

## **DSPI**

# Serial Peripheral Interface – Master/Slave ver 2.07

#### OVERVIEW

The DSPI is a fully configurable SPI master/slave device, which allows user to configure polarity and phase of serial clock signal SCK.

The DSPI allows the microcontroller to communicate with serial peripheral devices. It is also capable of interprocessor communications in a multi-master system. A serial clock line (SCK) synchronizes shifting and sampling of the information on the two independent serial data lines. DSPI data are simultaneously transmitted and received.

The DSPI is a technology independent design that can be implemented in a variety of process technologies.

The DSPI system is flexible enough to interface directly with numerous standard product peripherals from several manufacturers. The system can be configured as a master or a slave device. Data rates as high as CLK/4. Clock control logic allows a selection of clock polarity and a choice of two fundamentally different clocking protocols to accommodate most available synchronous serial peripheral devices. When the SPI is configured as a master, software selects one of eight different bit rates for the serial clock.

The DSPI automatically drive selected by SSCR (Slave Select Control Register) slave select outputs (SS7O – SS0O), and address SPI slave device to exchange serially shifted data. Error-detection logic is included to support interprocessor communications. A write-collision detector indicates when an attempt is

made to write data to the serial shift register while a transfer is in progress. A multiple-master mode-fault detector automatically disables DSPI output drivers if more than one SPI devices simultaneously attempts to become bus master.

DSPI is **fully customizable**, which means it is delivered in the exact configuration to meet users' requirements. There is no need to pay extra for not used features and wasted silicon. It includes **fully automated testbench** with **complete set of tests** allowing easy package validation at each stage of SoC design flow.

#### APPLICATIONS

- Embedded microprocessor boards
- Consumer and professional audio/video
- Home and automotive radio
- Digital multimeters

#### **KEY FEATURES**

- SPI Master
  - Master and Multi-master operations
  - o 8 SPI slave select lines
  - System error detection
    - Mode fault error
    - Write collision error
  - Interrupt generation
  - Supports speeds up 1/4 of system clock

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- Four transfer formats supported
- Simple interface allows easy connection to microcontrollers
- SPI Slave
  - Slave operation
  - System error detection
  - o Interrupt generation
  - Supports speeds up ¼ of system clock
  - Simple interface allows easy connection to microcontrollers
  - Four transfer formats supported
- Fully synthesizable, static synchronous design with no internal tri-states

#### **DELIVERABLES**

- Source code:
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  - Active-HDL automatic simulation macros
  - ModelSim automatic simulation macros
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- Technical documentation
  - Installation notes
  - ♦ HDL core specification
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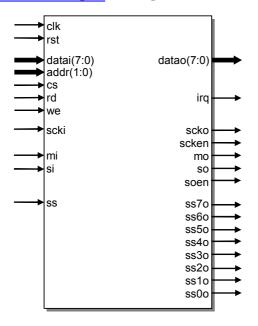
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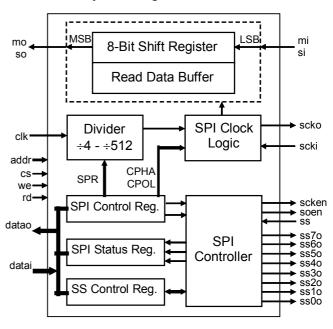


#### PINS DESCRIPTION

PIN	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	
clk	input	Global clock	
rst	input	Global reset	
datai(7:0)	input	Data bus input	
addr(1:0)	input	Processor address lines	
cs	input	Chip select	
rd	input	Processor read strobe	
we	input	Processor write strobe	
scki	input	SPI clock input	
mi	input	Master serial data input	
si	input	Slave serial data input	
ss	input	Slave select	
datao(7:0)	output	Data bus output	
irq	output	Interrupt request	
scko	output	SPI clock output	
sckz	output	SPI clock output enable	
mo	output	Master serial data output	
so	output	Slave serial data output	
ss7o-ss0o	output	Slave select outputs	

#### **BLOCK DIAGRAM**

Shift register and Read Data Buffer - it is a central element in the SPI system. The system is single buffered in the transmit direction and double buffered in the receive direction. This fact means new data for transmission cannot be written to the shifter until the previous transaction is complete; however, received data is transferred into a parallel read data buffer so the shifter is free to accept a second serial character. As long as the first character is read out of the read data buffer before the next serial character is ready to be transferred, no overrun condition will occur. When an SPI transfer occurs, an 8-bit character is shifted out on data pin while a different 8-bit character is simultaneously shifted in a second data pin. Another way to view this transfer is that an 8-bit shift register in the master and another 8-bit shift register in the slave are connected as a circular 16-bit shift register. When a transfer occurs, this distributed shift register is shifted eight bit positions; thus, the characters in the master and slave are effectively exchanged.



**Control Register** may be read or written at any time, is used to configure the DSPI System. This register controls the mode of transmission (Master, Slave), polarity and phase of SPI Clock and transmission speed.

**Status Register** (SPSR) is read only register contains flags indicating the completion of transfer or occurrence of system errors. All

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Slave Select Control Register configures which slave select output should be driven while SPI master transfer. Contents of SSCR register is automatically assigned on SS70-SS00 pins when DSPI master transmission starts.

SPI Clock Logic - Software can select any of four combinations of serial clock (SCK) phase and polarity using two bits in the SPI control register (SPCR). The clock polarity is specified by the CPOL control bit, which selects an active high or active low clock and has no significant effect on the transfer format. The clock phase (CPHA) control bit selects one of two fundamentally different transfer formats. The clock phase and polarity should be identical for the master SPI device and the communicating slave device. In some cases, the phase and polarity are changed between transfers to allow a master device to communicate with peripheral slaves having different requirements. The flexibility of the SPI system on the DSPI allows direct interface to almost any existing synchronous serial peripheral.

**SPI Controller** manages the Master/Slave operation and controls the transmission. The SPI Controller manages the transmission speed and format (Phase and polarity). Controller is also responsible for generating of interrupt request and detection of transmission errors.

#### PERFORMANCE

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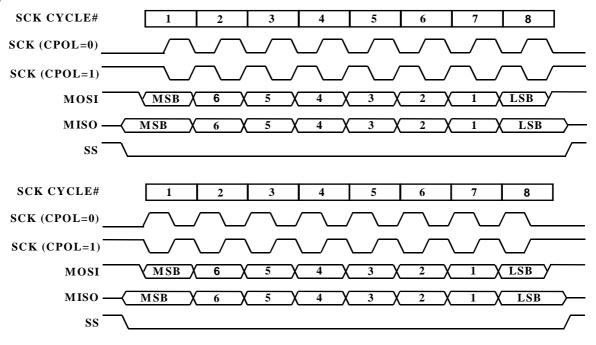
Device	Speed grade	Logic Cells	F <sub>max</sub>
CYCLONE	-6	181	303 MHz
CYCLONE2	-6	172	310 MHz
STRATIX	-5	181	320 MHz
STRATIX2	-3	151	387 MHz
STRATIXGX	-5	181	307 MHz
APEX2A	-7	196	244 MHz
APEX20KC	-7	196	211 MHz
APEX20KE	-1	196	169 MHz
APEX20K	-1	196	135 MHz
ACEX1K	-1	205	156 MHz
FLEX10KE	-1	205	156 MHz
MAX2	-3	181	209 MHz
MAX3K	-5	119	96 MHz
MAX7K	-5	119	96 MHz

Core performance in ALTERA® devices

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#### **Transfer Formats**

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