

APPLICATION NOTE 4005

# Interfacing a DS3234 Extremely Accurate SPI-Bus Real-Time Clock (RTC) to a Motorola Digital Signal Processor (DSP)

*Abstract: This application note provides an example of hardware and software for interfacing an SPI™ real-time clock (RTC) to a Motorola® digital signal processor (DSP) that has a built-in SPI-interface module. This example uses a Motorola DSP Demo Kit as the basis for the circuit.*

## Circuit Description

The [DS3234](#) real-time clock (RTC) can be interfaced to a microcontroller ( $\mu$ C) or digital signal processor (DSP) unit using an SPI-compatible interface. This application note shows how to connect a DS3234 to a Motorola DSP that has a built-in SPI module. This circuit uses the Motorola DSP56F800DEMO Demonstration Board and CodeWarrior™ integrated development environment (IDE). **Figure 1** illustrates the pin configuration of the DS3234.

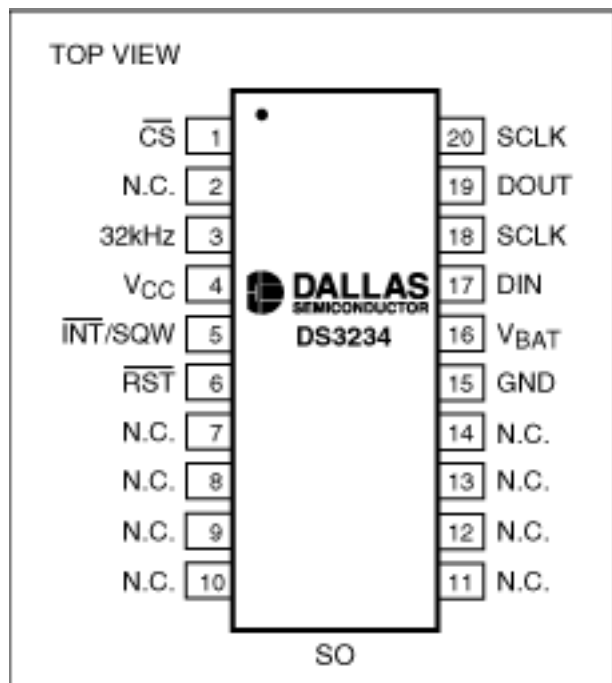


Figure 1. The pin configuration of the DS3234. Note that all N.C. pins must be connected to ground.

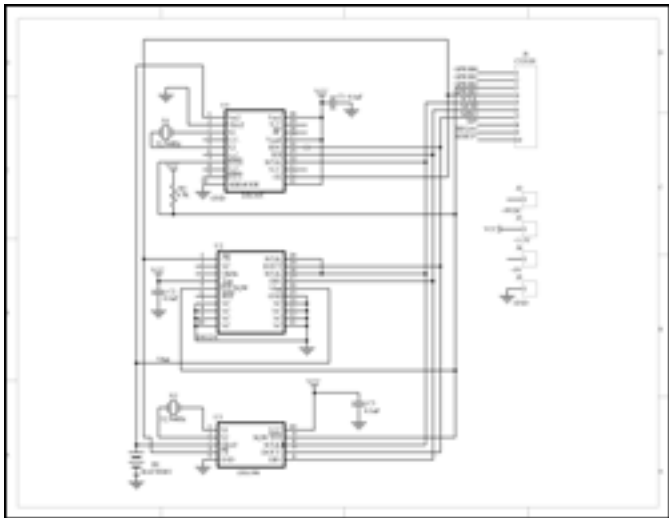
## Using the Example Software

The example software was developed by starting with a blank project. Follow the instructions in the Motorola Kit Installation Guide (Tutorial: Creating a CodeWarrior Project), and, then, add the code included in this application note in DS3234.c.

## Operation

The program uses a GPIO port to control the active-low CS pin on the DS3234. Another GPIO port is used to monitor the active-low INT/SQW pin. The software initializes the SPI and SCI controller modules in the DSP. The DS3234 supports SPI Modes 1 and 3. The SCI interface is used to provide program control on a terminal via an RS-232 interface. The following six user-selected routines are provided: Write user-entered time and date values to the RTC, read the time and date, read SRAM, write SRAM, read the temperature, and read ten times using the active-low INT/SQW output in once-per-second alarm mode.

**Figure 2** shows a schematic of the circuit. This circuit comprises a daughter card that is attached to the Motorola Demonstration Board. Please note that the circuit in Figure 2 includes several RTCs with SPI buses. Only one RTC may be used at a time, and the software only supports the DS3234.



[More detailed image](#) (PDF, 138kB)

*Figure 2. This schematic illustrates the connections for interfacing the DS3234 and other RTCs with SPI buses to a Motorola DSP.*

The example software code for interfacing a DS3234 SPI-bus RTC to a Motorola DSP is as follows:

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/* File: DS3234.c */
/* This example program was developed using the Motorola
56F800 Demo Board Kit. Follow the kit installation guide
for creating a CodeWarrior Project. Use the shell of the
new project for this example. Note: This program is for
example only and is not supported by Maxim. */

#include "port.h"
#include "stdio.h"
#include "stdlib.h"
#include "appconfig.h"
#include "string.h"

/*****
* Main program for use with Embedded SDK
*****/

void reset_spi(void);
void wbyte_spi(unsigned char);
void init_sci0(Word16);
void tx_sci0(unsigned char);
unsigned char rx_sci0();
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UWord16 input_data(void);
void output_data(unsigned char *);
void bcd2ascii(unsigned char);
void int2ascii(unsigned char);
unsigned char rbyte_spi(void);
void init_3234(void);
void rd_rtc(void);
void rd_ram(void);
void wr_ram(void);
void rd_temp(void);
void init_alarm(void);
void loop_rd(void);

unsigned char min, sec, hr, dow, date, mon, yr;

#define REG_BASE 0x0000
#define SCI0_BASE 0x0F00
#define SPI_BASE 0x0F20
#define GPIOA_BASE 0x0FB0
#define GPIOB_BASE 0x0FC0

#define SCI0_SCIBR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SCI0_BASE + 0)
#define SCI0_SCICR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SCI0_BASE + 1)
#define SCI0_SCISR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SCI0_BASE + 2)
#define SCI0_SCIDR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SCI0_BASE + 3)

#define SPSCR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SPI_BASE + 0)
#define SPDSR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SPI_BASE + 1)
#define SPDRR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SPI_BASE + 2)
#define SPDTR *(volatile UWord16 *)(SPI_BASE + 3)

#define GPIO_A_PUR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOA_BASE + 0)
#define GPIO_A_DR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOA_BASE + 1)
#define GPIO_A_DDR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOA_BASE + 2)
#define GPIO_A_PER *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOA_BASE + 3)

#define GPIO_B_PUR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOB_BASE + 0)
#define GPIO_B_DR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOB_BASE + 1)
#define GPIO_B_DDR *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOB_BASE + 2)
#define GPIO_B_PER *(volatile UWord16 *)(GPIOB_BASE + 3)

void main (void)
{
unsigned char val;

    reset_spi();
    init_sci0(195);                // 30MHz / 195 = 9600 baud

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;          // disable RTC - CS high

    GPIO_B_DR = 0;               // enable RTC - CS low
    wbyte_spi(0x8e);            // control register write address
    rbyte_spi();                // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x18);            // enable osc, 8kHz on INTb/SQW
    rbyte_spi();

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;          // disable RTC - CS high

    while(1)
    {
        output_data("\n\rDS3234 build: \0");
    }
}

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output_data(__DATE__);
output_data("\n\rRead RTC    Write RTC\0");
output_data("\n\rTemp rd    Loop rd w/INTb\0");
output_data("\n\rExt RAM rd wrI)te RAM\0");
output_data("\n\rEnter command: \0");
val = rx_sci0();

switch(val)
{
    case 'E':
    case 'e':      rd_rtc();      break;

    case 'I':
    case 'i':      wr_ram();      break;

    case 'L':
    case 'l':      loop_rd();     break;

    case 'R':
    case 'r':      rd_rtc();     break;

    case 'T':
    case 't':      rd_temp();    break;

    case 'W':
    case 'w':      init_3234();  break;
}

return;
}

//SPSCR
//15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
// r MSB SPRF ERRIE  ovrf modf spte modfen sprl  spr0  sprie spmstr  cpol cpha spe  spite

void reset_spi()
{
int    val;
SPSCR = 0x0056; // SPR0, SPMSTR, CPHA, SPE
SPDSR = 0x0007; // 8-bit size

SPSCR &= 0xfffd; // clear spe, resets SPI (partial)
SPSCR |= 0x0002; // set spe, new values take effect

GPIO_B_PER = 0x00f3; // use GPIOB3 as CS for RTC, GPIOB2 as input
GPIO_B_DDR = 0x0009; // direction is output for CS

GPIO_A_PER = 0x00f9; // enable/disable per function (1=enable)
GPIO_A_DDR = 0x0006; // direction is output (1=output)
GPIO_A_DR  = 0;      // write bits low (0=low)
}

void wbyte_spi( unsigned char  wbyte) // ----- write one byte -----
{
    while (!(SPSCR & 0x0200)); // wait for transmitter empty flag

    SPDTR = wbyte;
}

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void bcd2ascii(unsigned char dat) // ----- convert bcd to ascii and send to sci ----
{
    if( (dat >> 4) > 9)
        tx_sci0( (dat >> 4) + 0x37); // A - F
    else
        tx_sci0( (dat >> 4) + 0x30); // 0 - 9

    if( (dat & 0x0f) > 9)
        tx_sci0( (dat & 0x0f) + 0x37);
    else
        tx_sci0( (dat & 0x0f) + 0x30);
}
void int2ascii(unsigned char dat) // ----- convert int to ascii and send to sci ----
{
    unsigned char tmp1;

    if(dat > 99)
    {
        tmp1 = (dat / 100) + 0x30; // if > 100, convert to ASCII 1
        tx_sci0(tmp1);
        dat -= (100 * (int) (dat / 100) ); // adjust number
    }
    if(dat > 9)
    {
        tmp1 = (dat / 10) + 0x30; // if > 10, convert to ASCII 1
        tx_sci0(tmp1);
        dat -= (10 * (int) (dat / 10) ); // adjust number
    }

    tmp1 = (dat) + 0x30; // convert to ASCII 1
    tx_sci0(tmp1);
}
unsigned char rbyte_spi(void) // ----- read one byte -----
{
    while (!(SPSCR & 0x2000)); // wait for receiver full flag

    return(SPDRR);
}
void init_sci0(Word16 baud) // ---- initialize SCI0 for RS232 comm ---
{
    GPIO_B_PER = 0x00f3; // set up
    GPIO_B_DDR = 0x0009; // direction is output

    SCI0_SCIBR = baud; // baud rate
    SCI0_SCICR = 0x2000; // control reg
}
void tx_sci0(unsigned char val) // ----- transmit one char from SCI -----
{
    UWord16 dat;

    SCI0_SCICR &= 0x3ffb; // turn receiver off
    SCI0_SCICR |= 8; // turn transmitter on
    while(!(SCI0_SCISR & 0x8000)); // wait until TDRE is false
    while(!(SCI0_SCISR & 0x4000)); // wait until TIDLE is false

    SCI0_SCIDR = (Word16) (val);

    while(!(SCI0_SCISR & 0x8000)); // wait until TDRE is false
    while(!(SCI0_SCISR & 0x4000)); // wait until TIDLE is false
}

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        SCI0_SCICR &= 0x3ff0;    // turn transmitter off
    }
    unsigned char rx_sci0() // ----- receive one char to SCI -----
    {
        SCI0_SCICR &= 0x3ff0;    // turn transmitter off
        SCI0_SCICR |= 4;        // turn receiver on

        while(!(SCI0_SCISR & 0x2000)); // wait until RDRF is true

        SCI0_SCICR &= 0x3ffb;    // turn receiver off

        return( (unsigned char) (SCI0_SCIDR & 0x00FF) );
    }
    UWord16 input_data() // ----- get string -----
    {
        UWord16 dat = 0, tmp[2] = {0,0};
        while(1)
        {
            dat = (rx_sci0() & 0x00ff);    // get a character
            if(dat == 0x0d)
            {
                tmp[0] = (tmp[0] & 0x000f);    // convert ASCII 0-9
                tmp[1] = (tmp[1] & 0x000f);    // to 'BCD'
                dat = (tmp[1] << 4) + tmp[0];
                return(dat);    // exit if lf
            }
            tx_sci0(dat);    // echo new char to screen
            tmp[1] = tmp[0];    // move it
            tmp[0] = dat;
        }
        return(dat);    // return BCD (for ASCII 0-9 only)
    }
    void output_data(unsigned char str[80]) // ----- send string -----
    {
        UWord16 dat, inc = 0;

        do
        {
            dat = str[inc];
            tx_sci0(dat);    // new char to screen
            inc++;
        } while(str[inc]);    // quit when char is NULL
    }
    void init_3234(void) // ----- init RTC using user values -----
    {
        output_data("Enter year 00-99 \0");
        yr = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter month 1-12 \0");
        mon = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter date 1-31 \0");
        date = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter day of week 1-7 \0");
        dow = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter hour 1-23 \0");
        hr = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter minute 0-59 \0");
        min = (unsigned char) input_data();
        output_data("\n\rEnter second 0-59 \0");
        sec = (unsigned char) input_data();
    }

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GPIO_B_DR = 0u;                // enable RTC - CS low

wbyte_spi(0x80);               // select seconds register write address
rbyte_spi();                   // dummy read
wbyte_spi(sec);                // seconds register data
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(min);                // minutes register
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(hr);                 // hours register
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(dow);                // day of week register
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(date);               // date register
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(mon);                // month register
rbyte_spi();
wbyte_spi(yr);                 // year register
rbyte_spi();

GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;           // disable RTC - CS high
}
void rd_rtc(void)              // ---- loop reading time & date ----
{
    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;            // enable RTC - CS low

    wbyte_spi(0);              // seconds register read address
    rbyte_spi();               // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0);
    sec = rbyte_spi();         // read seconds register
    wbyte_spi(0);
    min = rbyte_spi();         // ditto minutes
    wbyte_spi(0);
    hr = rbyte_spi();          // and so on
    wbyte_spi(0);
    dow = rbyte_spi();
    wbyte_spi(0);
    date = rbyte_spi();
    wbyte_spi(0);
    mon = rbyte_spi();
    wbyte_spi(0);
    yr = rbyte_spi();

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;       // disable RTC - CS high

    tx_sci0(0x0d);            // sequence to print crlf
    tx_sci0(0x0a);
    bcd2ascii(yr);             // sequence to print time & date
    tx_sci0('/');
    bcd2ascii(mon);
    tx_sci0('/');
    bcd2ascii(date);
    tx_sci0(' ');
    bcd2ascii(hr);
    tx_sci0(':');
    bcd2ascii(min);
    tx_sci0(':');
    bcd2ascii(sec);
}
void rd_ram(void)              // ---- read & display RAM data ----
{

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UWord16 inc;
unsigned char dat;

GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low

wbyte_spi(0x98);        // SRAM address register, write
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
wbyte_spi(0);           // set the SRAM address
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read

GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;     // disable RTC - CS high
GPIO_B_DR = 0u;         // enable RTC - CS low

// register pointer auto-incremented to the SRAM data register,
// where it will stay
wbyte_spi(0x19);        // SRAM data register, read
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read

tx_sci0(0x0d);          // sequence to print crlf
tx_sci0(0x0a);
for(inc = 0; inc < 256; inc++)
{
    wbyte_spi(0);        // dummy write
    dat = rbyte_spi();   // read the data
    if(!(inc % 16) )
    {
        tx_sci0(0x0d);   // sequence to print crlf
        tx_sci0(0x0a);
    }
    bcd2ascii(dat);
    tx_sci0(' ');        // print a space
    // the SRAM address in the SRAM address register increments
    // each time the SRAM data register is read or written
}

GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;     // disable RTC - CS high
}
void wr_ram(void)        // ---- write incrementing data to RAM ----
{
UWord16 inc;

GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low

wbyte_spi(0x98);        // SRAM address register, write
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
wbyte_spi(0);           // set the SRAM address
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read

// register pointer auto-incremented to the next location
// and stays there (if it's the RAM data register)
for(inc = 0; inc < 256; inc++)
{
    wbyte_spi( (unsigned char) inc);
    rbyte_spi();        // dummy read
}

GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;     // disable RTC - CS high
// We could set the SRAM address each time we write a byte
// of data, which would be the case if you need to randomly
// access data in the SRAM

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}
void rd_temp(void)      // ----- read temperature register -----
{
unsigned char msb, lsb;

do
{
    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low
    wbyte_spi(0x0f);        // control/status reg
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0);          // dummy write
    msb = rbyte_spi();      // read reg
    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high

} while(msb & 0x04);      // wait if BSY = 1

GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low

wbyte_spi(0x11);         // address of temperature MSB
rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
wbyte_spi(0);
msb = rbyte_spi();      // read MSB
wbyte_spi(0);
lsb = (rbyte_spi() >> 6) * 25; // read LSB

GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high

int2ascii(msb);
tx_sci0('.');
int2ascii(lsb);
}
void init_alarm(void) // --- enable alarm 1 for once-per-second ---
{
    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low

    wbyte_spi(0x87);        // 1st alarm 1 reg address
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x80);        // mask alarm register
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x80);
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x80);
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x80);
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high

    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;          // enable RTC - CS low

    wbyte_spi(0x8e);        // control register
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0x05);        // enable interrupts, alarm 1 output
    rbyte_spi();            // dummy read

    /* Good practice would dictate that we clear any alarm flags
    that may already have been set or else we run the risk that
    the handling routine may be invoked immediately.  For this
    example, it's not necessary */

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high

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}
void loop_rd(void)      // --- output time & date when INTb/SQW goes active ---
{
/* This routine shows how to handle an alarm from the RTC.  In actual
use, an interrupt routine would normally be used to service an interrupt
from the RTC.  An alarm could be used to wake up a micro so that it could
perform some function, set a new alarm time, and go back to sleep */

unsigned char val, inc;

    init_alarm();    // enable alarm 1

for(inc = 0; inc < 10; inc++)    // loop 10 times then exit
{
    while(GPIO_B_DR & 0x0004);    // loop while GPIO is high
    rd_rtc();    // output time & date

    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;    // enable RTC - CS low

    wbyte_spi(0x0f);    // control/status register
    rbyte_spi();    // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(0);
    val = rbyte_spi();    // read current data in register

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high

    GPIO_B_DR = 0u;    // enable RTC - CS low

    wbyte_spi(0x8f);    // control/status register
    rbyte_spi();    // dummy read
    wbyte_spi(val & 0xfc);    // clear AF flags, leave other bits unchanged
    rbyte_spi();    // dummy read

    GPIO_B_DR = 0x0008;    // disable RTC - CS high
}
}

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