HSP48410

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Histogrammer/Accumulating Buffer

The Intersil HSP48410 is an 84 lead Histogrammer IC intended for use in image and signal analysis. The on-board memory is configured as 1024 x 24 array. This translates to a pixel resolution of 10 bits and an image size of 4k x 4k with no possibility of overflow.

In addition to Histogramming, the HSP48410 can generate and store the Cumulative Distribution Function for use in Histogram Equalization applications. Other capabilities of the HSP48410 include: Bin Accumulation, Look Up Table, 24-bit Delay Memory, and Delay and Subtract mode.

A Flash Clear pin is available in all modes of operation and performs a single cycle reset on all locations of the internal memory array and all internal data paths.

The HSP48410 includes a fully asynchronous interface which provides a means for communications with a host, such as a microprocessor. The interface includes dedicated Read/Write pins and an address port which are asynchronous to the system clock. This allows random access of the Histogram Memory Array for analysis or conditioning of the stored data.

Ordering Information

Block Diagram

HISTOGRAM ADDRESS DIO DIN0-23 PIN0-9 IOADD0-9 DIO0-23 GENERATOR INTERACE DATA IN ADDRESS DATA MEMORY ARRAY MUX **ADDER 24 24 24 10 24 10 10**

Features

- 10-Bit Pixel Data
- 4k x 4k Frame Sizes
- Asynchronous Flash Clear Pin
- Single Cycle Memory Clear
- Fully Asynchronous 16 or 24-Bit Host Interface
- Generates and Stores Cumulative Distribution Function
- Look Up Table Mode
- 1024 x 24-Bit Delay Memory
- 24-Bit Three State I/O Bus
- DC to 40MHz Clock Rate

Applications

- Histogramming
- Histogram Equalization
- Image and Signal Analysis
- Image Enhancement
- RGB Video Delay Line

Pinouts

84 PGA BOTTOM VIEW

Pinouts (Continued)

84 LEAD PLCC

Pin Description

NOTES:

1. An overbar denotes an active low signal.

2. Bit 0 is the LSB on all busses.

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Functional Description

The Histogrammer is intended for use in signal and image processing applications. The on-board RAM is 24 bits by 1024 locations. For histogramming, this translates to an image size of 4k x 4k with 10-bit data. A Functional Block Diagram of the part is shown in Figure 1.

In addition to histogramming, the HSP48410 will also perform Histogram Accumulation while feeding the results back into the memory array. The on-board RAM will then contain the Cumulative Distribution Function and can be used for further operation such as histogram equalization.

Other modes are: Bin Accumulate, Look Up Table (LUT), Delay Memory, and Delay and Subtract. The part can also be accessed as a 24-bit by 1024 word asynchronous RAM for preconditioning or reading the results of the histogram.

The Histogrammer can be accessed both synchronously and asynchronously to the system clock (CLK). It was designed to be configured asynchronously by a microprocessor, then switched to a synchronous mode to process data. The result of the processing can then be read out synchronously, or the part can be switched to one of the asynchronous modes so the data may be read out by a microprocessor. All modes are synchronous except for the Asynchronous 16 and 24 modes.

A Flash Clear operation allows the user to reset the entire RAM array and all input and output data paths in a single cycle.

Histogram Memory Array

The Histogram Memory Array is a 24-bit by 1024 deep RAM. Depending on the current mode, its input data comes from either the synchronous input DIN0-23, from the asynchronous data bus DIO0-23, or from the output of the adder. The output data goes to the DIO bus in both synchronous and asynchronous modes.

Address Generator

This section of the circuit determines the source of the RAM address. In the synchronous modes, the address is taken from either the output of the counter or PIN0-9. The pixel input bus is used for Histogram, Bin Accumulate, and LUT(read) modes. All other synchronous modes, i.e. Histogram Accumulate, LUT(write), Delay, and Delay and Subtract use the counter output. The counter is reset on the first rising edge of CLK after a falling edge on START.

During asynchronous modes, the read and write addresses to the RAM are taken from the IOADD bus on the falling edge of the RD and WR signals, respectively.

Adder Input

The Adder Input Control Section contains muxes, registers and other logic that provide the proper data to the adder. The configuration of this section is controlled by the output of the Function Decode Section.

DIO Interface

The DIO Interface Section transfers data between the Histogrammer and the outside world. In the synchronous modes, DIO acts as a synchronous output for the data currently being processed by the chip; RD acts as the output enable for the DIO bus; WR and IOADD0-9 have no effect. When either of the Asynchronous modes are selected (16 or 24-bit), the RAM output is passed directly to the DIO bus on read cycles, and on write cycles, data input on DIO goes to the RAM input port. In this case, data reads and writes are controlled by RD, WR and IOADD0-9.

Function Decode

This section provides the signals needed to configure the part for the different modes. The eight modes are decoded from FCT0-2 on the rising edge of LD (see Table 1). The output of this section is a set of signals which control the path of data through the part.

The mode should only be changed while START is high. After changing from one mode to another, START must be clocked high by the rising edge of CLK at least once.

Flash Clear

Flash Clear allows the user to clear the entire RAM with a single pin. When the FC pin is low, all bits of the RAM and the data path from the RAM to DIO0-23 are set to zero. The FC pin is asynchronous with respect to CLK: the reset begins immediately following a low on this signal. For synchronous modes, in order to ensure consistent results, FC should only be active while START is high. For asynchronous modes, WR must remain inactive while FC is low.

Functional Block Diagram

FIGURE 1. FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

Histogram Mode

This is the fundamental operation for which this chip was intended. When this mode is selected, the chip configures itself as shown in the Block Diagram of Figure 2. The pixel data is sampled on the rising edge of clock and used as the read address to the RAM array. The data contained in that address (or bin) is then incremented by 1 and written back into the RAM at the same address.

FIGURE 2. HISTOGRAM MODE BLOCK DIAGRAM

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At the same time, the new value is also displayed on the DIO bus. This procedure continues until the circuit is interrupted by START returning high. When START is high, the RAM write is disabled, the read address is taken from the Pixel Input bus, and the chip acts as if it is in LUT(read) mode. Figure 3 shows histogram mode timing. START is used to disregard the data on PIN0-9 at DATA2. START is sampled on the rising edge of clock, but is delayed internally by 3 cycles to match the latency of the Address Generator. Data is clocked onto the DIO bus on the rising edge of CLK. RD acts as output enable.

FIGURE 3. HISTOGRAM MODE TIMING

Histogram Accumulate Mode

This function is very similar to the Histogram function. In this case, a counter is used to provide the address data to the RAM. The RAM is sequentially accessed, and the data from each bin is added to the data from the previous bins. This accumulation of data continues until the function is halted. The results of the accumulation are displayed on the DIO bus while simultaneously being written back to the RAM. When the operation is complete, the RAM will contain the Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) of the image.

Figure 4 shows the configuration for this mode. Once this function is selected, the START pin is used to reset the counter and enable writing to the RAM. Write enable is delayed 3 cycles to match the delay in the Address Generator. The START pin determines when the accumulation will begin. Before this pin is activated, the counter will be in an unknown state and the DIO bus will contain unpredictable data. Once the START pin is sampled low, the data registers are reset in order to clear the accumulation. The output (DIO bus) will then be zero until a nonzero data value is read from the RAM. Timing for this operation is shown in Figure 5.

FIGURE 4. HISTOGRAM ACCUMULATE MODE BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE 5. HISTOGRAM ACCUMULATE MODE TIMING

The START pin must remain low in order to allow the accumulated data to overwrite the original histogram data contained in the RAM. When the START pin returns to a high state, the configuration remains intact, but writing to the

RAM is disabled and the part is in LUT(read) mode. Note that the counter is not reset at this point. The counter will be reset on the first cycle of CLK that START is detected low. To prevent invalid data from being written to the RAM, when the counter reaches its maximum value (1023), further writing to the RAM is disabled and the counter remains at this value until the mode is changed.

At the end of the histogram accumulation, the DIO output bus will contain the last accumulated value. The chip will remain in this state until START becomes inactive. The results of the accumulation can then be read out synchronously by keeping START high, or asynchronously in either of the asynchronous modes.

Bin Accumulate Mode

The functionality of this mode is also similar to the Histogram function. The only difference is that instead of incrementing the bin data by 1, the bin data is added to the incoming DIN bus data. The DIN bus is delayed internally by 3 cycles to match the latency in the address generator. Figure 6 shows the block diagram of the internal configuration for this mode, while the timing is given in Figure 7. Note that in this figure, START is used to disregard the data on DIN0-23 during DATA2.

FIGURE 6. BIN ACCUMULATE BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE 7. BIN ACCUMULATE TIMING

Look Up Table Mode

A Look Up Table (LUT) is used to perform a fixed transformation function on pixel values. This is particularly useful when the transformation is nonlinear and cannot be realized directly with hardware. An example is the remapping of the original pixel values to a new set of values based on the CDF obtained through Histogram Accumulation.

The transformation function can be loaded into the LUT in one of three ways: in LUT mode, through DIN0-23; in either asynchronous mode, over the DIO bus as described below under Asynchronous 16/24 Modes; in the Histogram Accumulate mode the transformation function is calculated internally (see description above). The transformation function can then be utilized by deactivating START, putting the part in LUT mode and clocking the data to be transformed onto the PIN bus. Note that it is necessary to wait one clock cycle after changing the mode before clocking data into the part.

The Block Diagram and Timing Diagram for this mode are shown in Figures 8 and 9. The left half of the timing diagram shows LUT(write) mode. On the first CLK that detects START low, the counter is reset and the write enable is activated for the RAM. As long as START remains low, the counter provides the write address to the RAM and data is sequentially loaded through the DIN bus. The DIN bus is delayed internally by 3 cycles to match the latency in the Address Generator. The DIO bus will contain the previous contents of the memory location being updated. When 1024 words have been written to the RAM, the counter stops and further writes to the RAM are disabled. The part stays in this state while START remains low.

When START returns high, the RAM write is disabled, the read address is taken from the PIN bus, and the chip acts as a synchronous LUT. (This is known as LUT(read) mode.) In order to ensure that the internal pipelines are clear, data

should not be input to PIN0-9 until the third clock after START goes high

FIGURE 8. LOOK UP TABLE BLOCK DIAGRAM

*** PREVIOUS CONTENTS OF BIN LOCATION.**

FIGURE 9. LOOK UP TABLE MODE TIMING

Delay Memory (Row Buffer) Mode

As seen by comparing Figures 8 and 10, the configuration for this mode is nearly identical to the LUT mode. In this mode, however, the counter is always providing the address and the write function is always enabled.

In order to force this configuration to act as a row delay register, the START signal must be used to reset the internal counter each time a new row of pixels is being sampled. Because of the inherent latency in the address and data paths, the counter must be reset every N-4 cycles, where N is the desired delay length. For example, if a delay from DIN to DIO of ten cycles is desired, the START signal must be set low every six cycles (see Figure 11). If the internal address

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counter reaches its maximum count (1023), it holds that value and further writes to the RAM are disabled.

FIGURE 10. DELAY MEMORY BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE 11. DELAY MEMORY MODE TIMING FOR ROW LENGTH OF TEN

Delay and Subtract Mode

This mode is similar to the Delay Memory mode, except the input data is subtracted from the corresponding data stored in RAM (See Figures 12 and 13).

FIGURE 12. DELAY AND SUBTRACT BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE 13. DELAY AND SUBTRACT MODE TIMING FOR ROW LENGTH OF TEN

Asynchronous 16/24 Modes

In the Asynchronous modes, the chip acts like a single port RAM. In this mode, the user can read (access) any bin location on the fly by simply setting the 10-bit IO address to the desired bin location. The RAM is then read or written on the following RD or WR pulse. A block diagram for this mode is shown in Figure 14. Note that all registers and pipeline stages are bypassed; START and CLK have no effect in this mode.

Timing waveforms for this mode are also shown in Figure 15. During reading, the read address is latched (internally) on the falling edge of RD. During write operations, the address is latched on the falling edge of \overline{WR} and data is latched on the rising edge of WR. Note that reading and writing occur on different ports, so that, in this mode, the write port always latches its address and data values from the \overline{WR} signal, while the read port always uses $\overline{\text{RD}}$ for latching.

The difference between the Async 16 mode and the Async 24 mode is the number of data bits available to the user. In 16-bit mode, the user can connect the system data bus to the lower 16 bits of the Histogrammer's DIO bus. The UWS pin becomes the LSB of the IO address, which determines if the lower 16 bits or upper 8 bits of the 24-bit Histogrammer data is being used. When UWS is low, the data present at DIO0-15 is the lower 16 bits of the data in the IOADD0-9 location. When UWS is high, the upper 8 bits of the IOADD09 location are present on DIO0-7. (This is true for both reading and writing). Thus, it takes 2 cycles for an asynchronous 24-bit operation when in Async 16 mode. Unused outputs are zeros.

FIGURE 14. ASYNCHRONOUS 16/24 BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE 15. ASYNCHRONOUS 16/24 MODE TIMING

Absolute Maximum Ratings **Thermal Information**

Operating Conditions

Die Characteristics

Gate Count .3500 Gates

CAUTION: Stresses above those listed in "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress only rating and operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational sections of this specification is not implied.

NOTE:

3. θ _{JA} is measured with the component mounted on an evaluation PC board in free air.

DC Electrical Specifications

NOTES:

4. Power supply current is proportional to operating frequency. Typical rating for I_{CCOP} is 12mA/MHz.

5. Maximum junction temperature must be considered when operating part at high clock frequencies.

Capacitance T_A = 25^oC, Not tested, but characterized at initial design and at major process or design changes.

AC Electrical Specifications $V_{CC} = 5V \pm 5\%$, $T_A = 0^{\circ}C$ to 70^oC (Note 6)

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NOTES:

6. AC Testing is performed as follows: Input levels (CLK) 0.0V and 4.0V; input levels (all other inputs) 0V and 3.0V. Timing reference levels (CLK) = 2.0V, (all others) = 1.5V. Output load circuit with C_L = 40pF. Output transition measured at V_{OH}Š ≥ 1.5V and V_{OL} ≤ 1.5V.

7. There must be at least one rising edge of CLK between the rising edge of \overline{LD} and the falling edge of \overline{STAT} .

8. Characterized upon initial design and after major changes to design and/or process.

9. Transition is measured at ±200mV from steady state voltage with loading as specified in test load circuit with C_L = 40pF.

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FIGURE 16. SYNCHRONOUS DATA AND CONTROL TIMING FIGURE 17. FUNCTION LOAD TIMING

FIGURE 18. WRITE CYCLE TIMING FIGURE 19. READ CYCLE TIMING

FIGURE 20. FLASH CLEAR TIMING FIGURE 21. OUTPUT RISE AND FALL TIMES