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FCM8531 — MCU Embedded and Configurable 3-Phase PMSM / BLDC Motor Controller

Features

Advanced Motor Controller (AMC)

- Configurable Processing Core
	- Sensorless Field-Oriented Control (FOC) with Speed Integral Method
	- Sensorless FOC with Sliding Mode
	- Hall Interface
- Space Vector Modulation (SVM)
- Sine-Wave & Square-Wave Generator
- Programmable Current Leading Phase Control
- Programmable Soft-Switching Control (Dead Time)
- FCM8531RQY Certified by UL for IEC-60730-1 Class B Compliance with recognized marking:

Embedded MCU

- **MCS[®] 51 Compatible**
- 63% of Instructions' Execution Cycle <3 System Clocks (3T)
- Memory Size:
	- 12 KB Flash Program Memory
	- 256 +1 KB SRAM Data Memory
- Extended16-Bit Multiplication / Division Unit (MDU)
- ≤17 General-Purpose Input / Output (GPIO) Pins
- Full Duplex Serial Interface (UART)
- $I²C$ Interface
- Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)
- Three External Interrupts
- Three 16-Bit Timers
- Programmable 15-Bit Watchdog Timer (WDT)
- Built-in Power-On Reset (POR)
- Built-in Clock Generator
- Two-Level Program Memory Lock

ADC and DAC

- 8-Channel, 10-Bit ADC
	- Auto-Trigger Sample & Hold
	- Four Trigger Mode Selections
	- Three Pre-AMP Gain Selections
- 1-Channel, 8-Bit DAC
- **Protections**
- Three Levels of Over-Current Protection (OCP)
- **Power Management**
- Idle Mode, Stop Mode, Sleep Mode **Development Supports**
- In System Programming (ISP) On-Chip Debug Support (OCDS)

Description

The FCM8531 is an application-specific parallel-core processor for motor control that consists of an Advanced Motor Controller (AMC) processor and a MCS® 51-compatible MCU processor. The AMC is the core processor specifically designed for motor control. It integrates a configurable processing core and peripheral circuits to perform FOC and "Sensorless" motor control. System control, user interface, communication interface, and input/output interface can be programmed through the embedded MCS®51 for different motor applications.

The advantage of FCM8531's parallel-core processors is that the two processors can work independently and complement each other. The AMC processes the tasks dedicated for motor controls, such as the motor control algorithms, PWM controls, current sensing, real-time over-current protection, and motor angle calculation. The embedded MCU provides motor control commands to the AMC to perform motor control activities through a communication interface. This approach reduces the software burden and simplifies the control system program because complex motor control algorithms are executed in the AMC. Fairchild provides the Motor Control Development System (MCDS) IDE and MCDS Programming Kit for users to develop software, compile programs, and perform online debugging.

To meet IEC 60730-1 Class B safety standard for household appliances, FCM8531 has FCM8531RQY version in its family that has been certificated by UL for the compliance. Users can directly utilize the UL certificated AMC to quicken product development cycle for electronic controlled PMSM/BLDC motor.

Applications

- Sensorless IPM / SPM, BLDC / PMSM Motor
- Fan, Blower, Pump, Compressor, etc.

Related Resources

- *AN-8202*— *FCM8531 User Manual Hardware Description*
- *AN-8203*— *FCM8531 User Manual Instruction Set*
- *User Guide for FCM8531 Evaluation Board*

Ordering Information

Application Diagram

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Pin Definitions

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Notes:

- 1. Type P: power pin.
2. Type I: digital input
- 2. Type I: digital input pin.
- 3. Type O: digital output pin.
- 4. Type I/O: bidirectional input/output pin.
- 5. Type AI: analog input pin.
- 6. Type AO: analog output pin.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses exceeding the absolute maximum ratings may damage the device. The device may not function or be operable above the recommended operating conditions and stressing the parts to these levels is not recommended. In addition, extended exposure to stresses above the recommended operating conditions may affect device reliability. The absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only.

Recommended Operating Conditions

The Recommended Operating Conditions table defines the conditions for actual device operation. Recommended operating conditions are specified to ensure optimal performance to the datasheet specifications. Fairchild does not recommend exceeding them or designing to Absolute Maximum Ratings.

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7. These parameters are not tested in manufacturing.
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9. SPI timing diagrams as [Figure 6](#page-9-0) and [Figure 7.](#page-9-1)

9. SPI timing diagrams as Figure 6 10. I²C timing diagram as [Figure 8.](#page-9-2)

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Functional Description

Advanced Motor Controller (AMC)

The AMC is used for motor driving. It consists of several motor control modules; such as configurable processing core, PWM engine, and angle predictor. Depending on the application, the configurable processing core can be configured with suitable AMC library to perform different motor control algorithms, such as Field-Oriented Control (FOC) or sensorless control.

For example, if the Sensorless library is used as the control algorithm, the configurable processing core obtains the motor current via the internal ADC to estimate the rotor angle. After that, a PWM engine is used to provide the PWM output drive signal to set the correct rotor angle.

If the configurable processing core is configured with the Hall Interface library, the rotor position information is input by GPIO and the rotor angle is estimated using the angle predictor. The PWM engine can provide the appropriate PWM output drive signals for motor driving.

IEC 60730 Safety Functions

The FCM8531RQY is certified to meet the IEC 60730-1 Class-B standards; which cover mechanical, electrical, and electronic appliances. To achieve IEC 60730-1 Class-B requirements, the safety functions are included in the AMC of FCM8531RQY and in compliance with the following structures:

- Single channel using functional test.
- Single channel using periodic functional test.

Follow the procedures recommended in the related application notes to comply with IEC 60730 certification in application designs.

Configurable Processing Core

The AMC can be configured with different libraries, depending on the application, via the Motor Control Development System (MCDS) Integrated Development Environment (IDE). For example: Speed Integral, Sliding Mode, or Hall Interface libraries can be activated.

Speed Integral: this is a sensorless FOC library where D-axis phase error is compensated by a large integrator to achieve more stable speed response. Fewer parameters are required to set with Speed Integral. Applications with static load, such as fans, can adopt this library.

Sliding Mode: this is a Sensorless FOC library with more parameters to adjust and set. Applications with dynamic loads; such as water pumps, oil pumps, and compressors; can adopt this library.

Figure 14. Sliding Mode Block Diagram

Hall Interface: this library is used in Hall sensor motor control systems with square / sinusoidal wave drive.

For more information, please see:

AMC Library User Guide - Speed Integral for FCM8531 AMC Library User Guide - Sliding Mode for FCM8531 AMC Library User Guide - Hall Interface for FCM8531

PWM Engine

The PWM engine includes four circuit modules: saw generator, square-wave PWM generator, sine-wave PWM generator, and PWM MUX.

Figure 15. PWM Engine Block Diagram

The saw generator determines the PWM waveform and carrier frequency. There are three modes of carrier waveforms; UP, DOWN, and UP-DOWN; set using the SAWMOD bit in the SAWCNTL register in MSFR (Motor Special Function Registers) (*see* **Error! Reference source not found.**).

The PWM carrier frequency is decided by the PRESCAL and the POSSCAL in the SPRDH/L and SAWCNTL registers in MSFR. The PWM frequency, when SAW is in the UP-DOWN Mode, can be obtained using the following formula:

$$
f_{\text{PWM}} = \frac{f_{\text{SYS}}}{\text{PRESCAL}[1:0] \times \text{POSSCAL}[2:0] \times \text{SPRDH/L}[10:0] \times 2}(1)
$$

The PWM frequency formula for SAW in the UP and DOWN modes is calculated by:

f_{pwm}

$$
= \frac{t_{SYS}}{\text{PRESCAL}[1:0] \times \text{POSSCAL}[2:0] \times \text{SPRDH/L}[10:0]} \tag{2}
$$

Please refer to AN-8202—FCM8531 User Manual - Hardware Description for details.

SAW Generator

The **Square-Wave PWM Generator** generates squarewave PWM signals with a default pattern based on a built-in table of default square-waves (*see [Table 1](#page-12-0)*). Corresponding PWM output signals are determined by the pattern of Hall input signals or the Hall register, while direction is determined by the CW setting.

In addition to generating default square-wave PWM output waveforms, a customizable user-defined squarewave table is also provided. This enables users to define special square-wave output waveforms according to application requirements.

Table 1. Default Square-Wave Table

Notes:

11. X: don't care.

12. P: PWM.

13. Pb: PWM inverse.

In square-wave mode, the PWM duty is determined by the DUTYA and DUTYAL registers in MSFR, with a total of 11 bits (*see [Figure 17](#page-12-1)*).

The **Sine-Wave PWM Generator** includes a Space Vector Modulation (SVM) circuit responsible for generating sine-wave PWM output waveforms. In addition to built-in sinusoidal waveform modulation, which is popular in many applications, a table allows users to customize PWM output waveforms.

In sine-wave mode, the PWM duty is determined by the DUTYA register in MSFR. When using the Hall interface library, the PWM engine starts the motor in square-wave mode. After the angle predictor can accurately predict angles, the PWM engine automatically shifts to sine-wave mode. As shown in [Figure 18](#page-12-2) (CW=0) and Figure [19](#page-13-0) (CW=1), corresponding PWM signals are generated based on the angle estimated from Hall input signals.

Figure 18. Default Sine-Wave PWM Output (CW=0)

Figure 19. Default Sine-Wave PWM Output (CW=1)

Angle Predictor

When using Hall sensors for sine-wave control, the Hall signals are used to accurately predict the rotor position of the motor. This information is provided to the SVM circuit to calculate the space vector. Two circuits are included in the angle predictor: Hall signal filter and leading-angle shifter.

The Hall signal filter is responsible for Hall signal debounce, blanking, regulation, and inversion.

The rotor position can be adjusted using the leadingangle shifter. This can compensate for the current lag caused by motor winding inductance and further improve the motor efficiency.

Embedded MCU

System flow control, user interface, input/output, and communication interface can be programmed and set in the embedded MCU. The instruction set is fully compatible with MCS®51; therefore, a standard 805x assembler and compiler can be used for development.

Since FCM8531 uses advanced instruction architecture that only needs one system clock per instruction set, its computation speed is greatly improved compared with the conventional 8051 MCU, which needs 12 system clocks per instruction set.

In addition to the normal 8051 MCU functions; such as GPIO, TIMER0/1/2, ISR, and UART; other communication interfaces; such as SPI, I^2C , and Watchdog Timer (WDT) functions; are also integrated into the embedded MCU.

Memory Map

The 12KB flash program memory is divided into two parts. In the first section of the memory area, addresses 0000h~2EFFh, are used to store programs. Addresses higher than 2EFFh are in the special area, including two groups of user-definable wave tables and one lock byte. When 0 is written into the highest bit of the lock byte, the OCDS function is disabled. When 0 is written into any other bit, the flash memory is encrypted to secure the program code.

Flash memory must first be erased and then re-written.

Figure 21. Program Memory Map

Four groups of register banks are provided in the 256 byte internal SRAM data memory. The first 128 bytes (00h~7Fh) of the internal data memory can be read by immediate addressing or indirect addressing. The latter 128 bytes (80h~FFh) in the memory are overlapped with SFR. Accessing data in SRAM must use indirect addressing, while SFR uses immediate addressing to read and write.

The 1024 bytes of external SRAM data memory are addressed by a 16-bit DPTR and use an MOVX instruction for accessing.

Figure 22. Data Memory Map

Multiplication-Division Unit (MDU)

The MDU, used for parallel calculations, can process 32-bit division, 16-bit multiplication, and 32-bit displacement and normalization calculations.

After setting the calculation model, the MDU begins to execute calculation. Meanwhile, MCU are freed to continue the subsequent flow without pausing. After calculation is completed, the result is stored in SFR.

Figure 23. MDU Mode

GPIO (General-Purpose Input / Output)

The FCM8531 has three GPIO ports: P0[7:2], P1[7:0], and P2[6:4]. The output can be set to direct drive or open drain through DIR0, DIR1, and DIR2 of the SFR. Inside the FCM8531, P0[7:2] is pulled down to GND by internal resistors and other digital IOs are pulled up to 5 V with internal resistors.

Figure 24. GPIO Driver & Buffer

P0[7:2] can be defined as a GPIO or PWM output signal $(U, V, W, X, Y,$ and Z) by using P0 CFG of the SFR. After reset, P0[7:2] is pre-set to a PWM output signal and the other DIO pins are pre-set as GPIO (*se[e Table 2](#page-14-0)*).

The multi-function pins P1[7:0] and P2[6:4] can be set through IO_CFG (F9h) of the SFR (*see [Table 3](#page-14-1) and [Table 4\)](#page-14-2).*

Table 2. Port 0 Function Configuration

Table 3. Port 1 Function Configuration

Table 4. Port 2 Function Configuration

Interrupt

The FCM8531 provides 16 interrupt sources *(see [Table](#page-15-0) [5\)](#page-15-0)* that can be divided into five priority groups and four priority levels.

Most of the interrupt settings are identical to the standard MCS51, except for the following:

- The external interrupt 0 input source pin can be assigned to P24 or P26 through IO_CFG of the SFR (Special Function Registers). The interrupt trigger mode can be set to low-level trigger and falling-edge trigger.
- External interrupt 1 is input via P25. The interrupt trigger mode can be set to low-level trigger and falling-edge trigger.
- The external interrupt 12 input signal can be assigned to P1[6:0]. When an interrupt occurs, INT12 STA can be used to inspect which pin has been triggered. The interrupt trigger mode can be set to low-level trigger and falling-edge trigger.
- The other interrupt sources include: V_{DD} low-voltage warnings, ADC transformation completion trigger, Hall signal trigger, slow Hall signal, Hall signal error, and short-circuit sensing. These can be used for developing the motor control system.
- When an interrupt occurs, the int_{er}rupt service executes interrupt service programs at the specified interrupt vector addresses. During an interrupt, another interrupt is only permitted if an interrupt source with a higher priority level occurs.

Table 5. Interrupt Vector

Watchdog Timer (WDT)

The watchdog timer is a 15-bit counter that increases every 384 or 6144 system cycles. If there are software or hardware abnormalities, it resets automatically.

When the watchdog timer is set in WDTREL of the SFR, it begins to count when the SWDT bit of SFR IEN1 is set to 1. When it counts to 7FFCh and a timeout occurs, it internally resets.

The watchdog timer must be refreshed before timeout. If unexpected errors occur, the watchdog timer is not refreshed. After timeout, the program restarts.

Motor Special Function Registers (MSFRs)

MSFRs are registers used exclusively for motor control modules. They are accessed through MCU SFRs.

Parameters such as motor control, Hall signal configure, waveform type, PWM engine, and over-current protection level can be set in MSFRs.

The ADC and controller status (e.g., Fault status, Hall status, and PWM status) can be obtained via MSFRs.

ADC and DAC

The analog signal input pins (IA, IB, IC, VA, VB, VC, ADC0, and ADC3/AOUT) can be programmed for current sensing, voltage feedback, speed control, overtemperature protection, or other analog signal inputs; depending on the application. The ADC3/AOUT pin location can be used as 0~4 V analog output. The output voltage is set via the DAC in the MSFR.

The internal ADC is divided into three groups according to the speed of the sampling rate (*se[e Table 6](#page-15-1)*).

Table 6. ADC Sampling Rate

Pins IA, IB, and IC are preset as current-sensing input.

When ADC trigger signals occur, the sample-and-hold circuits retrieve the voltage to be converted. Then it goes through a pre-amplifier to a 10-bit A-D converter. After conversion, it is stored in MSFR and generates an ADC-ready interrupt.

ADC trigger mode has four sub-modes: SAW peak, SAW valley, Timer0, and manual trigger.

Figure 25. ADC Trigger Mode

Protections

Protection functions are provided for Hall signal error protection and over-current (cycle-by-cycle) protection.

When a Hall signal error occurs, the PWM pulse is turned off until the error status is released.

Cycle-by-cycle over-current protection (OCP) monitors every PWM cycle. If over-current is detected, the PWM is turned off until the next cycle.

In addition to the cycle-by-cycle OCP, other protections generate interrupts.

Table 7. Fault and Protection

Current Protections

There are three methods of current protection: negative over current, positive over current, and short-circuit sensing. The protection points can be set via the OCL, OCH, and SHORT of MSFR. After a protection is triggered, PWM is immediately turned off until the next cycle (cycle-by-cycle).

When the input voltage is higher than the SHORT voltage, an EX8 interrupt is generated. Corresponding measures can be executed to protect system based on requirements of application systems.

Figure 26. Current Protection (Square-Wave)

Each current-sensing pin (IA, IB, and IC) has an output of 50 µA of bias current. The recommended setting for the bias voltage is 2.0 V ($R_{BIAS} = 40$ kΩ).

$V_{BIAS} = I_{BIAS} \times R_{BIAS}$ (3)

Figure 27. Current Feedback Circuit

Power Management

If V_{DD} is > VDD_{ON}, the reset status takes about 2 ms to be released.

FCM8531 provides three kinds of power-saving modes:

- In IDLE mode; execution of MCU programs pauses, but the peripheral I/O circuits continue to work (e.g. PWM, external interrupt, timing, serial output, etc.).
- In STOP mode; execution of programs, digital I/O interfaces, and all digital circuits pause. This mode continues until the occurrence of an EX0/EX1 external interrupt or a system reset.
- In SLEEP mode, the MCU and AMC are both turned off. At this moment, the alarm timer begins to count. After a timeout, the MCU and AMC are turned on again.

Development Supports

Fairchild provides the Motor Control Development System (MCDS) Integrated Development Environment (IDE). On Microsoft® Windows platforms, functions such as project building, program code generation, compilation, In-System Programming (ISP), and On-Chip Debug Support (OCDS) are supported. This facilitates software development and debugging.

For detailed information please see: *User Guide for MCDS IDE of FCM8531.*

Table 9. MSFRs (Motor Special Function Registers) Map

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