



General Description

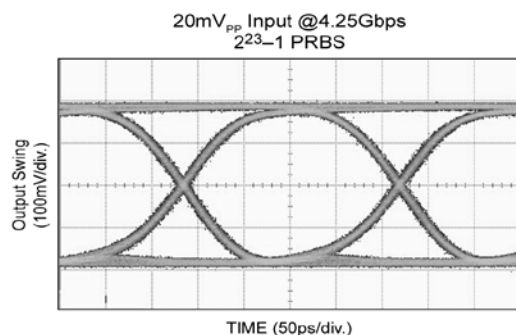
The SY84403BL is the industry's smallest limiting post amplifier ideal for compact copper and fiber optic module applications. The device connects to typical transimpedance amplifiers (TIAs). The linear signal output from TIAs can contain significant amounts of noise and may vary in amplitude over time. The SY84403BL quantizes these signals and outputs typically 800mV_{PP} voltage-limited waveforms.

The SY84403BL comes in a tiny 10-pin 2x2 MLF[®] package, which is unparalleled in the industry. It offers space savings of 55% or more over typical post amps. It operates from a single +3.3V $\pm 10\%$ power supply, over an industrial temperature range of -40°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$. With its wide bandwidth and high gain, signals with data rates up to 4.25Gbps and as small as 10mV_{PP} can be amplified to drive devices with CML inputs or AC-coupled PECL inputs.

The SY84403BL incorporates a loss-of-signal (LOS) open-collector TTL output with internal 4.75k Ω pull-up resistor. A programmable loss-of-signal level set pin (LOSLVL) sets the sensitivity of the input amplitude detection. LOS asserts high if the input amplitude falls below the threshold set by LOSLVL and de-asserts low otherwise. LOS can be fed back to the enable bar (/EN) input to maintain output stability under a loss of signal condition. /EN de-asserts the true output signal without removing the input signal.

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Typical Performance



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Features

- Available in an ultra small 10-pin (2mm x 2mm) MLF[®] package
- Multi-rate up to 4.25Gbps operation
- 10mV_{PP} input sensitivity
- Low noise 50 Ω CML data outputs
 - 800mV_{PP} differential output swing
 - 60ps edge rates
 - 1ps_{RMS} typ. random jitter
 - 10ps_{PP} typ. deterministic jitter
- Chatter-free Loss-of-Signal (LOS) output
 - 3.5dB electrical hysteresis
 - OC-TTL output with internal 4.75k Ω pull-up resistor
- Programmable LOS sensitivity using single external resistor
- Internal 50 Ω data input termination
- TTL /EN input allows feedback from LOS
- Wide operating range:
 - Single 3.3V $\pm 10\%$ power supply
 - Industrial temperature range: -40°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Part of Micrel's new ultra small FOM IC family. For Laser Diode Drivers, see SY84202L or SY84402L

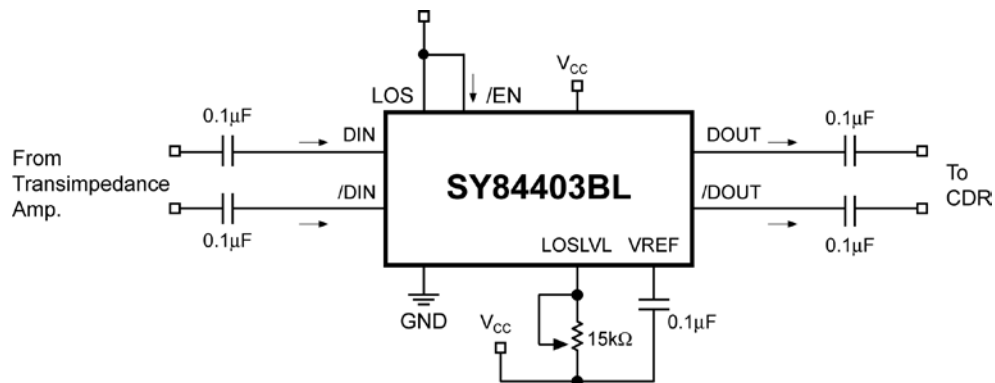
Applications

- 1.062Gbps, 2.125Gbps and 4.25Gbps Fibre Channel
- Cable driver
- SFF and SFP transceivers
- High-gain line driver and line receiver

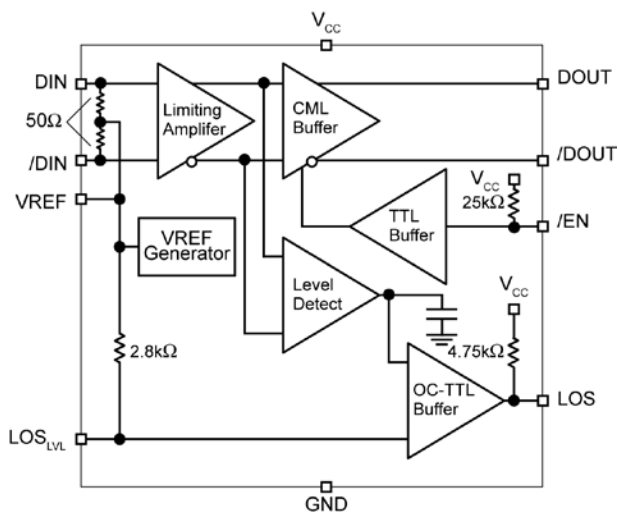
Markets

- Copper interconnect
- Datacom and telecom
- Storage area network (SAN)

Typical Application



Functional Block Diagram



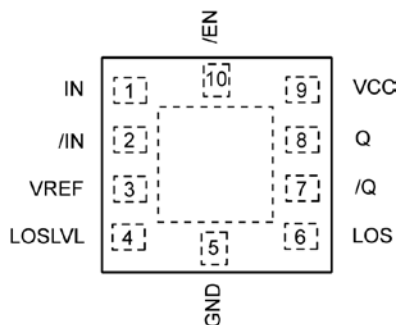
Ordering Information⁽¹⁾

Part Number	Package Type	Operating Range	Package Marking	Lead Finish
SY84403BLMGTR	MLF-10	Industrial	403 with Pb-Free bar-line indicator	NiPdAu Pb-Free

Notes:

1. Contact factory for die availability. Dice are guaranteed at $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$, DC Electricals only.

Pin Configuration



10-Pin MLF[®] (MLF-10)

Pin Description

Pin Number	Pin Name	Type	Pin Function
1, 2	DIN, /DIN	Differential Data Input	Differential data input. Each pin internally terminates to REF through 50Ω.
3	VREF		Reference Voltage. Bypass with 0.01μF low ESR capacitor from V _{REF} to V _{CC} to stabilize LOS _{LVL} and V _{REF} .
4	LOSLVL	Input: Default is Maximum Sensitivity	Loss-of-Signal level set: A resistor from this pin to V _{CC} sets the threshold for the data input amplitude at which the LOS output will be asserted.
5	GND Exposed Pad	Ground	Device ground. Exposed pad must be soldered (or equivalent) to the same potential as the ground pin.
6	LOS	TTL Output	Loss-of-Signal: Asserts high when the data input amplitude falls below the threshold set by LOSLVL. Contains Internal 4.75kΩ pull-up resistor
8, 7	DOUT, /DOUT	Differential CML Output	Differential data output.
9	VCC	Power Supply	Positive power supply. Bypass with 0.1μF 0.01μF low ESR capacitors. 0.01μF capacitors should be as close as possible to VCC pin.
10	/EN	TTL Input: Default is high	Enable bar: De-asserts true data output when high. Incorporates 25kΩ pull-up to V _{CC} .

Absolute Maximum Ratings⁽¹⁾

Supply Voltage (V_{CC}) 0V to 4.0V
 /EN, LOSLVL Voltage 0 to V_{CC}
 REF Current ± 1 mA
 LOS Current ± 5 mA
 DOUT, /DOUT Current ± 25 mA
 DIN, /DIN Current ± 10 mA
 Lead Temperature (soldering, 20sec.) 260°C
 Storage Temperature (T_s) -65°C to +150°C

Operating Ratings⁽²⁾

Supply Voltage (V_{CC}) +3.0V to +3.6V
 Ambient Temperature (T_A) -40°C to +85°C
 Junction Temperature (T_J) -40°C to +125°C
 Package Thermal Resistance⁽³⁾
 MLF®
 θ_{JA} (Still-Air) 93°C/W
 ψ_{JB} 56°C/W

DC Electrical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = +3.0$ V to +3.6V; $T_A = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to +85°C; typical values at $V_{CC} = +3.3$ V, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$.

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
I_{CC}	Power Supply Current	Note 4		25	42	mA
		Note 5		41	62	mA
V_{REF}	REF Voltage			$V_{CC} - 1.3$		V
V_{LOSLVL}	LOSLVL Voltage Range		V_{REF}		V_{CC}	V
V_{OH}	DOUT, /DOUT HIGH Voltage	Note 6	$V_{CC} - 0.020$	$V_{CC} - 0.005$	V_{CC}	V
V_{OL}	DOUT, /DOUT LOW Voltage	$V_{CC} = 3.3$ V, Note 6	$V_{CC} - 0.475$	$V_{CC} - 0.400$	$V_{CC} - 0.350$	V
V_{OFFSET}	Differential Output Offset				± 80	mV
Z_O	Single-Ended Output Impedance		40	50	60	Ω
Z_I	Single-Ended Input Impedance		40	50	60	Ω

TTL DC Electrical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = +3.0$ V to +3.6V; $T_A = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to +85°C.

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
V_{OH}	LOS Output HIGH Level	Sourcing 100 μ A	2.4		V_{CC}	V
V_{OL}	LOS Output LOW Level	Sinking 2mA			0.5	V
V_{IH}	/EN Input HIGH Voltage		2.0			V
V_{IL}	/EN Input LOW Voltage				0.8	V
I_{IH}	/EN Input HIGH Current	$V_{IN} = 2.7$ V $V_{IN} = V_{CC}$			20 100	μ A μ A
I_{IL}	/EN Input LOW Current	$V_{IN} = 0.5$ V	-0.3			mA

Notes:

1. Permanent device damage may occur if ratings in the absolute maximum ratings section are exceeded. This is a stress rating only and functional operation is not implied for conditions other than those detailed in the operational sections of this data sheet. Exposure to absolute maximum ratings conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
2. The data sheet limits are not guaranteed if the device is operated beyond the operating ratings.
3. Thermal performance assumes are of 4-layer PCB. Exposed pad must be soldered (or equivalent) to the device's most negative potential on the PCB.
4. Excludes current of CML output stage. See "Detailed Description."
5. Total device current with no output load.
6. If the load impedance is different, the output level will be changed. Amplifier is in limiting mode.

AC Electrical Characteristics

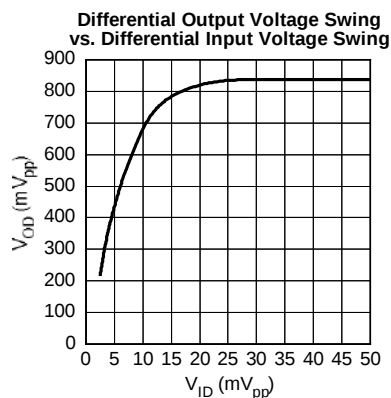
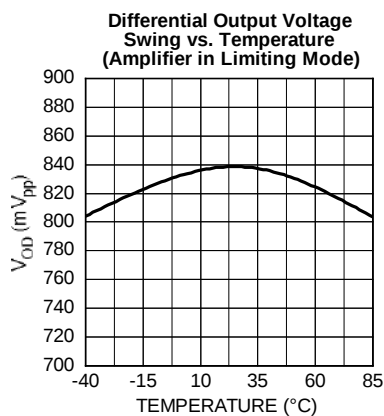
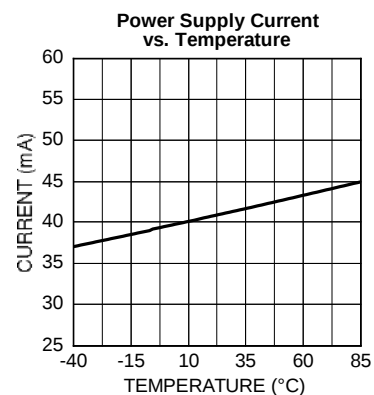
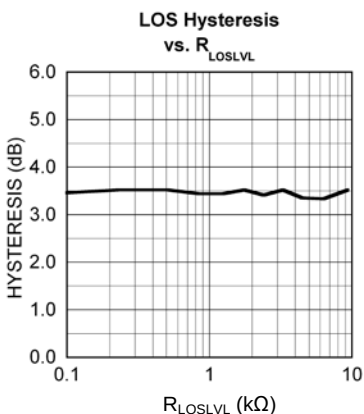
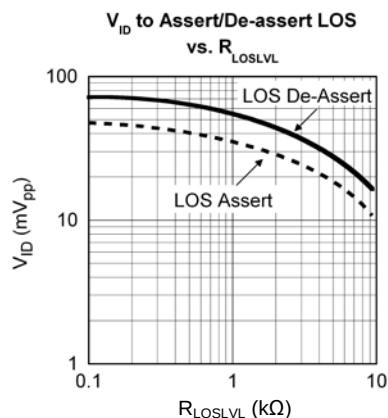
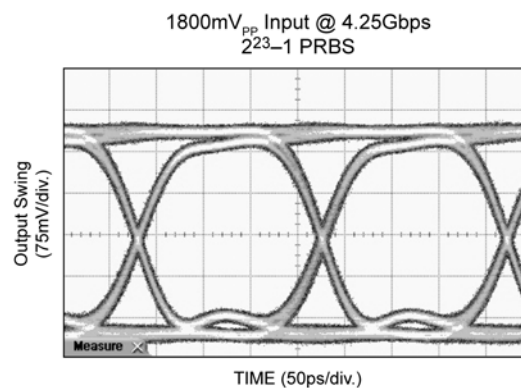
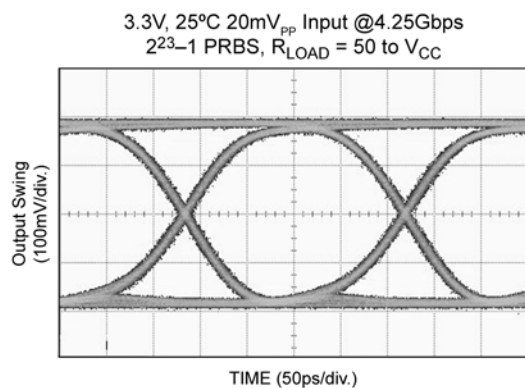
$V_{CC} = +3.0V$ to $+3.6V$; $T_A = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+85^{\circ}C$; $R_L = 50\ \Omega$ to V_{CC} ; typical values at $V_{CC} = +3.3V$, $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$.

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
t_r, t_f	Output Rise/Fall Time (20% to 80%)	Note 7		60	120	ps
t_{JITTER}	Deterministic Random	Note 8 Note 9		10 1		pS _{PP} pS _{RMS}
V_{ID}	Differential Input Voltage Swing	See Figure 1	10		1800	mV _{PP}
V_{OD_AC}	AC Differential Output Voltage	Note 10	600	800	950	mV _{PP}
t_{OFF}	LOS Release Time			2	10	μ s
t_{ON}	LOS Assert Time			2	10	μ s
LOS_{AL}	Low LOS Assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 15k\Omega$, Note 11		8		mV _{PP}
LOS_{DL}	Low LOS De-assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 15k\Omega$, Note 11		12		mV _{PP}
HSY_L	Low LOS Hysteresis	$R_{LOSLVL} = 15k\Omega$, Note 12	2	3.5	4.5	dB
LOS_{AM}	Medium LOS Assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 5k\Omega$, Note 11	12	17		mV _{PP}
LOS_{DM}	Medium LOS De-assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 5k\Omega$, Note 11		25	33	mV _{PP}
HSY_M	Medium LOS Hysteresis	$R_{LOSLVL} = 5k\Omega$, Note 12	2	3.5	4.5	dB
LOS_{AH}	High LOS Assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 100\Omega$, Note 11	34	47		mV _{PP}
LOS_{DH}	High LOS De-assert Level	$R_{LOSLVL} = 100\Omega$, Note 11		70	83	mV _{PP}
HSY_H	High LOS Hysteresis	$R_{LOSLVL} = 100\Omega$, Note 12	2	3.5	4.5	dB
V_{SR}	LOS Sensitivity Range		10		35	mV _{PP}
$A_{V(Diff)}$	Differential Voltage Gain		32	38		dB
S_{21}	Single-Ended Small-Signal Gain		26	32		dB

Notes:

7. Amplifier in limiting mode. Input is a 200MHz square wave.
8. Deterministic jitter measured using 4.25Gbps K28.5 pattern, $V_{ID} = 20mV_{PP}$.
9. Random jitter measured using 4.25Gbps K28.7 pattern, $V_{ID} = 20mV_{PP}$.
10. Differential output swing measured at 4.25Gbps with 20mVpp input and PRBS-23 data pattern and 50 Ω load.
11. See "Typical Operating Characteristics" for a graph showing how to choose a particular R_{LOSLVL} for a particular LOS assert and its associated de-assert amplitude.
12. This specification defines electrical hysteresis as $20\log(LOS\ De-assert/LOS\ Assert)$. The ratio between optical hysteresis and electrical hysteresis is found to vary between 1.5 and 2 depending on the level of received optical power and ROSA characteristics. Based on that ratio, the optical hysteresis corresponding to the electrical hysteresis range 2dB-4.5 dB shown in the AC characteristics table will be 0.5dB-3dB Optical Hysteresis.

Typical Operating Characteristics



Detailed Description

The SY84403BL low-power limiting post amplifier operates from a single +3.3V power supply, over temperatures from -40°C to +85°C. Signals with data rates up to 4.25Gbps and as small as 10mV_{PP} can be amplified. Figure 1 shows the allowed input voltage swing. The SY84403BL generates an LOS output, allowing feedback to /EN for output stability. LOSLVL sets the sensitivity of the input amplitude detection. SY84403BL is available in the industry's smallest form factor, a tiny 10-pin (2mm x 2mm) MLF[®] package. It is part of Micrel's new family of ultra-small Fiber Optic ICs.

Input Amplifier/Buffer

The SY84403BL's inputs are internally terminated with 50Ω-to-REF. If not affected by this internal termination scheme, upstream devices need to be AC-coupled to the SY84403BL's inputs. Figure 2 shows a simplified schematic of the input stage.

The high-sensitivity of the input amplifier allows signals as small as 10mV_{PP} to be detected and amplified. The input amplifier allows input signals as large as 1800mV_{PP}. Input signals are linearly amplified with a typically 38dB differential voltage gain. Since it is a limiting amplifier, the SY84403BL outputs typically 800mV_{PP} voltage-limited waveforms for input signals that are greater than 20mV_{PP}. Applications requiring the SY84403BL to operate with high-gain should have the upstream TIA placed as close as possible to the SY84403BL's input pins to ensure the best performance of the device.

Output Buffer

The SY84403BL's CML output buffer is designed to drive 50Ω lines. The output buffer requires appropriate termination for proper operation. An external 50 resistor to V_{CC} or equivalent for each output pin provides this. Figure 3 shows a simplified schematic of the output stage and includes an appropriate termination method. Of course, driving a downstream device with a CML input that is internally terminated with 50Ω -to-V_{CC} eliminates the need for external termination. As noted in the previous section, the amplifier outputs typically 800mV_{PP} waveforms across 25Ω total loads. The output buffer thus switches typically 16mA tail-current. Figure 4 shows the power supply current measurement, which excludes the 16mA tail-current.

Loss-of-Signal

The SY84403BL incorporates a chatter-free loss-of-signal (LOS) open-collector TTL output with internal 4.75kΩ pull-up resistor as shown in Figure 5. LOS is used to determine that the input amplitude is too small to be considered a valid input. LOS asserts high if the input amplitude falls below the threshold set by LOSLVL and de-asserts low otherwise. LOS can be fed back to the enable (/EN) input to maintain output stability under a loss of signal condition. /EN de-asserts low the true output signal without removing the input signals. Typically, 3.5dB LOS hysteresis is provided to prevent chattering.

Loss-of-Signal Level Set

A programmable loss-of-signal level set pin (LOSLVL) sets the threshold of the input amplitude detection. Connecting an external resistor between V_{CC} and LOSLVL sets the voltage at LOSLVL. This voltage ranges from V_{CC} to V_{REF}. The external resistor creates a voltage divider between V_{CC} and V_{REF} as shown in Figure 6. If desired, an appropriate external voltage may be applied rather than using a resistor. The relationship between V_{LOSLVL} and R_{LOSLVL} is given by:

$$V_{LOSLVL} = V_{CC} - \left(1.3 \frac{R_{LOSLVL}}{R_{LOSLVL} + 2.8} \right)$$

where voltages are in volts and resistances are in kΩ.

The smaller the external resistor, implying a smaller voltage difference from LOSLVL to V_{CC}, lowers the LOS sensitivity. Hence, larger input amplitude is required to de-assert LOS. "Typical Operating Characteristics" contains graphs showing the relationship between the input amplitude detection sensitivity and R_{LOSLVL}.

Hysteresis

The SY84403BL typically provides 3.5dB LOS electrical hysteresis. By definition, a power ratio measured in dB is 10log (power ratio). Power is calculated as V_{IN}²/R for an electrical signal. Hence, the same ratio can be stated as 20log (voltage ratio). While in linear mode, the electrical voltage input changes linearly with the optical power and hence the ratios change linearly. Therefore, the optical hysteresis in dB is half the electrical hysteresis in dB given in the datasheet. The SY84403BL provides typically 1.75dB LOS optical hysteresis. As the SY84403BL is an electrical device, this datasheet refers to hysteresis in electrical terms. With 3.5dB LOS hysteresis, a voltage factor of 1.5 is required to de-assert LOS.

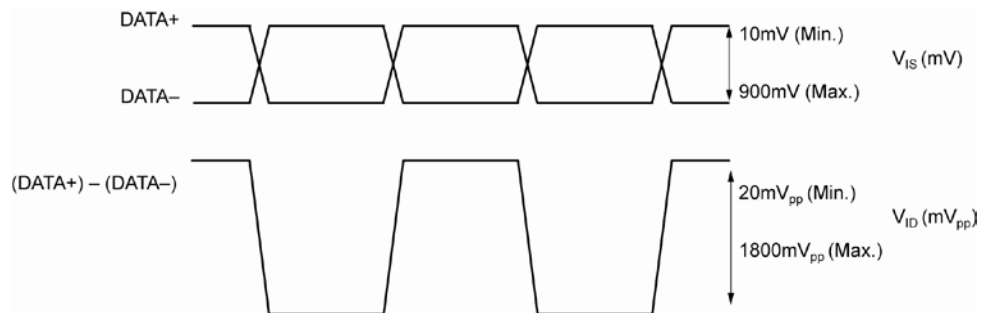
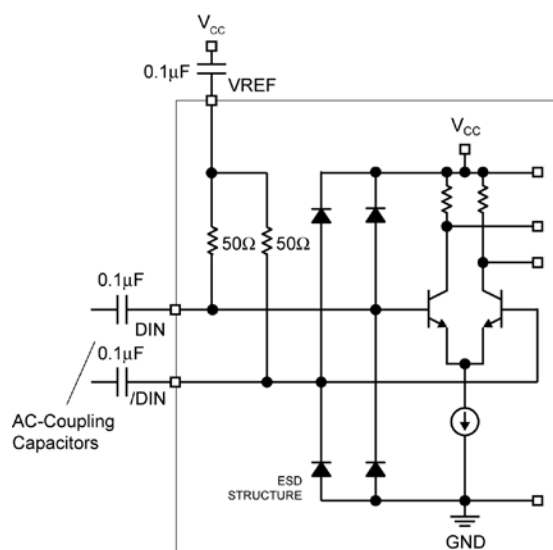
Figure 1. V_{IS} and V_{ID} Definition

Figure 2. Input Structure

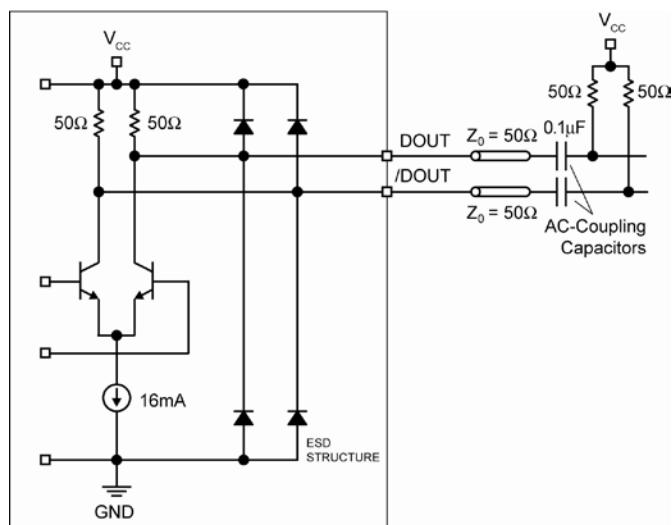


Figure 3. Output Structure

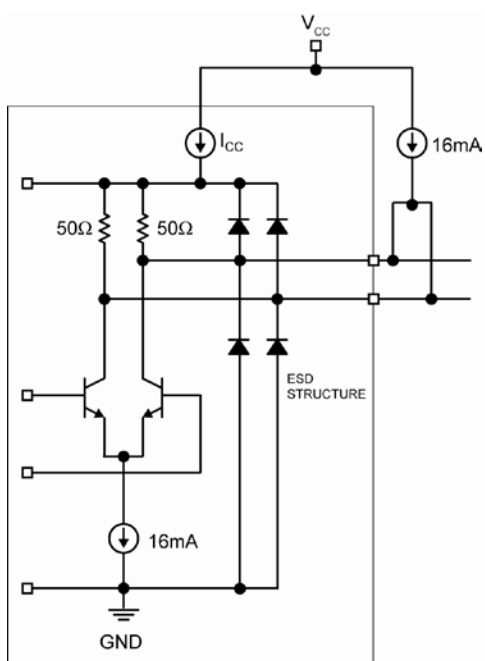


Figure 4. Power Supply Current Measurement

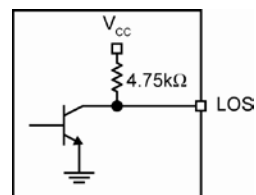


Figure 5. LOS Output Structure

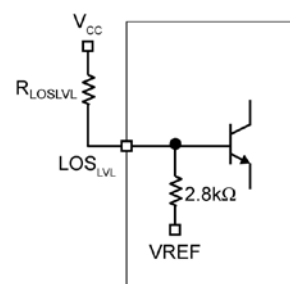
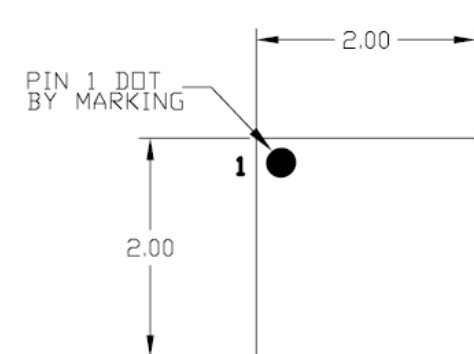


Figure 6. LOSLVL Setting Circuit

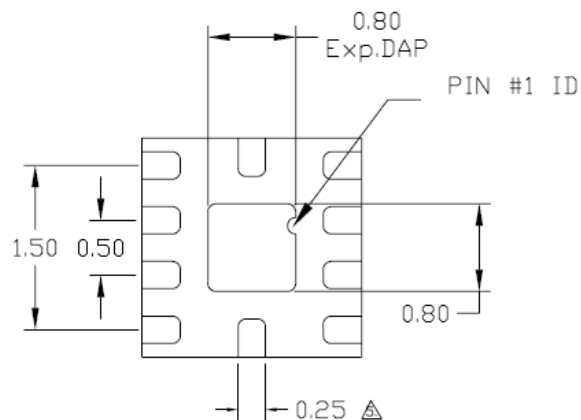
Related Product and Support Documentation

Part Number	Function	Datasheet Link
Application Notes	Notes on Sensitivity and Hysteresis in Micrel Post Amplifier	www.micrel.com/product-info/app_hints+notes.shtml

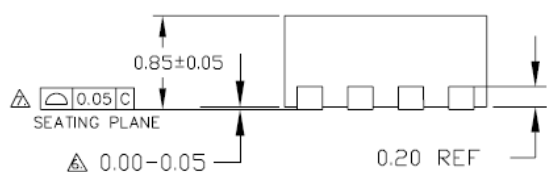
Package Information



TOP VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW



SIDE VIEW

NOTE:

1. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.
 2. MAX. PACKAGE WARPAGE IS 0.05 mm.
 3. MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE BURRS IS 0.076 mm IN ALL DIRECTIONS.
 4. PIN #1 ID ON TOP WILL BE LASER/INK MARKED.
- △ DIMENSION APPLIES TO METALIZED TERMINAL AND IS MEASURED BETWEEN 0.20 AND 0.25 mm FROM TERMINAL TIP.
- △ APPLIED ONLY FOR TERMINALS.
- △ APPLIED FOR EXPOSED PAD AND TERMINALS.

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