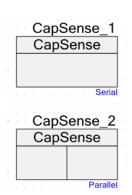


# Capacitive Sensing (CapSense®)

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## **Features**

- Supports different combinations of independent and slide capacitive sensors
- High immunity to AC mains noise, EMC noise, and power supply voltage changes
- Parallel (synchronized or asynchronous) and Serial Scanning Configuration
- Shield electrode support for reliable operation in the presence of water film or droplets
- Guided slot and terminal assignments using the CapSense customizer



# **General Description**

The capacitive sensing (CapSense) component provides a versatile and efficient means for measuring capacitance in applications such as touch sense buttons, sliders, and proximity detection.

# When to use a CapSense Component

Capacitance sensing systems can be used in many applications in place of conventional buttons, switches, and other controls, even in applications that are exposed to rain or water. Such applications include automotive, outdoor equipment, ATMs, public access systems, portable devices such as cell phones and PDAs, and kitchen and bathroom applications.

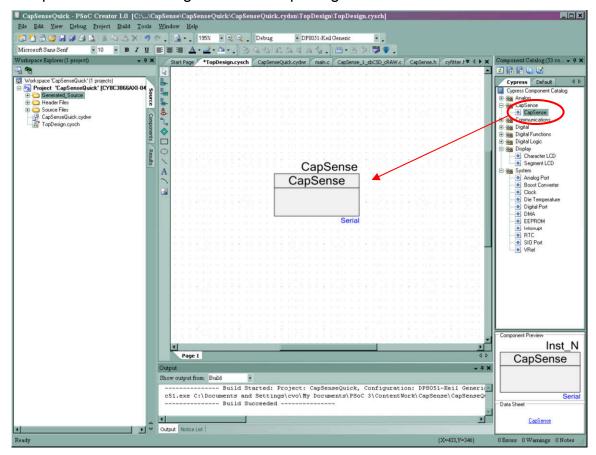
# **CapSense Component Quick Start**

The following steps walk you through creating a CapSense project that senses two CapSense buttons and displays the status on an LCD. This section assumes that you are familiar with PSoC Creator and describes the basics of configuring the CapSense component in a project targeted to work on the CY8CKIT-001 DVK. If you are not familiar with PSoC Creator you may want to learn the basics before proceeding.

This quick start section describes the process of placing and configuring the CapSense component, assigning the CapSense signals to physical PSoC pins and adding application level calls to CapSense component APIs to scan the sensors and act on the sensor status values. Parameter values used in these steps are suggested starting values assuming use of the DVK.

If you were creating an actual application, you would have to tune the parameters on your target hardware for optimal CapSense functionality.

- 1. Open a new PSoC Creator project. This project uses the default PSoC Creator clock resource configuration.
- 2. Locate the CapSense component in the PSoC Creator Component Catalog. Select the component icon and drag it onto the TopDesign schematic view.



- Double click the CapSense Component to open the component customizer. The customizer
  presents a number of Tabs that you will use to configure the CapSense sensing method and
  various sensor types. Change the Name of the component to "CapSense" so that it works
  with sample code provided.
- 4. Select the General tab and make the following selections:

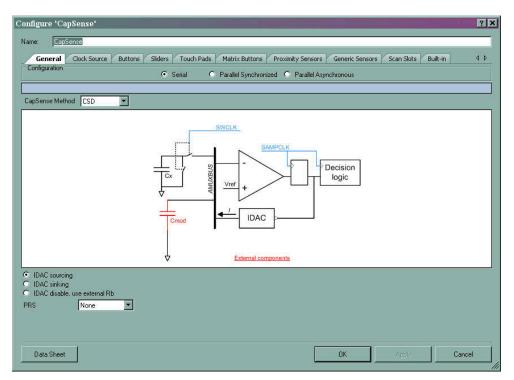
Configuration: Serial

CapSense Method: CSD

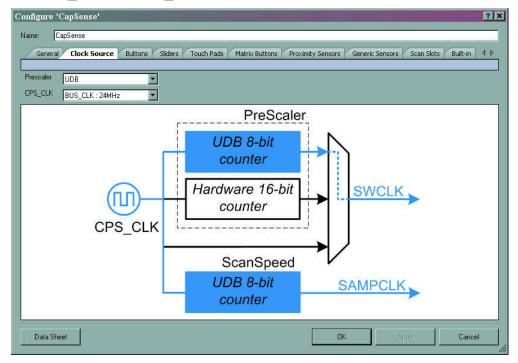
Select : IDAC sourcing

PRS: None



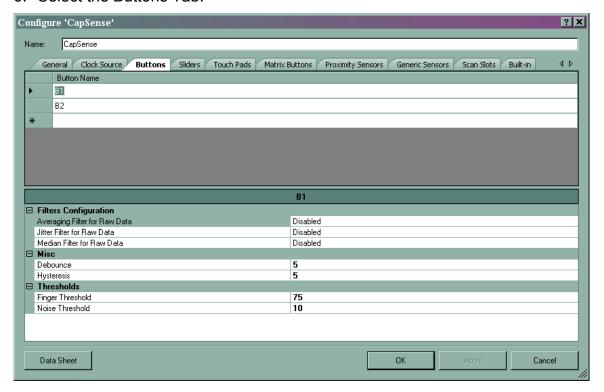


- 5. Select the Clock Source tab and make the following settings:
  - Prescaler UDB
  - CPS\_CLK BUS\_CLK: 24MHz



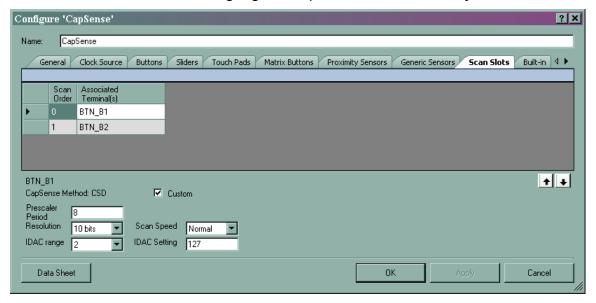


### 6. Select the Buttons Tab.



- 7. Click in the box with "" symbol in first column of the Button definition table. Enter "B1" for the Button Name. Enter "B2" as the name for the second button.
- 8. The sensor specific CapSense parameters for the selected button are displayed in the lower half of the dialog. Make the following settings for both buttons
  - Finger Threshold 75
  - Noise Threshold 10

9. Select the Scan Slots tab (if the Scan Slots tab is not visible, press the right arrow control to scroll the Scan Slots tab into view). This tab allows you to configure the scanning order for the sensor slots set the sensing algorithm parameters individually for each scan slot.



- 10. Select button "BTN\_B1" by clicking in the button alias in the Associated Terminal column.
- 11. Check the Custom box. This allows you to set the scanning method parameters for this slot. Make the following settings for each scan slot:
  - Prescaler Period 8
  - Resolution 10 bits
  - IDAC Range
     2
  - Scan Speed Normal
  - IDAC Setting 127
- 12. Make the same changes to BTN B2.
- 13. Click OK to exit the customizer
- 14. Locate the CharacterLCD component in the catalog. Select the component icon and drag it onto the TopDesign schematic view.
- 15. Double click the LCD component to open the customizer. Change the Name of the component to "LCD" so that it works with sample code provided.
- 16. Click OK to exit the customizer
- 17. Click the Save button to save the project.



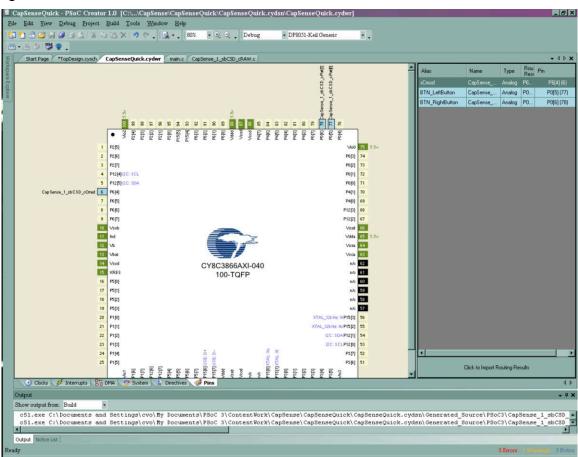
18. The sensor signals (as well as the LCD signals) must be assigned to physical pins. In the Workspace Explorer, click the Source tab, double click the projectname.cydwr file and click the Pins tab in the Design Wide Resources view.

Each of the external signals associated with the project will be displayed in the pin assignment table on the right side of the dialog. Assign the CapSense signal pins as follows to use this project on the CY8CKIT-001 DVK board:

sCmod P6[0] BTN\_B1 P0[5] BTN B2 P0[6]

**Note**: Cmod is connected between P6[0] and GND. This can be easily accomplished on the Port A' (P6) connector.

General guidelines for assigning CapSense signals to physical pins are provided in the Pin Assignments sections



19. Assign the LCD control signals (LCD\_LCDPort[6:0]) to P2[6:0] to use this project on the CY8CKIT-001 DVK board.



20. Copy the following code into the project *main.c* file. The generated API prototypes and available #defines used in this code are located in the *CapSense.h* file. The code fragment below demonstrates the initialization of the CapSense component and a loop to scan the two buttons and display the button status on the LCD.

```
void main()
{
    CYGlobalIntEnable;
    /* Initialize LCD */
   LCD Start();
    LCD Position (0,0);
    LCD PrintString("B1 B2");
    /* Initialize the CapSense component */
    CapSense Start();
    CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    /* Sensor Scanning Loop */
    while(1)
        CapSense CSD ScanAllSlots();
        CapSense CSHL UpdateAllBaselines();
        /* Position LCD pointer to update button 1 status*/
        LCD Position(1,0);
        /* Left button pressed */
        if (CapSense CSHL CheckIsSlotActive(CapSense CSHL BTN B1))
            /* Action for button 1 active */
            LCD PrintString("On ");
        }
        else
        {
             /* Action for button 1 inactive */
             LCD PrintString("Off");
        /* Position LCD pointer to update button 2 status */
        LCD Position (1,6);
        /* Check if B2 is pressed */
        if (CapSense CSHL CheckIsSlotActive(CapSense_CSHL_BTN_B2))
            /* Action for button 2 active */
            LCD PrintString("On ");
        }
        else
        {
            /* Action for button 2 inactive */
            LCD PrintString("Off");
```



- 21. Click the Build project button . This will generate and compile the source code files that implement the CapSense solution.
- 22. Program the project on to your DVK board.

# **Input/Output Connections**

No schematic connections are required for the CapSense component. The component encompasses the analog and digital functional blocks and required interconnections that implement the capacitive sensing algorithms.

# **Parameters and Setup**

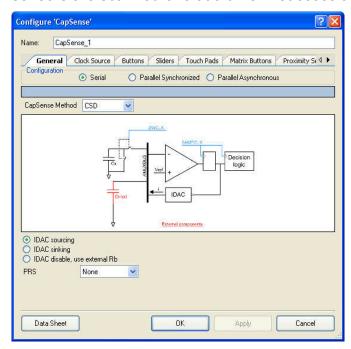
Drag a CapSense component onto your design and double-click it to open the Configure dialog. This dialog has several tabs to guide you through the process of setting up the CapSense component.

### **General Tab**

## Configuration

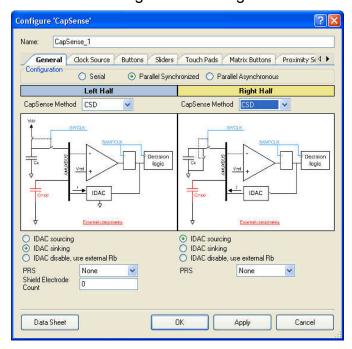
There are three Configuration options:

 Serial – The component is capable of performing 1 capacitive scan at a time. Multiple sensors are scanned one at a time in succession.





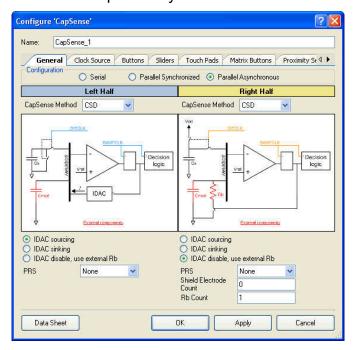
- The AMUX buses are tied together.
- The component is capable of scanning 1 to (#GPIO 1) capacitive sensors.
- The tied AMUX bus can use only one sensing method.
- One Cmod external capacitor is required.
- Parallel Synchronized The component is capable of performing 2 simultaneous capacitive scans. Both the left and right AMUX buses are used. Right and left sensors are scanned two at time (one right sensor and one left sensor at a time) in succession. If one channel has more sensors than the other, the channel with the greater number of sensors will finish scanning the remaining sensors in its array one at a time until done.



- The left AMUX bus is capable of scanning 1 to (#EVEN\_PORT\_GPIO 1) capacitive sensors.
- The right AMUX bus is capable of scanning 1 to (#ODD\_PORT\_GPIO 1) capacitive sensors.
- Each AMUX bus can use a different sensing method.
- Two Cmod external capacitors are required.
- Parallel scans run at the same scan rate.



 Parallel Asynchronous – The component is capable of performing 2 simultaneous capacitive scans. The left and right AMUX bus are used. The right and left channels are scanned independently of each other.



- The left AMUX bus is capable of scanning 1 to (#EVEN\_PORT\_GPIO 1) capacitive sensors.
- The right AMUX bus is capable of scanning 1 to (#ODD\_PORT\_GPIO 1) capacitive sensors.
- Each AMUX bus can use a different sensing method.
- Two Cmod external capacitors are required.
- Parallel scans run at the different scan rates.

### CapSense Method

Choose a CapSense method:

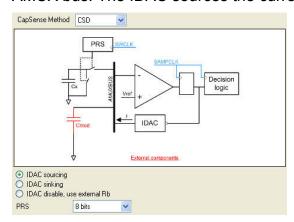
- CSD The CSD (Capacitive Sensing using a Delta-Sigma Modulator) provides
  capacitance sensing using the switched capacitor technique with a delta-sigma modulator
  to convert the sensing switched capacitor current to a digital code. It allows
  implementation of buttons, sliders, touch pads and matrix buttons using arrays of
  conductive sensors. High level software routines allow for enhancement of slider
  resolution using diplexing, and compensation for physical and environmental sensor
  variation.
- None No method selected. The AMUX bus is free for another use.



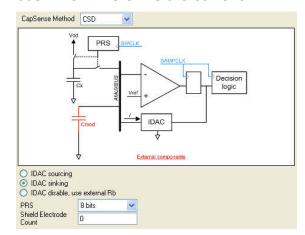
### **CSD Method Variants**

There are three CSD method variants:

• **IDAC sourcing** – The switch stage is configured to alternate between GND and the AMUX bus. The IDAC sources the current.

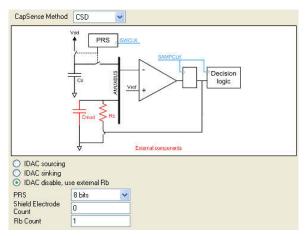


• **IDAC sinking** – The switch stage is configured to alternate between Vdd and the AMUX bus. The IDAC sinks the current.





• **IDAC disable, use external Rb** – This is the same as the IDAC sinking configuration except the IDAC is replaced with a bleed resistor to ground, Rb. The bleed resistor is connected between the Cmod and a GPIO. The GPIO is configured to Open-Drain Drives Low drive mode. This drive mode allows the Cmod to be discharged through Rb.



#### **PRS**

The Pseudo Random Sequence (PRS) generator drives the switching clock, SWCLK. The options include:

- PRS 16 16-bit pseudo-random sequence generator is used.
- PRS 8 8-bit pseudo-random sequence generator is used.
- None no pseudo-random sequence generator is used.

**Note** The maximum quantity of sensors, shield-electrodes, and bleed resistors is 62.

#### **Shield Electrode Count**

This determines the number of shield electrodes. This option creates a number of special terminals for shield signals. Shield signals are shown in the Pin Editor but are not shown in the Scan Slots tab.

#### **Rb Count**

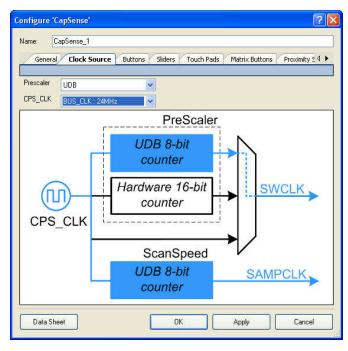
This determines the number of bleed resistors. The maximum number of bleed resistors is 3. Bleed resistor terminals are shown in the Pin Editor but are not shown in the Scan Slots tab.

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## **Clock Sources Tab**

### **Serial Mode**

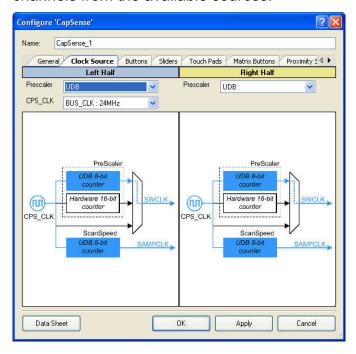
In this mode one clock source for all CapSense system is needed. Choose a CPS\_CLK from the available sources.





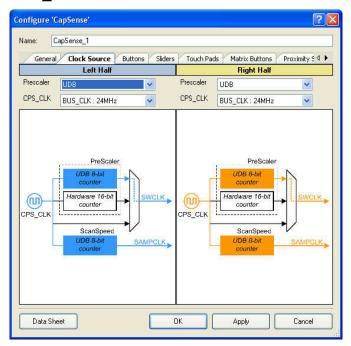
## **Parallel Synchronized**

In this mode the same clock is provided to both prescalers. Choose one CPS\_CLK for both channels from the available sources.



# **Parallel Asynchronous**

In this mode the different clocks are provided to the left and right prescalers. Choose a CPS CLK for each channel from the available sources.





#### **Prescaler**

This is used to select resources that are used for prescaler:

- UDB a UDB-based 8-bit counter is used as the prescaler.
- HW the fixed function 16-bit timer is used as the prescaler.
- None the prescaler functionality isn't used.

## CPS\_CLK

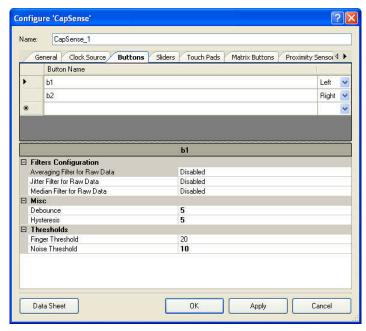
Select the clock source for the prescaler. Available choices are:

- Several clocks are specially created for the CapSense component. If you choose one of these clocks, some system resources will be consumed creating the clock. The special CapSense clock sources are:
  - 12 MHz
  - 24 MHz
  - 48 MHz
  - 92 MHz
- In addition to the CapSense clocks, you can select from all clock sources that are present
  in the system. For example, you may see choices such as BUS\_CLK: 24MHz, MASTER
  CLOCK: 24MHz, ILO: 1MHz, IMO: 3MHz, My\_Clock: 8MHz, and others. The number of
  available clock sources will vary depending on your system settings. Choosing one of the
  existing clocks will not consume any additional system resources.



### **Buttons Tab**

The buttons tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. The serial configuration does not have the choice of assigning buttons to the left or right side.

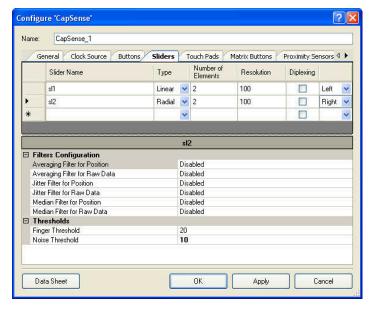


Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

- Finger Threshold and Noise Threshold (simple ON/OFF result)
- Hysteresis for Finger Threshold
- Debounce support
- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter

### Sliders Tab

The sliders tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. The serial configuration does not have the choice of assigning sliders to the left or right side.



#### Linear Slider:

Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

- Interpolated position (resolution)
- Diplexing
- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter
- Position Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter

#### Radial Slider:

Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

- Interpolated position (resolution)
- Diplexing



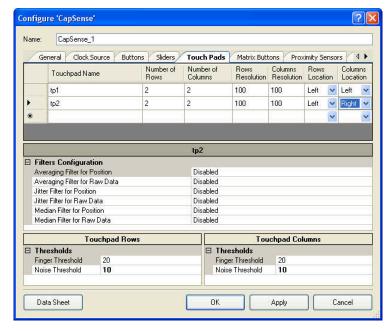
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- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter
- Position Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter

### **Touch Pads Tab**

The touch pads tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. In the **serial** configuration there is no choice of left or right side. In the **parallel synchronized** configuration the column and row can be assigned to the left side or right side separately. For example, the left side can scan rows while the right side scans columns. In the **parallel asynchronous** configuration the entire touch pad, both rows and columns, should be assigned to the same side. For example, the right side scans the touch pad while the left side scans all other CapSense controls.



Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

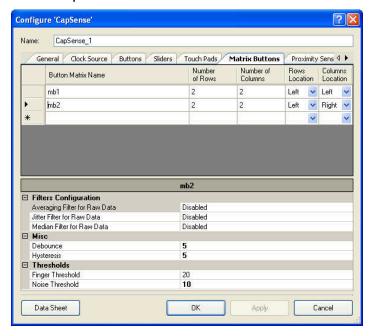
Interpolated position (resolution) for X and Y

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- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter
- Position Filtering (X and Y):
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter

### **Matrix Buttons Tab**

The matrix buttons tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. In the **serial** configuration there is no choice of left or right side. In the **parallel synchronized** configuration the column and row can be assigned to the left side or right side separately. For example, the left side can scan rows while the right side scans columns. In the **parallel asynchronous** configuration all matrixed buttons, both rows and columns, should be assigned to the same side. For example, the right side scans the button matrix while the left side scans all other CapSense controls.



Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

- Finger Threshold and Noise Threshold (simple ON/OFF result for each button)
- Hysteresis for Finger Threshold
- Debounce Support



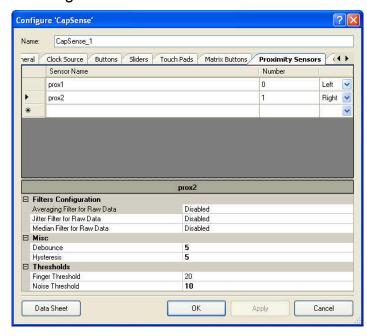
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- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter
  - Averaging Filter

## **Proximity Sensors Tab**

The proximity sensors tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. The serial configuration does not have the choice of assigning proximity sensors to the left or right side.



Definitions of the parameters are in the Functional Description section.

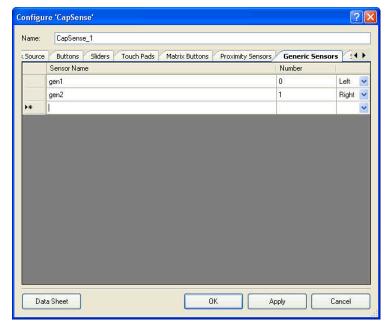
- Finger Threshold and Noise Threshold (simple ON/OFF result for the proximity sensor)
- Hystersis for Proximity Threshold
- Debounce Support
- Number selects the number of proximity sensors:
  - 0 The proximity sensor will scan one or more existing sensors to determine proximity. No terminals are allocated for this sensor.
  - 1 to N Number of dedicated proximity sensors in the system.
- Raw Data Filtering:
  - Jitter Filter
  - Median Filter



Averaging Filter

### **Generic Sensors Tab**

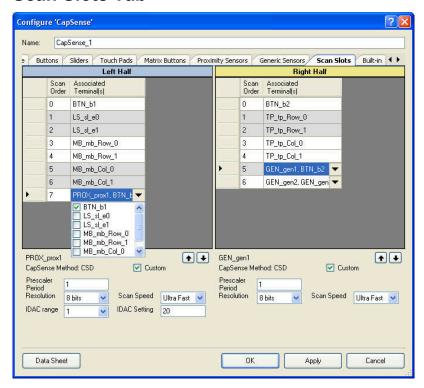
The generic sensors tab varies slightly depending on whether the configuration is serial or parallel. The serial configuration does not have the choice of assigning generic sensors to the left or right side.



- Generic Sensors No high-level support is provided. Raw sensor data is provided by the component and any high-level functionality required by the application will be developed by the user.
- Number selects the number of generic sensors:
  - 0 Use this setting to get raw data from another sensor or sensors. No terminals are allocated for this sensor.
  - 1-N number of generic sensors. 1-N proximity terminals are allocated.



### **Scan Slots Tab**



For serial scanning configurations one table lists the scan slots for the Analog Mux Bus (two Analog Mux Buses tied together). For parallel scanning configurations two tables list the scan slots for each Analog Mux Bus. Widgets are listed in alternating gray and white rows in the table. All terminals are associated with a widget (for example, a touch pad rows or columns) share the same color.

You cannot use the scan slot parameters tab to move a scan slot from the right half to the left half, but you can change the scan order of the slots. If you move one member of a widget (for example the first sensor in a linear slider) all other sensors belonging to the widget will be moved at the same time.

Proximity scan slots can use dedicated proximity sensors, or they can detect proximity from a combination of dedicated sensors and other sensors. For example, the board may have a trace that goes all the way around an array of buttons and the proximity sensor may be made up of the trace and all of the buttons in the array. All of these sensors are scanned at the same time to detect proximity. A drop down is provided on proximity scan slots to choose the sensors to scan to detect proximity.

Like proximity sensors, generic sensors can consist of multiple sensors as well. A generic sensor can get data from a dedicated sensor, any other existing sensor, or from multiple sensors. Select the sensors with the drop down provided.



#### **CSD Scan Slot Parameters**

Scan slots within a particular widget, such as all the sensors in a linear slider, should have identical parameters except IDAC range and IDAC Setting. If you change any of the other parameters for one sensor in a widget you should change all the others to be the same.

Custom – If Custom is checked, each scan slot has different settings. Select each scan slot in turn to define its settings. If Custom is unchecked, all scan slots share the same settings.

IDAC Sourcing and IDAC Sinking Configurations:

- Scan Speed Defines the scan speed as Ultra Fast, Fast, Normal, or Slow.
- Resolution Defines the scanning resolution of the PWM. Choices are from 8 to 16 bits.
- IDAC Range Multiplies the IDAC current by the number selected (1 3).
- IDAC Settings Selects the IDAC scanning value (0 255).
- PreScaler Period The switch clock (SWCLK) is the CapSense clock (CPS\_CLK) divided by this number to obtain the switch frequency for the break-before-make logic. (2 255).

## Configurations without an IDAC:

- Scan Speed Defines the scan speed as Ultra Fast, Fast, Normal, or Slow.
- Resolution Defines the scanning resolution of the PWM. Choices are 8 and 16 bits.
- PreScaler Period The switch clock (SWCLK) is the CapSense clock (CPS\_CLK) divided by this number to obtain the switch frequency for the break-before-make logic. (2 – 255).

# **Clock Selection**

Not applicable

# **Placement**

Not applicable

# Resources

	Digital Blocks			API Memory (Bytes)				
Resolution	Datapaths	Macro cells	Status Registers	Control Registers	Counter7	Flash	RAM	Pins (per External I/O)
	1	TBD	1	1	0	TBD	TBD	TBD
	2	TBD	1	1	0	TBD	TBD	TBD



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# **Application Programming Interface**

Application Programming Interface (API) routines allow you to configure the component using software. The following table lists and describes the interface to each function. The subsequent sections cover each function in more detail.

By default, PSoC Creator assigns the instance name "CapSense\_1" to the first instance of a component in a given design. You can rename it to any unique value that follows the syntactic rules for identifiers. The instance name becomes the prefix of every global function name, variable, and constant symbol. For readability, the instance name used in the following table is "CapSense".

# **High Level APIs**

The CSHL is prefix for all High Level APIs. These APIs get raw data from scan slots and convert it to on/off for buttons, position for sliders, or X and Y coordinates for touch pads.

Some High Level API functions are appended with "Left" and "Right" in Parallel mode. APIs appended with "Left" work only with the left side of CapSense system. Those appended with "Right" work only with the right side.

Function	Description
CapSense_CSHL_InitializeSlotBaseline	Loads the CapSense_CSHL_SlotBaseline[slot] array element with an initial value by scanning the selected slot. The raw count value is copied into the baseline array for each slot. The raw data filters are initialized if enabled.
CapSense_CSHL_InitializeAllBaselines	Loads the CapSense_CSHL_SlotBaseline[] array with initial values by scanning all slots. The raw count values are copied in to baseline array for each slot. The raw data filters are initialized if enabled.
CapSense_CSHL_UpdateSlotBaseline	Updates the CapSense_CSHL_SlotBaseline[] array using the LP filter with k = 256. The signal calculates the difference between raw count and noise threshold. The baseline stops updating if signal is greater that zero. Raw data filters are applied to the values if enabled.
CapSense_CSHL_UpdateAllBaselines	Uses the CapSense_CSHL_UpdateSlotBaseline function to update the baselines for all slots. Raw data filters are applied to the values if enabled.
CapSense_CSHL_CheckIsSlotActive	Compares the selected slot of the CapSense_CSHL_Signal[] array to its finger threshold. Hysteresis is taken into account. The Hysteresis value is added or subtracted from the finger threshold based on whether the slot is currently active. If the slot is active, the threshold is lowered by the hysteresis amount. If it is inactive, the threshold is raised by the hysteresis amount. This function also updates the slot's bit in the CapSense_CSHL_SlotOnMask[] array.



Function	Description
CapSense_CSHL_CheckIsAnySlotActive	Compares all slots of the CapSense_CSHL_Signal[] array to their finger threshold. Calls Capsense_CSHL_CheckIsSlotActive() for each slot so the CapSense_CSHL_SlotOnMask[] array is up to date after calling this function.
CapSense_CSHL_GetCentroidPos	Checks the CapSense_CSHL_Signal[] array for a centroid. The centroid position is calculated to the resolution specified in the CapSense customizer. The position filters are applied to the result if enabled. This function is available only if a linear slider is defined.
CapSense_CSHL_GetRadialCentroidPos	Checks the CapSense_CSHL_Signal[] array for a centroid. The centroid position is calculated to the resolution specified in the CapSense Customizer. The position filters are applied to the result if enabled. This function is available only if a radial slider is defined.
CapSense_CSHL_GetDoubleCentroidPos	If a finger is present, this function calculates the X and Y position of the finger by calculating the centroids. The X and Y positions are calculated to the resolutions set in the CapSense customizer. Returns a '1' if a finger is on the touchpad. The position filters are applied to the result if enabled. This function is available only if a touch pad is defined by the CapSense customizer.

## CapSense\_CSHL\_InitializeSlotBaseline(uint8)

**Description:** Loads the CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaseline[slot] array element with an initial value by scanning

the selected slot. The raw count value is copied into the baseline array for each slot. The raw

data filters are initialized if enabled.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan slot number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_CSHL\_InitializeAllBaselines

**Description:** Loads the CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaseline[] array with initial values by scanning all slots. The

raw count values are copied in to baseline array for each slot. The raw data filters are

initialized if enabled.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None



## CapSense\_CSHL\_UpdateSlotBaseline(uint8)

**Description:** Updates the CapSense CSHL SlotBaseline[] array using the LP filter with k = 256. The

signal calculates the difference between raw count and noise threshold. The baseline stops updating if signal is greater than zero. Raw data filters are applied to the values if enabled.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan slot number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_CSHL\_UpdateAllBaselines

**Description:** Uses the CapSense CSHL UpdateSlotBaseline function to update the baselines for all slots.

Raw data filters are applied to the values if enabled.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_CSHL\_CheckIsSlotActive(uint8)

**Description:** Compares the selected slot of the CapSense\_CSHL\_Signal[] array to its finger threshold.

Hysteresis is taken into account. The Hysteresis value is added or subtracted from the finger threshold based on whether the slot is currently active. If the slot is active, the threshold is lowered by the hysteresis amount. If it is inactive, the threshold is raised by the hysteresis amount. This function also updates the slot's bit in the CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[] array.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan slot number **Return Value:** uint8:1 if active, 0 if not active

Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_CSHL\_CheckIsAnySlotActive

**Description:** Compares all slots of the CapSense\_CSHL\_Signal[] array to their finger threshold. Calls

Capsense\_CSHL\_CheckIsSlotActive() for each slot so the CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[]

array is up to date after calling this function.

Parameters: None

Return Value: uint8: 1 if active, 0 if not active

Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_CSHL\_GetCentroidPos(uint8)

**Description:** Checks the CapSense\_CSHL\_Signal[] array for a centroid. The centroid position is calculated

to the resolution specified in the CapSense customizer. The position filters are applied to the

result if enabled. This function is available only if a linear slider is defined.

**Parameters:** widget:uint8 – Widget number. For every linear slider widget there are defines in this format:

#define CapSense\_CSHL\_SL\_LIN\_"widget\_name"

Return Value: uint16: Position value of the slider

Side Effects: If any slider slot is active, the function returns values from zero to the resolution value set in

the CapSense customizer. If no sensors are active, the function returns -1. If an error occurs

during execution of the centroid/diplexing algorithm, the function returns -1.

You can use the CSHL\_ChecklsSlotActive() routine to determine which slider segments are

touched, if required.

**Note** If noise counts on the slider segments are greater than the noise threshold, this subroutine may generate a false centroid result. The noise threshold should be set carefully (high enough above the noise level) so that noise will not generate a false centroid.

### CapSense CSHL GetRadialCentroidPos(uint8)

**Description:** Checks the CapSense\_CSHL\_Signal[] array for a centroid. The centroid position is calculated

to the resolution specified in the CapSense Customizer. The position filters are applied to the

result if enabled. This function is available only if a radial slider is defined.

**Parameters:** widget:uint8 – Widget number. For every radial slider widget there are defines in this format:

#define CapSense\_CSHL\_SL\_RAD\_"widget\_name" 5

Return Value: uint16: Position value of the slider.

Side Effects: If any radial slider slot is active, the function returns values from zero to the resolution value

set in the CapSense customizer. If no slots are active, the function returns -1. If an error

occurs during execution of the centroid/diplexing algorithm, the function returns -1.

(high enough above the noise level) so that noise will not generate a false centroid.

You can use the CSHL\_ChecklsSlotActive() routine to determine which slider segments are touched, if required.

**Note** If noise counts on the slider segments are greater than the noise threshold, this subroutine may generate a false centroid result. The noise threshold should be set carefully



### CapSense\_CSHL\_GetDoubleCentroidPos(uint8)

**Description:** If a finger is present, this function calculates the X and Y position of the finger by calculating

the centroids. The X and Y positions are calculated to the resolutions set in the CapSense customizer. Returns a '1' if a finger is on the touchpad. The position filters are applied to the result if enabled. This function is available only if a touch pad is defined by the CapSense

customizer.

**Parameters:** widget: uint8 – Widget number. For every touchpad widget there are defines in this format:

#define CapSense CSHL TP "widget name" 5

**Return Value:** uint8: 1 if finger is on the touchspad, 0 if not.

Side Effects: The result of calculation of X and Y position store in global arrays. The arrays name is as

follows:

CapSense\_TPCol\_"widget\_name"Results - postion of X
CapSense TPRow "widget name"Results - position of Y

### Scan Control APIs

These APIs start and stop the component and control scanning functions.

Function	Description
CapSense_Start	Initializes registers for each module and starts the component. This function calls functions automatically depending on modules selected in the customizer. This function should be called prior to calling any other component functions.
CapSense_Stop	Stops the slot scanner, disables interrupts, and resets all slots to an inactive
CapSense_ScanSlot	Calls the function <method_name>_ScanSlot where <method_name> is method name for this scan slot in CapSense customizer.</method_name></method_name>
CapSense_ScanAllSlots	<b>Parallel mode</b> : Scans slots from both sides in parallel. One slot from the right side and one slot from the left side are scanned at a time. If one side has more slots than the other then the remaining slots on the side with more are scanned singly. The scanning ends when all slots are scanned. <b>Serial mode</b> : Scans all slots by calling <method_name>_ScanAllSlots() function for each method selected in customizer.</method_name>

### CapSense\_Start

**Description:** Initializes registers for each module and starts the component. This function calls functions

automatically depending on modules selected in the customizer. This function should be called

prior to calling any other component functions.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None



## CapSense\_Stop

Description: Stops the slot scanner, disables interrupts, and resets all slots to an inactive

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

## CapSense ScanSlot(uint8)

**Description:** Calls the function <METHOD\_NAME>\_ScanSlot where <METHOD\_NAME> is the defined

module name for this scan slot in the CapSense customizer.

Parameters: slot: uint8 – Scan slot number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

## CapSense\_ScanAllSlots

**Description:** Parallel mode: Scans slots from both sides in parallel. One slot from the right side and one

slot from the left side are scanned at a time. If one side has more slots than the other then the remaining slots on the side with more are scanned singly. The scanning ends when all slots

are scanned.

Serial mode: Scans all slots by calling <METHOD NAME> ScanAllSlots() function for each

method selected in customizer.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# **Method Specific APIs**

These API functions depend on the CapSense method selected in CapSense customizer. For example, if the method chosen is CSD, the instance name is "CapSense\_CSD".

Some Method Specific API functions are appended with "Left" and "Right" in Parallel mode. APIs appended with "Left" work only with the left side of CapSense system. Those appended with "Right" work only with the right side.

Function	Description
CapSense_CSD_Start	Initializes registers and starts the CSD method of CapSense component.
CapSense_CSD_Stop	Stops the slot scanner, disables internal interrupts, and calls CSD_ClearSlots() to reset all slots to an inactive state.



Function	Description
CapSense_CSD_ScanSlot	Sets scan settings and scans the selected scan slot.
CapSense_CSD_ScanAllSlots	Scans all scan slots by calling CSD_ScanSlot() for each slot index.
CapSense_CSD_SetActiveSettings	Sets the scan settings for the next scan.
CapSense_CSD_SetRBleed	Sets the pin to use for the bleed resistor (Rb) connection. This function can be called at runtime to select the current Rb pin setting from those defined customizer. The function overwrites the component parameter setting.
CapSense_CSD_ClearSlots	Clears all slots to the non-sampling state by sequentially disconnecting all slots from Analog MUX Bus and connecting them to GND.
CapSense_CSD_EnableSensor	Configures the selected sensor to measure during the next measurement cycle. The corresponding pins are set to Analog High-Z mode and connected to the Analog Mux Bus. This also enables the comparator function.
CapSense_CSD_DisableSensor	Disables the selected sensor. The corresponding pin is disconnected from the Analog Mux Bus and connected to GND.
CapSense_CSD_ReadSlot	Returns scan slot raw data from the SlotResult[] array. Each scan slot has a unique number within the slot array. This number is assigned by the CapSense customizer in sequence.

# CapSense\_CSD\_Start

**Description:** Initializes registers and starts the CSD method of CapSense component.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_Stop

**Description:** Stops the slot scanner, disables internal interrupts, and calls CSD\_ClearSlots() to reset all

slots to an inactive state

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None



# CapSense\_CSD\_ScanSlot(uint8)

**Description:** Sets scan settings and scans the selected scan slot. Each scan slot has a unique number

within the slot array. This number is assigned by the CapSense customizer in sequence.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan slot number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_ScanAllSlots

**Description:** Scans all scan slots by calling CSD ScanSlot() for each slot index.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_SetActiveSettings(uint8)

**Description:** Sets the scan settings for the next scan. Each setting has a unique number within the settings

array and is connected to corresponding scan slot. This number is assigned by the CapSense

customizer in sequence.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan slot number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_SetRBleed(uint8)

**Description:** Sets the pin to use for the bleed resistor (Rb) connection. This function can be called at

runtime to select the current Rb pin setting from those defined customizer. The function

overwrites the component parameter setting.

This function is effective when some slots need to be scanned with different bleed resistor values. For example, regular buttons can be scanned with a lower valued bleed resistor. The proximity detector can be scanned less often with a larger bleed resistor to maximize proximity

detection distance. This function can be used in conjunction with the

CapSense CSD ScanSlot() function. This function is only valid for the Rb configuration of the

component.

**Parameters:** rbleed: uint8 – Ordering number for bleed resistor terminal defined in CapSense customizer.

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None



# CapSense\_CSD\_ClearSlots

**Description:** Clears all slots to the non-sampling state by sequentially disconnecting all slots from Analog

MUX Bus and connecting them to GND.

Parameters: None
Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_EnableSensor(uint8)

**Description:** Configures the selected sensor to measure during the next measurement cycle. The

corresponding pins are set to Analog High-Z mode and connected to the Analog Mux Bus.

This also enables the comparator function.

Parameters: sensor: uint8 – Sensor Number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_DisableSensor(uint8)

**Description:** Disables the selected sensor. The corresponding pin is disconnected from the Analog Mux

Bus and connected to GND.

Parameters: sensor: uint8 – Sensor Number

Return Value: None
Side Effects: None

# CapSense\_CSD\_ReadSlot(uint8)

**Description:** Returns scan slot raw data from the SlotResult∏ array. Each scan slot has a unique number

within the slot array. This number is assigned by the CapSense customizer in sequence.

**Parameters:** slot: uint8 – Scan Slot Number **Return Value:** uint16: Current Raw data value

Side Effects: None

### **Data Structures**

API functions use different global arrays. You should not alter these arrays manually. You can inspect these values for debugging purposes, however. For example, you can use a charting tool to display the contents of the arrays. There are several global arrays:

In Parallel mode all data structures appended with "Left" and "Right." Data structures appended with "Left" contain values for the left side of CapSense system. Those appended with "Right" contain values for the right side. In Serial mode the structures are not divided left and right. The data structures documented here assume serial mode for simplicity.

**CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaseline[]** – This array holds the baseline data of each slot.

**CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaselineLow[]** – This array holds the fractional byte of baseline data of each slot. The arrays size is equal to the total number of scan slots minus the number of generic scan slots. The CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaseline[] and CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotBaselineLow[] array is updated by these functions:

- CapSense CSHL InitializeBaselines()
- CapSense\_CSHL\_InitializeSlotBaseline()
- CapSense\_CSHL\_UpdateSlotBaseline()
- CapSense CSHL UpdateAllBaselines()

**CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotSignal[]** – This array holds the difference between the raw data and the baseline data of each slot. The array size is equal to the total number of scan slots minus the number of generic scan slots.

**CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[]** – This is a byte array that holds the slots on or off state. Generic slots are excluded from it.

CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[0] contains the masked bits for slots 0 through 7 (slot 0 is bit 0, slot 1 is bit 1). CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[1] contains the masked bits for slots 8 through 15 (if they are needed), and so on. This byte array holds as many elements as are necessary to contain the total number of scan slots minus number of generic scan slots. The value of a bit is 1 if the button is on and 0 if the button is off. The CapSense\_CSHL\_SlotOnMask[] data is updated by functions:

- CapSense\_CSHL\_CheckIsSlotActive()
- CapSense CSHL CheckIsAnySlotActive()

**CapSense\_SlotResult[]** – This array contains the raw data of each scan slot. The array size is equal to the total number of scan slots (CapSense\_TOTAL\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT). The CapSense\_SlotResult[] data is updated by these functions:

- CapSense ScanSlot()
- CapSense ScanAllSlots()



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**CapSense\_PortMaskTable[]**— Contains a port and mask for every sensor. The PortMask data structure contains fields:

- Port Defines the port number of the sensor.
- Mask Defines mask of the pin within the port.

**CapSense\_ScanSlotTable[]** – Contains all scan slots in the CapSense system. The ScanSlot data structure contains fields:

- RawIndex Contains the place in the SlotResult[] array where the raw data is placed after scanning.
- SnsCnt This field contains the number of sensors in this scan slot.
- WidgetNumber This field contains the widget that the sensor belongs to. If this field contains 0xFF the current scan slot has no widget. Generic scan slots use 0xFF as their widget number.
- DebounceCount Contains the debounce counter to sensor active transition.

**CapSense\_SettingsTable[]** – Contains the settings of every scan slot in the CapSense system. The CSD Settings data structure contains the following fields:

 IdacRange – Contains the range selection parameter for the IDAC. This parameter is only available in configurations with an IDAC. The following constants are provided:

```
CapSense_IDAC_RANGE_32uA
CapSense_IDAC_RANGE_255uA
CapSense_IDAC_RANGE_2mA
```

- IdacSettings Contains the IDAC value. The capacitance measurement range depends on this parameter. A higher value indicates a wider range. Possible values are 1 to 255. This parameter is only available in configurations with an IDAC.
- PrescalerPeriod Contains the value of the prescaler period register and determines the
  precharge switch output frequency. This parameter is only available on configurations with
  a prescaler. The prescaler period values can range from 1 to 255.
- Resolution Contains the scanning resolution in bits. The sensors can be scanned with resolutions ranging from 9 to 16 bits. The maximum raw count for a scanning resolution for N bits is 2N-1. The following constants are provided.

```
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_8_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_9_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_10_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_11_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_12_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_13_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_14_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_15_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_15_BITS
CapSense_PWM_RESOLUTION_16_BITS
```



ScanSpeed – This field affects the sensors' scanning speed. The available selections are:
 Ultra Fast, Fast, Normal, Slow. The following constants are provided:

```
CapSense_SCAN_SPEED_ULTRA_FAST
CapSense_SCAN_SPEED_FAST
CapSense_SCAN_SPEED_NORMAL
CapSense_SCAN_SPEED_SLOW
```

 Polynomial – Contains the polynomial value for PRS. This parameter is available for configuration with PRS only.

**CapSense\_CSHL\_WidgetTable[]**— Contains all widgets in CapSense system. The WidgetTable data structure contains fields:

- Type Contains the type of widget. The types of widgets are: Buttons, Sliders (Linear and Radial), TouchPads, Matrixbuttons, Proximity. Generic sensors do not have a High Level API so there are no instances for them in the widget table.
- RawOffset Contains the start position in the SlotResult[] array.
- ScanSlotCount Contains the number of scan slots within the widget.
- FingerThreshold Contains the software value that is used to determine if a finger is present on the sensor.
- NoiseThreshold Contains a value that indicates the level of noise in the capacitive scan.
   The baseline algorithm tracks and filters the noise, but if the measured count value exceeds the noise threshold, the baseline algorithm stops updating.
- Debounce Contains a debounce counter. In order for the sensor to transition from inactive to active the difference count value must stay above the finger threshold plus hysteresis for the number of samples specified.
- Hysteresis Contains the hysteresis value for the widget. If hysteresis is desired, the slot will not be considered on or active until the count value exceeds the finger threshold plus the hysteresis value. The slot will not be considered off or inactive until the measured count value drops below the finger threshold minus the hysteresis value.

### **Constants**

The following constants are defined. Some of the constants are defined conditionally and will only be present if necessary for the current configuration.

- CapSense\_TOTAL\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT The total number of scan slots in the CapSense component.
- CapSense\_TOTAL\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT\_LEFT The total number of scan slots in the left half of the CapSense component (exists only in parallel mode).
- CapSense\_TOTAL\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT\_RIGHT The total number of scan slots in the right half of the CapSense component (exists only in parallel mode).



- CapSense\_TOTAL\_GENERIC\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT The total number of Generic scan slots in the CapSense component.
- CapSense\_TOTAL\_GENERIC\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT\_LEFT The total number of scan slots in the left half of Capsense Component (exists only in parallel mode).
- CapSense\_TOTAL\_GENERIC\_SCANSLOT\_COUNT\_RIGHT Total number of scan slots in the right half of the CapSense component (exists only in parallel mode).

#### **Scan Slot Constants**

A constant is provided for each scan slot. These constants can be used as parameters in the following functions:

- CapSense CSD SetActiveSettings
- CapSense\_CSD\_ScanSlot
- CapSense CSD ReadSlot

The constant names consist of:

Instance name + \_SCANSLOT + Widget Type + Widget Name + element + Side

Widget Type – There are several widget types:

Alias	Description
BTN	Buttons
SL	Linear Sliders
RS	Radial Sliders
TP	Touch Pads
MB	Matrix Buttons
PROX	Proximity Sensors
GEN	Generic Sensors

**Widget Name** – The user-defined name of the widget (must be a valid C style identifier). The widget name must be unique within the widget type. For example, you can have a BTN\_MyName and a PROX\_MyName but you may not have two aliases BTN\_MyName.

**Element Number** – The element number only exists for widgets that have multiple elements, such as radial sliders. For touch pads and matrix buttons the element number consists of the word 'Col' or 'Row' and its number (for example: Col\_0, Col\_1, Row\_0, Row\_1). For linear and radial sliders, the element number consists of the character 'e' and its number (for example: e\_0, e\_1, e\_2, e\_3).

**Side** – In parallel mode sides are Left and Right. Sides do not exist in serial mode.



### Examples:

```
/* Parallel mode */
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_ROW_0_LEFT (
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_ROW_1_LEFT (
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_COL_0_LEFT (
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_PROX_PROX1_RIGHT (
/* Serial mode */
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_ROW_0 0
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_ROW_1 1
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_TP_TP1_COL_0 2
#define CapSense_SCANSLOT_BNT_UP_0
```

#### **Sensor Constants**

A constant is provided for each sensor slot. These constants can be used as parameters in the following functions:

- CapSense\_CSD\_EnableSensor
- CapSense\_CSD\_DisableSensor

The constant names consist of:

Instance name + \_SENSOR + Widget Type + Widget Name + element + Side For example:

```
/* Parallel mode */
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_ROW_0_LEFT 0
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_ROW_1_LEFT 1
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_COL_0_LEFT 2
#define CapSense_SENSOR_PROX_PROX1_RIGHT 0
/* Serial mode */
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_ROW_0 0
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_ROW_1 1
#define CapSense_SENSOR_TP_TP1_COL_0 2
#define CapSense_SENSOR_BNT_UP 0
```

## Widget Constants

A constant is provided for each widget. These constants can be used as parameters in the following functions:

- CapSense\_CSHL\_GetCentroidPos()
- CapSense\_CSHL\_GetRadialCentroidPos()
- CapSense\_CSHL\_GetDoubleCentroidPos()

The constants consist of:

Instance name + CSHL + Widget Type Extended + Widget Name



#### Where:

## Widget Type Extended – There are several extended widget types:

Alias	Description
BUTTON	Buttons
LINEAR_SLIDER	Linear Sliders
RADIAL_SLIDER	Radial Sliders
TOUCHPAD	Touch Pads
MATRIX_BUTTONS	Matrix Buttons
PROXIMITY	Proximity Sensors

#### For example:

For widgets that have columns and rows (TouchPad and Matrix buttons) the constants look like these examples:

```
#define CapSense_CSHL_TOUCHPAD_TP1 0
#define CapSense_CSHL_TOUCHPAD_COL_TP1 0
#define CapSense_CSHL_TOUCHPAD_ROW_TP1 2
#define CapSense_CSHL_MATRIX_BUTTONS_MB1 1
#define CapSense_CSHL_MATRIX_BUTTONS_COL_MB1 1
#define CapSense_CSHL_MATRIX_BUTTONS_ROW_MB1 3
```

# **Sample Firmware Source Code**

The following is a C language example demonstrating the basic functionality of the CapSense component. This example assumes the component has been placed in a design with the default name "CapSense 1."

**Note** If you rename your component you must also edit the example code as appropriate to match the component name you specify.

```
void main()
{
    CYGlobalIntEnable;

    /* Initialize LCD */
    LCD_Start();
    LCD Position(0,0);
```



```
LCD PrintString("B1 B2");
    /* Initialize the CapSense component */
   CapSense Start();
   CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    CapSense CSHL InitializeAllBaselines();
    /* Sensor Scanning Loop */
   while(1)
       CapSense CSD ScanAllSlots();
       CapSense CSHL UpdateAllBaselines();
        /* Position LCD pointer to update button 1 status*/
       LCD Position(1,0);
        /* Left button pressed */
        if (CapSense CSHL CheckIsSlotActive(CapSense CSHL BTN B1))
            /* Action for button 1 active */
            LCD PrintString("On ");
        else
             /* Action for button 1 inactive */
             LCD PrintString("Off");
        }
        /* Position LCD pointer to update button 2 status */
       LCD Position(1,6);
        /* Check if B2 is pressed */
        if (CapSense CSHL CheckIsSlotActive(CapSense CSHL BTN B2))
            /* Action for button 2 active */
            LCD PrintString("On ");
        else
            /* Action for button 2 inactive */
            LCD PrintString("Off");
   }
}
```



# **Pin Assignments**

The CapSense customizer generates a pin alias names for each of the CapSense sensors and support signals. These aliases are used to assign sensors and signals to physical pins on the PSoC chip. Assign sensors and signals to pins in the Pin Editor tab of the Design Wide Resources file view.

#### **Sides**

The analog routing matrix within the PSoC chip is divided into two halves – left and right. Even port number pins are on the left side of the chip and odd port number pins are on the right side.

For serial sensing applications, sensor pins can be assigned to either side of the chip. If the application uses a small number of sensors, assigning all sensor signals to one side of the chip makes routing of analog resources more efficient.

In parallel sensing applications the CapSense component is capable of performing two simultaneous scans on two sets of hardware. Each of the two parallel circuits has a separate Cmod and Rb (as applicable), and its own set of sensor pins. One set will occupy the right side and the other will occupy the left side of the chip. The signal name alias indicates which side the signal is associated with.

# Sensor Pins - CapSense\_cPort - Pin Assignment

Aliases are provided to associate sensor names with widgets names in the CapSense customizer.

The aliases for sensors are:

Widget Type + Widget Name + Element Number

**Widget Type** – There are several widget types:

Alias	Description
BTN	Buttons
SL	Linear Sliders
RS	Radial Sliders
TP	Touch Pads
MB	Matrix Buttons
PROX	Proximity Sensors
GEN	Generic Sensors

**Widget Name** – The user-defined name of the widget (must be a valid C style identifier). The widget name must be unique within the widget type. For example, you can have a BTN\_MyName and a PROX\_MyName but you may not have two aliases BTN\_MyName.



**Element Number** – The element number only exists for widgets that have multiple elements, such as radial sliders. For touch pads and matrix buttons the element number consists of the word 'Col' or 'Row' and its number (for example: Col\_0, Col\_1, Row\_0, Row\_1). For linear and radial sliders, the element number consists of the character 'e' and its number (for example: e\_0, e\_1, e\_2, e\_3).

**Note**: In parallel sensing applications, widget elements that belong to left side of can connect only to even (left side) ports. Widget elements that belong to the right side can connect only to odd (right side) ports. The Pin Editor does not verify correct pin assignment.

# CapSense\_cCmod\_Port - Pin Assignment

One side of the external modulator capacitor (Cmod) should be connected to a physical pin and the other to GND. Parallel configurations require two Cmod capacitors, one for the left side and one for the right side. The Cmod can be connected only to the following pins:

• Left side: P2[0], P2[4], P6[0], P6[4], P15[4]

Right side: P1[0], P1[4], P5[0], P5[4]

Serial configurations can connect the Cmod capacitor to any of these pins. If all of the sensors are attached to a single side the Cmod should be connected to the same side.

The aliases for the Cmod capacitors are:

Alias	Description
Cmod	Cmod for serial mode applications.
lCmod	Left Cmod in parallel mode applications.
rCmod	Right Cmod in parallel mode applications.

The recommended value for the modulator capacitor is 4.7 - 47 nF. The optimal capacitance can be selected by experiment to get maximum SNR. A value of 5.6 - 10 nF gives good results in the most cases.

A ceramic capacitor should be used. The temperature capacitance coefficient is not important.

When the *CSD*, *IDAC disable*, *use external Rb* method is being used, the external Rb feedback resistor value should be selected before experimenting to determine the optimal Cmod value.

# CapSense\_cRb\_Ports - Pin Assignment

An external bleed resistor (Rb) is required when the *CSD*, *IDAC disable*, *use external Rb* configuration is selected. The Rb should be connected to a physical pin and to the modulator capacitor (Cmod).

Up to three bleed resistors are supported. The three pins can be allocated for bleed resistors: cRb0, cRb1 and cRb2.



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The aliases for external bleed resistors are:

#### Side + Rb + Number

Alias	Description
Side	Either 'l' for the left side or 'r' for the right side. The side prefix is not used in serial applications.
Number	Multiple bleed resistors on the same side are given a sequence number, 0, 1, or 2. For example, rRb0, rRb1.

The resistor values depend on the total sensor capacitance. The resistor value should be selected as follows:

- · Monitor the raw counts for different sensor touches.
- Select a resistance value that provides maximum readings about 30% less than the full scale readings at the selected scanning resolution. The raw counts are increased when resistor values increase.

Typical values are  $500\Omega - 10 \text{ k}\Omega$  depending on sensor capacitance.

# CapSense\_cShield\_Port - Pin Editor

Shield electrodes are available only in the *CSD*, *IDAC* sinking and *CSD*, *IDAC* disable, use external *Rb* configurations. Shield electrodes (Shield) should be connected to a physical pin and a shield electrode layer on the board. The maximum number of shield electrodes is three.

The aliases for shield electrodes are:

Side + Shield + Number

Alias	Description
Side	Either 'l' for the left side or 'r' for the right side. The side prefix is not used in serial applications.
Number	Multiple shield electrodes on the same side are given a sequence number, 0, 1, or 2. For example, rShield0, rShield1.

# **Interrupt Service Routines**

Not applicable.

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# **Functional Description**

## **Definitions**

#### Sensor

One CapSense element connected to PSoC via one pin. A sensor is a conductive element on a substrate. Examples of sensors include: Copper on FR4, Copper on Flex, and Silver ink on PET.

### **Scan Slot**

A scan slot is a period of time that the CapSense module is scanning one or more capacitive sensors. Multiple sensors can be combined in a given scan slot to enable modes such as proximity sensing.

## **CapSense Widget**

A CapSense widget is built from one or more scan slots. Some examples of CapSense Widgets include buttons, sliders, radial sliders, touch pads and matrix buttons, and proximity sensors.

# FingerThreshold

This value is used to determine if a finger is present on the sensor or not.

#### NoiseThreshold

Determines the level of noise in the capacitive scan. The baseline algorithm tracks and filters the noise. If the measured count value exceeds the noise threshold, the baseline algorithm stops updating.

#### **Debounce**

Adds a debounce counter to the sensor active transition. In order for the sensor to transition from inactive to active the difference count value must stay above the finger threshold plus hysteresis for the number of samples specified.

## **Hysteresis**

Sets the hysteresis value used with the finger threshold. If hysteresis is desired, the slot will not be considered "ON" or "Active" until the count value exceeds the finger threshold PLUS the hysteresis value. The slot will not be considered "OFF" or "Inactive" until the measured count value drops below the finger threshold MINUS the hysteresis value.



## Resolution - Interpolation and Scaling

In applications for sliding sensors and touch pads it is often necessary to determine finger (or other capacitive object) position to more resolution than the native pitch of the individual sensors. The contact area of a finger on a sliding sensor or a touchpad is often larger than any single sensor.

In order to calculate the interpolated position using a centroid, the array is first scanned to verify that a given sensor location is valid. The requirement is for some number of adjacent sensor signals to be above a noise threshold. When the strongest signal is found, this signal and those contiguous signals larger than the noise threshold are used to compute a centroid. As few as two and as many as (typically) eight sensors are used to calculate the centroid in the form of:

$$N_{Cent} = \frac{n_{i-1}(i-1) + n_i i + n_{i+1}(i+1)}{n_{i-1} + n_i + n_{i+1}}$$

The calculated value is typically fractional. In order to report the centroid to a specific resolution, for example a range of 0 to 100 for 12 sensors, the centroid value is multiplied by a calculated scalar. It is more efficient to combine the interpolation and scaling operations into a single calculation and report this result directly in the desired scale. This is handled in the high-level APIs.

Slider sensor count and resolution are set in the CSD Wizard. A scaling value is calculated by the wizard and stored as fractional values.

The multiplier for the centroid resolution is contained in three bytes with these bit definitions:

Resolution Multiplier MSB								
Bit	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Multiplier	2 <sup>15</sup>	2 <sup>14</sup>	2 <sup>13</sup>	2 <sup>12</sup>	2 <sup>11</sup>	2 <sup>10</sup>	2 <sup>9</sup>	28
Resolution Multiplier ISB								
Multiplier	128	64	32	18	16	8	4	2
Resolution Multiplier LSB								
Multiplier	1/2	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64	1/128	1/256

The resolution is found by using this equation:

Resolution = (Number of Sensors - 1) x Multiplier

The centroid is held in a 24-bit unsigned integer and its resolution is a function of the number of sensors and the multiplier.

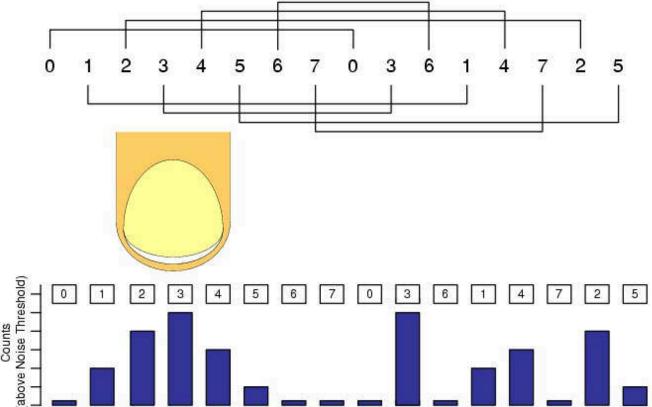
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## **Diplexing**

In a diplexed slider, each PSoC sensor connection in the slider is mapped to two physical locations in the array of slider sensors. The first (or numerically lower) half of the physical locations is mapped sequentially to the base assigned sensors, with the port pin assigned by the designer using the CSD Wizard. The second (or upper) half of the physical sensor locations is automatically mapped by an algorithm in the Wizard and listed in an include file. The order is established so that adjacent sensor actuation in one half does not result in adjacent sensor actuation in the other half. Exercise care to determine this order and map it onto the printed circuit board.

There are a number of methods to order the second half of the physical sensor locations. The simplest is to index the sensors in the upper half, all of the even sensors, followed by all of the odd sensors. Other methods include indexing by other values. The method selected for this component is to index by three.

Figure 1 Diplexing, Index by Three



You should balance sensor capacitance in the slider. Depending on sensor or PCB layouts, there may be longer routes for some of the sensor pairs. The diplex sensor index table is automatically generated by the CapSense customizer when you select diplexing.



## **Filters**

Several filters are provided in the CapSense component: median, averaging and jitter. The filters are divided into two categories: raw data and position.

#### **Position Jitter Filter**

This filter eliminates noise in the position that toggles between two values (jitter). It is most effective when applied to data that contains noise of four LSBs peak-to-peak or less. Enabling this filter consumes TBD Flash and RAM. It is disabled by default.

### **Position Median Filter**

The median filter looks at the three most recent samples from a sensor and reports the median value. It is used to remove short noise spikes. This filter generates a delay of one sample. This filter is generally not recommended because of the delay and RAM use. Enabling this filter consumes TBD Flash and RAM. It is disabled by default.

### **Position Averaging Filter**

The median filter looks at the three most recent samples from a sensor and reports the averaging value. It is used to remove short noise spikes. This filter generates a delay of one sample. This filter is generally not recommended because of the delay and RAM use. Enabling this filter consumes TBD Flash and RAM. It is disabled by default.

#### Raw Data Jitter Filter

This filter eliminates noise in the position that toggles between two values (jitter). It is most effective when applied to data that contains noise of four LSBs peak-to-peak or less. Enabling this filter consumes TBD Flash and RAM. It is disabled by default.

#### Raw Data Median Filter

The median filter looks at the three most recent samples from a sensor and reports the median value. It is used to remove short noise spikes. This filter generates a delay of one sample. This filter is generally not recommended because of the delay and RAM use. Enabling this filter consumes TBD Flash and RAM. It is disabled by default.

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# **Block Diagram and Configuration**

# **DC and AC Electrical Characteristics**

# 5.0V/3.3V DC and AC Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Typical	Min	Max	Units	Conditions and Notes
Input					
Input Voltage Range			Vss to Vdd	V	
Input Capacitance				pF	
Input Impedance				Ω	
Maximum Clock Rate			100	MHz	

# **Component Changes**

This section lists the major changes in the component from the previous version.

Version	Description of Changes	Reason for Changes / Impact
0.5.b	Added information to the component that advertizes its compatibility with silicon revisions.	The tool reports an error/warning if the component is used on incompatible silicon. If this happens, update to a revision that supports your target device.
0.5.a	Moved local parameters to formal parameter list.	To address a defect that existed in PSoC Creator v1.0 Beta 4.1 and earlier, the component was updated so that it could continue to be used in newer versions of the tool. This component used local parameters, which are not exposed to the user, to do background calculations on user input. These parameters have been changed to formal parameters which are visible, but un-editable. There are no functional changes to the component but the affected parameters are now visible in the "expression view" of the customizer dialog.



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