

# SN74F161A SYNCHRONOUS 4-BIT BINARY COUNTER

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- Internal Look-Ahead Circuitry for Fast Counting
- Carry Output for N-Bit Cascading
- Fully Synchronous Operation for Counting

## description

This synchronous, presettable, 4-bit binary counter has internal carry look-ahead circuitry for use in high-speed counting designs. 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 asynchronous (ripple-clock) counters. However, counting spikes can occur on the ripple-carry (RCO) output. A buffered clock (CLK) input triggers the four flip-flops on the rising (positive-going) edge of CLK.

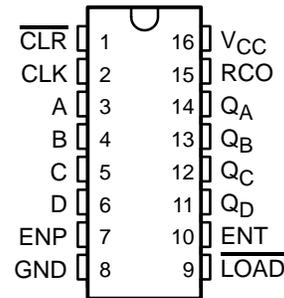
This counter is fully programmable. That is, it can be preset to any number between 0 and 15. Because presetting is synchronous, a low logic level at the load ( $\overline{LOAD}$ ) input disables the counter and causes the outputs to agree with the setup data after the next clock pulse, regardless of the levels of ENP and ENT.

The clear function is asynchronous, and a low logic level at the clear ( $\overline{CLR}$ ) input sets all four of the flip-flop outputs to low, regardless of the levels of CLK,  $\overline{LOAD}$ , ENP, and ENT.

The carry look-ahead circuitry provides for cascading counters for n-bit synchronous applications, without additional gating. This function is implemented by the ENP and ENT inputs and an RCO output. Both ENP and ENT must be high to count, and ENT is fed forward to enable RCO. RCO, thus enabled, produces a high-logic-level pulse while the count is 15 (HHHH). The high-logic-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.

The SN74F161A features a fully independent clock circuit. Changes at ENP, ENT, or  $\overline{LOAD}$  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 setup and hold times.

D, DB, OR N PACKAGE  
(TOP VIEW)



## ORDERING INFORMATION

T <sub>A</sub>	PACKAGE†		ORDERABLE PART NUMBER	TOP-SIDE MARKING
0°C to 70°C	PDIP – N	Tube	SN74F161AN	SN74F161AN
	SOIC – D	Tube	SN74F161AD	F161A
		Tape and reel	SN74F161ADR	
	SSOP – DB	Tape and reel	SN74F161ADBR	F161A

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



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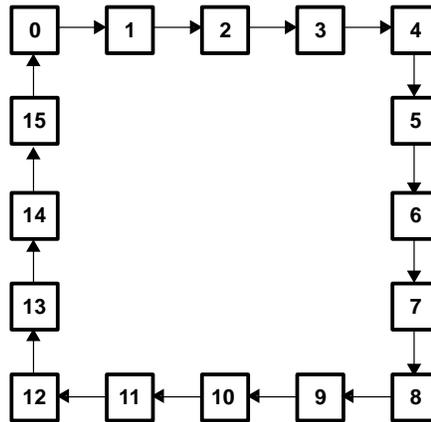
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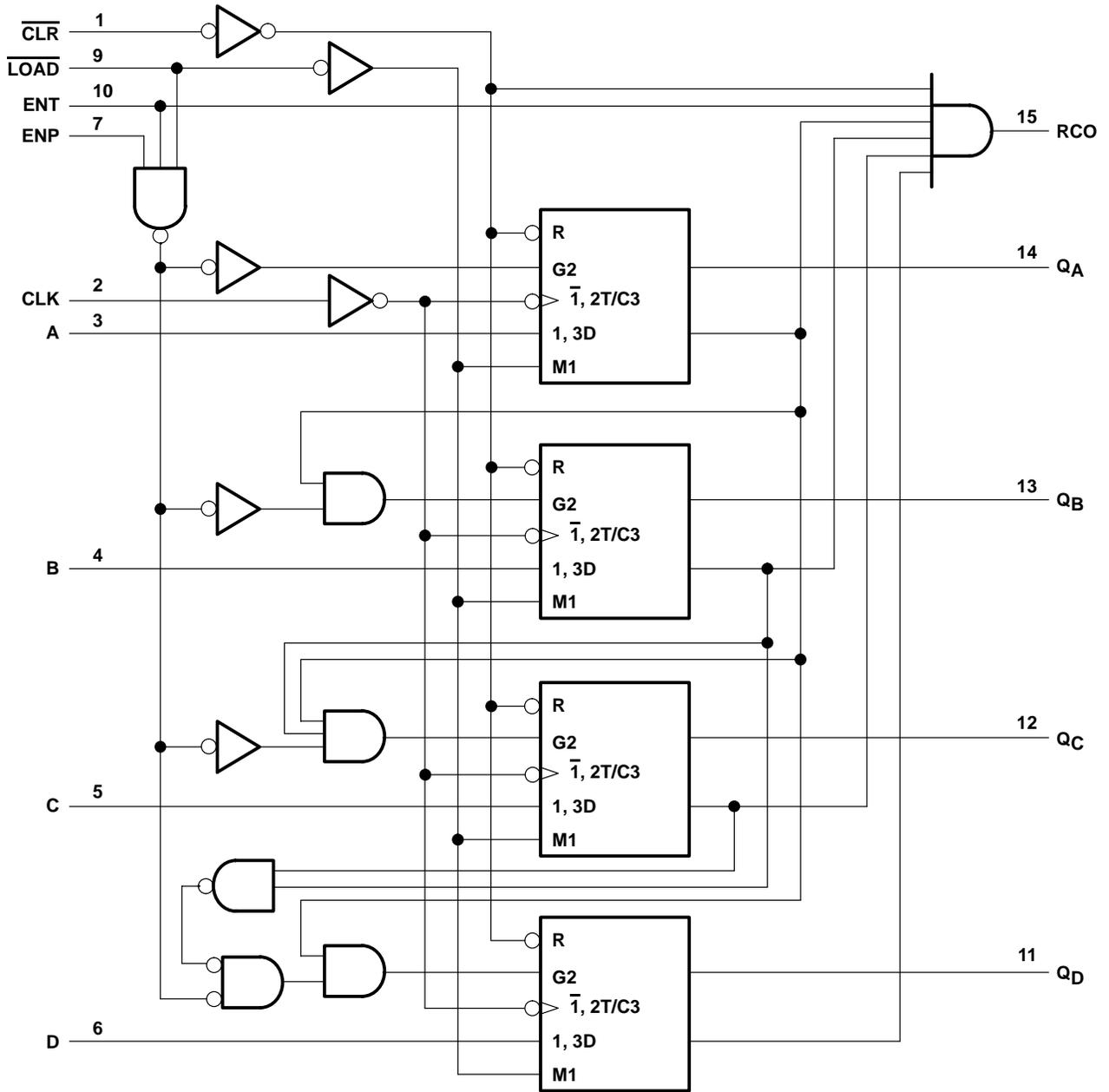
## state diagram



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logic diagram (positive logic)

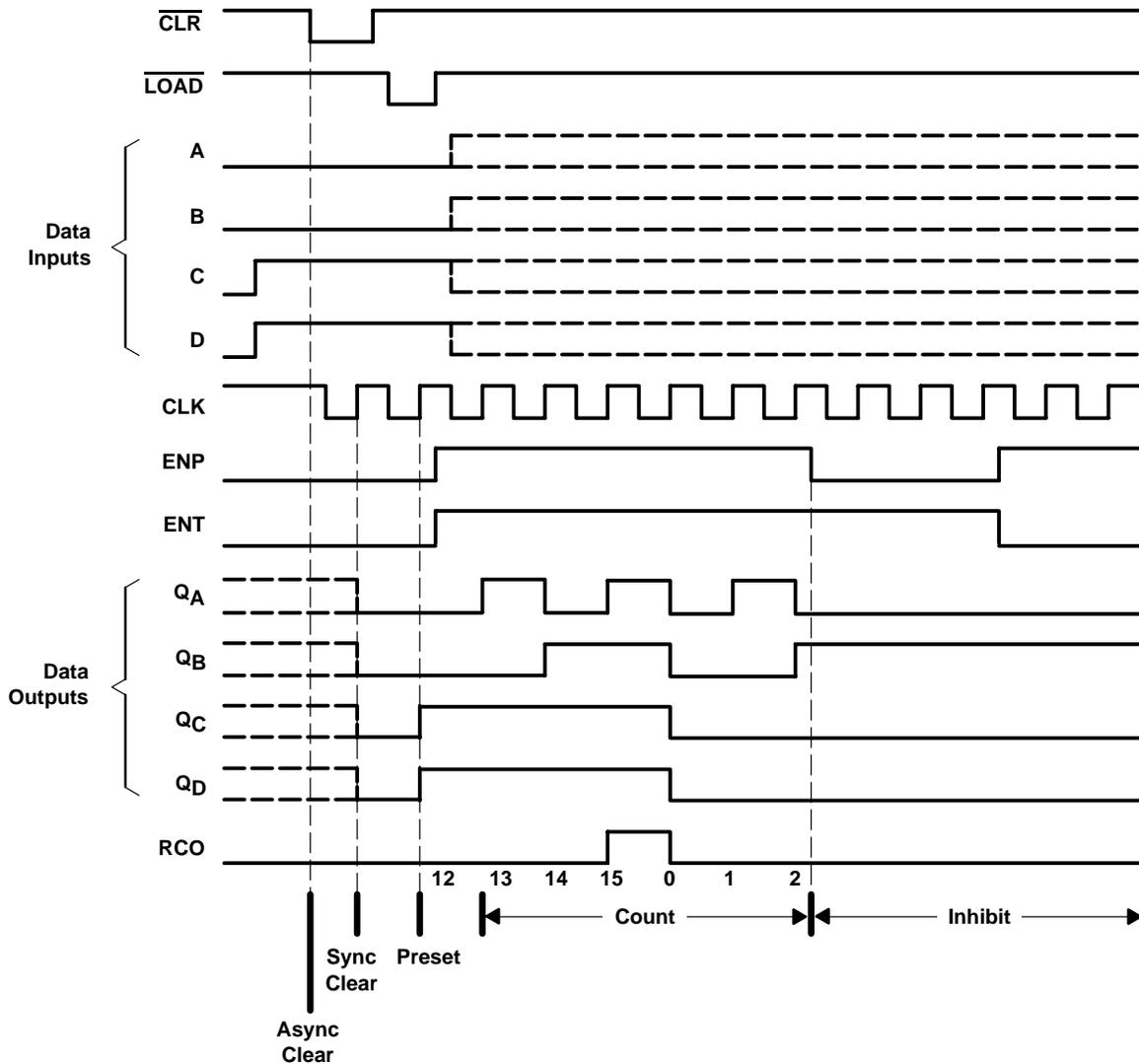




**typical clear, preset, count, and inhibit sequences**

The following timing sequence is illustrated below:

1. Clear outputs to zero
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 voltage range, $V_I$ (see Note 1)	–1.2 V to 7 V
Input current range	–30 mA to 5 mA
Voltage range applied to any output in the high state	–0.5 V to $V_{CC}$
Current into any output in the low state	40 mA
Package thermal impedance, $\theta_{JA}$ (see Note 2): D package	73°C/W
DB package	82°C/W
N package	67°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 voltage ratings may be exceeded provided the input current ratings are observed.  
 2. The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

### recommended operating conditions (see Note 3)

	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
$V_{CC}$ Supply voltage	4.5	5	5.5	V
$V_{IH}$ High-level input voltage	2			V
$V_{IL}$ Low-level input voltage			0.8	V
$I_{IK}$ Input clamp current			–18	mA
$I_{OH}$ High-level output current			–1	mA
$I_{OL}$ Low-level output current			20	mA
$T_A$ Operating free-air temperature	0		70	°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.

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

PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP‡	MAX	UNIT
$V_{IK}$	$V_{CC} = 4.5$ V, $I_I = -18$ mA			–1.2	V
$V_{OH}$	$V_{CC} = 4.5$ V, $I_{OH} = -1$ mA	2.5	3.4		V
	$V_{CC} = 4.75$ V, $I_{OH} = -1$ mA	2.7			
$V_{OL}$	$V_{CC} = 4.5$ V, $I_{OL} = 20$ mA		0.3	0.5	V
$I_I$	$V_{CC} = 5.5$ V, $V_I = 7$ V			0.1	mA
$I_{IH}$	$V_{CC} = 5.5$ V, $V_I = 2.7$ V			20	µA
$I_{IL}$	ENP, CLK, A, B, C, D			–0.6	mA
	ENT, LOAD	$V_{CC} = 5.5$ V, $V_I = 0.5$ V		–1.2	
	CLR			–0.6	
$I_{OS}§$	$V_{CC} = 5.5$ V, $V_O = 0$	–60		–150	mA
$I_{CC}$	$V_{CC} = 5.5$ V		37	55	mA

‡ All typical values are at  $V_{CC} = 5$  V,  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ .

§ Not more than one output should be shorted at a time, and the duration of the short circuit should not exceed one second.



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**timing requirements over recommended ranges of supply voltage and operating free-air temperature (unless otherwise noted)**

			V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V, T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C		MIN	MAX	UNIT
			MIN	MAX			
f <sub>clock</sub>	Clock frequency		0	100	0	90	MHz
t <sub>w</sub>	Pulse duration	CLK high or low (loading)	5		5		ns
		CLK (counting)	High	4		4	
			Low	6		7	
		$\overline{\text{CLR}}$ low	5		5		
t <sub>su</sub>	Setup time	Data before CLK↑	High or low		5	5	ns
		$\overline{\text{LOAD}}$ before CLK↑	High	11	11.5		
			Low	8.5	9.5		
		ENP and ENT before CLK↑	High	11	11.5		
Low	5		5				
t <sub>h</sub>	Hold time	Data after CLK↑	High or low		2	2	ns
		$\overline{\text{LOAD}}$ after CLK↑	High	2	2		
			Low	0	0		
				ENP and ENT after CLK↑	High or low		
t <sub>su</sub>	Inactive-state setup time, $\overline{\text{CLR}}$ high before CLK↑†		6		6		ns

† Inactive-state setup time also is referred to as recovery time.

## switching characteristics (see Note 4)

PARAMETER	FROM (INPUT)	TO (OUTPUT)	V <sub>CC</sub> = 5 V, C <sub>L</sub> = 50 PF, R <sub>L</sub> = 500 Ω, T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C			V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.5 V TO 5.5 V, C <sub>L</sub> = 50 PF, R <sub>L</sub> = 500 Ω, T <sub>A</sub> = MIN TO MAX‡		UNIT
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	
f <sub>max</sub>			100	120		90		MHz
t <sub>PLH</sub>	CLK ( $\overline{\text{LOAD}}$ high)	Any Q	2.7	5.1	7.5	2.7	8.5	ns
t <sub>PHL</sub>			2.7	7.1	10	2.7	11	
t <sub>PLH</sub>	CLK ( $\overline{\text{LOAD}}$ low)	Any Q	3.2	5.6	8.5	3.2	9.5	ns
t <sub>PHL</sub>			3.2	5.6	8.5	3.2	9.5	
t <sub>PLH</sub>	CLK	RCO	4.2	9.6	14	4.2	15	ns
t <sub>PHL</sub>			4.2	9.6	14	4.2	15	
t <sub>PLH</sub>	ENT	RCO	1.7	4.1	7.5	1.7	8.5	ns
t <sub>PHL</sub>			1.7	4.1	7.5	1.7	8.5	
t <sub>PHL</sub>	CLR	Any Q	4.7	8.6	12	4.7	13	ns
		RCO	3.7	7.6	10.5	3.7	11.5	

‡ For conditions shown as MIN or MAX, use the appropriate value specified under recommended operating conditions.

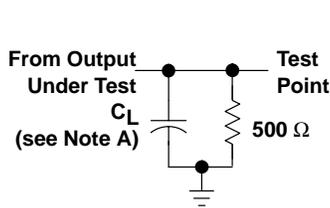
NOTE 4: Load circuits and waveforms are shown in Figure 1.



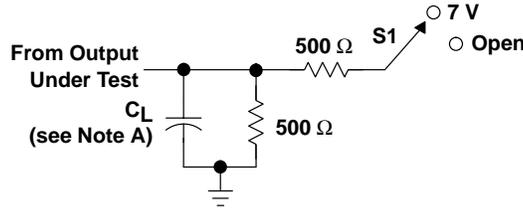
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## PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

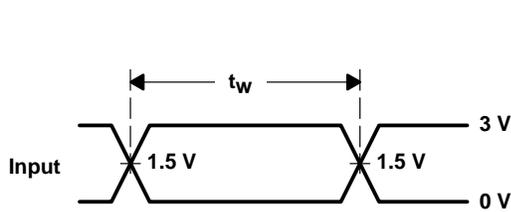


LOAD CIRCUIT FOR  
TOTEM-POLE OUTPUTS

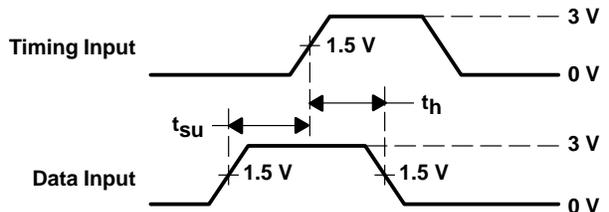


LOAD CIRCUIT FOR  
3-STATE AND OPEN-DRAIN OUTPUTS

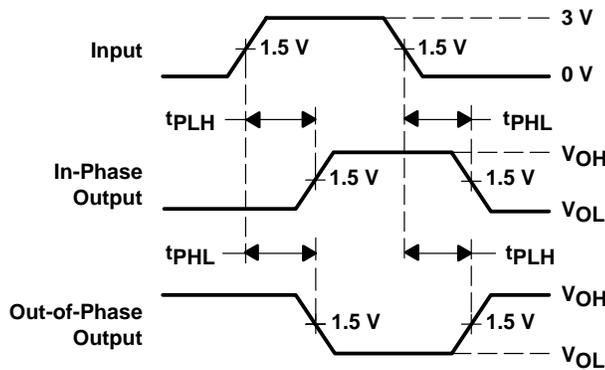
TEST	S1
$t_{PLH}/t_{PHL}$	Open
$t_{PLZ}/t_{PZL}$	7 V
$t_{PHZ}/t_{PZH}$	Open
Open Collector	7 V



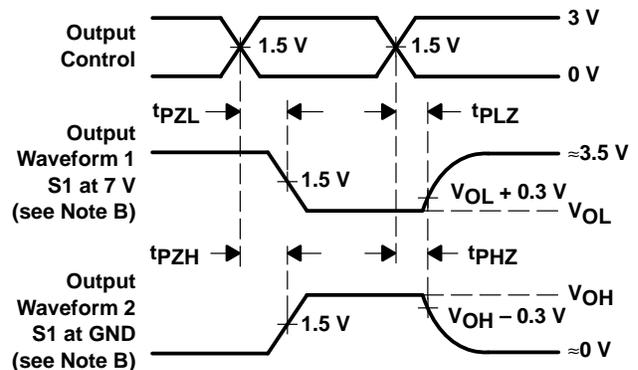
VOLTAGE WAVEFORMS  
PULSE DURATION



VOLTAGE WAVEFORMS  
SETUP AND HOLD TIMES



VOLTAGE WAVEFORMS  
PROPAGATION DELAY TIMES  
INVERTING AND NONINVERTING OUTPUTS



VOLTAGE WAVEFORMS  
ENABLE AND DISABLE TIMES  
LOW- AND HIGH-LEVEL ENABLING

- NOTES: A.  $C_L$  includes probe and jig capacitance.  
 B. Waveform 1 is for an output with internal conditions such that the output is low except when disabled by the output control. Waveform 2 is for an output with internal conditions such that the output is high except when disabled by the output control.  
 C. All input pulses are supplied by generators having the following characteristics:  $PRR \leq 1$  MHz,  $Z_O = 50 \Omega$ ,  $t_r \leq 2.5$  ns,  $t_f \leq 2.5$  ns, duty cycle = 50%.  
 D. The outputs are measured one at a time with one input transition per measurement.

Figure 1. Load Circuit and Voltage Waveforms

**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

Orderable part number	Status (1)	Material type (2)	Package   Pins	Package qty   Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material (4)	MSL rating/ Peak reflow (5)	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
<a href="#">SN74F161AD</a>	Obsolete	Production	SOIC (D)   16	-	-	Call TI	Call TI	0 to 70	F161A
<a href="#">SN74F161ADR</a>	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	2500   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	F161A
SN74F161ADR.A	Active	Production	SOIC (D)   16	2500   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	F161A
<a href="#">SN74F161AN</a>	Active	Production	PDIP (N)   16	25   TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	N/A for Pkg Type	0 to 70	SN74F161AN
SN74F161AN.A	Active	Production	PDIP (N)   16	25   TUBE	Yes	NIPDAU	N/A for Pkg Type	0 to 70	SN74F161AN
<a href="#">SN74F161ANSR</a>	Active	Production	SOP (NS)   16	2000   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	74F161A
SN74F161ANSR.A	Active	Production	SOP (NS)   16	2000   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	74F161A
SN74F161ANSR.B	Active	Production	SOP (NS)   16	2000   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	0 to 70	74F161A

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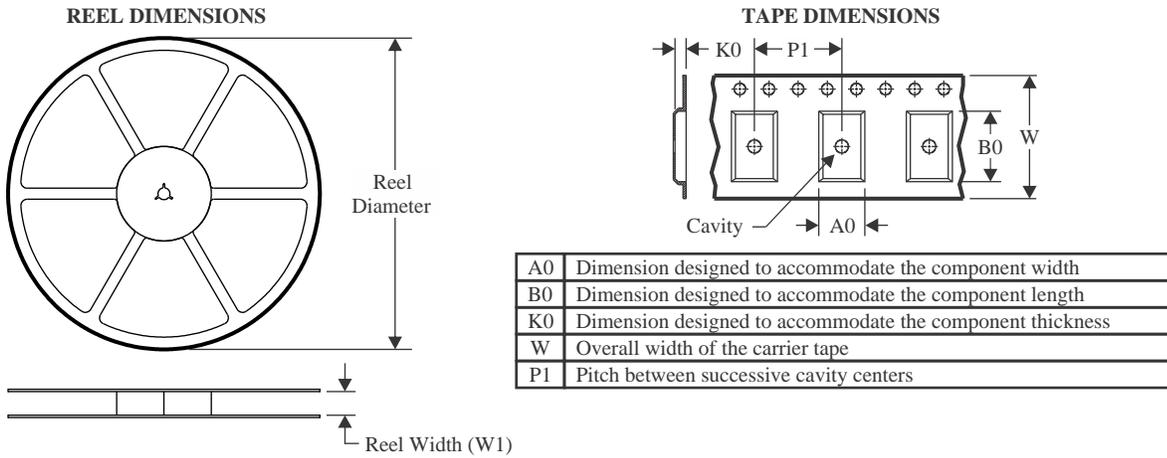
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**QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE**


\*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
SN74F161ADR	SOIC	D	16	2500	330.0	16.4	6.5	10.3	2.1	8.0	16.0	Q1
SN74F161ANSR	SOP	NS	16	2000	330.0	16.4	8.1	10.4	2.5	12.0	16.0	Q1

**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


\*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
SN74F161ADR	SOIC	D	16	2500	353.0	353.0	32.0
SN74F161ANSR	SOP	NS	16	2000	353.0	353.0	32.0

**TUBE**


\*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Name	Package Type	Pins	SPQ	L (mm)	W (mm)	T (μm)	B (mm)
SN74F161AN	N	PDIP	16	25	506	13.97	11230	4.32
SN74F161AN	N	PDIP	16	25	506	13.97	11230	4.32
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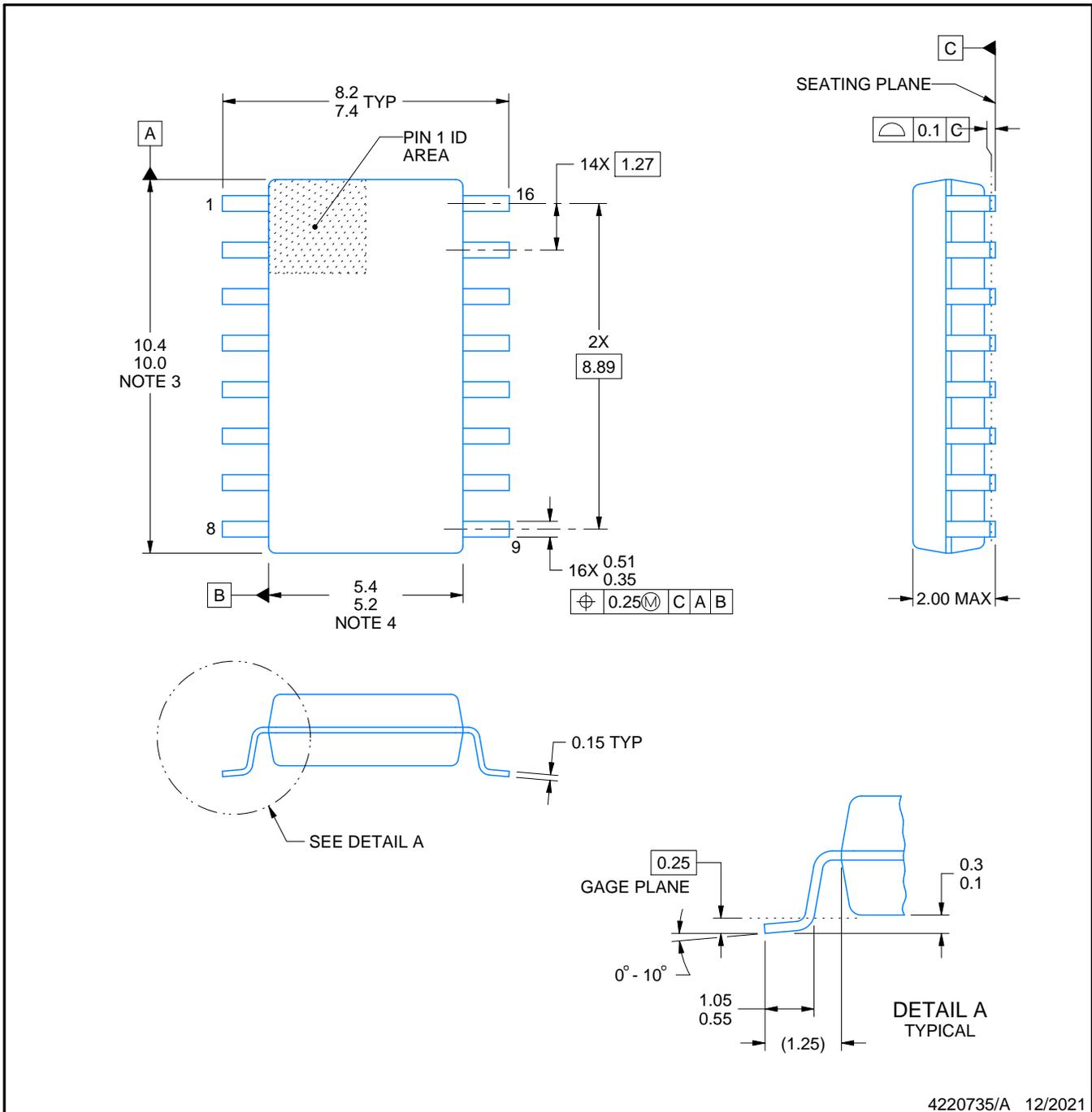


# PACKAGE OUTLINE

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### SOP - 2.00 mm max height

SOP



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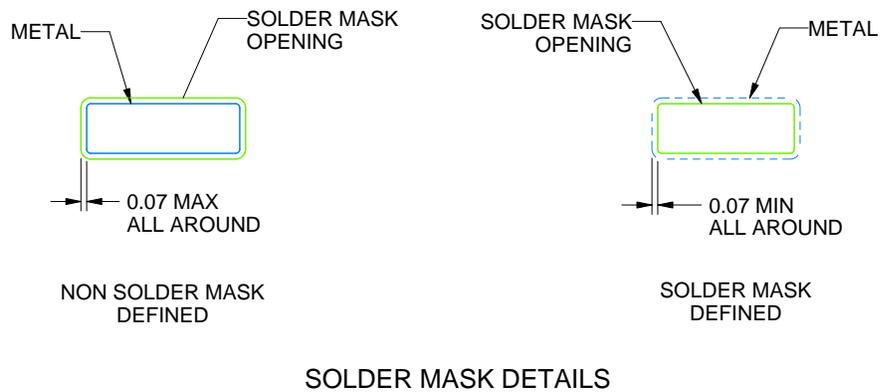
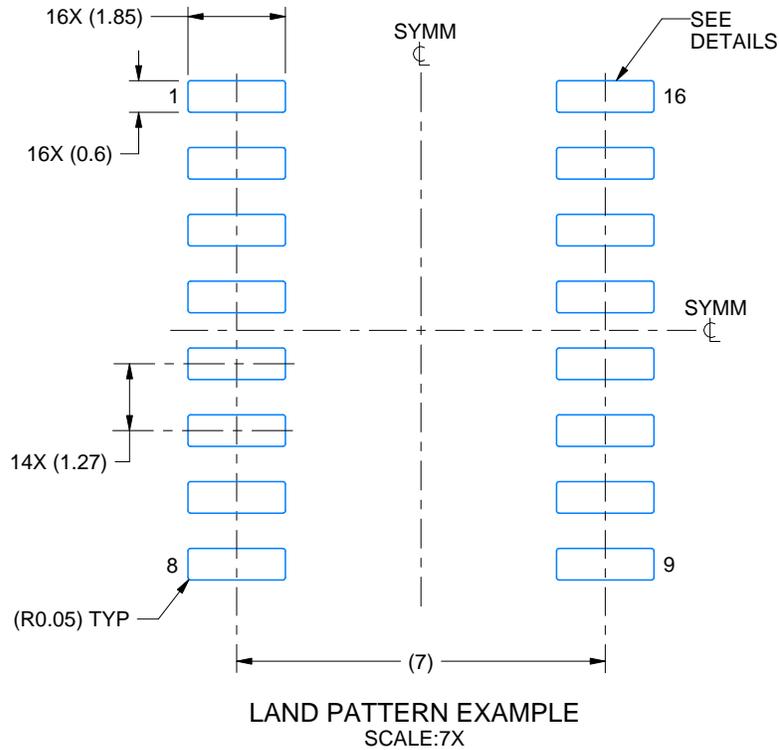
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3. This dimension does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.15 mm, per side.
4. This dimension does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.25 mm, per side.

# EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

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SOP - 2.00 mm max height

SOP



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5. Publication IPC-7351 may have alternate designs.

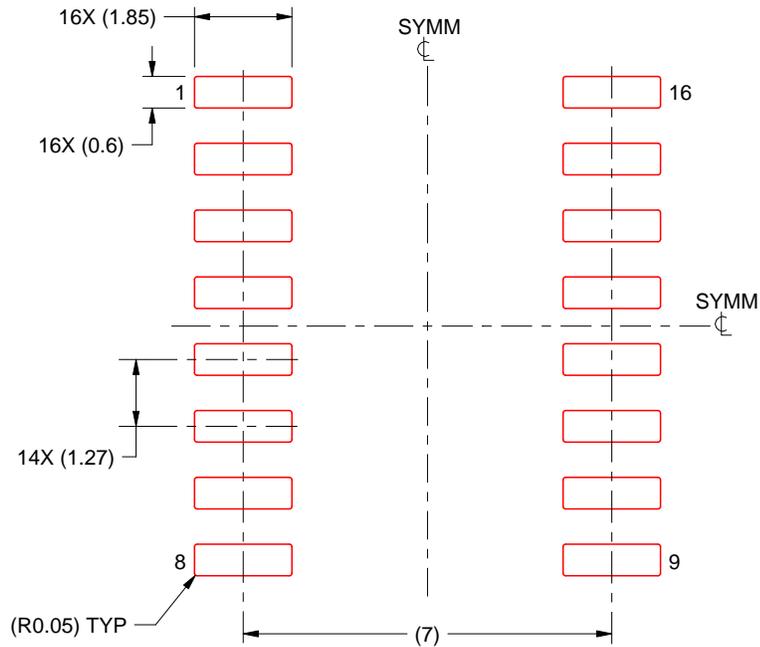
6. Solder mask tolerances between and around signal pads can vary based on board fabrication site.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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SOP - 2.00 mm max height

SOP



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE  
BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL  
SCALE:7X

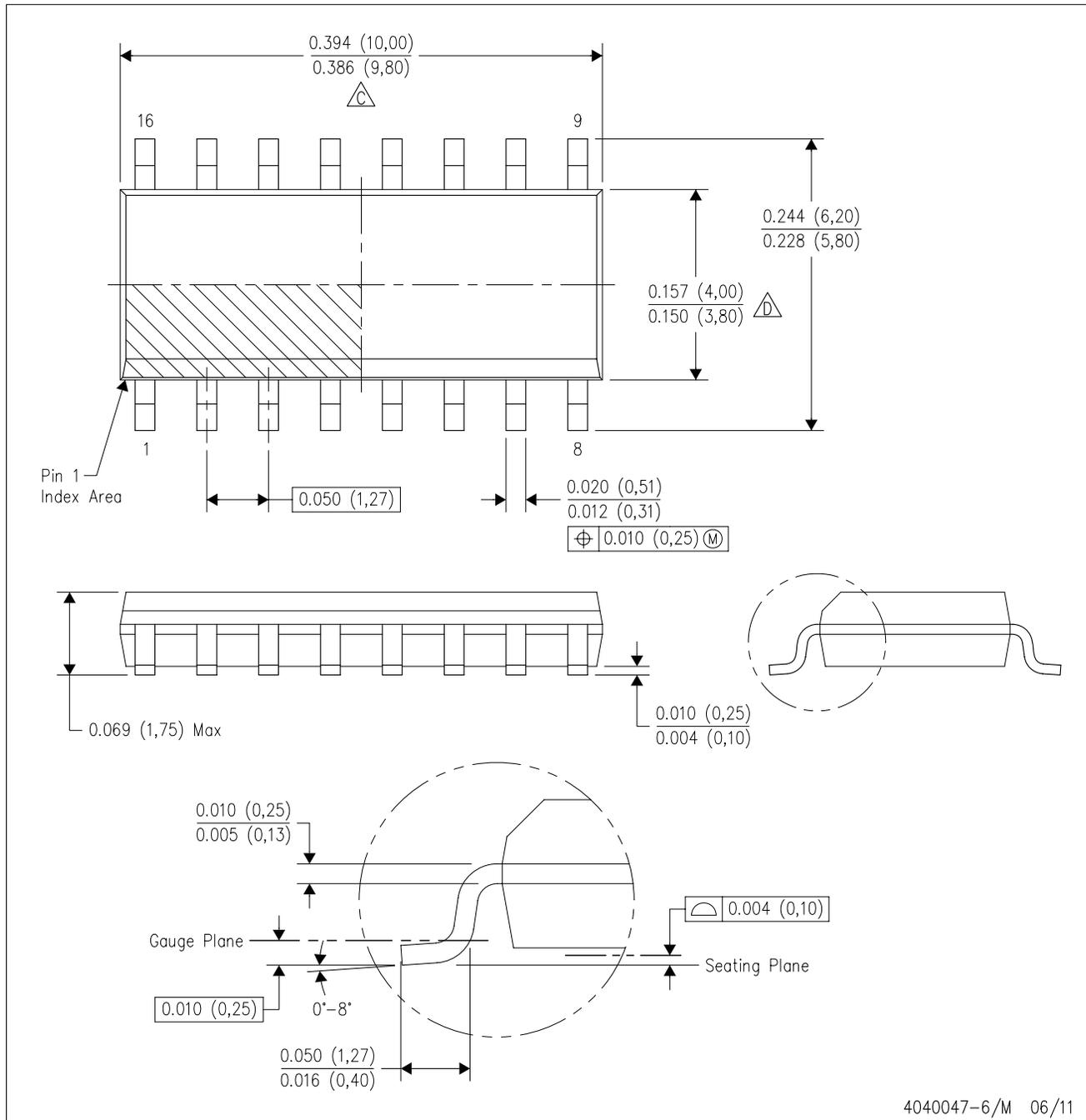
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7. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.
8. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.

D (R-PDSO-G16)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



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  -  D. Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.017 (0,43) each side.
  - E. Reference JEDEC MS-012 variation AC.

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PLASTIC DUAL-IN-LINE PACKAGE

16 PINS SHOWN



- NOTES:
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  - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
  - Falls within JEDEC MS-001, except 18 and 20 pin minimum body length (Dim A).
  - The 20 pin end lead shoulder width is a vendor option, either half or full width.

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