# MSP430 Family Architecture Guide and Module Library

#### MSP430 Family

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## Purpose of guide, and conventions used

The MSP430 User's Guide is intended to assist the development of MSP430 family products by sssemling together and presenting hardware and software information in a manner which will be easy to use by engineers and programmers.

There follows a short description of the nomenclature conventions used for signals and processor states:

- ADC Analog-to-Digital converter
- CPUOff mode Low power mode with RAM contents and I/O signals unchanged Modules using auxiliary clock (32 768 Hz crystal) are active
- DCO Digital controlled oscillator
- LCD Liquid crystal display
- FF Flip-Flop
- MAB Memory address bus. This is the address bus between the individual modules. It can be any width from 16 bits to 4 bits. Together with the MS signal it defines the physical address.
- MDB Memory data bus. This is the data bus between the individual modules. It can be 8 bits or 16 bits wide.
- MS Module select. This is the pre-decoded address space. Together with the MAB it defines the physical address.

- MSFR Module special function register. This is the pre-decoded address space (0h to 0Fh) of the special function registers.
- OSCOff mode Lowest power mode. RAM contents and I/O signals are unchanged.
   The crystal oscillator has stopped
- OTP One-time programmable
- POR Power-on reset
- PUC Power-up clea, "1" sets processor's start condition
- SAR Successive approximation register
- SCI Serial communication interface to handle synchronous and asynchronous protocols
- SCG System clock generator
- SFR Special function register
- SPI Serial peripheral interface
- (widely used synchronous serial communication protocol)
- TBD To be defined
- TOS Top of stack
- UART Universal asynchronous receive transmit
- (most commonly-used serial communication protocol)
- USART Universal synchronous asynchronous receive transmit
- WD,WDT Watchdog, Watchdog Timer

# Bit Type Convention for Register Bit

- rw: read/write
- r: read only
- r0: read as '0'
- w: write only
- (w): no register bit implemented; writing a '1' will result in a pulse. The register bit is always read as '0'.
- -0,-1: condition after PUC
- -(0),-(1): condition after POR
- h0: cleared by hardware

# Symbols

#### Operations

- @ Register indirect addressing
- & Absolute address
- --> Data transfer direction
- + Addition

- Subtraction x Multiplication / Division .AND. logical AND .OR. logical OR .XOR. logical Exclusive-OR .NOT. logical NOT

#### **Register Symbols**

R0 or PCRegister 0 or Program CounterR1 or SPRegister 1 or Stack PointerR2 or SR/CG1Register 2 or Status Register/Constant Generator 1R3 or CG2Register 3 or Constant Generator 2R4 to R15Working Register, general-purpose

#### Contents of Status Register

Carry or borrow
Zero
Negative
CPU Off Bit
System Oscillator Off Bit

GIEGeneral Interrupt EnableSCG0System Clock Generator, Control Bit 0SCG1System Clock Generator, Control Bit 1VOverflow

#### Others

= ‡	Equal Sign Not Equal Sign
>, <,∠,≤	Companson Signs
	ASCII Character inside
h	Hexadecimal Data
b	Binary Data
#	Immediate Data
E	Exponent
&	Absolute Address Mode Indicator

#### Assembler Directives

00		Equato	command
.eq	u	Equale	commanu

- .sect section directive
- .word word data
- .byte byte data
- ; comment indicator

# 1 MSP430 Family

This section discusses the features of the MSP430 family of controllers, having special capabilities for analog processing control. All family members are software compatible, allowing easy migration within the MSP430 family by maintaining a common software base, and common design expertise and development tools.

The concept of a CPU designed for various applications with a 16-bit structure is presented. It uses a "von-Neumann Architecture" and hence has RAM, ROM and all peripherals in one address space.

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## 1.1 Features and Capabilities

- Up to 64K byte addressing space as needed, for allocation of ROM, RAM, EERAM and peripherals as needed. Future expansion to 1M byte is planned.
- No limitation of interrupt and subroutine levels due to stack processing
- Only 3 instruction formats. Strong orthogonality without any exception
- 1word/instruction is used, as far as possible
- Seven address modes in the source
- Four address modes in the destination
- External interrupt pins: extended use of Input/Output pins for interrupt capability
- Prioritized interrupts: simultaneously occurring interrupts are handled prioritized)
- Nested interrupt structure: interrupt routines may be interrupted by higher priority interrupts
- Memory mapped peripherals: all registers are in the modules no RAM space is used
- USART on chip see device configuration: separate interrupts for transmit and receive
- Timer with interrupt for event counter, timing generation, PWM, .....
- Watchdog
- ADC (10 bits or more) with 8 inputs and current source
- EPROM version (OTP)
- LCD-driver
- Stable processor frequency using a FLL and a clock crystal of 32,768 Hz

- Easy program development because of the orthogonal structure: all instructions with all addressing modes
- C-compiler development has started
- Modular design concept: modules are strictly memory mapped

## 1.2 System Key Features

- Ultra-low current consumption: CPUOff and OscOff modes
- Full operation down to 2.5 V
- System building blocks: LCD-Drive, A/D-Converter, I/O-Ports, UART, Watchdog Timer, EEPROM ...... all on chip
- Only microcomputer mode; there is no microprocessor mode
- Ease of use The powerful and convenient instruction set allows fast software development.
- Software may run in RAM Programs loaded into the RAM via the UART or test paths..., can execute jobs under real-time conditions. This reduces test costs and calibration expenses.
- Every ROM/RAM mix is possible in the common address range of 64k byte
- High level language (HLL) programming capabilities Large register file (12 general purpose registers)

Stack orientation Large ROM and RAM spaces Orthogonal instruction set, without any exceptions Table processing orientation, due to addressing modes

- Fast hexadecimal-to-decimal conversion with special instruction DADD
- Instructions are commonly used for ROM references, RAM access, data handling, I/Os and other peripherals: there are no special instructions!
- Potential of CPU far exceeds the requirements of intelligent sensor signal systems. The real-time capability opens fields in other low power systems, including the usage of other peripherals e.g. DTM transceiver for wired telecom

## 1.3 MSP430 Family Devices

The MSP430 family of devices can be summarized as follows:

• Nomenclature used:

# MSP430CxxxQFN Package Code, 1 or 2 characters Temperature range, 1 character I: -40 degree to +85 degree A: -40 degree to +125 degree Q: customized Unique number for each family member or software number, 3 characters Memory Code: C: CMOS, ROM version P: OTP, on-time programmable - EPROM versior E: EPROM version, windowed package S: SRAM, RAM version for code memory

 Development tools include the software simulator DT430, assembler and linker ASM430/LNK430, C-compiler (under development) CS430/CW430, and hardware incircuit emulator ICE430. All development tools are PC-based using integrated desktop features compatible with the windows SAA standard. The minimum requirements for the PC are: IBM compatible DOS 5.0 or later Windows 3.1, 3.11 or '95 Personal computer with a 486 or higher processor running 8 MB of available memory One 3.5" high-density disk drive A hard disk with 5 MB available

	MSP430x310	MSP430x320	MSP430x330
Max. internal clock rate Frequency of crystal	1.1 MHz @3V 3.3 MHz @5V 32.768 kHz	1.1 MHz @3V 2.2 MHz @5V 32.768 kHz	1.1 MHz @3V 2.2 MHz @5V 32.768 kHz
Operating Temperature	-40°C to +85°C	-40°C to +85°C	-40°C to +85°C
Program memory MSP430Cxxx: MSP430Pxxx: MSP430Exxx: Memory expansion	4/8/12k byte ROM 8K byte OTP 8K byte wind. EPROM NO	8K byte ROM 16K byte OTP 16K byte wind. EPROM NO	24K byte ROM 32K byte OTP 32K byte wind. EPROM NO
Internal RAM	256/512 Bytes	256 Bytes	1024 Bytes
Data EEPROM	No	No	No

Modules HW Multiply Port0, 8-bit, all interrupt Port1, 8-bit, all interrupt Port2, 8-bit, all interrupt Port3 Port4	No Yes	No Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes
Watchdog timer	Yes	Yes	Yes
Basic Timer1/Real time	Yes	Yes	Yes
clock	Yes	Yes	Yes
8-bit Timer/Counter	Yes	Yes	Yes
Timer/Port ,1x8-bit	Yes	Yes	Yes
Timer_A,16-bit	No	No	Yes
SPI	No	No	USART, SPI mode
UART	(8b Tim./Cnt. + SW)	(8b Tim./Cnt. + SW)	USART, UART mode
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LCD	Max. 23x4 segments	Max. 21x4 segments	Max. 30x4 segments
ADC/Current source	Yes/Yes	see Timer/Port	see Timer/Port
DAC	No	No	No
I/O lines	9	9	40
Input lines	1	7	1
Output lines	27	25	34
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Interrupts/Reset External Vectors total Sources total	11 16	11 16	1 + 24 16
Package Type	64 QFP	56 SSOP	100 QFP

Table 1.1: MSP430 Family Feature Summary