Marvell 88SE9485/9445

6Gb/s SAS/SATA IO Controllers



PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Marvell[®] offers a range of Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) host controller silicon and software solutions for desktops, workstations, servers and external storage systems. The controller silicon incorporates Marvell industry-leading 6 Gb/s SAS/Serial ATA (SATA) PHY technology and 5 GT/s PCI Express 2.0 (PCIe) PHY cores, which combine the best jitter performance and lowest per-port power consumption available today. Additionally, Marvell has invested heavily in the development of a full suite of high-performance, highly scalable, fault-tolerant RAID and storage management software.

The Marvell SAS 6Gb/s host controllers support four or eight SAS/SATA ports, including native 6Gb/s SATA interface support, and as many as eight lanes of PCIe 2.0 connectivity, delivering up to 4GB/s bandwidth to the host system for high-performance demanding applications. It incorporates a RAID offload engine to reduce CPU utilization when running at RAID configurations, thereby increasing overall system performance. The devices are offered with Windows/Linux non-RAID binary drivers and Linux open source driver for ease-of-use and fast product development.

BLOCK DIAGRAM



Figure 1. Block Diagram

KEY FEATURES

MODEL	88SE9485	88SE9445
• 6Gb/s SAS/SATA Ports	8	4
 PCIe 2.0 Compliant (5 GT/s) 	X8	X4
• SATA 6Gb/s Compliant	6Gb/s SATA PHY with speed negotiation to backward support 1.5Gb/s and 3Gb/s	
Concurrent IOs per Chip	4096	2048
Native Command Queuing	32 outstanding commands per port for high performance	
• eSATA Support	Flexible SATA ports support internal or external SATA links	
 Programmable Signaling Levels 	Gen1x, Gen2i, Gen2x and Gen 3i	
SAS 2.0 Compliant	Support SSP, SMP, STP and wide port	
• T10 End-to-End Data Protection	Complete data path protection between host and HDD	
Enclosure Management	SGPIO and SES-2 over I2C support	
• Two-Wire Serial Interface (TWSI)	Interface for external EEPROM containing configuration information	
• GPIO Support	Up to 34 GPIO pins	
• SPI Flash Interface	External Flash containing configuration data and/or boot code	

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• FIS-Based Switching	Better performance with simultaneous connection	
 Power Consumption 	5.5W	3.8W
Package Size	23mm × 23mm	19mm x 19mm
• Package Type	484-Ball HSBGA	481-Ball TFBGA

APPLICATIONS

The Marvell SAS/SATA RAID controllers are flexible and powerful solutions for data storage. Fully programmable on-chip transceivers support SATA, eSATA, and xSATA at 1.5Gb/s, 3Gb/s and 6Gb/s, as well as SAS at 3Gb/s and 6Gb/s. Native SATA ports allow mixing of SAS and SATA drives and offer superior SATA compatibility as pure SATA controllers. Wide (4x to 8x) SAS ports provide a high-performance interconnect to SAS storage systems. Built-in support for SATA Port Multipliers with FIS-based switching ensures simultaneous connections with SATA drives to deliver better performance and creates a cost-effective solution for high-capacity SATA JBOD applications, like DAS, NAS, DVR, and NVR.

The small footprint of the device and the very few required external components takes up a minimal amount of board space, easing system design and reducing cost. Embedded enclosure management further reduces system cost. The lowest power consumption of any SAS 6Gb/s controllers in the world makes this device a perfect fit for electricity-sensitive data center deployment for cloud computing applications.

The Marvell 88SE9485/9445 is targeted for storage server, enclosure system, cloud computing and HBA applications. The device is available with a complete software development kit, including a programming register specification and open source Linux driver. It provides the flexibility for customers to develop their own RAID drivers or use with Marvell Non-RAID software packages to meet various market requirements.



Fig 2. HBA (Host Bus Adapter) Application

Fig 3. Storage Server/Cloud Storage Applications

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