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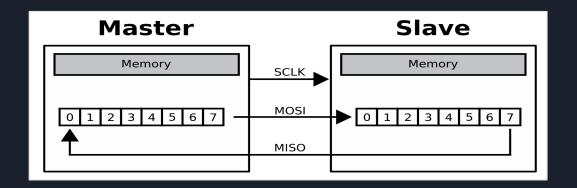
Introduction to SPI

- Full-duplex synchronous data bus.
- Clock, data and a select lines.
- Used for data transmission between microcontrollers and small peripherals.
- Receiving hardware can be a simple shift register.
- Simpler and cheaper than the full-up Universal Asynchronous Receiver / Transmitter.

SPI-Specifications

Standard	SPI		
Network Topology	Full-duplex synchronous bus		
Maximum Devices	Protocol does not restrict it, your hardware does		
Mode of Operation	Single master - slave(s)		
Modes	Depending on clock polarity (CPOL) and clock phase (CPHA) there are four unique modes 1. (0, 0) -> data at leading rising edge of clk 2. (1, 0) -> data at leading falling 3. (0, 1) -> data on trailing falling edge 4. (1, 1) -> data on trailing rising edge		
Maximum Binary Rate	millions of bytes/s to much for some devices		
Available Signals	 MOSI: Master Output Slave Input MISO: Master Input Slave Output SS: Slave Select (often active low, output from master) 		

SPI-Data transmission



- 1. Bus master configures the clock
- 2. Master selects slave with a logic level 0 on the select line
- 3. Master sends a bit on MOSI line and the slave sends a bit on the MISO line.
- 4. The master and slave have shift registers, they are connected in a virtual ring topology.

SPI-Applications

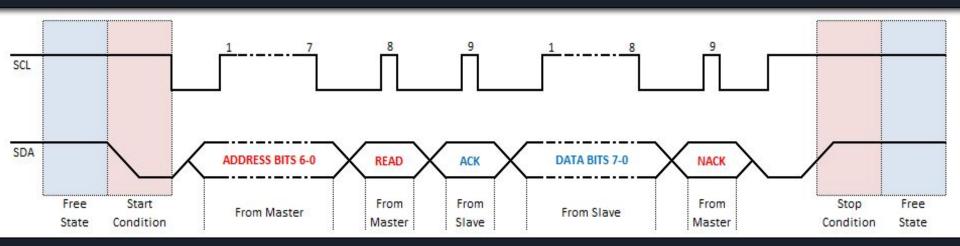
- Flash memory
- Multiple Media Card (MMC) or SD card
- Sensors: temperature, pressure, touchscreens
- Real-time clocks (RTCs)
- Control devices: audio codecs, digital potentiometers, Digital to Analog Converter
- Communications: Ethernet, USB, USART, CAN, IEEE 802.15.4, IEEE 802.11
- Liquid-crystal displays (LCD)

|²C |Inter-Integrated Circuit Bus

I²C-Specifications

Standard	i2c specification		
Physical Media	two wires: SDA, SCL		
Network Topology	bus		
Maximum Devices	127 slaves to one master (7 bit address space)		
Maximum Distance	less than 10 meters (limited by 400 pF cap.)		
Mode of Operation	master - slave (allows multi master)		
Maximum Binary Rate	 100 kbit / s standard mode 400 kbit / s fast mode + some new faster modes bus speed is determined by slowest node on bus 		
Voltage Levels	5V reference voltage (but allows also 2V) "0": less than 30% reference voltage "1": more than 70% reference voltage		
Available Signals	0, 1, start, stop		

I²C-Data transmission



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I²C-Applications

• developed for TV sets in the 80s

• between microcontrollers

• pretty much anywhere you need a simple & low-cost connection to a device

Onewire (1-Wire)

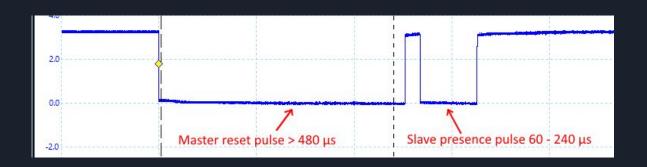
Intro to 1-Wire serial protocol

- Single data line plus ground reference for communication.
- voltage-based digital system
- Parasitically powered
- Salves have unique ID form manufacturer
- Most economical way to add electronic functionality to nonelectronic objects

Onewire-Specifications

Standard	1-Wire	
Network Topology	Bus	
Maximum Devices	Up to 75 devices to one bus	
Maximum Distance	Up to 300 meter	
Mode of Operation	Single master - slave(s) communication	
Maximum Binary Rate	16.3 kbit/s	
Voltage Levels	2.8V (min) to 5.25V (max)	
Available Signals	1-wire output1-wire input	

Onewire-Data transmission



- 1. Master starts a transmission with a reset pulse, he
 wire -> 0 volts
- 2. Slaves shows existence with a "presence" pulse by pulling the line low
- 3. At this point all slave devices on the 1-Wire line are synchronized to a known state.

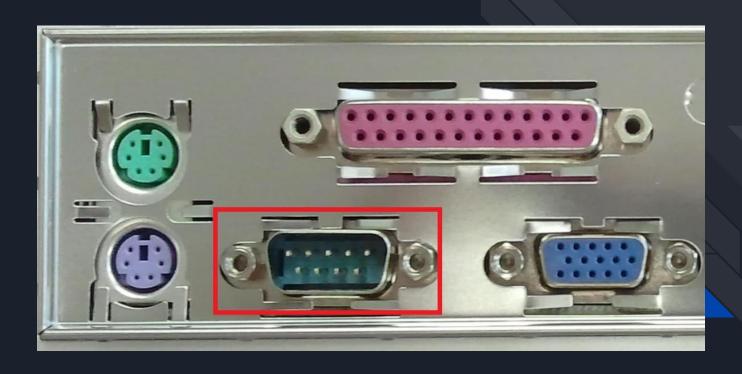
Onewire-Applications

- Identification and authentication
- Delivery of calibration data or manufacturing information
- Rack cards
- Computer accessories
- Protection of IP (e.g., cloning prevention)
- iButtons

RS-232

Better known as Serial port

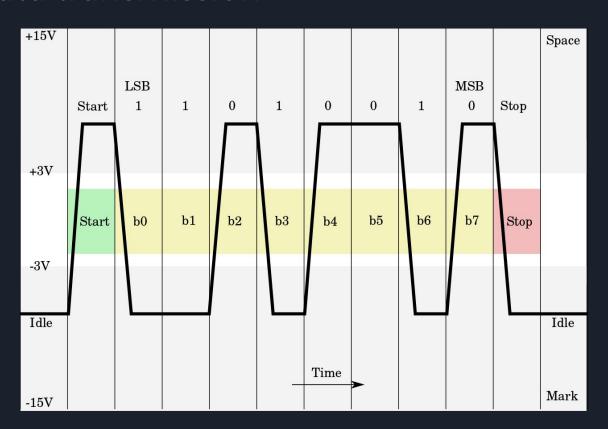
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Specifications

Standard	RS-232		
Physical Media	Straight or Twisted Pair		
Network Topology	Point-to-point		
Maximum Devices	2		
Maximum Distance	15 - 30 m (absolute max 300 m)		
Mode of Operation	Non-differential		
Maximum Binary Rate	50 bit/s - 500.000 bit/s		
Voltage Levels	-3V to -15V and +3V to +15V		
Mark (1)	Negative Voltages		
Space (0)	Positive Voltages		
Available Signals	TxD, TX, TD RxD, RX, RD (Full Duplex)		

Data transmission



Applications

Automation

Receipt Printer, POS

Sensor Data Communication

RS-422

Differences to RS-232

• Symmetrical, unidirectional Data Transmission

• Using differential signals

• On a shared bus for up to 10 receivers

Specifications

Standard	TIA/EIA-422		
Physical Media	Twisted Pair		
Network Topology	Point-to-point, Multi-dropped		
Maximum Devices	10 (1 driver & 10 receivers)		
Maximum Distance	1500 metres		
Mode of Operation	Differential		
Maximum Binary Rate	100 kbit/s - 10 Mbit/s		
Voltage Levels	-6V to +6V (maximum differential Voltage)		
Mark (1)	Negative Voltages		
Space (0)	Positive voltages		
Available Signals	Tx+, Tx-, Rx+, Rx- (Full Duplex)		

Applications

- Early Macintosh computers
 - o Both RS-422 and RS-232 mode available
 - Used to connect peripherals

• Common transport mechanism for RS-232 extenders

RS-485

Differences to RS-422

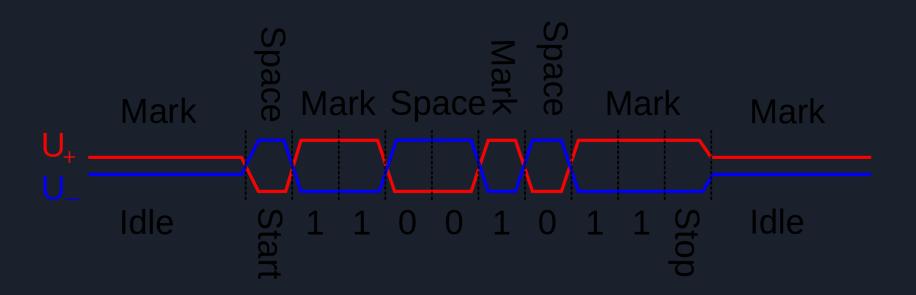
- Three-state-logic
 - o Individual transmitters can be deactivated
 - Implements linear bus topology on two wires

- Master-Slave configuration
 - Master centrally located
 - Slaves provide termination

Specifications

Standard	ANSI/TIA/EIA-485-A-1998		
Physical Media	Balanced interconnecting cable		
Network Topology	Point-to-point, multi-dropped, multi-point		
Maximum Devices	At least 32 unit loads		
Maximum Distance	Not specified		
Mode of Operation	Different receiver levels:		
	binary 1	(OFF) (Voa-Vob < -200 mV)	
	binary 0	(ON) (Voa-Vob > +200 mV)	
Maximum Binary Rate	up to 10 Mbit/s		
Available Signals	A, B, C		

Example transmission



Applications

- SCSI-2 and -3 as physical layer
- Programmable logic controllers
- Factory floors
- Physical layer in many automation protocols (Modbus, Profibus)
- Lighting controllers in theaters
- Building automation
 - Video surveillance system
 - Security control panel interconnection
 - Access control card readers

Thank you for your attention!

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