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# STEL-1109

## Data Sheet

**STEL-1109/CR**  
**5 - 65 MHz**  
**Burst Transmitter**

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## TRADEMARKS

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## KEY FEATURES

- Complete BPSK/QPSK/16QAM modulator in a CMOS ASIC
- Programmable over a wide range of data rates
- NCO modulator provides fine frequency resolution
- 165 MHz maximum clock rate generates a modulated carrier at frequencies programmable from 5 to 65 MHz
- Operates in continuous and burst modes
- Differential Encoder, Programmable Scrambler, and Programmable Reed-Solomon FEC Encoder
- Programmable 32-tap FIR Filter for signal shaping before modulation
- 10-bit DAC implemented on chip
- Complete upstream modulator solution – serial data in and RF signal out
- Compatible with DAVIC, IEEE 802.14 (preliminary), Intelsat IESS-308, ITU J.83 Annex A, MCNS Standards
- Supports low data rates for voice applications and high data rates for wideband applications
- Small Footprint, Surface Mount 80-Pin MQFP Package

Table 1. STEL-1109 Features

Feature	Characteristic
Carrier frequency:	5 to 65 MHz (maximum of approximately 40% of master clock)
Symbol rate:	From Master clock divided by 16 down to Master clock divided by 16384 (in steps of 4) yielding a maximum symbol rate of 10Msps with a 160 MHz clock.
FIR filter tap coefficients:	32 programmable taps (10 bits each), symmetric response
Modulation:	BPSK, QPSK, or 16QAM
16QAM constellation:	Eight selectable bit-to-symbol mappings Five selectable symbol-to-constellation mappings
I and Q modulator signs / Spectral Inversion	Signs of I and Q plus the mapping to Sine and Cosine carriers is programmable.
Reed-Solomon encoder:	Selectable on/off Two selectable generator polynomials Block length shortened any amount Error correction capability T = 1 to 10
Scrambler:	Selectable on/off Self-synchronizing or frame synchronized (sidestream) Location before or after RS Encoder Programmable generator polynomial Programmable length up to $2^{24} - 1$ Programmable initial seed
Differential encoder:	Selectable on/off

## INTRODUCTION

The STEL-1109<sup>1</sup> is a highly integrated, maximally flexible, burst transmitter targeted to the cable modem market. It receives serial data, randomizes the data, performs FEC and differential encoding, maps the data to a constellation before modulation, and outputs an analog RF signal.

The STEL-1109 is the latest in a series of modulator chips that comprise the STEL-1103 through STEL-1108 modulators. Several key components (e.g., a 10-bit DAC, FECs, etc.) have been incorporated in the STEL-1109 and the enhancements have resulted in significant changes to the chip's electrical and software interfaces.

The STEL-1109 is capable of operating at data rates of up to 10 Mbps in BPSK mode, 20 Mbps in QPSK mode, and 40 Mbps in 16QAM mode. It operates at clock frequencies of up to 165 MHz, which allows its internal, 10-bit Digital-to-Analog Converter (DAC) to generate RF carrier frequencies of 5 to 65 MHz.

The STEL-1109 also uses digital FIR filtering to optimally shape the spectrum of the modulating data prior to modulation. This optimizes the spectrum of the modulated signal, and minimizes the analog filtering required after the modulator. The filters are

designed to have a symmetrical (mirror image) polynomial transfer function, thereby making the phase response of the filter linear. This also eliminates the inter-symbol interference that results from group delay distortion. In this way, it is possible to change the carrier frequency over a wide frequency range without having to change filters, thus providing the ability to operate a single system in many channels.

The STEL-1109 can operate with very short gaps between transmitted bursts to increase the efficiency of TDMA systems. The STEL-1109 (as well as the STEL-1103 and STEL-1108) operates properly even when the interburst gap is less than four (4) symbols (half the length of the FIR filter response). In this case the postcursor of the previous burst overlaps and is superimposed on the precursor of the following burst.

Signal level scaling is provided after the FIR filter to allow the STEL-1109's maximum arithmetic dynamic range to be utilized. Signal levels can be changed over a wide range depending on how the device is programmed.

In addition, the STEL-1109 is designed to operate from a 3.3 Vdc power supply and the chip can be interfaced with logic that operates at 5 Vdc.

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<sup>1</sup> The STEL-1109 utilizes advanced signal processing techniques which are covered by U.S. Patent Number 5,412,352.

## PIN CONFIGURATION

The STEL-1109 input and output signal pin assignments are listed in Table 2. The location of the pin numbers is shown by Figure 16 (page 39). The

STEL-1109 power supply pins are described in the following paragraph.

Table 2. I/O Signal Pin Assignments

1	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	21	FCWSEL <sub>1</sub>	[21]	(I)	41	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	61	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)
2	DATA <sub>4</sub>	[20]	(B)	22	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	42	SYMPLS	[20]	(O)	62	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)
3	DATA <sub>5</sub>	[20]	(B)	23	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	43	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	63	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(T)
4	DATA <sub>6</sub>	[20]	(B)	24	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	44	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	64	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)
5	DATA <sub>7</sub>	[20]	(B)	25	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	45	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	65	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(T)
6	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	26	CLKEN	[9,20]	(I)	46	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	66	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)
7	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	27	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	47	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	67	RSTB	[20]	(I)
8	ADDR <sub>5</sub>	[20]	(I)	28	CLK	[20]	(I)	48	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	68	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)
9	ADDR <sub>4</sub>	[20]	(I)	29	RDSLEN	[10]	(I)	49	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	69	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)
10	ADDR <sub>3</sub>	[20]	(I)	30	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	50		[7]	(N.C.)	70	DIFFEN	[13]	(I)
11	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	31	5V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(I)	51	AV <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	71	NCO LD	[21]	(I)
12	ADDR <sub>2</sub>	[20]	(I)	32	SCRMEN	[10]	(I)	52	OUT	[20]	(AO)	72	$\overline{\text{CSEL}}$	[20]	(I)
13	ADDR <sub>1</sub>	[20]	(I)	33	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	53	OUTN	[20]	(AO)	73	$\overline{\text{DSB}}$	[20]	(I)
14	ADDR <sub>0</sub>	[20]	(I)	34	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	54	AV <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	74	$\overline{\text{WR}}$	[20]	(I)
15	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	35	CKSUM	[12]	(O)	55		[7]	(N.C.)	75	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)
16	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	36	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	56	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)	76	DATA <sub>0</sub>	[20]	(B)
17	TSDATA	[9]	(I)	37	ACLK	[20]	(O)	57	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	77	DATA <sub>1</sub>	[20]	(B)
18	DATAEN	[10]	(I)	38	V <sub>DD</sub>	[7]	(S)	58	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	78	DATA <sub>2</sub>	[20]	(B)
19	TCLK	[9]	(I)	39	DATAENO	[20]	(O)	59	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	79	DATA <sub>3</sub>	[20]	(B)
20	FCWSEL <sub>0</sub>	[21]	(I)	40	BITCLK	[9,20]	(O)	60	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(T)	80	V <sub>SS</sub>	[7]	(S)
Notes:				Legend:											
1. Pin 31 is applied to input buffers only.				(AO) Analog Output				(O) Output signal							
2. See Package Outline (Figure 16) for pin identification.				(B) Bi-directional (I/O) signal				(S) Source							
				(I) Input signal				(T) Factory Test Pin							
				(N.C.) Not Connected				[#] Page Reference							

## POWER SUPPLY PINS

There are three separate power supply systems within the STEL-1109. The primary supply for the digital logic circuits is nominally 3.3 volts and is input on the V<sub>DD</sub> pins. The digital inputs have a separate supply, 5V<sub>DD</sub>, which can be connected to a 5 volt supply if the STEL-1109 inputs are driven from 5 volt logic. If the logic driving the STEL-1109 is run on 3.3 volts, then the 5V<sub>DD</sub>

pin should be connected to 3.3 volts. The return for both digital supplies is V<sub>SS</sub>. The DAC has a separate analog power supply and return, AV<sub>DD</sub> and AV<sub>SS</sub>. The 3.3 volt AV<sub>DD</sub> input allows the user to provide a separate well filtered supply for the DAC to prevent spurs that might be created from digital noise on the V<sub>DD</sub> supply system.

# FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

## OVERVIEW

The STEL-1109 is comprised of the Data Path and Control Unit sections shown in Figure 1. The Data Path is comprised of a Bit Sync Block, Bit Encoder Block (i.e., the Scrambler, Reed-Solomon Encoder, and two Multiplexers shown in Figure 2), Symbol Mapper Block (i.e., the Bit Mapper, Differential Encoder, and Symbol Mapper are shown in Figure 5), two channels (one for I and one for Q), a Combiner, and a 10-bit DAC. Each channel consists of a Nyquist Filter, Interpolation Filter, and Modulator. The Control Unit is comprised of a Bus Interface Unit (BIU), Clock Generator, and NCO.

Table 1 summarizes the main features of the circuits described by the remaining paragraphs of this section.

The STEL-1109 provides 58, programmable, read/write registers (Configuration Registers). Table 3 provides a graphic representation of the STEL-1109's Configuration Registers and their data fields. Each register can be selected for a write or read operation using addresses 00<sub>H</sub> through 39<sub>H</sub>.

Table 3. STEL-1109 Configuration Register Data Fields

Address	Contents							
(Hex)	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0
08 - 00	NCO <sup>21</sup>							
28 - 09	FIR Filter Coefficients <sup>18</sup>							
29	LSB Sampling Rate Control (see address 39 for MSB) <sup>20</sup>							
2A	Interpolation Filter Gain Control <sup>19</sup>				Auxiliary Clock Rate Divider <sup>20</sup>			
2B	Set To Zero	Set To Zero	Interpolation Filt. Bypass <sup>19</sup>		Set To One	Set To Zero	Invert I/Q Chan. <sup>20</sup>	
2C	TCLK Sel. <sup>9</sup>	Set To Zero	Set To Zero	Set To Zero	MOD <sup>14</sup>		FIR bypass <sup>18</sup>	Set To Zero
2D	FZSINB <sup>21</sup>	Bit Mapping <sup>13</sup>			Set To One	Set To Zero	PN Code Sel <sup>9</sup>	PN On/Off <sup>9</sup>
2E	Symbol Mapping <sup>15</sup>			CLR FIR <sup>18</sup>				Bit Sync Re-arm <sup>9</sup>
2F	Set To Zero							
32-30	SCRAMBLER Init Registers <sup>11</sup>							
35-33	SCRAMBLER Mask Registers <sup>11</sup>							
36	PPolynomial <sup>13</sup>	BypassB <sup>10</sup>	S-RS <sup>10</sup>	Self-Sync <sup>11</sup>	T <sup>12</sup>			
37	K <sup>12</sup>							
38	DATAENBPB <sup>10</sup>	DATAENSEL <sup>10</sup>	RSENBPB <sup>10</sup>	RSENSEL <sup>10</sup>	SCRMENBPB <sup>10</sup>	SCRMENSEL <sup>10</sup>	DiffDCBPB <sup>14</sup>	DiffDCSEL <sup>14</sup>
39	Set To Zero	Set To Zero	TRLSBF <sup>12</sup>	LDLSBF <sup>12</sup>	MSB Sampling Rate Control (see address 29 for LSB) <sup>20</sup>			

Note: Superscripted numbers are page references where discussion on setting the particular register(s) or bit(s) begins.



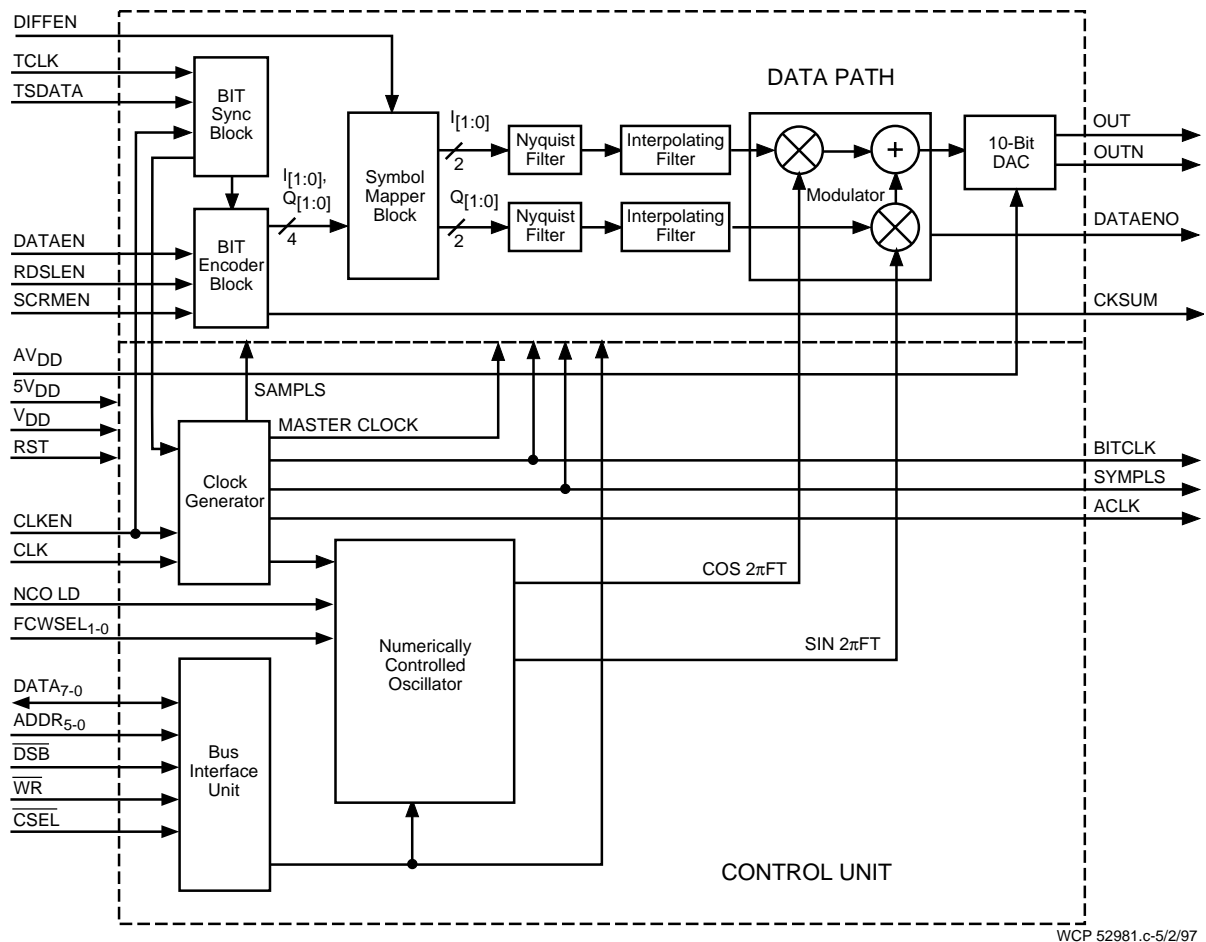


Figure 1. STEL-1109 Block Diagram

## DATA PATH DESCRIPTION

### BIT SYNC BLOCK

The Bit Sync Block has two functions, latching input data, and synchronizing the STEL-1109 BITCLK and symbol counters to the user data.

### Latching Input Data

Latching of input data is accomplished in three ways:

- Externally supplied TSDATA is latched by the internal BITCLK.

- Externally supplied TSDATA is latched by an externally provided TCLK
- Internally generated PN code data is latched by the internal BITCLK

See Table 4 for register settings to implement each mode.

Table 4. Data Latching Options

Data Source	Latched By	Register 2C Bit 7	Register 2D Bits 1,0	Mode Name
TSDATA	BITCLK	0	X,0	Master Mode
TSDATA	TCLK	1	X,0	Slave Mode
PN Code 10, 3	BITCLK	0	0,1	Test Mode
PN Code 23, 18	BITCLK	0	1,1	Test Mode

BITCLK latches data on its falling edge. TCLK latches data on its rising edge.

Whenever the CLKEN input is low, the BITCLK output will stop. In order to provide customers with a continuous clock, the STEL-1109 provides an auxiliary clock (ACLK) output which is discussed later in the clock generator section. The ACLK output is primarily for use in master mode where users may need a clock to run control circuits during the guard time between bursts.

When using slave mode, the data that is latched by the rising edge of TCLK is re-latched internally by the next falling edge of BITCLK which re-synchronizes the data to the internal master clock.

### Synchronizing BITCLK / SYMPLS

The synchronization circuit aligns the STEL-1109 BITCLK and its SYMPLS counter circuits to the beginning of the first user data symbol. The circuit has two parts, an arming circuit and a trigger circuit. Once armed, the first rising edge on the TCLK input will activate (trigger) the synchronization process.

The circuit can be armed in two ways; taking CLKEN from low to high, or toggling Configuration Register 2E<sub>H</sub> bit 0 from low to high to low again. In a normal burst mode application, the circuit is automatically re-armed between bursts because CLKEN goes low. For applications that will not allow CLKEN to cycle low between bursts, some system level precautions should be observed to maintain synchronization of user data to the STEL-1109 BITCLK.

Once triggered, the sync circuit re-starts the BITCLK and SYMPLS counters. The BITCLK output starts high, and SYMPLS resets to the start of a symbol. There is a delay equal to about three cycles of the master clock from the rising edge of the TCLK input before this re-start occurs. During this brief delay period, the BITCLK and SYMPLS counters are still free running and may or may not have transitions.

In master mode, the rising edge of TCLK normally marks the transition of the first user data bit (which will be latched in by the next falling edge of BITCLK). In slave mode, the first user data bit must already be valid at this first rising edge of TCLK.

### BIT ENCODER BLOCK

The Bit Encoder Block consists of a Scrambler, a Reed-Solomon Encoder, and data path controls (multiplexers), as shown in Figure 2.

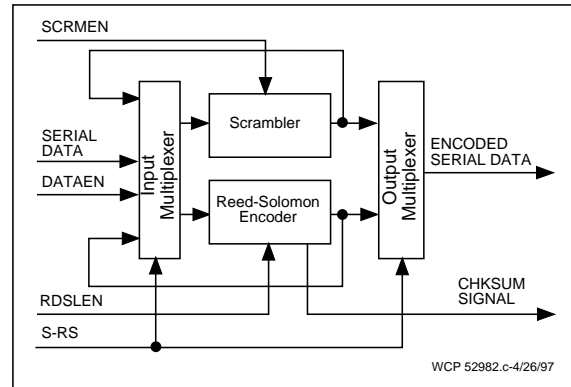


Figure 2. Bit Encoder Functional Diagram

### Data Path Control (Multiplexers)

The STEL-1109 provides a great deal of flexibility and control over the routing of data through or around the encoding functions. With appropriate register selections, data can be routed around (bypass) both encoders, through either one and around the other, through the scrambler then the RS Encoder, or through the RS Encoder and then the scrambler. Control over the bypassing can be set for software control or external (user) input signal control. Generally, if an encoding function will be left either on or off continuously, then software control is appropriate. If the function must be turned on and off dynamically (typically in order to send the preamble 'in the clear' i.e. unencoded), then external (user) input control is required. If the Reed-Solomon encoder will not be used at all, then a separate bypass option can be activated to remove an 8 bit delay register from the data path that is required if the possibility of turning on the encoder exists. Each of the external (user) input control pins (if enabled) turns on the encoding function when high and bypasses the function when low.

The DATAEN input signal determines whether or not data will advance (shift through) the encoding blocks. The presence of a high on the DATAEN input when the BITCLK output goes low allows the circuits to advance data through them. The DATAEN signal is delayed

internally to allow the rising edge of DATAEN to coincide with the first rising edge of TCLK.

See Table 5 for a summary of register settings required to achieve the various data path possibilities.

Table 5. BIT Encoding Data Path Options

Data Path	Register 36 Bits 6,5	Register 38 Bits 7-2
Data stopped (continuously)	X, X	01 XX XX
Data path on (continuously)	X, X	11 XX XX
Data path enabled by pin 18	X, X	X0 XX XX
Scrambler off (continuously)	X, X	XX XX 01
Scrambler on (continuously)	X, X	XX XX 11
Scrambler enabled by pin 32	X, X	XX XX X0
RS Encode off (continuously)	1, X	XX 01 XX
RS Encode on (continuously)	1, X	XX 11 XX
RS Encode enabled by pin 29	1, X	XX X0 XX
Scrambler then RS Encoder	1, 1	XX XX XX
RS Encoder then Scrambler	1, 0	XX XX XX
Bypass RS Encoder	0, X	XX XX XX

## Scrambler

The scrambler can be used to randomize the serial data in order to avoid a strong spectral component that might otherwise arise from the occurrence of repeating patterns in the input data. The Scrambler (Figure 3) uses a Pseudo-Random (PN) generator to generate a PN code pattern. All 24 registers are presettable and any combination of the registers can be connected (tapped) to form any polynomial of up to 24 bits. The scrambler may be either frame synchronized or self synchronized. Table 6 shows the registers involved.

The value in the INIT registers is loaded into the scrambler shift registers whenever the scrambler is disabled. The scrambler will scramble data one bit at a time at each falling edge of BITCLK that occurs while both the scrambler and DATAEN are active (enabled). Internal delays on the SCR MEN control signal input allow for a rising edge to occur coincident with the rising edge of BITCLK that precedes the latching of the first data bit to be scrambled.

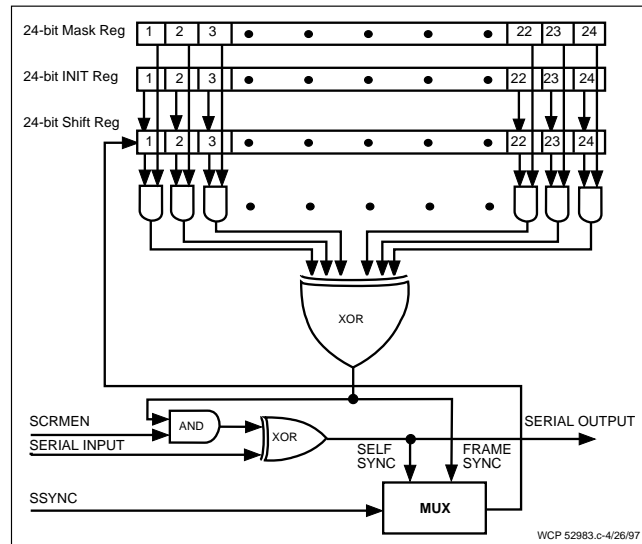


Figure 3. Scrambler Block Diagram

Table 6. Scrambler Parameters

Parameter	Characteristic	Configuration Register Setting		
Generator Polynomial (Mask Reg)	$p(x) = c_{24}x^{24} + c_{23}x^{23} + \dots + c_1x + 1$ where $c_i$ is a binary value (0, 1)	Register 35 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $c_{24}$ to $c_{17}$	Register 34 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $c_{16}$ to $c_9$	Register 33 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $c_8$ to $c_1$
Seed (INIT Reg)	Any 24 bit binary value, $s_{24-1}$	Register 32 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $s_{24}$ to $s_{17}$	Register 31 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $s_{16}$ to $s_9$	Register 30 Bit 7 to Bit 0 $s_8$ to $s_1$
Scrambler Type	Frame synchronized (sidestream)	Register 36 Bit 4 Set to zero		
Scrambler	Self-synchronized	Register 36 Bit 4		

Type	Set to one
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The Mask, Init, and SSync fields can be programmed for different scrambler configurations. For example, the DAVIC Scrambler configuration shown in Figure 4 can

be implemented by programming the Mask, Init, and SSync fields with the values indicated by Table 7.

Table 7. Sample Scramble Register Values

Parameter	Characteristic	Configuration Register Setting		
Generator Polynomial (Mask Reg)	$p(x) = x^{15} + x^{14} + 1$	Register 35 Bit 7 to Bit 0 0000 0000	Register 34 Bit 7 to Bit 0 0110 0000	Register 33 Bit 7 to Bit 0 0000 0000
Seed (INIT Reg)	0000A9 Hex	Register 32 Bit 7 to Bit 0 0000 0000	Register 31 Bit 7 to Bit 0 0000 0000	Register 30 Bit 7 to Bit 0 1010 1001
Scrambler Type	Frame synchronized (sidestream)	Register 36 Bit 4 Set to zero		

### Reed-Solomon Encoder

The STEL-1109 uses a standard Reed-Solomon (RS) Encoder for error correction encoding of the serial data stream.

When **DATAEN** is high and the RS Encoder is enabled, the serial data stream both passes straight through the RS Encoder and also into encoding circuitry. The encoding circuitry computes a checksum that is 2T bytes long for every k bytes of input data. After the last bit of each block of k bytes of input data, the RS Encoder inserts its checksum (2T bytes of data) into the data path. There is no adverse effect to letting TCLK or TSDATA continue to run during the checksum; the data input will be ignored. CKSUM (pin 35) will be asserted high to indicate that the checksum bytes are being inserted into the data stream and will be lowered at the end of the checksum data insertion. The width of the CKSUM pulse is 2T bytes.

The STEL-1109 registers include two bits for determining the bit order for *data into* and *checksum out* of the RS Encoder circuitry. Set these to match the

Reed-Solomon decoding circuitry along with the other parameters.

The error correction encoding uses GF (256) and can be programmed for an error correction capability of 1 to 10, a block length of 3 to 255, and one of two primitive polynomials using the data fields listed in Table 8.

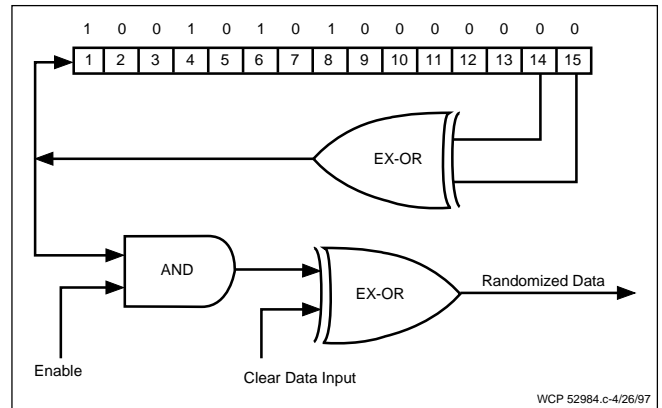


Figure 4. DAVIC Scrambler

Table 8. Reed-Solomon Encoder Parameters

Field Name	Configuration Register	Description
PP	36 <sub>H</sub> (bit 7)	1-bit field for selecting Primitive Polynomial: 0 ⇒ p(x) = x <sup>8</sup> + x <sup>4</sup> + x <sup>3</sup> + x <sup>2</sup> + 1 1 ⇒ p(x) = x <sup>8</sup> + x <sup>7</sup> + x <sup>2</sup> + x + 1
T	36 <sub>H</sub> (bits 3-0)	4-bit field for setting Error Correction Capability. Programmable over the range of 1 to 10.
K	37 <sub>H</sub> (bits 7-0)	8-bit field for setting User Data Packet Length (K) in bytes. Programmable over the range of 1 to (255 - 2T). [ Net block length, N = K + 2T ]
LDLSBF	39 <sub>H</sub> (bit 4)	Determines whether the first bit of the serial input is to be the MSB (bit 4 = 0) or LSB (bit 4 = 1) of the byte applied to the RS Encoder.
TRLSBF	39 <sub>H</sub> (bit 5)	Determines whether the MSB (bit 5 = 0) or LSB (bit 5 = 1) of the RS Encoder checksum byte is to be the first bit of the serial output data.

Notes:

1. GF (256).

2. Code generator polynomial 1 is used when PP=0:  $G(x) = \prod_{i=120}^{119+2T} (x - \alpha^i) \Big|_{\alpha = 02H}$

3. Code generator polynomial 2 is used when PP=1.  $G(x) = \prod_{i=0}^{2T-1} (x - \alpha^i) \Big|_{\alpha = 02H}$

### SYMBOL MAPPER BLOCK

The Symbol Mapper Block (Figure 5) maps the serial data bits output by the Bit Encoder Block to symbols, differentially encodes the symbols, and (in 16QAM) maps the symbols to one of five constellations. The Symbol Mapper Block functions are modulation dependent. The modulation mode also defines the number of bits per symbol. The Symbol Mapper Block outputs 2 bits for each symbol to each of the two Nyquist (FIR) Filters.

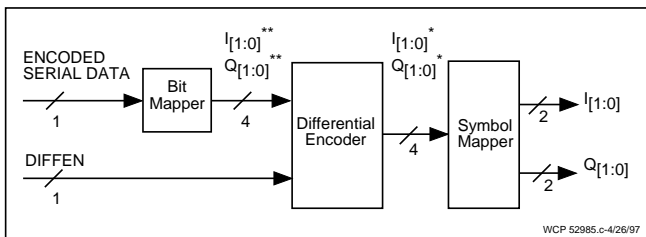


Figure 5. Mapping Block Functional Diagram

### Bit Mapper

The Bit Mapper receives serial data and maps the serial data bits to output symbol bits (I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>). There are four output bits per symbol even in BPSK and QPSK modes. In BPSK, all bits are set equal to each other. In QPSK, each input symbol bit drives a pair of output bits. The four symbol bits are routed to the Differential Encoder in parallel.

For BPSK modulation, each bit (symbol = b<sub>0</sub>) of the input serial data stream is mapped directly to I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> (i.e., I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = b<sub>0</sub>). Thus, bit mapping has no affect on the respective value of the symbol's four bits, as shown in Table 9.

For QPSK modulation, each pair of bits (a dibit) forms a symbol (b<sub>0</sub> b<sub>1</sub>). The QPSK dibit is mapped so that I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> and Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> = Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, as shown in Table 9.

For 16QAM, every four bits (a nibble) forms a symbol (b<sub>0</sub>b<sub>1</sub>b<sub>2</sub>b<sub>3</sub>). The 16QAM nibble is mapped to I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, as shown in Table 9.

Table 9. Bit Mapping Options

Mode	Bit-To-Symbol Mapping				Bit Mapping	Mod Mode
	b <sub>0</sub>	b <sub>1</sub>	b <sub>2</sub>	b <sub>3</sub>	Register 2D bits 6-4	Register 2C bits 3,2
BPSK	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup> Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	XXX	1X
QPSK	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	N/A	N/A	XX0	00
QPSK	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup> I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	N/A	N/A	XX1	00
16QAM	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	000	01
16QAM	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	001	01
16QAM	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	010	01
16QAM	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	011	01
16QAM	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	100	01
16QAM	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	101	01
16QAM	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	110	01
16QAM	Q <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>0</sub> <sup>**</sup>	Q <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	I <sub>1</sub> <sup>**</sup>	111	01

Note: b<sub>0</sub> is the first serial data bit to arrive at the Bit Mapper

## Differential Encoder

The Differential Encoder encodes the bits (i.e., I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>, and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>) of each symbol received from the Bit Mapper to determine the output bit values (i.e., I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*</sup>, Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*</sup>, I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*</sup>, and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*</sup>), which are routed to the Symbol Mapper.

The differential encoder can be either enabled or bypassed under the control of either a register bit or a user supplied control signal (DIFFEN pin 70). The selection between user input pin control or register control is made in another register bit, as shown in Table 10.

Table 10. Differential Encoder Control

Level/Value	Register 38 Bits 1,0
Encoding off (continuously)	0,1
Encoding on (continuously)	1,1
Encoding enabled by pin 70 high - enable the Differential Encoder low - disable the Differential Encoder	X,0

For any modulation mode, if differential encoding is disabled then:

$$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^* = I_1^{**} I_0^{**} Q_1^{**} Q_0^{**}$$

If differential encoding is enabled, then the results are described below for each modulation type.

### BPSK

In BPSK mode, the next output bit is found by XORing the input bit with the current output bit. The result is a 180 degree phase change if the output is high and 0 degrees if the output is low.

### QPSK

In QPSK mode, the next output dibit is found by XORing the input dibit with the current output dibit. Table 11 shows the results of the differential encoding performed for QPSK modulation and the resulting phase shift. In the table, I = I<sub>1</sub> = I<sub>0</sub> and Q = Q<sub>1</sub> = Q<sub>0</sub>.

### 16QAM

In 16QAM mode, the differential encoding algorithm is the same as in QPSK. Only the two MSB's, I<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> and Q<sub>1</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> are encoded. The output bits I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*</sup> and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*</sup> are set equal to the inputs bits I<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup> and Q<sub>0</sub><sup>\*\*</sup>.

Table 11. QPSK Differential Encoding and Phase Shift

Current Input (IQ)	Current Output (IQ)	Next Output (IQ)	Phase Shift (degrees)
00	00	00	0
	01	01	-90 (CW)
	10	10	90 (CCW)
	11	11	180
01	00	01	-90 (CW)
	01	11	180
	10	00	0
	11	10	90 (CCW)
10	00	10	90 (CCW)
	01	00	0
	10	11	180
	11	01	90 (CCW)
11	00	11	180
	01	10	90 (CCW)
	10	01	-90 (CW)
	11	00	0

### Symbol Mapper

The Symbol Mapper receives  $I_1^*$ ,  $Q_1^*$ ,  $I_0^*$ ,  $Q_0^*$  of each symbol. Based on the signal modulation and the symbol mapping selection, the Symbol Mapper block maps the symbol to a constellation data point ( $I_1, Q_1, I_0, Q_0$ ). The Symbol Mapping field (bits 7-5 of Configuration Register 2E<sub>H</sub>) will map the four input bits to a new value, as indicated in Table 12.

For BPSK and QPSK, the settings of the symbol to constellation mapping bits is ignored. The constellations for BPSK (Figure 6) and QPSK (Figure 7) are shown below.  $I_1Q_1$  values are indicated by large, bold font (**00** and **11**) and  $I_0Q_0$  values by the smaller font (00 and 11).

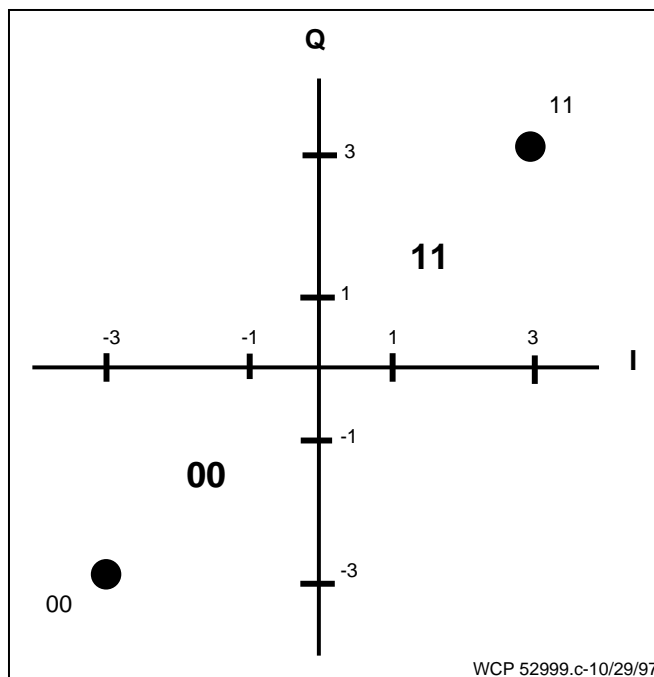


Figure 6. BPSK Constellation

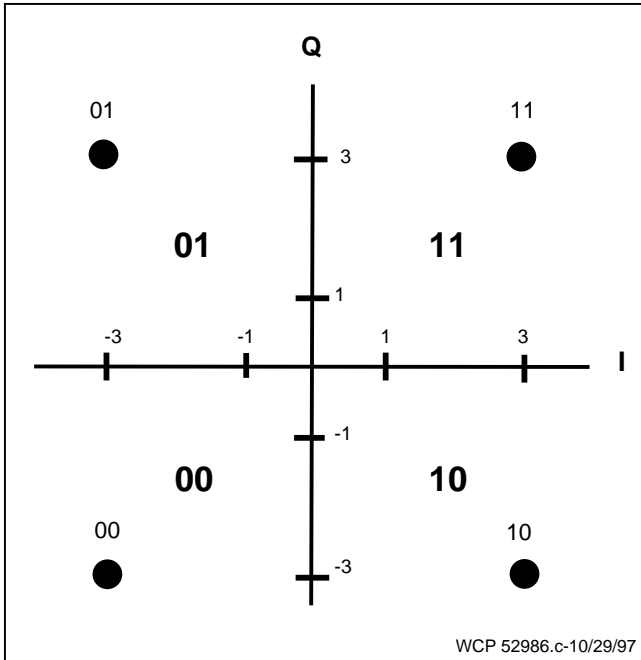


Figure 7. QPSK Constellation

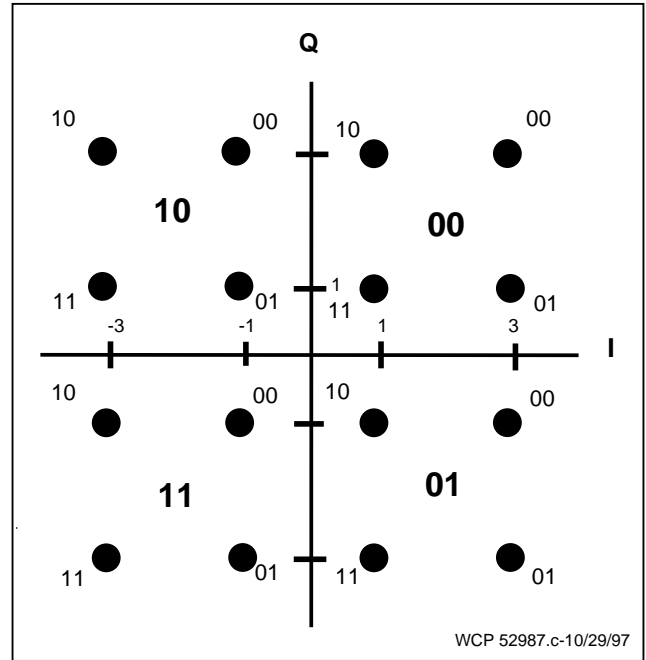


Figure 8. Natural Mapping Constellation

### 16QAM

For 16QAM modulation, the Symbol Mapper maps each input symbol to one of the 16QAM constellations. The specific constellation is programmed by the Symbol Mapping field (bits 7-5 of Configuration Register 2E<sub>H</sub>) to select the type of symbol mapping. If the MSB of the Symbol Mapping field is set to 0, the mapping will be bypassed and  $I_1Q_1I_0Q_0 = I_1^*Q_1^*I_0^*Q_0^*$ . The resulting constellation (Figure 8) is the natural constellation for the STEL-1109.

If the MSB of the Symbol Mapping field is set to 1, bits 6-5 can select any of four possible types of symbol mapping (Gray, DAVIC, Left, or Right), as indicated by Table 12.

Table 13 summarizes the symbol mapping and the resulting constellations are shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9. In these figures,  $I_1Q_1$  are indicated by large, bold font (**00**, **01**, **10**, and **11**) and  $I_0Q_0$  by the smaller font (00, 01, 10, and 11).

Table 12. Symbol Mapping Selections

Mapping Selection	Register 2E Bits 7-5
Natural	0XX
Gray	100
DAVIC	101
Left	110
Right	111



Table 13. Symbol Mapping

Natural Mapping (Bypass)	Input Code				Output Code
	Gray	DAVIC	Left	Right	
$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$	$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$	$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$	$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$	$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$	$I_1^* Q_1^* I_0^* Q_0^*$
0000	0011	0011	0011	0011	0000
0001	0010	0001	0010	0001	0001
0010	0001	0010	0001	0010	0010
0011	0000	0000	0000	0000	0011
0100	0110	0110	0101	1010	0100
0101	0111	0111	0111	1011	0101
0110	0100	0100	0100	1000	0110
0111	0101	0101	0110	1001	0111
1000	1001	1001	1010	0101	1000
1001	1000	1000	1000	0100	1001
1010	1011	1011	1011	0111	1010
1011	1010	1010	1001	0110	1011
1100	1100	1100	1100	1100	1100
1101	1101	1110	1101	1110	1101
1110	1110	1101	1110	1101	1110
1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	1111

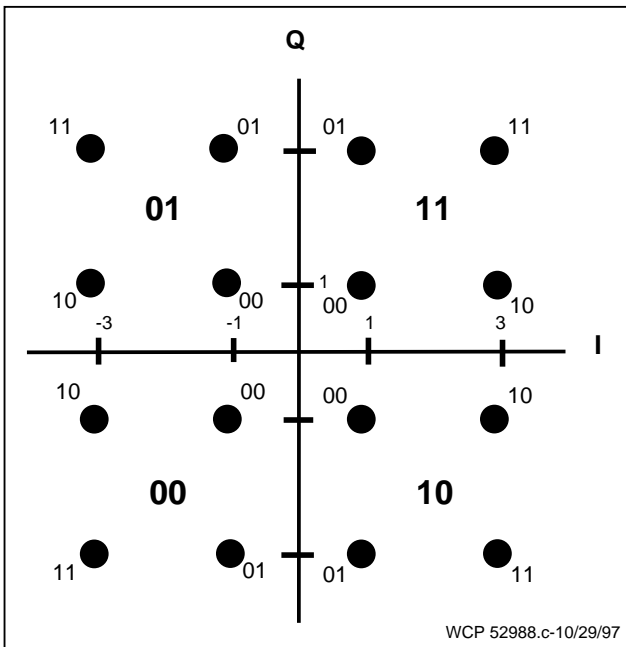


Figure 9. Gray Coded Constellation

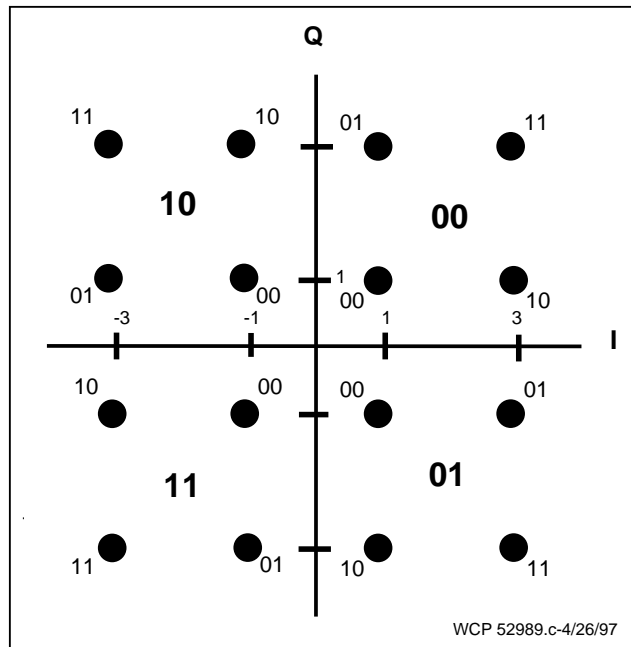


Figure 10. Left Coded Constellation

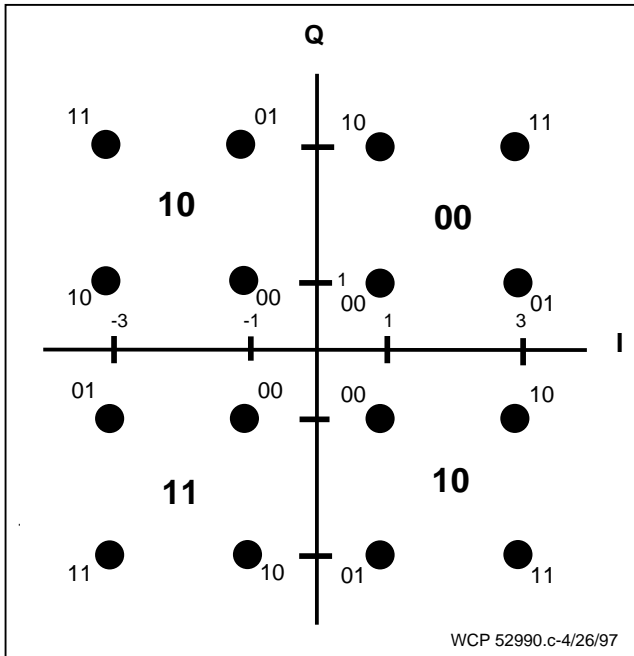


Figure 11. DAVIC Coded Constellation

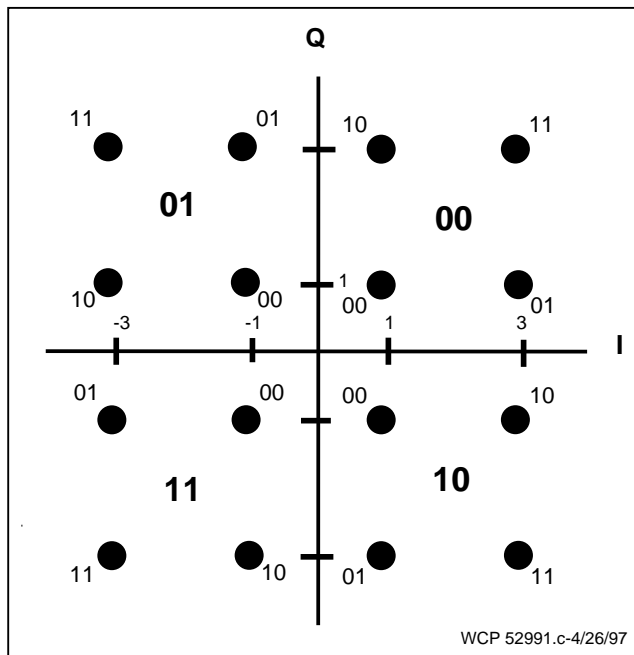


Figure 12. Right Coded Constellation

### NYQUIST FIR FILTER

The finite impulse response (FIR) filters are used to shape each transmitted symbol pulse by filtering the pulse to minimize the sidelobes of its spectrum. The Symbol Mapper Block outputs the  $I_1I_0$  data to a pair of I-channel FIR filters and the  $Q_1Q_0$  data to a pair of Q-channel FIR filters. Figure 13 shows the filter block diagram for a channel pair (I or Q). The FIR filter can be bypassed altogether or, in BPSK or QPSK modes, individual channels can be turned on and off which changes the effective filter gain. Table 14 shows the various FIR configuration options.

Table 14. FIR Filter Configuration Options

Mode	Gain	Register 2E Bits 4-1	Register 2C Bit 1
No FIR Filter	N/A	XXXX	1
16QAM	Unity	1010	0
BPSK/QPSK	Unity	0000	0
BPSK/QPSK	x2	1111	0
BPSK/QPSK	x3	1010	0

Each of the 32-tap, linear phase, FIR filters use 16 ten-bit, coefficients, which are completely programmable for any symmetrical (mirror image) polynomial. The FIR filter coefficients are stored in addresses  $09_H - 28_H$ , using two addresses for each 10-bit coefficient as shown in Table. The coefficients are stored as Two's Complement numbers in the range -512 to +511 ( $200_H$  to  $1FF_H$ ). The filter is always constrained to have symmetrical coefficients, resulting in a linear phase response. This allows each coefficient to be stored once for two taps, as shown in Table 15.

Table 15. FIR Filter Coefficient Storage

MSB (Bits 9-8)	LSB (Bits 7-0)	Filter Taps
$0A_H$	$09_H$	Taps 0 and 31
$0C_H$	$0B_H$	Taps 1 and 30
$0E_H$	$0D_H$	Taps 2 and 29
$10_H$	$0F_H$	Taps 3 and 28
...	...	...
...	...	...
$22_H$	$21_H$	Taps 12 and 19
$24_H$	$23_H$	Taps 13 and 18
$26_H$	$25_H$	Taps 14 and 17
$28_H$	$27_H$	Taps 15 and 16

Note: For MSB storage, only bits 1-0 are used.

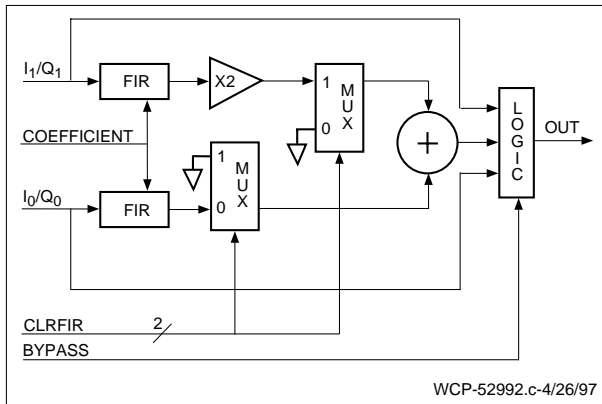


Figure 13. Nyquist FIR Filter

### INTERPOLATING FILTER

The Interpolating Filter, shown in Figure 14, is a configurable, three-stage, interpolating filter. The filter increases the STEL-1109's sampling rate (to permit the wide range of RF carrier frequencies possible) by interpolating between the FIR filter steps at the master clock frequency. This smoothes the digital representation of the signal which removes spurious signals from the spectrum.

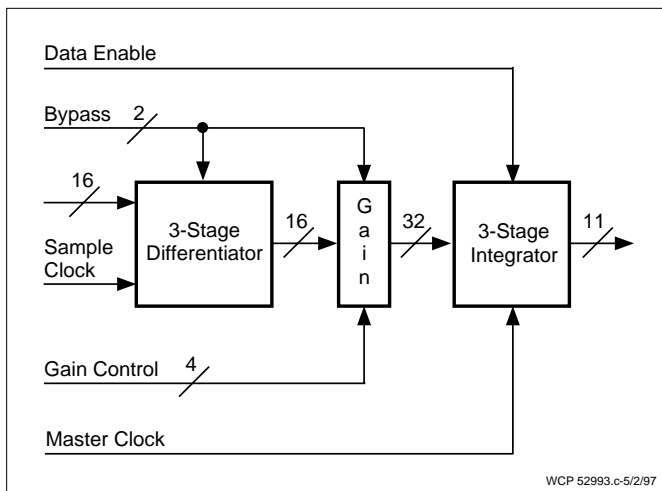


Figure 14. Interpolation Filter Block Diagram

The interpolation filter contains accumulators. As the interpolation ratio grows larger, the number of accumulations per period of time increases. If the interpolation ratio becomes too large, the accumulator will overflow which will destroy the output spectral characteristics. To compensate for this, the interpolation filter has a gain function. This gain is normally set empirically. If the output spectrum is broad band noise or if it appears correct but has regular

momentary “hits” of broad band spectral noise, then the digital gain is too high. The interpolation filter gain is the first place to adjust gain because it does not directly affect the shape of the signal spectrum and it has a very wide adjustment range. Overall, gain can be affected in the FIR filter function, the interpolation gain function, and by the number of interpolation stages (and therefore accumulators) used.

Normally, three interpolation stages are used, but there is a bypass option for use when the interpolation is very high. It should be used only as a last resort after all other gain reduction options have been exercised because of the severe impact to spurious performance.

The register bits that affect the interpolation filter functions are shown in Table 16 and Table 17.

Table 16. Interpolation Filter Bypass Control

Number of Interpolation Stages Selected	Interpolation Filter Bypass Register 2B Bits 5,4
3	0 0
2	0 1
2	1 0
1	1 1

Table 17. Interpolation Filter Signal Level Control

Gain Factor (Relative)	Filter Gain Control Register 2A Bits 7-4
$2^0$	0H
$2^1$	1H
$2^2$	2H
$2^3$	3H
$2^4$	4H
$2^5$	5H
$2^6$	6H
$2^7$	7H
$2^8$	8H
$2^9$	9H
$2^{10}$	AH
$2^{11}$	BH
$2^{12}$	CH
$2^{13}$	DH
$2^{14}$	EH
$2^{15}$	FH

## MODULATOR

The interpolated I and Q data signals are input from the Interpolation Filter, fed into two complex modulators, and multiplied by the sine and cosine carriers which are generated by the NCO. The I channel signal is multiplied by the cosine output from the NCO and the Q channel signal is multiplied by the sine output. The resulting modulated sine and cosine carriers are applied to an adder and either added or subtracted together according to the register settings shown in Table 18. This provides control over the characteristics of the resulting RF signal by allowing either or both of the two products to be inverted prior to the addition.

**Data Enable Output.** The DATAENO output pin is a modified replica of the DATAEN input. DATAENO is asserted as a high 2 symbols after DATAEN goes high and it is asserted as a low 13 symbols after DATAEN goes low. In this way, a high on the DATAENO line indicates the active period of the DAC during transmission of the data burst. However, if the guard time between the current and next data burst is less than 13 symbols, then the DATAENO line will be held high through the next burst.

Table 18. Signal Inversion Control

Output of Adder Block	Invert I/Q Channel Register 2B Bits 1,0
$\text{Sum} = I \cdot \cos(\omega t) + Q \cdot \sin(\omega t)$	0 0
$\text{Sum} = -I \cdot \cos(\omega t) + Q \cdot \sin(\omega t)$	0 1
$\text{Sum} = I \cdot \cos(\omega t) - Q \cdot \sin(\omega t)$	1 0
$\text{Sum} = -I \cdot \cos(\omega t) - Q \cdot \sin(\omega t)$	1 1

## 10-BIT DAC

The 10-bit Digital-to-Analog Converter (DAC) receives the modulated digital data and the Master clock. The DAC samples the digital data at the rate of the Master clock and outputs a direct analog RF signal at a frequency of 5 to 65 MHz. The DAC outputs, OUT and OUTN, are complementary current sources designed to drive double terminated 50Ω or 75Ω (25Ω or 37.5Ω total) load to ground. The nature of digitally sampled signals creates an image spur at a frequency equal to the Master Clock minus the output RF frequency. This image spur should be filtered by a user supplied low pass filter. For best overall spurious performance, the gain of the STEL-1109 should be the highest possible (before digital overflow occurs - see Interpolation Filter discussion).

## CONTROL UNIT DESCRIPTION

### BUS INTERFACE UNIT

The Bus Interface Unit (BIU) contains the Configuration Registers (58 programmable 8-bit registers). The Reset (**RST**) input signal is the master reset for the STEL-1109. Asserting a low on **RST** will reset the contents of all Configuration Registers to 00<sub>H</sub> (as well as clearing the data path registers). Asserting a high on **RST** enables normal operation. After power is applied and prior to configuring the STEL-1109, a low should be asserted on **RST**. Since **RST** is asynchronous, the CLKEN input should be held low whenever **RST** is low.

The parallel address bus (**ADDR<sub>5,0</sub>**) is used to select one of the 58 Configuration Registers by placing its address on the **ADDR<sub>5,0</sub>** bus lines. The data bus (**DATA<sub>7,0</sub>**) is an 8-bit, bi-directional data bus for writing data into or reading data from the selected Configuration Register.

The access operation is performed using the control signals **DSB**, **CSEL**, and **WR**. The Chip Select (**CSEL**) input signal is used to enable or disable access operations to the STEL-1109. When a high is asserted on **CSEL**, all access operations are disabled and a low is asserted to enable the access operations. The **CSEL** input only affects Configuration Register access and has no effect on the data path.

The Data Strobe (**DSB**) input signal is used to write the data that is on the data bus (**DATA<sub>7,0</sub>**) into the Configuration Register selected by **ADDR<sub>5,0</sub>**. The Write/Read (**WR**) input signal is used to control the direction of the Configuration Register access operation. When **WR** is high, the data in the selected Configuration Register is output onto the **DATA<sub>7,0</sub>** bus. When **WR** is low, the rising edge of **DSB** is used to latch the data on the **DATA<sub>7,0</sub>** bus into the selected Configuration Register. (Refer to the Write and Read Timing diagrams in the Timing Diagrams section.)

Some of the Configuration Register data fields are used for factory test and must be set to specific values for normal operation. These values are noted in Table 3.

### CLOCK GENERATOR

The timing of the STEL-1109 is controlled by the Clock Generator, which uses an external master clock (**CLK**) and programmable dividers to generate all of the internal and output clocks. There are primarily two

clock systems, the auxiliary clock and the data path timing signals (bit, symbol, and sampling rate signals).

The auxiliary clock (**ACLK**) output is primarily for use in master mode where users may need a clock to run control circuits during the guard time between bursts (when **CLKEN** is low and **BITCLK** has stopped). The output clock rate is set by the frequency ( $f_{CLK}$ ) of the external master clock and the value (N) of the Auxiliary Clock Rate Control field (bits 3-0 of Configuration Register 2A<sub>H</sub>). The clock rate is set to:

$$ACLK = \frac{f_{CLK}}{N+1} \left| 2 \leq N \leq 15 \right.$$

If N is set to 1 or 0, the **ACLK** output will remain set high, thereby disabling this function. If the **ACLK** signal is not required, it is recommended that it be set in this mode to conserve power consumption. The **ACLK** output is a pulse that will be high for 2 cycles of **CLK** and low for (N-1) **CLK** cycles. Unlike other functions, the **ACLK** output is not affected by **CLKEN**.

The data path timing is based on the ratio of the master clock frequency to the symbol data rate. The ratio must be a value of four times an integer number (N+1). The value of N must be in the range of 3 to 4095. This value is represented by a 12 bit binary number that is programmed by LSB and MSB Sampling Rate Control fields [Configuration Register 29<sub>H</sub> (LSB) and bits 3-0 of Configuration Register 39<sub>H</sub> (MSB)], which sets the **SYMPLS** frequency [based on the frequency ( $f_{CLK}$ ) of the external master clock] to:

$$Symbol\ Rate = \frac{1}{4} * \frac{f_{CLK}}{N+1} \left| 3 \leq N \leq 4095 \right.$$

The symbol pulse (**SYMPLS**) signal output is intended to allow the user to verify synchronization of the external serial data (**TSDATA**) with the STEL-1109 symbol timing. **SYMPLS** is normally low and pulses high for a period of one **CLK** cycle at the point where the last bit of the current symbol is internally latched by the falling edge of the internal BIT Clock (**BITCLK**) signal. (Refer to the Timing Diagrams section.)

The internal **BITCLK** period is a function of the MOD field (bits 3-2 of Configuration Register 2C<sub>H</sub>), which determines the signal modulation. **BITCLK** has a 50%

duty cycle for BPSK and QPSK modes. It also has a 50% duty cycle in 16QAM mode when N+1 is even. If N+1 is odd, then **BITCLK** will be high for (N+2)+1 clocks and then low for N+2 clocks. (Refer to the Bit Clock Synchronization Timing diagram in the Timing Diagrams section.)

The **BITCLK** frequency is determined by :

$$BITCLK = \frac{CLK}{(N+1) * K} \left| \begin{array}{l} K = 1 \text{ for } 16QAM, \\ 2 \text{ for } QPSK, \\ 4 \text{ for } BPSK \\ 3 \leq N \leq 4095 \end{array} \right.$$

#### NCO

A 24-bit, Numerically Controlled Oscillator (NCO) is used to synthesize a digital carrier for output to the Modulator. The NCO gives a frequency resolution of about 6 Hz at a clock frequency of 100 MHz. The NCO also uses 12-bit sine and cosine lookup tables (LUTs) to synthesize a carrier with very high spectral purity, typically better than -75 dBc at the digital outputs.

The STEL-1109 provides register space for three different carrier frequencies. The carrier frequency that will drive the modulator is selected by the FCWSEL<sub>1-0</sub> control pin input signals. A high on the NCO LD input pin causes the registers selected by FCWSEL to drive the NCO at the frequency determined by the register value.

The NCO's frequency is programmable using the NCO field (Configuration Registers 08<sub>H</sub> -00<sub>H</sub>). The nine 8-bit registers at addresses 00<sub>H</sub> through 08<sub>H</sub> are used to store the three 24-bit frequency control words FCW 'A', FCW 'B' and FCW 'C' as shown in Table 19.

The output carrier frequency of the NCO ( $f_{CARR}$ ) will be:

$$f_{CARR} = \frac{f_{CLK} \cdot FCW}{2^{24}}$$

where,  $f_{CLK}$  is the frequency of the **CLK** input signal.

The FZSINB field (bit 7 Configuration Register 2D<sub>H</sub>) controls the sine component output of the NCO. This can be used in BPSK to rotate the constellation 45 degrees (to 'on axis' modulation). For normal operation, it should be set to one.

Table 19. FCW Selection

FCWSEL <sub>1-0</sub>	FCW Selected	FCW Value Bits		
		23 - 16	15 - 8	7 - 0
00	FCW A	Register 02 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 01 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 00 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0
01	FCW B	Register 05 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 04 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 03 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0
10	FCW C	Register 08 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 07 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0	Register 06 <sub>H</sub> Bits 7 - 0
11	Zero Frequency			

## TIMING DIAGRAMS

### CLOCK TIMING

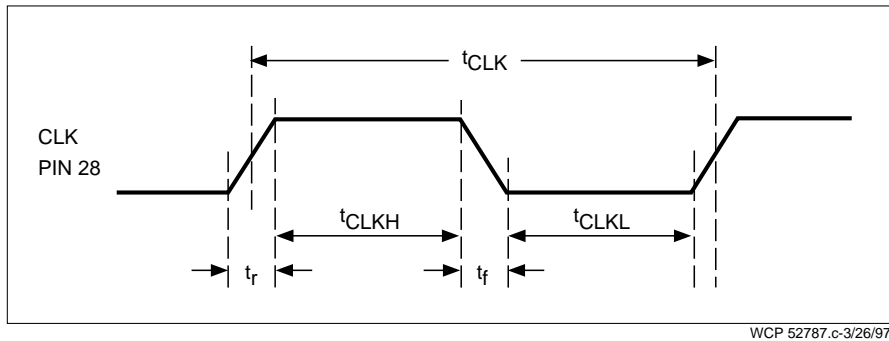


Table 20. Clock Timing AC Characteristics  
 ( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{CLK}$	Clock Frequency ( $\frac{1}{t_{CLK}}$ )			165	MHz	
$t_{CLKH}$	Clock Period	6			nsec	
$t_{CLKL}$	Clock High Period	2.5			nsec	
$t_r$	Clock Low Period	2.5			nsec	
$t_f$	Clock Rising Time			0.5	nsec	
	Clock Falling Time			0.5	nsec	

### PULSE WIDTH

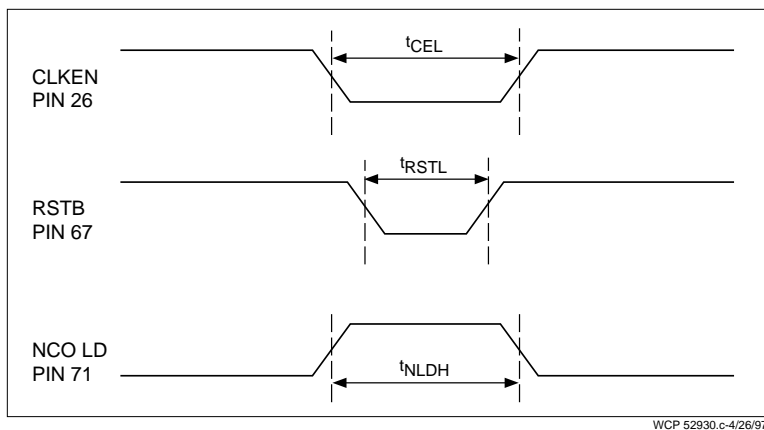
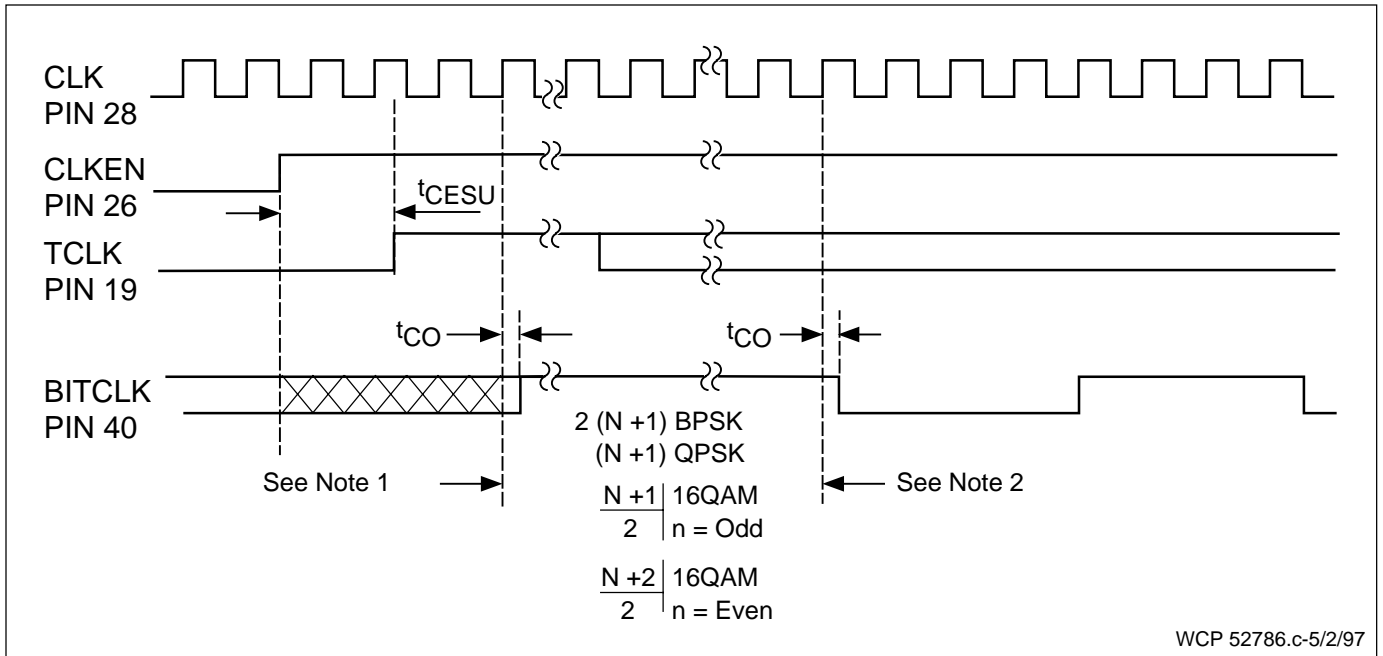


Table 21. Pulse Width AC Characteristics  
 ( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{CEL}$	Clock Enable (CLKEN) Low	4			nsec	
$t_{RSTL}$	Reset (RSTB) Low	5			nsec	
$t_{NLDH}$	NCO Load (NCO LD) High	1			CLK cycles	

## BIT CLOCK SYNCHRONIZATION



Note 1: BITCLK will be forced high on the second rising edge of CLK following the rising edge of TCLK.

Note 2: The period of time that BITCLK is high is measured in cycles of CLK (e.g.  $(N + 1)$  in QPSK). "N" is a 12 bit binary number formed by taking bits 3-0 of Configuration Register 39<sub>H</sub> as the MSB's and taking bits 7-0 of Configuration Register 29<sub>H</sub> as the LSB's. The BITCLK low period is the same except for 16QAM when "N" is even in which case the low period is  $(N/2)$  yielding the correct BITCLK period but not a perfect squarewave.

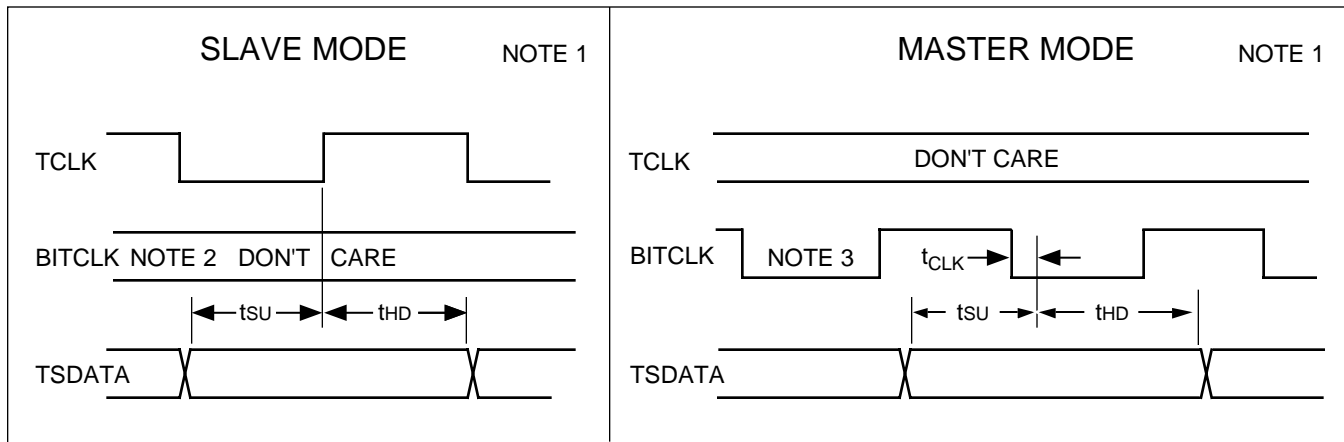
Table 22. Bit Clock Synchronization AC Characteristics

( $V_{DD} = 3.3 \text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0 \text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ \text{ to } 85^\circ \text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{CO}$	Clock to <b>BITCLK</b> , SYMPLS, DATAENO, or AUXCLK edge			2	nsec	
$t_{CESU}$	Clock Enable (CLKEN to TCLK Setup)	3			nsec	



## INPUT DATA AND CLOCK TIMING



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Note 1: Mode is determined by setting of BIT 7 in Configuration Register 2C<sub>H</sub>. Bit 7 high is slave mode; Bit 7 low is master mode.

Note 2: In slave mode, even though BITCLK is shown as "Don't Care", it should be noted that internally the STEL 1109 will relatch the data on the next falling edge of BITCLK. Thus, avoid changing the control signal inputs (DATAEN, DIFFEN, RDSLEN, SCR MEN) at the falling edges of BITCLK.

Note 3: In the STEL-1109, data is latched on the rising edge of the CLK that follows the falling edge of BITCLK. Thus, the data validity window is one CLK period ( $t_{CLK}$ ) delayed. CLK not shown.

Table 23. Input Data and Clock AC Characteristics

( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ$  to  $85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{CLK}$	Clock Period	6			nsec	
$t_{SU}$	TSDATA to Clock Setup	2			nsec	
$t_{HD}$	TSDATA to Clock Hold	2			nsec	

## WRITE TIMING

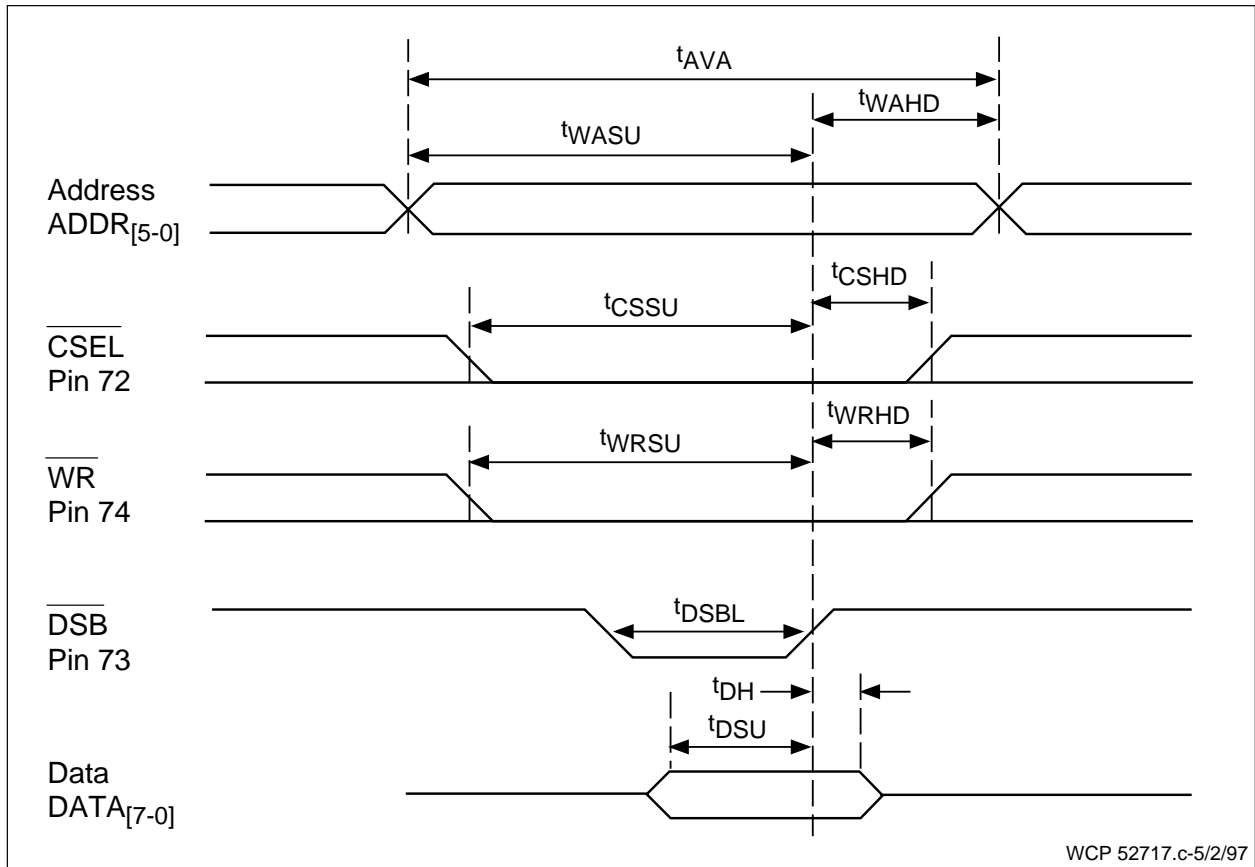


Table 24. Write Timing AC Characteristics  
( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ$  to  $85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{WASU}$	Write Address Setup	10			nsec	
$t_{WAHD}$	Write Address Hold	6			nsec	
$t_{AVA}$	Address Valid Period	20			nsec	
$t_{CSSU}$	Chip Select $\overline{\text{CSEL}}$ Setup	5			nsec	
$t_{CSHD}$	Chip Select ( $\overline{\text{CSEL}}$ ) Hold	3			nsec	
$t_{WRSU}$	Write Setup ( $\overline{\text{WR}}$ )	5			nsec	
$t_{WRHD}$	Write Hold ( $\overline{\text{WR}}$ )	3			nsec	
$t_{DSBL}$	Data Strobe Pulse Width	10			nsec	
$t_{DH}$	Data Hold Time	1			nsec	
$t_{DSU}$	Data Setup Time	3			nsec	

## READ TIMING

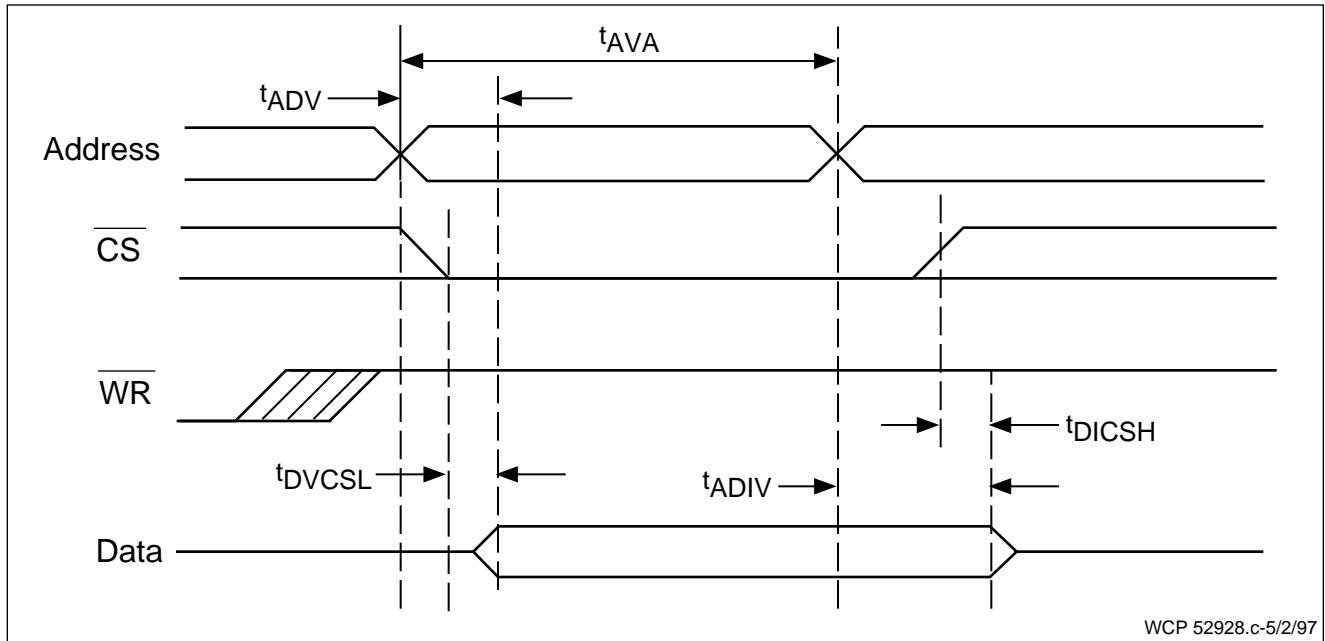
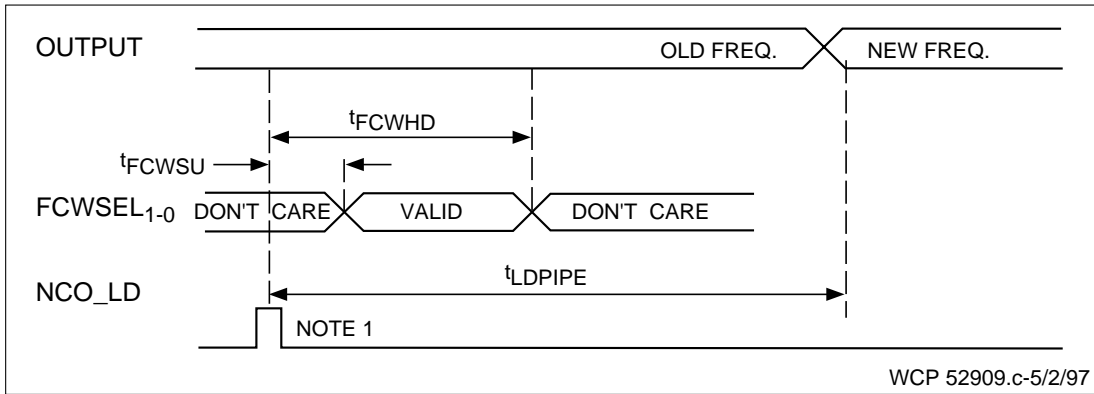


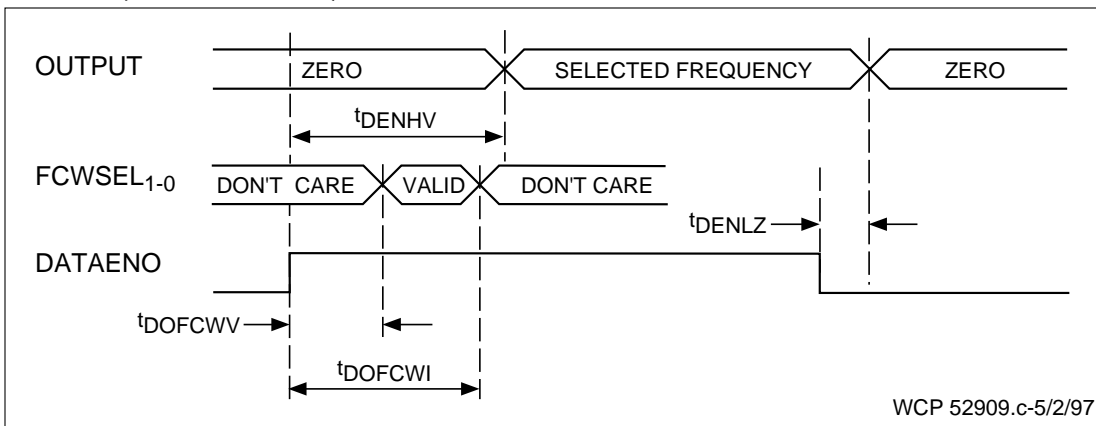
Table 25. Read Timing AC Characteristics  
 ( $V_{DD} = 3.3 \text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0 \text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ \text{ to } 85^\circ \text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{AVA}$	Address Valid Period	20			nsec	
$t_{ADV}$	Address to Data Valid Delay			9	nsec	
$t_{ADIV}$	Address to Data Invalid Delay	6			nsec	
$t_{DVCSL}$	Data Valid After Chip Select Low	2			nsec	
$t_{DICSH}$	Data Invalid After Chip Select High			1	nsec	

### NCO LOADING (USER CONTROLLED)



### NCO LOADING (AUTOMATIC)

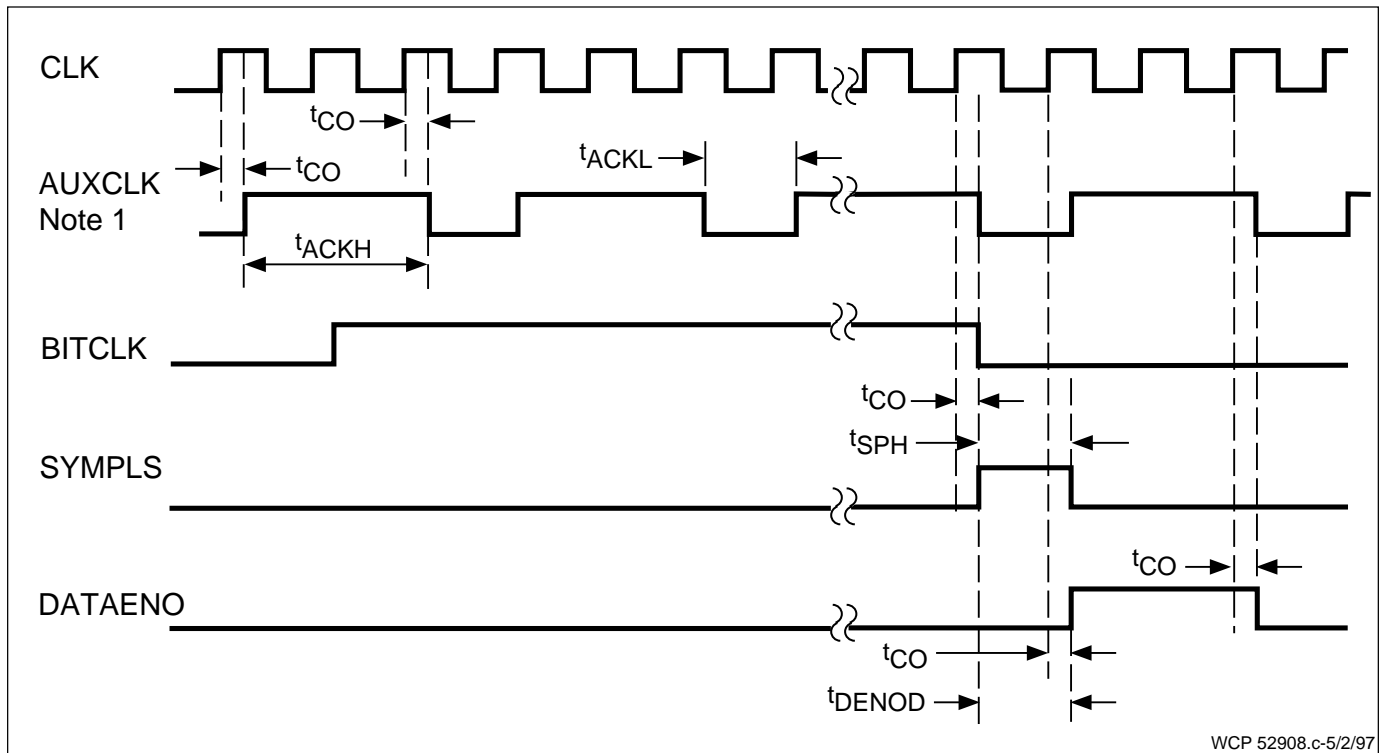


NOTE 1: The first rising edge of CLK after NCO LD goes high initiates the load process.

Table 26. NCO Loading AC Characteristics  
( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{LDPIPE}$	NCO-LD to Change in Output Frequency Pipeline Delay		23		CLK cycles	
$t_{FCWSU}$	FCWSEL <sub>1-0</sub> to NCO-LD Setup			3	CLK cycles	
$t_{FCWHHD}$	FCWSEL <sub>1-0</sub> to NCO-LD Hold	10			CLK cycles	
$t_{DENLZ}$	DATAENO Low to Zero Frequency Out Delay		23		CLK cycles	
$t_{DENHV}$	DATAENO High to Valid Frequency Out Delay		23		CLK cycles	
$t_{DOFCWV}$	DATAENO to FCWSEL <sub>1-0</sub> Valid			3	CLK cycles	
$t_{DOFCWI}$	DATAENO to FCWSEL <sub>1-0</sub> Invalid	10			CLK cycles	

## DIGITAL OUTPUT TIMING



NOTE 1: AUXCLK shown for "n" equal to 2: where n is the 4-bit binary value in Configuration Register 2A<sub>H</sub>, BITS 3-0.

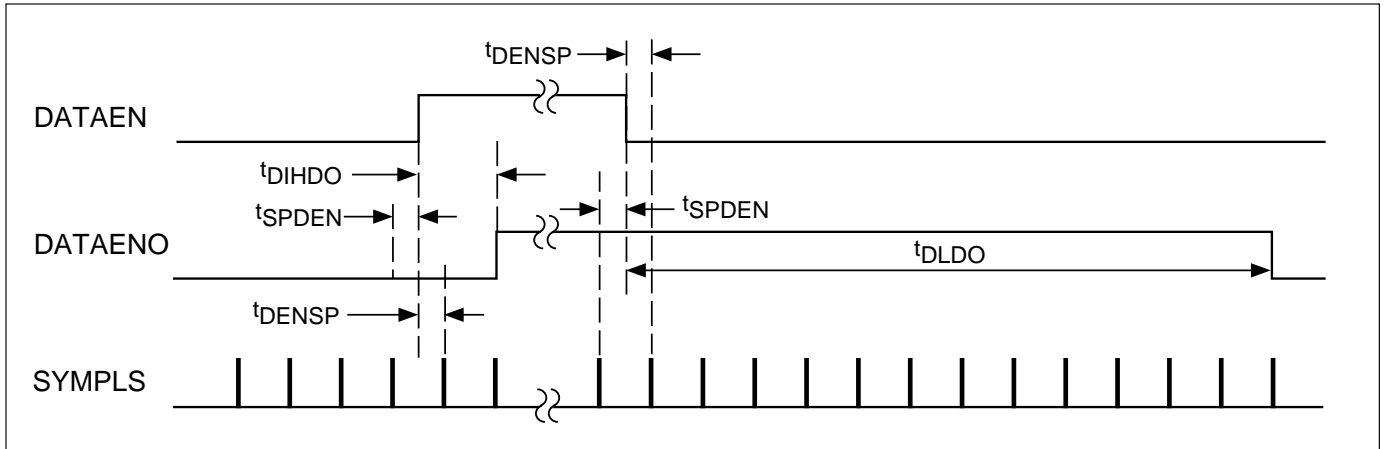
Table 27. Digital Output Timing AC Characteristics  
( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{CO}$	Clock to <b>BITCLK</b> , <b>SYMPLS</b> , <b>DATAENO</b> , or <b>AUXCLK</b> edge			2	nsec	
$t_{ACKH}$	Auxiliary Clock (ACLK) High		2		CLK cycles	
$t_{ACKL}$	Auxiliary Clock (ACLK) Low		(n-1)		CLK cycles	Note 1
$t_{SPH}$	Symbol Pulse (SYMPLS) High		1		CLK cycles	
$t_{DENOD}$	<b>BITCLK</b> Low to <b>DATAENO</b> edge		1		CLK cycles	

Notes:

- "n" is the 4 bit binary value in Configuration Register 2A<sub>H</sub>, bits 3-0.

## DATAEN TO DATAENO TIMING



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Table 28. DATAEN to DATAENO Timing AC Characteristics

( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$t_{DIHDO}$	DATAEN High to DATAENO High		2 <sup>nd</sup>		SYMPLS	Note 1
$t_{DLDO}$	DATAEN Low to DATAENO Low		13 <sup>th</sup>		SYMPLS	Note 1
$t_{SPDEN}$	SYMPLS (trailing edge) to DATAEN Setup	3			nsec	
$t_{DENSEP}$	DATAEN to SYMPLS (trailing edge) Setup	5			nsec	

**Notes:**

- Shown for Configuration Register 36<sub>H</sub>, bit 6=0 (No Reed-Solomon). If bit 6 of Register 36<sub>H</sub> is a "1", then the edges of DATAENO will be delayed from those illustrated by 8, 4, or 2 SYMPLS for BPSK, QPSK, or 16QAM, respectively.

## BURST TIMING EXAMPLES

The following seven timing diagrams are qualitative in nature and meant to illustrate the functional relationships between the control inputs and signal outputs in various modes of burst operation. Use the key at right to interpret the timing marks. Only the first diagram is of a complete and realistic burst. The remaining diagrams are too short in duration to show DATAENO and CLKEN going low.

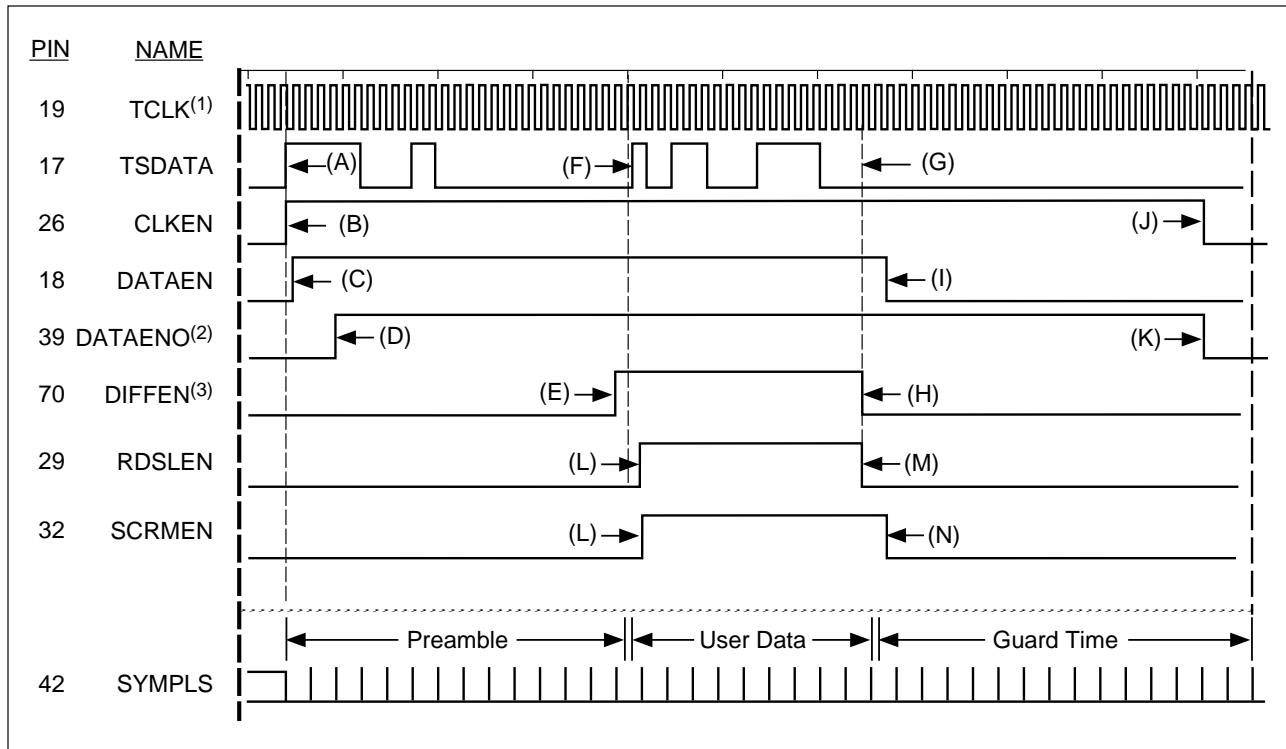
**Key:**

WAVEFORM	INPUTS	OUTPUTS
	Must be Steady	Will be Steady
	May Change from H to L	Will be Changing from H to L
	May Change from L to H	Will be Changing from L to H
	Don't Care. Any Change Permitted	Changing. State Unknown
	Does Not Apply	Center Line is High-Impedance "Off" State

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## SLAVE MODE, QPSK

### BURST TIMING: FULL BURST

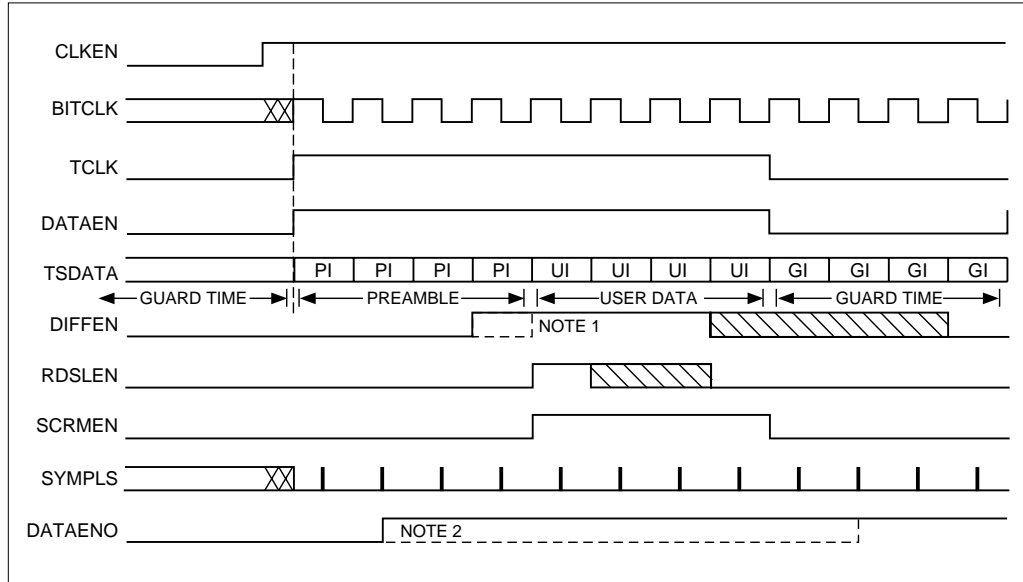


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#### NOTES:

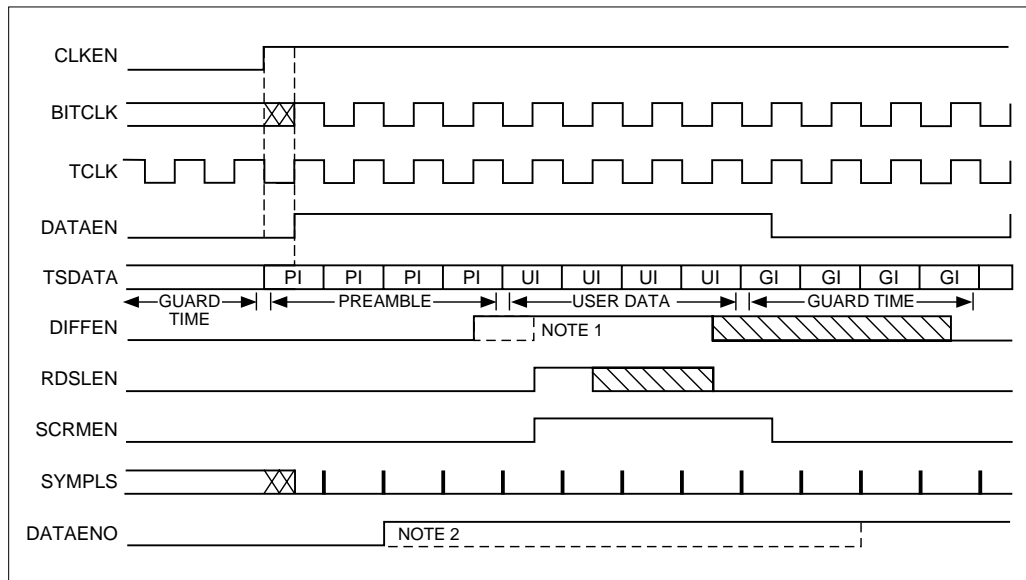
- (1) All input signals shown are derived from TCLK. Each edge is delayed from a TCLK edge by typically 6 to 18 nsec. DATAENO does not depend on TCLK but its edges are synchronized to TCLK. TCLK itself can be turned off after DATAENI goes low.
- (2) DATAENO shown at its minimum pipeline delay position. This is achieved by setting bit 6 of Configuration Register 36<sub>H</sub> to zero. Reed-Solomon cannot be used in this mode. If bit 6 is set high, allowing Reed-Solomon an additional pipeline delay of 8 bits is inserted into the data path. This will shift both edges of DATAENO to the right by 8 cycles of TCLK.
- (3) If the preamble is not encoded the same as the user data, the DIFFEN control can be toggled in mid transmission as shown. Otherwise, the DIFFEN control can be held high or low depending on encoding desired.
- (A) First data bit transition on falling edge of TCLK (first of 14 preamble symbols). The data will be valid on the next rising edge of TCLK.
- (B) CLKEN rises on the same falling edge of TCLK that the data starts on. CLKEN is allowed to rise any time earlier than shown.
- (C) DATAEN rises on the first rising edge of TCLK (middle of the first preamble bit).
- (D) DATAENO rises on the falling edge of TCLK (at the end of the second symbol).
- (E) DIFFEN rises on the rising edge of TCLK one symbol before the first user data symbol.
- (F) User data bits change on the falling edge of TCLK and must be valid during the next rising edge of TCLK.
- (G) End of user data. Note that the data is allowed to go away immediately after it is latched in by the rising of TCLK which occurs in the middle of the last user data bit.
- (H) DIFFEN goes low on rising edge of TCLK (last user data symbol).
- (I) DATAEN goes low on rising edge of TCLK (on the cycle of TCLK after the last user data bit).
- (J) CLKEN must stay high until any time on or after the point where DATAENO goes low.
- (K) DATAENO stays high until the 13th SYMPLS after DATAEN goes low.
- (L) RDSLEN and SCRMEN go high on the first rising edge of TCLK in the User Data.
- (M) RDSLEN goes low on the rising edge of TCLK (last user data symbol).
- (N) SCRMEN goes low on the rising edge of TCLK (on the cycle of TCLK after the last user data bit).

## MASTER MODE, BPSK BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS



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## SLAVE MODE, BPSK BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS

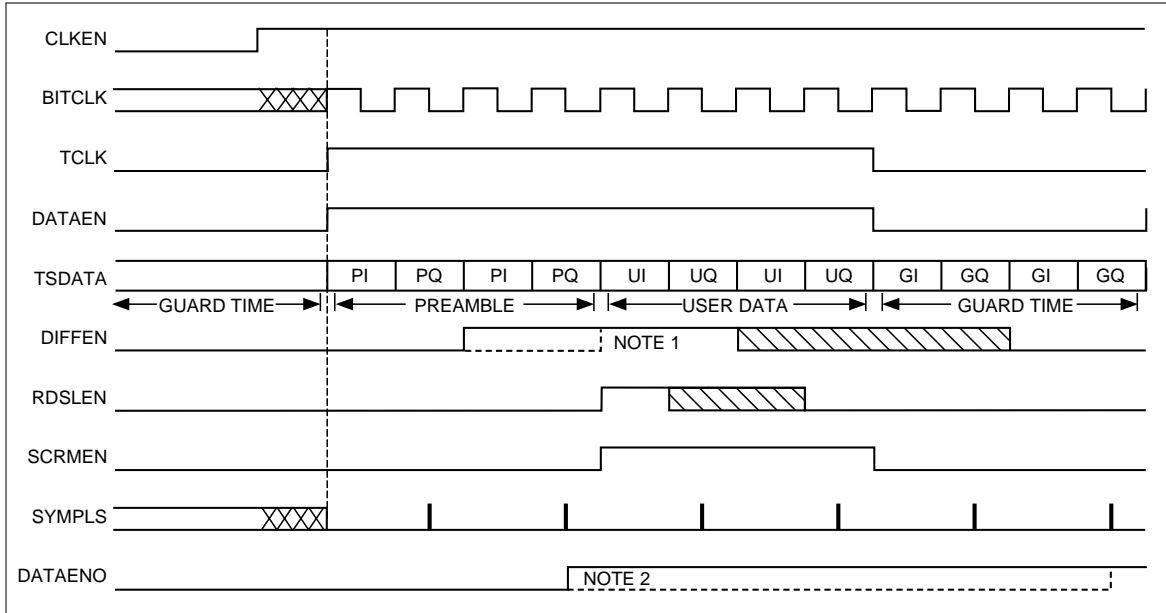


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- NOTE 1: STEL receivers differentially decode relative to the last preamble symbol. To encode the first symbol against a "zero" symbol reference instead, bring DIFFEN high at the leading edge of the user data packet (dotted line).
- NOTE 2: If bit 6 of Configuration Register 36<sub>H</sub> is a "1" then the rising edge of DATAENO will be delayed by eight cycles of BITCLK (dotted line). This is required if the Reed-Solomon encoder is used.

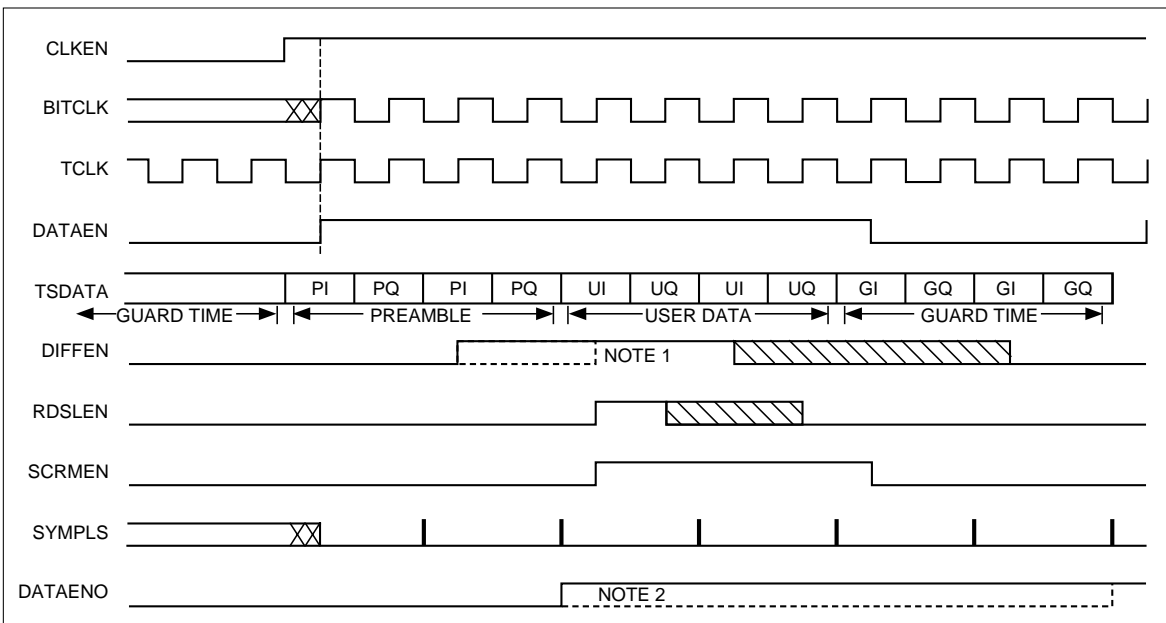


## MASTER MODE, QPSK BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS



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## SLAVE MODE, QPSK BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS

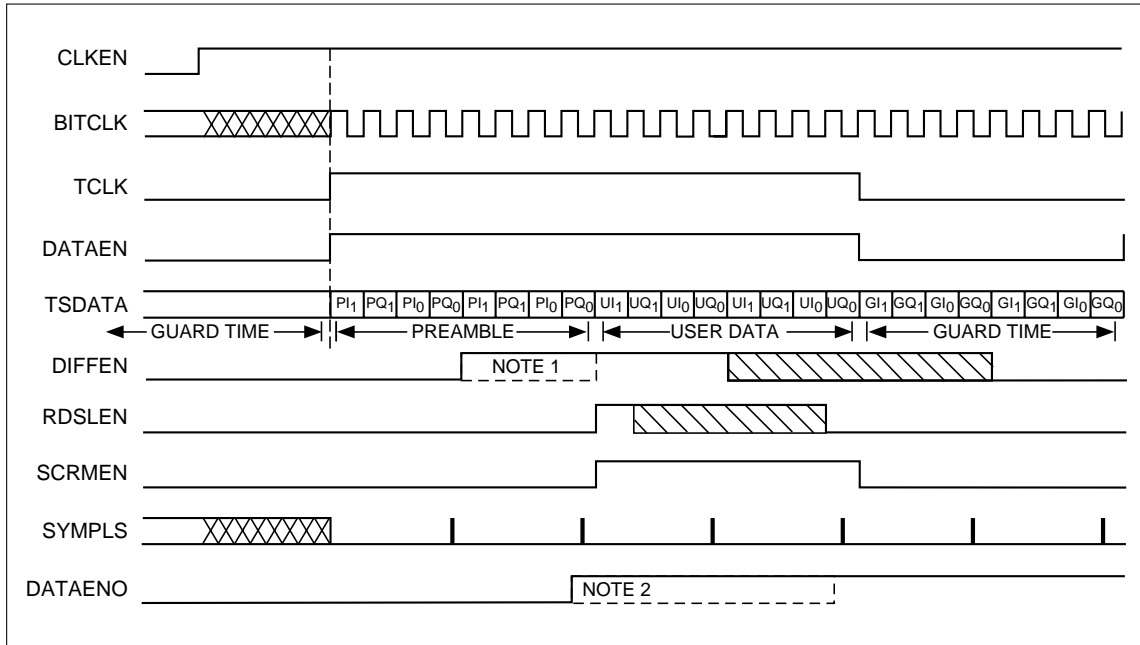


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NOTE 1: STEL receivers differentially decode relative to the last preamble symbol. To encode the first symbol against a "zero" symbol reference instead, bring DIFFEN high at the leading edge of the user data packet (dotted line).

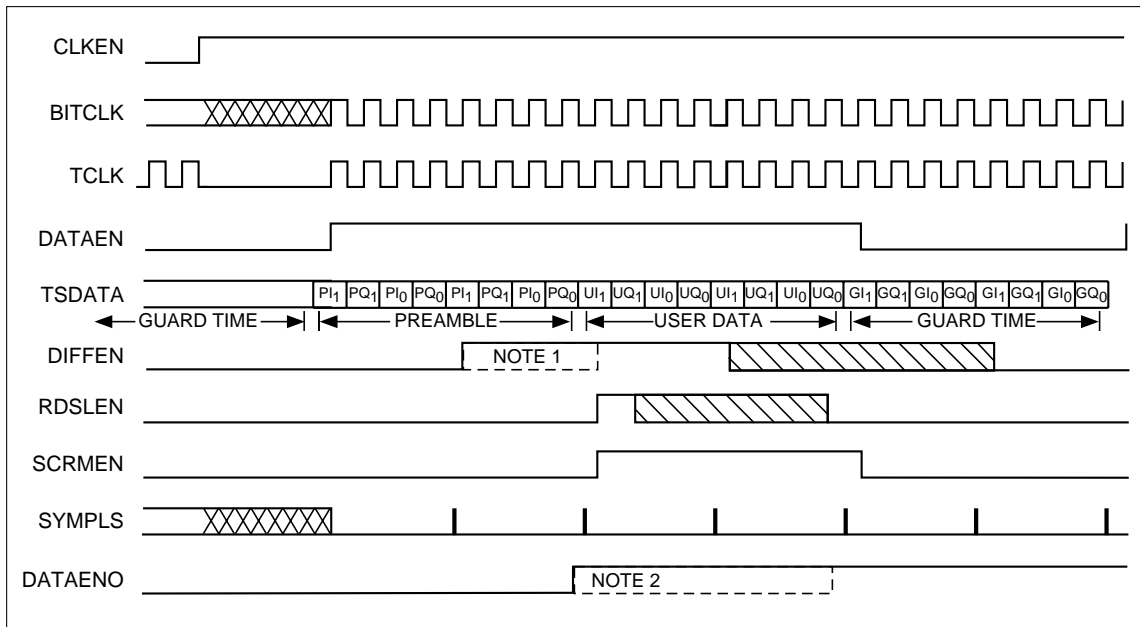
NOTE 2: If bit 6 of Configuration Register 36<sub>H</sub> is a "1" then the rising edge of DATAENO will be delayed by eight cycles of BITCLK (dotted line). This is required if the Reed-Solomon encoder is used.

## MASTER MODE, 16QAM BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS



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## SLAVE MODE, 16QAM BURST TIMING SIGNAL RELATIONSHIPS



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NOTE 1: STEL receivers differentially decode relative to the last preamble symbol. To encode the first symbol against a "zero" symbol reference instead, bring DIFFEN high at the leading edge of the user data packet (dotted line).

NOTE 2: If bit 6 of Configuration Register 36<sub>H</sub> is a "1" then the rising edge of DATAENO will be delayed by eight cycles of BITCLK (dotted line). This is required if the Reed-Solomon encoder is used.

## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

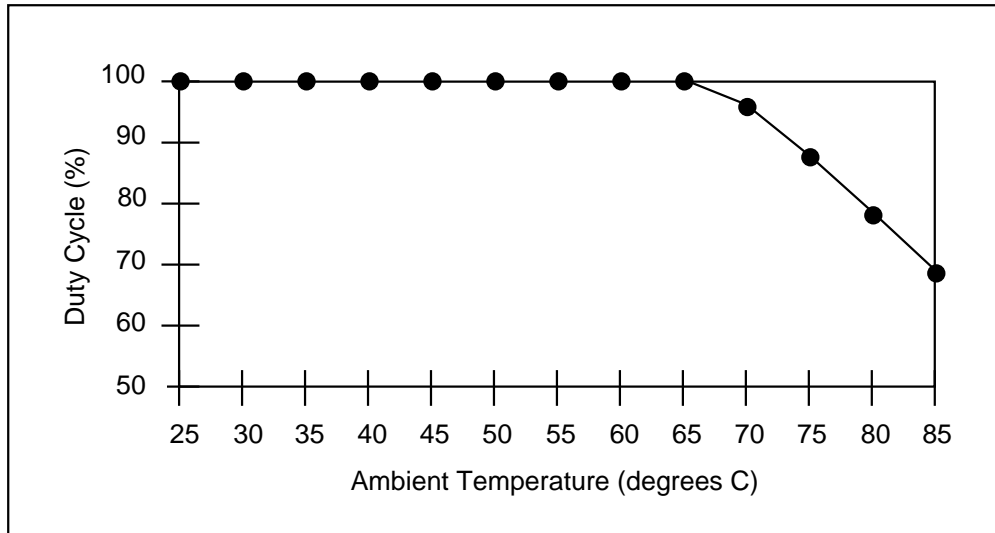
The STEL-1109 electrical characteristics are provided by Table 29 through Table 31.

### WARNING

*Stresses greater than those shown in Table 29 may cause permanent damage to the STEL-1109. Exposure to these conditions for extended periods may also affect the STEL-1109's reliability.*

Table 29. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Range	Units <sup>Note 1</sup>
$T_{stg}$	Storage Temperature	-40 to +125	°C
$V_{DDmax}$	Supply voltage on $V_{DD}$	-0.3 to +4.6	volts
$AV_{DDmax}$	Supply voltage on $AV_{DD}$	-0.3 to +4.6	volts
$5V_{DDmax}$	Supply voltage on $5V_{DD}$	-0.3 to +7.0	volts <sup>Note 2</sup>
$AV_{SS}$	Analog supply return for $AV_{DD}$	$\pm 10\%$ of $V_{DD}$	volts
$V_{I(max)}$	Input voltage	-0.3 to $V_{DD}+0.3$	volts
$I_i$	DC input current	$\pm 30$	mA
$P_{Diss(max)}$	Power dissipation @ 85°C	690	mW <sup>Note 3</sup>
Note: 1. All voltages are referenced to $V_{SS}$ . 2. $5V_{DD}$ must be greater than or equal to $V_{DD}$ . This rule can be violated for a maximum of 100 msec during power up. 3. See Duty Cycle Derating Curves (Figure 15)			



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Figure 15. Duty Cycle Derating versus Temperature (@3.3V)

Table 30. Recommended Operating Conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Range <sup>NOTE 1</sup>	Units
AV <sub>DD</sub>	Supply Voltage	+3.3 ± 10%	volts
5V <sub>DD</sub>	Supply Voltage	+5.0 ± 10%	volts <sup>Note 2</sup>
V <sub>DD</sub>	Supply Voltage	+3.3 ± 10%	volts
C <sub>LOAD</sub>	DAC Load Capacitance	≤ 20	pF
R <sub>LOAD</sub>	DAC Load Resistance	≤ 30K	ohms
	Recommended DAC Load	37.5	ohms
V <sub>LOAD</sub>	DAC Output Voltage	≤ 1.25	Volts
T <sub>a</sub>	Operating Temperature (Ambient)	-40 to +85	°C <sup>Note 3</sup>

Note:

- All voltages with respect to V<sub>SS</sub> and assume AV<sub>SS</sub> = V<sub>SS</sub>
- If interface logic is to be driven by V<sub>DD</sub> then connect the 5V<sub>DD</sub> pin to the V<sub>DD</sub> supply.
- Duty Cycle derating is required from +70 to +85 degrees.

Table 31. DC Characteristics  
 ( $V_{DD} = 3.3\text{ V} \pm 10\%$ ,  $V_{SS} = 0\text{ V}$ ,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{ to }85^\circ\text{ C}$ )

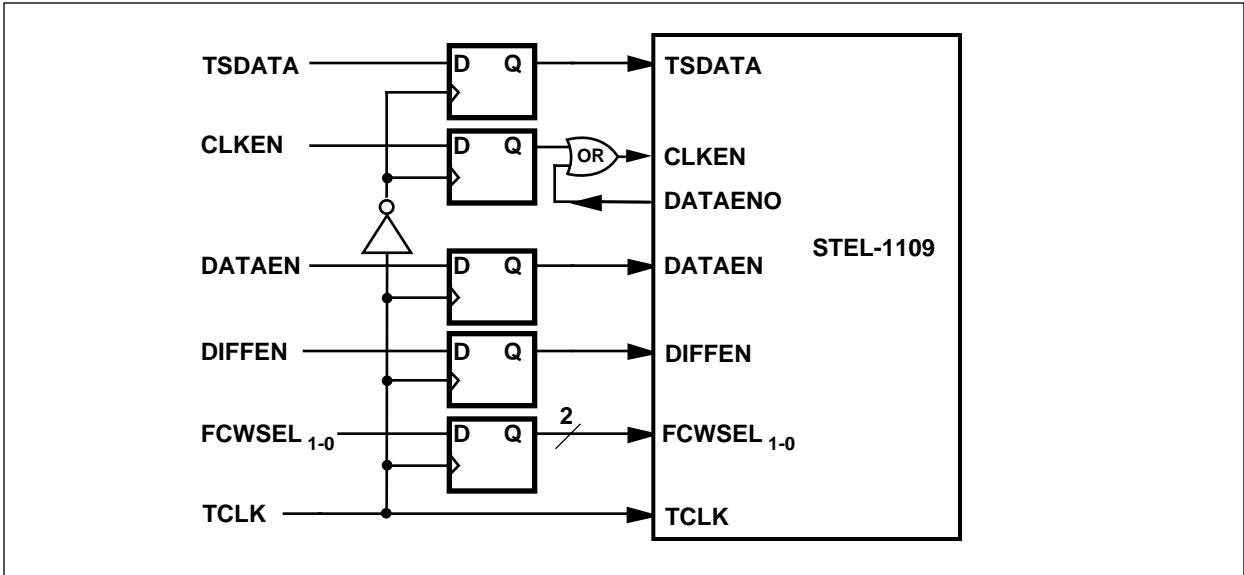
Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Units	Conditions
$I_{VDDQ}$	Supply Current, Quiescent			1.0	mA	Static, no clock
$I_{VDD}$	Supply Current, Operational, $V_{DD}$		1.9		mA/MHz	
$I_{5V_{DD}}$	Supply Current, Operational, $5V_{DD}$		0.2		mA	
$I_{AV_{DD}}$	Supply Current, Operational, $AV_{DD}$		12.0		mA	
$V_{IH_{CLK}}$	Clock High Level Input Voltage	2.0			volts	CLK, Logic '1'
$V_{IL_{CLK}}$	Clock Low Level Input Voltage			0.8	volts	CLK, Logic '0'
$V_{IH}$	High Level Input Voltage	2.0			volts	Other inputs, Logic '1'
$V_{IL}$	Low Level Input Voltage			0.8	volts	Other inputs, Logic '0'
$I_{IH}$	High Level Input Current			10	$\mu\text{A}$	$V_{IN} = 5V_{DD}$
$I_{IL}$	Low Level Input Current			-10	$\mu\text{A}$	$V_{IN} = V_{SS}$
$V_{OH(\text{min})}$	High Level Output Voltage	2.4	3.0	$V_{DD}$	volts	$I_O = -2.0\text{ mA}$
$V_{OL(\text{max})}$	Low Level Output Voltage		0.2	0.4	volts	$I_O = +2.0\text{ mA}$
$I_{OS}$	Output Short Circuit Current <sup>NOTE 3</sup>		40		mA	$V_{OUT} = V_{DD}$ , $V_{DD} = \text{max}$
$C_{IN}$	Input Capacitance		2		pF	All inputs
$C_{OUT}$	Output Capacitance		4	10	pF	All outputs
$I_{OFS}$	Output Full Scale DAC Current		19.2		mA	
$V_O$	DAC Compliance Voltage (Differential)		$\pm 0.96$		Volts	
$R_O$	DAC Output Resistance		TBD		Ohms	
$C_O$	DAC Output Capacitance		TBD		pF	
$V_{NO}$	DAC Output Noise Voltage Density		TBD		$\frac{\text{nV}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$	

NOTES:

1. With  $V_{SS} = AV_{SS}$ , Noise coupling from supply to the DAC output.
2. Noise coupling to DAC output when noise is common to  $AV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{SS}$  with respect to  $V_{SS}$  of  $V_{DD}$  and  $V_{SS}$  with respect to  $AV_{SS}$ .
3. Specified for digital outputs. The DAC output can survive an indefinite short circuit to  $AV_{SS}$ .

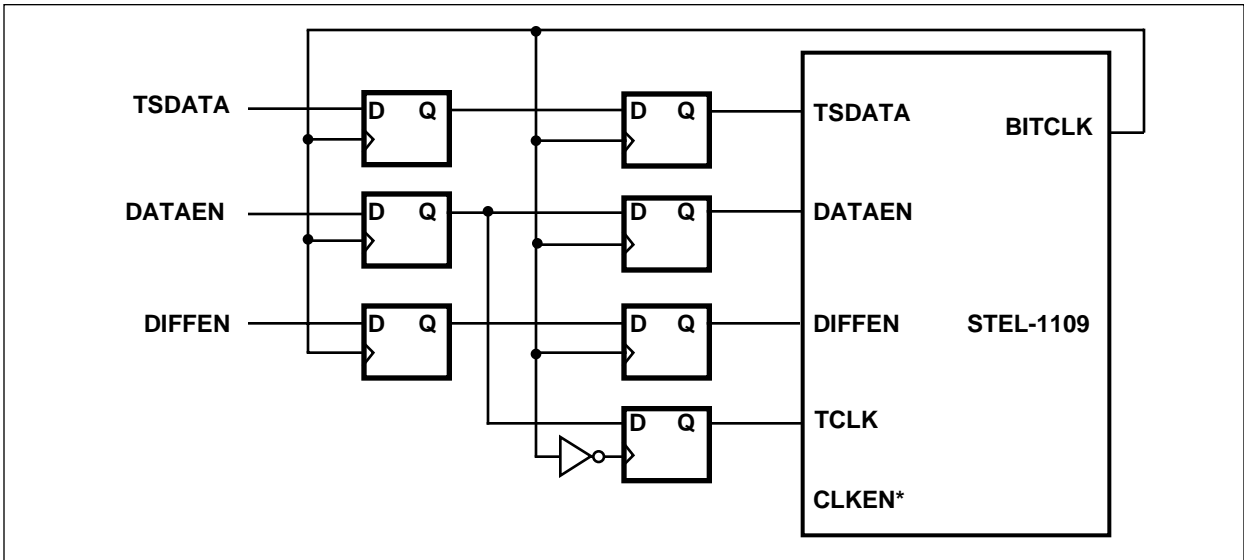
# RECOMMENDED INTERFACE CIRCUITS

## SLAVE MODE INTERFACE



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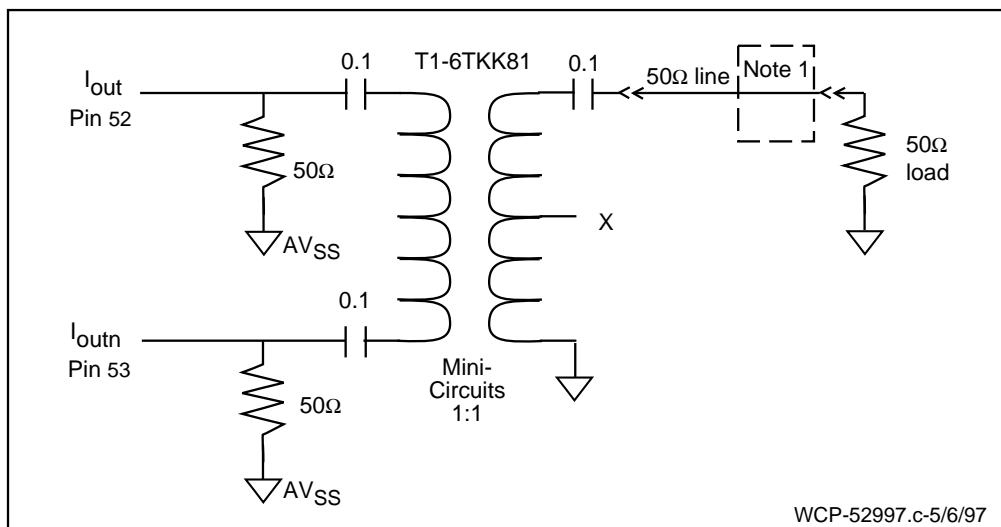
## MASTER MODE INTERFACE



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\* CLKEN may be turned off between bursts to conserve power as long as it is kept on until after DATAENO goes low. Note that the BITCLK output goes inactive whenever CLKEN is low.

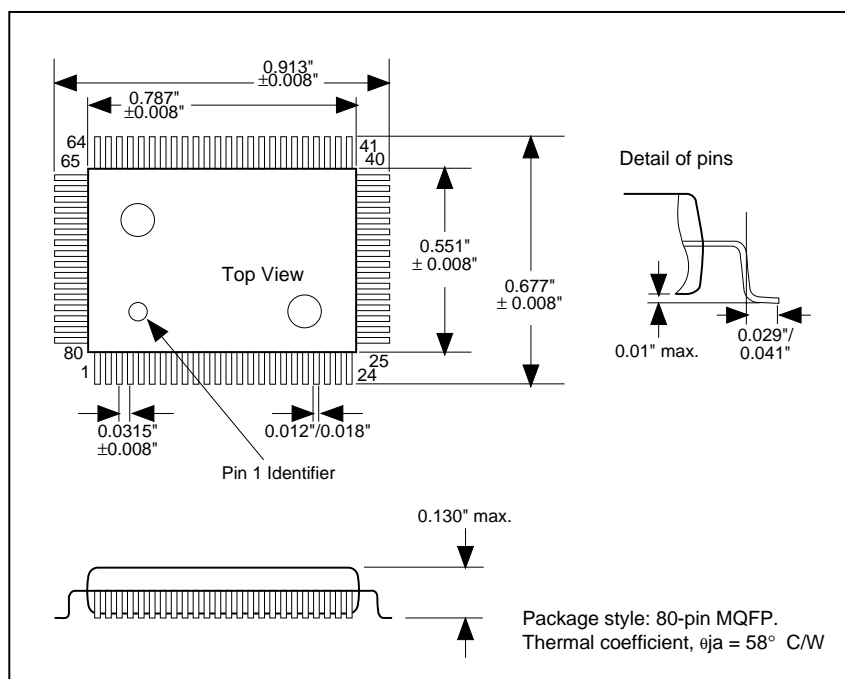
## EXAMPLE OUTPUT LOAD SCHEMATIC



Note 1: Normally some application dependant alias filtering and amplitude control appear at this point in the circuit.

## MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The STEL-1109 is packaged as a single chip. The chip's package style, dimensions, and pin identification are shown in Figure 16.



Note: Tolerance on pin spacing is not cumulative

Figure 16. STEL-1109 Mechanical Characteristics

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