at control inputs (ENP, ENT, or $\overline{\text{LOAD}}$) that modify the operating mode have no effect on the contents of the counter until clocking occurs. The function of the counter (whether enabled, disabled, loading, or counting) is dictated solely by the conditions meeting the stable setup and hold times.

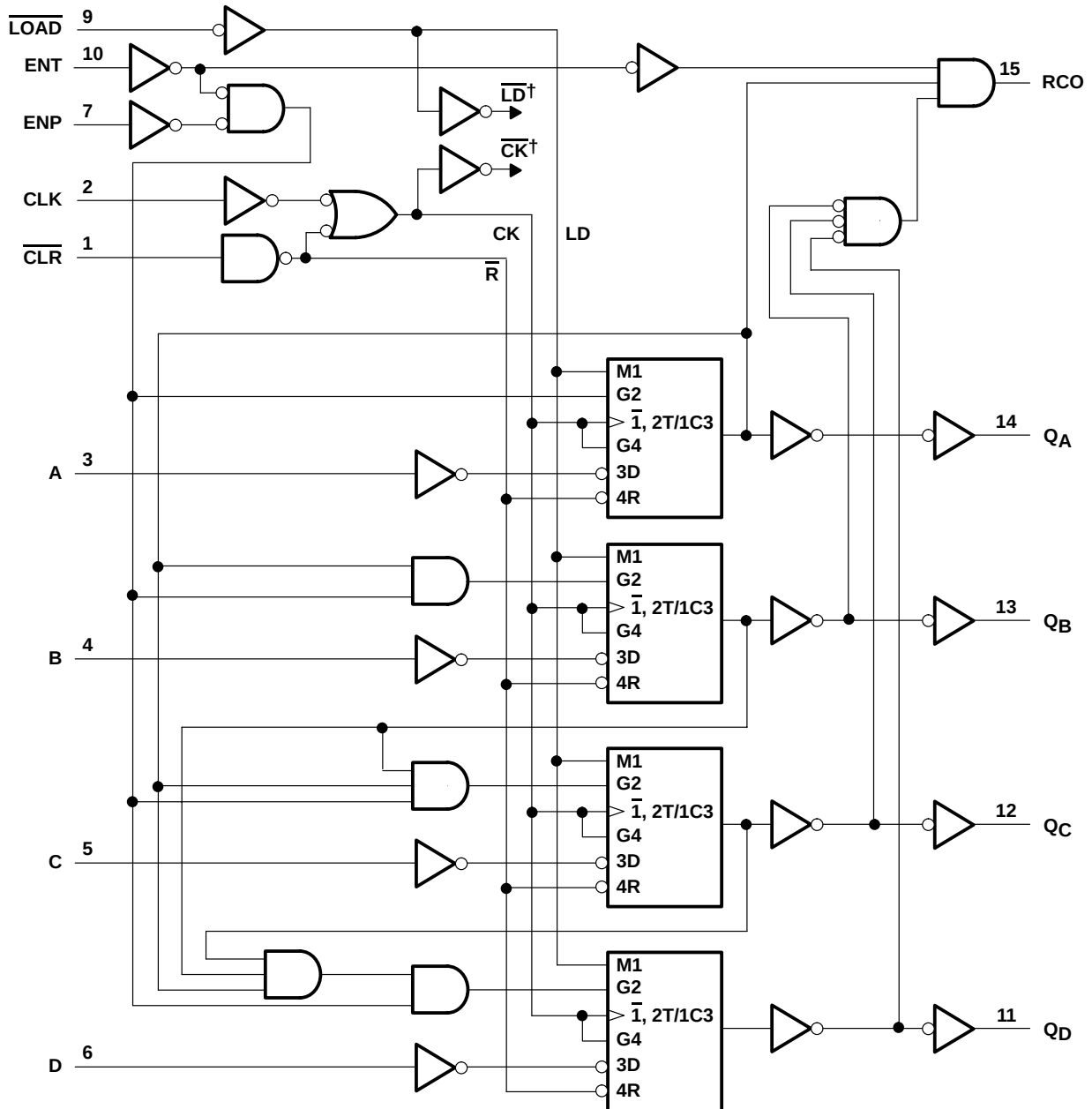


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logic diagram (positive logic)



† For simplicity, routing of complementary signals $\overline{LD}$ and $\overline{CK}$ is not shown on this overall logic diagram. The uses of these signals are shown on the logic diagram of the D/T flip-flops.

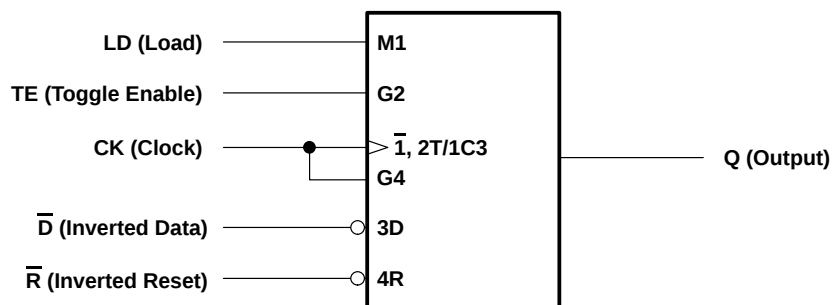
Pin numbers shown are for the D, J, N, NS, PW, and W packages.

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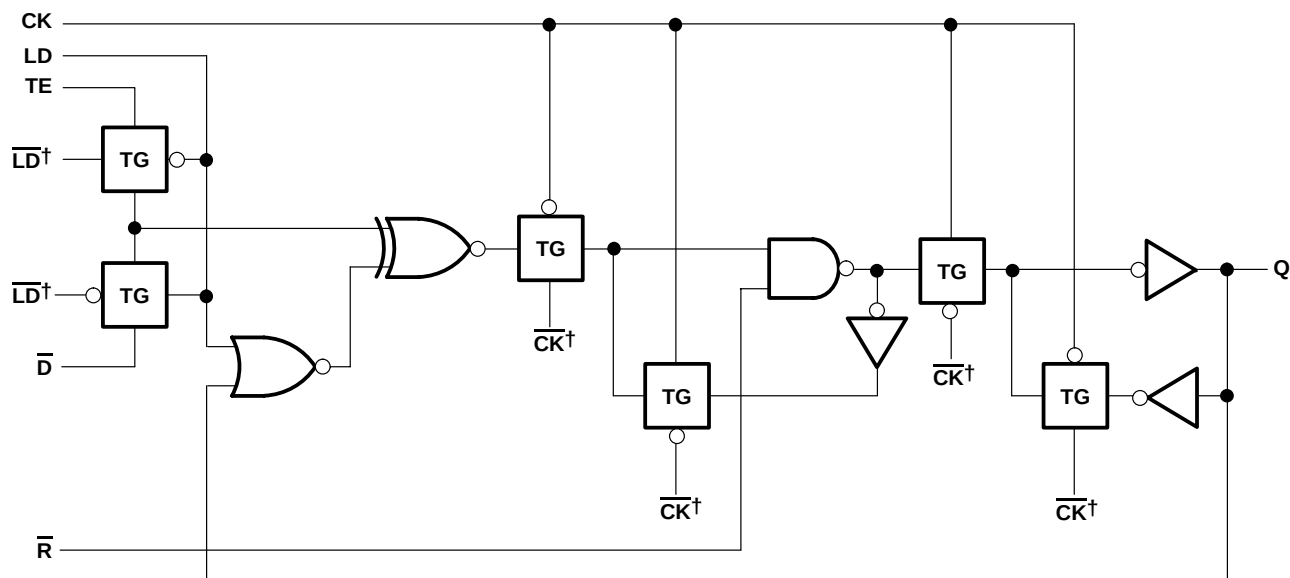
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logic symbol, each D/T flip-flop



logic diagram, each D/T flip-flop (positive logic)

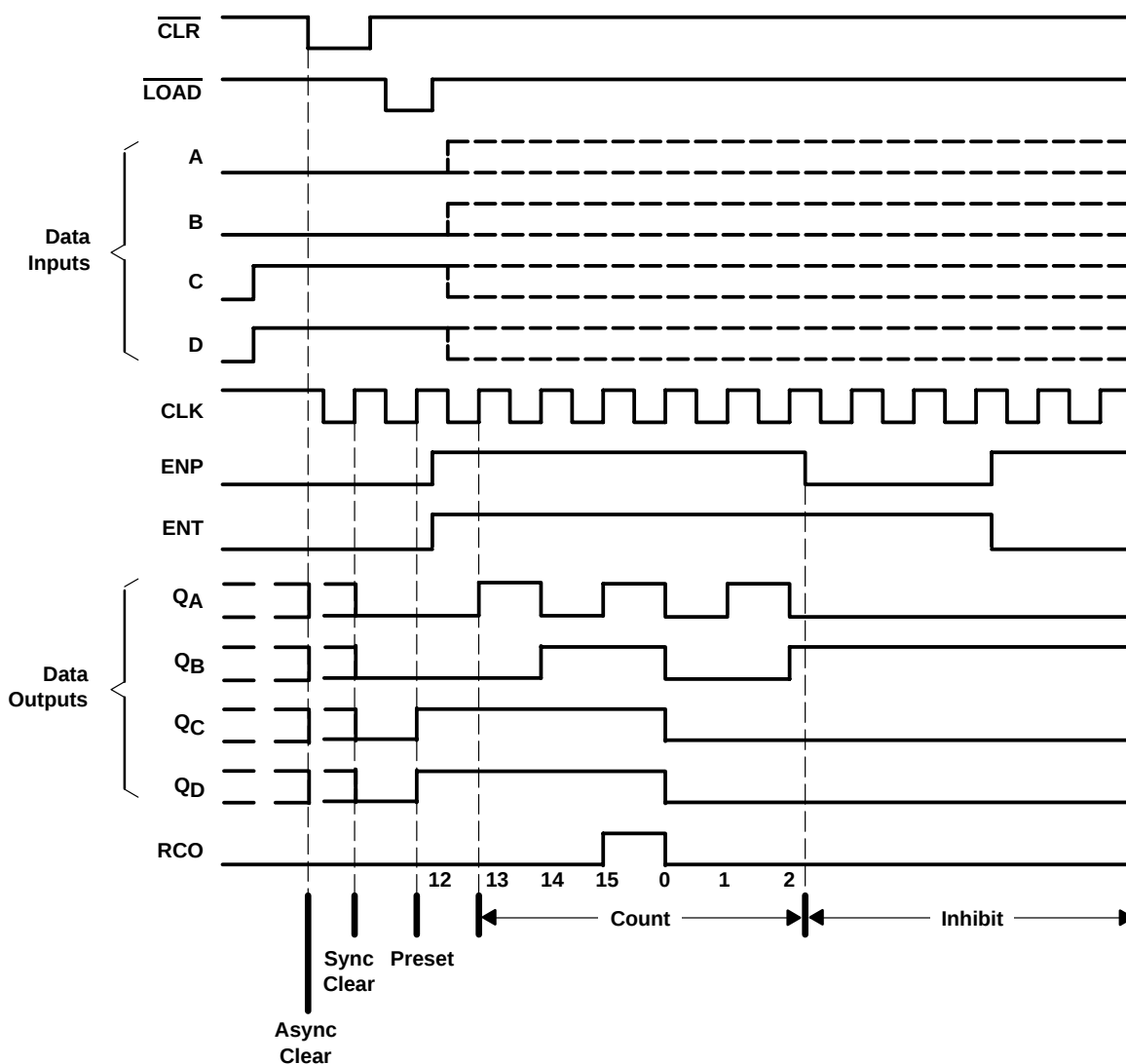


† The origins of $\overline{LD}$ and $\overline{CK}$ are shown in the logic diagram of the overall device.

typical clear, preset, count, and inhibit sequence

The following sequence is illustrated below:

1. Clear outputs to zero (asynchronous)
2. Preset to binary 12
3. Count to 13, 14, 15, 0, 1, and 2
4. Inhibit



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absolute maximum ratings over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)[†]

Supply voltage range, V_{CC}	–0.5 V to 7 V
Input clamp current, I_{IK} ($V_I < 0$ or $V_I > V_{CC}$) (see Note 1)	±20 mA
Output clamp current, I_{OK} ($V_O < 0$ or $V_O > V_{CC}$) (see Note 1)	±20 mA
Continuous output current, I_O ($V_O = 0$ to V_{CC})	±25 mA
Continuous current through V_{CC} or GND	±50 mA
Package thermal impedance, θ_{JA} (see Note 2): D package	73°C/W
N package	67°C/W
NS package	64°C/W
PW package	108°C/W
Storage temperature range, T_{stg}	–65°C to 150°C

[†] Stresses beyond those listed under “absolute maximum ratings” may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under “recommended operating conditions” is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

NOTES: 1. The input and output voltage ratings may be exceeded if the input and output current ratings are observed.
2. The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

recommended operating conditions (see Note 3)

			SN54HC161			SN74HC161			UNIT
			MIN	NOM	MAX	MIN	NOM	MAX	
V _{CC}	Supply voltage		2	5	6	2	5	6	V
V _{IH}	High-level input voltage	V _{CC} = 2 V	1.5			1.5			V
		V _{CC} = 4.5 V	3.15			3.15			
		V _{CC} = 6 V	4.2			4.2			
V _{IL}	Low-level input voltage	V _{CC} = 2 V	0.5			0.5			V
		V _{CC} = 4.5 V	1.35			1.35			
		V _{CC} = 6 V	1.8			1.8			
V _I	Input voltage		0	V _{CC}		0	V _{CC}		V
V _O	Output voltage		0	V _{CC}		0	V _{CC}		V
Δt/Δv [‡]	Input transition rise/fall time	V _{CC} = 2 V	1000			1000			ns
		V _{CC} = 4.5 V	500			500			
		V _{CC} = 6 V	400			400			
T _A	Operating free-air temperature		−55	125		−40	85		°C

NOTE 3: All unused inputs of the device must be held at V_{CC} or GND to ensure proper device operation. Refer to the TI application report, *Implications of Slow or Floating CMOS Inputs*, literature number SCBA004.

[‡] If this device is used in the threshold region (from $V_{ILmax} = 0.5$ V to $V_{IHmin} = 1.5$ V), there is a potential to go into the wrong state from induced grounding, causing double clocking. Operating with the inputs at $t_t = 1000$ ns and $V_{CC} = 2$ V does not damage the device; however, functionally, the CLK inputs are not ensured while in the shift, count, or toggle operating modes.



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electrical characteristics over recommended operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS		V _{CC}	T _A = 25°C			SN54HC161		SN74HC161		UNIT
				MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
V _{OH}	V _I = V _{IH} or V _{IL}	I _{OH} = –20 µA	2 V	1.9	1.998		1.9		1.9		V
			4.5 V	4.4	4.499		4.4		4.4		
			6 V	5.9	5.999		5.9		5.9		
		I _{OH} = –4 mA	4.5 V	3.98	4.3		3.7		3.84		
		I _{OH} = –5.2 mA	6 V	5.48	5.8		5.2		5.34		
V _{OL}	V _I = V _{IH} or V _{IL}	I _{OL} = 20 µA	2 V		0.002	0.1		0.1		0.1	V
			4.5 V		0.001	0.1		0.1		0.1	
			6 V		0.001	0.1		0.1		0.1	
		I _{OL} = 4 mA	4.5 V		0.17	0.26		0.4		0.33	
		I _{OL} = 5.2 mA	6 V		0.15	0.26		0.4		0.33	
I _I	V _I = V _{CC} or 0		6 V		±0.1	±100		±1000		±1000	nA
I _{CC}	V _I = V _{CC} or 0, I _O = 0		6 V			8		160		80	µA
C _i			2 V to 6 V		3	10		10		10	pF

timing requirements over recommended operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

			V _{CC}	T _A = 25°C		SN54HC161		SN74HC161		UNIT
				MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
f _{clock}	Clock frequency		2 V	6		4.2		5		MHz
			4.5 V	31		21		25		
			6 V	36		25		29		
t _w	CLK high or low		2 V	80		120		100		ns
			4.5 V	16		24		20		
			6 V	14		20		17		
	$\overline{\text{CLR}}$ low		2 V	80		120		100		
			4.5 V	16		24		20		
			6 V	14		20		17		
t _{su}	A, B, C, or D		2 V	150		225		190		ns
			4.5 V	30		45		38		
			6 V	26		38		32		
	$\overline{\text{LOAD}}$ low		2 V	135		205		170		
			4.5 V	27		41		34		
			6 V	23		35		29		
	ENP, ENT		2 V	170		255		215		
			4.5 V	34		51		43		
			6 V	29		43		37		
	$\overline{\text{CLR}}$ inactive		2 V	125		190		155		
			4.5 V	25		38		31		
			6 V	21		32		26		
t _h	Hold time, all synchronous inputs after CLK↑		2 V	0		0		0		ns
			4.5 V	0		0		0		
			6 V	0		0		0		



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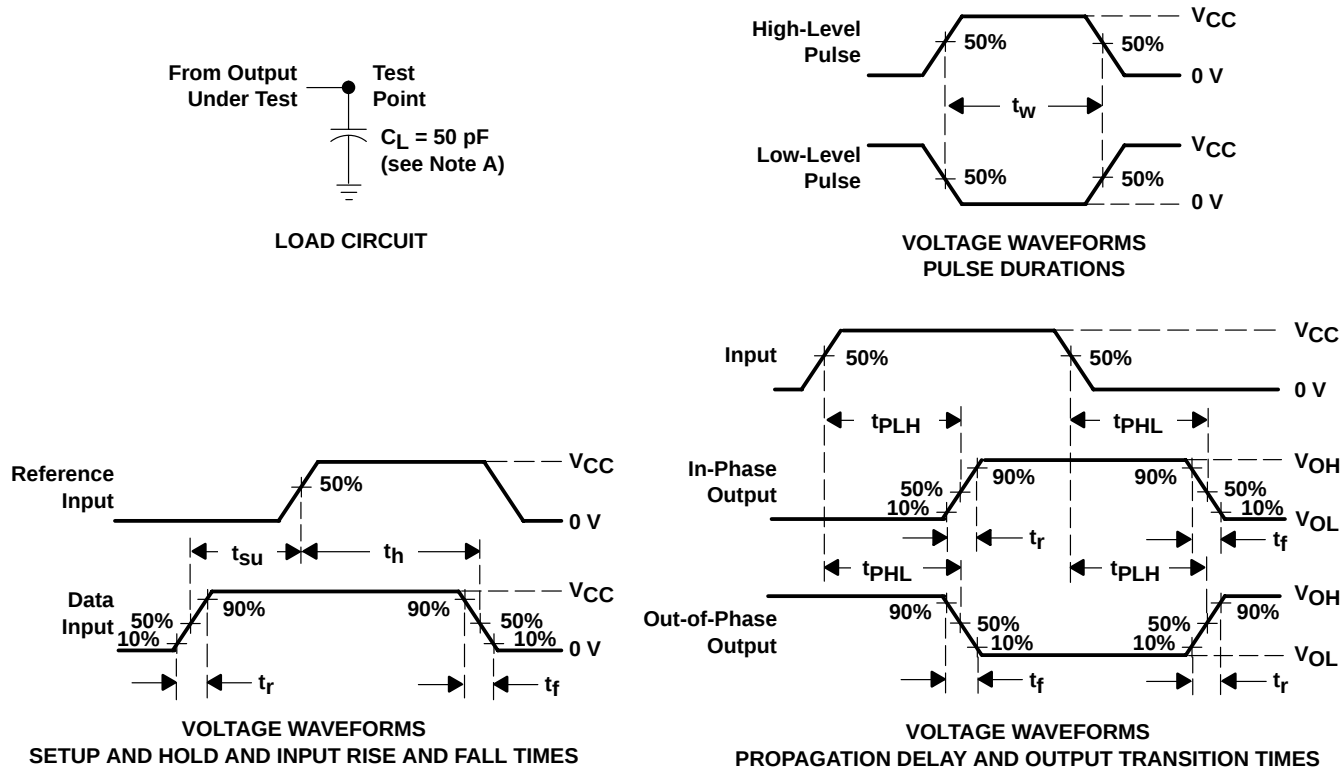
switching characteristics over recommended operating free-air temperature range, $C_L = 50$ pF (unless otherwise noted) (see Figure 1)

PARAMETER	FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	V_{CC}	$T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$			SN54HC161		SN74HC161		UNIT
				MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
$f_{\max}$			2 V	6	14		4.2		5		MHz
			4.5 V	31	40		21		25		
			6 V	36	44		25		29		
t_{pd}	CLK	RCO	2 V		83	215		325		270	ns
			4.5 V		24	43		65		54	
			6 V		20	37		55		46	
		Any Q	2 V		80	205		310		255	
			4.5 V		25	41		62		51	
			6 V		21	35		53		43	
	ENT	RCO	2 V		62	195		295		245	
			4.5 V		17	39		59		49	
			6 V		14	33		50		42	
t_{PHL}	$\overline{\text{CLR}}$	Any Q	2 V		105	210		315		265	ns
			4.5 V		21	42		63		53	
			6 V		18	36		54		45	
		RCO	2 V		110	220		330		275	
			4.5 V		22	44		66		55	
			6 V		19	37		56		47	
t_t		Any	2 V		38	75		110		95	ns
			4.5 V		8	15		22		19	
			6 V		6	13		19		16	

operating characteristics, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	TYP	UNIT
C_{pd}	Power dissipation capacitance	No load	60	pF

PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



- NOTES:
- A. C_L includes probe and test-fixture capacitance.
 - B. Phase relationships between waveforms were chosen arbitrarily. All input pulses are supplied by generators having the following characteristics: $PRR \leq 1 \text{ MHz}$, $Z_O = 50 \Omega$, $t_r = 6 \text{ ns}$, $t_f = 6 \text{ ns}$.
 - C. For clock inputs, f_{max} is measured when the input duty cycle is 50%.
 - D. The outputs are measured one at a time with one input transition per measurement.
 - E. t_{PLH} and t_{PHL} are the same as t_{pd} .

Figure 1. Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

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APPLICATION INFORMATION

n-bit synchronous counters

This application demonstrates how the look-ahead carry circuit can be used to implement a high-speed n-bit counter. The 'HC161 devices count in binary. Virtually any count mode (modulo-N, N_1 -to- N_2 , N_1 -to-maximum) can be used with this fast look-ahead circuit.

The application circuit shown in Figure 2 is not valid for clock frequencies above 18 MHz (at 25°C and 4.5-V V_{CC}). The reason for this is that there is a glitch that is produced on the second stage's RCO and every succeeding stage's RCO. This glitch is common to all HC vendors that Texas Instruments has evaluated, in addition to the bipolar equivalents (LS, ALS, AS).



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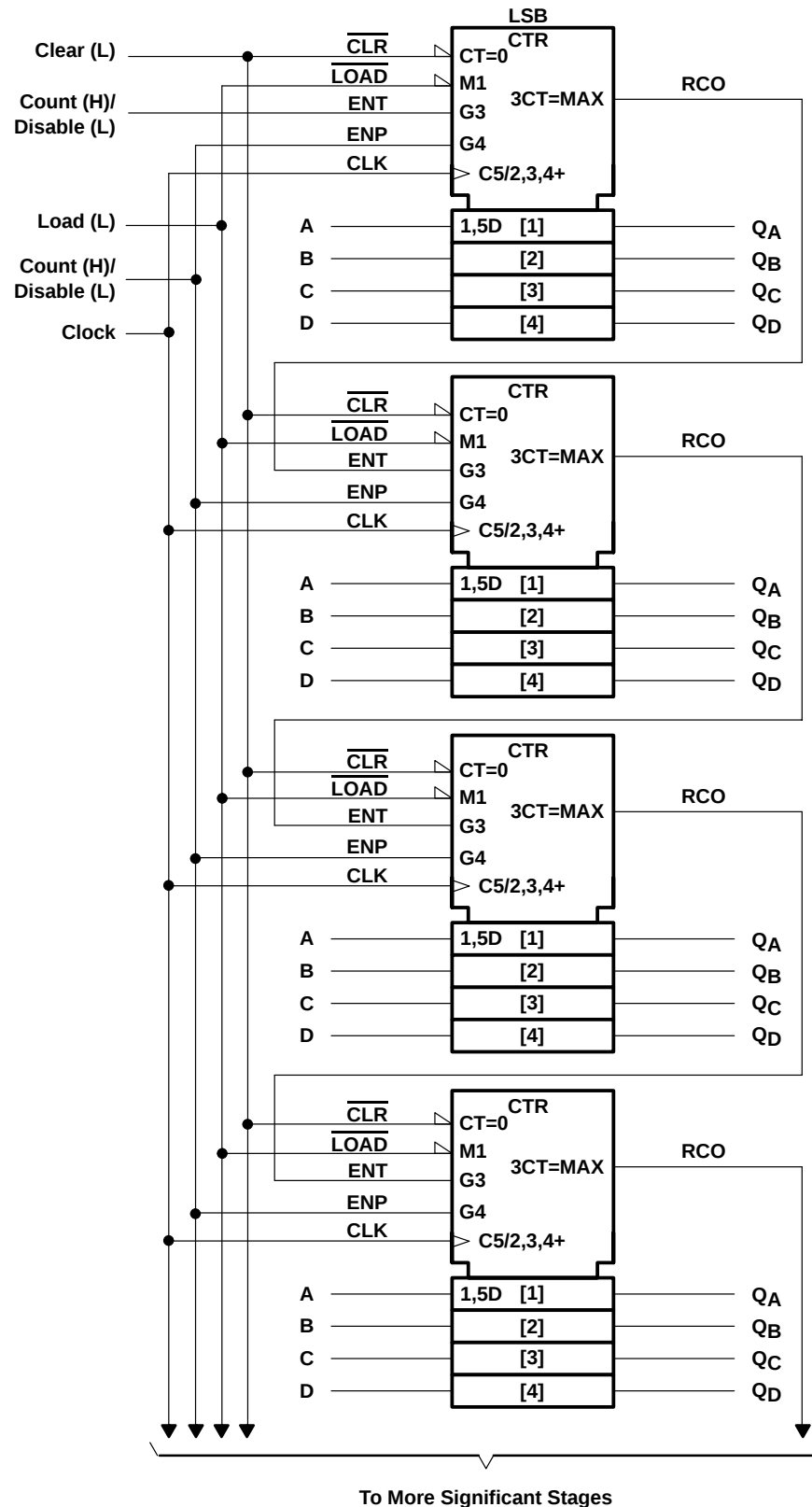


Figure 2

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The glitch on RCO is caused because the propagation delay of the rising edge of Q_A of the second stage is shorter than the propagation delay of the falling edge of ENT. RCO is the product of ENT, Q_A , Q_B , Q_C , and Q_D ($ENT \times Q_A \times Q_B \times Q_C \times Q_D$). The resulting glitch is about 7–12 ns in duration. Figure 3 shows the condition in which the glitch occurs. For simplicity, only two stages are being considered, but the results can be applied to other stages. Q_B , Q_C , and Q_D of the first and second stage are at logic one, and Q_A of both stages are at logic zero (1110 1110) after the first clock pulse. On the rising edge of the second clock pulse, Q_A and RCO of the first stage go high. On the rising edge of the third clock pulse, Q_A and RCO of the first stage return to a low level, and Q_A of the second stage goes to a high level. At this time, the glitch on RCO of the second stage appears because of the race condition inside the chip.

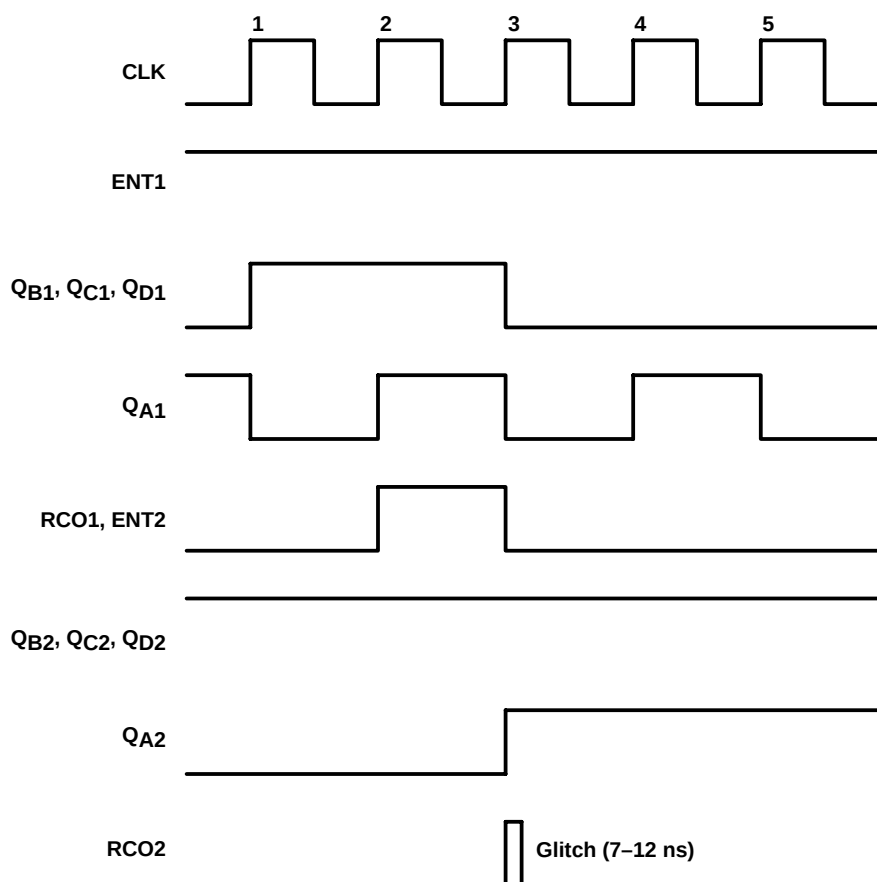


Figure 3

The glitch causes a problem in the next stage (stage three) if the glitch is still present when the next rising clock edge appears (clock pulse 4). To ensure that this does not happen, the clock frequency must be less than the inverse of the sum of the clock-to-RCO propagation delay and the glitch duration (t_g). In other words, $f_{max} = 1/(t_{pd} \text{ CLK-to-RCO} + t_g)$. For example, at 25°C at 4.5-V V_{CC} , the clock-to-RCO propagation delay is 43 ns and the maximum duration of the glitch is 12 ns. Therefore, the maximum clock frequency that the cascaded counters can use is 18 MHz. The following tables contain the f_{clock} , t_w , and f_{max} specifications for applications that use more than two 'HC161 devices cascaded together.

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	V _{CC}	T _A = 25°C		SN54HC161		SN74HC161		UNIT
		MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
f _{clock} Clock frequency	2 V		3.6		2.5		2.9	MHz
	4.5 V		18		12		14	
	6 V		21		14		17	
t _w Pulse duration, CLK high or low	2 V	140		200		170		ns
	4.5 V	28		40		36		
	6 V	24		36		30		

switching characteristics over recommended operating free-air temperature range, C_L = 50 pF (unless otherwise noted) (see Note 3)

PARAMETER	FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	V _{CC}	T _A = 25°C		SN54HC161		SN74HC161		UNIT
				MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	
f _{max}			2 V		3.6		2.5		2.9	MHz
			4.5 V		18		12		14	
			6 V		21		14		17	

NOTE 4: These limits apply only to applications that use more than two 'HC161 devices cascaded together.

If the 'HC161 devices are used as a single unit, or only two cascaded together, then the maximum clock frequency that the device can use is not limited because of the glitch. In these situations, the device can be operated at the maximum specifications.

A glitch can appear on RCO of a single 'HC161 device, depending on the relationship of ENT to CLK. Any application that uses RCO to drive any input except an ENT of another cascaded 'HC161 device must take this into consideration.



J (R-GDIP-T**)

14 LEADS SHOWN

CERAMIC DUAL IN-LINE PACKAGE



PINS ** DIM	14	16	18	20
A	0.300 (7,62) BSC	0.300 (7,62) BSC	0.300 (7,62) BSC	0.300 (7,62) BSC
B MAX	0.785 (19,94)	.840 (21,34)	0.960 (24,38)	1.060 (26,92)
B MIN	—	—	—	—
C MAX	0.300 (7,62)	0.300 (7,62)	0.310 (7,87)	0.300 (7,62)
C MIN	0.245 (6,22)	0.245 (6,22)	0.220 (5,59)	0.245 (6,22)

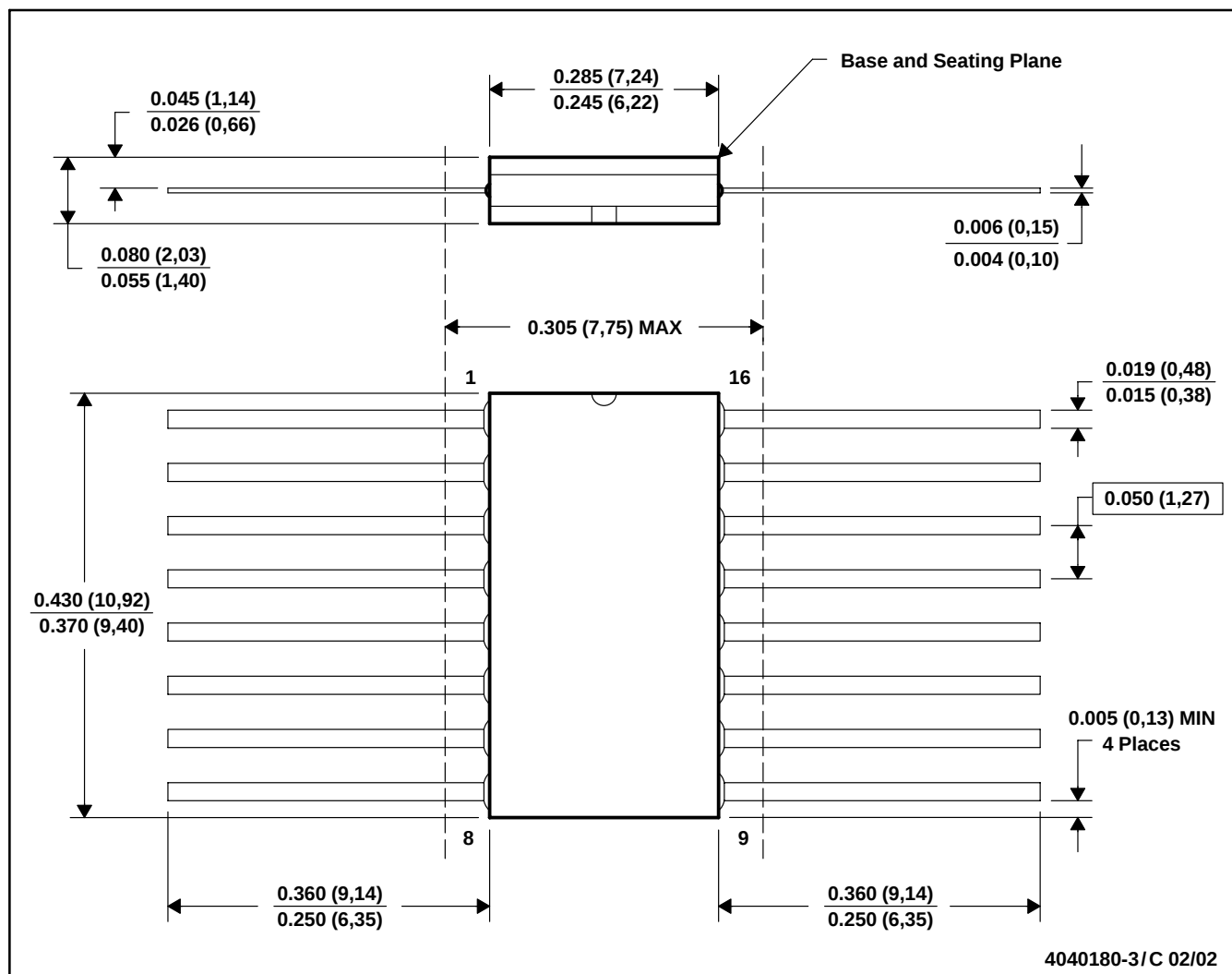


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- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in inches (millimeters).
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. This package is hermetically sealed with a ceramic lid using glass frit.
 - D. Index point is provided on cap for terminal identification only on press ceramic glass frit seal only.
 - E. Falls within MIL STD 1835 GDIP1-T14, GDIP1-T16, GDIP1-T18 and GDIP1-T20.

W (R-GDFP-F16)

CERAMIC DUAL FLATPACK

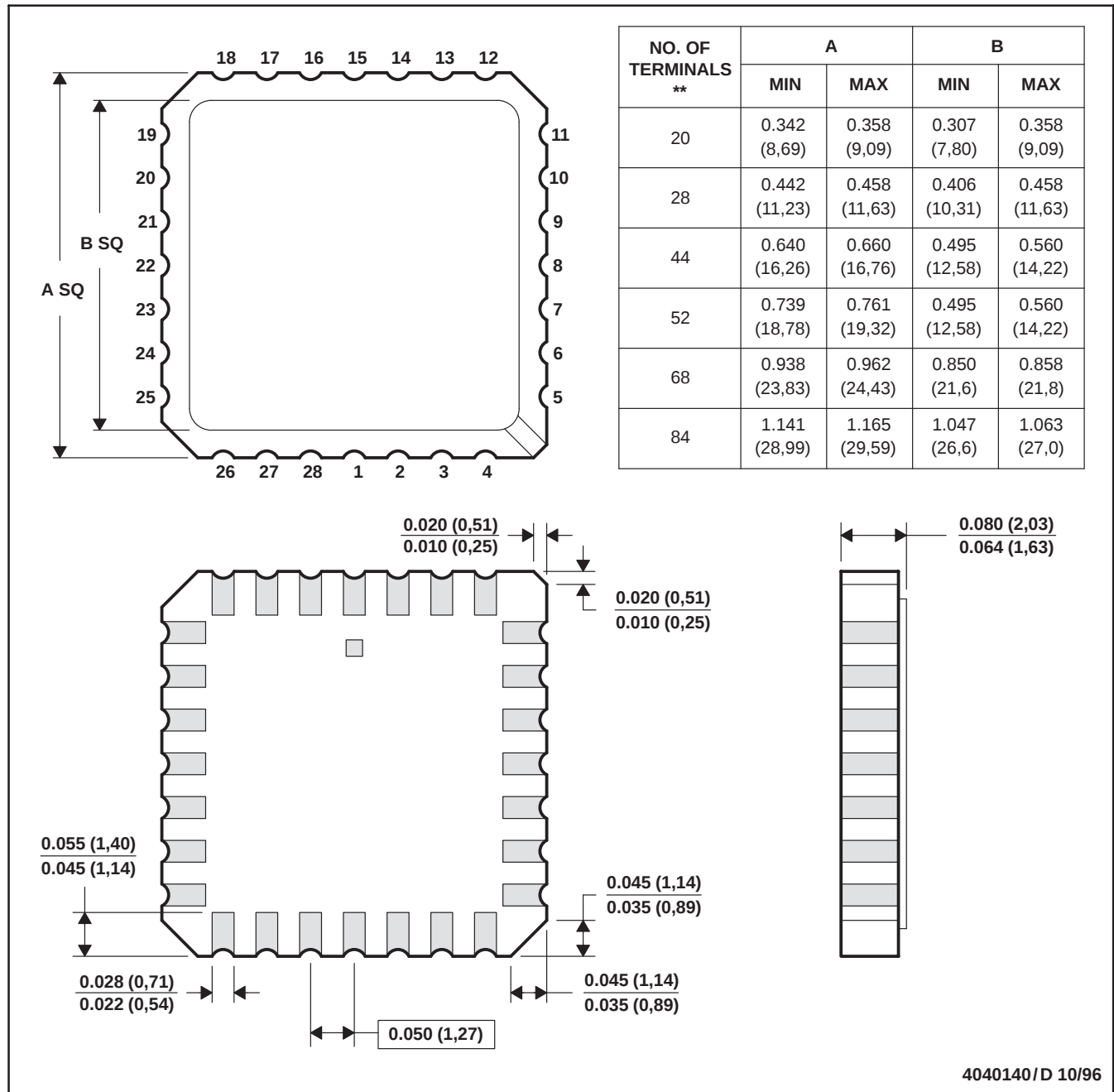


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 D. Index point is provided on cap for terminal identification only.
 E. Falls within MIL STD 1835 GDFP-1F16 and JEDEC MO-092AC

FK (S-CQCC-N**)

LEADLESS CERAMIC CHIP CARRIER

28 TERMINAL SHOWN

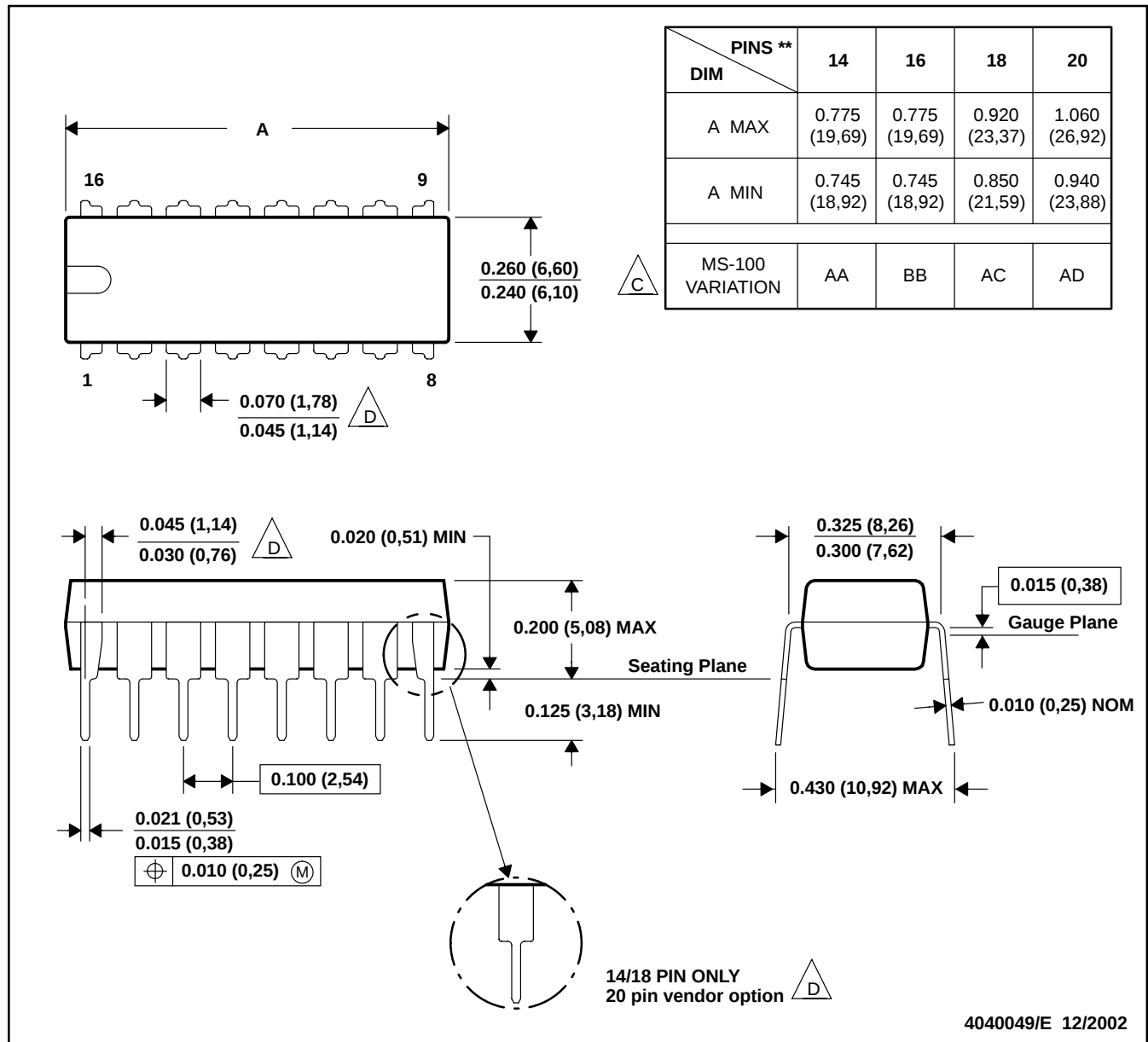


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 - This package can be hermetically sealed with a metal lid.
 - The terminals are gold plated.
 - Falls within JEDEC MS-004

N (R-PDIP-T**)

16 PINS SHOWN

PLASTIC DUAL-IN-LINE PACKAGE

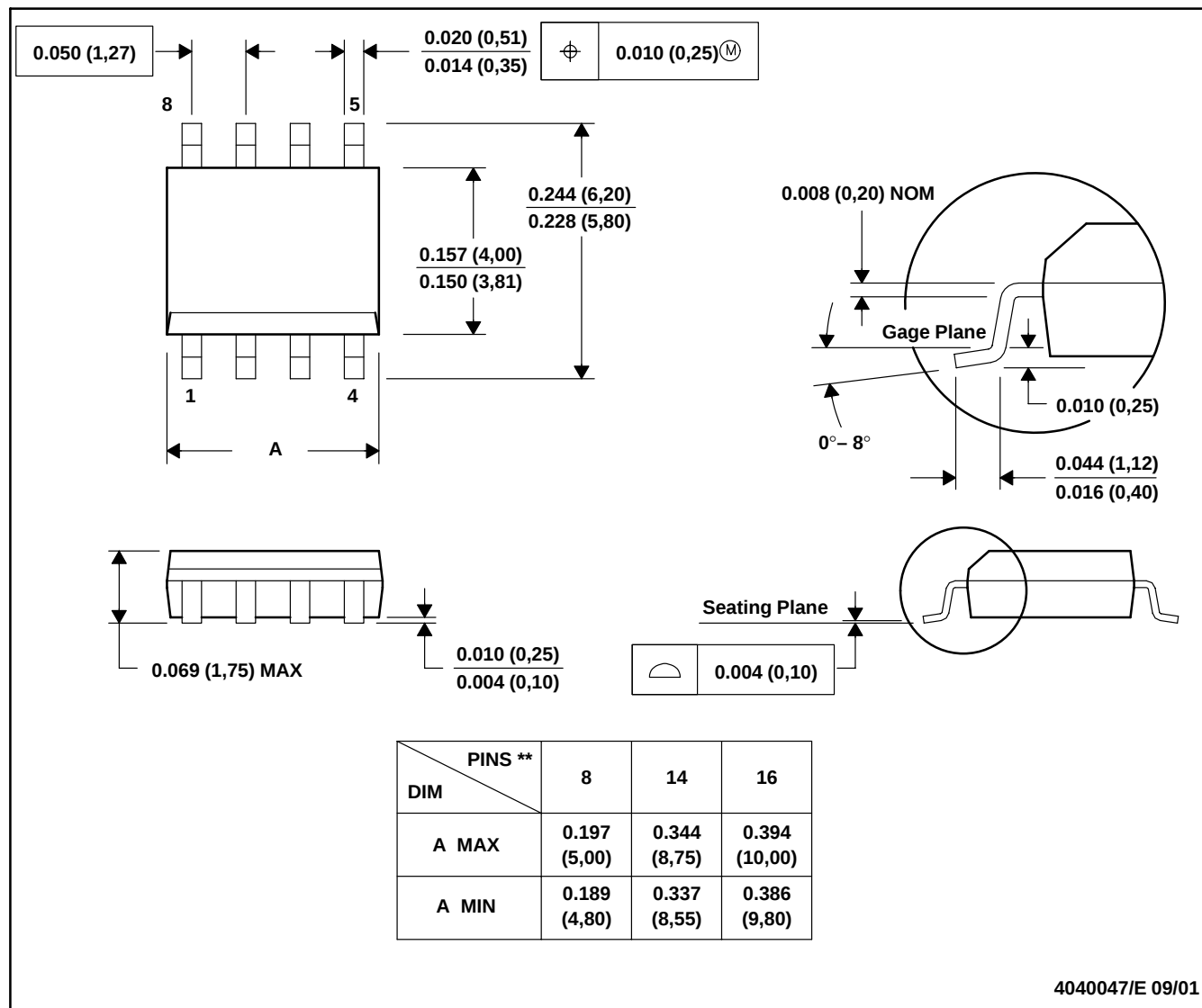


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C Falls within JEDEC MS-001, except 18 and 20 pin minimum body length (Dim A).

D The 20 pin end lead shoulder width is a vendor option, either half or full width.

D (R-PDSO-G)****PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE****8 PINS SHOWN**

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 C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion, not to exceed 0.006 (0,15).
 D. Falls within JEDEC MS-012

MECHANICAL DATA

NS (R-PDSO-G**)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE

14-PINS SHOWN



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DB (R-PDSO-G**)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE

28 PINS SHOWN



- NOTES: A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion not to exceed 0,15.
 D. Falls within JEDEC MO-150

PW (R-PDSO-G**)

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE

14 PINS SHOWN



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 C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion not to exceed 0,15.
 D. Falls within JEDEC MO-153

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