General Description
The SY56020R is a fully-differential, low-voltage 1.2V/1.8V/2.5V CML 1:4 Fanout Buffer with input equalization. The SY56020R can process clock signals as fast as 4.5GHz or data patterns up to 6.4Gbps.

The differential input includes Micrel’s unique, 3-pin input termination architecture that interfaces to CML differential signals, without any level-shifting or termination resistor networks in the signal path. The differential input can also accept AC-coupled LVPECL and LVDS signals. Input voltages as small as 200mV (400mVpp) are applied before the 9”, 18” or 27” FR4 transmission line. For AC-coupled input interface applications, an internal voltage reference is provided to bias the VT pin. The outputs are CML, with extremely fast rise/fall times guaranteed to be less than 90ps.

The SY56020R operates from a 2.5V ±5% core supply and a 1.2V, 1.8V or 2.5V ±5% output supply and is guaranteed over the full industrial temperature range (–40°C to +85°C). The SY56020R is part of Micrel’s high-speed, Precision Edge® product line. Datasheets and support documentation can be found on Micrel’s web site at: www.micrel.com.

Features
• 1.2V/1.8V/2.5V CML 1:4 Fanout Buffer
• Equalizes 9, 18, 27 inches of FR4
• Guaranteed AC performance over temperature and voltage:
  – DC-to > 6.4Gbps Data throughput
  – DC-to > 4.5GHz Clock throughput
  – <280 ps propagation delay (IN-to-Q)
  – <15ps within-device skew
  – <90ps rise/fall times
• Ultra-low jitter design
  – <1ps RMS random jitter
• High-speed CML outputs
• 2.5V ±5% VCC, 1.2/1.8V/2.5V ±5% VCCO power supply operation
• Industrial temperature range: –40°C to +85°C
• Available in 16-pin (3mm x 3mm) QFN package

Applications
• Data distribution
• SONET clock and data distribution
• Fiber Channel clock and data distribution
• Gigabit Ethernet clock and data distribution

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• ATE
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• Metro area network equipment

Functional Block Diagram
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Notes:
1. Contact factory for die availability. Dice are guaranteed at $T_a = 25^\circ C$, DC Electricals only.
2. Tape and Reel.

Pin Configuration

![16-Pin QFN Diagram]

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<td>2,3</td>
<td>IN, /IN</td>
<td>Differential Input: Signals as small as 200mV $V_{PK}$ (400mVPP) applied to the input of 9, 18 or 27 inches 6mil FR4 stripline transmission line are then terminated with this differential input. Each input pin internally terminates with 50Ω to the VT pin.</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>VT</td>
<td>Input Termination Center-Tap: Each side of the differential input pair terminates to VT pin. This pin provides a center-tap to a termination network for maximum interface flexibility. An internal high impedance resistor divider biases VT to allow input AC-coupling. For AC-coupling, bypass VT with 0.1µF low-ESR capacitor to $V_{CC}$. See “Interface Applications” subsection and Figure 2a.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>EQ</td>
<td>Three level input for equalization control. High, float, low.</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>VCC</td>
<td>Positive Power Supply: Bypass with 0.1µF/0.01µF low-ESR capacitors as close to the $V_{CC}$ pins as possible. Supplies input and core circuitry.</td>
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<td>8,13</td>
<td>VCCO</td>
<td>Output Supply: Bypass with 0.1µF/0.01µF low-ESR capacitors as close to the $V_{CCO}$ pins as possible. Supplies the output buffers.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>GND, Exposed pad</td>
<td>Ground: Exposed pad must be connected to a ground plane that is the same potential as the ground pins.</td>
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<td>15,14,12,11,10,9,7,6</td>
<td>Q0, /Q0, Q1, /Q1, Q2, /Q2, Q3, /Q3</td>
<td>CML Differential Output Pairs: Differential buffered copy of the input signal. The output swing is typically 390mV. See “Interface Applications” subsection for termination information.</td>
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Absolute Maximum Ratings\(^{(1)}\)

Supply Voltage (\(V_{CC}\)) ........................................ −0.5V to +3.0V  
Supply Voltage (\(V_{CCO}\)) ....................................... −0.5V to +3.0V  
\(V_{CC} − V_{CCO}\) ......................................................<1.8V  
\(V_{CCO} − V_{CC}\) ..............................................................<0.5V  
Input Voltage (\(V_{IN}\)) ..............................................−0.5V to \(V_{CC}\)  
CML Output Voltage (\(V_{OUT}\)) ........................... 0.6V to 3.0V  
Current (\(V_{T}\))  
Source or Sink on \(V_{T}\) pin.....................................±100mA  
Input Current  
Source or Sink Current on (IN, /IN) ...............±50mA  
Maximum Operating Junction Temperature......... 125°C  
Lead Temperature (soldering, 20sec.)............... 260°C  
Storage Temperature (\(T_s\)) ....................−65°C to +150°C  

Operating Ratings\(^{(2)}\)

Supply Voltage (\(V_{CC}\)) ................................ 2.375V to 2.625V  
\(V_{CCO}\) .......................................................... 1.14V to 2.625V  
Ambient Temperature (\(T_A\)).......................... −40°C to +85°C  
Package Thermal Resistance\(^{(3)}\)  
QFN  
Still-Air (\(\psi_{JA}\)) ................................................ 75°C/W  
Junction-to-Board (\(\psi_{JB}\)) ................................. 33°C/W

DC Electrical Characteristics\(^{(4)}\)

\(T_A = −40°C\) to +85°C, unless otherwise stated.

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<td>(V_{CC})</td>
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<td>2.5</td>
<td>2.625</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>(V_{CCO})</td>
<td>1.14</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>1.26</td>
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<td>(V_{CCO})</td>
<td>1.7</td>
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<td>(V_{CCO})</td>
<td>2.375</td>
<td>2.5</td>
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<td>(I_{CC})</td>
<td>Power Supply Current</td>
<td>Maximum (V_{CC}).</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>mA</td>
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<tr>
<td>(I_{CCO})</td>
<td>Power Supply Current</td>
<td>No Load. Maximum (V_{CCO})</td>
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<td>(R_{IN})</td>
<td>Input Resistance (IN-to-(V_{T}), /IN-to-(V_{T}))</td>
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<td>45</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>Ω</td>
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<td>(R_{DIFF,IN})</td>
<td>Differential Input Resistance (IN-to-/IN)</td>
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<td>90</td>
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<td>(V_{IH})</td>
<td>Input HIGH Voltage (IN, /IN)</td>
<td>IN, /IN</td>
<td>1.42</td>
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<td>(V_{CC})</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>(V_{IL})</td>
<td>Input LOW Voltage (IN, /IN)</td>
<td>IN, /IN</td>
<td>1.22</td>
<td>1.7-0.475</td>
<td>(V_{IH}–0.2)</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>Input Voltage Swing (IN, /IN)</td>
<td>See Figure 3a, applied to input of transmission line.</td>
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<td>Voltage from Input to (V_{T})</td>
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<td>1.28</td>
<td>V</td>
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Notes:
1. Permanent device damage may occur if absolute maximum ratings are exceeded. This is a stress rating only and functional operation is not implied at 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. Package thermal resistance assumes exposed pad is soldered (or equivalent) to the device's most negative potential on the PCB. \(\psi_{JA}\) and \(\theta_{JA}\) values are determined for a 4-layer board in still-air number, unless otherwise stated.
4. The circuit is designed to meet the DC specifications shown in the above table after thermal equilibrium has been established.
CML Outputs DC Electrical Characteristics\(^{(5)}\)

\(V_{CC} = 1.14\text{V} \text{ to } 1.26\text{V} \quad R_L = 50\Omega \text{ to } V_{CC}\).

\(V_{CC} = 1.7\text{V} \text{ to } 1.9\text{V}, 2.375\text{V} \text{ to } 2.625\text{V}, R_L = 50\Omega \text{ to } V_{CC} \text{ or } 100\Omega \text{ across the outputs.}

\(V_{CC} = 2.375\text{V} \text{ to } 2.625\text{V} ; \quad T_A = –40°C \text{ to } +85°C, \text{ unless otherwise stated.}

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<td>(R_L = 50\Omega \text{ to } V_{CC})</td>
<td>(V_{CC} – 0.020)</td>
<td>(V_{CC} – 0.010)</td>
<td>(V_{CC})</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>(V_{OUT})</td>
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<td>(V_{DIFF_OU})</td>
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<td>950</td>
<td>mV</td>
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<td>(R_{OUT})</td>
<td>Output Source Impedance</td>
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<td>45</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>(\Omega)</td>
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Three Level EQ Input DC Electrical Characteristics\(^{(5)}\)

\(V_{CC} = 2.375\text{V} \text{ to } 2.625\text{V} ; \quad T_A = –40°C \text{ to } +85°C, \text{ unless otherwise stated.}

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<td>(V_{IL})</td>
<td>Input LOW Voltage</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>(V_{EE} + 0.3)</td>
<td>V</td>
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<td>(I_{IH})</td>
<td>Input HIGH Current</td>
<td>(V_{IH} = V_{CC})</td>
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<td>(\mu\text{A})</td>
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<td>(I_{IL})</td>
<td>Input LOW Current</td>
<td>(V_{IL} = \text{GND})</td>
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<td>(\mu\text{A})</td>
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Note:
5. The circuit is designed to meet the DC specifications shown in the above table after thermal equilibrium has been established.

AC Electrical Characteristics

\(V_{CC} = 1.14\text{V} \text{ to } 1.26\text{V} \quad R_L = 50\Omega \text{ to } V_{CC}\).

\(V_{CC} = 1.7\text{V} \text{ to } 1.9\text{V}, 2.375\text{V} \text{ to } 2.625\text{V}, R_L = 50\Omega \text{ to } V_{CC} \text{ or } 100\Omega \text{ across the outputs.}

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<td>(t_{RI})</td>
<td>Output Rise/Fall Time (20% to 80%)</td>
<td>At full output swing.</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>90</td>
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Notes:
6. Propagation delay is measured with no attenuating transmission line connected to the input.
7. Output-to-Output skew is the difference in time between both outputs, receiving data from the same input, for the same temperature, voltage and transition.
8. Part-to-part skew is defined for two parts with identical power supply voltages at the same temperature and no skew at the edges at the respective inputs.
9. Random jitter is measured with a K28.7 pattern, measured at \(\leq f_{MAX}\).
**Interface Applications**

For Input Interface Applications see Figures 4a-e and for CML Output Termination, see Figures 5a-d.

**CML Output Termination with VCCO 1.2V**

For VCCO of 1.2V, Figure 5a, terminate the output with 50Ω to 1.2V, DC coupled, not 100Ω differentially across the outputs.

If AC-coupling is used, Figure 5d, terminate into 50Ω to 1.2V before the coupling capacitor and then connect to a high value resistor to a reference voltage.

Do not AC-couple with internally terminated receiver. For example, 50Ω ANY-IN input. AC-coupling will offset the output voltage by 200mV and this offset voltage will be too low for proper driver operation. Any unused output pair needs to be terminated when VCCO is 1.2V, do not leave floating.

**CML Output Termination with VCCO 1.8V, 2.5V**

For VCCO of 1.8V, Figure 5a and Figure 5b, terminate either with 50 ohms to VCCO or 100 ohms differentially across the outputs. AC- or DC-coupling is fine. For best signal integrity, terminate any unused output pairs.

**Input Termination**

From 1.8V CML driver: Terminate input with VT tied to 1.8V. Don’t terminate 100 ohms differentially.

From 2.5V CML driver: Terminate input with either VT tied to 2.5V or 100 ohms differentially.

The input cannot be DC-coupled from a 1.2V CML driver.

**Input AC-Coupling**

The SY56020R input can accept AC-coupling from any driver. Bypass VT with a 0.1µF low-ESR capacitor to VCC as shown in Figures 4c and 4d. VT has an internal high impedance resistor divider as shown in Figure 2a, to provide a bias voltage for AC-coupling.

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**Timing Diagrams**

![Timing Diagram](image)

**Figure 1. Propagation Delay**

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**Figure 1. Propagation Delay**
Typical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = 2.5$, $V_{CC0} = 1.2V$, $GND = 0V$, $V_{IN} = 400mV$, $R_L = 50\Omega$ to $1.2V$, Data Pattern: $2^{23}-1$, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, unless otherwise stated.
Input and Output Stage

Figure 2a. Simplified Differential Input Buffer

Figure 2b. Simplified CML Output Buffer

Single-Ended and Differential Swings

Figure 3a. Single-Ended Swing

Figure 3b. Differential Swing
Input Interface Applications

Figure 4a. CML Interface (DC-Coupled, 1.8V, 2.5V)
Option: May connect $V_T$ to $V_{CC}$

Figure 4b. CML Interface (DC-Coupled, 1.8V, 2.5V)

Figure 4c. CML Interface (AC-Coupled)

Figure 4d. LVPECL Interface (AC-Coupled)

Figure 4e. LVPECL Interface (DC-Coupled)
CML Output Termination

Figure 5a. 1.2V, 1.8V or 2.5V CML DC-Coupled Termination

Figure 5b. 1.8V or 2.5V CML DC-Coupled Termination

Figure 5c. CML AC-Coupled Termination (Vcc 1.8V or 2.5V)

Figure 5d. CML AC-Coupled Termination (Vcc 1.2V only)

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