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Interfacing Two Analog Interface Circuits to One TMS320C5x Serial Port

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Interfacing Two Analog Interface Circuits to One TMS320C5x Serial Port

Abstract

In some cases, such as wireless communications applications, a system requires two communication channels but only one serial port is available. This document shows how to multiplex this port and how to interface two analog lines. There is a schematic, and an example of code is given. The analog interface circuits (AICs) chosen for this solution were purposely selected to address as many potential problems as possible.

Design Problem

How can I integrate two analog lines when I only have one serial port?

Solution

In some cases, like wireless communications applications, a system requires two communication channels but only one serial port is available. Figure 1 shows how to multiplex this port and how to interface two analog lines, while an example of code is given in Figure 2. The analog interface circuits (AICs) chosen for this solution were purposely selected to address as many potential problems as possible.

The first AIC, a TLC320AC02 that we will call AIC A, has 14-bit linear resolution and audio frequency with integral anti-aliasing and reconstruction filters. It is designed for easy connection to many DSP chips and is appropriate for a wide variety of applications.

The second AIC, a TCM320AC46 that we will call AIC B, is a 13-bit linear resolution Voice Band Audio Processor (VBAP) with transmit and receive filtering. It is also designed for many general-purpose applications.

Data Transmission on the Serial Port

The DSP's serial port, which runs in burst mode, consists of three types of signals: the clock (CLK), which imposes the pace of the bit sequence and equals the bit rate of the communication; the frame synchro (FS), which indicates the beginning of a bit sequence, on a negative slope, to the other device; and finally, the data line (D), which conveys the bits.

The bit rate and the FS signal are imposed by the active AIC in both emission and reception, and the same FS simultaneously triggers one reception and one emission. Data is transmitted and loaded most significant bit first and is right justified.

The TLC320AC02 (AIC A)

The TMS320AC02 works in variable data rate transmission and is driven by a master clock (MCLK), which is divided by 4 to provide the shift clock (SCLK). It contains programmable counters with internal registers to adjust the sample frequency, the FS frequency, and filter parameters. The TMS320AC02 also has a power-down pin for sleep mode, saving the internal programmed states. In this example, it is used in stand-alone mode, but it also has a masterslave and a codec mode.

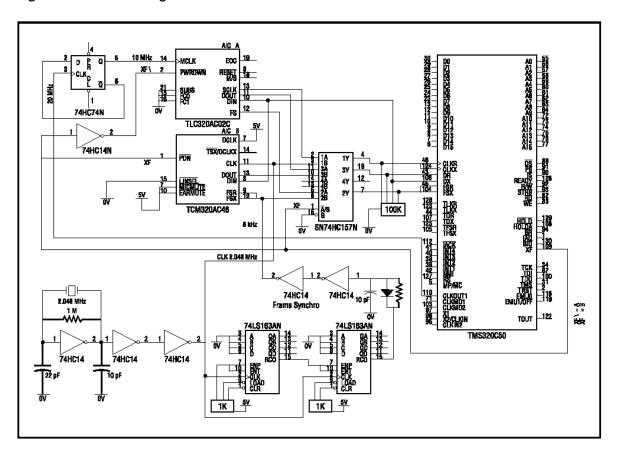


Figure 1. Connecting Two AICs to One TMS320C5x Serial Port

The TCM320AC46 (AIC B)

The TMS320AC46 operates in fixed data rate transmission and the CLK and FS is generated externally. The clock frequency should be 2.048 MHz and the FS should be 8 kHz. In this example, it performs a linear conversion, but it can also perform μ law companded conversion. Also, a power-down pin can be used as a chip select.

Schematic Details

The AIC B clock is generated with 2.048-MHz quartz. The AIC B FS is generated by dividing the clock by 256 due to two 4-bit counters in succession. The74LS163 counters have a Ripple-Carry-Output (RCO) pin that provides a pulse every 256th clock period. Another solution is to use a single 8-bit 74LS590 counter that also has an RCO pin. Then FS is filtered through an RC circuit and two trigger inverters in order to eliminate parasitic spikes.

The schematic contains six inverters, two of which have to be Schmidt triggers that come from the same 74HC14 package. The AIC A has a maximum MCLK frequency of 15 MHz. It is highly recommended that AIC A and the DSP be clocked from a common master crystal. However, depending on which speed grade is used, the DSP's CLKOUT frequency can be 20 or 40 MHz. So, CLKOUT has to be divided by one or two stages of the 74HC74 flip-flops. Here, CLKOUT frequency is 20 MHz, and is divided by two, giving a 10-MHz MCLK. The chip selection for AIC A and AIC B is done by the external flag (XF) signal coming from the DSP. The XF value is fixed by the XF bit in the DSP's status register, ST1. Both AICs are then set to alternate so when one is on, the other is powered down.

The 74LS157, an 8-to-4 multiplexor, drives the signal coming from the selected AIC to the DSP. CLK, FS, and DR signals then pass through the MUX. DX is an output of the DSP, and is wired directly to the AIC's data-in (DIN) pins.

Software Explanation

Both AICs are driven by the XF bit in the status register, ST1. Therefore, AIC selection is made by setting or clearing this bit. Notice that the XF bit is not pushed by the interrupt context save, so pay special attention when changing the XF value.

At the beginning of the program, some specific initializations will be made concerning the AICs. Indeed, AIC A provides internal registers useful to select sampling frequency or others parameters like input and output gains, or synchro between master and slave devices. A normal communication (16-bit frame) occurs every sample, but in order to read or write into internal registers, a second communication happens between each normal frame. Two external pins, FC0 and FC1, are used in addition with the two LSBs of the primary frame to force this second communication. When FC0 and FC1 are tied low, the secondary frame is forced only by setting the two LSBs to one logical.

Finally, do not request an untimely secondary frame. To prevent this, a mask value 0FFFCh is used before sending any frame. Unlike AIC A, when using the AIC B, the sampling frequency cannot be programmed as it is externally imposed by the FS signal.

* XF in	ST1 drive	es both the	AICs	as follow:	
*	CLRC	XF	;	Enables 320AC02C	
*	SETC	XF	;	Enables 320AC46	
MASK	.set	60h	;	MASK for both AICs	
* Initialization of AICs					

Figure 2. Example of Code

; Disable interrupts during initialization DINT SST #1,STATUS ; Status register ST1 provides the ; value of bit XF in order to branch STATUS,11 BTT BCND AIC02,NTC ; at the corresponding routine. AIC46 SPLK #OFFF8h,MASK ; MASK value for AIC 46 (13 bits) B RESTORE * DESCRIPTION: This routine initializes the TLC320AC02C for a 13.88 * * kHz sample rate with a gain setting of 1, a master clock = 10 MHz * * and a shift clock frequency SCF = 250 kHz. * AIC02 .def AICCFG .set Ś .word 0003h ; Ask for secondary communication 0114h ; Reg A = 20.word ; Ask for secondary communication 0003h .word 2100h ; Read A reg = ? .word 0003h ; Ask for secondary communication .word .word 2200h ; Read B req = ?0003h ; Ask for secondary communication .word .word CFGEND 0000h ; No-Op waiting for answer AIC02 .set Ś #OFFFCh,MASK ; MASK value for AIC 02 (14 bits) SPLK MAR *,AR1 ; Load arp AR1,#0300h ; Point to FIFO (@0300h is an example) LAR #AICCFG ; Load configuration table start address LACC ; Move 8 configuration words to end of RPT #7 *+ ; FIFO so it will be send first to AIC. TBLR #0308h,ARCR ; Load end of table SPLK SPLK #0300h,AR1 ; and beginning of table. ; Sequence of emission and reception TXWAIT BIT S PC,4 ; Wait for transmit ready BCND TXWAIT,NTC ; until xrdy goes low. LACC *0+ ; Read next control word SACL DXR ; and send it to DXR. SPC,5 ; Wait for receive ready RCWAIT BTT BCND RCWAIT,NTC ; until rrdy goes low. ; Get answer word from DRR LACL DRR *0-; and store it to check answers. SACL *+ ; Go to next control word MAR CMPR 0 ; Check for end of table, else loops TXWAIT,NTC ; back to a new Transmit/Receive BCND ; sequence. ; End of AIC-02 initialization RESTORE: CLRC INTM ; Enables Interrupts SPLK #0030h,IMR ; Enables RINT and XINT R MAIN ; Check which part of table was sent