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Chip Overview

The mbed LPC1768 chip has 26 pins used for digital input and output. All of these pins have other hardware associated with them, so space needed for all-purpose input and output pins can dwindle quickly.

From MCP23S17 datasheet <http://ww1.microchip.com/downloads/en/DeviceDoc/21952b.pdf> (<http://ww1.microchip.com/downloads/en/DeviceDoc/21952b.pdf>).

The MCP23S17 device family provides 16-bit, general purpose parallel I/O expansion for SPI applications. The MCP23X17 consists of multiple 8-bit configuration registers for input, output and polarity selection. The system master can enable the I/Os as either inputs or outputs by writing the I/O configuration bits (IODIRA/B). The data for each input or output is kept in the corresponding input or output register. The polarity of the Input Port register can be inverted with the Polarity Inversion register. All registers can be read by the system master. The 16-bit I/O port functionally consists of two 8-bit ports (PORTA and PORTB). . There are two interrupt pins, INTA and INTB, that can be associated with their respective ports, or can be logically OR'ed together so that both pins will activate if either port causes an interrupt. The interrupt output can be configured to activate under two conditions (mutually exclusive): 1. When any input state differs from its corresponding Input Port register state. This is used to indicate to the system master that an input state has changed. 2. When an input state differs from a preconfigured register value (DEFVAL register). The Interrupt Capture register captures port values at the time of the interrupt, thereby saving the condition that caused the interrupt. The Power-on Reset (POR) sets the registers to their default values and initializes the device state machine. The hardware address pins are used to determine the device address.

Registers

Register Name	Address (hex)	bit 7	bit 6	bit 5	bit 4	bit 3	bit 2	bit 1	bit 0	POR/RST value
IODIRA	00	IO7	IO6	IO5	IO4	IO3	IO2	IO1	IO0	1111 1111
IODIRB	01	IO7	IO6	IO5	IO4	IO3	IO2	IO1	IO0	1111 1111
IPOLA	02	IP7	IP6	IP5	IP4	IP3	IP2	IP1	IP0	0000 0000
IPOLB	03	IP7	IP6	IP5	IP4	IP3	IP2	IP1	IP0	0000 0000
GPINTENA	04	GPINT7	GPINT6	GPINT5	GPINT4	GPINT3	GPINT2	GPINT1	GPINT0	0000 0000
GPINTENB	05	GPINT7	GPINT6	GPINT5	GPINT4	GPINT3	GPINT2	GPINT1	GPINT0	0000 0000
DEFVALA	06	DEF7	DEF6	DEF5	DEF4	DEF3	DEF2	DEF1	DEF0	0000 0000
DEFVALB	07	DEF7	DEF6	DEF5	DEF4	DEF3	DEF2	DEF1	DEF0	0000 0000
INTCONA	08	IOC7	IOC6	IOC5	IOC4	IOC3	IOC2	IOC1	IOC0	0000 0000
INTCONB	09	IOC7	IOC6	IOC5	IOC4	IOC3	IOC2	IOC1	IOC0	0000 0000
IOCON	0A	BANK	MIRROR	SEQOP	DISSLW	HAEN	ODR	INTPOL	—	0000 0000
IOCON	0B	BANK	MIRROR	SEQOP	DISSLW	HAEN	ODR	INTPOL	—	0000 0000
GPPUA	0C	PU7	PU6	PU5	PU4	PU3	PU2	PU1	PU0	0000 0000
GPPUB	0D	PU7	PU6	PU5	PU4	PU3	PU2	PU1	PU0	0000 0000
INTFA	0E	INT7	INT6	INT5	INT4	INT3	INT2	INT1	INT0	0000 0000
INTFB	0F	INT7	INT6	INT5	INT4	INT3	INT2	INT1	INT0	0000 0000
INTCAPA	10	ICP7	ICP6	ICP5	ICP4	ICP3	ICP2	ICP1	ICP0	0000 0000
INTCAPB	11	ICP7	ICP6	ICP5	ICP4	ICP3	ICP2	ICP1	ICP0	0000 0000
GPIOA	12	GP7	GP6	GP5	GP4	GP3	GP2	GP1	GP0	0000 0000
GPIOB	13	GP7	GP6	GP5	GP4	GP3	GP2	GP1	GP0	0000 0000
OLATA	14	OL7	OL6	OL5	OL4	OL3	OL2	OL1	OL0	0000 0000
OLATB	15	OL7	OL6	OL5	OL4	OL3	OL2	OL1	OL0	0000 0000

Register Descriptions

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General information and API for MCP23S17 chip

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1 MCP23S17 -> mbed
2
3 SI      -> p5
4 SO      -> p6
5 SCK     -> p7
6 CS      -> p20
7 Vss     -> 3V
8 Vdd     -> GND
9 A0      -> GND //A0, A1, A2 of the MCP23S17 are tied to ground on the breadboard, so the 8-bit address for
10 A1      -> GND
11 A2      -> GND
12
13 GPA0    -> GPB0 //This will allow testing by writing to A0 from the mbed and then reading B0
14

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Program Files

□ [MCP23S17](#)

Import program (<https://os.mbed.com/ide/import-program//users/romilly/code/MCP23S17/>)

([./users/romilly/code/MCP23S17/](https://os.mbed.com/ide/import-program//users/romilly/code/MCP23S17/)).

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Sample Code

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1 This code will ensure that the chip is working while giving you some insight into the use of the MCP23S17 class
2 and several of the functions within.
3
4 This will alternate writing '1' and '0' to PORT_A[0]
5 PORT_A[0] is hardwired to PORT_B[0]
6 Therefore, reading in PORT_B[0] and letting that value control an LED on the mbed chip should result in a blink

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This demo code taken from http://developer.mbed.org/users/4180_1/code/MCP23S17_Basic_IO_Demo/
(http://developer.mbed.org/users/4180_1/code/MCP23S17_Basic_IO_Demo/).

Simple demo

```

1 /* MCP23S17 - drive the Microchip MCP23S17 16-bit Port Extender using SPI
2 * Copyright (c) 2010 Romilly Cocking
3 * Released under the MIT License: http://mbed.org/license/mit (http://mbed.org/license/mit)
4 *
5 * version 0.4
6 */
7 #include "mbed.h"
8 #include "MCP23S17.h"
9 // Create SPI bus
10 SPI spi(p5, p6, p7);
11 //
12
13 char Opcode = 0x40;
14
15 // Next create a MCP23S17
16 // mbed p20 is connected to ~chipSelect on the MCP23S17
17 MCP23S17 chip = MCP23S17(spi, p20, Opcode);
18
19 DigitalOut led1(LED1); // mbed LED1 is used for test status display
20
21 int main() {
22 //
23 // Set all 8 Port A bits to output direction
24 chip.direction(PORT_A, 0x00);
25 // Set all 8 Port B bits to input direction
26 chip.direction(PORT_B, 0xFF);
27 led1=0;
28 // Start Loopback test sending out and reading back values
29 // loopback test uses A0 and B0 pins - so use a wire to jumper those two pins on MCP23S17 together
30 while (1) {
31 // write 0xAA to MCP23S17 Port A
32 chip.write(PORT_A, 0xAA);
33 wait(.5);
34 // read back value from MCP23S17 Port B and display B0 on mbed led1
35 led1 = chip.read(PORT_B)& 0x01;
36 // write 0x55 to MCP23S17 Port A
37 chip.write(PORT_A, 0x55);
38 wait(.5);
39 // read back value from MCP23S17 Port B and display B0 on mbed led1
40 led1 = chip.read(PORT_B)& 0x01;
41 // led1 should blink slowly when it is all working
42 }
43 }

```

Class and Function Documentation

□ ([./users/Shizler/code/MCP23S17/docs/a461ce77c9a0/classMCP23S17.html](https://os.mbed.com/docs/a461ce77c9a0/classMCP23S17.html)).

Public Member Functions

[MCP23S17\(classMCP23S17.html#a97c1e318d8cdd61f6fbf16985159f334\)](classMCP23S17.html#a97c1e318d8cdd61f6fbf16985159f334) (SPI &spi, PinName ncs, char writeOpcode)

MMCP23S17.

void [direction\(classMCP23S17.html#a645c4d9bc84abf0d7af0a539e220ff5c\)](classMCP23S17.html#a645c4d9bc84abf0d7af0a539e220ff5c) (Port port, char direction)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; direction is 8 bit value to set bits in port; '0' - Output, '1' - Input; Updates IODIRA/B.

void [configurePullUps\(classMCP23S17.html#a93fd6e7d3db433199a35b46834c6056f\)](classMCP23S17.html#a93fd6e7d3db433199a35b46834c6056f) (Port port, char offOrOn)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; offOrOn is 8 bit value to set bit in port; '1' - Pullup enabled, '0' - Pullup disabled; Updates GPPUA/B.

void [interruptEnable\(classMCP23S17.html#a4a993e1561504b3de2534d90c0698c55\)](classMCP23S17.html#a4a993e1561504b3de2534d90c0698c55) (Port port, char interruptsEnabledMask)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; interruptsEnabledMask represents 8 bits in the GPINTEN register; each bit that is set to '1', then it is enabled for Interrupt-on-change; NOTE: defaultValue AND interruptControl MUST BE SETUP FOR THIS TO WORK.

void [interruptPolarity\(classMCP23S17.html#a17e6f7175f80762edb03bd30177169a7\)](classMCP23S17.html#a17e6f7175f80762edb03bd30177169a7) (Polarity polarity)

polarity is 8-bit value used to update IPOLA/B.

void [mirrorInterrupts\(classMCP23S17.html#a486c55a53b6874ac9fc5053c74489256\)](classMCP23S17.html#a486c55a53b6874ac9fc5053c74489256) (bool mirror)

Passing TRUE into this funtion causes an interrupt on either port to cause both pins on both ports to activate; passing in a FALSE causes an interrupt on any port to only activate its respective pin; Updates IOCON[6].

void [defaultValue\(classMCP23S17.html#af628a3d725147437ca6103be29d56167\)](classMCP23S17.html#af628a3d725147437ca6103be29d56167) (Port port, char valuesToCompare)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; valuesToCompare represents 8 bits in either DEFVAL register; these registers will be used by their respective ports for an interrupt-on-change setting i.e.

void [interruptControl\(classMCP23S17.html#af8ba701e13df9091a1f6a231a26856d3\)](classMCP23S17.html#af8ba701e13df9091a1f6a231a26856d3) (Port port, char interruptContolBits)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; interruptContolBits represents 8 bits in INTCON register; '1' - the corresponding I/O pin is compared against the associated bit in the DEFVAL register, '0' - bit value is compared against its previous value.

char [read\(classMCP23S17.html#a9a9d8d05a34cdc783874975b2692bf44\)](classMCP23S17.html#a9a9d8d05a34cdc783874975b2692bf44) (Port port)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; Returns 8 bits from port.

void [write\(classMCP23S17.html#a143de248f59204f9433a56e3c2df7525\)](classMCP23S17.html#a143de248f59204f9433a56e3c2df7525) (Port port, char byte)

Pass PORT_A or PORT_B in for port; Writes 8 bits of byte to port.



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