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INTRODUCTION AND BOARD DESCRIPTION

ON Semiconductor has developed an evaluation board for the NB4L339 Clock Generator as a convenience for customers interested in performing their own device engineering assessment. The board offers a flexible and convenient platform to quickly evaluate, characterize and verify the performance and operation of the NB4L339.

This evaluation board manual contains:

- Information on the NB4L339 Evaluation Board
- Appropriate Lab Setup
- Detailed Board Features
- Bill of Materials

This manual should be used in conjunction with the device datasheet (www.onsemi.com/pub/Collateral/NB4L339.PDF), which contains full technical details on the device specification and operation.

The NB4L339 Evaluation Board was designed to accommodate a custom QFN−32 socket. Therefore, some external components were installed on the bottom side of the board. SMA connectors are provided for all input & output signal access.

Board Layout

The evaluation board is constructed with FR4 material, provides a high bandwidth 50 Ω controlled trace impedance environment and is designed to minimize noise and minimize crosstalk.

Layer Stack

L1   Signal
L2   SMA Ground
L3 V_{CC} (positive power supply) and V_{EE} (Device negative power supply)
L4   Signal

Board Features

- Incorporates on−board slide switches to manually control CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{EN}$ and $\overline{MR}$ logic pins, minimizing cabling
- 2.5 V or 3.3 V single or split−power supply operation
- LVPECL differential output signals are accessed via SMA connectors
- Convenient and compact board layout
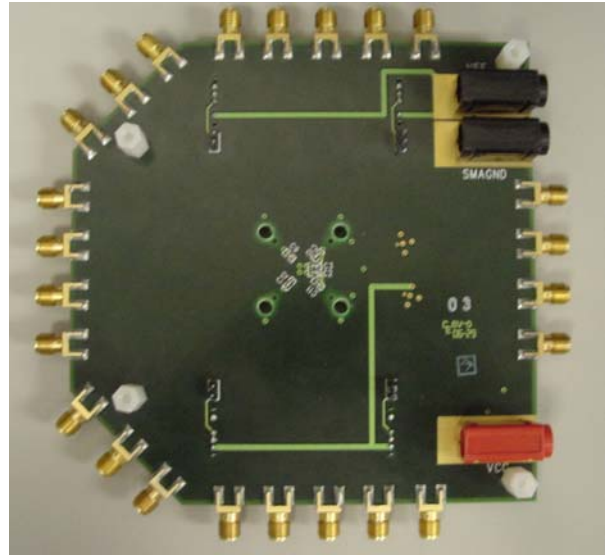
What Measurements Can You Expect to Make?

With this evaluation board, the following measurements could be performed in single ended or differential modes of operation.

- Jitter
- Output Skew
- Eye Pattern Generation
- Frequency Performance
- Output Rise and Fall Time
- Phase Noise
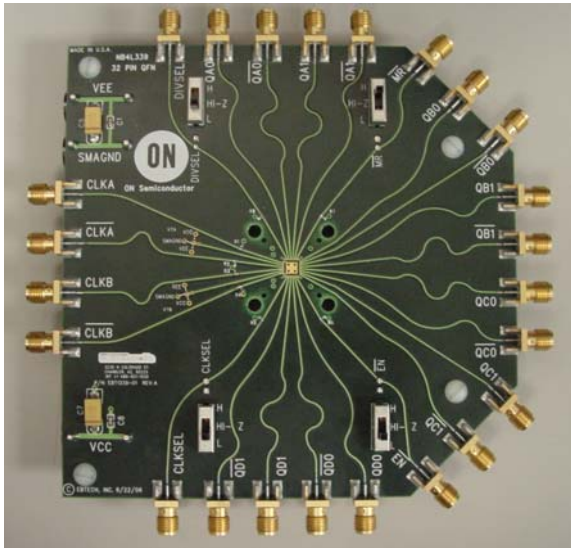
Top View

Bottom View

Figure 1. NB4L339MNGEVB Evaluation Board

Lab Setup for Time Domain Measurements

Table 1. Basic Lab Equipment

Description	Example Equipment	Qty
Power Supply with 4 outputs	HP6624A	1
Oscilloscope and/or Frequency counter	TDS8000 with 80E01 Sampling Head	1
Differential Signal Generator	Agilent 8133A, Advantest D3186	1
Matched High Speed Cables with SMA Connectors	Storm, Semflex	6 Pair
Digital Voltmeter, Power supply cables		

Lab Setup

A typical lab setup for taking time domain measurements in differential mode operation is shown in Figure 2. The following steps should be followed for proper equipment setup:

Step 1: Connect Power

Three power levels must be provided to the board, V_{CC}, V_{EE}, and SMAGND via the banana jack connectors on the bottom of the board. Bypass capacitors are installed from V_{CC} to SMAGND and V_{EE} to SMAGND at the banana jacks and the deivce pins. Using the split power supply mode, GND = V_{TT} = V_{CC} − 2.0 V. The exposed pad of the QFN−32 package is connected to V_{EE}.

Table 2. NB4L339 Power Supply Connections

3.3 V Setup	2.5 V Setup
V_{CC} = 2.0 V	V_{CC} = 2.0 V
V_{TT} = SMAGND = 0 V	V_{TT} = SMAGND = 0 V
V_{EE} = −1.3 V	V_{EE} = −0.5 V

1. SMAGND (V_{TT}) is the termination supply for the LVPECL outputs only, not to be confused with the device ground pin (V_{EE}).

Step 2: Connect Inputs

For Differential Mode:

Connect the differential output of the signal generator to the differential input of the device (CLKx and $\overline{CLKx}$). The differential clock inputs of the NB4L339 incorporate internal 50 Ω termination resistors.

For Single−Ended Mode:

Connect the single−ended output of the generator to the CLKx input of the device. Vth must be applied to the complementary input ($\overline{CLKx}$) when operating in single−ended mode. Refer to the device datasheet for details on single−ended operation.

The VTA and VTB termination pins each have a trace from package pin to a node where it can be connected to either VCC, VEE or SMAGND, depending on the user's need.

NOTE: Inputs CLKA/B and $\overline{CLKA}$/$\overline{CLKB}$ must be signal driven or auto oscillation may result.
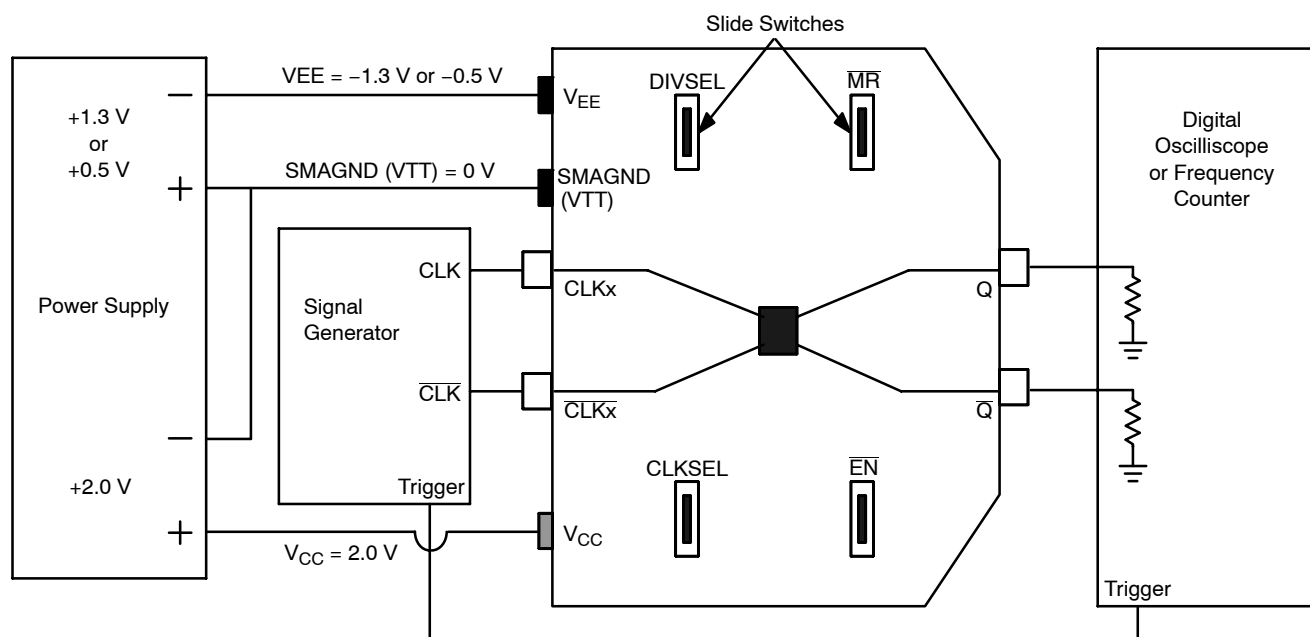
Figure 2. NB4L339 Board Setup Time Domain (Differential Mode)

NOTE: All differential cable pairs **must be** matched.

For single−ended operation, $\overline{\text{CLKx}}$ needs to be tied to V_{TT} through the internal $50\,\Omega$ resistor.

Step 3: Setup Input Signals

Set the signal generator output amplitude to 500 mV.

Set the generator output for a square wave clock signal with a 50% duty cycle.

Step 4: Connect Output Signals

The LVPECL Qxn and $\overline{\text{Qxn}}$ outputs have standard, open emitter outputs and must be externally DC loaded and AC terminated. A split power supply technique takes advantage of terminating the LVPECL outputs into $50\,\Omega$ of an oscilloscope or a frequency counter. Since $V_{TT} = V_{CC} - 2\,V$, offsetting V_{CC} to +2.0 V yields $V_{TT} = 0\,V$ or Ground (SMAGND). The V_{TT} terminal connects to the isolated SMAGND connector ground plane, and is not to be confused with the device ground pin (V_{EE}).

Connect the Q and $\overline{Q}$ outputs of the device to the oscilloscope with matched cables. The oscilloscope sampling head must have internal $50\,\Omega$ termination to ground.

NOTE: When single−ended output is being used, the unconnected output for the pair **must be** terminated to V_{TT} through a $50\,\Omega$ resistor for best operation. Unused outputs pairs may be left unconnected. Since $V_{TT} = 0\,V$, a standard $50\,\Omega$ SMA termination is recommended.

Step 5: Set CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{\text{EN}}$ and $\overline{\text{MR}}$

The CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{\text{EN}}$ and $\overline{\text{MR}}$ control pins can be controlled from an external source via the appropriate SMA connector, or using the slide switches located on the board, as indicated in Figure 2. In order to use the slide switches, the jumpers/shunts on the bottom side of the board must be installed. When using an external source, remove the jumper for that pin. Refer to the NB4L339 datasheet for details on the proper settings for these pins.
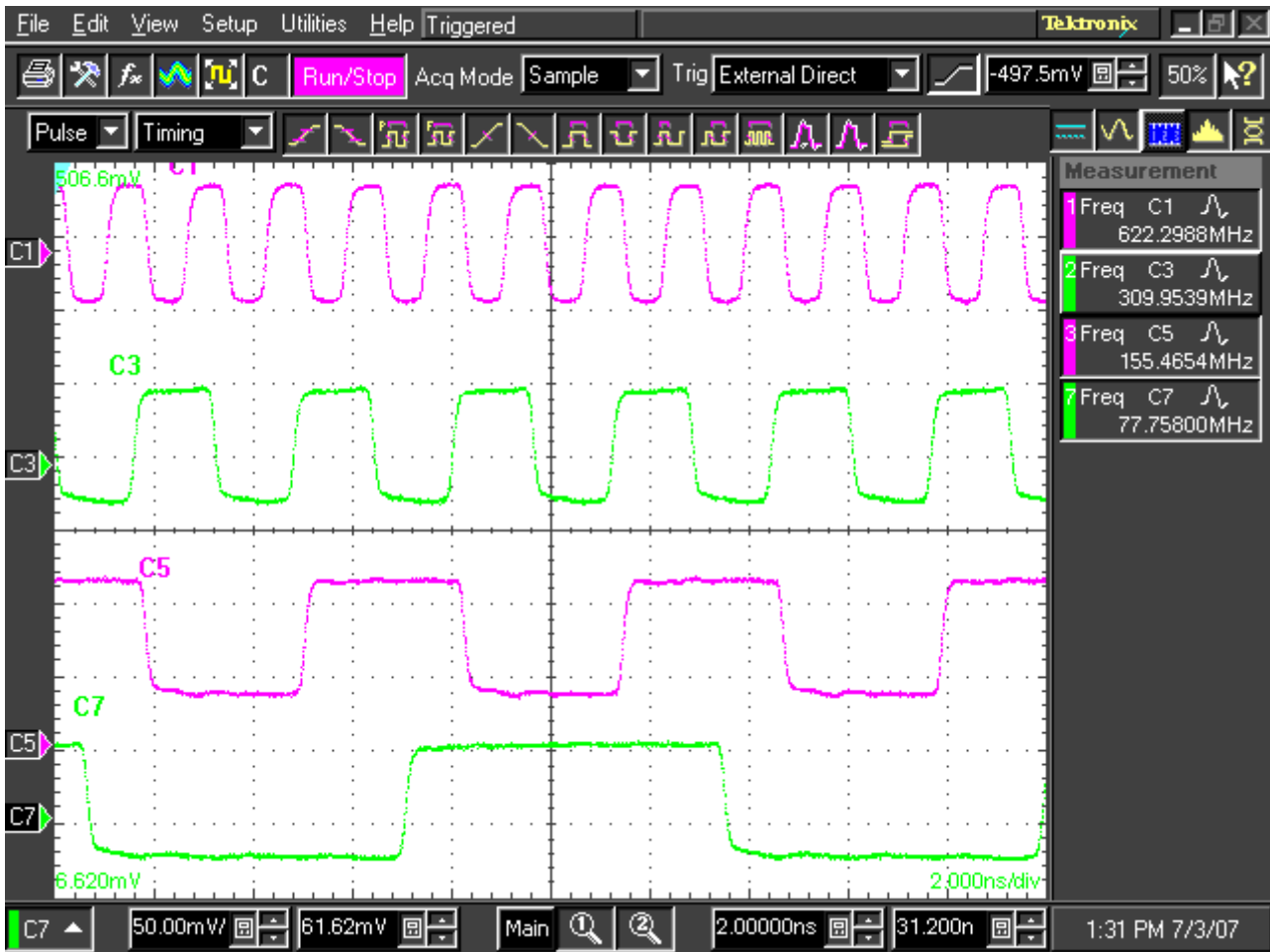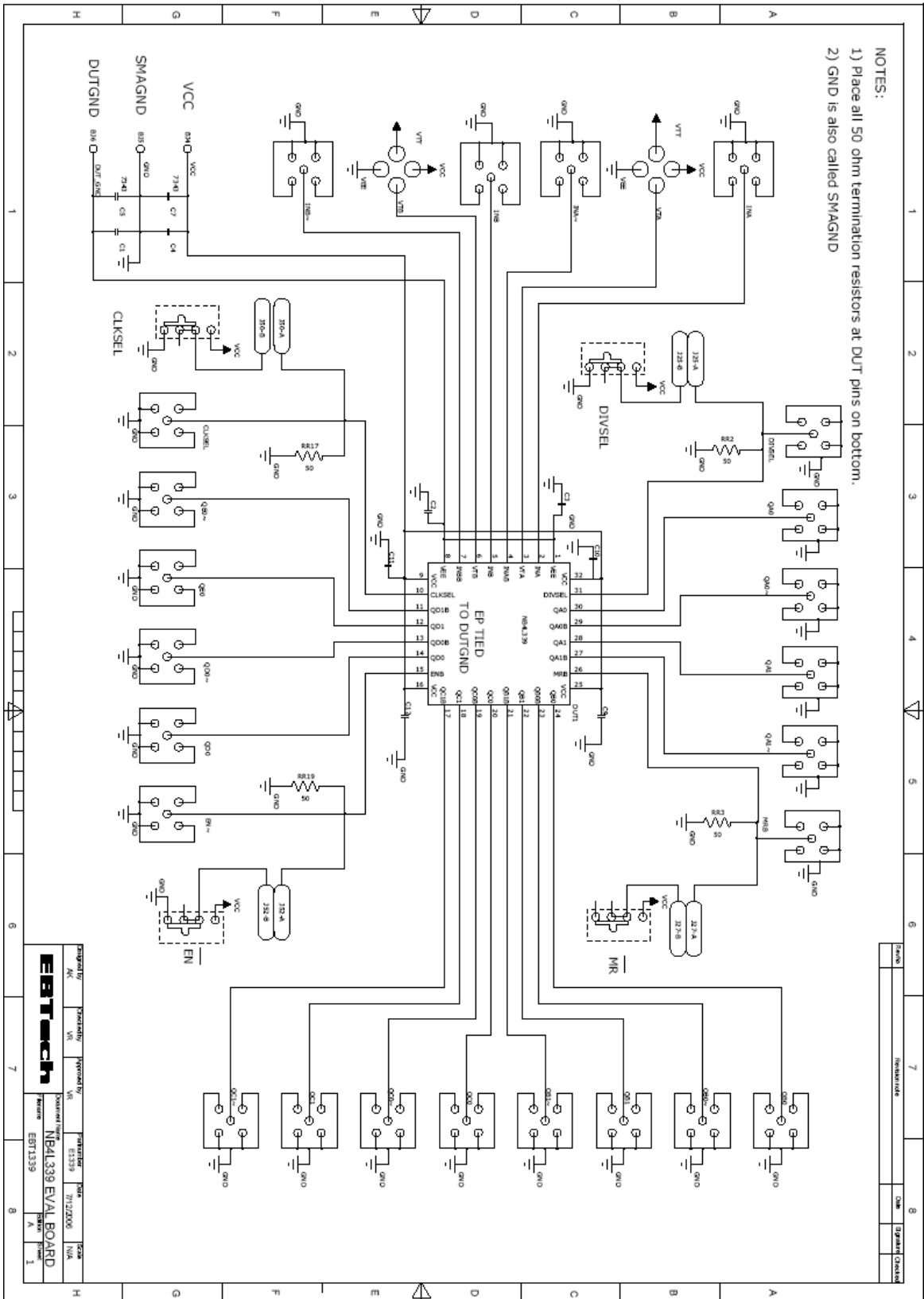
Figure 3. Frequency Division with the NB4L339

Figure 4. Evaluation Board Schematic

Table 3. Detailed board features by device pin.

Pin	Name	Feature
11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 29, 30	Qxn, $\overline{\text{Qxn}}$	All of the Qxn & $\overline{\text{Qxn}}$ LVPECL outputs have equal length 50 Ω impedance board traces with SMA connectors. Matched cables can connect to an oscilloscope or frequency counter.
9, 16, 25, 32	V_{CC}	The V_{CC} pins are all connected directly to the V_{CC} power plane. Bypass capacitors are installed at each pin.
2, 4, 5, 7	CLKx, $\overline{\text{CLKx}}$	The CLKx & $\overline{\text{CLKx}}$ Clock input pins have equal length board traces with SMA connectors. Matched cables can connect to a signal generator. Resistors R1–R4 are intended to terminate a signal generator with 50 Ω to ground, if needed. They have been (should be) removed since the NB4L339 already provides internal 50 Ω termination resistors for a signal generator when VTx is connected to SMAGND in a split–power supply configuration.
3, 6	VTA, VTB	The VTA and VTB pins each have a trace from package pin to a node where it can be connected to either V_{CC}, V_{EE} or SMAGND, depending on the user's need.
10, 31, 15, 26	CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{\text{EN}}$, $\overline{\text{MR}}$	Slide Switch Control The board incorporates slide switches to manually control the logic levels for the CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{\text{EN}}$ and $\overline{\text{MR}}$ control pins, thus, minimizing cabling. In order to use the slide switches, the jumpers/shunts on the bottom side of the board must be installed. External Control The CLKSEL, DIVSEL, $\overline{\text{EN}}$ and $\overline{\text{MR}}$ control pins can be controlled from an external source via the appropriate SMA connector. A 50 Ω resistor is installed from the trace to SMAGND to terminate a signal generator, if needed. When using an external source, remove the switch jumper/shunt from the bottom of the board.
––	EP	The exposed pad of the QFN–32 package is connected to V_{EE}.

2. NOTE. x = A, B, C, or D; n = 0 or 1

Table 4. Bill of Materials

Comp	Manufact	Description	Part Number	Qty	Web Site
SMA Connector	Johnson	SMA Connector, Side Launch, Gold Plated	142−0711−821	24	www.johnsoncomponents.com
Banana Jack	Deltron	Red Connector Single PCB Socket	571−0500	1	www.deltron−emcon.com
Banana Jack	Deltron	Black Connector Single PCB Socket	571−0100	2	www.deltron−emcon.com
Capacitor	AVX Corporation	Cap Cerm .1uF 10% 16V X7R 0603	0603YC104KAT2A	8	www.avxcorp.com
Capacitor	Kemet	Cap Tant 22uF 16V 10% SMD	T491D2236K016AT	2	www.kemet.com
Sliding Switch	ITT/Cannon	SP3T	OS103011MS8QP1	4	www.ittcannon.com
Jumper	Sullins Electronics	HDR jumper shun .1CTR	STC02SYAN	4	www.sullinselectronics.com
Jumper	Sullins Electronics	2−pin jumper	PEC36ACN	4	www.sullinselectronics.com
Resistor	Yageo America	Resistor 49.9 Ohm 1/16W 1% 0402 SMD	9C04021A49R9FLMF3	8	www.yageoamerica.com
Evaluation Board	ON Semiconductor	NB4L339 Evaluation Board	NB4L339MNGEVB	1	www.onsemi.com
Device Samples	ON Semiconductor	NB4L339 Clock Generator	NB4L339MNG	1	www.onsemi.com
Nylon Screw				4	
Standoff		Stand off (Height of Banana Jack)		4	

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