Generic Tone Generation on the StarCore™ SC140/SC1400 Cores

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The use of DSPs in computationally intensive applications, such as media gateways, voice over packet networks (VoIP, VoFR, VoATM), and xDSL modems, has resulted in efficient designs and systems with tremendous computational power. Most communication systems require precise tone generation and detection for functions such as dual tone multiple frequency (DTMF) signaling, call progress tones, and FAX requesting tones. The ITU-T Recommendation E.180/Q.35 [1] specifies the technical characteristics of tones used in most telephone services available today. Most off-the-shelf components do not meet the cost, size, and power consumption requirements of many systems. However, all the required signaling tones rely on the same basic principle, which can be efficiently implemented in today's DSPs. The use of DSPs enables many unrelated tone protocols to be synthesized with the same firmware and used across a wide range of tone frequencies.

This application note presents the design, implementation, and testing of a generic tone generator on the Freescale MSC8101 processor. The first member of the Freescale MSC8100 family of DSPs, the MSC8101 processor [2] is based on the StarCoreTM SC140 four-ALU DSP core. This device has 512 KB of memory and a Communications Processor Module (CPM), which make it a versatile device for communication applications. The proposed module has two major components: initialization (fsl_tone_gen) and generation (fsl_tone_gen_init). The first component relies on polynomial approximation of a cosine for calculating initial states and coefficients to be used in the second component. The

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Digital Sine Wave Generation

core of the tone generator (second component) relies on a digital oscillator. We tested this approach with a large number of signaling tones (such as DTMF, MF-R1, MF-R2), and it showed a good compromise in terms of performance, memory requirements, and precision. The module requires less than 0.1 MCPS, which can be improved with further hand-optimization of the assembly code. We also verified compliance with related ITU-T standards in terms of frequency accuracy, using both FFT magnitude plots of actual data generated from the module and real-time measurements with a spectrum analyzer.

Further functionality can be added if needed. For example, tones with more than two frequencies—modulation with carrier, among others—can easily be incorporated into the module.

1 Digital Sine Wave Generation

The most common ways to synthesize sine waves are:

- *Table look-up*. Offers the lowest complexity but is not used in the proposed tone generator because it cannot guarantee high precision with reasonable table sizes.
- *Polynomial approximation*. Offers the same high precision for every frequency, but requires the highest computational complexity.
- *Digital oscillator*. Uses the intrinsic properties of trigonometric functions, which can be implemented with low memory and computational complexity and usually exceed precision requirements.

The proposed tone generator employs both the digital oscillator and polynomial approximation methods.

1.1 Digital Oscillator

The core of the tone generation module is a digital oscillator [3], that is, an IIR filter whose poles are on the unit circle. Our implementation uses a second-order filter, from which single-frequency tones are generated. The phase (θ) of the pole is related to the frequency of the synthesized sine wave:

$$\theta = 2\pi f/f_s$$

The equation for the oscillator is given as follows:

Equation 1

$$x(n) = 2.\cos\left(\frac{2\pi f}{f_s}\right) \cdot x(n-1) - x(n-2)$$

where x(n) is a sine wave signal, f is the required frequency, and fs is the sampling frequency.

The amplitude and phase of the sine wave are determined by the initial states x (-1) and x (-2). Depending on initial conditions, either a cosine or a sine signal is generated by a digital oscillator. This algorithm has two main advantages:

- Low data and program memory requirements
- Low computational complexity

A digital oscillator requires the following initializations:

• The coefficient

$$2.\cos(2\pi f/f_s)$$

• The two initial conditions: x(-1) and x(-2)

The following table shows the computation of initial conditions:

COSINE Initialization	SINE Initialization		
$x(-2) = \pm amplitude$ $(x(-1) = \pm amplitude) \times \frac{coefficient}{2} = amplitude \times cos\left(\frac{2\pi f}{f_s}\right)$	$(x(-2) = \pm amplitude) \times \sin \frac{2\pi f}{f_s} = amplitude \times \cos \left(\frac{2\pi f}{f_s} - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ $x(-1) = 0$		

For a pre-defined number of target frequencies, the initialization values can be pre-computed. However, a generic tone generation requires the computation with high precision for any frequency. A polynomial approximation, described in the following section, is employed for this calculation.

1.2 Polynomial Approximation

A polynomial approximation is used to compute the cosine necessary to initialize the digital oscillator. This method uses the Taylor's expansion of a cosine:

Equation 2

$$\cos(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k x^{2k}, a_k = \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!}$$

Replacing x with the following:

$$2\pi f/f_{\rm s}$$

and defining the normalized frequency as follows yields **Equation 3**:

$$f_n = f/f_s$$

Equation 3

$$\cos(2\pi f_n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k f_n^{2k}, b_k = (2\pi)^{2k} a_k$$

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The actual implementation uses a factorized version of this formula with a finite number of elements and normalized coefficients. A sixth-order polynomial provides sufficient precision for 16-bit coefficients; furthermore, the same polynomial can be used to compute either sine or cosine, as follows:

$$\sin(x) = \cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Thus, the final polynomial approximation is as shown in **Equation 4**:

Equation 4

$$\cos(2\pi f_n) = 2^m (((c_3 f_n^2 + c_2) f_n^2 + c_1) f_n^2 + c_0), c_k = 2^{-m} b_k$$

The corresponding normalized coefficients to be stored in memory are scaled by 2-7 (that is, m = 7) and listed in **Table 1**.

Coefficients	Fractional Value	16-bit Fixed Point
C ₀	0.0078125	256 (0x0100)
C ₁	-0.1542053	60483 (0xEC43)
C ₂	0.5073242	16624 (0x40F0)
C ₃	-0.6676025	43660 (0xAA8C)

Table 1. Normalized Coefficients

2 Tone Generator Implementation

The proposed tone generator synthesizes tones composed of up to two simultaneous frequencies with arbitrary duration and frequency values. The method of defining tones is easy and flexible. The output signal is decomposed into elementary components. **Figure 1** shows an example of a possible desired tone.

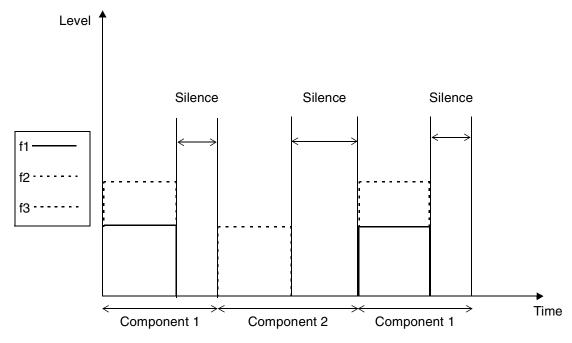


Figure 1. Example of a Desired Tone

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2.1 Elementary Components

The elementary tone component is a pair composed of a sound period followed by a silence period (see **Figure 2**). This pair (sound + silence) can be repeated as often as needed to yield a component. In the example shown in **Figure 1**, each component has only one consecutive occurrence of its base pair.

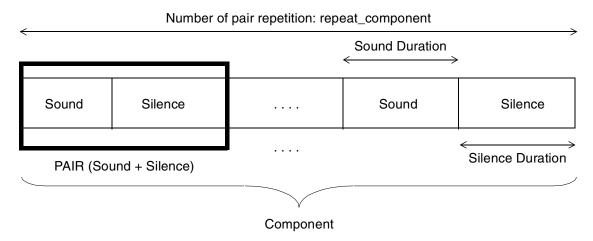


Figure 2. Elementary Tone Component

Each component is defined by the following parameters:

- Frequencies (in Hz).
- Levels (in dBm0). The signal amplitude per frequency is given as follows:

$$A = 10^{-Level(dBm0)/20} / \sqrt{2}$$

- Sound duration. Indicates the duration of the sound (in ms).
- *Silence duration*. Indicates the duration of the silence period (in ms) that follows the sound period. The software fills in the linear_out buffer with zeroes to cover that period. A value of zero indicates no silence period.
- *repeat_component*. This value specifies the number of pairs (sound + silence) that must be generated to complete the component. A value of zero indicates that the pair should be repeated indefinitely.
- Control word. Defines whether the two sinusoids are to be added or modulated, the initial phase (0 or 180°), and the frequency unit (f or f/3). This flag is stored in a byte as follows:

7: MSB	6	5	4	3	2	1	0:LSB
_	_	_	Phase_2	Phase_1	Unit_2	Unit_1	Add/Mod

- Bit 0: Add/Mod
 - 0 The two frequencies are added.
 - 1 The two frequencies are modulated.

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- Bit 1: Unit 1
 - 0 Frequency1.
 - 1 Frequency1 divided by 3.
- Bit 2: Unit 2
 - 0 Frequency2.
 - 1 Frequency2 divided by 3.
- Bit 3: Phase 1
 - 0 Frequency1 initialized with 0° phase.
 - 1 Frequency1 initialized with 180° phase.
- Bit 4: Phase 2
 - 0 Frequency2 initialized with 0° phase.
 - 1 Frequency2 initialized with 180° phase.

The unit bits produce frequencies with 1/3 Hz. For example, 16 2/3 Hz is generated with 50 Hz when the unit bit is set (16 2/3 Hz = 50/3 Hz).

2.2 Tone Cycles

When all components are ready, they must be gathered into the desired tone. A component group is called a cycle, as shown in **Figure 3**. Up to five components can be grouped into one cycle. Finally, the created cycle can be repeated as often as needed to form the signaling tone.

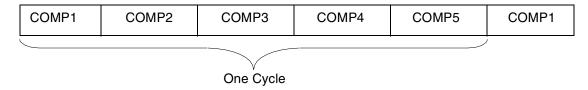


Figure 3. Cycle Components

2.3 Functional Interface

There are many different types of tones, such as single, dual, partial dual, and modulated. The starting times of sinusoids with different frequencies are arbitrary, but they are easily synchronized within the components. The external interface to the software consists of the following C functions (see **Figure 4**):

- TONE_GENERIC is a structure that describes the tone to be generated.
- SIGNAL is a 16-bit signed fractional type.
- *linear_out* is an output buffer.
- samples_out, a multiple of eight, indicates how many samples the software must generate in this call.
- *GEN_CHANNEL* is a structure containing the description of the tone to be generated and the actual state of the generation.

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• *gen_channel* is a channel-dependent instance of GEN_CHANNEL containing all channel data for generation.

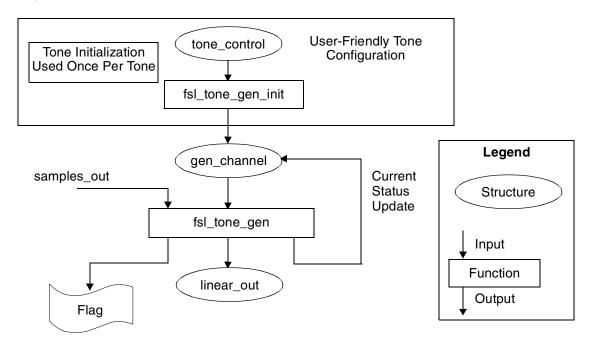


Figure 4. External Interface to Software

fsl_tone_gen returns the following integer flag:

- Bit 0 (LSB): Indicates whether tone generation is complete.
 - 0 Generation is not complete.
 - 1 Generation is complete.
- Bit 1: Indicates whether the content of the entire buffer is silence.
 - 0 Buffer or part of the buffer contains sound.
 - 1 Entire buffer is silence

The main structures are defined as follows:

```
typedef struct{
                            UINT16 tone_repeat_cycle;
                            UINT16 tone_component_count;
                            TONE_COMPONENT tone_component[5];
} TONE GENERIC;
       typedef struct{
                             UINT8 flags;
                             UINT8 repeat_component;
                             UINT16 sound duration;
                             UINT16 silence_duration;
                             UINT16 frequency_1;
                             UINT16 frequency_2;
                             INT8 level_1;
                             INT8
                                   level_2;
} TONE_COMPONENT;
```

where:

• tone_repeat_cycle. Number of cycle repetitions needed to generate the full tone.

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- tone_component_count. Number of components in the cycle.
- tone_component[5]. An array that contains the description of every component.

TONE_COMPONENT parameters are described at the beginning of this section. The TONE_GENERIC structure is not persistent, so the fsl_tone_gen_init function does not save pointers to any part of this structure. After fsl_tone_gen_init returns, the software copies any information that is needed in the channel-dependent structure gen_channel.

2.4 Implementation Constraints

The implementation constraints apply to both tone initialization and tone generation.

2.4.1 Tone Initialization

The coefficients for all frequencies are calculated with a cosine polynomial approximation during the initialization routine, which restricts the coefficient precision to 14 bits. We tested the error introduced by this method with MATLAB simulations and found the error to be within the one percent tolerance required by ITU-T standards. We decreased the full-scale level to 0x7FC0 (instead of 0x7FFF) to avoid saturation. The impact of such an "underlevel" is negligible after A- or μ -law encoding stages [4]. This 0 dB level can be considered as a full scale one. Half scale tones are often preferred.

The initialization is divided into two parts:

- Creating a GEN_CHANNEL structure in conformance with the user's requirements, computing
 coefficients and duration for each component and copying any information needed after
 fsl_tone_gen_init returns.
- Updating the channel-dependent structure for every new component using the fill_component_param function, which updates the initial samples (x(-2) and x(-1)).

Each time new samples are produced, the number of sound and silence samples is updated in fsl_tone_gen. Instead of generating the samples for two tones with frequencies f1 and f2 and then modulating them, tones with frequencies f1+f2 and f1-f2 are initialized, scaled by 1/2 and added. This saves processing load, measured in millions of cycles per second (MCPS), and avoids generating low-frequency tones, which are difficult to generate with 16-bit precision. The current version of this module does not implement modulation with carrier (such as standard AM modulation). A third frequency component can be added at the expense of increased MCPS.

2.4.2 Tone Generation

The SC140 multiple ALU architecture allows simultaneous generation of samples for both frequencies. The performance is optimal with two frequencies because required data can be loaded and updated in a single clock cycle: four fractional moves for the four previous samples and two fractional moves for the two coefficients.

To reduce MCPS, blocks of eight samples are generated. Furthermore, duration times are given in ms (number of samples is 8*(duration time)) so that eight samples are generated as grouped bursts. Each component includes a silence duration after a sound period. If a property of the tone must be changed without prior silence, the silence duration must be set to zero at the end of the previous component.

If a frequency level is 63 (-63 dBm0), the initial filter states are initialized with zeroes so that no samples are generated for this frequency. If a single frequency is generated with the modulation flag set, the result is silence. When a continuous tone must be generated, it is better to repeat a component with a long sound_duration because

the code runs faster than with a short sound_duration repeated very often. Note that the filter state is initialized between two cycles, but not between two occurrences of the same component without silence in between. If only one component is used, it is better to repeat the component, not the tone cycle, to prevent harmonic distortions.

2.5 Status Reporting

The top-level modules are informed of the tone generation status with the return values given by fsl_tone_gen. The return flag bits are as follows:

- Bit 0 (LSB): indicates whether tone generation is complete.
 - 1 Complete.
 - 0 Not complete.
- Bit 1: indicates whether the content of the buffer is silence.
 - 1 Entire buffer is silence.
 - 0 Buffer or part of the buffer contains sound.

We recommend that silence be generated with the silence part of a component, not with the sound part initialized with null level (-63 dBm0) frequencies. Otherwise, the return flag does not reflect reality.

The "entire buffer is silence" flag detects whether the program has run the generation routine. If the generated sound is composed of null-level frequencies, the buffer contains only silence, but the returned flag indicates that sound has been generated. This approach saves MCPS in return flag computation (for testing every sample that would not be used).

2.6 Tone Generator Code Structure

Figure 5 shows an overview of the tone generation code structure. For details, refer to the source code package. The main goal of the tone generation function is to generate the tone when required and update the associated state description structure.

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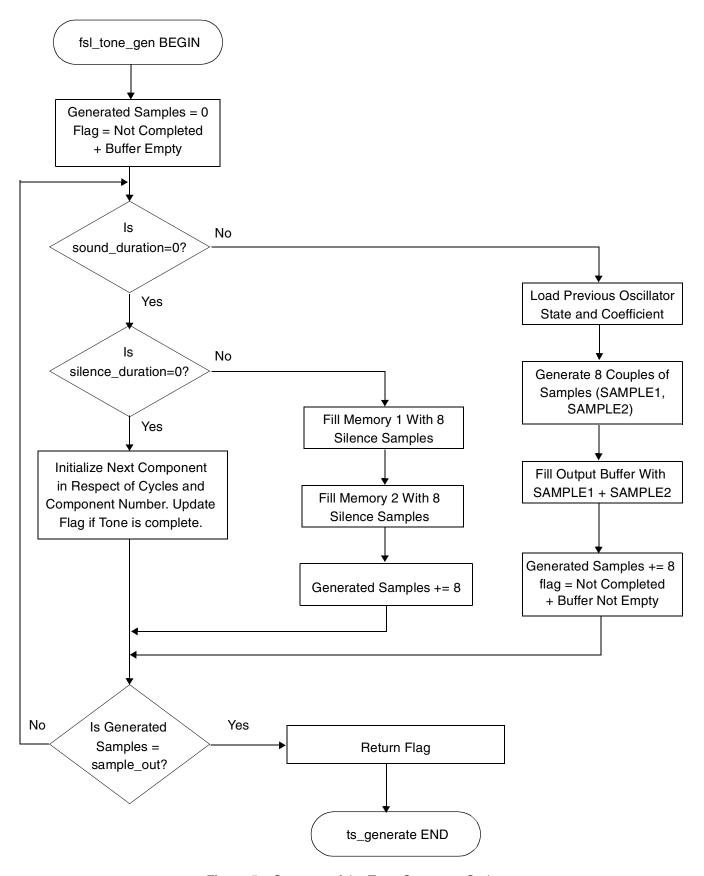


Figure 5. Structure of the Tone Generator Code

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Example 1. Tone Generator Pseudo Code

```
Function name:
                              fsl tone gen
                              Pointer to output
Input:
                              Pointer to buffer containing static variables
                              Number of samples to generate
Output:
                              Return Flag
BEGIN
       FOR (Number of sample to generate/8)
               IF (sound duration is expired)
                      IF (silence duration is not expired)
                              Fill memory with 8 silence samples
                      ELSE
                              Initialize next component with respect to cycles
                              and component number.
                              Update flag if tone is complete.
                      END IF
               ELSE
                      FOR (8 couples of samples)
                      Load previous oscillator state and coefficient
                      Generate SAMPLE1 and SAMPLE2 together
                      Fill output buffer with SAMPLE1+SAMPLE2
                      Update flag (sound generated)
                      END FOR
              END IF
       END FOR
       RETURN (Flag)
END BEGIN
```

3 Using and Testing the Generic Tone Generator

We integrated and tested the generic tone generator on the MSC8101 Application Development System (MSC8101ADS) board [2] to confirm MATLAB simulation results. Many different tones were measured.

3.1 Test Set-up

On the MSC8101ADS, an audio codec is connected to an MSC8101 device through one of its CPM multi-channel controllers (MCCs), which configures the codec, and one of its serial peripheral interfaces (SPIs), which sends audio samples out of the ADS. **Figure 6** shows a diagram of this testing set-up. Alternatively, the ADSFS set-up [5] can be used, allowing generated samples to be written into files using the Ethernet port with a high transfer rate. In this case, the codec is not used.

3.2 Initialization Examples of Multi-Frequency Tones

The examples shown here provide specific configurations of the initialization function to generate several sets of tones composed by one or two frequencies. Because frequency values, power levels, and durations may vary from one case to another, the generic character of the generator is evident. Modifying the code to other types of signaling tones should be a fairly simple task.

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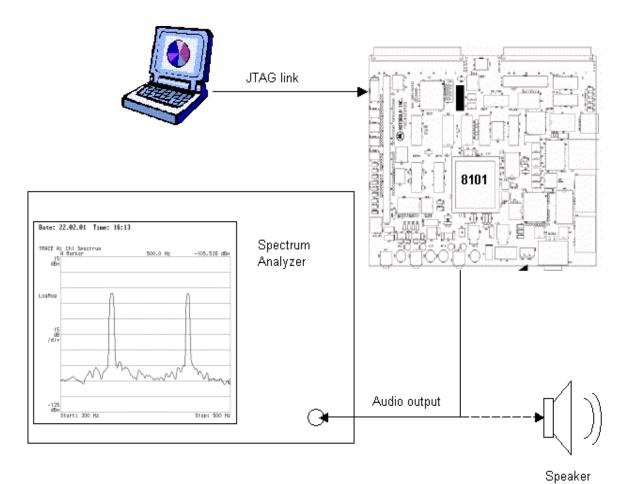


Figure 6. Testing Set-Up

Example 2. DTMF

```
UINT16 DTMF1[] = {697, 770, 852, 941};
UINT16 DTMFh[] = {1209, 1336, 1477, 1633};
test_initialize(TONE_GENERIC * testcases)
// testcases must point to a 16-item TONE_GENERIC structure
               int i, j;
               for (i = 0; i < 16; i++) {
                      // Inialize the input structures for the i+1 key
                      testcases[i].tone_repeat_cycle = 1;
                      testcases[i].tone_component_count = 1;
                      // 1 tone_component description
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].flags = 0x0;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].repeat_component = 1;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].sound_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].silence_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_1 = 10;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_2 = 10;
               }
               // DTMF digits
               // Key: 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | * | # | A | B | C | D
               // Code: 1 2 3 5 6 7 9 10 11 14 13 15 4 8 12 16
               for (i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
```

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```
for (j = 0; j < 4; j++) {
                       testcases[4 * i + j].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = DTMFl[i];
                       testcases[4 * i + j].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = DTMFh[j];
                      }
              }
}
                           Example 3. MF-R1
UINT16 R1[] = {700, 900, 1100, 1300, 1500, 1700};
test_initialize(TONE_GENERIC * testcases)
// testcases must point to a 15-item TONE_GENERIC structure
              int i, j, k = 0;
              for (i = 0; i < 15; i++) {
                     // Inialize the input structures
                     testcases[i].tone_repeat_cycle = 1;
                     testcases[i].tone_component_count = 1;
                      // 1 tone_component description
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].flags = 0x0;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].repeat_component = 1;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].sound_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].silence_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_1 = 10;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_2 = 10;
              }
              // MF-R1 digits
              // Key: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 ST3P STP KP STP2 ST
              // Code: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
              for (j = 1; j < 6; j++) {
                      for (i = 0; i < j; i++) {
                             testcases[k].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = R1[i];
                             testcases[k++].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = R1[j];
                     }
              }
}
                           Example 4. MF-R2
UINT16 R2f[] = {1380, 1500, 1620, 1740, 1860, 1980};
UINT16 R2b[] = \{1140, 1020, 900, 780, 660, 540\};
test_initialize(TONE_GENERIC * testcases)
// testcases must point to a 30-item TONE_GENERIC structure
// First 15 for MF-R2 foward direction
// Last 15 for MR-R2 backward direction
{
              int i, j, k = 0;
              for (i = 0; i < 30; i++) {
                      // Inialize the input structures for the i+1 key
                     testcases[i].tone_repeat_cycle = 1;
                      testcases[i].tone_component_count = 1;
                      // 1 tone_component description
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].flags = 0x0;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].repeat_component = 1;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].sound_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].silence_duration = 50;
                      testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_1 = 10;
```

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```
testcases[i].tone_component[0].level_2 = 10;
               }
               // 15 MF-R2 forward direction digits
               for (j = 1; j < 6; j++) {
                      for (i = 0; i < j; i++) {
                              testcases[k].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = R2f[i];
                              testcases[k++].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = R2f[j];
                      }
               }
               // 15 MF-R2 backward direction digits
               for (j = 1; j < 6; j++) {
                      for (i = 0; i < j; i++) {
                              testcases[k].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = R2b[i];
                              testcases[k++].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = R2b[j];
                      }
               }
}
                      Example 5. Germany Dial Tone
void test_initialize(TONE_GENERIC * testcases)
               // Inialize the input structures
               testcases[0].tone_repeat_cycle = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component_count = 1;
               // tone_component description
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].flags = 0x0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].repeat_component = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].sound_duration = 1000;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].silence_duration = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = 425; // 425 or 450
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].level_1 = 0;
               \ensuremath{//} Only one frequency is used - level is initialized to -63dB
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0] .level_2 = 63;
}
                     Example 6. Japan Waiting Tone
void test_initialize(TONE_GENERIC * testcases)
{
               // Inialize the input structures
               testcases[0].tone_repeat_cycle = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component_count = 2;
               // 2 tone_component description
               // COMPONENT 1
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].flags = 0x0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].repeat_component = 1;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].sound_duration = 100;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].silence_duration = 100;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].frequency_1 = 440;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].level_1=0;
               // Only one frequency is used - level is initialized to -63db
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].frequency_2 = 0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[0].level_2 = NOT_USED;
               // COMPONENT 2
               testcases[0].tone_component[1].flags = 0x0;
               testcases[0].tone_component[1].repeat_component = 1;
               testcases[0].tone_component[1].sound_duration = 100;
```

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```
testcases[0].tone_component[1].silence_duration = 1000;
testcases[0].tone_component[1].frequency_1 = 440;
testcases[0].tone_component[1].level_1=0;
// Only one frequency is used - level is initialized to -63db
testcases[0].tone_component[1].frequency_2 = 0;
testcases[0].tone_component[1].level_2 = NOT_USED;
}
```

3.3 Tests

The following MATLAB script displays the FFT of generated tones. A Hanning windowed FFT is used to measure the output frequency. A typical frequency accuracy requirement is about $\pm 1\%$ of the nominal frequency. At an 8 kHz sampling rate, we must use at least 4096 samples (512 ms) to ensure that the error generated by the FFT is not prejudicial.

Example 7. Frequency Response of Generated Tones

```
disp('*** Generic Tone Generation on StarCore SC140 ***')
disp(' '), disp(' ')
REF = '.wav'; TONE_NAME = 'DTMF'; BITS
                                          = 16:
SAMPLES = 8 * 50; SILENCE = 8 * 50; SPACE
                                           = SAMPLES + SILENCE;
if TONE_NAME == 'DTMF'
              number_of_digits = 16; fid = fopen(['gen_dtmf' REF], 'r');
elseif TONE NAME == 'MFR1'
              number_of_digits = 15; fid = fopen(['gen_mfr1' REF], 'r');
elseif TONE_NAME == 'MFR2'
              number_of_digits = 30; fid = fopen(['gen_mfr2' REF], 'r');
else
              number_of_digits = 0; disp('Unknown tone.')
end
if number_of_digits > 0
              x = fread(fid, inf, 'short');
              disp(['Playing ' TONE_NAME ' generated tones...'])
              wavplay(x, 8000);
               for n = 1: number_of_digits
                      disp(['Plotting ' TONE_NAME ' tone ' int2str(n) '...'])
                      out = x(SPACE + (n - 1) * (SAMPLES + SILENCE + SPACE) + ...
                      (1 : SAMPLES)) .* 2 ^ -(BITS - 1);
                      abscisse = linspace(0, 4000, SAMPLES / 2);
                      fft_out = 20*log10( abs( fft( hanning( SAMPLES) .* out)));
                      fft_out = fft_out - max(fft_out);
                      [a, b] = sort(-fft_out ( 1 : SAMPLES / 2));
                      [freq1, c] = sort(round(abscisse(1, b(1:2))));
                      figure, subplot(211)
                      plot(out), grid on
                      xlabel('Sample #')
                      title([TONE_NAME ' Tone ' int2str(n)])
                      subplot(212), plot(abscisse, fft_out(1 : SAMPLES / 2))
                      grid on, hold on
                      plot(freq(1), -a(c(1)), 'bo'), plot(freq1(2), -a(c(2)), 'ro')
                      legend(['FFT of Tone ' int2str(n)], ...
                              ['F_1 = 'int2str(freq1(1)) 'Hz'], ...
                              ['F_2 = ' int2str(freq1(2)) ' Hz'])
                      xlabel('Frequency (Hz)'), ylabel('Magnitude (dB)')
               end
disp('Test complete.')
fclose(fid);
```

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Example 8. Driver for Generating Time Domain Samples Using ADSFS [5]

```
#include "fsl tone gen.h"
#define TBUFSZ 4096
#define DTMF
//#define MFR1
//#define MFR2
#ifdef DTMF
#define NUMBER_OF_TONES 16
#endif
#ifdef MFR1
#define NUMBER_OF_TONES 15
#endif
#ifdef MFR2
#define NUMBER_OF_TONES 30
#endif
void test_pgm ()
fract16 samples[TBUFSZ];
#pragma align samples 8
               char samples2[10];
               Word32 txid; // to write samples in text files
               char file_name[20];
               int channel, len;
               TONE GENERIC testcases [NUMBER_OF_TONES];
               GEN_CHANNEL gen_channel[1];
               int flag;
               test_initialize(testcases);
               for (channel = 0; channel < NUMBER_OF_TONES; channel++) {</pre>
                      // Opens a file
                      sprintf(file_name, "c:\\gen_out%d.dat", channel);
                      txid = open_file (file_name, WRITEONLY);
                      if (txid <= 0)
                              error (1);
                      // Tone generation
                      fsl_tone_gen_init (gen_channel, &testcases[channel]);
                      flag = fsl_tone_gen (gen_channel, samples, TBUFSZ);
                      // Saves samples
                      for (len=0; len<TBUFSZ; len++) {
                              write_file(txid,(unsigned char *)samples2,
                              sprintf(samples2, "%d\n", samples[len]));
                      close_file (txid);
                }
}
```

3.3.1 DTMF Frequency Accuracy Test

The digital oscillator algorithm has reasonable frequency accuracy. The tests listed in **Table 2** validate the use of the digital oscillator algorithm for DTMF generation, showing that it complies with the requirements of the ITU-T Recommendation Q.24 [6] for frequency accuracy. This test uses 4096 samples, generated with a –20 dBm0 level (11 percent of maximum scale). The measured DTMF tone precision is smaller than 0.2 percent.

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Frequency (Hz)	Precision (Percent)
400	0.12
697	0.08
770	0.16
852	0.14
941	0.03
1209	0.06
1336	0.05

0.07

Table 2. Digital Oscillator Algorithm for DTMF Generation

3.3.2 MF-R2 Frequency Accuracy Test

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The module capabilities were tested on the most constraining standard for frequency accuracy: MF-R2 signaling defined in the ITU-T Recommendation Q.454 [7]. A deviation of up to 4 Hz is tolerated on generated frequencies. Each frequency is measured with an 8192 point Hanning windowed FFT. At an 8 kHz sampling rate, the resulting accuracy is smaller than 1 Hz. In **Table 3** and **Table 4**, an error of 0 Hz means that the test is unable to detect any frequency deviation.

Measured Frequency (Hz) Error (Hz) **R2 Test** Frequency (Hz) **PASS** F₀ 1380 1379.6 0.4 F1 1500 **PASS** 1499.7 0.3 F2 1620 1619.8 0.2 **PASS PASS** F3 1740 1740.0 0.0 F4 1860 1859.1 **PASS** 0.9 F5 1980 1979.2 **PASS** 8.0

Table 3. Forward Frequencies Test

Table 4. Backward Frequencies Test

	Frequency (Hz)	Measured Frequency (Hz)	Error (Hz)	R2 Test
F0	1140	1139.3	0.7	PASS
F1	1020	1019.2	0.8	PASS
F2	900	900.0	0.0	PASS
F3	780	779.9	0.1	PASS
F4	660	659.7	0.3	PASS
F5	540	539.6	0.4	PASS

All tests of the tone generator passed. Our results indicate that the proposed tone generation module complies with the requirements for frequency accuracy of the ITU-T Recommendation Q.454 for MF-R2.

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3.4 Examples of Generated Signaling Tones

Figure 7 and **Figure 8** illustrate the spectrum of two typical signaling tones. The figures on the left correspond to the FFT magnitude plots of actual data generated from the proposed module; the figures on the right correspond to measured spectra (using a spectrum analyzer). Observe that the noise floor of the measurements is around 80 dB below the peak values.

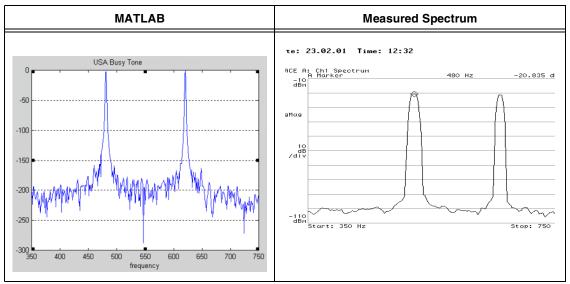


Figure 7. USA Busy Tone: 480 + 620 Hz

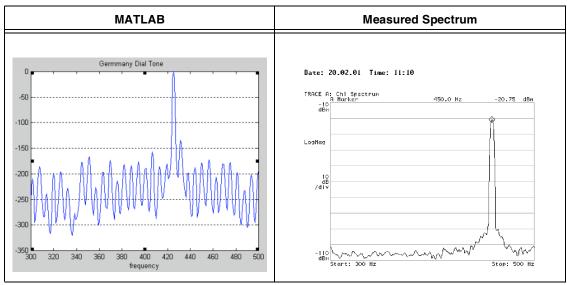


Figure 8. Germany Dial Tone: 425 or 450 Hz

3.5 Performance Measurements

The proposed tone generation module typically requires less than 0.1 MCPS. The worst case would be to change the component every millisecond, but this mode of operation is not used in practice (typical component change intervals are greater than 40 ms).

Table 5. Typical MCPS Values

Tone	Initialization (Cycles)	Generation (MCPS)
DTMF	805	0.045
Germany Dial Tone	820	0.056
Japan Waiting Tone	820	0.034

Table 6. Memory Usage

Data / Channel (Bytes)	Table Size (Bytes)	Stack Size (Bytes)	Program Size (Bytes)
168	168 142		1906

To provide a generator with generic properties and readable C Code, the tone generation program is composed of a large number of tests and control instructions that increase memory usage. If the code is made more specific, that is, dedicated to a specific case such as DTMF generation, the memory usage can be reduced significantly [8].

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