

# I2C

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## 1. What is I2C?

Developed in 1982 by Philips(now NXP).

Primarily used for short distance data communications.

**I2C** is a **synchronous, half-duplex, multi-master** serial communication protocol used to communicate with:

- EEPROMs
- RTC (DS3231)
- Sensors (e.g., MPU6050)
- Displays (e.g., SSD1306 OLED)

-> Synchronous meaning, Both devices share a clock, so they know **when** to send and read data.

Opposite of asynchronous (like UART), which uses start/stop bits instead of a clock.

In I2C, the clock line (SCL) is controlled by the master, and both devices use it to synchronize data bits.

-> Half Duplex meaning, Communication happens in only one direction at a time, i.e Only one device talks at a time.

-> Multi Master meaning, More than one device can be a master on the same I2C bus.

Any master can initiate communication if the bus is free.

I2C handles bus arbitration if two masters try to talk at once.

Bus arbitration meaning, If two (or more) masters try to use the I2C bus at the same time, the protocol has a way to decide who gets control — without messing up communication.

So I2C lets all masters try, but only the one sending the lowest address (in binary) wins — because its bits produce more 0s early on.

-> Serial meaning, Data is sent one bit at a time, over one wire.

Each data bit on SDA is valid **only during a high pulse of SCL**.

## 2. Working of I2C :

### Start Condition :

-> In the idle state, SDA and SCL are both high

-> The start condition occurs when a node :

First pulls SDA low, **while SCL is high**

-> This "claims the bus", Node is now the master, Prevents any other node from taking control of the bus.

-> Prevents any other nodes from taking control of the bus.

-> Master that has seized the bus also starts the clock, which is shared by both master and slave.

-> The Trise, CCR values determine the clk speed and rise time.

->  $T_{high} = CCR * T_{PCLK1}$  (CCR = 210,  $T_{PCLK1} = 1/42\text{MHz}$ )

->  $F_{SCL} = 1 / (2 * CCR * T_{PCLK1})$

### Slave Address :

-> Each I2C node on a bus must have a unique fixed address.

-> Normally 7 bits long, MSB first. 10 bit addresses are also supported, but these are uncommon.

-> Address maybe hard coded. Address maybe (partially) configurable via external address lines or jumpers.

### Timing Relationship between SDA and SCL :

-> SDA does not change between clock rising edge and clock falling edge.

-> During data transmission, SDA only transitions while SCL is low

-> An SDA transition when SCL is high, indicates a start or stop condition.

### Read / Write bit :

-> Read / Write bit follows the slave address.

-> Set by master to indicate desired operation.

0 = Master wants to write data to slave.

1 = Master wants to read data from slave.

-> Often interpreted and /or decoded as part of the address byte.

### Acknowledge bit :

-> Sent by the receiver of a byte of data

0 = acknowledgement (ACK)

1 = negative acknowledgement (NACK)

- > Recall that I2C in idle state is high.
- Lack of Response = NACK
- > Used after slave address and each data byte
- > ACK after data byte(s) confirms receipt of data.
- > ACK after slave address confirms that
  - A slave with that address confirms receipt of data.
  - The slave is ready to read/write data (depending on R/W bit)

#### Data Byte :

- > Data byte contains the information being transferred between master and slave
  - Memory or register contents, addresses etc.
- > Always 8 bit long. MSB will be the first bit.
- > Always followed by an ACK bit.
  - Set to zero by the receiver if data has been received properly.

#### Stop condition :

- > Stop condition indicates the end of data bytes.
  - First, SCL returns (and remains) high.
  - Then, SDA returns (and remains) high,
- > Recall that for data bytes, SDA only transitions when SCL (clk) is low.
  - SDA transition when SCL high = stop condition.
- > Bus becomes idle. No clk signal, Any nide can now use the start condition to claim the bus and begin a new communication.

#### Open drain:

- > Each line (SDA and SCL) is connected to voltage(Vcc or Vdd) via a "pull up" resistor.
  - One resistor per line, not per device.
- > Each I2C device contains logic that can open and close a drain.
- > When drain is "closed" , the line is pulled low(connected to ground).
- > When drain is "open" , the line is pulled high(connected to voltage).
- > I2C lines are high in the idle state, and hence also called an "open drain" system.

# I2C Features in STM32F429Zi

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I2Cs in stm32f:

-> There 3 I2Cs in stm32f429, (this info will be useful while coding).

-> All the 3 I2C buses are connected to the APB1 bus, which runs on 45MHz clock.

SMBus = I<sup>2</sup>C + extra rules for better safety, reliability, and compatibility in systems like laptops and servers.

-> The Alternate Function code for this is AF4.

I2C1	I2C2	I2C3
PORT B	PORT F	PORT H
PB5 = I2C1_SMBA	PF0 = I2C2_SDA	PB7 = I2C3_SCL
PB6 = I2C1_SCL	PF1 = I2C2_SCL	PH8 = I2C3_SDA
PB7 = I2C1_SDA	PF2 = I2C2_SMBA	PH9 = I2C3_SMBA

It supports the standard mode (Sm, up to 100 kHz) and Fm mode (Fm, up to 400 kHz).

Features :

-> Parallel bus/ I2C protocol converter : STM32 can convert regular data from it's internal system into I2C compatible format and vice versa.

-> Multimaster capability : The same STM32 I<sup>2</sup>C block can **act as a Master (sender/controller) or a Slave (receiver/responder)**.

-> I2C Master Features : Clock Generation and Start/Stop generation.

-> I2C Slave Features :

- Programmable I2C Address detection
- Dual Addressing Capability to acknowledge 2 slave addresses
- Stop bit detection

-> Generation and detection of 7-bit/10-bit addressing and General Call

-> Supports different communication speeds:

- Standard Speed (up to 100 kHz)
- Fast Speed (up to 400 kHz)

-> Analog Noise filter: Blocks small voltage spikes on lines.

-> Programmable digital noise filter for STM32F42xxx.

-> Status flags:

- Transmitter/Receiver mode flag
- End-of-Byte transmission flag
- I2C busy flag

-> Error Flags :

- **Arbitration lost** (2 masters try to talk, one loses)
- **No ACK** received from slave : Acknowledgment failure after address/ data transmission
- Start/Stop sent at wrong time : Detection of misplaced start or stop condition
- **Overrun/Underrun** (data overflow if clock stretching disabled)

-> 2 Interrupt Vectors :

- 1 Interrupt for successful address/ data communication
- 1 Interrupt for error condition.

-> Optional Clock Stretching : Devices can **hold the clock line low** to pause communication if they're not ready.

-> 1-byte buffer with DMA capability : Data is stored in a **1-byte buffer**, and can be sent/received using **DMA** for speed and efficiency.

-> Configurable PEC (packet error checking) generation or verification:

- PEC value can be transmitted as last byte in Tx mode
- PEC error checking for last received byte.

-> SMBus 2.0 Compatibility:

- 25 ms clock low timeout delay : Timeout handling (e.g., line stuck low for >25 ms = error)
- 10 ms master cumulative clock low extend time
- 25 ms slave cumulative clock low extend time

- Hardware PEC generation/verification with ACK control
- Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) supported : Special addressing via **ARP**

# More I2C Description

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- The interface can operate in one of the four following modes:
  - Slave transmitter • Slave receiver • Master transmitter • Master receiver
- By default, it operates in slave mode. The interface automatically switches from slave to master, after it generates a START condition and from master to slave, if an arbitration loss or a Stop generation occurs, allowing multimaster capability.
- Communication Flow :
  - In Master mode, the I2C interface initiates a data transfer and generates the clock signal.
  - A serial data transfer always begins with a start condition and ends with a stop condition.
  - Both start and stop conditions are generated in master mode by software.
- In Slave mode, the interface is capable of recognizing its own addresses (7 or 10-bit), and the General Call address.
  - The General Call address detection may be enabled or disabled by software.
- A 9th clock pulse follows the 8 clock cycles of a byte transfer, during which the receiver must send an acknowledge bit to the transmitter.
- The I2C interface addresses (dual addressing 7-bit/ 10-bit and/or general call address) can be selected by software.

Before writing the code we have to decide in which mode we will be using the I2C, /master mode or Slave mode, and accordingly we can use master or slave, Transmitter and Receiver.

# Coding and setting requirements

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## STEPS TO CONFIGURE I2C

1. Enable the I2C clk and GPIO clk.
2. Configure the I2C Pins for Alternate Functions.
  - a) Select Alternate Function in MODER Register.
  - b) Select Open Drain Output
  - c) Select High Speed for the pins.
  - d) Select Pull-up for both the pins.
  - e) Configure the Alternate Function in AFR Register ( Refer rm0090, pg 257, 2nd diagram).
3. Reset the I2C.
4. Program the peripheral input clk in I2C\_CR2 Register in order to generate correct timings
5. Configure the clock control registers.
6. Configure the rise time register.
7. Program the I2C\_CR1 register to enable the peripheral.

### CCR calculation :

CCR formula =  $(Tr(SCL) + Tw(SCLH)) / T_{pclk1}$

There is no I2C characteristics table in the stm32f429 characteristics, so relying on the other F4 series

But the  $T_{rise}$  value for standard mode (from the internet) is 1000ns,  $Tw(SCLH)$  as 4000ns

$T_{pclk1} = 1 / \text{clk freq.}$  ( so I am giving either 36MHz or 16 MHz or 42 MHz.

By Calculation :

For 16MHZ : CCR= 80

For 36MHZ : CCR= 180

For 45MHZ : CCR= 225

For 42MHZ : CCR = 210

### T\_rise register :

$T_{rise} = (Tr(SCL) / T_{pclk1}) + 1$

For 16MHZ :  $T_{rise} = 17$

For 36MHZ :  $T_{rise} = 37$

For 45MHZ :  $T_{rise} = 46$

For 42MHZ :  $T_{rise} = 43$

## STEPS TO START COMMUNICATION:

->Send the start condition

->Wait for SB bit to set. This indicates the condition is set.

## STEPS TO WRITE DATA :

->Wait for the TXE bit to set, indicates the DR is empty.

->Send the data to the DR register.

->Wait for the BTF nit to set, this indicates the end of last data transmission

## STEPS TO SEND THE SLAVE ADDRESS :

->Send the Slave Address to the DR Register.

->Wait for the ADDR bit to set, This indicates the end of address transmission.

->Clear the ADDR by reading the SR1 and SR2.

## STEPS TO WRITE MULTIPLE DATA :

->Wait for the TXE bit to set, this indicates that the CR is empty

-> Keep Sending the data to DR register after performing the check if the Txe bit is et.

-> Once the data transfer is complete, Wait for the VTF to set, this indicates the last data transmission

### Slave Address

->You can use 0x42, 0x50, 0x68, etc., as long as it's **between 0x08 and 0x77**, and not conflicting with anything else.

### SLAVE RECEIVER :

->The ADDR bit is set when the received address and the address on the I2C's OAR1 matches.

-> So we wait until it is set.

-> Once it sets, this bit can be cleared by simply reading the SR1 and SR2 registers, and it is important to clear the ADDR bit.

-> The RXNE bit sets when the receive buffer gets the data, means the a data byte is received from master.

I2C\_CR2.FREQ is a 6 - bit field in the I2C\_CR2 register.

→ **I2C1, I2C2, I2C3** are on the **APB1 bus**

→ Look at your **clock tree** to find the frequency of APB1.

→ Check in STM32CubeMX or CubeIDE (Clock Configuration tab)

# Main code

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```
#include "stm32f429xx.h"
#include "header.h"
#define addr 0x42
volatile char r;

void init_config()
{
    i2c1_gpio_config();
    i2c1_config();
    i2c2_gpio();
    i2c2_config();
    sys_config();
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_AHB1ENR_GPIOEN;

    GPIOG->MODER &= ~(3<<(14*2));

    GPIOG->MODER |= (1<<(14*2));
}
int main()
{
    init_config();
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_AHB1ENR_GPIOEN;

    GPIOG->MODER &= ~(3<<(13*2));

    GPIOG->MODER |= (1<<(13*2));

    I2C1_start();
    I2C1_write(addr,'A');
    r = slave_receive();

    while (1)
    {
        if (r == 'A')
        {
            GPIOG->ODR |= (1<<13); // Turn ON LED on PG13
        }
        else
        {
            GPIOG->ODR &= ~(1<<13); // Turn OFF LED
        }
    }
}
```



# I2C1 (Master)

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```
#include "stm32f429xx.h"
#include "header.h"
#define addr 0x42
void i2c1_gpio_config()
{
    //Enable the clock for GPIO port B.
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_AHB1ENR_GPIOBEN;

    //Enable the clock for I2C peripheral.
    RCC->APB1ENR |= (1<<21);

    /* Select the mode for GPIO */

    //clear the bits for PB6(SCL) and PB7(SDA)
    GPIOB->MODER &= ~(3<<(6*2) | 3<<(7*2));

    //Setting the bits for pin 6 and 7
    GPIOB->MODER |= (2<<(6*2) | 2<<(7*2));

    //Set output type to open drain, PB6 and PB7
    GPIOB->OTYPER |= (1<<6) | (1<<7);

    //Set output speed to high
    GPIOB->OSPEEDR |= (2<<(6*2) | 2<<(7*2));

    //Set the port to pull up
    GPIOB->PUPDR &= ~(1<<(6*2) | 1<<(7*2));
    GPIOB->PUPDR |= (1<<(6*2) | 1<<(7*2));

    //Set GPIO Port B as alternate function register.
    GPIOB->AFR[0] |= (4<<(6*4) | 4<<(7*4));
}

void i2c1_config()
{
    I2C1->CR1=0;
    //reset the I2C
    //when SWRST bit is set, it resets the peripheral
    I2C1->CR1 |= (1<<15);
    I2C1->CR1 &= ~(1<<15);

    //setting up the peripheral clk
    /* Note : From stm32 cube id3 clk configuration table, APB1 runs on
    36MHz
    From keil, system configuration, the system clk is 16MHz, i am confused
    which to use, so i will be writing both.
    From the data sheet, APB1 runs on 45MHz, if we want to use 45MHz,
    we should manually write the clk configuration again.

    */
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//I2C1->CR2 |= (16<<0);
I2C1->CR2 |= (36<<0);
//I2C1->CR2 |= (42<<0);
//I2C1->CR2 |= (45<<0);

//Clk control Register
//I2C1->CCR=80;//16MHz
I2C1->CCR=180;//36MHz
    //I2C1->CCR=210;//42MHz
//I2C1->CCR=225;//45MHz

// I2C1->TRISE = 17;//16MHz
I2C1->TRISE = 37;//36MHz
//I2C1->TRISE = 43;//42MHz
//I2C1->TRISE = 46;//45MHz

//Enable the peripheral using I2C_CR1 register.
I2C1->CR1 |=I2C_CR1_PE;

}
void I2C1_start()
{
    //Set the START bit.
    // Setting the START bit causes the interface to generate a Start condition and
    // to switch to master mode

    I2C1->CR1 |=I2C_CR1_START;//start condition is ntg

    //wait till SB bit is set, indicates the start condition is sent
    while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_SB));

}
void I2C1_stop()
{
    //Set the STOP bit to stop the communication
    I2C1->CR1 |= I2C_CR1_STOP;
}
void I2C1_write(uint8_t add,char data)
{
    //send the address
    I2C1->DR=(add);

    //Wait for the address bit to be set,
    //ADDR is set means the address matches with that of the slave
    while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_ADDR));

    //Read the SR1 and SR2 registers to clear the ADDR bit
    uint8_t temp = I2C1->SR2 | I2C1->SR1;
    //(void)I2C1->SR2;

    //The hardware sets the AF bit, if no ACK is received.
    if (I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_AF)
    {
        I2C1->SR1 &= ~I2C_SR1_AF; // Clear NACK flag
        I2C1_stop(); // Stop transmission
    }
}

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        GPIOG->ODR |= (1 << 14);
return; // Exit on error
}

//Transmit the data
//I2C1->DR=data;
//wait for the txe bit to set
//If TXE bit is set, that means the DR is empty
while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_TXE));

//Transmit the data
I2C1->DR=data;

//wait for the BTF bit to set
while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_BTF));
    I2C1_stop();
}

void I2C_writemulti(uint32_t *data,uint8_t size)
{
    //wait for the txe bit to set
    while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_TXE));
    while(size)
    {
        //wait for the txe bit to set
        while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_TXE));
        I2C1->DR = (volatile uint32_t) *data++;
        size--;
    }
    while(!(I2C1->SR1 & I2C_SR1_BTF));
}

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# I2C2 (Slave)

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```
#include "stm32f429xx.h"
#include "header.h"
#define addr 0x42
/*void i2c2_gpio()
{
    //Enable the clock for I2C peripheral.
    RCC->APB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_I2C2EN;

    //Enable the clock for GPIO port F.
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_AHB1ENR_GPIOFEN;

    // Select the mode for GPIO

    //clear the bits for PF0(SDA) and PF1(SCL)
    GPIOF->MODER &= ~( 3<<(0*2) | 3<<(1*2));

    //Setting the bits for pin 0 and 1
    GPIOF->MODER |= (2 << (0*2) | 2 << (1*2));

    //Set output type to open drain, PF0 and PF1
    GPIOF->OTYPER |= (1<<0) | (1<<1);

    //Set output speed to high
    GPIOF->OSPEEDR |= (2 << (0*2) | 2 << (1*2));

    //Set the port to pull up
    GPIOF->PUPDR &= ~((3 << (0 * 2)) | (3 << (1 * 2)));
    GPIOF->PUPDR |= (1 << (0*2) | 1 << (1*2));

    //Set GPIO Port B as alternate function register.
    GPIOF->AFR[0] &= ~( (0xF << (0*4)) | (0xF << (1*4)));
    GPIOF->AFR[0] |= ( 4 << (0*4) | 4 << (1*4));
}
*/
void i2c2_gpio()
{
    //Enable the clock for GPIO port B
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_AHB1ENR_GPIOBEN;

    //Enable the clock for I2C peripheral.
    RCC->APB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_I2C2EN;

    // Select the mode for GPIO

    //clear the bits for PB10(SCL) and PB11(SDA)
    GPIOB->MODER &= ~( 3<<(10*2) | 3<<(11*2));
    //Setting the bits as AF(10) for pin 10 and 11
    GPIOB->MODER |= (2 << (10*2) | 2 << (11*2));

    //Set output type to open drain, PB10 and PB11
    GPIOB->OTYPER |= (1<<10) | (1<<11);
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//Set output speed to high
GPIOB->OSPEEDR |= (2 << (10*2) | 2 << (11*2));

//Set the port to pull up
GPIOB->PUPDR &= ~( (3 << (10 * 2)) | (3 << (11 * 2)));
GPIOB->PUPDR |= (1 << (10*2) | 1 << (11*2));

//Set GPIO Port B as alternate function register.
GPIOB->AFR[1] &= ~( (0xF << ((10-8)*4)) | (0xF << ((11-8)*4)));
GPIOB->AFR[1] |= ( 4 << ((10-8)*4) | 4 << ((11-8)*4));
}

void i2c2_config()
{
    I2C2->CR1=0;
    //By default i2c will be operating in slave mode

    //setting the clk
    //I2C2->CR2 = 16;
    I2C2->CR2 = 36;
    //    I2C2->CR2 = 42;
    //I2C2->CR2 = 45;

    //Set own slave address
    I2C2->OAR1 = (addr<<1);

    //Set ADDMODE bit as 0, as we are choosing 7 bit address
    I2C2->OAR1 &= ~(I2C_OAR1_ADDMODE);

    //I2C2->CCR=80;//16MHz
    I2C2->CCR=180;//36MHz
    //I2C2->CCR=210;//42MHz
    //I2C2->CCR=225;//45MHz

    //I2C2->TRISE = 17;//16MHz
    I2C2->TRISE = 37;//36MHz
    //I2C2->TRISE = 43;//42MHz
    //I2C2->TRISE = 46;//45MHz

    //Enable the ACK
    I2C2->CR1 |= I2C_CR1_ACK;

    //Enable the peripheral
    I2C2->CR1 |= I2C_CR1_PE;

}

char slave_receive()
{
    volatile uint16_t temp;
    while(!(I2C2->SR1 & I2C_SR1_ADDR));
    temp=I2C2->SR1 | I2C2->SR1;

    //wait for the RXNE is set
    while(!(I2C2->SR1 & I2C_SR1_RXNE));

    //read the received byte

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```
char rec = I2C2->DR;

//wait for the STOP bit to set
//while(!(I2C2->SR1 & I2C_SR1_STOPF));
//(void)I2C2->SR1;
//I2C2->CR1 |=0;

return rec;
}
```

# Sys\_Config

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```
#include "stm32f429xx.h"
#include "header.h"
#define PLL_M 4
#define PLL_N 72
#define PLL_P 0 // PLL_p=2;

void sys_config()
{
    //Enable HSE and wait for the HSE to become ready
    RCC->CR |= RCC_CR_HSEON;
    while(!(RCC->CR & RCC_CR_HSERDY));

    //Enable power interface clk, and voltage regulator
    RCC->AHB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_PWREN;
    PWR->CR |= PWR_CR_VOS;//this value always corresponds to reset value

    //Flash related setup
    //Configure the FLASH PREFETCH and the LATENCY
    //Get the value from cube MX / cube ide
    /* In the Pinout & Configuration
       Under RCC, In parameter settings
       In system Parameters, we can find the flash related bits
    */

    FLASH->ACR |= FLASH_ACR_ICEN | FLASH_ACR_PRFTEN | FLASH_ACR_DCEN |
    FLASH_ACR_LATENCY_5WS;

    //Configure Prescalers for peripheral and main clocks
    //refer from cube ide
    //All these bits are in RCC CFGR
    //AHB Prescaler
    RCC->CFGR |= RCC_CFGR_HPRE_DIV1;
    //APB1 Prescaler
    RCC->CFGR |= RCC_CFGR_PPRE1_DIV2;
    //APB2 Prescaler
    RCC->CFGR |= RCC_CFGR_PPRE2_DIV1;

    //configure the main pll
    RCC->PLLCFGR = (PLL_M << 0) | (PLL_N << 6) | (PLL_P << 16) | RCC_PLLCFGR_PLLSRC_HSE;
    //Select source as hse oscillator

    //Enable the PLL
    RCC->CR |=RCC_CR_PLLON;

    //wait for it to be ready
    while(!(RCC->CR & RCC_CR_PLLRDY));

    //set the clk source
    RCC->CFGR |=RCC_CFGR_SW_PLL;
    //waiting until the clk source is set to pll
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while((RCC->CFGR & RCC_CFGR_SWS)!=RCC_CFGR_SWS_PLL);  
}
```



# Header file

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```
#include "stm32f429xx.h"
#define header_h

void i2c1_gpio_config();
void i2c2_gpio();
void i2c1_config();
void i2c2_config();
void I2C1_start();
void I2C1_write(uint8_t addr,char data);
void I2C1_stop();
void I2C_writemulti(uint32_t *data,uint8_t size);
char slave_receive();
void sys_config();
```