How to Use DSO138 Library

Applicable library version: 13803-031 or newer

1. **DSO138 Capture Engine Model**

Fig. 1 shows the structure of the DSO138 capture engine.

Input signals are first conditioned by the analogue circuits. They are then fed to analogue-to-digital converter (ADC) which samples and converts them to digital values (also called as samples). These digital values are stored to a specific memory (Sample Buffer) after certain processing and displayed on LCD as waveforms with the help of display functions.

The capture process is governed by a set of parameters including sensitivity, couple, time base, etc. and can be manipulated by a group of control functions. The stored data are accessible by means of data pointers. The parameters, control functions, data pointers, and display functions constitute the application interface of capture engine.

2. **DSO138 Library**

DSO138 library functions are categorized into three major groups, Parameter Access Functions, Capture Control Functions, and Display Functions. The library also provides two data pointers and a function for accesses to the sample buffer. These functions and pointers are explained below one by one.

1) **Parameter Access Functions**

Accessible parameters of DSO138 include:

- Sensitivity (VSen)
- Couple (Cpl)
- Vertical Position (VPos)
- Time base (TimeBase)
- Horizontal Position (HPos)
- Trigger Mode (TrigMode)
- Trigger Slope (TrigEdge)
- Trigger Level (TrigLvl)
≤ Record Length (RecLen)
≤ Vertical Position Offset (VPosOfs)

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<td>S8 SetVSen(S8 vsen);</td>
<td>vsen – the new sensitivity to be set. Sensitivity can be one of the following values: VS_5V (0x04) VS_2V (0x05) VS_1V (0x06) VS_05V (0x07) VS_02V (0x08) VS_01V (0x09) VS_50mV (0x0A) VS_20mV (0x0B) VS_10mV (0x0C)</td>
<td>The current sensitivity setting</td>
<td>For DSO138 this function only changes the internal value of the sensitivity setting and has no effect on actual circuit because actual sensitivity is completely dependant on SW2 and SW3. Internal sensitivity setting will be over-written by actual value whenever SW2 or SW3 is moved.</td>
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<td>S8 GetVSen(void);</td>
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<td>The current sensitivity internal value</td>
<td>Returns the current sensitivity internal value.</td>
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<td>S8 SetCpl(S8 cpl);</td>
<td>cpl – the new couple to be set. Couple can be one of the following values: CP_DC (0x00) CP_AC (0x01) CP_GND (0x02)</td>
<td>The current couple setting</td>
<td>For DSO138 this function only changes the internal value of the couple setting and has no effect on actual circuit because actual couple is completely dependant on switches SW1. Internal setting will be over-written by actual value whenever SW1 is moved.</td>
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<td>S8 GetCpl(void);</td>
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<td>S16 SetVPos(S16 vpos);</td>
<td>vpos – the new vertical position to be set. The value range of vertical position is -255 – 255 with 0 corresponding to the vertical centre of waveform window.</td>
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<td>timebase – the new time base to be set. Time base can be one of the following values (numbers in square brackets are corresponding sampling rates):</td>
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<td>TB_500s (0x01) [0.05Hz (20s)]</td>
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<td>TB_200s (0x02) [0.125Hz (8s)]</td>
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<td>TB_100s (0x03) [0.25Hz (4s)]</td>
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<td>TB_50ms (0x0D) [500Hz]</td>
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<td></td>
<td>TB_20ms (0x0E) [1.25KHz]</td>
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<td></td>
<td>TB_01ms (0x15) [250KHz]</td>
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<td>TB_50us (0x16) [500KHz]</td>
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<td>TB_20us, (0x17) [1.25MHz*]</td>
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<td>Return value</td>
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* These are equivalent sampling rate.

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<td>Sets the horizontal position of waveform display.</td>
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<td>Parameters</td>
<td>hpos – the new horizontal position to be set. The value range of horizontal position is from 0 to (Record Length – 300) with 0 corresponding to the left-most position.</td>
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Return value: The current horizontal position value
Remarks: This function returns the current horizontal position of waveform display.

Syntax: S8 SetTrigMode(S8 trigmode);
Parameters: trigmode – the new trigger mode to be set.
Trigger mode can be one of the following values:
  - TM_Auto (0x00)
  - TM_Normal (0x01)
  - TM_Single (0x02)
Return value: The current trigger mode setting
Remarks: This function sets the trigger mode.

Syntax: S8 GetTrigMode(void);
Parameters: None
Return value: The current trigger mode
Remarks: This function returns the current trigger mode setting

Syntax: S8 SetTrigEdge(S8 trigslope);
Parameters: trigslope – the new trigger slope to be set.
Trigger slope can be one of the following values:
  - TE_Falling (0x00)
  - TE_Rising (0x01)
Return value: The current trigger slope setting
Remarks: This function sets the trigger slope.

Syntax: S8 GetTrigEdge(void);
Parameters: None
Return value: The current trigger slope
Remarks: This function returns the current trigger slope setting

Syntax: S16 SetTrigLvl(S16 triglvl);
Parameters: triglvl – the new trigger level to be set.
The value range of trigger level is from -300 to 300 with 0 corresponding to 0V level.
Return value: The current trigger level
Remarks: This function sets the trigger level.

Syntax: S16 GetTrigLvl(void);
Parameters: None
Return value: The current trigger level
Remarks: This function returns the current trigger level.

Syntax: U16 SetRecLen(U16 reclen);
Parameters: reclen – the new record length to be set.
The value range of record length is from 512 to 1024.
Return value: The current record length
Remarks: This function sets the record length.

Syntax: U16 GetRecLen(void);
Parameters: None
Return value: The current record length
Remarks This function returns the current record length.

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<th>S16 SetVPosOfs(S16 ofs);</th>
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<td>Parameters</td>
<td>Ofs – the new vertical position offset. The value range of trigger level is from -255 to 255.</td>
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<td>Remarks</td>
<td>This function sets the vertical position offset. Vertical position offset is used to correct the possible mismatch between 0V trace and vertical position indicator.</td>
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Syntax S16 GetVPosOfs(void);
Parameters None
Return value The current vertical position offset
Remarks This function returns the current vertical position offset.

Note: In most cases newly changed parameters will not take effect until function StartCapture() (see below) is executed.

2) **Capture Control Functions**

The capture engine runs in two modes based on time base setting. When time base is set to faster than 50ms/div (i.e. 20ms/div or faster) the capture engine runs in **Frame Mode**, which means waveform display will only be updated after the whole sample buffer has been filled up with samples. When time base is set to 50ms/div or slower capture engine runs in **Rolling Mode**. In this mode waveform trace will be shifted horizontally from right to left one point at each new sample.

Syntax void DSO_Init(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function performs the necessary initialization for the capture engine.

Syntax void StartCapture(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function starts a new capture with the current parameters. Any undergoing capture will be aborted.

Syntax void StopCapture(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function stalls capture engine until next StartCapture() is executed.

Syntax U16 GetDsoStatus(void);
Parameters None
Return value The current capture engine status.
The meaning of capture engine status:
Remarks This function returns the current status of capture engine. The status bits are read-only. All status bits except the bit for HOLD are cleared when function StartCapture() is executed.

Syntax
void SetHold(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function puts the capture engine into HOLD state. Waveform refresh will be frozen until ClrHold() is performed.

Syntax
void ClrHold(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function releases capture engine from HOLD state and restores capture.

Syntax
void UpdateTimebase(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function puts time base (which is usually newly changed) in effect immediately instead of waiting for the execution of StartCapture() function.

3) Display Functions

Syntax
void DsoDisplay(void);
Parameters None
Return value None
Remarks This function responds to the display requests (sent by function UpdateDisp() and renders scope panel (grids), parameters, and traces accordingly.

Syntax
void UpdateDisp(U16 disp);
Parameters disp – display request
Display request can be one of the following values or their combination.
Disp_Panel (0x0001) – Update panel display
Disp_Param (0x0002) – Update parameter display
Disp_Trace (0x0004) – Update trace display
Disp_None (0x0008) – Clear screen
Return value None
Remarks This function sends various display requests to function DsoDisplay().

Syntax

void Rolling(void);

Parameters None

Return value None

Remarks This function shifts waveform trace towards left by one point (one sample).

Syntax

U8 SetFocus(U8 focus);

Parameters focus – item to be highlighted (focused)
Focus can be one of the following values:
   FC_Timebase (0x00) – Timebase
   FC_TrigMode (0x01) – Trigger Mode
   FC_TrigEdge (0x02) – Trigger Slope
   FC_TrigLvl (0x03) – Trigger Level
   FC_HPos (0x04) – Horizontal Position
   FC_VPos (0x05) – Vertical Position

Return value None

Remarks This function is used to select and highlight the specified parameter so as it can be adjusted.

Syntax

U8 GetFocus(void);

Parameters None

Return value The currently highlighted (focused) parameter

Remarks This function returns the currently highlighted parameter.

4) Data Access Pointers and Functions

Captured data are stored in a segment of specific memory (Sample Buffer). Each sample is half-word (16bits) in size. But only the lower 12 bits are significant. The highest 4 bits are always zeros. The size of Sample Buffer (in half-word) is equal to the record length setting. To access the Sample Buffer two pointers and one function can be used.

Definition

U16 *SampleBuf;

Remarks This is a pointer that always points to the start of sample buffer. You can use this pointer to access captured data when the status bit of CaptureDone is set.

Definition

U16 *CurrentSample;

Remarks This is a pointer that points to the last sample acquired. Please note that this pointer is only valid when capture engine is running in Rolling Mode. In Frame Mode CurrentSample does not contain a defined value.

Syntax

S16 GetAverage(void);

Parameters None

Return value The average of sample values in Sample Buffer

Remarks This function returns the average value of all samples that have been stored in the Sample Buffer.
3. **How to Use the Library**

1) **Conditions must be met for the capture engine to function**
   In order to have the capture engine function properly the following conditions must be satisfied.
   a) The function DSO_Init() must be called prior to execution of function NVIC_Configuration() and entering the main loop.
   b) NVIC_Configuration() must be called before entering the main loop. Do not modify the lines for TIM1, ADC1, and DMA Channel 1 interrupt settings inside function NVIC_Configuration().
   c) The function DsoDisplay() must be kept in the main loop even if you don’t want the scope panel be shown.
   d) The following lines must be included in the main loop even if you don’t use any scope functions.
      
      ```c
      if(GTimeout) {
          GTimeout = 0;
          StartCapture();
      }
      ```
   e) Do not use TIM1, TIM2, ADC1, and DMA Channel1 or change their settings. These peripherals are exclusively used by the capture engine.

2) **Build your application with the library**
   The library is provided with two files, libdso138.a and libdso138.h. They are developed under Sourcery CodeBench Lite from Mentor Graphics. To build it into your application just include the header file libdso138.h into your source codes and link them with libdso138.a. Please take the DSO138 source code package an example.

3) **Add features to the oscilloscope**
   You can use the DSO138 source code package as a base and add other features you like on top of it. Just keep the conditions met as stated in 1 ) and you are free to modify other codes.

4) **Develop applications without the oscilloscope**
   If you want to develop your application using the capture engine but don’t want the oscilloscope panel displayed you just need to set the variable NoScopePanel to non-zero value before entering the main loop and do not send any display requests with function UpdateDisp(). The scope panel will not show and you are free to add your own codes. Remember, you still need to make sure the conditions listed in 1 ) above are met.

**Revision History**

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