

# **EK-TM4C123GXL-BOOST-OLIMEX-8X8 Firmware Development Package**

**USER'S GUIDE** 

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# 1 Introduction

The Texas Instruments® Tiva™ C Series EK-TM4C123GXL-BOOST-OLIMEX-8X8 evaluation board (Tiva C Series TM4C123G LaunchPad) is a low cost platform that can be used for software development and to prototype a hardware design. A variety of BoosterPacks are available to quickly extend the LaunchPads features.

This document describes the example applications that are provided for the EK-TM4C123GXL-BOOST-OLIMEX-8X8 when paired with the Olimex 8x8 LED BoosterPack.

Connect the Olimex 8x8 LED matrix to the EK-TM4C123GXL-BOOST-OLIMEX-8X8 according to the following table.

LaunchPad	BoosterPack J1.1 at board bottom, J2.1 at board bottom. See board silk screen
J1.1 3.3V	J1.10 3.3V
J1.2 PB5	J1.9 mic out (unused)
J1.3 PB0	J1.8 BUZ 1 (unused)
J1.4 PB1	J1.7 BUZ 2 (unused)
J1.6 PE5	J1.5 Row or Storage Clock
J1.7 PB4	J1.4 SoftSSICIk
J2.1 GND	J2.1 GND
J2.7 PB6	J2.7 SoftSSIRx

See https://www.olimex.com/dev/msp-led8x8.html for additional information specific to this BoosterPack.

# 2 Example Applications

The example applications show how to use features of the Cortex-M4F microprocessor, the peripherals on the Tiva C Series microcontroller, and the drivers provided by the peripheral driver library. These applications are intended for demonstration and as a starting point for new applications.

There is an IAR workspace file (ek-tm4c123gx1-boost-olimex-8x8.eww) that contains the peripheral driver library project, USB library project, and all of the board example projects, in a single, easy to use workspace for use with Embedded Workbench version 6.

There is a Keil multi-project workspace file (ek-tm4c123gxl-boost-olimex-8x8.mpw) that contains the peripheral driver library project, USB library project, and all of the board example projects, in a single, easy to use workspace for use with uVision.

All of these examples reside in the boards/ek-tm4c123gxl-boost-olimex-8x8 subdirectory of the firmware development package source distribution.

# 2.1 olimex\_led World (olimex\_led)

A very simple "hello world" example. It simply displays "Hello World!" on the UART and is a starting point for more complicated applications.

UART0, connected to the Virtual Serial Port and running at 115,200, 8-N-1, is used to display messages from this application.

Displays a series of faces on the LED matrix.

# 3 Development System Utilities

These are tools that run on the development system, not on the embedded target. They are provided to assist in the development of firmware for TI Tiva microcontrollers.

These tools reside in the tools subdirectory of the firmware development package source distribution.

# **USB DFU Programmer**

#### Usage:

dfuprog [OPTION]...

#### **Description:**

Downloads images to a Texas Instruments Tiva microcontroller running the USB Device Firmware Upgrade boot loader. Additionally, this utility may be used to read back the existing application image or a subsection of flash and store it either as raw binary data or as a DFU-downloadable image file.

The source code for this utility is contained in <code>tools/dfuprog</code>. The binary for this utility is installed as part of the "Windows-side examples for USB kits" package (SW-USB-win) shipped on the release CD and downloadable from <a href="http://www.luminarymicro.com/products/software\_updates.html">http://www.luminarymicro.com/products/software\_updates.html</a>. A Microsoft Visual Studio project file is provided to allow the application to be built.

#### Arguments:

- -e specifies the address of the binary.
- -u specifies that an image is to be uploaded from the board into the target file. If absent, the file will be downloaded to the board.
- -c specifies that a section of flash memory is to be cleared. The address and size of the block may be specified using the -a and -l parameters. If these are absent, the entire writable area of flash is erased.
- **-f FILE** specifies the name of the file to download or, if -u is given, to upload.
- **-b** specifies that an uploaded file is to be stored as raw binary data without the DFU file wrapper. This option is only valid if used alongside -u.
- -d specifies that the VID and PID in the DFU file wrapper should be ignored for a download operation.
- -s specifies that image verification should be skipped following a download operation.
- -a ADDR specifies the address at which the binary file will be downloaded or from which an uploaded file will be read. If a download operation is taking place and the source file provided is DFU-wrapped, this parameter will be ignored.
- **-I SIZE** specifies the number of bytes to be uploaded when used in conjunction with -i or the number of bytes of flash to erase if used in conjunction with -c.
- **-i NUM** specifies the zero-based index of the USB DFU device to access if more than one is currently attached to the system. If absent, the first device found is used.
- -x specifies that destination file for an upload operation should be overwritten without prompting if it already exists.
- -w specifies that the utility should wait for the user to press a key before it exits.
- **-v** displays verbose output during the requested operation.

- -h displays this help information.
- -? displays this help information.

#### Example:

The following example writes binary file program.bin to the device flash memory at address 0x1800:

```
dfuprog -f program.bin -a 0x1800
```

The following example writes DFU-wrapped file program.dfu to the flash memory of the second connected USB DFU device at the address found in the DFU file prefix:

```
dfuprog -i 1 -f program.dfu
```

The following example uploads (reads) the current application image into a DFU-formatted file appimage.dfu:

```
dfuprog -u -f appimage.dfu
```

# **USB DFU Wrapper**

#### Usage:

```
dfuwrap [OPTION]...
```

#### **Description:**

Prepares binary images for download to a particular position in device flash via the USB device firmware upgrade protocol. A Tiva-specific prefix and a DFU standard suffix are added to the binary.

The source code for this utility is contained in tools/dfuwrap, with a pre-built binary contained in tools/bin.

#### **Arguments:**

- -a ADDR specifies the address of the binary.
- -c specifies that the validity of the DFU wrapper on the input file should be checked.
- **-d ID** specifies the USB device ID to place into the DFU wrapper. If not specified, the default of 0x0000 will be used.
- **-e** enables verbose output.
- -f specifies that a DFU wrapper should be added to the file even if one already exists.
- **-h** displays usage information.
- -i FILE specifies the name of the input file.
- **-o FILE** specifies the name of the output file. If not specified, the default of image.dfu will be used.
- **-p ID** specifies the USB product ID to place into the DFU wrapper. If not specified, the default of 0x00ff will be used.
- **-q** specifies that only error information should be output.
- **-r** specifies that the DFU header should be removed from the input file.
- -v ID specifies the USB vendor ID to place into the DFU wrapper. if not specified, the default of 0x1cbe will be used.
- -x specifies that the output file should be overwritten without prompting.

#### **Example:**

The following example adds a DFU wrapper which will cause the image to be programmed to address 0x1800:

```
dfuwrap -i program.bin -o program.dfu -a 0x1800
```

# **USB DFU Library**

#### Description:

LMDFU is a Windows dynamic link library offering a high level interface to the USB Device Firmware Upgrade functionality provided by the TivaWare USB boot loader (boot\_usb). This DLL is used by the dfuprog utility and also by the LMFlash application to allow download and upload of application images to or from a Tiva-based board via USB.

The source code for this DLL is contained in tools/lmdfu. The DLL binary is installed as part of the "TivaWare Embedded USB drivers" package (SW-USB-windrivers) shipped on the release CD and downloadable from http://www.ti.com/tivaware. A Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 project file is provided to allow the application to be built.

# **USB Dynamic Link Library**

#### **Description:**

LMUSBDLL is a simple Windows dynamic link library offering low level packet read and write functions for some USB-connected TivaWare example applications. The DLL is written above the Microsoft WinUSB interface and is intended solely to ensure that various Windows-side example applications can be built without having to use WinUSB header files. These header files are not included in the Visual Studio tools and are only shipped in the Windows Device Driver Kit (DDK). By providing this simple mapping DLL which links to WinUSB, the user avoids the need for a multi-gigabyte download to build the examples.

The source code for this DLL is contained in tools/lmusbdll. The DLL binary is installed as part of the "Tiva Embedded USB drivers" package (SW-USB-windrivers) shipped on the release CD and downloadable from http://www.ti.com/tivaware. A Microsoft Visual Studio 2008 project file is provided to allow the DLL to be built on a PC which has the Windows Device Driver Kit installed.

### Serial Flash Downloader

#### Usage:

```
sflash [OPTION]... [INPUT FILE]
```

#### **Description:**

Downloads a firmware image to a Tiva board using a UART connection to the TivaWare Serial Flash Loader or the TivaWare Boot Loader. This has the same capabilities as the serial download portion of the LM Flash Programmer tool.

The source code for this utility is contained in tools/sflash, with a pre-built binary contained in tools/bin.

#### **Arguments:**

- -b BAUD specifies the baud rate. If not specified, the default of 115,200 will be used.
- -c PORT specifies the COM port. If not specified, the default of COM1 will be used.
- -d disables auto-baud.
- -h displays usage information.
- -I FILENAME specifies the name of the boot loader image file.
- **-p ADDR** specifies the address at which to program the firmware. If not specified, the default of 0 will be used.
- -r ADDR specifies the address at which to start processor execution after the firmware has been downloaded. If not specified, the processor will be reset after the firmware has been downloaded.
- -s SIZE specifies the size of the data packets used to download the firmware date. This must be a multiple of four between 8 and 252, inclusive. If using the Serial Flash Loader, the maximum value that can be used is 76. If using the Boot Loader, the maximum value that can be used is dependent upon the configuration of the Boot Loader. If not specified, the default of 8 will be used.

INPUT FILE specifies the name of the firmware image file.

#### Example:

The following will download a firmware image to the board over COM2 without auto-baud support:

sflash -c 2 -d image.bin

# **USB Bulk Data Transfer Example**

#### **Description:**

usb\_bulk\_example is a Windows command line application which communicates with the TivaWare usb\_dev\_bulk example. The application finds the Tiva device on the USB bus then, if found, prompts the user to enter strings which are sent to the application running on the Tiva board. This application then inverts the case of the alphabetic characters in the string and returns the data back to the USB host where it is displayed.

The source code for this application is contained in tools/usb\_bulk\_example. The binary is installed as part of the "Windows-side examples for USB kits" package (SW-USB-win) shipped on the release CD and downloadable from http://www.ti.com/tivaware. A Microsoft Visual Studio project file is provided to allow the application to be built.

# 4 Command Line Processing Module

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### 4.1 Introduction

The command line processor allows a simple command line interface to be made available in an application, for example via a UART. It takes a buffer containing a string (which must be obtained by the application) and breaks it up into a command and arguments (in traditional C "argc, argv" format). The command is then found in a command table and the corresponding function in the table is called to process the command.

This module is contained in utils/cmdline.c, with utils/cmdline.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

### 4.2 API Functions

#### **Data Structures**

■ tCmdLineEntry

#### **Defines**

- CMDLINE BAD CMD
- CMDLINE INVALID ARG
- CMDLINE TOO FEW ARGS
- CMDLINE\_TOO\_MANY\_ARGS

### **Functions**

■ int CmdLineProcess (char \*pcCmdLine)

### **Variables**

tCmdLineEntry g\_psCmdTable[]

#### 4.2.1 Data Structure Documentation

#### 4.2.1.1 tCmdLineEntry

#### **Definition:**

```
typedef struct
{
    const char *pcCmd;
    pfnCmdLine pfnCmd;
    const char *pcHelp;
}
tCmdLineEntry
```

#### Members:

pcCmd A pointer to a string containing the name of the command.pfnCmd A function pointer to the implementation of the command.pcHelp A pointer to a string of brief help text for the command.

#### **Description:**

Structure for an entry in the command list table.

#### 4.2.2 Define Documentation

#### 4.2.2.1 CMDLINE BAD CMD

#### **Definition:**

```
#define CMDLINE_BAD_CMD
```

#### **Description:**

Defines the value that is returned if the command is not found.

#### 4.2.2.2 CMDLINE INVALID ARG

#### **Definition:**

```
#define CMDLINE_INVALID_ARG
```

#### **Description:**

Defines the value that is returned if an argument is invalid.

#### 4.2.2.3 CMDLINE\_TOO\_FEW\_ARGS

#### **Definition:**

```
#define CMDLINE TOO FEW ARGS
```

#### **Description:**

Defines the value that is returned if there are too few arguments.

#### 4.2.2.4 CMDLINE TOO MANY ARGS

#### **Definition:**

#define CMDLINE\_TOO\_MANY\_ARGS

#### **Description:**

Defines the value that is returned if there are too many arguments.

#### 4.2.3 Function Documentation

#### 4.2.3.1 CmdLineProcess

Process a command line string into arguments and execute the command.

#### Prototype:

int

CmdLineProcess(char \*pcCmdLine)

#### Parameters:

**pcCmdLine** points to a string that contains a command line that was obtained by an application by some means.

#### **Description:**

This function will take the supplied command line string and break it up into individual arguments. The first argument is treated as a command and is searched for in the command table. If the command is found, then the command function is called and all of the command line arguments are passed in the normal argc, argv form.

The command table is contained in an array named <code>g\_psCmdTable</code> containing <code>tCmdLineEntry</code> structures which must be provided by the application. The array must be terminated with an entry whose <code>pcCmd</code> field contains a NULL pointer.

#### Returns:

Returns **CMDLINE\_BAD\_CMD** if the command is not found, **CMDLINE\_TOO\_MANY\_ARGS** if there are more arguments than can be parsed. Otherwise it returns the code that was returned by the command function.

#### 4.2.4 Variable Documentation

#### 4.2.4.1 g psCmdTable

#### **Definition:**

tCmdLineEntry g\_psCmdTable[]

#### Description:

This is the command table that must be provided by the application. The last element of the array must be a structure whose pcCmd field contains a NULL pointer.

# 4.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to process a command line.

```
// Code for the "foo" command.
//
int
ProcessFoo(int argc, char *argv[])
    // Do something, using argc and argv if the command takes arguments.
}
// Code for the "bar" command.
//
int
ProcessBar(int argc, char *argv[])
    \ensuremath{//} Do something, using argc and argv if the command takes arguments.
}
// Code for the "help" command.
//
int
ProcessHelp(int argc, char *argv[])
    // Provide help.
}
// The table of commands supported by this application.
tCmdLineEntry g_sCmdTable[] =
    { "foo", ProcessFoo, "The first command." },
{ "bar", ProcessBar, "The second command." },
    { "help", ProcessHelp, "Application help." },
    { 0, 0, 0 }
};
// Read a process a command.
//
int.
Test (void)
    unsigned char pucCmd[256];
    // Retrieve a command from the user into pucCmd.
    . . .
    // Process the command line.
```

```
return(CmdLineProcess(pucCmd));
```

# 5 CPU Usage Module

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### 5.1 Introduction

The CPU utilization module uses one of the system timers and peripheral clock gating to determine the percentage of the time that the processor is being clocked. For the most part, the processor is executing code whenever it is being clocked (exceptions occur when the clocking is being configured, which only happens at startup, and when entering/exiting an interrupt handler, when the processor is performing stacking operations on behalf of the application).

The specified timer is configured to run when the processor is in run mode and to not run when the processor is in sleep mode. Therefore, the timer will only count when the processor is being clocked. Comparing the number of clocks the timer counted during a fixed period to the number of clocks in the fixed period provides the percentage utilization.

In order for this to be effective, the application must put the processor to sleep when it has no work to do (instead of busy waiting). If the processor never goes to sleep (either because of a continual stream of work to do or a busy loop), the processor utilization will be reported as 100%.

Since deep-sleep mode changes the clocking of the system, the computed processor usage may be incorrect if deep-sleep mode is utilized. The number of clocks the processor spends in run mode will be properly counted, but the timing period may not be accurate (unless extraordinary measures are taken to ensure timing period accuracy).

The accuracy of the computed CPU utilization depends upon the regularity with which CPUUsageTick() is called by the application. If the CPU usage is constant, but CPUUsageTick() is called sporadically, the reported CPU usage will fluctuate as well despite the fact that the CPU usage is actually constant.

This module is contained in utils/cpu\_usage.c, with utils/cpu\_usage.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 5.2 API Functions

#### **Functions**

- void CPUUsageInit (uint32\_t ui32ClockRate, uint32\_t ui32Rate, uint32\_t ui32Timer)
- uint32 t CPUUsageTick (void)

#### 5.2.1 Function Documentation

#### 5.2.1.1 CPUUsageInit

Initializes the CPU usage measurement module.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui32ClockRate is the rate of the clock supplied to the timer module.ui32Rate is the number of times per second that CPUUsageTick() is called.ui32Timer is the index of the timer module to use.

#### **Description:**

This function prepares the CPU usage measurement module for measuring the CPU usage of the application.

#### Returns:

None.

### 5.2.1.2 CPUUsageTick

Updates the CPU usage for the new timing period.

#### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
CPUUsageTick(void)
```

#### **Description:**

This function, when called at the end of a timing period, will update the CPU usage.

#### Returns:

Returns the CPU usage percentage as a 16.16 fixed-point value.

# 5.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to use the CPU usage module to measure the CPU usage where the foreground simply burns some cycles.

```
//
// The CPU usage for the most recent time period.
//
unsigned long g_ulCPUUsage;
//
// Handles the SysTick interrupt.
```

```
//
void
SysTickIntHandler(void)
    // Compute the CPU usage for the last time period.
   g_ulCPUUsage = CPUUsageTick();
}
// The main application.
//
int
main(void)
    // Initialize the CPU usage module, using timer 0.
    CPUUsageInit(8000000, 100, 0);
    // Initialize SysTick to interrupt at 100 Hz.
    //
    SysTickPeriodSet(8000000 / 100);
    SysTickIntEnable();
    SysTickEnable();
    // Loop forever.
    //
    while(1)
        // Delay for a little bit so that CPU usage is not zero.
        SysCtlDelay(100);
        // Put the processor to sleep.
        SysCtlSleep();
```

## 6 CRC Module

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### 6.1 Introduction

The CRC module provides functions to compute the CRC-8-CCITT and CRC-16 of a buffer of data. Support is provided for computing a running CRC, where a partial CRC is computed on one portion of the data, and then continued at a later time on another portion of the data. This is useful when computing the CRC on a stream of data that is coming in via a serial link (for example).

A CRC is useful for detecting errors that occur during the transmission of data over a communications channel or during storage in a memory (such as flash). However, a CRC does not provide protection against an intentional modification or tampering of the data.

This module is contained in utils/crc.c, with utils/crc.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

### 6.2 API Functions

#### **Functions**

- uint16 t Crc16 (uint16 t ui16Crc, const uint8 t \*pui8Data, uint32 t ui32Count)
- uint16\_t Crc16Array (uint32\_t ui32WordLen, const uint32\_t \*pui32Data)
- void Crc16Array3 (uint32 t ui32WordLen, const uint32 t \*pui32Data, uint16 t \*pui16Crc3)
- uint32\_t Crc32 (uint32\_t ui32Crc, const uint8\_t \*pui8Data, uint32\_t ui32Count)
- uint8 t Crc8CCITT (uint8 t ui8Crc, const uint8 t \*pui8Data, uint32 t ui32Count)

#### 6.2.1 Function Documentation

#### 6.2.1.1 Crc16

Calculates the CRC-16 of an array of bytes.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui16Crc is the starting CRC-16 value.pui8Data is a pointer to the data buffer.

ui32Count is the number of bytes in the data buffer.

#### **Description:**

This function is used to calculate the CRC-16 of the input buffer. The CRC-16 is computed in a running fashion, meaning that the entire data block that is to have its CRC-16 computed does not need to be supplied all at once. If the input buffer contains the entire block of data, then **ui16Crc** should be set to 0. If, however, the entire block of data is not available, then **ui16Crc** should be set to 0 for the first portion of the data, and then the returned value should be passed back in as **ui16Crc** for the next portion of the data.

For example, to compute the CRC-16 of a block that has been split into three pieces, use the following:

```
uil6Crc = Crc16(0, pui8Data1, ui32Len1);
uil6Crc = Crc16(uil6Crc, pui8Data2, ui32Len2);
uil6Crc = Crc16(uil6Crc, pui8Data3, ui32Len3);
```

Computing a CRC-16 in a running fashion is useful in cases where the data is arriving via a serial link (for example) and is therefore not all available at one time.

#### Returns:

The CRC-16 of the input data.

#### 6.2.1.2 Crc16Array

Calculates the CRC-16 of an array of words.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui32WordLen is the length of the array in words (the number of bytes divided by 4).pui32Data is a pointer to the data buffer.

#### **Description:**

This function is a wrapper around the running CRC-16 function, providing the CRC-16 for a single block of data.

#### Returns:

The CRC-16 of the input data.

#### 6.2.1.3 Crc16Array3

Calculates three CRC-16s of an array of words.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui32WordLen is the length of the array in words (the number of bytes divided by 4).pui32Data is a pointer to the data buffer.pui16Crc3 is a pointer to an array in which to place the three CRC-16 values.

#### **Description:**

This function is used to calculate three CRC-16s of the input buffer; the first uses every byte from the array, the second uses only the even-index bytes from the array (in other words, bytes 0, 2, 4, etc.), and the third uses only the odd-index bytes from the array (in other words, bytes 1, 3, 5, etc.).

#### Returns:

None

#### 6.2.1.4 Crc32

Calculates the CRC-32 of an array of bytes.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui32Crc is the starting CRC-32 value.pui8Data is a pointer to the data buffer.ui32Count is the number of bytes in the data buffer.

#### Description:

This function is used to calculate the CRC-32 of the input buffer. The CRC-32 is computed in a running fashion, meaning that the entire data block that is to have its CRC-32 computed does not need to be supplied all at once. If the input buffer contains the entire block of data, then **ui32Crc** should be set to 0xFFFFFFFF. If, however, the entire block of data is not available, then **ui32Crc** should be set to 0xFFFFFFFF for the first portion of the data, and then the returned value should be passed back in as **ui32Crc** for the next portion of the data. Once all data has been passed to the function, the final CRC-32 can be obtained by inverting the last returned value.

For example, to compute the CRC-32 of a block that has been split into three pieces, use the following:

```
ui32Crc = Crc32(0xFFFFFFFF, pui8Data1, ui32Len1);
ui32Crc = Crc32(ui32Crc, pui8Data2, ui32Len2);
ui32Crc = Crc32(ui32Crc, pui8Data3, ui32Len3);
ui32Crc ^= 0xFFFFFFFF;
```

Computing a CRC-32 in a running fashion is useful in cases where the data is arriving via a serial link (for example) and is therefore not all available at one time.

#### Returns:

The accumulated CRC-32 of the input data.

#### 6.2.1.5 Crc8CCITT

Calculates the CRC-8-CCITT of an array of bytes.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui8Crc is the starting CRC-8-CCITT value.pui8Data is a pointer to the data buffer.ui32Count is the number of bytes in the data buffer.

#### **Description:**

This function is used to calculate the CRC-8-CCITT of the input buffer. The CRC-8-CCITT is computed in a running fashion, meaning that the entire data block that is to have its CRC-8-CCITT computed does not need to be supplied all at once. If the input buffer contains the entire block of data, then **ui8Crc** should be set to 0. If, however, the entire block of data is not available, then **ui8Crc** should be set to 0 for the first portion of the data, and then the returned value should be passed back in as **ui8Crc** for the next portion of the data.

For example, to compute the CRC-8-CCITT of a block that has been split into three pieces, use the following:

```
ui8Crc = Crc8CCITT(0, pui8Data1, ui32Len1);
ui8Crc = Crc8CCITT(ui8Crc, pui8Data2, ui32Len2);
ui8Crc = Crc8CCITT(ui8Crc, pui8Data3, ui32Len3);
```

Computing a CRC-8-CCITT in a running fashion is useful in cases where the data is arriving via a serial link (for example) and is therefore not all available at one time.

#### Returns:

The CRC-8-CCITT of the input data.

# 6.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to compute the CRC-16 of a buffer of data.

```
unsigned long ulIdx, ulValue;
unsigned char pucData[256];

//
// Fill pucData with some data.
//
for(ulIdx = 0; ulIdx < 256; ulIdx++)
{
   pucData[ulIdx] = ulIdx;
}

//
// Compute the CRC-16 of the data.
//
ulValue = Crc16(0, pucData, 256);</pre>
```

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### 7.1 Introduction

The flash parameter block module provides a simple, fault-tolerant, persistent storage mechanism for storing parameter information for an application.

The FlashPBInit() function is used to initialize a parameter block. The primary conditions for the parameter block are that flash region used to store the parameter blocks must contain at least two erase blocks of flash to ensure fault tolerance, and the size of the parameter block must be an integral divisor of the the size of an erase block. FlashPBGet() and FlashPBSave() are used to read and write parameter block data into the parameter region. The only constraints on the content of the parameter block are that the first two bytes of the block are reserved for use by the read/write functions as a sequence number and checksum, respectively.

This module is contained in utils/flash\_pb.c, with utils/flash\_pb.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

### 7.2 API Functions

#### **Functions**

- uint8 t \* FlashPBGet (void)
- void FlashPBInit (uint32\_t ui32Start, uint32\_t ui32End, uint32\_t ui32Size)
- void FlashPBSave (uint8 t \*pui8Buffer)

#### 7.2.1 Function Documentation

#### 7.2.1.1 FlashPBGet

Gets the address of the most recent parameter block.

#### Prototype:

```
uint8_t *
FlashPBGet(void)
```

#### **Description:**

This function returns the address of the most recent parameter block that is stored in flash.

#### Returns:

Returns the address of the most recent parameter block, or NULL if there are no valid parameter blocks in flash.

#### 7.2.1.2 FlashPBInit

Initializes the flash parameter block.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

*ui32Start* is the address of the flash memory to be used for storing flash parameter blocks; this must be the start of an erase block in the flash.

ui32End is the address of the end of flash memory to be used for storing flash parameter blocks; this must be the start of an erase block in the flash (the first block that is NOT part of the flash memory to be used), or the address of the first word after the flash array if the last block of flash is to be used.

*ui32Size* is the size of the parameter block when stored in flash; this must be a power of two less than or equal to the flash erase block size (typically 1024).

#### **Description:**

This function initializes a fault-tolerant, persistent storage mechanism for a parameter block for an application. The last several erase blocks of flash (as specified by *ui32Start* and *ui32End* are used for the storage; more than one erase block is required in order to be fault-tolerant.

A parameter block is an array of bytes that contain the persistent parameters for the application. The only special requirement for the parameter block is that the first byte is a sequence number (explained in FlashPBSave()) and the second byte is a checksum used to validate the correctness of the data (the checksum byte is the byte such that the sum of all bytes in the parameter block is zero).

The portion of flash for parameter block storage is split into N equal-sized regions, where each region is the size of a parameter block (*ui32Size*). Each region is scanned to find the most recent valid parameter block. The region that has a valid checksum and has the highest sequence number (with special consideration given to wrapping back to zero) is considered to be the current parameter block.

In order to make this efficient and effective, three conditions must be met. The first is *ui32Start* and *ui32End* must be specified such that at least two erase blocks of flash are dedicated to parameter block storage. If not, fault tolerance can not be guaranteed since an erase of a single block will leave a window where there are no valid parameter blocks in flash. The second condition is that the size (*ui32Size*) of the parameter block must be an integral divisor of the size of an erase block of flash. If not, a parameter block will end up spanning between two erase blocks of flash, making it more difficult to manage. The final condition is that the size of the flash dedicated to parameter blocks (*ui32End - ui32Start*) divided by the parameter block size (*ui32Size*) must be less than or equal to 128. If not, it will not be possible in all cases to determine which parameter block is the most recent (specifically when dealing with the sequence number wrapping back to zero).

When the microcontroller is initially programmed, the flash blocks used for parameter block storage are left in an erased state.

This function must be called before any other flash parameter block functions are called.

#### Returns:

None.

#### 7.2.1.3 FlashPBSave

Writes a new parameter block to flash.

#### Prototype:

```
void
FlashPBSave(uint8_t *pui8Buffer)
```

#### **Parameters**

pui8Buffer is the address of the parameter block to be written to flash.

#### **Description:**

This function will write a parameter block to flash. Saving the new parameter blocks involves three steps:

- Setting the sequence number such that it is one greater than the sequence number of the latest parameter block in flash.
- Computing the checksum of the parameter block.
- Writing the parameter block into the storage immediately following the latest parameter block in flash; if that storage is at the start of an erase block, that block is erased first.

By this process, there is always a valid parameter block in flash. If power is lost while writing a new parameter block, the checksum will not match and the partially written parameter block will be ignored. This is what makes this fault-tolerant.

Another benefit of this scheme is that it provides wear leveling on the flash. Since multiple parameter blocks fit into each erase block of flash, and multiple erase blocks are used for parameter block storage, it takes quite a few parameter block saves before flash is re-written.

#### Returns:

None.

# 7.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to use the flash parameter block module to read the contents of a flash parameter block.

```
unsigned char pucBuffer[16], *pucPB;

//
// Initialize the flash parameter block module, using the last two pages of
// a 64 KB device as the parameter block.
//
FlashPBInit(0xf800, 0x10000, 16);

//
// Read the current parameter block.
//
pucPB = FlashPBGet();
if(pucPB)
{
    memcpy(pucBuffer, pucPB);
}
```

# 8 Integer Square Root Module

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### 8.1 Introduction

The integer square root module provides an integer version of the square root operation that can be used instead of the floating point version provided in the C library. The algorithm used is a derivative of the manual pencil-and-paper method that used to be taught in school, and is closely related to the pencil-and-paper division method that is likely still taught in school.

For full details of the algorithm, see the article by Jack W. Crenshaw in the February 1998 issue of Embedded System Programming. It can be found online at http://www.embedded.com/98/9802fe2.htm.

This module is contained in utils/isqrt.c, with utils/isqrt.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

### 8.2 API Functions

#### **Functions**

■ uint32 t isqrt (uint32 t ui32Value)

#### 8.2.1 Function Documentation

#### 8.2.1.1 isgrt

Compute the integer square root of an integer.

#### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
isqrt(uint32_t ui32Value)
```

#### Parameters:

ui32Value is the value whose square root is desired.

#### **Description:**

This function will compute the integer square root of the given input value. Since the value returned is also an integer, it is actually better defined as the largest integer whose square is less than or equal to the input value.

#### Returns:

Returns the square root of the input value.

# 8.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to compute the square root of a number.

```
unsigned long ulValue;

//

// Get the square root of 52378. The result returned will be 228, which is
// the largest integer less than or equal to the square root of 52378.

//
ulValue = isqrt(52378);
```

# 9 random Utility Module

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### 9.1 Introduction

This module implements an entropy-based random number generator (RNG). The API only consists of two functions: RandomAddEntropy() and RandomSeed(). Software uses RandomAddEntropy() to add random data (entropy) to the pool used by the RNG. Entropy can originate from various sources including ADC measurements, sensor readings, time between interrupts, timing user inputs (such as keyboard or mouse), etc. Essentially anything that can create random data.

This module can be used in different ways. The simplest method is to feed the entropy pool and call RandomSeed() to obtain a new random number. Assuming that the entropy pool has changed since the last call to RandomSeed(), a new random number is returned by RandomSeed(). If the entropy pool has not changed since the last call to RandomSeed(), the same number is returned.

Software can also use this module in combination with other RNG or pseudo-random number generator (PRNG) software. For example, software can feed the entropy pool and generate seed data that is fed into another, more sophisticated RNG or PRNG. A simple example of this is to use RandomSeed() to obtain the seed used by the PRNG functions located in utils/ustdlib.c.

How this module is used should be dictated by the requirements of the end user application.

This module is contained in utils/random.c, with utils/random.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

### 9.2 API Functions

#### **Functions**

- void RandomAddEntropy (uint32\_t ui32Entropy)
- uint32 t RandomSeed (void)

#### 9.2.1 Function Documentation

#### 9.2.1.1 RandomAddEntropy

Add entropy to the pool.

#### Prototype:

void

RandomAddEntropy(uint32\_t ui32Entropy)

#### Parameters:

ui32Entropy is an 8-bit value that is added to the entropy pool

#### **Description:**

This function allows the user application code to add entropy (random data) to the pool at any time

#### Returns:

None

#### 9.2.1.2 RandomSeed

Set the random number generator seed.

#### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RandomSeed(void)
```

#### **Description:**

Seed the random number generator by running a MD4 hash on the entropy pool. Note that the entropy pool may change from beneath us, but for the purposes of generating random numbers that is not a concern. Also, the MD4 hash was broken long ago, but since it is being used to generate random numbers instead of providing security this is not a concern.

#### Returns:

New seed value.

# 9.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to produce a random number using the SysTick timer and an ADC reading to feed the entropy pool.

```
unsigned long ulRandomNumber1, ulRandomNumber2;

//
// Add entropy to the pool and generate a new random number.
//
RandomAddEntropy(SysTickValueGet());
ulRandomNumber1 = RandomSeed();

//
// Add entropy to the pool and generate a new random number.
//
RandomAddEntropy(ulADCValue);
ulRandomNumber2 = RandomSeed();
```

The following example shows how to use seed data from the RNG module with another piece of RNG software. This example adds entropy from various sources.

```
unsigned long ulRandomNumber1, ulRandomNumber2;

//
// Initialize the entropy pool.
//
RandomAddEntropy(SysTickValueGet());
RandomAddEntropy(ulSensorValue);
```

```
RandomAddEntropy(ulADCValue);

//
// Seed the random number generator.
//
usrand(RandomSeed());

//
// Generate random numbers.
//
ulRandomNumber1 = urand();
ulRandomNumber2 = urand();
```

# 10 Ring Buffer Module

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# 10.1 Introduction

The ring buffer module provides a set of functions allowing management of a block of memory as a ring buffer. This is typically used in buffering transmit or receive data for a communication channel but has many other uses including implementing queues and FIFOs.

This module is contained in utils/ringbuf.c, with utils/ringbuf.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 10.2 API Functions

## **Functions**

- void RingBufAdvanceRead (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint32\_t ui32NumBytes)
- void RingBufAdvanceWrite (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint32 t ui32NumBytes)
- uint32 t RingBufContigFree (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- uint32\_t RingBufContigUsed (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- bool RingBufEmpty (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- void RingBufFlush (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- uint32 t RingBufFree (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- bool RingBufFull (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- void RingBufInit (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint8\_t \*pui8Buf, uint32\_t ui32Size)
- void RingBufRead (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint8 t \*pui8Data, uint32 t ui32Length)
- uint8 t RingBufReadOne (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- uint32\_t RingBufSize (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- uint32 t RingBufUsed (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)
- void RingBufWrite (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint8 t \*pui8Data, uint32 t ui32Length)
- void RingBufWriteOne (tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf, uint8 t ui8Data)

## 10.2.1 Function Documentation

## 10.2.1.1 RingBufAdvanceRead

Remove bytes from the ring buffer by advancing the read index.

#### Prototype:

## Parameters:

**psRingBuf** points to the ring buffer from which bytes are to be removed. **ui32NumBytes** is the number of bytes to be removed from the buffer.

#### **Description:**

This function advances the ring buffer read index by a given number of bytes, removing that number of bytes of data from the buffer. If *ui32NumBytes* is larger than the number of bytes currently in the buffer, the buffer is emptied.

#### Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.2 RingBufAdvanceWrite

Add bytes to the ring buffer by advancing the write index.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psRingBuf** points to the ring buffer to which bytes have been added. **ui32NumBytes** is the number of bytes added to the buffer.

#### **Description:**

This function should be used by clients who wish to add data to the buffer directly rather than via calls to RingBufWrite() or RingBufWriteOne(). It advances the write index by a given number of bytes. If the *ui32NumBytes* parameter is larger than the amount of free space in the buffer, the read pointer will be advanced to cater for the addition. Note that this will result in some of the oldest data in the buffer being discarded.

#### Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.3 RingBufContigFree

Returns number of contiguous free bytes available in a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RingBufContigFree(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### Parameters:

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to check.

#### **Description:**

This function returns the number of contiguous free bytes ahead of the current write pointer in the ring buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of contiguous bytes available in the ring buffer.

## 10.2.1.4 RingBufContigUsed

Returns number of contiguous bytes of data stored in ring buffer ahead of the current read pointer.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RingBufContigUsed(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### **Parameters**

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to check.

## **Description:**

This function returns the number of contiguous bytes of data available in the ring buffer ahead of the current read pointer. This represents the largest block of data which does not straddle the buffer wrap.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of contiguous bytes available.

## 10.2.1.5 RingBufEmpty

Determines whether the ring buffer whose pointers and size are provided is empty or not.

## Prototype:

```
hool
```

RingBufEmpty(tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)

## Parameters:

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to empty.

## **Description:**

This function is used to determine whether or not a given ring buffer is empty. The structure is specifically to ensure that we do not see warnings from the compiler related to the order of volatile accesses being undefined.

#### Returns:

Returns true if the buffer is empty or false otherwise.

## 10.2.1.6 RingBufFlush

Empties the ring buffer.

## Prototype:

void

RingBufFlush(tRingBufObject \*psRingBuf)

#### **Parameters**

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to empty.

## **Description:**

Discards all data from the ring buffer.

#### Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.7 RingBufFree

Returns number of bytes available in a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RingBufFree(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

## Parameters:

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to check.

## **Description:**

This function returns the number of bytes available in the ring buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of bytes available in the ring buffer.

## 10.2.1.8 RingBufFull

Determines whether the ring buffer whose pointers and size are provided is full or not.

## Prototype:

```
bool
RingBufFull(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### Parameters:

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to empty.

#### **Description:**

This function is used to determine whether or not a given ring buffer is full. The structure is specifically to ensure that we do not see warnings from the compiler related to the order of volatile accesses being undefined.

#### Returns:

Returns true if the buffer is full or false otherwise.

## 10.2.1.9 RingBufInit

Initialize a ring buffer object.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psRingBuf points to the ring buffer to be initialized.pui8Buf points to the data buffer to be used for the ring buffer.ui32Size is the size of the buffer in bytes.

## **Description:**

This function initializes a ring buffer object, preparing it to store data.

#### Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.10 RingBufRead

Reads data from a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psRingBuf points to the ring buffer to be read from.pui8Data points to where the data should be stored.ui32Length is the number of bytes to be read.

#### **Description:**

This function reads a sequence of bytes from a ring buffer.

#### Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.11 RingBufReadOne

Reads a single byte of data from a ring buffer.

## **Prototype:**

```
uint8_t
RingBufReadOne(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### **Parameters**

**psRingBuf** points to the ring buffer to be written to.

#### **Description:**

This function reads a single byte of data from a ring buffer.

#### Returns:

The byte read from the ring buffer.

## 10.2.1.12 RingBufSize

Return size in bytes of a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RingBufSize(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### **Parameters**

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to check.

### **Description:**

This function returns the size of the ring buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns the size in bytes of the ring buffer.

## 10.2.1.13 RingBufUsed

Returns number of bytes stored in ring buffer.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
RingBufUsed(tRingBufObject *psRingBuf)
```

#### Parameters:

psRingBuf is the ring buffer object to check.

## **Description:**

This function returns the number of bytes stored in the ring buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of bytes stored in the ring buffer.

## 10.2.1.14 RingBufWrite

Writes data to a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

## Parameters:

```
psRingBuf points to the ring buffer to be written to.pui8Data points to the data to be written.ui32Length is the number of bytes to be written.
```

## **Description:**

This function write a sequence of bytes into a ring buffer.

## Returns:

None.

## 10.2.1.15 RingBufWriteOne

Writes a single byte of data to a ring buffer.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psRingBuf** points to the ring buffer to be written to. **ui8Data** is the byte to be written.

## **Description:**

This function writes a single byte of data into a ring buffer.

### Returns:

None.

# 10.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to pass data through the ring buffer.

```
char pcBuffer[128], pcData[16];
tRingBufObject sRingBuf;

//
// Initialize the ring buffer.
//
RingBufInit(&sRingBuf, pcBuffer, sizeof(pcBuffer));

//
// Write some data into the ring buffer.
//
RingBufWrite(&sRingBuf, "Hello World", 11);

//
// Read the data out of the ring buffer.
//
RingBufRead(&sRingBuf, pcData, 11);
```

# 11 Simple Task Scheduler Module

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# 11.1 Introduction

The simple task scheduler module offers an easy way to implement applications which rely upon a group of functions being called at regular time intervals. The module makes use of an application-defined task table listing functions to be called. Each task is defined by a function pointer, a parameter that will be passed to that function, the period between consecutive calls to the function and a flag indicating whether that particular task is enabled.

The scheduler makes use of the SysTick counter and interrupt to track time and calls enabled functions when the appropriate period has elapsed since the last call to that function.

In addition to providing the task table <code>g\_psSchedulerTable[]</code> to the module, the application must also define a global variable <code>g\_ulSchedulerNumTasks</code> containing the number of task entries in the table. The module also requires exclusive access to the SysTick hardware and the application must hook the scheduler's SysTick interrupt handler to the appropriate interrupt vector. Although the scheduler owns SysTick, functions are provided to allow the current system time to be queried and to calculate elapsed time between two system time values or between an earlier time value and the present time.

All times passed to the scheduler or returned from it are expressed in terms of system ticks. The basic system tick rate is set by the application when it initializes the scheduler module.

This module is contained in utils/scheduler.c, with utils/scheduler.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 11.2 API Functions

## **Data Structures**

■ tSchedulerTask

## **Functions**

- uint32\_t SchedulerElapsedTicksCalc (uint32\_t ui32TickStart, uint32\_t ui32TickEnd)
- uint32 t SchedulerElapsedTicksGet (uint32 t ui32TickCount)
- void SchedulerInit (uint32\_t ui32TicksPerSecond)
- void SchedulerRun (void)
- void SchedulerSysTickIntHandler (void)
- void SchedulerTaskDisable (uint32 t ui32Index)
- void SchedulerTaskEnable (uint32\_t ui32Index, bool bRunNow)
- uint32\_t SchedulerTickCountGet (void)

## **Variables**

- tSchedulerTask g\_psSchedulerTable[]
- uint32\_t g\_ui32SchedulerNumTasks

## 11.2.1 Data Structure Documentation

## 11.2.1.1 tSchedulerTask

#### **Definition:**

```
typedef struct
{
    void (*pfnFunction)(void *);
    void *pvParam;
    uint32_t ui32FrequencyTicks;
    uint32_t ui32LastCall;
    bool bActive;
}
tSchedulerTask
```

#### Members:

*pfnFunction* A pointer to the function which is to be called periodically by the scheduler.

pvParam The parameter which is to be passed to this function when it is called.

*ui32FrequencyTicks* The frequency the function is to be called expressed in terms of system ticks. If this value is 0, the function will be called on every call to SchedulerRun.

ui32LastCall Tick count when this function was last called. This field is updated by the scheduler.

**bActive** A flag indicating whether or not this task is active. If true, the function will be called periodically. If false, the function is disabled and will not be called.

#### **Description:**

The structure defining a function which the scheduler will call periodically.

## 11.2.2 Function Documentation

## 11.2.2.1 SchedulerElapsedTicksCalc

Returns the number of ticks elapsed between two times.

### Prototype:

## Parameters:

ui32TickStart is the system tick count for the start of the period.
ui32TickEnd is the system tick count for the end of the period.

## **Description:**

This function may be called by a client to determine the number of ticks which have elapsed between provided starting and ending tick counts. The function takes into account wrapping cases where the end tick count is lower than the starting count assuming that the ending tick count always represents a later time than the starting count.

#### Returns:

The number of ticks elapsed between the provided start and end counts.

## 11.2.2.2 SchedulerElapsedTicksGet

Returns the number of ticks elapsed since the provided tick count.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
SchedulerElapsedTicksGet(uint32_t ui32TickCount)
```

#### **Parameters**

ui32TickCount is the tick count from which to determine the elapsed time.

## **Description:**

This function may be called by a client to determine how much time has passed since a particular tick count provided in the *ui32TickCount* parameter. This function takes into account wrapping of the global tick counter and assumes that the provided tick count always represents a time in the past. The returned value will, of course, be wrong if the tick counter has wrapped more than once since the passed *ui32TickCount*. As a result, please do not use this function if you are dealing with timeouts of 497 days or longer (assuming you use a 10mS tick period).

#### Returns:

The number of ticks elapsed since the provided tick count.

## 11.2.2.3 SchedulerInit

Initializes the task scheduler.

#### Prototype:

```
void
SchedulerInit (uint32_t ui32TicksPerSecond)
```

#### **Parameters**

ui32TicksPerSecond sets the basic frequency of the SysTick interrupt used by the scheduler to determine when to run the various task functions.

### Description:

This function must be called during application startup to configure the SysTick timer. This is used by the scheduler module to determine when each of the functions provided in the g psSchedulerTable array is called.

The caller is responsible for ensuring that SchedulerSysTickIntHandler() has previously been installed in the SYSTICK vector in the vector table and must also ensure that interrupts are enabled at the CPU level.

Note that this call does not start the scheduler calling the configured functions. All function calls are made in the context of later calls to SchedulerRun(). This call merely configures the SysTick interrupt that is used by the scheduler to determine what the current system time is.

#### Returns:

None.

## 11.2.2.4 SchedulerRun

Instructs the scheduler to update its task table and make calls to functions needing called.

## Prototype:

```
void
SchedulerRun(void)
```

## **Description:**

This function must be called periodically by the client to allow the scheduler to make calls to any configured task functions if it is their time to be called. The call must be made at least as frequently as the most frequent task configured in the g\_psSchedulerTable array.

Although the scheduler makes use of the SysTick interrupt, all calls to functions configured in *g psSchedulerTable* are made in the context of SchedulerRun().

#### Returns:

None.

## 11.2.2.5 SchedulerSysTickIntHandler

Handles the SysTick interrupt on behalf of the scheduler module.

## Prototype:

```
void
SchedulerSysTickIntHandler(void)
```

#### **Description:**

Applications using the scheduler module must ensure that this function is hooked to the SysTick interrupt vector.

#### Returns:

None.

## 11.2.2.6 SchedulerTaskDisable

Disables a task and prevents the scheduler from calling it.

## Prototype:

```
void
```

SchedulerTaskDisable(uint32 t ui32Index)

#### Parameters:

ui32Index is the index of the task which is to be disabled in the global g\_psSchedulerTable array.

## **Description:**

This function marks one of the configured tasks as inactive and prevents SchedulerRun() from calling it. The task may be reenabled by calling SchedulerTaskEnable().

#### Returns:

None.

## 11.2.2.7 SchedulerTaskEnable

Enables a task and allows the scheduler to call it periodically.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

ui32Index is the index of the task which is to be enabled in the global g\_psSchedulerTable array.

**bRunNow** is **true** if the task is to be run on the next call to SchedulerRun() or **false** if one whole period is to elapse before the task is run.

## **Description:**

This function marks one of the configured tasks as enabled and causes SchedulerRun() to call that task periodically. The caller may choose to have the enabled task run for the first time on the next call to SchedulerRun() or to wait one full task period before making the first call.

#### Returns:

None.

## 11.2.2.8 SchedulerTickCountGet

Returns the current system time in ticks since power on.

### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
SchedulerTickCountGet(void)
```

#### **Description:**

This function may be called by a client to retrieve the current system time. The value returned is a count of ticks elapsed since the system last booted.

#### Returns:

Tick count since last boot.

## 11.2.3 Variable Documentation

## 11.2.3.1 g psSchedulerTable

#### **Definition:**

```
tSchedulerTask g_psSchedulerTable[]
```

## **Description:**

This global table must be populated by the client and contains information on each function that the scheduler is to call.

## 11.2.3.2 g\_ui32SchedulerNumTasks

#### **Definition:**

```
uint32_t q_ui32SchedulerNumTasks
```

#### **Description:**

This global variable must be exported by the client. It must contain the number of entries in the g\_psSchedulerTable array.

# 11.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to use the task scheduler module. This code illustrates a simple application which toggles two LEDs at different rates and updates a scrolling text string on the display.

```
// Toggle LED number 0 every 50 ticks (twice per second).
   { ToggleLED, (void *)0, 50, 0, true},
   // Toggle LED number 1 every 100 ticks (once per second).
   //
   { ToggleLED, (void *)1, 100, 0, true},
};
// The number of entries in the global scheduler task table.
//***************************
unsigned long g_ulSchedulerNumTasks = (sizeof(g_psSchedulerTable) /
                              sizeof(tSchedulerTask));
//***********************
// This function is called by the scheduler to toggle one of two LEDs
11
//***************************
static void
ToggleLED(void *pvParam)
  long 1State;
  ulState = GPIOPinRead(LED_GPIO_BASE
                    (pvParam ? LED1_GPIO_PIN : LED0_GPIO_PIN));
   GPIOPinWrite(LED_GPIO_BASE, (pvParam ? LED1_GPIO_PIN : LED0_GPIO_PIN),
             ~lState);
//**********************
// This function is called by the scheduler to scroll a line of text on the
// display.
//**************************
static void
ScrollTextBanner(void *pvParam)
  // Left as an exercise for the reader.
  //
}
//***********************
\ensuremath{//} Application main task.
//**********************
int
main(void)
  // Initialize system clock and any peripherals that are to be used.
  SystemInit();
   // Initialize the task scheduler and configure the SysTick to interrupt
   // 100 times per second.
```

```
//
SchedulerInit(TICKS_PER_SECOND);

//
// Turn on interrupts at the CPU level.
//
IntMasterEnable();

//
// Drop into the main loop.
//
while(1)
{
    //
    // Tell the scheduler to call any periodic tasks that are due to be
    // called.
    //
    SchedulerRun();
}
```

# 12 Sine Calculation Module

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## 12.1 Introduction

This module provides a fixed-point sine function. The input angle is a 0.32 fixed-point value that is the percentage of 360 degrees. This has two benefits; the sine function does not have to handle angles that are outside the range of 0 degrees through 360 degrees (in fact, 360 degrees can not be represented since it would wrap to 0 degrees), and the computation of the angle can be simplified since it does not have to deal with wrapping at values that are not natural for binary arithmetic (such as 360 degrees or  $2\pi$  radians).

A sine table is used to find the approximate value for a given input angle. The table contains 128 entries that range from 0 degrees through 90 degrees and the symmetry of the sine function is used to determine the value between 90 degrees and 360 degrees. The maximum error caused by this table-based approach is 0.00618, which occurs near 0 and 180 degrees.

This module is contained in utils/sine.c, with utils/sine.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 12.2 API Functions

## **Defines**

cosine(ui32Angle)

## **Functions**

■ int32\_t sine (uint32\_t ui32Angle)

## 12.2.1 Define Documentation

### 12.2.1.1 cosine

Computes an approximation of the cosine of the input angle.

#### **Definition:**

#define cosine(ui32Angle)

#### Parameters:

*ui32Angle* is an angle expressed as a 0.32 fixed-point value that is the percentage of the way around a circle.

## **Description:**

This function computes the cosine for the given input angle. The angle is specified in 0.32 fixed point format, and is therefore always between 0 and 360 degrees, inclusive of 0 and exclusive of 360.

#### Returns:

Returns the cosine of the angle, in 16.16 fixed point format.

## 12.2.2 Function Documentation

#### 12.2.2.1 sine

Computes an approximation of the sine of the input angle.

## Prototype:

```
int32_t
sine(uint32_t ui32Angle)
```

#### Parameters:

ui32Angle is an angle expressed as a 0.32 fixed-point value that is the percentage of the way around a circle.

## **Description:**

This function computes the sine for the given input angle. The angle is specified in 0.32 fixed point format, and is therefore always between 0 and 360 degrees, inclusive of 0 and exclusive of 360.

#### Returns:

Returns the sine of the angle, in 16.16 fixed point format.

# 12.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to produce a sine wave with 7 degrees between successive values.

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## 13.1 Introduction

The software I2C module uses a timer and two GPIO pins to create a slow-speed software I2C peripheral. Multiple software I2C modules can be in use simultaneously, limited only by the availability of resources (RAM for the per-instance data structure, pins for the interface, timers if unique clock rates are required, and processor cycles to execute the code). The software I2C module supports master mode only; multi-master support is not provided. A callback mechanism is used to simulate the interrupts that would be provided by a hardware I2C module.

The API for the software I2C module has been constructed to be as close as possible to the API provided in the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library for the hardware I2C module. The two notable differences are the function prefix being "SoftI2C" instead of "I2CMaster", and the first argument of each API is a pointer to the tSoftI2C data structure instead of the base address of the hardware module.

Timing for the software I2C module is provided by the application. The SoftI2CTimerTick() function must be called on a periodic basis to provide the timing for the software I2C module. The timer tick function must be called at four times the desired I2C clock rate; for example, to operate the software I2C interface at 10 KHz, the tick function must be called at a 40 KHz rate. By having the application providing the timing, the timer resource can be flexible and multiple software I2C modules can be driven from a single timer resource. Alternatively, if the software I2C module is only needed for brief periods of time and processor usage is not a concern, the timer tick function can simply be called in a loop until the entire I2C transaction has completed (maximizing both I2C clock speed and processor usage, but not requiring a timer).

The software I2C module requires two GPIO pins; one for SCL and one for SDA. The per-instance data structure is approximately 20 bytes in length (the actual length depends on how the structure is packed by the compiler).

As a point of reference, the following are some rough measurements of the processor usage of the software I2C module at various I2C clock speeds with the processor running at 50 MHz. Actual processor usage may vary, depending on how the application uses the software I2C module, processor clock speed, interrupt priority, and compiler.

I2C Clock	% Of Processor	Million Cycles Per Second
5 KHz	4.53	2.26
10 KHz	9.05	4.52
15 KHz	13.53	6.76
20 KHz	18.03	9.01
25 KHz	22.51	11.25
30 KHz	27.05	13.52
35 KHz	31.52	15.76
40 KHz	36.06	18.03
45 KHz	40.54	20.27
50 KHz	44.96	22.48

This module is contained in utils/softi2c.c, with utils/softi2c.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 13.2 API Functions

## **Data Structures**

■ tSoftI2C

## **Functions**

```
■ bool SoftI2CBusy (tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

- void SoftI2CCallbackSet (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, void (\*pfnCallback)(void))
- void SoftI2CControl (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, uint32 t ui32Cmd)
- uint32\_t SoftI2CDataGet (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- void SoftI2CDataPut (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, uint8 t ui8Data)
- uint32 t SoftI2CErr (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- void SoftI2CInit (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- void SoftI2CIntClear (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- void SoftI2CIntDisable (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- void SoftI2CIntEnable (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)
- bool SoftI2CIntStatus (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, bool bMasked)
- void SoftI2CSCLGPIOSet (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, uint32 t ui32Base, uint8 t ui8Pin)
- void SoftI2CSDAGPIOSet (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, uint32 t ui32Base, uint8 t ui8Pin)
- void SoftI2CSlaveAddrSet (tSoftI2C \*psI2C, uint8 t ui8SlaveAddr, bool bReceive)
- void SoftI2CTimerTick (tSoftI2C \*psI2C)

## 13.2.1 Data Structure Documentation

#### 13.2.1.1 tSoftI2C

#### **Definition:**

```
typedef struct
{
    void (*pfnIntCallback) (void);
    uint32_t ui32SCLGPIO;
    uint32_t ui32SDAGPIO;
    uint8_t ui8Flags;
    uint8_t ui8SlaveAddr;
    uint8_t ui8Data;
    uint8_t ui8State;
    uint8_t ui8CurrentBit;
    uint8_t ui8IntMask;
    uint8_t ui8IntStatus;
}
tSoftI2C
```

#### Members:

- **pfnIntCallback** The address of the callback function that is called to simulate the interrupts that would be produced by a hardware I2C implementation. This address can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftI2CCallbackSet function.
- *ui32SCLGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the SCL signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftI2CSCLGPIOSet function.
- *ui32SDAGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the SDA signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftI2CSDAGPIOSet function.
- **ui8Flags** The flags that control the operation of the SoftI2C module. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8SlaveAddr* The slave address that is currently being accessed. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8Data* The data that is currently being transmitted or received. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8State* The current state of the SoftI2C state machine. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8CurrentBit* The number of bits that have been transmitted and received in the current frame. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- **ui8IntMask** The set of virtual interrupts that should be sent to the callback function. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8IntStatus* The set of virtual interrupts that are currently asserted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.

## **Description:**

This structure contains the state of a single instance of a SoftI2C module.

## 13.2.2 Function Documentation

## 13.2.2.1 SoftI2CBusy

Indicates whether or not the SoftI2C module is busy.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftI2CBusy(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

#### Description:

This function returns an indication of whether or not the SoftI2C module is busy transmitting or receiving data.

### Returns:

Returns true if the SoftI2C module is busy; otherwise, returns false.

## 13.2.2.2 SoftI2CCallbackSet

Sets the callback used by the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.
pfnCallback is a pointer to the callback function.

## **Description:**

This function sets the address of the callback function that is called when there is an "interrupt" produced by the SoftI2C module.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.3 SoftI2CControl

Controls the state of the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.
ui32Cmd command to be issued to the SoftI2C module.

#### **Description:**

This function is used to control the state of the Softl2C module send and receive operations. The *ui8Cmd* parameter can be one of the following values:

```
■ SOFTI2C_CMD_SINGLE_SEND
```

- SOFTI2C CMD SINGLE RECEIVE
- SOFTI2C\_CMD\_BURST\_SEND\_START
- SOFTI2C\_CMD\_BURST\_SEND\_CONT
- SOFTI2C\_CMD\_BURST\_SEND\_FINISH
- SOFTI2C CMD BURST SEND ERROR STOP
- SOFTI2C CMD BURST RECEIVE START
- SOFTI2C\_CMD\_BURST\_RECEIVE\_CONT
- SOFTI2C CMD BURST RECEIVE FINISH
- SOFTI2C\_CMD\_BURST\_RECEIVE\_ERROR\_STOP

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.4 SoftI2CDataGet

Receives a byte that has been sent to the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

```
uint32_t
SoftI2CDataGet(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

## **Description:**

This function reads a byte of data from the SoftI2C module that was received as a result of an appropriate call to SoftI2CControl().

#### Returns:

Returns the byte received by the SoftI2C module, cast as an uint32\_t.

## 13.2.2.5 SoftI2CDataPut

Transmits a byte from the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

ui8Data data to be transmitted from the SoftI2C module.

## **Description:**

This function places the supplied data into SoftI2C module in preparation for being transmitted via an appropriate call to SoftI2CControl().

#### Returns:

None.

#### 13.2.2.6 SoftI2CErr

Gets the error status of the SoftI2C module.

## **Prototype:**

```
uint32_t
SoftI2CErr(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

## Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

## **Description:**

This function is used to obtain the error status of the SoftI2C module send and receive operations.

## Returns:

Returns the error status, as one of **SOFTI2C\_ERR\_NONE**, **SOFTI2C\_ERR\_ADDR\_ACK**, or **SOFTI2C\_ERR\_DATA\_ACK**.

## 13.2.2.7 SoftI2CInit

Initializes the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

```
void
SoftI2CInit(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

#### **Parameters:**

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

#### **Description:**

This function initializes operation of the SoftI2C module. After successful initialization of the SoftI2C module, the software I2C bus is in the idle state.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.8 SoftI2CIntClear

Clears the SoftI2C "interrupt".

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftI2CIntClear(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

## **Description:**

The SoftI2C "interrupt" source is cleared, so that it no longer asserts. This function must be called in the "interrupt" handler to keep it from being called again immediately on exit.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.9 SoftI2CIntDisable

Disables the SoftI2C "interrupt".

## Prototype:

```
void
SoftI2CIntDisable(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

## Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

## **Description:**

Disables the SoftI2C "interrupt" source.

## Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.10 SoftI2CIntEnable

Enables the SoftI2C "interrupt".

## Prototype:

```
void
SoftI2CIntEnable(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

#### **Description:**

Enables the SoftI2C "interrupt" source.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.11 SoftI2CIntStatus

Gets the current SoftI2C "interrupt" status.

## Prototype:

## Parameters:

**psl2C** specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

**bMasked** is **false** if the raw "interrupt" status is requested and **true** if the masked "interrupt" status is requested.

#### **Description:**

This returns the "interrupt" status for the SoftI2C module. Either the raw "interrupt" status or the status of "interrupts" that are allowed to reflect to the processor can be returned.

#### Returns:

The current interrupt status, returned as **true** if active or **false** if not active.

## 13.2.2.12 SoftI2CSCLGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftI2C SCL signal.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

## **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftI2C SCL signal.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

### 13.2.2.13 SoftI2CSDAGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftI2C SDA signal.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the Softl2C data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

#### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftI2C SDA signal.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.14 SoftI2CSlaveAddrSet

Sets the address that the SoftI2C module places on the bus.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

ui8SlaveAddr 7-bit slave address

**bReceive** flag indicating the type of communication with the slave.

## **Description:**

This function sets the address that the SoftI2C module places on the bus when initiating a transaction. When the *bReceive* parameter is set to **true**, the address indicates that the SoftI2C module is initiating a read from the slave; otherwise the address indicates that the SoftI2C module is initiating a write to the slave.

#### Returns:

None.

## 13.2.2.15 SoftI2CTimerTick

Performs the periodic update of the SoftI2C module.

## Prototype:

```
void
SoftI2CTimerTick(tSoftI2C *psI2C)
```

#### Parameters:

psl2C specifies the SoftI2C data structure.

#### **Description:**

This function performs the periodic, time-based updates to the SoftI2C module. The transmission and reception of data over the SoftI2C link is performed by the state machine in this function.

This function must be called at four times the desired SoftI2C clock rate. For example, to run the SoftI2C clock at 10 KHz, this function must be called at a 40 KHz rate.

#### Returns:

None.

# 13.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to configure the software I2C module and transmit some data to an external peripheral. This example uses Timer 0 as the timing source.

```
//
// The instance data for the software I2C.
//
tSoftI2C g_sI2C;
//
// The timer tick function.
//
void
TimerOAIntHandler(void)
{
```

```
// Clear the timer interrupt.
    TimerIntClear(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
    // Call the software I2C timer tick function.
    SoftI2CTimerTick(&g_sI2C);
}
//
// The callback function for the software I2C. This function is equivalent
// to the interrupt handler for a hardware I2C.
//
void
I2CCallback (void)
    // Clear the interrupt.
    SoftI2CIntClear(&g_sI2C);
    // Handle the interrupt.
    //
    . . .
}
// Setup the software I2C and send some data.
//
void
TestSoftI2C(void)
    // Clear the software I2C instance data.
    memset(&g_sI2C, 0, sizeof(g_sI2C));
    // Set the callback function used for this software I2C.
    SoftI2CCallbackSet(&g_sI2C, I2CCallback);
    // Configure the pins used for the software I2C. This example uses
    // pins PD0 and PE1.
    SoftI2CSCLGPIOSet(&g_sI2C, GPIO_PORTD_BASE, GPIO_PIN_0);
    SoftI2CSDAGPIOSet(&g_sI2C, GPIO_PORTE_BASE, GPIO_PIN_1);
    // Enable the GPIO modules that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
    // the software I2C.
    //
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOD);
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOE);
    // Initalize the software I2C module.
    SoftI2CInit(&g_sI2C);
    // Configure the timer used to generate the timing for the software
```

```
// I2C. The interface will be run at 10 KHz, requiring a timer tick
// at 40 KHz.
//
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_TIMER0);
TimerConfigure(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_CFG_32_BIT_PER);
TimerLoadSet(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_A, SysCtlClockGet() / 40000);
TimerIntEnable(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
IntEnable(INT_TIMEROA);
TimerEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_A);
// Enable the software I2C interrupt.
SoftI2CIntEnable(&g_sI2C);
// Send a single byte to the slave device.
SoftI2CSlaveAddrSet(&g_sI2C, 0x55, 0);
SoftI2CDataPut(&g_sI2C, 0xaa);
SoftI2CControl(&g_sI2C, SOFTI2C_CMD_SINGLE_SEND);
// Wait until the software I2C is idle. The completion interrupt will
// be sent to the callback function prior to exiting this loop.
//
while (SoftI2CBusy (&g_sI2C))
```

As a comparison, the following is the equivalent code using the hardware I2C module and the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library.

```
// The interrupt handler for the hardware I2C.
11
void
I2C0IntHandler(void)
   // Clear the asserted interrupt sources.
    I2CMasterIntClear(I2C0_MASTER_BASE);
    // Handle the interrupt.
    //
}
// Setup the hardware I2C and send some data.
//
void
TestI2C(void)
    // Enable the GPIO module that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
    // the I2C, as well as the I2C module.
    //
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOB);
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_I2C0);
    //
```

```
// Configure the GPIO pins for use by the I2C module.
   GPIOPinTypeI2C(GPIO_PORTB_BASE, GPIO_PIN_2 | GPIO_PIN_3);
   //
   // Initalize the hardware I2C module.
   I2CMasterInitExpClk(I2CO_MASTER_BASE, SysCtlClockGet(), false);
    // Enable the hardware I2C.
   I2CMasterEnable(I2C0_MASTER_BASE);
    // Enable the interrupt in the hardware I2C.
   //
   I2CMasterIntEnable(I2C0_MASTER_BASE);
   IntEnable(INT_I2C0);
   // Write some data into the hardware I2C transmit FIFO.
   I2CMasterSlaveAddrSet(I2CO_MASTER_BASE, 0x55, 0);
   I2CMasterDataPut(I2C0_MASTER_BASE, 0xaa);
   I2CMasterControl(I2C0_MASTER_BASE, I2C_MASTER_CMD_SINGLE_SEND);
   // Wait until the hardware I2C is idle. The interrupt will be sent to
   // the interrupt handler prior to exiting this loop.
   //
   while(I2CBusy(I2CO_MASTER_BASE))
}
```

# 14 Software SSI Module

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# 14.1 Introduction

The software SSI module uses a timer and a few GPIO pins to create a slow-speed software SSI peripheral. Multiple software SSI modules can be in use simultaneously, limited only by the availability of resources (RAM for the per-instance data structure, pins for the interface, timers if unique clock rates are required, and processor cycles to execute the code). The software SSI module supports the Motorola® SPI<sup>TM</sup> formats with 4 to 16 data bits. A callback mechanism is used to simulate the interrupts that would be provided by a hardware SSI module.

The API for the software SSI module has been constructed to be as close as possible to the API provided in the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library for the hardware SSI module. The two notable difference are the function prefix being "SoftSSI" instead of "SSI", and the first argument of each API is a pointer to the tSoftSSI data structure instead of the base address of the hardware module.

Timing for the software SSI module is provided by the application. The SoftSSITimerTick() function must be called on a periodic basis to provide the timing for the software SSI module. The timer tick function must be called at twice the desired SSI clock rate; for example, to operate the software SSI interface at 10 KHz, the tick function must be called at a 20 KHz rate. By having the application providing the timing, the timer resource to be used is flexible and multiple software SSI modules can be driven from a single timer resource. Alternatively, if the software SSI module is only needed for brief periods of time and processor usage is not a concern, the timer tick function can simply be called in a loop until the entire SSI transaction has completed (maximizing both SSI clock speed and processor usage, but not requiring a timer).

The software SSI module requires a few as two and as many as four GPIO pins. The following table shows the possible pin usages for the software SSI module:

Fss	Clk	Tx	Rx	Pins	Description
	yes	yes		2	transmit only
yes	yes	yes		3	transinit only
	yes		yes	2	receive only
yes	yes		yes	3	receive offig
	yes	yes	yes	3	transmit and receive
yes	yes	yes	yes	4	transmit and receive

For the cases where Fss is not used, it is up to the application to control that signal (either via a separately-controlled GPIO, or by being tied to ground in the hardware).

The per-instance data structure is approximately 52 bytes in length (the actual length will depend upon how the structure is packed by the compiler in use).

As a point of reference, the following are some rough measurements of the processor usage of the software SSI module at various SSI clock speeds with the processor running at 50 MHz. Actual processor usage may vary, depending upon how the application uses the software SSI module, processor clock speed, interrupt priority, and compiler in use.

SSI Clock	% Of Processor	Million Cycles Per Second
10 KHz	5.26	2.63
20 KHz	10.48	5.24
30 KHz	15.68	7.84
40 KHz	20.90	10.45
50 KHz	26.10	13.05
60 KHz	31.38	15.69
70 KHz	36.54	18.27
80 KHz	41.79	20.89
90 KHz	47.06	23.53
100 KHz	52.17	26.08

This module is contained in utils/softssi.c, with utils/softssi.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

## 14.2 API Functions

## **Data Structures**

■ tSoftSSI

## **Functions**

- bool SoftSSIBusy (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSICallbackSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, void (\*pfnCallback)(void))
- void SoftSSIClkGPIOSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t ui32Base, uint8\_t ui8Pin)
- void SoftSSIConfigSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint8 t ui8Protocol, uint8 t ui8Bits)
- bool SoftSSIDataAvail (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSIDataGet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t \*pui32Data)
- int32\_t SoftSSIDataGetNonBlocking (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t \*pui32Data)
- void SoftSSIDataPut (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32 t ui32Data)
- int32 t SoftSSIDataPutNonBlocking (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32 t ui32Data)
- void SoftSSIDisable (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSIEnable (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSIFssGPIOSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32 t ui32Base, uint8 t ui8Pin)
- void SoftSSIIntClear (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t ui32IntFlags)
- void SoftSSIIntDisable (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32 t ui32IntFlags)
- void SoftSSIIntEnable (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32 t ui32IntFlags)
- uint32\_t SoftSSIIntStatus (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, bool bMasked)
- void SoftSSIRxBufferSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint16 t \*pui16RxBuffer, uint16 t ui16Len)
- void SoftSSIRxGPIOSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t ui32Base, uint8\_t ui8Pin)
- bool SoftSSISpaceAvail (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSITimerTick (tSoftSSI \*psSSI)
- void SoftSSITxBufferSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint16 t \*pui16TxBuffer, uint16 t ui16Len)
- void SoftSSITxGPIOSet (tSoftSSI \*psSSI, uint32\_t ui32Base, uint8\_t ui8Pin)

## 14.2.1 Data Structure Documentation

#### 14.2.1.1 tSoftSSI

#### **Definition:**

```
typedef struct
    void (*pfnIntCallback) (void);
    uint32_t ui32FssGPIO;
    uint32_t ui32ClkGPIO;
    uint32_t ui32TxGPIO;
    uint32_t ui32RxGPIO;
    uint16_t *pui16TxBuffer;
    uint16_t *pui16RxBuffer;
    uint16_t ui16TxBufferLen;
    uint16_t ui16TxBufferRead;
    uint16_t ui16TxBufferWrite;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferLen;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferRead;
    uint16 t ui16RxBufferWrite;
    uint16_t ui16TxData;
    uint16 t ui16RxData;
    uint8_t ui8Flags;
    uint8_t ui8Bits;
    uint8_t ui8State;
    uint8_t ui8CurrentBit;
    uint8_t ui8IntMask;
    uint8_t ui8IntStatus;
    uint8_t ui8IdleCount;
tSoftSSI
```

#### Members:

- **pfnIntCallback** The address of the callback function that is called to simulate the interrupts that would be produced by a hardware SSI implementation. This address can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSICallbackSet function.
- *ui32FssGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the Fss signal. If this member is zero, the Fss signal is not generated. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIFssGPIOSet function.
- *ui32ClkGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the Clk signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIClkGPIOSet function.
- ui32TxGPIO The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the Tx signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSITxGPIOSet function.
- *ui32RxGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the Rx signal. If this member is zero, the Rx signal is not read. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIRxGPIOSet function.
- **pui16TxBuffer** The address of the data buffer used for the transmit FIFO. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSITxBufferSet function.
- **pui16RxBuffer** The address of the data buffer used for the receive FIFO. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIRxBufferSet function.
- ui16TxBufferLen The length of the transmit FIFO. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSITxBufferSet function.

- ui16TxBufferRead The index into the transmit FIFO of the next word to be transmitted. This member should be initialized to zero, but should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16TxBufferWrite The index into the transmit FIFO of the next location to store data into the FIFO. This member should be initialized to zero, but should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16RxBufferLen The length of the receive FIFO. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIRxBufferSet function.
- ui16RxBufferRead The index into the receive FIFO of the next word to be read from the FIFO. This member should be initialized to zero, but should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16RxBufferWrite The index into the receive FIFO of the location to store the next word received. This member should be initialized to zero, but should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16TxData The word that is currently being transmitted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16RxData The word that is currently being received. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8Flags* The flags that control the operation of the SoftSSI module. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8Bits* The number of data bits in each SoftSSI frame, which also specifies the width of each data item in the transmit and receive FIFOs. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftSSIConfigSet function.
- *ui8State* The current state of the SoftSSI state machine. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8CurrentBit* The number of bits that have been transmitted and received in the current frame. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- **ui8IntMask** The set of virtual interrupts that should be sent to the callback function. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8IntStatus* The set of virtual interrupts that are currently asserted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- **ui8IdleCount** The number of tick counts that the SoftSSI module has been idle with data stored in the receive FIFO, which is used to generate the receive timeout interrupt. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.

#### **Description:**

This structure contains the state of a single instance of a SoftSSI module.

## 14.2.2 Function Documentation

## 14.2.2.1 SoftSSIBusy

Determines whether the SoftSSI transmitter is busy or not.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftSSIBusy(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

## **Description:**

Allows the caller to determine whether all transmitted bytes have cleared the transmitter. If **false** is returned, then the transmit FIFO is empty and all bits of the last transmitted word have left the shift register.

#### Returns:

Returns **true** if the SoftSSI is transmitting or **false** if all transmissions are complete.

## 14.2.2.2 SoftSSICallbackSet

Sets the callback used by the SoftSSI module.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.pfnCallback is a pointer to the callback function.

#### **Description:**

This function sets the address of the callback function that is called when there is an "interrupt" produced by the SoftSSI module.

#### Returns:

None.

## 14.2.2.3 SoftSSIClkGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftSSI Clk signal.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftSSI Clk signal.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

## Returns:

None.

## 14.2.2.4 SoftSSIConfigSet

Sets the configuration of a SoftSSI module.

## Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.ui8Protocol specifes the data transfer protocol.ui8Bits specifies the number of bits transferred per frame.

### **Description:**

This function configures the data format of a SoftSSI module. The *ui8Protocol* parameter can be one of the following values: SOFTSSI\_FRF\_MOTO\_MODE\_0, SOFTSSI\_FRF\_MOTO\_MODE\_1, SOFTSSI\_FRF\_MOTO\_MODE\_2, or SOFT-SSI\_FRF\_MOTO\_MODE\_3. These frame formats imply the following polarity and phase configurations:

```
Polarity Phase Mode

0 0 SOFTSSI_FRF_MOTO_MODE_0

0 1 SOFTSSI_FRF_MOTO_MODE_1

1 0 SOFTSSI_FRF_MOTO_MODE_2

1 1 SOFTSSI_FRF_MOTO_MODE_3
```

The *ui8Bits* parameter defines the width of the data transfers, and can be a value between 4 and 16, inclusive.

#### Returns:

None.

## 14.2.2.5 SoftSSIDataAvail

Determines if there is any data in the receive FIFO.

## Prototype:

```
bool
SoftSSIDataAvail(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

#### Parameters:

**psSSI** specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

#### **Description:**

This function determines if there is any data available to be read from the receive FIFO.

#### Returns:

Returns true if there is data in the receive FIFO or false if there is no data in the receive FIFO.

### 14.2.2.6 SoftSSIDataGet

Gets a data element from the SoftSSI receive FIFO.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

pui32Data is a pointer to a storage location for data that was received over the SoftSSI interface

### **Description:**

This function gets received data from the receive FIFO of the specified SoftSSI module and places that data into the location specified by the *pui32Data* parameter.

#### Note:

Only the lower N bits of the value written to *pui32Data* contain valid data, where N is the data width as configured by SoftSSIConfigSet(). For example, if the interface is configured for 8-bit data width, only the lower 8 bits of the value written to *pui32Data* contain valid data.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.7 SoftSSIDataGetNonBlocking

Gets a data element from the SoftSSI receive FIFO.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psSSI** specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

pui32Data is a pointer to a storage location for data that was received over the SoftSSI interface.

### **Description:**

This function gets received data from the receive FIFO of the specified SoftSSI module and places that data into the location specified by the *ui32Data* parameter. If there is no data in the FIFO, then this function returns a zero.

#### Note:

Only the lower N bits of the value written to *pui32Data* contain valid data, where N is the data width as configured by SoftSSIConfigSet(). For example, if the interface is configured for 8-bit data width, only the lower 8 bits of the value written to *pui32Data* contain valid data.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of elements read from the SoftSSI receive FIFO.

### 14.2.2.8 SoftSSIDataPut

Puts a data element into the SoftSSI transmit FIFO.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**psSSI** specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

ui32Data is the data to be transmitted over the SoftSSI interface.

### **Description:**

This function places the supplied data into the transmit FIFO of the specified SoftSSI module.

#### Note:

The upper 32 - N bits of the *ui32Data* are discarded, where N is the data width as configured by SoftSSIConfigSet(). For example, if the interface is configured for 8-bit data width, the upper 24 bits of *ui32Data* are discarded.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.9 SoftSSIDataPutNonBlocking

Puts a data element into the SoftSSI transmit FIFO.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psSSI** specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

ui32Data is the data to be transmitted over the SoftSSI interface.

### **Description:**

This function places the supplied data into the transmit FIFO of the specified SoftSSI module. If there is no space in the FIFO, then this function returns a zero.

#### Note:

The upper 32 - N bits of the *ui32Data* are discarded, where N is the data width as configured by SoftSSIConfigSet(). For example, if the interface is configured for 8-bit data width, the upper 24 bits of *ui32Data* are discarded.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of elements written to the SSI transmit FIFO.

### 14.2.2.10 SoftSSIDisable

Disables the SoftSSI module.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftSSIDisable(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

### **Description:**

This function disables operation of the SoftSSI module. If a data transfer is in progress, it is finished before the module is fully disabled.

### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.11 SoftSSIEnable

Enables the SoftSSI module.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftSSIEnable(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

#### **Parameters:**

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

### **Description:**

This function enables operation of the SoftSSI module. The SoftSSI module must be configured before it is enabled.

### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.12 SoftSSIFssGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftSSI Fss signal.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.
 ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.
 ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftSSI Fss signal. If there is not a GPIO pin allocated for Fss, the SoftSSI module does not assert/deassert the Fss signal, leaving it to the application either to do manually or to not do at all if the slave device has Fss tied to ground.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.13 SoftSSIIntClear

Clears SoftSSI "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.
ui32IntFlags is a bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be cleared.

### **Description:**

The specified SoftSSI "interrupt" sources are cleared so that they no longer assert. This function must be called in the "interrupt" handler to keep the "interrupt" from being recognized again immediately upon exit. The *ui32IntFlags* parameter is the logical OR of any of the **SOFT-SSI\_TXEOT**, **SOFTSSI\_RXTO**, and **SOFTSSI\_RXOR** values.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.14 SoftSSIIntDisable

Disables individual SoftSSI "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

#### **Parameters:**

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.
ui32IntFlags is a bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be disabled.

### Description:

Disables the indicated SoftSSI "interrupt" sources. The *ui32IntFlags* parameter can be any of the SOFTSSI\_TXEOT, SOFTSSI\_TXFF, SOFTSSI\_RXFF, SOFTSSI\_RXTO, or SOFTSSI\_RXOR values.

### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.15 SoftSSIIntEnable

Enables individual SoftSSI "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

ui32IntFlags is a bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be enabled.

### **Description:**

Enables the indicated SoftSSI "interrupt" sources. Only the sources that are enabled can be reflected to the callback function; disabled sources do not result in a callback. The *ui32IntFlags* parameter can be any of the **SOFTSSI\_TXEOT**, **SOFTSSI\_TXFF**, **SOFTSSI\_RXFF**, **SOFTSSI\_RXFF**,

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.16 SoftSSIIntStatus

Gets the current "interrupt" status.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

**bMasked** is **false** if the raw "interrupt" status is required or **true** if the masked "interrupt" status is required.

#### **Description:**

This function returns the "interrupt" status for the SoftSSI module. Either the raw "interrupt" status or the status of "interrupts" that are allowed to reflect to the callback can be returned.

### Returns:

The current "interrupt" status, enumerated as a bit field of SOFTSSI\_TXEOT, SOFTSSI\_TXFF, SOFTSSI\_RXTO, and SOFTSSI\_RXOR.

### 14.2.2.17 SoftSSIRxBufferSet

Sets the receive FIFO buffer for a SoftSSI module.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.pui16RxBuffer is the address of the receive FIFO buffer.ui16Len is the size, in 16-bit half-words, of the receive FIFO buffer.

### **Description:**

This function sets the address and size of the receive FIFO buffer and also resets the read and write pointers, marking the receive FIFO as empty. When the buffer pointer and length are configured as zero, all data received from the slave device is discarded. This capability is useful when there is no GPIO pin allocated for the Rx signal.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.18 SoftSSIRxGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftSSI Rx signal.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftSSI Rx signal. If there is not a GPIO pin allocated for Rx, the SoftSSI module does not read data from the slave device.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

# 14.2.2.19 SoftSSISpaceAvail

Determines if there is any space in the transmit FIFO.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftSSISpaceAvail(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

### **Description:**

This function determines if there is space available in the transmit FIFO.

#### Returns:

Returns **true** if there is space available in the transmit FIFO or **false** if there is no space available in the transmit FIFO.

### 14.2.2.20 SoftSSITimerTick

Performs the periodic update of the SoftSSI module.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftSSITimerTick(tSoftSSI *psSSI)
```

#### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

### **Description:**

This function performs the periodic, time-based updates to the SoftSSI module. The transmission and reception of data over the SoftSSI link is performed by the state machine in this function.

This function must be called at twice the desired SoftSSI clock rate. For example, to run the SoftSSI clock at 10 KHz, this function must be called at a 20 KHz rate.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.21 SoftSSITxBufferSet

Sets the transmit FIFO buffer for a SoftSSI module.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.

pui16TxBuffer is the address of the transmit FIFO buffer.
ui16Len is the size, in 16-bit half-words, of the transmit FIFO buffer.

### **Description:**

This function sets the address and size of the transmit FIFO buffer and also resets the read and write pointers, marking the transmit FIFO as empty.

#### Returns:

None.

### 14.2.2.22 SoftSSITxGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftSSI Tx signal.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psSSI specifies the SoftSSI data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used for the SoftSSI Tx signal.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

# 14.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to configure the software SSI module and transmit some data to an external peripheral. This example uses Timer 0 as the timing source.

```
//
// The instance data for the software SSI.
//
tSoftSSI g_sSSI;

//
// The buffer used to hold the transmit data.
//
unsigned short g_pusTxBuffer[8];

//
// The timer tick function.
//
```

```
TimerOAIntHandler(void)
    // Clear the timer interrupt.
    TimerIntClear(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
    // Call the software SSI timer tick function.
    SoftSSITimerTick(&g_sSSI);
// The callback function for the software SSI. This function is equivalent
// to the interrupt handler for a hardware SSI.
//
void
SSICallback (void)
    unsigned long ulInts;
    // Read the asserted interrupt sources.
    ulInts = SoftSSIIntStatus(&g_sSSI, true);
    \ensuremath{//} Clear the asserted interrupt sources.
    SoftSSIIntClear(&g_sSSI, ulInts);
    // Handle the asserted interrupts.
    //
    . . .
}
// Setup the software SSI and send some data.
//
void
TestSoftSSI(void)
    // Clear the software SSI instance data.
    memset(&q_sssi, 0, sizeof(q_sssi));
    // Set the callback function used for this software SSI.
    SoftSSICallbackSet(&g_sSSI, SSICallback);
    // Configure the pins used for the software SSI. This example uses
    // pins PDO, PE1, and PF2.
    SoftSSIFssGPIOSet(&g_sSSI, GPIO_PORTD_BASE, GPIO_PIN_0);
    SoftSSIClkGPIOSet(&g_sSSI, GPIO_PORTE_BASE, GPIO_PIN_1);
    SoftSSITxGPIOSet(&g_sSSI, GPIO_PORTF_BASE, GPIO_PIN_2);
    // Configure the data buffer used as the transmit FIFO.
```

```
SoftSSITxBufferSet(&g_sSSI, g_pusTxBuffer, 8);
    // Enable the GPIO modules that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
    // the software SSI.
   SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOD);
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOE);
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOF);
    // Initalize the software SSI module, using mode 3 and 8 data bits.
    SoftSSIConfigSet(&g_sSSI, SOFTSSI_FRF_MOTO_MODE_3, 8);
    // Enable the software SSI.
   SoftSSIEnable(&g_sSSI);
    // Configure the timer used to generate the timing for the software
    // SSI. The interface will be run at 10 KHz, requiring a timer tick
   // at 20 KHz.
    //
   SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_TIMERO);
   TimerConfigure(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_CFG_32_BIT_PER);
   TimerLoadSet(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_A, SysCtlClockGet() / 20000);
   TimerIntEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
   IntEnable(INT_TIMEROA);
   TimerEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_A);
   // Enable the transmit FIFO half full interrupt in the software SSI.
   SoftSSIIntEnable(&g_sSSI, SOFTSSI_TXFF);
    // Write some data into the software SSI transmit FIFO.
   SoftSSIDataPut(&g_sSSI, 0x55);
    SoftSSIDataPut(&g_sSSI, 0xaa);
    SoftSSIDataPut(&g_sSSI, 0x55);
   SoftSSIDataPut(&q_sSSI, 0xaa);
   SoftSSIDataPut(&g_sSSI, 0x55);
   SoftSSIDataPut(&g_sSSI, 0xaa);
   // Wait until the software SSI is idle. The transmit FIFO half full
    // interrupt will be sent to the callback function prior to exiting
   // this loop.
   while(SoftSSIBusy(&g_sSSI))
}
```

As a comparison, the following is the equivalent code using the hardware SSI module and the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library.

```
//
// The interrupt handler for the hardware SSI.
//
void
SSIOIntHandler(void)
```

```
unsigned long ulInts;
    // Read the asserted interrupt sources.
    ulInts = SSIIntStatus(SSIO_BASE, true);
    // Clear the asserted interrupt sources.
    SSIIntClear(SSI0_BASE, ulInts);
    // Handle the asserted interrupts.
    //
    . . .
}
// Setup the hardware SSI and send some data.
//
void
TestSSI(void)
    // Enable the GPIO module that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
    // the SSI, as well as the SSI module.
    //
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOA);
    SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_SSIO);
    // Configure the GPIO pins for use by the SSI module.
    GPIOPinTypeSSI(GPIO_PORTA_BASE, (GPIO_PIN_2 | GPIO_PIN_3 |
                                     GPIO_PIN_4 | GPIO_PIN_5));
    // Initalize the hardware SSI module, using mode 3 and 8 data bits.
    SSIConfigSetExpClk(SSI0_BASE, SysCtlClockGet(), SSI_FRF_MOT0_MODE_3,
                       SSI_MODE_MASTER, 10000, 8);
    // Enable the hardware SSI.
    SSIEnable(SSI0_BASE);
    // Enable the transmit FIFO half full interrupt in the hardware SSI.
    SSIIntEnable(SSI0_BASE, SSI_TXFF);
    IntEnable(INT_SSI0);
    // Write some data into the hardware SSI transmit FIFO.
    //
    SSIDataPut(SSI0_BASE, 0x55);
    SSIDataPut(SSI0_BASE, 0xaa);
    SSIDataPut(SSI0_BASE, 0x55);
    SSIDataPut(SSI0_BASE, 0xaa);
    SSIDataPut(SSIO BASE, 0x55);
    SSIDataPut(SSI0_BASE, 0xaa);
    //
```

```
// Wait until the hardware SSI is idle. The transmit FIFO half full
// interrupt will be sent to the interrupt handler prior to exiting
// this loop.
//
while(SSIBusy(SSIO_BASE))
{
}
```

# 15 Software UART Module

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# 15.1 Introduction

The software UART module uses two timers and a two GPIO pins to create a software UART peripheral. Multiple software UART modules can be in use simultaneously, limited only by the availability of resources (RAM for the per-instance data structure, pins for the interface, timers, and processor cycles to execute the code). The software UART module supports five through eight data bits, a varity of parity modes (odd, even, one, zero, and none), and one or two stop bits. A callback mechanism is used to simulate the interrupts that would be provided by a hardware UART module.

The API for the software UART module has been constructed to be as close as possible to the API provided in the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library for the hardware UART module. The two notable difference are the function prefix being "SoftUART" instead of "UART", and the first argument of each API is a pointer to the tSoftUART data structure instead of the base address of the hardware module.

The software UART transmitter and receiver are handled independently (because of the asynchronous nature of the two). As a result, there are separate timers for each, and if only one is required then the other does not need to be utilized.

Timing for the software UART transmitter is provided by the application. The SoftUARTTx-TimerTick() function must be called on a periodic basis to provide the timing for the software UART transmitter. The timer tick function must be called at the desired UART baud rate; for example, to operate the software UART transmitter at 38,400 baud, the tick function must be called at a 38,400 Hz rate. Because the application provides the timing, the timer resource can be flexible and multiple software UART transmitters can be driven from a single timer resource.

Timing for the software UART receiver is also provided by the application. Initially, the Rx pin is configured by the software UART module for a GPIO edge interrupt. The GPIO edge interrupt handler must be provided by the application (so that it can be shared with other possible GPIO interrupts on that port). When the interrupt occurs, a timer must be started at the desired baud rate (i.e. for 38,400 baud, it must run at 38,400 Hz) and the SoftUARTRxTick() function must be called. Then, whenever the timer interrupt occurs, the SoftUARTRxTick() function must be called. The timer is disabled whenver SoftUARTRxTick() indicates that it is no longer needed. Because the application provides the timing, the timer resource can beflexible. However, each software UART receiver must have its own timer resource.

The software UART module requires one or two GPIO pins. The following table shows the possible pin usages for the software UART module:

Tx	Rx	Pins	Description
yes		1	transmit only
	yes	1	receive only
yes	yes	2	transmit and receive

The per-instance data structure is approximately 52 bytes in length (the actual length depends on how the structure is packed by the compiler in use).

The following table shows some approximate measurements of the processor usage of the software UART module at various baud rates with the processor running at 50 MHz. Actual processor usage may vary, depending on how the application uses the software UART module, processor clock speed, interrupt priority, and compiler in use.

UART Baud Rate	% Of Processor	Million Cycles Per Second
9600	5.32	2.66
14400	7.99	3.99
19200	10.65	5.32
28800	15.96	7.98
38400	21.28	10.64
57600	32.00	16.00
115200	64.04	32.02

This module is contained in utils/softuart.c, with utils/softuart.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 15.2 API Functions

### **Data Structures**

■ tSoftUART

### **Functions**

- void SoftUARTBreakCtl (tSoftUART \*psUART, bool bBreakState)
- bool SoftUARTBusy (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTCallbackSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, void (\*pfnCallback)(void))
- int32 t SoftUARTCharGet (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- int32\_t SoftUARTCharGetNonBlocking (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTCharPut (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint8 t ui8Data)
- bool SoftUARTCharPutNonBlocking (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint8\_t ui8Data)
- bool SoftUARTCharsAvail (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTConfigGet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t \*pui32Config)
- void SoftUARTConfigSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32 t ui32Config)
- void SoftUARTDisable (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTEnable (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTFIFOLevelGet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t \*pui32TxLevel, uint32\_t \*pui32RxLevel)
- void SoftUARTFIFOLevelSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t ui32TxLevel, uint32\_t ui32RxLevel)
- void SoftUARTInit (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTIntClear (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t ui32IntFlags)
- void SoftUARTIntDisable (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32 t ui32IntFlags)
- void SoftUARTIntEnable (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t ui32IntFlags)

```
■ uint32 t SoftUARTIntStatus (tSoftUART *psUART, bool bMasked)
```

- uint32\_t SoftUARTParityModeGet (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTParityModeSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32 t ui32Parity)
- void SoftUARTRxBufferSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint16\_t \*pui16RxBuffer, uint16\_t ui16Len)
- void SoftUARTRxErrorClear (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- uint32\_t SoftUARTRxErrorGet (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTRxGPIOSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32\_t ui32Base, uint8\_t ui8Pin)
- uint32 t SoftUARTRxTick (tSoftUART \*psUART, bool bEdgeInt)
- bool SoftUARTSpaceAvail (tSoftUART \*psUART)
- void SoftUARTTxBufferSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint8\_t \*pui8TxBuffer, uint16\_t ui16Len)
- void SoftUARTTxGPIOSet (tSoftUART \*psUART, uint32 t ui32Base, uint8 t ui8Pin)
- void SoftUARTTxTimerTick (tSoftUART \*psUART)

### 15.2.1 Data Structure Documentation

#### 15.2.1.1 tSoftUART

#### **Definition:**

```
typedef struct
    void (*pfnIntCallback) (void);
    uint32_t ui32TxGPIO;
    uint32 t ui32RxGPIOPort;
    uint8_t *pui8TxBuffer;
    uint16_t *pui16RxBuffer;
    uint16_t ui16TxBufferLen;
    uint16 t ui16TxBufferRead;
    uint16 t ui16TxBufferWrite;
    uint16 t ui16TxBufferLevel;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferLen;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferRead;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferWrite;
    uint16_t ui16RxBufferLevel;
    uint16_t ui16IntStatus;
    uint16_t ui16IntMask;
    uint16_t ui16Config;
    uint8_t ui8Flags;
    uint8_t ui8TxState;
    uint8_t ui8TxNext;
    uint8 t ui8TxData;
    uint8_t ui8RxPin;
    uint8 t ui8RxState;
    uint8_t ui8RxData;
    uint8_t ui8RxFlags;
    uint8 t ui8RxStatus;
tSoftUART
```

### Members:

pfnIntCallback The address of the callback function that is called to simulate the interrupts

- that would be produced by a hardware UART implementation. This address can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTCallbackSet function.
- *ui32TxGPIO* The address of the GPIO pin to be used for the Tx signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTTxGPIOSet function.
- *ui32RxGPIOPort* The address of the GPIO port to be used for the Rx signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTRxGPIOSet function.
- **pui8TxBuffer** The address of the data buffer used for the transmit buffer. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTTxBufferSet function.
- **pui16RxBuffer** The address of the data buffer used for the receive buffer. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTRxBufferSet function.
- *ui16TxBufferLen* The length of the transmit buffer. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTTxBufferSet function.
- *ui16TxBufferRead* The index into the transmit buffer of the next character to be transmitted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui16TxBufferWrite* The index into the transmit buffer of the next location to store a character into the buffer. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui16TxBufferLevel* The transmit buffer level at which the transmit interrupt is asserted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16RxBufferLen The length of the receive buffer. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTRxBufferSet function.
- **ui16RxBufferRead** The index into the receive buffer of the next character to be read from the buffer. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui16RxBufferWrite* The index into the receive buffer of the lcoation to store the next character received. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16RxBufferLevel The receive buffer level at which the receive interrupt is asserted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui16IntStatus* The set of virtual interrupts that are currently asserted. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui16IntMask The set of virtual interrupts that should be sent to the callback function. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- **ui16Config** The configuration of the SoftUART module. This member can be set via the Soft-UARTConfigSet and SoftUARTFIFOLevelSet functions.
- **ui8Flags** The flags that control the operation of the SoftUART module. This member should not be be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8TxState* The current state of the SoftUART transmit state machine. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8TxNext* The value that is written to the Tx pin at the start of the next transmit timer tick. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8TxData* The character that is currently be sent via the Tx pin. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8RxPin* The GPIO pin to be used for the Rx signal. This member can be set via a direct structure access or using the SoftUARTRxGPIOSet function.
- *ui8RxState* The current state of the SoftUART receive state machine. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- *ui8RxData* The character that is currently being received via the Rx pin. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.
- ui8RxFlags The flags that indicate any errors that have occurred during the reception of the current character via the Rx pin. This member should not be accessed or modified by the application.

ui8RxStatus The receive error status. This member should only be accessed via the SoftU-ARTRxErrorGet and SoftURATRxErrorClear functions.

### **Description:**

This structure contains the state of a single instance of a SoftUART module.

### 15.2.2 Function Documentation

### 15.2.2.1 SoftUARTBreakCtl

Causes a BREAK to be sent.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **bBreakState** controls the output level.

### **Description:**

Calling this function with *bBreakState* set to **true** asserts a break condition on the SoftUART. Calling this function with *bBreakState* set to **false** removes the break condition. For proper transmission of a break command, the break must be asserted for at least two complete frames.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.2 SoftUARTBusy

Determines whether the UART transmitter is busy or not.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftUARTBusy(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### **Parameters:**

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

Allows the caller to determine whether all transmitted bytes have cleared the transmitter hardware. If **false** is returned, the transmit buffer is empty and all bits of the last transmitted character, including all stop bits, have left the hardware shift register.

### Returns:

Returns **true** if the UART is transmitting or **false** if all transmissions are complete.

### 15.2.2.3 SoftUARTCallbackSet

Sets the callback used by the SoftUART module.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **pfnCallback** is a pointer to the callback function.

### **Description:**

This function sets the address of the callback function that is called when there is an "interrupt" produced by the SoftUART module.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.4 SoftUARTCharGet

Waits for a character from the specified port.

### Prototype:

```
int32_t
SoftUARTCharGet(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

Gets a character from the receive buffer for the specified port. If there are no characters available, this function waits until a character is received before returning.

### Returns:

Returns the character read from the specified port, cast as a *int32\_t*.

### 15.2.2.5 SoftUARTCharGetNonBlocking

Receives a character from the specified port.

### Prototype:

```
int32_t
SoftUARTCharGetNonBlocking(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### **Parameters**

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

Gets a character from the receive buffer for the specified port.

### Returns:

Returns the character read from the specified port, cast as a <code>int32\_t</code>. A **-1** is returned if there are no characters present in the receive buffer. The <code>SoftUARTCharsAvail()</code> function should be called before attempting to call this function.

### 15.2.2.6 SoftUARTCharPut

Waits to send a character from the specified port.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **ui8Data** is the character to be transmitted.

### **Description:**

Sends the character *ui8Data* to the transmit buffer for the specified port. If there is no space available in the transmit buffer, this function waits until there is space available before returning.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.7 SoftUARTCharPutNonBlocking

Sends a character to the specified port.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **ui8Data** is the character to be transmitted.

### **Description:**

Writes the character *ui8Data* to the transmit buffer for the specified port. This function does not block, so if there is no space available, then a **false** is returned, and the application must retry the function later.

#### Returns:

Returns **true** if the character was successfully placed in the transmit buffer or **false** if there was no space available in the transmit buffer.

### 15.2.2.8 SoftUARTCharsAvail

Determines if there are any characters in the receive buffer.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftUARTCharsAvail(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### **Parameters**

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

This function returns a flag indicating whether or not there is data available in the receive buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns true if there is data in the receive buffer or false if there is no data in the receive buffer.

### 15.2.2.9 SoftUARTConfigGet

Gets the current configuration of a UART.

#### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **pui32Config** is a pointer to storage for the data format.

### **Description:**

Returns the data format of the SoftUART. The data format returned in *pui32Config* is enumerated the same as the *ui32Config* parameter of SoftUARTConfigSet().

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.10 SoftUARTConfigSet

Sets the configuration of a SoftUART module.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

```
psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.

ui32Config is the data format for the port (number of data bits, number of stop bits, and parity).
```

### **Description:**

This function configures the SoftUART for operation in the specified data format, as specified in the *ui32Config* parameter.

The *ui32Config* parameter is the logical OR of three values: the number of data bits, the number of stop bits, and the parity. **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_WLEN\_8**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_WLEN\_7**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_WLEN\_6**, and **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_WLEN\_5** select from eight to five data bits per byte (respectively). **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_STOP\_ONE** and **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_STOP\_TWO** select one or two stop bits (respectively). **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_NONE**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_EVEN**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ODD**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ONE**, and **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ZERO** select the parity mode (no parity bit, even parity bit, odd parity bit, parity bit always one, and parity bit always zero, respectively).

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.11 SoftUARTDisable

Disables the SoftUART.

### Prototype:

void

SoftUARTDisable(tSoftUART \*psUART)

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

This function disables the SoftUART after waiting for it to become idle.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.12 SoftUARTEnable

Enables the SoftUART.

### Prototype:

void

SoftUARTEnable(tSoftUART \*psUART)

### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

#### Description:

This function enables the SoftUART, allowing data to be transmitted and received.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.13 SoftUARTFIFOLevelGet

Gets the buffer level at which "interrupts" are generated.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

pui32TxLevel is a pointer to storage for the transmit buffer level, returned as one of UART\_FIFO\_TX1\_8, UART\_FIFO\_TX2\_8, UART\_FIFO\_TX4\_8, UART\_FIFO\_TX6\_8, or UART\_FIFO\_TX7\_8.

pui32RxLevel is a pointer to storage for the receive buffer level, returned as one of UART\_FIFO\_RX1\_8, UART\_FIFO\_RX2\_8, UART\_FIFO\_RX4\_8, UART\_FIFO\_RX6\_8, or UART\_FIFO\_RX7\_8.

### **Description:**

This function gets the buffer level at which transmit and receive "interrupts" are generated.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.14 SoftUARTFIFOLevelSet

Sets the buffer level at which "interrupts" are generated.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

```
psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.
```

```
ui32TxLevel is the transmit buffer "interrupt" level, specified as one of UART_FIFO_TX1_8, UART_FIFO_TX2_8, UART_FIFO_TX4_8, UART_FIFO_TX6_8, or UART_FIFO_TX7_8.
ui32RxLevel is the receive buffer "interrupt" level, specified as one of UART_FIFO_RX1_8, UART_FIFO_RX2_8, UART_FIFO_RX4_8, UART_FIFO_RX6_8, or UART_FIFO_RX7_8.
```

### Description:

This function sets the buffer level at which transmit and receive "interrupts" are generated.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.15 SoftUARTInit

Initializes the SoftUART module.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftUARTInit(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the soft UART data structure.

### **Description:**

This function initializes the data structure for the SoftUART module, putting it into the default configuration.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.16 SoftUARTIntClear

Clears SoftUART "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.
ui32IntFlags is a bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be cleared.

### **Description:**

The specified SoftUART "interrupt" sources are cleared, so that they no longer assert. This function must be called in the callback function to keep the "interrupt" from being recognized again immediately upon exit.

The *ui32IntFlags* parameter has the same definition as the *ui32IntFlags* parameter to SoftU-ARTIntEnable().

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.17 SoftUARTIntDisable

Disables individual SoftUART "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **ui32IntFlags** is the bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be disabled.

#### **Description:**

Disables the indicated SoftUART "interrupt" sources. Only the sources that are enabled can be reflected to the SoftUART callback.

The *ui32IntFlags* parameter has the same definition as the *ui32IntFlags* parameter to SoftU-ARTIntEnable().

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.18 SoftUARTIntEnable

Enables individual SoftUART "interrupt" sources.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **ui32IntFlags** is the bit mask of the "interrupt" sources to be enabled.

### **Description:**

Enables the indicated SoftUART "interrupt" sources. Only the sources that are enabled can be reflected to the SoftUART callback.

The *ui32IntFlags* parameter is the logical OR of any of the following:

```
■ SOFTUART_INT_OE - Overrun Error "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_BE - Break Error "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_PE - Parity Error "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_FE - Framing Error "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_RT - Receive Timeout "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_TX - Transmit "interrupt"
■ SOFTUART_INT_RX - Receive "interrupt"
```

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.19 SoftUARTIntStatus

Gets the current SoftUART "interrupt" status.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

**bMasked** is **false** if the raw "interrupt" status is required and **true** if the masked "interrupt" status is required.

### **Description:**

This returns the "interrupt" status for the SoftUART. Either the raw "interrupt" status or the status of "interrupts" that are allowed to reflect to the SoftUART callback can be returned.

### Returns:

Returns the current "interrupt" status, enumerated as a bit field of values described in SoftU-ARTIntEnable().

### 15.2.2.20 SoftUARTParityModeGet

Gets the type of parity currently being used.

### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
SoftUARTParityModeGet(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### **Parameters**

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

#### **Description:**

This function gets the type of parity used for transmitting data and expected when receiving data.

### Returns:

Returns the current parity settings, specified as one of SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_NONE, SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_EVEN, SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ODD, SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ODD, SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ZERO.

### 15.2.2.21 SoftUARTParityModeSet

Sets the type of parity.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure. **ui32Parity** specifies the type of parity to use.

#### **Description:**

Sets the type of parity to use for transmitting and expect when receiving. The *ui32Parity* parameter must be one of **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_NONE**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_EVEN**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ODD**, **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ONE**, or **SOFTUART\_CONFIG\_PAR\_ZERO**. The last two allow direct control of the parity bit; it is always either one or zero based on the mode.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.22 SoftUARTRxBufferSet

Sets the receive buffer for a SoftUART module.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.pui16RxBuffer is the address of the receive buffer.ui16Len is the size, in 16-bit half-words, of the receive buffer.

### **Description:**

This function sets the address and size of the receive buffer. It also resets the read and write pointers, marking the receive buffer as empty.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.23 SoftUARTRxErrorClear

Clears all reported receiver errors.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftUARTRxErrorClear(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

This function is used to clear all receiver error conditions reported via SoftUARTRxErrorGet(). If using the overrun, framing error, parity error or break interrupts, this function must be called after clearing the interrupt to ensure that later errors of the same type trigger another interrupt.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.24 SoftUARTRxErrorGet

Gets current receiver errors.

### Prototype:

```
uint32_t
SoftUARTRxErrorGet(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

#### **Description:**

This function returns the current state of each of the 4 receiver error sources. The returned errors are equivalent to the four error bits returned via the previous call to SoftUARTCharGet() or SoftUARTCharGetNonBlocking() with the exception that the overrun error is set immediately when the overrun occurs rather than when a character is next read.

#### Returns:

Returns a logical OR combination of the receiver error flags, SOFTUART\_RXERROR\_FRAMING, SOFTUART\_RXERROR\_PARITY, SOFTUART\_RXERROR\_BREAK and SOFTUART\_RXERROR\_OVERRUN.

### 15.2.2.25 SoftUARTRxGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftUART Rx signal.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.

### **Description:**

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used when the SoftUART must sample the Rx signal. If there is not a GPIO pin allocated for Rx, the SoftUART module will not read data from the slave device.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.26 SoftUARTRxTick

Performs the periodic update of the SoftUART receiver.

#### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**psUART** specifies the SoftUART data structure.

**bEdgeInt** should be **true** if this function is being called because of a GPIO edge interrupt and **false** if it is being called because of a timer interrupt.

### Description:

This function performs the periodic, time-based updates to the SoftUART receiver. The reception of data to the SoftUART is performed by the state machine in this function.

This function must be called by the GPIO interrupt handler, and then periodically at the desired SoftUART baud rate. For example, to run the SoftUART at 115,200 baud, this function must be called at a 115,200 Hz rate.

#### Returns:

Returns **SOFTUART\_RXTIMER\_NOP** if the receive timer should continue to operate or **SOFTUART\_RXTIMER\_END** if it should be stopped.

### 15.2.2.27 SoftUARTSpaceAvail

Determines if there is any space in the transmit buffer.

### Prototype:

```
bool
SoftUARTSpaceAvail(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### **Description:**

This function returns a flag indicating whether or not there is space available in the transmit buffer.

### Returns:

Returns **true** if there is space available in the transmit buffer or **false** if there is no space available in the transmit buffer.

### 15.2.2.28 SoftUARTTxBufferSet

Sets the transmit buffer for a SoftUART module.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

```
psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.pui8TxBuffer is the address of the transmit buffer.ui16Len is the size, in 8-bit bytes, of the transmit buffer.
```

### **Description:**

This function sets the address and size of the transmit buffer. It also resets the read and write pointers, marking the transmit buffer as empty.

#### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.29 SoftUARTTxGPIOSet

Sets the GPIO pin to be used as the SoftUART Tx signal.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

```
psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.ui32Base is the base address of the GPIO module.ui8Pin is the bit-packed representation of the pin to use.
```

### Description:

This function sets the GPIO pin that is used when the SoftUART must assert the Tx signal.

The pin is specified using a bit-packed byte, where bit 0 of the byte represents GPIO port pin 0, bit 1 represents GPIO port pin 1, and so on.

### Returns:

None.

### 15.2.2.30 SoftUARTTxTimerTick

Performs the periodic update of the SoftUART transmitter.

### Prototype:

```
void
SoftUARTTxTimerTick(tSoftUART *psUART)
```

#### Parameters:

psUART specifies the SoftUART data structure.

### Description:

This function performs the periodic, time-based updates to the SoftUART transmitter. The transmission of data from the SoftUART is performed by the state machine in this function.

This function must be called at the desired SoftUART baud rate. For example, to run the SoftUART at 115,200 baud, this function must be called at a 115,200 Hz rate.

### Returns:

None.

# 15.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to configure the software UART module and transmit some data to an external peripheral. This example uses Timer 0 as the timing source.

```
// The instance data for the software UART.
//
tSoftUART g_sUART;
// The buffer used to hold the transmit data.
unsigned char g_pucTxBuffer[16];
// The buffer used to hold the receive data.
unsigned short g_pusRxBuffer[16];
// The number of processor clocks in the time period of a single bit on the
// software UART interface.
unsigned long g_ulBitTime;
// The transmit timer tick function.
//
void
TimerOAIntHandler(void)
    // Clear the timer interrupt.
    TimerIntClear(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
    // Call the software UART transmit timer tick function.
    SoftUARTTxTimerTick(&g_sUART);
}
// The receive timer tick function.
//
void
TimerOBIntHandler(void)
    \ensuremath{//} Clear the timer interrupt.
    TimerIntClear(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
    // Call the software UART receive timer tick function, and see if the
    // timer should be disabled.
    if(SoftUARTRxTick(&g_sUART, false) == SOFTUART_RXTIMER_END)
    {
        // Disable the timer interrupt since the software UART doesn't need
        // it any longer.
        //
```

```
TimerDisable(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_B);
    }
}
// The interrupt handler for the software UART GPIO edge interrupt.
//
void
GPIOIntHandler(void)
    // Configure the software UART receive timer so that it samples at the
    // mid-bit time of this character.
    //
    TimerDisable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_B);
    TimerLoadSet(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_B, g_ulBitTime);
    TimerIntClear(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_TIME_TIMEOUT);
    TimerEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_B);
    // Call the software UART receive timer tick function.
    SoftUARTRxTick(&g_sUART, true);
}
// The callback function for the software UART. This function is
// equivalent to the interrupt handler for a hardware UART.
//
void
UARTCallback (void)
    unsigned long ulInts;
    // Read the asserted interrupt sources.
    ulInts = SoftUARTIntStatus(&g_sUART, true);
    // Clear the asserted interrupt sources.
    SoftUARTIntClear(&g_sUART, ulInts);
    // Handle the asserted interrupts.
    //
    . . .
}
// Setup the software UART and send some data.
11
void
TestSoftUART (void)
    // Initialize the software UART instance data.
    SoftUARTInit(&g_sUART);
    // Set the callback function used for this software UART.
    SoftUARTCallbackSet(&g_sUART, UARTCallback);
```

```
// Configure the pins used for the software UART. This example uses
// pins PD0 and PE1.
SoftUARTTxGPIOSet(&g_sUART, GPIO_PORTD_BASE, GPIO_PIN_0);
SoftUARTRxGPIOSet(&g_sUART, GPIO_PORTE_BASE, GPIO_PIN_1);
// Configure the data buffers used as the transmit and receive buffers.
//
SoftUARTTxBufferSet(&g_sUART, g_pucTxBuffer, 16);
SoftUARTRxBufferSet(&g_sUART, g_pusRxBuffer, 16);
// Enable the GPIO modules that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
// the software UART.
//
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOD);
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOE);
// Configure the software UART module: 8 data bits, no parity, and one
// stop bit.
//
SoftUARTConfigSet(&g_sUART,
                  (SOFTUART_CONFIG_WLEN_8 | SOFTUART_CONFIG_PAR_NONE |
                   SOFTUART_CONFIG_STOP_ONE));
// Compute the bit time for 38,400 baud.
g_ulBitTime = (SysCtlClockGet() / 38400) - 1;
// Configure the timers used to generate the timing for the software
// UART. The interface in this example is run at 38,400 baud,
// requiring a timer tick at 38,400 Hz.
//
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_TIMERO);
TimerConfigure(TIMERO_BASE,
               (TIMER_CFG_16_BIT_PAIR | TIMER_CFG_A_PERIODIC |
                TIMER_CFG_B_PERIODIC));
TimerLoadSet(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_A, g_ulBitTime);
TimerIntEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT | TIMER_TIMB_TIMEOUT);
TimerEnable(TIMERO_BASE, TIMER_A);
\ensuremath{//} Set the priorities of the interrupts associated with the software
// UART. The receiver is higher priority than the transmitter, and the
// receiver edge interrupt is higher priority than the receiver timer
// interrupt.
//
IntPrioritySet(INT_GPIOE, 0x00);
IntPrioritySet(INT_TIMEROB, 0x40);
IntPrioritySet(INT_TIMEROA, 0x80);
// Enable the interrupts associated with the software UART.
IntEnable(INT_GPIOE);
IntEnable(INT_TIMEROA);
IntEnable(INT_TIMEROB);
// Enable the transmit FIFO half full interrupt in the software UART.
```

```
SoftUARTIntEnable(&g_sUART, SOFTUART_INT_TX);
// Write some data into the software UART transmit FIFO.
//
SoftUARTCharPut(&g_sUART, 0x55);
SoftUARTCharPut(&g_sUART, 0xaa);
// Wait until the software UART is idle. The transmit FIFO half full
// interrupt is sent to the callback function prior to exiting this
// loop.
//
while(SoftUARTBusy(&g_sUART))
```

}

As a comparison, the following is the equivalent code using the hardware UART module and the Tiva Peripheral Driver Library.

```
// The interrupt handler for the hardware UART.
//
void
UART0IntHandler(void)
    unsigned long ulInts;
    // Read the asserted interrupt sources.
    ulInts = UARTIntStatus(UARTO_BASE, true);
    // Clear the asserted interrupt sources.
    UARTIntClear(UARTO_BASE, ulInts);
    // Handle the asserted interrupts.
    //
    . . .
}
// Setup the hardware UART and send some data.
//
void
TestUART (void)
    // Enable the GPIO module that contains the GPIO pins to be used by
    // the UART, as well as the UART module.
```

```
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOA);
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_UART0);
// Configure the GPIO pins for use by the UART module.
GPIOPinTypeUART(GPIO_PORTA_BASE, GPIO_PIN_0 | GPIO_PIN_1);
// Initalize the hardware UART module: 8 data bits, no parity, one stop
// bit, and 38,400 baud rate.
UARTConfigSetExpClk(UARTO_BASE, SysCtlClockGet(), 38400,
                    (UART_CONFIG_WLEN_8 | UART_CONFIG_PAR_NONE |
                     UART_CONFIG_STOP_ONE));
// Enable the transmit FIFO half full interrupt in the hardware UART.
UARTIntEnable(UARTO_BASE, UART_INT_TX);
IntEnable(INT_UART0);
// Write some data into the hardware UART transmit FIFO.
UARTCharPut(UART0_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut (UARTO_BASE, 0xaa);
UARTCharPut (UARTO_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut(UARTO_BASE, 0xaa);
UARTCharPut (UARTO_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut(UART0_BASE, 0xaa);
UARTCharPut(UARTO_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut(UART0_BASE, 0xaa);
UARTCharPut (UARTO_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut (UARTO_BASE, 0xaa);
UARTCharPut(UART0_BASE, 0x55);
UARTCharPut(UART0_BASE, 0xaa);
// Wait until the hardware UART is idle. The transmit FIFO half full
// interrupt is sent to the interrupt handler prior to exiting this
// loop.
//
while (UARTBusy (UARTO_BASE))
```

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# 16.1 Introduction

The micro standard library module provides a set of small implementations of functions normally found in the C library. These functions provide reduced or greatly reduced functionality in order to remain small while still being useful for most embedded applications.

The following functions are provided, along with the C library equivalent:

Function	C library equivalent
ulocaltime	localtime
umktime	mktime
urand	rand
usnprintf	snprintf
usprintf	sprintf
usrand	srand
ustrcasecmp	strcasecmp
ustrcmp	strcmp
ustrlen	strlen
ustrncmp	strncmp
ustrncpy	strncpy
ustrnicmp	strnicmp
ustrstr	strstr
ustrtof	strtof
ustrtoul	strtoul
uvsnprintf	vsnprintf

This module is contained in utils/ustdlib.c, with utils/ustdlib.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

# 16.2 API Functions

# **Functions**

- void ulocaltime (time\_t timer, struct tm \*tm)
- time\_t umktime (struct tm \*timeptr)
- int urand (void)
- int usnprintf (char \*restrict s, size\_t n, const char \*restrict format,...)
- int usprintf (char \*restrict s, const char \*format,...)
- void usrand (unsigned int seed)
- int ustrcasecmp (const char \*s1, const char \*s2)

- int ustrcmp (const char \*s1, const char \*s2)
- size\_t ustrlen (const char \*s)
- int ustrncasecmp (const char \*s1, const char \*s2, size t n)
- int ustrncmp (const char \*s1, const char \*s2, size\_t n)
- char \* ustrncpy (char \*restrict s1, const char \*restrict s2, size t n)
- char \* ustrstr (const char \*s1, const char \*s2)
- float ustrtof (const char \*nptr, const char \*\*endptr)
- unsigned long ustrtoul (const char \*restrict nptr, const char \*restrict endptr, int base)
- int uvsnprintf (char \*restrict s, size\_t n, const char \*restrict format, va\_list arg)

### 16.2.1 Function Documentation

### 16.2.1.1 ulocaltime

Converts from seconds to calendar date and time.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

timer is the number of seconds.

*tm* is a pointer to the time structure that is filled in with the broken down date and time.

#### **Description:**

This function converts a number of seconds since midnight GMT on January 1, 1970 (traditional Unix epoch) into the equivalent month, day, year, hours, minutes, and seconds representation.

#### Returns:

None.

### 16.2.1.2 umktime

Converts calendar date and time to seconds.

#### Prototype:

```
time_t
umktime(struct tm *timeptr)
```

#### Parameters:

timeptr is a pointer to the time structure that is filled in with the broken down date and time.

### **Description:**

This function converts the date and time represented by the *timeptr* structure pointer to the number of seconds since midnight GMT on January 1, 1970 (traditional Unix epoch).

### Returns:

Returns the calendar time and date as seconds. If the conversion was not possible then the function returns (uint32\_t)(-1).

### 16.2.1.3 urand

Generate a new (pseudo) random number

### Prototype:

```
int
urand(void)
```

### Description:

This function is very similar to the C library rand() function. It will generate a pseudo-random number sequence based on the seed value.

#### Returns:

A pseudo-random number will be returned.

### 16.2.1.4 usnprintf

A simple snprintf function supporting %c, %d, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**s** is the buffer where the converted string is stored.

**n** is the size of the buffer.

format is the format string.

... are the optional arguments, which depend on the contents of the format string.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library sprintf() function. Only the following formatting characters are supported:

- %c to print a character
- %d or %i to print a decimal value
- %s to print a string
- %u to print an unsigned decimal value
- %x to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters
- %X to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters (not upper case letters as would typically be used)
- %p to print a pointer as a hexadecimal value
- %% to print out a % character

For %d, %i, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X, an optional number may reside between the % and the format character, which specifies the minimum number of characters to use for that value; if preceded by a 0 then the extra characters will be filled with zeros instead of spaces. For example, "%8d" will use eight characters to print the decimal value with spaces added to reach eight; "%08d" will use eight characters as well but will add zeros instead of spaces.

The type of the arguments after *format* must match the requirements of the format string. For example, if an integer was passed where a string was expected, an error of some kind will most likely occur.

The function will copy at most n - 1 characters into the buffer s. One space is reserved in the buffer for the null termination character.

The function will return the number of characters that would be converted as if there were no limit on the buffer size. Therefore it is possible for the function to return a count that is greater than the specified buffer size. If this happens, it means that the output was truncated.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of characters that were to be stored, not including the NULL termination character, regardless of space in the buffer.

## 16.2.1.5 usprintf

A simple sprintf function supporting %c, %d, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**s** is the buffer where the converted string is stored.

format is the format string.

... are the optional arguments, which depend on the contents of the format string.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library <code>sprintf()</code> function. Only the following formatting characters are supported:

- %c to print a character
- %d or %i to print a decimal value
- %s to print a string
- %u to print an unsigned decimal value
- %x to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters
- %X to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters (not upper case letters as would typically be used)
- %p to print a pointer as a hexadecimal value
- %% to print out a % character

For %d, %i, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X, an optional number may reside between the % and the format character, which specifies the minimum number of characters to use for that value; if preceded by a 0 then the extra characters will be filled with zeros instead of spaces. For example, "%8d" will use eight characters to print the decimal value with spaces added to reach eight; "%08d" will use eight characters as well but will add zeros instead of spaces.

The type of the arguments after *format* must match the requirements of the format string. For example, if an integer was passed where a string was expected, an error of some kind will most likely occur.

The caller must ensure that the buffer *s* is large enough to hold the entire converted string, including the null termination character.

#### Returns:

Returns the count of characters that were written to the output buffer, not including the NULL termination character.

### 16.2.1.6 usrand

Set the random number generator seed.

### Prototype:

```
void
usrand(unsigned int seed)
```

#### Parameters:

**seed** is the new seed value to use for the random number generator.

### Description:

This function is very similar to the C library srand() function. It will set the seed value used in the urand() function.

#### Returns:

None

### 16.2.1.7 ustrcasecmp

Compares two strings without regard to case.

### Prototype:

```
ustrcasecmp(const char *s1, const char *s2)
```

#### Parameters:

**s1** points to the first string to be compared.

**s2** points to the second string to be compared.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strcasecmp () function. It compares two strings without regard to case. The comparison ends if a terminating NULL character is found in either string. In this case, the int16\_ter string is deemed the lesser.

### Returns:

Returns 0 if the two strings are equal, -1 if s1 is less than s2 and 1 if s1 is greater than s2.

### 16.2.1.8 ustrcmp

Compares two strings.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

- **s1** points to the first string to be compared.
- **s2** points to the second string to be compared.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library stromp () function. It compares two strings, taking case into account. The comparison ends if a terminating NULL character is found in either string. In this case, the int16\_ter string is deemed the lesser.

### Returns:

Returns 0 if the two strings are equal, -1 if s1 is less than s2 and 1 if s1 is greater than s2.

### 16.2.1.9 ustrlen

Returns the length of a null-terminated string.

### Prototype:

```
size_t
ustrlen(const char *s)
```

#### **Parameters:**

**s** is a pointer to the string whose length is to be found.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strlen() function. It determines the length of the null-terminated string passed and returns this to the caller.

This implementation assumes that single byte character strings are passed and will return incorrect values if passed some UTF-8 strings.

### Returns:

Returns the length of the string pointed to by s.

### 16.2.1.10 ustrncasecmp

Compares two strings without regard to case.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

- **s1** points to the first string to be compared.
- **s2** points to the second string to be compared.
- **n** is the maximum number of characters to compare.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strncasecmp() function. It compares at most n characters of two strings without regard to case. The comparison ends if a terminating NULL character is found in either string before n characters are compared. In this case, the shorter string is deemed the lesser.

#### Returns:

Returns 0 if the two strings are equal, -1 if s1 is less than s2 and 1 if s1 is greater than s2.

### 16.2.1.11 ustrncmp

Compares two strings.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

- **s1** points to the first string to be compared.
- **s2** points to the second string to be compared.
- **n** is the maximum number of characters to compare.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strnemp() function. It compares at most n characters of two strings taking case into account. The comparison ends if a terminating NULL character is found in either string before n characters are compared. In this case, the int16\_ter string is deemed the lesser.

#### Returns:

Returns 0 if the two strings are equal, -1 if s1 is less than s2 and 1 if s1 is greater than s2.

### 16.2.1.12 ustrncpy

Copies a certain number of characters from one string to another.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**s1** is a pointer to the destination buffer into which characters are to be copied.

**s2** is a pointer to the string from which characters are to be copied.

**n** is the number of characters to copy to the destination buffer.

### **Description:**

This function copies at most n characters from the string pointed to by s2 into the buffer pointed to by s1. If the end of s2 is found before n characters have been copied, remaining characters in s1 will be padded with zeroes until n characters have been written. Note that the destination string will only be NULL terminated if the number of characters to be copied is greater than the length of s2.

#### Returns:

Returns s1.

### 16.2.1.13 ustrstr

Finds a substring within a string.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**s1** is a pointer to the string that will be searched.

**s2** is a pointer to the substring that is to be found within s1.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library <code>strstr()</code> function. It scans a string for the first instance of a given substring and returns a pointer to that substring. If the substring cannot be found, a NULL pointer is returned.

#### Returns:

Returns a pointer to the first occurrence of s2 within s1 or NULL if no match is found.

### 16.2.1.14 ustrtof

Converts a string into its floating-point equivalent.

#### Prototype:

### Parameters:

*nptr* is a pointer to the string containing the floating-point value.

**endptr** is a pointer that will be set to the first character past the floating-point value in the string.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strtof() function. It scans a string for the first token (that is, non-white space) and converts the value at that location in the string into a floating-point value.

### Returns:

Returns the result of the conversion.

### 16.2.1.15 ustrtoul

Converts a string into its numeric equivalent.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**nptr** is a pointer to the string containing the integer.

endptr is a pointer that will be set to the first character past the integer in the string.

**base** is the radix to use for the conversion; can be zero to auto-select the radix or between 2 and 16 to explicitly specify the radix.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library strtoul() function. It scans a string for the first token (that is, non-white space) and converts the value at that location in the string into an integer value.

### Returns:

Returns the result of the conversion.

### 16.2.1.16 uvsnprintf

A simple vsnprintf function supporting %c, %d, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

**s** points to the buffer where the converted string is stored.

**n** is the size of the buffer.

format is the format string.

arg is the list of optional arguments, which depend on the contents of the format string.

### Description:

This function is very similar to the C library vsnprintf() function. Only the following formatting characters are supported:

- %c to print a character
- %d or %i to print a decimal value

- %s to print a string
- %u to print an unsigned decimal value
- %x to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters
- %X to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters (not upper case letters as would typically be used)
- %p to print a pointer as a hexadecimal value
- %% to print out a % character

For %d, %i, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X, an optional number may reside between the % and the format character, which specifies the minimum number of characters to use for that value; if preceded by a 0 then the extra characters will be filled with zeros instead of spaces. For example, "%8d" will use eight characters to print the decimal value with spaces added to reach eight; "%08d" will use eight characters as well but will add zeroes instead of spaces.

The type of the arguments after *format* must match the requirements of the format string. For example, if an integer was passed where a string was expected, an error of some kind will most likely occur.

The *n* parameter limits the number of characters that will be stored in the buffer pointed to by *s* to prevent the possibility of a buffer overflow. The buffer size should be large enough to hold the expected converted output string, including the null termination character.

The function will return the number of characters that would be converted as if there were no limit on the buffer size. Therefore it is possible for the function to return a count that is greater than the specified buffer size. If this happens, it means that the output was truncated.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of characters that were to be stored, not including the NULL termination character, regardless of space in the buffer.

# 16.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to use some of the micro standard library functions.

```
unsigned long ulValue;
char pcBuffer[32];
tTime sTime;

//

// Convert the number in pcBuffer (previous read from somewhere) into an
// integer. Note that this supports converting decimal values (such as
// 4583), octal values (such as 036583), and hexadecimal values (such as
// 0x3425).
//
ulValue = ustrtoul(pcBuffer, 0, 0);

//
// Convert that integer from a number of seconds into a broken down date.
//
ulocaltime(ulValue, &sTime);

//
// Print out the corresponding time of day in military format.
//
usprintf(pcBuffer, "%02d:%02d", sTime.ucHour, sTime.ucMin);
```

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## 17.1 Introduction

The UART standard IO module provides a simple interface to a UART that is similar to the standard IO package available in the C library. Only a very small subset of the normal functions are provided; UARTprintf() is an equivalent to the C library printf() function and UARTgets() is an equivalent to the C library fgets() function.

This module is contained in utils/uartstdio.c, with utils/uartstdio.h containing the API definitions for use by applications.

## 17.1.1 Unbuffered Operation

Unbuffered operation is selected by not defining **UART\_BUFFERED** when building the UART standard IO module. In unbuffered mode, calls to the module will not return until the operation has been completed. So, for example, a call to **UARTprintf()** will not return until the entire string has be placed into the UART's FIFO. If it is not possible for the function to complete its operation immediately, it will busy wait.

## 17.1.2 Buffered Operation

Buffered operation is selected by defining **UART\_BUFFERED** when building the UART standard IO module. In buffered mode, there is a larger UART data FIFO in SRAM that extends the size of the hardware FIFO. Interrupts from the UART are used to transfer data between the SRAM buffer and the hardware FIFO. It is the responsibility of the application to ensure that **UARTStdioIntHandler()** is called when the UART interrupt occurs; typically this is accomplished by placing it in the vector table in the startup code for the application.

In addition providing a larger UART buffer, the behavior of UARTprintf() is slightly modified. If the output buffer is full, UARTprintf() will discard the remaining characters from the string instead of waiting until space becomes available in the buffer. If this behavior is not desired, UARTFlushTx() may be called to ensure that the transmit buffer is emptied prior to adding new data via UARTprintf() (though this will not work if the string to be printed is larger than the buffer).

UARTPeek() can be used to determine whether a line end is present prior to calling UARTgets() if non-blocking operation is required. In cases where the buffer supplied on UARTgets() fills before a line termination character is received, the call will return with a full buffer.

## 17.2 API Functions

### **Functions**

- void UARTEchoSet (bool bEnable)
- void UARTFlushRx (void)
- void UARTFlushTx (bool bDiscard)
- unsigned char UARTgetc (void)
- int UARTgets (char \*pcBuf, uint32\_t ui32Len)
- int UARTPeek (unsigned char ucChar)
- void UARTprintf (const char \*pcString,...)
- int UARTRxBytesAvail (void)
- void UARTStdioConfig (uint32 t ui32PortNum, uint32 t ui32Baud, uint32 t ui32SrcClock)
- void UARTStdioIntHandler (void)
- int UARTTxBytesFree (void)
- void UARTvprintf (const char \*pcString, va list vaArgP)
- int UARTwrite (const char \*pcBuf, uint32\_t ui32Len)

### 17.2.1 Function Documentation

### 17.2.1.1 UARTEchoSet

Enables or disables echoing of received characters to the transmitter.

### Prototype:

void

UARTEchoSet (bool bEnable)

#### **Parameters:**

**bEnable** must be set to **true** to enable echo or **false** to disable it.

#### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to control whether or not received characters are automatically echoed back to the transmitter. By default, echo is enabled and this is typically the desired behavior if the module is being used to support a serial command line. In applications where this module is being used to provide a convenient, buffered serial interface over which application-specific binary protocols are being run, however, echo may be undesirable and this function can be used to disable it.

### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.2 UARTFlushRx

Flushes the receive buffer.

### **Prototype:**

```
void
UARTFlushRx(void)
```

### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to discard any data received from the UART but not yet read using UARTgets().

#### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.3 UARTFlushTx

Flushes the transmit buffer.

### Prototype:

```
void
UARTFlushTx(bool bDiscard)
```

#### Parameters:

**bDiscard** indicates whether any remaining data in the buffer should be discarded (**true**) or transmitted (**false**).

### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to flush the transmit buffer, either discarding or transmitting any data received via calls to **UARTprintf()** that is waiting to be transmitted. On return, the transmit buffer will be empty.

#### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.4 UARTgetc

Read a single character from the UART, blocking if necessary.

### Prototype:

```
unsigned char
UARTgetc(void)
```

#### Description:

This function will receive a single character from the UART and store it at the supplied address.

In both buffered and unbuffered modes, this function will block until a character is received. If non-blocking operation is required in buffered mode, a call to UARTRxAvail() may be made to determine whether any characters are currently available for reading.

### Returns:

Returns the character read.

### 17.2.1.5 UARTgets

A simple UART based get string function, with some line processing.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

*pcBuf* points to a buffer for the incoming string from the UART. *ui32Len* is the length of the buffer for storage of the string, including the trailing 0.

### **Description:**

This function will receive a string from the UART input and store the characters in the buffer pointed to by *pcBuf*. The characters will continue to be stored until a termination character is received. The termination characters are CR, LF, or ESC. A CRLF pair is treated as a single termination character. The termination characters are not stored in the string. The string will be terminated with a 0 and the function will return.

In both buffered and unbuffered modes, this function will block until a termination character is received. If non-blocking operation is required in buffered mode, a call to UARTPeek() may be made to determine whether a termination character already exists in the receive buffer prior to calling UARTgets().

Since the string will be null terminated, the user must ensure that the buffer is sized to allow for the additional null character.

### Returns:

Returns the count of characters that were stored, not including the trailing 0.

### 17.2.1.6 UARTPeek

Looks ahead in the receive buffer for a particular character.

### Prototype:

```
int
UARTPeek(unsigned char ucChar)
```

#### Parameters:

ucChar is the character that is to be searched for.

### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to look ahead in the receive buffer for a particular character and report its position if found. It is typically used to determine whether a complete line of user input is available, in which case ucChar should be set to CR ('\r') which is used as the line end marker in the receive buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns -1 to indicate that the requested character does not exist in the receive buffer. Returns a non-negative number if the character was found in which case the value represents the position of the first instance of *ucChar* relative to the receive buffer read pointer.

### 17.2.1.7 UARTprintf

A simple UART based printf function supporting %c, %d, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

*pcString* is the format string.

... are the optional arguments, which depend on the contents of the format string.

### **Description:**

This function is very similar to the C library fprintf() function. All of its output will be sent to the UART. Only the following formatting characters are supported:

- %c to print a character
- %d or %i to print a decimal value
- %s to print a string
- %u to print an unsigned decimal value
- %x to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters
- %X to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters (not upper case letters as would typically be used)
- %p to print a pointer as a hexadecimal value
- %% to print out a % character

For %s, %d, %i, %u, %p, %x, and %X, an optional number may reside between the % and the format character, which specifies the minimum number of characters to use for that value; if preceded by a 0 then the extra characters will be filled with zeros instead of spaces. For example, "%8d" will use eight characters to print the decimal value with spaces added to reach eight; "%08d" will use eight characters as well but will add zeroes instead of spaces.

The type of the arguments after *pcString* must match the requirements of the format string. For example, if an integer was passed where a string was expected, an error of some kind will most likely occur.

#### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.8 UARTRxBytesAvail

Returns the number of bytes available in the receive buffer.

### Prototype:

```
int
UARTRxBytesAvail(void)
```

### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to determine the number of bytes of data currently available in the receive buffer.

### Returns:

Returns the number of available bytes.

### 17.2.1.9 UARTStdioConfig

Configures the UART console.

### Prototype:

### Parameters:

ui32PortNum is the number of UART port to use for the serial console (0-2)
 ui32Baud is the bit rate that the UART is to be configured to use.
 ui32SrcClock is the frequency of the source clock for the UART module.

### **Description:**

This function will configure the specified serial port to be used as a serial console. The serial parameters are set to the baud rate specified by the *ui32Baud* parameter and use 8 bit, no parity, and 1 stop bit.

This function must be called prior to using any of the other UART console functions: UART-printf() or UARTgets(). This function assumes that the caller has previously configured the relevant UART pins for operation as a UART rather than as GPIOs.

#### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.10 UARTStdioIntHandler

Handles UART interrupts.

### Prototype:

```
void
UARTStdioIntHandler(void)
```

### **Description:**

This function handles interrupts from the UART. It will copy data from the transmit buffer to the UART transmit FIFO if space is available, and it will copy data from the UART receive FIFO to the receive buffer if data is available.

#### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.11 UARTTxBytesFree

Returns the number of bytes free in the transmit buffer.

### Prototype:

```
int
UARTTxBytesFree(void)
```

### **Description:**

This function, available only when the module is built to operate in buffered mode using **UART\_BUFFERED**, may be used to determine the amount of space currently available in the transmit buffer.

#### Returns:

Returns the number of free bytes.

### 17.2.1.12 UARTvprintf

A simple UART based vprintf function supporting %c, %d, %p, %s, %u, %x, and %X.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

pcString is the format string.

**vaArgP** is a variable argument list pointer whose content will depend upon the format string passed in *pcString*.

### Description:

This function is very similar to the C library <code>vprintf()</code> function. All of its output will be sent to the UART. Only the following formatting characters are supported:

- %c to print a character
- %d or %i to print a decimal value
- %s to print a string
- %u to print an unsigned decimal value
- %x to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters
- %X to print a hexadecimal value using lower case letters (not upper case letters as would typically be used)
- %p to print a pointer as a hexadecimal value
- %% to print out a % character

For %s, %d, %i, %u, %p, %x, and %X, an optional number may reside between the % and the format character, which specifies the minimum number of characters to use for that value; if preceded by a 0 then the extra characters will be filled with zeros instead of spaces. For example, "%8d" will use eight characters to print the decimal value with spaces added to reach eight; "%08d" will use eight characters as well but will add zeroes instead of spaces.

The type of the arguments in the variable arguments list must match the requirements of the format string. For example, if an integer was passed where a string was expected, an error of some kind will most likely occur.

### Returns:

None.

### 17.2.1.13 UARTwrite

Writes a string of characters to the UART output.

### Prototype:

#### Parameters:

**pcBuf** points to a buffer containing the string to transmit. **ui32Len** is the length of the string to transmit.

### **Description:**

This function will transmit the string to the UART output. The number of characters transmitted is determined by the *ui32Len* parameter. This function does no interpretation or translation of any characters. Since the output is sent to a UART, any LF (/n) characters encountered will be replaced with a CRLF pair.

Besides using the *ui32Len* parameter to stop transmitting the string, if a null character (0) is encountered, then no more characters will be transmitted and the function will return.

In non-buffered mode, this function is blocking and will not return until all the characters have been written to the output FIFO. In buffered mode, the characters are written to the UART transmit buffer and the call returns immediately. If insufficient space remains in the transmit buffer, additional characters are discarded.

#### Returns:

Returns the count of characters written.

# 17.3 Programming Example

The following example shows how to use the UART standard IO module to write a string to the UART "console".

```
//
// Configure the appropriate pins as UART pins; in this case, PAO/PA1 are
// used for UART0.
//
SysCtlPeripheralEnable(SYSCTL_PERIPH_GPIOA);
GPIOPinTypeUART(GPIO_PORTA_BASE, GPIO_PIN_0 | GPIO_PIN_1);
//
// Initialize the UART standard IO module.
//
UARTStdioInit(0);
//
// Print a string.
//
UARTprintf("Hello world!\n");
```

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