# Product Preview 125-1000MHz Frequency Synthesizer

The MC12181 is a monolithic bipolar synthesizer integrating a high performance prescaler, programmable divider, phase/frequency detector, charge pump, and reference oscillator/buffer functions. The device is capable of synthesizing a signal which is 25 to 40 times the input reference signal. The device has a 4-bit parallel interface to set the proper total multiplication which can range from 25 to 40. When combined with an external passive loop filter and VCO, the MC12181 serves as a complete PLL subsystem.

- 2.7 to 5.5V Operation
- Low power supply current of 4.5mA typical
- On chip reference oscillator/buffer supporting wide frequency operating range from 5 to 25MHz
- 4-bit parallel interface for programming divider (P = 25 .... 40)
- Wide 125 1000MHz frequency of operation
- Digital phase/frequency detector with linear transfer function
- Balanced Charge Pump Output
- Space efficient 16 lead SOIC package
- Operating Temperature Range of –40°C to 85°C
- > 1000 Volt ESD Protection (I/O to Ground, I/O to V<sub>CC</sub>)



MC12181

125-1000MHz

FREQUENCY SYNTHESIZER

The device is suitable for application where a fixed local oscillator (LO) needs to be synthesized or where a limited number of LO frequencies need to be generated. The device also has auxiliary open emitter outputs (Pout and Rout) for observing the inputs to the phase detector for verification purposes. In normal use the pins should be left open. The Reset input is normally LOW. When this input is placed in the HIGH state the programmable divider and reference prescaler is reset and the charge pump output (Do) is placed in the OFF state.

The 4–bit programming interface maps into divider states ranging from 25 to 40. A is the LSB and D is the MSB. The data inputs (A,B,C, and D) are CMOS compatible and have pull–up resistors. The inputs can be tied directly to Vcc or Ground for programming or can be interfaced to an external data latch/register. Table 1 below has a mapping of the programming states.

#### Table 1. Programming States

D	С	В	Α	Divider
L	L	L	L	25
L	L	L	н	26
L	L	н	L	27
L	L	н	н	28
L	Н	L	L	29
L	Н	L	н	30
L	Н	н	L	31
L	Н	н	н	32
н	L	L	L	33
н	L	L	н	34
н	L	н	L	35
н	L	н	н	36
Н	Н	L	L	37
Н	Н	L	н	38
Н	Н	н	L	39
Н	Н	Н	Н	40

#### Pinout: 16-Lead SOIC (Top View)



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Figure 1. MC12181 Programmable Synthesizer

### **PIN NAMES**

Pin	Pin No.	Function		
OSCin	1	An external parallel resonant, fundamental crystal is connected between OSCin and OSCout to form an internal reference crystal oscillator. External capacitors C1 and C2 are required to set the proper crystal load capacitance and oscillator frequency (Figure 2). For an external reference oscillator, a signal is AC–coupled into the OSCin pin. In either mode a $50k\Omega$ resistor must be connected between OSCin and OSCout.		
OSCout	2	Oscillator output, for use with an external crystal as shown in Figure 2.		
VP	3	Positive power supply for charge pump. Vp MUST be greater than or equal to V <sub>CC</sub> . Bypassing should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.		
VCC	4	Positive power supply. Bypassing should be placed as close as possible to this pin and be connected directly to the ground plane.		
Do	5	Single ended phase/frequency detector output. Three-state current sink/source output for use as a loop error signal when combined with an external low pass filter. The phase/frequency detector is characterized by a linear transfer function.		
GND	6	Ground. This pin should be directly tied to the ground plane.		
Fin	7	Prescaler input – The VCO signal is ac-coupled into the Fin Pin.		
Fin	8	Complementary prescaler input – This pin should be capacitively coupled to ground.		
GND	9	Ground. This pin should be directly tied to the ground plane.		
Rout	10	Open emitter test point used to verify proper operation of the reference divider chain. In normal operation this pin should be left OPEN.		
Reset	11	Test pin used to clear the programmable divider and prescaler (Reset = H). When the Reset is in the HIGH state, the charge pump output is disabled. The Reset input has an internal pulldown. In normal operation it can be left open or tied to ground.		
Pout	12	Open emitter test point used to verify proper operation of the programmable divider chain. In normal operation this pin should be left OPEN.		
D C B A	13 14 15 16	Digital control inputs for setting the value of the programmable divider. A is the LSB and D is the MSB. In normal operation these pins can be tied to $V_{CC}$ and/or ground to program a fixed divide or they can be driven by a CMOS logic level when used in a programmable mode. There is an internal pull–up resistor to $V_{CC}$ on each input.		

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Figure 2. Typical Applications Example

### **RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
V <sub>CC</sub>	Supply Range	2.7	5.5	VDC
V <sub>CC</sub> max	Maximum Supply Range		6.0	VDC
Vpmax	Maximum Charge Pump Voltage		V <sub>CC</sub> to +6.0	VDC
T <sub>A</sub>	Temperature Ambient	-40	85	°C
T <sub>STG</sub>	Storage Temperature	-65	150	°C
V <sub>in</sub> max	Maximum Input Signal (Any Pin)		V <sub>CC</sub> +0.5V	VDC

Symbol	Characteristic	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Condition
ICC	Supply Current for V <sub>CC</sub>		4		mA	Note 1
Ι <sub>Ρ</sub>	Supply Current for VP		0.5		mA	Note 1
OSCin	Input Frequency Range	5		25	MHz	Note 2
Fin	RF Input Frequency Range	125		1000	MHz	Note 3
Vin	Fin Input Sensitivity	100		1000	mV <sub>P-P</sub>	Note 4
VOSC	OSCin Input Sensitivity	500		2200	mV <sub>P-P</sub>	Note 4
ЮН	Output Source Current (Do)	-2.8	-2.2	-1.6	mA	Note 5, V <sub>CC</sub> =V <sub>P</sub> =5.5, VDo=2.75V
lol	Output Sink Current (Do)	1.6	2.2	2.8	mA	Note 5, V <sub>CC</sub> =V <sub>P</sub> =5.5, VDo=2.75V
loz	Output Leakage Current (Do)		0.5	15	nA	V <sub>CC</sub> =V <sub>P</sub> =5.5, VDo=2.75V
VDo	Charge Pump Operating Volt	0.5		V <sub>P</sub> -0.5	V	
VIH	Input HIGH Voltage (Reset, A, B, C, D)	0.7 V <sub>CC</sub>			V	
VIL	Input LOW Voltage (Reset, A, B, C, D)			0.3 V <sub>CC</sub>	V	
ЧН	Input HIGH Current (Reset, A, B, C, D)			TBD	μΑ	
۱ <sub>IL</sub>	Input LOW Current (Reset, A, B, C, D)	TBD			μA	
Vout	Output Amplitude (Pout, Rout)	800			mV	Note 6

### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** ( $V_{CC}$ = 2.7 to 5.5V; $V_P$ = $V_{CC}$ to 5.5V; $T_A$ = -40 to +85°C)

V<sub>CC</sub> and V<sub>P</sub> = 5.5V; Fin = 1.0GHz; OSCin = 25MHz; Do open.
Assumes C<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>2</sub> (Figure 2) limited to ≤30pF each including stray capacitance in crystal mode, AC coupled input for external reference mode.
AC coupling, Fin measured with a 1000pF capacitor.
Signal AC coupling in input.

5. Min and Max values are targeted at  $<\pm30\%$  of nominal.

6. Minimum resistor value of  $20k\Omega$  to ground.



Figure 3. Typical Loop Filter Topology

### **OUTLINE DIMENSIONS**



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