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Installation and Configuration

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About This Document

This document details the installation and configuration particulars for Symphony Studio when used with the Symphony SoundBite development board.

Audience

This guide is intended for new users to Symphony Studio and the Symphony SoundBite development board.

Organization

This document is organized into the following chapters:

- Chapter 1 Introduction to Symphony SoundBite
- Chapter 2 Installation and initial configuration guide for Symphony Studio

References

For more information, see the following documents:

- ***Symphony SoundBite: Reference Manual***
- ***Symphony Studio: Eclipse for Symphony DSPs User's Guide***
- ***Symphony SoundBite: Assembly Project Template User's Guide***
- ***Symphony SoundBite: Demo Application User's Guide***

Chapter 1 Introduction

Symphony Studio is a new integrated development environment (IDE) that supports Freescale's Symphony family of 24-bit digital signal processors. Symphony Studio differs substantially from the previous suite of development tools for these DSPs. This document provides a brief introduction to this new IDE particularly as it relates to software development for the Symphony SoundBite target hardware.

This document is meant to supplement the user's guides included with the Symphony Studio installation. It contains information and configuration particular to the use of Symphony Studio with the Symphony SoundBite development board.

1.1 Symphony SoundBite Hardware

The Symphony SoundBite is an inexpensive but feature-packed solution for audio digital signal processing based on the DSPB56371 digital signal processor. The Symphony SoundBite supports the simultaneous input and output of eight channels of analog audio or six channels of analog with digital stereo optical SP/DIF through the eight 3.5 mm stereo jacks on the board. Sample rates of up to 192 kHz are supported with the four 24-bit stereo codecs mounted on the board. A serial I2C EEPROM provides non-volatile storage for the DSP as well as also allowing the board to operate stand-alone (DSP application code is stored in the EEPROM).

An eight-position DIP switch and nine LEDs are connected to GPIO pins on the DSP and are available for user interaction and indication. An expansion header is provided to facilitate off-board expansion.

The on-board USB interface is built around the FT-2232. It provides for low-level JTAG and OnCE debugging capability with the use of Symphony Studio. Symphony Studio allows application development in assembly alone or C and assembly. Additionally, it provides for high-level SPI and I2C communication via the DSP's SHI port, which provides data pipe between the host PC and the DSP. Data or application code can be transmitted through the data pipe.

Chapter 2 Configuring Symphony Studio

2.1 Installation

This installation guide refers to the production release of Symphony Studio 1.1.0. Newer versions might be different than what is described here. If you are installing a different version, refer to the notes for that release for more details.

Begin the installation process by launching the installation utility *Symphony_Studio_IDE.exe*. Follow the instructions of the installer as they are presented. Pay particular attention to the installation path of Symphony Studio. No spaces are permitted in the pathname with the current release, so the usual “Program File” installation directory is not usable. The default C:\Symphony-Studio is preferred and is assumed throughout.

When the installation is complete, a dialog box with several checkbox options is presented. The built-in USB-to-JTAG command converter on the Symphony SoundBite board requires the FTD2XX drivers to be installed. Leave the FTD2XX box checked in this final dialog box and click *Finish*.

2.2 Initial Configuration

Launch Symphony Studio. On the first launch, the Workspace Launcher dialog box will be presented. The default workspace name is “workspace” and is placed in the user’s working directory. The name and location may be changed. The default name and location is assumed throughout. Click *OK*.

Once it is fully launched, the newly created workspace opens with a Welcome window.

Perform the following steps:

1. Click the *Workbench* icon, which looks like an arrow rolled over on itself.
2. Right-click the *Resource* button in the upper right corner of the window and select *Close*.
3. Click the *Open Perspective* button near the top center and select *Debug*.
4. Click the *Open Perspective* button again (now next to the *Debug* button on the upper right) and select *C/C++*.

The two clickable buttons in the upper right corner of the Symphony Studio window are used for changing between the two perspectives, *C/C++* and *Debug*. The *C/C++* perspective is where all the project management and editing or coding occurs. The *Debug* perspective is where the debugging activities occur.

The workspace is now configured in the default state that is assumed throughout.

2.3 External Tool

An external tool is the mechanism by which the Symphony Studio GUI debugger connects to a target, where that target might be actual target hardware or the software simulator. The target can be locally connected to the host PC, or remotely connected. That is, when it is remotely connected, it is running on a separate machine but accessible through the TCP/IP network by the host machine. In either case, the external tool is software that listens on a TCP/IP port for a connection from the debugger, and then relays data between the debugger and the target.

To create the external tool configuration for the Symphony SoundBite, perform the following steps.

1. Select the dropdown menu **Run > External Tools > External Tools...**
2. Select the External Tool template OpenOCD GDB Server.
3. Double-click the selection or click on the **New Launch Configuration** button. The **New Launch Configuration** button looks like a sheet of paper with a yellow “+” on it.
4. Choose **56371** in the **Device** pull down menu and choose **soundbite** in the **Dongle** pull down menu.
5. Connect the Symphony SoundBite board to the host PC and allow Windows time to recognize and install the drivers.
6. After the hardware is ready, click the **Run** button to launch the External Tool.

After launching, the console tab should display a single status line with no errors similar to the following:
Info: openocd.c:82 main(): Open On-Chip Debugger ps001 (2007-10-19 18:00 CEST)

If an error message occurs (displayed on the line below the info line above), re-launch the External Tool for Symphony SoundBite. Sometimes OpenOCD is unable to immediately connect to the debugger port of the DSP56371. Also, once an External Tool configuration has been launched, it can be re-launched by using the numbered entry in the **Run > External Tools** history submenu or the **Run** button in the button bar of the Symphony Studio window (the button that has a green circle with a white triangle in it with a little red toolbox in the lower right corner).

2.4 Debug Configuration

The **Commands** tab in Symphony Studio is where Gnu debugger commands can be specified to be executed at the beginning of a debug session (**Initialize commands**) or to be executed any time application code from a project is executed (**Run commands**). Since the debugger is not able to reset the DSP through the JTAG/OnCE port, the DSP56371 on the Symphony SoundBite requires the DSP to be forced into a reset-like state so that all queued interrupts are cleared and all the on-chip peripherals are reset. The processor state is not changed, so application code cannot assume that core registers are in their default reset states. The **Initialize commands** are used to force a reset-like state during the Initialize phase of debugging, before any application code is downloaded or run.

When using the **Freescale 56371** Debug configuration, Symphony Studio automatically configures the Debug launch configuration to force the DSP on the Symphony SoundBite into the reset-like state. You can verify this by performing the following steps:

1. Select the **Run > Debug...** menu to open the Debug configuration dialog box.
2. Select the Symphony SoundBite debug configuration. If this is not a selection, create it using the **Freescale 56371** template.
3. Click on the **Commands** tab. In the **'Initialize' commands** text box, verify that the following four lines of text are included:

```
M p:0 0x000084  
M p:1 0x000200  
set $pc=0  
cont
```

Line 1 writes the value 0x84, which is the opcode for the RESET instruction, at P:0.

Line 2 writes the value 0x200, which is the opcode for the DEBUG instruction, at P:1.

Line 3 changes the DSP's PC to 0.

Line 4 instructs the debugger to tell the DSP to begin executing instructions normally, stopping at the DEBUG instruction at P:1.

These four instructions are executed every time a Debug configuration is launched and before the project's application code is downloaded.