

DDX-8000

FEATURES

- **8 Channel, 24-Bit DDX® Processing**
- **I 2 C Control Bus**
- **8 Channel Multi-format Serial Input/Output Interface**
	- **32kHz 192kHz Input Sample Rates**
- **Digital Gain/Attenuation +24dB to – 100dB in 0.5dB steps**
- **Automatic/Selectable Channel Mute**
- **Complete Channel Mapping**
- **Adjacent Channel Mixing Capability**
- **Bass and Treble Control**
- **User Programmable 28-bit Parametric Filters**
	- **5 Biquads in 8 Channel Mode**
	- **10 Biquads in 4 Channel Mode**
	- **20 Biquads in 2 Channel Mode**
- **Selectable High-Pass Filter**
- **Bass Management Function**
- **Variable Digital Limiter Function**
- **Dynamic Range Compression**
- **Selectable De-emphasis**
- **AM Interference Reduction Mode**
- **Companion evaluation board and development software**

DDX® Multichannel Digital Audio Processor

1.0 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The DDX-8000 Controller includes eight channels of DDX^{\circledcirc} processing and a complete set of digital audio preamplifier functions. When combined with DDX power devices it provides a high-quality, high-efficiency, digital audio amplification solution for multi-channel audio applications such as surround sound amplifiers. The DDX-8000 may also be used as a stand-alone digital audio processor offering a low cost alternative to a DSP based solution.

The DDX-8000 includes four serial audio input and output data interfaces that can be configured for many different formats, including the popular 1^2S format. The design's 24bit audio processing core includes volume control, digital filtering, bass management, gain compression/limiting and PCM and DDX[®] outputs. The design includes five userprogrammable biquad filters per channel, as well as bass, treble and DC blocking. Each internal processing channel can receive any input channel, allowing flexibility including the ability to perform active digital crossover for powered loudspeaker systems. This high quality conversion from PCM audio to DDX's patented tri-state PWM switching waveform provides over 100dB SNR and dynamic range when used with the DDX-2060 or the DDX-2100 and over 120dB SNR and dynamic range at the digital output of the DDX-8000 processor.

Figure 1 – Block Diagram

1.1 ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Note 1: -0.8V undershoots and 6.3V overshoots allowed for 4ns maximum.

1.2 THERMAL DATA

1.3 RECOMMENDED DC OPERATING CONDITIONS

Note 2: The +3.3V power pins are used to supply the I/O ring. It is NOT permissible to have the +2.5V internal core powered with the +3.3V I/O ring unpowered, when there is activity on the I/O. It is permissible to have the +3.3V I/O ring powered with the +2.5V internal core unpowered, but signals will not be received or transmitted. If both supplies are unpowered and there is external activity, the ESD protection circuit in the ring will clamp external signals at 2.8V maximum by sinking current provided by the interface.

1.4 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (VDD_3.3= 3.3±0.3V, VDD_2.5= 2.5±0.2V, Ta=0 to 70°C unless otherwise specified)

Note 3: Human Body Model. Pins 34, 43, 47 withstand only 500V.

1.4.1 DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS: 3.3V CAPABLE BUFFERS(pins 18,20,25,29-34, 38-43,47- 51,55-58,62,63)

Note 4: Pin 20 Iol=4mA, Ioh= -4mA

1.4.2 DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS: 2.5V CMOS INPUT BUFFERS(pins 1, 16, 17)

1.4.3 DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS: 5V TOLERANT BUFFERS(pins 6-11,15,18,19, 64)

Note 5: RESET, Pin 15, must be held low for a minimum of 100 nsec.

1.4.4. OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

1.5 PIN DESCRIPTION

Table 1: Audio Inputs

Table 2: Clocking

Table 4: Audio Outputs

Table 5: Power Supplies

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1.5.1 LRCKI: Left/Right Clock In (pin 10)

The Left/Right clock input is for the purpose of data word framing. The clock frequency will be at the input sample rate Fs. Refer to Figure 9.

1.5.2 BICKI: Bit Clock In (pin 11)

The serial or bit clock input is for the purpose of framing each data bit. The bit clock frequency is typically 64*Fs, for example using $l²S$ serial format at a 48 kHz sample rate. Refer to Figure 9.

1.5.3 SDI12 through 78: Serial Data In (pins 6-9)

PCM Serial Digital Audio data inputs consist of four left/right pairs. Six format choices are available including 1²S, left- or right-justified, LSB or MSB first, with word widths of 16, 18, 20 and 24 bits. Refer to section 3.1 for more information.

1.5.4 PLLB: PLL Bypass (pin 16)

This pin is used to steer the XTI input bypassing the internal PLL circuit. With PLLB set high, the master clock applied to the XTI pin will be used as the internal master clock. It is recommended to use the internal PLL circuit leaving this pin at ground.

1.5.5 XTI: Master clock In (pin 20)

This pin is the master clock input. The master clock must be an integer multiple of the LR clock frequency. Typically, the master clock frequency is 12.288 MHz (256*Fs) for a 48kHz sample rate, which is the default at power-up. Care must be taken not to exceed an internal clock frequency of 98.304MHz; otherwise the device may not properly operate or be able to communicate. See section 4.1 for more information.

1.5.6 PLLF: PLL Filter (pin 21)

This pin connects to external filter components for PLL loop compensation. Refer to the schematic diagram Figure 18 for the recommended circuit.

1.5.7 CKOUT: Clock Out (pin 25)

CKOUT provides a divided clock output derived from the internal PLL. This output may be used as a clock source for other devices in the system. For details, refer to section 4.3.

1.5.8 I2 C (pins 17, 18, 19)

The SA (Select Address), SDA (l^2C Data) and SCL (l^2C Clock) pins operate per the l^2C specification. See Section 2 for communication details.

1.5.9 MVO: Master Volume Override (pin 1)

This pin enables the user to bypass the Volume Control on all channels. When MVO is pulled High, the Master Volume Register is set to 00h, which corresponds to its Full Scale 0dB setting. The individual Channel Volume Settings default to 30h or 0dB and therefore when MVO is set the total gain in the DDX-8000 is 0dB for every channel. This is intended for simple applications without I2C control and for testing purposes.

1.5.10 RESET (pin 15)

Driving this pin (low) sets the DDX-8000 into a reset state turning off the outputs and returning all settings to their defaults. The reset is asynchronous to the internal clock.

1.5.11 PWDN: Device Power-Down in (pin 64)

This puts the DDX-8000 into a low-power state via appropriate power-down sequence. Pulling PWDN low begins power-down sequence, a soft mute is performed on all outputs and EAPD goes low ~30ms later.

1.5.12 EAPD: External Amplifier Power-Down out (pin 51)

This output is used to control the operation of DDX® Power Devices and for Power-on and Power-off sequencing.

1.5.13 OUT1A,B through OUT8A,B: DDX PWM outputs (pins 29-50)

The PWM outputs provide the patented DDX[®] PWM signal to the power devices. See section 8.1.

1.5.14 BICKO and LRCKO: Bit Clock Out and LR Clock Out (pins 55, 56)

These clock signals are used to frame the 1^2 S output audio data. See section 8.3

1.5.15 SDO12 through 78: Serial Data Out (pins 57,58,62,63)

PCM Serial Digital Audio information is output here. Six different format choices are available including l²S, left- or right-justified, LSB or MSB first, with word widths of 16, 18, 20 and 24 bits. When configuring the device for serial data loop-thru, all that is required are connections from SDO to SDI. For example to implement up to twenty biquad filters on two channels, connect SDO12 to SDI34 … SDO56 to SDI78. See section 8.2. When not configuring for serial loop-thru, the I^2S output format specified can be different than the I²S input format specified.

1.5.16 VDD_PLL and GND_PLL: Phase Locked Loop Power (pins 22, 23)

The phase locked loop power is applied here. This +2.5V supply must be well bypassed for noise immunity. The audio performance of the device is critically dependent upon the PLL circuit.

1.5.17 VDD_3.3: +3.3VDC (pins 3, 12, 24, 28, 35, 44, 52, 59)

The +3.3V power pins are used to supply the I/O ring. It is NOT permissible to have the +2.5V internal core powered with the +3.3V I/O ring unpowered, when there is activity on the I/O. It is permissible to have the +3.3V I/O ring powered with the +2.5V internal core unpowered, but signals will not be received or transmitted. If both supplies are unpowered and there is external activity, the ESD protection circuit in the ring will clamp external signals at 2.8V maximum by sinking current provided by the interface.

1.5.18 GND: Digital Ground (pins 2, 4, 13, 27, 36, 45, 53, 60)

1.5.19 VDD_2.5: +2.5VDC (pins 5, 14, 26, 37, 46, 54, 61)

The +2.5V power pins are used to supply the digital logic core.

1.6. PIN CONNECTION (Top View)

1.7. AUDIO PERFORMANCE

1.7.1. Test conditions

The EB-8000 test platform was used to produce the measurements shown in the following sections. This platform was designed with the interest of testing and demonstrating the DDX-8000 device in concert with the DDX-2060 power device. See the corresponding application note for more detailed information including schematics concerning this evaluation board.

1.7.2. Performance characteristics using DDX-2060 Power Device at Vcc = 28V, 8 Ohm load

Figure 2: FFT, -60dB, 1kHz Output

Figure 3: Inter-Modulation Distortion, 19kHz and 20kHz

 Figure 4: THD+N vs. Frequency, 1kHz, 1W

1.7.3. Measurements from I² S Output

 Figure 6: Inter-Modulation Distortion, 19kHz and 20kHz

1.8 How this document is organized

This document is organized into three main areas:

Sections 2-9 provide a conceptual approach as to how the various features in the device can be used and what the specific settings are for a given feature and their effect. In these sections, frequent references are made to the DDX-8000 registers used to control a particular feature. These references have a form consistent with the following: <Register Name> - <Register Address in hex>, <Bit Numbers within register>. For example, "Configuration Register B – 01h, Bits D4-D2". A given feature may be controlled by many different registers.

Section 10 provides a register summary to be used as a quick reference. In this section, the default value for each register and setting is noted and frequent references are made to the functional section(s) that provides the detail corresponding to the register and bit(s) in question and what other settings are available.

2. I2 C BUS SPECIFICATION

The DDX-8000 provides a number of registers that are used to control its behavior. The I^2C protocol is used to set and query these registers. This protocol defines any device that sends data on to the bus as a transmitter and any device that reads the data as a receiver. The device that controls the data transfer is known as the master and the other as the slave. The master always starts the transfer and provides the serial clock for synchronization. The DDX-8000 is always a slave device in all of its communications.

2.1 COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

2.1.1 Data Transition or change

Data changes on the SDA line must only occur when the SCL clock is low. An SDA transition while the clock is high is used to identify a START or STOP condition.

2.1.2 Start Condition

START is identified by a high to low transition of the data bus SDA signal while the clock signal SCL is stable in the high state. A START condition must precede any command for data transfer.

2.1.3 Stop Condition

STOP is identified by low to high transition of the data bus SDA signal while the clock signal SCL is stable in the high state. A STOP condition terminates communication between DDX-8000 and the bus master.

2.1.4 Data Input

During the data input the DDX-8000 samples the SDA signal on the rising edge of clock SCL. For correct device operation the SDA signal must be stable during the rising edge of the clock and the data can change only when the SCL clock signal is low.

2.2 DEVICE ADDRESSING

To start communication between the master and the DDX-8000, the master must initiate with a start condition. Following this, the master sends onto the SDA line 8-bits (MSB first) corresponding to the device select address and read or write mode.

The 7 most significant bits are the device address identifiers, corresponding to the I^2C bus definition. In the DDX-8000 the I^2C interface has two device addresses depending on the SA pin configuration, 0x30 or 0011000x when SA = 0, and 0x32 or 0011001x when SA = 1.

The $8th$ bit (LSB) identifies read or write operation R/W. This bit is set to 1 in read mode and 0 for write mode. After a START condition the DDX-8000 identifies on the bus the device address and if a match is found, it acknowledges the identification on SDA bus during the $9th$ bit time. The byte following the device identification byte is the internal space address.

2.3 WRITE OPERATION

Following the START condition the master sends a device select code with the RW bit set to 0. The DDX-8000 acknowledges this and then the master writes the byte of internal address. After receiving the internal byte address the DDX-8000 again responds with an acknowledgement. See figure 7.

2.3.1 Byte Write

In the byte write mode the master sends one data byte, this is acknowledged by the DDX-8000. The master then terminates the transfer by generating a STOP condition.

2.3.2 Multi-byte Write

The multi-byte write modes can start from any internal address. Sequential data byte writes will be written to sequential addresses within the DDX-8000. The master generating a STOP condition terminates the transfer.

Write Mode Sequence

Figure 7: I² C Write Mode Sequence

Read Mode Sequence

Figure 8: I² C Read Mode Sequence

3. Input Interface

3.1. Serial Data Interface

The DDX-8000 audio serial input was designed to interface with standard digital audio components and to accept a number of serial data formats. DDX-8000 always acts a slave when receiving audio input from standard digital audio components. Serial data for eight channels is provided using 6 input pins: left/right clock LRCKI (pin 10), serial clock BICKI (pin 11), serial data 1 & 2 SDI12 (pin 9), serial data 3 & 4 SDI34 (pin 8), serial data 5 & 6 SDI56 (pin 7), and serial data 7 & 8 SDI78 (pin 6).

The SAI register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bits D4-D2) and the SAIFB register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bit D5) are used to specify the serial data format. The default serial data format is 1^2 S, MSB-First. Available formats are shown in the tables and figure that follow.

Table 6: Serial Data First Bit

Note: Serial input and output formats (see section 8.2) are specified distinctly.

For example, SAI=010 and SAIFB=1 would specify Right-Justified 16-bit data, LSB-First. Table 7 below lists the serial audio input formats supported by DDX-8000 as related to BICKI = 32/48/64fs, where sampling rate fs = 32/44.1/48/88.2/96/176.4/192 kHz.

Table 7: Supported Serial Audio Input Formats

*Note: '*X*' represents Don't Care. Shading denotes default setting of DDX-8000*

SAI=000 I² S

3.2. Serial Input Data Timing characteristics (Fs = 32 to 192kHz)

Figure 10: Serial Input Data Timing characteristics

3.3. Channel Mapping

Each internal processing channel can receive data from any serial input channel using the Channel Input Mapping registers: C1IM (011h, Bits D2-D0), C2IM (011h, Bits D6-D4), C3IM (012h, Bits D2-D0), C4IM (012h, Bits D6-D4), C5IM (013h, Bits D2-D0), C6IM (013h, Bits D6-D4), C7IM (014h, Bits D2-D0), C8IM (014h, Bits D6-D4). This allows for flexibility in processing, simplifies output stage designs, and enables the ability to perform crossovers. By default, each serial input channel is mapped to its corresponding processing channel. Table 8 shows available settings for the input mapping registers.

For example, to take data for internal processing channel 6 from serial input channel 2 (SDI12 – pin 9, right channel), set the C6IM register (address 13h, bits D6, D5, D4) to 001. Now, input 2 is routed to Channel 6.

Table 8: Processing Channel

4. System Clocking

4.1. Input Sample Rate and Input Clock

The DDX-8000 will support a number of data input sample rates (32kHz, 44.1kHz, 48Khz, 88.2kHz, 96kHz, 176.4kHz, 192kHz) and was designed to accept a number of input clock frequencies that are integer multiples of the input sample rate (*fs*). In order to generate the internal clock from the input clock provided to the XTI pin (pin 20), a low-jitter PLL has been included in the device.

The IR register (Configuration Register A – 00h, Bits D4-D3) is used to specify the sample rate, and the MCS register (Configuration Register A – 00h, Bits D2-D0) is used to specify the input clock frequency as a multiple of the sample rate. The default is a sample rate of 48kHz and an input clock rate of 256*fs (12.288 MHz). Depending on the design, settings other than these defaults may need to be specified. Accepted settings are specified in the table that follows.

When the incoming sample rate changes from 44.1kHz or 48kHz to 96kHz or vice-versa, the IR bit settings must change. If the incoming master clock to the XTI pin changes, then the MCS bits must also change. Depending on the timing of this change, the mute bits may have to be set before the change occurs and unset afterwards. Care must be taken when changing the MCS bits such that the internal clock generated by the PLL does not exceed 98.304Mhz.

4.2. PLL Bypass

Using the PLLB pin (pin 16) the PLL can be bypassed. With PLLB set high, the clock source applied to XTI (pin 20) provides a direct connection to the internal system clock. When this option is selected, an external frequency as shown below should be provided to the device.

External frequency required when bypassing the PLL (differs according to sample rate):

- 65.536Mhz for 32kHz
- 90.3168Mhz for 44.1khz, 88.2kHz, and 176.4kHz
- 98.304Mhz for 48kHz, 96kHz, and 192kHz

4.3. Output Clock

The DDX-8000 can provide a clock output CKOUT (pin 25) derived from the internal PLL. The COS register (Configuration Register D – 03h, Bits D5-D4) is used to specify the frequency of this clock. The COD register (Configuration Register F – 05h, Bit D2) can be used to disable clock output on this pin. By default, clock output is enabled and the frequency is the PLL output (internal system clock) divided by 8. It is recommended that this output be disabled if not used by the system.

The available CKOUT frequencies in MHz are shown in the table that follows.

5. Bass Management and Scale/Mix

5.1. Bass Management

To implement bass management, the DDX-8000 provides the ability to scale and mix all channels to processing channel 6 where filters can then be applied. This allows for information from any channel to be taken from that channel and scaled to processing channel 6 and then filtered appropriately for a subwoofer application. The BME register (Configuration Register A – 00h, bit D5) is used to select this feature. By default, bass management is not selected. (Note that if both BME and MIXE are set to 1, BME – Bass Management takes precedence and would be enabled.)

When the bass management feature is selected eight 24-bit coefficients (one per channel referred to as CxBMS where x represents the channel) stored in a RAM block within the device are used to specify a scaling factor. The scale factor should be in the range of 0 (no mixing, full attenuation) to 1 (full mixing, no attenuation – 7FFFFFh). Each input channel is multiplied by its corresponding scale factor and summed. The resulting summation is then provided as the input to the filter for channel 6. The source channels (1,2,3,4,5,7,8) will pass through to their respective filters unchanged. See Figure 11.

Section 6.1.5 describes the technique for writing the scale coefficients to RAM.

5.2. Adjacent Channel Mixing

The scale and mix functionality can alternatively be used to mix adjacent channels. In this mode, odd channels will be mixed with their adjacent even channels and the result is output in place of the even processing channel where it can then be filtered. Combined with the channel-mapping feature a large number of possibilities exist for two channel mixing to provide up to four mixed channels. The MIXE register (Configuration Register E – 04h, Bit D0) is used to select this feature. (Note that in this case, BME register must be set to 0). By default, adjacent channel mixing is not selected.

The scaling coefficients are the same as those used for bass management (described above) and are used to specify the amount of scaling to the even channel, 0 (no mixing, full attenuation) to 1 (full mixing, no attenuation – 7FFFFFh). The odd channels will pass through to their respective filters unchanged. How the scaling and summing occurs and how the output is produced is shown in Figure 12 below.

Figure 11: Bass Management (BME=1, MIXE=x)

6. EQ and Tone Control

The DDX-8000 has the ability to pass each processing channel through a 5 stage cascaded 2^{nd} order IIR filter (biquad). In addition, the device also contains bass and treble tone control adjustments. The digital audio data flow is shown in the diagram below.

Figure 13: Data flow for single channel Biquad / Bass / Treble

6.1. Equalization

To implement equalization, the DDX-8000 provides five user-programmable 28-bit biquads per channel. The DSPB register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bit D0) is used to bypass both pre-scale and equalization. By default, pre-scale and equalization are enabled and the default scale factors and filters cause the data to be passed through unchanged.

When equalization is enabled, five 24-bit filter coefficients for each channel for each biquad (stored in a RAM block within the device) are used to define the filter. These biquads run at 192kHz for the 48kHz, 96kHz, or 192kHz input rates and at 176.4kHz for the 44.1kHz, 88.2kHz, and 176.4kHz input rates. The sample rate the biquads run at should be considered when designing the filters. Section 6.1.6 below describes the technique for writing these coefficients to RAM.

6.1.1. Biquad Equation

The biquads use the equation that follows. This is diagrammed in figure 14 below.

 $Y[n] = 2(b_0/2)X[n] + 2(b_1/2)X[n-1] + b_2X[n-2] - 2(a_1/2)Y[n-1] - a_2Y[n-2]$

 $= b_0X[n] + b_1X[n-1] + b_2X[n-2] - a_1Y[n-1] - a_2Y[n-2]$

where Y[n] represents the output and X[n] represents the input. Multiplies are 28-bit signed fractional multiplies, with coefficient values in the range of 800000h (-1) to 7FFFFFh (0.9999998808).

Coefficients stored in RAM are referenced in the following manner:

 $CxHv0 = b₂$ CxHy1 = $b_0/2$ CxHy2 = $-a₂$ $CxHy3 = -a₁/2$ $CxHy4 = b₁/2$

The x represents the channel and the y the biquad number. For example C3H41 is the $b₀/2$ coefficient in the fourth biquad for channel 3

Figure 14: Biquad Filter

6.1.2. De-emphasis

The DEMP register (Configuration Register $E - 04h$, Bit D2) is used to control the DDX-8000 de-emphasis feature. Setting this bit will place de-emphasis on all channels. When this is used it takes the place of biquad1 on each channel and any coefficients specified for biquad1 will be ignored. By default, de-emphasis is not active. DSPB(DSP Bypass) register must be set to 0 for de-emphasis to function.

6.1.3. Pre-Scale

The Pre-Scale block which precedes the first biquad is used for attenuation when filters are designed that boost frequencies above 0dBFS. This is a single 28-bit signed multiply, with 800000h = -1 and 7FFFFFh = 0.9999998808. By default, all pre-scale factors are set to 800000h.

Note that the default pre-scale value inverts the signal phase. This should be understood when the output is taken from the I^2S output interface.

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6.1.4. Reading a Coefficient Value

The following sequence of steps should be followed to read any coefficient, pre-scale, post-scale, or bass management value from RAM:

- write 8-bit address to I^2C register 1Ch
- \bullet read top 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Dh
- read middle 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Eh
- read bottom 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Fh

6.1.5. Writing a single Coefficient Value

The following sequence of steps should be followed to write any pre-scale, post-scale, or bass management value to RAM:

- write 8-bit address to I^2C register 1Ch
- write top 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Dh
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Eh
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient in I^2C address 1Fh
- write 1 to W1 bit in I^2C address 2Ch

6.1.6. Writing a set of Coefficient Values

Use the following sequence of to write a set of filter coefficient values to RAM. This mechanism for writing a set of coefficients to RAM provides a method of updating the five coefficients corresponding to a given biquad (filter) simultaneously to avoid possible unpleasant acoustic side effects. When using this technique, the 8-bit starting address would specify the address of the biquad b2 coefficient (e.g. RAM address 0, 5, 10, 15, …, 50, … 195 decimal), and the DDX 8000 will generate the RAM addresses as offsets from this base value to write the complete set of coefficient data.

- write 8-bit starting address to I^2C register 1Ch
- write top 8-bits of coefficient b2 in I^2C address 1Dh
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient b2 in I^2C address 1Eh
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient b2 in I^2C address 1Fh
- write top 8-bits of coefficient b0 in I^2C address 20h
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient b0 in 1^2C address 21h
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient b0 in I^2C address 22h
- write top 8-bits of coefficient a2 in I^2C address 23h
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient a2 in 1^2C address 24h
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient a2 in I^2C address 25h
- write top 8-bits of coefficient a1 in I^2C address 26h
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient a1 in I^2C address 27h
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient a1 in I^2C address 28h
- write top 8-bits of coefficient b1 in I^2C address 29h
- write middle 8-bits of coefficient b1 in I^2C address 2Ah
- write bottom 8-bits of coefficient b1 in I^2C address 2Bh
- write 1 to WA bit in I^2C address 2Ch

6.1.7. Coefficient/Scaling Factor Map

Setting the BQL register (Configuration Register D – 03h, Bit D7) to 1 will cause all channels to use the biquad coefficient values for channel 1. This option should only be used if every channel uses the same EQ settings. By default, every channel will use its own set of coefficient values for filtering.

In a similar manner, setting the PSL register (Configuration Register D - 03h, Bit D6) to 1 will cause all channels use the post-scale values for channel 1.

6.2. High Pass Filter

The DDX-8000 features an internal digital high-pass filter for the purpose of AC coupling. The purpose of this filter is to prevent DC signals from passing through a DDX amplifier, which can cause speaker damage. This filter will not affect the 20 – 20kHz frequency response. The HPB register (Configuration Register C – 02h, Bit D7) can be set to 1 to disable this feature. By default, the AC coupling digital high-pass filter feature is enabled.

6.3. Tone Control

The DDX-8000 contains bass and treble tone control adjustments. These are selectable from +12dB to –12dB of boost or cut in 2dB steps. These are 1st order shelving filters with a corner frequency of 150Hz for bass and 3kHz for treble. Any gain introduced in the tone controls will carry through to the volume and limiting block without saturation.

The TTC register (address 1Bh, Bits D7-D4) is used to adjust the treble boost or cut. The BTC register (address 1Bh, Bits D3-D0) is used to adjust the bass boost or cut. By default a 0dB boost/cut is specified for each. The table that follows details the boost or cut corresponding to all available settings.

Table 10: Tone Control Boost/Cut

For example, setting TTC=1001 would specify a +4dB treble boost and setting BTC=0000 would specify a – 12dB bass cut.

7. Volume and Dynamics Control

7.1. Volume Control

The DDX-8000 provides individual volume registers for each channel and a master volume register that provides an offset to each channel's volume setting. The individual channel volumes are adjustable in 0.5dB steps from +24dB to –103dB. The master volume is adjustable in 0.5dB steps from 0dB to –127dB. Note that the maximum possible gain is +24dB.

In a multi-channel application, the channel volume registers should be used to set the maximum volume setting or digital gain and the volume offsets between channels. The master volume register can then be used to control the overall system volume.

Individual 8-bit channel volume registers (referenced as CxV where x is the channel number ranging from 1 to 8) are located at I^2C addresses 09h through 10h. The default channel volume setting is 0dB (30h). The 8-bit Master Volume MV register is located at $I^2\tilde{C}$ address 07h, and the default setting is "hard mute" (FFh). Tables 11 and 12 below show the volume level as a function of the register values.

Table 11: Channel Volume Settings Table12: Master Volume Settings

As an example, understanding that the channel volume register is used to set the maximum volume for that channel and the master volume register provides an offset, if C5V = 0Bh or +18.5dB and MV = 21h or $-$ 16.5dB, then the total gain for channel $5 = +2d$ B.

By default, all changes in volume take place at digital zero-crossings as this creates the smoothest possible volume transition. The ZCE register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bit D6) can be set to 0 to cause volume updates to occur immediately, however, it is recommended to operate in the default mode.

7.1.1 Pin-Commanded Master Volume Override

The MVO pin (pin 1) is used to bypass the Master Volume Control on all channels. When MVO is pulled High, the master volume setting used is 00h, which corresponds to its Full Scale 0dB setting. With the individual Channel Volume Settings at a default of 30h or 0dB, this results in a total gain of 0dB for every channel. This is intended for simple applications without I^2C control and for testing purposes.

7.1.2 Output Mute Control

The master mute register (address 06h, Bit D0) is used to command a mute on all channels simultaneously by setting the register to 1. The channel mute registers (referenced as CxM where x is the channel number ranging from 8 down to 1, located at I^2C address 08h, Bits D7-D0) are used to command a mute on channels individually by setting the appropriate bit to 1.

Both the Master Mute and the Channel Mutes provide a "soft mute" with the volume ramping down to mute in approximately 43ms. A "hard mute" can be obtained by commanding a value of all 1's(FFh) to any channel volume register or the master volume register. When volume offsets are provided via the master volume register any channel that whose total volume is less than –103dB will be muted.

7.2. Dynamics Control

In combination with the gain/volume control features noted above, the DDX-8000 also provides features for controlling the dynamic range of the sound output. The device has the ability to compress the output when a certain threshold is exceeded by an input signal (with volume/gain applied) and to apply the compression at a particular rate. Once the input signal falls below a certain threshold, a release (or uncompression) of the output will occur.

Various parameters are used to specify these thresholds and rates. The compression threshold is the level which when exceeded will cause compression to begin. The release threshold is the level at which uncompression will begin. Compression will occur according to the compression rate setting and uncompression will occur according to the release rate setting. In general, default settings are optimized for musicality such that it should not be necessary to change defaults except for tailored applications.

Dynamics control is implemented in the device by a "limiter". The purpose of the limiter is to automatically reduce the dynamic range of the input signal to prevent the outputs from clipping (anti-clipping mode) or to actively reduce the dynamic range for a better listening environment (Dynamic Range Compression - DRC).

7.2.1 Dual Independent Limiters

The DDX-8000 features two independent limiters (limiter 1 and limiter 2). Having two limiters provides several advantages:

- A phenomenon known as "pumping" occurs when musical content with large amounts of low frequency information is run through one compressor. The mids and highs seem to vary in amplitude or "pump" to the low frequency beat. This phenomenon can be avoided by having two limiters such that the low frequency information is processed on a separate limiter than the rest of the source (for example associating channel 6 with limiter 1 and all other channels with limiter 2).
- Distortion is less noticeable in the lower frequency band than in the mid to high band. With two limiters, separate limiter parameters allows for the threshold to be set higher for the limiter associated with the channel that has the lower frequency content.

Each channel can be mapped to either limiter or not mapped. Non-mapped channels will not use a limiter and will clip when a 0dBFS output is exceeded. Each limiter will look at the present value of each channel that is mapped to it, select the maximum absolute value of all these channels, perform the limiting algorithm on that value, and then, if needed, adjust the gain of the mapped channels in unison.

The 2-bit Channel Limiter Select registers (CxLS where x is the channel number, located at I^2C addresses 15h and 16h) are used to define the mapping of each channel to a limiter. By default, all channels have limiting disabled. The following table shows the settings used to associate a channel with either limiter 1 or limiter 2.

Table 13: Channel Limiter Selection

All channels mapped to limiter 1 are affected by the compression and release rates and thresholds specified for limiter 1. Similarly, all channels mapped to limiter 2 are affected by the compression and release rates and thresholds specified for limiter 2.

7.2.2 Compression and Release Rates

The 4-bit limiter attack rate registers (L1A and L2A, located a I2C addresses 17h and 19h, bits D3-D0 respectively) are used to specify the compression rate. By default, the compression rate for each limiter is 0.4512 dB/ms. Available compression rates are shown in table 14.

The 4-bit limiter release rate registers (L1R and L2R, located a I2C addresses 17h and 19h, bits D7-D4 respectively) are used to specify the release rate. By default, the release rate for each limiter is 0.0147 dB/ms. Available release rates are shown in table 15.

Table 14: Limiter Compression Rates Table 15: Limiter Release Rates

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| A(30) | Compression Rate dB/ms | | LxR(3.0) | Release Rate dB/ms | |
|-------|------------------------|------|----------|--------------------|------|
| 0000 | 3.1584 | Fast | 0000 | 0.5116 | Fast |
| 0001 | 2.7072 | | 0001 | 0.1370 | |
| 0010 | 2.2560 | | 0010 | 0.0744 | |
| 0011 | 1.8048 | | 0011 | 0.0499 | |
| 0100 | 1.3536 | | 0100 | 0.0360 | |
| 0101 | 0.9024 | | 0101 | 0.0299 | |
| 0110 | 0.4512 | | 0110 | 0.0264 | |
| 0111 | 0.2256 | | 0111 | 0.0208 | |
| 1000 | 0.1504 | | 1000 | 0.0198 | |
| 1001 | 0.1123 | | 1001 | 0.0172 | |
| 1010 | 0.0902 | | 1010 | 0.0147 | |
| 1011 | 0.0752 | | 1011 | 0.0137 | |
| 1100 | 0.0645 | | 1100 | 0.0134 | |
| 1101 | 0.0564 | | 1101 | 0.0117 | |
| 1110 | 0.0501 | | 1110 | 0.0110 | |
| 1111 | 0.0451 | Slow | 1111 | 0.0104 | Slow |

Note: Shaded areas show the default settings.

The compression and release settings apply the same way whether in Anti-Clipping or Dynamic Range Compression mode.

7.2.3 Anti-Clipping Mode

This mode provides a way of avoiding clipping of the audio signal which when it occurs can introduce a great deal of harmonic distortion and sounds very rough and harsh. By default, the limiters operate in this mode.

The DRC register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bit D7) specifies anti-clipping mode when set to 0. In this mode compression and release threshold values are constant and dependent on the volume (gain/attenuation) settings applied to the input signal. See figure 15.

A number of compression threshold setting scenarios exist:

- Set to 0dB: Prevent any clipping from taking place. This is the default setting.
- Higher than 0dB: Allow a limited amount of clipping to take place. % THD may increase.
- Below 0dB: Limit the maximum overall output.

Since gain can be added digitally within the DDX-8000 (see section 7.1, Volume Control) it is possible to exceed 0dB Full-Scale. When this occurs, the limiter, when active, will automatically start reducing the gain. The rate at which the gain is reduced when the compression threshold is exceeded is determined by the compression rate setting for that limiter. The gain reduction occurs on a peak-detect algorithm.

The 4-bit limiter attack threshold registers (L1AT and L2AT, located a I2C addresses 18h and 1Ah, bits D7-D4 respectively) are used to specify the compression threshold. By default, the compression threshold for each limiter is 0dB relative to Full-Scale (FS). Available compression thresholds are shown in table 16.

The 4-bit limiter release threshold registers (L1RT and L2RT, located a I2C addresses 18h and 1Ah, bits D3- D0 respectively) are used to specify the release threshold. By default, the release threshold for each limiter is -6dB relative to Full-Scale (FS). Available release thresholds are shown in table 17.

Table 16: Limiter Compression Threshold

Note: Shaded areas show the default settings.

Note that the release threshold value can be used to set what is effectively a minimum dynamic range. This is helpful as over-limiting can reduce the dynamic range to virtually zero and cause program material to sound "lifeless".

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7.2.4 Dynamic Range Compression Mode

Dynamic Range Compression (DRC) mode provides a useful solution in the following situations:

- If a user wishes to listen at low volume levels, simply reducing the volume would cause the quietest passages to become inaudible. In this mode, materials can be played at moderate levels without missing any of the audio content.
- If the audio content contains periods of louder than average data (e.g. TV commercials have a greater than average level than standard TV content), this mode can be used to help limit the louder than average signal content to the desired level. This can be thought of as a "Nighttime Listening" Mode.

The DRC register (Configuration Register B – 01h, Bit D7) specifies dynamic range compression (DRC) mode when set to 1. In this mode compression and release threshold values vary with the volume settings allowing for limiting to occur independent of the gain/attenuation but dependent on the input signal. See figure 16.

In DRC mode the attack threshold is set relative to the maximum volume setting of the channels mapped to that limiter and the release threshold is set relative to the maximum volume setting plus the attack threshold. In essence, these settings are used to specify the difference between the loudest and softest sounds in dB. See tables 18 and 19.

Note: Shaded areas show the default settings.

7.3. Volume and Dynamics Control Bypass

By default, the volume and dynamics controls are enabled. The VOLEN register (Configuration Register E – 04h, Bit D1) can be set to 0 to cause the volume and dynamics control mechanisms to be bypassed.

Figure 15: Limiter Conceptual Flow Diagram: Anti-Clipping Mode

Figure 16: Limiter Conceptual Flow Diagram: Dynamic Range Compression Mode

8. Output Interface

8.1. PWM Output

The DDX-8000 provides PWM output to drive a DDX Power device. The PWM output for eight channels is provided using 16 output pins: OUT1A/B through OUT8A/B. (See table 4 for pin numbers.) The PWMD register (Configuration Register F – 05h, Bit D0) is used to disable PWM output. In this case, the A and B outputs for each channel are held in the damp state. By default, PWM output is enabled.

By default, the device includes a channel-specific zero-detect mute function which is activated upon receipt of 2048 consecutive zero value input samples. Automatic transition from mute with no "pops" or "clicks" will occur on the first non-zero input value. The ZDE register (Configuration Register B – 01, Bit D1) is used to enable or disable this feature. Setting this register to zero will disable the feature, but in general, when using a digital source, this register should always be set.

The relative timing of the PWM output pulses has been designed to minimize crosstalk when adjacent channel outputs are connected to a single DDX power device. It is recommended to pair channels 1 and 2 to one power device, channels 3 and 4 to the second power device, channels 5 and 6 to the third power device, and channels 7 and 8 to the fourth power device.

8.2. Serial Data Output Interface

The audio serial output was designed to interface with standard digital audio components and to provide a number of serial data formats. DDX-8000 does not generate the serial clocks when transmitting audio output; instead it recycles the serial input clocks received at the input interface. Serial data for eight channels is provided using 6 output pins: left/right clock LRCKO (pin 56, same as LRCKI), serial clock BICKO (pin 55, same as BICKI), serial data 1 & 2 SDO12 (pin 57), serial data 3 & 4 SDO34 (pin 58), serial data 5 & 6 SDO56 (pin 62), and serial data 7 & 8 SDO78 (pin 63).

The SAO register (Configuration Register E – 04h, Bits D5-D3) and the SAOFB register (Configuration Register E – 04h, Bit D6) are used to specify the serial data output format. The default serial data output format is I²S, MSB-First. Available formats are shown in the tables and figure that follow. See figure 9 for a diagram of these formats.

Table 20: Serial Data Output First Bit

Note: Serial output and input formats (see section 3.1) are specified distinctly.

Table 21: Serial Audio Output Data Formats

Figure 17: Serial Output Data Timing characteristics

9. PowerDown Management

9.1. Entering the PowerDown state

A PowerDown request of the DDX-8000 device is initiated by a High-to-Low transition of the PWDN pin. When this occurs, the device will perform a graceful shutdown by soft-muting the PWM outputs. After approximately 30ms, the device will enter a PowerDown state (all the device clocks are stopped) and the EAPD pin (used to switch off the external power device) will be brought Low.

9.2. Exiting the PowerDown state

The device will exit the PowerDown state immediately as soon as the PWDN pin is reasserted (brought back to High). When this occurs, the device will perform a graceful resume of activity by resuming all device clocks, soft-unmuting PWM output, and immediately bringing EAPD High (See EAPD comments below).

9.3. EAPD Control

The DDX-8000 EAPD output pin is used to switch off the external power chip (Active Low). While it is controlled indirectly by the PowerDown processes noted above, it could also be controlled directly using the EAPD bit (I2C register 5, bit 7). Unless the PowerDown state has been initiated using the PWDN pin (as noted above), the EAPD output pin will reflect the value in the EAPD bit. At reset, this bit (and hence the EAPD pin) is Low, which indicates an external power device off state. After reset, this bit must be made High by issuing I2C commands.

Note that using the EAPD bit to directly control the EAPD output pin does not cause any DDX-8000 device PowerDown activities to occur.

10. Register Summary

Register Organization

- 00h-05h: Configuration Registers
- 06h-07h: Master Mute and Volume
- 08h-10h: Channel Mute and Volumes
- 11h-14h: Channel Input Mapping
- 15h-1Ah: Limiter Selection and Parameters
- 1Bh: Tone Control
- 1Ch-2Ch: Coefficient Control Registers
- 2Dh-30h: Reserved (RES)
- Blank Items are "Don't Care"

10.1. Configuration Register A (address: 00h, default value: 83h)

Max Power Correction

Setting the MPC bit turns on special processing that corrects the DDX power device at high power. This mode reduces the THD+N of a full DDX system at maximum power output and slightly below. By default, Max Power Correction is enabled. In general, if using the DDX2060 or DDX2100 IC Power Devices this bit should always be set.

Head Phone Enable

Channels 7 and 8 of the DDX-8000 have the option to be processed for headphones. The headphone output must use an appropriate power device to drive headphones. This signal is a fully differential 3-wire drive called DDX Headphone (Patent Applied for). For more information about DDX headphone, contact Apogee Applications.

10.2. Configuration Register B (address: 01h, default value: 42h)

10.3. Configuration Register C (address: 02h, default value: 7Ch)

DDX Power Output Mode

Two DDX power output mode settings are available: Drop Compensation Mode is intended for use with DDX Power Devices and uses a modulation limit of 93.75%; Full-Power Mode can also be used with all DDX Power Devices and increases the modulation limit to near 100%. This mode will enable a slightly higher power output when clipping begins and can be used for an increase in output power. The table that follows shows the values used to select the desired power output mode.

10.4. Configuration Register D (address: 03h, default value: 20h)

Binary Output

Each two-channel pair of outputs can be set to output a binary PWM stream. In this mode, output A of a channel will be considered the positive output and output B is negative inverse. For example, setting C34BO = 1 sets channels 3&4 to Binary Output (PWM) Mode.

In general, for best performance, leave the CxBO register bits at 0, DDX Ternary Output, unless using a special output stage configuration.

Post-Scale

The DDX-8000 provides an additional scaling capability post volume and dynamics control. This is a 24-bit signed fractional multiply where 800000h = -1 and 7FFFFFh = .9999998808. One scaling factor per channel referred to as CxPS where x represents the channel number is stored in a RAM block within the device (see table 8). Each post-volume/dynamics sample is multiplied by its corresponding scaling factor. By default, all post-scale factors are set to 800000h. Section 6.1.5 describes the technique for writing the scale coefficients to RAM.

For multi-channel applications, by setting the PSL register (Configuration Register D – 03h, Bit D6) to 1, the post-scale value can be taken from C1PS (channel 1 post-scale) for all channels. By default, all channels use individual post-scale factors.

10.5. Configuration Register E (address: 04h, default value: 02h)

10.6. Configuration Register F (address: 05h, default value: 00h)

AM Mode Enable

The DDX-8000 features a DDX processing mode that minimizes the amount of noise generated in frequency range of AM radio. This mode is intended for use when DDX is operating in a device with an AM tuner active. The SNR of the DDX processing is reduced to >75dB in this mode, which is still greater than the SNR of AM radio.

10.7. Master Mute (address: 06h, default value: 00h)

10.8. Master Volume (address: 07h, default value: FFh)

10.9. Channel 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 Mute (address: 08h, default value: 00h)

10.10. Channel 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 Volume (addresses: 09h – 10h, default values: 30h)

10.11. Channel Input Mapping (address 11h - 14h)

Channels 1 & 2 (address: 11h, default value: 10h)

Channels 3 & 4 (address: 12h, default value: 32h)

Channels 5 & 6 (address: 13h, default value: 54h)

Channels 7 & 8 (address: 14h, default value: 76h)

Bits D7 and D3 of these registers are unused and any changes have no effect.

On power-on-reset, each serial input channel is mapped to its corresponding processing channel. See section 3.3 for more detail.

10.12. Limiter Selection (addresses 15h – 16h)

Channels 1, 2, 3, 4 (address: 15h, default value: 00h)

Channels 5,6,7,8 (address: 16h, default value: 00h)

For channels 1-8, these 2-bit registers determine to which limiter each channel is mapped (or not mapped at all). By default, all channels are not mapped to any limiter. See section 7.2.1 for usage details.

10.13. Limiter 1 & 2 Rates and Thresholds (addresses 17h - 1Ah)

Limiter 1 Release and Attack Rate (address: 17h, default value: A6h)

Limiter 1 Attack and Release Threshold (address: 18h, default value: 67h)

Limiter 2 Release and Attack Rate (address: 19h, default value: A6h)

By default, an attack (compression) rate of 0.4512 dB/ms and a release rate of 0.0147 dB/ms are specified for each limiter. See section 7.2.2. for other available settings and usage specifics.

By default, the compression threshold for each limiter is set to 0 dB relative to full scale and the release setting is set to –6 dB relative to full scale. See sections 7.2.3 and 7.2.4 for other specifics regarding other compression and release threshold settings and usage specifics.

In general, default settings are optimized for musicality. It should not be necessary to change defaults except for tailored applications.

10.14. Tone Control (address: 1Bh, default value: 77h)

10.15. Coefficient Control Registers (addressed 1C – 2Ch)

All values are 0 on reset. Bits D7 and D2 in register address 2Ch are unused and any changes have no effect. See sections 6.1.4 – 6.1.6 for details regarding use of these registers to read and write coefficient values.

11. Reference Schematic

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