

Precision Timing in the NVIDIA Drive Platform

Newer models of vehicles now offer ADAS levels 1 and 2 driver assistance, with some offering higher levels. NVIDIA has released its NVIDIA DRIVE autonomous vehicle (AV) platform, based on the NVIDIA Orin SoC, to implement these functions. It is capable of 254 TOPS of processing power needed for intelligent vehicles. This platform is intended to help OEMs deliver Level 2+ to 5 capable vehicles.

Key Considerations

- Reliability, functional safety
- Low jitter
- High temperature
- Fast system start-up
- EMI

The NVIDIA DRIVE platform serves as a reference design for automotive systems makers and OEMs. Given the obvious complexity of such a platform, it features a complex and varied clocking environment. SiTime is one of the vendors selected for this reference design set.

The block diagram below shows the various functional blocks of the reference design, along with potential SiTime clocking solutions.





Featured products – please refer to the <u>Selector Guide</u> for more options.

Туре	Product	Frequency	Key Features	Key Values
Single-ended oscillator	<u>SiT8924</u>	1 to 110 MHz	 Up to -55°C to +125°C ±20 ppm stability 2016, 2520, 3225 packages 	High reliabilityExtended temperature rangeSmall footprint
	<u>SiT9025</u>	1 to 150 MHz	 Up to -55°C to +125°C Spread spectrum Configurable rise / fall times 2016, 2520, 3225 packages 	High reliabilityExtended temperature rangeEMI Reduction
Differential oscillator	<u>SiT9386A-</u> <u>B240001</u>	100 MHz	 ±25 ppm stability -40°C to 85°C 3225 package For PCIe clocking 	 High reliability Low jitter Enables interfaces with demanding jitter requirements, such as PCI-Express and 10 GB Ethernet
	<u>SiT9396</u>	1 to 220 MHz	 Low jitter: < 150 fs RMS¹ ±30 ppm or ±50 ppm stability LVPECL, LVDS, HCSL, Low- power HCSL, FlexSwing[™] -40°C to +125°C 2016, 2520, 3225 packages 	
	<u>SiT9397</u>	220 to 920 MHz		
32.768 kHz oscillator	<u>SiT1881</u>	32.768 kHz	 ±20, ±50, ±100 ppm stability 1.14 to 3.63 V supply < 490 nA consumption -40°C to +125°C 1.2 x 1.1 mm < 115 ms startup time 	 Low power Small footprint Excellent stability Faster start-up time than 32.768 kHz tuning-fork crystal enables faster system start-up High reliability for functional safety applications



Why SiTime Timing Solutions

More robust in harsh environments:

- 4x better vibration resistance 0.1 ppb/g typical
- 20x better shock survivability

Better stability over a wide temperature range

- Up to -55 to +125°C operation
- Airflow and thermal shock resistant 1 ppb/°C

Programmability for flexible design

- Any frequency, any stability, any voltage within a wide range
- Qualify once for multiple parts

High reliability

- 50x better quality and reliability over 2.2-billion-hour MTBF
- Lifetime warranty

Unique features

- EMI reduction up to 30 dB lower
- Low power for longer battery life
- Smaller size packages as small as 1.5 mm x 0.8 mm



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