ACAN library for Teensy 3.1 / 3.2, 3.5, 3.6 Version 1.0.0

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1 Versions

Version	Date	Comment
1.0.0	October 7, 2017	Initial release

2 Features

The ACAN library is a CAN ("Controller Area Network") driver for Teensy 3.x. It has been designed to make it easy to start and to be easily configurable:

- default configuration sends and receives any frame no default filter to provide;
- efficient built-in CAN bit settings computation from user bit rate;

- user can fully define its own CAN bit setting values;
- reception filters are easily defined up to 14 primary filters and 18 secondary filters;
- reception filters accept call back functions;
- driver transmit buffer size is customisable;
- driver receive buffer size is customisable;
- overflow of the driver receive buffer is detectable;
- loop back, self reception, listing only FlexCAN controller modes are selectable.

3 Data flow

The figure 1 illustrates message flow for sending and receiving CAN messages.

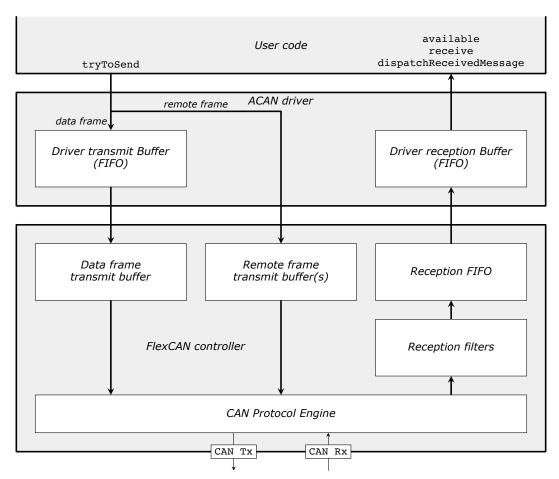


Figure 1 - Message flow in ACAN driver and FlexCAN controller

FlexCAN controller is hardware, a module of the micro-controller. It implements 16 MBs (*Mailboxes* or *Message Buffers*), used for the *data frame transmit buffer*, *remote frame transmit buffer*(s), *reception FIFO* and *reception filters*. The actual partition depends from the selected configuration – see table 1 and section 11 page 12.

		Sending	Sending
settings.mConfiguration	Reception	remote frames	data frames
k8_0_Filters	8 (MB0 MB7)	7 (MB8 MB14)	1 (MB15)
k10_6_Filters	10 (MB0 MB9)	5 (MB10 MB14)	1 (MB15)
k12_12_Filters	12 (MB0 MB11)	3 (MB12 MB14)	1 (MB15)
k14 18 Filters	14 (MB0 MB13)	1 (MB14)	1 (MB15)

Table 1 - FlexCAN MBs assignments, following settings.mConfiguration value

Sending messages. The FlexCAN hardware makes sending data frames different from sending remote frames. For both, user code calls the tryToSend method – see section 8 page 7 for sending data frames, and section 9 page 9 for sending remote frames. The data frames are stored in the *Driver Transmit Buffer*, before to be moved by the message interrupt service routine into the *data frame transmit buffer*. The size of the *Driver Transmit Buffer* is 16 by default – see section 8.2 page 9 for changing the default value.

Receiving messages. The FlexCAN *CAN Protocol Engine* transmits all correct frames to the *reception filters*. By default, they are configured as pass-all, see section 12 page 12 and section 13 page 16 for configuring them. Messages that pass the filters are stored in the *Reception FIFO*. Its depth is not configurable – it is always 6-message. The message interrupt service routine transfers the messages from *Reception FIFO* to the *Driver Receive Buffer*. The size of the *Driver Receive Buffer* is 32 by default – see section 10.1 page 11 for changing the default value. Three user methods are available:

- the available method returns false if the Driver Receive Buffer is empty, and true otherwise;
- the receive method retrieves messages from the *Driver Receive Buffer* see section 10 page 10, section 12.5 page 15 and section 13.5 page 19;
- the dispatchReceivedMessage method if you have defined primary and / or secondary filters that name a call-back function see section 14 page 20.

Sequentiality. The ACAN driver and the configuration of the FlexCAN controller ensures sequentiality of data messages. This means that if an user program calls tryToSend first for a message M_1 and then for a message M_2 , the message M_1 will be always retrieved by receive or dispatchReceivedMessage before the message M_2 .

4 A simple example: LoopBackDemo

The following code is a sample code for introducing the ACAN library. It runs on Teensy 3.1 / 3.2, Teensy 3.5 and Teensy 3.6. It demonstrates how to configure the driver, to send a CAN message, and to receive a CAN message.

Note it runs without any external hardware, it uses the *loop back* mode and the *self reception* mode.

```
#include <ACAN.h>

void setup () {
   Serial.begin (9600);
   Serial.println ("Hello");
   ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000); // 125 kbit/s
   settings.mLoopBackMode = true;
   settings.mSelfReceptionMode = true;
```

```
9
      const uint32 t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
10
      if (0 == errorCode) {
11
       Serial.println ("ACAN::can0⊔ok");
12
      }else{
        Serial.print ("Error_ACAN::can0:_0x");
13
14
        Serial.println (errorCode, HEX) ;
15
   }
16
17
18
   static unsigned gSendDate = 0 ;
19
   static unsigned gSentCount = 0 ;
20
   static unsigned gReceivedCount = 0 ;
21
22 | void loop () {
23
     CANMessage message ;
     if (gSendDate < millis ()) {</pre>
24
25
       message.id = 0x542;
26
       const bool ok = ACAN::can0.tryToSend (message) ;
27
        if (ok) {
28
          gSendDate += 2000 ;
29
          gSentCount += 1 ;
30
         Serial.print ("Sent:");
31
          Serial.println (gSentCount) ;
32
        }
33
      }
34
      if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) {
35
        gReceivedCount += 1 ;
36
        Serial.print ("Received:");
37
        Serial.println (gReceivedCount);
38
   }
39
```

Line 1. This line includes the ACAN library.

Line 6. Configuration is a four-step operation. This line is the first step. It instanciates the settings object of the ACANSettings class. The constructor has one parameter: the wished CAN bit rate. It returns a settings object fully initialized with CAN bit settings for the wished bit rate, and default values for other configuration properties.

Lines 7 and 8. This is the second step. You can override the values of the properties of settings object. Here, the mLoopBackMode and mSelfReceptionMode properties are set to true – they are false by default. Theses two properties fully enables *loop back*, that is you can run this demo sketch even it you have no connection to a physical CAN network. The section 17 page 26 lists all properties you can override.

Line 9. This is the third step, configuration of the ACAN::can0 driver with settings values. You cannot change the ACAN::can0 name - see section 6 page 7. The driver is configured for being able to send any (standard / extended, data / remote) frame, and to receive all (standard / extended, data / remote) frames. If you want to define reception filters, see section 12 page 12 and section 13 page 16.

Lines 10 to 15. Last step: the configuration of the ACAN::can0 driver returns an error code, stored in the errorCode constant. It has the value 0 if all is ok – see section 15.2 page 22.

Line 18. The gSendDate global variable is used for sending a CAN message every 2 s.

Line 19. The gsentCount global variable counts the number of sent messages.

- **Line 20.** The gReceivedCount global variable counts the number of received messages.
- **Line 23.** The message object is fully initialized by the default constructor, it represents a standard data frame, with an identifier equal to 0, and without any data see section 5 page 6.
- **Line 24.** It tests if it is time to send a message.
- **Line 25.** Set the message identifier. In a real code, we set here message data, and for an extended frame the ext boolean property.
- **Line 26.** We try to send the data message. Actually, we try to transfer it into the *Driver transmit buffer*. The transfer succeeds if the buffer is not full. The tryToSend method returns false if the buffer is full, and true otherwise. Note the returned value only tells if the transfer into the *Driver transmit buffer* is successful or not: we have no way to know if the frame is actually sent on the the CAN network.
- **Lines 27 to 32.** We act the successfull transfer by setting gSendDate to the next send date and incrementing the gSentCount variable. Note if the transfer did fail, the send date is not changed, so the tryToSend method will be called on the execution of the loop function.
- **Line 34.** As the FlexCAN controller is configured in *loop back* mode (see lines 7 and 8), all sent messages are received. The receive method returns false if no message is available from the *driver reception buffer*. It returns true if a message has been successfully removed from the *driver reception buffer*. This message is assigned to the message object.
- Lines 35 to 37. It a message has been received, the gReceivedCount is incremented ans displayed.

5 The CANMessage class

A *CAN message* is an object that contains all CAN frame user informations. All properties are initialized by default, and represent a standard data frame, with an identifier equal to 0, and without any data.

```
class CANMessage {
  public : uint32_t id = 0 ; // Frame identifier
  public : bool ext = false ; // false -> standard frame, true -> extended
  public : bool rtr = false ; // false -> data frame, true -> remote frame
  public : uint8_t idx = 0 ;
  public : uint8_t len = 0 ; // Length of data
  public : union {
    #ifdef __UINT64_TYPE__
        uint64_t data64 ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    #endif
    uint32_t data32 [2] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint16_t data16 [4] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint8_t data [8] = {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0} ;
  };
};
```

Note the message datas are defined by an **union**. So message datas can be seen as height bytes, four 16-bits unsigned integers, two 32-bits, or one 64-bits. Be aware that multi-byte integers are subject to endianness (Cortex M4 processors of Teensy 3.x are little-endian).

The idx property is not used in CAN frames, but:

• for a received message, it contains the acceptance filter index (see section 12.5 page 15 and

```
section 13.5 page 19);
```

• it is not used on sending messages.

6 Driver instances

Driver instances are global variables. You cannot choose their names, they are defined by the library.

Teensy	Driver name
Teensy 3.1 / 3.2	ACAN::can0
Teensy 3.5	ACAN::can0
Teensy 3.6	ACAN::can0, ACAN::can1

Table 2 - Driver global variables

Code snippets in this document uses ACAN::can0. They also apply to ACAN::can1 of Teensy 3.6.

Note. Drivers variables are ACAN class static properties. This choice may seem strange. However, a common error is to declare its own driver variable:

```
ACAN myCAN ; // Don't do that, it is an error !!!
```

Declaring drivers variables as ACAN class static properties¹ enables the compiler to raise an error if you try to declare your own driver variable.

7 Alternate pins

For using alternate pins, just set mUseAlternateTxPin and / or mUseAlternateRxPin properties of settings object:

```
ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
settings.mUseAlternateRxPin = true;
settings.mUseAlternateTxPin = true;
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
```

By default, theses properties are set to false. The following table lists default and alternate pins. Note that ACAN::can1 does not support alternate pins. Trying to set alternate pin for ACAN::can1 raises error bits in the value returned by begin (see section 15 page 21).

	Driver	Default	Alternate	Default	Alternate
Teensy	name	Tx pin	Tx pin	Rx pin	Rx pin
Teensy 3.1 / 3.2	ACAN::can0	3	32	4	25
Teensy 3.5	ACAN::can0	3	29	4	30
Teensy 3.6	ACAN::can0	3	29	4	30
Teensy 3.6	ACAN::can1	33	No alternate Tx pin	34	No alternate Rx pin

Table 3 - Alternate CAN Tx and Rx pins

8 Sending data frames

Note. This section applies only to data frames. For sending remote frames, see section 9 page 9.

¹The ACAN constructor is declared private.

8.1 tryToSend for sending data frames

Call the method tryToSend for sending data frames; it returns:

- true if the message has been successfully transmitted to driver transmit buffer; note that does not mean that the CAN frame has been actually sent;
- false if the message has not been successfully transmitted to driver transmit buffer, it was full.

So it is wise to systematically test the returned value. One way to achieve this is to loop while there is no room in driver transmit buffer:

```
while (!ACAN::can0.tryToSend (message)) {
  yield ();
}
```

A better way is to use a global variable to note if message has been successfully transmitted to driver transmit buffer. For example, for sending a message every 2 seconds:

```
static unsigned gSendDate = 0 ;

void loop () {
   CANMessage message ;
   if (gSendDate < millis ()) {
      // Initialize message properties
      const bool ok = ACAN::can0.tryToSend (message) ;
      if (ok) {
            gSendDate += 2000 ;
        }
    }
}</pre>
```

An other hint to use a global boolean variable as a flag that remains true while the frame has not been sent.

```
static bool gSendMessage = false ;

void loop () {
    ...
    if (frame_should_be_sent) {
        gSendMessage = true ;
    }
    ...
    if (gSendMessage) {
        CANMessage message ;
        // Initialize message properties
        const bool ok = ACAN::can0.tryToSend (message) ;
        if (ok) {
            gSendMessage = false ;
        }
    }
    ...
}
```

8.2 Driver transmit buffer size

By default, driver transmit buffer size is 16. You can change this default value by setting the mTransmitBufferSize property of settings variable:

```
ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
settings.mTransmitBufferSize = 30;
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
...
```

As the size of CANMessage class is 16 bytes, the actual size of the driver transmit buffer is the value of settings.mTransmitBufferSize * 16.

8.3 The transmitBufferSize method

The transmitBufferSize method returns the size of the driver transmit buffer, that is the value of settings.mTransmitBufferSize.

```
const uint32_t s = ACAN::can0.transmitBufferSize () ;
```

8.4 The transmitBufferCount method

The transmitBufferCount method returns the current number of messages in the transmit buffer.

```
const uint32_t n = ACAN::can0.transmitBufferCount () ;
```

8.5 The transmitBufferPeakCount method

The transmitBufferPeakCount method returns the peak value of message count in the transmit buffer.

```
const uint32_t max = ACAN::can0.transmitBufferPeakCount () ;
```

Il the transmit buffer is full when tryToSend is called, the return value is false. In such case, the following calls of transmitBufferPeakCount will return transmitBufferSize ()+1.

So, when transmitBufferPeakCount returns a value lower or equal to transmitBufferSize (), it means that calls to tryToSend have always returned true.

9 Sending remote frames

Note. This section applies only to **remote** frames. For sending data frames, see section 8 page 7.

The hardware design of the FlexCAN module makes sending remote frames different from data frames.

However, for sending remote frames, you also invoke the tryToSend method. This method understands if a remote frame should be sent, the rtr property of its argument is set (it is cleared by default, denoting a data frame).

```
CanMessage message ;
message.rtr = true ; // Remote frame
...
const bool sent = ACAN::can0.tryToSend (message) ;
...
```

The FlexCAN module embedded in Teensy 3.x microcontrollers implements 16 *mailboxes*, for sending and receiving CAN frames. Following the settings.mConfiguration, it allocates 7, 5, 3 or 1 MBs for sending remote frames, as indicating by the table 4 page 12. By default, settings.mConfiguration is set to k12_12_Filters, as remote frames are rarely needed.

10 Retrieving received messages using the receive method

There are two ways for retrieving received messages:

- using the receive method, as explained in this section;
- using the dispatchReceivedMessage method (see section 14 page 20).

This is a basic example:

```
void setup () {
    ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000) ;
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings) ; // No receive filter
    ...
}

void loop () {
    CANMessage message ;
    if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) {
        // Handle received message
    }
}
```

The receive method:

- returns false if the driver receive buffer is empty, message argument is not modified;
- returns true if a message has been has been removed from the driver receive buffer, and the message argument is assigned.

You need to manually dispatch the received messages. If you did not provide any receive filter, you should check the rtr bit (remote or data frame?), the ext bit (standard or extended frame), and the id (identifier value). The following snippet dispatches three messages:

```
void setup () {
   ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
   ...
   const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings); // No receive filter
   ...
}
void loop () {
   CANMessage message;
```

```
if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) {
   if (!message.rtr && message.ext && (message.id == 0x123456)) {
     handle_myMessage_0 (message); // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456
   }else if (!message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x234)) {
     handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
   }else if (message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x542)) {
     handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
   }
   }
}
```

The handle myMessage 0 function has the following header:

```
void handle_myMessage_0 (const CANMessage & inMessage) {
    ...
}
```

So are the header of the handle_myMessage_1 and the handle_myMessage_2 functions.

10.1 Driver receive buffer size

By default, the driver receive buffer size is 32. You can change this default value by setting the mReceiveBufferSize property of settings variable:

```
ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
settings.mReceiveBufferSize = 100;
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
...
```

As the size of CANMessage class is 16 bytes, the actual size of the driver receive buffer is the value of settings.mReceiveBufferSize * 16.

10.2 The receiveBufferSize method

The receiveBufferSize method returns the size of the driver receive buffer, that is the value of settings.mReceiveBufferSize.

```
const uint32_t s = ACAN::can0.receiveBufferSize () ;
```

10.3 The receiveBufferCount method

The receiveBufferCount method returns the current number of messages in the driver receive buffer.

```
const uint32_t n = ACAN::can0.receiveBufferCount () ;
```

10.4 The receiveBufferPeakCount method

The receiveBufferPeakCount method returns the peak value of message count in the driver receive buffer.

```
const uint32_t max = ACAN::can0.receiveBufferPeakCount ();
```

Note the driver receive buffer may overflow, if messages are not retrieved (by calls of receive or dispatchReceivedMessage methods). If an overflow occurs, further calls of ACAN::can0.receiveBufferPeakCount () return ACAN::can0.receiveBufferSize ()+1.

11 Configuration

The mconfiguration property of the settings variable defines the FlexCAN module configuration – see table 4. By default, its value is ACANSettings::k12 12 Filters.

You can easily override the default configuration:

```
void setup () {
   ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
   settings.mConfiguration = ACANSettings::k14_18_Filters;
   const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings); // No receive filter
   ...
}
```

settings.mConfiguration	Primary filters	Secondary filters	MB for sending remote frames
	section 12 page 12	section 13 page 16	section 9 page 9
k8_0_Filters	8	0	7
k10_6_Filters	10	6	5
k12_12_Filters	12	12	3
k14_18_Filters	14	18	1

Table 4 - FlexCAN configuration, following settings.mConfiguration value

12 Primary filters

A first step is to define *receive filters*². The *receive filters* are set to the FlexCAN module, so filtering is performed by hardware, without any CPU charge. The messages that pass the filters are transfered into the FlexCAN RxFIFO by the FlexCAN module, and transfered info the driver receive buffer by the driver. So the receive method only gets messages that have passed the filters.

The driver lets you to define two kinds of filters: *primary filters* and *secondary filters*³. Making the difference is required by FlexCAN hardware design: *primary filters* are more powerfull than *secondary filters*.

12.1 Primary filter example

For defining *primary filters*⁴, you write:

```
void setup () {
   ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000) ;
   ...
   const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
```

²The second step is to use the dispatchReceivedMessage method instead of the receive method, see section 14 page 20.

³The *primary filters* and *secondary filters* terms are used in this document for simplicity. FlexCAN documentation names them respectively *Rx FIFO filter Table Elements Affected by Rx Individual Masks* and *Rx FIFO filter Table Elements Affected by Rx FIFO Global Mask*.

⁴For secondary filters, see section 13 page 16.

```
// Filter #1
   ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234),
   ACANPrimaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542)
                                                  // Filter #2
 } ;
 const uint32 t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings,
                                              primaryFilters, // The filter array
                                              3); // Filter array size
}
void loop () {
 CANMessage message ;
 if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) { // Only frames that pass a filter are retrieved
   if (!message.rtr && message.ext && (message.id == 0x123456)) {
     handle_myMessage_0 (message); // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456
   }else if (!message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x234)) {
     handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
   }else if (message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x542)) {
     handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
   }
 }
```

Each element of the primaryFilters constant array defines an acceptance filter. Should be specified⁵:

- the required kind: data frames (kData) or remote frames (kRemote);
- the required format: standard frames (kStandard) or extended frames (kExtended);
- the required identifier value.

Maximum number of *primary filters.* The number of *primary filters* is limited: 12 by default, as the default value of settings.mConfiguration is ACANSettings::k12_12_Filters. See section 11 page 12 for getting the number of *primary filters* for each configuration, and for setting your own configuration.

Test order. The FlexCAN hardware examines the filters in the increasing order of their indexes in the primaryFilters constant array. As soon as a match occurs, the message is transferred to Rx FIFO buffer and the examination process is completed. If no match occurs, the message is lost.

A consequence is if a filter appears twice, the second occurrence will never match. In the next example, the Filter #3 will never match, as it is identical to filter #1.

```
void setup () {
    ...
    const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542), // Filter #2
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234) // Filter #3
    };
    ...
}
```

⁵There is a fourth optional argument, that is NULL by default – see section 14 page 20.

12.2 Primary filter as pass-all filter

You can specify a primary filter that matches any frame:

```
ACANPrimaryFilter ()
```

You can use it for accepting all frames that did not match previous filters:

```
void setup () {
...
const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
    ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
    ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
    ACANPrimaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542), // Filter #2
    ACANPrimaryFilter () // Filter #3
}; // Filter #3 catches any message that did not match filters #0, #1 and #2
...
}
```

Be aware if the pass-all filter is not the last one, following ones will never match.

```
void setup () {
    ...
    const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
        ACANPrimaryFilter (), // Filter #2
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542) // Filter #3
    } ; // Filter #3 will never match
    ...
}
```

12.3 Primary filter for matching several identifiers

A primary filter can be configured for matching several identifiers⁶. You provide two values: a filter mask and a filter acceptance. A message with an identifier is accepted if:

```
filter_mask \& identifier = filter_acceptance
```

The & operator is the bit-wise and operator.

Let's take an example: the filter should match standard data frames with identifiers equal to 0x540, 0x541, 0x542 and 0x543. The four identifiers differs by the two lower bits. As a standard identifiers are 11-bits wide, the filter mask is 0x7Fc. The filter acceptance is 0x540. The filter is declared by:

```
ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, // Accept only data frames kStandard, // Accept only standard frames 0x7FC, // Filter mask 0x540) // Filter acceptance ...
}
```

For a standard frame (11-bit identifier), both filter_mask and a filter_acceptance should be lower or equal to 0x7FF.

⁶A secondary filter cannot be configured for matching several identifiers.

For a extended frame (29-bit identifier), both filter_mask and a filter_acceptance should be lower or equal to 0x1FFF FFFF.

Be aware that the filter_mask and a filter_acceptance must also conform to the following constraint: if a bit is clear in the filter_mask, the corresponding bit of the filter_acceptance should also be clear. In other words, filter_mask and a filter_acceptance should check:

```
filter mask & filter acceptance = filter acceptance
```

For example, the filter mask 0x7FC and the filter acceptance 0x541 do not conform because the bit 0 of filter mask is clear and the bit 0 of the filter acceptance is set.

A non conform filter never matches.

12.4 Primary filter conformance

The pass-all primary filter (section 12.2 page 14) always conforms.

For a primary filter for matching several identifiers, see section 12.3 page 14.

For a primary filter for one single identifier:

- for a standard frame (11-bit identifier), the given identifier value should be lower or equal to 0x7FF;
- for a extended frame (29-bit identifier), the given identifier value should be lower or equal to 0x1FFF FFFF.

If one or more primary filters do not conform, the execution of the begin method returns an error – see table 5 page 22.

12.5 The receive method revisited

The receive method retrieves a received message. When you define primary filters, the value of the idx property of the message is the matching filter index. For example:

```
void setup () {
    ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000) ;
    ...
    const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542) // Filter #2
    };
    const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings, primaryFilters, 3);
    ...
}

void loop () {
    CANMessage message ;
    if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) { // Only frames that pass a filter are retrieved switch (message.idx) {
        case 0:
            handle_myMessage_0 (message) ; // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456
```

```
break;
case 1:
    handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
    break;
case 2:
    handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
    break;
default:
    break;
}
...
}
```

An improvement is to use the dispatchReceivedMessage method - see section 14 page 20.

13 Secondary filters

Depending from the configuration, you can define several secondary filters – see table 4 page 12.

13.1 Secondary filters, without primary filter

This is an example without primary filter, and with secondary filters:

```
void setup () {
 ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
 const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234),
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542)
  const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings,
                                              NULL, 0, // No primary filter
                                              secondaryFilters, // The filter array
                                              3); // Filter array size
void loop () {
  CANMessage message ;
  if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) { // Only frames that pass a filter are retrieved
    if (!message.rtr && message.ext && (message.id == 0x123456)) {
     handle_myMessage_0 (message); // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456
    }else if (!message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x234)) {
     handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
    }else if (message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x542)) {
      handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
 }
```

Each element of the secondaryFilters constant array defines an acceptance filter. Should be spec-

ified7:

- the required kind: data frames (kData) or remote frames (kRemote);
- the required format: standard frames (kStandard) or extended frames (kExtended);
- the required identifier value.

Maximum number of secondary filters. The number of secondary filters is limited: 12 by default, as the default value of settings.mConfiguration is ACANSettings::k12_12_Filters. See section 11 page 12 for getting the number of primary filters for each configuration, and for changing default value.

Test order. The FlexCAN hardware examines the filters in the increasing order of their indexes in the secondaryFilters constant array. As soon as a match occurs, the message is transferred to Rx FIFO buffer and the examination process is completed. If no match occurs, the message is lost.

A consequence is if a filter appears twice, the second occurrence will never match.

13.2 Primary and secondary filters

This is an example with one primary filter, and two secondary filters:

```
void setup () {
  ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
 const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
   ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
 } ;
 const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234),
                                                      // Filter #1
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542)
                                                      // Filter #2
 const uint32 t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings,
                                                primaryFilters,
                                                1, // Primary filter array size
                                                secondaryFilters,
                                                2); // Secondary filter array size
void loop () {
 CANMessage message ;
 if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) { // Only frames that pass a filter are retrieved
    if (!message.rtr && message.ext && (message.id == 0x123456)) {
     handle\_myMessage\_0 \ (message) \ ; \ // \ Extended \ data \ frame, \ id \ is \ 0x123456
    }else if (!message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x234)) {
      handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
    }else if (message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x542)) {
      handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
 }
```

Test order. The FlexCAN hardware performs sequentially:

 $^{^7}$ There is a fourth optional argument, that is NULL by default – see section 14 page 20.

- testing the primary filters in the increasing order of their indexes in the primaryFilters constant array;
- as soon as a match with a primary filter occurs, the message is transferred to Rx FIFO buffer and the examination process is completed;
- if no match occurs, testing the secondary filters in the increasing order of their indexes in the secondaryFilters constant array;
- as soon as a match with a secondary filter occurs, the message is transferred to Rx FIFO buffer and the examination process is completed;
- if no match occurs, the message is lost.

A consequence is if a filter appears twice, the second occurrence will never match. If a secondary filter matches the same message that a primary filter, the secondary filter will never match.

13.3 Secondary filter as pass-all filter

You can specify a secondary filter that matches any frame:

```
ACANSecondaryFilter ()
```

You can use it for accepting all frames that did not match previous filters:

```
void setup () {
...
const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
    ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
    ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
    ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542), // Filter #2
    ACANSecondaryFilter () // Filter #3
}; // Filter #3 catches any message that did not match filters #0, #1 and #2
...
}
```

Be aware if the pass-all filter is not the last one, following ones will never match.

```
void setup () {
    ...
    const ACANSecondaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
        ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
        ACANSecondaryFilter (), // Filter #2
        ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542) // Filter #3
    }; // Filter #3 will never match
    ...
}
```

If you use a primary pass-all filter, secondary filters will never match:

```
void setup () {
    ...
    const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456) // Filter #0
        ACANPrimaryFilter (), // Filter #1 - pass-all
    };
```

```
const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter never matches
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542) // Filter never matches
};
...
```

13.4 Secondary filter conformance

The pass-all secondary filter (section 13.3 page 18) always conforms.

For a standard frame (11-bit identifier), a secondary filter definition is conform if the given identifier value is lower or equal to 0x7FF.

For a extended frame (29-bit identifier), a secondary filter definition is conform if the given identifier value is lower or equal to 0x1FFF FFFF.

13.5 The receive method revisited

The receive method retrieves a received message. When you define primary and secondary filters, the value of the <code>idx</code> property of the <code>message</code> is the matching filter index. Filters are numbering from 0, starting by the first element of the first primary filter array until the last one, and continuing from the first element of the secondary filter array, until its last element. So the the <code>idx</code> property of the <code>message</code> can be used for dispatching the received message:

```
void setup () {
 ACANSettings settings (125 * 1000);
 const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
   ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456), // Filter #0
  const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234),
                                                     // Filter #1
   ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542) // Filter #2
  const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings,
                                               primaryFilters, 1,
                                               secondaryFilters, 2);
}
void loop () {
 CANMessage message ;
 if (ACAN::can0.receive (message)) { // Only frames that pass a filter are retrieved
    switch (message.idx) {
   case 0:
     handle_myMessage_0 (message); // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456
     break :
     handle_myMessage_1 (message); // Standard data frame, id is 0x234
     break ;
    case 2:
     handle_myMessage_2 (message); // Standard remote frame, id is 0x542
    default:
```

```
break ;
}
...
}
```

An improvement is to use the dispatchReceivedMessage method - see section 14 page 20.

14 The dispatchReceivedMessage method

The last improvement is to call the dispatchReceivedMessage method – do not call the receive method any more. You can use it if you have defined primary and / or secondary filters that name a call-back function.

The primary and secondary filter constructors have as a last argument a call back function pointer. It defaults to NULL, so until now the code snippets do not use it.

For enabling the use of the dispatchReceivedMessage method, you add to each filter definition as last argument the function that will handle the message. In the loop function, call the dispatchReceivedMessage method: it dispatches the messages to the call back functions.

The dispatchReceivedMessage method handles one message at a time. More precisely:

- if it returns false, the driver receive buffer was empty;
- if it returns true, the driver receive buffer was not empty, one message has been removed and dispatched.

So, the return value can used for emptying and dispatching all received messages:

```
void loop () {
  while (ACAN::can0.dispatchReceivedMessage ()) {
  }
  ...
}
```

If a filter definition does not name a call back function, the corresponding messages are lost. In the code below, filter #1 does not name a call back function, standard data frames with identifier 0×234 are lost.

```
void setup () {
    ...
    const ACANPrimaryFilter primaryFilters [] = {
        ACANPrimaryFilter (kData, kExtended, 0x123456, handle_myMessage_0)
    };
    const ACANSecondaryFilter secondaryFilters [] = {
        ACANSecondaryFilter (kData, kStandard, 0x234), // Filter #1
        ACANSecondaryFilter (kRemote, kStandard, 0x542, handle_myMessage_2)
    };
    ...
}
```

The dispatchReceivedMessage method has an optional argument – NULL by default: a function name. This function is called for every message that pass the receive filters, with an argument equal to the matching filter index:

```
void filterMatchFunction (const uint32_t inFilterIndex) {
    ...
}

void loop () {
    ACAN::can0.dispatchReceivedMessage (filterMatchFunction);
    ...
}
```

You can use this function for maintaining statitistics about receiver filter matches.

15 The begin method reference

15.1 The begin method prototype

The begin method prototype is:

The four last arguments have default values.

Omitting the last argument makes no secondary filter is defined:

Omitting the last two arguments makes no secondary filter is defined:

```
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings, primaryFilters, primaryFilterCount);
```

Omitting the last three or the last four arguments makes no primary and no secondary filter is defined – so any (data / remote, standard / extended) frame is received:

```
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings, primaryFilters);
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
```

15.2 The error code

The begin method returns an error code. The value 0 denotes no error. Otherwise, you consider every bit as an error flag, as described in table 5. An error code could report several errors.

Error Codes								Comment	Link	
31 – 7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0			
0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No error		
0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	CAN Bit setting configuration error	section 15.3 page 22	
0 0	x	x	x	х	x	1	0	Too much primary filters	section 15.4 page 23	
0 0	х	x	x	x	1	x	0	Primary filter conformance error	section 15.5 page 23	
0 0	x	х	х	1	х	х	0	Too much secondary filters	section 15.6 page 23	
0 0	x	х	1	х	х	х	0	Secondary filter conformance error	section 15.7 page 23	
0 0	x	1	х	х	х	х	0	ACAN::can1 has no Tx alternate pin	section 15.8 page 23	
0 0	1	х	х	х	х	х	0	ACAN::can1 has no Rx alternate pin	section 15.9 page 23	

Table 5 - The begin method error codes

The ACAN class defines bit error masks as public static constant properties:

```
public: static const uint32_t kCANBitConfigurationErrorMask = (1 << 0);
public: static const uint32_t kTooMuchPrimaryFiltersErrorMask = (1 << 1);
public: static const uint32_t kNotConformPrimaryFilterErrorMask = (1 << 2);
public: static const uint32_t kTooMuchSecondaryFiltersErrorMask = (1 << 3);
public: static const uint32_t kNotConformSecondaryFilterErrorMask = (1 << 4);
public: static const uint32_t kNoAlternateTxPinForCanlErrorMask = (1 << 5);
public: static const uint32_t kNoAlternateRxPinForCanlErrorMask = (1 << 6);</pre>
```

For example, you can write:

15.3 CAN Bit setting configuration error

This error is raised when the mBitSettingOk of the settings object is false. This means that the ACANSettings constructor cannot compute the CAN bit setting for the given bit rate. When the begin is called with settings.mBitSettingOk false, this error is reported. For example:

```
void setup () {
   ACANSettings settings (1); // 1 bit/s !!!
   // here, settings.mBitSettingOk is false
```

```
const uint32_t errorCode = ACAN::can0.begin (settings);
// here, errorCode is equal to ACAN::kCANBitConfigurationErrorMask, i.e. 1
}
```

This error is a fatal error, the driver and the FlexCAN module are not configured. See section 16 page 23 for a discussion about CAN bit setting computation.

15.4 Too much primary filters error

The number of *primary filters* is limited. See section 11 page 12 for getting the number of *primary filters* for each configuration, and for changing default value.

15.5 Primary filters conformance error

One or several primary filters do not conform: see section 12.4 page 15. Comment out primary filter definitions until finding the faultly definition.

15.6 Too much secondary filters error

The number of *secondary filters* is limited. See section 11 page 12 for getting the number of *secondary filters* for each configuration, and for changing default value.

15.7 Secondary filter conformance error

One or several secondary filters do not conform: see section 13.4 page 19. Comment out secondary filter definitions until finding the faultly definition.

15.8 No alternate Tx pin error

In the Teensy 3.6, ACAN::can1 does not support alternate Tx pin.

15.9 No alternate Rx pin error

In the Teensy 3.6, ACAN::can1 does not support alternate Rx pin.

16 Computing the CAN bit settings

The constructor of the ACANSettings has one mandatory argument: the wished bit rate. It tries to compute the CAN bit settings for this bit rate. If it succeeds, the constructed object has its mBitSettingOk property set to true, otherwise it is set to false. For example:

```
void setup () {
   ACANSettings settings (1 * 1000 * 1000) ; // 1 Mbit/s
   // Here, settings.mBitSettingOk is true
   ...
}
```

Of course, CAN bit computation always succeeds for classical bit rates: 1 Mbit/s, 500 kbit/s, 250 kbit/s, 125 kbit/s. But CAN bit computation can also succeed for an unusual bit rate, as 842 kbit/s. You can check the result by computing actual bit rate, and the distance from the wished bit rate:

```
void setup () {
    Serial.begin (9600);
    ACANSettings settings (842 * 1000); // 842 kbit/s
    Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:");
    Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk); // 1 (--> is true)
    Serial.print ("actual_bit_rate:");
    Serial.println (settings.actualBitRate ()); // 842105 bit/s
    Serial.print ("distance:");
    Serial.println (settings.ppmFromWishedBitRate ()); // 124 ppm
    ...
}
```

The actual bit rate is 842,105 bit/s, and its distance from wished bit rate is 124 ppm. "ppm" stands for "part-per-million", and 1 ppm = 10^{-6} . In other words, 10,000 ppm = 1%.

By default, a wished bit rate is accepted if the distance from the computed actual bit rate is lower or equal to $1,000~{\rm ppm}=0.1$ %. You can change this default value by adding your own value as second argument of ACANSettings constructor:

```
void setup () {
    Serial.begin (9600);
    ACANSettings settings (842 * 1000, 100); // 842 kbit/s, max distance is 100 ppm
    Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:");
    Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk); // 0 (--> is false)
    Serial.print ("actual_bit_rate:");
    Serial.println (settings.actualBitRate ()); // 842105 bit/s
    Serial.print ("distance:");
    Serial.println (settings.ppmFromWishedBitRate ()); // 124 ppm
    ...
}
```

This argument does not change the CAN bit computation, it only changes the acceptance test. For example, you can specify that you want the computed actual bit to be exactly the wished bit rate:

```
void setup () {
   Serial.begin (9600);
   ACANSettings settings (500 * 1000, 0); // 500 kbit/s, max distance is 0 ppm
   Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:u");
   Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk); // 1 (--> is true)
   Serial.print ("actual_bit_rate:u");
   Serial.println (settings.actualBitRate ()); // 500,000 bit/s
   Serial.print ("distance:u");
   Serial.println (settings.ppmFromWishedBitRate ()); // 0 ppm
   ...
}
```

The fastest exact bit rate is 3,2 Mbit/s. It works when the FlexCAN module is configured in both *loop back* mode (section 17.3 page 27) and *self reception* mode (section 17.2 page 27). Note bit rates above 1 Mbit/s do not conform to the ISO-11898; CAN transceivers as MCP2551 require the bit rate lower or equal to 1 Mbit/s.

The slowest exact bit rate is 2.5 kbit/s. Note many CAN transceivers as the MCP2551 provide "detection of ground fault (permanent Dominant) on TXD input". For example, the MCP2551 constraints the bit rate to be greater or equal to 16 kbit/s. If you want to work with slower bit rates and you need a transceiver, use one without this detection, as the PCA82C250.

In any way, the bit rate computation always gives an actual bit rate closest from the wished bit rate. For example:

```
void setup () {
    Serial.begin (9600);
    ACANSettings settings (440 * 1000); // 440 kbit/s
    Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:");
    Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk); // 0 (--> is false)
    Serial.print ("actual_bit_rate:");
    Serial.println (settings.actualBitRate ()); // 444,444 bit/s
    Serial.print ("distance:");
    Serial.println (settings.ppmFromWishedBitRate ()); // 10,100 ppm
    ...
}
```

You can get the details of the CAN bit decomposition. For example:

```
void setup () {
  Serial.begin (9600);
  ACANSettings settings (500 * 1000); // 500 kbit/s
  Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:□") ;
  Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk) ; // 1 (--> is true)
  Serial.print ("Biturateuprescaler:");
  Serial.println (settings.mBitRatePrescaler) ; // BRP = 2
  Serial.print ("Propagation_segment:_");
  Serial.println (settings.mPropagationSegment) ; // PropSeg = 5
  Serial.print ("Phase_segment_1:");
  Serial.println (settings.mPhaseSegment1) ; // PS1 = 5
  Serial.print ("Phase_segment_2:");
  Serial.println (settings.mPhaseSegment2) ; // PS2 = 5
  Serial.print ("Resynchronization_Jump_Width:_");
  Serial.println (settings.mRJW) ; // RJW = 4
  Serial.print ("Sample_Point:__");
  Serial.println (settings.samplePointFromBitStart ()); // 68, meaning 68%
```

The samplePointFromBitStart method returns sample point, expressed in per-cent of the bit duration from the beginning of the bit.

You can change the property values for adapting to the particularities of your CAN network propagation time. By example, you can increment the mPhaseSegment1 value, and decrement the mPhaseSegment2 value in order to sample the CAN Rx pin later.

```
void setup () {
    Serial.begin (9600);
    ACANSettings settings (500 * 1000); // 500 kbit/s
    Serial.print ("mBitSettingOk:__");
    Serial.println (settings.mBitSettingOk); // 1 (--> is true)
    settings.mPhaseSegment1 ++; // 5 -> 6: safe, 1 <= PS1 <= 8
    settings.mPhaseSegment2 --; // 5 -> 4: safe, 2 <= PS2 <= 8 and RJW <= PS2
    Serial.print ("Sample_Point:__");
    Serial.println (settings.samplePointFromBitStart ()); // 75, meaning 75%
    Serial.println ("actual_bit__rate:__");
    Serial.println (settings.actualBitRate ()); // 500000: ok, bit rate did not change
    ...
}</pre>
```

Be aware to always respect CAN bit timing constraints! Theses constraints are:

$$1\leqslant BRP\leqslant 256$$

$$1\leqslant RJW\leqslant 4$$

$$1\leqslant PropSeg\leqslant 8$$
 Single sampling: $1\leqslant PS_1\leqslant 8$ Triple sampling: $2\leqslant PS_1\leqslant 8$
$$2\leqslant PS_2\leqslant 8$$

$$RJW\leqslant PS_2$$

And resulting bit rate and sampling point (in per-cent unit) are given by:

$$\label{eq:Actual bit rate} \begin{split} \text{Actual bit rate} &= \frac{16 \text{ MHz}}{BRP \cdot (1 + PropSeg + PS_1 + PS_2)} \\ \text{Sampling point (single sampling)} &= \frac{1 + PropSeg + PS_1}{1 + PropSeg + PS_1 + PS_2} \cdot 100 \\ \text{Sampling first point (triple sampling)} &= \frac{PropSeg + PS_1}{1 + PropSeg + PS_1 + PS_2} \cdot 100 \end{split}$$

17 Properties of the ACANSettings class

All properties of the ACANSettings class are declared public and are initialized. The default values of properties from mWhishedBitRate until mTripleSampling corresponds to a CAN bit rate of 250,000 bit/s.

Property	Туре	Initial value	Comment
mWhishedBitRate	uint32_t	250,000	see section 16 page 23
mBitRatePrescaler	uint16_t	4	see section 16 page 23 (valid values: 1 256)
mPropagationSegment	uint8_t	5	see section 16 page 23 (valid values: 1 8)
mPhaseSegment1	uint8_t	5	see section 16 page 23 (valid values: 1 8)
mPhaseSegment2	uint8_t	5	see section 16 page 23 (valid values: 2 8)
mRJW	uint8_t	4	see section 16 page 23 (valid values: 1 4)
mTripleSampling	bool	false	see section 16 page 23
mBitSettingOk	bool	true	see section 16 page 23
mListenOnlyMode	bool	false	see section 17.1 page 26
mSelfReceptionMode	bool	false	see section 17.2 page 27
${\tt mLoopBackMode}$	bool	false	see section 17.3 page 27
mConfiguration	tConfiguration	k12_12_Filters	see section 11 page 12
mUseAlternateTxPin	bool	false	see section 7 page 7
${\tt mUseAlternateRxPin}$	bool	false	see section 7 page 7
${\tt mMessageIRQPriority}$	uint8_t	64	see section 17.4 page 27
mReceiveBufferSize	uint16_t	32	see section 10.1 page 11
mTransmitBufferSize	uint16_t	16	see section 8.2 page 9

Table 6 - Properties of the ACANSettings class

17.1 The mListenOnlyMode property

This bit corresponds to the LOM bit of the FlexCAN CTRL1 control register.

17.2 The mSelfReceptionMode property

This bit corresponds to the complement of the SRXDIS bit of the FlexCAN MCR control register.

17.3 The mLoopBackMode property

This bit corresponds to the LBP bit of the FlexCAN CTRL1 control register.

17.4 The mMessageIRQPriority property

This property sets the priority of the CAN message interrupt. Highest priority is 0, lowest is 255.

18 CAN controller state

Three methods return the CAN controller state, the receive error counter and the transmit error counter.

18.1 The controllerState method

```
public: tControllerState controllerState (void) const ;
```

This method returns the current state (*error active*, *error passive*, *bus off*) of the CAN controller. The tControllerState type is defined by an enumeration:

```
typedef enum {kActive, kPassive, kBusOff} tControllerState;
```

18.2 The receiveErrorCounter method

```
public: uint32 t receiveErrorCounter (void) const;
```

18.3 The transmitErrorCounter method

```
public: uint32_t transmitErrorCounter (void) const ;
```

As the $\mathtt{CANx_ESR}$ FlexCAN control register does not return a valid value when the CAN controller is in the *bus off* state, the value 256 is forced.