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# AXM0F243 MCU Programming Manual



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# **OVERVIEW**

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# INTRODUCTION

AXM0F243 MCU is a programmable embedded system controller with an ARM<sup>®</sup> Cortex<sup>®</sup>-M0+ CPU with these characteristics:

- High-performance, 32-bit Single-cycle Cortex-M0+CPU Core
- High-performance Analog System

- Configurable Timer/Counter/PWM Block
- Configurable Analog Blocks for Analog Signal Conditioning
- Configurable Communication Block with I<sup>2</sup>C, SPI, and UART Operating Modes
- Low-power Operating Modes Sleep and Deep-Sleep
  This document describes each functional block of the
  AXM0F243 MCU devices in detail. This information will
  help designers to create system-level designs.

# **Top Level Architecture**

Figure 1 shows the major architecture components

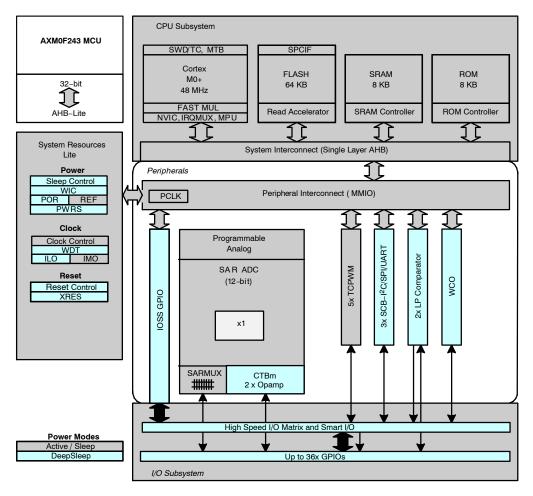


Figure 1. AXM0F243 MCU

#### **Features**

The AXM0F243 MCU Device Has these Major Components:

- 32-bit Cortex-M0+ CPU with single-cycle multiply, delivering up to 0.9 DMIPS/MHz
- Up to 128 KB flash and 8 KB SRAM
- Up to five center-aligned pulse-width Modulator (PWM) with complementary, dead-band programmable outputs
- One watchdog timer and three general-purpose timers with interrupt capability
- Twelve-bit SAR ADC (with a sampling rate of 1 Msps) with hardware sequencing for multiple channels
- Up to two opamps that can be used for analog signal conditioning and as a comparator
- Two low-power comparators
- Up to three serial communication blocks (SCB) that can work as SPI, UART, I<sup>2</sup>C, and local interconnect network (LIN) slave serial communication channels
- A smart I/O block, which provides the ability to perform boolean functions in the I/O signal path
- Low-power operating modes: sleep and deep-sleep

 Programming and debugging system through serial wire debug (SWD)

# **CPU System**

# **Processor**

The heart of the AXM0F243 MCU is a 32-bit Cortex-M0+ CPU core running up to 48 MHz. It is optimized for low-power operation with extensive clock gating. It uses 16-bit instructions and executes a subset of the Thumb-2 instruction set. This instruction set enables fully compatible binary upward migration of the code to higher performance processors such as Cortex M3 and M4.

The CPU has a hardware multiplier that provides a 32-bit result in one cycle.

#### **Interrupt Controller**

The CPU subsystem includes a nested vectored interrupt controller (NVIC) with 20 interrupt inputs and a wakeup interrupt controller (WIC), which can wake the processor from Deep-Sleep mode.

# Memory

The AXM0F243 MCU memory subsystem consists of flash and SRAM. A supervisory ROM, containing boot and configuration routines, is also present.

#### Flash

The AXM0F243 MCU has a flash module, with a flash accelerator tightly coupled to the CPU, to improve average access times from the flash block. The flash accelerator delivers 85 percent of single-cycle SRAM access performance on an average.

#### **SRAM**

The AXM0F243 MCU provides SRAM, which is retained in all power modes of the device.

# System-Wide Resources

# **Clocking System**

The clocking system consists of the internal main oscillator (IMO) and internal low-speed oscillator (ILO) as internal clocks and has provision for an external clock, and watch crystal oscillator (WCO).

The IMO with an accuracy of  $\pm 2$  percent is the primary source of internal clocking in the device. The default IMO frequency is 24 MHz and can be adjusted between 24 MHz and 48 MHz in steps of 4 MHz. Multiple clock derivatives are generated from the main clock frequency to meet various application needs.

The ILO is a low-power, less accurate oscillator and is used as a source for LFCLK, to generate clocks for peripheral operation in Deep-Sleep mode. Its clock frequency is 40 kHz with  $\pm 60 \text{ percent}$  accuracy.

An external clock source ranging from 1 MHz to 48 MHz can be used to generate the clock derivatives for the functional blocks instead of the IMO.

The WCO is a 32-kHz watch crystal oscillator. It is used to dynamically trim the IMO to an accuracy of  $\pm 1$  percent to enable precision timing applications.

# **Power System**

The device operates with a single external supply in the range 1.8 V to 3.6 V. It provides multiple power supply domains –  $V_{DDD}$  to power digital section, and  $V_{DDA}$  for noise isolation of analog section.  $V_{DDD}$  and  $V_{DDA}$  should be shorted externally.

The device has two low-power modes – Sleep and Deep-Sleep – in addition to the default Active mode. In Active mode, the CPU runs with all the logic powered. In Sleep mode, the CPU is powered off with all other peripherals functional. In Deep-Sleep mode, the CPU, SRAM, and high-speed logic are in retention; the main system clock is OFF while the low-frequency clock is ON and the low-frequency peripherals are in operation.

Multiple internal regulators are available in the system to support power supply schemes in different power modes.

#### **GPIO**

Every GPIO has the following characteristics:

- Eight drive strength modes
- Individual control of input and output disables
- Hold mode for latching previous state
- Selectable slew rates
- Interrupt generation edge triggered

In addition, the device has up to three Smart I/O blocks that provides the ability to perform Boolean functions on the port I/Os. The Smart I/O block is available in all device power modes, including low–power modes.

The pins are organized in a port that is 8-bit wide. A high-speed I/O matrix is used to multiplex between various signals that may connect to an I/O pin. Pin locations for fixed-function peripherals are also fixed.

#### **Watchdog Timers**

The AXM0F243 MCU device has one 16-bit watchdog timer, which is capable of automatically resetting the device in the event of an unexpected firmware execution path or a brownout that compromises the CPU functionality.

In addition to this, two 16-bit and one 32-bit up-counting timers are available for general-purpose use.

# **Fixed-Function Digital**

# Timer/Counter/PWM Block

The Timer/Counter/PWM block consists of up to five 16-bit counter with user-programmable period length. The TCPWM block has a capture register, period register, and compare register. The block supports complementary, deadband programmable outputs. It also has a kill input to force outputs to a predetermined state. Other features of the block include center-aligned PWM, clock prescaling, pseudo random PWM, and quadrature decoding.

#### **Serial Communication Blocks**

The device has three SCBs. Each SCB can implement a serial communication interface as I<sup>2</sup>C, UART, local interconnect network (LIN) slave, or SPI.

The features of each SCB include:

- Standard I<sup>2</sup>C multi-master and slave function
- Standard SPI master and slave function with Motorola, Texas Instruments, and National (MicroWire) mode
- Standard UART transmitter and receiver function with SmartCard reader (ISO7816), IrDA protocol, and LIN
- Standard LIN slave with LIN v1.3 and LIN v2.1/2.2 specification compliance
- EZ function mode support with 32-byte buffer

# **Analog System**

#### **SAR ADC**

The AXM0F243 MCU device has a configurable 12-bit 1-Msps SAR ADC. The ADC provides three internal voltage references ( $V_{\rm DDA}$ ,  $V_{\rm DDA}$ /2, and  $V_{\rm REF}$ ) and an external reference through a GPIO pin. The SAR hardware sequencer is available, which scans multiple channels without CPU intervention.

#### Continuous Time Block mini

The Continuous Time Block mini (CTBm) provides continuous time functionality at the entry and exit points of the analog subsystem. The CTBm has two highly configurable and high-performance opamps with a switch routing matrix. The opamps can also work in comparator mode. The AXM0F243 MCU device has one such CTBm block

The block allows open-loop opamp, linear buffer, and comparator functions to be performed without external components. PGAs, voltage buffers, filters, and trans-impedance amplifiers can be realized with external components. The CTBm block can work in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep modes.

# **Low-Power Comparators**

The AXM0F243 MCU device has a pair of low-power comparators, which can operate in all device power modes. This functionality allows the CPU and other system blocks to be disabled while retaining the ability to monitor external voltage levels during low-power modes. Two input voltages can both come from pins, or one from an internal signal through the AMUX-BUS.

# **Program and Debug**

AXM0F243 MCU devices support programming and debugging features of the device via the on-chip SWD interface. The SWD interface is also fully compatible with industry standard third-party tools.

# **GETTING STARTED**

#### Support

Free support for AXM0F243 product is available online at www.onsemi.com.

# **Development Kits**

Development kits and software you need to successfully develop AXM0F243 projects are available online at www.onsemi.com.

#### DOCUMENT CONSTRUCTION

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# **Major Sections**

For ease of use, information is organized into sections and chapters that are divided according to device functionality.

- Section Presents the top–level architecture, how to get started, and conventions and overview information of the product.
- Chapter Presents the chapters specific to an individual aspect of the section topic. These are the detailed implementation and use information for some aspect of the integrated circuit.
- Glossary Defines the specialized terminology used in this program manual.
- AXM0F243 MCU register manual Supplies all device register details summarized in the technical reference manual. This is an additional document.

# **Register Conventions**

Register conventions are detailed in the <u>AND9835</u> <u>AXM0F243 MCU Registers Manual.</u>

#### **Numeric Naming**

Hexadecimal numbers are represented with all letters in uppercase with an appended lowercase 'h' (for example, '14h' or '3Ah') and *hexadecimal* numbers may also be represented by a '0x' prefix, the *C* coding convention. Binary numbers have an appended lowercase 'b' (for example, '01010100b' or '01000011b'). Numbers not indicated by an 'h' or 'b' are *decimal*.

# **Units of Measure**

This table lists the units of measure used in this document.

**Table 1. UNITS OF MEASURE** 

Abbreviation	Unit of Measure		
bps	bits per second		
°C	degrees Celsius		
dB	decibels		
fF	femtofarads		
Hz	Hertz		
k	kilo, 1000		
K	kilo, 2^10		
КВ	1024 bytes, or approximately one thousand bytes		
Kbit	1024 bits		
kHz	kilohertz (32.000)		
kΩ	kilohms		
MHz	megahertz		
MΩ	megaohms		
μА	microamperes		
μF	microfarads		
μs	microseconds		
μV	microvolts		
μVrms	microvolts root-mean-square		
mA	milliamperes		
ms	milliseconds		
mV	millivolts		
nA	nanoamperes		
ns	nanoseconds		
nV	nanovolts		
Ω	ohms		
pF	picofarads		
рр	peak-to-peak		
ppm	parts per million		
SPS	samples per second		
σ	sigma: one standard deviation		
V	volts		

# **Acronyms**

This table lists the acronyms used in this document

**Table 2. ACRONYMS** 

Acronym	Definition	
ABUS	analog output bus	
AC	alternating current	

Table 2. ACRONYMS (continued)

Acronym	Definition		
ADC	analog-to-digital converter		
АНВ	AMBA (advanced microcontroller bus architecture) high-performance bus, an ARM data transfer bus		
API	application programming interface		
APOR	analog power-on reset		
BC	broadcast clock		
BOD	brownout detect		
ВОМ	bill of materials		
BR	bit rate		
BRA	bus request acknowledge		
BRQ	bus request		
CI	carry in		
CMP	compare		
СО	carry out		
СОМ	LCD common signal		
CPU	central processing unit		
CRC	cyclic redundancy check		
CT	continuous time		
СТВ	continuous time block		
CTBm	continuous time block mini		
DAC	digital-to-analog converter		
DAP	debug access port		
DC	direct current		
DI	digital or data input		
DMIPS	Dhrystone million instructions per second		
DO	digital or data output		
DSI	digital signal interface		
DSM	deep-sleep mode		
DW	data wire		
EEPROM	electrically erasable programmable read only memory		
EMIF	external memory interface		
FB	feedback		
FIFO	first in first out		
FSR	full scale range		
GPIO	general purpose I/O		
HCI	host-controller interface		
HFCLK	high-frequency clock		
HSIOM	high-speed I/O matrix		
I <sup>2</sup> C	inter-integrated circuit		
IDE	integrated development environment		

Table 2. ACRONYMS (continued)

Acronym	Definition		
ILO	internal low-speed oscillator		
ITO	indium tin oxide		
IMO	internal main oscillator		
INL	integral nonlinearity		
I/O	input/output		
IOR	I/O read		
IOW	I/O write		
IRES	initial power on reset		
IRA	interrupt request acknowledge		
IRQ	interrupt request		
ISR	interrupt service routine		
IVR	interrupt vector read		
LCD	liquid crystal display		
LFCLK	low-frequency clock		
LPCOMP	low-power comparator		
LRb	last received bit		
LRB	last received byte		
LSb	least significant bit		
LSB	least significant byte		
LUT	lookup table		
MISO	master-in-slave-out		
MMIO	memory mapped input/output		
MOSI	master-out-slave-in		
MPU	memory protection unit		
MSb	most significant bit		
MSB	most significant byte		
MSP	main stack pointer		
NMI	non-maskable interrupt		
NVIC	nested vectored interrupt controller		
PC	program counter		
PCB	printed circuit board		
PCH	program counter high		
PCL	program counter low		
PD	power down		
PGA	programmable gain amplifier		
PM	power management		
POR	power-on reset		
PPOR	precision power-on reset		
PRS	pseudo random sequence		
PSP	process stack pointer		
PSRR	power supply rejection ratio		

Table 2. ACRONYMS (continued)

Acronym	Definition		
PSSDC	power system sleep duty cycle		
PWM	pulse width modulator		
RAM	random-access memory		
RETI	return from interrupt		
RF	radio frequency		
ROM	read only memory		
RMS	root mean square		
RW	read/write		
SAR	successive approximation register		
SC	switched capacitor		
SCB	serial communication block		
SIE	serial interface engine		
SIO	special I/O		
SE0	single-ended zero		
SNR	signal-to-noise ratio		
SOF	start of frame		
SOI	start of instruction		
SP	stack pointer		
SPD	sequential phase detector		
SPI	serial peripheral interconnect		
SPIM	serial peripheral interconnect master		
SPIS	serial peripheral interconnect slave		
SRAM	static random-access memory		
SROM	supervisory read only memory		
SSADC	single slope ADC		
SSC	supervisory system call		
SYSCLK	system clock		
SWD	single wire debug		
TC	terminal count		
TCPWM	timer, counter, PWM		
TD	transaction descriptors		
TIA	trans-impedance amplifier		
UART	universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter		
UDB	universal digital block		
USB	universal serial bus		
USBIO	USB I/O		
VTOR	vector table offset register		
WCO	watch crystal oscillator		
WDT	watchdog timer		
	watchdog reset		
WDR	wateridog reset		
WDR XRES	external reset		

# **CPU SYSTEM**

This section encompasses the following chapters:

- Cortex-M0+ CPU chapter on page 7
- Interrupts chapter on page 11

# **Top Level Architecture**

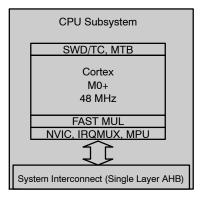


Figure 2. CPU System Block Diagram

#### CORTEX-M0+ CPU

The AXM0F243 MCU ARM Cortex-M0+ core is a 32-bit CPU optimized for low-power operation. It has an efficient two-stage pipeline, a fixed 4-GB memory map, and supports the ARMv6-M Thumb instruction set. The Cortex-M0+ also features a single-cycle 32-bit multiply instruction and low-latency interrupt handling. Other subsystems tightly linked to the CPU core include a nested

vectored interrupt controller (NVIC), a SYSTICK timer, and debug.

This section gives an overview of the Cortex–M0+ processor. For more details, see the ARM Cortex–M0+ user guide or technical reference manual, both available at www.arm.com.

#### **Features**

The AXM0F243 MCU Cortex-M0+ has the following features:

- Easy to use, program, and debug, ensuring easier migration from 8- and 16-bit processors
- Operates at up to 0.9 DMIPS/MHz; this helps to increase execution speed or reduce power
- Supports the Thumb instruction set for improved code density, ensuring efficient use of memory
- NVIC unit to support interrupts and exceptions for rapid and deterministic interrupt response
- Implements design time configurable Memory Protection Unit (MPU)
- Supports unprivileged and privileged mode execution
- Supports optional Vector Table Offset Register (VTOR)
- Extensive debug support including:
  - SWD port
  - Breakpoints
  - Watchpoints

# **Block Diagram**

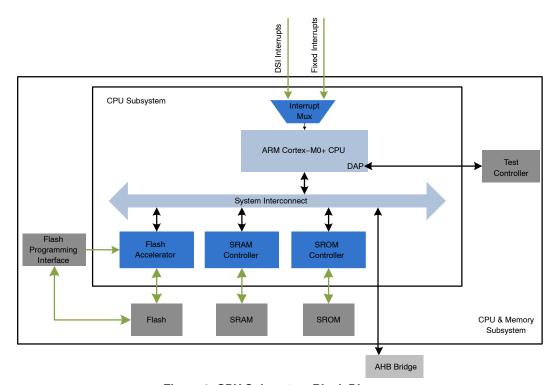


Figure 3. CPU Subsystem Block Diagram

#### **How It Works**

The Cortex–M0+ is a 32-bit processor with a 32-bit data path, 32-bit registers, and a 32-bit memory interface. It supports most 16-bit instructions in the Thumb instruction set and some 32-bit instructions in the Thumb–2 instruction set.

The processor supports two operating modes (see Operating Modes on page 9). It has a single-cycle 32-bit multiplication instruction.

#### **Address Map**

The ARM Cortex-M0+ has a fixed address map allowing access to memory and peripherals using simple memory access instructions. The 32-bit (4 GB) address space is divided into the regions shown in Table 3. Note that code can be executed from the code and SRAM regions.

Table 3. CORTEX-M0+ ADDRESS MAP

Address Range	Name	Use	
0x00000000 - 0x1FFFFFF	Code	Program code region. You can also place data here. Includes the exception vector table, which starts at address 0.	
0x20000000 - 0x3FFFFFF	SRAM	Data region. You can also execute code from this region.	
0x40000000 – 0x5FFFFFF	Peripheral	All peripheral registers. You cannot execute code from this region.	
0x60000000 – 0xDFFFFFF		Not used.	
0xE0000000 - 0xE00FFFF	PPB	Peripheral registers within the CPU core.	
0xE0100000 – 0xFFFFFFF	Device	AXM0F243 MCU implementation-specific.	

# Registers

The Cortex-M0+ has sixteen 32-bit registers, as Table 4 shows:

- R0 to R12 General–purpose registers. R0 to R7 can be accessed by all instructions; the other registers can be accessed by a subset of the instructions.
- R13 Stack pointer (SP). There are two stack pointers, with only one available at a time. In thread mode, the
- CONTROL register indicates the stack pointer to use, Main Stack Pointer (MSP) or Process Stack Pointer (PSP).
- R14 Link register. Stores the return program counter during function calls.
- R15 Program counter. This register can be written to control program flow.

Table 4. CORTEX-M0+ REGISTERS

Name	Type (Note 1)	Reset Value	Description	
R0-R12	RW	Undefined	R0 - R12	
MSP (R13)	RW	indicates which stack pointer to use:		
PSP (R13)			<ul> <li>0 = Main stack pointer (MSP). This is the reset value.</li> <li>1 = Process stack pointer (PSP).</li> <li>On reset, the processor loads the MSP with the value from ad</li> </ul>	
LR (R14)	RW	Undefined	The link register (LR) is register R14. It stores the return information for subroutines, function calls, and exceptions.	
PC (R15)	RW	[0x00000004]	The program counter (PC) is register R15. It contains the current program address.  On reset, the processor loads the PC with the value from address 0x00000004. Bit[0] of the value is loaded into the EPSR T-bit at reset and must be 1.	
PSR	RW	Undefined	The program status register (PSR) combines: Application Program Status Register (APSR). Execution Program Status Register (EPSR). Interrupt Program Status Register (IPSR).	
APSR	RW	Undefined	The APSR contains the current state of the condition flags from previous instruction executions.	
EPSR	RO	[0x00000004].0	On reset, EPSR is loaded with the value bit[0] of the register [0x00000004].	
IPSR	RO	0	The IPSR contains the exception number of the current ISR.	
PRIMASK	RW	0	The PRIMASK register prevents activation of all exceptions with configurable priority.	
CONTROL	RW	0	The CONTROL register controls the stack used when the processor is in thread mode.	

<sup>1.</sup> Describes access type during program execution in thread mode and handler mode. Debug access can differ.

Table 5 shows how the PSR bits are assigned.

Table 5. CORTEX-M0+ RPSR BIT ASSIGNMENTS

Bit	PSR Register	Name	Usage	
31	APSR	N	Negative flag	
30	APSR	Z	Zero flag	
29	APSR	С	Carry or borrow flag	
28	APSR	V	Overflow flag	
27 – 25	-	=	Reserved	
24	EPSR	Т	Thumb state bit. Must always be 1. Attempting to execute instructions when the T bit is 0 results in a HardFault exception.	
23 – 6	-	=	Reserved	
5 – 0	IPSR	N/A	Exception number of current ISR:  0 = thread mode  1 = reserved  2 = NMI  3 = HardFault  4 - 10 = reserved  11 = SVCall  12, 13 = reserved  14 = PendSV  15 = SysTick  16 = IRQ0   35 = IRQ19	

Use the MSR or CPS instruction to set or clear bit 0 of the PRIMASK register. If the bit is 0, exceptions are enabled. If the bit is 1, all exceptions with configurable priority, that is, all exceptions except HardFault, NMI, and Reset, are disabled. See the <a href="Interrupts chapter">Interrupts chapter</a> on page 11 for a list of exceptions.

# **Operating Modes**

The Cortex-M0+ processor supports two operating modes:

- Thread Mode used by all normal applications. In this mode, the MSP or PSP can be used. The CONTROL register bit 1 determines which stack pointer is used:
  - 0 = MSP is the current stack pointer
  - 1 = PSP is the current stack pointer
- Handler Mode used to execute exception handlers. The MSP is always used.

In thread mode, use the MSR instruction to set the stack pointer bit in the CONTROL register. When changing the stack pointer, use an ISB instruction immediately after the MSR instruction. This action ensures that instructions after the ISB execute using the new stack pointer.

In handler mode, explicit writes to the CONTROL register are ignored, because the MSP is always used. The exception entry and return mechanisms automatically update the CONTROL register.

# **Instruction Set**

The Cortex-M0+ implements a version of the Thumb instruction set, as Table 6 shows. For details, see the Cortex-M0+ Generic User Guide.

An instruction operand can be an ARM register, a constant, or another instruction–specific parameter. Instructions act on the operands and often store the result in a destination register. Many instructions are unable to use, or have restrictions on using, the PC or SP for the operands or destination register.

**Table 6. THUMB INSTRUCTION SET** 

Mnemonic	Brief Description		
ADCS	Add with carry		
ADD{S} (Note 2)	Add		
ADR	PC-relative address to register		
ANDS	Bit wise AND		
ASRS	Arithmetic shift right		
B{cc}	Branch {conditionally}		
BICS	Bit clear		
BKPT	Breakpoint		
BL	Branch with link		
BLX	Branch indirect with link		
BX	Branch indirect		
CMN	Compare negative		
CMP	Compare		
CPSID	Change processor state, disable interrupts		
CPSIE	Change processor state, enable interrupts		
DMB	Data memory barrier		

Table 6. THUMB INSTRUCTION SET (continued)

Mnemonic	Brief Description		
DSB	Data synchronization barrier		
EORS	Exclusive OR		
ISB	Instruction synchronization barrier		
LDM	Load multiple registers, increment after		
LDR	Load register from PC-relative address		
LDRB	Load register with word		
LDRH	Load register with half-word		
LDRSB	Load register with signed byte		
LDRSH	Load register with signed half-word		
LSLS	Logical shift left		
MOV{S} (Note 2)	Move		
LSRS	Logical shift right		
MRS	Move to general register from special register		
MSR	Move to special register from general register		
MULS	Multiply, 32-bit result		
MVNS	Bit wise NOT		
NOP	No operation		
ORRS	Logical OR		
POP	Pop registers from stack		
PUSH	Push registers onto stack		
REV	Byte-reverse word		
REV16	Byte-reverse packed half-words		
REVSH	Byte-reverse signed half-word		
RORS	Rotate right		
RSBS	Reverse subtract		
SBCS	Subtract with carry		
SEV	Send event		
STM	Store multiple registers, increment after		
STR	Store register as word		
STRB	Store register as byte		
STRH	Store register as half-word		
SUB{S} (Note 2)	Subtract		
SVC	Supervisor call		
SXTB	Sign extend byte		
SXTH	Sign extend half-word		
TST	Logical AND-based test		
UXTB	Zero extend a byte		
UXTH	Zero extend a half-word		
WFE	Wait for event		
WFI	Wait for interrupt		

The 'S' qualifier causes the ADD, SUB, or MOV instructions to update APSR condition flags.

# **Address Alignment**

An aligned access is an operation where a word-aligned address is used for a word or multiple word access, or where a half-word-aligned address is used for a half-word access. Byte accesses are always aligned.

No support is provided for unaligned accesses on the Cortex-M0+ processor. Any attempt to perform an unaligned memory access operation results in a HardFault exception.

# **Memory Endianness**

The Cortex-M0+ uses the little-endian format, where the least-significant byte of a word is stored at the lowest address and the most significant byte is stored at the highest address.

# **Systick Timer**

The Systick timer is integrated with the NVIC and generates the SYSTICK interrupt. This interrupt can be used for task management in a real-time system. The timer has a reload register with 24 bits available to use as a countdown value. The Systick timer uses either the Cortex-M0+internal clock or the low-frequency clock (LF\_CLK) as the source.

# Debug

AXM0F243 MCU contains a debug interface based on SWD; it features four breakpoint (address) comparators and two watchpoint (data) comparators.

#### **INTERRUPTS**

The ARM Cortex-M0+ (CM0+) CPU in AXM0F243 MCU supports interrupts and exceptions. Interrupts refer to those events generated by peripherals external to the CPU such as timers, serial communication block, and port pin signals. Exceptions refer to those events that are generated by the CPU such as memory access faults and internal system timer events. Both interrupts and exceptions result in the current program flow being stopped and the exception handler or interrupt service routine (ISR) being executed by the CPU. The device provides a unified exception vector table for both interrupt handlers/ISR and exception handlers.

#### **Features**

AXM0F243 MCU supports the following interrupt features:

- Supports 20 interrupts
- Nested vectored interrupt controller (NVIC) integrated with CPU core, yielding low interrupt latency
- Vector table may be placed in either flash or SRAM
- Configurable priority levels from 0 to 3 for each interrupt
- Level-triggered and pulse-triggered interrupt signals

#### **How It Works**

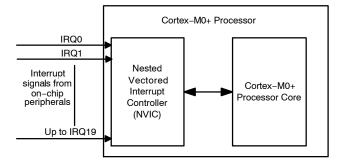


Figure 4. AXM0F243 MCU Interrupts Block Diagram

Figure 4 shows the interaction between interrupt signals and the Cortex–M0+ CPU. AXM0F243 MCU has up to 20 interrupts; these interrupt signals are processed by the NVIC. The NVIC takes care of enabling/disabling individual interrupts, priority resolution, and communication with the CPU core. The exceptions are not shown in Figure 4 because they are part of CM0+ core generated events, unlike interrupts, which are generated by peripherals external to the CPU.

# Interrupts and Exceptions – Operation

# Interrupt/Exception Handling

The following sequence of events occurs when an interrupt or exception event is triggered:

1. Assuming that all the interrupt signals are initially low (idle or inactive state) and the processor is executing the main code, a rising edge on any one

- of the interrupt lines is registered by the NVIC. The interrupt line is now in a pending state waiting to be serviced by the CPU.
- On detecting the interrupt request signal from the NVIC, the CPU stores its current context by pushing the contents of the CPU registers onto the stack.
- 3. The CPU also receives the exception number of the triggered interrupt from the NVIC. All interrupts and exceptions have a unique exception number, as given in Table 4. By using this exception number, the CPU fetches the address of the specific exception handler from the vector
- 4. The CPU then branches to this address and executes the exception handler that follows.
- 5. Upon completion of the exception handler, the CPU registers are restored to their original state using stack pop operations; the CPU resumes the main code execution.

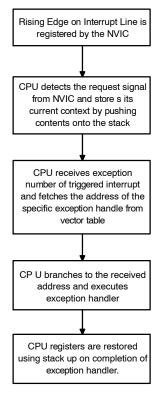


Figure 5. Interrupt Handling When Triggered

When the NVIC receives an interrupt request while another interrupt is being serviced or receives multiple interrupt requests at the same time, it evaluates the priority of all these interrupts, sending the exception number of the highest priority interrupt to the CPU. Thus, a higher priority interrupt can block the execution of a lower priority ISR at any time.

Exceptions are handled in the same way that interrupts are handled. Each exception event has a unique exception number, which is used by the CPU to execute the appropriate exception handler.

# Level and Pulse Interrupts

NVIC supports both level and pulse signals on the interrupt lines (IRQ0 to IRQ19). The classification of an interrupt as level or pulse is based on the interrupt source.

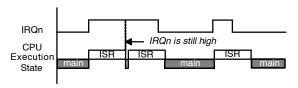


Figure 6. Level Interrupts

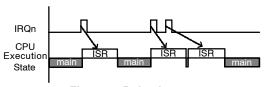


Figure 7. Pulse Interrupts

Figure 6 and Figure 7 show the working of level and pulse interrupts, respectively. Assuming the interrupt signal is initially inactive (logic low), the following sequence of events explains the handling of level and pulse interrupts:

- On a rising edge event of the interrupt signal, the NVIC registers the interrupt request. The interrupt is now in the pending state, which means the interrupt requests have not yet been serviced by the CPU.
- The NVIC then sends the exception number along with the interrupt request signal to the CPU. When the CPU starts executing the ISR, the pending state of the interrupt is cleared.
- 3. When the ISR is being executed by the CPU, one or more rising edges of the interrupt signal are logged as a single pending request. The pending interrupt is serviced again after the current ISR execution is complete (see Figure 7 for pulse interrupts).
- 4. If the interrupt signal is still high after completing the ISR, it will be pending and the ISR is executed again. Figure 6 illustrates this for level triggered interrupts, where the ISR is executed as long as the interrupt signal is high.

#### **Exception Vector Table**

The exception vector table (Table 7), stores the entry point addresses for all exception handlers. The CPU fetches the appropriate address based on the exception number.

Table 7	EVALET		TOR TABLE
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Exception Number	Exception	Exception Priority	Vector Address
-	Initial Stack Pointer Value	Not applicable (NA)	Base_Address - 0x00000000 (start of flash memory) or 0x20000000 (start of SRAM)
1	Reset	-3, the highest priority	Base_Address + 0x04
2	Non Maskable Interrupt (NMI)	-2	Base_Address + 0x08
3	HardFault	<b>-1</b>	Base_Address + 0x0C
4 – 10	Reserved	NA	Base_Address + 0x10 to Base_Address + 0x28
11	Supervisory Call (SVCall)	Configurable (0 - 3)	Base_Address + 0x2C
12 – 13	Reserved	NA	Base_Address + 0x30 to Base_Address + 0x34
14	PendSupervisory (PendSV)	Configurable (0 - 3)	Base_Address + 0x38
15	System Timer (SysTick)	Configurable (0 - 3)	Base_Address + 0x3C
16	External Interrupt (IRQ0)	Configurable (0 - 3)	Base_Address + 0x40
		Configurable (0 - 3)	
35	External Interrupt (IRQ19)	Configurable (0 - 3)	Base_Address + 0xAC

In Table 7, the first word (4 bytes) is not marked as exception number zero. This is because the first word in the exception table is used to initialize the main stack pointer (MSP) value on device reset; it is not considered as an exception. The vector table can be located anywhere in the memory map (flash or SRAM) by modifying the Vector Table Offset Register (VTOR). This register is part of the System Control Space of CM0+ located at 0xE000ED08. This register takes bits 31:8 of the vector table address; bits

7:0 are reserved. Therefore, the vector table address should be 256 bytes aligned. The advantage of moving the vector table to SRAM is that the exception handler addresses can be dynamically changed by modifying the SRAM vector table contents. However, the nonvolatile flash memory vector table must be modified by a flash memory write.

Reads of flash addresses 0x00000000 and 0x00000004 are redirected to the first eight bytes of SROM to fetch the stack pointer and reset vectors, unless the

DIS\_RESET\_VECT\_REL bit of the CPUSS\_SYSREQ register is set. The default value of this bit at reset is 0 ensuring that reset vector is always fetched from SROM. To allow flash read from addresses 0x00000000 and 0x00000004, the DIS\_RESET\_VECT\_REL bit should be set to '1'. The stack pointer vector holds the address that the stack pointer is loaded with on reset. The reset vector holds the address of the boot sequence. This mapping is done to use the default addresses for the stack pointer and reset vector from SROM when the device reset is released. For reset, boot code in SROM is executed first and then the CPU jumps to address 0x000000004 in flash to execute the handler in flash. The reset exception address in the SRAM vector table is never used.

Also, when the SYSCALL\_REQ bit of the CPUSS SYSREQ

register is set, reads of flash address 0x00000008 are redirected to SROM to fetch the NMI vector address instead of from flash. Reset CPUSS\_SYSREQ to read the flash at address 0x000000008.

The exception sources (exception numbers 1 to 15) are explained in <u>Exception Sources</u>. The exceptions marked as Reserved in Table 7 are not used, although they have addresses reserved for them in the vector table. The interrupt sources (exception numbers 16 to 35) are explained in <u>Interrupt Sources</u>.

# **Exception Sources**

This section explains the different exception sources listed in Table 7 (exception numbers 1 to 15).

#### **Reset Exception**

Device reset is treated as an exception in AXM0F243 MCU. It is always enabled with a fixed priority of -3, the highest priority exception. A device reset can occur due to multiple reasons, such as power-on-reset (POR), external reset signal on XRES pin, or watchdog reset. When the device is reset, the initial boot code for configuring the device is executed out of supervisory read-only memory (SROM). The boot code and other data in SROM memory are programmed, and are not read/write accessible to external users. After completing the SROM boot sequence, the CPU code execution jumps to flash memory. Flash memory address 0x00000004 (Exception #1 in Table 7) stores the location of the startup code in flash memory. The CPU starts executing code out of this address. Note that the reset exception address in the SRAM vector table will never be used because the device comes out of reset with the flash vector table selected. The register configuration to select the SRAM vector table can be done only as part of the startup code in flash after the reset is de-asserted.

# Non-Maskable Interrupt (NMI) Exception

Non-maskable interrupt (NMI) is the highest priority exception other than reset. It is always enabled with a fixed priority of -2. There are two ways to trigger an NMI exception in the device:

- NMI exception by setting NMIPENDSET bit (user NMI exception): An NMI exception can be triggered in software by setting the NMIPENDSET bit in the interrupt control state register (CMOP\_ICSR register). Setting this bit will execute the NMI handler pointed to by the active vector table (flash or SRAM vector table).
- System Call NMI exception: This exception is used for nonvolatile programming operations such as flash write operation and flash checksum operation. It is triggered by setting the SYSCALL REQ bit in the CPUSS SYSREQ exception register. An NMI triggered SYSCALL REQ bit always executes the NMI exception handler code that resides in SROM. Flash or SRAM exception vector table is not used for system call NMI exception. The NMI handler code in SROM is not read/ write accessible because it contains nonvolatile programming routines that should not be modified by the user.

#### **HardFault Exception**

HardFault is an always-enabled exception that occurs because of an error during normal or exception processing. HardFault has a fixed priority of –1, meaning it has higher priority than any exception with configurable priority. Hard-Fault exception is a catch-all exception for different types of fault conditions, which include executing an undefined instruction and accessing an invalid memory addresses. The CM0+ CPU does not provide fault status information to the HardFault exception handler, but it does permit the handler to perform an exception return and continue execution in cases where software has the ability to recover from the fault situation.

# Supervisor Call (SVCall) Exception

Supervisor Call (SVCall) is an always—enabled exception caused when the CPU executes the SVC instruction as part of the application code. Application software uses the SVC instruction to make a call to an underlying operating system and provide a service. This is known as a supervisor call. The SVC instruction enables the application to issue a supervisor call that requires privileged access to the system. Note that the CM0+ uses a privileged mode for the system call NMI exception, which is not related to the SVCall exception. (See the Chip Operational Modes chapter on page 45 for details on privileged mode.) There is no other privileged mode support for SVCall at the architecture level in the device. The application developer must define the SVCall exception handler according to the end application requirements.

The priority of a SVCall exception can be configured to a value between 0 and 3 by writing to the two bit fields PRI\_11[31:30] of the System Handler Priority Register 2 (SHPR2). When the SVC instruction is executed, the SVCall exception enters the pending state and waits to be serviced by the CPU. The SVCALLPENDED bit in the System Handler Control and State Register (SHCSR) can be used to check or modify the pending status of the SVCall exception.

#### **PendSV Exception**

PendSV is another supervisor call related exception similar to SVCall, normally being software-generated. PendSV is always enabled and its priority is configurable. The PendSV exception is triggered by setting the PENDSVSET bit in the Interrupt Control State Register, CM0P\_ICSR. On setting this bit, the PendSV exception enters the pending state, and waits to be serviced by the CPU. The pending state of a PendSV exception can be cleared by setting the PENDSVCLR bit in the Interrupt Control State Register, CM0P\_ICSR. The priority of a PendSV exception can be configured to a value between 0 and 3 by writing to the two bit fields PRI\_14[23:22] of the System Handler Priority Register 3 (CM0P\_SHPR3). See the <a href="https://example.com/ARMV6-M">ARMV6-M</a> Architecture Reference Manual for more details.

# SysTick Exception

CM0+ CPU in AXM0F243 MCU supports a system timer, referred to as SysTick, as part of its internal architecture. SysTick provides a simple, 24-bit decrementing counter for various timekeeping purposes such as an RTOS tick timer, high-speed alarm timer, or simple counter. The SysTick timer can be configured to generate an interrupt when its count value reaches zero, which is referred to as SysTick exception. The exception is enabled by setting the TICKINT bit in the SysTick Control and Status Register (CM0P SYST CSR). The priority of a SysTick exception

can be configured to a value between 0 and 3 by writing to the two bit fields PRI\_15[31:30] of the System Handler Priority Register 3 (SHPR3). The SysTick exception can always be generated in software at any instant by writing a one to the PENDSTSETb bit in the Interrupt Control State Register, CM0P\_ICSR. Similarly, the pending state of the SysTick exception can be cleared by writing a one to the PENDSTCLR bit in the Interrupt Control State Register, CM0P\_ICSR.

#### **Interrupt Sources**

AXM0F243 MCU supports up to 20 interrupts (IRQ0 to IRQ19 or exception numbers 16 – 43) from peripherals. The source of each interrupt is listed in Table 8. AXM0F243 MCU provides flexible sourcing options for each interrupt line. The interrupts include standard interrupts from the on–chip peripherals such as TCPWM and serial communication block. The interrupt generated is usually the logical OR of the different peripheral states. The peripheral status register should be read in the ISR to detect which condition generated the interrupt. interrupts are usually level interrupts, which require that the peripheral status register be read in the ISR to clear the interrupt. If the status register is not read in the ISR, the interrupt will remain asserted and the ISR will be executed continuously.

See the <u>I/O System chapter</u> on page 19 for details on GPIO interrupts.

Table 8. LIST OF AXM0F243 MCU INTERRUPT SOURCES

Interrupt	Cortex-M0+ Exception No.	Interrupt Source
NMI	2	SYSCALL_REQ
IRQ0	16	GPIO Interrupt – Port 0
IRQ1	17	GPIO Interrupt – Port 1
IRQ2	18	GPIO Interrupt – Port 2
IRQ3	19	GPIO Interrupt – Port 3
IRQ4	20	GPIO Interrupt – All Port
IRQ5	21	LPCOMP (low-power comparator)
IRQ6	22	WDT (Watchdog timer)
IRQ7	23	SCB0 (Serial Communication Block 0)
IRQ8	24	SCB1 (Serial Communication Block 1)
IRQ9	25	SCB2 (Serial Communication Block 2)
IRQ10	26	CTBm (Continuous Time Block mini) – all CTBms
IRQ11	27	WCO WDT Interrupt
IRQ12	28	SPCIF Interrupt
IRQ13	29	Reserved
IRQ14	30	TCPWM0 (Timer/Counter/PWM 0)
IRQ15	31	TCPWM1 (Timer/Counter/PWM 1)
IRQ16	32	TCPWM2 (Timer/Counter/PWM 2)
IRQ17	33	TCPWM3 (Timer/Counter/PWM 3)
IRQ18	34	TCPWM4 (Timer/Counter/PWM 4)
IRQ19	35	SAR ADC

# **Exception Priority**

Exception priority is useful for exception arbitration when there are multiple exceptions that need to be serviced by the CPU. AXM0F243 MCU provides flexibility in choosing priority values for different exceptions. All exceptions other than Reset, NMI, and HardFault can be assigned a configurable priority level. The Reset, NMI, and HardFault exceptions have a fixed priority of -3, -2, and -1 respectively. In AXM0F243 MCU, lower priority numbers represent higher priorities. This means that the Reset, NMI, and HardFault exceptions have the highest priorities. The other exceptions can be assigned a configurable priority level between 0 and 3.

AXM0F243 MCU supports nested exceptions in which a higher priority exception can obstruct (interrupt) the currently active exception handler. This preemption does not happen if the incoming exception priority is the same as active exception. The CPU resumes execution of the lower priority exception handler after servicing the higher priority exception. The CM0+ CPU in AXM0F243 MCU allows nesting of up to four exceptions. When the CPU receives two or more exceptions requests of the same priority, the lowest exception number is serviced first.

The registers to configure the priority of exception numbers 1 to 15 are explained in "Exception Sources" on page 13.

The priority of the 20 interrupts (IRQ0 to IRQ19) can be configured by writing to the Interrupt Priority registers (CM0P\_IPR). This is a group of 32-bit registers with each register storing the priority values of four interrupts, as given in Table 9. The other bit fields in the register are not used.

Table 9. INTERRUPT PRIORITY REGISTER BIT DEFINITIONS

Bits	Name	Description
7:6	PRI_N0	Priority of interrupt number N.
15:14	PRI_N1	Priority of interrupt number N+1.
23:22	PRI_N2	Priority of interrupt number N+2.
31:30	PRI_N3	Priority of interrupt number N+3.

# **Enabling and Disabling Interrupts**

The NVIC provides registers to individually enable and disable the 20 interrupts in software. If an interrupt is not enabled, the NVIC will not process the interrupt requests on that interrupt line. The Interrupt Set-Enable Register (CM0P\_ISER) and the Interrupt Clear-Enable Register (CM0P\_ICER) are used to enable and disable the interrupts respectively. These are 32-bit wide registers and each bit corresponds to the same numbered interrupt. These registers can also be read in software to get the enable status of the interrupts. Table 10 shows the register access properties for these two registers. Note that writing zero to these registers has no effect.

Table 10. INTERRUPT ENABLE/DISABLE REGISTERS

Registers	Operation	Bit Value	Comment
Interrupt Set Enable	Write	1	To enable the interrupt
Register		0	No effect
(CM0P_ISER)	Read	1	Interrupt is enabled
		0	Interrupt is disabled
Interrupt Clear Enable	Write	1	To disable the interrupt
Register		0	No effect
(CM0P_ICER)	Read	1	Interrupt is enabled
		0	Interrupt is disabled

The CM0P\_ISER and CM0P\_ICER registers are applicable only for interrupts IRQ0 to IRQ19. These registers cannot be used to enable or disable the exception numbers 1 to 15. The 15 exceptions have their own support for enabling and disabling, as explained in "Exception Sources" on page 13.

The PRIMASK register in Cortex–M0+ (CM0+) CPU can be used as a global exception enable register to mask all the configurable priority exceptions irrespective of whether they are enabled. Configurable priority exceptions include all the exceptions except Reset, NMI, and HardFault listed in Table 7. They can be configured to a priority level between 0 and 3, 0 being the highest priority and 3 being the lowest priority. When the PM bit (bit 0) in the PRIMASK register is set, none of the configurable priority exceptions can be serviced by the CPU, though they can be in the pending state waiting to be serviced by the CPU after the PM bit is cleared.

## **Exception States**

Each exception can be in one of the following states. Table 11. Exception States

**Table 11. EXCEPTION STATES** 

Exception States	Meaning
Inactive	The exception is not active or pending. Either the exception is disabled or the enabled exception has not been triggered.
Pending	The exception request is received by the CPU/NVIC and the exception is waiting to be serviced by the CPU.
Active	An exception that is being serviced by the CPU but whose exception handler execution is not yet complete.  A high-priority exception can interrupt the execution of lower priority exception. In this case, both the exceptions are in the active state
Active and Pending	The exception is serviced by the processor and there is a pending request from the same source during its exception handler execution.

The Interrupt Control State Register (CM0P\_ICSR) contains status bits describing the various exceptions states.

- The VECTACTIVE bits ([8:0]) in the CMOP\_ICSR store the exception number for the current executing exception. This value is zero if the CPU does not execute any exception handler (CPU is in thread mode). Note that the value in VECTACTIVE bit fields is the same as the value in bits [8:0] of the Interrupt Program Status Register (IPSR), which is also used to store the active exception number.
- The VECTPENDING bits ([20:12]) in the CM0P\_ICSR store the exception number of the highest priority pending exception. This value is zero if there are no pending exceptions.
- The ISRPENDING bit (bit 22) in the CM0P\_ICSR indicates if a NVIC generated interrupt (IRQ0 to IRQ19) is in a pending state.

# **Pending Exceptions**

When a peripheral generates an interrupt request signal to the NVIC or an exception event occurs, the corresponding exception enters the pending state. When the CPU starts executing the corresponding exception handler routine, the exception is changed from the pending state to the active state.

The NVIC allows software pending of the 20 interrupt lines by providing separate register bits for setting and clearing the pending states of the interrupts. The Interrupt Set-Pending register (CM0P\_ISPR) and the Interrupt Clear-Pending register (CM0P\_ICPR) are used to set and clear the pending status of the interrupt lines. These are 32-bit wide registers and each bit corresponds to the same numbered interrupt.

Table 12 shows the register access properties for these two registers. Note that writing zero to these registers has no effect.

Table 12. INTERRUPT SET PENDING/ CLEAR PENDING REGISTERS

Registers Operation Bit Value		Bit Value	Comment
Interrupt Set-Pending Register	Write	1	To put an interrupt to pending state
(CM0P_ISPR)		0	No effect
	Read	1	Interrupt is pending
		0	Interrupt is not pending
Interrupt Clear-Pending Register	Write	1	To clear pending interrupt
(CM0P_ICPR)		0	No effect
	Read	1	Interrupt is pending
		0	Interrupt is not pending

Setting the pending bit when the same bit is already set results in only one execution of the ISR. The pending bit can be updated regardless of whether the corresponding interrupt is enabled. If the interrupt is not enabled, the interrupt line will not move to the pending state until it is enabled by writing to the CMOP ISER register.

Note that the CM0P\_ISPR and CM0P\_ICPR registers are used only for the 20 peripheral interrupts (exception numbers 16-43). These registers cannot be used for pending the exception numbers 1 to 15. These 15 exceptions have their own support for pending, as explained in "Exception Sources" on page 13.

# Stack Usage for Exceptions

When the CPU executes the main code (in thread mode) and an exception request occurs, the CPU stores the state of its general-purpose registers in the stack. It then starts executing the corresponding exception handler (in handler mode). The CPU pushes the contents of the eight 32-bit internal registers into the stack. These registers are the Program and Status Register (PSR), ReturnAddress, Link Register (LR or R14), R12, R3, R2, R1, and R0. Cortex-M0+ has two stack pointers - MSP and PSP. Only one of the stack pointers can be active at a time. When in thread mode, the Active Stack Pointer bit in the Control register is used to define the current active stack pointer. When in handler mode, the MSP is always used as the stack pointer. The stack pointer in Cortex-M0+ always grows downwards and points to the address that has the last pushed data.

When the CPU is in thread mode and an exception request comes, the CPU uses the stack pointer defined in the control register to store the general-purpose register contents. After the stack push operations, the CPU enters handler mode to execute the exception handler. When another higher priority exception occurs while executing the current exception, the MSP is used for stack push/pop operations, because the CPU is already in handler mode. See the <a href="Cortex-M0+ CPU">Cortex-M0+ CPU</a> chapter on page 7 for details.

The Cortex-M0+ uses two techniques, tail chaining and late arrival, to reduce latency in servicing exceptions. These techniques are not visible to the external user and are part of the internal processor architecture. For information on tail chaining and late arrival mechanism, visit the <u>ARM</u> Infocenter.

# Interrupts and Low-Power Modes

AXM0F243 MCU allows device wakeup from low-power modes when certain peripheral interrupt requests are generated. The Wakeup Interrupt Controller (WIC) block generates a wakeup signal that causes the device to enter Active mode when one or more wakeup sources generate an interrupt signal. After entering Active mode, the ISR of the peripheral interrupt is executed.

The Wait For Interrupt (WFI) instruction, executed by the CM0+ CPU, triggers the transition into Sleep and Deep-Sleep modes. The sequence of entering the different low-power modes is detailed in the <u>Power Modes chapter</u> on page 46. Chip low-power modes have two categories of fixed-function interrupt sources:

- Fixed-function interrupt sources that are available only in the Active and Deep-Sleep modes (watchdog timer interrupt,)
- Fixed-function interrupt sources that are available only in the Active mode (all other fixed-function interrupts)

# **Exceptions – Initialization and Configuration**

This section covers the different steps involved in initializing and configuring exceptions.

1. Configuring the Exception Vector Table Location: The first step in using exceptions is to configure the vector table location as required – either in flash memory or SRAM. This configuration is done by writing bits 31:28 of the VTOR register

- with the value of the flash or SRAM address at which the vector table will reside. This register write is done as part of device initialization code. It is recommended that the vector table be available in SRAM if the application needs to change the vector addresses dynamically. If the table is located in flash, then a flash write operation is required to modify the vector table contents.
- 2. Configuring Individual Exceptions: The next step is to configure individual exceptions required in an application.
  - a. Configure the exception or interrupt source; this includes setting up the interrupt generation conditions. The register configuration depends on the specific exception required.
  - b. Define the exception handler function and write the address of the function to the exception vector table. Table 7 gives the exception vector table format; the exception handler address should be written to the appropriate exception number entry in the table.
  - c. Set up the exception priority, as explained in "Exception Priority" on page 15.
  - d. Enable the exception, as explained in "Enabling and Disabling Interrupts" on page 15.

# Registers

Table 13. LIST OF REGISTERS

Register Name	Description
CM0P_ISER	Interrupt Set-Enable Register
CM0P_ICER	Interrupt Clear Enable Register
CM0P_ISPR	Interrupt Set-Pending Register
CM0P_ICPR	Interrupt Clear-Pending Register
CM0P_IPR	Interrupt Priority Registers
CM0P_ICSR	Interrupt Control State Register
CM0P_AIRCR	Application Interrupt and Reset Control Register
CM0P_SCR	System Control Register
CM0P_CCR	Configuration and Control Register
CM0P_SHPR2	System Handler Priority Register 2
CM0P_SHPR3	System Handler Priority Register 3
CM0P_SHCSR	System Handler Control and State Register
CM0P_SYST_CSR	Systick Control and Status Register
CPUSS_CONFIG	CPU Subsystem Configuration Register
CPUSS_SYSREQ	System Request Register

#### **Associated Documents**

• <u>ARMv6–M Architecture Reference Manual</u> – This document explains the ARM Cortex–M0+ architecture,

including the instruction set, NVIC architecture, and CPU register descriptions.

# SYSTEM RESOURCES SUBSYSTEM (SRSS)

This section encompasses the following chapters:

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- <u>Power Supply and Monitoring chapter</u> on page 42
- Chip Operational Modes chapter on page 45
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- Watchdog Timer chapter on page 50
- Reset System chapter on page 54
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# **Top Level Architecture**

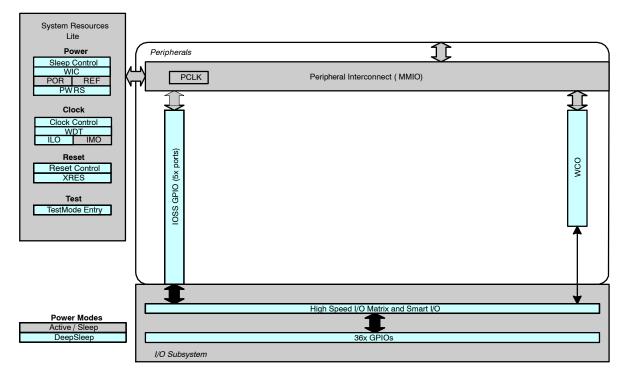


Figure 8. System-Wide Resources Block Diagram

# I/O SYSTEM

This chapter explains the AXM0F243 MCU I/O system, its features, architecture, operating modes, and interrupts. The GPIO pins in are grouped into ports; a port can have a maximum of eight GPIOs. The AXM0F243 MCU device has a maximum of 36 GPIOs arranged in five ports.

# **Features**

The AXM0F243 MCU GPIOs have these features:

- Analog and digital input and output capabilities
- Eight drive strength modes
- Edge-triggered interrupts on rising edge, falling edge, or on both the edges, on pin basis
- Slew rate control

- Hold mode for latching previous state (used for retaining I/O state in Deep–Sleep mode)
- Selectable CMOS and low-voltage LVTTL input buffer mode
- Smart I/O block provides the ability to perform Boolean functions in the I/O signal path
- Two analog mux buses (AMUXBUS-A and AMUXBUS-B) that can be used to multiplex analog signals

# AXM0F243 System-on-Chip pins definition

Table 14 describes the GPIO pins arrangement of the AXM0F243 System-on-Chip (SoC) equipped with radio transceiver AX5043 and AXM0F243 MCU.

Table 14. AXM0F243 SoC AND AXM0243 MCU PINS CORRESPONDENCE

AXM0F243 SoC	AXM0F243 MCU	Description
P0.0	P0.0	General purpose IO
P0.1	P0.1	General purpose IO
P0.2	P0.2	General purpose IO
	P0.3	Disconnected
P0.4	P0.4	General purpose IO
P0.5	P0.5	General purpose IO
P0.6	P0.6	General purpose IO
	P0.7	Disconnected
P1.0	P1.0	General purpose IO
P1.1	P1.1	General purpose IO
P1.2	P1.2	General purpose IO
P1.3	P1.3	General purpose IO
	P1.4	Disconnected
	P1.5	Disconnected
	P1.6	Disconnected
P1.7	P1.7	General purpose IO
	P2.0	Disconnected
	P2.1	Disconnected
	P2.2	Connected to AX5043 ANTSEL
	P2.3	Connected to AX5043 PWRAMP
	P2.4	Connected to AX5043 IRQ
	P2.5	Connected to AX5043 MOSI
	P2.6	Connected to AX5043 MISO
	P2.7	Connected to AX5043 CLK
	P3.0	Connected to AX5043 SEL
SYSCLK	P3.1	Connected to AX5043 SYSCLK
P3.2	P3.2	General purpose IO
P3.3	P3.3	General purpose IO
	P3.4	Disconnected

Table 14. AXM0F243 SoC AND AXM0243 MCU PINS CORRESPONDENCE

AXM0F243 SoC	AXM0F243 MCU	Description
	P3.5	Disconnected
P3.6	P3.6	General purpose IO
P3.7	P3.7	General purpose IO
P4.0	P4.0	General purpose IO
P4.1	P4.1	General purpose IO
P4.2	P4.2	General purpose IO
P4.3	P4.3	General purpose IO

# **GPIO Interface Overview**

AXM0F243 MCU is equipped with analog and digital peripherals. Figure 9 shows an overview of the routing between the peripherals and pins.

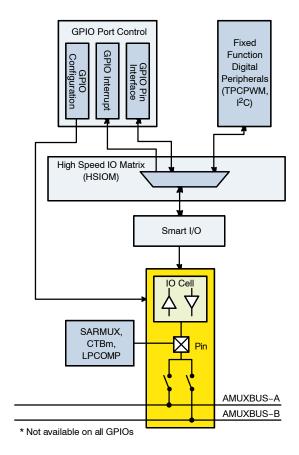


Figure 9. GPIO Interface Overview

GPIO pins are connected to I/O cells. These cells are equipped with an input buffer for the digital input, providing high input impedance and a driver for the digital output signals. The digital peripherals connect to the I/O cells via the high-speed I/O matrix (HSIOM). HSIOM contains multiplexers to connect between a peripheral selected by the

user and the pin. Some port pins have a Smart I/O block between the HSIOM and the pins. The Smart I/O block enables logical operations on the pin signal. The analog peripheral and analog mux bus connections are done in the GPIO cell directly.

#### I/O Cell Architecture

Figure 10 shows the I/O cell architecture. It comprises of an input buffer and an output driver. This architecture is

present in every GPIO cell. It connects to the HSIOM multiplexers/Smart I/O block for the digital input and the output signal.

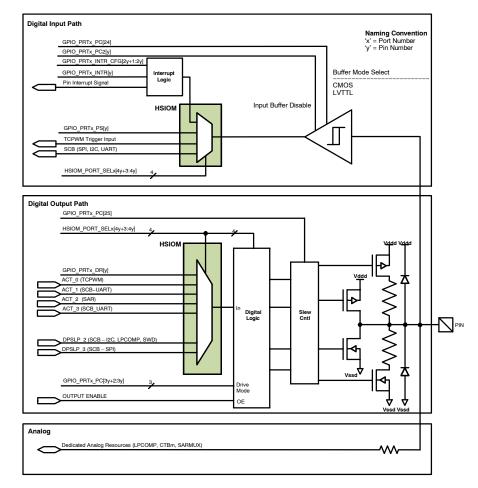


Figure 10. GPIO Block Diagram

# **Digital Input Buffer**

The digital input buffer provides a high–impedance buffer for the external digital input. The buffer is enabled and disabled by the INP\_DIS bit of the Port Configuration Register 2 (GPIO\_PRTx\_PC2, where x is the port number). The buffer is configurable for the following modes:

- CMOS
- LVTTL

These buffer modes are selected by the PORT\_VTRIP\_SEL bit (GPIO\_PRTx\_PC[24])of the Port Configuration register. Table 15.

**Table 15. INPUT BUFFER MODES** 

PORT_VTRIP_SEL	Input Buffer Mode
0b	CMOS
1b	LVTTL

The threshold values for each mode can be obtained from the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u>. The output of the input buffer is connected to the HSIOM for routing to the selected peripherals. Writing to the HSIOM port select register (HSIOM\_PORT\_SELx) selects the peripheral. The digital input peripherals in the HSIOM, shown in Figure 10, are pin dependent. See the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> to know the functions available for each pin.

# **Digital Output Driver**

Pins are driven by the digital output driver. It consists of circuitry to implement different drive modes and slew rate control for the digital output signals. The peripheral connects to the digital output driver through the HSIOM; a particular peripheral is selected by writing to the HSIOM port select register (HSIOM PORT SELx).

In AXM0F243 MCU I/Os are driven with  $V_{DDD}$  supply. Each GPIO pin has ESD diodes to clamp the pin voltage to the  $V_{DDD}$  source. Ensure that the voltage at the pin does not exceed the I/O supply voltage  $V_{DDD}$  and drop below  $V_{SSD}$ . For the absolute maximum and minimum GPIO voltage, see

the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u>. The digital output driver can be enabled and disabled using the DSI signal from the peripheral or data register (GPIO\_PRTx\_DR) associated with the output pin. See <u>High-Speed I/O Matrix</u> to know about the peripheral source selection for the data and to enable or disable control source selection.

#### Drive Modes

Each I/O is individually configurable into one of eight drive modes using the Port Configuration register, GPIO\_PRTx\_PC. Table 16 lists the drive modes. Figure 10 is a simplified output driver diagram that shows the pin view based on each of the eight drive modes.

**Table 16. DRIVE MODE SETTINGS** 

GPIO_PRTx_PC ('x' denotes port number and 'y' denotes pin number)				
Bit	Drive Mode	Value	Data = 1	Data = 0
3y+2: 3y	SEL'y'	Selec	ts Drive Mode for Pin 'y' (0	≤ y ≤ 7)
	High-Impedance Analog	0	High Z	High Z
	High-impedance Digital	1	High Z	High Z
	Resistive Pull Up	2	Weak 1	Strong 0
	Resistive Pull Down	3	Strong 1	Weak 0
	Open Drain, Drives Low	4	High Z	Strong 0
	Open Drain, Drives High	5	Strong 1	High Z
	Strong Drive	6	Strong 1	Strong 0
	Resistive Pull Up and Down	7	Weak 1	Weak 0

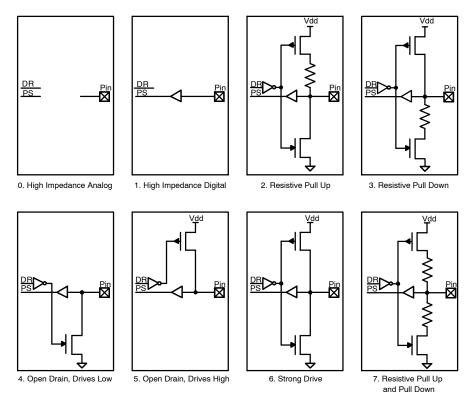


Figure 11. I/O Drive Mode Block Diagram

# • High-Impedance Analog

High-impedance analog mode is the default reset state; both output driver and digital input buffer are turned off. This state prevents an external voltage from causing a current to flow into the digital input buffer. This drive mode is recommended for pins that are floating or that support an analog voltage. High-impedance analog pins cannot be used for digital inputs. Reading the pin state register returns a 0x00 regardless of the data register value. To achieve the lowest device current in low-power modes, unused GPIOs must be configured to the high-impedance analog mode.

# High-Impedance Digital High impedance digital m

High-impedance digital mode is the standard high-impedance (High Z) state recommended for digital inputs. In this state, the input buffer is enabled for digital input signals.

# • Resistive Pull-Up or Resistive Pull-Down

Resistive modes provide a series resistance in one of the data states and strong drive in the other. Pins can be used for either digital input or digital output in these modes. If resistive pull—up is required, a '1' must be written to that pin's Data Register bit. If resistive pull—down is required, a '0' must be written to that pin's Data Register. Interfacing mechanical switches is a common application of these drive modes. The resistive modes are also used to interface AXM0F243 MCU with open drain drive lines. Resistive pull—up is used when input is open drain low and resistive pull—down is used when input is open drain high.

• Open Drain Drives High and Open Drain Drives Low Open drain modes provide high impedance in one of the data states and strong drive in the other. The pins can be used as digital input or output in these modes. Therefore, these modes are widely used in bi-directional digital communication. Open drain drive high mode is used when signal is externally pulled down and open drain drive low is used when signal is externally pulled high. A common application for open drain drives low mode is driving I<sup>2</sup>C bus signal lines.

# • Strong Drive

The strong drive mode is the standard digital output mode for pins; it provides a strong CMOS output drive in both high and low states. Strong drive mode pins must not be used as inputs under normal circumstances. This mode is often used for digital output signals or to drive external transistors.

• Resistive Pull-Up and Resistive Pull-Down
In the resistive pull-up and resistive pull-down mode, the
GPIO will have a series resistance in both logic 1 and
logic 0 output states. The high data state is pulled up while
the low data state is pulled down. This mode is used when
the bus is driven by other signals that may cause shorts.

#### Slew Rate Control

GPIO pins have fast and slow output slew rate options in strong drive mode; this is configured using PORT SLOW Port Configuration bit of the register (GPIO PRTx PC[25]). Slew rate is individually configurable for each port. This bit is cleared by default and the port works in fast slew mode. This bit can be set if a slow slew rate is required. Slower slew rate results in reduced EMI and crosstalk; hence, the slow option is recommended for low-frequency signals or signals without strict timing constraints.

# High-Speed I/O Matrix

The high-speed I/O matrix (HSIOM) is a group of high-speed switches that routes GPIOs to the peripherals inside the device. As the GPIOs are shared for multiple functions, HSIOM multiplexes the pin and connects to a particular peripheral selected by the user. In AXM0F243 MCU, the Smart I/O block bridges the Port 2 and Port 3 pins to the HSIOM. Other ports connect directly to the HSIOM.The HSIOM\_PORT\_SELx register is provided to select the peripheral. It is a 32-bit wide register available for each port, with each pin occupying four bits. This register provides up to 16 different options for a pin as listed in Table 17.

Table 17. AXM0F243 MCU PORT SETTINGS

	HSIOM_PORT_SELx ('x' denotes port number and 'y' denotes pin number)				
Bits	Name (SEL'y')	Value	Description (Selects pin 'y' source (0 ≤ y ≤ 7))		
4y+3: 4y	DR	0	Pin is regular firmware–controlled I/O or connected to dedicated hardware block.		
		4	Reserved		
		5	Reserved		
	AMUXA	6	Pin is connected to AMUXBUS-A.		
	AMUXB	7	Pin is connected to AMUXBUS-B.		
	ACTIVE_0	8	Pin-specific Active source #0 (TCPWM Output).		
	ACTIVE_1	9	Pin-specific Active source #1 (SCB-UART).		
	ACTIVE_2	10	Pin-specific Active source #2 (SAR ADC).		
	ACTIVE_3	11	Pin-specific Active source #3 (TCPWM Input, SCB-UART).		
		12	Reserved		
		13	Reserved		
	DEEP_SLEEP_2	14	Pin-specific Deep-Sleep source #2 (SCB-I <sup>2</sup> C, SWD, LPCOMP).		
	DEEP_SLEEP_3	15	Pin-specific Deep-Sleep source #3 (SCB-SPI).		

NOTE: The Active and Deep–Sleep sources are pin dependent. See the "Pinouts" section of the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for more details on the features supported by each pin.

# Smart I/O

The Smart I/O block adds programmable logic to an I/O port. This programmable logic integrates board–level Boolean logic functionality such as AND, OR, and XOR into the port. The Smart I/O block has these features:

- Integrate board–level Boolean logic functionality into a port
- Ability to preprocess HSIOM input signals from the GPIO port pins
- Ability to post-process HSIOM output signals to the GPIO port pins
- Support in all device power modes
- Integrate closely to the I/O pads, providing shortest signal paths with programmability

The AXM0F243 MCU device supports Smart I/O on two ports – Port 2 and Port 3. The register nomenclature 'PRGIO\_PRT0' denotes Port 2 Smart I/O registers, 'PRGIO\_PRT1' denotes Port 3 Smart I/O registers. For a general Smart I/O register description, the 'PRGIO\_PRTx' nomenclature will be used.

# Overview

The Smart I/O block is positioned in the signal path between the HSIOM and the I/O port. The HSIOM multiplexes the output signals from fixed-function peripherals and CPU to a specific port pin and vice-versa. The Smart I/O block is placed on this signal path, acting as a bridge that can process signals from port pins and HSIOM, as shown in Figure 12.

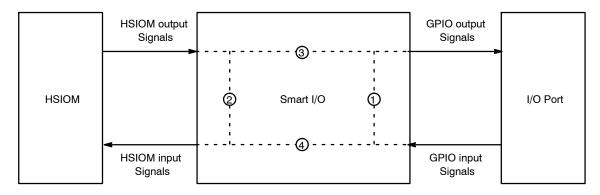


Figure 12. Smart I/O Interface

The signal paths supported through the Smart I/O block as shown in Figure 12 are as follows:

- 1. Implement self-contained logic functions that directly operate on port I/O signals
- 2. Implement self-contained logic functions that operate on HSIOM signals
- 3. Operate on and modify HSIOM output signals and route the modified signals to port I/O signals
- 4. Operate on and modify port I/O signals and route the modified signals to HSIOM input signals

The following sections discuss the Smart I/O block components, routing, and configuration in detail. In these sections, GPIO signals (io\_data) refer to the input/output signals from the I/O port; device or chip (chip\_data) signals refer to the input/output signals from HSIOM.

# **Block Components**

The internal logic of the Smart I/O includes these components:

- Clock/reset component
- Synchronizers
- LUT3 components
- Data unit component

# Clock and Reset

The clock and reset component selects the Smart I/O block's clock (clk\_block) and reset signal (rst\_block\_n). A single clock and reset signal is used for all components in the block. The clock and reset sources are determined by the CLOCK\_SRC[4:0] bit field of the PRGIO\_PRTx\_CTL register. The selected clock is used for the synchronous logic in the block components, which includes the I/O input synchronizers, LUT, and data unit components. The selected reset is used to asynchronously reset the synchronous logic in the LUT and data unit components.

Note that the selected clock (clk\_block) for the block's synchronous logic is not phase-aligned with other

synchronous logic in the device, operating on the same clock. Therefore, communication between Smart I/O and other synchronous logic should be treated as asynchronous.

The following clock sources are available for selection:

- GPIO input signals "io\_data\_in[7:0]". These clock sources have no associated reset.
- HSIOM output signals "chip\_data[7:0]". These clock sources have no associated reset.
- The Smart I/O clock (clk\_prgio). This is derived from the system clock (clk\_sys) using a peripheral clock divider. See the <u>Clocking System chapter</u> on page 36 for details on peripheral clock dividers. This clock is only available in Active and Sleep power modes. The clock can have one out of two associated resets: rst\_sys\_act\_n and rst\_sys\_dpslp\_n. These resets determine in which system power modes the block synchronous state is reset; for example, rst\_sys\_act\_n is intended for Smart I/O synchronous functionality in the Active power mode and reset is activated in the Deep-Sleep power mode.
- The low-frequency (40 kHz) system clock (clk\_lf). This clock is available in Deep-Sleep power mode. This clock has an associated reset, rst\_lf\_dpslp\_n.

When the block is enabled, the selected clock (clk\_block) and associated reset (rst\_block\_n) are released to the fabric components. When the fabric is disabled, no clock is released to the fabric components and the reset is activated (the LUT and data unit components are set to the reset value of '0').

The I/O input synchronizers introduce a delay of two clk\_block cycles (when synchronizers are enabled). As a result, in the first two cycles, the block may be exposed to stale data from the synchronizer output. Hence, during the first two clock cycles, the reset is activated and the block is in bypass mode.

Table 18. AXM0F243 MCU PORT SETTINGS

Register[BIT_POS]	Bit Name	Description
PRGIO_PRT0_CTL[12:8]	CLK_SRC[4:0]	Clock (clk_block)/reset (rst_block_n) source selection: "0": io_data[0]/`1'
		 "7": io_data[7]/'1' "8": chip_data[0]/'1'
		"15": chip_data[7]/'1' "16": clk_prgio/rst_sys_act_n; asserts reset in any power mode other than Active; that is, Smart I/O is active only in Active power mode with clock from the peripheral divider. "17": clk_prgio/rst_sys_dpslp_n. Smart I/O is active in all power modes with clock from the peripheral divider. However, the clock will not be active in Deep-Sleep power mode. "19": clk_lf/rst_lf_dpslp_n. Smart I/O is active in all power modes with clock from ILO. "20" - "30": Clock source is a constant '0'. Any of these clock sources should be selected when the IP is disabled to ensure low power consumption. "31": clk_sys/'1'. This selection is NOT intended for "clk_sys" operation. However, for asynchronous operation, three "clk_sys" cycles after enabling the IP, the IP is fully functional (reset is de-activated). To be used for asynchronous (clockless) block functionality.

#### Synchronizer

Each GPIO input signal and device input signal (HSIOM input) can be used either asynchronously or synchronously. To use the signals synchronously, a double flip-flop synchronizer, as shown in Figure 13, is placed on both these signal paths to synchronize the signal to the Smart I/O clock

(clk\_block). The synchronization for each pin/input is enabled or disabled by setting or clearing the IO\_SYNC\_EN[i] bit field for GPIO input signal and CHIP\_SYNC\_EN[i] for HSIOM signal in the PRGIO\_PRTO\_SYNC\_CTL register, where 'i' is the pin number.

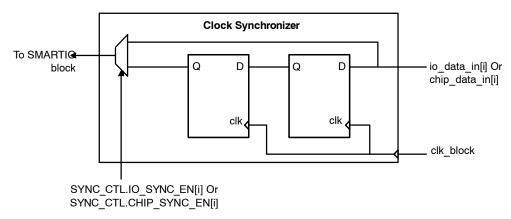


Figure 13. Smart I/O Clock Synchronizer

# LUT3

Each Smart I/O block contains eight lookup table (LUT3) components. The LUT3 component consists of a three-input LUT and a flip-flop. Each LUT3 block takes three input signals and generates an output based on the configuration set in the PRGIO\_PRTx\_LUT\_CTLy register (y denotes the LUT3 number). For each LUT3, the configuration is determined by an 8-bit lookup vector LUT[7:0] and a 2-bit opcode OPC[1:0] in the PRGIO\_PRTx\_LUT\_CTLy register. The 8-bit vector is used as a lookup table for the three input signals. The 2-bit opcode determines the usage of the flip-flop. The LUT3 configuration for different opcode is shown in Figure 14.

PRGIO\_PRTx\_LUT\_SELy registers select the three input signals (tr0\_in, tr1\_in and tr2\_in) going into each LUT3. The input can come from the following sources:

- Data unit output
- Other LUT3 output signals (tr\_out)
- HSIOM output signals (chip\_data[7:0])
- GPIO input signals (io data[7:0])

LUT\_TR0\_SEL[3:0] bits of the PRGIO\_PRTx\_LUT\_SELy register selects the tr0\_in signal for the y<sup>th</sup> LUT3. Similarly, LUT\_TR1\_SEL[3:0] bits and LUT\_TR2\_SEL[3:0] bits select the tr1\_in and tr2\_in signals respectively. See Table 19 for details.

**Table 19. LUT3 REGISTER CONTROL** 

Register[BIT_POS]	Bit Name	Description
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_CTLy[7:0]	LUT[7:0]	LUT configuration. Depending on the LUT opcode (LUT_OPC), the internal state, and the LUT input signals tr0_in, tr1_in, and tr2_in, the LUT configuration is used to determine the LUT output signal and the next sequential state.
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_CTLy[9:8]	LUT_OPC[1:0]	LUT opcode specifies the LUT operation as illustrated in Figure 14.
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_SELy[3:0]	LUT_TR0_SEL[3:0]	LUT input signal "tr0_in" source selection:  "0": Data unit output  "1": LUT 1 output  "2": LUT 2 output  "3": LUT 3 output  "4": LUT 4 output  "5": LUT 5 output  "6": LUT 6 output  "6": LUT 7 output  "8": chip_data[0] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[4] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "9": chip_data[1] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[5] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "10": chip_data[2] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[6] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "11": chip_data[3] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[7] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "12": io_data[0] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[4] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "13": io_data[1] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[5] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "14": io_data[2] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[6] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "15": io_data[3] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[7] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)

Table 19. LUT3 REGISTER CONTROL

Register[BIT_POS]	Bit Name	Description
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_SELy[11:8]	LUT_TR1_SEL[3:0]	LUT input signal "tr1_in" source selection: "0": LUT 0 output  "1": LUT 1 output  "2": LUT 2 output  "3": LUT 3 output  "4": LUT 4 output  "5": LUT 5 output  "6": LUT 6 output  "8": chip_data[0] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[4] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "9": chip_data[1] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[5] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "10": chip_data[2] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[6] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "11": chip_data[3] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); chip_data[7] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "12": io_data[0] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[4] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "13": io_data[1] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[6] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "14": io_data[2] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[6] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)  "15": io_data[3] (for LUTs 0, 1, 2, 3); io_data[7] (for LUTs 4, 5, 6, 7)
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_SELy[19:16]	LUT_TR2_SEL[3:0]	LUT input signal "tr2_in" source selection. Encoding is the same as for LUT_TR1_SEL.

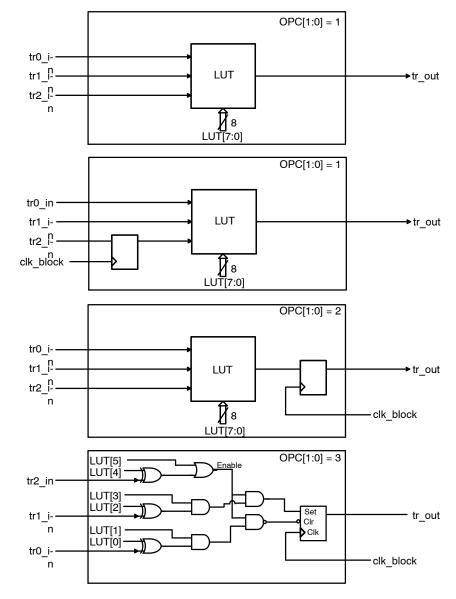


Figure 14. Smart I/O LUT3 Configuration

#### Data Unit

Each Smart I/O block includes a data unit (DU) component. The data unit consists of a simple 8-bit datapath. It is capable of performing simple increment, decrement, increment/decrement, shift, and AND/OR operations. The operation performed by the DU is selected using a 4-bit opcode DU\_OPC[3:0] bit field in the PRGIO PRTx DU CTL register.

The data unit component supports up to three input trigger signals (tr0\_in, tr1\_in, tr2\_in) similar to the LUT3 component. These signals are used to initiate an operation defined by the DU opcode. In addition, the data unit also includes two 8-bit input data (data0\_in[7:0]) and data1\_in[7:0]) that are used to initialize the 8-bit internal state (data[7:0]) or to provide a reference. The input to these 8-bit data can come from these sources:

- Constant '0x00'
- io data in[7:0]
- chip\_data\_in[7:0]
- DATA[7:0] bit field of PRGIO\_PRTx\_DATA register

The trigger signals are selected using the bit DU TRx SEL[3:0] field of the PRGIO PRTx DU SEL register. The DUT DATAx SEL[1:0] of bits the PRGIO PRTx DU SEL register selects the 8-bit input data source. The size of the DU (number of bits used by the datapath) is defined by the DU SIZE[2:0] bits of the PRGIO PRTx DU CTL register. See Table 20 for register control details.

**Table 20. DATA UNIT REGISTER CONTROL** 

Register[BIT_POS]	Bit Name	Description
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_CTL[2:0]	DU_SIZE[2:0]	Size/width of the data unit (in bits) is DU_SIZE+1. For example, if DU_SIZE is7, the width is 8 bits.
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_CTL[11:8]	DU_OPC[3:0]	Data unit opcode specifies the data unit operation:  "1": INCR  "2": DECR  "3": INCR_WRAP  "4": DECR_WRAP  "5": INCR_DECR  "6": INCR_DECR_WRAP  "7": ROR  "8": SHR  "9": AND_OR  "10": SHR_MAJ3  "11": SHR_EQL Otherwise: Undefined.
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL[3:0]	DU_TR0_SEI[3:0]	Data unit input signal "tr0_in" source selection: "0": Constant '0'. "1": Constant '1'. "2": Data unit output. "10 – 3": LUT 7 – 0 outputs. Otherwise: Undefined.
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL[11:8]	DU_TR1_SEI[3:0]	Data unit input signal "tr1_in" source selection. Encoding same as DU_TR0_SEL
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL[19:16]	DU_TR2_SEI[3:0]	Data unit input signal "tr2_in" source selection. Encoding same as DU_TR0_SEL
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL[25:24]	DU_DATA0_SEL[1:0]	Data unit input data "data0_in" source selection: "0": 0x00 "1": chip_data[7:0]. "2": io_data[7:0]. "3": PRGIO_PRTx_DATA.DATA[7:0] register field.
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL[29:28]	DU_DATA1_SEL[1:0]	Data unit input signal "tr1_in" source selection. Encoding same as DU_TR0_SEL
PRGIO_PRTx_DATA[7:0]	DATA[7:0]	Data unit input data source.

The data unit generates a single output trigger signal ("tr\_out"). The internal state (du\_data[7:0]) is captured in flip-flops and requires clk block.

The following pseudo code describes the various datapath operations supported by the DU opcode. Note that "Comb"

describes the combinatorial functionality – that is, functionalities that operate independent of previous output states. "Reg" describes the registered functionality – that is, functionalities that operate on inputs and previous output states (registered using flip-flops).

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// The following is shared by all operations.
mask = (2 ^ (DU_SIZE+1) - 1)
data_eql_data1_in= (data & mask) == (data1_in & mask));
data eql 0
                = (data & mask) == 0);
data incr
                = (data + 1) & mask;
data_decr = (data - 1) & mask;
data0_masked = data_in0 & mask;
// INCR operation: increments data by 1 from an initial value (data0) until it reaches a
// final value (data1).
Comb:tr_out = data_eql_data1_in;
Reg: data <= data;
                        data <= data0 masked; //tr0 in is reload signal - loads masked
      if (tr0 in)
data0
                                            // into data
       else if (tr1_in) data <= data_eq1_data1_in ? data : data_incr; //increment data until
                                                                        // it equals data1
// INCR WRAP operation: operates similar to INCR but instead of stopping at datal, it wraps
// around to data0.
Comb:tr out = data eql data1 in;
Reg: data <= data;
      if (tr0_in)
                        data <= data0 masked;</pre>
      else if (tr1_in) data <= data_eq1_data1_in ? data0_masked : data_incr;</pre>
// DECR operation: decrements data from an initial value (data0) until it reaches 0.
Comb:tr out = data eql 0;
Reg: data <= data;
      if (tr0 in)
                        data <= data0 masked;</pre>
      else if (tr1 in) data <= data eq1 0
                                                   ? data : data decr;
// DECR WRAP operation: works similar to DECR. Instead of stopping at 0, it wraps around to
// data0.
Comb:tr out = data eql 0;
Reg: data <= data;
      if (tr0 in)
                        data <= data0 masked;</pre>
      else if (tr1_in) data <= data_eq1_0
                                                  ? data0 masked: data decr;
\//\ INCR\_DECR operation: combination of INCR and DECR. Depending on trigger signals it either
// starts incrementing or decrementing. Increment stops at data1 and decrement stops at 0.
Comb:tr out = data eql data1 in | data eql 0;
Reg: data <= data;
                        data <= data0_masked; // Increment operation takes precedence over</pre>
      if (tr0_in)
                                              // decrement when both signal are available
       else if (trl in) data <= data eql data1 in ? data : data incr;
      else if (tr2 in) data <= data eql 0 ? data : data decr;
// INCR DECR WRAP operation: same functionality as INCR DECR with wrap around to dataO on
// touching the limits.
Comb:tr_out = data_eql_data1_in | data_eql_0;
      data <= data;
       if (tr0 in)
                        data <= data0 masked;</pre>
       else if (tr1_in) data <= data_eq1_data1_in ? data0_masked : data_incr;</pre>
       else if (tr2_in) data <= data_eql_0 ? data0_masked : data_decr;</pre>
// ROR operation: rotates data right and LSB is sent out. The data for rotation is taken from
// data0.
Comb:tr out = data[0];
Reg: data <= data;
                                      <= data0_masked;
      if (tr0 in)
                        data
      else if (trl in) {
                                    <= {0, data[7:1]} & mask; //Shift right operation
                        data[du size] <= data[0]; //Move the data[0] (LSB) to MSB</pre>
// SHR operation: performs shift register operation. Initial data (data0) is shifted out and
// data on tr2 in is shifted in.
```

```
Comb:tr out = data[0];
Reg: data <= data;
      if (tr0 in)
                        data
                                      <= data0 masked;
      else if (trl in) {
                                      <= {0, data[7:1]} & mask; //Shift right operation
                        data[du size] <= tr2 in; //tr2 in Shift in operation</pre>
// SHR MAJ3 operation: performs the same functionality as SHR. Instead of sending out the
// shifted out value, it sends out a '1' if in the last three samples/shifted-out values
// (data[0]), the signal high in at least two samples. otherwise, sends a '0'. This function
\ensuremath{//} sends out the majority of the last three samples.
Comb:tr_out =
                 (data == 0x03)
                 \mid (data == 0x05)
                 | (data == 0x06)
                 | (data == 0x07);
Req: data <= data;
      if (tr0_in)
                                      <= data0 masked;
                        data
      else if (trl in) {
                                     <= {0, data[7:1]} & mask;
                        data
                        data[du size] <= tr2 in;</pre>
// SHR EQL operation: performs the same operation as SHR. Instead of shift-out, the output is
// a comparison result (data0 == data1). Comb:tr out = data eql data1 in;
Reg: data <= data;</pre>
      if
               (tr0 in) data
                                    <= data0 masked;
      else if (trl in) {
                                  <= {0, data[7:1]} & mask;
                        data
                        data[du_size] <= tr2_in;</pre>
}
// AND OR operation: ANDs data1 and data0 along with mask; then, ORs all the bits of the
// ANDed output.
Comb:tr out = | (data & data1 in & mask);
Reg: data <= data;
      if (tr0 in) data <= data0 masked;</pre>
```

# Routing

The Smart I/O block includes many switches that are used to route the signals in and out of the block and also between various components present inside the block. The routing switches are handled through the PRTGIO PRTx LUT SELy and PRGIO PRTx DU SEL

registers. Refer to the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u> for details. The Smart I/O internal routing is shown in Figure 15. In the figure, note that LUT7 to LUT4 operate on io\_data/chip\_data[7] to io\_data/chip\_data[4] whereas LUT3 to LUT0 operate on io\_data/chip\_data[3] to io\_data/chip\_data[0].

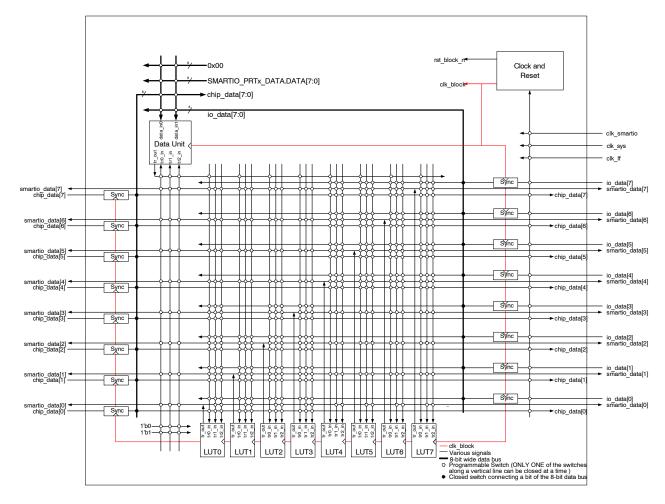


Figure 15. Smart I/O Routing

# Operation

The Smart I/O block should be configured and operated as follows:

- 1. Before enabling the block, all the components should be configured and the routing should be selected, as explained in "Block Components" on page 25.
- 2. In addition to configuring the components and routing, some block level settings need to be configured correctly for desired operation.
  a. Bypass control: The Smart I/O path can be bypassed for a particular GPIO signal by setting the BYPASS[i] bit field in the PRGIO\_PRTx\_CTL register. When bit 'i' is set in the BYPASS[7:0] bit field, the ith GPIO signal is bypassed to the HSIOM signal path directly Smart I/O logic will bit is cleared.

not be present in that signal path. This is useful when the Smart I/O functionality is required only on select I/Os.

b. Pipelined trigger mode: The LUT3 input multiplexers and the LUT3 component itself do not include any combinatorial loops. Similarly, the data unit also does not include any combinatorial loops. However, when one LUT3 interacts with the other or to the data unit, inadvertent combinatorial loops are possible. To overcome this limitation, the PIPELINE\_EN bit field of the PRGIO\_PRTx\_CTL register is used. When set, all

the outputs (LUT3 and data unit) are registered (flopped) before branching out to other components. The output will be unflopped when the PIPELINE\_EN

3. After the Smart I/O block is configured for the desired functionality, the block can be enabled by setting the ENABLED bit field of the PRGIO\_PRTx\_CTL register. If disabled, the Smart I/O block is put in bypass mode, where the GPIO signals are directly controlled by the HSIOM signals and vice-versa. The Smart I/O block must be configured; that is, all register settings must be updated before enabling the block to prevent glitches during register updates.

Table 21. SMART I/O BLOCK CONTROLS

Register[BIT_POS]	Bit Name	Description
PRGIO_PRTx_CTL[25]	PIPELINE_EN	Enable for pipeline register: '0': Disabled (register is bypassed). '1': Enabled
PRGIO_PRTx_CTL[31]	ENABLED	Enable Smart I/O. Should only be set to '1' when the Smart I/O is completely configured:  '0': Disabled (signals are bypassed; behavior as if BYPASS[7:0] is 0xFF). When disabled, the block (data unit and LUTs) reset is activated. If the block is disabled:  - The PIPELINE_EN register field should be set to '1', to ensure low power consumption.  - The CLOCK_SRC register field should be set to 20 to 30 (clock is constant '0'), to ensure low power consumption.  '1': Enabled. When enabled, it takes three "clk_block" clock cycles until the block reset is deactivated and the block becomes fully functional. This action ensures that the I/O pins' input synchronizer states are flushed when the block is fully functional.
PRGIO_PRTx_CTL[7:0]	BYPASS[7:0]	Bypass of the Smart I/O, one bit for each I/O pin: BYPASS[i] is for I/O pin i. When ENABLED is '1', this field is used. When ENABLED is '0', this field is not used and Smart I/O is always bypassed.  '0': No bypass (Smart I/O is present in the signal path)  '1': Bypass (Smart I/O is absent in the signal path)

# I/O State on Power Up

During power up all the GPIOs are in high-impedance analog state and the input buffers are disabled. During run time, GPIOs can be configured by writing to the associated registers. Note that the pins supporting debug access port (DAP) connections (SWD lines) are always enabled as SWD lines during power up. However, the DAP connection

can be disabled or reconfigured for general-purpose use through HSIOM. However, this reconfiguration takes place only after the device boots and start executing code.

#### **Behavior in Low-Power Modes**

Table 22 shows the status of GPIOs in low-power modes.

**Table 22. GPIO IN LOW-POWER MODES** 

Low-Power Mode	Status
Sleep	GPIOs are active and can be driven by peripherals such as CTBm, SAR ADC, TCPWM, SCBs, and low-power comparators, which can work in sleep mode.     Input buffers are active; thus an interrupt on any I/O can be used to wake up the CPU.     AMUXBUS connections are available.
Deep-Sleeep	GPIO output pin states are latched and remain in the frozen state, except the I <sup>2</sup> C and SPI pins. SCB (I <sup>2</sup> C and SPI) block can work in the deep-sleep mode and can wake up the CPU on address match or SPI slave selectevent. The low-power comparator can receive signals from its dedicated pins and can wake up the CPU. CTBm is also functional in this mode with dedicated pins.     Input buffers are also active in this mode; pin interrupts are functional.     AMUXBUS connections are not available.

#### Interrupt

In the AXM0F243 MCU device, all the port pins have the capability to generate interrupts. As shown in Figure 16, the pin signal is routed to the interrupt controller through the GPIO Edge Detect block.

Figure 16 shows the GPIO Edge Detect block architecture.

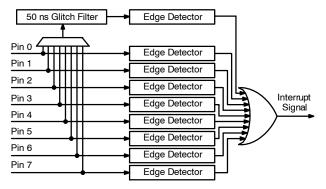


Figure 16. GPIO Edge Detect Block Architecture

An edge detector is present at each pin. It is capable of detecting rising edge, falling edge, and both edges without reconfiguration. The edge detector is configured by writing into the EDGE\_SEL bits of the Port Interrupt Configuration register, GPIO PRTx INTR CFG, as shown in Table 23.

**Table 23. EDGE DETECTOR CONFIGURATION** 

EDGE_SEL	Configuration
00	Interrupt is disabled
01	Interrupt on Rising Edge
10	Interrupt on Falling Edge
11	Interrupt on Both Edges

Besides the pins, edge detector is also present at the glitch filter output. This filter can be used on one of the pins of a port. The pin is selected by writing to the FLT\_SEL field of the GPIO\_PRTx\_INTR\_CFG register as shown in Table 24.

**Table 24. GLITCH FILTER INPUT SELECTION** 

FLT_SEL	Selected Pin
000	Pin 0 is selected
001	Pin 1 is selected
010	Pin 2 is selected
011	Pin 3 is selected
100	Pin 4 is selected
101	Pin 5 is selected
110	Pin 6 is selected
111	Pin 7 is selected

The edge detector outputs of a port are ORed together and then routed to the interrupt controller (NVIC in the CPU subsystem). Thus, there is only one interrupt vector per port. On a pin interrupt, it is required to know which pin caused an interrupt. This is done by reading the Port Interrupt Status register, GPIO PRTx INTR. This register not only includes the information on which pin triggered the interrupt, it also includes the pin status; it allows the CPU to read both information in a single read operation. This register has one more important use – to clear the interrupt. Writing '1' to the corresponding status bit clears the pin interrupt. It is important to clear the interrupt status bit; otherwise, the interrupt will occur repeatedly for a single trigger or respond only once for multiple triggers, which is explained later in this section. Also, note that when the Port Interrupt Control Status register is read when an interrupt is occurring on the corresponding port, it can result in the interrupt not being properly detected. Therefore, when using GPIO interrupts, it is recommended to read the status register only inside the corresponding interrupt service routine and not in any other part of the code. Table 25 shows the Port Interrupt Status register bit fields.

**Table 25. PORT INTERRUPT STATUS REGISTER** 

GPIO_PRTx_INTR	Description
0000b to 0111b	Interrupt status on pin 0 to pin 7. Writing '1' to the corresponding bit clears the interrupt
1000b	Interrupt status from the glitch filter
10000b to 10111	Pin 0 to Pin 7 status
11000b	Glitch filter output status

The edge detector block output is routed to the Interrupt Source Multiplexer shown in Figure 6 on page 12, which gives an option of Level and Rising Edge detect. If the Level option is selected, an interrupt is triggered repeatedly as long as the Port Interrupt Status register bit is set. If the Rising Edge detect option is selected, an interrupt is triggered only once if the Port Interrupt Status register is not cleared. Thus, it is important to clear the interrupt status bit if the Edge Detect block is used.

#### **Peripheral Connections**

# **Firmware Controlled GPIO**

See Table 17 to know the HSIOM settings for a firmware controlled GPIO. GPIO\_PRTx\_DR is the data register used to read and write the output data for the GPIOs. A write operation to this register changes the GPIO output to the written value. Note that a read operation reflects the output data written to this register and not the current state of the GPIOs. Using this register, read-modify-write sequences can be safely performed on a port that has both input and output GPIOs.

In addition to the data register, three other registers – GPIO\_PRTx\_DR\_SET, GPIO\_PRTx\_DR\_CLR, and GPIO\_PRTx\_INV – are provided to set, clear, and invert the output data respectively of a specific pin in a port without affecting other pins. Writing '1' into these registers will set, clear, or invert; writing '0' will have no affect on the pin status

GPIO\_PRTx\_PS is the I/O pad register that provides the state of the GPIOs when read. Writes to this register have no effect.

# Analog I/O

Analog resources, such as LPCOMP, SARMUX, and CTBm, which require low-impedance routing paths have dedicated pins. Dedicated analog pins provide direct connections to specific analog blocks. They help improve performance and should be given priority over other pins when using these analog resources. See the <u>AXM0F243</u> <u>datasheet</u> for details on these dedicated pins.

To configure a GPIO as a dedicated analog I/O, it should be configured in high-impedance analog mode (see Table 16) and the respective connection should be enabled in the specific analog resource. This can be done via registers associated with the respective analog resources.

To configure a GPIO as an analog pin connecting to AMUXBUS, it should be configured in high-impedance analog mode and then routed to AMUXBUS using the HSIOM\_PORT\_SELx register.

#### **Serial Communication Block (SCB)**

SCB, which can be configured as UART, I<sup>2</sup>C, and SPI, has dedicated connections to the pin. See the <u>AXM0F243</u> datasheet for details on these dedicated pins. When the UART and SPI mode is used, the SCB controls the digital output buffer drive mode for the input pin to keep the pin in the high-impedance state. That is, the SCB block disables the output buffer at the UART Rx pin and MISO pin when configured as SPI master, and MOSI and select line when configured as SPI slave. This functionality overrides the drive mode settings, which is done using the GPIO\_PRTx\_PC register.

# Timer, Counter, and Pulse Width Modulator (TCPWM) Block

TCPWM has dedicated connections to the pin. See the AXM0F243 datasheet for details on these dedicated pins. Note that when the TCPWM block inputs such as start and stop are taken from the pins, the drive mode can be only high-z digital because the TCPWM block disables the output buffer at the input pins.

# Registers

# Table 26. GPIO IN LOW-POWER MODES

Name	Description
GPIO_PRTx_DR	Port Output Data Register
GPIO_PRTx_DR_SET	Port Output Data Set Register
GPIO_PRTx_DR_CLR	Port Output Data Clear Register
GPIO_PRTx_DR_INV	Port Output Data Inverting Register
GPIO_PRTx_PS	Port Pin State Register - Reads the logical pin state of I/O
GPIO_PRTx_PC	Port Configuration Register - Configures the output drive mode, input threshold, and slew rate
GPIO_PRTx_PC2	Port Secondary Configuration Register – Configures the input buffer of I/O pin
GPIO_PRTx_INTR_CFG	Port Interrupt Configuration Register
GPIO_PRTx_INTR	Port Interrupt Status Register
HSIOM_PORT_SELx	HSIOM Port Selection Register
PRGIO_PRTx_CTL	Smart I/O port control register
PRGIO_PRTx_SYNC_CTL	Smart I/O Synchronization control register
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_SELy	Smart I/O y <sup>th</sup> LUT component input selection register
PRGIO_PRTx_LUT_CTLy	Smart I/O y <sup>th</sup> LUT component control register
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_SEL	Smart I/O data unit input selection register
PRGIO_PRTx_DU_CTL	Smart I/O data unit control register
PRGIO_PRTx_DATA	Smart I/O data unit input data source register

NOTE: The 'x' in the GPIO register name denotes the port number. For example, GPIO\_PTR1\_DR is the Port 1 output data register. The 'x' in the Smart I/O register name denotes the Smart I/O port number. The Smart I/O port number and the actual port number may vary. See <a href="Smart I/O">Smart I/O</a> on page 24 for details.

# **Clocking System**

The AXM0F243 MCU clock system includes these clock resources:

- Two internal clock sources:
  - ◆ 24 48 MHz internal main oscillator (IMO) with ±2 percent accuracy across all frequencies with trim
  - ◆ 40-kHz internal low-speed oscillator (ILO) with ±60 percent accuracy with trim (can be calibrated using the IMO)
- Three external clock sources:
  - External clock (EXTCLK) generated using a signal from an I/O pin
  - External 32-kHz watch crystal oscillator (WCO)
- High-frequency clock (HFCLK) of up to 48 MHz, selected from IMO, external clock

- Low-frequency clock (LFCLK) sourced by ILO or WCO
- Dedicated prescaler for system clock (SYSCLK) of up to 48 MHz sourced by HFCLK
- Six 16-bit peripheral clock dividers
- Three 16.5 fractional dividers for accurate clock generation
- Thirteen digital and analog peripheral clocks

# **Block Diagram**

Figure 17 gives a generic view of the clocking system in AXM0F243 MCU devices.

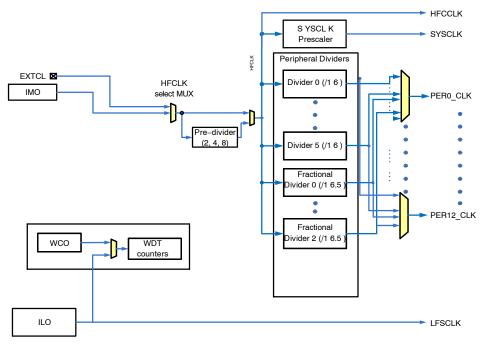


Figure 17. Clocking System Block Diagram

The clock sources in the device are IMO, EXTCLK, WCO, and ILO, as shown in Figure 17. The HFCLK mux selects the HFCLK source from the EXTCLK or the IMO. The HFCLK frequency can be a maximum of 48 MHz.

# **Clock Sources**

#### **Internal Main Oscillator**

The internal main oscillator (IMO) is an accurate, high–speed internal (crystal–less) oscillator that is available as the main clock source during Active and Sleep modes. It is the default clock source for the device. Its frequency can be changed in 4–MHz steps between 24 MHz and 48 MHz, with an accuracy of ±2 percent.

The IMO frequency is changed using the CLK\_IMO\_SELECT register. The default frequency is 24 MHz.

**Table 27. IMO FREQUENCY** 

CLK_IMO_SELECT[2:0]	Nominal IMO Frequency
0	24 MHz
1	28 MHz
2	32 MHz
3	36 MHz
4	40 MHz
5	44 MHz
6	48 MHz

To get the accurate IMO frequency, trim registers are provided – CLK\_IMO\_TRIM1 provides coarse trimming with a step size of 120 kHz, CLK\_IMO\_TRIM2 is for fine trimming with a step size of 15 kHz, and the TCTRIM field in CLK\_IMO\_TRIM3 is for temperature compensation. Trim settings are generated during manufacturing for every frequency that can be selected by CLK\_IMO\_SELECT. These trim settings are stored in SFLASH.

The trim settings are loaded during device startup; however, firmware can load new trim values and change the frequency in run time. Follow the algorithm in Figure 18 to change the IMO frequency.

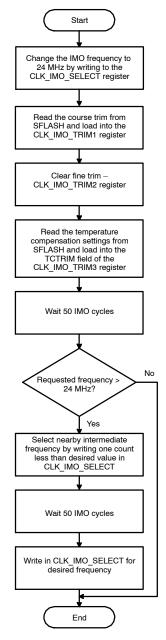


Figure 18. Change IMO Frequency

Startup Behavior

After reset, the IMO is configured for 24–MHz operation. During the "boot" portion of startup, trim values are read from flash and the IMO is configured to achieve datasheet specified accuracy.

Programming Clock (36–MHz)

IMO must be set to 48 MHz to program the flash. It is used to drive the charge pumps of flash and for program/erase timing purposes.

#### Internal Low-speed Oscillator

The internal low-speed oscillator operates with no external components and outputs a stable clock at 40-kHz nominal. The ILO is relatively low power and low accuracy. It can be calibrated periodically using a higher accuracy, high-frequency clock to improve accuracy. The ILO is available in all power modes. The ILO is used as the system low-frequency clock LFCLK in the device. The ILO is a relatively inaccurate (±60 percent overvoltage and temperature) oscillator, which is used to generate low-frequency clocks. If calibrated against the IMO when in operation, the ILO is accurate to ±10 percent for stable temperature and voltage. The ILO is enabled and disabled with register CLK\_ILO\_CONFIG bit ENABLE.

#### External Clock (EXTCLK)

The external clock (EXTCLK) is a MHz range clock that can be generated from a signal on a designated AXM0F243 MCU pin. This clock may be used instead of the IMO as the source of the system high–frequency clock, HFCLK. The allowable range of external clock frequencies is 1 – 48 MHz. The device always starts up using the IMO and the external clock must be enabled in user mode; so the device cannot be started from a reset, which is clocked by the external clock.

When manually configuring a pin as the input to the EXTCLK, the drive mode of the pin must be set to high-impedance digital to enable the digital input buffer. See the <u>I/O System chapter</u> on page 19 for more details.

#### Watch Crystal Oscillator (WCO)

The AXM0F243 MCU device contains an oscillator to drive a 32.768-kHz watch crystal. Similar to ILO, WCO is also available in all modes. This clock has low power consumption, which makes it ideal for operation in low-power modes such as the Deep-Sleep mode. The WCO is enabled and disabled with the WCO\_CONFIG register's ENABLE bit.

WCO can be forced into low-power mode by setting the WCO\_CONFIG[0] bit. Alternatively, the block can be put in the Auto mode where low-power mode transition happens only when the device goes into Deep-Sleep mode. This mode is enabled by setting WCO\_CONFIG[1]. Note that the Auto mode will be overridden if the block is forced to low-power mode by setting WCO\_CONFIG[0]. During the switching, the WCO output can experience some frequency disturbances. Hence, Auto mode is not suggested for high-accuracy applications such as RTC.

The difference in operation between the normal and low-power mode is the amplifier gain. The low-power mode is expected to have a lower amplifier gain to effectively reduce power. The amplifier gain for the two modes can be set in the WCO TRIM register.

The IMO supports locking to the WCO. The WCO contains the logic to measure and compare the IMO clock and trim the IMO. The WCO implements a digital phased lock loop scheme to support a clock accuracy of  $\pm 1$  percent. The IMO trimming logic of the WCO can be enabled by the use of the DPLL\_ENABLE bit of the WCO\_CONFIG. The user firmware, when using this feature, must make sure that there is a minimum time of 500 ms between the WCO enable and the DPLL\_ENABLE events.

#### **Clock Distribution**

AXM0F243 MCU clocks are developed and distributed throughout the device, as shown in Figure 17. The distribution configuration options are as follows:

- HFCLK input selection
- LFCLK input selection
- SYSCLK prescaler configuration
- Peripheral divider configuration

# **HFCLK Input Selection**

HFCLK has two input options: IMO, and EXTCLK. The HFCLK input is selected using the CLK\_SELECT register's HFCLK\_SEL bits, as described in Table 28.

Table 28. HFCLK INPUT SELECTION BITS HFCLK SEL

Name	Description
HFCLK_SEL[2:0]	HFCLK input clock selection 0: IMO. Uses the IMO as the source of the HFCLK 1: EXTCLK. Uses the EXTCLK as the source of the HFCLK 2 – 7: Reserved. Do not use

Pre-divider is provided for HFCLK to limit the peak current of the device. The divider options are 2, 4, and 8 configured using HFCLK\_DIV bits of the CLK\_SELECT register. Default divider is 4.

### **LFCLK Input Selection**

Only the ILO can be the source for LFCLK in the AXM0F243 MCU device.

# **SYSCLK Prescaler Configuration**

The SYSCLK Prescaler allows the device to divide the HFCLK before use as SYSCLK, which allows for non-integer relationships between peripheral clocks and the system clock. SYSCLK must be equal to or faster than all other clocks in the device that are derived from HFCLK. The SYSCLK prescaler is capable of dividing the HFCLK by powers of 2 between 2 ^ 0 = 1 and 2 ^ 7 = 128. The prescaler divide value is set using register CLK\_SELECT bits SYSCLK\_DIV, as described in Table 29. The prescaler is initially configured to divide by 1.

Table 29. SYSCLK PRESCALER DIVIDE VALUE BITS SYSCLK\_DIV

Name	Description
SYSCLK_DIV[3:0]	SYSCLK prescaler divide value 0: SYSCLK = HFCLK 1: SYSCLK = HFCLK/2 2: SYSCLK = HFCLK/4 3: SYSCLK = HFCLK/8 4: SYSCLK = HFCLK/16 5: SYSCLK = HFCLK/32 6: SYSCLK = HFCLK/64 7: SYSCLK = HFCLK/128

#### **Peripheral Clock Divider Configuration**

AXM0F243 MCU has nine clock dividers, which include six 16-bit clock dividers, three 16.5-bit fractional clock dividers. Fractional clock dividers allow the clock divisor to include a fraction of 0..31/32. The formula for the output frequency of a fractional divider is Fout = Fin / (INT16 DIV + (FRAC5 DIV/32)). For example, a 16.5-divider with an integer divide value of 2 (INT16 DIV = 3,FRAC5 DIV = 0), produces signals to generate a 16-MHz clock from a 48-MHz HFCLK. A 16.5-divider with an divide value of 3 (INT16 DIV = 3, FRAC5 DIV = 0), produces signals to generate a 12-MHz clock from a 48-MHz HFCLK. A 16.5-divider with an integer divide value of 2 (INT16 DIV = 3) and a fractional divider of 16 (FRAC5 DIV = 16) produces signals to

generate a 13.7–MHz clock from a 48–MHz HFCLK. Not all 13.7–MHz clock periods are equal in size; half of them will be 3 HFCLK cycles and half of them will be 2 HFCLK cycles.

Fractional dividers are useful when a high-precision clock is required (for example, for a UART/SPI serial interface). Fractional dividers are not used when a low jitter clock is required, because the clock periods have a jitter of 1 HFCLK cycle.

The divide value for each of the six integer clock dividers are configured with the PERI\_DIV\_16\_CTLx registers and the three 16.5-bit fractional clock dividers are configured with the PERI\_DIV\_16\_5\_CTLx registers. Table 30 and Table 31 describe the configurations for these registers.

Table 30. NON-FRACTIONAL PERIPHERAL CLOCK DIVIDER CONFIGURATION REGISTER PERI DIV 16 CTLX

Bits	Name	Description
0	ENABLE_x	Divider enabled. HW sets this field to '1' as a result of an ENABLE command. HW sets this field to '0' as a result on a DISABLE command.
23:8 INT16_DIV_x		Integer division by (1+INT16_DIV). Allows for integer divisions in the range [1, 65536].

Table 31. FRACTIONAL PERIPHERAL CLOCK DIVIDER CONFIGURATION REGISTER PERI DIV 16 5 CTLX

Bits	Name	Description
0	ENABLE_x	Divider enabled. HW sets this field to '1' as a result of an ENABLE command. HW sets this field to '0' as a result on a DISABLE command.
7:3	FRAC5_DIV_x	Fractional division by (FRAC5_DIV/32). Allows for fractional divisions in the range [0, 31/32]. Note that fractional division results in clock jitter as some clock periods may be 1 "clk_hf" cycle longer than other clock periods.
23:8	INT16_DIV_x	Integer division by (1+INT16_DIV). Allows for integer divisions in the range [1, 65,536].

Each divider can be enabled using the PERI\_DIV\_CMD register. This register acts as the command register for all six

integer dividers and three fractional dividers. The PERI DIV CMD register format is as follows.

Bit	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Description	Enable	Disable															PA_SEL	_TYPE		PA		L_D	IV		SEL_	TYPE		SE	L_D	IV	

The SEL\_TYPE field specifies the type of divider being configured. This field is '1' for the 16-bit integer divider, '2' for the 16.5-bit fractional divider.

The SEL\_DIV field specifies the number of the specific divider being configured. For the integer dividers, this number ranges from 0 to 15. For fractional dividers, this field is any value in the range 0 to 3. When SEL\_TYPE = 63 and SEL\_TYPE = 3, no divider is specified.

The (PA\_SEL\_TYPE, PA\_SEL\_DIV) field pair allows a divider to be phase-aligned with another divider. The PA\_SEL\_DIV specifies the divider which is phase aligned. Any enabled divider can be used as a reference. The PA\_SEL\_TYPE specifies the type of the divider being phase aligned. When PA\_SEL\_DIV = 63 and PA\_SEL\_TYPE = 3, HFCLK is used as a reference.

Consider a 48–MHz HFCLK and a need for a 12–MHz divided clock A and a 8–MHz divided clock B. Clock A uses a 16–bit integer divider 0 and is created by aligning it to HF\_CLK ((PA\_SEL\_TYPE, PA\_SEL\_DIV) is (3, 63)) and DIV\_16\_CTL0.INT16\_DIV is 3. Clock B uses the integer divider 1 and is created by aligning it to clock A ((PA\_SEL\_TYPE, PA\_SEL\_DIV) is (1, 0)) and DIV\_16\_CTL1.INT16\_DIV is 5. This guarantees that clock B is phase–aligned with clock A as the smallest common multiple of the two clock periods is 12 HFCLK cycles, the clocks A and B will be aligned every 12 HFCLK cycles. Note that clock B is phase–aligned to clock A, but still uses HFCLK as a reference clock for its divider value.

Each peripheral block in AXM0F243 MCU has a unique peripheral clock (PERI#\_CLK) associated with it. Each of the peripheral clocks have a multiplexed input, which can take the input clock from any of the existing clock dividers.

Table 32 shows the mapping of the mux output to the corresponding peripheral blocks (shown in Figure 17). Any of the peripheral clock dividers can be mapped to a specific

peripheral by using their respective PERI\_PCLK\_CTLx register.

Table 32. PERIPHERAL CLOCK MULTIPLEXER OUTPUT MAPPING

PERI#_CLK	Peripheral
0	SCB0
1	SCB1
2	SCB2
3	Reserved
4	TCPWM0
5	TCPWM1
6	TCPWM2
7	TCPWM3
8	TCPWM4
9	SmartIO
10	SmartIO
11	LCD
12	SAR ADC

Table 33. PROGRAMMABLE CLOCK CONTROL REGISTER - PERI\_PCLK\_CTLx

Bits	Name	Description				
5:0	SEL_DIV	Specifies one of the dividers of the divider type specified by SEL_TYPE. If SEL_DIV is "4" and SEL_TYPE is "1", then the fifth (zero being first) 16-bit clock divider will be routed to the mux output for peripheral clock_x. Similarly, if SEL_DIV is "0" and SEL_TYPE is "2", then the first 16.5 clock divider will be routed to the mux output.				
7:6	SEL_TYPE	0: Do not use 1: 16.0 (integer) clock dividers 2: 16.5 (fractional) clock dividers 3: Do not use				

# **Low-Power Mode Operation**

The high-frequency clocks including the IMO, EXTCLK, HFCLK, SYSCLK and peripheral clocks operate

only in Active and Sleep modes. The ILO, WCO, and LFCLK operate in all power modes.

# Register List

# Table 34. CLOCKING SYSTEM REGISTER LIST

Name	Description
CLK_IMO_TRIM1	IMO Trim Register – This register contains IMO trim for course correction.
CLK_IMO_TRIM2	IMO Trim Register – This register contains IMO trim for fine correction.
CLK_IMO_TRIM3	IMO Trim Register – This register contains the temperature compensation trim settings for IMO and trim settings to adjust the step size of the course and fine correction of IMO frequency.
PWR_BG_TRIM1	Bandgap Trim Registers – These registers control the trim of the bandgap reference, allowing manipulation of
PWR_BG_TRIM2	the voltage references in the device.
CLK_ILO_CONFIG	ILO Configuration Register – This register controls the ILO configuration.
CLK_IMO_CONFIG	IMO Configuration Register – This register controls the IMO configuration.
CLK_SELECT	Clock Select – This register controls clock tree configuration, selecting different sources for the system clocks.
WCO_CONFIG	WCO Enable. This register enables or disables the external watch crystal oscillator.
PERI_DIV_16_CTLx	Peripheral Clock Divider Control Registers – These registers configure the peripheral clock dividers, setting integer divide value, and enabling or disabling the divider.
PERI_DIV_16_5_CTLx	Peripheral Clock Fractional Divider Control Registers – These registers configure the peripheral clock dividers, setting fractional divide value, and enabling or disabling the divider.
PERI_PCLK_CTLx	Programmable Clock Control Registers - These registers are used to select the input clocks to peripherals.

# **POWER SUPPLY AND MONITORING**

AXM0F243 MCU is capable of operating from 1.8 V to 3.6 V externally supplied voltage.

There are two internal regulators to support the internal power supply – Active digital regulator and Deep-Slepp regulator.

# **Block Diagram**

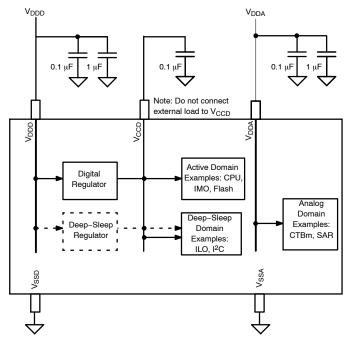


Figure 19. Power System Block Diagram

Figure 19 shows the power system diagram and all the power supply pins. The system has one regulator in Active mode for the digital circuitry. There is no analog regulator; the analog circuits run directly from the  $V_{DDA}$  input. There is a separate regulator for Deep–Sleep mode.

The supply voltage range is 1.8 V to 3.6 V with all functions and circuits operating in that range.

# **Power Supply Connections**

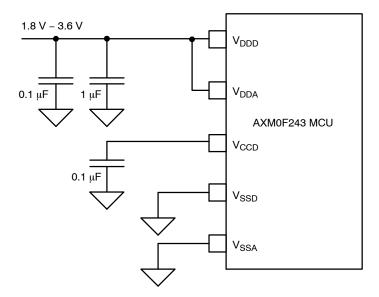


Figure 20. Power Supply Connections

The device is powered by an external power supply that can be anywhere in the range of 1.8 V to 3.6 V. This range is also designed for battery–powered operation; for instance, the chip can be powered from a battery system that starts at 3.5 V and works down to 1.8 V. In this mode, the internal regulator supplies the internal logic. The  $V_{CCD}$  output must be bypassed to ground via a 0.1  $\mu F$  external ceramic capacitor.

Bypass capacitors are also required from  $V_{DDD}$  to ground; typical practice for systems in this frequency range is to use a bulk capacitor in the 1  $\mu F$  to 10  $\mu F$  range in parallel with a smaller ceramic capacitor (0.1  $\mu F$ , for example). Note that these are simply rules of thumb and that, for critical applications, the PCB layout, lead inductance, and the bypass capacitor parasitic should be simulated to design and obtain optimal bypassing.

### **How It Works**

The regulators in Figure 19 power the various domains of the device. All the core regulators draw their input power from the  $V_{DDD}$  pin supply. The analog circuits run directly from the  $V_{DDA}$  input.

#### **Regulator Summary**

Active Digital Regulator

Table 35. REGULATOR STATUS IN DIFFERENT POWER MODES

Mode	Active Digital Regulator	Deep–Sleep Regulator
Deep-Sleep	Off	On
Sleep	On	On
Active	On	On

For external supplies from 1.8 V and 3.6 V, the Active digital regulator provides the main digital logic in Active and Sleep modes. This regulator has its output connected to a pin ( $V_{\rm CCD}$ ) and requires an external decoupling capacitor (1  $\mu F$  X5R).

The Active digital regulator can be disabled by setting the EXT\_VCCD bit in the PWR\_CONTROL register. This action reduces the power consumption in direct supply mode. The Active digital regulator is available only in Active and Sleep power modes.

# Deep-Sleep Regulator

This regulator supplies the circuits that remain powered in Deep–Sleep mode, such as the ILO, WCO, and SCB ( $I^2C/SPI$ ), and low–power comparator. The Deep–Sleep regulator is available in all power modes. In Active and Sleep power modes, the main output of this regulator is connected to the output of the Active digital regulator ( $V_{\rm CCD}$ ).

# **Voltage Monitoring**

The voltage monitoring system includes power–on–reset (POR) brownout detection (BOD).

#### Power-On-Reset (POR)

POR circuits provide a reset pulse during the initial power ramp. POR circuits monitor  $V_{CCD}$  voltage. Typically, the POR circuits are not very accurate with respect to trip-point. POR circuits are used during initial chip power-up and then disabled.

Brownout-Detect (BOD)

The BOD circuit protects the operating or retaining logic from possibly unsafe supply conditions by applying reset to the device. BOD circuit monitors the  $V_{CCD}$  voltage. The BOD circuit generates a reset if a voltage excursion dips below the minimum  $V_{CCD}$  voltage required for safe operation (see the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for details). The

system will not come out of RESET until the supply is detected to be valid again.

To ensure reliable operation of the device, the watchdog timer should be used in all designs. Watchdog timer provides protection against abnormal brownout conditions that may compromise the CPU functionality. See <u>Watchdog Timer chapter</u> on page 50 for more details.

**Table 36. REGISTER LIST** 

Register Name	Description
PWR_CONTROL	Power Mode Control Register – This register allows configuration of device power modes and regulator activity.

#### **CHIP OPERATIONAL MODES**

AXM0F243 MCU is capable of executing firmware in four different modes. These modes dictate execution from different locations in flash and ROM, with different levels of hardware privileges. Only three of these modes are used in end-applications; debug mode is used exclusively to debug designs during firmware development.

AXM0F243 MCU's operational modes are:

- Boot
- User
- Privileged
- Debug

#### **Boot**

Boot mode is an operational mode where the device is configured by instructions hard-coded in the device SROM. This mode is entered after the end of a reset, provided no debug-acquire sequence is received by the device. Boot mode is a privileged mode; interrupts are disabled in this mode so that the boot firmware can set up the device for operation without being interrupted. During boot mode, hardware trim settings are loaded from flash to guarantee proper operation during power-up. When boot concludes, the device enters user mode and code execution from flash begins.

#### User

User mode is an operational mode where normal user firmware from flash is executed. User mode cannot execute code from SROM. Firmware execution in this mode includes the firmware written by the user. The automatically

generated firmware can govern both the firmware startup and portions of normal operation. The boot process transfers control to this mode after it has completed its tasks.

# Privileged

Privileged mode is an operational mode, which allows execution of special subroutines that are stored in the device ROM. These subroutines cannot be modified by the user and are used to execute proprietary code that is not meant to be interrupted or observed. Debugging is not allowed in privileged mode.

The CPU can transition to privileged mode through the execution of a system call. For more information on how to perform a system call, see "Performing a System Call" on page 163. Exit from this mode returns the device to user mode.

# Debug

Debug mode is an operational mode that allows observation of the AXM0F243 MCU4 operational parameters. This mode is used to debug the firmware during development. The debug mode is entered when an SWD debugger connects to the device during the acquire time window, which occurs during the device reset. Debug mode allows IDEs such as ARM MDK to debug the firmware. Debug mode is only available on devices in open mode (one of the four protection modes). For more details on the debug interface, see the <a href="Program and Debug Interface chapter">Program and Debug Interface chapter</a> on page 156.

For more details on protection modes, see the <u>Device</u> <u>Security chapter</u> on page 56.

# **POWER MODES**

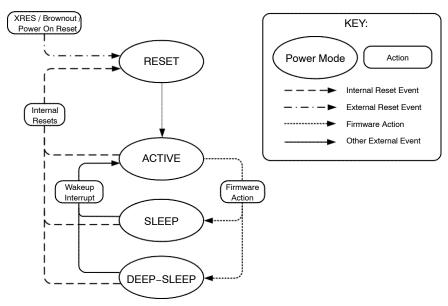
The AXM0F243 MCU provides three power modes, intended to minimize the average power consumption for a given application. The power modes, in the order of decreasing power consumption, are:

- Active
- Sleep
- Deep-Sleep

Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep are standard ARM-defined power modes, supported by the ARM CPUs.

The power consumption in different power modes is controlled by using the following methods:

- Enabling/disabling peripherals
- Powering on/off internal regulators
- Powering on/off clock sources
- Powering on/off other portions of the AXM0F243 MCU Figure 21 illustrates the various power modes and the possible transitions between them.



NOTE: ARM nomenclature for Deep-Sleep power mode is 'SLEEPDEEP'.

Figure 21. Power Mode Transitions State Diagram

Table 37 illustrates the power modes offered by AXM0F243 MCU.

Table 37. AXM0F243 MCU4 POWER MODES

Power Mode	Description	Entry Condition	Wakeup Sources	Active Clocks	Wakeup Action	Available Regulators
Active	Primary mode of operation; all peripherals are available (programmable).	Wakeup from other power modes, internal and external resets, brownout, power on reset	Not applicable	All (programmable)	N/A	All regulators are available. The Active digital regulator can be disabled if external regulation is used.
Sleep	CPU enters Sleep mode and SRAM is in retention; all peripherals are avail- able (programmable).	Manual register write	Any enabled interrupt	All (programmable) except CPU clock	Interrupt	All regulators are available. The Active dig- ital regulator can be dis- abled if external regulation is used.
Deep- Sleep	All internal supplies are driven from the Deep-Sleep regulator. IMO and high-speed peripherals are off. Only the low-frequency clock is available. Interrupts from low-speed, asynchronous, or low-power analog peripherals can cause a wakeup.	Manual register write	GPIO interrupt, low-power comparator, SCB, watchdog timer	ILO (40 kHz), WCO (32 kHz)	Interrupt	Deep-Sleep regulator

In addition to the wakeup sources mentioned in Table 37, external reset (XRES) and brownout reset bring the device to Active mode from any power mode.

#### **Active Mode**

Active mode is the primary power mode of the AXM0F243 MCU device. This mode provides the option to use every possible subsystem/ peripheral in the device. In this mode, the CPU is running and all the peripherals are powered. The firmware may be configured to disable specific peripherals that are not in use, to reduce power consumption.

# Sleep Mode

This is a CPU-centric power mode. In this mode, the Cortex-M0+ CPU enters Sleep mode and its clock is disabled. It is a mode that the device should come to very often or as soon as the CPU is idle, to accomplish low power consumption. It is identical to Active mode from a

peripheral point of view. Any enabled interrupt can cause wakeup from Sleep mode.

# Deep-Sleep Mode

In Deep–Sleep mode, the CPU, SRAM, and high–speed logic are in retention. The high–frequency clocks, including HFCLK and SYSCLK, are disabled. Optionally, the internal low–frequency (40 kHz) oscillator and watch crystal oscillator (WCO) remain on and low–frequency peripherals continue to operate. Digital peripherals that do not need a clock or receive a clock from their external interface (for example, I<sup>2</sup>C slave) continue to operate. Interrupts from low–speed, asynchronous or low–power analog peripherals can cause a wakeup from Deep–Sleep mode. CTBm can also operate in this mode with reduced power and bandwidth. For details on power consumption and CTBm bandwidth, refer to the AXM0F243 datasheet.

The available wakeup sources are listed in Table 39.

# **Power Mode Summary**

Table 38 illustrates the peripherals available in each low-power mode; Table 39 illustrates the wakeup sources available in each power mode.

Table 38. AVAILABLE PERIPHERALS

Peripheral	Active	Sleep	Deep-Sleep
CPU	Available	Retention (Note 3)	Retention
SRAM	Available	Retention	Retention
High-speed peripherals	Available	Available	Retention
Low-speed peripherals	Available	Available	Available (optional)
Internal main oscillator (IMO)	Available	Available	Not Available
Internal low-speed oscillator (ILO, 40 kHz)	Available	Available	Available (optional)
Asynchronous peripherals (peripherals that do not run on internal clock)	Available	Available	Available
Power-on-reset, Brownout detection	Available	Available	Available
Analog mux bus connection	Available	Available	Available
GPIO output state	Available	Available	Available

<sup>3.</sup> The configuration and state of the peripheral is retained. Peripheral continues its operation when the device enters Active mode.

# **Table 39. WAKEUP SOURCES**

Power Mode	Wakeup Source	Wakeup Action	
Sleep	Any enabled interrupt source	Interrupt	
	Any reset source	Reset	
Deep-Sleep	GPIO interrupt	Interrupt	
	I2C address match	Interrupt	
	Watchdog timer	Interrupt/Reset	
	Low-power comparator	Interrupt	
	CTBm	Interrupt	

NOTE: In addition to the wakeup sources mentioned in Table 39, external reset (XRES) and brownout reset bring the device to Active mode from any power mode. XRES and brownout trigger a full system restart. All the states including frozen GPIOs are lost. In this case, the cause of wakeup is not readable after the device restarts.

#### **Low-Power Mode Entry and Exit**

A Wait For Interrupt (WFI) instruction from the Cortex–M0+ (CM0+) triggers the transitions into Sleep and Deep–Sleep mode. The Cortex–M0+ can delay the transition into a low–power mode until the lowest priority ISR is exited (if the SLEEPONEXIT bit in the CM0 System Control Register is set).

The transition to Sleep and Deep-Sleep modes are controlled by the flags SLEEPDEEP in the CM0P System Control Register (CM0P SCR).

- Sleep is entered when the WFI instruction is executed, SLEEPDEEP = 0.
- Deep-Sleep is entered when the WFI instruction is executed, SLEEPDEEP = 1.

The LPM READY bit in the PWR\_CONTROL register shows the status of Deep-Sleep regulator. If the firmware tries to enter Deep-Sleep mode before the regulators are ready, then AXM0F243 MCU goes to Sleep mode first, and when the regulators are ready, the device enters Deep-Sleep mode. This operation is automatically done in hardware.

In Sleep and Deep–Sleep modes, a selection of peripherals are available (see Table 39), and firmware can either enable or disable their associated interrupts. Enabled interrupts can cause wakeup from low–power mode to Active mode. Additionally, any RESET returns the system to Active mode. See the Interrupts chapter on page 11 and the Reset System chapter on page 54 for details.

# **Register List**

#### **Table 40. POWER MODE REGISTER LIST**

	Register Name	Description	
	CM0P_SCR	System Control – Sets or returns system control data.	
Ī	PWR_CONTROL	Power Mode Control - Controls the device power mode options and allows observation of current state.	

#### WATCHDOG TIMER

The watchdog timer (WDT) is used to automatically reset the device in the event of an unexpected firmware execution path or a brownout that compromises the CPU functionality. The WDT runs from the LFCLK, generated by the ILO. The timer must be serviced periodically in firmware to avoid a reset. Otherwise, the timer will elapse and generate a device reset. The WDT can be used as an interrupt source or a wakeup source in low–power modes.

#### **Features**

The WDT has these features:

- System reset generation after a configurable interval
- Periodic interrupt/wake up generation in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep power modes
- Features a 16-bit free-running counter

# **Block Diagram**

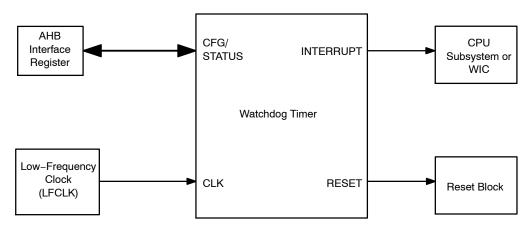


Figure 22. Watchdog Timer Block Diagram

# **How It Works**

The WDT asserts a hardware reset to the device on the third WDT match event, unless it is periodically serviced in firmware. The WDT interrupt has a programmable period of up to 2048 ms. The WDT is a free-running wraparound up-counter with a maximum of 16-bit resolution. The resolution is configurable as explained later in this section.

The WDT\_COUNTER register provides the count value of the WDT. The WDT generates an interrupt when the count value in WDT\_COUNTER equals the match value stored in the WDT\_MATCH register, but it does not reset the count to '0'. Instead, the WDT keeps counting until it overflows (after 0xFFFF when the resolution is set to 16 bits) and rolls back to 0. When the count value again reaches the match value, another interrupt is generated. Note that the match count can be changed when the counter is running.

A bit named WDT\_MATCH in the SRSS\_INTR register is set whenever the WDT interrupt occurs. This interrupt must be cleared by writing a '1' to the WDT\_MATCH bit in SRSS\_INTR to reset the watchdog. If the firmware does not reset the WDT for two consecutive interrupts, the third match event will generate a hardware reset.

The IGNORE\_BITS in the WDT\_MATCH register can be used to reduce the entire WDT counter period. The ignore bits can specify the number of MSBs that need to be discarded. For example, if the IGNORE\_BITS value is 3, then the WDT counter becomes a 13-bit counter. For details, see the WDT\_COUNTER, WDT\_MATCH, and SRSS\_INTR registers in the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

When the WDT is used to protect against system crashes, clearing the WDT interrupt bit to reset the watchdog must be done from a portion of the code that is not directly associated with the WDT interrupt. Otherwise, even if the main function of the firmware crashes or is in an endless loop, the WDT interrupt vector can still be intact and feed the WDT periodically.

The safest way to use the WDT against system crashes is to:

- Configure the watchdog reset period such that firmware is able to reset the watchdog at least once during the period, even along the longest firmware delay path.
- Reset the watchdog by clearing the interrupt bit regularly in the main body of the firmware code by writing a '1' to the WDT\_MATCH bit in SRSS\_INTR register.
- It is not recommended to reset watchdog in the WDT interrupt service routine (ISR), if WDT is being used as a reset source to protect the system against crashes. Hence, it is not recommended to use WDT reset feature and ISR together.

Follow these steps to use WDT as a periodic interrupt generator:

- Write the desired IGNORE\_BITS in the WDT\_MATCH register to set the counter resolution.
- 2. Write the desired match value to the WDT MATCH register.
- 3. Clear the WDT\_MATCH bit in SRSS\_INTR to clear any pending WDT interrupt.

- 4. Enable the WDT interrupt by setting the WDT MATCH bit in SRSS INTR MASK
- 5. Enable global WDT interrupt in the CM0\_ISER register (See the <u>Interrupts chapter</u> on page 11 for details).
- 6. In the ISR, clear the WDT interrupt and add the desired match value to the existing match value. By doing so, another periodic interrupt will be generated when the counter reaches the new match value.

For more details on interrupts, see the <u>Interrupts chapter</u> on page 11.

# **Enabling and Disabling WDT**

The watchdog counter is a free-running counter that cannot be disabled. However, it is possible to disable the watchdog reset by writing a key '0xACED8865' to the WDT\_DISABLE\_KEY register. Writing any other value to this register will enable the watchdog reset. If the watchdog system reset is disabled, the firmware does not have to periodically reset the watchdog to avoid a system reset. The watchdog counter can still be used as an interrupt source or wakeup source. The only way to stop the counter is to disable the ILO by clearing the ENABLE bit in the CLK\_ILO\_CONFIG register. The watchdog reset must be disabled before disabling the ILO. Otherwise, any register write to disable the ILO will be ignored. Enabling the watchdog reset will automatically enable the ILO.

NOTE: Disabling the WDT reset is not recommended if:

- Protection is required against firmware crashes
- The power supply can produce sudden brownout events that may compromise the CPU functionality

#### **WDT Interrupts and Low-Power Modes**

The watchdog counter can send interrupt requests to the CPU in Active power mode and to the WakeUp Interrupt Controller (WIC) in Sleep and Deep-Sleep power modes. It works as follows:

- Active Mode: In Active power mode, the WDT can send the interrupt to the CPU. The CPU acknowledges the interrupt request and executes the ISR. The interrupt must be cleared after entering the ISR in firmware.
- Sleep or Deep-Sleep Mode: In this mode, the CPU subsystem is powered down. Therefore, the interrupt request from the WDT is directly sent to the WIC, which will then wake up the CPU. The CPU acknowledges the interrupt request and executes the ISR. The interrupt must be cleared after entering the ISR in firmware.

For more details on device power modes, see the <u>Power Modes chapter</u> on page 46.

#### **WDT Reset Mode**

The RESET\_WDT bit in the RES\_CAUSE register indicates the reset generated by the WDT. This bit remains set until cleared or until a power—on reset (POR), brownout reset (BOD), or external reset (XRES) occurs. All other resets leave this bit untouched. For more details, see the Reset System chapter on page 54.

#### **Additional Timers**

Besides WDT, there are three additional up-counting timers for general-purpose use – WDT0, WDT1, and WDT2. These three timers are clocked either from ILO or WCO, selected by writing into the WCO\_WDT\_CLKEN register. These timers can run in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep modes and are capable of generating interrupts.

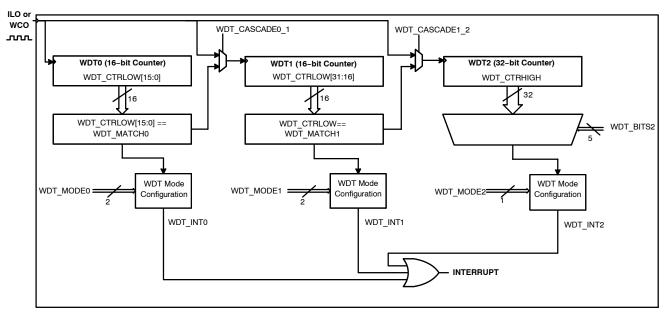


Figure 23. WDT Additional Timers Block Diagram

#### WDT0 and WDT1

These are 16-bit timers, which can be operated in two configurations:

- Free running
- Clear on match (configurable period)

In the free-running mode, the timer counts throughout the 16-bit range. On reaching  $65535 (2^{16} - 1)$ , the timer resets to 0 and starts counting again. In the Clear-on-match mode, the match count written in WDT MATCHO and WDT MATCH1 of the WCO WDT MATCH register decides the period of WDT0 and WDT1, respectively. When the timer count reaches the match value, the timer resets to 0 and starts counting again. One of these two configurations is selected using WDT CLEAR0 and WDT CLEAR1 bits of the WCO WDT CONFIG register. The Clear-on-match mode is selected by writing '1' to WDT CLEARx. Writing '0' to this bit disables the clearing of timer on match count and the free-running mode is configured. Note that changing the match count requires three input clock cycles to come into effect. Before putting the device to deep sleep, ensure delay of at least one input clock cycle after the match count update.

An interrupt can be generated on match or timer overflow by writing into WDT\_MODE bits of the WCO\_WDT\_CONFIG register. On interrupt, the WDT\_INTx bit of the WCO\_WDT\_CONTROL register is set. This bit must be cleared by firmware to allow the next interrupt trigger. Note that the interrupts from all the three timers are ORed to generate a single trigger to the CPU. To identify which timer caused an interrupt, read the WDT\_INTx bit.

The timers are enabled by writing '1' to the WDT\_ENABLEx bit of the WCO\_WDT\_CONTROL register. Note that it takes three clock cycles to take effect. It is not recommended to toggle this bit more than once

during this time. After enabling the timer, it is not recommended to write to the configuration register (WCO\_WDT\_CONFIG). The present value of the timers can be read from the WDT\_CTRLOW register; it can be reset by writing '1' to the WDT\_RESETx bit of the WCO WDT CONTROL register.

#### WDT2

It is similar to WDT0 and WDT1 with following differences:

- WDT2 is a 32-bit up-counting timer
- Supports only free–running configuration with counting range of 0 to  $(2^{32}-1)$
- The interrupt is triggered when one out of 32 bits toggles during counting. The bit position is configured using the 5-bit WDT\_BITS2 field of the WCO\_WDT\_CONFIG register. Setting it to '0' results in an interrupt on every input clock; setting it to '1' results in an interrupt on alternate clocks; setting it to '31' results in an interrupt every 2<sup>31</sup> clocks.

# Cascading

The cascading options are as follows:

- WDT0 and WDT1 timers can be cascaded by writing into WDT\_CASCADE0\_1 bit of the WCO\_WDT\_CONFIG register. When cascaded, WDT1 increments after WDT0 reaches its match count.
- WDT1 and WDT2 timers can also be cascaded by writing into WDT\_CASCADE1\_2 bit of the WCO\_WDT\_CONFIG register. When cascaded, WDT2 increments after WDT1 reaches its match count.
- All the three timers are cascaded when WDT\_CASCADE0\_1 and WDT\_CASCADE1\_2 bits are set.

# Register List

# Table 41. WDT Registers

Register Name	Description
WDT_DISABLE_KEY	Disables the WDT when 0XACED8865 is written, for any other value WDT works normally
WDT_COUNTER	Provides the count value of the WDT
WDT_MATCH	Stores the match value of the WDT
SRSS_INTR	Services the WDT to avoid reset

# Table 42. WDT Registers

Register Name	Description
WDT_DISABLE_KEY	Disables the WDT when 0XACED8865 is written; for any other value WDT works normally.
WDT_COUNTER	Provides the count value of the WDT.
WDT_MATCH	Holds the match value of the WDT.
SRSS_INTR	Services the WDT to avoid reset.
WCO_WDT_CTRLOW	Stores the current WDT0 and WDT1 timer value.
WCO_WDT_CTRHIGH	Stores the current WDT2 timer value.
WCO_WDT_MATCH	Holds the match count for WDT0 and WDT1.
WCO_WDT_CONFIG	Configures WDT0, WDT1, and WDT2 – selection of clock source, selection of free running or clear on match, interrupt generation, and cascading.
WCO_WDT_CONTROL	Used for enabling and resetting the timer.
WCO_WDT_CLKEN	Enables the clock (ILO/WCO) to be used with the timer.

#### RESET SYSTEM

AXM0F243 MCU supports several types of resets that guarantee error–free operation during power up and allow the device to reset based on user–supplied external hardware or internal software reset signals. AXM0F243 MCU also contains hardware to enable the detection of certain resets.

The reset system has these sources:

- Power-on reset (POR) to hold the device in reset while the power supply ramps up
- Brownout reset (BOD) to reset the device if the power supply falls below specifications during operation
- Watchdog reset (WRES) to reset the device if firmware execution fails to service the watchdog timer
- Software initiated reset (SRES) to reset the device on demand using firmware
- External reset (XRES) to reset the device using an external electrical signal
- Protection fault reset (PROT\_FAULT) to reset the device if unauthorized operating conditions occur

# **Reset Sources**

The following sections provide a description of the reset sources available in AXM0F243 MCU.

#### Power-on Reset

Power–on reset is provided for system reset at power–up. POR holds the device in reset until the supply voltage,  $V_{\rm DDD}$ , is according to the datasheet specification. The POR activates automatically at power–up.

POR events do not set a reset cause status bit, but can be partially inferred by the absence of any other reset source. If no other reset event is detected, then the reset is caused by POR, BOD, or XRES.

#### **Brownout Reset**

Brownout reset monitors the chip digital voltage supply  $V_{CCD}$  and generates a reset if  $V_{CCD}$  is below the minimum logic operating voltage specified in the <u>AXM0F243 MCU datasheet</u>. BOD is available in all power modes.

#### Watchdog Reset

Watchdog reset (WRES) detects errant code by causing a reset if the watchdog timer is not cleared within the user–specified time limit. This feature is enabled by default. It can be disabled by writing '0xACED8865' to the WDT\_DISABLE\_KEY register.

The RESET\_WDT status bit of the RES\_CAUSE register is set when a watchdog reset occurs. This bit remains set until cleared or until a POR, XRES, or BOD reset; for example, in the case of a device power cycle. All other resets leave this bit untouched.

For more details, see the <u>Watchdog Timer chapter</u> on page 50.

# **Software Initiated Reset**

Software initiated reset (SRES) is a mechanism that allows a software-driven reset. The Cortex-M0+

application interrupt and reset control register (CM0P\_AIRCR) forces a device reset when a '1' is written into the SYSRESETREQ bit. CM0P\_AIRCR requires a value of A05F written to the top two bytes for writes. Therefore, write A05F0004 for the reset.

The RESET\_SOFT status bit of the RES\_CAUSE register is set when a software reset occurs. This bit remains set until cleared or until a POR, XRES, or BOD reset; for example, in the case of a device power cycle. All other resets leave this bit untouched.

#### **External Reset**

External reset (XRES) is a user–supplied reset that causes immediate system reset when asserted. The XRES pin is *active low* – a high voltage on the pin has no effect and a low voltage causes a reset. The pin is pulled high inside the device. XRES is available as a dedicated pin in most of the devices. For detailed pinout, refer to the pinout section of the AXM0F243 MCU datasheet.

The XRES pin holds the device in reset while held active. When the pin is released, the device goes through a normal boot sequence. The logical thresholds for XRES and other electrical characteristics, are listed in the Electrical Specifications section of the <u>AXM0F243 MCU datasheet</u>.

XRES events do not set a reset cause status bit, but can be partially inferred by the absence of any other reset source. If no other reset event is detected, then the reset is caused by POR, BOD, or XRES.

#### **Protection Fault Reset**

Protection fault reset (PROT\_FAULT) detects unauthorized protection violations and causes a device reset if they occur. One example of a protection fault is if a debug breakpoint is reached while executing privileged code. For details about privilege code, see "Privileged" on page 45.

The RESET\_PROT\_FAULT bit of the RES\_CAUSE register is set when a protection fault occurs. This bit remains set until cleared or until a POR, XRES, or BOD reset; for example, in the case of a device power cycle. All other resets leave this bit untouched.

# **Identifying Reset Sources**

When the device comes out of reset, it is often useful to know the cause of the most recent or even older resets. This is achieved in the device primarily through the RES\_CAUSE register. This register has specific status bits allocated for some of the reset sources. The RES\_CAUSE register supports detection of watchdog reset, software reset, and protection fault reset. It does not record the occurrences of POR, BOD, or XRES. The bits are set on the occurrence of the corresponding reset and remain set after the reset, until cleared or a loss of retention, such as a POR reset, external reset, or brownout detect.

If the RES\_CAUSE register cannot detect the cause of the reset, then it can be one of the non-recorded and non-retention resets: BOD, POR, XRES. These resets cannot be distinguished using on-chip resources.

# Register List

# Table 43. RESET SYSTEM REGISTER LIST

Register Name	Description
WDT_DISABLE_KEY	Disables the WDT when 0XACED8865 is written, for any other value WDT works normally
CM0P_AIRCR	Cortex-M0+ Application Interrupt and Reset Control Register - This register allows initiation of software resets, among other Cortex-M0+ functions.
RES_CAUSE	Reset Cause Register - This register captures the cause of recent resets.

#### **DEVICE SECURITY**

AXM0F243 MCU offers a number of options for protecting user designs from unauthorized access or copying. Disabling debug features and enabling flash protection provide a high level of security.

The debug circuits are enabled by default and can only be disabled in firmware. If disabled, the only way to re-enable them is to erase the entire device, clear flash protection, and reprogram the device with new firmware that enables debugging. Additionally, all device interfaces can be permanently disabled for applications concerned about phishing attacks due to a maliciously reprogrammed device or attempts to defeat security by starting and interrupting flash programming sequences. Permanently disabling interfaces is not recommended for most applications because the designer cannot access the device.

NOTE: Because all programming, debug, and test interfaces are disabled when maximum device security is enabled, AXM0F243 MCU devices with full device security enabled may not be returned for failure analysis.

#### **Features**

The AXM0F243 MCU device security system has the following features:

- User-selectable levels of protection.
- In the most secure case provided, the chip can be "locked" such that it cannot be acquired for test/debug and it cannot enter erase cycles. Interrupting erase cycles is a known way for hackers to leave chips in an undefined state and open to observation.
- CPU execution in a privileged mode by use of the non-maskable interrupt (NMI). When in privileged mode, NMI remains asserted to prevent any inadvertent return from interrupt instructions causing a security leak. In addition to these, the device offers protection for individual flash row data.

# **How It Works**

# **Device Security**

The CPU operates in normal user mode or in privileged mode, and the device operates in one of four protection modes: BOOT, OPEN, PROTECTED, and KILL. Each

mode provides specific capabilities for the CPU software and debug. You can change the mode by writing to the CPUSS\_PROTECTION register.

- BOOT mode: The device comes out of reset in BOOT mode. It stays there until its protection state is copied from supervisor flash to the protection control register (CPUSS\_PROTECTION). The debug-access port is stalled until this has happened. BOOT is a transitory mode required to set the part to its configured protection state. During BOOT mode, the CPU always operates in privileged mode.
- OPEN mode: This is the factory default. The CPU can operate in user mode or privileged mode. In user mode, flash can be programmed and debugger features are supported. In privileged mode, access restrictions are enforced.
- PROTECTED mode: The user may change the mode from OPEN to PROTECTED. This mode disables all debug access to user code or memory. In protected mode, only few registers are accessible; debug access to registers to reprogram flash is not available. The mode can be set back to OPEN but only after completely erasing the flash.
- KILL mode: The user may change the mode from OPEN to KILL. This mode removes all debug access to user code or memory, and the flash cannot be erased. Access to most registers is still available; debug access to registers to reprogram flash is not available. The part cannot be taken out of KILL mode; devices in KILL mode may not be returned for failure analysis.

#### Flash Security

The AXM0F243 MCU devices include a flexible flash–protection system that controls access to flash memory. This feature is designed to secure proprietary code, but it can also be used to protect against inadvertent writes to the bootloader portion of flash.

Flash memory is organized in rows. You can assign one of two protection levels to each row; see Table 44. Flash protection levels can only be changed by performing a complete flash erase.

For more details, see the <u>Nonvolatile Memory</u> <u>Programming chapter</u> on page 162.

**Table 44. FLASH PROTECTION LEVELS** 

Protection Settings	Allowed	Not Allowed
Unprotected	External read and write, Internal read and write	-
Full Protection	External read (Note 4) Internal read	External write, Internal write

<sup>4.</sup> To protect the device from external read operations, you should change the device protection settings to PROTECTED.

# **DIGITAL SYSTEM**

This section encompasses the following chapters:

• <u>Serial Communications Block (SCB) chapter</u> on page 58 • <u>Timer, Counter, and PWM chapter</u> on page 97

# **Top Level Architecture**

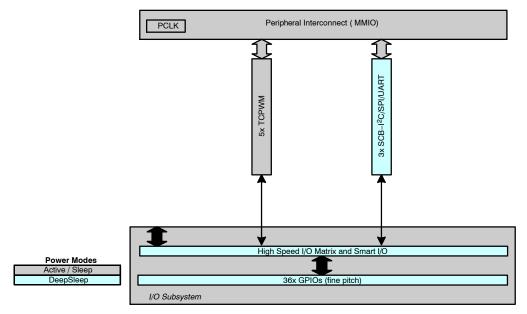


Figure 24. Digital Block Diagram

# **SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS BLOCK (SCB)**

The Serial Communications Block (SCB) of AXM0F243 MCU supports three serial interface protocols: SPI, UART, and I<sup>2</sup>C. Only one of the protocols is supported by an SCB at any given time.

#### **Features**

This block supports the following features:

- Standard SPI master and slave functionality with Motorola, Texas Instruments, and National Semiconductor protocols
- Standard UART functionality with SmartCard reader, Local Interconnect Network (LIN), and IrDA protocols
- Standard I<sup>2</sup>C master and slave functionality
- Standard LIN slave functionality with LIN v1.3 and LIN v2.1/2.2 specification compliance
- EZ mode for SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C, which allows for operation without CPU intervention
- Low-power (Deep-Sleep) mode of operation for SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C protocols (using external clocking) Each of the three protocols is explained in the following sections.

# Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)

The SPI protocol is a synchronous serial interface protocol. Devices operate in either master or slave mode. The master initiates the data transfer. The SCB supports single-master-multiple-slaves topology for SPI. Multiple slaves are supported with individual slave select lines.

You can use the SPI master mode when the AXM0F243 MCU has to communicate with one or more SPI slave devices. The SPI slave mode can be used when the AXM0F243 MCU has to communicate with an SPI master device.

#### **Features**

- Supports master and slave functionality
- Supports three types of SPI protocols:
  - ◆ Motorola SPI modes 0, 1, 2, and 3
  - Texas Instruments SPI, with coinciding and preceding data frame indicator for mode 1
  - National Semiconductor (MicroWire) SPI for mode 0
- Supports up to four slave select lines
- Data frame size programmable from 4 bits to 16 bits
- Interrupts or polling CPU interface
- Programmable oversampling
- Supports EZ mode of operation (Easy SPI Protocol)
  - EZSPI mode allows for operation without CPU intervention
- Supports externally clocked slave operation:
  - In this mode, the slave operates in Active, Sleep, and Deep–Sleep system power modes

# **General Description**

Figure 25 illustrates an example of SPI master with four slaves.

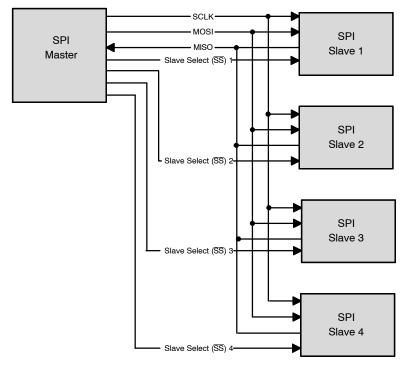


Figure 25. SPI Example

A standard SPI interface consists of four signals as follows.

- SCLK: Serial clock (clock output from the master, input to the slave).
- MOSI: Master-out-slave-in (data output from the master, input to the slave).
- MISO: Master-in-slave-out (data input to the master, output from the slave).
- Slave Select (SS): Typically an active low signal (output from the master, input to the slave).

A simple SPI data transfer involves the following: the master selects a slave by driving its  $\overline{SS}$  line, then it drives data on the MOSI line and a clock on the SCLK line. The slave uses either of the edges of SCLK depending on the configuration to capture the data on the MOSI line; it also

drives data on the MISO line, which is captured by the master.

By default, the SPI interface supports a data frame size of eight bits (1 byte). The data frame size can be configured to any value in the range 4 to 16 bits. The serial data can be transmitted either most significant bit (MSb) first or least significant bit (LSB) first.

Three different variants of the SPI protocol are supported by the SCB:

- Motorola SPI: This is the original SPI protocol.
- Texas Instruments SPI: A variation of the original SPI protocol, in which data frames are identified by a pulse on the SS line.
- National Semiconductors SPI: A half duplex variation of the original SPI protocol.

#### **SPI Modes of Operation**

Motorola SPI

The original SPI protocol was defined by Motorola. It is a full duplex protocol. Multiple data transfers may happen with the  $\overline{SS}$  line held at '0'. As a result, slave devices must keep track of the progress of data transfers to separate individual data frames. When not transmitting data, the  $\overline{SS}$  line is held at '1' and SCLK is typically pulled low.

#### **Modes of Motorola SPI**

The Motorola SPI protocol has four different modes based on how data is driven and captured on the MOSI and MISO lines. These modes are determined by clock polarity (CPOL) and clock phase (CPHA).

Clock polarity determines the value of the SCLK line when not transmitting data. CPOL = '0' indicates that SCLK is '0' when not transmitting data. CPOL = '1' indicates that SCLK is '1' when not transmitting data.

Clock phase determines when data is driven and captured. CPHA = 0 means sample (capture data) on the leading (first) clock edge, while CPHA = 1 means sample on the trailing (second) clock edge, regardless of whether that clock edge is rising or falling. With CPHA = 0, the data must be stable for setup time before the first clock cycle.

- Mode 0: CPOL is '0', CPHA is '0': Data is driven on a falling edge of SCLK. Data is captured on a rising edge of SCLK.
- Mode 1; CPOL is '0', CPHA is '1': Data is driven on a rising edge of SCLK. Data is captured on a falling edge of SCLK.
- Mode 2: CPOL is '1', CPHA is '0': Data is driven on a rising edge of SCLK. Data is captured on a falling edge of SCLK.
- Mode 3: CPOL is '1', CPHA is '1': Data is driven on a falling edge of SCLK. Data is captured on a rising edge of SCLK.

Figure 26 illustrates driving and capturing of MOSI/MISO data as a function of CPOL and CPHA.

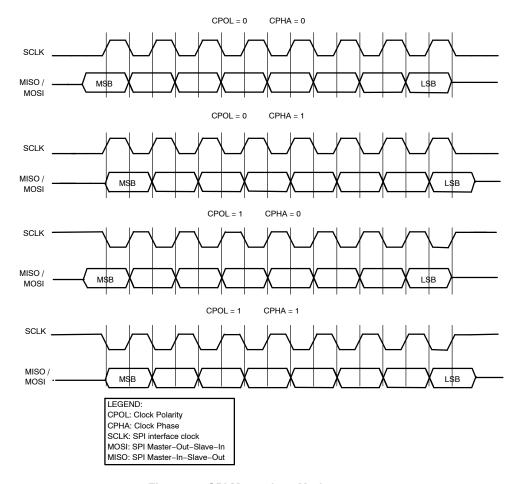


Figure 26. SPI Motorola, 4 Modes

Figure 27 illustrates a single 8-bit data transfer and two successive 8-bit data transfers in mode 0 (CPOL is '0', CPHA is '0').

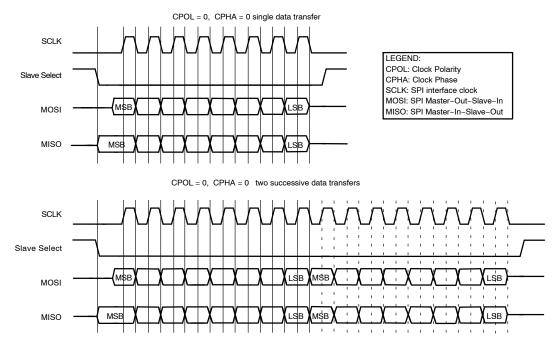


Figure 27. SPI Motorola Data Transfer Example

#### **Configuring SCB for SPI Motorola Mode**

To configure the SCB for SPI Motorola mode, set various register bits in the following order:

- 1. Select SPI by writing '01' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB CTRL register.
- Select SPI Motorola mode by writing '00' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register.
- 3. Select the mode of operation in Motorola by writing to the CPHA and CPOL fields (bits 2 and 3 respectively) of the SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register.
- 4. Follow steps 2 to 4 mentioned in "Enabling and Initializing SPI" on page 67.

For more information on these registers, see the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

#### **Texas Instruments SPI**

The Texas Instruments' SPI protocol redefines the use of the  $\overline{SS}$  signal. It uses the signal to indicate the start of a data transfer, rather than a low active slave select signal, as in the case of Motorola SPI. As a result, slave devices need not keep track of the progress of data transfers to separate individual data frames. The start of a transfer is indicated by a high active pulse of a single bit transfer period. This pulse may occur one cycle before the transmission of the first data bit, or may coincide with the transmission of the first data bit. The TI SPI protocol supports only mode 1 (CPOL is '0' and CPHA is '1'): data is driven on a rising edge of SCLK and data is captured on a falling edge of SCLK.

Figure 28 illustrates a single 8-bit data transfer and two successive 8-bit data transfers. The SELECT pulse precedes the first data bit. Note how the SELECT pulse of the second data transfer coincides with the last data bit of the first data transfer.

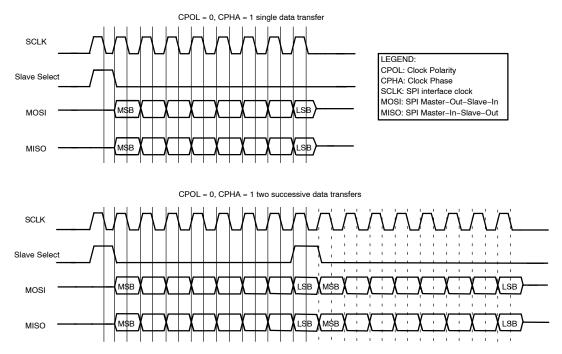


Figure 28. SPI TI Data Transfer Example

Figure 29 illustrates a single 8-bit data transfer and two successive 8-bit data transfers. The SELECT pulse coincides with the first data bit of a frame.

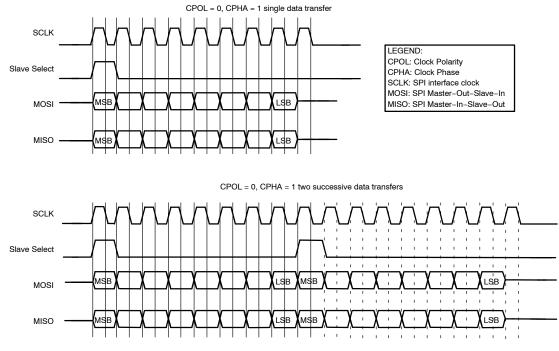


Figure 29. SPI TI Data Transfer Example

# **Configuring SCB for SPI TI Mode**

To configure the SCB for SPI TI mode, set various register bits in the following order:

- 1. Select SPI by writing '01' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB\_CTRL register.
- 2. Select SPI TI mode by writing '01' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register.
- 3. Select the mode of operation in TI by writing to the SELECT\_PRECEDE field (bit 1) of the SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register ('1' configures the SELECT pulse to precede the first bit of next frame and '0' otherwise).
- 4. Follow steps 2 to 5 mentioned in "Enabling and Initializing SPI" on page 67.

For more information on these registers, see the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

National Semiconductors SPI

The National Semiconductors' SPI protocol is a half duplex protocol. Rather than transmission and reception occurring at the same time, they take turns. The transmission and reception data sizes may differ. A single "idle" bit transfer period separates transmission from reception. However, the successive data transfers are NOT separated by an "idle" bit transfer period.

The National Semiconductors SPI protocol only supports mode 0: data is driven on a falling edge of SCLK and data is captured on a rising edge of SCLK.

Figure 30 illustrates a single data transfer and two successive data transfers. In both cases the transmission data transfer size is eight bits and the reception data transfer size is four bits.

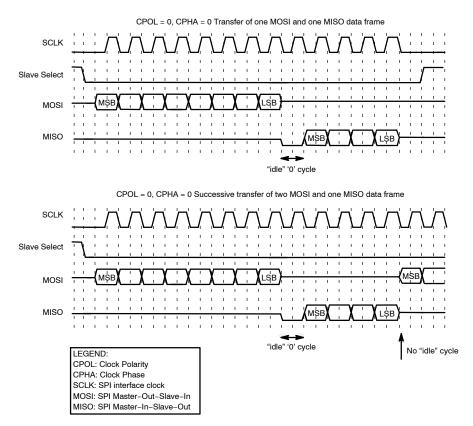


Figure 30. SPI NS Data Transfer Example

#### Configuring SCB for SPI NS Mode

To configure the SCB for SPI NS mode, set various register bits in the following order:

- 1. Select SPI by writing '01' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB\_CTRL register.
- 2. Select SPI NS mode by writing '10' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB SPI CTRL register.
- 3. Follow steps 2 to 5 mentioned in "Enabling and Initializing SPI" on page 67.

For more information on these registers, see the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

#### **Using SPI Master to Clock Slave**

In a normal SPI Master mode transmission, the SCLK is generated only when the SCB is enabled and data is being transmitted. This can be changed to always generate a clock on the SCLK line as long as the SCB is enabled. This is used when the slave uses the SCLK for functional operations other than just the SPI functionality. To enable this, write '1' to the SCLK\_CONTINUOUS (bit 5) of the SCB SPI CTRL register.

# **Easy SPI Protocol**

The easy SPI (EZSPI) protocol is based on the Motorola SPI operating in any mode (0, 1, 2, 3). It allows communication between master and slave without the need for CPU intervention at the level of individual frames.

The EZSPI protocol defines an 8-bit EZ address that indexes a memory array (32-entry array of eight bit per entry is supported) located on the slave device. To address these 32 locations, the lower five bits of the EZ address are used. All EZSPI data transfers have 8-bit data frames.

NOTE: The SCB has a FIFO memory, which is a 16 word by 16-bit SRAM, with byte write enable. The access methods for EZ and non-EZ functions are different. In non-EZ mode, the FIFO is split into TXFIFO and RXFIFO. Each has eight entries of 16 bits per entry. The 16-bit width per entry is used to accommodate configurable data width. In EZ mode, it is used as a single 32x8 bit EZFIFO because only a fixed 8-bit width data is used in EZ mode.

EZSPI has three types of transfers: a write of the EZ address from the master to the slave, a write of data from the master to an addressed slave memory location, and a read by the master from an addressed slave memory location.

#### EZ Address Write

A write of the EZ address starts with a command byte (0x00) on the MOSI line indicating the master's intent to write the EZ address. The slave then drives a reply byte on the MISO line to indicate that the command is observed

(0xFE) or not (0xFF). The second byte on the MOSI line is the EZ address.

# Memory Array Write

A write to a memory array index starts with a command byte (0x01) on the MOSI line indicating the master's intent to write to the memory array. The slave then drives a reply byte on the MISO line to indicate that the command was registered (0xFE) or not (0xFF). Any additional write data bytes on the MOSI line are written to the memory array at locations indicated by the communicated EZ address. The EZ address is automatically incremented by the slave as bytes are written into the memory array. When the EZ address exceeds the maximum number of memory entries (32), it remains there and does not wrap around to 0.

# Memory Array Read

A read from a memory array index starts with a command byte (0x02) on the MOSI line indicating the master's intent to read from the memory array. The slave then drives a reply byte on the MISO line to indicate that the command was registered (0xFE) or not (0xFF). Any additional read data bytes on the MISO line are read from the memory array at locations indicated by the communicated EZ address. The EZ address is automatically incremented by the slave as bytes are read from the memory array. When the EZ address exceeds the maximum number of memory entries (32), it remains there and does not wrap around to 0.

Figure 31 illustrates the write of EZ address, write to a memory array and read from a memory array operations in the EZSPI protocol.

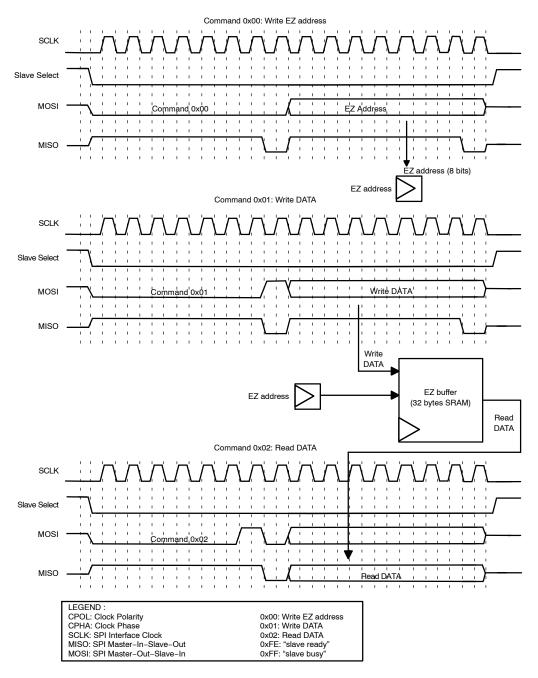


Figure 31. EZSPI Example

# Configuring SCB for EZSPI Mode

By default, the SCB is configured for non-EZ mode of operation. To configure the SCB for EZSPI mode, set the register bits in the following order:

- 1. Select EZ mode by writing '1' to the EZ\_MODE bit (bit 10) of the SCB\_CTRL register.
- 2. Use continuous transmission mode for the transmitter by writing '1' to the CONTINUOUS bit of SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register.
- 3. Follow steps 2 to 5 mentioned in "Enabling and Initializing SPI" on page 67.

For more information on these registers, see the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

#### **SPI Registers**

The SPI interface is controlled using a set of 32-bit control and status registers listed in Table 45. For more information

on these registers, see the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU</u> Registers.

#### **Table 45. SPI REGISTERS**

Register Name	Description
SCB_CTRL	Enables the SCB, selects the type of serial interface (SPI, UART, I <sup>2</sup> C), and selects internally and externally clocked operation, EZ and non-EZ modes of operation.
SCB_STATUS	In EZ mode, this register indicates whether the externally clocked logic is potentially using the EZ memory.
SCB_SPI_CTRL	Configures the SPI as either a master or a slave, selects SPI protocols (Motorola, TI, National) and clock-based submodes in Motorola SPI (modes 0, 1, 2, 3), selects the type of SELECT signal in TI SPI.
SCB_SPI_STATUS	Indicates whether the SPI bus is busy and sets the SPI slave EZ address in the internally clocked mode.
SCB_TX_CTRL	Specifies the data frame width and specifies whether MSB or LSB is the first bit in transmission.
SCB_RX_CTRL	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_CTRL register, but for the receiver. Also decides whether a median filter is to be used on the input interface lines.
SCB_TX_FIFO_CTRL	Specifies the trigger level, clears the transmitter FIFO and shift registers, and performs the FREEZE operation of the transmitter FIFO.
SCB_RX_FIFO_CTRL	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_FIFO_CTRL register, but for the receiver.
SCB_TX_FIFO_WR	Holds the data frame written into the transmitter FIFO. Behavior is similar to that of a PUSH operation.
SCB_RX_FIFO_RD	Holds the data frame read from the receiver FIFO. Reading a data frame removes the data frame from the FIFO – behavior is similar to that of a POP operation. This register has a side effect when read by software: a data frame is removed from the FIFO.
SCB_RX_FIFO_RD_SILENT	Holds the data frame read from the receiver FIFO. Reading a data frame does not remove the data frame from the FIFO; behavior is similar to that of a PEEK operation.
SCB_RX_MATCH	Holds the slave device address and mask values.
SCB_TX_FIFO_STATUS	Indicates the number of bytes stored in the transmitter FIFO, the location from which a data frame is read by the hardware (read pointer), the location from which a new data frame is written (write pointer), and decides if the transmitter FIFO holds the valid data.
SCB_RX_FIFO_STATUS	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_FIFO_STATUS register, but for the receiver.
SCB_EZ_DATA	Holds the data in EZ memory location

# **SPI Interrupts**

The SPI supports both internal and external interrupt requests. The internal interrupt events are listed here. Custom ISRs can also be used by connecting external interrupt component to the interrupt output of the SPI component (with external interrupts enabled).

The SPI predefined interrupts can be classified as TX interrupts and RX interrupts. The TX interrupt output is the logical OR of the group of all possible TX interrupt sources. This signal goes high when any of the enabled TX interrupt sources are true. The RX interrupt output is the logical OR of the group of all possible RX interrupt sources. This signal goes high when any of the enabled Rx interrupt sources are true. Various interrupt registers are used to determine the actual source of the interrupt.

The SPI supports interrupts on the following events:

- SPI master transfer done
- SPI Bus Error Slave deselected at an unexpected time in the SPI transfer
- SPI slave deselected after any EZSPI transfer occurred
- SPI slave deselected after a write EZSPI transfer occurred

# TX

- TX FIFO has less entries than the value specified by TRIGGER\_LEVEL in SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL
- ◆ TX FIFO is not full
- TX FIFO is empty
- ◆ TX FIFO overflow
- TX FIFO underflow

#### • RX

- RX FIFO is full
- RX FIFO is not empty
- RX FIFO overflow
- RX FIFO underflow
- SPI Externally clocked
  - Wake up request on slave select
  - SPI STOP detection at the end of each transfer
  - SPI STOP detection at the end of a write transfer
  - SPI STOP detection at the end of a read transfer

NOTE: The SPI interrupt signal is hard-wired to the Cortex-M0 NVIC and cannot be routed to external pins.

# **Enabling and Initializing SPI**

The SPI must be programmed in the following order:

- Program protocol specific information using the SCB\_SPI\_CTRL register, according to Table 47.
   This includes selecting the submodes of the protocol and selecting master—slave functionality.
   EZSPI can be used with slave mode only.
- Program the generic transmitter and receiver information using the SCB\_TX\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_CTRL registers, as shown in Table 48:

   Specify the data frame width. This should always be 8 for EZSPI.
   Specify whether MSB or LSB is the first bit to be transmitted/received. This should always be MSB first for EZSPI.
- Program the transmitter and receiver FIFOs using the SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_FIFO\_CTRL registers respectively, as shown in Table 49:

- a. Set the trigger level.
- b. Clear the transmitter and receiver FIFO and Shift registers.
- c. Freeze the TX and RX FIFO.
- 4. Program SCB\_CTRL register to enable the SCB block. Also select the mode of operation. These register bits are shown in Table 46.
- 5. Enable the block (write a '1' to the ENABLED bit of the SCB\_CTRL register). After the block is enabled, control bits should not be changed. Changes should be made after disabling the block; for example, to modify the operation mode (from Motorola mode to TI mode) or to go from externally clocked to internally clocked operation. The change takes effect only after the block is re-enabled. Note that re-enabling the block causes re-initialization and the associated state is lost (for example, FIFO content).

# Table 46. SCB CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Value	Description
[25:24]	MODE	00	I <sup>2</sup> C mode
		01	SPI mode
		10	UART mode
		11	Reserved
31	ENABLED	0	SCB block disabled
		1	SCB block enabled

# Table 47. SCB\_SPI\_CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Value	Description
[25:24]	MODE	00	SPI Motorola submode. (This is the only mode supported for EZSPI.)
		01	SPI Texas Instruments submode.
		10	SPI National Semiconductors submode.
		11	Reserved
31	MASTER_MODE	0	Slave mode. (This is the only mode supported for EZSPI.)
		1	Master mode.

# Table 48. SCB\_TX\_CTRL/SCB\_RX\_CTRL REGISTERS

Bits	Name	Description
[3:0]	DATA_ WIDTH	'DATA_WIDTH + 1' is the number of bits in the transmitted or received data frame. The valid range is [3, 15]. This does not include start, stop, and parity bits. For EZSPI, this value should be '0b0111'
8	MSB_FIRST	1 = MSB first 0 = LSB firstFor EZSPI, this value should be 1.
9	MEDIAN	This is for SCB_RX_CTRL only.  Decides whether a digital three-tap median filter is applied on the input interface lines. This filter should reduce susceptibility to errors, but it requires higher oversampling values.  1 = Enabled  0 = Disabled

Table 49. SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL/SCB\_RX\_CTRL REGISTERS

Bits	Name	Description
[7:0]	TRIGGER_LEVEL	Trigger level. When the transmitter FIFO has less entries or receiver FIFO has more entries than the value of this field, a transmitter or receiver trigger event is generated in the respective case.
16	CLEAR	When '1', the transmitter or receiver FIFO and the shift registers are cleared.
17	FREEZE	When '1', hardware reads/writes to the transmitter or receiver FIFO have no effect. Freeze does not advance the TX or RX FIFO read/write pointer.

# **Internally and Externally Clocked SPI Operations**

The SCB supports both internally and externally clocked operations for SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C functions. An internally clocked operation uses a clock provided by the chip. An externally clocked operation uses a clock provided by the serial interface. Externally clocked operation enables operation in the Deep–Sleep system power mode.

Internally clocked operation uses the high-frequency clock (HFCLK) of the system. For more information on system clocking, see the <u>Clocking System chapter</u> on page 36. It also supports oversampling. Oversampling is implemented with respect to the high-frequency clock. The OVS (bits [3:0]) of the SCB\_CTRL register specify the oversampling.

In SPI master mode, the valid range for oversampling is 4 to 16. Hence, with a clock speed of 48 MHz, the maximum bit rate is 12 Mbps. However, if you consider the I/O cell and routing delays, the oversampling must be set between 6 and 16 for proper operation. So, the maximum bit rate is 8 Mbps.

NOTE: To achieve maximum possible bit rate, LATE\_MISO\_SAMPLE must be set to '1' in SPI master mode. This has a default value of '0'.

In SPI slave mode, the OVS field (bits [3:0]) of SCB\_CTRL register is not used. However, there is a frequency requirement for the SCB clock with respect to the interface clock (SCLK). This requirement is expressed in terms of the ratio (SCB clock/ SCLK). This ratio is dependent on two fields: MEDIAN of SCB\_RX\_CTRL register and LATE\_MISO\_SAMPLE of SCB\_CTRL register. If the external SPI master supports Late MISO sampling and if the median bit is set to '0', the maximum data rate that can be achieved is 16 Mbps. If the external SPI master does not support late MISO sampling, the maximum data rate is limited to 8 Mbps (with the median bit set to '0'). Based on these bits, the maximum bit rates are given in Table 50.

Table 50. SPI SLAVE MAXIMUM DATA RATES

Maximum Bit Rate at Peripheral Clock of 48 MHz	Ratio Requirement	Median of SCB_RX_CTRL	LATE_MISO_SAMPLE of SCB_CTRL
8 Mbps	≥6	0	1
6 Mbps	≥8	1	1
4 Mbps	≥12	0	0
3 Mbps	≥16	1	0

Externally clocked operation is limited to:

- Slave functionality.
- EZ functionality. EZ functionality uses the block's SRAM as a memory structure. Non-EZ functionality uses the block's SRAM as TX and RX FIFOs; FIFO support is not available in externally clocked operation.
- Motorola mode 0, 1, 2, 3.
   Externally clocked EZ mode of operation can support a data rate of 48 Mbps (at the interface clock of 48 MHz).
   Internally and externally clocked operation is determined by two register fields of the SCB\_CTRL register:
- EC\_AM\_MODE: Indicates whether SPI slave selection is internally ('0') or externally ('1') clocked. SPI slave selection comprises the first part of the protocol.

• EC\_OP\_MODE: Indicates whether the rest of the protocol operation (besides SPI slave selection) is internally ('0') or externally ('1') clocked. As mentioned earlier, externally clocked operation does NOT support non-EZ functionality.

These two register fields determine the functional behavior of SPI. The register fields should be set based on the required behavior in Active, Sleep, and Deep–Sleep system power mode. Improper setting may result in faulty behavior in certain system power modes. Table 51 and Table 52 describe the settings for SPI (in non–EZ and EZ modes).

#### *Non–EZ Mode of Operation*

In non-EZ mode there are two possible settings. As externally clocked operation is not supported for non-EZ

functionality (no FIFO support), EC\_OP\_MODE should always be set to '0'. However, EC\_AM\_MODE can be set to '0' or '1'. Table 51 gives an overview of the possibilities.

Table 51. SPI OPERATION IN NON-EZ MODE

SPI (non-EZ) Mode							
	EC_OP_MODE = 0		EC_OP_MODE = 1				
System Power Mode	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1			
Active and Sleep	Selection using internal clock. Operation using internal clock.	Selection using external clock: Operation using internal clock. In Active mode, the Wakeup interrupt cause is disabled (MASK = 0). In Sleep mode, the MASK bit can be configured by the user.	Not supported	Not supported			
Deep-Sleep	Not supported	Selection using external clock: Wakeup interrupt cause is enabled (MASK = 1). Send 0xFF.					

EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE is '0': This setting only works in Active and Sleep system power modes. The entire block's functionality is provided in the internally clocked domain.

EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE is '1': This setting works in Active and Sleep system power mode and provides limited (wake up) functionality in Deep-Sleep system power mode. SPI slave selection is performed by the externally clocked logic: in Active system power mode, both internally and externally clocked logic are active, and in Deep-Sleep system power mode, only the externally clocked logic is active. When the externally clocked logic detects slave selection, it sets a wakeup interrupt cause bit, which can be used to generate an interrupt to wake up the CPU.

In Active system power mode, the CPU and the block's internally clocked operation are active and the wakeup interrupt cause is disabled (associated MASK bit is '0'). But in the Sleep mode, wakeup interrupt cause can be either enabled or disabled (MASK bit can be either '1' or '0') based on the application. The remaining operations

in the Sleep mode are same as that of the Active mode. The internally clocked operation takes care of the ongoing SPI transfer.

• In Deep-Sleep system power mode, the CPU needs to be woken up and the wakeup interrupt cause is enabled (MASK bit is '1'). Waking up takes time, so the ongoing SPI transfer is negatively acknowledged ('1' bit or "0xFF" byte is sent out on the MISO line) and the internally clocked operation takes care of the next SPI transfer when it is woken up.

# EZ Mode of Operation

EZ mode has three possible settings. EC\_AM\_MODE can be set to '0' or '1' when EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE must be set to '1' when EC\_OP\_MODE is '1'. Table 52 gives an overview of the possibilities. The grey cells indicate a possible, yet not recommended, setting because it involves a switch from the externally clocked logic (slave selection) to the internally clocked logic (rest of the operation). The combination EC\_AM\_MODE = 0 and EC\_OP\_MODE = 1 is invalid and the block will not respond.

**Table 52. SPI OPERATION IN EZ MODE** 

SPI, EZ Mode							
	EC_OP_MODE = 0		EC_OP_MODE = 1				
System Power Mode	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1			
Active and Sleep	Selection using internal clock. Operation using internal clock.	Selection using external clock. Operation using internal clock. In Active mode, the Wakeup interrupt cause is disabled (MASK = 0). In Sleep mode, the MASK bit can be configured by the user.	Invalid	Selection using external clock. Operation using external clock.			
Deep-Sleep	Not supported	Selection using external clock: Wakeup interrupt cause is enabled (MASK = 1). Send 0xFF.		Selection using external clock. Operation using external clock.			

- EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE is '0': This setting only works in Active and Sleep system power modes. The entire block's functionality is provided in the internally clocked domain.
- EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE is '1': This setting works in Active and Sleep system power modes and provides limited (wake up) functionality in Deep-Sleep system power mode. SPI slave selection is performed by the externally clocked logic: in Active system power mode, both internally and externally clocked logic are active, and in Deep-Sleep system power mode, only the externally clocked logic detects slave selection, it sets a wakeup interrupt cause bit, which can be used to generate an interrupt to wake up the CPU.
- In Active system power mode, the CPU and the block's internally clocked operation are active and the wakeup interrupt cause is disabled (associated MASK bit is '0'). But in Sleep mode, wakeup interrupt cause can be either enabled or disabled (MASK bit can be either '1' or '0')

- based on the application. The remaining operations in the Sleep mode are same as that of the Active mode. The internally clocked operation takes care of the ongoing SPI transfer.
- In Deep-Sleep system power mode, the CPU needs to be woken up and the wakeup interrupt cause is enabled (MASK bit is '1'). Waking up takes time, so the ongoing SPI transfer is negatively acknowledged ('1' bit or "0xFF" byte is sent out on the MISO line) and the internally clocked operation takes care of the next SPI transfer when it is woken up.

EC\_OP\_MODE is '1' and EC\_AM\_MODE is '1': This setting works in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep system power modes. The SCB functionality is provided in the externally clocked domain. Note that this setting results in externally clocked accesses to the block's SRAM. These accesses may conflict with internally clocked accesses from the device. This may cause wait states or bus errors. The field FIFO\_BLOCK of the SCB\_CTRL register determines whether wait states ('1') or bus errors ('0') are generated.

#### **UART**

The Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART) protocol is an asynchronous serial interface protocol. UART communication is typically point-to-point. The UART interface consists of two signals:

- TX: Transmitter output
- RX: Receiver input

#### **Features**

- Asynchronous transmitter and receiver functionality
- Supports a maximum data rate of 3 Mbps
- Supports UART protocol
  - Standard UART
  - SmartCard (ISO7816) reader.
  - IrDA
- Supports Local Interconnect Network (LIN)
  - · Break detection
  - Baud rate detection
  - Collision detection (ability to detect that a driven bit value is not reflected on the bus, indicating that another component is driving the same bus)
- Multi-processor mode
- Data frame size programmable from 4 to 9 bits
- Programmable number of STOP bits, which can be set in terms of half bit periods between 1 and 4
- Parity support (odd and even parity)
- Interrupt or polling CPU interface
- Programmable oversampling

# **General Description**

Figure 32 illustrates a standard UART TX and RX.



Figure 32. UART Example

A typical UART transfer consists of a "Start Bit" followed by multiple "Data Bits", optionally followed by a "Parity Bit" and finally completed by one or more "Stop Bits". The Start and Stop bits indicate the start and end of data transmission. The Parity bit is sent by the transmitter and is used by the receiver to detect single bit errors. As the interface does not have a clock (asynchronous), the transmitter and receiver use their own clocks; also, they need to agree upon the period of a bit transfer.

Three different serial interface protocols are supported:

- Standard UART protocol
  - ◆ Multi-Processor Mode
  - ◆ Local Interconnect Network (LIN)
- SmartCard, similar to UART, but with a possibility to send a negative acknowledgement
- IrDA, modification to the UART with a modulation scheme

By default, UART supports a data frame width of eight bits. However, this can be configured to any value in the range of 4 to 9. This does not include start, stop, and parity bits. The number of stop bits can be in the range of 1 to 4. The parity bit can be either enabled or disabled. If enabled, the type of parity can be set to either even parity or odd parity. The option of using the parity bit is available only in the Standard UART and SmartCard UART modes. For IrDA UART mode, the parity bit is automatically disabled. Figure 33 depicts the default configuration of the UART interface of the SCB.

NOTE: UART interface does not support external clocking operation. Hence, UART operates only in the Active and Sleep system power modes.

#### **UART Modes of Operation**

Standard Protocol

A typical UART transfer consists of a start bit followed by multiple data bits, optionally followed by a parity bit and finally completed by one or more stop bits. The start bit value is always '0', the data bits values are dependent on the data transferred, the parity bit value is set to a value guaranteeing an even or odd parity over the data bits, and the stop bit value is '1'. The parity bit is generated by the transmitter and can be used by the receiver to detect single bit transmission errors. When not transmitting data, the TX line is '1' – the same value as the stop bits.

Because the interface does not have a clock, the transmitter and receiver need to agree upon the period of a bit transfer. The transmitter and receiver have their own internal clocks. The receiver clock runs at a higher

frequency than the bit transfer frequency, such that the receiver may oversample the incoming signal.

The transition of a stop bit to a start bit is represented by a change from '1' to '0' on the TX line. This transition can be used by the receiver to synchronize with the transmitter clock. Synchronization at the start of each data transfer allows error–free transmission even in the presence of frequency drift between transmitter and receiver clocks. The required clock accuracy is dependent on the data transfer size.

The stop period or the amount of stop bits between successive data transfers is typically agreed upon between transmitter and receiver, and is typically in the range of 1 to 3-bit transfer periods.

Figure 33 illustrates the UART protocol.

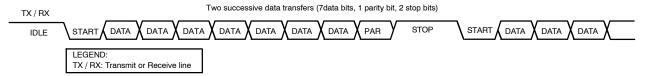


Figure 33. UART, Standard Protocol Example

The receiver oversamples the incoming signal; the value of the sample point in the middle of the bit transfer period (on the receiver's clock) is used. Figure 34 illustrates this.

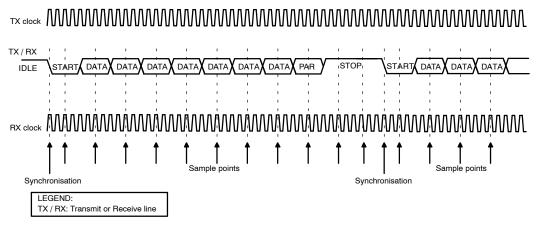


Figure 34. UART, Standard Protocol Example (Single Sample)

Alternatively, three samples around the middle of the bit transfer period (on the receiver's clock) are used for a majority vote to increase accuracy. Figure 35 illustrates this.

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Figure 35. UART, Standard Protocol (Multiple Samples)

## **UART Multi-Processor Mode**

The UART\_MP (multi-processor) mode is defined with single-master-multi-slave topology, as Figure 36 shows.

This mode is also known as UART 9-bit protocol because the data field is nine bits wide. UART\_MP is part of Standard UART mode.

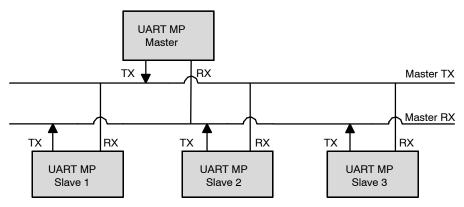


Figure 36. UART MP Mode Bus Connections

The main properties of UART MP mode are:

- Single master with multiple slave concept (multi-drop network).
- Each slave is identified by a unique address.
- Using 9 data field, with the ninth bit as address/data flag (MP bit). When set high, it indicates an address byte; when set low it indicates a data byte. A data frame is illustrated in Figure 37.
- Parity bit is disabled.



Figure 37. UART MP Data Frame

The SCB can be used as either master or slave device in UART\_MP mode. Both SCB\_TX\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_CTRL registers should be set to 9-bit data frame size. When the SCB works as UART\_MP master device, the firmware changes the MP flag for every address or data frame. When it works as UART\_MP slave device, the MP\_MODE field of the SCB\_UART\_RX\_CTRL register

should be set to '1'. The SCB\_RX\_MATCH register should be set for the slave address and address mask. The matched address is written in the RX\_FIFO when ADDR\_ACCEPT field of the SCB\_CTRL register is set to '1'. If received address does not match its own address, then the interface ignores the following data, until next address is received for compare.

### **UART Local Interconnect Network (LIN) Mode**

The LIN protocol is supported by the SCB as part of the standard UART. LIN is designed with single-master-multi-slave topology. There is one master node and multiple slave nodes on the LIN bus. The SCB

UART supports both LIN master and slave functionality. The LIN specification defines both physical layer (layer 1) and data link layer (layer 2). Figure 38 illustrates the UART\_LIN and LIN Transceiver.

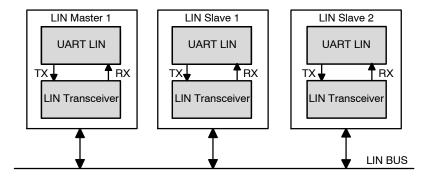


Figure 38. UART\_LIN and LIN Transceiver

LIN protocol defines two tasks:

- Master task: This task involves sending a header packet to initiate a LIN transfer.
- Slave task: This task involves transmitting or receiving a response.

The master node supports master task and slave task; the slave node supports only slave task, as shown in Figure 39.

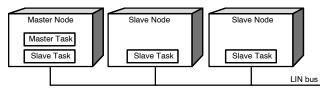


Figure 39. LIN Bus Nodes and Tasks

## LIN Frame Structure

LIN is based on the transmission of frames at pre-determined moments of time. A frame is divided into header and response fields, as shown in Figure 40.

- The header field consists of:
  - Break field (at least 13 bit periods with the value '0').
  - Sync field (a 0x55 byte frame). A sync field can be used to synchronize the clock of the slave task with that of the master task.
  - Identifier field (a frame specifying a specific slave).
- The response field consists of data and checksum.

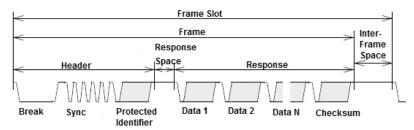


Figure 40. LIN Frame Structure

In LIN protocol communication, the least significant bit (LSB) of the data is sent first and the most significant bit (MSB) last. The start bit is encoded as zero and the stop bit

is encoded as one. The following sections describe all the byte fields in the LIN frame.

#### Break Field

Every new frame starts with a break field, which is always generated by the master. The break filed has logical zero with a minimum of 13 bit times and followed by a break delimiter. The break field structure is as shown in Figure 41.



Figure 41. LIN Break Field

## Sync Field

This is the second field transmitted by the master in the header field; its value is 0x55. A sync field can be used to synchronize the clock of the slave task with that of the master task for automatic band rate detection. Figure 42 shows the LIN sync field structure.



Figure 42. LIN Sync Field

## Protected identifier (PID) Field

A protected identifier field consists of two sub-fields: the frame identifier (bits 0-5) and the parity (bit 6 and bit 7). The PID field structure is shown in Figure 43.

- Frame identifier: The frame identifiers are split into three categories
  - Values 0 to 59 (0x3B) are used for signal carrying frames
  - ◆ 60 (0x3C) and 61 (0x3D) are used to carry diagnostic and configuration data
  - ◆ 62 (0x3E) and 63 (0x3F) are reserved for future protocol enhancements
- Parity: Frame identifier bits are used to calculate the parity

Figure 43 shows the PID field structure.

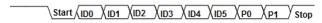


Figure 43. PID Field

Data. In LIN, every frame can carry a minimum of one byte and maximum of 8 bytes of data. Here, the LSB of the data byte is sent first and the MSB of the data byte is sent last.

## Checksum

The checksum is the last byte field in the LIN frame. It is calculated by inverting the 8-bit sum along with carryover of all data bytes only or the 8-bit sum with the carryover of all data bytes and the PID field. There are two types of checksums in LIN frames. They are:

- Classic checksum: the checksum calculated over all the data bytes only (used in LIN 1.x slaves).
- Enhanced checksum: the checksum calculated over all the data bytes along with the protected identifier (used in LIN 2.x slaves).

## **LIN Frame Types**

The type of frame refers to the conditions that need to be valid to transmit the frame. According to the LIN specification, there are five different types of LIN frames. A node or cluster does not have to support all frame types.

#### **Unconditional Frame**

These frames carry the signals and their frame identifiers (of 0x00 to 0x3B range). The subscriber will receive the frames and make it available to the application; the publisher of the frame will provide the response to the header.

## Event-Triggered Frame

The purpose of an event-triggered frame is to increase the responsiveness of the LIN cluster without assigning too much of the bus bandwidth to polling of multiple slave nodes with seldom occurring events. Event-triggered frames carry the response of one or more unconditional frames. The unconditional frames associated with an event triggered frame should:

- · Have equal length
- Use the same checksum model (either classic or enhanced)
- Reserve the first data field to its protected identifier
- Be published by different slave nodes
- Not be included directly in the same schedule table as the event-triggered frame

## Sporadic Frame

The purpose of the sporadic frames is to merge some dynamic behavior into the schedule table without affecting the rest of the schedule table. These frames have a group of unconditional frames that share the frame slot. When the sporadic frame is due for transmission, the unconditional frames are checked if they have any updated signals. If no signals are updated, no frame will be transmitted and the frame slot will be empty.

#### Diagnostic Frames

Diagnostic frames always carry transport layer, and contains eight data bytes.

The frame identifier for diagnostic frame is:

- Master request frame (0x3C), or
- Slave response frame (0x3D)

Before transmitting a master request frame, the master task queries its diagnostic module to see if it will be transmitted or if the bus will be silent. A slave response frame header will be sent unconditionally. The slave tasks publish and subscribe to the response according to their diagnostic modules.

### Reserved Frames

These frames are reserved for future use; their frame identifiers are 0x3E and 0x3F.

#### LIN Go-To-Sleep and Wake-Up

The LIN protocol has the feature of keeping the LIN bus in Sleep mode, if the master sends the go-to-sleep command. The go-to-sleep command is a master request frame (ID = 0x3C) with the first byte field is equal to 0x00 and rest set to 0xFF. The slave node application may still be active after the go-to-sleep command is received. This behavior is application specific. The LIN slave nodes automatically enter Sleep mode if the LIN bus inactivity is more than four seconds.

Wake-up can be initiated by any node connected to the LIN bus – either LIN master or any of the LIN slaves by forcing the bus to be dominant for 250  $\mu$ s to 5 ms. Each slave should detect the wakeup request and be ready to process headers within 100 ms. The master should also detect the wakeup request and start sending headers when the slave nodes are active.

To support LIN, a dedicated (off-chip) line driver/receiver is required. Supply voltage range on the LIN bus is 7 V to 18 V. Typically, LIN line drivers will drive the LIN line with the value provided on the SCB TX line and present the value on the LIN line to the SCB RX line. By comparing TX and RX lines in the SCB, bus collisions can be detected (indicated by the SCB\_UART\_ARB\_LOST field of the SCB\_INTR\_TX register).

## Configuring the SCB as Standard UART Interface

To configure the SCB as a standard UART interface, set various register bits in the following order:

- Configure the SCB as UART interface by writing '10' to the MODE field (bits [25:24]) of the SCB CTRL register.
- 2. Configure the UART interface to operate as a Standard protocol by writing '00' to the MODE field (bits [25:24]) of the SCB\_UART\_CTRL register.
- 3. To enable the UART MP Mode or UART LIN Mode, write '1' to the MP MODE (bit 10) or

- LIN\_MODE (bit 12) respectively of the SCB\_UART\_RX\_CTRL register.
- 4. Follow steps 2 to 5 described in "Enabling and Initializing UART" on page 78.

For more information on these registers, see the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

### SmartCard (ISO7816)

ISO7816 is asynchronous serial interface, defined with single-master-single slave topology. ISO7816 defines both Reader (master) and Card (slave) functionality. For more information, refer to the <a href="ISO7816">ISO7816</a> Specification. Only master (reader) function is supported by the SCB. This block provides the basic physical layer support with asynchronous character transmission. UART\_TX line is connected to SmartCard I/O line, by internally multiplexing between UART TX and UART RX control modules.

The SmartCard transfer is similar to a UART transfer, with the addition of a negative acknowledgement (NACK) that may be sent from the receiver to the transmitter. A NACK is always '0'. Both master and slave may drive the same line, although never at the same time.

A SmartCard transfer has the transmitter drive the start bit and data bits (and optionally a parity bit). After these bits, it enters its stop period by releasing the bus. Releasing results in the line being '1' (the value of a stop bit). After one bit transfer period into the stop period, the receiver may drive a NACK on the line (a value of '0') for one bit transfer period. This NACK is observed by the transmitter, which reacts by extending its stop period by one bit transfer period. For this protocol to work, the stop period should be longer than one bit transfer period. Note that a data transfer with a NACK takes one bit transfer period longer, than a data transfer without a NACK. Typically, implementations use a tristate driver with a pull–up resistor, such that when the line is not transmitting data or transmitting the Stop bit, its value is '1'.

Figure 44 illustrates the SmartCard protocol.

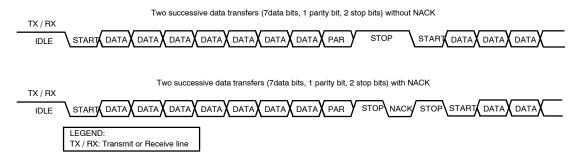


Figure 44. SmartCard Example

The communication Baud rate for ISO7816 is given as:

BaudRate = 
$$f_{7816} \times (D/F)$$
 (eq. 1

Where f<sub>7816</sub> is the clock frequency, F is the clock rate conversion integer, and D is the baud rate adjustment integer.

By default, F = 372, D = f1, and the maximum clock frequency is 5 MHz. Thus, maximum baud rate is 13.4 Kbps. Typically, a 3.57-MHz clock is selected. The typical value of the baud rate is 9.6 Kbps.

## Configuring SCB as UART SmartCard Interface

To configure the SCB as a UART SmartCard interface, set various register bits in the following order. For more information on these registers, see the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

- 1. Configure the SCB as UART interface by writing '10' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB CTRL register.
- 2. Configure the UART interface to operate as a SmartCard protocol by writing '01' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB UART CTRL register.
- 3. Follow steps 2 to 5 described in "Enabling and Initializing UART" on page 78.

The SCB supports the Infrared Data Association (IrDA) protocol for data rates of up to 115.2 Kbps using the UART interface. It supports only the basic physical layer of IrDA protocol with rates less than 115.2 Kbps. Hence, the system instantiating this block must consider how to implement a complete IrDA communication system with other available system resources.

The IrDA protocol adds a modulation scheme to the UART signaling. At the transmitter, bits are modulated. At the receiver, bits are demodulated. The modulation scheme uses a Return-to-Zero-Inverted (RZI) format. A bit value of '0' is signaled by a short '1' pulse on the line and a bit value of '1' is signaled by holding the line to '0'. For these data rates (≤115.2 Kbps), the RZI modulation scheme is used and the pulse duration is 3/16 of the bit period. The sampling clock frequency should be set 16 times the selected baud rate, by configuring the SCB OVS field of the SCB CTRL register.

Different communication speeds under 115.2 Kbps can be achieved by configuring corresponding block clock frequency. Additional allowable rates are 2.4 Kbps, 9.6 Kbps, 19.2 Kbps, 38.4 Kbps, and 57.6 Kbps. An IrDA serial infrared interface operates at 9.6 Kbps. Figure 45 shows how a UART transfer is IrDA modulated.



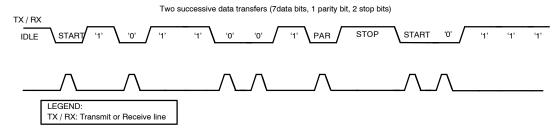


Figure 45. IrDA Example

### Configuring the SCB as UART IrDA Interface

To configure the SCB as a UART IrDA interface, set various register bits in the following order. For more information on these registers, see the AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers.

- 1. Configure the SCB as UART interface by writing '10' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB CTRL register.
- 2. Configure the UART interface to operate as IrDA protocol by writing '10' to the MODE (bits [25:24]) of the SCB UART CTRL register.
- 3. Enable the Median filter on the input interface line by writing '1' to MEDIAN (bit 9) of the SCB RX CTRL register.
- 4. Configure the SCB as described in "Enabling and Initializing UART" on page 78.

#### **UART Registers**

The UART interface is controlled using a set of 32-bit

registers listed in Table 30. For more information on these registers, see the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

#### **Table 53. UART REGISTERS**

Register Name	Operation
SCB_CTRL	Enables the SCB; selects the type of serial interface (SPI, UART, I <sup>2</sup> C)
SCB_UART_CTRL	Used to select the sub-modes of UART (standard UART, SmartCard, IrDA), also used for local loop back control.
SCB_UART_RX_STATUS	Used to specify the BR_COUNTER value that determines the bit period. This is used to set the accuracy of the SCB clock. This value provides more granularity than the OVS bit in SCB_CTRL register.
SCB_UART_TX_CTRL	Used to specify the number of stop bits, enable parity, select the type of parity, and enable retransmission on NACK.
SCB_UART_RX_CTRL	Performs same function as SCB_UART_TX_CTRL but is also used for enabling multi processor mode, LIN mode drop on parity error, and drop on frame error.
SCB_TX_CTRL	Used to specify the data frame width and to specify whether MSB or LSB is the first bit in transmission.
SCB_RX_CTRL	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_CTRL register, but for the receiver. Also decides whether a median filter is to be used on the input interface lines.
SCB_UART_FLOW_CONTROL	Configures flow control for UART transmitter.

#### **UART Interrupts**

The UART supports both internal and external interrupt requests. The internal interrupt events are listed in this section. Custom ISRs can also be used by connecting the external interrupt component to the interrupt output of the UART component (with external interrupts enabled).

The UART predefined interrupts can be classified as TX interrupts and RX interrupts. The TX interrupt output is the logical OR of the group of all possible TX interrupt sources. This signal goes high when any of the enabled TX interrupt sources is true. The RX interrupt output is the logical OR of the group of all possible RX interrupt sources. This signal goes high when any of the enabled Rx interrupt sources is true. The UART provides interrupts on the following events:

#### TX

- TX FIFO has less entries than the value specified by TRIGGER LEVEL in SCB TX FIFO CTRL
- TX FIFO is not full
- TX FIFO is empty
- TX FIFO overflow
- TX FIFO underflow
- TX received a NACK in SmartCard mode
- TX done
- Arbitration lost (in LIN or SmartCard modes)

#### RX

- RX FIFO has less entries than the value specified by TRIGGER LEVEL in SCB RX FIFO CTRL
- RX FIFO is full
- RX FIFO is not empty
- RX FIFO overflow
- RX FIFO underflow
- Frame error in received data frame
- Parity error in received data frame
- LIN baud rate detection is completed
- LIN break detection is successful

## **Enabling and Initializing UART**

The UART must be programmed in the following order:

- Program protocol specific information using the SCB\_UART\_CTRL register, according to Table 46. This includes selecting the submodes of the protocol, transmitter-receiver functionality, and so on.
- Program the generic transmitter and receiver information using the SCB\_TX\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_CTRL registers, as shown in Table 48.
   a. Specify the data frame width.
  - b. Specify whether MSB or LSB is the first bit to be transmitted or received.
- Program the transmitter and receiver FIFOs using the SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_FIFO\_CTRL registers respectively, as shown in Table 56.
  - a. Set the trigger level.
  - b. Clear the transmitter and receiver FIFO and Shift registers.
  - c. Freeze the TX and RX FIFOs.
- 4. Program the SCB\_CTRL register to enable the SCB block. Also select the mode of operation (Table 57).
- 5. Enable the block (write a '1' to the ENABLED bit of the SCB\_CTRL register). After the block is enabled, control bits should not be changed. Changes should be made after disabling the block; for example, to modify the operation mode (from SmartCard to IrDA). The change takes effect only after the block is re-enabled. Note that re-enabling the block causes reinitialization and the associated state is lost (for example FIFO content).

# Table 54. SCB\_UART\_CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Value	Description
[25:24]	MODE	00	Standard UART
		01	SmartCard
		10	IrDA
		11	Reserved
16	LOOP_BACK	Loop back control. This allows a SCB UART transmitter to communicate with its receiver counterpart.	

# Table 55. SCB\_TX\_CTRL/SCB\_RX\_CTRL REGISTERS

Bits	Name	Description
[3:0]	DATA_WIDTH	'DATA_WIDTH + 1' is the no. of bits in the transmitted or received data frame. The valid range is [3, 15]. This does not include start, stop, and parity bits.
8	MSB_FIRST	1 = MSB first 0 = LSB first
9	MEDIAN	This is for SCB_RX_CTRL only.  Decides whether a digital three-tap median filter is applied on the input interface lines. This filter should reduce susceptibility to errors, but it requires higher oversampling values. For the UART IrDA mode, this should always be '1'.  1 = Enabled  0 = Disabled

# Table 56. SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL/SCB\_RX\_FIFO\_CTRL REGISTERS

Bits	Name	Description
[7:0]	TRIGGER_LEVEL	Trigger level. When the transmitter FIFO has less entries or receiver FIFO has more entries than the value of this field, a transmitter or receiver trigger event is generated in the respective case.
16	CLEAR	When '1', the transmitter or receiver FIFO and the shift registers are cleared/invalidated.
17	FREEZE	When '1', hardware reads/writes to the transmitter or receiver FIFO have no effect. Freeze will not advance the TX or RX FIFO read/write pointer.

## Table 57. SCB\_CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Value	Description
[25:24]	MODE	00	I <sup>2</sup> C mode
		01	SPI mode
		10	UART mode
		11	Reserved
31	ENABLED	0	SCB block disabled
		1	SCB block enabled

# Inter Integrated Circuit (I<sup>2</sup>C)

This section explains the  $I^2C$  implementation in AXM0F243 MCU.

### **Features**

This block supports the following features:

- Master, slave, and master/slave mode
- Slow-mode (50 kbps), standard-mode (100 kbps), fast-mode (400 kbps), and fast-mode plus (1000 kbps) data-rates
- 7– or 10–bit slave addressing (10–bit addressing requires firmware support)
- Clock stretching and collision detection
- Programmable oversampling of I<sup>2</sup>C clock signal (SCL)
- Error reduction using an digital median filter on the input path of the I<sup>2</sup>C data signal (SDA)
- Glitch-free signal transmission with an analog glitch filter
- Interrupt or polling CPU interface

## **General Description**

Figure 46 illustrates an example of an I<sup>2</sup>C communication network.

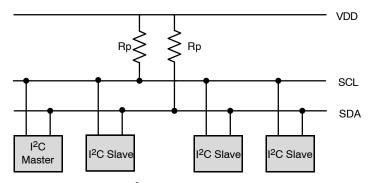


Figure 46. I<sup>2</sup>C Interface Block Diagram

The standard I<sup>2</sup>C bus is a two wire interface with the following lines:

- Serial Data (SDA)
- Serial Clock (SCL)

I<sup>2</sup>C devices are connected to these lines using open collector or open–drain output stages, with pull–up resistors (Rp). A simple master/slave relationship exists between devices. Masters and slaves can operate as either transmitter or receiver. Each slave device connected to the bus is software addressable by a unique 7–bit address. AXM0F243 MCU also supports 10–bit address matching for I<sup>2</sup>C with firmware support.

## **Terms and Definitions**

Table 58 explains the commonly used terms in an I<sup>2</sup>C communication network.

Table 58. DEFINITION OF I<sup>2</sup>C BUS TERMINOLOGY

Term	Description
Transmitter	The device that sends data to the bus
Receiver	The device that receives data from the bus
Master	The device that initiates a transfer, generates clock signals, and terminates a transfer
Slave	The device addressed by a master
Multi-master	More than one master can attempt to control the bus at the same time without corrupting the message
Arbitration	Procedure to ensure that, if more than one master simultaneously tries to control the bus, only one is allowed to do so and the winning message is not corrupted
Synchronization	Procedure to synchronize the clock signals of two or more devices

## Clock Stretching

When a slave device is not yet ready to process data, it may drive a '0' on the SCL line to hold it down. Due to the implementation of the I/O signal interface, the SCL line value will be '0', independent of the values that any other

master or slave may be driving on the SCL line. This is known as clock stretching and is the only situation in which a slave drives the SCL line. The master device monitors the SCL line and detects it when it cannot generate a positive clock pulse ('1') on the SCL line. It then reacts by delaying the generation of a positive edge on the SCL line, effectively synchronizing with the slave device that is stretching the clock.

## **Bus Arbitration**

The I<sup>2</sup>C protocol is a multi-master, multi-slave interface. Bus arbitration is implemented on master devices by monitoring the SDA line. Bus collisions are detected when the master observes an SDA line value that is not the same as the value it is driving on the SDA line. For example, when master 1 is driving the value '1' on the SDA line and master 2 is driving the value '0' on the SDA line, the actual line value will be '0' due to the implementation of the I/O signal interface. Master 1 detects the inconsistency and loses control of the bus. Master 2 does not detect any inconsistency and keeps control of the bus.

## I<sup>2</sup>C Modes of Operation

I<sup>2</sup>C is a synchronous single master, multi-master, multi-slave serial interface. Devices operate in either master mode, slave mode, or master/slave mode. In master/slave mode, the device switches from master to slave mode when it is addressed. Only a single master may be active during a data transfer. The active master is responsible for driving the clock on the SCL line. Table 59 illustrates the I<sup>2</sup>C modes of operation.

Table 59. I<sup>2</sup>C MODES

Mode	Description
Slave	Slave only operation (default)
Master	Master only operation
Multi-master	Supports more than one master on the bus
Multi-master-slave	Simultaneous slave and multi-master operation

Data transfer through the I<sup>2</sup>C bus follows a specific format. Table 60 lists some common bus events that are part of an I<sup>2</sup>C data transfer. The Write Transfer and Read Transfer sections explain the I<sup>2</sup>C bus bit format during data transfer.

Table 60. I<sup>2</sup>C BUS EVEN TERMINOLOGY

Bus Event	Description
START	A HIGH to LOW transition on the SDA line while SCL is HIGH
STOP	A LOW to HIGH transition on the SDA line while SCL is HIGH
ACK	The receiver pulls the SDA line LOW and it remains LOW during the HIGH period of the clock pulse, after the transmitter transmits each byte. This indicates to the transmitter that the receiver received the byte properly.
NACK	The receiver does not pull the SDA line LOW and it remains HIGH during the HIGH period of clock pulse after the transmitter transmits each byte. This indicates to the transmitter that the receiver received the byte properly.
Repeated START	START condition generated by master at the end of a transfer instead of a STOP condition
DATA	SDA status change while SCL is low (data changing), and no change while SCL is high (data valid)

When operating in multi-master mode, the bus should always be checked to see if it is busy; another master may already be communicating with a slave. In this case, the master must wait until the current operation is complete before issuing a START signal (see Table 60, Figure 47, and Figure 48). The master looks for a STOP signal as an indicator that it can start its data transmission.

When operating in multi-master-slave mode, if the master loses arbitration during data transmission, the hardware reverts to slave mode and the received byte generates a slave address interrupt, so that the device is ready to respond to any other master on the bus. With all of these modes, there are two types of transfer – read and write. In write transfer, the master sends data to slave; in read transfer, the master receives data from slave. Write and read transfer examples are available in "Master Mode Transfer Examples" on page 89, "Slave Mode Transfer Examples" on page 91, and "Multi-Master Mode Transfer Example" on page 95.

Write Transfer

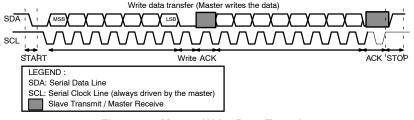


Figure 47. Master Write Data Transfer

- A typical write transfer begins with the master generating a START condition on the I<sup>2</sup>C bus. The master then writes a 7- bit I<sup>2</sup>C slave address and a write indicator ('0') after the START condition. The addressed slave transmits an acknowledgement byte by pulling the data line low during the ninth bit time.
- If the slave address does not match any of the slave devices or if the addressed device does not want to acknowledge the request, it transmits a no acknowledgement (NACK) by not pulling the SDA line low. The absence of an acknowledgement, results in an SDA line value of '1' due to the pull-up resistor implementation.
- If no acknowledgement is transmitted by the slave, the master may end the write transfer with a STOP event. The master can also generate a repeated START condition for a retry attempt.
- The master may transmit data to the bus if it receives an acknowledgement. The addressed slave transmits an acknowledgement to confirm the receipt of every byte of data written. Upon receipt of this acknowledgement, the master may transmit another data byte.
- When the transfer is complete, the master generates a STOP condition.

Figure 48. Master Read Data Transfer

- A typical read transfer begins with the master generating a START condition on the I<sup>2</sup>C bus. The master then writes a 7- bit I<sup>2</sup>C slave address and a read indicator ('1') after the START condition. The addressed slave transmits an acknowledgement by pulling the data line low during the ninth bit time.
- If the slave address does not match with that of the connected slave device or if the addressed device does not want to acknowledge the request, a no acknowledgement (NACK) is transmitted by not pulling the SDA line low. The absence of an acknowledgement, results in an SDA line value of '1' due to the pull-up resistor implementation.
- If no acknowledgement is transmitted by the slave, the master may end the read transfer with a STOP event. The master can also generate a repeated START condition for a retry attempt.
- If the slave acknowledges the address, it starts transmitting data after the acknowledgement signal. The master transmits an acknowledgement to confirm the receipt of each data byte sent by the slave. Upon receipt of this acknowledgement, the addressed slave may transmit another data byte.
- The master can send a NACK signal to the slave to stop the slave from sending data bytes. This completes the read transfer.
- When the transfer is complete, the master generates a STOP condition.

## Easy I2C (EZI2C) Protocol

The Easy I2C (EZI2C) protocol is a unique communication scheme built on top of the I<sup>2</sup>C protocol. It uses a software wrapper around the standard I<sup>2</sup>C protocol to communicate to an I<sup>2</sup>C slave using indexed memory transfers.

This removes the need for CPU intervention at the level of individual frames.

The EZI2C protocol defines an 8-bit address that indexes a memory array (8-bit wide 32 locations) located on the

slave device. Five lower bits of the EZ address are used to address these 32 locations. The number of bytes transferred to or from the EZI2C memory array can be found by comparing the EZ address at the START event and the EZ address at the STOP event.

NOTE: Note The I<sup>2</sup>C block has a hardware FIFO memory, which is 16 bits wide and 16 locations deep with byte write enable. The access methods for EZ and non–EZ functions are different. In non–EZ mode, the FIFO is split into TXFIFO and RXFIFO. Each has 16–bit wide eight locations. In EZ mode, the FIFO is used as a single memory unit with 8–bit wide 32 locations.

EZI2C has two types of transfers: a data write from the master to an addressed slave memory location, and a read by the master from an addressed slave memory location.

## Memory Array Write

An EZ write to a memory array index is by means of an I<sup>2</sup>C write transfer. The first transmitted write data is used to send an EZ address from the master to the slave. The five lowest significant bits of the write data are used as the "new" EZ address at the slave. Any additional write data elements in the write transfer are bytes that are written to the memory array. The EZ address is automatically incremented by the slave as bytes are written into the memory array. If the number of continuous data bytes written to the EZI2C buffer exceeds EZI2C buffer boundary, it overwrites the last location for every subsequent byte.

## Memory Array Read

An EZ read from a memory array index is by means of an  $I^2C$  read transfer. The EZ read relies on an earlier EZ write to have set the EZ address at the slave. The first received read data is the byte from the memory array at the EZ address memory location. The EZ address is automatically incremented as bytes are read from the memory array. The address wraps around to zero when the final memory location is reached.

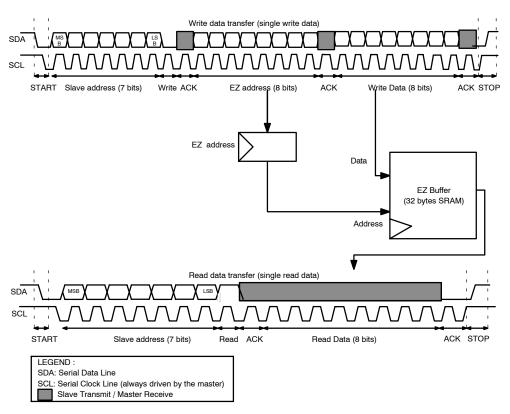


Figure 49. EZI2C Write and Read Data Transfer

# **I2C Registers**

The  $\overline{I^2}C$  interface is controlled by reading and writing a set of configuration, control, and status registers, as listed in Table 61.

Table 61. I2C REGISTERS

Register	Description
SCB_CTRL	Enables the I2C block and selects the type of serial interface (SPI, UART,I2C). Also used to select internally and externally clocked operation and EZ and non-EZ modes of operation.
SCB_I2C_CTRL	Selects the mode (master, slave) and sends an ACK or NACK signal based on receiver FIFO status.
SCB_I2C_STATUS	Indicates bus busy status detection, read/write transfer status of the slave/master, and stores the EZ slave address.
SCB_I2C_M_CMD	Enables the master to generate START, STOP, and ACK/NACK signals.
SCB_I2C_S_CMD	Enables the slave to generate ACK/NACK signals.
SCB_STATUS	Indicates whether the externally clocked logic is using the EZ memory. This bit can be used by software to determine whether it is safe to issue a software access to the EZ memory.
SCB_I2C_CFG	Configures filters, which remove glitches from the SDA and SCL lines.
SCB_TX_CTRL	Specifies the data frame width; also used to specify whether MSB or LSB is the first bit in transmission.
SCB_TX_FIFO_CTRL	Specifies the trigger level, clearing of the transmitter FIFO and shift registers, and FREEZE operation of the transmitter FIFO.
SCB_TX_FIFO_STATUS	Indicates the number of bytes stored in the transmitter FIFO, the location from which a data frame is read by the hardware (read pointer), the location from which a new data frame is written (write pointer), and decides if the transmitter FIFO holds the valid data.
SCB_TX_FIFO_WR	Holds the data frame written into the transmitter FIFO. Behavior is similar to that of a PUSH operation.
SCB_RX_CTRL	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_CTRL register, but for the receiver. Also decides whether a median filter is to be used on the input interface lines.
SCB_RX_FIFO_CTRL	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_FIFO_CTRL register, but for the receiver.
SCB_RX_FIFO_STATUS	Performs the same function as that of the SCB_TX_FIFO_STATUS register, but for the receiver.
SCB_RX_FIFO_RD	Holds the data read from the receiver FIFO. Reading a data frame removes the data frame from the FIFO; behavior is similar to that of a POP operation. This register has a side effect when read by software: a data frame is removed from the FIFO.
SCB_RX_FIFO_RD_SILEN T	Holds the data read from the receiver FIFO. Reading a data frame does not remove the data frame from the FIFO; behavior is similar to that of a PEEK operation.
SCB_RX_MATCH	Stores slave device address and is also used as slave device address MASK.
SCB_EZ_DATA	Holds the data in an EZ memory location.

NOTE: Detailed descriptions of the I<sup>2</sup>C register bits are available in the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU</u>
<u>Registers</u>

#### **I2C Interrupts**

The fixed-function I<sup>2</sup>C block generates interrupts for the following conditions.

- I2C Master
  - I2C master lost arbitration
  - I2C master received NACK
  - I2C master received ACK
  - ◆ I2C master sent STOP
  - I2C bus error (unexpected stop/start condition detected)
- I2C Slave
  - I2C slave lost arbitration
  - ◆ I2C slave received NACK
  - I2C slave received ACK
  - ◆ I2C slave received STOP
  - I2C slave received START
  - I2C slave address matched
  - I2C bus error (unexpected stop/start condition detected)

#### TX

- TX FIFO has less entries than the value specified by TRIGGER\_LEVEL in SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL
- TX FIFO is not full
- TX FIFO is empty
- TX FIFO overflow
- TX FIFO underflow

#### • RX

- RX FIFO has less entries than the value specified by TRIGGER\_LEVEL in SCB\_RX\_FIFO\_CTRL
- RX FIFO is full
- RX FIFO is not empty
- RX FIFO overflow
- RX FIFO underflow
- I2C Externally Clocked
  - Wake up request on address match
  - I2C STOP detection at the end of each transfer
  - I2C STOP detection at the end of a write transfer
  - I2C STOP detection at the end of a read transfer

The I2C interrupt signal is hard-wired to the Cortex-M0 NVIC and cannot be routed to external pins.

The interrupt output is the logical OR of the group of all possible interrupt sources. The interrupt is triggered when any of the enabled interrupt conditions are met. Interrupt status registers are used to determine the actual source of the interrupt. For more information on interrupt registers, see the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

### **Enabling and Initializing the I2C**

The following section describes the method to configure the I2C block for standard (non-EZ) mode and EZI2C mode

Configuring for I2C Standard (Non-EZ) Mode

The I2C interface must be programmed in the following order

- Program protocol specific information using the SCB\_I2C\_CTRL register according to Table 62. This includes selecting master – slave functionality.
- Program the generic transmitter and receiver information using the SCB\_TX\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_CTRL registers, as shown in Table 63.
  - a. Specify the data frame width.
  - b. Specify that MSB is the first bit to be transmitted/received.
- Program transmitter and receiver FIFO using the SCB\_TX\_FIFO\_CTRL and SCB\_RX\_FIFO\_CTRL registers, respectively, as shown in Table 64.
  - a. Set the trigger level.
  - b. Clear the transmitter and receiver FIFO and Shift registers.
- 4. Program the SCB\_CTRL register to enable the I2C block and select the I2C mode. These register bits are shown in Table 65. For a complete description of the I2C registers, see the <u>AND9835</u> <u>AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

## Table 62. SCB\_I2C\_CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Value	Description
30	SLAVE_MODE	1	Slave mode
31	MASTER_MODE	1	Master mode

## Table 63. SCB\_TX\_CTRL/SCB\_RX\_CTRL REGISTER

Bits	Name	Description
[3:0]	DATA_WIDTH	'DATA_WIDTH + 1' is the number of bits in the transmitted or received data frame. For I2C, this is always 7.
8	MSB_FIRST	1 = MSB first (this should always be true for I2C)
		0 = LSB first
9	MEDIAN	This is for SCB_RX_CTRL only.  Decides whether a digital three-tap median filter is applied on the input interface lines. This filter should reduce susceptibility to errors, but it requires higher oversampling values.  1 = Enabled 0 = Disabled

### Table 64. SCB TX FIFO CTRL/SCB RX FIFO CTRL

Bits	Name	Description
[7:0]	TRIGGER_LEVEL	Trigger level. When the transmitter FIFO has less entries or the receiver FIFO has more entries than the value of this field, a transmitter or receiver trigger event is generated in the respective case.
16	CLEAR	When '1', the transmitter or receiver FIFO and the shift registers are cleared.
17	FREEZE	When '1', hardware reads/writes to the transmitter or receiver FIFO have no effect. Freeze does not advance the TX or RX FIFO read/write pointer.

## Table 65. SCB\_CTRL REGISTERS

Bits	Name	Value	Description
[25:24]	MODE	00	I2C mode
		01	SPI mode
		10	UART mode
		11	Reserved
31	ENABLED	0	SCB block disabled
		1	SCB block enabled

## Configuring for EZI2C Mode

To configure the I2C block for EZI2C mode, set the following I2C register bits

- 1. Select the EZI2C mode by writing '1' to the EZ MODE bit (bit 10) of the SCB CTRL register.
- 2. Follow steps 2 to 4 mentioned in <u>Configuring for EZI2C Mode</u>.
- 3. Set the S\_READY\_ADDR\_ACK (bit 12) and S\_READY\_DATA\_ACK (bit 13) bits of the SCB 12C CTRL register.

## Internal and External Clock Operation in I2C

The I2C block supports both internally and externally clocked operation for data-rate generation. Internally clocked operations use a clock signal derived from the AXM0F243 MCU system bus clock. Externally clocked operations use a clock provided by the user. Externally clocked operation allows limited functionality in the Deep-Sleep power mode, in which on-chip clocks are not active. For more information on system clocking, see the Clocking System chapter on page 36.

Externally clocked operation is limited to the following cases:

- Slave functionality.
- EZ functionality.

TX and RX FIFOs do not support externally clocked operation; therefore, it is not used for non-EZ functionality. Internally and externally clocked operations are determined by two register fields of the SCB CTRL register:

- EC\_AM\_MODE (Externally Clocked Address Matching Mode): Indicates whether I2C address matching is internally ('0') or externally ('1') clocked.
- EC\_OP\_MODE (Externally Clocked Operation Mode): Indicates whether the rest of the protocol operation (besides I2C address match) is internally ('0') or externally ('1') clocked. As mentioned earlier, externally clocked operation does not support non-EZ functionality.

These two register fields determine the functional behavior of I2C. The register fields should be set based on the required behavior in Active, Sleep, and Deep–Sleep system power modes. Improper setting may result in faulty behavior in certain power modes. Table 16 and Table 67 describe the settings for I2C in EZ and non–EZ mode.

## I2C Non-EZ Mode of Operation

Externally clocked operation is not supported for non-EZ functionality because there is no FIFO support for this mode. So, the EC\_OP\_MODE should always be set to '0' for non-EZ mode. However, EC\_AM\_MODE can be set to '0' or '1'. Table 16 gives an overview of the possibilities. The combination EC\_AM\_MODE = 0 and EC\_OP\_MODE = 1 is invalid and the block will not respond.

## EC\_AM\_MODE is '0' and EC\_OP\_MODE is '0'.

This setting only works in Active and Sleep system power modes. All the functionality of the I2C is provided in the internally clocked domain.

### EC AM MODE is '1' and EC OP MODE is '0'.

This setting works in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep system power modes. I2C address matching is performed by the externally clocked logic in Active, Sleep, and Deep-Sleep system power modes. When the externally clocked logic matches the address, it sets a wakeup interrupt cause bit, which can be used to generate an interrupt to wakeup the CPU.

Table 66, I2C OPERATION IN NON-EZ MODE

I2C (Non-EZ) Mode					
	EC_OP_MODE = 0 EC_OP_MODE = 1			MODE = 1	
System Power	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	
Active and Sleep	Address match using internal clock Operation using internal clock	Address match using external clock Operation using internal clock	Not sup	pported	
Deep-Sleep	Not supported	Address match using external clock Operation using internal clock			

- In Active system power mode, the CPU is active and the wakeup interrupt cause is disabled (associated MASK bit is '0'). The externally clocked logic takes care of the address matching and the internally locked logic takes care of the rest of the I2C transfer.
- In the Sleep mode, wakeup interrupt cause can be either enabled or disabled based on the application. The remaining operations are similar to the Active mode.
- In the Deep-Sleep mode, the CPU is shut down and will wake up on I2C activity if the wakeup interrupt cause is enabled. CPU wakeup up takes time and the ongoing I2C transfer is either negatively acknowledged (NACK) or the clock is stretched. In the case of a NACK, the internally clocked logic takes care of the first I2C transfer after it wakes up. For clock stretching, the internally clocked logic takes care of the ongoing/stretched transfer

when it wakes up. The register bit S\_NOT\_READY\_ADDR\_NACK (bit 14) of the SCB\_I2C\_CTRL register determines whether the externally clocked logic performs a negative acknowledge ('1') or clock stretch ('0').

#### I2C EZ Operation Mode

EZ mode has three possible settings. EC\_AM\_MODE can be set to '0' or '1' when EC\_OP\_MODE is '0' and EC\_AM\_MODE must be set to '1' when EC\_OP\_MODE is '1'. Table 67 gives an overview of the possibilities. The grey cells indicate a possible, yet not recommended setting because it involves a switch from the externally clocked logic (slave selection) to the internally clocked logic (rest of the operation). The combination EC\_AM\_MODE = 0 and EC\_OP\_MODE = 1 is invalid and the block will not respond.

Table 67. I2C OPERATION IN EZ MODE

I2C, EZ Mode					
	EC_OP_N	MODE = 0	EC_OP_MODE = 1		
System Power	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	EC_AM_MODE = 0	EC_AM_MODE = 1	
Active and Sleep	Address match using internal clock Operation using internal clock	Address match using external clock Operation using internal clock	Invalid	Address match using external clock Operation using external clock	
Deep-Sleep	Not supported	Address match using external clock. Operation using internal clock.		Address match using external clock Operation using external clock	

- EC\_AM\_MODE is '0' and EC\_OP\_MODE is '0'. This setting only works in Active and Sleep system power modes.
- EC\_AM\_MODE is '1' and EC\_OP\_MODE is '0'. This setting works same as I2C non-EZ mode.
- EC\_AM\_MODE is '1' and EC\_OP\_MODE is '1'. This setting works in Active and Deep-Sleep system power modes.

The I2C block's functionality is provided in the externally clocked domain. Note that this setting results in externally clocked accesses to the block's SRAM. These accesses may conflict with internally clocked accesses from the device. This may cause wait states or bus errors. The field FIFO\_BLOCK (bit 17) of the SCB\_CTRL register determines whether wait states ('1') or bus errors ('0') are generated.

## Wake up from Sleep

The system wakes up from Sleep or Deep-Sleep system power modes when an I2C address match occurs. The fixed-function I2C block performs either of two actions after address match: Address ACK or Address NACK.

*Address ACK* – The I2C slave executes clock stretching and waits until the device wakes up and ACKs the address.

Address NACK – The I2C slave NACKs the address immediately. The master must poll the slave again after the device wakeup time is passed. This option is only valid in the slave or multi-master-slave modes.

NOTE: The interrupt bit WAKE\_UP (bit 0) of the SCB\_INTR\_I2C\_EC register must be enabled for the I2C to wake up the device on slave address match while switching to the Sleep mode.

NOTE: If the device is configured in I2C slave mode, the clock to the SCB should be disabled when entering Deep-Sleep power mode; enable the clock when waking up from Deep-Sleep mode.

## **Master Mode Transfer Examples**

Master mode transmits or receives data.

Master Transmit

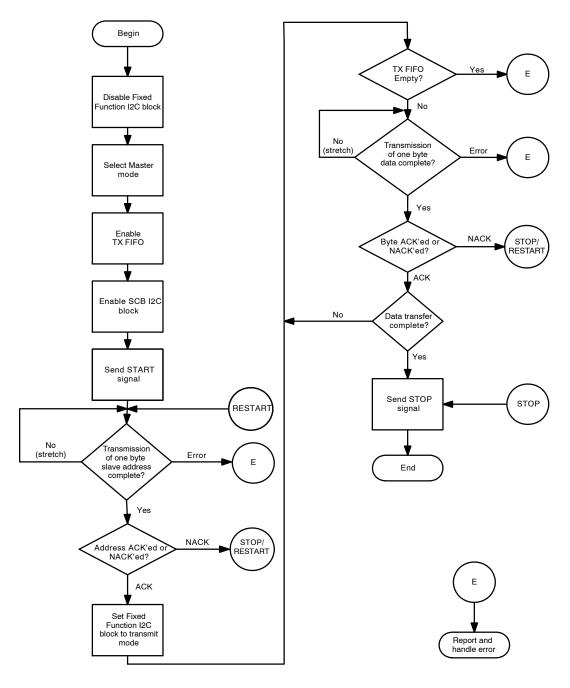


Figure 50. Single Master Mode Write Operation Flow Chart

## Master Receive

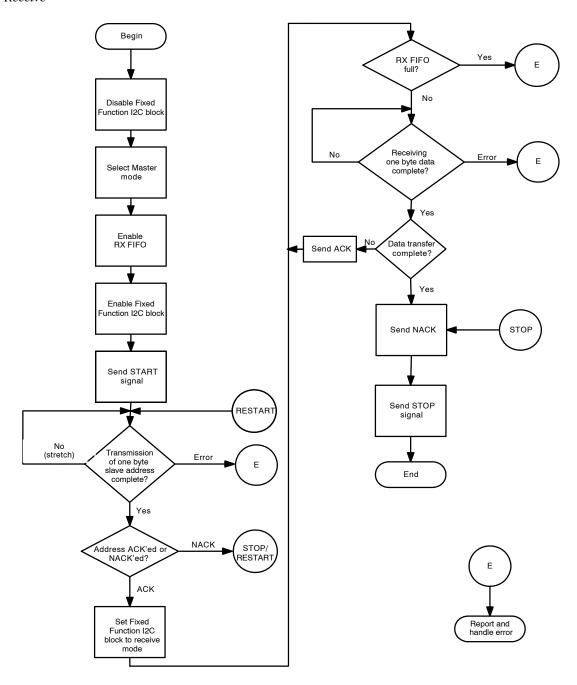


Figure 51. Single Master Mode Read Operation Flow Chart

## **Slave Mode Transfer Examples**

Slave mode transmits or receives data.

Slave Transmit

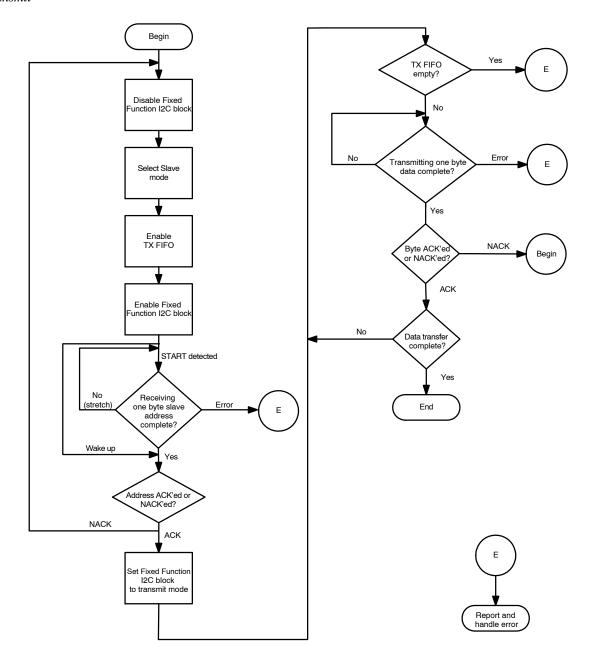


Figure 52. Slave Mode Write Operation Flow Chart

## Slave Receive

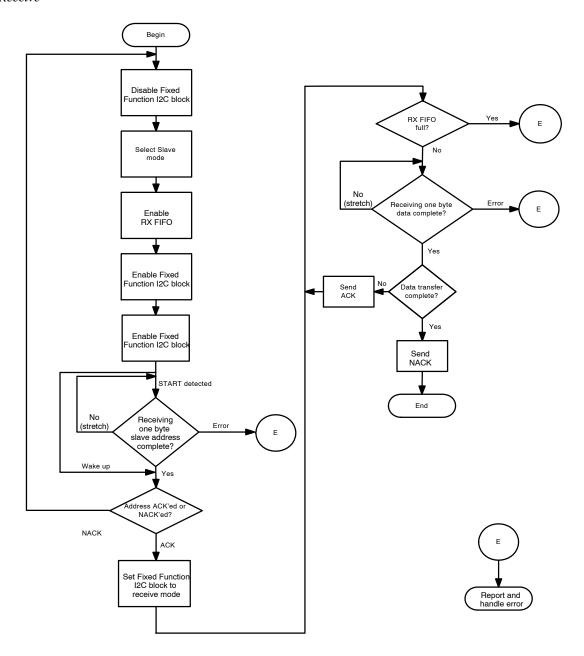


Figure 53. Slave Mode Read Operation Flow Chart

## **EZ Slave Mode Transfer Example**

The EZ Slave mode transmits or receives data.

EZ Slave Transmit

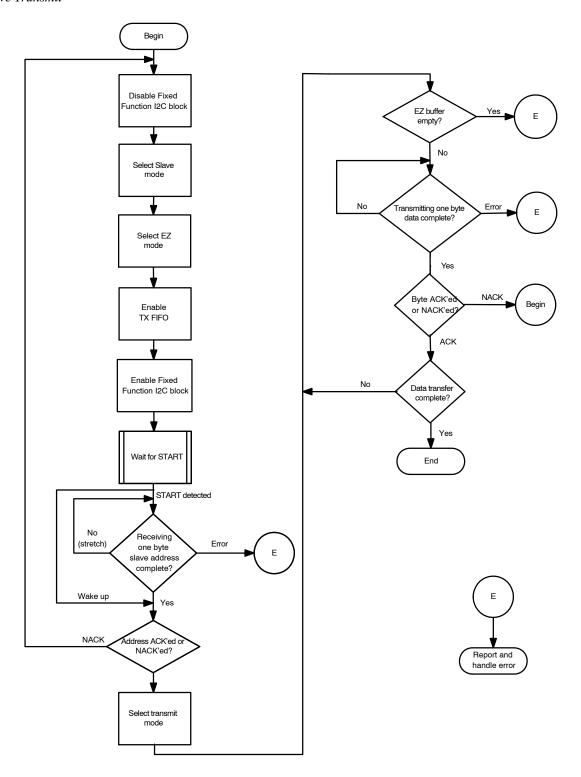


Figure 54. EZI2C Slave Mode Write Operation Flow Chart

## EZ Slave Receive

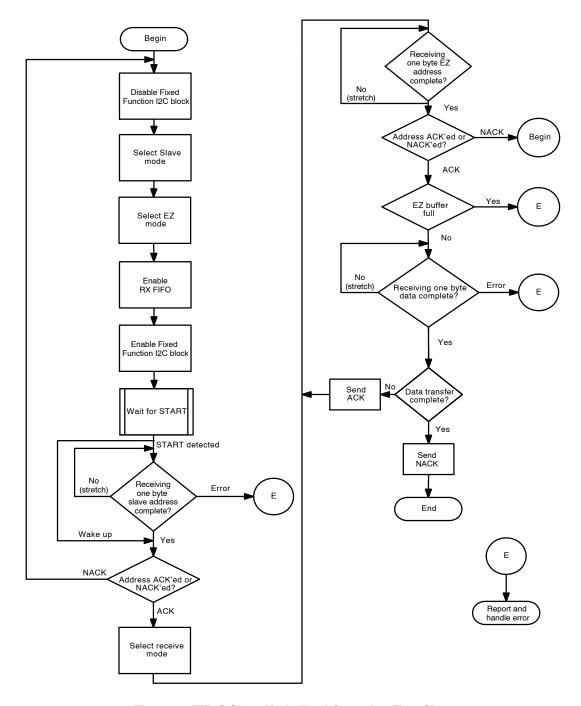


Figure 55. EZI2C Slave Mode Read Operation Flow Chart

## **Multi-Master Mode Transfer Example**

In multi-master mode, data can be transferred with the slave mode enabled or not enabled.

Multi-Master - Slave Not Enabled

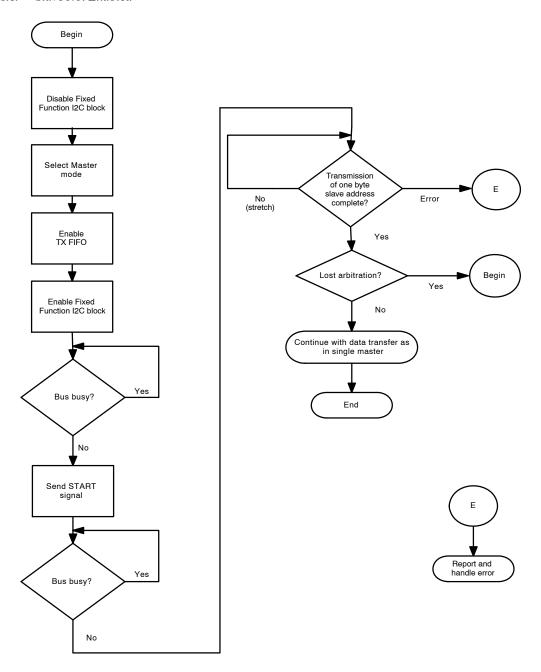


Figure 56. Multi-Master, Slave Not Enabled Flow Chart

## Multi-Master - Slave Enabled

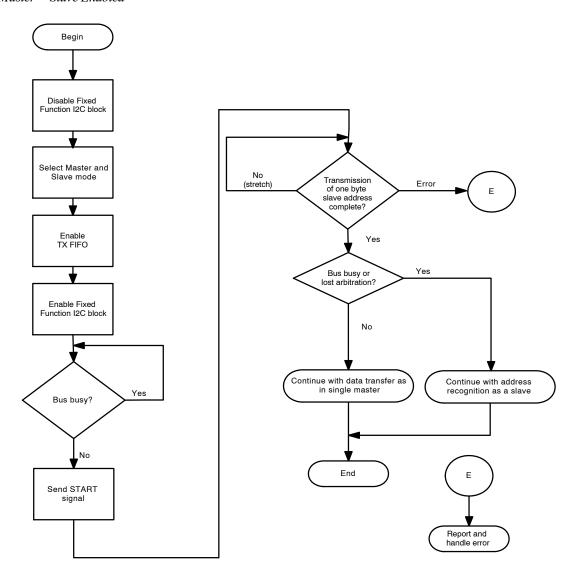


Figure 57. Multi-Master, Slave Enabled Flow Chart

### TIMER, COUNTER, AND PWM

The Timer, Counter, and Pulse Width Modulator (TCPWM) block in AXM0F243 MCU implements the 16-bit timer, counter, pulse width modulator (PWM), and quadrature decoder functionality. The block can be used to measure the period and pulse width of an input signal (timer), find the number of times a particular event occurs (counter), generate PWM signals, or decode quadrature signals. This chapter explains the features, implementation, and operational modes of the TCPWM block.

#### **Features**

- Up to five 16-bit timers, counters, or pulse width modulators (PWM)
- The TCPWM block supports the following operational modes:
  - Timer
  - Capture
  - · Quadrature decoding
  - Pulse width modulation
  - Pseudo-random PWM
  - PWM with dead time
- Multiple counting modes up, down, and up/down

- Clock prescaling (division by 1, 2, 4, ... 64, 128)
- Double buffering of compare/capture and period values
- Supports interrupt on:
  - ◆ Terminal Count The final value in the counter register is reached
  - ◆ Capture/Compare The count is captured to the capture/compare register or the counter value equals the compare value
- Underflow, overflow, and capture/compare output signals that can be routed to trigger SAR ADC
- Complementary line output for PWMs
- Selectable start, reload, stop, count, and capture event signals for the TCPWM from other TCPWM
   underflow, compare match or overflow signal, SAR ADC's end-of-conversion (EOC) or Sample\_Done signal, CTBm comparator output, or low-power comparator (LPCOMP) output signal and from the dedicated GPIOs with rising edge, falling edge, both edges, and level trigger options

# **Block Diagram**

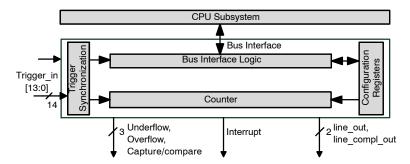


Figure 58. TCPWM Block Diagram

The block has these interfaces:

- Bus interface: Connects the block to the CPU subsystem.
- I/O signal interface: Connects input triggers (such as reload, start, stop, count, and capture) to dedicated GPIOs.
- Interrupts: Provides interrupt request signals from the counter, based on terminal count (TC) or CC conditions.
- System interface: Consists of control signals such as clock and reset from the system resources subsystem.
   This TCPWM block can be configured by writing to the TCPWM registers. See "TCPWM Registers" on page 115 for

more information on all registers required for this block.

# **Enabling and Disabling Counter in TCPWM Block**

The counter can be enabled by setting the COUNTER\_ENABLED field (bit 0) of the control register TCPWM CTRL.

NOTE: The counter must be configured before enabling it. If the counter is enabled after being configured, registers are updated with the new configuration values. Disabling the counter retains the values in the registers until it is enabled again (or reconfigured).

### Clocking

The TCPWM receives the HFCLK through the system interface to synchronize all events in the block. The counter enable signal (counter\_en), which is generated when the counter is enabled, gates the HFCLK to provide a counter–specific clock (counter\_clock). Output triggers (explained later in this chapter) are also synchronized with the HFCLK.

Clock Prescaling: counter\_clock can be prescaled, with divider values of 1, 2, 4... 64, 128. This prescaling is done by modifying the GENERIC field of the counter control (TCPWM CNT CTRL) register, as shown in Table 68.

Table 68. BIT-FIELD SETTING TO PRESCALE COUNTER CLOCK

GENERIC[10:8]	Description
0	Divide by 1
1	Divide by 2
2	Divide by 4
3	Divide by 8
4	Divide by 16
5	Divide by 32
6	Divide by 64
7	Divide by 128

NOTE: Clock prescaling cannot be done in quadrature mode and PWM-DT mode.

## **Events Based on Trigger Inputs**

These are the events triggered by hardware or software.

- Reload
- Start
- Stop
- Count
- Capture/switch

Hardware triggers can be level signal, rising edge, falling edge, or both edges. Figure 59 shows the selection of edge detection type for any event trigger signal.

Any edge (rising, falling, or both) or level (high or low) can be selected for the occurrence of an event by configuring the trigger control register 1 (TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1). This edge/level configuration can be selected for each trigger event separately. Alternatively, firmware can generate an event by writing to the counter command register (TCPWM\_CMD), as shown in Figure 59.

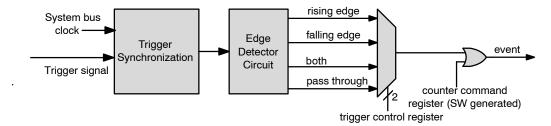


Figure 59. Trigger Signal Edge Detection

The trigger signal to generate an event can be a GPIO signal, TCPWM's underflow, compare match or overflow signal, SAR ADC's end-of-comparison (EOC) or

Sample\_Done signal, CTBm comparator output, or a low-power comparator (LPCOMP) output signal. Figure 60 shows the trigger signal selection for all the events.

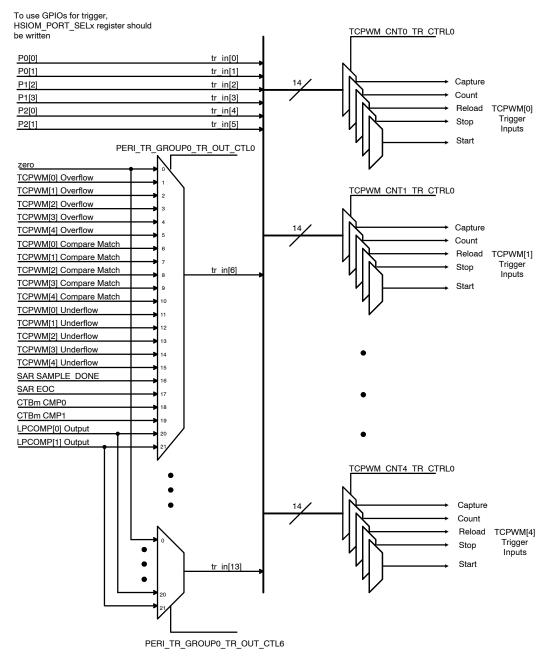


Figure 60. Trigger Mux in AXM0F243 MCU

The events derived from these triggers can have different definitions in different modes of the TCPWM block.

- Reload: A reload event initializes and starts the counter.
  - In UP counting mode and DOWN counting mode, the count register (TCPWM\_CNT\_COUNTER) is initialized with '0'.
  - In UP/DOWN counting mode, the count register is initialized with '1'.
  - In quadrature mode, the reload event acts as a quadrature index event. An index/reload event indicates a completed rotation and can be used to synchronize quadrature decoding.
- Start: A start event is used to start counting; it can be used after a stop event or after re-initialization of the counter register to any value by software. Note that the count register is not initialized on this event.
  - In quadrature mode, the start event acts as quadrature phase input phiB, which is explained in detail in "Quadrature Decoder Mode" on page 106.
- Count: A count event causes the counter to increment or decrement, depending on its configuration.
  - In quadrature mode, the count event acts as quadrature phase input phiA.

- *Stop:* A stop event stops the counter from incrementing or decrementing. A start event will start the counting again.
  - In the PWM modes, the stop event acts as a kill event. A kill event disables all the PWM output lines.
- Capture: A capture event copies the counter register value to the capture register and capture register value to the buffer capture register. In the PWM modes, the capture event acts as a switch event. It switches the values of the capture/compare and period registers with their buffer counterparts. This feature can be used to modulate the pulse width and frequency.

#### NOTE:

- All trigger inputs are synchronized to the HFCLK.
- When more than one event occurs in the same counter clock period, one or more events may be missed. This can happen for high-frequency events (frequencies close to the counter frequency) and a timer configuration in which a pre-scaled (divided) counter clock is used.

#### **Output Signals**

The TCPWM block generates several output signals, as shown in Figure 61.

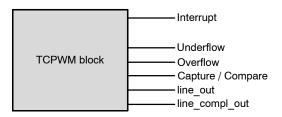


Figure 61. TCPWM Output Signals

## Signals upon Trigger Conditions

- Counter generates an internal overflow (OV) condition when counting up and the count register reaches the period value.
- Counter generates an internal underflow (UN) condition when counting down and the count register reaches zero.
- The capture/compare (CC) condition is generated by the TCPWM when the counter is running and one of the following conditions occur:
  - The counter value equals the compare value.
  - A capture event occurs When a capture event occurs, the TCPWM\_CNT\_COUNTER register value is copied to the capture register and the capture register value is copied to the buffer capture register.

NOTE: These signals, when they occur, remain at logic high for two cycles of the HFCLK. For reliable operation, the condition that causes this trigger should be less than a quarter of the HFCLK. For example, if the HFCLK is running at 24 MHz, the condition causing the trigger should occur at a frequency less than 6 MHz.

### Interrupts

The TCPWM block provides a dedicated interrupt output signal from the counter. An interrupt can be generated for a TC condition or a CC condition. The exact definition of these conditions is mode–specific.

Four registers are used for interrupt handling in this block, as shown in Table 69.

#### Table 69. INTERRUPT REGISTER

Interrupt Registers	Bits	Name	Description	
TCPWM_CNT_INTR (Interrupt request register)	0	TC	This bit is set to '1', when a terminal count is detected. Write '1' to clear this bit.	
	1	CC_MATCH	This bit is set to '1' when the counter value matches capture/compare register value. Write '1' to clear this bit.	
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_SET (Interrupt set request register)	0	TC	Write '1' to set the corresponding bit in the interrupt request register. When read, this register reflects the interrupt request register status.	
	1	CC_MATCH	Write '1' to set the corresponding bit in the interrupt request register. When read, this register reflects the interrupt request register status.	
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_MASK	0	TC	Mask bit for the corresponding TC bit in the interrupt request register.	
(Interrupt mask register)	1	CC_MATCH	Mask bit for the corresponding CC_MATCH bit in the interrupt request register.	
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_MASKED	0	TC	Logical AND of the corresponding TC request and mask bits.	
(Interrupt masked request register)	1	CC_MATCH	Logical AND of the corresponding CC_MATCH request and mask bits.	

## Outputs

The TCPWM has two outputs, line\_out and line\_compl\_out (complementary of line\_out). Note that the

OV, UN, and CC conditions can be used to drive line\_out and line\_compl\_out if needed, by configuring the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL2 register (Table 70).

Table 70. CONFIGURING OUTPUT LINE FOR OV, UN, AND CC CONDITIONS

Field	Bit	Value	Event	Description
CC_MATCH_MODE	1:0	0	Set line_out to '1	Configures output line on a compare match (CC) event
Default Value = 3		1	Clear line_out to '0	
		2	Invert line_out	
		3	No change	
OVERFLOW_MODE Default Value = 3	3:2	0	Set line_out to '1	Configures output line on a overflow (OV) event
Default value = 3		1	Clear line_out to '0	
		2	Invert line_out	
		3	No change	]
UNDERFLOW_MODE Default Value = 3	5:4	0	Set line_out to '1	Configures output line on a underflow (UN) event
2014411 70140		1	Clear line_out to '0	(4.3) 5.5
		2	Invert line_out	]
		3	No change	

#### **Power Modes**

The TCPWM block works in Active and Sleep modes. The TCPWM block is powered from  $V_{\text{CCD}}$ . The

configuration registers and other logic are powered in Deep–Sleep mode to keep the states of configuration registers. See Table 30 for details.

**Table 71. POWER MODES IN TCPWM BLOCK** 

Power Mode Block Status				
Active	This block is fully operational in this mode with clock running and power switched on.			
Sleep All counter clocks are on, but bus interface cannot be accessed.				
Deep-Sleep	In this mode, the power to this block is still on but no bus clock is provided; hence, the logic is not functional. All the configuration registers will keep their state.			

## **Modes of Operation**

The counter block can function in six operational modes, as shown in Table 48. The MODE [26:24] field of the

counter control register (TCPWM\_CNTx\_CTRL) configures the counter in the specific operational mode.

**Table 72. OPERATIONAL MODE CONFIGURATION** 

	MODE Field	
Mode	[26:24]	Description
Timer	000	Implements a timer or counter. The counter increments or decrements by '1' at every counter clock cycle in which a count event is detected.
Capture	01	Implements a timer or counter with capture input. The counter increments or decrements by '1' at every counter clock cycle in which a count event is detected. When a capture event occurs, the counter value copies into the capture register.
Quadrature Decoder	011	Implements a quadrature decoder, where the counter is decremented or incremented, based on two phase inputs according to the selected (X1, X2 or X4) encoding scheme.
PWM	100	Implements edge/center-aligned PWMs with an 8-bit clock prescaler and buffered compare/period registers.
PWM-DT	101	Implements edge/center-aligned PWMs with configurable 8-bit dead time (on both outputs) and buffered compare/period registers.
PWM-PR	110	Implements a pseudo-random PWM using a 16-bit linear feedback shift register (LFSR).

The counter can be configured to count up, down, and up/down by setting the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] field in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 73.

**Table 73. COUNTING MODE CONFIGURATION** 

Counting Modes	UP_DOWN_ MODE[17:16]	Description
		Increments the counter until the period value is reached. A Terminal Count (TC) condition is generated when the counter reaches the period value.
DOWN Counting Mode	01	Decrements the counter from the period value until 0 is reached. A TC condition is generated when the counter reaches '0'.
UP/DOWN Counting Mode 0	10	Increments the counter until the period value is reached, and then decrements the counter until '0' is reached. A TC condition is generated only when '0' is reached.
UP/DOWN Counting Mode 1 11		Similar to up/down counting mode 0 but a TC condition is generated when the counter reaches '0' and when the counter value reaches the period value.

#### **Timer Mode**

The timer mode is commonly used to measure the time of occurrence of an event or to measure the time difference between two events.

#### Block Diagram

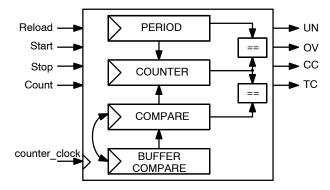


Figure 62. Timer Mode Block Diagram

How It Works

The timer can be configured to count in up, down, and up/down counting modes. It can also be configured to run in either continuous mode or one-shot mode. The following explains the working of the timer:

- The timer is an up, down, and up/down counter.
  - The current count value is stored in the count register (TCPWM\_CNTx\_COUNTER).
     NOTE: It is not recommended to write values to this register while the counter is running.
  - The period value for the timer is stored in the period register.

- The counter is re-initialized in different counting modes as follows:
  - In the up counting mode, after the count reaches the period value, the count register is automatically reloaded with 0.
  - In the down counting mode, after the count register reaches zero, the count register is reloaded with the value in the period register.
  - In the up/down counting modes, the count register value is not updated upon reaching the terminal values. Instead the direction of counting changes when the count value reaches 0 or the period value.
- The CC condition is generated when the count register value equals the compare register value. Upon this condition, the compare register and buffer compare register switch their values if enabled by the AUTO\_RELOAD\_CC bit-field of the counter control (TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL) register. This condition can be used to generate an interrupt request.

Figure 63 shows the timer operational mode of the counter in four different counting modes. The period register contains the maximum counter value.

- In the up counting mode, a period value of A results in A + 1 counter cycles (0 to A).
- In the down counting mode, a period value of A results in A + 1 counter cycles (A to 0).
- In the two up/down counting modes (0 and 1), a period value of A results in 2\*A counter cycles (0 to A and back to 0).

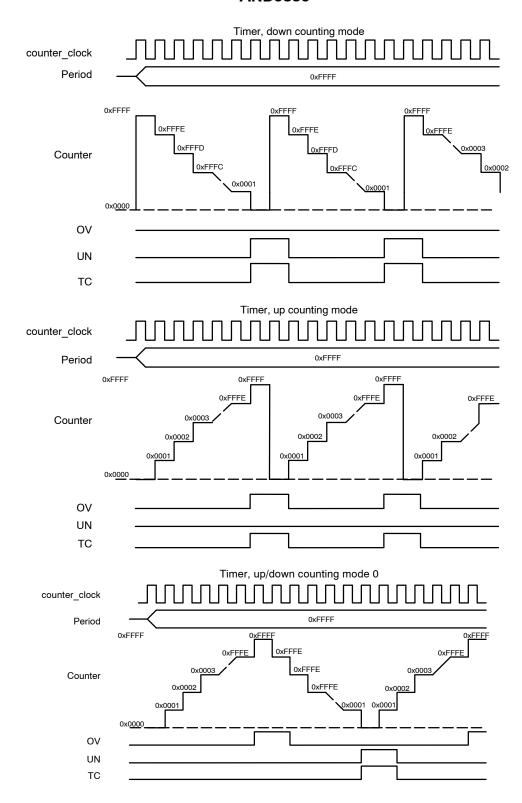


Figure 63. Timing Diagram for Timer in Multiple Counting Modes

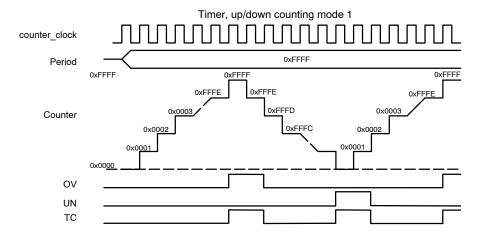


Figure 63. Timing Diagram for Timer in Multiple Counting Modes (continued)

NOTE: The OV and UN signals remain at logic high for two cycles of the HFCLK, as explained in "Signals upon Trigger Conditions" on page 100. The figures in this chapter assume that HFCLK and counter clock are the same.

## Configuring Counter for Timer Mode

The steps to configure the counter for Timer mode of operation and the affected register bits are as follows.

- Disable the counter by writing '0' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM CTRL register.
- Select Timer mode by writing '000' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set the required 16-bit period in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD register.
- Set the 16-bit compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC register and the buffer compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC\_BUFF register.
- Set AUTO\_RELOAD\_CC field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, if required to switch values at every CC condition.
- Set clock prescaling by writing to the GENERIC[15:8] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 68.
- Set the direction of counting by writing to the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 48.
- 8. The timer can be configured to run either in continuous mode or one-shot mode by writing 0 or 1, respectively to the ONE\_SHOT[18] field of TCPWM CNT CTRL.

- 9. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Stop, Capture, and Count).
- 10. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge of the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Stop, Capture, and Count).
- 11. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "<u>Interrupts</u>" on page 100.
- 12. Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register. A start trigger must be provided through firmware (TCPWM\_CMD register) to start the counter if the hardware start signal is not enabled.

## **Capture Mode**

In the capture mode, the counter value can be captured at any time either through a firmware write to command register (TCPWM\_CMD) or a capture trigger input. This mode is used for period and pulse width measurement.

## Block Diagram

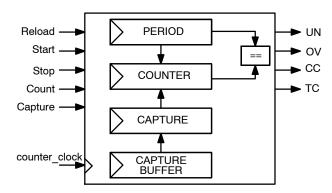


Figure 64. Timer Mode Block Diagram

How it Works

The counter can be set to count in up, down, and up/down counting modes by configuring the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] bitfield of the counter control register (TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL).

Operation in capture mode occurs as follows:

- During a capture event, generated either by hardware or software, the current count register value is copied to the capture register (TCPWM\_CNT\_CC) and the capture
- register value is copied to the buffer capture register (TCPWM CNT CC BUFF).
- A pulse on the CC output signal is generated when the counter value is copied to the capture register. This condition can also be used to generate an interrupt request.

Figure 65 illustrates the capture behavior in the up counting mode.

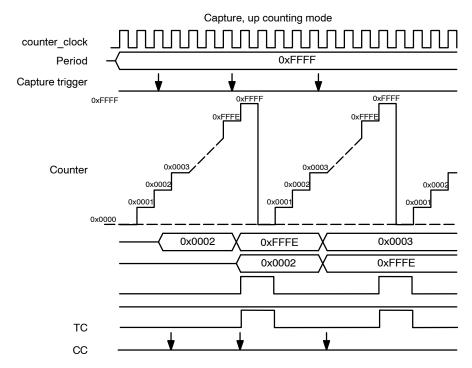


Figure 65. Timing Diagram of Counter in Capture Mode, Up Counting Mode

In the figure, observe that:

- The period register contains the maximum count value.
- Internal overflow (OV) and TC conditions are generated when the counter reaches the period value.
- A capture event is only possible at the edges or through software. Use trigger control register 1 to configure the edge detection.
- Multiple capture events in a single clock cycle are handled as:
  - Even number of capture events no event is observed
  - Odd number of capture events single event is observed

This happens when the capture signal frequency is greater than the counter\_clock frequency.

### Configuring Counter for Capture Mode

The steps to configure the counter for Capture mode operation and the affected register bits are as follows.

- 1. Disable the counter by writing '0' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM CTRL register.
- 2. Select Capture mode by writing '010' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set the required 16-bit period in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD register.
- Set clock prescaling by writing to the GENERIC[15:8] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 68.
- 5. Set the direction of counting by writing to the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 48.
- 6. Counter can be configured to run either in continuous mode or one-shot mode by writing 0 or 1, respectively to the ONE\_SHOT[18] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.

- 7. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Stop, Capture, and Count).
- 8. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge that causes the event (Reload, Start, Stop, Capture, and Count).
- 9. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "Interrupts" on page 100.
- 10. Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register. A start trigger must be provided through firmware (TCPWM\_CMD register) to start the counter if the hardware start signal is not enabled.

#### **Quadrature Decoder Mode**

Quadrature decoders are used to determine speed and position of a rotary device (such as servo motors, volume control wheels, and PC mice). The quadrature encoder signals are used as phiA and phiB inputs to the decoder.

## Block Diagram

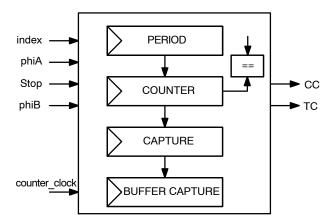


Figure 66. Quadrature Mode Block Diagram

How It Works

Quadrature decoding only runs on counter\_clock. It can operate in three sub-modes: X1, X2, and X4 modes. These encoding modes can be controlled by the QUADRATURE\_MODE[21:20] field of the counter control register (TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL). This mode uses double buffered capture registers.

The Quadrature mode operation occurs as follows:

 Quadrature phases phiA and phiB: Counting direction is determined by the phase relationship between phiA and phiB. These phases are connected to the count and the

- start trigger inputs, respectively as hardware input to the decoder.
- Quadrature index signal: This is connected to the reload signal as a hardware input. This event generates a TC condition, as shown in Figure 67.
  - On TC, the counter is set to 0x0000 (in the up counting mode) or to the period value (in the down counting mode). NOTE: The down counting mode is recommended to be used with a period value of 0x8000 (the mid-point value).
- A pulse on CC output signal is generated when the count register value reaches 0x0000 or 0xFFFF. On a CC condition, the count register is set to the period value (0x8000 in this case).
- On TC or CC condition:
  - Count register value is copied to the capture register
  - Capture register value is copied to the buffer capture register
  - This condition can be used to generate an interrupt request
- The value in the capture register can be used to determine which condition caused the event and whether:
  - A counter underflow occurred (value 0)
  - A counter overflow occurred (value 0xFFFF)
  - An index/TC event occurred (value is not equal to either 0 or 0xFFFF)
- The DOWN bit field of counter status (TCPWM\_CNTx\_STATUS) register can be read to determine the current counting direction. Value '0' indicates a previous increment operation and value '1' indicates previous decrement operation. Figure 67 illustrates quadrature behavior in the X1 encoding mode.
  - A positive edge on phiA increments the counter when phiB is '0' and decrements the counter when phiB is '1'.
  - The count register is initialized with the period value on an index/reload event.
  - Terminal count is generated when the counter is initialized by index event. This event can be used to generate an interrupt.
  - ♦ When the count register reaches 0xFFFF (the maximum count register value), the count register value is copied to the capture register and the count register is initialized with period value (0x8000 in this case).

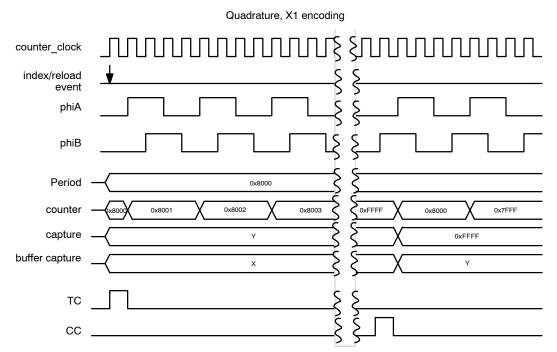


Figure 67. Timing Diagram for Quadrature Mode, X1 Encoding

The quadrature phases are detected on the counter\_clock. Within a single counter\_clock period, the phases should not change value more than once. The X2 and X4 quadrature encoding modes count twice and four times as fast as the X1 encoding mode.

Figure 68 illustrates the quadrature mode behavior in the X2 and X4 encoding modes.

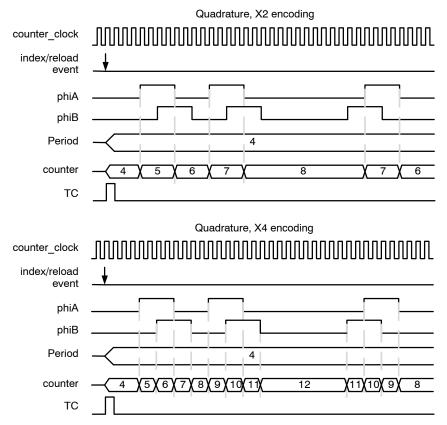


Figure 68. Timing Diagram for Quadrature Mode, X2 and X4 Encoding

Configuring Counter for Quadrature Mode

The steps to configure the counter for quadrature mode of operation and the affected register bits are as follows.

- Disable the counter by writing '0' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register.
- Select Quadrature mode by writing '011' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set the required 16-bit period in the TCPWM CNT PERIOD register.
- Set the required encoding mode by writing to the QUADRATURE\_MODE[21:20] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 5. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Index and Stop).
- 6. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge that causes the event (Index and Stop).

- 7. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "Interrupts" on page 100.
- 8. Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register.

#### **Pulse Width Modulation Mode**

The PWM mode is also called the Digital Comparator mode. The comparison output is a PWM signal whose period depends on the period register value and duty cycle depends on the compare and period register values.

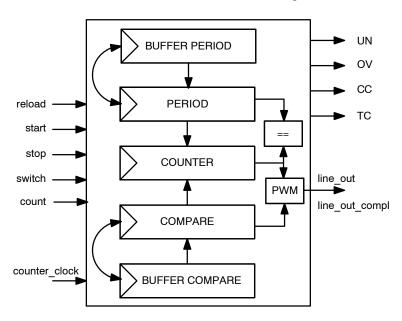
PWM period = (period value/counter clock frequency) in left– and right–aligned modes

PWM period = (2 x (period value/counter clock frequency)) in center-aligned mode

Duty cycle = (compare value/period value) in left– and right–aligned modes

Duty cycle = ((period value-compare value)/period value) in center-aligned mode

Block Diagram



How It Works

The PWM mode can output left, right, center, or asymmetrically aligned PWM signals. The desired output alignment is achieved by using the counter's up, down, and up/down counting modes selected using UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] bits in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 73.

This CC signal along with OV and UN signals control the PWM output line. The signals can toggle the output line or set it to a logic '0' or '1' by configuring the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL2 register. By configuring how the signals impact the output line, the desired PWM output alignment can be obtained.

The recommended way to modify the duty cycle is:

• The buffer period register and buffer compare register are updated with new values.

- On TC, the period and compare registers are automatically updated with the buffer period and buffer compare registers when there is an active switch event. The AUTO\_RELOAD\_CC and AUTO\_RELOAD\_PERIOD fields of the counter control register are set to '1'. When a switch event is detected, it is remembered until the next TC event. Pass through signal (selected during event detection setting) cannot trigger a switch event.
- Updates to the buffer period register and buffer compare register should be completed before the next TC with an active switch event; otherwise, switching does not reflect the register update, as shown in Figure 70.

In the center-aligned mode, the output line is set to '0' at Terminal Count and toggled at the CC condition

At the reload event, the count register is initialized and starts counting in the appropriate mode. At every count, the count register value is compared with compare register value to generate the CC signal on match.

Figure 69 illustrates center–aligned PWM with buffered period and compare registers (up/down counting mode 0).

PWM center aligned buffered

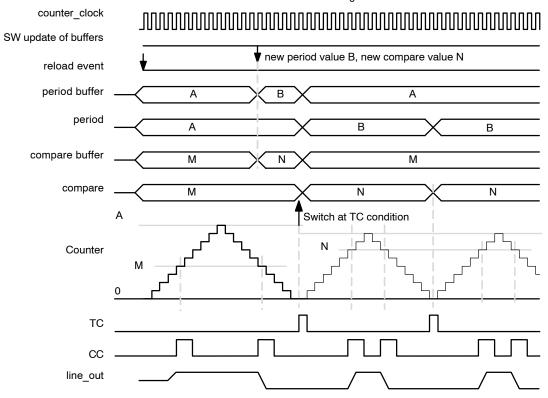


Figure 69. Timing Diagram for Center Aligned PWM

Figure 69 illustrates center-aligned PWM with software generated switch events:

- Software generates a switch event only after both the period buffer and compare buffer registers are updated.
- Because the updates of the second PWM pulse come late (after the terminal count), the first PWM pulse is repeated.
- Note that the switch event is automatically cleared by hardware at TC after the event takes effect.

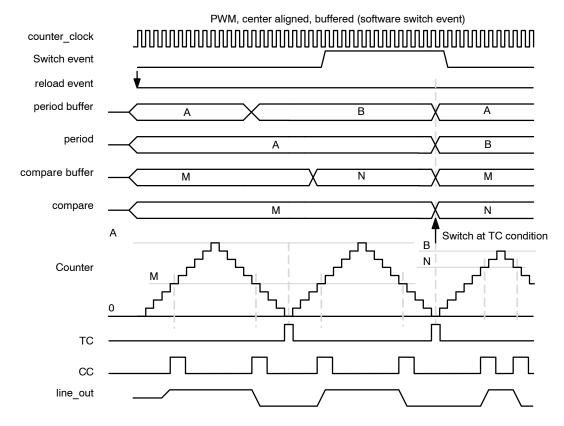


Figure 70. Timing Diagram for Center Aligned PWM (software switch event

# Other Configurations

- For asymmetric PWM, the up/down counting mode 1 should be used. This causes a TC when the counter reaches either '0' or the period value. To create an asymmetric PWM, the compare register is changed at every TC (when the counter reaches either '0' or the period value), whereas the period register is only changed at every other TC (only when the counter reaches '0').
- For left-aligned PWM, use the up counting mode; configure the OV condition to set output line to '1' and CC condition to reset the output line to '0'. See Table 70.

• For right-aligned PWM, use the down counting mode; configure UN condition to reset output line to '0' and CC condition to set the output line to '1'. See Table 70.

### Kill Feature

The kill feature gives the ability to disable both output lines immediately. This event can be programmed to stop the counter by modifying the PWM\_STOP\_ON\_KILL and PWM\_SYNC\_KILL fields of the counter control register, as shown in Table 74.

Table 74. FIELD SETTING FOR STOP ON KILL MODE

PWM_STOP_ON_KILL Field	Comments
0	The kill trigger temporarily blocks the PWM output line but the counter is still running.
1	The kill trigger temporarily blocks the PWM output line and the counter is also stopped.

A kill event can be programmed to be asynchronous or synchronous, as shown in Table 75.

Table 75. FIELD SETTING FOR SYNCHRONOUS/ASYNCHRONOUS KILL

PWM_SYNC_KILL Field	Comments
0	An asynchronous kill event lasts as long as it is present. This event requires pass through mode.
1	A synchronous kill event disables the output lines until the next TC event. This event requires rising edge mode.

In the synchronous kill, PWM cannot be started before the next TC. To restart the PWM immediately after kill input is removed, kill event should be asynchronous (see Table 75). The generated stop event disables both output lines. In this case, the reload event can use the same trigger input signal but should be used in falling edge detection mode.

### Configuring Counter for PWM Mode

The steps to configure the counter for the PWM mode of operation and the affected register bits are as follows.

- 1. Disable the counter by writing '0' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM CTRL register.
- Select PWM mode by writing '100' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set clock prescaling by writing to the GENERIC[15:8] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 68.
- Set the required 16-bit period in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD register and the buffer period value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD\_BUFF register to switch values, if required.
- Set the 16-bit compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC register and buffer compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC\_BUFF register to switch values, if required.
- 6. Set the direction of counting by writing to the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register to configure left-aligned, right-aligned, or center-aligned PWM, as shown in Table 73.

- Set the PWM\_STOP\_ON\_KILL and PWM\_SYNC\_KILL fields of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register as required.
- 8. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, Switch, and Count).
- 9. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, Switch, and Count).
- 10. line\_out and line\_out\_compl can be controlled by the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL2 register to set, reset, or invert upon CC, OV, and UN conditions.
- 11. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "<u>Interrupts</u>" on page 100.
- 12. Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register. A start trigger must be provided through firmware (TCPWM\_CMD register) to start the counter if the hardware start signal is not enabled.

#### **Pulse Width Modulation with Dead Time Mode**

Dead time is used to delay the transitions of both 'line\_out' and 'line\_out\_compl' signals. It separates the transition edges of these two signals by a specified time interval. Two complementary output lines 'dt\_line' and 'dt\_line\_compl' are derived from these two lines. During the dead band period, both compare output and complement compare output are at logic '0' for a fixed period. The dead band feature allows the generation of two non-overlapping PWM pulses. A maximum dead time of 255 clocks can be generated using this feature.

Block Diagram

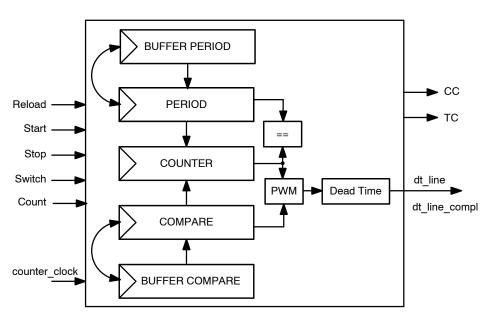


Figure 71. PWM-DT Mode Block Diagram

How It Works

The PWM operation with Dead Time mode occurs as follows:

- On the rising edge of the PWM line\_out, depending upon UN, OV, and CC conditions, the dead time block sets the dt\_line and dt\_line\_compl to '0'.
- The dead band period is loaded and counted for the period configured in the register.
- When the dead band period is complete, dt\_line is set to '1'.
- On the falling edge of the PWM line\_out depending upon UN, OV, and CC conditions, the dead time block sets the dt line and dt line compl to '0'.
- The dead band period is loaded and counted for the period configured in the register.
- When the dead band period has completed, dt\_line\_compl is set to '1'.
- A dead band period of zero has no effect on the dt\_line and is the same as line out.

- When the duration of the dead time equals or exceeds the width of a pulse, the pulse is removed.
- This mode follows PWM mode and supports the following features available with that mode:
- Various output alignment modes
- Two complementary output lines, dt\_line and dt\_line\_compl, derived from PWM "line\_out" and "line out compl", respectively
  - Stop/kill event with synchronous and asynchronous modes
  - Conditional switch event for compare and buffer compare registers and period and buffer period registers

This mode does not support clock prescaling.

Figure 72 illustrates how the complementary output lines "dt\_line" and "dt\_line\_compl" are generated from the PWM output line, "line out".

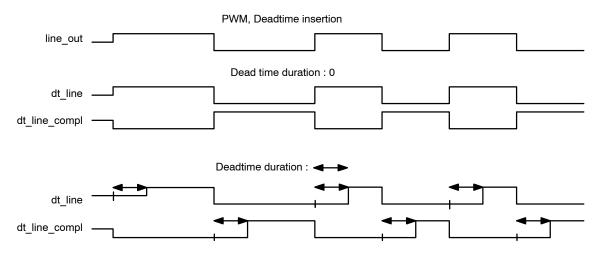


Figure 72. Timing Diagram for PWM, with and without Dead Time

Configuring Counter for PWM with Dead Time Mode

The steps to configure the counter for PWM with Dead Time mode of operation and the affected register bits are as follows:

- 1. Disable the counter by writing '0' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM CTRL register.
- Select PWM with Dead Time mode by writing '101' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set the required dead time by writing to the GENERIC[15:8] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register, as shown in Table 68.
- 4. Set the required 16-bit period in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD register and the buffer period value in the

- TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD\_BUFF register to switch values, if required.
- 5. Set the 16-bit compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC register and the buffer compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC\_BUFF register to switch values, if required.
- 6. Set the direction of counting by writing to the UP\_DOWN\_MODE[17:16] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register to configure left-aligned, right-aligned, or center-aligned PWM, as shown in Table 73.
- 7. Set the PWM\_STOP\_ON\_KILL and PWM\_SYNC\_KILL fields of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register as required, as shown in the "Pulse Width Modulation Mode" on page 108.

- 8. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, Switch, and Count).
- 9. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, Switch, and Count).
- 10. dt\_line and dt\_line\_compl can be controlled by the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL2 register to set, reset, or invert upon CC, OV, and UN conditions.
- 11. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "Interrupts" on page 100.
- 12. Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM\_CTRL register. A start trigger must be provided through firmware (TCPWM\_CMD register) to start the counter if hardware start signal is not enabled.

# Pulse Width Modulation Pseudo-Random Mode

This mode uses the linear feedback shift register (LFSR). LFSR is a shift register whose input bit is a linear function of its previous state.

Block Diagram

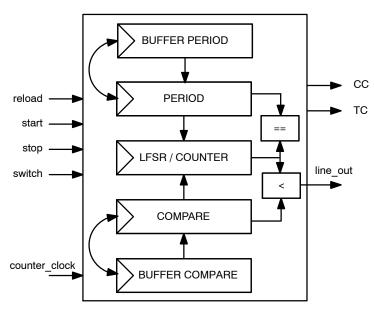


Figure 73. PWM-PR Mode Block Diagram

How It Works

The counter register is used to implement LFSR with the polynomial:  $x^{16} + x^{14} + x^{13} + x^{11} + 1$ , as shown in Figure 74.

It generates all the numbers in the range [1, 0xFFFF] in a pseudo-random sequence. Note that the counter register should be initialized with a non-zero value.

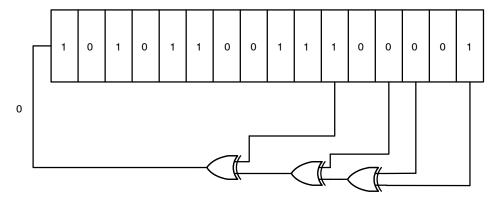


Figure 74. Pseudo-Random Sequence Generation using Counter Register

The following steps describe the process:

- The PWM output line, 'line\_out', is driven with '1' when the lower 15-bit value of the counter register is smaller than the value in the compare register (when counter[14:0] < compare[15:0]). A compare value of '0x8000' or higher always results in a '1' on the PWM output line. A compare value of '0' always results in a '0' on the PWM output line.
- A reload event behaves similar to a start event; however, it does not initialize the counter.
- Terminal count is generated when the counter value equals the period value. LFSR generates a predictable pattern of counter values for a certain initial value. This predictability can be used to calculate the counter value after a certain amount of LFSR iterations 'n'. This calculated counter value can be used as a period value and the TC is generated after 'n' iterations.

- At TC, a switch/capture event conditionally switches the compare and period register pairs (based on the AUTO\_RELOAD\_CC and AUTO\_RELOAD\_PERIOD fields of the counter control register).
- A kill event can be programmed to stop the counter as described in previous sections.
- One shot mode can be configured by setting the ONE\_SHOT field of the counter control register. At terminal count, the counter is stopped by hardware.
- In this mode, underflow, overflow, and trigger condition events do not occur.
- CC condition occurs when the counter is running and its value equals compare value. Figure 75 illustrates pseudo-random noise behavior.
- A compare value of 0x4000 results in 50 percent duty cycle (only the lower 15 bits of the 16– bit counter are used to compare with the compare register value).

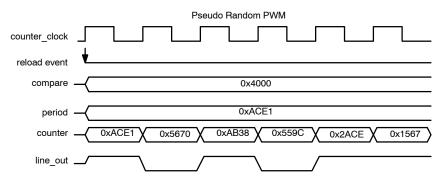


Figure 75. Timing Diagram for Pseudo-Random PWM

A capture/switch input signal may switch the values between the compare and compare buffer registers and the period and period buffer registers. This functionality can be used to modulate between two different compare values using a trigger input signal to control the modulation.

NOTE: Note Capture/switch input signal can only be triggered by an edge (rising, falling, or both).

This input signal is remembered until the next terminal count.

Configuring Counter for Pseudo-Random PWM Mode

The steps to configure the counter for pseudo-random PWM mode of operation and the affected register bits are as follows.

- Disable the counter by writing '0' to COUNTER\_ENABLED of the TCPWM\_CTRL register.
- Select pseudo-random PWM mode by writing '110' to the MODE[26:24] field of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register.
- 3. Set the required period (16 bit) in the TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD register and buffer period value in the

- TCPWM\_CNT\_PERIOD\_BUFF register to switch values, if required.
- Set the 16-bit compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC register and the buffer compare value in the TCPWM\_CNT\_CC\_BUFF register to switch values.
- 5. Set the PWM\_STOP\_ON\_KILL and PWM\_SYNC\_KILL fields of the TCPWM\_CNT\_CTRL register as required.
- 6. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL0 register to select the trigger that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, and Switch).
- 7. Set the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL1 register to select the edge that causes the event (Reload, Start, Kill, and Switch).
- 8. line\_out and line\_out\_compl can be controlled by the TCPWM\_CNT\_TR\_CTRL2 register to set, reset, or invert upon CC, OV, and UN conditions.
- 9. If required, set the interrupt upon TC or CC condition, as shown in "Interrupts" on page 100.
- Enable the counter by writing '1' to the COUNTER\_ENABLED field of the TCPWM CTRL register.

# **TCPWM Registers**

# **Table 76. LIST OF TCPWM REGISTERS**

Register	Comment	Features
TCPWM_CTRL	TCPWM control register	Enables the counter block
TCPWM_CMD	TCPWM command register	Generates software events
TCPWM_INTR_CAUSE	TCPWM counter interrupt cause register	Determines the source of the combined interrupt signal
TCPWM_CNT_CTRL	Counter control register	Configures counter mode, encoding modes, one shot mode, switching, kill feature, dead time, clock pre-scaling, and counting direction
TCPWM_CNT_STATUS	Counter status register	Reads the direction of counting, dead time duration, and clock pre-scaling; checks if the counter is running
TCPWM_CNT_COUNTER	Count register	Contains the 16-bit counter value
TCPWM_CNT_CC	Counter compare/capture register	Captures the counter value or compares the value with counter value
TCPWM_CNT_CC_BUFF	Counter buffered compare/capture register	Buffer register for counter CC register; switches period value
TCPWM_CNT_PERIOD	Counter period register	Contains upper value of the counter
TCPWM_CNT_PERIOD_BUFF	Counter buffered period register	Buffer register for counter period register; switches compare value
TCPWM_CNT_TR_CTRL0	Counter trigger control register 0	Selects trigger for specific counter events
TCPWM_CNT_TR_CTRL1	Counter trigger control register 1	Determine edge detection for specific counter input signals
TCPWM_CNT_TR_CTRL2	Counter trigger control register 2	Controls counter output lines upon CC, OV, and UN conditions
TCPWM_CNT_INTR	Interrupt request register	Sets the register bit when TC or CC condition is detected
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_SET	Interrupt set request register	Sets the corresponding bits in interrupt request register
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_MASK	Interrupt mask register	Mask for interrupt request register
TCPWM_CNT_INTR_MASKED	Interrupt masked request register	Bitwise AND of interrupt request and mask registers

# **ANALOG SYSTEM**

This section encompasses the following chapter:

- SAR ADC chapter on page 117
- <u>Low-Power Comparator chapter</u> on page 141
- Continuous Time Block mini (CTBm) chapter on page 146
- <u>Temperature Sensor chapter</u> on page 153

# **Top Level Architecture**

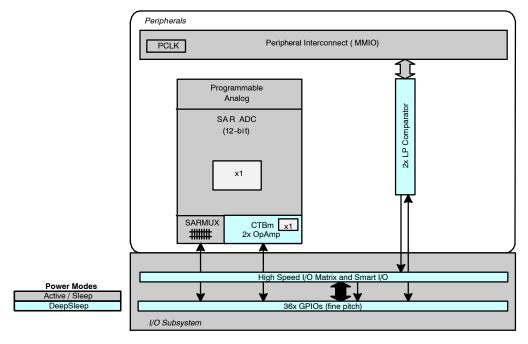


Figure 76. Analog Block Diagram

#### **SAR ADC**

The AXM0F243 MCU has one successive approximation register analog—to—digital converter (SAR ADC). The SAR ADC is designed for applications that require moderate resolution and high data rate. It consists of the following blocks (see Figure 77):

- SARMUX
- SAR ADC core
- SARREF
- SARSEQ

The SAR ADC core is a fast 12-bit ADC with sampling rate of 1 Msps. Preceding the SAR ADC is the SARMUX, which can route external pins and internal signals (AMUXBUS-A/-B, CTBm, temperature sensor output) to the 16 internal channels of SAR ADC. SARREF is used for multiple reference selection. The sequencer controller SARSEQ is used to control SARMUX and SAR ADC to do an automatic scan on all enabled channels without CPU intervention and for pre-processing, such as averaging the output data.

The result from each channel is double—buffered and a complete scan may be configured to generate an interrupt at the end of the scan. The sequencer may also be configured to flag overflow, collision, and saturation errors that can be configured to assert an interrupt.

For more flexibility, it is also possible to control most analog switches, including those in the SARMUX with the firmware. This makes it possible to implement an alternative sequencer with the firmware.

#### **Features**

- Operates across the entire device power supply range
- Maximum 1 Msps sample rate
- Sixteen individually configurable channels and one injection channel
- Each channel has the following features:
  - Input from external pin (only for eight channels in single-ended mode and four channels in differential mode) or internal signal (AMUXBUS/CTBm/temperature sensor)

- Programmable acquisition times
- Selectable 8-, 10-, and 12-bit resolution
- Single-ended or differential measurement
- Averaging
- · Results are double-buffered
- Result may be left or right aligned
- Scan triggered by firmware, timer, CTBm comparator, low-power comparator, and by SAR end of conversion signal
  - Hardware/firmware trigger (one shot), and free-running (continuous conversion) modes
- Hardware averaging support
  - First order accumulate
  - ◆ Samples averaging from 2 to 256 (powers of 2)
- Results represented in 16-bit sign extended values
- Selectable voltage references
  - ◆ Internal V<sub>DDA</sub> and V<sub>DDA</sub>/2 references
  - Internal 1.2-V reference with buffer
  - External reference
- Interrupt generation
  - Finished scan conversion
  - Saturation detect and over-range (configurable) detect for every channel
  - Scan results overflow
  - Collision detect
- Configurable injection channel
  - Triggered by firmware
  - Can be interleaved between two scan sequences (tailgating)
  - Selectable sample time, resolution, single-ended or differential, averaging
- Low-power modes
  - ADC core and reference voltage have dedicated low power modes

#### **Block Diagram**

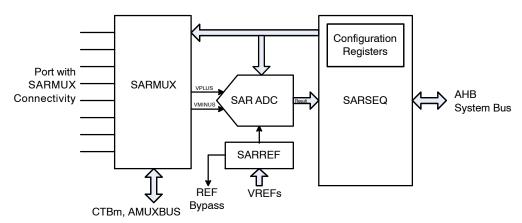


Figure 77. Block Diagram

#### **How it Works**

This section includes the following contents:

- Introduction of each block: SAR ADC core, SARMUX, SARREF, and SARSEQ
- SAR ADC system resource: Interrupt, low-power mode, and SAR ADC status
  - System operation
- Configuration examples

#### **SAR ADC Core**

AXM0F243 MCU SAR ADC core is a 12-bit SAR ADC. The maximum sample rate for this ADC is 1 Msps. The SAR ADC core has the following features:

- Fully differential architecture; also supports single-ended mode
- 12-bit resolution and a selectable alternate resolution: either 8-bit or 10-bit
- Programmable acquisition time
- Programmable power mode (full, one-half, one-quarter)
- Supports single and continuous conversion mode

# Single-ended and Differential Mode

AXM0F243 MCU SAR ADC can operate in single-ended and differential mode. It is designed in a fully differential architecture, optimized to provide 12-bit accuracy in the differential mode of operation. It gives full range output (0 to 4095) for differential inputs in the range of -V<sub>REF</sub> to +V<sub>REF</sub>. SAR ADC can be configured in single-ended mode by fixing the negative input. Differential or single-ended mode can be configured by channel configuration register, SAR CHANX CONFIG.

The single–ended mode options of negative input include:  $V_{SSA}$ ,  $V_{REF}$ , or an external input from any of the eight pins with SARMUX connectivity. See the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for the pin details. This mode is configured by the global configuration register SAR\_CTRL. When Vminus is connected to these SARMUX pins, the single–ended mode is equivalent to differential mode. However, when the odd pin of each differential pair is connected to the common alternate ground, these conversions are 11–bit, because measured signal value (SARMUX.vplus) cannot go below ground.

To get a single-ended conversion with 12 bits, it is necessary to connect  $V_{REF}$  to the negative input of the SAR ADC; then, the input range can be from 0 to 2 x  $V_{REF}$ .

Note that temperature sensor can only be used in single-ended mode; it will override the SAR\_CTRL[11:9] to 0. The differential conversion is not available for temperature sensors; the result is undefined.

### Input Range

All inputs should be in the range of  $V_{SSA}$  to  $V_{DDA}.$  Input voltage range is also limited by  $V_{REF}.$  If voltage on negative input is Vn and the ADC reference is  $V_{REF}$ , the range on the positive input is Vn  $\pm$  V $_{REF}.$  This criteria applies for both single–ended and differential modes. In single–ended mode, Vn is connected to  $V_{SSA},\,V_{REF}$  or an external input.

Note that  $Vn \pm V_{REF}$  should be in the range of  $V_{SSA}$  to  $V_{DDA}$ . For example, if negative input is connected to  $V_{SSA}$ , the range on the positive input is 0 to  $V_{REF}$ , not  $-V_{REF}$  to  $V_{REF}$ . This is because the signal cannot go below  $V_{SSA}$ . Only half of the ADC range is usable because the positive input signal cannot swing below  $V_{SS}$ , which effectively only generates an 11-bit result.

#### Result Data Format

Result data format is configurable from two aspects:

- Signed/unsigned
- Left/right alignment
- When the result is considered signed, the most significant bit of the conversion is used for sign extension to 16 bits with MSB. For an unsigned conversion, the result is zero extended to 16-bits. It can be configured by SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[3:2] for differential and single-ended conversion, respectively.
- The sample value can either be right-aligned or left-aligned within the 16 bits of the result register. By default, data is right-aligned in data[11:0], with sign extension to 16 bits, if required. A lower resolution combined with left-alignment will cause lower significant bits to be made zero.

Combined with signed and unsigned, and left and right alignment for 12–, 10–, and 8–bit conversion, the result data format can be shown as follows.

	Signed/			Result Register														
Alignment	Signed/ Unsigned	Resolution	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Right	Unsigned	12	_	_	_	_	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		10	_	_	_	_	_	_	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		8	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Right	Signed	12	11	11	11	11	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		10	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
		8	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Left	-	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	_	_	-	_
		10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	-	_	_	_	_	_
		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

Negative Input Selection

The negative input connection choice affects the voltage range, SNR, and effective resolution (Table 46). In

single-ended mode, negative input of the SAR ADC can be connected to  $V_{SSA}$ ,  $V_{REF}$ , or any of the eight pins with SARMUX connectivity.

**Table 78. NEGATIVE INPUT SELECTION COMPARISON** 

Single-ended/ Differential	Signed/Unsigned	SARMUX Vmi- nus	SARMUX Vplus Range	Result Register	Maximum SNR
Single-ended	N/A (Note 5)	VSSA	+VREF V <sub>SSA</sub> = 0	0x7FF 0x000	Better
Single-ended	Unsigned	VREF +2 x V <sub>REF</sub> VREF V <sub>SSA</sub> = 0		0xFFF 0x800 0	Good
Single-ended	Signed	VREF	+2 x V <sub>REF</sub> VREF V <sub>SSA</sub> = 0	0x7FF 0x000 0x800	Good
Single-ended	Unsigned	Vx	Vx + V <sub>REF</sub> Vx Vx – V <sub>REF</sub>	0xFFF 0x800 0	Best
Single-ended	Signed $Vx$ $Vx + V_{REF}$ $Vx$ $Vx - V_{REF}$		0x7FF 0x000 0x800	Best	
Differential	Unsigned	Vx	Vx + V <sub>REF</sub> Vx Vx - V <sub>REF</sub>	0xFFF 0x800 0	Best
Differential	Signed	Vx	Vx + V <sub>REF</sub> Vx Vx – V <sub>REF</sub>	0x7FF 0x000 0x800	Best

For single-ended mode with Vminus connected to V<sub>SSA</sub>, conversions are effectively 11-bit because voltages cannot swing below V<sub>SSA</sub> on any AXM0F243 MCU pin.

Because of this, the global configuration bit SINGLE\_ENDED\_SIGNED (SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[2]) will be ignored and the result is always (0x000–0x7FF).

To get a single-ended conversion with 12-bits, it is necessary to connect  $V_{REF}$  to the negative input of the SAR ADC; then, the input range can be from 0 to 2 x  $V_{REF}$ .

Note that single-ended conversions with Vminus connected to the pins with SARMUX connectivity are electrically equivalent to differential mode. However, when

the odd pin of each differential pair is connected to the common alternate ground, these conversions are 11-bit, because measured signal value (SARMUX.vplus) cannot go below ground.

#### Resolution

AXM0F243 MCU supports 12-bit resolution (default) and a selectable alternate resolution: either 8-bit or 10-bit for each channel. Resolution affects conversion time:

Conversion time 
$$(sar\_clk) = resolution (bit) + 2$$
 (eq. 1)

Total acquisition and conversion time (sar\_clk) = acquisition time + resolution (bit) + 2 (eq. 2)

For 12-bit conversion and acquisition time = 4, 18 sar\_clk is required. For example, if sar\_clk is 18 MHz, 18 sar\_clk is required for conversion and you will get 1 Msps conversion rate. Lower resolution results in higher conversion rate.

### Acquisition Time

Acquisition time is the time taken by sample and hold (S/H) circuit inside SAR ADC to settle. After acquisition time, the input signal source is disconnected from the SARADC core, and the output of the S/H circuit will be used for conversion. Each channel can select one from four acquisition time options, from 4 to 1023 SAR clock cycles defined in global configuration registers SAR\_SAMPLE\_TIME01 and SAR\_SAMPLE\_TIME23.

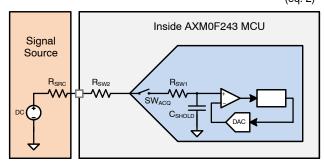


Figure 78. Acquisition Time

The acquisition time should be sufficient to charge the internal hold capacitor of the ADC through the resistance of the routing path, as shown in Figure 78. The recommended value of acquisition time is:

$$t_{ACQ} \ge 9 \times (R_{SRC} + R_{SW2} + R_{SW1}) \times C_{HOLD}$$
 (eq. 3)

Where:

 $C_{SHOLD} \sim = 10 pF$ 

 $R_{SW2} + R_{SW1} = \sim 500$  to 1000 ohms, depending on the routing path (See <u>Analog Routing</u> on page 121 for details).  $R_{SRC} =$  series resistance of the signal source

#### SAR ADC Clock

SAR ADC clock frequency must be between 1 MHz and 18 MHz, which comes from the HFCLK via a clock divider. Note that a fractional divider is not supported for SAR ADC. To get a 1–Msps sample rate, an 18–MHz SAR ADC clock is required. To achieve this, the system clock (HFCLK) must be set to 36 MHz rather than 48 MHz. A 12–bit ADC

conversion with the minimum acquisition time of four clocks (at 18 MHz) requires 18 clocks in which to complete. A 10-bit and 8-bit conversion requires 16 and 14 clocks respectively. Note that the minimum acquisition time of four clock cycles at 18 MHz is based on the minimum acquisition time supported by the SAR block (R<sub>SW1</sub> and C<sub>SHOLD</sub> in Figure 78), which is 194 ns.

### SAR ADC Timing

Figure 79 shows the SAR ADC timing diagram. A 12-bit resolution conversion needs 14 clocks (one bit needs one sar\_clk, plus two excess sar\_clk for G and F state). With acquisition time equal to four sar\_clk cycles by default, 18 clock sar\_clk cycles are required for total ADC acquisition and conversion. After sample (acquisition), it will output the next pulse. The SARMUX can route to another pin and signal; this will be done automatically with sequencer control (see SARSEQ on page 128 for details).

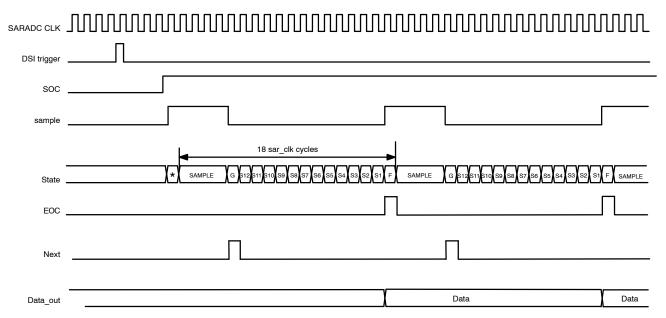


Figure 79. SAR ADC Timing

#### **SARMUX**

SARMUX is an analog dedicated programmable multiplexer. The main features of SARMUX are:

- Switch on resistance:  $600 \Omega$  (maximum)
- Internal temperature sensor
- Controlled by sequencer controller block (SARSEQ) or firmware
- Charge pump inside:
  - If V<sub>DDA</sub> < 4.0 V, charge pump should be turned on to reduce switch resistance
  - If V<sub>DDA</sub>≥4.0 V, charge pump is turned off and delivers V<sub>DDA</sub> as its output
- Multiple inputs:
  - Analog signals from pins (port 2)

- Temperature sensor output
- CTBm output via sarbus0/1 (not fast enough to sample at 1 Msps)
- AMUXBUS\_A/B (not fast enough to sample at 1 Msps)

#### Analog Routing

SARMUX has many switches that may be controlled by SARSEQ block (sequencer controller)or firmware. The sequencer is the hardware control method, which can be masked by the hardware control bit in the register, SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTRL. Different control methods have different control capability on the switches. See Figure 80.

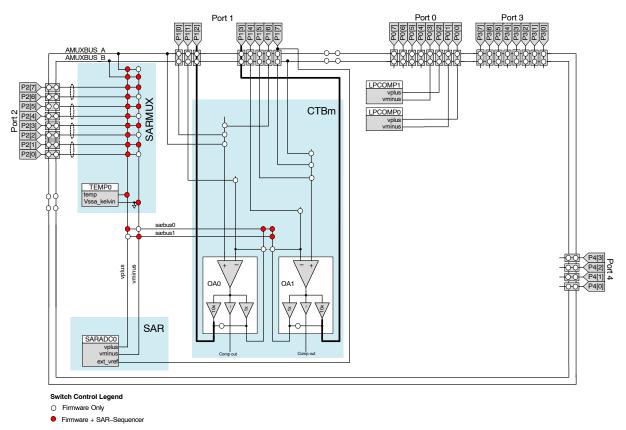


Figure 80. SARMUX Switches and Control Capability

Sequencer control: The switches are controlled by the sequencer in SARSEQ block. After configuring each channel's analog routing, it enables multi-channel automatic scan in a round-robin fashion, without CPU intervention. Not every switch can be controlled by the sequencer; see Figure 80. The corresponding registers are: SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG, SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0, SAR\_CTRL, and SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTRL.

Firmware control: Programmable registers directly define the VPLUS/VMINUS connection. It can control every switch in SARMUX; see Figure 80. For example, in firmware control, it is possible to do a differential measurement between any two pins or signals, not just two adjacent pins (as in sequencer control). However, it needs

CPU intervention for multi-channel acquisition. The corresponding registers are: SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0, SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTRL. and SAR\_CTRL.

# Analog Interconnection

AXM0F243 MCU analog interconnection is very flexible. SAR ADC can be connected to multiple inputs via SARMUX, including both external pins and internal signals. For example, it can connect to a neighboring block such as CTBm. It can also connect to other pins except port 2 through AMUXBUS\_A/B, at the expense of scanning performance (more parasitic coupling, longer RC time to settle).

Several cases are discussed here to provide a better understanding of analog interconnection.

#### **Input from External Pins**

Figure 81 shows how two GPIOs that support SARMUX are connected to SAR ADC as a differential pair (Vpuls/Vminus) via switches. These two switches can be controlled by sequencer, or firmware. The pins are arranged

in adjacent pairs; for example, in SARMUX port P2[0] and P2[1], P2[2] and P2[3], and so on. If you need to use pins that are not paired as a differential pair, such as P2[1] and P2[2], the sequencer does not work; use firmware.

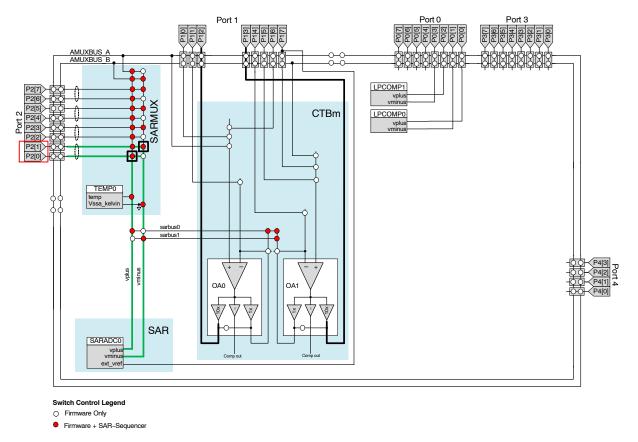


Figure 81. Input from External Pins

# Input from Analog Bus (AMUXBUS\_A/B)

Figure 82 shows how two pins that do not support SARMUX connectivity are connected to ADC as a differential pair. Additional switches must connect these two pins to AMUXBUS\_A and AMUXBUS\_B, and then connect AMUXBUS\_A and AMUXBUS\_B to ADC.

The additional switches reduce the scanning performance (more parasitic coupling, longer RC time to settle) – it is not fast enough to sample at 1 Msps. This is not recommended for external signals; the dedicated SARMUX port should be used, if possible.

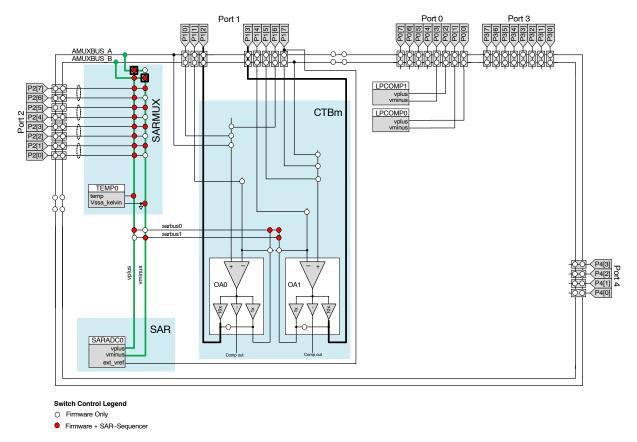


Figure 82. Input from Analog Bus

# Input from CTBm Output via sarbus

SAR ADC can be connected to CTBm output via sarbus 0/1. Figure 83 shows how to connect an opamp (configured as a follower) output to a single–ended SAR ADC. Negative terminal is connected to  $V_{REF}$ . Figure 84 shows how to connect two opamp outputs to SAR ADC as a differential

pair. It must connect opamp output to sarbus 0/1, then connect SAR ADC input to sarbus 0/1. Because there are also additional switches, it is not fast enough to sample at 1 Msps. However, the on-chip opamps add value for many applications.

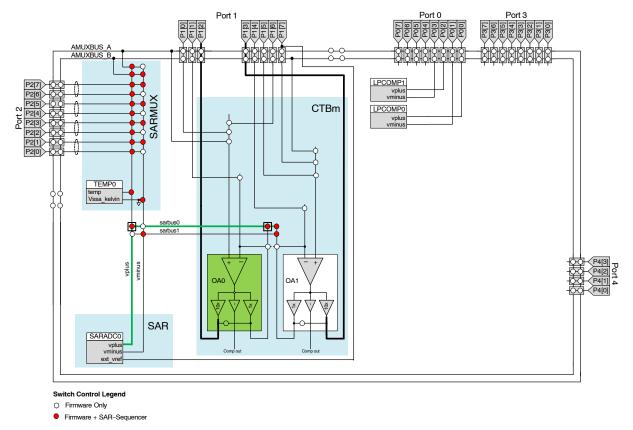


Figure 83. Input from CTBm Output via sarbus

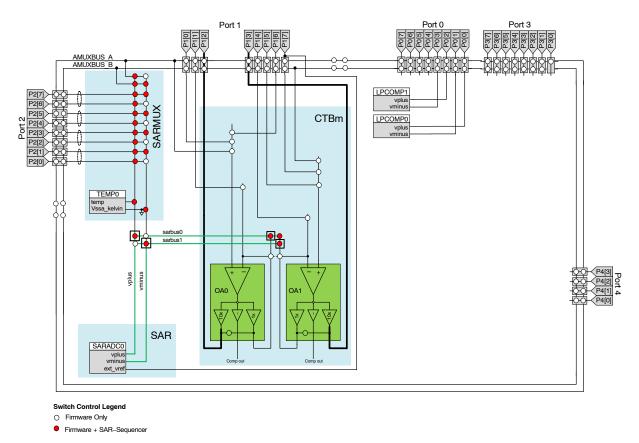


Figure 84. Inputs from CTBm Output via sarbus0 and sarbus1

#### **Input from Temperature Sensor**

One on-chip temperature sensor is available for temperature sensing and temperature-based calibration. Note for temperature sensor, differential conversions are not available (conversion result is undefined), thus always use it in singled-ended mode.

As Figure 85 shows, temperature sensor can be routed to positive input of SAR ADC via switch, which can be

controlled by sequencer, firmware. Setting the MUX\_FW\_TEMP\_VPLUS bit (SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0[17]) can enable the temperature sensor and connect its output to VPLUS of SAR ADC; clearing this bit will disable temperature sensor by cutting its bias current.

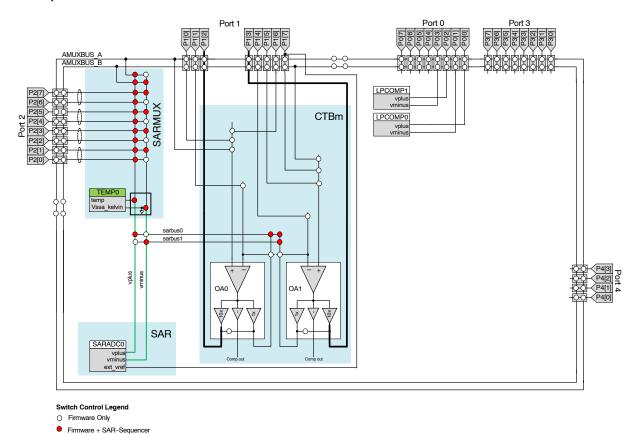


Figure 85. Inputs from Temperature Sensor

#### **SARREF**

The main features of SARREF are:

- Reference options: V<sub>DDA</sub>, V<sub>DDA</sub>/2, 1.2-V bandgap (±1 percent), external reference
- Reference buffer + bypass cap to enhance internal reference drive capability

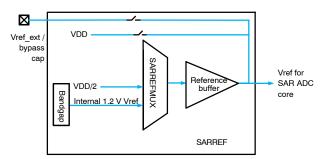


Figure 86. SARREF Block Diagram

#### Reference Options

The reference voltage selection for the SAR ADC consists of a reference mux and switches inside the SARREF. The selection allows connecting  $V_{DDA}$ ,  $V_{DDA}/2$ , and 1.2–V internal reference from a bandgap or an external  $V_{REF}$  connected to an Ext Vref/SAR bypass pin (see the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for details). The control for the reference mux in SARREF is in the global configuration register SAR\_CTRL[6:4].

# **Bypass Capacitors**

The internal references, 1.2 V from bandgap or  $V_{DDA}/2$  are buffered with the reference buffer. This reference may be routed to the Ext Vref/SAR bypass pin where an external capacitor can be used to filter internal noise that may exist on the reference signal. The SAR ADC sample rate is limited to 100 ksps (at 12-bit) without an external reference bypass capacitor. For example, without a bypass capacitor and with 1.2-V internal  $V_{REF}$ , the maximum SAR ADC clock frequency is 1.6 MHz. When using an external reference, it is recommended that an external capacitor is used. Bypass capacitors can be enabled by setting SAR\_CTRL[7]. Table 79 lists different reference modes and its maximum frequency/sample rate for 12-bit continuous mode operation.

**Table 79. REFERENCE MODES** 

Reference Mode	Reference SAR_CTRL[6:4]	Bypass Cap SAR_CTRL[7]	Buffer	Max Frequency	Max Sample Rate (12-bit)
1.2 V internal V <sub>REF</sub> without bypass cap	4	0	Yes	1.6 MHz	100 ksps
1.2 V internal V <sub>REF</sub> with bypass cap	4	1	Yes	18 MHz	1 Msps
External V <sub>REF</sub> (low-impedance path)	5	Х	No	18 MHz	1 Msps
V <sub>DDA</sub> /2 without bypass cap	6	0	Yes	1.6 MHz	100 ksps
V <sub>DDA</sub> /2 with bypass cap	6	1	Yes	18 MHz	1 Msps
VDDA	7	Х	No	9 MHz	500 ksps

1.2–V internal  $V_{REF}$  startup time varies with the different bypass capacitor size, Table 80 lists two common values for the bypass capacitor and its startup time specification. If reference selection is changed between scans or when scanning after Sleep/Deep–Sleep, make sure the 1.2–V internal  $V_{REF}$  is settled when SAR ADC starts sampling. The worst case settling time (when  $V_{REF}$  is completely discharged) is the same as the startup time.

**Table 80. BYPASS CAPACITOR VALUE** 

Internal V <sub>REF</sub> Startup Time	Maximum Specification
Startup time for reference with external capacitor (1 µF)	2 ms
Startup time for reference with external capacitor (100 nF)	200 μs

Input Range versus Reference

All inputs should be between  $V_{SSA}$  and  $V_{DDA}$ . The ADCs input range is limited by  $V_{REF}$  selection. If negative input is Vn and the ADC reference is  $V_{REF}$ , the range on the positive input is Vn  $\pm$   $V_{REF}$ . This criteria applies for both single–ended and differential modes as long as both negative and positive inputs stay within  $V_{SSA}$  to  $V_{DDA}$ .

#### **SARSEQ**

SARSEQ is a dedicated sequencer controller that automatically sequences the input mux from one channel to the next while placing the result in an array of registers, one per channel.

- Controls SARMUX analog routing automatically without CPU intervention
- Controls SAR ADC core (such as resolution, acquisition time, and reference)
- Receives data from SAR ADC and does pre-processing (average, range detect)
- Uses double buffer to store the result so the CPU can safely read the results of the last scan while the next scan is in progress.

The features of SARSEQ are:

- Sixteen channels can be individually enabled as an automatic scan without CPU intervention
- An additional channel (injection channel) for infrequent signal to insert in an automatic scan
- Each channel has the following features:
  - Single-ended or differential mode
  - Input from external pin (only for eight channels in single-ended mode and four channels in differential mode) or internal signal (AMUXBUS/CTBm/ temperature sensor)
  - Up to four programmable acquisition time

- Default 12-bit resolution, selectable alternate resolution: either 8-bit or 10-bit
- Result averaging
- Scan triggering
  - One shot, periodic, or continuous mode
  - Triggered by TCPWM block, CTBm comparator, low-power comparator, SAR ADC end of conversion signal, and by firmware
- Hardware averaging support
  - First order accumulate
  - From 2 to 256 samples averaging (powers of 2)
  - Results in 16-bit representation
- Double buffering of output data
  - Left or right adjusted results
  - Results in working register and result register
- Interrupt generation
  - · Finished scan conversion
  - Channel saturation detect in all control modes
  - Over range (configurable) detect for every channel
  - Scan results overflow
  - Collision detect
- Configurable injection channel
  - Triggered by firmware
  - Can be interleaved between two scan sequences (tailgating)
  - Selectable sample time, resolution, single ended, or differential, averaging

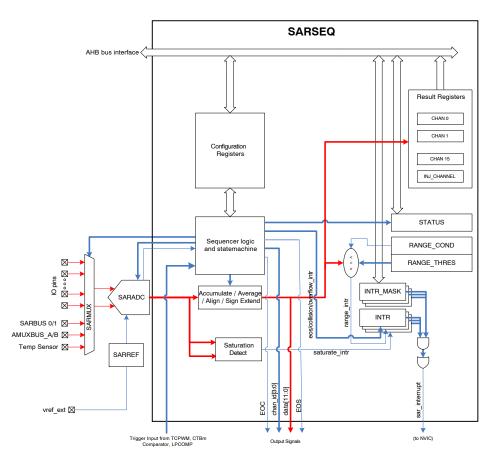


Figure 87. SARSEQ Block Diagram

Averaging

The SARSEQ block has a 20-bit accumulator and shift register to implement averaging. Averaging is after signed extension. The global configuration SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register specifies the details of averaging.

Channel configuration SAR\_CHAN\_CONFIG register has an enable bit (AVG EN) to enable averaging.

In global configuration, AVG\_CNT (SAR\_SMAPLE\_CTRL[6:4]) specifies the number of samples (N) according to this formula:

$$N = 2 ^ (AVG_CNT + 1) N range = [2..256]$$
 (eq. 4)

For example, if AVG\_CNT (SAR SMAPLE CTRL[6:4]) = 3, then N = 16.

AVG\_SHIFT bit (SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[7]) is used to shift the result to get averaged; it should be set if averaging is enabled.

If a channel is configured for averaging, the SARSEQ will take N consecutive samples of the specified channel in every scan. Because the conversion result is 12-bit and the maximum value of N is 256 (left shift 8 bits), the 20-bit accumulator will never overflow.

If AVG\_SHIFT in SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register is set, SAR sequencer performs sign extension and then accumulation. The accumulated result is shifted right AVG\_CNT + 1 bits to get averaged. If it is not, the result is forced to shift right to ensure it fits in 16 bits. Right shift is done by maximum (0, AVG\_CNT-3) – if the number of samples is more than 16 (AVG\_CNT >3), then the accumulation result is shifted right AVG\_CNT-3bits; it AVG\_CNT<3, the result is not shifted. Note in this case, the average result is bigger than expected; it is recommended to set AVG\_SHIFT. This mode always uses the selected resolution of ADC (12, 10, or 8 bits).

#### Range Detection

The SARSEQ supports range detection to allow automatic detection of result values compared to two programmable thresholds without CPU involvement. Range detection is defined by the SAR\_RANGE\_THRES register. The RANGE\_LOW field (SAR\_RANGE\_THRES[15:0]) value defines the lower threshold and RANGE\_HIGH field (SAR\_RANGE\_THRES[31:16]) defines the upper threshold of the range.

The SAR\_RANGE\_COND bits define the condition that triggers a channel maskable range detect interrupt (RANGE\_INTR). The following conditions can be selected:

0: result < RANGE LOW (below range)

- 1: RANGE\_LOW ≤ result < RANGE\_HIGH (inside range)
  - 2: RANGE HIGH ≤ result (above range)
- 3: result <RANGE\_LOW || RANGE\_HIGH <= result (outside range)

See Range Detection Interrupts on page 133 for details.

# Double Buffer

Double buffering is used so that firmware can read the results of a complete scan while the next scan is in progress. The SAR ADC results are written to a set of working registers until the scan is complete, at which time the data is copied to a second set of registers where the data can be read by the user's application. This action allows sufficient time for the firmware to read the previous scan before the present scan is completed. All input channels are double buffered with 16 registers, except the injection channel. The injection channel is not required to be doubled buffered because it is not normally part of a normal channel scan.

# Injection Channel

The injection channel is similar to the other channels, with the exception that it is not part of a regular scan. The injection channel is used for incidental or rare conversions; for example, sampling the temperature sensor every two seconds. Note that if SAR is operating in continuous mode, enabling the injection channel will change the sample rate.

The injection channel can only be controlled by the firmware with a firmware trigger (one-shot). This means the injection channel does not support continuous trigger. Because the only trigger is one-shot, there is no need for double buffering or an overflow interrupt.

The conversions for the injection channel can be configured in the same way as the regular channels by setting SAR\_INJ\_CHAN\_CONFIG register, it supports:

- Pin or signal selection
- Single-ended or differential selection
- Choice of resolution between 12-bit or the globally specified SUB RESOLUTION
- Sample time select from one of the four globally specified sample times
- Averaging select

It supports the same interrupts as the regular channel except the overflow interrupt.

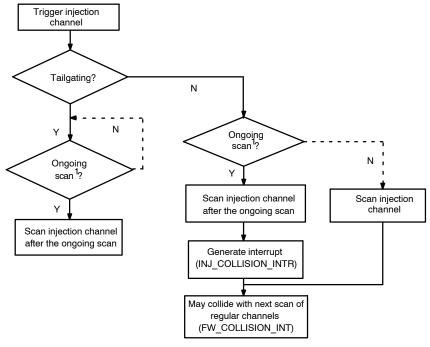
- Maskable end-of-conversion interrupt INJ\_EOC\_INTR
- Maskable range detect interrupt INJ RANGE INTR
- Maskable saturation detect interrupt INJ SATURATE INTR

These features are described in detail in <u>Global SARSEQ</u> <u>Configuration</u> on page 136, <u>Channel Configurations</u> on page 137, and <u>Interrupt</u> on page 132.

#### **Tailgating**

The injection channel conversion can be triggered by setting the start or enable bit INJ\_START\_EN (SAR\_INJ\_CHAN\_CONFIG[31]). It is recommended to select tailgating by setting INJ\_TAILGATING = 1 (SAR\_INJ\_CHAN\_CONFIG[30]). The injection channel will be scanned at the end of the ongoing scan of regular channels without any collision. However, if there is no ongoing scan or the SAR ADC is idle, and tailgating is selected, INJ\_START\_EN will enable the injection channel to be scanned at the end of the next scan of regular channels.

If tailgating is not selected, setting the INJ\_START\_EN bit immediately starts the conversion of the injection channel provided there is no ongoing scan or SAR ADC is idle. If a scan of the regular channels is ongoing, then the injection channel will be scanned at the end of the ongoing scan, but it will cause a collision and generate a collision interrupt (INJ\_COLLISION\_INTR). Another potential problem without tailgating is that it can cause the next scan of the regular channels to collide with the injection channel conversion (FW\_COLLISION\_INTR is raised). As a result, the next scan of regular channels is postponed until the injection scan is finished, thus causing jitter on a regular scan.



i scan here means scan of ALL the regular channels

Figure 88. Injection Channel Flow Chart

The disadvantage of tailgating is that it may be a long time before the next trigger occurs. If there is no risk of colliding or causing jitter on the regular channels, the injection channel can be used safely without tailgating.

After completing the conversion for the injection channel, the end-of conversion interrupt (INJ\_EOC\_INTR) is set and the INJ\_START\_EN bit is cleared. The conversion data of the injection is put in the SAR\_INJ\_RESULT register. Similar to the SAR\_CHAN\_RESULT, the registers contain

mirror bits for "valid" (=INJ\_EOC\_INTR), range detect, saturation detect interrupt, and a mirror bit of the collision interrupt (INJ\_COLLISSION\_INTR).

Figure 89 is an example when injection channel is enabled during a continuous scan (channel 1, 3, 5, and 7 are enabled), and tailgating is enabled. Note that the INJ\_START\_EN bit is immediately cleared when the SAR is disabled (but only if it was enabled before).

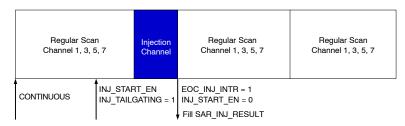


Figure 89. Injection Channel Enabled with Tailgating

#### Interrupt

An interrupt can be generated on different events:

- End of Scan When scanning is complete for all the enabled channels.
- Overflow When the result register is updated before the previous result is read.
- Collision When a new trigger is received while the SAR ADC is still processing the previous trigger.
- Injection End of Conversion When the injection channel is converted.
- Range Detection When the channel result meets the threshold value.
- Saturation Detection When the channel result is equal to the minimum or maximum value of the set resolution. This section describes each interrupt in detail. These interrupts have an interrupt mask in the SAR\_INTR\_MASK register. By making the interrupt mask low, the corresponding interrupt source is ignored. The SAR interrupt is generated if the interrupt mask bit is high and the corresponding interrupt source is pending.

When servicing an interrupt, the interrupt service routine (ISR) clears the interrupt source by writing a 212 to the interrupt bit after reading the data.

The SAR\_INTR\_MASKED register is the logical AND between the interrupts sources and the interrupt mask. This register provides a convenient way for the firmware to determine the source of the interrupt.

For verification and debug purposes, a set bit (such as EOS\_SET in the SAR\_INTR\_SET register) is used to trigger each interrupt. This action allows the firmware to generate an interrupt without the actual event occurring.

#### End-of-Scan Interrupt (EOS INTR)

After completing a scan, the end-of-scan interrupt (EOS\_INTR) is raised. Firmware should clear this interrupt after picking up the data from the RESULT registers.

Optionally, the EOS\_INTR can also be sent out on the GPIO by setting the EOS\_DSI\_OUT\_EN bit in SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[31]. The EOS\_INTR signal is maintained for two system clock cycles. These cycles coincide with the data\_valid signal for the last channel of the scan (if selected).

EOS\_INTR can be masked by making the EOS\_MASK bit 0 in the SAR\_INTR\_MASK register. EOS\_MASKED bit of the SAR\_INTR\_MASKED register is the logic AND of the interrupt flags and the interrupt masks. Writing a '1' to EOS\_SET bit in SAR\_INTR\_SET register can set the EOS\_INTR, which is intended for debug and verification.

# Overflow Interrupt

If a new scan completes and the hardware tries to set the EOS\_INTR and EOS\_INTR is still high (firmware does not clear it fast enough), then an overflow interrupt (OVERFLOW INTR) is generated by the hardware. This

usually means that the firmware is unable to read the previous results before the current scan completes. In this case, the old data is overwritten.

OVERFLOW\_INTR can be masked by making the OVERFLOW\_MASK bit 0 in SAR\_INTR\_MASK register. OVERFLOW\_MASKED bit of SAR\_INTR\_MASKED register is the logic AND of the interrupt flags and the interrupt masks, which is for firmware convenience. Writing a '1' to the OVERFLOW\_SET bit in SAR\_INTR\_SET register can set OVERFLOW\_INTR, which is intended for debug and verification.

#### Collision Interrupt

It is possible that a new trigger is generated while the SARSEQ is still busy with the scan started by the previous trigger. Therefore, the scan for the new trigger is delayed until after the ongoing scan is completed. It is important to notify the firmware that the new sample is invalid. This is done through the collision interrupt, which is raised any time a new trigger, other than the continuous trigger, is received.

There are three collision interrupts: for the firmware trigger (FW\_COLLISION\_INTR), for the external trigger (DSI\_COLLISION\_INTR), and for the injection channel (INJ\_COLLISION\_INTR). These interrupts allow the firmware to identify which trigger collided with an ongoing scan.

When the external trigger is used in level mode, the DSI\_COLLISION\_INTR will never be set.

The three collision interrupts can be masked by making the corresponding bit '0' in the SAR\_INTR\_MASK register. The corresponding bit in the SAR\_INTR\_MASKED register is the logic AND of the interrupt flags and the interrupt masks. Writing a '1' to the corresponding bit in SAR\_INTR\_SET register can set the collision interrupt, which is intended for debug and verification.

*Injection End-of-Conversion Interrupt (INJ EOC INTR)* 

After completing a conversion for the injection channel, the injection end-of-conversion interrupt is raised (INJ\_EOC\_INTR). The firmware clears this interrupt after picking up the data from the INJ\_RESULT register.

Note that if the injection channel is tailgating a scan, the EOS\_INTR is raised in parallel to starting the injection channel conversion. The injection channel is not considered part of the scan.

INJ\_EOC\_INTR can be masked by making the INJ\_EOC\_MASK bit '0' in the SAR\_INTR\_MASK register. The INJ\_EOC\_MASKED bit of SAR\_INTR\_MASKED register is the logic AND of the interrupt flags and the interrupt masks. Writing a '1' to the INJ\_EOC\_SET bit in SAR\_INTR\_SET register can set INJ\_EOC\_INTR, which is intended for debug and verification.

#### Range Detection Interrupts

Range detection interrupt flag can be set after averaging, alignment, and sign extension (if applicable). This means it is not required to wait for the entire scan to complete to determine whether a channel conversion is over-range. The threshold values need to have the same data format as the result data.

Range detection interrupt for a specified channel can be masked by setting the SAR\_RANGE\_INTR\_MASK register specified bit to '0'. Register SAR\_RANGE\_INTR\_MASKED reflects a bitwise AND between the interrupt request and mask registers. If the value is not zero, then the SAR interrupt signal to the NVIC is high.

SAR\_RANGE\_INTR\_SET can be used for debug/verification. Write a '1' to set the corresponding bit in the interrupt request register; when read, this register reflects the interrupt request register.

There is a range detect interrupt for each channel (RANGE INTR and INJ RANGE INTR).

#### Saturate Detection Interrupts

The saturation detection is always applied to every conversion. This feature detects if a sample value is equal to the minimum or maximum value for the specific resolution and sets a maskable interrupt flag for the corresponding channel. This action allows the firmware to take action, such as discarding the result, when the SAR ADC saturates. The sample value is tested right after conversion, before averaging. This means that the interrupt is set while the averaged result in the data register is not equal to the minimum or maximum.

When a 10-bit or 8-bit resolution is selected for the channel, saturate detection is done on 10-bit or 8-bit data.

Saturation interrupt flag is set immediately to enable a fast response to saturation, before the full scan and averaging. Saturation detection interrupt for specified channel can be masked by setting the SAR\_SATURATE\_INTR\_MASK register specified bit to '0'. SAR\_SATURATE\_INTR\_MASKED register reflects a bit—wise AND between the interrupt request and mask registers. If the value is not zero, then the SAR interrupt signal to the NVIC is high.

SAR\_SARTURATE\_INTR\_SET can be used for debug/verification. Write a '1' to set the corresponding bit in the interrupt request register; when read, this register reflects the interrupt request register.

### Interrupt Cause Overview

INTR\_CAUSE register contains an overview of all the pending SAR interrupts. It allows the ISR to determine the cause of the interrupt. The register consists of a mirror copy of SAR\_INTR\_MASKED. In addition, it has two bits that aggregate the range and saturate detection interrupts of all channels. It includes a logical OR of all the bits in RANGE\_INTR\_MASKED and SATURATE\_INTR\_MASKED registers (does not include INJ\_RANGE\_INTR and INJ\_SATURATE\_INTR).

#### Trigger

The three possible ways to trigger a scan are:

- A firmware or one-shot trigger is generated when the firmware writes to the FW\_TRIGGER bit of the SAR\_START\_CTRL register. After the scan is completed, the SARSEQ clears the FW\_TRIGGER bit and goes back to idle mode waiting for the next trigger. The FW\_TRIGGER bit is cleared immediately after the SAR is disabled.
- An external trigger can be TCPWM outputs, CTBm comparator outputs, low-power comparator outputs, and SAR ADC's end-of-sampling and end-of-conversion signals. Hardware trigger is enabled by writing '1' to the DSI\_TRIGGER\_EN bit of the SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register. Signal for the trigger is selected using the PERI\_TR\_GROUP1\_TR\_OUT\_CTL0 register in AXM0F243 MCU.

Table 81. HARDWARE TRIGGER SOURCE SELECTION IN AXM0F243 MCU

PERI_TR_GROUP1_ TR_OUT_CTL0[6:0]	Trigger Source
0	Hardwired to 0 (firmware trigger)
1	TCPWM 0 Overflow
2	TCPWM 1 Overflow
3	TCPWM 2 Overflow
4	TCPWM 3 Overflow
5	TCPWM 4 Overflow
6	TCPWM 0 Compare Match
7	TCPWM 1 Compare Match
8	TCPWM 2 Compare Match
9	TCPWM 3 Compare Match
10	TCPWM 4 Compare Match
11	TCPWM 0 Underflow
12	TCPWM 1 Underflow
13	TCPWM 2 Underflow
14	TCPWM 3 Underflow
15	TCPWM 4 Underflow
16	SAR ADC Sample Done (sdone) Signal
17	SAR ADC End of Conversion (eoc) Signal
18	CTBm Comparator 0 Output
19	CTBm Comparator 1 Output
20	LPCOMP 0 Output
21	LPCOMP 1 Output

 A continuous trigger is activated by setting the CONTINUOUS bit in SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register.

In this mode, after completing a scan the SARSEQ starts the next scan immediately; therefore, the SARSEQ is always BUSY. As a result, all other triggers are essentially ignored. Note that FW\_TRIGGER will still get cleared by hardware on the next completion.

The three triggers are mutually exclusive, although there is no hardware requirement. If an external trigger coincides with a firmware trigger, the external trigger is handled first and a separate scan is done for the firmware trigger (and a collision interrupt is set). When an external trigger coincides with a continuous trigger, both triggers are effectively handled at the same time (a collision interrupt may be set for the external trigger).

For firmware continuous trigger, it takes only one SAR ADC clock cycle before the sequencer tells the SAR ADC to start sampling (provided the sequencer is idle). For the external trigger, it depends on the trigger configuration setting.

#### External Trigger Configuration

#### Synchronization

If the incoming external trigger signal is not synchronous to the AHB clock, the signal needs to be synchronized by double flopping it (default). However, if the trigger signal is already synchronized with the AHB clock, then these two flops can be bypassed. The configuration bit, DSI\_SYNC\_TRIGGER in the SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register, controls the double flop bypass. DSI\_SYNC\_TRIGGER affects the trigger width (TW) and trigger interval (TI) requirement of the pulse trigger signal.

## • Trigger Level

The trigger can either be a pulse or a level; this is indicated by the configuration bit, DSI\_TRIGGER\_LEVEL in the SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register. If it is a level, then the SAR starts new scans for as long as the trigger signal remains high. When the trigger signal is a pulse input, a positive edge detected on the trigger signal triggers a new scan.

#### Transmission Time

After the 'dsi\_trigger' is raised, it takes some transmission time before the SAR ADC is told to start sampling. With different DSI\_SYNC\_TRIGGER and DSI\_TRIGGER\_LEVEL configuration, the transmission time is different; Table 82 shows the maximum time. Two trigger pulse intervals should be longer than the transmission time, otherwise, the second trigger is ignored.

When the SAR is disabled (ENABLED = 0), the trigger is ignored.

**Table 82. EXTERNAL TRIGGER MAXIMUM TIME** 

Maximum External_TRIGGER Transmission Time	Bypass Sync DSI_SYNC_TRIGGER = 0	Enable Sync DSI_SYNC_TRIGGER = 1 (by default)	
Pulse trigger: DSI_TRIGGER_LEVEL = 0 (by default)	1 clk_sys + 2 clk_sar	3 clk_sys + 2 clk_sar	
Level Trigger: DSI_TRIGGER_LEVEL = 1	2 clk_sar	2 clk_sys + 2 clk_sar	

#### **Table 83. TRIGGER SIGNAL REQUIREMENT**

Trigger Specification	Requirement
Trigger Width (TW)	TW should be greater enough so that a trigger can be locked. If DSI_SYNC_TRIGGER = 1, TW ≥ 2 clk_sys cycle. If DSI_SYNC_TRIGGER = 0, TW ≥ 1 SAR clock cycle.
Trigger interval (TI)	Trigger interval should be longer than the transmission time (as specified in Table 82); otherwise, the second trigger pulse will be ignored.

### **SAR ADC Status**

The current SAR status can be observed through the BUSY and CUR\_CHAN fields in the SAR\_STATUS register. The BUSY bit is high whenever the SAR is busy sampling or converting a channel; the CUR\_CHAN[4:0] bits indicate the number of the current channel being sampled (channel 16 indicates the injection channel). SW\_VREF\_NEG bit indicates the current switch status that shorts NEG with  $V_{REF}$  input.

CHAN\_WORK\_VALID in the CHAN\_WORK\_VALID register will be set if the WORK data that was sampled during the last scan is valid. When

CHAN\_RESULT\_VALID is set in the CHAN\_RESULT\_VALID register, indicating that the RESULT data is valid, then the corresponding CHAN\_WORK\_VALID bit is cleared. The CUR\_AVG\_ACCU and CUR\_AVG\_CNT fields in the SAR\_AVG\_STAT register indicate the current averaging accumulator contents and the current sample counter value for averaging (counts down).

The SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH\_STATUS register gives the current switch status of MUX\_SWITCH0 register. These status registers help to debug SAR behavior.

# Low-Power Mode

The current consumption of the SAR ADC can be divided into two parts: SAR ADC core and SARREF. There are several methods to reduce the power consumption of the SAR ADC core. The easiest way is to reduce the trigger frequency; that is, reduce the number of conversions per second. Another option is to use a lower resolution for

channels that do not need high accuracy. This action shortens the conversion by up to four out of 18 cycles (for 8-bit resolution and minimum sample time). In addition, the SAR ADC offers the ICONT\_LV[1:0] configuration bits, which control overall power of the SAR ADC. Maximum clock rates for each power setting should be observed.

Table 84. ICONT\_LV FOR LOW POWER CONSUMPTION

ICONT_LV[1:0]	Relative Power of SAR ADC Core [%]	Maximum Frequency [MHz]	Minimum Sample Time [cycles]	Maximum Sample Speed (at 12– bit) [ksps]
0	100	18	4	1000
1	50	9	3	529
2	133	18	4	1000
3	25	4.5	2	281

In addition to controlling the power of the SAR ADC core, the power consumed by VREF buffer (if used) can also be configured. Note that for full VDDA range (1.7 V to 3.6 V) operation without external bypass capacitor, the VREF buffer should be operated in 2x power mode. However, the

maximum sample rate supported without external bypass capacitor remains at 100 ksps. For a 1–Msps sample rate, an external bypass capacitor and an 18–MHz clock are required. See Table 85 for details.

**Table 85. SAR VREF POWER OPTIONS** 

PWR_CTRL_ VREF[1:0]	External Bypass Capacitor Required	Relative VREF Power [%]	Maximum Frequency [MHz]	Minimum Sample Time [cycles]	Maximum Sample Speed (at 12-bit) [ksps]	VDDA Range
0	Yes	100	18	4	1000	1.7 V – 3.6 V
0	No	100	1.6	2	100	2.7 V – 3.6 V
2	No	200	1.6	2	100	1.7 V – 3.6 V
1 or 3	Invalid setting – Should not be used					

Using an external VREF eliminates the need for the VREF buffer and bypass capacitor, which in turn reduces overall power consumption of the SAR ADC block.

# **System Operation**

After the SAR analog is enabled by setting the ENABLED bit (SAR\_CTRL[31]), follow these steps to start ADC conversions with the SARSEQ:

- 1. Set SARMUX analog routing (pin/signal selection) via sequencer/firmware
- 2. Set the global SARSEQ conversion configurations
- 3. Configure each channel source (such as pin address)
- 4. Enable the channels

- 5. Set the trigger type
- 6. Set interrupt masks
- 7. Start the trigger source
- 8. Retrieve data after each end of conversion interrupt
- 9. Perform injection conversions if needed

Use registers to configure the SAR ADC; this is the most common usage. Detailed register bit definition is available in the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u>.

# SARMUX Analog Routing

There are two ways to control the SARMUX analog routing: sequencer and firmware.

#### **Sequencer Control**

It is essential that the appropriate hardware control bits in MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTRL register and the firmware control bits in MUX\_SWITCH0 register are both set to '1'. Ensure that SWITCH\_DISABLE = 0; setting SWITCH\_DISABLE disables sequencer control.

With sequencer control, the pin or internal signal a channel converts is specified by the combination of port and

pin address. The PORT\_ADDR bits are SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[6:4] and PIN\_ADDR bits are SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[2:0]. Table 86 shows the PORT\_ADDR and PIN\_ADDR setup with corresponding SARMUX selection. The unused port/pins are reserved.

Table 86. PORT ADDR AND PIN ADDR

PORT_ADDR	PIN_ADDR	Description
0	07	8 dedicated pins of the SARMUX
1	Х	sarbus0 (Note 6)
1	Х	sarbus1 (Note 6)
7	0	Temperature sensor
7	2	AMUXBUS-A
7	3	AMUXBUS-B

sarbus0 and sarbus1 connect to the output of the CTBm block, which contains opamp0/1. See the <u>Continuous Time Block mini (CTBm)</u>
 <u>chapter</u> on page 146 for more information. When PORT\_ADDR = 1, sarbus0 connects to positive terminal of SAR ADC regardless of the value
 of PIN\_ADDR; sarbus1 can only connect to the negative terminal of SAR ADC when differential mode is enabled and PORT\_ADDR = 1.

For differential conversion, the negative terminal connection is dependent on the positive terminal connection, which is defined by PORT\_ADDR and PIN\_ADDR. By setting DIFFERENTIAL\_EN, the channel will do a differential conversion on the even/odd pin pair specified by the pin address with PIN\_ADDR[0] ignored. P.0/P.1, P.2/P.3, P.4/P.5, P.6/P.7 are valid differential pairs for sequencer control. More flexible analog can be implemented by firmware.

conversions, single-ended NEG SEL (SAR CTRL[11:9]) is intended to decide which signal is connected to negative input. In differential mode, these bits are ignored. Negative input choice affects the input voltage range and effective resolution. See Negative Input Selection on page 119 for details. The options include: V<sub>SSA</sub>, V<sub>REF</sub>, or an external input from any of the eight pins with SARMUX connectivity. To connect negative input to V<sub>REF</sub>, an additional bit, SAR\_HW\_CTRL\_NEGVREF (SAR CTRL[13]) be set, because must MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTRL register does not have that hardware control bit.

#### Firmware Control

By default, the SARMUX operates in firmware control. VPLUS (positive) and VMINUS (negative) inputs of SAR ADC can be controlled separately by setting the appropriate bits in SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0[29:0]. Clear appropriate bits in the hardware switch control register (SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH\_HW\_CTR[n] = 0). Otherwise, hardware control method (sequencer) will control the SARMUX analog routing.

SAR\_CTRL register bit SWITCH\_DISABLE is used to disable SAR sequencer from enabling routing switches. Note that firmware control mode can always close switches independent of this bit value; however, it is recommended to set it to '1'.

NEG\_SEL (SAR\_CTRL[11:9]) decides which signal is connected to the negative terminal (vminus) of SAR ADC in single-ended mode. In differential mode, these bits are ignored. In single-ended mode, when using sequencer control, you must set these bits. When using firmware control, NEG\_SEL is ignored and SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0 should be set to control the negative input. A special case is when SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0 does not connect internal V<sub>REF</sub> to vminus; then, set NEG\_SEL to '7'. Negative input choice affects the input voltage range, SNR, and effective resolution. See Negative Input Selection on page 119 for details.

#### Global SARSEQ Configuration

A number of conversion options that apply to all channels are configured globally. In several cases, the channel configuration has bits to choose what parts of the global configuration to use.

SAR\_CTRL, SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL, SAR\_SAMPLE01, SAR\_SAMPLE23, SAR\_RANGE\_THES, and SAR\_RANGE\_COND are all global configuration registers. Typically, these configurations should not be modified while a scan is in progress. If configuration settings that are in use are changed, the results are undefined. Configuration settings that are not currently in use can be changed without affecting the ongoing scan.

**Table 87. GLOBAL CONFIGURATION REGISTERS** 

Configurations	Control Registers	Detailed Reference
Reference selection	SAR_CTRL[6:4]	Reference Options
Signed/unsigned selection	SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL[3:2]	Result Data Format
Data left/right alignment	SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL[1]	Result Data Format
Negative input selection in single-ended mode	SAR_CTRL[11:9]	Negative Input Selection
Resolution	SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL[0] (Note 7)	Resolution
Acquisition time	SAR_SAMPLE_TIME01[25:0] SAR_SAMPLE_TIME32[25:0]	Acquisition Time
Averaging count	SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL[7:4]	Averaging
Range detection	SAR_RANGE_THRES[31:0] SAR_RANGE_COND[31:30]	Range Detection

<sup>7.</sup> The alternate resolution should be enabled by the SAR\_RESOLUTION bit in the SAR\_CHAN\_CONFIG register. If the alternate resolution is not enabled, the ADC operates at 12-bits of resolution, irrespective of the resolution set by the SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL register.

# Channel Configurations

Channel configuration includes:

- Differential or single-ended mode selection
- Global configuration selection: sample time, resolution, averaging enable
- DSI output enable

As a general rule, the channel configurations should only be updated between scans (same as global configurations). However, if a channel is not enabled for the ongoing scan, then the configuration for that channel can be changed freely without affecting the ongoing scan. If this rule is violated, the results are undefined. The channels that enable themselves are the only exception to this rule; enabled channels can be changed during the on–going scan, and it will be effective in the next scan. Changing the enabled channels may change the sample rate.

**Table 88. CHANNEL CONFIGURATION REGISTERS** 

Configurations	Registers	Detailed Reference
Single-ended/differential	SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[8]	Single-ended and Differential Mode
Acquisition time selection	SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[13:12]	Acquisition Time
Resolution selection	SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[9]	Resolution
Average enable	SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[10]	Averaging

SUB\_RESOLUTION (SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[0]) can choose which alternate resolution will be used, either 8-bit or 10 bit. Resolution (SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[9]) can determine whether default resolution 12-bit or alternate

resolution is used. When averaging is enabled, the SUB\_RESOLUTION is ignored; the resolution will be fixed to the maximum 12-bit.

**Table 89. RESULUTION** 

Average	SUB_RESOLUTION SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL[0]	Register Mode Resolution SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[9]	Channel Resolution
OFF	0	1	8-bit
OFF	1	1	10-bit
OFF	0	0	12-bit
OFF	1	0	12-bit
ON	Х	Х	12-bit

#### Channel Enables

A CHAN\_EN register is available to individually enable each channel. All enabled channels are scanned when the next trigger happens. After a trigger, the channel enables can immediately be updated to prepare for the next scan. This action does not affect the ongoing scan. Note that this is an exception to the rule; all other configurations (global or channel) should not be changed while a scan is in progress.

#### Interrupt Masks

There are six interrupt sources; all have an interrupt mask:

- End-of-scan interrupt
- Overflow interrupt
- Collision interrupt
- Injection end-of-conversion interrupt
- Range detection interrupt
- Saturate detection interrupt

Each interrupt has an interrupt request register (INTR, SATURATE\_INTR, RANGE\_INTR), a software interrupt set register (INTR\_SET, SATURATE\_INTR\_SET, RANGE\_INTR\_SET), an interrupt mask register (INTR\_MASK, SATURATE\_INTR\_MASK, RANGE\_INTR\_MASK), and an interrupt re-quest masked result register (INTR\_MASKED, SATURATE\_INTR\_MASKED,

RANGE\_INTR\_MASKED). An interrupt cause register is also added to have an overview of all the currently pending SAR interrupts and allows the ISR to determine the interrupt cause by just reading this register.

#### Data Unit

See **Interrupt** for details.

#### Trigger

The three ways to start an A/D conversion are:

- Firmware trigger: SAR START CTRL[0]
- External trigger: dsi\_trigger
- Continuous trigger: SAR\_SAMPLE\_CTRL[16] See <u>Trigger</u> for details.

#### Retrieve Data after Each Interrupt

Make sure you read the data from the result register after each scan; otherwise, the data may change because of the next scan's configuration.

The 16-bit data registers are used to implement double buffering for up to eight channels (injection channel do not have double buffer). Double buffering means that there is one working register and one result register for each channel. Data is written to the working register immediately after sampling this channel. It is then copied to the result register from the working register after all enabled channels in this scan have been sampled.

The CHAN\_WORK\_VALID bit is set after the corresponding WORK data is valid, that is, it was already sampled during the current scan. Corresponding CHAN\_RESULT\_VALID is set after completed scan. When CHAN\_RESULT\_VALID is set, the corresponding CHAN WORK VALID bit is cleared.

firmware convenience, bit SAR\_CHAN\_WORK register is the mirror bit of the corresponding bit in SAR\_CHAN\_WORK\_VALID register. Bit [29], bit [30], and bit [31] in SAR CHAN RESULT are the mirror bits of the corresponding bit in SAR SATURATE INTR, SAR RANGE INTR, SAR CHAN RESULT VALID registers. Note that the interrupt bits mirrored here are the raw (unmasked) interrupt bits. It helps firmware to check if the data is valid by just reading the data register.

### Injection Conversions

Injection channel can be triggered by setting the start bit INJ\_START\_EN (INJ\_CHAN\_CONFIG[31]). To prevent the collision of regular automatic scan, it is recommended to enable tailgating by setting INJ\_CHAN\_CONFIG[30]. When it is enabled, INJ\_START\_EN will enable the injection channel to be scanned at the end of next scan of regular channels. See <a href="Injection Channel">Injection Channel</a> for details.

#### **Temperature Sensor Configuration**

One on-chip temperature sensor is available for temperature sensing and temperature-based calibration. Differential conversions are not available for temperature sensors (conversion result is undefined). Therefore, always use it in single-ended mode. The reference is from internal 1.2 V.

A pin or signal can be routed to the SAR ADC in three ways. Table 90 lists the methods to route temperature

sensors to SAR ADC. Setting the MUX\_FW\_TEMP\_VPLUS bit (SAR\_MUX\_SWITCH0[17]) can enable the temperature sensor and connect its output to VPLUS of SAR ADC; clearing this bit disables temperature sensor by cutting its bias current.

**Table 90. ROUTE TEMPERATURE TO SAR ADC** 

Control Methods	Setup
Sequencer	DIFFERENTIAL_EN = 0 (SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[8])  VREF_SEL = 0 (SAR_CTRL[6:4])  PORT_ADDR = 7 (SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[6:4])  PIN_ADDR = 0 (SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[2:0])  SWITCH_DISABLE = 0 (SAR_CTRL[30])  SAR_MUX_SWITCH0[16] = 1  SAR_MUX_SWITCH0[17] = 1  SAR_MUX_SWITCH_HW_CTRL[16] = 1  SAR_MUX_SWITCH_HW_CTRL[17] = 1  NEG_SEL = 0 (SAR_CTRL[11:9]) override to 0 (Note 8)
Firmware	DIFFERENTIAL_EN = 0 (SAR_CHANx_CONFIG[8]) VREF_SEL = 0 (SAR_CTRL[6:4]) SWITCH_DISABLE = 1 (SAR_CTRL[30]) SAR_MUX_SWITCH0[16] = 1 SAR_MUX_SWITCH0[17] = 1 SAR_MUX_SWITCH_HW_CTRL[16] = 0 SAR_MUX_SWITCH_HW_CTRL[17] = 0 NEG_SEL = 0 (SAR_CTRL[11:9]) override to 0 (Note 8)

<sup>8.</sup> For temperature sensor, override NEL\_SEG (SAR\_CTRL[11:9]) to '0'.

# Registers

Table 91. REGISTERS

Name	Offset	Qty.	Width	Description
SAR_CTRL	0x0000	1	32	Global configuration register Analog control register
SAR_SAMPLE_CTRL	0x0004	1	32	Global configuration register Sample control register
SAR_SAMPLE_TIME01	0x0010	1	32	Global configuration register Sample time specification ST0 and ST1
SAR_SAMPLE_TIME23	0x0014	1	32	Global configuration register Sample time specification ST2 and ST3
SAR_RANGE_THRES	0x0018	1	32	Global range detect threshold register
SAR_RANGE_COND	0x001C	1	32	Global range detect mode register
SAR_CHAN_EN	0x0020	1	32	Enable bits for the channels
SAR_START_CTRL	0x0024	1	32	Start control register (firmware trigger)
SAR_CHAN_CONFIG	0x0080	8	32	Channel configuration register
SAR_CHAN_WORK	0x0100	8	32	Channel working data register
SAR_CHAN_RESULT	0x0180	8	32	Channel result data register
SAR_CHAN_WORK_VALID	0x0200	1	32	Channel working data register valid bits
SAR_CHAN_RESULT_VALID	0x0204	1	32	Channel result data register valid bits
SAR_STATUS	0x0208	1	32	Current status of internal SAR registers (for debug)
SAR_AVG_STAT	0x020C	1	32	Current averaging status (for debug)
SAR_INTR	0x0210	1	32	Interrupt request register
SAR_INTR_SET	0x0214	1	32	Interrupt set request register
SAR_INTR_MASK	0x0218	1	32	Interrupt mask register
SAR_INTR_MASKED	0x021C	1	32	Interrupt masked request register: If the value is not zero, then the SAR interrupt signal to the NVIC is high. When read, this register reflects a bit-wise AND between the interrupt request and mask registers
SAR_SATURATE_INTR	0x0220	1	32	Saturate interrupt request register
SAR_SATURATE_INTR_SET	0x0224	1	32	Saturate interrupt set request register
SAR_SATURATE_INTR_MASK	0x0228	1	32	Saturate interrupt mask register
SAR_SATURATE_INTR_MASKED	0x022C	1	32	Saturate interrupt masked request register
SAR_RANGE_INTR	0x0230	1	32	Range detect interrupt request register
SAR_RANGE_INTR_SET	0x0234	1	32	Range detect interrupt set request register
SAR_RANGE_INTR_MASK	0x0238	1	32	Range detect interrupt mask register
SAR_RANGE_INTR_MASKED	0x023C	1	32	Range interrupt masked request register
SASR_INTR_CAUSE	0x0240	1	32	Interrupt cause register
SAR_INJ_CHAN_CONFIG	0x0280	1	32	Injection channel configuration register
SAR_INJ_RESULT	0x0290	1	32	Injection channel result register
SAR_MUX_SWITCH0	0x0300	1	32	SARMUX firmware switch controls
SAR_MUX_SWITCH_CLEAR0	0x0304	1	32	SARMUX firmware switch control clear
SAR_MUX_SWITCH_HW_CTRL	0x0340	1	32	SARMUX switch hardware control
SAR_MUX_SWITCH_STATUS	0x0348	1	32	SARMUX switch status
SAR_PUMP_CTRL	0x0380	1	32	Switch pump control
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#### LOW-POWER COMPARATOR

AXM0F243 MCU4 devices have two low-power comparators. These comparators can perform fast analog signal comparison in all system power modes. Refer to the Power Modes chapter on page 46 for details on various device power modes. The positive and negative inputs can be connected to dedicated GPIO pins or to AMUXBUS-A/AMUXBUS-B. The comparator output can be read by the CPU through a status register, used as an interrupt or wakeup source or routed to a GPIO.

#### **Features**

AXM0F243 MCU comparators have the following features:

- Configurable positive and negative inputs
- Programmable power and speed
- Ultra low–power mode support (<4 μA)
- Optional 10-mV input hysteresis
- Low-input offset voltage (<4 mV after trim)
- Wakeup source in Deep-Sleep mode

# **Block Diagram**

Figure 90 shows the block diagram for the low-power comparator.

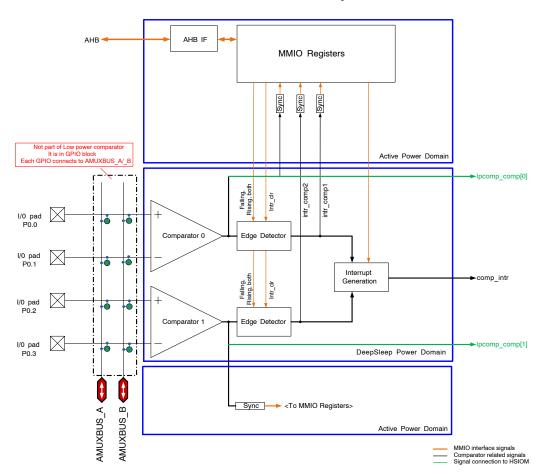


Figure 90. Low-Power Comparator Block Diagram

# **How It Works**

The following sections describe the operation of the AXM0F243 MCU low-power comparator, including input

configuration, power and speed mode, output and interrupt configuration, hysteresis, wake up from low-power modes, comparator clock, and offset trim.

#### **Input Configuration**

Inputs to the comparators can be as follows:

- Both positive and negative inputs from dedicated input pins.
- Both positive and negative inputs from any pin through AMUXBUS (not available in Deep-Sleep mode).
- One input from an external pin and another input from an internally-generated signal. Both inputs can be connected to either positive or negative inputs of the comparator. The internally-generated signal is connected to the comparator input through the analog AMUXBUS.
- Both positive and negative inputs from internally-generated signals. The internally-generated signals are connected to the comparator input through AMUXBUS-A/AMUXBUS-B.

From Figure 90, note that P0.0 and P0.1 connect to positive and negative inputs of Comparator 0; P0.2 and P0.3 connect to the inputs of Comparator 1. Also, note that the AMUXBUS nets do not have a direct connection to the comparator inputs. Therefore, the comparator connection is routed to the AMUXBUS nets through the corresponding input pin. These input pins will not be available for other purposes when using AMUXBUS for comparator connections. They should be left open in designs that use AMUXBUS for comparator input connection. Note that AMUXBUS connections are not available in Deep-Sleep mode. If Deep-Sleep operation is required, the low-power comparator must be connected to the dedicated pins. This restriction also includes routing of any internally-generated signal, which uses the AMUXBUS for the connection. See the I/O System chapter on page 19 for more details on connecting the GPIO to AMUXBUS A/B or setting up the GPIO for comparator input.

# **Output and Interrupt Configuration**

The output of Comparator0 and Comparator1 are available in the OUT1 bit [6] and OUT2 bit [14], respectively, in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register (Table 48). The comparator outputs are synchronized to SYSCLK before latching them to the OUTx bits in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register. The output of each comparator is connected to a corresponding edge detector block. This block determines the edge that triggers the interrupt. The edge selection and interrupt enable is configured using the INTTYPE1 bits [5:4] and INTTYPE2 bits [13:12] in the LPCOMP CONFIG register. Using the

INTTYPEx bits, the interrupt type can be selected to disabled, rising edge, falling edge, or both edges, as described in Table 48.

Each comparator's output can be routed directly to a GPIO pin through the HSIOM. The comparator outputs are available as Deep–Sleep source 2 connection in the HSIOM. See <u>High–Speed I/O Matrix</u> on page 23 for details on HSIOM. For details on the pins that support the low–power comparator output, refer to the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u>. The output on these pins are direct output from the comparator and are not synchronized. Because they act as Deep–Sleep source for the pins, the comparator output is available in Deep–Sleep power mode as well.

During an edge event, the comparator will trigger an interrupt (intr comp1/intr comp2 signals in Figure 90). The interrupt request is registered in the COMP1 bit [0] and COMP2 bit [1] of the LPCOMP INTR register for Comparator and Comparator respectively. Both Comparator 0 and Comparator 1 share a common interrupt (comp\_intr signal in Figure 90), which is a logical OR of the two interrupts and mapped as the low-power comparator block's interrupt in the CPU NVIC. Refer to the Interrupts <u>chapter</u> on page 11 for details. If both the comparators are used in a design, the COMP1 and/or COMP2 bits of the LPCOMP INTR register need to be read in the interrupt service routine to know which one triggered the interrupt. Alternatively, COMP1 MASK bit [0] and COMP2 MASK bit [1] of the LPCOMP INTR MASK register can be used to mask the Comparator 0 and Comparator 1 interrupts to the CPU. Only the masked interrupts will be serviced by the CPU. After the interrupt is processed, the interrupt should be cleared by writing a '1' to the COMP1 and COMP2 bits of the LPCOMP INTR register in firmware. If the interrupt is not cleared, the next compare event will not trigger an interrupt and the CPU will not be able to process the event..

The LPCOMP interrupt (comp1\_intr/comp2\_intr) is synchronous with SYSCLK. Clearing comp1\_intr/comp2\_intr are all synchronous.

LPCOMP\_INTR\_SET register bits [1:0] can be used to assert an interrupt for software debugging.

In Deep-Sleep mode, the wakeup interrupt controller (WIC) can be activated by a comparator edge event, which then wakes up the CPU. Thus, the LPCOMP has the capability to monitor a specified signal in low-power modes.

Table 92. OUTPUT AND INTERRUPT CONFIGURATION IN LPCOMP\_CONFIG REGISTER

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
LPCOMP_CONFIG[6]	OUT1	Current/Instantaneous output value of Comparator0
LPCOMP_CONFIG[14]	OUT2	Current/Instantaneous output value of Comparator1
LPCOMP_CONFIG[5:4]	INTTYPE1	Sets on which edge Comparator0 will trigger an IRQ 00: Disabled 01: Rising Edge 10: Falling Edge 11: Both rising and falling edges
LPCOMP_CONFIG[13:12	INTTYPE2	Sets on which edge Comparator1 will trigger an IRQ 00: Disabled 01: Rising Edge 10: Falling Edge 11: Both rising and falling edges
LPCOMP_INTR[0]	COMP1	Comparator0 Interrupt: hardware sets this interrupt when Comparator0 triggers. Write a '1' to clear the interrupt
LPCOMP_INTR[1]	COMP2	Comparator2 Interrupt: hardware sets this interrupt when Comparator1 triggers. Write a '1' to clear the interrupt
LPCOMP_INTR_SET[0]	COMP1	Write a '1' to trigger the software interrupt for Comparator0
LPCOMP_INTR_SET[1]	COMP2	Write a 1 to trigger the software interrupt for Comparator1

# **Power Mode and Speed Configuration**

The low-power comparators can operate in three power modes:

- Fast
- Slow
- Ultra low-power

The power or speed setting for Comparator0 is configured using MODE1 bits [1:0] in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register. The power or speed setting for Comparator1 is configured using MODE2 bits [9:8] in the same register. The power consumption and response time vary depending on the selected power mode; power consumption is highest in fast

mode and lowest in ultra-low-power mode, response time is fastest in fast mode and slowest in ultra-low-power mode. Refer to the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for specifications for the response time and power consumption for various power settings.

The comparators are enabled/disabled using ENABLE1 bit [7] and ENABLE2 bit [15] in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register, as described in Table 93.

NOTE: The output of the comparator may glitch when the power mode is changed while comparator is enabled. To avoid this, disable the comparator before changing the power mode.

Table 93. COMPARATOR POWER MODE SELECTION BITS MODE1 AND MODE2

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
LPCOMP_CONFIG[1:0]	MODE1	Compartor0 power mode selection 00: Slow operating mode (uses less power) 01: Fast operating mode (uses more power) 10: Ultra low-power operating mode (uses lowest possible power)
LPCOMP_CONFIG[9:8]	MODE2	Compartor1 power mode selection 00: Slow operating mode (uses less power) 01: Fast operating mode (uses more power) 10: Ultra low-power operating mode (uses lowest possible power)
LPCOMP_CONFIG[7]	ENABLE1	Comparator0 enable bit 0: Disables Comparator0 1: Enables Comparator0
LPCOMP_CONFIG[15]	ENABLE2	Comparator1 enable bit 0: Disables Comparator1 1: Enables Comparator1

#### **Hysteresis**

For applications that compare signals close to each other and slow changing signals, hysteresis helps to avoid oscillations at the comparator output when the signals are noisy. For such applications, a fixed 10–mV hysteresis may be enabled in the comparator block.

The 10-mV hysteresis level is enabled/disabled by using the HYST1 bit [2] and HYST2 bit [10] in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register, as described in Table 94.

Table 94. HYSTERESIS CONTROL BITS HYST1 AND HYST2

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description	
LPCOMP_CONFIG[2]	HYST1	Enable/Disable 10 mV hysteresis to Comparator0 - 0: Enable Hysteresis - 1: Disable Hysteresis	
LPCOMP_CONFIG[10]	HYST2	Enable/Disable 10 mV hysteresis to Comparator1  – 0: Enable Hysteresis  – 1: Disable Hysteresis	

#### Wakeup from Low-Power Modes

The comparator is operational in the device's low-power modes, including Sleep and Deep-Sleep modes. The comparator output interrupt can wake the device from Sleep and Deep-Sleep modes. The comparator should be enabled in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register, the INTTYPEx bits in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register should not be set to disabled, and the INTR\_MASKx bit should be set in the LPCOMP\_INTR\_MASK register for the corresponding comparator to wake the device from low-power modes. Comparisons involving AMUXBUS connections are not available in DeepSleep mode.

In the Deep–Sleep power mode, a compare event on either Comparator0 or Comparator1 output will generate a wakeup interrupt. The INTTYPEx bits in the LPCOMP\_CONFIG register should be configured, as required, for the corresponding comparator to wake the device from low–power modes. The mask bits in the LPCOMP\_INTR\_MASK register is used to select whether one or both of the comparator's interrupt is serviced by the CPU.

### **Comparator Clock**

The comparator uses the system main clock SYSCLK as the clock for interrupt synchronization.

#### **Offset Trim**

The comparator offset is trimmed at the factory to less than 4.0 mV. The trim is a two–step process, trimmed first at common mode voltage equal to 0.1 V, then at common mode voltage equal to  $V_{DD}$ –0.1 V. Offset voltage is guaranteed to be less than 10.0 mV over the input voltage range of 0.1 V to  $V_{DD}$ –0.1 V. For normal operation, further adjustment of trim values is not recommended.

If a tighter trim is required at a specific input common mode voltage, a trim may be performed at the desired input common mode voltage. The comparator offset trim is performed using the LPCOMP\_TRIM1/2/3/4 registers. LPCOMP\_TRIM1 and LPCOMP\_TRIM2 are used to trim comparator 0. LPCOMP\_TRIM3 and LPCOMP\_TRIM4 are used to trim comparator 1. The bit fields that change the trim values are TRIMA bits [4:0] in LPCOMP\_TRIM1 and LPCOMP\_TRIM3, and TRIMB bits [3:0] in LPCOMP\_TRIM2 and LPCOMP\_TRIM4. TRIMA bits are used to coarse tune the offset; TRIMB bits are used to fine tune. The use of TRIMB bits for offset correction is restricted to slow mode of comparator operation.

Any standard comparator offset trim procedure can be used to perform the trimming. The following method can be used to improve the offset at a given reference/common mode voltage input.

- 1. Short the comparator inputs externally and connect the voltage reference, V<sub>ref</sub>, to the input.
- 2. Set up the comparator for comparison, turn off hysteresis, and check the output.
- 3. If the output is high, the offset is positive. Otherwise, the offset is negative. Follow these steps to tune the offset:
  - a. Tune the TRIMA bits [4:0] until the output switches direction. TRIMA bits [3:0] control the amount of offset and TRIMA bit [4] controls the polarity of offset ('1' indicates positive offset and '0' indicates negative offset).
  - b. When the tuning of TRIMA bits is complete, tune the TRIMB bits [3:0] until the output switches direction again. The TRIMB bit tuning is valid only for slow mode of comparator operation. TRIMB bit[3] controls the polarity of offset. Increasing TRIMB bits [2:0] reduces the offset. c. After completing step 3–b, the values available in the TRIMA and TRIMB bits will be the closest possible trim value for that particular  $V_{\rm ref}$ .

# **Register Summary**

# Table 95. LOW-POWER COMPARATOR REGISTER SUMMARY

Register	Description	
LPCOMP_ID	Includes the information of LPCOMP controller ID and revision number	
LPCOMP_CONFIG	LPCOMP configuration register	
LPCOMP_INTR	LPCOMP interrupt register	
LPCOMP_INTR_SET	LPCOMP interrupt set register	
LPCOMP_INTR_MASK	LPCOMP interrupt request mask register	
LPCOMP_INTR_MASKED	LPCOMP masked interrupt output register	
LPCOMP_TRIM1	Trim fields for comparator 0	
LPCOMP_TRIM2	Trim fields for comparator 0	
LPCOMP_TRIM3	Trim fields for comparator 1	
LPCOMP_TRIM4	Trim fields for comparator 1	

### **CONTINUOUS TIME BLOCK MINI (CTBm)**

The Continuous Time Block mini (CTBm) provides discrete operational amplifiers (opamps) inside the chip for use in continuous–time signal chains. Each CTBm block includes a switch matrix for input/output configuration, two identical opamps, which are also configurable as two comparators, a charge pump inside each opamp, and a digital interface for comparator output routing, switch controls, and interrupts. AXM0F243 MCU device have one CTBm block, which can be operational in Deep–Sleep power mode.

#### **Features**

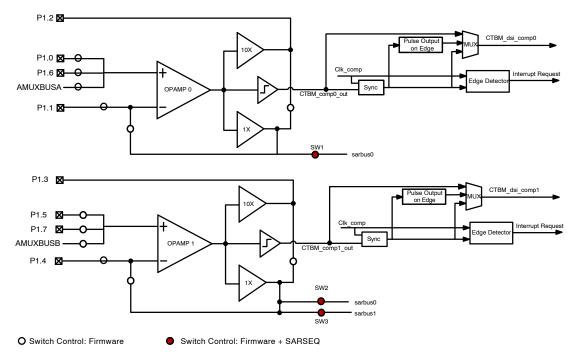
The opamps in the AXM0F243 MCU CTBm block have the following features:

• Discrete, high-performance, and highly configurable on-chip amplifiers

- Programmable power, bandwidth, compensation, and output drive strength
- 1-mA or 10-mA selectable output current drive capability
- 6-MHz gain bandwidth for 20-pF load
- Less than 1-mV offset with trim
- Support for opamp follower mode
- Comparator mode with optional 10-mV hysteresis
- Buffer/pre-amplifier for SAR inputs
- Support in Deep-Sleep device power mode

### **Block Diagram**

Figure 91 shows the block diagram for the CTBm block available in AXM0F243 MCU devices.



NOTE: 10X or 1X output driver cannot be ON at the same time.

Figure 91. CTBm Block Diagram

### **How It Works**

As the block diagram shows, CTBm has two identical opamps. Each opamp has one input and three output stages, all of which share a common input stage, as shown in Figure 91; only one of them can be selected at a time. The output stage can be operated as Class–A (1X), Class–AB (10X), or comparator. The other configurable features are power and speed, compensation, and switch routing control.

To use the CTBm block, the first step is to set up external components (such as resistors), if required. Then, enable the block by setting the CTB\_CTRL[31] bit. To have almost rail-to-rail input range and minimal distortion common mode input, there is one charge pump inside each opamp. The charge pump can be enabled by setting the

CTBM\_OA\_RES0\_CTRL[11] bit for opamp0 and CTBM\_OA\_RES1\_CTRL[11] bit for opamp1.

After enabling the opamps and charge pumps, follow these steps to set up the amplifier:

- 1. Configure power mode
- 2. Configure output strength
- 3. Configure compensation
- 4. Configure input switch
- 5. Configure output switch, especially when opamp output needs to be connected to SAR ADC

Follow these steps to set up a comparator:

- 1. Configure the power mode
- 2. Configure the input switch

- Configure the comparator output circuitry, as required – interrupt generation, output, and so on
- 4. Configure hysteresis and enable the comparator

#### **Power Mode Configuration**

The opamp can operate in three power modes – low, medium, and high. CTBm adjusts the power consumed by adjusting the reference currents coming into the opamp. Power modes are configured using the PWR\_MODE bits [1:0] in CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL. The slew rate and gain bandwidth are maximum in high-power mode and minimum in low-power mode. Note that power mode configuration also affects the maximum output drive capability (I<sub>OUT</sub>) in 1X mode. See Table 96 for details. See

the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for gain bandwidth, slew rate, and I<sub>OUT</sub> specifications in various power modes.

### **Output Strength Configuration**

The output driver of each opamp can be configured to internal driver (Class A/1X driver) or external driver (Class AB/10X driver). 1X and 10X drivers are mutually exclusive – they cannot be active at the same time. 1X output driver is suited to drive smaller on–chip capacitive and resistive loads at higher speeds. The 10X output driver is useful for driving large off–chip capacitive and resistive loads. The 1X driver output is routed to sarbus 0/1 and 10X driver output is routed to an external pin. Each driver mode has a low, medium, or high power mode, as shown in Table 96.

Table 96. OUTPUT DRIVER VERSUS POWER MODE

Power Mode I <sub>OUT</sub> Drive		CTBM_OA_RE	Sx_CTRL[1:0]	
Capability	00 (disable)	01 (low)	10 (medium)	11 (high)
External Driver (10X)	Off	10 mA	10 mA	10 mA
Internal Driver (1X)	Off	100 μΑ	400 μΑ	1 mA

The CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL[2] bit is used to select between the 10X and 1X output capability (0: 1X, 1: 10X). If the output of the opamp is connected to the SAR ADC, it is recommended to choose the 1X output driver. If the output of the opamp is connected to an external pin, then, choose the 10X output driver. In special instances, to connect the

output to an external pin with 1X output driver or an internal load (for example, SAR ADC) with 10X output driver, set CTBM\_OAx\_SW[21] to '1'. However, ON Semiconductor does not guarantee performance in this case.

Table 97 summarizes the bits used to configure the opamp output drive strength and power modes.

Table 97. OUTPUT STRENGTH AND POWER MODE CONFIGURATION IN CTBM REGISTERS

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
CTBM_CTB_CTRL[31]	ENABLE	CTBM power mode selection 0: CTBM is disabled 1: CTBM is enabled
CTBM_OA_RES0_CTRL[11]	OA0_PUMP_EN	Opamp0 pump enable bit 0: Opamp0 pump is disabled 1: Opamp0 pump is enabled
CTBM_OA_RES1_CTRL[11]	OA1_PUMP_EN	Opamp1 pump enable bit 0: Opamp1 pump is disabled 1: Opamp1 pump is enabled
CTBM_OA_RES0_CTRL[1:0]	OA0_PWR_MODE	Opamp0 power mode select bits 00: Opamp0 is OFF 01: Opamp0 is in low power mode 10: Opamp0 is in medium power mode 11: Opamp0 is in high power mode
CTBM_OA_RES1_CTRL[1:0]	OA1_PWR_MODE	Opamp1 power mode select bits 00: Opamp1 is OFF 01: Opamp1 is in low power mode 10: Opamp1 is in medium power mode 11: Opamp1 is in high power mode
CTBM_OA_RES0_CTRL[2]	OA0_DRIVE_STR_SEL	Opamp0 output drive strength select bits 0: Opamp0 output drive strength is 1X 1: Opamp0 output drive strength is 10X
CTBM_OA_RES1_CTRL[2]	OA1_DRIVE_STR_SEL	Opamp1 output drive strength select bits 0: Opamp1 output drive strength is 1X 1: Opamp1 output drive strength is 10X

#### Compensation

Each opamp also has a programmable compensation capacitor block, which allows optimizing the stability of the opamp performance based on output load. The compensation of each opamp is controlled by the respective

CTBM\_OAx\_COMP\_TRIM register, as explained in Table 98. Note that all the GBW slew rate specifications in the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> are applied for all compensation trims.

Table 98. Opampx (Opamp0 OR Opamp1) COMPENSATION BITS IN CTBm

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
CTBM_OAx_COMP_TRIM[1:0]	OAX_COMP_TRIM	Opampx compensation trim bits 00: No compensation 01: Minimum compensation, high speed, and low stability 10: Medium compensation, balanced speed, and stability 11: Maximum compensation, low speed, and high stability

#### **Switch Control**

The CTBm has many switches to configure the opamp input and output. Most of them are controlled by configuring CTBm registers (CTBM\_OA0\_SW, CTBM\_OA1\_SW), except three switches, which are used to connect the output of opamps to SAR ADC through sarbus0 and sarbus1. They must be controlled by SAR ADC registers, and CTBm registers.

Switches can be closed by setting the corresponding bit in register CTBM\_OAx\_SW; clearing them will cause the corresponding switches to open. To open the switch, write '1' to CTBM\_OAx\_SW\_CLEAR, which clears the corresponding bit in CTBM\_OAx\_SW. See the <a href="https://dx.doi.org/10.108/j.cc/analysis-style-styl

## Input Configuration

Positive and negative input to the operational amplifier can be selected from several options through analog switches. These switches serve to connect the opamp inputs from the external pins or AMUX buses, or to form a local feedback loop (for buffer function). Each opamp has a switch connecting to one of the two AMUXBUS line: Opamp0 connects to AMUXBUS-A and Opamp1 connects to AMUXBUS-B.

NOTE: Only one switch should be closed for the positive and negative input paths; otherwise, different input source may short together.

 Positive input: Both opamp0 and opamp1 have three positive input options through analog switches: two external pins and one AMUXBUS line. See Table 99 for details.

**Table 99. POSITIVE INPUT SELECTION** 

	Positive Input	Switch Control Bit	Description
Opamp0	AMUXBUSA	CTBM_OA0_SW[0]	0: open 1: close switch
	P1.0	CTBM_OA0_SW[2]	0: open 1: close switch
	P1.6	CTBM_OA0_SW[3]	0: open 1: close switch
Opamp1	AMUXBUSB	CTBM_OA1_SW[0]	0: open 1: close switch
	P1. 5	CTBM_OA1_SW[1]	0: open 1: close switch
	P1.7	CTBM_OA1_SW[4]	0: open 1: close switch

 Negative input: Both opamp0 and opamp1 have two negative input options through analog switches: one external pin or output feedback, which is controlled by the CTBM\_OAx\_SW register. Table 100 shows the control bits

**Table 100. NEGATIVE INPUT SELECTION** 

	Negative Input	Switch Control Bit	Description
Opamp0	P1.1	CTBM_OA0_SW[8]	0: open 1: close switch
	Opamp0 output feedback through 1X output driver	CTBM_OA0_SW[14]	0: open 1: close switch
Opamp1	P1.4	CTBM_OA1_SW[8]	0: open 1: close switch
	Opamp1 output feedback through 1X output driver	CTBM_OA1_SW[14]	0: open 1: close switch

### **Output Configuration**

Each opamp's output is connected directly to a fixed pin; no additional setup is needed. Optionally, it can be connected to sarbus0 or sarbus1 through three switches (SW1/2/3). The opamp0 output can be connected to sarbus0 and opamp1 can be connected to sarbus0 or sarbus1. sarbus0 and sarbus1 are intended to connect opamp output to the SAR ADC input mux. The three output routing switches to sarbus are controlled by SAR ADC registers, and CTBm register together; the other switches can be controlled only by CTBm register.

The following truth tables (Table 101, Table 102, and Table 103) show the control logic of the three switches.

PORT\_ADDR, PIN\_ADDR, and DIFFERENTIAL\_EN are from SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[6:4], SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[2:0], and SAR\_CHANx\_CONFIG[2:0], respectively. Either PORT\_ADDR = 0 or PIN\_ADDR = 0 will set SW[n] = 0. CTBM\_SW\_HW\_CTRL bit [2] or [3] should be set when using the SAR register to control switches. CTBM\_OAx\_SW[18]/[19] can mask the other control bits – if CTBM\_OAx\_SW[18]/[19] = 0, SW[n] = 0.

The CTBM\_SW\_STATUS[30:28] register gives the current switch status of SW1/2/3.

Table 101. TRUTH TABLE OF SW1 CONTROL LOGIC

PORT_ADDR	PIN_ADDR	CTBM_SW_HW_CTRL[2]	CTBM_OA0_SW[18]	SW1
Х	X	Х	0	0
X	0	1	1	0
0	X	1	1	0
Х	X	Х	1	1
Х	X	0	1	1
1	2	Х	1	1

Table 102. TRUTH TABLE OF SW2 CONTROL LOGIC

DIFFERENTIAL_EN	PORT_ADDR	PIN_ADDR	CTBM_SW_HW_CTRL[3]	CTBM_OA0_SW[18]	SW2
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	0
Х	Х	0	1	1	0
Х	0	Х	1	1	0
1	Х	Х	X	1	0
Х	Х	Х	0	1	1
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	1
0	1	3	Х	1	1

Table 103. TRUTH TABLE OF SW3 CONTROL LOGIC

DIFFERENTIAL_EN	PORT_ADDR	PIN_ADDR	CTBM_SW_HW_CTRL[3]	CTBM_OA0_SW[18]	SW3
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	0
X	Х	0	1	1	0
Х	0	Х	1	1	0
0	X	Х	Х	1	0
X	Х	Х	0	1	1
X	Х	Х	Х	1	1
1	1	2	Х	1	1

# Comparator Mode

Each opamp can be configured as a comparator by setting the respective CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL[4] bit. Note that enabling the comparator completely disables the compensation capacitors and shuts down the Class A (1X) and Class AB (10X) output drivers. The comparator has the following features:

- Optional 10-mV input hysteresis
- Configurable power/speed

- Optional comparator output synchronization
- Offset trimmed to less than 1 mV
- Configurable edge detection (rising/falling/both/disable)

#### Comparator Configuration

The hysteresis of 10 mV ±5 percent can be enabled in one direction (low to high). Input hysteresis can be enabled by setting CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL[5]. The two comparators also have three power modes: low, medium, and high, controlled by setting CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL[1:0]. Power modes differ in response time and power consumption; power consumption is maximum in fast mode

and minimum in ultra-low-power mode. Exact specifications for power consumption and response time are provided in the datasheet.

The synchronization of the comparator output with the be configured system AHB clock can CTBM OA RESX CTRL[6]. The output state of comparator0 and comparator1 are stored in CTBM COMP STAT[0] and CTBM COMP STAT[16], respectively.

Table 104 summarizes various bits used to configure the comparator mode in the CTBM block.

Table 104. COMPARATOR MODE AND CONFIGURATION REGISTER SETTINGS

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
CTBM_OA_RESyx_CTRL[4]	OAX_COMP_EN	Opampx comparator enable bit 0: Comparator mode is disabled in opampx 1: Comparator mode is enabled in opampx
CTBM_OA_RESx_CTRL[5]	OAx_HYST_EN	Opampx Comparator hysteresis enable bit 0: Hysteresis is disabled in opampx 1: Hysteresis is enabled in opampx
CTBM_OA_RESx_CTRL[6]	OAX_BYPASS_DSI_SYNC	Opampx bypass comparator output synchronization for DSI (trigger) output 0: Synchronize (level or pulse) 1: Bypass
CTBM_OA_RESx_CTRL[7]	OAx_DSI_LEVEL	Opampx comparator DSI (trigger) output synchronization level 0: Pulse 1: Level

### Comparator Interrupt

The comparator output is connected to an edge detector block, which is used to detect the edge (disable/rising/falling/both) that generates interrupt. It can be configured by the CTBM\_OA\_RESx\_CTRL[9:8] bits.

Each comparator has a separate IRQ. CTBM\_INTR[0] is for comparator0 IRQ, CTBM\_INTR[1] is for comparator1 IRQ. Though each comparator have different IRQ bits, they all share a single CTBM ISR mapped in the CPU NVIC. See the Interrupts chapter on page 11 for details. You can check which comparator(s) triggered the ISR by polling the CTBMx INTR bits.

Each interrupt has an interrupt mask bit in the CTBM\_INTR\_MASK register. By setting the interrupt mask low, the corresponding interrupt source is ignored. The CTBm comparator interrupt to the NVIC will be raised if logic AND of the interrupt flags in CTBM\_INTR registers and the corresponding interrupt masks in CTBM\_INTR\_MASK register is 1.

Writing a '1' to the CTBM\_INTR bit[1:0] can clear corresponding interrupt.

For firmware convenience, the intersection (logic AND) of the interrupt flags and the interrupt masks is also made available in the CTBM\_INTR\_MASKED register.

For verification and debug purposes, a set bit is provided for each interrupt in the CTBM\_INTR\_SET register. This

bit allows the firmware to raise the interrupt without a real comparator switch event.

### Deep-Sleep Mode Operation

In Deep–Sleep mode, the block that provides the bias current, reference voltage, and IMO clock is turned off. As a result, the CTBm functionality, which relies on the bias current and IMO clock for its operation is not available. See the <a href="Power Modes chapter">Power Modes chapter</a> on page 46 for details on various power modes and blocks available in each mode. To support the functionality of the CTBm during deep sleep, an alternate bias current is generated by a special block called Deep–Sleep Amplifier Bias (DSAB) block. This current allows the opamps in the CTBm to be functional in Deep–Sleep mode.

Figure 92 shows the architecture of the DSAB block. This block receives the Active mode bias current as input. It outputs the bias current that is fed to the opamp bias circuitry. In Active mode, the DSAB block acts similar to a pass–through block and routes the bias current from the input to the output. In Deep–Sleep mode, if enabled, the DSAB generates the alternate bias current, attenuates the output to a user–selected value, and provides the bias current for the CTBm at its output. If the DSAB block is disabled, the output is always connected to the input bias current and the alternate bias current is not generated during deep sleep.

The opamps will not be functional in Deep–Sleep mode, if the DSAB block is disabled. The ENABLED bit [31] of the PASS\_DSAB\_DSAB\_CTRL register enables/disables the block; the CURRENT\_SEL bits [5:0] selects the output bias current value. The value selected is CURRENT\_SEL x

 $0.075~\mu A~(\pm 5~percent)$ . The SEL\_OUT bit [8] is used to control the selection between the two bias currents, which can be routed to the CTBm bias. Table 105 summarizes the bit configuration settings of the PASS DSAB DSAB CTRL register.

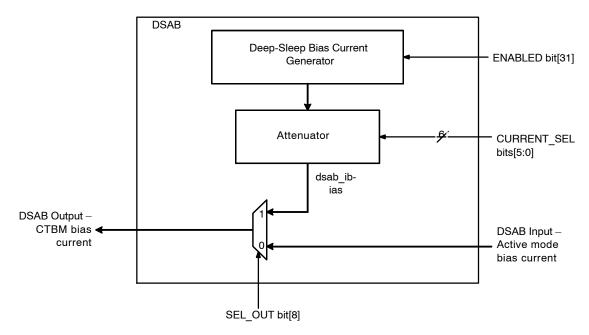


Figure 92. Deep-Sleep Amplifier Bias Block Diagram

This feature is useful in designs that require the opamp-based circuitry to remain active in low-power modes, such as Deep-Sleep, to save power. For instance, in a battery-operated system (such as a heart-rate monitor) that requires always-on opamps, substantial power savings can be achieved if the rest of the chip can go into Deep-Sleep mode and only wake up as needed. Note that the bias current provided by the DSAB block does not meet the accuracy and stability of the Active mode bias current. In addition, the DSAB does not generate an alternate clock. As a result, none of the switch or opamp-related charge pumps are activated. Consequently, the highest input common-mode voltage of the opamps is limited to approximately V<sub>DDA</sub> – 1.3 V. In addition, because of the unavailability of switch pumps (required for analog switches when operating below 3.3 V),

the on–resistance of the analog switches increase beyond normal specification as the supply voltage drops below 3.3 V. It is justifiable for the analog switches to have higher on–resistance as long as the signal speeds are low. Thus,  $V_{\rm DDA}$  can go as low as ~2.8 V before the analog switches become too resistive. It will eventually set the lowest–possible supply voltage. However, it is recommended to use  $V_{\rm DDA}$  of 3.3 V or greater when using opamps in Deep–Sleep mode. See the <u>AXM0F243 datasheet</u> for opamp specifications during Deep–Sleep mode.

To enable the opamps in Deep-Sleep mode, set the DEEPSLEEP\_ON bit [30] of the CTBM\_CTB\_CTRL register. This bit enables both the opamps of the CTBM during deep sleep. The deep-sleep operation of the CTBm also requires the DSAB block to be enabled.

# Table 105. DSAB AND CTBM DEEP-SLEEP CONFIGURATION REGISTER SETTINGS

Register[Bit_Pos]	Bit_Name	Description
PASS_DSAB_DSAB_CTRL[5:0]	CURRENT_SEL	Current selection for the dsab_ibias; dsab_ibias = CURRENT_SEL x 0.075 $\mu A$ (±5%)
PASS_DSAB_DSAB_CTRL[8]	SEL_OUT	CTBm bias current selection 0: Bypass DSAB and use active mode bias current 1: Use dsab_ibias as the CTBm bias current
PASS_DSAB_DSAB_CTRL[31]	ENABLED	Enable/disable DSAB bias generator 0: DSAB block is disabled and the CTBm bias current is connected to the Active mode bias current 1: DSAB block is enabled and the CTBm bias current is controlled by the SEL_OUT signal
CTBMx_CTBM_CTB_CTRL[30]	DEEPSLEEP_ON	Enable/disable the CTBMx functionality in Deep-Sleep mode 0: Enabled 1: Disabled

# **Register Summary**

# Table 106. REGISTER SUMMARY

Name	Description
CTBM_CTRL	Global CTBm block enable
CTBM_OA_RES0_CTRL	Opamp0 control register
CTBM_OA_RES1_CTRL	Opamp1 control register
CTBM_COMP_STAT	Comparator status
CTBM_INTR	Interrupt request register
CTBM_INTR_SET	Interrupt request set register
CTBM_INTR_MASK	Interrupt request mask
CTBM_INTR_MASKED	Interrupt request masked
CTBM_OA0_SW	Opamp0 switch control
CTBM_OA0_SW_CLEAR	Opamp0 switch control clear
CTBM_OA1_SW	Opamp1 switch control
CTBM_OA1_SW_CLEAR	Opamp1 switch control clear
CTBM_SW_HW_CTRL	CTBm hardware control enable
CTBM_SW_STATUS	CTBm bus switch control status
CTBM_OA0_OFFSET_TRIM	Opamp0 trim control
CTBM_OA0_SLOPE_OFFSET_TRIM	Opamp0 trim control
CTBM_OA0_COMP_TRIM	Opamp0 trim control
CTBM_OA1_OFFSET_TRIM	Opamp1 trim control
CTBM_OA1_SLOPE_OFFSET_TRIM	Opamp1 trim control
CTBM_OA1_COMP_TRIM	Opamp1 trim control
PASS_DSAB_DSAB_CTRL	DSAB control register
PASS_DSAB_TRIM	IBIAS trim register

#### **TEMPERATURE SENSOR**

AXM0F243 MCU has an on-chip temperature sensor that is used to measure the internal die temperature. The sensor consists of a transistor connected in diode configuration.

#### **Features**

The temperature sensor has the following features:

- ±5° Celsius accuracy over temperature range –40°C to +85°C
- 0.5° Celsius/LSB resolution (without amplification) when using a 12-bit SAR ADC with a 1.2-V reference
- 10 us settling time

#### **How it Works**

The temperature sensor consists of a single bipolar junction transistor (BJT) in the form of a diode. Its base–to–emitter voltage ( $V_{BE}$ ) has a strong dependence on temperature at a constant collector current and zero collector–base voltage. This property is used to calculate the die temperature by measuring the  $V_{BE}$  of the transistor using SAR ADC, as shown in Figure 93.

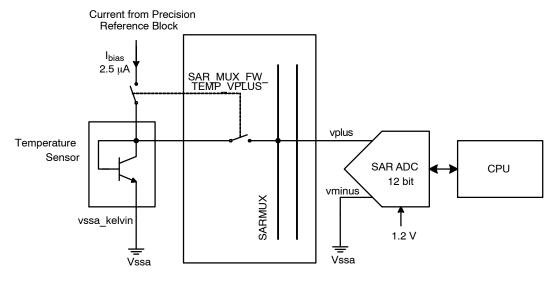


Figure 93. Temperature Sensing Mechanism

The analog output from the sensor  $(V_{BE})$  is measured using the SAR ADC. Die temperature in  $^{\circ}$ C can be calculated from the ADC results as given in the following equation:

Temp = 
$$(A \times SAR_{out} + 2^{10} \times B) + T_{adjust}$$
 (eq. 5)

- Temp is the slope compensated temperature in °C represented as Q16.16 fixed point number format.
- 'A' is the 16-bit multiplier constant. The value of A is determined using the AXM0F243 MCU family characterization data of two point slope calculation. It is calculated as given in the following equation.

A = (signed int) 
$$\left(2^{16} \left(\frac{100^{\circ}C - (-40^{\circ}C)}{SAR_{100^{\circ}C} - SAR_{-40^{\circ}C}}\right)\right)$$
 eq. 6)

Where,

 $SAR_{100C} = ADC$  counts at  $100^{\circ}C$ 

 $SAR_{-40C} = ADC$  counts at  $-40^{\circ}C$ 

Constant 'A' is stored in a register SFLASH SAR TEMP MULTIPLIER.

• 'B' is the 16-bit offset value. The value of B is determined on a per die basis by taking care of all the process

variations and the actual bias current ( $I_{bias}$ ) present in the chip. It is calculated as given in the following equation.

$$B = \text{ (unsigned int)} \left( 2^6 \times 100^{\circ}\text{C} - \left( \frac{\text{A} \times \text{SAR}_{100^{\circ}\text{C}}}{2^{10}} \right) \right) \text{eq. 7)}$$

Where,

 $SAR_{100C} = ADC$  counts at  $100^{\circ}C$ 

Constant 'B' is stored in a register SFLASH\_SAR\_TEMP\_OFFSET.

T<sub>adjust</sub> is the slope correction factor in °C. The temperature sensor is corrected for dual slopes using the slope correction factor. It is evaluated based on the result obtained without slope correction, that is, evaluating T<sub>initial</sub> = (A x SAR<sub>out</sub> + 2<sup>10</sup> x B). If it is greater than the center value (15°C), then T<sub>adjust</sub> is given by the following equation.

$$T_{adjust} = \left(\frac{0.5^{\circ}C}{100^{\circ}C - 15^{\circ}C} \times (100^{\circ}C \times 2^{16} - T_{initial})\right) \quad \text{(eq. 8)}$$

If less than center value, then Tadjust is given by the following equation.

$$T_{adjust} = \left(\frac{0.5^{\circ}C}{40^{\circ}C + 15^{\circ}C} \times (40^{\circ}C \times 2^{16} - T_{initial})\right)$$
 (eq. 9)

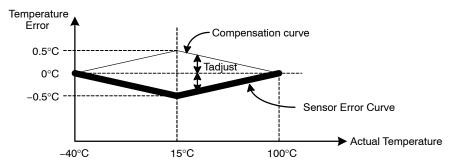


Figure 94. Temperature Error Compensation

NOTE: Note A and B are 16-bit constants stored in flash during factory calibration. Note that these constants are valid only when the SAR ADC is running at 12-bit resolution with a 1.2-V reference.

### **Temperature Sensor Configuration**

The temperature sensor output is routed to the positive input of SAR ADC via dedicated switches, which can be controlled by sequencer, or firmware. See the <u>SAR ADC chapter</u> on page 117 for details on how to read the temperature sensor output using the ADC.

### **Algorithm**

- 1. Enable the SARMUX and SAR ADC.
- 2. Configure SAR ADC in single-ended mode with  $V_{NEG} = V_{SS}$ ,  $V_{REF} = 1.2$  V, 12-bit resolution, and right-aligned result.
- 3. Enable the temperature sensor.
- 4. Get the digital output from the SAR ADC.
- Fetch 'A' from SFLASH\_SAR\_TEMP\_MULTIPLIER and 'B' from SFLASH\_SAR\_TEMP\_OFFSET.
- 6. Calculate the die temperature using the linear equation (Equation 5).

For example, let A = 0xBC4B and B = 0x65B4.

Assume that the output of SAR ADC ( $V_{BE}$ ) is 0x595 at a given temperature.

Firmware does the following calculations:

- a. Multiply A and  $V_{BE}$ :  $0xBC4B \times 0x595 =$
- $(-17333)_{10}$  x  $(1429)_{10}$  =  $(-24768857)_{10}$
- b. Multiply B and 1024:  $0x65B4 \times 0x400 = (26036)_{10} \times (1024)_{10} = (26660864)_{10}$
- c. Add the result of steps 1 and 2 to get  $T_{initial}$ :  $(-24768857)_{10} + (26660864)_{10} = (1892007)_{10} = 0x1CDEA7$
- d. Calculate  $T_{adjust}$  using  $T_{initial}$  value:  $T_{initial}$  is the upper 16 bits multiplied by  $2^{16}$ , that is,  $0x1C00 = (1835008)_{10}$ . It is greater than  $15^{\circ}C$  (0x1C upper 16 bits). Use Equation 4 to calculate  $T_{adjust}$ . It comes to  $0x6C6C = (27756)_{10}$
- e. Add  $T_{adjust}$  to  $T_{initial}$ :  $(1892007)_{10} + (27756)_{10} = (1919763)_{10} = 0x1D4B13$
- f. The integer part of temperature is the upper 16 bits =  $0x001D = (29)_{10}$
- g. The decimal part of temperature is the lower 16 bits =  $0x4B13 = (0.19219)_{10}$
- h. Combining the result of steps f and g, Temp = 29.19219°C ~ 29.2°C

### Registers

#### **Table 107. REGISTERS**

Name	Description
SAR_MUX_SWITCH0	This register has the SAR_MUX_FW_TEMP_VPLUS field to connect the temperature sensor to the SAR MUX terminal.
SAR_MUX_SWITCH_STATUS	This register provides the status of the temperature sensor switch connection to SAR MUX.
SFLASH_SAR_TEMP_MULTIPLIER	Multiplier constant 'A' as defined in Equation 5.
SFLASH_SAR_TEMP_OFFSET	Constant 'B' as defined in Equation 5.

# **PROGRAM AND DEBUG**

This section encompasses the following chapters:

- Program and Debug Interface chapter on page 156
- Nonvolatile Memory Programming chapter on page 162

# **Top Level Architecture**

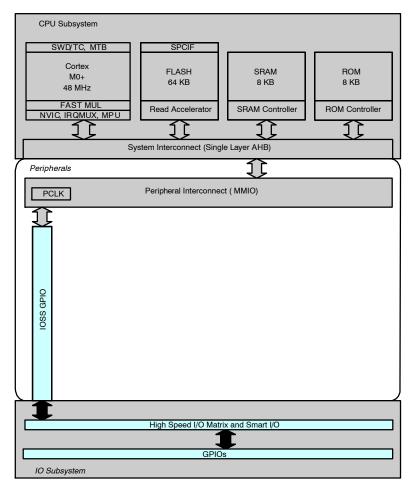


Figure 95. Program and Debug Block Diagram

#### PROGRAM AND DEBUG INTERFACE

The Program and Debug interface provides a communication gateway for an external device to perform programming or debugging. The serial wire debug (SWD) interface is used as the communication protocol.

#### **Features**

- Programming and debugging through the SWD interface
- Four hardware breakpoints and two hardware watchpoints while debugging
- Read and write access to all memory and registers in the system while debugging, including the Cortex-M0+ register bank when the core is running or halted

#### **Functional Description**

Figure 96 shows the block diagram of the program and debug interface in AXM0F243 MCU. The Cortex–M0+ debug and access port (DAP) acts as the program and debug interface. The external programmer or debugger, also known as the "host", communicates with the DAP of the AXM0F243 MCU "target" using the two pins of the SWD interface – the bidirectional data pin (SWDIO) and the host–driven clock pin (SWDCK). The SWD physical port pins (SWDIO and SWDCK) communicate with the DAP through the high–speed I/O matrix (HSIOM). See the I/O System chapter on page 19 for details on HSIOM.

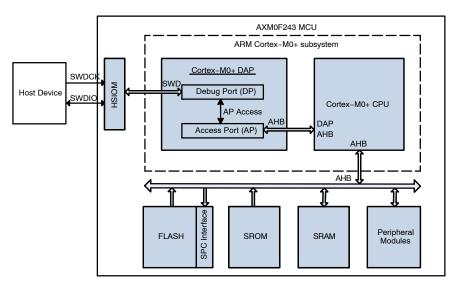


Figure 96. Program and Debug Interface

The DAP communicates with the Cortex-M0+ CPU using the ARM-specified advanced high-performance bus (AHB) interface. AHB is the systems interconnect protocol used inside the device, which facilitates memory and peripheral register access by the AHB master. The device has two AHB masters – ARM CM0 CPU core and DAP. The external device can effectively take control of the entire device through the DAP to perform programming and debugging operations.

### Serial Wire Debug (SWD) Interface

AXM0F243 MCU's Cortex-M0+ supports programming and debugging through the SWD interface. The SWD protocol is a packet-based serial transaction protocol. At the pin level, it uses a single bidirectional data signal (SWDIO) and a unidirectional clock signal (SWDCK). The host programmer always drives the clock line, whereas either the

host or the target drives the data line. A complete data transfer (one SWD packet) requires 46 clocks and consists of three phases:

- Host Packet Request Phase The host issues a request to the AXM0F243 MCU target.
- Target Acknowledge Response Phase The AXM0F243 MCU target sends an acknowledgement to the host.
- *Data Transfer Phase* The host or target writes data to the bus, depending on the direction of the transfer.

When control of the SWDIO line passes from the host to the target, or vice versa, there is a turnaround period (Trn) where neither device drives the line and it floats in a high-impedance (Hi-Z) state. This period is either one-half or one and a half clock cycles, depending on the transition.

Figure 97 shows the timing diagrams of read and write SWD packets.

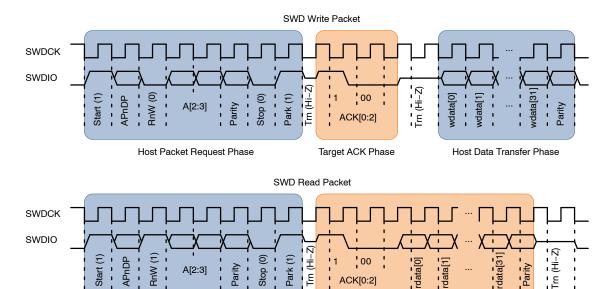


Figure 97. SWD Write and Read Packet Timing Diagrams

The sequence to transmit SWD read and write packets are as follows:

- Host Packet Request Phase: SWDIO driven by the host
  - a. The start bit initiates a transfer; it is always logic

Host Packet Request Phase

- b. The "AP not DP" (APnDP) bit determines whether the transfer is an AP access 1b1 or a DP access 1b0.
- c. The "Read not Write" bit (RnW) controls which direction the data transfer is in. 1b1 represents a 'read from' the target, or 1b0 for a 'write to' the target.
- d. The Address bits (A[3:2]) are register select bits for AP or DP, depending on the APnDP bit value. See Table 110 and Table 111 for definitions. NOTE: Address bits are transmitted with the LSB first
- e. The parity bit contains the parity of APnDP, RnW, and ADDR bits. It is an even parity bit; this means, when XORed with the other bits, the result will be 0.

If the parity bit is not correct, the header is ignored by AXM0F243 MCU; there is no ACK response (ACK = 3b111). The programming operation should be aborted and retried again by following a device reset.

- f. The stop bit is always logic 0.
- g. The park bit is always logic 1.
- 2. Target Acknowledge Response Phase: SWDIO driven by the target

 a. The ACK[2:0] bits represent the target to host response, indicating failure or success, among other results. See Table 96 for definitions.
 NOTE: ACK bits are transmitted with the LSB first.

Target ACK and Data Transfer Phases

- Data Transfer Phase: SWDIO driven by either target or host depending on direction
   The data for read or write is written to the bus, LSB first.
  - b. The data parity bit indicates the parity of the data read or written. It is an even parity; this means when XORed with the data bits, the result will be 0.

If the parity bit indicates a data error, corrective action should be taken. For a read packet, if the host detects a parity error, it must abort the programming operation and restart. For a write packet, if the target detects a parity error, it generates a FAULT ACK response in the next packet.

According to the SWD protocol, the host can generate any number of SWDCK clock cycles between two packets with SWDIO low. It is recommended to generate three or more dummy clock cycles between two SWD packets if the clock is not free-running or to make the clock free-running in IDLE mode.

The SWD interface can be reset by clocking the SWDCK line for 50 or more cycles with SWDIO high. To return to the idle state, clock the SWDIO low once.

### **SWD Timing Details**

The SWDIO line is written to and read at different times depending on the direction of communication. The host drives the SWDIO line during the Host Packet Request Phase and, if the host is writing data to the target, during the Data Transfer phase as well. When the host is driving the SWDIO line, each new bit is written by the host on falling SWDCK edges, and read by the target on rising SWDCK edges. The target drives the SWDIO line during the Target Acknowledge Response Phase and, if the target is reading out data, during the Data Transfer Phase as well. When the target is driving the SWDIO line, each new bit is written by the target on rising SWDCK edges, and read by the host on falling SWDCK edges.

Table 108 and Figure 97 illustrate the timing of SWDIO bit writes and reads.

Table 108. SWDIO BIT WRITE AND READ TIMING

	SWDIO Edge		
SWD Packet Phase	Falling	Rising	
Host Packet Request	Host Write	Target Read	
Host Data Transfer			
Target Ack Response	Host Read	Target Write	
Target Data Transfer			

#### **ACK Details**

The acknowledge (ACK) bit-field is used to communicate the status of the previous transfer. OK ACK means that previous packet was successful. A WAIT response requires a data phase. For a FAULT status, the programming operation should be aborted immediately. Table 109 shows the ACK bit-field decoding details.

Table 109. SWD TRANSFER ACK RESPONSE DECODING

Response	ACK[2:0]
ОК	3b001
WAIT	3b010
FAULT	3b100
NO ACK	3b111

Details on WAIT and FAULT response behaviors are as follows:

- For a WAIT response, if the transaction is a read, the host should ignore the data read in the data phase. The target does not drive the line and the host must not check the parity bit as well.
- For a WAIT response, if the transaction is a write, the data phase is ignored by the AXM0F243 MCU. But, the host must still send the data to be written to complete the

- packet. The parity bit corresponding to the data should also be sent by the host.
- For a WAIT response, it means that the AXM0F243 MCU is processing the previous transaction. The host can try for a maximum of four continuous WAIT responses to see if an OK response is received. If it fails, then the programming operation should be aborted and retried again.
- For a FAULT response, the programming operation should be aborted and retried again by doing a device reset.

#### Turnaround (Trn) Period Details

There is a turnaround period between the packet request and the ACK phases, as well as between the ACK and the data phases for host write transfers, as shown in Figure 97. According to the SWD protocol, the Trn period is used by both the host and target to change the drive modes on their respective SWDIO lines. During the first Trn period after the packet request, the target starts driving the ACK data on the SWDIO line on the rising edge of SWDCK. This action ensures that the host can read the ACK data on the next falling edge. Thus, the first Trn period lasts only one–half cycle. The second Trn period of the SWD packet is one and a half cycles. Neither the host nor the AXM0F243 MCU should drive the SWDIO line during the Trn period.

### Cortex-M0+ Debug and Access Port (DAP)

The Cortex-M0+ program and debug interface includes a Debug Port (DP) and an Access Port (AP), which combine to form the DAP. The debug port implements the state machine for the SWD interface protocol that enables communication with the host device. It also includes registers for the configuration of access port, DAP identification code, and so on. The access port contains registers that enable the external device to access the Cortex-M0+ DAP-AHB interface. Typically, the DP registers are used for a one time configuration or for error detection purposes, and the AP registers are used to perform the programming and debugging operations. Complete architecture details of the DAP is available in the ARM Debug Interface v5 Architecture Specification.

### **Debug Port (DP) Registers**

Table 110 shows the Cortex-M0+ DP registers used for programming and debugging, along with the corresponding SWD address bit selections. The APnDP bit is always zero for DP register accesses. Two address bits (A[3:2]) are used for selecting among the different DP registers. Note that for the same address bits, different DP registers can be accessed depending on whether it is a read or a write operation. See the <u>ARM Debug Interface v5 Architecture Specification</u> for details on all of the DP registers.

Table 110. MAIN DEBUG PORT (DP) REGISTERS

Register	APnDP	Address A[3:2]	RnW	Full Name	Register Functionality
ABORT	0 (DP)	2b00	0 (W)	AP Abort Register	This register is used to force a DAP abort and to clear the error and sticky flag conditions.
IDCODE	0 (DP)	2b00	1 (R)	Identification Code Register	This register holds the SWD ID of the Cortex–M0+ CPU, which is 0x0BB11477.
CTRL/STAT	0 (DP)	2b01	X (R/W)	Control and Status Register	This register allows control of the DP and contains status information about the DP.
SELECT	0 (DP)	2b10	0 (W)	AP Select Register	This register is used to select the current AP. There is only one AP, which interfaces with the DAP AHB.
RDBUFF	0 (DP)	2b11	1 (R)	Read Buffer Register	This register holds the result of the last AP read operation.

### **Access Port (AP) Registers**

Table 111 lists the main Cortex-M0+ AP registers that are used for programming and debugging, along with the

corresponding SWD address bit selections. The APnDP bit is always one for AP register accesses. Two address bits (A[3:2]) are used for selecting the different AP registers.

Table 111. MAIN ACCESS PORT (AP) REGISTERS

Register	APnDP	Address A[3:2]	RnW	Full Name	Register Functionality
CSW	1 (AP)	2b00	X (R/W)	Control and Status Word Register (CSW)	This register configures and controls accesses through the memory access port to a connected memory system (which is the AXM0F243 MCU Memory map)
TAR	1 (AP)	2b01	X (R/W)	Transfer Address Register	This register is used to specify the 32-bit memory address to be read from or written to
DRW	1 (AP)	2b11	X (R/W)	Data Read and Write Register	This register holds the 32-bit data read from or to be written to the address specified in the TAR register

#### Programming the AXM0F243 MCU Device

AXM0F243 MCU is programmed using the following sequence.

- 1. Acquire the SWD port in.
- 2. Enter the programming mode.
- 3. Execute the device programming routines such as Silicon ID Check, Flash Programming, Flash Verification, and Checksum Verification.

## **SWD Port Acquisition**

Primary and Secondary SWD Pin Pairs

The first step in device programming is to acquire the SWD port in AXM0F243 MCU. Refer to the <u>AXM0F243</u> <u>datasheet</u> for information on SWD pins.

If two SWD pin pairs are available in the device, the SWD\_CONFIG register in the supervisory flash region is used to select between one of the two SWD pin pairs that can be used for programming and debugging. Note that only one of the SWD pin pairs can be used during any programming or debugging session. The default selection for devices coming from the factory is the primary SWD pin pair. To select the secondary SWD pin pair, it is necessary to program the device using the primary pair with the hex file that enables the secondary pin pair configuration. Afterwards, the secondary SWD pin pair may be used.

SWD Port Acquire Sequence

The first step in device programming is for the host to acquire the target's SWD port. The host first performs a device reset by asserting the external reset (XRES) pin. After removing the XRES signal, the host must send an SWD connect sequence for the device within the acquire window to connect to the SWD interface in the DAP. The pseudo code for the sequence is given here.

### Code 1. SWD Port Acquire Pseudo Code

```
ToggleXRES(); // Toggle XRES pin to reset
device
//Execute ARM's connection
                              sequence
acquire SWD-port
do
      SWD LineReset(); //perform a
reset (50+ SWDCK clocks with SWDIO high)
      ack = Read DAP ( IDCODE, out ID);
//Read the IDCODE DP register
}while ((ack != OK) && time elapsed < ms);</pre>
//retry connection until OK ACK or timeout
   (time elapsed >= ms)
                             return
//check for acquire time out
if (ID != CMOP ID) return FAIL; //confirm
```

SWD ID of Cortex-M0+ CPU. (0x0BC11477)

In this pseudo code, SWD\_LineReset() is the standard ARM command to reset the debug access port. It consists of more than 49 SWDCK clock cycles with SWDIO high. The transaction must be completed by sending at least one SWDCK clock cycle with SWDIO asserted LOW. This sequence synchronizes the programmer and the chip. Read\_DAP() refers to the read of the IDCODE register in the debug port. The sequence of line reset and IDCODE read should be repeated until an OK ACK is received for the IDCODE read or a timeout (ms) occurs. The SWD port is said to be in the acquired state if an OK ACK is received within the time window and the IDCODE read matches with that of the Cortex—M0+ DAP.

### **SWD Programming Mode Entry**

After the SWD port is acquired, the host must enter the device programming mode within a specific time window. This is done by setting the TEST\_MODE bit (bit 31) in the test mode control register (MODE register). The debug port should also be configured before entering the device programming mode. The minimum required clock frequency for the Port Acquire step and this step to succeed is 1.5 MHz.

#### **SWD Programming Routines Executions**

When the device is in programming mode, the external programmer can start sending the SWD packet sequence for performing programming operations such as flash erase, flash program, checksum verification, and so on. The programming routines are explained in the Nonvolatile Memory Programming chapter on page 162.

### AXM0F243 MCU SWD Debug Interface

Cortex-M0+ DAP debugging features are classified into two types: invasive debugging and noninvasive debugging. Invasive debugging includes program halting and stepping, breakpoints, and data watchpoints. Noninvasive debugging includes instruction address profiling and device memory access, which includes the flash memory, SRAM, and other peripheral registers.

The DAP has three major debug subsystems:

- Debug Control and Configuration registers
- Breakpoint Unit (BPU) provides breakpoint support
- Debug Watchpoint (DWT) provides watchpoint support. Trace is not supported in Cortex–M0+ Debug.
   See the <u>ARMv6–M Architecture Reference Manual</u> for complete details on the debug architecture.

#### **Debug Control and Configuration Registers**

The debug control and configuration registers are used to execute firmware debugging. The registers and their key functions are as follows. See the <u>ARMv6-M Architecture</u> <u>Reference Manual</u> for complete bit level definitions of these registers.

- Debug Halting Control and Status Register (CM0P\_DHCSR) – This register contains the control bits to enable debug, halt the CPU, and perform a singlestep operation. It also includes status bits for the debug state of the processor.
- Debug Fault Status Register (CM0P\_DFSR) This
  register describes the reason a debug event has occurred
  and includes debug events, which are caused by a CPU
  halt, breakpoint event, or watchpoint event.
- Debug Core Register Selector Register (CM0P\_DCRSR)
   This register is used to select the general-purpose register in the Cortex-M0+ CPU to which a read or write operation must be performed by the external debugger.
- Debug Core Register Data Register (CM0P\_DCRDR) –
  This register is used to store the data to write to or read
  from the register selected in the CM0P\_DCRSR register.
- Debug Exception and Monitor Control Register (CM0P\_DEMCR) – This register contains the enable bits for global debug watchpoint (DWT) block enable, reset vector catch, and hard fault exception catch.

#### **Breakpoint Unit (BPU)**

The BPU provides breakpoint functionality on instruction fetches. The Cortex-M0+ DAP in AXM0F243 MCU supports up to four hardware breakpoints. Along with the hardware breakpoints, any number of software breakpoints can be created by using the BKPT instruction in the Cortex-M0+. The BPU has two types of registers.

- The breakpoint control register (CM0P\_BP\_CTRL) is used to enable the BPU and store the number of hardware breakpoints supported by the debug system (four for CM0 DAP in the AXM0F243 MCU).
- Each hardware breakpoint has a Breakpoint Compare Register (CM0P\_BP\_COMPx). It contains the enable bit for the breakpoint, the compare address value, and the match condition that will trigger a breakpoint debug event. The typical use case is that when an instruction fetch address matches the compare address of a breakpoint, a breakpoint event is generated and the processor is halted.

#### **Data Watchpoint (DWT)**

The DWT provides watchpoint support on a data address access or a program counter (PC) instruction address. The DWT supports two watchpoints. It also provides external program counter sampling using a PC sample register, which can be used for noninvasive coarse profiling of the program counter. The most important registers in the DWT are as follows.

- The watchpoint compare (CM0P\_DWT\_COMPx) registers store the compare values that are used by the watchpoint comparator for the generation of watchpoint events. Each watchpoint has an associated DWT COMPx register.
- The watchpoint mask (CM0P\_DWT\_MASKx) registers store the ignore masks applied to the address range matching in the associated watchpoints.
- The watchpoint function (CM0P\_DWT\_FUNCTIONx)
  registers store the conditions that trigger the watchpoint
  events. They may be program counter watchpoint event
  or data address read/write access watchpoint events. A
  status bit is also set when the associated watchpoint event
  has occurred.
- The watchpoint comparator PC sample register (CM0P\_DWT\_PCSR) stores the current value of the program counter. This register is used for coarse, noninvasive profiling of the program counter register.

#### Debugging the AXM0F243 MCU Device

The host debugs the target AXM0F243 MCU by accessing the debug control and configuration registers, registers in the BPU, and registers in the DWT. All registers are accessed through the SWD interface; the SWD debug port (SW-DP) in the Cortex-M0+ DAP converts the SWD

packets to appropriate register access through the DAP-AHB interface.

The first step in debugging the target AXM0F243 MCU is to acquire the SWD port. The acquire sequence consists of an SWD line reset sequence and read of the DAP SWDID through the SWD interface. The SWD port is acquired when the correct CM0 DAP SWDID is read from the target device. For the debug transactions to occur on the SWD interface, the corresponding pins should not be used for any other purpose. See the I/O System chapter on page 19 to understand how to configure the SWD port pins, allowing them to be used only for SWD interface or for other functions such as LCD and GPIO. If debugging is required, the SWD port pins should not be used for other purposes. If only programming support is needed, the SWD pins can be used for other purposes.

When the SWD port is acquired, the external debugger sets the C\_DEBUGEN bit in the DHCSR register to enable debugging. Then, the different debugging operations such as stepping, halting, breakpoint configuration, and watchpoint configuration are carried out by writing to the appropriate registers in the debug system.

Debugging the target device is also affected by the overall device protection setting, which is explained in the <u>Device Security chapter</u> on page 56. Only the OPEN protected mode supports device debugging. The external debugger and the target device connection is not lost for a device transition from Active mode to either Sleep or Deep–Sleep modes. When the device enters the Active mode from either Deep–Sleep or Sleep modes, the debugger can resume its actions without initiating a connect sequence again.

## Registers

Table 112. List of Registers

Register Name	Description
CM0P_DHCSR	Debug Halting Control and Status Register
CM0P_DFSR	Debug Fault Status Register
CM0P_DCRSR	Debug Core Register Selector Register
CM0P_DCRDR	Debug Core Register Data Register
CM0P_DEMCR	Debug Exception and Monitor Control Register
CM0P_BP_CTRL	Breakpoint control register
CM0P_BP_COMPx	Breakpoint Compare Register
CM0P_DWT_COMPx	Watchpoint Compare Register
CM0P_DWT_MASKx	Watchpoint Mask Register
CM0P_DWT_FUNCTIONx	Watchpoint Function Register
CM0P_DWT_PCSR	Watchpoint Comparator PC Sample Register

#### **NONVOLATILE MEMORY PROGRAMMING**

Nonvolatile memory programming refers to the programming of flash memory in the AXM0F243 MCU device. This chapter explains the different functions that are part of device programming, such as erase, write, program, and checksum calculation.

#### **Features**

- Supports programming through the debug and access port (DAP) and Cortex-M0+ CPU
- Supports both blocking and non-blocking flash program and erase operations from the Cortex-M0+ CPU

### **Functional Description**

Flash programming operations are implemented as system calls. System calls are executed out of SROM in the privileged mode of operation. The user has no access to read or modify the SROM code. The DAP or the CM0+ CPU requests the system call by writing the function opcode and parameters to the System Performance Controller Interface (SPCIF) input registers, and then requesting the SROM to execute the function. Based on the function opcode, the System Performance Controller (SPC) executes the corresponding system call from SROM and updates the SPCIF status register. The DAP or the CPU should read this status register for the pass/fail result of the function execution. As part of function execution, the code in SROM interacts with the SPCIF to do the actual flash programming operations.

AXM0F243 MCU flash is programmed using a Program Erase Program (PEP) sequence. The flash cells are all programmed to a known state, erased, and then the selected bits are programmed. This sequence increases the life of the flash by balancing the stored charge. When writing to flash the data is first copied to a page latch buffer. The flash write functions are then used to transfer this data to flash.

External programmers program the flash memory in AXM0F243 MCU using the SWD protocol by sending the commands to the Debug and Access Port (DAP). Flash memory can also be programmed by the CM0+ CPU by accessing the relevant registers through the AHB interface. This type of programming is typically used to update a portion of the flash memory as part of a bootload operation, or other application requirements, such as updating a lookup table stored in the flash memory. All write operations to flash memory, whether from the DAP or from the CPU, are done through the SPCIF.

NOTE: It can take as much as 20 milliseconds to write to flash. During this time, the device should not be reset, or unexpected changes may be made to portions of the flash. Reset sources (see the Reset System chapter on page 54) include XRES pin, software reset, and watchdog; make sure that these are not inadvertently activated. In addition, the low-voltage detect circuits should be configured to generate an interrupt instead of

NOTE: AXM0F243 MCU implements a User Supervisory Flash (SFlash), which can be used to store application–specific information. These rows are not part of the hex file; their programming is optional.

### **System Call Implementation**

a reset.

A system call consists of the following items:

- Opcode: A unique 8-bit opcode
- Parameters: Two 8-bit parameters are mandatory for all system calls. These parameters are referred to as key1 and key2, and are defined as follows:

key1 = 0xB6

key2 = 0xD3 + Opcode

The two keys are passed to ensure that the user system call is not initiated by mistake. If the key1 and key2 parameters are not correct, the SROM does not execute the function, and returns an error code. Apart from these two parameters, additional parameters may be required depending on the specific function being called.

- Return Values: Some system calls also return a value on completion of their execution, such as the silicon ID or a checksum.
- Completion Status: Each system call returns a 32-bit status that the CPU or DAP can read to verify success or determine the reason for failure.

### **Blocking and Non-Blocking System Calls**

System call functions can be categorized as blocking or non-blocking based on the nature of their execution. Blocking system calls are those where the CPU cannot execute any other task in parallel other than the execution of the system call. When a blocking system call is called from a process, the CPU jumps to the code corresponding in SROM. When the execution is complete, the original thread execution resumes. Non-blocking system calls allow the CPU to execute some other code in parallel and communicate the completion of interim system call tasks to the CPU through an interrupt.

Non-blocking system calls are only used when the CPU initiates the system call. The DAP will only use system calls during the programming mode and the CPU is halted during this process.

The three non-blocking system calls are Non-Blocking Write Row, Non-Blocking Program Row, and Resume Non-Blocking, respectively. All other system calls are blocking.

Because the CPU cannot execute code from flash while doing an erase or program operation on the flash, the non-blocking system calls can only be called from a code executing out of SRAM. If the non-blocking functions are called from flash memory, the result is undefined and may return a bus error and trigger a hard fault when the flash fetch operation is being done.

The System Performance Controller (SPC) is the block that generates the properly sequenced high-voltage pulses required for erase and program operations of the flash memory. When a non-blocking function is called from SRAM, the SPC timer triggers its interrupt when each of the sub-operations in a write or program operation is complete. Call the Resume Non-Blocking function from the SPC interrupt service routine (ISR) to ensure that the subsequent steps in the system call are completed. Because the CPU can execute code only from the SRAM when a non-blocking write or program operation is being done, the SPC ISR should also be located in the SRAM. The SPC interrupt is triggered once in the case of a non-blocking program function or thrice in a non-blocking write operation. The Resume Non-Blocking function call done in the SPC ISR is called once in a non-blocking program operation and thrice in a non-blocking write operation.

The pseudo code for using a non-blocking write system call and executing user code out of SRAM is given later in this chapter.

# Performing a System Call

The steps to initiate a system call are as follows:

- 1. Set up the function parameters: The two possible methods for preparing the function parameters (key1, key2, additional parameters) are:
  a. Write the function parameters to the CPUSS\_SYSARG register: This method is used for functions that retrieve their parameters from the CPUSS\_SYSARG register. The 32-bit CPUSS\_SYSARG register must be written with the parameters in the sequence specified in the respective system call table.
  - b. Write the function parameters to SRAM: This method is used for functions that retrieve their parameters from SRAM. The parameters should first be written in the specified sequence to consecutive SRAM locations. Then, the starting address of the SRAM, which is the address of the

- first parameter, should be written to the CPUSS\_SYSARG register. This starting address should always be a word-aligned (32-bit) address. The system call uses this address to fetch the parameters.
- 2. Specify the system call using its opcode and initiating the system call: The 8-bit opcode should be written to the SYSCALL\_COMMAND bits ([15:0]) in the CPUSS\_SYSREQ register. The opcode is placed in the lower eight bits [7:0] and 0x00 be written to the upper eight bits [15:8]. To initiate the system call, set the SYSCALL\_REQ bit (31) in the CPUSS\_SYSREG register. Setting this bit triggers a non-maskable interrupt that jumps the CPU to the SROM code referenced by the opcode parameter.
- 3. Wait for the system call to finish executing: When the system call begins execution, it sets the PRIVILEGED bit in the CPUSS SYSREQ register. This bit can be set only by the system call, not by the CPU or DAP. The DAP should poll the PRIVILEGED and SYSCALL REQ bits in the CPUSS SYSREG register continuously to check whether the system call is completed. Both these bits are cleared on completion of the system call. The maximum execution time is one second. If these two bits are not cleared after one second, the operation should be considered a failure and aborted without executing the following steps. Note that unlike the DAP, the CPU application code cannot poll these bits during system call execution. This is because the CPU executes code out of the SROM during the system call. The application code can check only the final function pass/fail status after the execution returns from SROM.
- 4. Check the completion status: After the PRIVILEGED and SYSCALL\_REQ bits are cleared to indicate completion of the system call, the CPUSS\_SYSARG register should be read to check for the status of the system call. If the 32-bit value read from the CPUSS\_SYSARG register is 0xAXXXXXXX (where 'X' denotes don't care hex values), the system call was successfully executed. For a failed system call, the status code is 0xF00000YY where YY indicates the reason for failure. See Table 16 for the complete list of status codes and their description.
- Retrieve the return values: For system calls that return values such as silicon ID and checksum, the CPU or DAP should read the CPUSS\_SYSREG and CPUSS\_SYSARG registers to fetch the values returned.

### **System Calls**

Table 16 lists all the system calls supported in AXM0F243 MCU along with the function description and availability in device protection modes. See the Device Security chapter on page 113 for more information on the device protection

settings. Note that some system calls cannot be called by the CPU as given in the table. Detailed information on each of the system calls follows the table.

Table 113. LIST OF SYSTEM CALLS

			DAP Access		CPU Acces
System Call	Description	Open	Protected	Kill	s
Silicon ID	Returns the device Silicon ID, Family ID, and Revision ID	~	~	-	~
Load Flash Bytes	Loads data to the page latch buffer to be programmed later into the flash row, in 1 byte granularity, for a row size of 128 bytes	~	-	_	~
Write Row	Erases and then programs a row of flash with data in the page latch buffer	~	-	_	~
Program Row	Programs a row of flash with data in the page latch buffer	~	-	-	~
Erase All	Erases all user code in the flash array; the flash row-level protection data in the supervisory flash area	~	-	-	-
Checksum	Calculates the checksum over the entire flash memory (user and supervisory area) or checksums a single row of flash	~	~	_	~
Write Protection	This programs both flash row-level protection settings and chip-level protection settings into the supervisory flash (row 0)	~	~	-	-
Non-Blocking Write Row	Erases and then programs a row of flash with data in the page latch buffer. During program/erase pulses, the user may execute code from SRAM. This function is meant only for CPU access	_	-	-	~
Non-Blocking Program Row	Programs a row of flash with data in the page latch buffer. During program/erase pulses, the user may execute code from SRAM. This function is meant only for CPU access	-	-	-	~
Resume Non-Blocking	Resumes a non-blocking write row or non-blocking program row. This function is meant only for CPU access	_	_	_	~

### Silicon ID

This function returns a 12-bit family ID, 16-bit silicon ID, and an 8-bit revision ID, and the current device protection mode. These values are returned to the

CPUSS\_SYSARG and CPUSS\_SYSREQ registers. Parameters are passed through the CPUSS\_SYSARG and CPUSS\_SYSREQ registers.

**Table 114. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description		
CPUSS_SYSARG Register				
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1		
Bits [15:8]	0xD3	Key2		
Bits [31:16]	0x0000	Not used		
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register				
Bits [15:0]	0x0000	Silicon ID opcode		
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit		

Table 115. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register	•	
Bits [7:0]	Silicon ID Lo	
Bits [15:8]	Silicon ID Hi	
Bits [19:16]	Minor Revision Id	
Bits [23:20]	Major Revision Id	
Bits [27:24]	0xXX	Not used (don't care)
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		•
Bits [11:0]	Family ID	Family ID
Bits [15:12]	Chip Protection	See the <u>Device Security chapter</u> on page 56
Bits [31:16]	0xXXXX	Not used

#### **Configure Clock**

This function initializes the clock necessary for flash programming and erasing operations. This API is used to ensure that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz prior to calling the flash write and flash erase APIs. The flash write and erase APIs will exit without acting on the flash and return the "Invalid Pump Clock Frequency" status if the IMO is the source of the charge pump clock and is not 48 MHz.

### **Load Flash Bytes**

This function loads the page latch buffer with data to be programmed into a row of flash. The load size can range from 1-byte to the maximum number of bytes in a flash row, which is 128 bytes. Data is loaded into the page latch buffer starting at the location specified by the "Byte Addr" input parameter. Data loaded into the page latch buffer remains until a program operation is performed, which clears the page latch contents. The parameters for this function, including the data to be loaded into the page latch, are written to the SRAM; the starting address of the SRAM data is written to the CPUSS\_SYSARG register. Note that the starting parameter address should be a word-aligned address.

**Table 116. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description				
RAM Address – 32'hYY (32–bit wide, word–aligned SRAM address)						
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1				
Bits [15:8]	0xD7	Key2				
Bits [23:16]	Byte Addr	Start address of page latch buffer to write data 0x00 – Byte 0 of latch buffer 0x7F – Byte 127 of latch buffer				
Bits [31:24]	Flash Macro Select	0x00 – Flash Macro 0 0x01 – Flash Macro 1 (Refer to the <u>Cortex-M0+ CPU chapter</u> on page 7 for the number of flash macros in the device)				
SRAM Address - 32'hYY + 0x04		•				
Bits [7:0]	Load Size	Number of bytes to be written to the page latch buffer.  0x00 – 1 byte  0x7F – 128 bytes				
Bits [15:8]	0xXX	Don't care parameter				
Bits [23:16]	0xXX	Don't care parameter				
Bits [31:24]	0xXX	Don't care parameter				
SRAM Address - From (32'hYY +	0x08) to (32'hYY + 0x08 + Load	Size)				
Byte 0	Data Byte [0]	First data byte to be loaded				
·						
Byte (Load size -1)	Data Byte [Load size -1]	Last data byte to be loaded				
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		•				
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)				
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		•				
Bits [15:0]	0x0004	Load Flash Bytes opcode				
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit				

#### Table 117, RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

#### **Write Row**

This function erases and then programs the addressed row of flash with the data in the page latch buffer. If all data in the page latch buffer is 0, then the program is skipped. The parameters for this function are stored in SRAM. The start address of the stored parameters is written to the CPUSS\_SYSARG register. This function clears the page latch buffer contents after the row is programmed.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API ensures that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. Call the Load Flash Bytes function before calling this function. This function can do a write operation only if the corresponding flash row is not write protected.

Refer to the CLK\_IMO\_CONFIG register in the <u>AND9835 AXM0F243 MCU Registers</u> for more information.

#### **Table 118. PARAMETERS**

Address	Value to be Written	Description		
SRAM Address: 32'hYY (32-bi	SRAM Address: 32'hYY (32-bit wide, word-aligned SRAM Address)			
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1		
Bits [15:8]	0xD8	Key2		
Bits [31:16]	Row ID	Row number to write 0x0000 – Row 0		
CPUSS_SYSARG Register				
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)		
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register				
Bits [15:0]	0x0005	Write Row opcode		
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit		

### Table 119. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

# **Program Row**

This function programs the addressed row of the flash with data in the page latch buffer. If all data in the page latch buffer is 0, then the program is skipped. The row must be in an erased state before calling this function. It clears the page latch buffer contents after the row is programmed.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API

ensures that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. Call the Load Flash Bytes function before calling this function. The row must be in an erased state before calling this function. This function can do a program operation only if the corresponding flash row is not write–protected.

#### **Table 120. PARAMETERS**

Address	Value to be Written	Description
SRAM Address: 32'hYY (32-bi	t wide, word-aligned SRAM Add	ress)
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1
Bits [15:8]	0xD9	Key2
Bits [31:16]	Row ID	Row number to program 0x0000 – Row 0
CPUSS_SYSARG Register	•	<u> </u>
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register	•	•
Bits [15:0]	0x0006	Program Row opcode
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit

## Table 121. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

#### **Erase All**

This function erases all the user code in the flash main arrays and the row-level protection data in supervisory flash row 0 of each flash macro.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API ensures that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. This API can be

called only from the DAP in the programming mode and only if the chip protection mode is OPEN. If the chip protection mode is PROTECTED, then the Write Protection API must be used by the DAP to change the protection settings to OPEN. Changing the protection setting from PROTECTED to OPEN automatically does an erase all operation.

**Table 122. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description		
SRAM Address: 32'hYY (32-bit v	SRAM Address: 32'hYY (32-bit wide, word-aligned SRAM Address)			
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1		
Bits [15:8]	0xDD	Key2		
Bits [31:16]	0xXXXX	Don't care		
CPUSS_SYSARG Register				
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)		
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		•		
Bits [15:0]	0x000A	Erase All opcode		
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit		

#### Table 123. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

#### Checksum

This function reads either the whole flash memory or a row of flash and returns the 24-bit sum of each byte read in that flash region. When performing a checksum on the whole flash, the user code and supervisory flash regions are included. When performing a checksum only on one row of flash, the flash row number is passed as a parameter. Bytes 2 and 3 of the parameters select whether the checksum is performed on the whole flash memory or a row of user code flash.

**Table 124. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		·
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1
Bits [15:8]	0xDE	Key2
Bits [31:16]	Row ID	Selects the flash row number on which the checksum operation is done Row number – 16 bit flash row number or 0x8000 – Checksum is performed on entire flash memory
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		
Bits [15:0]	0x000B	Checksum opcode
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit

Table 125. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:24]	0xX	Not used (don't care)
Bits [23:0]	Checksum	24-bit checksum value of the selected flash region

#### Write Protection

This function programs both the flash row-level protection settings and the device protection settings in the supervisory flash row. The flash row-level protection settings are programmed separately for each flash macro in the device. Each row has a single protection bit. The total number of protection bytes is the number of flash rows divided by eight. The chip-level protection settings (1-byte) are stored in flash macro zero in the last byte location in row zero of the supervisory flash. The size of the supervisory flash row is the same as the user code flash row size.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API ensures that the charge pump clock (clk pump) and the HF

clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. The Load Flash Bytes function is used to load the flash protection bytes of a flash macro into the page latch buffer corresponding to the macro. The starting address parameter for the load function should be zero. The flash macro number should be one that needs to be programmed; the number of bytes to load is the number of flash protection bytes in that macro.

Then, the Write Protection function is called, which programs the flash protection bytes from the page latch to be the corresponding flash macro supervisory row. In flash macro zero, which also stores the device protection settings, the device level protection setting is passed as a parameter in the CPUSS SYSARG register.

**Table 126. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register	•	
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1
Bits [15:8]	0xE0	Key2
Bits [23:16]	Device Protection Byte	Parameter applicable only for Flash Macro 0 0x01 – OPEN mode 0x02 – PROTECTED mode 0x04 – KILL mode
Bits [31:24]	Flash Macro Select	0x00 – Flash Macro 0 0x01 – Flash Macro 1
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		
Bits [15:0]	0x000D	Write Protection opcode
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit

Table 127. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:24]	0xX	Not used (don't care)
Bits [23:0]	0x000000	

### Non-Blocking Write Row

This function is used when a flash row needs to be written by the CM0+ CPU in a non-blocking manner, so that the CPU can execute code from SRAM while the write operation is being done. The explanation of non-blocking system calls is explained in <u>Blocking and Non-Blocking System Calls</u> on page 162.

The non-blocking write row system call has three phases: Pre-program, Erase, Program. Pre-program is the step in which all of the bits in the flash row are written a '1' in preparation for an erase operation. The erase operation clears all of the bits in the row, and the program operation writes the new data to the row.

While each phase is being executed, the CPU can execute code from SRAM. When the non-blocking write row system call is initiated, the user cannot call any system call function other than the Resume Non-Blocking function, which is required for completion of the non-blocking write operation. After the completion of each phase, the SPC

triggers its interrupt. In this interrupt, call the Resume Non-Blocking system call.

NOTE: The device firmware must not attempt to put the device to sleep during a non-blocking write row. This action will reset the page latch buffer and the flash will be written with all zeroes.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API ensures that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. Call the Load Flash Bytes function before calling this function to load the data bytes that will be used for programming the row. In addition, the non-blocking write row function can be called only from the SRAM. This is because the CM0+ CPU cannot execute code from flash while doing the flash erase program operations. If this function is called from the flash memory, the result is undefined, and may return a bus error and trigger a hard fault when the flash fetch operation is being done.

Table 128. PARAMETERS

Address	Value to be Written	Description	
SRAM Address 32'hYY (32-bit w	SRAM Address 32'hYY (32-bit wide, word-aligned SRAM Address)		
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1	
Bits [15:8]	0xDA	Key2	
Bits [31:16]	Row ID	Row number to write 0x0000 - Row 0	
CPUSS_SYSARG Register	•		
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)	
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register			
Bits [15:0]	0x0007	Non-Blocking Write Row opcode	
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit	

#### Table 129. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

### Non-Blocking Program Row

This function is used when a flash row needs to be programmed by the CM0+ CPU in a non-blocking manner, so that the CPU can execute code from the SRAM when the program operation is being done. The explanation of non-blocking system calls is explained in <u>Blocking and Non-Blocking System Calls</u> on page 162. While the program operation is being done, the CPU can execute code from the SRAM. When the non-blocking program row system call is called, the user cannot call any other system call function other than the Resume Non-Blocking function, which is required for the completion of the nonblocking write operation.

Unlike the Non-Blocking Write Row system call, the Program system call only has a single phase. Therefore, the

Resume Non-Blocking function only needs to be called once from the SPC interrupt when using the Non-Blocking Program Row system call.

Usage Requirements: Call the Configure Clock API before calling this function. The Configure Clock API ensures that the charge pump clock (clk\_pump) and the HF clock (clk\_hf) are set to IMO at 48 MHz. Call the Load Flash Bytes function before calling this function to load the data bytes that will be used for programming the row. In addition, the non-blocking program row function can be called only from SRAM. This is because the CM0+ CPU cannot execute code from flash while doing flash program operations. If this function is called from flash memory, the result is undefined, and may return a bus error and trigger a hard fault when the flash fetch operation is being done.

**Table 130. PARAMETERS** 

Address	Value to be Written	Description
SRAM Address 32'hYY (32-bit	wide, word-aligned SRAM Addre	ess)
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1
Bits [15:8]	0xDB	Key2
Bits [31:16]	Row ID	Row number to write 0x0000 – Row 0
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		•
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register		•
Bits [15:0]	0x0008	Non-Blocking Program Row opcode
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit

Table 131. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

### Resume Non-Blocking

This function completes the additional phases of erase and program that were started using the non-blocking write row and non-blocking program row system calls. This function must be called thrice following a call to Non-Blocking Write Row or once following a call to Non-Blocking

Program Row from the SPC ISR. No other system calls can execute until all phases of the program or erase operation are complete. More details on the procedure of using the non–blocking functions are explained in <u>Blocking and Non–Blocking System Calls</u> on page 162.

### **Table 132. PARAMETERS**

Address	Value to be Written	Description		
SRAM Address 32'hYY (32-bit wide, word-aligned SRAM Address)				
Bits [7:0]	0xB6	Key1		
Bits [15:8]	0xDC	Key2		
Bits [31:16]	0xXXXX	Don't care. Not used by SROM		
CPUSS_SYSARG Register				
Bits [31:0]	32'hYY	32-bit word-aligned address of the SRAM that stores the first function parameter (key1)		
CPUSS_SYSREQ Register	-1	•		
Bits [15:0]	0x0009	Resume Non-Blocking opcode		
Bits [31:16]	0x8000	Set SYSCALL_REQ bit		

### Table 133. RETURN

Address	Return Value	Description
CPUSS_SYSARG Register		
Bits [31:28]	0xA	Success status code
Bits [27:0]	0xXXXXXX	Not used (don't care)

# **System Call Status**

At the end of every system call, a status code is written over the arguments in the CPUSS\_SYSARG register. A success status is 0xAXXXXXXX, where X indicates don't

care values or return data in the case of the system calls that return a value. A failure status is indicated by 0xF00000XX, where XX is the failure code.

### **Table 134. SYSTEM CALL STATUS CODES**

Status Code (32-bit value in CPUSS_SYSARG register)	Description
AXXXXXXXh	Success – The "X" denotes a don't care value, which has a value of '0' returned by the SROM, unless the API returns parameters directly to the CPUSS_SYSARG register.
F000001h	Invalid Chip Protection Mode – This API is not available during the current chip protection mode.
F0000003h	Invalid Page Latch Address – The address within the page latch buffer is either out of bounds or the size provided is too large for the page address.
F000004h	Invalid Address – The row ID or byte address provided is outside of the available memory.
F0000005h	Row Protected – The row ID provided is a protected row.
F0000007h	Resume Completed – All non-blocking APIs have completed. The resume API cannot be called until the next non-blocking API.
F0000008h	Pending Resume – A non-blocking API was initiated and must be completed by calling the resume API, before any other APIs may be called.
F0000009h	System Call Still In Progress – A resume or non–blocking is still in progress. The SPC ISR must fire before attempting the next resume.
F000000Ah	Checksum Zero Failed – The calculated checksum was not zero.
F000000Bh	Invalid Opcode – The opcode is not a valid API opcode.
F000000Ch	Key Opcode Mismatch – The opcode provided does not match key1 and key2.
F000000Eh	Invalid Start Address – The start address is greater than the end address provided.
F0000012h	Invalid Pump Clock Frequency – IMO must be set to 48 MHz and HF clock source to the IMO clock source before flash write/erase operations.

### Non-Blocking System Call Pseudo Code

This section contains pseudo code to demonstrate how to set up a non-blocking system call and execute code out of SRAM during the flash programming operations.

```
#define REG(addr)
                          (*((volatile uint32 *) (addr)))
#define CM0_ISER REG
                               REG( 0xE000E100 )
#define CPUSS CONFIG REG
                                  REG ( 0x40100000 )
#define CPUSS SYSREQ REG
                                   REG( 0x40100004 )
#define CPUSS SYSARG REG
                                   REG( 0x40100008 )
#define ROW SIZE
                           ()
#define ROW SIZE
                         (ROW SIZE )
/*Variable to keep track of how many times SPC ISR is triggered */
\underline{\phantom{a}}ram int iStatusInt = 0x00;
 _flash int main(void)
  DoUserStuff();
  /*CMO+ interrupt enable bit for spc interrupt enable */
  CM0 ISER REG |= 0x00000040;
  /*Set CPUSS CONFIG.VECS IN RAM because SPC ISR should be in SRAM */
  CPUSS CONFIG REG \mid = 0 \times 000000001;
  /*Call non-blocking write row API */
  NonBlockingWriteRow();
  /*End Program */
  while(1);
}
 _sram void SpcIntHandler(void)
  /* Write key1, key2 parameters to SRAM */
  REG ( 0x20000000 ) = 0x0000DCB6;
  /*Write the address of key1 to the CPUSS SYSARG reg */
  CPUSS SYSARG REG = 0x20000000;
  /*Write the API opcode = 0x09 to the CPUSS SYSREQ.COMMAND
  * register and assert the sysreq bit
  */
  CPUSS SYSREQ REG = 0x80000009;
  /* Number of times the ISR has triggered */
  iStatusInt ++;
 _sram void NonBlockingWriteRow(void)
  int iter;
  /*Load the Flash page latch with data to write*/
  * Write key1, key2, byte address, and macro sel parameters to SRAM
  REG ( 0x20000000 ) = 0x0000D7B6;
  //Write load size param (128 bytes) to SRAM
  REG ( 0x20000004 ) = 0x0000007F;
  for(i = 0; i < ROW SIZE/4; i += 1)</pre>
    REG ( 0x20000008 + i*4 ) = 0xDADADADA;
  /*Write the address of the key1 param to CPUSS SYSARG reg*/
```

```
CPUSS SYSARG REG = 0x20000000;
/*Write the API opcode = 0x04 to CPUSS SYSREQ.COMMAND
* register and assert the sysreq bit
*/
CPUSS_SYSREQ REG = 0x80000004;
/*Perform Non-Blocking Write Row on Row 200 as an example.
* Write key1, key2, row id to SRAM row id = 0xC8 -> which is row 200
REG ( 0x20000000 ) = 0x00C8DAB6;
/*Write the address of the keyl param to CPUSS SYSARG reg */
CPUSS SYSARG REG = 0x20000000;
/*Write the API opcode = 0x07 to CPUSS_SYSREQ.COMMAND
* register and assert the sysreq bit
CPUSS_SYSREQ_REG = 0x80000007;
/*Execute user code until iStatusInt equals 3 to signify
* 3 SPC interrupts have happened. This should be 1 in case
* of non-blocking program System Call
while( iStatusInt != 0x03 )
  DoOtherUserStuff();
/* Get the success or failure status of System Call*/
syscall status = CPUSS SYSARG REG;
```

In the code, the CM0+ exception table is configured to be in SRAM by writing 0x01 to the CPUSS\_CONFIG register. The SRAM exception table should have the vector address of the SPC interrupt as the address of the SpcIntHandler() function, which is also defined to be in SRAM. See the Interrupts chapter on page 11 for details on configuring the

CM0+ exception table to be in SRAM. The pseudo code for a non-blocking program system call is also similar, except that the function opcode and parameters will differ and the iStatusInt variable should be polled for 1 instead of 3. This is because the SPC ISR will be triggered only once for a non-blocking program system call.

## **GLOSSARY**

The Glossary section explains the terminology used in this technical reference manual.

Α

accumulator In a CPU, a register in which intermediate results are stored. Without an accumulator, it is

necessary to write the result of each calculation (addition, subtraction, shift, and so on.) to main memory and read them back. Access to main memory is slower than access to the accumulator,

which usually has direct paths to and from the arithmetic and logic unit (ALU).

active high 1. A logic signal having its asserted state as the logic 1 state.

2. A logic signal having the logic 1 state as the higher voltage of the two states.

active low 1. A logic signal having its asserted state as the logic 0 state.

2. A logic signal having its logic 1 state as the lower voltage of the two states: inverted logic.

address The label or number identifying the memory location (RAM, ROM, or register) where a unit

of information is stored.

algorithm A procedure for solving a mathematical problem in a finite number of steps that frequently

involve repetition of an operation.

ambient temperature The temperature of the air in a designated area, particularly the area surrounding the

AXM0F243 MCU device.

analog See analog signals.

analog blocks The basic programmable opamp circuits. These are SC (switched capacitor) and CT

(continuous time) blocks. These blocks can be interconnected to provide ADCs, DACs,

multi-pole filters, gain stages, and much more.

analog output An output that is capable of driving any voltage between the supply rails, instead of just a logic

1 or logic 0.

analog signals A signal represented in a continuous form with respect to continuous times, as contrasted with

a digital signal represented in a discrete (discontinuous) form in a sequence of time.

analog-to-digital (ADC) A device that changes an analog signal to a digital signal of corresponding magnitude. Typically,

an ADC converts a voltage to a digital number. The digital-to-analog (DAC) converter

performs the reverse operation.

AND See Boolean Algebra.

API (Application A series of software routines that comprise an interface between a computer application and lower–level services and functions (for example, user modules and libraries). APIs serve as

building blocks for programmers that create software applications.

An array, also known as a vector or list, is one of the simplest data structures in computer

programming. Arrays hold a fixed number of equally-sized data elements, generally of the same data type. Individual elements are accessed by index using a consecutive range of integers, as opposed to an associative array. Most high-level programming languages have arrays as a built-in data type. Some arrays are multi-dimensional, meaning they are indexed by a fixed number of integers; for example, by a group of two integers. One- and two-dimensional arrays are the most common. Also, an array can be a group of capacitors or resistors connected in some

common form.

assembly A symbolic representation of the machine language of a specific processor. Assembly language

is converted to machine code by an assembler. Usually, each line of assembly code produces one machine instruction, though the use of macros is common. Assembly languages are considered

low-level languages; where as C is considered a high-level language.

asynchronous

A signal whose data is acknowledged or acted upon immediately, irrespective of any clock signal.

attenuation

The decrease in intensity of a signal as a result of absorption of energy and of scattering out of the path to the detector, but not including the reduction due to geometric spreading. Attenuation is usually expressed in dB.

#### В

bandgap reference

A stable voltage reference design that matches the positive temperature coefficient of  $V_T$  with the negative temperature coefficient of  $V_{BE}$ , to produce a zero temperature coefficient (ideally) reference.

bandwidth

- 1. The frequency range of a message or information processing system measured in hertz.
- 2. The width of the spectral region over which an amplifier (or absorber) has substantial gain (or loss); it is sometimes represented more specifically as, for example, full width at half maximum.

bias

- 1. A systematic deviation of a value from a reference value.
- 2. The amount by which the average of a set of values departs from a reference value.
- 3. The electrical, mechanical, magnetic, or other force (field) applied to a device to establish a reference level to operate the device.

bias current

The constant low-level DC current that is used to produce a stable operation in amplifiers. This current can sometimes be changed to alter the bandwidth of an amplifier.

binary

The name for the base 2 numbering system. The most common numbering system is the base 10 numbering system. The base of a numbering system indicates the number of values that may exist for a particular positioning within a number for that system. For example, in base 2, binary, each position may have one of two values (0 or 1). In the base 10, decimal, numbering system, each position may have one of ten values (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9).

bit

A single digit of a binary number. Therefore, a bit may only have a value of '0' or '1'. A group of 8 bits is called a byte.

bit rate (BR)

The number of bits occurring per unit of time in a bit stream, usually expressed in bits per second (bps).

block

- 1. A functional unit that performs a single function, such as an oscillator.
- 2. A functional unit that may be configured to perform one of several functions.

Boolean Algebra

In mathematics and computer science, Boolean algebras or Boolean lattices, are algebraic structures which "capture the essence" of the logical operations AND, OR and NOT as well as the set theoretic operations union, intersection, and complement. Boolean algebra also defines a set of theorems that describe how Boolean equations can be manipulated. For example, these theorems are used to simplify Boolean equations, which will reduce the number of logic elements needed to implement the equation.

The operators of Boolean algebra may be represented in various ways. Often they are simply written as AND, OR, and NOT. In describing circuits, NAND (NOT AND), NOR (NOT OR), XNOR (exclusive NOT OR), and XOR (exclusive OR) may also be used. Mathematicians often use + (for example, A + B) for OR and • for AND (for example, A \* B) (in some ways those operations are analogous to addition and multiplication in other algebraic structures) and represent NOT by a line drawn above the expression being negated (for example, ~A, A\_,!A).

break-before-make

The elements involved go through a disconnected state entering ("break") before the new connected state ("make").

broadcast net

A signal that is routed throughout the microcontroller and is accessible by many blocks or systems.

buffer

- 1. A storage area for data that is used to compensate for a speed difference, when transferring data from one device to another. Usually refers to an area reserved for I/O operations, into which data is read, or from which data is written.
- 2. A portion of memory set aside to store data, often before it is sent to an external device or as it is received from an external device.
- 3. An amplifier used to lower the output impedance of a system

bus

- 1. A named connection of nets. Bundling nets together in a bus makes it easier to route nets with similar routing patterns.
- 2. A set of signals performing a common function and carrying similar data. Typically represented using vector notation; for example, address [7:0].
- 3. One or more conductors that serve as a common connection for a group of related devices.

byte

A digital storage unit consisting of 8 bits.

С

C

A high-level programming language.

capacitance A measure of the ability of two adjacent conductors, separated by an insulator, to hold a charge

when a voltage differential is applied between them. Capacitance is measured in units of Farads.

capture To extract information automatically through the use of software or hardware, as opposed to

hand-entering of data into a computer file.

chaining Connecting two or more 8-bit digital blocks to form 16-, 24-, and even 32-bit functions.

Chaining allows certain signals such as Compare, Carry, Enable, Capture, and Gate to be

produced from one block to another.

checksum The checksum of a set of data is generated by adding the value of each data word to a sum. The

actual checksum can simply be the result sum or a value that must be added to the sum to

generate a pre-determined value.

clear To force a bit/register to a value of logic '0'.

Clock The device that generates a periodic signal with a fixed frequency and duty cycle. A clock is

sometimes used to synchronize different logic blocks.

clock generator A circuit that is used to generate a clock signal.

CMOS The logic gates constructed using MOS transistors connected in a complementary manner.

CMOS is an acronym for complementary metal-oxide semiconductor.

Comparator An electronic circuit that produces an output voltage or current whenever two input levels

simultaneously satisfy predetermined amplitude requirements.

compiler A program that translates a high-level language, such as C, into machine language.

configuration In a computer system, an arrangement of functional units according to their nature, number, and

chief characteristics. Configuration pertains to hardware, software, firmware, and

documentation. The configuration will affect system performance.

configuration space In AXM0F243 MCU devices, the register space accessed when the XIO bit, in the CPU\_F

register, is set to '1'.

crowbar A type of over-voltage protection that rapidly places a low-resistance shunt (typically an SCR)

from the signal to one of the power supply rails, when the output voltage exceeds a

predetermined value.

CPUSS CPU subsystem

crystal oscillator An oscillator in which the frequency is controlled by a piezoelectric crystal. Typically a

piezoelectric crystal is less sensitive to ambient temperature than other circuit components.

cyclic redundancy check

(CRC)

A calculation used to detect errors in data communications, typically performed using a linear feedback shift register. Similar calculations may be used for a variety of other purposes such as data compression.

D

data bus A bi-directional set of signals used by a computer to convey information from a memory

location to the central processing unit and vice versa. More generally, a set of signals used to

convey data between digital functions.

data stream A sequence of digitally encoded signals used to represent information in transmission.

data transmission Sending data from one place to another by means of signals over a channel.

debugger A hardware and software system that allows the user to analyze the operation of the system

under development. A debugger usually allows the developer to step through the firmware one

step at a time, set break points, and analyze memory.

dead band A period of time when neither of two or more signals are in their active state or in transition.

decimal A base–10 numbering system, which uses the symbols 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 (called digits)

together with the decimal point and the sign symbols + (plus) and - (minus) to represent

numbers.

default value Pertaining to the pre-defined initial, original, or specific setting, condition, value, or action a

system will assume, use, or take in the absence of instructions from the user.

device The device referred to in this manual is the AXM0F243 MCU device, unless otherwise

specified.

die An non-packaged integrated circuit (IC), normally cut from a wafer.

digital A signal or function, the amplitude of which is characterized by one of two discrete values: '0'

or '1'.

digital blocks The 8-bit logic blocks that can act as a counter, timer, serial receiver, serial transmitter, CRC

generator, pseudo-random number generator, or SPI.

digital logic A methodology for dealing with expressions containing two-state variables that describe the

behavior of a circuit or system.

digital-to-analog (DAC) A device that changes a digital signal to an analog signal of corresponding magnitude. The

analog-to-digital (ADC) converter performs the reverse operation.

direct access The capability to obtain data from a storage device, or to enter data into a storage device, in a

sequence independent of their relative positions by means of addresses that indicate the physical

location of the data.

duty cycle The relationship of a clock period high time to its *low time*, expressed as a percent.

Ε

External Reset (XRES\_N) An active high signal that is driven into the AXM0F243 MCU device. It causes all operation

of the CPU and blocks to stop and return to a pre-defined state.

F

falling edge A transition from a logic 1 to a logic 0. Also known as a negative edge.

feedback The return of a portion of the output, or processed portion of the output, of a (usually active)

device to the input.

filter A device or process by which certain frequency components of a signal are attenuated.

firmware The software that is embedded in a hardware device and executed by the CPU. The software

may be executed by the end user, but it may not be modified.

flag Any of various types of indicators used for identification of a condition or event (for example,

a character that signals the termination of a transmission).

Flash An electrically programmable and erasable, volatile technology that provides users with the

programmability and data storage of EPROMs, plus in-system erasability. Nonvolatile means

that the data is retained when power is off.

Flash bank A group of flash ROM blocks where flash block numbers always begin with '0' in an individual

flash bank. A flash bank also has its own block level protection information.

Flash block The smallest amount of flash ROM space that may be programmed at one time and the smallest

amount of flash space that may be protected. A flash block holds 64 bytes.

flip-flop A device having two stable states and two input terminals (or types of input signals) each of

which corresponds with one of the two states. The circuit remains in either state until it is made

to change to the other state by application of the corresponding signal.

frequency The number of cycles or events per unit of time, for a periodic function.

G

gain The ratio of output current, voltage, or power to input current, voltage, or power, respectively.

Gain is usually expressed in dB.

gate 1. A device having one output channel and one or more input channels, such that the output

channel state is completely determined by the input channel states, except during switching

transients.

2. One of many types of combinational logic elements having at least two inputs (for example,

AND, OR, NAND, and NOR (also see Boolean Algebra)).

ground 1. The electrical neutral line having the same potential as the surrounding earth.

2. The negative side of DC power supply.

3. The reference point for an electrical system.

4. The conducting paths between an electric circuit or equipment and the earth, or some

conducting body serving in place of the earth.

Н

hardware A comprehensive term for all of the physical parts of a computer or embedded system, as

distinguished from the data it contains or operates on, and the software that provides

instructions for the hardware to accomplish tasks.

hardware reset A reset that is caused by a circuit, such as a POR, watchdog reset, or external reset. A hardware reset restores the state of the device as it was when it was first powered up. Therefore, all

registers are set to the POR value as indicated in register tables throughout this document.

hexadecimal

A base 16 numeral system (often abbreviated and called hex), usually written using the symbols 0 – 9 and A – F. It is a useful system in computers because there is an easy mapping from four bits to a single hex digit. Thus, one can represent every byte as two consecutive hexadecimal digits. Compare the binary, hex, and decimal representations:

bin = hex = dec0000b = 0x0 = 00001b = 0x1 = 10010b = 0x2 = 21001b = 0x9 = 91010b = 0xA = 101011b = 0xB = 11

1111b = 0xF = 15

So the decimal numeral 79 whose binary representation is 0100 1111b can be written as 4Fh in hexadecimal (0x4F).

high time

The amount of time the signal has a value of '1' in one period, for a periodic digital signal.

ı

 $I^2C$ 

A two-wire serial computer bus by Phillips Semiconductors (now NXP Semiconductors). I<sup>2</sup>C is an Inter-Integrated Circuit. It is used to connect low-speed peripherals in an embedded system. The original system was created in the early 1980s as a battery control interface, but it was later used as a simple internal bus system for building control electronics. I<sup>2</sup>C uses only two bidirectional pins, clock and data, both running at +5 V and pulled high with resistors. The bus operates at 100 Kbps in standard mode and 400 Kbps in fast mode.

idle state

A condition that exists whenever user messages are not being transmitted, but the service is immediately available for use.

impedance

- 1. The resistance to the flow of current caused by resistive, capacitive, or inductive devices in a circuit.
- 2. The total passive opposition offered to the flow of electric current. Note the impedance is determined by the particular combination of resistance, inductive reactance, and capacitive reactance in a given circuit.

input

A point that accepts data, in a device, process, or channel.

input/output (I/O)

A device that introduces data into or extracts data from a system.

instruction

An expression that specifies one operation and identifies its operands, if any, in a programming language such as C or assembly.

instruction mnemonics

A set of acronyms that represent the opcodes for each of the assembly-language instructions, for example, ADD, SUBB, MOV.

integrated circuit (IC)

A device in which components such as resistors, capacitors, diodes, and transistors are formed on the surface of a single piece of semiconductor.

interface

The means by which two systems or devices are connected and interact with each other.

interrupt

A suspension of a process, such as the execution of a computer program, caused by an event external to that process, and performed in such a way that the process can be resumed.

interrupt service routine (ISR)

A block of code that normal code execution is diverted to when the M8CP receives a hardware interrupt. Many interrupt sources may each exist with its own priority and individual ISR code block. Each ISR code block ends with the RETI instruction, returning the device to the point in the program where it left normal program execution.

#### J

jitter

- 1. A misplacement of the timing of a transition from its ideal position. A typical form of corruption that occurs on serial data streams.
- The abrupt and unwanted variations of one or more signal characteristics, such as the interval between successive pulses, the amplitude of successive cycles, or the frequency or phase of successive cycles.

#### L

latency

The time or delay that it takes for a signal to pass through a given circuit or network.

least significant bit (LSb)

The binary digit, or bit, in a binary number that represents the least significant value (typically the right-hand bit). The bit versus byte distinction is made by using a lower case "b" for bit in LSb.

least significant byte (LSB)

The byte in a multi-byte word that represents the least significant values (typically the right-hand byte). The byte versus bit distinction is made by using an upper case "B" for byte in LSB.

Linear Feedback Shift Register (LFSR) A shift register whose data input is generated as an XOR of two or more elements in the register

load

The electrical demand of a process expressed as power (watts), current (amps), or resistance (ohms).

logic function

A mathematical function that performs a digital operation on digital data and returns a digital

lookup table (LUT)

A logic block that implements several logic functions. The logic function is selected by means of select lines and is applied to the inputs of the block. For example: A 2 input LUT with 4 select lines can be used to perform any one of 16 logic functions on the two inputs resulting in a single logic output. The LUT is a combinational device; therefore, the input/output relationship is continuous, that is, not sampled.

low time

The amount of time the signal has a value of '0' in one period, for a periodic digital signal.

low-voltage detect (LVD)

A circuit that senses  $V_{DDD}$  and provides an interrupt to the system when  $V_{DDD}$  falls below a selected threshold.

#### M

M8CP

An 8-bit Harvard Architecture microprocessor. The microprocessor coordinates all activity inside a system on chip device by interfacing to the flash, SRAM, and register space.

macro

A programming language macro is an abstraction, whereby a certain textual pattern is replaced according to a defined set of rules. The interpreter or compiler automatically replaces the macro instance with the macro contents when an instance of the macro is encountered. Therefore, if a macro is used five times and the macro definition required 10 bytes of code space, 50 bytes of code space will be needed in total.

mask

- 1. To obscure, hide, or otherwise prevent information from being derived from a signal. It is usually the result of interaction with another signal, such as noise, static, jamming, or other forms of interference.
- 2. A pattern of bits that can be used to retain or suppress segments of another pattern of bits, in computing and data processing systems.

master device

A device that controls the timing for data exchanges between two devices. Or when devices are cascaded in width, the master device is the one that controls the timing for data exchanges between the cascaded devices and an external interface. The controlled device is called the slave device.

microcontroller An integrated circuit device that is designed primarily for control systems and products. In

addition to a CPU, a microcontroller typically includes memory, timing circuits, and I/O circuitry. The reason for this is to permit the realization of a controller with a minimal quantity of devices, thus achieving maximal possible miniaturization. This in turn, will reduce the volume and the cost of the controller. The microcontroller is normally not used for

general-purpose computation as is a microprocessor.

*mnemonic* A tool intended to assist the memory. Mnemonics rely on not only repetition to remember facts,

but also on creating associations between easy-to-remember constructs and lists of data. A two

to four character string representing a microprocessor instruction.

mode A distinct method of operation for software or hardware. For example, the Digital block may

be in either counter mode or timer mode.

modulation A range of techniques for encoding information on a carrier signal, typically a sine—wave signal.

A device that performs modulation is known as a modulator.

Modulator A device that imposes a signal on a carrier.

MOS An acronym for metal–oxide semiconductor.

most significant bit (MSb) The binary digit, or bit, in a binary number that represents the most significant value (typically

the left-hand bit). The bit versus byte distinction is made by using a lower case "b" for bit in

MSb.

most significant byte (MSB) The byte in a multi-byte word that represents the most significant values (typically the

left-hand byte). The byte versus bit distinction is made by using an upper case "B" for byte in

MSB.

multiplexer (mux) 1. A logic function that uses a binary value, or address, to select between a number of inputs

and conveys the data from the selected input to the output.

2. A technique which allows different input (or output) signals to use the same lines at different times, controlled by an external signal. Multiplexing is used to save on wiring and I/O ports.

Ν

NAND See Boolean Algebra.

negative edge A transition from a logic 1 to a logic 0. Also known as a falling edge.

*net* The routing between devices.

nibble A group of four bits, which is one–half of a byte.

noise 1. A disturbance that affects a signal and that may distort the information carried by the signal.

2. The random variations of one or more characteristics of any entity such as voltage, current,

or data.

NOR See Boolean Algebra.
NOT See Boolean Algebra.

0

OR See Boolean Algebra.

oscillator A circuit that may be crystal controlled and is used to generate a clock frequency.

output The electrical signal or signals which are produced by an analog or digital block.

Ρ

parallel The means of communication in which digital data is sent multiple bits at a time, with each

simultaneous bit being sent over a separate line.

parameter Characteristics for a given block that have either been characterized or may be defined by the

designer.

parameter block A location in memory where parameters for the SSC instruction are placed prior to execution.

parity A technique for testing transmitting data. Typically, a binary digit is added to the data to make

the sum of all the digits of the binary data either always even (even parity) or always odd (odd

parity).

path 1. The logical sequence of instructions executed by a computer.

2. The flow of an electrical signal through a circuit.

pending interrupts An interrupt that is triggered but not serviced, either because the processor is busy servicing

another interrupt or global interrupts are disabled.

phase The relationship between two signals, usually the same frequency, that determines the delay

between them. This delay between signals is either measured by time or angle (degrees).

pin A terminal on a hardware component. Also called lead.

pinouts The pin number assignment: the relation between the logical inputs and outputs of the device

and their physical counterparts in the printed circuit board (PCB) package. Pinouts will involve pin numbers as a link between schematic and PCB design (both being computer generated files)

and may also involve pin names.

port A group of pins, usually eight.

positive edge A transition from a logic 0 to a logic 1. Also known as a rising edge.

posted interrupts An interrupt that is detected by the hardware but may or may not be enabled by its mask bit.

Posted interrupts that are not masked become pending interrupts.

Power On Reset (POR) A circuit that forces the device to reset when the voltage is below a pre–set level. This is one

type of hardware reset.

program counter The instruction pointer (also called the program counter) is a register in a computer processor

that indicates where in memory the CPU is executing instructions. Depending on the details of the particular machine, it holds either the address of the instruction being executed, or the

address of the next instruction to be executed.

protocol A set of rules. Particularly the rules that govern networked communications.

pulse A rapid change in some characteristic of a signal (for example, phase or frequency), from a

baseline value to a higher or lower value, followed by a rapid return to the baseline value.

pulse width modulator

(PWM)

An output in the form of duty cycle which varies as a function of the applied measure.

R

RAM An acronym for random access memory. A data-storage device from which data can be read

out and new data can be written in.

register A storage device with a specific capacity, such as a bit or byte.

reset A means of bringing a system back to a know state. See hardware reset and software reset.

resistance The resistance to the flow of electric current measured in ohms for a conductor.

revision ID A unique identifier of the AXM0F243 MCU device.

ripple divider An asynchronous ripple counter constructed of flip-flops. The clock is fed to the first stage of

the counter. An n-bit binary counter consisting of n flip-flops that can count in binary from 0

to  $2^n - 1$ .

rising edge See positive edge.

ROM An acronym for read only memory. A data-storage device from which data can be read out, but

new data cannot be written in.

routine A block of code, called by another block of code, that may have some general or frequent use.

routing Physically connecting objects in a design according to design rules set in the reference library.

runt pulses In digital circuits, narrow pulses that, due to non-zero rise and fall times of the signal, do not reach a valid high or low level. For example, a runt pulse may occur when switching between

reach a valid high or low level. For example, a runt pulse may occur when switching between asynchronous clocks or as the result of a race condition in which a signal takes two separate paths through a circuit. These race conditions may have different delays and are then

recombined to form a glitch or when the output of a flip-flop becomes metastable.

S

sampling The process of converting an analog signal into a series of digital values or reversed.

schematic A diagram, drawing, or sketch that details the elements of a system, such as the elements of an

electrical circuit or the elements of a logic diagram for a computer.

seed value An initial value loaded into a linear feedback shift register or random number generator.

serial 1. Pertaining to a process in which all events occur one after the other.

2. Pertaining to the sequential or consecutive occurrence of two or more related activities in

a single device or channel.

set To force a bit/register to a value of logic 1.

settling time The time it takes for an output signal or value to stabilize after the input has changed from one

value to another.

shift The movement of each bit in a word one position to either the left or right. For example, if the

hex value 0x24 is shifted one place to the left, it becomes 0x48. If the hex value 0x24 is shifted

one place to the right, it becomes 0x12.

shift register A memory storage device that sequentially shifts a word either left or right to output a stream

of serial data.

sign bit The most significant binary digit, or bit, of a signed binary number. If set to a logic 1, this bit

represents a negative quantity.

signal A detectable transmitted energy that can be used to carry information. As applied to electronics,

any transmitted electrical impulse.

silicon ID A unique identifier of the AXM0F243 MCU silicon.

skew The difference in arrival time of bits transmitted at the same time, in parallel transmission.

slave device A device that allows another device to control the timing for data exchanges between two

devices. Or when devices are cascaded in width, the slave device is the one that allows another device to control the timing of data exchanges between the cascaded devices and an external

interface. The controlling device is called the master device.

software A set of computer programs, procedures, and associated documentation about the operation of

a data processing system (for example, compilers, library routines, manuals, and circuit diagrams). Software is often written first as source code, and then converted to a binary format

that is specific to the device on which the code will be executed.

software reset

A partial reset executed by software to bring part of the system back to a known state. A software reset will restore the M8CP to a know state but not AXM0F243 MCU blocks, systems, peripherals, or registers. For a software reset, the CPU registers (CPU\_A, CPU\_F, CPU\_PC, CPU\_SP, and CPU\_X) are set to 0x00. Therefore, code execution will begin at flash address 0x0000.

**SRAM** 

An acronym for static random access memory. A memory device allowing users to store and retrieve data at a high rate of speed. The term static is used because, when a value is loaded into an SRAM cell, it will remain unchanged until it is explicitly altered or until power is removed from the device.

**SROM** 

An acronym for supervisory read only memory. The SROM holds code that is used to boot the device, calibrate circuitry, and perform flash operations. The functions of the SROM may be accessed in normal user code, operating from flash.

stack

A stack is a data structure that works on the principle of Last In First Out (LIFO). This means that the last item put on the stack is the first item that can be taken off.

stack pointer

A stack may be represented in a computer's inside blocks of memory cells, with the bottom at a fixed location and a variable stack pointer to the current top cell.

state machine

The actual implementation (in hardware or software) of a function that can be considered to consist of a set of states through which it sequences.

sticky

A bit in a register that maintains its value past the time of the event that caused its transition, has passed.

stop bit

A signal following a character or block that prepares the receiving device to receive the next character or block.

switching

The controlling or routing of signals in circuits to execute logical or arithmetic operations, or to transmit data between specific points in a network.

switch phasing

The clock that controls a given switch, PHI1 or PHI2, in respect to the switch capacitor (SC) blocks. The AXM0F243 MCU SC blocks have two groups of switches. One group of these switches is normally closed during PHI1 and open during PHI2. The other group is open during PHI1 and closed during PHI2. These switches can be controlled in the normal operation, or in reverse mode if the PHI1 and PHI2 clocks are reversed.

synchronous

- 1. A signal whose data is not acknowledged or acted upon until the next active edge of a clock signal.
- 2. A system whose operation is synchronized by a clock signal.

Т

tap

The connection between two blocks of a device created by connecting several blocks/components in a series, such as a shift register or resistive voltage divider.

terminal count

The state at which a counter is counted down to zero.

threshold

The minimum value of a signal that can be detected by the system or sensor under consideration.

Thumb-2

The Thumb-2 instruction set is a highly efficient and powerful instruction set that delivers significant benefits in terms of ease of use, code size, and performance. The Thumb-2 instruction set is a superset of the previous 16-bit Thumb instruction set, with additional 16-bit instructions alongside 32-bit instructions.

transistors

The transistor is a solid–state semiconductor device used for amplification and switching, and has three terminals: a small current or voltage applied to one terminal controls the current through the other two. It is the key component in all modern electronics. In digital circuits, transistors are used as very fast electrical switches, and arrangements of transistors can function as logic gates, RAM–type memory, and other devices. In analog circuits, transistors are essentially used as amplifiers.

tristate A function whose output can adopt three states: 0, 1, and Z (high impedance). The function does

not drive any value in the Z state and, in many respects, may be considered to be disconnected

from the rest of the circuit, allowing another output to drive the same net.

U

UART A UART or universal asynchronous receiver–transmitter translates between parallel bits of data

and serial bits.

*user* The person using the AXM0F243 MCU device and reading this manual.

user modules Pre-build, pre-tested hardware/firmware peripheral functions that take care of managing and

configuring the lower level Analog and Digital AXM0F243 MCU Blocks. User Modules also provide high level API (*Application Programming Interface*) for the peripheral function.

user space The bank 0 space of the register map. The registers in this bank are more likely to be modified

during normal program execution and not just during initialization. Registers in bank 1 are most

likely to be modified only during the initialization phase of the program.

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 $V_{DDD}$  A name for a power net meaning "voltage drain." The most positive power supply signal.

Usually 5 or 3.3 volts.

volatile Not guaranteed to stay the same value or level when not in scope.

 $V_{SS}$  A name for a power net meaning "voltage source." The most negative power supply signal.

W

watchdog timer A timer that must be serviced periodically. If it is not serviced, the CPU will reset after a

specified period of time.

waveform The representation of a signal as a plot of amplitude versus time.

X

XOR See Boolean Algebra.

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