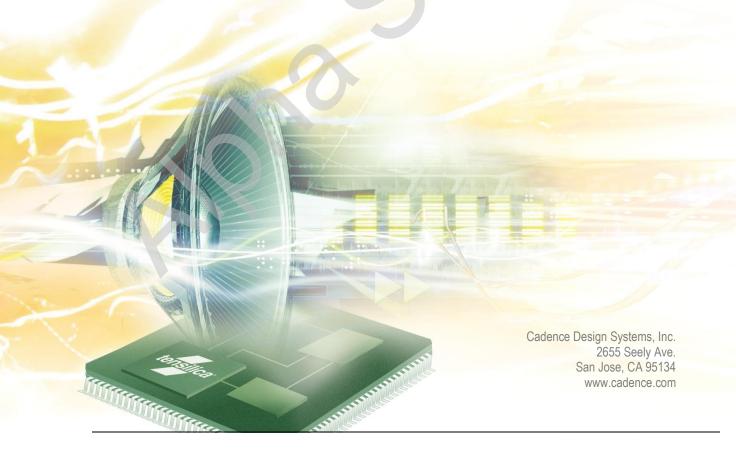


Programmer's Guide

For Xtensa HiFi Audio Engines





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Document Change History

| Version | Changes | | | | |
|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1.0 | Initial release | | | | |
| 1.1 | Known issues (Section 6) in Release 1.0 fixed. Minor changes in API (Section 3). Mixer, audio encoder and speech decoder components with the corresponding testbenches added (Section 4). | | | | |
| 1.2 | Added support for the ALC5677 EVM. Real-time capturer and renderer components added. Xtensa tool chain v6.0.3 (RF-2015.3) supported only. | | | | |



1. Introduction to Xtensa Audio Framework

Xtensa Audio Framework (XAF) is a framework designed to accelerate the development of audio processing applications for the HiFi family of DSP cores. Application developers may choose components from the rich portfolio of audio and speech libraries already developed by Cadence and its ecosystem partners. In addition, customers may also package their proprietary algorithms and components and integrate them into the framework. Towards this goal, a simplified "Developer API" is defined, which enables application developers to rapidly create an end application and focus more on using the available components. XAF is designed to work on both the instruction set simulator as well as actual hardware.

The version of XAF described in this guide is designed to work on a single DSP (that is, a "hostless" solution).

XAF is part of the "HiFi Integrator Studio" suite of tools.

1.1 Document Overview

This guide covers all the information required to create, configure, and run audio processing chains using XAF developer APIs. Section 2 briefly describes the XAF architecture, and Section 3 provides details about developer APIs available for the application developer. Section 4 provides details about building and running a sample application, which illustrates usage of the developer APIs. Section 5 provides a "How To" guide for adding support for a new component in XAF.

Instructions on how to run the XAF on the Realtek ALC5677 EVM have been provided in a companion document [10].

1.2 Xtensa Audio Framework Specifications

This section provides XAF specifications, including the operating system.

1.2.1 Terminology

The following terms are used within this guide.

Audio Device: The software abstraction of a digital signal processor (DSP) core.

Component: A software module that conforms to a specified interface and runs on the audio device. It would implement some audio processing functionality.

Port: An interface through which a component can connect to other components and exchange data. Each port may be connected to only one port of another component. A component must have at least one port.

Input Port: A port through which a component can receive data from another component. A component may have 0 or more input ports.

Output Port: A port through which a component can send data to another component. A component may have 0 or more output ports.

Link: The connection between the output port of one component and the input port of another component.

Buffer: Memory block containing data that is transferred over a link between two ports.

Chain: A graph formed by connecting different components by links.

Framework: A software entity that enable the creation of an audio processing chain. It manages the transfer of buffers between ports as well as the scheduling of the different components in the chain.

Application: A software entity that uses the framework to create a chain. It is the responsibility of the application to provide input data to the chain and consume the output data generated by the chain.

Figure 1-1 shows the terms above in a diagrammatic form, with an example chain.

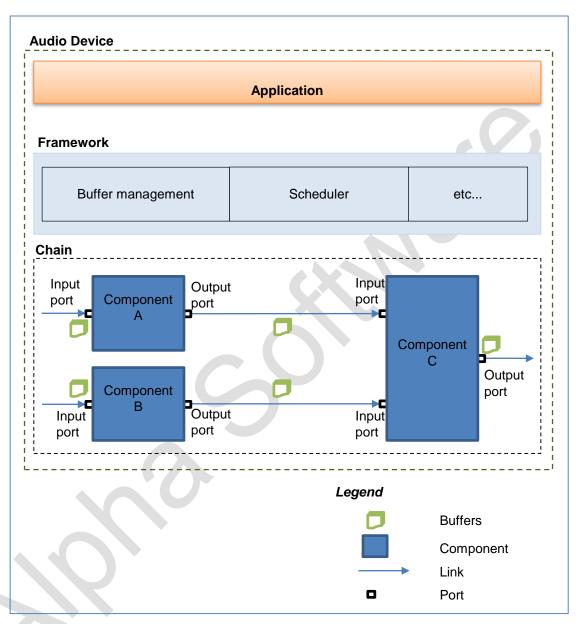


Figure 1-1 Terminology

1.2.2 Feature Set

API features:

- Ability to create components and connect them in a chain.
- Ability to read and write component configuration parameters.
- Ability to read component status and trigger component processing.

XAF features:

- Manages the scheduling of components in the chain. No explicit restriction on the complexity of the component chain, i.e., the number of components/links is restricted by the memory/MHz resources available and not by XAF.
- Manages the allocation of memory for data buffers. Number of data buffers is 0, 1, or 2 for input ports and 0 or 1 for output ports. The number of buffers on a link between two ports can be increased at component connection stage.
- Manages the allocation of memory for itself and created components. Dynamic memory allocation within XAF is done through an allocation function registered by the application. This allows the application to control the memory type/region for the allocation.
- Manages the data transfer between components. The buffering of data to match the different block sizes between two connected components is also managed by XAF. As XAF merely transfers the data between components, there is no restriction on the actual format of the data.
- Component types supported (See Table 1-1), depending on the number of ports and the type of data transferred across the ports (PCM or non-PCM).

Table 1-1 Component types

| Component | Input | | Output | | Component Description |
|--------------------|-------|-----|--------|-----|--|
| Туре | Ports | PCM | Ports | PCM | |
| Decoder | 1 | N | 1 | Υ | Decodes input compressed data to generate output PCM data. |
| Encoder | 1 | Υ | 1 | N | Encodes input PCM data to generate output compressed data. |
| Mixer | 4 | Υ | 1 | Υ | Combines input PCM data from multiple ports to generate one output PCM data. |
| Pre- processing | 1 | Υ | 1 | Y | Pre-processes input PCM data to generate output PCM data. |
| Post processing | 1 | Υ | 1 | Y | Post-processes input PCM data to generate output PCM data. |
| Renderer | 1 | Υ | 0 | NA | Plays input PCM data to a speaker/headphone. |
| Capturer | 0 | NA | 1 | Y | Captures output PCM data from a microphone. |

Package features:

- Eleven example test applications provided to demonstrate various use-cases.
- Example code to demonstrate the integration of five Cadence audio libraries (MP3 decoder, MP3 encoder, AMR-WB decoder, Sample Rate Convertor, AAC decoder) into XAF is included in this package. Note that the actual libraries need to be licensed separately and are not part of this package.
- Compile time flags provided to support detailed analysis and debugging
 - Tracing: Enables printing of detailed component scheduling information (Set TRACE = 1 while building, disabled by default).
 - Debugging: Disables optimization and enables debugger information (Set DEBUG
 1 while building, disabled by default).
 - Profiling: Measurement of component and XAF MHz. (Set XAF_PROFILE = 1 while building, enabled by default).
- Support for Realtek ALC5677 EVM [10] along with detailed instructions on board setup.

RTOS:

■ XAF requires a real-time operating system (RTOS) for multithreaded execution, message queue interface, mutual exclusion for accessing shared resources, etc. This version of XAF supports Cadence XOS [1] (only) as the RTOS. Support for other RTOS variants will be added in future versions.

Limitations:

- Code for the components needs to be linked into the application. Dynamic loading of code is not supported.
- API enhancements to disconnect components from a graph and to pause/resume the graph are planned in future releases.
- Only one instance of XAF can run at a time.

1.3 Xtensa Audio Framework Performance

The performance was characterized on the 5-stage Audio Engine processor cores. The memory usage and performance figures are provided for design reference.

1.3.1 Memory

Table 1-2 Library Memory

| | Data | | | |
|-----------|----------|------|------|-----|
| HiFi Mini | (Kbytes) | | | |
| 20.0 | 20.2 | 21.5 | 22.3 | 0.6 |

Note

Other than for Text and Data, XAF uses 8 bytes for bss. The measurements exclude the memory required by XOS and the standard C library. The measurements were done with Version 6.0.3 of the Xtensa tool chain.

The size of the total runtime memory allocated by XAF depends mainly on the two parameters audio_frmwk_buf_size and audio_comp_buf_size passed to the xaf_adev_open() function. Refer to Section 7 for guidelines on setting these parameters.

The total runtime memory allocated can be divided into two categories:

- 1. Memory used by XAF: This memory is allocated by XAF for its internal data structures.
- 2. Memory allocated by XAF for use by Audio Components: This is the memory that is allocated by XAF for usage by audio components.

Table 1-3 shows the runtime memory allocated by XAF for a simple processing chain.

Table 1-3 Runtime Memory

| No | Mamanu husakun | RAM (Kbytes) | | | |
|----|---|--------------|--------|--------|--------|
| NO | Memory breakup | HiFi Mini | HiFi 2 | HiFi 3 | HiFi 4 |
| 1 | Memory used by XAF | 26.6 | 26.6 | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| 2 | Memory allocated by XAF for use by Audio Components | 180 | 180 | 180 | 180 |
| | Total | 206.6 | 206.6 | 206.9 | 206.9 |

Note

The measurements were done with Version 6.0.3 of the Xtensa tool chain.

Note

For this example, $audio_frmwk_buf_size = 64$ KB and $audio_comp_buf_size = 128$ KB, during $xaf_adev_open()$ call. Note that some of the memory allocated during xaf_adev_open is for internal XAF structures and the remainder is allocated by XAF for use by the components. Refer to Section 7 for details.

1.3.2 Timings

Table 1-4 contains details for the MCPS usage for the processing function. The "Total" MCPS are the MHz consumed by the entire system. The "XAF" MCPS are the MCPS consumed by XAF. This is measured by subtracting the MCPS consumed by the application and the audio components from the total MCPS. Note that the XAF MCPS would depend on the complexity of the audio processing chain — this measurement was done on a simple chain consisting of a single PCM gain component.

Table 1-4 MCPS

| Use Case | | Average CPU Load (MHz) | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | HiFi Mini | HiFi 2 | HiFi 3 | HiFi 4 |
| Simple PCM Gain (Mono, 48KHz, | XAF | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.35 | 0.30 |
| Buffer size = 4096 samples) | Total | 4.06 | 4.11 | 4.06 | 2.98 |

Note

Performance specification measurements are carried out on a cycle-accurate simulator assuming an ideal memory system (that is, one with zero memory wait states) for HiFiMini/HiFi2/HiFi3/HiFi4 cores. This is equivalent to running with all code and data in local memories or using an infinite-size, pre-filled cache model. The measurements were done with Version 6.0.3 of the Xtensa tool chain.

2. Xtensa Audio Framework Architecture Overview

2.1 Xtensa Audio Framework Building Blocks

The following figure shows various building blocks of applications based on XAF. Note that in this figure the gray blocks are not part of XAF.

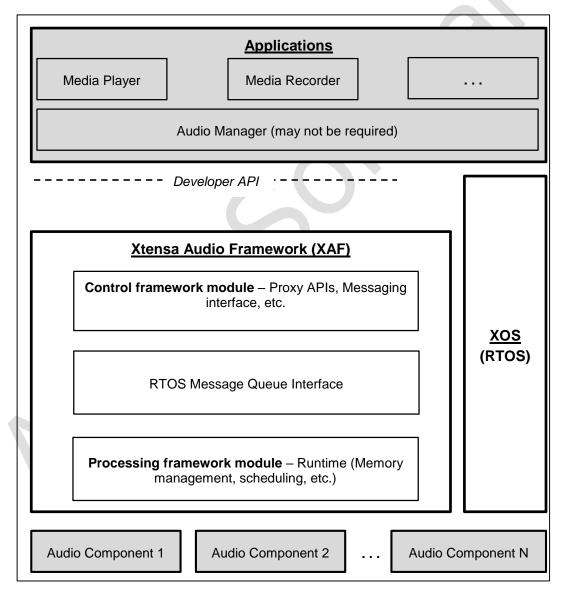


Figure 2-1 Software Stack Diagram

2.1.1 Applications

In this application space, an application developer will leverage the developer API to create a processing chain and XOS APIs to handle multiple threads. As such, XAF enables chains to be set up and configured.

The developer API is the interface between the Application space and XAF.

Note that XAF allows an unlimited number of components in the audio processing chain — the limitation is only from the system hardware. The system developer must ensure that there is enough memory and CPU bandwidth available on the hardware.

2.1.2 Xtensa Audio Framework

This block interfaces between the application framework and the audio processing components. It also performs all memory management for audio processing chains. It receives commands from applications and sends the responses back.

It also manages the data buffers between each individual audio component. Note that each audio component running in the audio processing chain may consume and produce a different amount of data. The decoder component from Cadence consumes one encoded frame and produces one output PCM frame in one execution call. For example, the MP3 decoder [4] from Cadence may consume 2048 bytes (largest encoded frame size) and produce one output PCM frame of 4608 bytes (1152 samples, stereo channel, 16-bit data). Post process components from Cadence generally consume and produce a variable block size (from a pre-defined set) in one execution call.

2.1.3 XOS (RTOS)

The applications use the XOS RTOS to create process threads for audio component chains. Also, XOS facilitates communication between the control and processing framework modules within XAF using message queues.

Note XOS is released with the Xtensa tools SDK, and is not a part of the XAF release package.

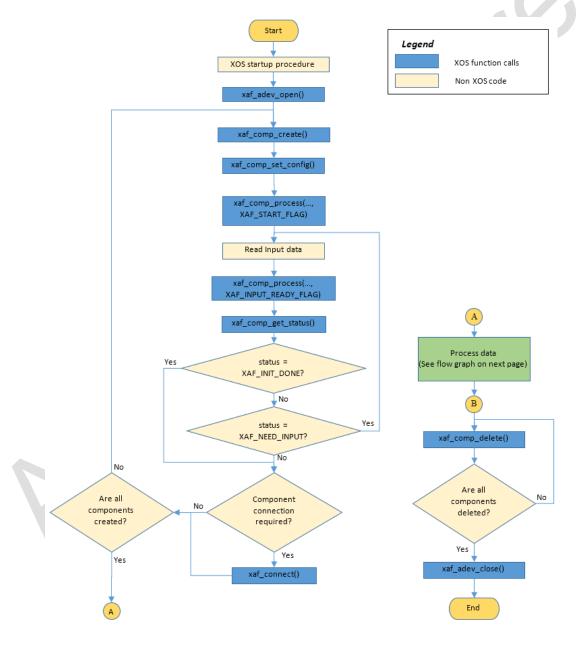
2.1.4 Audio Components

Audio components, used by the Application Framework, can be connected to form chains with a cascade or parallel interface. Except for the mixer, each audio component type can have one input and one output stream. The Mixer Component type can have up to four input streams and one output stream. Section 5 contains details on how to add a new component.

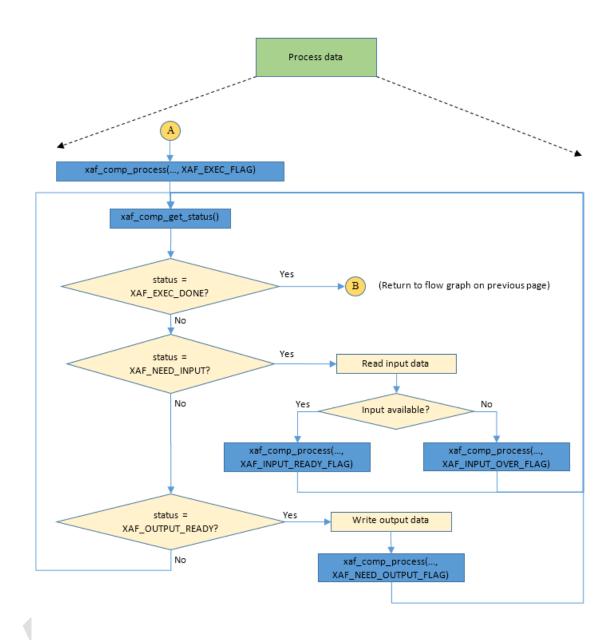
3. Xtensa Audio Framework Developer APIs

This section discusses XAF developer APIs that are available for the application programmer to create, configure and run audio processing chains.

Figure 3-1 shows the flow graph for a typical application.



(a) Flowgraph sequence for API calls of testbench



(b) Flowgraph sequence for API calls for each input and output component in the graph

Figure 3-1 Flowgraph Sequence for API Calls

Following is a brief description of the flowgraph sequence:

- Initialize XAF: The XAF is initialized by calling xaf_adev_open. The framework memory allocation is performed at this stage.
- Create Processing Chain: The various components in the chain are instantiated by calling xaf_comp_create for each component. Then, the component configuration parameters (if any) are set using xaf_comp_set_config. Finally, the components are connected together using xaf_connect.
- Process data: Input and output data is passed to the components using xaf_comp_process. This must be performed only for components that need to be supplied with input/output data (typically the edge components of the chain). The component status should be queried using xaf_comp_status. This stage continues until all the data has been processed.
- Delete Processing Chain: The various components of the chain are deleted by calling xaf_comp_delete.
- Terminate XAF: The XAF is terminated by calling xaf_adev_close. The memory allocated by the framework is freed at this stage.

3.1 Files Specific to Developer APIs

Developer API Header File (/include/)

xaf-api.h

3.2 Developer API-Specific Error Codes

The errors in this section can result from the developer API layer of the Xtensa Audio Framework. All errors are fatal (unrecoverable) errors. In response to an error, the function $xaf_adev_close(p_adev, XAF_ADEV_FORCE_CLOSE)$ may be called to close the device and release resources used by XAF.

3.2.1 Common API Errors

XAF_PTR_ERROR

This error indicates that a null pointer was passed to the developer API where a valid pointer was expected.

XAF_INVALID_VALUE

This error code indicates that an invalid value (out of valid range) was passed to the developer API.

XAF_XOS_ERROR

This error code indicates an internal error, typically caused when one of the XOS calls made within XAF returns an error.

XAF_API_ERR

This error code indicates a developer API call sequence error, for example, xaf_comp_create() is called before xaf_adev_open().

3.2.2 Specific Errors

The following error is specific to some APIs.

XAF_ROUTING_ERROR

This error code indicates that the developer API was unable to connect $(xaf_connect() call)$ the two requested components.

3.3 Developer APIs

This section contains tables describing the developer APIs.

Table 3-1 xaf_adev_open API

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_adev_open(pVOID *p_adev, | | | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | WORD32 audio_frmwk_buf_size, | | | | | |
| | WORD32 audio_comp_buf_size, | | | | | |
| | <pre>xaf_mem_malloc_fxn_t mem_malloc,</pre> | | | | | |
| | <pre>xaf_mem_free_fxn_t mem_free)</pre> | | | | | |
| Description | This API opens and initializes the audio device structure. It starts the processing thread that performs all audio processing. It also allocates persistent memory for Audio components and shared memory for the framework. | | | | | |
| Actual Parameters | p_adev | | | | | |
| | Pointer to audio device | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | audio_frmwk_buf_size | | | | | |
| | Size of memory allocated for the framework and for component data buffers. | | | | | |
| | bullets. | | | | | |
| | audio_comp_buf_size | | | | | |
| | Size of memory allocated for the framework and for persistent/scratch/input/output memory allocated for audio components | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | mem_malloc | | | | | |
| | Function pointer to testbench implementation of memory allocation. The 'id' indicates whether the memory is allocated for device (DEV_ID) or for component (COMP_ID). | | | | | |
| | pVOID mem_malloc(WORD32 size, WORD32 id); | | | | | |
| | Note: XAF expects that mem_malloc should return a 4-byte aligned address (this is required by XOS). | | | | | |
| | mem free | | | | | |
| | Function Pointer to testbench implementation of memory free | | | | | |
| | VOID mem_free(pVOID ptr, WORD32 id); | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

Restrictions

Prerequisite: The XOS startup procedure needs to be invoked before calling this function. This involves calling the following XOS functions.

- 1. $xos_set_clock_freq()$ to set the core clock frequency.
- 2. xos_start_main() to start the scheduler.
- 3. xos_start_system_timer() to start the timer for scheduling.

Refer to the function start_xos() in the file test/src/xaf-utils-test.c for an example.

Only one instance of XAF can run at a time.

Example

Errors

Table 3-2 xaf_adev_close API

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_adev_close(pVOID p_adev, | | | |
|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | <pre>xaf_comp_flag flag)</pre> | | | |
| | Ti: ABL II A II B : II A II B | | | |
| Description | This API closes the Audio Device and frees up allocated memory. | | | |
| Actual Parameters | It also stops DSP thread execution. | | | |
| Actual Parameters | p_adev Pointer to the audio device | | | |
| | flag | | | |
| | XAF_ADEV_FORCE_CLOSE: Closes the audio device, even when there are existing components. This option can be used to close the device following a fatal error. | | | |
| | XAF_ADEV_NORMAL_CLOSE: Returns an error if there are active components in the chain. This option can be used to close the device in the normal sequence of operation. | | | |
| Restrictions | Should not be called before <code>xaf_adev_open</code> API. All components must be deleted before closing the audio device. Only for a fatal error condition, the device should be force closed (i.e., with the <code>XAF_ADEV_FORCE_CLOSE</code> flag, even when all components are not deleted). | | | |

ret = xaf_adev_close(p_adev, XAF_ADEV_NORMAL_CLOSE);

Errors

Table 3-3 xaf_comp_create API

| XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_create(pVOID p_adev, | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| pVOID *p_comp, | | | | | |
| xf_id_t comp_id, | | | | | |
| UWORD32 ninbuf, | | | | | |
| UWORD32 noutbuf, | | | | | |
| <pre>pVOID pp_inbuf[],</pre> | | | | | |
| <pre>xaf_comp_type comp_type)</pre> | | | | | |
| This API creates the Audio Component. The component is identified by | | | | | |
| comp_id and comp_type. You can specify the number of input and output buffers for the component. The IO buffer requirement is dependent upon the position of the component in the audio processing chain – see the parameter description below for details. | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

Actual Parameters

p_adev

Pointer to the audio device structure

p_comp

Pointer to the audio component structure (should be one of the available audio components)

comp_id

Component Identifier string. e.g. "mixer", "audio-decoder/mp3", etc. It should match with class_id's defined under the constant definition of

xf_component_id in xa-factory.c file. (Refer to Section 5.2, Step 6)

ninbuf

Unsigned integer containing the number of input buffers. This is the number of buffers that the testbench needs to pass to the component. For components connected in the chain where it receives input from other components, this must be configured as zero (0).

Valid values: 0, 1, 2.

noutbuf

Unsigned integer containing the number of output buffers. This is the number of buffers that the component passes to the testbench as output. For components connected in the chain where the output is passed to another component, this must be configured as zero (0).

Valid values: 0, 1.

pp_inbuf

Pointer to the array to hold <code>ninbuf</code> input buffer addresses that have been allocated within XAF. If the pointer is NULL, the input buffer addresses will not be returned.

type

Type

Type of audio component

Following are valid values:

XAF_CAPTURER:

| XAF_DECODER: | Decoder component | | |
|----------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| XAF_ENCODER: | Encoder component | | |
| XAF_MIXER: | Mixer component | | |
| XAF_PRE_PROC: | Preprocessing component | | |
| XAF_POST_PROC: | Post processing component | | |
| XAF_RENDERER: | Renderer component | | |

Description

Restrictions

Should not be called before xaf_adev_open

Capturer component

Errors

Table 3-4 xaf_comp_delete API

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_delete(pVOID p_comp) |
|-------------------|---|
| Description | This API deletes the Audio Component and frees the memory associated with it. |
| Actual Parameters | p_comp Pointer to the audio component structure |
| Restrictions | Should not be called before xaf_comp_create |

ret = xaf_comp_delete(p_audioComp);

Errors



Table 3-5 $xaf_comp_set_config API$

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_set_config(| |
|----------------------|--|--|
| | pVOID p_comp, | |
| | WORD32 num_param, | |
| | pWORD32 p_param) | |
| | | |
| Description | This API sets (writes) configuration parameters to the Audio Component. | |
| | num_param provides the number of configuration parameters to be set. | |
| | p_param points to an array containing ID/value pairs for all num_param parameters. | |
| | For example, for two parameters, p_param will contain ID1, VAL1, ID2, VAL2. | |
| Actual Parameters | p_comp Pointer to the audio component structure num_param | |
| | Integer containing the number of parameters to be set. The maximum limit is 16. | |
| | p_param | |
| | Pointer to an integer array containing ID/Value pairs – i.e., parameter ID | |
| | followed by parameter value. | |
| Restrictions | Should not be called before xaf_comp_create | |

Errors

Table 3-6 $xaf_comp_get_config API$

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_get_config(| |
|----------------------|---|--|
| | pVOID p_comp, | |
| | WORD32 num_param, | |
| | pWORD32 p_param) | |
| | | |
| Description | This API gets (reads) configuration parameters from the Audio Component. | |
| | num_param provides the number of configuration parameters to get. | |
| | p_param points to an array containing ID/value pairs for all num_param parameters. | |
| | For example, for two parameters, p_param will contain ID1, VAL1, ID2, VAL2. VAL1 and VAL2 can contain any arbitrary value, as they will be overwritten when the function returns. | |
| | Upon successful execution of this API, the value field of the ID/value pair will be set to the correct value. | |
| Actual Parameters | p_comp Pointer to the audio component structure num_param Integer containing the number of parameters to get. The maximum limit is 16. | |
| | p_param Pointer to an integer array containing ID/Value pairs – i.e., parameter ID followed by parameter value. | |
| Restrictions | Should not be called before xaf_comp_create | |

Errors

Table 3-7 xaf_connect API

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_connect(pVOID p_src, | | | | |
|-------------------|---|----|-------------|----------------|---------|
| | pVOID p_dest, | | | | |
| | | | WORD32 nu | m_buf) | |
| Description | This API connects the output port of audio component p_src to the input port of audio component p_dest with num_buf buffers between them. The size of these buffers will be equal to the size of the output buffer of p_src. This API will fail if there are no free input or output ports on Audio Components. Audio Components have input and output ports as follows: | | | | |
| | Component Type | | Input Ports | Output Ports | |
| | XAF_DECODER | or | 1 | 1 | |
| | XAF_ENCODER | or | . A . | | |
| | XAF_PRE_PROC | or | | | |
| | XAF_POST_PROC | | | | |
| | XAF_MIXER | | 4 | 1 | |
| | XAF_RENDERER | | 1 | 0 | |
| | XAF_CAPTURER | | 0 | 1 | |
| Actual Parameters | p_src Pointer to the source audio component structure p_dest Pointer to the destination audio component structure num_buf Number of buffers to be added between components Valid values: 2, 3, 4 | | | | |
| Restrictions | Should not be called bef created using xaf_comp_ | | | audio componer | nts are |

Errors

- Common API Errors
- XAF_ROUTING_ERROR
 - Indicates that the API was unable to connect the two requested components

Table 3-8 xaf_comp_process API

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_process(pVOID p_adev, | |
|-------------|--|--|
| | pVOID p_comp, | |
| | pVOID p_buf, | |
| | UWORD32 length, | |
| | <pre>xaf_comp_flag flag)</pre> | |
| | | |
| Description | This API is the main process function for the audio component; it will do Audio Component start, initialization, execution, and wrap-up based on the process <code>flag</code> provided to it. This API needs to be called only for components that need to be supplied with input/output data, typically the edge components of the chain. After processing has started, this API should be called until end of stream, alternatively along with <code>xaf_comp_get_status</code> API. The value to be set for the parameter ' <code>flag</code> ' depends on the status returned by the <code>xaf_comp_get_status</code> API. | |
| | Note : This API is asynchronous, i.e., it delivers the process command to the audio component and returns. The audio component will process this request when all required resources (IO buffers, CPU, etc.) from the processing chain are available. The status of this process command can be probed by the API described in Table 3-9. | |
| | Note : The pointer to an audio device (p_adev) is not required and can be passed as NULL during the execution phase of the audio component (after the component is initialized). | |

Actual Parameters

p_adev

Pointer to the audio device structure

p_comp

Pointer to the audio component structure

p_buf

Pointer to the input buffer with the input data or output buffer to be filled

length

Unsigned integer containing the length of buffer in bytes

process_flag - Process flag

Following are valid values:

| Flag | Description |
|----------------------|--|
| XAF_START_FLAG | Initiates processing, to be called only once for each component, during initialization. |
| XAF_EXEC_FLAG | Executes, to be called only once for each component to start processing. |
| XAF_INPUT_OVER_FLAG | Indicates input is complete, when xaf_comp_get_status returns XAF_NEED_INPUT, and input stream is exhausted. |
| XAF_INPUT_READY_FLAG | Indicates input buffer availability, when xaf_comp_get_status returns XAF_NEED_INPUT, and input data is available. |
| XAF_NEED_OUTPUT_FLAG | Request for output, when xaf_comp_get_status returns XAF_OUTPUT_READY, and size returned in p_info[1] is non-zero. |

Restrictions

Should not be called before ${\tt xaf_comp_create}$

Errors

Table 3-9 $xaf_comp_get_status API$

| API | XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_comp_get_status(| | |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | pVOID p_adev, | | |
| | | pVOID p_comp | |
| | | | tus *p_status, |
| | | pVOID p info | |
| | | 1 1- | |
| Description | This API returns the status of the audio component and associated information. p_adev and p_comp should point to the valid audio device and audio component structures respectively. This API will return one of following status and associated information. Note: This API is a blocking API, i.e., it may block for status from the DSP thread for a previously issued process command. | | |
| Actual Parameters | p_adev Pointer to the audio device | ce structure | |
| | p_comp Pointer to the audio component structure | | |
| | p_status Pointer to get the audio component status | | |
| | Valid values are: | | |
| | Flag Description p_status | | |
| | XAF_STARTING | Started | |
| | XAF_INIT_DONE | Initialization complete | |
| | XAF_NEED_INPUT | Component needs data | Buffer pointer, size in bytes |
| | XAF_OUTPUT_READY | Component has generated output | Buffer pointer, size in bytes |
| | XAF_EXEC_DONE | Execution done | |
| | | | |
| | p_info Pointer to array of size 2 (pointer, size) to get information from the audio component associated with its status. When the p_status | | |
| | | | |
| | returned is XAF_START | | • |
| | updated. | | |

Errors

Table 3-10 xaf_get_verinfo API

| API | <pre>XAF_ERR_CODE xaf_get_verinfo (pUWORD8 ver_info[3])</pre> | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Description | This API gets the version information from the XAF library. It returns an array of the following three strings. | |
| | ver_info[0] Library name ver_info[1] Library version ver_info[2] API version | |
| Actual Parameters | ver_info | |
| | Pointer to array of three strings | |
| Restrictions | None | |

ret = xaf_get_verinfo(&versionInfo[0]);

Errors

4. Xtensa Audio Framework Sample Applications

Eleven sample applications (testbenches) are provided, which implement eleven different audio processing chains as described below. Audio components and links are shown in blue in the diagrams below.

Note

All of the audio component libraries used in this document's example testbenches are not included in the XAF release package. They need to be separately licensed.

Testbench 1 (xa_af_hostless_test) applies gain to PCM streams.

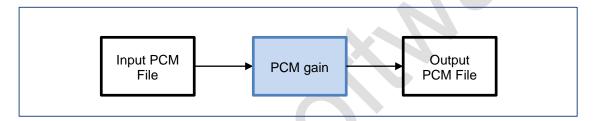


Figure 4-1 Testbench 1 (pcm-gain) Block Diagram

Testbench 2 (xaf-dec-test) decodes MP3 streams.

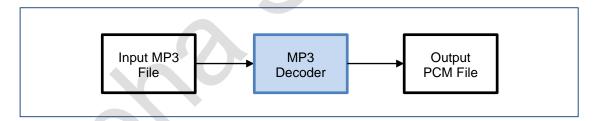


Figure 4-2 Testbench 2 (dec) Block Diagram

Testbench 3 (xaf-dec-mix-test) decodes two MP3 streams and mixes the output.

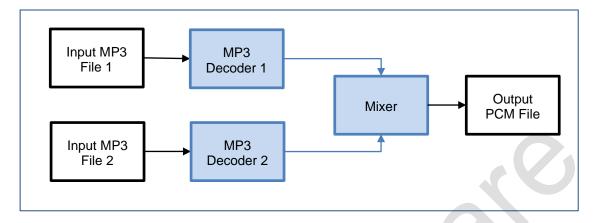


Figure 4-3 Testbench 3 (dec-mix) Block Diagram

Testbench 4 (xaf-full-duplex-test) decodes an MP3 stream and simultaneously encodes an MP3 stream.

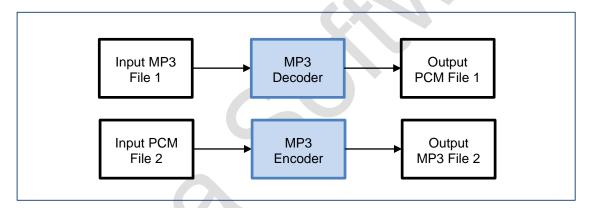


Figure 4-4 Testbench 4 (full-duplex) Block Diagram

Testbench 5 (xaf-amr-wb-dec-test) decodes AMR-WB streams.

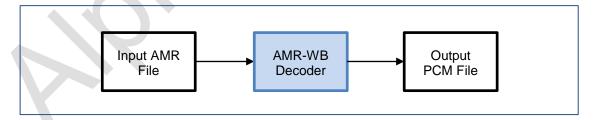


Figure 4-5 Testbench 5 (amr-wb-dec) Block Diagram

Testbench 6 (xaf-src-test) does a sample rate conversion.

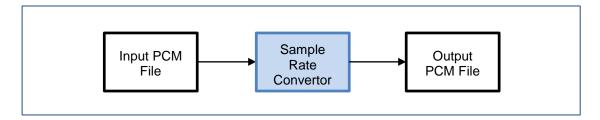


Figure 4-6 Testbench 6 (src) Block Diagram

Testbench 7 (xaf-aac-dec-test) decodes AAC streams.

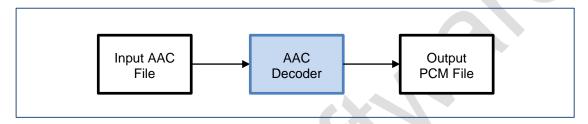


Figure 4-7 Testbench 7 (aac-dec) Block Diagram

Testbench 8 (xaf-mp3-dec-rend-test) decodes MP3 streams and renders it on the audio output device (hardware case). For the simulator case, the output is written to a file.

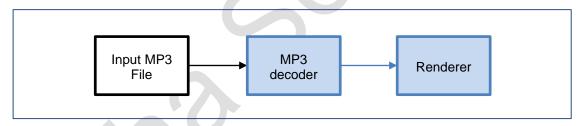


Figure 4-8 Testbench 8 (mp3-dec-rend) Block Diagram

Testbench 9 (xaf-gain-renderer-test) applies gain to PCM streams and renders it on the audio output device (hardware case). For the simulator case, the output is written to a file.

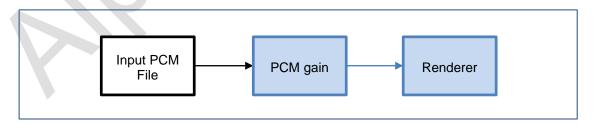


Figure 4-9 Testbench 9 (gain-renderer) Block Diagram

Testbench 10 (xaf-capturer-pcm-gain-test) captures a PCM stream from the audio input device (hardware case) and applies a gain to it. For the simulator case, the input is read from a file.

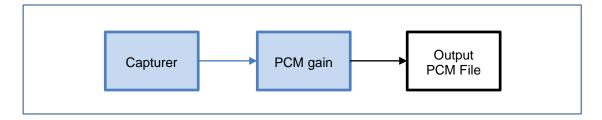


Figure 4-10 Testbench 10 (capturer-pcm-gain) Block Diagram

Testbench 11 (xaf-capturer-mp3-enc-test) captures data from the audio input device (hardware case) and encodes it to an MP3 stream. For the simulator case, the input is read from a file.

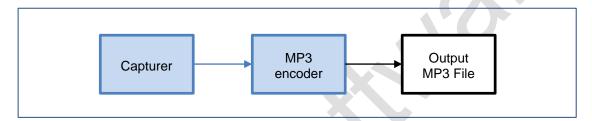


Figure 4-11 Testbench 11 (capturer-mp3-enc-test) Block Diagram

Testbench specific source files (/test/src/)

- xaf-pcm-gain-test.c
- xaf-dec-test.c
- xaf-dec-mix-test.c
- xaf-full-duplex-test.c
- xaf-amr-wb-dec-test.c
- xaf-src-test.c
- xaf-aac-dec-test.c
- xaf-mp3-dec-rend-test.c
- xaf-gain-renderer-test.c
- xaf-capturer-pcm-gain-test.c
- xaf-capturer-mp3-enc-test.c

Common testbench source files (/test/src/)

- xaf-clk-test.c Clock functions used for MCPS measurements.
- xaf-mem-test.c Memory allocation functions.
- xaf-utils-test.c Other shared utility functions.
 - xaf-fio-test.c File read and write support

Other directories (in /test/)

- plugins/ Wrappers for the different audio components.
- test inp/ Input data for the test execution.
- test_out/ Output data from test execution will be written here.
- test_ref/- Reference data against which the generated output can be compared.
- PC_Interface/ Application for transferring data to the Realtek ALC5677 EVM.

The XAF library and all testbenches can be built and executed using either of two ways, described in the following sections.

- 1. Using makefile
- 2. Using Xplorer workspace

4.1 Build and Execute using makefile

4.1.1 Making the Executable

Before building the executable, ensure the environment variable \$XTENSA_CORE is set correctly.

Testbench 1 Only:

To build the pcm-gain testbench application, follow these steps:

- 3. Go to /test/build.
- 4. At the prompt type:

```
$ xt-make -f makefile_testbench_sample clean all
```

This will build the example test application ${\tt xa_af_hostless_test.}$

All Testbenches:

To build the other testbenches, the Cadence MP3 decoder [4], MP3 encoder [5], AMR-WB decoder [6,[7], Sample rate convertor [8] and AAC decoder [9] libraries are required. Copy these libraries to the following directories.

```
/test/plugins/cadence/mp3_dec/lib/xa_mp3_dec.a
/test/plugins/cadence/mp3_enc/lib/xa_mp3_enc.a
/test/plugins/cadence/amr_wb/lib/xa_amr_wb_codec.a
/test/plugins/cadence/src-pp/lib/xa_src_pp.a
/test/plugins/cadence/aac_dec/lib/xa_aac_dec.a
```

- 5. Go to /test/build.
- 6. At the prompt, type:

```
$ xt-make -f makefile_testbench_sample clean all-dec
```

This will build all the testbench applications.

Note: If source code distribution is available, the library needs to be built before building the testbench application. To build the XAF library, follow these steps:

- 1. Go to /build/.
- 2. At the prompt, type

```
$ xt-make clean all install
```

This command will build the XAF library and copy it to the /lib/ folder.

Special Build Settings

- To build in the debug mode, add "DEBUG=1" to the command lines described above.
- To build with trace prints, add "TRACE=1" to the command lines described above.

4.1.2 **Usage**

The sample application executables can be run as described below using the cycle-accurate mode of the Instruction Set Simulator (ISS). The input files for the applications are stored in the $test/test_inp$ folder. The generated output files are available in the $test/test_out$ folder. These can be compared against the reference output files in the $test/test_ref$ folder.

Testbench 1 only:

To run only the pcm-gain test application, at the prompt (in test/build), type:

```
$ xt-make -f makefile_testbench_sample run
```

All Testbenches:

To run all the five testbenches, at the prompt (in test/build), type:

```
$ xt-make -f makefile_testbench_sample run-dec
```

Note

In Instruction Set Simulator (ISS) mode, the renderer testbench output is stored to the output file in the test/test_out/ path. Similarly, the input for capturer testbench is read from the input file stored in test/test_inp/ path.

4.2 Build and Execute using Xplorer

Note The above testbenches require Xtensa Xplorer version 6.0.3 or greater.

Following are the steps for importing to Xplorer and building testbenches:

- 1. To import the HiFi Audio Framework Xtensa Workspace file (extension xws) into Xplorer, click on "File" and select "Import...". The "Import" wizard opens. Select "Import Xtensa Xplorer Workspace". Click "Next >". Browse for the Xtensa workspace file, and click "Next >". Select the available project checkboxes and click "Finish".
- 2. Select "testxa_af_hostless" as the active project and "HiFi_EP5_RTK_SwUpgRF3" as the configuration.
- 3. Build by clicking on the "Build Active" button.
- 4. To run Testbench 1 (PCM gain), from the "Run configurations" menu, under "Arguments" tab in "Program Arguments" text box add the following text and click on "Run" button.

```
-infile:<input PCM file> -outfile:<output PCM file>
```

- 1. To build and run other testbenches, follow below steps:
 - a. Copy the library binary of the component (if required) to the location test/plugins/cadence/<component>/lib/. Ensure the library binary file name is of format lib<component>.a

- b. Ensure that following symbols are defined in "Build Properties" under "Symbols" tab.
 - -DXA_MP3_DECODER=1
 - -DXA_MP3_ENCODER=1
 - -DXA_SRC_PP_FX=1
 - -DXA_AAC_DECODER=1
 - -DXA_MIXER=1
 - -DXA_AMR_WB_DEC=1
 - -DXA_RENDERER=1
 - -DXA CAPTURER=1
- c. In the "Build Properties" wizard, under "Libraries" tab, add the component library name and the path of the library required by the testbench. The library file name should exclude the 'lib' prefix and the '.a' extension, mentioned in 5a above
- d. Exclude testbench file and component wrapper source files of testbench other than one you want to run, by right clicking on those files and selecting "Build\Exclude".
- e. Include testbench file and component wrapper source files of the required testbench by right clicking on those files and selecting "Build\Include".
- f. Follow steps 3 and 4 as given above, with appropriate command-line arguments.

5. Integration of New Audio Components with XAF

This section describes how to create an application with a new audio component in addition to the existing example audio components.

5.1 Component Modification

The new component must be modified as follows:

- 1. Change the component interface to conform to the HiFi Audio/Speech Codec Application Programming Interface [2][3]. The interface (API) is a C-callable API that is exposed by all the HiFi based Audio/Speech Codecs developed by Cadence. An "audio codec" is a generic term for any audio processing component and is not restricted to encoders and decoders.
- XAF requires all components to support the following configuration parameters for the PCM data ports.
- 3. XA_CODEC_CONFIG_PARAM_CHANNELS: Number of channels.
- 4. XA_CODEC_CONFIG_PARAM_SAMPLE_RATE: Sampling rate.
- 5. XA_CODEC_CONFIG_PARAM_PCM_WIDTH: PCM width.
- 6. Build the audio component using the Xtensa tools to create a library targeted at the appropriate HiFi core.

5.2 Component Integration

The following steps need to be followed to integrate the library into the component. For each step, the corresponding step for the MP3 decoder library is also provided as an example, marked by **MP3_DEC_EG**.

Integration Step 1: Add component files

Three files have to be added to the XAF library to enable support for a new component.

- Header file containing the library API definition.
- Library file implementing the library.
- Wrapper file that "glues" the library to the XAF.

The detailed steps are as follows:

1. Create a separate folder under /test/plugins/ for the new component.

```
MP3_DEC_EG: test/plugins/cadence/mp3_dec
```

2. Copy the component library for the appropriate core(s) to that folder

```
MP3_DEC_EG: test/plugins/cadence/mp3_dec/lib/xa_mp3_dec.a
```

3. Copy the API header file for the audio component to the test/include/audio folder. This header file must contain the library entry point declaration and all associated structures and constants.

```
MP3_DEC_EG: test/include/audio/xa_mp3_dec_api.h
```

4. Create a wrapper file for the new component in the /test/plugins/ folder. The wrapper file connects the library to XAF.

```
MP3_DEC_EG: test/plugins/cadence/mp3_dec/xa-mp3-decoder.c
```

Integration Step 2: Update the application to include the component

The application must be updated to include references to the new component. The detailed steps are as follows:

5. In the test/plugins/xa-factory.c file, add the audio component entry point API function extern declaration.

```
MP3_DEC_EG: The line below in xa_factory.c
```

```
extern XA_ERRORCODE xa_mp3_decoder(xa_codec_handle_t, WORD32,
WORD32, pVOID);
```

6. In the constant definition of xf_component_id (in xa_factory.c), add the registration information for the new audio component.

```
MP3_DEC_EG: The line below in xa_factory.c
```

```
{"audio-decoder/mp3", xa_audio_codec_factory, xa_mp3_decoder},
```

The required fields are:

a. class_id (string identifier): This defines the class name and the component name. The different class names are defined in the comp_id array.

MP3_DEC_EG: "audio-decoder/mp3"

- b. class_constructor predefined by XAF and can be either of:
 - xa_audio_codec_factory (for components with a single input buffer and a single output buffer), or
 - xa_mixer_factory (for components with multiple input buffers and a single output buffer),
 - xa_renderer_factory (for components with a single input buffer and no output buffer)
 - xa_capturer_factory (for components with a single output buffer and no output buffer)

MP3_DEC_EG: xa_audio_codec_factory

c. The function name for the audio component entry point, as defined in the API header file for the component.

MP3_DEC_EG: xa_mp3_decoder

Integration Step 3: Create the application to use the component

- 7. Create a new audio application source file in the test/src/ folder. The audio application would use the XAF calls to create and run an audio processing chain with the new component.
 - MP3_DEC_EG: test/src/xaf-dec-test.c. In this file, the audio processing chain consists of the MP3 decoder alone. Data is read from a file and provided to the MP3 decoder. The output from the MP3 decoder is written to a file. For more complicated processing chains involving the MP3 decoder, please refer to test/src/xaf-dec-mix-test.c (MP3 decoder and mixer) and xaf-mp3-dec-rend-test.c (MP3 decoder and renderer).
- 8. Update the build/makefile_testbench file to compile the wrapper file

MP3_DEC_EG: PLUGINOBJS_MP3_DEC += xa-mp3-decoder.o.

9. Update the build/makefile_testbench file to include the library file

MP3_DEC_EG: Refer lines containing xa_mp3_dec.a.

10. Update the build/makefile_testbench file to compile the application source file

MP3_DEC_EG: APP2OBJS = xaf-dec-test.o.

11. Update the build/makefile_testbench file to create and run the final executable

MP3_DEC_EG: Refer lines to the target dec, dec-mix, full-duplex and run-dec.

12. Build and test the application. Refer to the procedure in Section 4.1.

5.3 Component Integration – Examples

Several example components are provided that can be used as starting points for the development of new components. These are described in Table 5-1. The table does not include the mixer, renderer, and capturer which are considered to be part of XAF. The component folders are under test/plugins/cadence and the applications are in the test/src folder.

Table 5-1 Example components

| Component Name | API | Description | References |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Cadence MP3 decoder ^[4] | Audio ^[2] | Decodes MP3 data | Folder: mp3_dec Application: xaf-dec-test.c, xaf-dec- mix-test.c, xaf-full-duplex-test.c, xaf-mp3-dec-rend-test.c |
| Cadence MP3 encoder ^[5] | Audio ^[2] | Encodes MP3 data | Folder: mp3_enc Application: xaf-full-duplex-test.c, xaf-capturer-mp3-enc-test.c |
| Cadence AMR- WB decoder ^[6] | Speech ^[3] | Decodes AMR-WB data | Folder: amr_wb Application: xaf-amr-wb-dec-test.c |
| Cadence Sample rate convertor ^[7] | Audio ^[2] | Converts sampling rate | Folder: src-pp Application: xaf-src-test.c |
| Cadence AAC decoder ^[8] | Audio ^[2] | Decodes AAC data | Folder: aac_dec Application: xaf-aac-dec-test.c |

6. Known Issues

The XAF has only been tested with Version 6.0.3 of the Xtensa tool chain. The Instruction Set Simulator (ISS) has been used in the cycle-accurate simulation mode. The fast functional "TurboSim" mode has not been tested.

7. Appendix: Memory Guidelines

XAF manages the allocation of memory for all created components. Most of the memory is allocated within the xaf_adev_open function and depends on the two parameters audio_comp_buf_size and audio_frmwk_buf_size passed to this function. This section provides guidelines to the application developer to compute these parameters.

Notation: Consider a chain of N components, where the n^{th} component has A_n input ports and B_n output ports and requires P_n , S_n , I_n , and O_n KB for persistent, scratch, input, and output buffers respectively. Assume that the n^{th} component is created (xaf_comp_create) with X_n input buffers and Y_n output buffers. Note that X_n would be zero except for the components that need to receive data from the application. Furthermore, assume that the n^{th} component is connected (xaf_comp_connect) to another component with Z_n buffers (to be counted only if the n^{th} component is the source).

XAF allocates two memory buffers within the xaf_adev_open() function.

Audio component buffer of size audio_comp_buf_size: All memory required by the components is allocated from this buffer – this includes persistent, scratch, input, and output buffers required by the component. The persistent, scratch, input, and output buffer sizes for a component are typically mentioned in the programmer's guide for that particular component.

Then the total memory required by all components in the chain would be given by the formula:

$$T = T_1 + T_2$$
, $T_1 = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (P_n + A_n I_n + B_n O_n Z_n)$, $T_2 = \max_n S_n$

 T_1 is the sum of the persistent, input and output sizes required by the components. T_2 is the maximum scratch memory required by the components, as the scratch memory is shared across components. In this version of XAF, T_2 is fixed at 56 KB, via the compile time constant XF_CFG_CODEC_SCRATCHMEM_SIZE. Furthermore, some memory is required by XAF itself. The size of the memory required by XAF is (N + 16) KB, where N is the number of components.

Thus, audio_comp_buf_size should be set to a value greater than (T1 + 56 + N + 16) KB.

XAF buffer of size audio_frmwk_buf_size: All buffers exchanged between components and the application are allocated from this buffer. The number of buffers exchanged are defined in the xaf_comp_create call.

Then the total memory required by all components in the chain would be given by the formula:

$$S = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (4A_n X_n + O_n B_n Y_n),$$

In this version of XAF, the inter-component input buffer size is fixed at 4 KB, via the compile time constant XAF_INBUF_SIZE. Furthermore, some memory is also required by XAF itself. The size of the memory required by XAF is 16 KB, independent of the number of components.

Thus, audio_frmwk_buf_size should be set to a value greater than (S + 16) KB.

8. References

- [1] Xtensa XOS Reference Manual For Xtensa Tools Version 11.0.3. This is provided as part of the Xtensa tool chain, <TOOLS_INSTALL_PATH>/XtDevTools/downloads/RF-2015.3/docs/xos_rm.pdf.
- [2] HiFi Audio Codec Application Programming Interface (API) Definition, Ver 1.0. This document is provided as part of this package.
- [3] HiFi Speech Codec Application Programming Interface (API) Definition, Ver 1.0. This document is provided as part of this package.
- [4] Cadence MP3 Decoder Library version 3.14, API version 1.16 (HiFi Mini, HiFi2, HiFi 3 and HiFi 4).
- [5] Cadence MP3 Encoder Library version 1.6, API version 1.12 (HiFi Mini, HiFi 2 and HiFi 3). The library needs to be rebuilt from sources for HiFi 4.
- [6] Cadence AMR-WB Decoder Library version 2.4, API version 1.0 (For HiFi 3 and HiFi 4)
- [7] Cadence AMR-WB Decoder Library version 2.3, API version 1.0 (For HiFi Mini and HiFi 2)
- [8] Cadence Sample Rate Convertor Library version 1.1, API version 1.12 (HiFi Mini, HiFi 2 and HiFi 3). The library needs to be rebuilt from sources for HiFi 4.
- [9] Cadence AAC Decoder Library version 3.4, API version 1.16 (HiFi Mini, HiFi 2, HiFi 3 and HiFi 4)
- [10] Xtensa Audio Framework for Realtek ALC5677 EVM, Ver 1.0. This document is provided as part of the HiFi EP package.