audio mixing using MAX98357A

audio mixing from SPIFFS:

the following is a guide on how to stream a mixed audio using the MAX98357A amplifier and ESP32's SPIFFS. for this tutorial, we used the Arduino IDE.

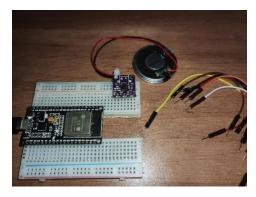
assumptions:

- you have downloaded the Arduino IDE.
- you have configured the IDE to work with the "DOIT ESP32 DIVKIT V1" board.
- you know how to upload files to ESP32's SPIFFS.

a guide to all the steps above can be found in the "bank of knowledge".

needed material:

- ESP32 microcontroller
- MAX98357A amplifier
- breadboard
- WiFi connection
- 6 wires
- a speaker that works with a 3[WATT]/4Ω



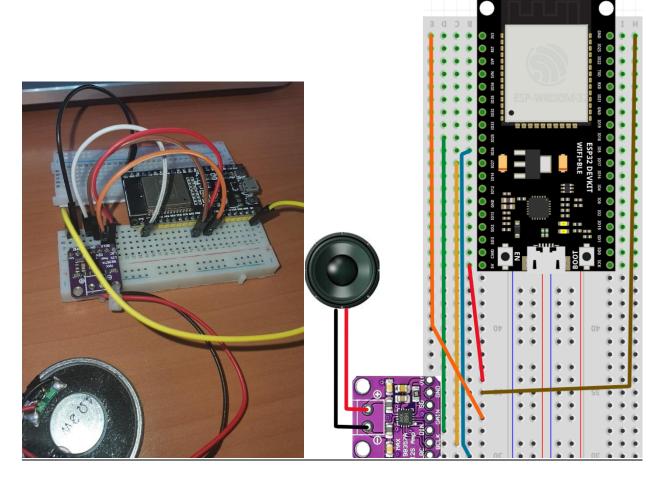
NOTE: the mixed sound's quality is not good because:

- SPIFFS memory size is small, so the audio files' sizes to be used will be short (2-3 seconds each).
- we're using only one module of the MAX98357A.
 for a much better result, use an SD card for larger audio files, and 2 modules of the MAX98357A for stereo mode. a guide on how to do so is provided after this one.
- the bit-depth(encoding) to be used in our case should be 16-bits

step 1: upload the audio files "wav1_16.wav" and "wav2_16.wav" to your esp32's SPIFFS.

step 2: setup the wiring as follows:

MAX98357A	ESP32
Vin (2.5V-5.5V)	Vcc (preferably 3.3V but can be 5V)
GND	GND
BCK or BCLK	Pin 27 (G27)
DIN	Pin 25 (G25)
LRC	Pin 26 (G26)
GAIN	3.3V
SD	-



step 3: copy and paste the following code (the code is also provided in file of its own):

```
//-
// Title: SPIFFS Wav Player With Mixing
//
// Description:
// Simple example to demonstrate the fundamentals of mixing WAV files (digitized sound) from SPIFFS via the I2S
// interface of the ESP32. To keep this simple the WAVs must be stereo and 16bit samples.
// The Samples Per second can be anything. On the SD Card the wav file must be in root and called wav1_16.wav and
// wav2_16.wav. wav1_16.wav will play repeatedly and wav2_16.wav will play when a designated pin on the ESP32
// is grounded.
// Libraries are available to play WAV's on ESP32, this code does not use these so that we can see what is happening.
//
// use the code as you wish, no warranty is provided, It is not listed as fit for any purpose you perceive
// It may damage your house, steal your lover, drink your beers and more.
```

```
if (Wav2.Playing)
ReadFile(&Wav2);
```

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BytesToSend=BytesInBuffer-BufferIdx;
i2s write(i2s num, DataPtr, BytesToSend, &BytesWritten, 1);
BufferIdx+=BytesWritten;
```

```
// All looks good, dump the data
Serial.print("Total size :");Serial.println(Wav->Size);
Serial.print("Format section size :");Serial.println(Wav->FormatSize);
Serial.print("Wave format :");Serial.println(Wav->FormatID);
Serial.print("Channels :");Serial.println(Wav->NumChannels);
Serial.print("Sample Rate :");Serial.println(Wav->SampleRate);
Serial.print("Byte Rate :");Serial.println(Wav->ByteRate);
Serial.print("Block Align :");Serial.println(Wav->BlockAlign);
Serial.print("Bits Per Sample :");Serial.println(Wav->BatsPerSample);
Serial.print("Data Size :");Serial.println(Wav->DataSize);
}

void PrintData(const char* Data,uint8_t NumBytes)
{
    for(uint8_t i=0;i<NumBytes;i++)
        Serial.print(Data[i]);
        Serial.println();
}
</pre>
```

Important Notes:

- make sure that the defined Pins match the wiring!
- in the function "InitWavFiles()", make sure the name of the audio files matches the ones you want to you use from your SPIFFS.
- the "MixWavs" function is the star function here, that's where the actual mixing occurs!

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if you look at the following part in that function :
    if(Wav1.Playing)
        Sample=*((int16_t *)(Wav1.Samples+Wav1Idx));
    if(Wav2.Playing)
        Sample+=*((int16_t *)(Wav2.Samples+Wav2Idx));
```

you can comment the second\fourth lines to hear only one of the audio files playing.

in the same function "MixWav", right before exiting, there is a value that is multiplied by the
variable "VOLUME", that's the variable that is responsible of the mixed audio's volume, change
it accordingly, recommended values are "0 < VOLUME < 1"

step 4: connect the ESP32 to your computer, compile and run the code. you might need to press on the "reset" button on your ESP32.

step 5: enjoy the mixed sound 😊

audio mixing from SD card & 2 modules of the amplifier:

the following is a guide on how to stream a mixed audio using 2 MAX98357A amplifiers, SD Card and ESP32. for this tutorial, we used the Arduino IDE.

assumptions:

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- you have configured the IDE to work with the "DOIT ESP32 DIVKIT V1" board.

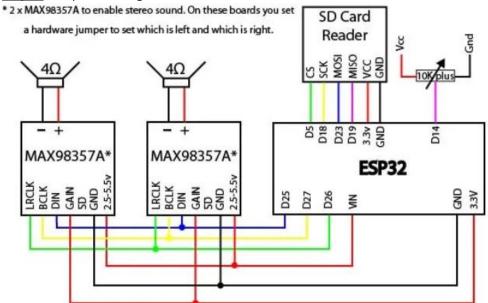
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needed material:

- ESP32 microcontroller
- MAX98357A amplifier x 2
- breadboard
- WiFi connection
- wires
- a speaker that works with a 3[WATT]/4Ω x 2
- SD Card
- SD Card adapter

step 1: upload the audio files "wav1_16.wav" and "wav2_16.wav" to your SD Card.

step 2: setup the wiring as follows:



NOTE: in order to redirect the sound to the right\left channel, check out the "playing audio in mono or stereo using MAX98357A or PCM5102A" guide.

<u>step 3:</u> copy and paste the following code (the code is also provided in file of its own).
NOTE:

- the code is very similar to the one above, but modified to read files from the SD Card instead of SPIFFS.
- the "important notes" stated above also apply here.

```
(ValidWavData(&WavHeader))
```

step 4: connect the ESP32 to your computer, compile and run the code. you might need to press on the "reset" button on your ESP32.

step 5: enjoy the mixed sound ©

for a reference of this experiment, look up the following link here.