

# DATA SHEET

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**SL RC400**

**I•CODE Reader IC**

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## 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.1 Scope

This document describes the functionality of the SL RC400. It includes the functional and electrical specifications and gives details on how to design-in this device from system and hardware viewpoint.

### 1.2 General Description

The SL RC400 is member of a new family of highly integrated reader ICs for contactless communication at 13.56 MHz. This new reader IC family utilises an outstanding modulation and demodulation concept completely integrated for all kinds of passive contactless communication methods and protocols at 13.56 MHz.

The SL RC400 supports all layers of I·CODE1 and ISO 15693.

The internal transmitter part is able to drive an antenna designed for proximity operating distance (up to 100 mm) directly without additional active circuitry.

The receiver part provides a robust and efficient implementation of a demodulation and decoding circuitry for signals from I·CODE1 and ISO 15693 compatible transponders.

The digital part handles I·CODE1 and ISO 15693 framing and error detection (CRC).

A comfortable parallel interface which can be directly connected to any 8-bit  $\mu$ -Processor gives high flexibility for the reader/terminal design.

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## 1.3 Features

- Highly integrated analog circuitry to demodulate and decode label response
- Buffered output drivers to connect an antenna with minimum number of external components
- Proximity operating distance (up to 100 mm)
- Supports I·CODE1 and ISO 15693
- Parallel  $\mu$ -Processor interface with internal address latch and IRQ line
- Flexible interrupt handling
- Automatic detection of parallel  $\mu$ C interface type
- Comfortable 64 byte send and receive FIFO-buffer
- Hard reset with low power function
- Power down mode per software
- Programmable timer
- Unique serial number
- User programmable start-up configuration
- Bit- and byte-oriented framing
- Independent power supply pins for digital, analog and transmitter part
- Internal oscillator buffer to connect 13.56 MHz quartz, optimised for low phase jitter
- Clock frequency filtering
- 3.3 V operation for transmitter (antenna driver) in short range applications

## 1.4 Ordering Information

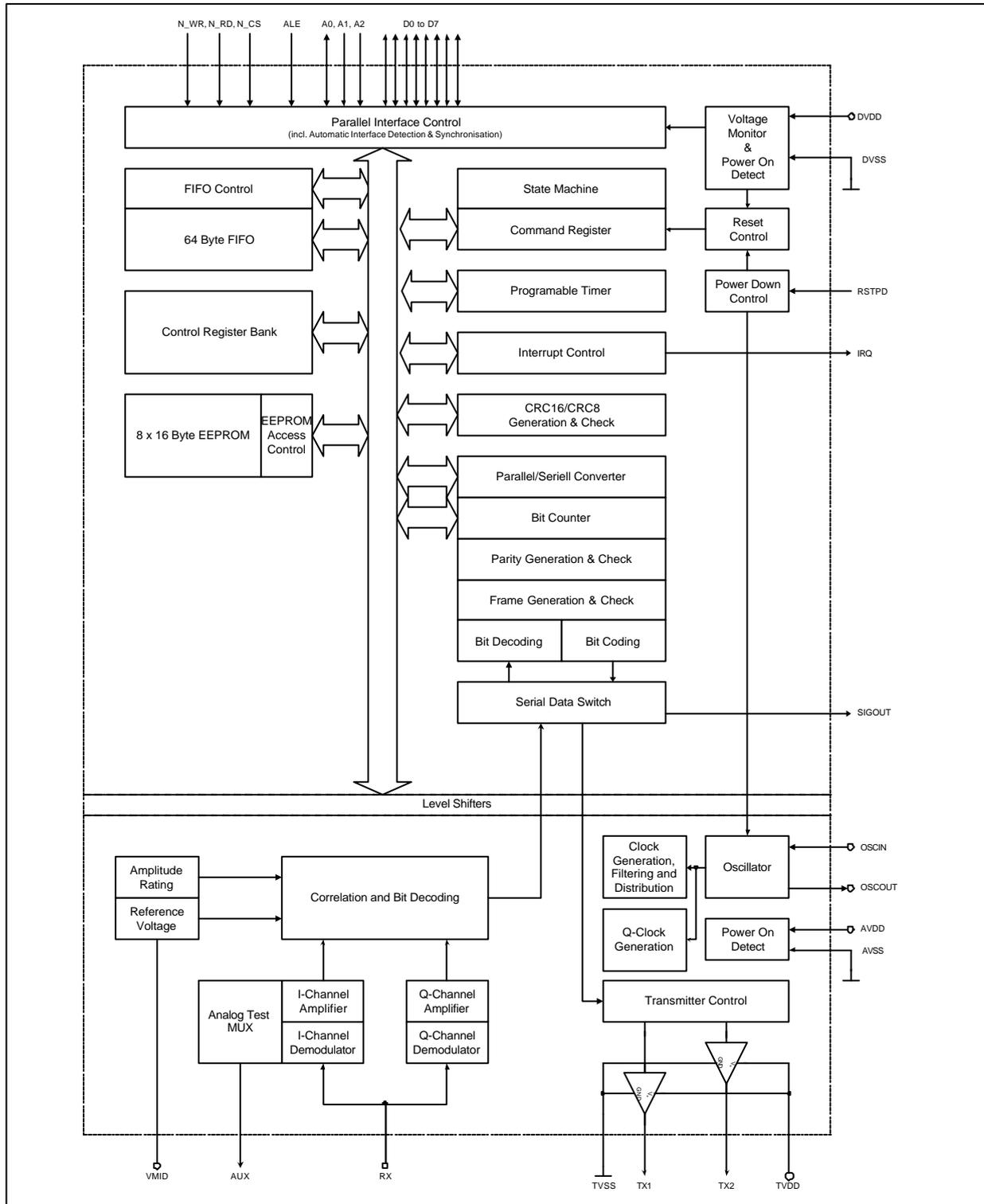
| Type Number  | Package |                                 |
|--------------|---------|---------------------------------|
|              | Name    | Description                     |
| SL RC400 01T | SO32    | Small Outline Package; 32 leads |

Table 1-1: SL RC400 Ordering Information

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2 BLOCK DIAGRAM



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**3 PINNING INFORMATION**

**3.1 Pin Configuration**

Pins denoted by bold letters are supplied by AVDD and AVSS. Pins drawn with bold lines are supplied by TVSS and TVDD. All other pins are supplied by DVDD and DVSS.

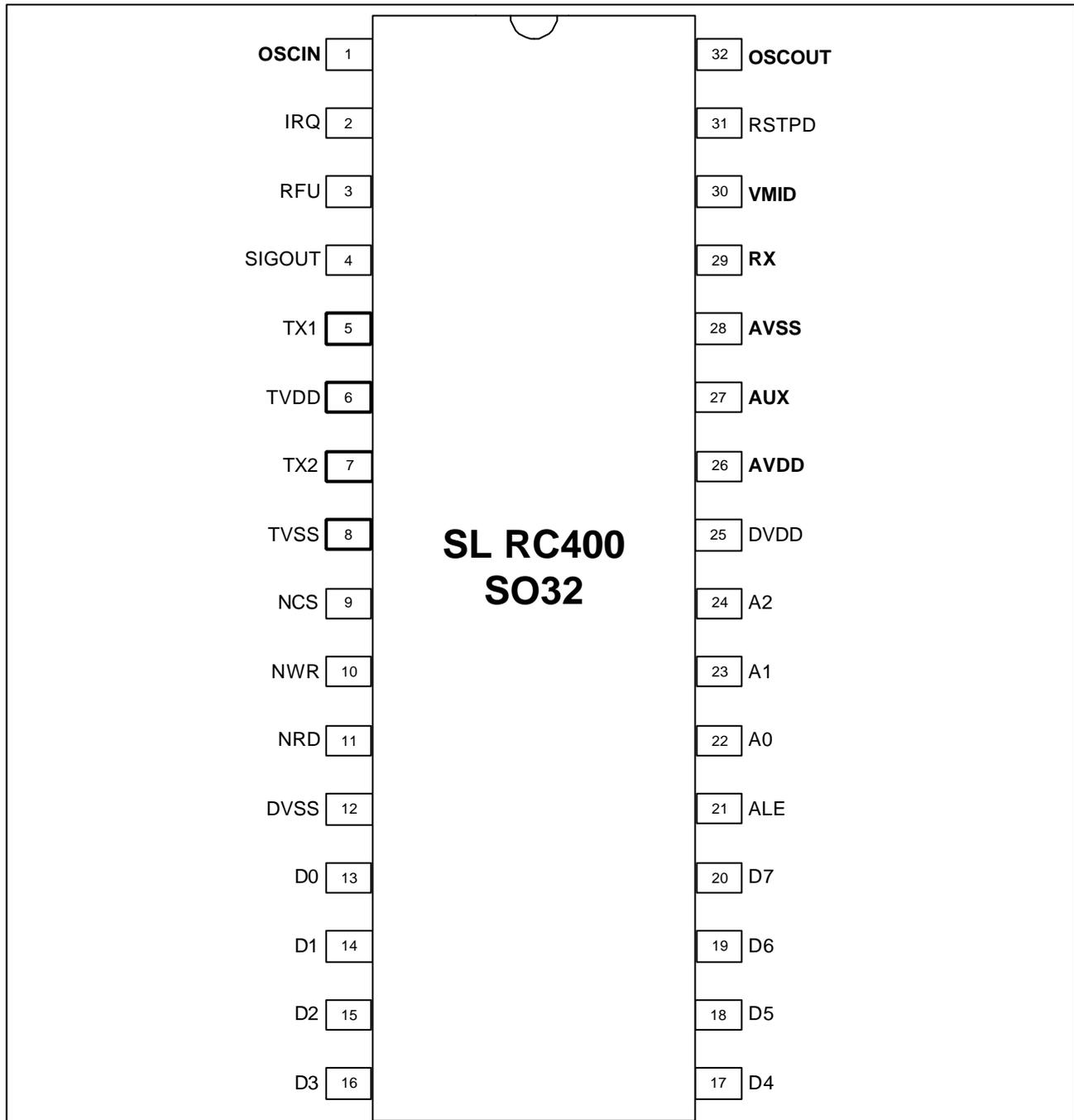


Figure 3-1: SL RC400 Pin Configuration for SO32 package

**I·CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****3.2 Pin Description**

Pin Types: I...Input; O...Output; PWR...Power

| PIN                    | SYMBOL     | TYPE | DESCRIPTION   |
|------------------------|------------|------|---|
| 1                      | OSCIN      | I    | <b>Crystal Oscillator Input:</b> input to the inverting amplifier of the oscillator. This pin is also the input for an externally generated clock ( $f_{osc} = 13.56$ MHz). |
| 2                      | IRQ        | O    | <b>Interrupt Request:</b> output to signal an interrupt event   |
| 3                      | RFU        | I    | This Pin should be connected to Ground  |
| 4                      | SIGOUT     | O    | <b>I·CODE Interface Output:</b> delivers a serial data stream according to I·CODE1 and ISO 15693  |
| 5                      | TX1        | O    | <b>Transmitter 1:</b> delivers the modulated 13.56 MHz carrier frequency  |
| 6                      | TVDD       | PWR  | <b>Transmitter Power Supply:</b> supplies the output stage of TX1 and TX2   |
| 7                      | TX2        | O    | <b>Transmitter 2:</b> delivers the modulated 13.56 MHz carrier frequency  |
| 8                      | TVSS       | PWR  | <b>Transmitter Ground:</b> supplies the output stage of TX1 and TX2   |
| 9                      | NCS        | I    | <b>Not Chip Select:</b> selects and activates the $\mu$ -Processor interface of the SL RC400  |
| 10 <sup>1</sup>        | NWR        | I    | <b>Not Write:</b> strobe to write data (applied on D0 to D7) into the SL RC400 register   |
|                        | R/NW       | I    | <b>Read Not Write:</b> selects if a read or write cycle shall be performed.   |
|                        | nWrite     | I    | <b>Not Write:</b> selects if a read or write cycle shall be performed   |
| 11 <sup>1</sup>        | NRD        | I    | <b>Not Read:</b> strobe to read data from the SL RC400 register (applied on D0 to D7)   |
|                        | NDS        | I    | <b>Not Data Strobe:</b> strobe for the read and the write cycle   |
|                        | nDStrb     | I    | <b>Not Data Strobe:</b> strobe for the read and the write cycle   |
| 12                     | DVSS       | PWR  | <b>Digital Ground</b>   |
| 13                     | D0 to D7   | I/O  | <b>8 Bit Bi-directional Data Bus</b>  |
| ...<br>20 <sup>1</sup> | AD0 to AD7 | I/O  | <b>8 Bit Bi-directional Address and Data Bus</b>  |
| 21 <sup>1</sup>        | ALE        | I    | <b>Address Latch Enable:</b> strobe signal to latch AD0 to AD5 into the internal address latch when HIGH.   |
|                        | AS         | I    | <b>Address Strobe:</b> strobe signal to latch AD0 to AD5 into the internal address latch when HIGH.   |
|                        | nAStrb     | I    | <b>Not Address Strobe:</b> strobe signal to latch AD0 to AD5 into the internal address latch when LOW.  |
| 22 <sup>1</sup>        | A0         | I    | <b>Address Line 1:</b> Bit 0 of register address  |
|                        | nWait      | O    | <b>Not Wait:</b> signals with LOW that an access-cycle may started and with HIGH that it may be finished.   |
| 23                     | A1         | I    | <b>Address Line 1:</b> Bit 1 of register address  |
| 24                     | A2         | I    | <b>Address Line 2:</b> Bit 2 of register address  |
| 25                     | DVDD       | PWR  | <b>Digital Power Supply</b>   |
| 26                     | AVDD       | PWR  | <b>Analog Power Supply</b>  |

<sup>1</sup> These pins offer different functionality according to the selected  $\mu$ -Processor interface type. For detailed information refer to chapter 4.

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PIN Description (continued)

| PIN | SYMBOL | TYPE | DESCRIPTION   |
|-----|--------|------|---|
| 27  | AUX    | O    | <b>Auxiliary Output:</b> This pin delivers analog test signals. The signal delivered on this output may be selected by means of the <i>TestAnaOutSel Register</i> .   |
| 28  | AVSS   | PWR  | <b>Analog Ground</b>  |
| 29  | RX     | I    | <b>Receiver Input:</b> Input pin for the labels response, which is the load modulated 13.56 MHz carrier frequency, that is coupled out from the antenna circuit.  |
| 30  | VMID   | PWR  | <b>Internal Reference Voltage:</b> This pin delivers the internal reference voltage.<br>Note: It has to be supported by means of a 100 nF block capacitor.  |
| 31  | RSTPD  | I    | <b>Reset and Power Down:</b> When HIGH, internal current sinks are switched off, the oscillator is inhibited, and the input pads are disconnected from the outside world. With a negative edge on this pin the internal reset phase starts. |
| 32  | OSCOUT | O    | <b>Crystal Oscillator Output:</b> Output of the inverting amplifier of the oscillator.  |

*Table 3-1: SL RC400 Pin Description*

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****4 PARALLEL INTERFACE****4.1 Overview of Supported  $\mu$ -Processor Interfaces**

The SL RC400 supports direct interfacing of various  $\mu$ -Processor. Alternatively the Enhanced Parallel Port (EPP) of personal computers can be connected directly.

The following table shows the parallel interface signals supported by the SL RC400:

| Bus Control Signals                               | Bus     | Separated Address and Data Bus | Multiplexed Address and Data Bus   |
|---|---------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Separated Read and Write Strobes                  | control | NRD, NWR, NCS                  | NRD, NWR, NCS, ALE                 |
|   | address | A0, A1, A2                     | AD0, AD1, AD2, (AD3, AD4, AD5)     |
|   | data    | D0 ... D7                      | AD0 ... AD7                        |
| Common Read and Write Strobe                      | control | R/NW, NDS, NCS                 | R/NW, NDS, NCS, AS                 |
|   | address | A0, A1, A2                     | AD0, AD1, AD2, (AD3, AD4, AD5)     |
|   | data    | D0 ... D7                      | AD0 ... AD7                        |
| Common Read and Write Strobe with Handshake (EPP) | control | -                              | nWrite, nDStrb, NCS, nAStrb, nWait |
|   | address |                                | AD0, AD1, AD2, (AD3, AD4, AD5)     |
|   | data    |                                | AD0 ... AD7                        |

Table 4-1: Supported  $\mu$ -Processor Interface Signals

**4.2 Automatic  $\mu$ -Processor Interface Type Detection**

After each Power-On or Hard Reset, the SL RC400 also resets its parallel  $\mu$ -Processor interface mode and checks the current  $\mu$ -Processor interface type.

The SL RC400 identifies the  $\mu$ -Processor interface by means of the logic levels on the control pins after the Reset Phase. This is done by a combination of fixed pin connections (see below) and a dedicated initialisation routine (see 11.4).

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4.3 Connection to Different  $\mu$ -Processor Types

The connection to different  $\mu$ -Processor types is shown in the following table:

| SL RC400  | Parallel Interface Type     |                         |                          |                         |  |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|
|           | Separated Read/Write Strobe |                         | Common Read/Write Strobe |                         |  |
|           | Dedicated Address Bus       | Multiplexed Address Bus | Dedicated Address Bus    | Multiplexed Address Bus | Multiplexed Address Bus with Handshake |
| ALE       | HIGH                        | ALE                     | HIGH                     | AS                      | nAStb                                  |
| A2        | A2                          | LOW                     | A2                       | LOW                     | HIGH                                   |
| A1        | A1                          | HIGH                    | A1                       | HIGH                    | HIGH                                   |
| A0        | A0                          | HIGH                    | A0                       | LOW                     | nWait                                  |
| NRD       | NRD                         | NRD                     | NDS                      | NDS                     | nDStb                                  |
| NWR       | NWR                         | NWR                     | R/NW                     | R/NW                    | nWrite                                 |
| NCS       | NCS                         | NCS                     | NCS                      | NCS                     | LOW                                    |
| D7 ... D0 | D7 ... D0                   | AD7 ... AD0             | D7 ... D0                | AD7 ... AD0             | AD7 ... AD0                            |

Table 4-2: Connection Scheme for Detecting the Parallel Interface Type

4.3.1 SEPARATED READ/WRITE STROBE: INTEL TYPE COMPATIBLE

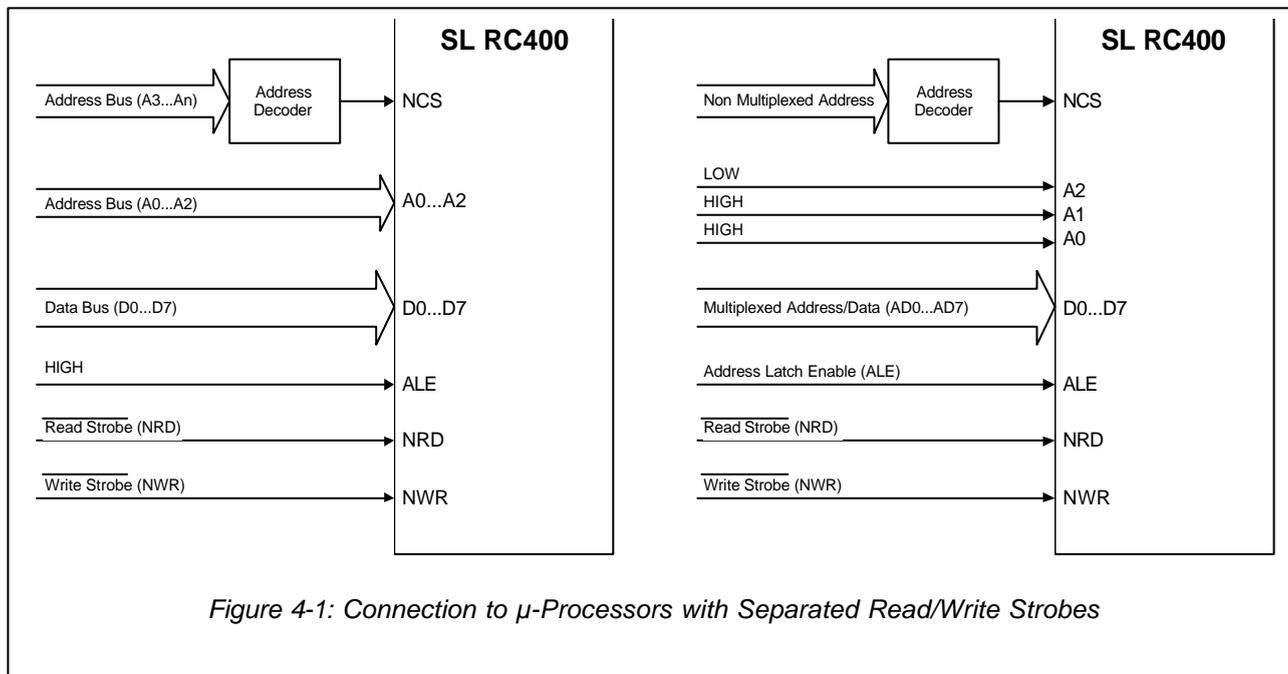


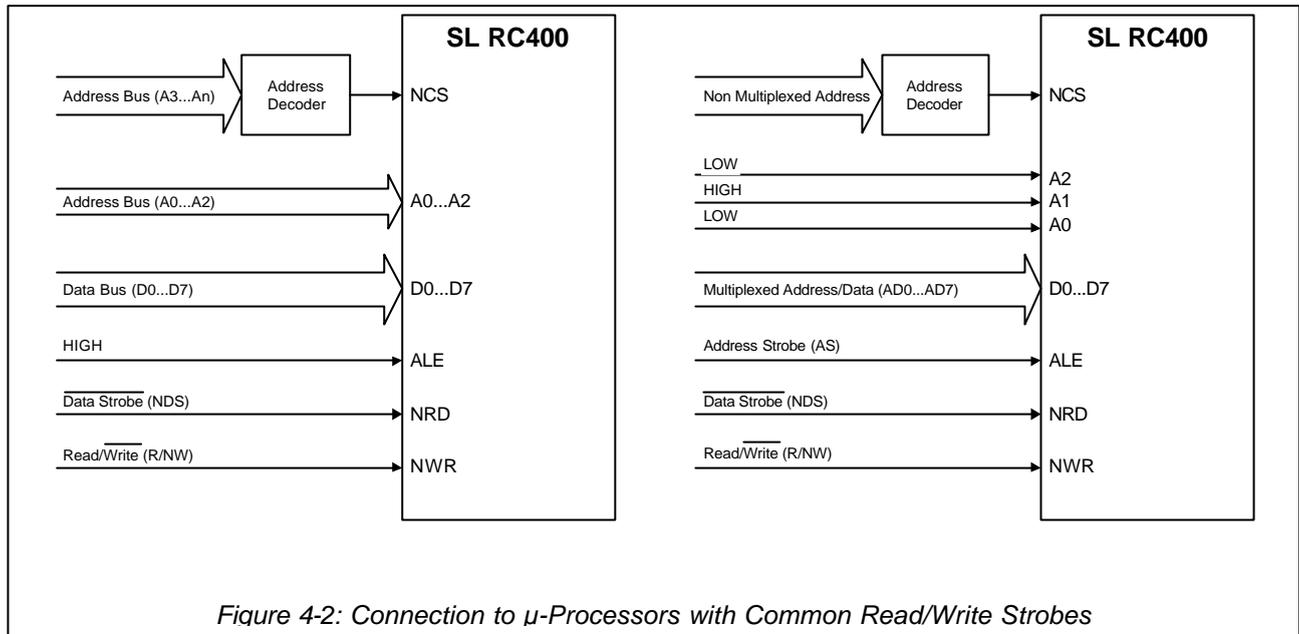
Figure 4-1: Connection to  $\mu$ -Processors with Separated Read/Write Strobes

For timing specification refer to chapter 19.5.2.1.

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4.3.2 COMMON READ/WRITE STROBE: MOTOROLA TYPE COMPATIBLE

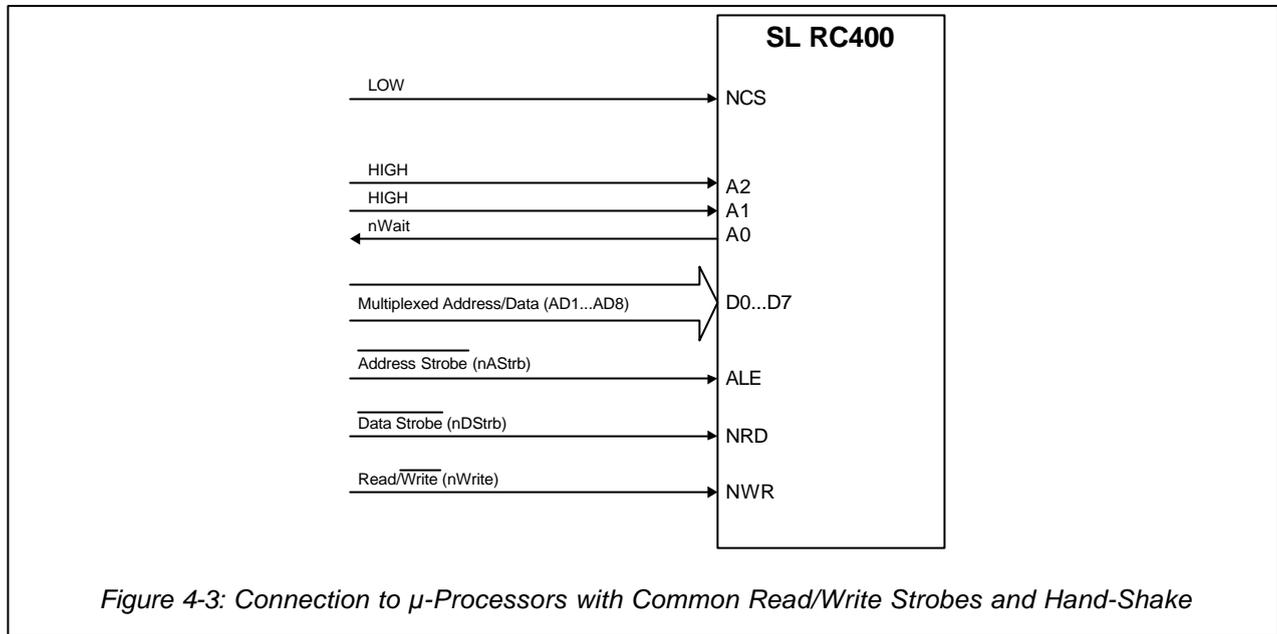


For timing specification refer to chapter 19.5.2.2.

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4.3.3 COMMON READ/WRITE STROBE AND HAND-SHAKE MECHANISM: EPP



For timing specification refer to chapter 19.5.2.3.

Remarks for EPP:

Although in the standard for the EPP no chip select signal is defined, the N\_CS of the SL RC400 allows inhibiting the nDStrb signal. If not used, it shall be connected to DVSS.

After each Power-On or Hard Reset the nWait signal (delivered at pin A0) is high impedance. nWait will be defined at the first negative edge applied to nAStrb after the Reset Phase.

The SL RC400 does not support Read Address Cycle.

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## 5 SL RC400 REGISTER SET

## 5.1 SL RC400 Registers Overview

| Page                                  | Address <sub>hex</sub> | Register Name   | Function   |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Page 0: Command and Status            | 0                      | Page            | selects the register page  |
|                                       | 1                      | Command         | starts (and stops) the command execution   |
|                                       | 2                      | FIFOData        | in- and output of 64 byte FIFO buffer  |
|                                       | 3                      | PrimaryStatus   | status flags of the receiver and transmitter and of the FIFO buffer              |
|                                       | 4                      | FIFOLength      | number of bytes buffered in the FIFO   |
|                                       | 5                      | SecondaryStatus | diverse status flags   |
|                                       | 6                      | InterruptEn     | control bits to enable and disable passing of interrupt requests                 |
|                                       | 7                      | InterruptRq     | interrupt request flags  |
| Page 1: Control and Status            | 8                      | Page            | selects the register page  |
|                                       | 9                      | Control         | diverse control flags e.g.: timer, power saving                                  |
|                                       | A                      | ErrorFlag       | error flags showing the error status of the last command executed                |
|                                       | B                      | Collpos         | bit position of the first bit collision detected on the RF-interface             |
|                                       | C                      | TimerValue      | actual value of the timer  |
|                                       | D                      | CRCResultLSB    | LSB of the CRC-Coprocessor register  |
|                                       | E                      | CRCResultMSB    | MSB of the CRC-Coprocessor register  |
|                                       | F                      | PreSet0F        | these values shall not be changed  |
| Page 2: Transmitter and Coder Control | 10                     | Page            | selects the register page  |
|                                       | 11                     | TxControl       | controls the logical behaviour of the antenna driver pins TX1 and TX2            |
|                                       | 12                     | CwConductance   | selects the conductance of the antenna driver pins TX1 and TX2                   |
|                                       | 13                     | ModConductance  | selects the conductance of the antenna driver pins TX1 and TX2 during modulation |
|                                       | 14                     | CoderControl    | Selects the bit coding mode and the framing during transmission                  |
|                                       | 15                     | ModWidth        | selects the width of the modulation pulse  |
|                                       | 16                     | ModWidthSOF     | selects the width of the modulation pulse for SOF (I·CODE Fast-Mode)             |
|                                       | 17                     | PreSet17        | these values shall not be changed  |
| Page 3: Receiver and Decoder Control  | 18                     | Page            | selects the register page  |
|                                       | 19                     | RxControl1      | controls receiver behaviour  |
|                                       | 1A                     | DecoderControl  | controls decoder behaviour   |
|                                       | 1B                     | BitPhase        | selects the bit-phase between transmitter and receiver clock                     |
|                                       | 1C                     | RxThreshold     | selects thresholds for the bit decoder   |
|                                       | 1D                     | PreSet1D        | these values shall not be changed  |
|                                       | 1E                     | RxControl2      | controls decoder behaviour and defines the input source for the receiver         |
|                                       | 1F                     | ClockQControl   | controls clock generation for the 90° phase shifted Q-channel clock              |

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| Page  | Address <sub>hex</sub> | Register Name     | Function   |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Page 4: RF-Timing and Channel Redundancy      | 20                     | Page              | selects the register page  |
|   | 21                     | RxWait            | selects the time interval after transmission, before receiver starts                                     |
|   | 22                     | ChannelRedundancy | selects the kind and mode of checking the data integrity on the RF-channel                               |
|   | 23                     | CRCPreSetLSB      | LSB of the pre-set value for the CRC register  |
|   | 24                     | CRCPreSetMSB      | MSB of the pre-set value for the CRC register  |
|   | 25                     | TimeSlotPeriod    | selects the time between automatically mitted Frames see chapter 9.2.5                                   |
|   | 26                     | SIGOUTSelect      | selects internal signal applied to pin SIGOUT includes the MSB of value TimeSlotPeriod see register 0x25 |
|   | 27                     | PreSet27          | these values shall not be changed  |
| Page 5: FIFO, Timer and IRQ-Pin Configuration | 28                     | Page              | Selects the register page  |
|   | 29                     | FIFOLevel         | defines level for FIFO over- and underflow warning   |
|   | 2A                     | TimerClock        | selects the divider for the timer clock  |
|   | 2B                     | TimerControl      | selects start and stop conditions for the timer  |
|   | 2C                     | TimerReload       | defines the pre-set value for the timer  |
|   | 2D                     | IrqPinConfig      | configures the output stage of pin IRQ   |
|   | 2E                     | PreSet2E          | these values shall not be changed  |
|   | 2F                     | PreSet2F          | these values shall not be changed  |
| Page 6: RFU                                   | 30                     | Page              | selects the register page  |
|   | 31                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 32                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 33                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 34                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 35                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 36                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 37                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
| Page 7: Test Control                          | 38                     | Page              | selects the register page  |
|   | 39                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 3A                     | TestAnaSelect     | selects analog test mode   |
|   | 3B                     | PreSet3B          | these values shall not be changed  |
|   | 3C                     | PreSet3C          | these values shall not be changed  |
|   | 3D                     | TestDigiSelect    | selects digital test mode  |
|   | 3E                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |
|   | 3F                     | RFU               | reserved for future use  |

Table 5-1: SL RC400 Register Overview

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## 5.1.1 REGISTER BIT BEHAVIOUR

Bits and flags for different registers behave differently, depending on their functions. In principle bits with same behaviour are grouped in common registers.

| Abbreviation | Behaviour      | Description   |
|--------------|----------------|---|
| r/w          | read and write | These bits can be written and read by the $\mu$ -Processor. Since they are used only for control means, their content is not influenced by internal state machines, e.g. the <i>TimerReload-Register</i> may be written and read by the $\mu$ -Processor. It will also be read by internal state machines, but never changed by them. |
| dy           | dynamic        | These bits can be written and read by the $\mu$ -Processor. Nevertheless, they may also be written automatically by internal state machines, e.g. the <i>Command-Register</i> changes its value automatically after the execution of the actual command.  |
| r            | read only      | These registers hold flags, whose value is determined by internal states only, e.g. the <i>ErrorFlag-Register</i> can not be written from external but shows internal states.   |
| w            | write only     | These registers are used for control means only. They may be written by the $\mu$ -Processor but can not be read. Reading these registers returns an undefined value, e.g. the <i>TestAnaSelect-Register</i> is used to determine the signal on pin AUX, but it is not possible to read its content.                                  |

Table 5-2: Behaviour of Register Bits and its Designation



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5.2.1.2 *Command Register*

Starts and stops the command execution.

Name: Command Address: 0x01 Reset value: X0000000, 0xX0



|                  |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------------|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Access<br>Rights | r | r | dy | dy | dy | dy | dy | dy |
|------------------|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function   |
|-----|--------------|--|
| 7   | IFDetectBusy | Shows the status of Interface Detection Logic:<br>Set to 0 means 'Interface Detection finished successfully',<br>Set to 1 signs 'Interface Detection Ongoing'.   |
| 6   | 0            | Reserved for future use.   |
| 5-0 | Command      | Activates a command according the Command Code.<br>Reading this register shows, which command is actually executed.<br><br>See chapter 16. SL RC400 Command Set. |

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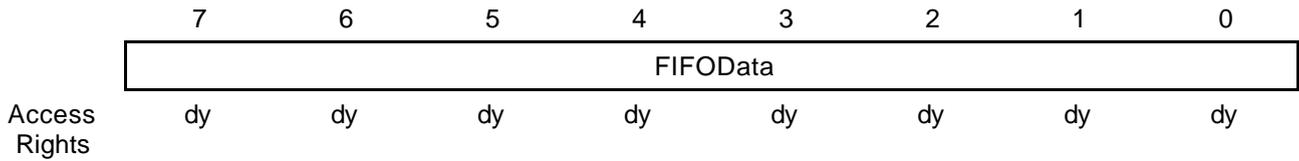
5.2.1.3 *FIFOData Register*

In- and output of the 64 byte FIFO buffer

Name: FIFOData

Address: 0x02

Reset value: XXXXXXXX, 0xXX



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol   | Function   |
|-----|----------|--|
| 7-0 | FIFOData | Data Input and Output Port for the internal 64 byte FIFO buffer. The FIFO buffer acts as parallel in/parallel out converter for all data stream in- and outputs. |

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## 5.2.1.4 PrimaryStatus Register

Status flags of the receiver, transmitter and the FIFO buffer.

Name: PrimaryStatus

Address: 0x03

Reset value: 00000001, 0x01

|               |   |            |   |   |     |     |         |         |
|---------------|---|------------|---|---|-----|-----|---------|---------|
|               | 7 | 6          | 5 | 4 | 3   | 2   | 1       | 0       |
|               | 0 | ModemState |   |   | IRq | Err | HiAlert | LoAlert |
| Access Rights | r | r          | r | r | r   | r   | r       | r       |

Description of the bits

| Bit   | Symbol        | Function  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
|-------|---------------|---|-------|---------------|-------------|-----|------|---|-----|-------|--|-----|--------|--|-----|-------|--|-----|---------|--|--|---------|--|-----|-----------|--|-----|------------|---|-----|-----------|-----------------|
| 7     | 0             | Reserved for future use.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 6-4   | ModemState    | <p>ModemState shows the state of the transmitter and receiver state machines.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>State</th> <th>Name of State</th> <th>Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>000</td> <td>Idle</td> <td>Neither the transmitter nor the receiver is in operation, since none of them is started or since none of them has got input data.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>001</td> <td>TxSOF</td> <td>Transmitting the 'Start Of Frame' Pattern.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>010</td> <td>TxData</td> <td>Transmitting data from the FIFO buffer (or redundancy check bits).</td> </tr> <tr> <td>011</td> <td>TxEof</td> <td>Transmitting the 'End Of Frame' Pattern.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100</td> <td>GoToRx1</td> <td>Mean-State passed, when receiver starts.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>GoToRx2</td> <td>Mean-State passed, when receiver finishes.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101</td> <td>PrepareRx</td> <td>Waiting until the time period selected in the RxWait Register has expired.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>110</td> <td>AwaitingRx</td> <td>Receiver activated; Awaiting an input signal at pin Rx.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>111</td> <td>Receiving</td> <td>Receiving data.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | State | Name of State | Description | 000 | Idle | Neither the transmitter nor the receiver is in operation, since none of them is started or since none of them has got input data. | 001 | TxSOF | Transmitting the 'Start Of Frame' Pattern. | 010 | TxData | Transmitting data from the FIFO buffer (or redundancy check bits). | 011 | TxEof | Transmitting the 'End Of Frame' Pattern. | 100 | GoToRx1 | Mean-State passed, when receiver starts. |  | GoToRx2 | Mean-State passed, when receiver finishes. | 101 | PrepareRx | Waiting until the time period selected in the RxWait Register has expired. | 110 | AwaitingRx | Receiver activated; Awaiting an input signal at pin Rx. | 111 | Receiving | Receiving data. |
| State | Name of State | Description   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 000   | Idle          | Neither the transmitter nor the receiver is in operation, since none of them is started or since none of them has got input data.   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 001   | TxSOF         | Transmitting the 'Start Of Frame' Pattern.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 010   | TxData        | Transmitting data from the FIFO buffer (or redundancy check bits).  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 011   | TxEof         | Transmitting the 'End Of Frame' Pattern.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 100   | GoToRx1       | Mean-State passed, when receiver starts.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
|       | GoToRx2       | Mean-State passed, when receiver finishes.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 101   | PrepareRx     | Waiting until the time period selected in the RxWait Register has expired.  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 110   | AwaitingRx    | Receiver activated; Awaiting an input signal at pin Rx.   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 111   | Receiving     | Receiving data.   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 3     | IRq           | This bit shows, if any interrupt source requests attention (with respect to the setting of the interrupt enable flags in the InterruptEn Register).   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 2     | Err           | This bit is set to 1, if any error flag in the ErrorFlag Register is set.   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 1     | HiAlert       | <p>Is set to 1, when the number of bytes stored in the FIFO buffer fulfil the following equation: <math>HiAlert = (64 - FIFOLength) \leq WaterLevel</math></p> <p>Example:      FIFOLength=60, WaterLevel=4      <math>\Rightarrow</math> HiAlert =1<br/>                           FIFOLength=59, WaterLevel=4      <math>\Rightarrow</math> HiAlert =0</p>  |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |
| 0     | LoAlert       | <p>Is set to 1, when the number of bytes stored in the FIFO buffer fulfil the following equation: <math>LoAlert = FIFOLength \leq WaterLevel</math></p> <p>Example:      FIFOLength=4, WaterLevel=4      <math>\Rightarrow</math> LoAlert =1<br/>                           FIFOLength=5, WaterLevel=4      <math>\Rightarrow</math> LoAlert =0</p>   |       |               |             |     |      |   |     |       |  |     |        |  |     |       |  |     |         |  |  |         |  |     |           |  |     |            |   |     |           |                 |

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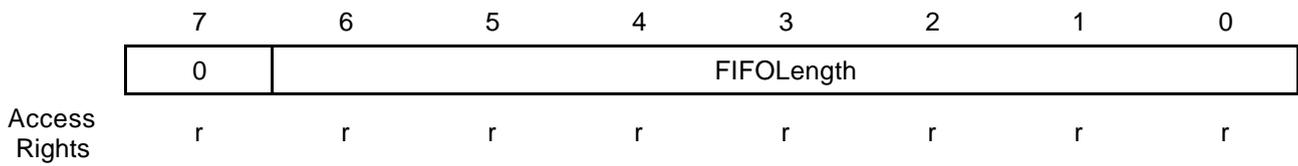
5.2.1.5 *FIFOLength Register*

Number of bytes buffered in the FIFO.

Name: FIFOLength

Address: 0x04

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function  |
|-----|------------|---|
| 7   | 0          | Reserved for future use.  |
| 6-0 | FIFOLength | Indicates the number of bytes stored in the FIFO buffer. Writing to the <i>FIFOData</i> Register increments, reading decrements <i>FIFOLength</i> . |

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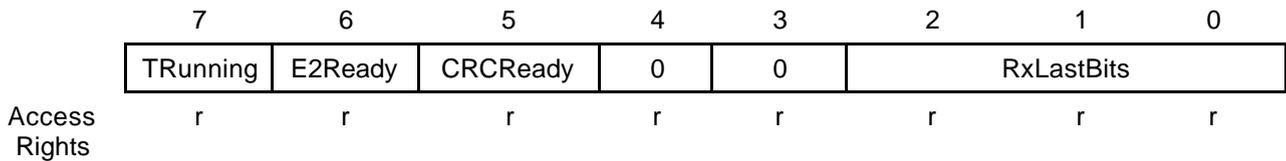
5.2.1.6 *SecondaryStatus Register*

Diverse Status flags.

Name: SecondaryStatus

Address: 0x05

Reset value: 01100000, 0x60



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function  |
|-----|------------|---|
| 7   | TRunning   | If set to 1, the SL RC400's timer unit is running, e.g. the counter will decrement the <i>Timer Value Register</i> with the next timer clock. |
| 6   | E2Ready    | If set to 1, the SL RC 400 has finished programming the E <sup>2</sup> PROM.  |
| 5   | CRCReady   | If set to 1, the SL RC400 has finished calculating the CRC.   |
| 4-3 | 00         | Reserved for future use.  |
| 2-0 | RxLastBits | Show the number of valid bits in the last received byte. If zero, the whole byte is valid.  |



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5.2.1.8 *InterruptRq Register*

Interrupt request flags.

Name: InterruptRq

Address: 0x07

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|               |        |     |          |       |       |         |            |            |
|---------------|--------|-----|----------|-------|-------|---------|------------|------------|
|               | 7      | 6   | 5        | 4     | 3     | 2       | 1          | 0          |
|               | SetIRq | 0   | TimerIRq | TxIRq | RxIRq | IdleIRq | HiAlertIRq | LoAlertIRq |
| Access Rights | w      | r/w | dy       | dy    | dy    | dy      | dy         | dy         |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function   |
|-----|------------|--|
| 7   | SetIRq     | Set to 1 <i>SetIRq</i> defines that the marked bits in the <i>InterruptRq Register</i> are set. Set to 0 defines, that the marked bits in the <i>InterruptRq Register</i> are cleared.   |
| 6   | 0          | Reserved for future use.   |
| 5   | TimerIRq   | Set to 1, when the timer decrements the <i>TimerValue Register</i> to zero.  |
| 4   | TxIRq      | Set to 1, when one of the following events occurs:<br><i>Transceive Command</i> : All data transmitted.<br><i>CalcCRC Command</i> : All data is processed.<br><i>WriteE2 Command</i> : All data is programmed.   |
| 3   | RxIRq      | This bit is set to 1, when the receiver terminates.  |
| 2   | IdleIRq    | This bit is set to 1, when a command terminates by itself e.g. when the <i>Command Register</i> changes its value from any command to the <i>Idle Command</i> . If an unknown command is started bit <i>IdleIRq</i> is set. Starting the <i>Idle Command</i> by the $\mu$ -Processor does not set bit <i>IdleIRq</i> . |
| 1   | HiAlertIRq | This bit is set to 1, when bit <i>HiAlert</i> is set. In opposite to <i>HiAlert</i> , <i>HiAlertIRq</i> stores this event and can only be reset by means of bit <i>SetIRq</i> .  |
| 0   | LoAlertIRq | This bit is set to 1, when bit <i>LoAlert</i> is set. In opposite to <i>LoAlert</i> , <i>LoAlertIRq</i> stores this event and can only be reset by means of bit <i>SetIRq</i> .  |

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5.2.2.1 Page Register

Selects the register page. See 5.2.1.1 Page register.

5.2.2.2 Control Register

Diverse control flags, e.g. : timer, power saving

Name: Control

Address: 0x09

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|               |     |     |         |           |    |          |           |           |
|---------------|-----|-----|---------|-----------|----|----------|-----------|-----------|
|               | 7   | 6   | 5       | 4         | 3  | 2        | 1         | 0         |
|               | 0   | 0   | StandBy | PowerDown | 0  | TStopNow | TStartNow | FlushFIFO |
| Access Rights | r/w | r/w | dy      | dy        | dy | w        | w         | w         |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol    | Function   |
|-----|-----------|--|
| 7-6 | 00        | Reserved for future use  |
| 5   | StandBy   | Setting this bit to 1 enters the Soft PowerDown Mode. This means, internal current consuming blocks switch off, the oscillator keeps running.  |
| 4   | PowerDown | Setting this bit to 1 enters the Soft PowerDown Mode. This means, internal current consuming blocks switch off including the oscillator.   |
| 3   | 0         | Reserved for future use  |
| 2   | TStopNow  | Setting this bit to 1 starts the timer immediately. Reading this bit will always return 0.   |
| 1   | TStartNow | Setting this bit to 1 stops the timer immediately. Reading this bit will always return 0.  |
| 0   | FlushFIFO | Setting this bit to 1 clears the internal FIFO-buffer's read- and write-pointer ( <i>FIFOLength</i> becomes 0) and the flag <i>FIFOvfl</i> immediately. Reading this bit will always return 0. |

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Error flags showing the error status of the last executed command.

Name: ErrorFlag

Address: 0x0A

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|               |   |   |           |         |        |            |   |         |
|---------------|---|---|-----------|---------|--------|------------|---|---------|
|               | 7 | 6 | 5         | 4       | 3      | 2          | 1 | 0       |
|               | 0 | 0 | AccessErr | FIFOvfl | CRCErr | FramingErr | 0 | CollErr |
| Access Rights | r | r | r         | r       | r      | r          | r | r       |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function  |
|-----|------------|---|
| 7-6 | 0          | Reserved for future use.  |
| 5   | AccessErr  | This bit is set to 1, if the access rights to the E <sup>2</sup> PROM are violated. This bit is set to 0 starting an E <sup>2</sup> PROM related command.                               |
| 4   | FIFOvfl    | This bit is set to 1, if the $\mu$ -Processor or a SL RC400's internal state machine (e.g. receiver) tries to write data into the FIFO buffer although the FIFO buffer is already full. |
| 3   | CRCErr     | This bit is set to 1, if RxCRCEn is set and the CRC fails. It is cleared to 0 automatically at receiver start phase during the state PrepareRx.   |
| 2   | FramingErr | This bit is set to 1, if the SOF is incorrect. It is cleared automatically at receiver start (that is during the state PrepareRx).  |
| 1   | 0          | RFU   |
| 0   | CollErr    | This bit is set to 1, if a bit-collision is detected. It is cleared automatically at receiver start (that is during the state PrepareRx).   |

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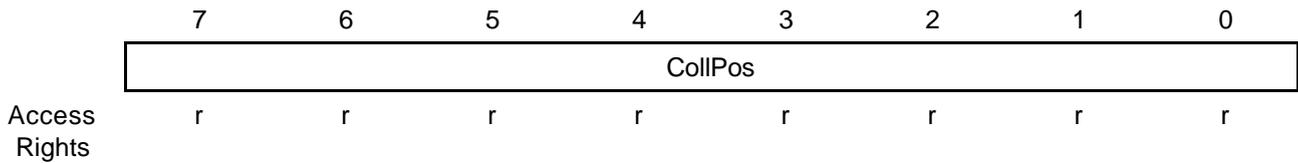
5.2.2.4 CollPos Register

Bit position of the first bit collision detected on the RF- interface.

Name: CollPos

Address: 0x0B

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol  | Function   |
|-----|---------|--|
| 7-0 | CollPos | This register shows the bit position of the first detected collision in a received frame.<br>Example:<br>0x00 indicates a bit collision in the start bit<br>0x01 indicates a bit collision in the 1 <sup>st</sup> bit<br>0x08 indicates a bit collision in the 8 <sup>th</sup> bit |

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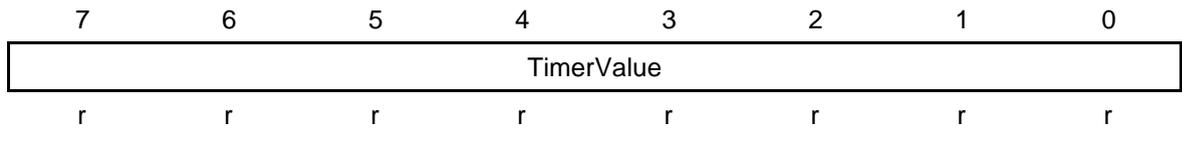
5.2.2.5 *TimerValue Register*

Actual value of the timer

Name: TimerValue

Address:0x0C

Reset value: XXXXXXXX, 0xXX



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function   |
|-----|------------|--|
| 7-0 | TimerValue | This register shows the actual value of the timer counter. |

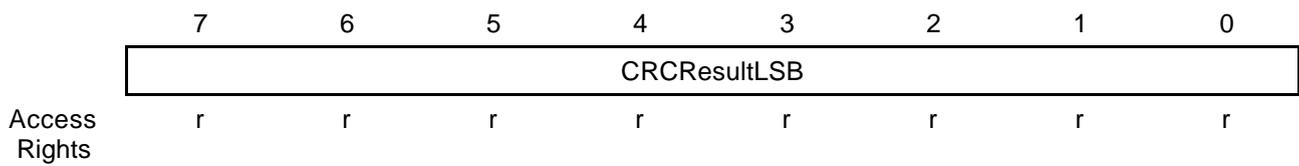
**I·CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****5.2.2.6 CRCResultLSB Register**

LSB of the CRC-Coprocessor register.

Name: CRCResultLSB

Address: 0x0D

Reset value: XXXXXXXX, 0xXX



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7-0 | CRCResultLSB | This register shows the actual value of the least significant byte of the CRC register. It is valid only if bit CRCReady is set to 1. |

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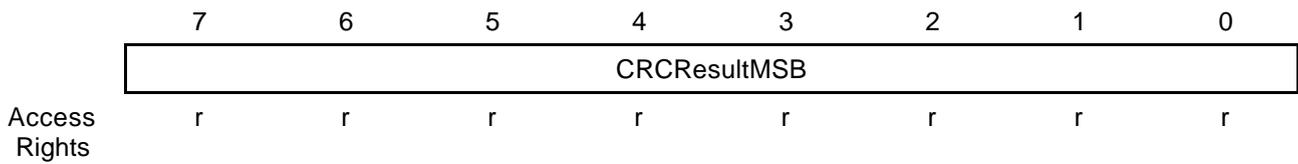
5.2.2.7 *CRCResultMSB Register*

MSB of the CRC-Coprocessor register.

Name: CRCResultMSB

Address: 0x0E

Reset value: XXXXXXXX, 0xXX



Description of the bits

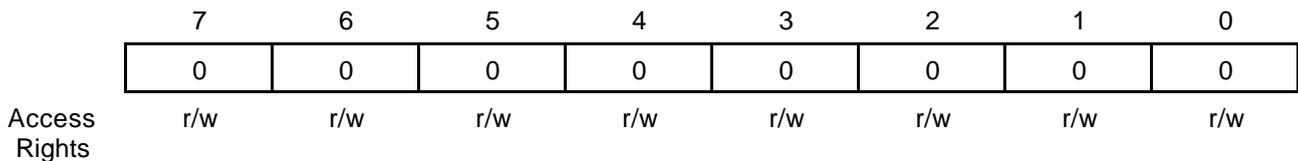
| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7-0 | CRCResultMSB | This register shows the actual value of the most significant byte of the CRC register. It is valid only if bit CRCReady is set to 1.<br>For 8-bit CRC calculation the registers value is undefined. |

5.2.2.8 *PreSet0F Register*

Name: PreSet0F

Address: 0x0F

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



**Note:** These values shall not be changed !

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Selects the register page. See 5.2.1.1 Page register.

**5.2.3.2 TxControl Register**

Controls the logical behaviour of the antenna pin TX1 and TX2

Name: TxControl

Address: 0x11

Reset value: 01001000, 0x48

|     |                 |                 |        |       |         |         |     |
|-----|-----------------|-----------------|--------|-------|---------|---------|-----|
| 7   | 6               | 5               | 4      | 3     | 2       | 1       | 0   |
| 0   | ModulatorSource | Force100<br>ASK | TX2Inv | TX2Cw | TX2RFEn | TX1RFEn |     |
| r/w | r/w             | r/w             | r/w    | r/w   | r/w     | r/w     | r/w |

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Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol           | Function   |
|-----|------------------|--|
| 7   | 0                | This value shall not be changed  |
| 6-5 | Modulator Source | Selects the source for the modulator input:<br><br>00: LOW<br>01: HIGH<br>10: Internal Coder<br>11: RFU  |
| 4   | Force100ASK      | Set to 1, forces a 100% ASK Modulation independent of the setting in the ModConductance Register.  |
| 3   | TX2Inv           | Set to 1, the output signal on pin TX2 will deliver an inverted 13.56 MHz carrier frequency.   |
| 2   | TX2Cw            | Set to 1, the output signal on pin TX2 will deliver continuously the un-modulated 13.56 MHz carrier frequency.<br>Setting <i>TX2Cw</i> to 0 enables modulation of the 13.56 MHz carrier frequency.     |
| 1   | TX2RFEn          | Set to 1, the output signal on pin TX2 will deliver the 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated by the transmission data.<br>If <i>TX2RFEn</i> is 0, TX2 drives a constant output level. See chapter 13. |
| 0   | TX1RFEn          | Set to 1, the output signal on pin TX1 will deliver the 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated by the transmission data.<br>If <i>TX1RFEn</i> is 0, TX1 drives a constant output level. See chapter 13. |

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5.2.3.3 *CwConductance Register*

Selects the conductance of the antenna driver pins TX1 and TX2.

Name: CwConductance

Address: 0x12

Reset value: 00111111, 0x3F



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol  | Function  |
|-----|---------|---|
| 7-6 | 00      | These values shall not be changed   |
| 5-0 | GsCfgCW | The value of this register defines the conductance of the output driver. This may be used to regulate the output power and subsequently current consumption and operating distance. |

For detailed information about GsCfgCW see 13.2.1

5.2.3.4 *ModConductance Register*

Name: ModConductance

Address: 0x13

Reset value: 00000101, 0x05



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol   | Function   |
|-----|----------|--|
| 7-6 | 00       | These values shall not be changed  |
| 5-0 | GsCfgMod | The value of this register defines the conductance of the output driver for the time of modulation. This may be used to regulate the modulation index. |

For detailed information about GsCfgMod see 13.3

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5.2.3.5 *CoderControl Register*

Name: CoderControl

Address:0x14

Reset value: 00101100, 0x2C



|               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Access Rights | r/w |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7   | SendOnePulse | Set to 1, forces to generate only one Mudulation (for ISO 15693 only). This is used to switch to the next TimeSlot if the Inventory command is used. This bit is not cleared automatically, it has to be re-set to 0 by the user.   |
| 6   | 0            | These values shall not be changed   |
| 5-3 | CoderRate    | This register defines the clock rate for Coder Circuit<br>000: RFU<br>001: RFU<br>010: RFU<br>011: RFU<br>100: RFU<br>101: For I?CODE1 standard mode and ISO 15693 (~52.97kHz)<br>110: For I?CODE1 fast mode (~26.48kHz)<br>111: RFU  |
| 2-0 | TxCoding     | This register defines the bit coding Mode and Framing during Transmission<br>000: RFU<br>001: RFU<br>010: RFU<br>011: RFU<br>100: For I?CODE1 standard mode (1 out of 256 coding)<br>101: For I?CODE1 fast mode (RZ coding)<br>110: For ISO 15693 standard mode (1 out of 256 coding)<br>111: For ISO 15693 fast mode (1 out of 4 coding) |

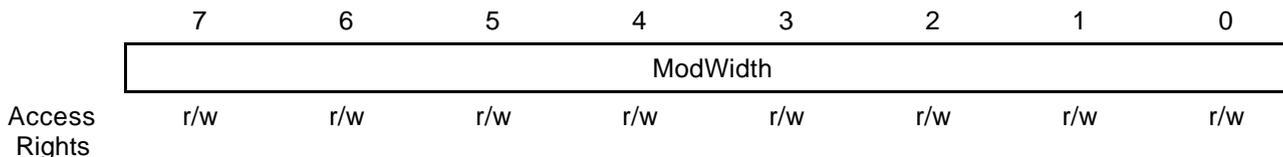
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5.2.3.6 *ModWidth Register*

selects the width of the modulation pulse.

Name: ModWidth                                      Address: 0x15                                      Reset value: 00111111, 0x3F

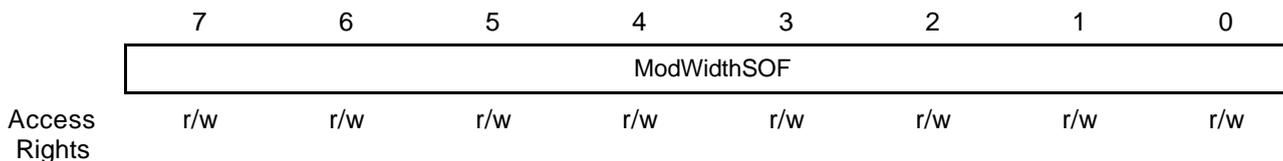


Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol   | Function  |
|-----|----------|---|
| 7-0 | ModWidth | This register defines the width of the modulation pulse according to<br>$T_{mod} = 2 \cdot (\text{ModWidth} + 1) / f_c$ ( $f_c = \text{Oscillator clock } 13.56 \text{ MHz}$ ).<br>Preset for I·CODE1 (Fast and Standard Mode) and ISO 15693 is 0x3F<br>(Modulation width: 9.44µs). |

5.2.3.7 *ModWidthSOF Register*

Name: ModWidthSOF                                      Address: 0x16                                      Reset value: 00111111, 0x3F



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol      | Function  |
|-----|-------------|---|
| 7-0 | ModWidthSOF | This register defines the width of the modulation pulse for SOF<br>$T_{mod} = 2 \cdot (\text{ModWidth} + 1) / f_c$ .<br>Register setting:<br>I·CODE1 Standard Mode: 0x3F (Modulation width SOF: 9.44µs).<br>I·CODE1 Fast Mode: 0x73 (Modulation width SOF: 18.88µs).<br>ISO 15693: 0x3F (Modulation width SOF: 9.44µs). |



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5.2.4.3 DecoderControl Register

controls decoder behaviour.

Name: DecoderControl

Address: 0x1A

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|   |                |                   |           |   |          |   |   |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-----------|---|----------|---|---|
| 7 | 6              | 5                 | 4         | 3 | 2        | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | Rx<br>Multiple | ZeroAfter<br>Coll | RxFraming |   | RxInvert | 0 | 0 |

Access  
Rights

r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol        | Function  |
|-----|---------------|---|
| 7   | 0             | These values shall not be changed   |
| 6   | RxMultiple    | If set to 0, the receiver is deactivated after receiving the Datastream.<br>If set to 1, it is possible to receive more than one Frame.   |
| 5   | ZeroAfterColl | If set to 1, any bits received after a bit-collision are masked to zero. This eases resolving the anti-collision procedure defined in the standard ISO 15693.                   |
| 4-3 | RxFraming     | Selects the receiving frame type<br>00 for I·CODE1<br>01 RFU<br>10 ISO 15693<br>11 RFU  |
| 2   | RxInvert      | If set to 0, a modulation at the first half bit results a logic 1 (according I·CODE1)<br>If set to 1, a modulation at the first half bit results a logic 0 (according ISO15693) |
| 1-0 | 00            | These values shall not be changed   |

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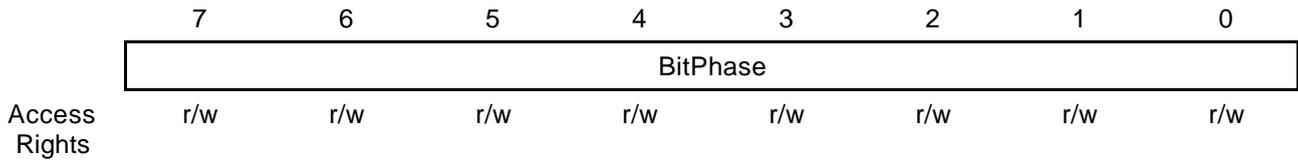
5.2.4.4 *BitPhase Register*

selects the bit-phase between transmitter and receiver clock.

Name: BitPhase

Address: 0x1B

Reset value: 01010100, 0x54



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol  | Function  |
|-----|---------|---|
| 7-0 | BitPase | Defines the phase relation between transmitter and receiver clock.<br>Note: The correct value of this register is essential for proper operation. |

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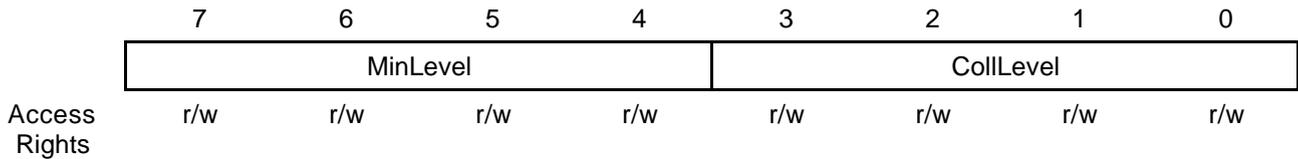
5.2.4.5 *RxThreshold Register*

selects thresholds for the bit decoder.

Name: RxThreshold

Address: 0x1C

Reset value: 01101000, 0x68



Description of the bits

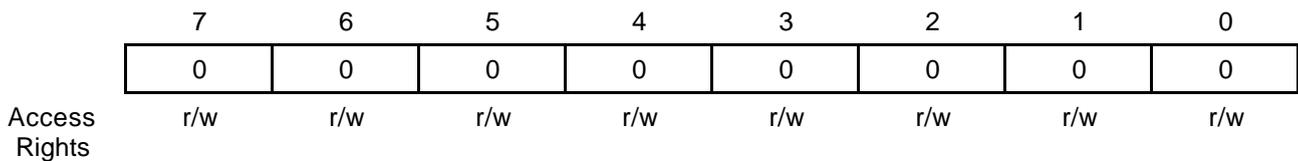
| Bit | Symbol    | Function  |
|-----|-----------|---|
| 7-4 | MinLevel  | Defines the minimum signal strength at the decoder input that shall be accepted. If the signal strength is below this level, it is not evaluated.   |
| 3-0 | CollLevel | Defines the minimum signal strength at the decoder input that has to be reached by the weaker half-bit of the Manchester-coded signal to generate a bit-collision relatively to the amplitude of the stronger half-bit. |

5.2.4.6 *PreSet1D Register*

Name: PreSet1D

Address: 0x1D

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



**Note:** These values shall not be changed !

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controls decoder behaviour and defines the input source for the receiver.

Name: RxControl2

Address: 0x1E

Reset value: 01000001, 0x41

|               |            |          |     |     |     |     |               |     |
|---------------|------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------|-----|
|               | 7          | 6        | 5   | 4   | 3   | 2   | 1             | 0   |
|               | RcvClkSelI | RxAutoPD | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | DecoderSource |     |
| Access Rights | R/w        | r/w      | r/w | r/w | r/w | r/w | r/w           | r/w |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol        | Function   |
|-----|---------------|--|
| 7   | RcvClkSelI    | If set to 1, the I-clock is used for the receiver clock.<br>0 indicates, the Q-clock is used. I-clock and Q-clock are 90° phase shifted to each other  |
| 6   | RxAutoPD      | If set to 1, the receiver circuit is automatically switched on before receiving and switched off afterwards. This may be used to reduce current consumption.<br>If set to 0, the receiver is always activated. |
| 5-2 | 0000          | These values shall not be changed  |
| 1-0 | DecoderSource | Selects the source for the decoder input:<br>00: Low<br>01: Internal Demodulator<br>10: RFU<br>11: RFU   |

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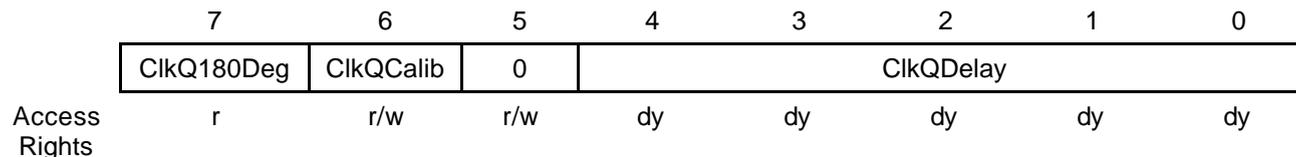
5.2.4.8 *ClockQControl Register*

controls clock generation for the 90° phase shifted Q-channel clock.

Name: ClockQControl

Address: 0x1F

Reset value: 000XXXXX, 0xXX



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol     | Function   |
|-----|------------|--|
| 7   | ClkQ180Deg | If the Q-clock is phase shifted more than 180° compared to the I-clock, this bit is set to 1, otherwise it is 0.   |
| 6   | ClkQCalib  | If this bit is 0, the Q-clock is calibrated automatically after the Reset Phase and after data reception from the label.<br>If this bit is set to 1, no calibration is performed automatically.                            |
| 5   | 0          | This value shall not be changed  |
| 4-0 | ClkQDelay  | This register shows the number of delay elements actually used to generate a 90° phase shift of the I-clock to obtain the Q-clock.<br>It can be written directly by the μ-Processor or by the automatic calibration cycle. |

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5.2.5.1 Page Register

Selects the register page. See 5.2.1.1 Page register.

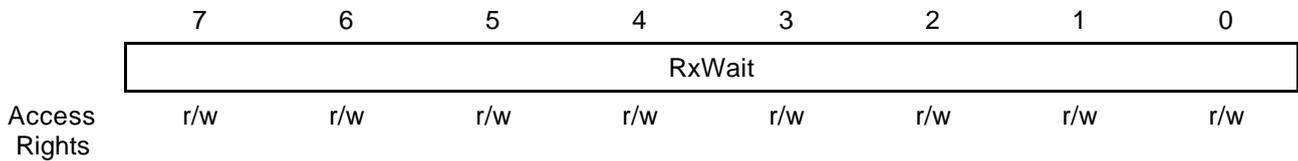
5.2.5.2 RxWait Register

Selects the time interval after transmission, before receiver starts.

Name: RxWait

Address: 0x21

Reset value: 00001000, 0x08



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol | Function   |
|-----|--------|--|
| 7-0 | RxWait | After data transmission, the activation of the receiver is delayed for <i>RxWait</i> bit-clocks (proportional to CoderRate). During this 'frame guard time' any signal at pin Rx is ignored. |

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5.2.5.3 ChannelRedundancy Register

Selects kind and mode of checking the data integrity on the RF-channel.

Name: ChannelRedundancy

Address: 0x22

Reset value: 00001100, 0x0C

|   |                 |             |      |         |         |   |   |
|---|-----------------|-------------|------|---------|---------|---|---|
| 7 | 6               | 5           | 4    | 3       | 2       | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | CRCMSB<br>First | CRC<br>3309 | CRC8 | RxCRCEn | TxCRCEn | 0 | 0 |

Access  
Rights

r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol      | Function  |
|-----|-------------|---|
| 7   | 0           | This value shall not be changed   |
| 6   | CRCMSBFirst | If set to 1, CRC-calculation shifts the MSBit into the CRC-Coprocessor first.<br>If set to 0, CRC-calculation starts with the LSBit.<br><br>Note: For usage according ISO 15693 and I?CODE1 this bit has to be 0.   |
| 5   | CRC 3309    | If set to 1, CRC-calculation is done according ISO/IEC3309 as it is defined in ISO 15693.<br><br>Note: For usage according to I•CODE1 this bit has to be 0.   |
| 4   | CRC8        | If set to 1, an 8-bit CRC is calculated.<br>If set to 0, a 16-bit CRC is calculated.  |
| 3   | RxCRCEn     | If set to 1, the last byte(s) of a received frame is/are interpreted as CRC byte/s.<br>If the CRC itself is correct the CRC byte(s) is/are not passed to the FIFO.<br>In case of an error, the <i>CRCErr</i> flag is set.<br>If set to 0, no CRC is expected. |
| 2   | TxCRCEn     | If set to 1, a CRC is calculated over the transmitted data and the CRC byte(s) are appended to the data stream.<br>If set to 0, no CRC is transmitted.  |
| 1-0 | 00          | RFU   |

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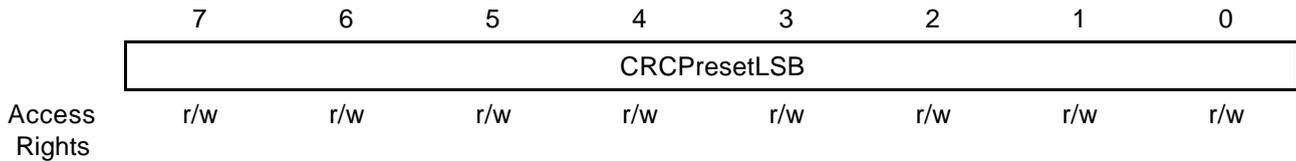
5.2.5.4 *CRCPresetLSB Register*

LSB of the preset value for the CRC register.

Name: CRCPresetLSB

Address: 0x23

Reset value: 11111110, 0xFE



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function   |
|-----|--------------|--|
| 7-0 | CRCPresetLSB | <p><i>CRCPresetLSB</i> defines the starting value for CRC-calculation. This value is loaded into the CRC at the beginning of transmission, reception and the CalcCRC Command, if the CRC calculation is enabled.</p> <p>The Preset value is set for I?CODE1<br/>To use the ISO 15693 functionality the <i>CRCPresetLSB</i> Register has to be set to 0xFF.</p> |

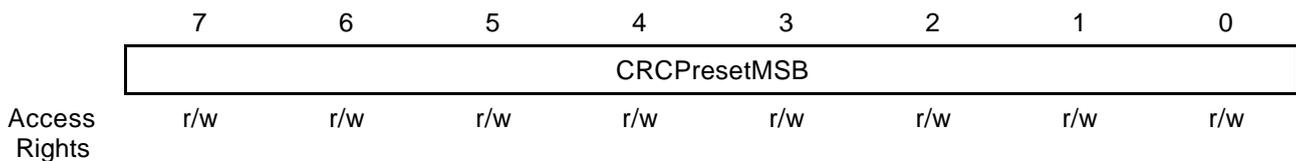
5.2.5.5 *CRCPresetMSB Register*

MSB of the preset value for the CRC register.

Name: CRCPresetMSB

Address: 0x24

Reset value: 11111111, 0xFF



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7-0 | CRCPresetMSB | <p><i>CRCPresetMSB</i> defines the starting value for CRC-calculation. This value is loaded into the CRC at the beginning of transmission, reception and the CalcCRC Command, if the CRC calculation is enabled.</p> <p>Note: The Preset value of <i>CRCPresetMSB</i> Register is the same for I?CODE1 and ISO 15693.</p> <p>Note: This register is not relevant, if CRC8 is 1.</p> |

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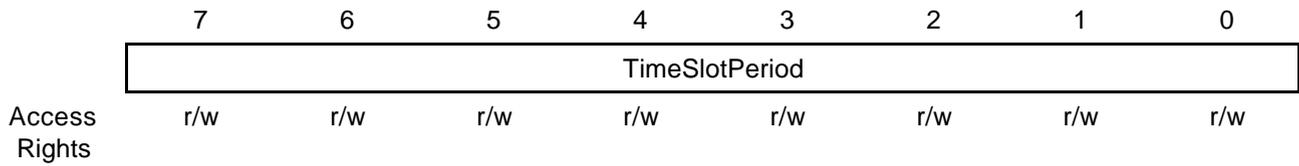
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5.2.5.6 *TimeSlotPeriod Register*

Name: TimeSlotPeriod

Address: 0x25

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol         | Function  |
|-----|----------------|---|
| 7-0 | TimeSlotPeriod | <i>TimeSlotPeriod</i> defines the time between automatically mitted Frames. To send a Quit-Frame according to the I•CODE1 protocol, it is necessary to have a relation to the beginning of the Command-Frame. The TimeSlotPeriod will start at the End of the Command transmission. For detailed information see also chapter 9.2.5 |

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5.2.5.7 *SIGOUTSelect Register*

Selects internal signal applied to pin SIGOUT.

Name: SIGOUTSelect

Address: 0x26

Reset value:00000000, 0x00

|   |   |   |                           |   |              |   |   |
|---|---|---|---------------------------|---|--------------|---|---|
| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4                         | 3 | 2            | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | TimeSlot<br>Period<br>MSB | 0 | SIGOUTSelect |   |   |

Access  
Rights

r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol   | Function  |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
|-----|--|---|-----|--------------|-----|---------------|-----|---|-----|--------------------|-----|--|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 7-5 | 000  | These values shall not be changed   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 4   | TimeSlotPeriod<br>MSB  | MSB of value TimeSlotPeriod see register 0x25   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 3   | 0  | These values shall not be changed   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 2-0 | SIGOUTSelect   | <p><i>SIGOUTSelect</i> defines which signal is routed to pin SIGOUT.</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>000</td><td>Constant Low</td></tr> <tr><td>001</td><td>Constant High</td></tr> <tr><td>010</td><td>Modulation Signal (envelope) from internal coder, actual used coded</td></tr> <tr><td>011</td><td>Serial data stream</td></tr> <tr><td>100</td><td>Output signal of the carrier frequency demodulator (label modulation signal)</td></tr> <tr><td>101</td><td>Output signal of the subcarrier demodulator (Manchester coded label signal)</td></tr> <tr><td>110</td><td>RFU</td></tr> <tr><td>111</td><td>RFU</td></tr> </table> | 000 | Constant Low | 001 | Constant High | 010 | Modulation Signal (envelope) from internal coder, actual used coded | 011 | Serial data stream | 100 | Output signal of the carrier frequency demodulator (label modulation signal) | 101 | Output signal of the subcarrier demodulator (Manchester coded label signal) | 110 | RFU | 111 | RFU |
| 000 | Constant Low   |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 001 | Constant High  |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 010 | Modulation Signal (envelope) from internal coder, actual used coded          |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 011 | Serial data stream   |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 100 | Output signal of the carrier frequency demodulator (label modulation signal) |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 101 | Output signal of the subcarrier demodulator (Manchester coded label signal)  |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 110 | RFU  |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |
| 111 | RFU  |   |     |              |     |               |     |   |     |                    |     |  |     |   |     |     |     |     |



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5.2.6.3 *TimerClock Register*

Selects the divider for the timer clock.

Name: TimerClock

Address: 0x2A

Reset value: 00001011, 0x0B

|               |     |     |              |            |     |     |     |     |
|---------------|-----|-----|--------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|               | 7   | 6   | 5            | 4          | 3   | 2   | 1   | 0   |
|               | 0   | 0   | TAutoRestart | TPreScaler |     |     |     |     |
| Access Rights | r/w | r/w | r/w          | r/w        | r/w | r/w | r/w | r/w |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7-6 | 00           | These values shall not be changed   |
| 5   | TAutoRestart | If set to 1, the timer automatically restart its count-down from <i>TReloadValue</i> , instead of counting down to zero.<br>If set to 0 the timer decrements to zero and the bit <i>TimerIRQ</i> is set to 1. |
| 4-0 | TPreScaler   | Defines the timer clock $f_{Timer}$ . <i>TPreScaler</i> can be adjusted from 0x00 up to 0x15. The following formula is used to calculate $f_{Timer}$ :<br>$f_{Timer} = 13.56 \text{ MHz} / 2^{TPreScaler}$    |

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5.2.6.4 *TimerControl Register*

Selects start and stop conditions for the timer.

Name: TimerControl

Address: 0x2B

Reset value: 00000010, 0x02

|        |     |     |     |     |            |              |             |               |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
|        | 7   | 6   | 5   | 4   | 3          | 2            | 1           | 0             |
|        | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | TStopRxEnd | TStopRxBegin | TStartTxEnd | TStartTxBegin |
| Access | r/w | r/w | r/w | r/w | r/w        | r/w          | r/w         | r/w           |
| Rights |     |     |     |     |            |              |             |               |

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol        | Function  |
|-----|---------------|---|
| 7-4 | 0000          | These values shall not be changed   |
| 3   | TStopRxEnd    | If set to 1, the timer is stopped automatically when data reception ends. 0 indicates, that the timer is not influenced by this condition.  |
| 2   | TStopRxBegin  | If set to 1, the timer is stopped automatically, when the first valid bit is received. 0 indicates, that the timer is not influenced by this condition.   |
| 1   | TStartTxEnd   | If set to 1, the timer is started automatically when data transmission ends. If the timer is already running, it is restarted by loading <i>TReloadValue</i> into the timer. 0 indicates, that the timer is not influenced by this condition.       |
| 0   | TStartTxBegin | If set to 1, the timer is started automatically when the first bit is transmitted. If the timer is already running, it is restarted by loading <i>TReloadValue</i> into the timer. 0 indicates, that the timer is not influenced by this condition. |

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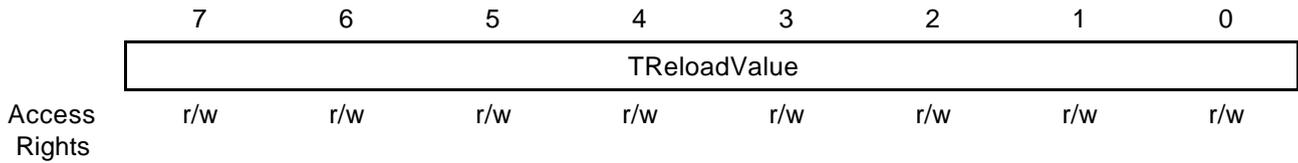
### 5.2.6.5 *TimerReload Register*

Defines the preset value for the timer.

Name: TimerReload

Address: 0x2C

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol       | Function  |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 7-0 | TReloadValue | With a start event the timer loads with the <i>TReloadValue</i> . Changing this register affects the timer only with the next start event.<br>If <i>TReloadValue</i> is set to 0, the timer cannot start. |

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5.2.6.6 *IRQPinConfig Register*

Configures the output stage for pin IRQ.

Name: IRQPinConfig                      Address: 0x2D                      Reset value: 00000010, 0x02

|   |   |   |   |   |   |        |             |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------|-------------|
| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1      | 0           |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | IRQInv | IRQPushPull |

Access Rights                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol      | Function  |
|-----|-------------|---|
| 7-2 | 000000      | These values shall not be changed   |
| 1   | IRQInv      | If set to 1, the signal on pin IRQ is inverted with respect to bit <i>IRQ</i> .<br>0 indicates, that the signal on pin IRQ is equal to bit <i>IRQ</i> . |
| 0   | IRQPushPull | If set to 1, pin IRQ works as standard CMOS output pad.<br>0 indicates, that pin IRQ works as open drain output pad.                                    |

5.2.6.7 *PreSet2E*

Name: PreSet2E                      Address: 0x2E                      Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Access Rights                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w

**Note:** These values shall not be changed !

5.2.6.8 *Preset2F*

Name: Preset2F                      Address: 0x2F                      Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Access Rights                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w                      r/w

**Note:** These values shall not be changed !



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## 5.2.7 PAGE 7: TEST CONTROL

5.2.7.1 *Page Register*

Selects the register page. See 5.2.1.1 Page register.

5.2.7.2 *RFU Register*

Name: RFU

Address: 0x39

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|                  | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|                  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Access<br>Rights | w | w | w | w | w | w | w | w |

**Note:** These registers are reserved for future use.

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5.2.7.3 *TestAnaSelect Register*

Selects analog test signals.

Name: TestAnaSelect

Address: 0x3A

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|   |   |   |   |                  |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|------------------|---|---|---|
| 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3                | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | TestAnaOutSelect |   |   |   |
| w | w | w | w | w                | w | w | w |

Access Rights

Description of the bits

| Bit | Symbol        | Function   |               |
|-----|---------------|--|---------------|
| 7-4 | 0000          | These values shall not be changed  |               |
| 3-0 | TestAnaOutSel | This register selects the internal analog signal that is routed to pin AUX.<br>For detailed information see 18.3 |               |
|     |               | Value  | Signal Name   |
|     |               | 0  | $V_{mid}$     |
|     |               | 1  | $V_{bandgap}$ |
|     |               | 2  | $V_{RxFoll}$  |
|     |               | 3  | $V_{RxFollQ}$ |
|     |               | 4  | $V_{RxAmpl}$  |
|     |               | 5  | $V_{RxAmplQ}$ |
|     |               | 6  | $V_{CorrNI}$  |
|     |               | 7  | $V_{CorrNQ}$  |
|     |               | 8  | $V_{CorrDI}$  |
|     |               | 9  | $V_{CorrDQ}$  |
|     |               | A  | $V_{EvalL}$   |
|     |               | B  | $V_{EvalR}$   |
| C   | $V_{Temp}$    |  |               |
| D   | RFU           |  |               |
| E   | RFU           |  |               |
| F   | RFU           |  |               |

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### 5.2.7.4 PreSet3B

Name: PreSet3B

Address: 0x3B

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|               | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
|               | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Access Rights | w | w | w | w | w | w | w | w |

**Note:** These values shall not be changed !

### 5.2.7.5 PreSet3C

Name: PreSet3C

Address: 0x3C

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00

|               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|               | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
|               | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Access Rights | w | w | w | w | w | w | w | w |

**Note:** These values shall not be changed !

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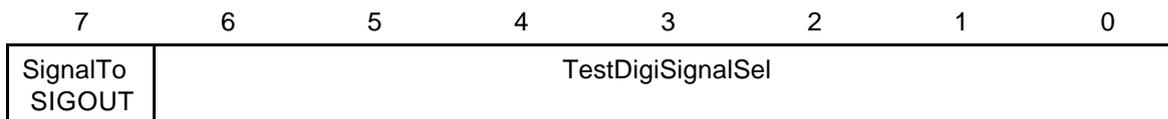
5.2.7.6 TestDigiSelect Register

Selects digital test mode.

Name: TestDigiSelect

Address: 0x3D

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Access  
Rights

w      w      w      w      w      w      w      w

Description of the bits

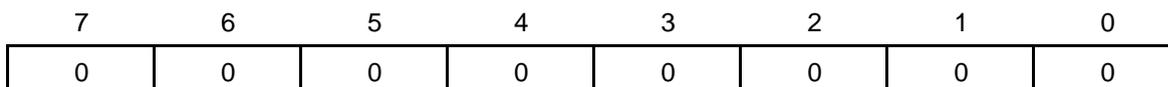
| Bit               | Symbol            | Function  |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------|
| 7                 | SignalToSIGOUT    | Set to 1, overrides the setting in <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> and the digital test signal defined in <i>TestDigiSignalSel</i> is routed to pin SIGOUT instead. Set to 0, <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> defines the signal delivered at pin SIGOUT.   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 6-0               | TestDigiSignalSel | Selects the digital test signal to be routed to pin SIGOUT.   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
|                   |                   | For detailed information refer to chapter 18.4  |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
|                   |                   | <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 40%;">TestDigiSelect</th> <th style="width: 60%;">Signal Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">74<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>s_data</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">64<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>s_valid</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">54<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>s_coll</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">44<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>s_clock</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">35<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>rd_sync</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">25<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>wr_sync</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">16<sub>hex</sub></td> <td>int_clock</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | TestDigiSelect | Signal Name | 74 <sub>hex</sub> | s_data | 64 <sub>hex</sub> | s_valid | 54 <sub>hex</sub> | s_coll | 44 <sub>hex</sub> | s_clock | 35 <sub>hex</sub> | rd_sync | 25 <sub>hex</sub> | wr_sync | 16 <sub>hex</sub> | int_clock |
| TestDigiSelect    | Signal Name       |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 74 <sub>hex</sub> | s_data            |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 64 <sub>hex</sub> | s_valid           |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 54 <sub>hex</sub> | s_coll            |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 44 <sub>hex</sub> | s_clock           |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 35 <sub>hex</sub> | rd_sync           |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 25 <sub>hex</sub> | wr_sync           |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |
| 16 <sub>hex</sub> | int_clock         |   |                |             |                   |        |                   |         |                   |        |                   |         |                   |         |                   |         |                   |           |

5.2.7.7 RFU Registers

Name: RFU

Address: 0x3E, 0x3F

Reset value: 00000000, 0x00



Access  
Rights

r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w      r/w

**Note:** These registers are reserved for future use.

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| <b>Flag(s)</b> | <b>Register</b>   | <b>Address</b><br>Register, Bit Position |
|----------------|-------------------|--|
| AccessErr      | ErrorFlag         | 0x0A, bit 5                              |
| BitPhase       | BitPhase          | 0x1B, bits 7:0                           |
| ClkQ180Deg     | ClockQControl     | 0x1F, bit 7                              |
| ClkQCalib      | ClockQControl     | 0x1F, bit 6                              |
| ClkQDelay      | ClockQControl     | 0x1F, bits 4:0                           |
| CollErr        | ErrorFlag         | 0x0A, bit 0                              |
| CollLevel      | RxThreshold       | 0x1C, bits 3:0                           |
| CollPos        | CollPos           | 0x0B, bits 7:0                           |
| Command        | Command           | 0x01, bits 5:0                           |
| CRC3309        | ChannelRedundancy | 0x22, bit 5                              |
| CRC8           | ChannelRedundancy | 0x22, bit 4                              |
| CRCErr         | ErrorFlag         | 0x0A, bit 3                              |
| CRCMSBFirst    | ChannelRedundancy | 0x22, bit 6                              |
| CRCPresetLSB   | CRCPresetLSB      | 0x23, bits 7:0                           |
| CRCPresetMSB   | CRCPresetMSB      | 0x24, bits 7:0                           |
| CRCReady       | SecondaryStatus   | 0x05 , bit 5                             |
| CRCResultMSB   | CRCResultMSB      | 0x0E, bits 7:0                           |
| CRCResultLSB   | CRCResultLSB      | 0x0D, , bits 7:0                         |
| DecoderSource  | RxControl2        | 0x1E, bits 1:0                           |
| E2Ready        | SecondaryStatus   | 0x05, bit 6                              |
| Err            | PrimaryStatus     | 0x03, bit 2                              |
| FIFOData       | FIFOData          | 0x02, bits 7:0                           |
| FIFOLength     | FIFOLength        | 0x04, bits 7:0                           |
| FIFOOvfl       | ErrorFlag         | 0x0A, bit 4                              |
| FlushFIFO      | Control           | 0x09, bit 0                              |
| FramingErr     | ErrorFlag         | 0x0A, bit 2                              |
| Gain           | RxControl1        | 0x19, bits 1:0                           |
| GsCfgCW        | CWConductance     | 0x12, bits 5:0                           |
| GsCfgMod       | ModConductance    | 0x13, bits 5:0                           |
| HiAlert        | PrimaryStatus     | 0x03, bit 1                              |
| HiAlertIEn     | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 1                              |
| HiAlertIRq     | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 1                              |

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| <b>Flag(s)</b>    | <b>Register</b>   | <b>Address</b><br>Register, Bit Position                    |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| IdleIEn           | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 2   |
| IdleIRq           | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 2   |
| IFDetectBusy      | Command           | 0x01, bit 7   |
| IRq               | PrimaryStatus     | 0x03, bit 3   |
| IRQInv            | IRQPinConfig      | 0x2D, bit 1   |
| IRQPushPull       | IRQPinConfig      | 0x2D, bit 0   |
| LoAlert           | PrimaryStatus     | 0x03, bit 0   |
| LoAlertIEn        | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 0   |
| LoAlertIRq        | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 0   |
| SIGOUTSelect      | SIGOUTSelect      | 0x26, bits 2:0  |
| MinLevel          | RxThreshold       | 0x1C, bits 7:4  |
| ModemState        | PrimaryStatus     | 0x03 , bit 6:4  |
| ModulatorSource   | TxControl         | 0x11, bits 6:5  |
| ModWidth          | ModWidth          | 0x15, bits /:0  |
| PageSelect        | Page              | 0x00, 0x08, 0x10, 0x18, 0x20,<br>0x28, 0x30, 0x38, bits 2:0 |
| PowerDown         | Control           | 0x09, bit4  |
| RcvClkSelI        | RxControl2        | 0x1E, bit 7   |
| RxAutoPD          | RxControl2        | 0x1E, bit 6   |
| RxCRCEn           | ChannelRedundancy | 0x22, bit 3   |
| RxIEn             | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 3   |
| RxIRq             | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 3   |
| RxLastBits        | SecondaryStatus   | 0x05, bits 2:0  |
| RxWait            | RxWait            | 0x21, bits 7:0  |
| SetIEn            | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 67  |
| SetIRq            | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 7   |
| SignalToSIGOUT    | TestDigiSelect    | 0x3D, bit 7   |
| StandBy           | Control           | 0x09, bit 5   |
| TAutoRestart      | TimerClock        | 0x2A, bit 5   |
| TestAnaOutSel     | TestAnaSelect     | 0x3A, bits 6:4  |
| TestDigiSignalSel | TestDigiSelect    | 0x3D, bit 6:0   |
| TimerIEn          | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 5   |
| TimerIRq          | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 5   |
| TimerValue        | TimerValue        | 0x0C, bits 7:0  |

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| <b>Flag(s)</b> | <b>Register</b>   | <b>Address</b><br>Register, Bit Position                 |
|----------------|-------------------|--|
| TPreScaler     | TimerClock        | 0x2A, bits 4:0   |
| TReloadValue   | TimerReload       | 0x2C, bits 7:0   |
| TRunning       | SecondaryStatus   | 0x05, bit 7  |
| TStartTxBegin  | TimerControl      | 0x2B, bit 0  |
| TStartTxEnd    | TimerControl      | 0x2B, bit 1  |
| TStartNow      | Control           | 0x09, bit 1  |
| TStopRxBegin   | TimerControl      | 0x2B, bit 2  |
| TStopRxEnd     | TimerControl      | 0x2B, bit 3  |
| TStopNow       | Control           | 0x09, bit 2  |
| TX1RFEn        | TxControl         | 0x11, bit 0  |
| TX2Cw          | TxControl         | 0x11, bit 3  |
| TX2Inv         | TxControl         | 0x11, bit 3  |
| TX2RFEn        | TxControl         | 0x11, bit 1  |
| TxCRCEn        | ChannelRedundancy | 0x22, bit 2  |
| TxIEn          | InterruptEn       | 0x06, bit 4  |
| TxIRq          | InterruptRq       | 0x07, bit 4  |
| TxLastBits     | BitFraming        | 0x0F, bits 2:0   |
| UsePageSelect  | Page              | 0x00, 0x08, 0x10, 0x18, 0x20,<br>0x28, 0x30, 0x38, bit 7 |
| WaterLevel     | FIFOLevel         | 0x29, bits 5:0   |
| ZeroAfterColl  | DecoderControl    | 0x1A, bit 5  |

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## 5.4 Modes of Register Addressing

There are three mechanisms to operate the SL RC400:

- Initiating functions and controlling data manipulation by executing *commands*
- Configuring electrical and functional behaviour via a set of *configuration bits*
- Monitoring the state of the SL RC400 by reading *status flags*

The commands, configurations bits and flags are accessed via the  $\mu$ -Processor interface.

The SL RC400 can internally address 64 registers. This basically requires six address lines.

### 5.4.1 PAGING MECHANISM

The SL RC400 register set is segmented into 8 pages with 8 register each. The *Page-Register* can always be addressed, no matter which page is currently selected.

### 5.4.2 DEDICATED ADDRESS BUS

Using the SL RC400 with dedicated address bus, the  $\mu$ -Processor defines three address lines via the address pins A0, A1, and A2. This allows addressing within a page. To switch between registers in different pages the paging mechanism needs then to be used.

The following table shows how the register address is assembled:

| Register Bit:<br><i>UsePageSelect</i> | Register-Address   |                    |                    |    |    |    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----|----|----|
| 1                                     | <i>PageSelect2</i> | <i>PageSelect1</i> | <i>PageSelect0</i> | A2 | A1 | A0 |

Table 5-3: Dedicated Address Bus: Assembling the Register Address

### 5.4.3 MULTIPLEXED ADDRESS BUS

Using the SL RC400 with multiplexed address bus, the  $\mu$ -Processor may define all six address lines at once. In this case either the paging mechanism or linear addressing may be used.

The following table shows how the register address is assembled:

| Interface Bus Type                             | Register Bit:<br><i>UsePageSelect</i> | Register-Address   |                    |                    |     |     |     |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Multiplexed Address Bus<br>(paging mode)       | 1                                     | <i>PageSelect2</i> | <i>PageSelect1</i> | <i>PageSelect0</i> | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 |
| Multiplexed Address Bus<br>(linear addressing) | 0                                     | AD5                | AD4                | AD3                | AD2 | AD1 | AD0 |

Table 5-4: Multiplexed Address Bus: Assembling the Register Address

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****6 MEMORY ORGANISATION OF THE E<sup>2</sup>PROM****6.1 Diagram of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM Memory Organisation**

| Block Number | Block Address | Byte Addresses | Access Rights | Memory Content   | See Also |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--|----------|
| 0            | 0             | 00 ... 0F      | r             | Product Information Field  | 6.2      |
| 1            | 1             | 10 ... 1F      | r/w           | Start Up Register Initialisation File                                  | 6.3.1    |
| 2            | 2             | 20 ... 2F      | r/w           |  |          |
| 3            | 3             | 30 ... 3F      | r/w           | Register Initialisation File<br>For User data or second Initialisation | 6.3.3    |
| 4            | 4             | 40 ... 4F      | r/w           |  |          |
| 5            | 5             | 50 ... 5F      | r/w           |  |          |
| 6            | 6             | 60 ... 6F      | r/w           |  |          |
| 7            | 7             | 70 ... 7F      | r/w           |  |          |

Table 6-1: Diagram of E<sup>2</sup>PROM Memory Organisation

Note: It is strictly recommended to use only the described E<sup>2</sup>PROM address area.

**6.2 Product Information Field (Read Only)**

| Byte    | 0                           | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4   | 5 | 6 | 7                     | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11       | 12 | 13     | 14  | 15 |
|---------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|-----------------------|---|---|----|----------|----|--------|-----|----|
| Meaning | Product Type Identification |   |   |   | RFU |   |   | Product Serial Number |   |   |    | Internal |    | RsMaxP | CRC |    |

Table 6-2: Product Information Field

**PRODUCT TYPE IDENTIFICATION**

The SL RC400 is a member of a new family for highly integrated reader IC's. Each member of the product family has its unique Product Type Identification. The value of the Product Type Identification is shown in the table below:

| Byte  | Product Type Identification |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|       | 0                           | 1                 | 2                 | 3                 | 4                 |
| Value | 30 <sub>hex</sub>           | 33 <sub>hex</sub> | F1 <sub>hex</sub> | 00 <sub>hex</sub> | XX <sub>hex</sub> |

Table 6-3: Product Type Identification Definition

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****PRODUCT SERIAL NUMBER**

The SL RC400 holds a four byte serial number that is unique for each device.

**INTERNAL:**

These 2 bytes hold internal trimming parameters.

**MAXIMUM SOURCE RESISTANCE FOR THE P-CHANNEL DRIVER TRANSISTOR OF PIN TX1 AND TX2**

The source resistance of the p-channel driver transistors of pin TX1 and TX2 may be adjusted via the *GsConfCW Register* (see chapter 13.2.1). The mean value of the maximum adjustable source resistance of the pins TX1 and TX2 is stored as an integer value in Ohms in byte RsMaxP.

This value is denoted as maximum adjustable source resistance  $R_{s,ref,max,n}$  and is measured with *GsConfCW Register* set to 01<sub>hex</sub>. It is in the range between about 80 to 120 Ω.

**CRC**

The content of the product information field is secured via a CRC-byte, which is checked during start up.

**6.3 Register Initialisation Files (Read/Write)**

Register initialisation in the register address range from 10<sub>hex</sub> to 2F<sub>hex</sub> is done automatically during the Initialising Phase (see 11.3), using the Start Up Register Initialisation File.

Furthermore, the user may initialise the SL RC400 registers with values from the Register Initialisation File executing the *LoadConfig-Command* (see 16.6.1).

**Notes:**

- The *Page-Register* (addressed with 10<sub>hex</sub>, 18<sub>hex</sub>, 20<sub>hex</sub>, 28<sub>hex</sub>) is skipped and not initialised.
- Make sure that all *PreSet* registers are not changed.
- Make sure, that all register bits that are reserved for future use (RFU) are set to 0.

**6.3.1 START UP REGISTER INITIALISATION FILE (READ/WRITE)**

The content of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM memory block address 1 and 2 are used to initialise the SL RC400 registers 10<sub>hex</sub> to 2F<sub>hex</sub> during the Initialising Phase automatically. The default values written into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM during production are shown in chapter 6.3.2.

The assignment is the following:

| <b>E<sup>2</sup>PROM Byte Address</b> | <b>Register Address</b> | <b>Remark</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| 10 <sub>hex</sub> (Block 1, Byte 0)   | 10 <sub>hex</sub>       | Skipped       |
| 11 <sub>hex</sub>                     | 11 <sub>hex</sub>       | Copied        |
| ...                                   | ...                     | ...           |
| 2F <sub>hex</sub> (Block 2, Byte 15)  | 2F <sub>hex</sub>       | Copied        |

*Table 6-4: Byte Assignment for Register Initialisation at Start Up*

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## 6.3.2 SHIPMENT CONTENT OF START UP REGISTER INITIALISATION FILE

During production test, the Start Up Register Initialisation File is initialised with the values shown in the table below. With each power up these values are written into the SL RC400 register during the Initialising Phase.

| E <sup>2</sup> PROM Byte Address | Reg. Address | Value | Description  |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------|--|
| 10                               | 10           | 00    | <i>Page</i> : free for user  |
| 11                               | 11           | 58    | <i>TxControl</i> : Transmitter pins TX1 and TX2 switched off, bridge driver configuration, modulator driven from internal digital circuitry  |
| 12                               | 12           | 3F    | <i>CwConductance</i> : Source resistance of TX1 and TX2 to minimum.  |
| 13                               | 13           | 05    | <i>ModGsCfg</i> : Source resistance of TX1 and TX2 at the time of Modulation, to determine the modulation index                              |
| 14                               | 14           | 2C    | <i>CoderControl</i> : Selects the bit coding mode and the framing during transmission  |
| 15                               | 15           | 3F    | <i>ModWidth</i> : Pulse width for "used code (1 out of 256, RZ or 1 out of 4)" pulse coding is set to standard configuration.                |
| 16                               | 16           | 3F    | <i>ModWidthSOF</i> Pulse width of SOF  |
| 17                               | 17           | 00    | <i>PreSet17</i>  |
| 18                               | 18           | 00    | <i>Page</i> : free for user  |
| 19                               | 19           | 8B    | <i>RxControl1</i> : Amplifier gain is maximum.   |
| 1A                               | 1A           | 00    | <i>DecoderControl</i> : A bit-collision always evaluates to HIGH in the data bit stream.   |
| 1B                               | 1B           | 54    | <i>BitPhase</i> : <i>BitPhase</i> is set to standard configuration.  |
| 1C                               | 1C           | 68    | <i>RxThreshold</i> : <i>MinLevel</i> and <i>CollLevel</i> are set to maximum.  |
| 1D                               | 1D           | 00    | <i>PreSet1D</i>  |
| 1E                               | 1E           | 41    | <i>RxControl2</i> : Use Q-clock for the receiver, 'Automatic Receiver Off' is switched on, decoder is driven from internal analog circuitry. |
| 1F                               | 1F           | 00    | <i>ClockQControl</i> : Automatic Q-clock Calibration' is switched on.  |
| 20                               | 20           | 00    | <i>Page</i> : free for user  |
| 21                               | 21           | 08    | <i>RxWait</i> Frame Guard Time is set to six bit clocks.   |
| 22                               | 22           | 0C    | <i>ChannelRedundancy</i> : Channel Redundancy is set according to I?CODE1.   |
| 23                               | 23           | FE    | <i>CRCPreSetLSB</i> : CRC-Preset value is set according to I?CODE1.  |
| 24                               | 24           | FF    | <i>CRCPreSetMSB</i> : CRC-Preset value is set according to I?CODE1.  |
| 25                               | 25           | 00    | <i>PreSet25</i>  |
| 26                               | 26           | 00    | <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> : Pin SIGOUT is set to LOW.  |
| 27                               | 27           | 00    | <i>PreSet27</i>  |
| 28                               | 28           | 00    | <i>Page</i> : free for user  |
| 29                               | 29           | 3E    | <i>FIFOLevel</i> : <i>WaterLevel</i> : FIFO buffer warning level is set to standard configuration.   |
| 2A                               | 2A           | 0B    | <i>TimerClock</i> : <i>TPreScaler</i> is set to standard configuration, timer unit restart function is switched off.                         |
| 2B                               | 2B           | 02    | <i>TimerControl</i> : Timer is started at the end of transmission, stopped at the beginning of reception.                                    |
| 2C                               | 2C           | 00    | <i>TimerReload</i> : <i>TReloadValue</i> : the timer unit preset value is set to standard configuration                                      |
| 2D                               | 2D           | 02    | <i>IRQPinConfig</i> : Pin IRQ is set to high impedance.  |
| 2E                               | 2E           | 00    | <i>PreSet2E</i>  |
| 2F                               | 2F           | 00    | <i>PreSet2F</i>  |

Table 6-5: Shipment Content of Start Up Configuration File

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6.3.3 REGISTER INITIALISATION FILE (READ/WRITE)

The content of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM memory from block address 3 to 7 may be used to initialise the SL RC400 registers 10<sub>hex</sub> to 2F<sub>hex</sub> by execution of the *LoadConfig-Command* (see 16.6.1). It requires a two byte argument, that is used as the two byte long E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte address for the initialisation procedure.

The assignment is the following:

| E <sup>2</sup> PROM Byte Address                       | Register Address  | Remark  |
|--|-------------------|---------|
| Starting Byte address for the E <sup>2</sup> PROM      | 10 <sub>hex</sub> | Skipped |
| Starting Byte address for the E <sup>2</sup> PROM +1   | 11 <sub>hex</sub> | Copied  |
| ...  | ...               | ...     |
| Starting Byte address for the E <sup>2</sup> PROM + 31 | 2F <sub>hex</sub> | Copied  |

*Table 6-6: Byte Assignment for Register Initialisation at Start Up*

The Register Initialisation File is big enough to hold the values for two initialisation sets and leaves one more block (16 bytes) for the user.

**Note:** The Register Initialisation File is read- and write-able for the user. Therefore, these bytes may also be used to store user specific data for other purposes.

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## 7 FIFO BUFFER

### 7.1 Overview

An 8x64 bit FIFO buffer is implemented in the SL RC400 acting as a parallel-to-parallel converter. It buffers the input and output data stream between the  $\mu$ -Processor and the internals of the SL RC400. Thus, it is possible to handle data streams with lengths of up to 64 bytes without taking timing constraints into account.

### 7.2 Accessing the FIFO Buffer

#### 7.2.1 ACCESS RULES

The FIFO-buffer input and output data bus is connected to the *FIFOData Register*. Writing to this register stores one byte in the FIFO-buffer and increments the internal FIFO-buffer write-pointer. Reading from this register shows the FIFO-buffer content stored at the FIFO-buffer read-pointer and increments the FIFO-buffer read-pointer. The distance between the write- and read-pointer can be obtained by reading the *FIFOLength Register*.

When the  $\mu$ -Processor starts a command, the SL RC400 may, while the command is in progress, access the FIFO-buffer according to that command. Physically only one FIFO-buffer is implemented, which can be used in input- and output direction. Therefore the  $\mu$ -Processor has to take care, not to access the FIFO-buffer in an unintended way.

The following table gives an overview on FIFO access during command processing:

| Active Command | $\mu$ -Processor is allowed to |                | Remark   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--|
|                | Write to FIFO                  | Read from FIFO |  |
| StartUp        | -                              | -              |  |
| Idle           | -                              | -              |  |
| Transmit       | ✓                              | -              |  |
| Receive        | -                              | ✓              |  |
| Transceive     | ✓                              | ✓              | $\mu$ -Processor has to know the actual state of the command (transmitting or receiving) |
| WriteE2        | ✓                              | -              |  |
| ReadE2         | ✓                              | ✓              | The $\mu$ -Processor has to prepare the arguments, then only reading is allowed          |
| LoadConfig     | ✓                              | -              |  |
| CalcCRC        | ✓                              | -              |  |

Table 7-1: Allowed Access to the FIFO-Buffer

### 7.3 Controlling the FIFO-Buffer

Besides writing and reading the FIFO-buffer, the FIFO-buffer pointers may be reset by setting the bit *FlushFIFO*. The consequence is, that *FIFOLength* becomes zero, *FIFOovfl* is cleared, the actually stored bytes are not accessible anymore and the FIFO-buffer can be filled with another 64 bytes again.

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**7.4 Status Information about the FIFO-Buffer**

The  $\mu$ -Processor may obtain the following data about the FIFO-buffers status:

- Number of bytes already stored in the FIFO-buffer: *FIFOLength*
- Warning, that the FIFO-buffer is quite full: *HiAlert*
- Warning, that the FIFO-buffer is quite empty: *LoAlert*
- Indication, that bytes were written to the FIFO-buffer although it was already full: *FIFOovfl*  
*FIFOovfl* can be cleared only by setting bit *FlushFIFO*.

The SL RC400 can generate an interrupt signal

- If *LoAlertIRq* is set to 1 it will activate Pin IRQ when *LoAlert* changes to 1.
- If *HiAlertIRq* is set to 1 it will activate Pin IRQ when *HiAlert* changes to 1.

The flag *HiAlert* is set to 1 if only *WaterLevel* bytes or less can be stored in the FIFO-buffer. It is generated by the following equation:

$$HiAlert = (64 - FIFOLength) \leq WaterLevel$$

The flag *LoAlert* is set to 1 if *WaterLevel* bytes or less are actually stored in the FIFO-buffer. It is generated by the following equation:

$$LoAlert = FIFOLength \leq WaterLevel$$

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The following table shows the related flags of the FIFO buffer in alphabetic order.

| <b>Flags</b> | <b>Register</b> | <b>Address</b><br>Register, bit position |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| FIFOLength   | FIFOLength      | 0x04, bits 6-0                           |
| FIFOovfl     | ErrorFlag       | 0x0A, bit 4                              |
| FlushFIFO    | Control         | 0x09, bit 0                              |
| HiAlert      | PrimaryStatus   | 0x03, bit 1                              |
| HiAlertIEn   | InterruptIEn    | 0x06, bit 1                              |
| HiAlertIRq   | InterruptIRq    | 0x07, bit 1                              |
| LoAlert      | PrimaryStatus   | 0x03, bit 0                              |
| LoAlertIEn   | InterruptIEn    | 0x06, bit 0                              |
| LoAlertIRq   | InterruptIRq    | 0x07, bit 0                              |
| WaterLevel   | FIFOLevel       | 0x29, bits 5-0                           |

*Table 7-2. Registers associated with the FIFO Buffer*

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## 8 INTERRUPT REQUEST SYSTEM

### 8.1 Overview

The SL RC400 indicates certain events by setting bit *IRq* in the *PrimaryStatus-Register* and, in addition, by activating pin IRQ. The signal on pin IRQ may be used to interrupt the  $\mu$ -Processor using its interrupt handling capabilities. This allows the implementation of efficient  $\mu$ -Processor software.

#### 8.1.1 INTERRUPT SOURCES OVERVIEW

The following table shows the integrated interrupt flags, the related source and the condition for its setting. The interrupt flag *TimerIRq* indicates an interrupt set by the timer unit. The setting is done when the timer decrements from 1 either down to zero (*TAutoRestart flag disabled*) or to the *TPreLoad* value if *TAutoRestart* is enabled.

The *TxIRq* bit indicates interrupts from different sources. If the transmitter is active and the state changes from sending data to transmitting the end of frame pattern, the transmitter unit sets automatically the interrupt bit. The CRC coprocessor sets *TxIRq* after having processed all data from the FIFO buffer. This is indicated by the flag *CRCReady* = 1. If the E<sup>2</sup>Prom programming has finished the *TxIRq* bit is set, indicated by the bit *E2Ready* = 1.

The *RxIRq* flag indicates an interrupt when the end of the received data is detected.

The flag *IdleIRq* is set if a command finishes and the content of the command register changes to idle.

The flag *HiAlertIRq* is set to 1 if the *HiAlert* bit is set to one, that means the FIFO buffer has reached the level indicated by the bit *WaterLevel*, see chapter 7.4.

The flag *LoAlertIRq* is set to 1 if the *LoAlert* bit is set to one, that means the FIFO buffer has reached the level indicated by the bit *WaterLevel*, see chapter 7.4.

| Interrupt Flag | Interrupt Source        | Is set automatically, when                       |
|----------------|-------------------------|--|
| TimerIRq       | Timer Unit              | the timer counts from 1 to 0                     |
| TxIRq          | Transmitter             | a data stream, transmitted to the label, ends    |
|                | CRC-Coprocessor         | all data from the FIFO buffer has been processed |
| RxIRq          | Receiver                | a data stream, received from the label, ends     |
| IdleIRq        | <i>Command Register</i> | a command execution finishes                     |
| HiAlertIRq     | FIFO-buffer             | the FIFO-buffer is getting full                  |
| LoAlertIRq     | FIFO-buffer             | the FIFO-buffer is getting empty                 |

Table 8-1: Interrupt Sources

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## 8.2 Implementation of Interrupt Request Handling

### 8.2.1 CONTROLLING INTERRUPTS AND THEIR STATUS

The SL RC400 informs the  $\mu$ -Processor about the interrupt request source by setting the according bit in the *InterruptRq Register*. The relevance of each interrupt request bit as source for an interrupt may be masked with the interrupt enable bits of the *InterruptEn Register*.

| Register    | Bit 7  | Bit 6 | Bit 5    | Bit 4 | Bit 3 | Bit 2   | Bit 1      | Bit 0      |
|-------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|-------|---------|------------|------------|
| InterruptEn | SetlEn | RFU   | TimerlEn | TxlEn | RxlEn | IdlelEn | HiAlertlEn | LoAlertlEn |
| InterruptRq | SetlRq | RFU   | TimerlRq | TxlRq | RxlRq | IdlelRq | HiAlertlRq | LoAlertlRq |

Table 8-2: Interrupt Control Registers

If any interrupt request flag is set to 1 (showing that an interrupt request is pending) and the corresponding interrupt enable flag is set the status flag *IRq* in the *PrimaryStatus Register* is set to 1. Furthermore, different interrupt sources can be set active simultaneously. Therefore, all interrupt request bits are 'OR'ed and connected to the flag *IRq* and forwarded to pin *IRQ*.

### 8.2.2 ACCESSING THE INTERRUPT REGISTERS

The interrupt request bits are set automatically by the internal state machines of the SL RC400. Additionally the  $\mu$ -Processor has access in order to set or to clear them.

A special implementation of the *InterruptRq* and the *InterruptEn Register* allows to change the status of a single bit without influencing the other ones. If a specific interrupt register shall be set to one, the bit *Setlxx* has to be set to 1 and simultaneously the specific bit has to be set to 1 too. Vice versa, if a specific interrupt flag shall be cleared, a zero has to be written to the *Setlxx* and simultaneously the specific address of the interrupt register has to be set to 1. If a bit content shall not be changed during the setting or clearing phase a zero has to be written to the specific bit location.

Example: writing 3F<sub>hex</sub> to the *InterruptRq Register* clears all bits as *SetlRq* in this case is set to 0 and all other bits are set to 1. Writing 81<sub>hex</sub> sets bit *LoAlertlRq* to 1 and leaves all other bits untouched.

## 8.3 Configuration of Pin IRQ

The logic level of the status flag *IRq* is visible at pin *IRQ*. In addition, the signal on pin *IRQ* may be controlled by the following bits of the *IRQPinConfig Register*:

- *IRQInv*: if set to 0, the signal on pin *IRQ* is equal to the logic level of bit *IRq*. If set to 1, the signal on pin *IRQ* is inverted with respect to bit *IRq*.
- *IRQPushPull*: if set to 1, pin *IRQ* has standard CMOS output characteristics otherwise it is an open drain output and an external resistor is necessary to achieve a HIGH level at this pin.

Note: During the Reset Phase (see 11.2) *IRQInv* is set 1 and *IRQPushPull* to 0. This results in a high impedance at pin *IRQ*.

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The following table shows the related flags of the Interrupt Request System in alphabetic order.

| <b>Flags</b> | <b>Register</b> | <b>Address</b><br>Register, bit position |
|--------------|-----------------|--|
| HiAlertEn    | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 1                              |
| HiAlertRq    | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 1                              |
| IdleEn       | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 2                              |
| IdleRq       | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 2                              |
| IRq          | PrimaryStatus   | 0x03, bit 3                              |
| IRQInv       | IRQPinConfig    | 0x07, bit 1                              |
| IRQPushPull  | IRQPinConfig    | 0x07, bit 0                              |
| LoAlertEn    | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 0                              |
| LoAlertRq    | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 0                              |
| RxEn         | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 3                              |
| RxRq         | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 3                              |
| SetEn        | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 7                              |
| SetRq        | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 7                              |
| TimerEn      | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 5                              |
| TimerRq      | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 5                              |
| TxEn         | InterruptEn     | 0x06, bit 4                              |
| TxRq         | InterruptRq     | 0x07, bit 4                              |

*Table 8-3 Registers associated with the Interrupt Request System*

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### 9 TIMER UNIT

#### 9.1 Overview

A timer is implemented in the SL RC400. It derives its clock from the 13.56 MHz chip-clock. The  $\mu$ -Processor may use this timer to manage timing relevant tasks.

The timer unit may be used in one of the following configurations:

- Timeout-Counter
- Watch-Dog Counter
- Stop Watch
- Programmable One-Shot
- Periodical Trigger

The timer unit can be used to measure the time interval between two events or to indicate that a specific event occurred after a specific time. The timer can be triggered by events which will be explained in the following, but the timer itself does not influence any internal event. A timeout during data receiving does not influence the receiving process automatically. Furthermore, several timer related flags are set and these flags can be used to generate an interrupt.

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9.2 Implementation of the Timer Unit

9.2.1 BLOCK DIAGRAM

The following block diagram shows the timer module.

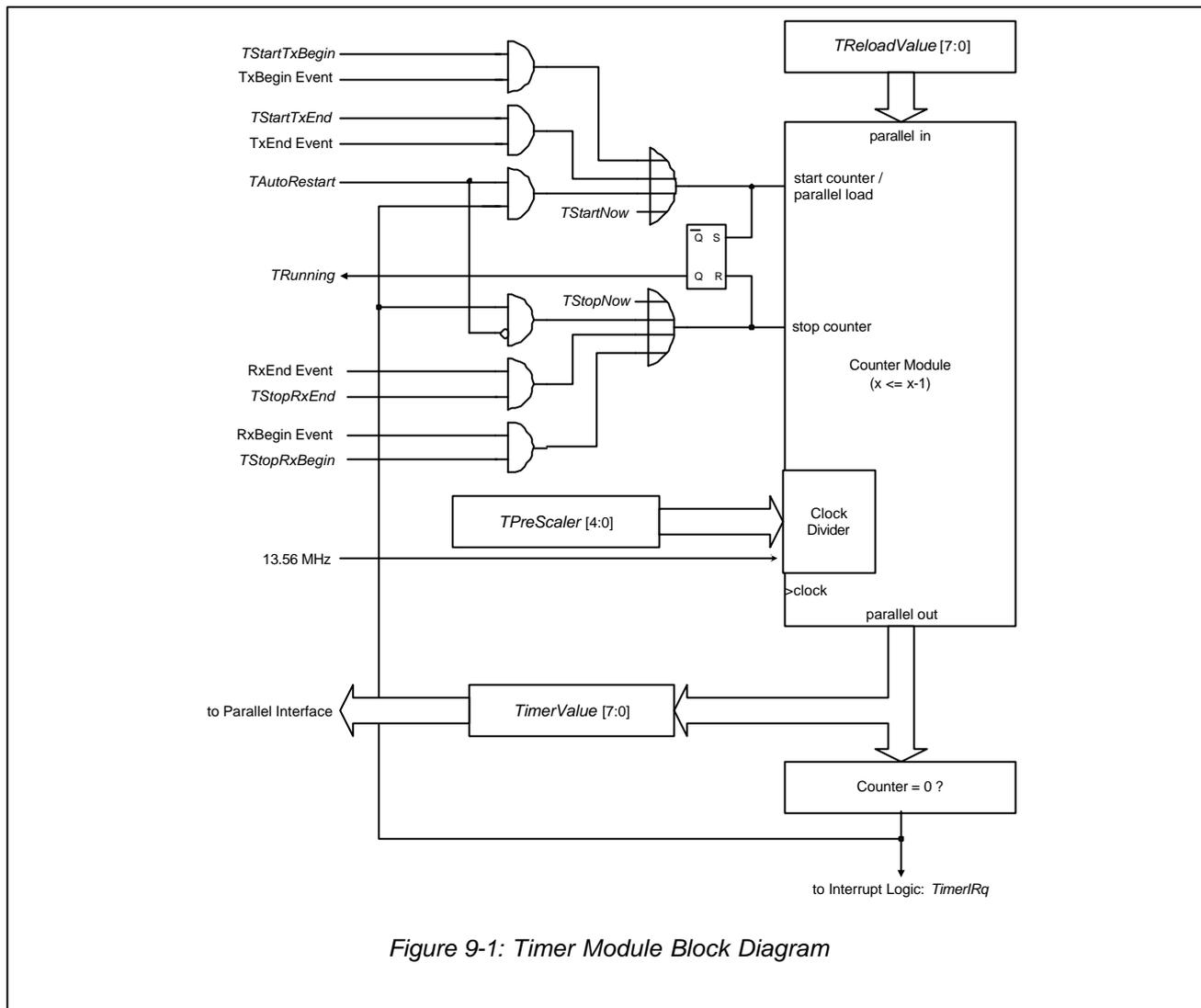


Figure 9-1: Timer Module Block Diagram

The timer unit is designed in a way, that several events in combination with enabling flags start or stop the counter. For example, setting the bit *TstartTxEnd* to 1 enables to control the receiving of data using the timer unit. In addition the first received bit is indicated by *TxEndEvent*. This combination starts the counter at the defined *TReloadValue*. The timer stops either automatically if the counter value is equal to zero, or if a defined stop event happens (*TautoRestart* not enabled).

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### 9.2.2 CONTROLLING THE TIMER UNIT

The main part of the timer unit is a down-counter. As long as the down-counter value is unequal zero, it decrements its value with each timer clock.

If *TAutoRestart* is enabled the timer does not decrement down to zero. Having reached the value 1 the timer reloads with the next clock with the *TimerReload* value.

The timer is started by loading a value from the *TimerReload Register* into the counter module. This may be triggered by one of the following events:

- Transmission of the first bit to the label (TxBegin Event) and bit *TStartTxBegin* is 1
- Transmission of the last bit to the label (TxEnd Event) and bit *TStartTxEnd* is 1
- The counter module decrements down to zero and bit *TAutoRestart* is 1
- Bit *TStartNow* is set to 1 (by the  $\mu$ -Processor)

**Note:** Every start-event re-loads the timer from the *TimerReload Register*. Thus, the timer unit is re-triggered.

The timer can be configured to stop with one of the following events:

- Reception of the first valid bit from the label (RxBegin Event) and bit *TStopRxBegin* is set to 1
- Reception of the last bit from the label (RxEnd event) and bit *TStopRxEnd* is set to 1
- The counter module has decremented down to zero and bit *TAutoRestart* is set to 0
- Bit *TStopNow* is set to 1 (by the  $\mu$ -Processor)

Loading a new value, e.g. zero, into the *TimerReload Register* does not immediately influence the counter, since the *TimerReload Register* affects the counter units content only with the next start-event. Thus, the *TimerReload Register* may be changed even if the timer unit is already counting. The consequence of changing the *TimerReload Register* will be visible after the next start-event.

If the counter is stopped by setting bit *TStopNow*, no *TimerIRQ* is signalled.

### 9.2.3 TIMER UNIT CLOCK AND PERIOD

The clock of the timer unit is derived from the 13.56 MHz chip clock via a programmable divider. The clock selection is done with the *TPreScaler Register*, that defines the timer unit clock frequency according to the following formula:

$$T_{\text{TimerClock}} = \frac{1}{f_{\text{TimerClock}}} = \frac{2^{T\text{PreScaler}}}{13.56\text{MHz}}$$

The possible values for the *TPreScaler Register* range from 0 up to 21. This results in minimum time  $T_{\text{TimerClock}}$  of about 74 ns up to about 150 ms.

The time period elapsed since the last start event is calculated with

$$T_{\text{Timer}} = \frac{T\text{ReloadValue} - \text{TimerValue}}{f_{\text{TimerClock}}}$$

This results in a minimum time  $T_{\text{Timer}}$  of about 74 ns up to about 40 s.

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## 9.2.4 STATUS OF THE TIMER UNIT

The *TRunning* bit in the *SecondaryStatus* Register shows the timer's current status. Any configured start event starts the timer at the *TReloadValue* and changes the status flag *TRunning* to 1, any configured stop event stops the timer and sets the status flag *TRunning* back to 0. As long as status flag *TRunning* is set to 1, the *TimerValue Register* changes with the next timer unit clock.

The actual timer unit content can be read on-the-fly via the *TimerValue Register*.

## 9.2.5 TIMESLOTPERIOD

For sending of I•CODE1-Quit-Frames it is necessary to generate an exact chronological relation to the beginning of the command frame.

If *TimeSlotPeriod* > 0, with the end of command transmission the *TimeSlotPeriod* starts.

If there are Data in the FIFO after reaching the end of *TimeSlotPeriod*, these data were sent at that moment.

If the FIFO is empty nothing happens.

As long as the content of *TimeSlotPeriod* is > 0 the counter for the *TimeSlotPeriod* will start automatically after reaching the end.

This allows an exact time relation to the end (as well as to the beginning) of the command frame for the generation and sending of the I•CODE1-Quit-Frames

If *TimeSlotPeriod* > 0 the next Frame starts exactly with the interval

$$\text{TimeSlotPeriod/CoderRate}$$

delayed after each previous Send Frame. *CoderRate* (see 5.2.3.5) defines the clock frequency of the coder. If *TimeSlotPeriod* = 0, the send function will not be triggered automatically.

The content of the register *TimeSlotPeriod* can be changed during the active mode. The modification takes effect at the next restart of the *TimeSlotPeriod*.

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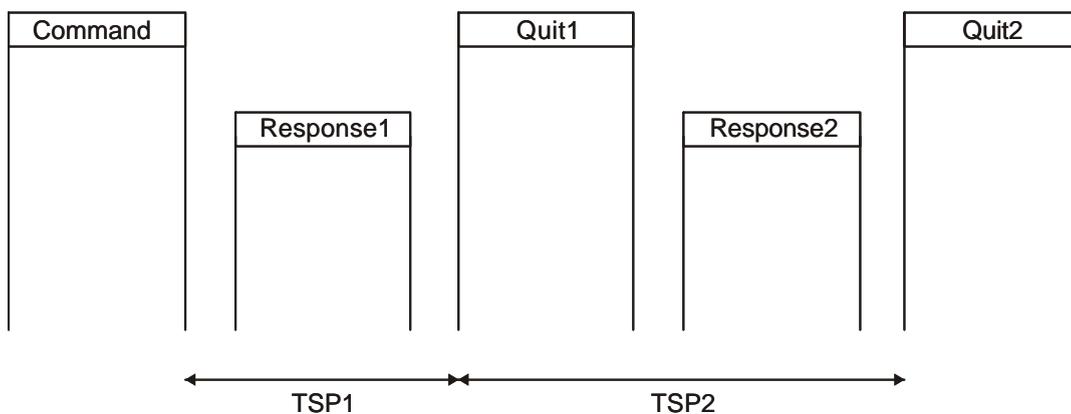
Example:

CoderRate = 0x05 (~52.97kHz)

For I•CODE1 standard mode the interval should be 8.458ms

->TimeSlotPeriod = CoderRate \* interval = 52.97kHz \* 8.458ms -1 = 447 (447 = 0x1BF)

Note: The MSB of the TimeSlotPeriod is in the SIGOUTSelect register see 5.2.5.7



|                       | TimeSlotPeriod for TSP1 | TimeSlotPeriod for TSP2 |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| I•CODE1 Standard Mode | 0xBF                    | 0x1BF                   |
| I•CODE1 Fast Mode     | 0x5F                    | 0x67                    |

Note: The MSB of the TimeSlotPeriod is in the SIGOUTSelect register see 5.2.5.7

Note: It is strictly recommended that bit TxCRCEn is set to 0 (see 5.2.5.3) before the Quit-Frame is sent. If the TxCRCEn is not set to 0 a CRC value is calculated and sent with the Quit-Frame. To calculate the Quit value a CRC8 algorithm has to be used.

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### 9.3 Usage of the Timer Unit

#### 9.3.1 TIME-OUT- AND WATCH-DOG-COUNTER

Having started the timer by setting *TReloadValue* the timer unit decrements the *TimerValue Register* beginning with a certain start event. If a certain stop event occurs e.g. a bit is received from the label, the timer unit stops (no interrupt is generated).

On the other hand, if no stop event occurs, e.g. the label does not answer in the expected time, the timer unit decrements down to zero and generates a timer interrupt request. This signals indicate the  $\mu$ -Processor that the expected event has not occurred in the given time  $T_{Timer}$ .

#### 9.3.2 STOP WATCH

The time  $T_{Timer}$  between a certain start- and stop event may be measured by the  $\mu$ -Processor by means of the SL RC400 timer unit. Setting *TReloadValue* the timer starts to decrement. If the defined stop event occurs the timers stops. The time between start and stop can be calculated by

$$\Delta T = (TRe load_{value} - Timer_{value}) * T_{Timer}$$

if the timer does not decrements down to zero.

#### 9.3.3 PROGRAMMABLE ONE-SHOT TIMER

The  $\mu$ -Processor starts the timer unit and waits for the timer interrupt. After the specified time  $T_{Timer}$  the interrupt will occur (*TautoRestart* = 0).

#### 9.3.4 PERIODICAL TRIGGER

If the  $\mu$ -Processor sets bit *TautoRestart* and *TreloadValue* not equal 0, it will generate an interrupt request periodically after every  $T_{Timer}$ .

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The following table shows the related flags of the Timer Unit in alphabetic order.

| <b>Flags</b>     | <b>Register</b> | <b>Address</b> |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| TAutoRestart     | TimerClock      | 0x2A, bit 5    |
| TimerValue       | TimerValue      | 0x0C, bits 7-0 |
| TimerReloadValue | TimerReload     | 0x2C, bits 7-0 |
| TPreScaler       | TimerClock      | 0x2A, bits 4-0 |
| TRunning         | SecondaryStatus | 0x05, bit 7    |
| TStartNow        | Control         | 0x09, bit 1    |
| TStartTxBegin    | TimerControl    | 0x2B, bit 0    |
| TStartTxEnd      | TimerControl    | 0x2B, bit 1    |
| TStopNow         | Control         | 0x09, bit 2    |
| TStopRxBegin     | TimerControl    | 0x2B, bit 2    |
| TStopRxEnd       | TimerControl    | 0x2B, bit 3    |

*Table 9-1 Registers associated with the Timer Unit*

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****10 POWER REDUCTION MODES****10.1 Hard Power Down**

A Hard Power Down is enabled with HIGH on pin RSTPD. This turns off all internal current sinks including the oscillator. All digital input buffers are separated from the input pads and defined internally (except pin RSTPD itself). The output pins are frozen at a certain value.

This is shown in the following table:

| SYMBOL   | PIN      | TYPE | DESCRIPTION                              |
|----------|----------|------|--|
| OSCIN    | 1        | I    | Not separated from input, pulled to AVSS |
| IRQ      | 2        | O    | High impedance                           |
| RFU      | 3        | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| SIGOUT   | 4        | O    | LOW                                      |
| TX1      | 5        | O    | HIGH                                     |
| TX2      | 7        | O    | LOW                                      |
| NWR      | 9        | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| NRD      | 10       | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| NCS      | 11       | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| D0 to D7 | 13 to 20 | I/O  | Separated from Input                     |
| ALE      | 21       | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| A0       | 22       | I/O  | Separated from Input                     |
| A1       | 23       | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| A2       | 24       | I    | Separated from Input                     |
| AUX      | 27       | O    | High impedance                           |
| RX       | 29       | I    | Not changed                              |
| VMID     | 30       | A    | Pulled to AVDD                           |
| RSTPD    | 31       | I    | Not changed                              |
| OSCOUT   | 32       | O    | HIGH                                     |

Table 10-1: Signal on Pins during Hard Power Down

**10.2 Soft Power Down**

This mode is immediately entered by setting bit *PowerDown* in the *Control-Register*. All internal current sinks are switched off (including the oscillator buffer).

Different from the Hard Power Down Mode, the digital input buffers are not separated from the input pads but keep their functionality. The digital output pins do not change their state.

After resetting bit *PowerDown* in the *Control-Register* it needs 512 clocks until the Soft Power Down mode is left. This is indicated by the *PowerDown* bit itself. Resetting it does not immediately clear it, but it is cleared automatically by the SL RC400 when the Soft Power Down Mode is left.

**Note:** If the internal oscillator is used, you have to take into account that it is supplied by AVDD and it will take a certain time  $t_{osc}$  until the oscillator is stable.

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**10.3 Stand By Mode**

This mode is immediately entered by setting bit *StandBy* in the *Control-Register*. All internal current sinks are switched off (including the internal digital clock buffer but except the oscillator buffer).

Different from the Hard Power Down Mode, the digital input buffers are not separated from the input pads but keep their functionality. The digital output pins do not change their state.

Different from the Soft Power Down Mode, the oscillator does not need time to wake up.

After resetting bit *StandBy* in the *Control-Register* it needs 4 clocks on pin OSCIN until the Stand By Mode is left. This is indicated by the *StandBy* bit itself. Resetting it does not immediately clear it, but it is cleared automatically by the SL RC400 when the Stand By Mode is left.

**10.4 Receiver Power Down**

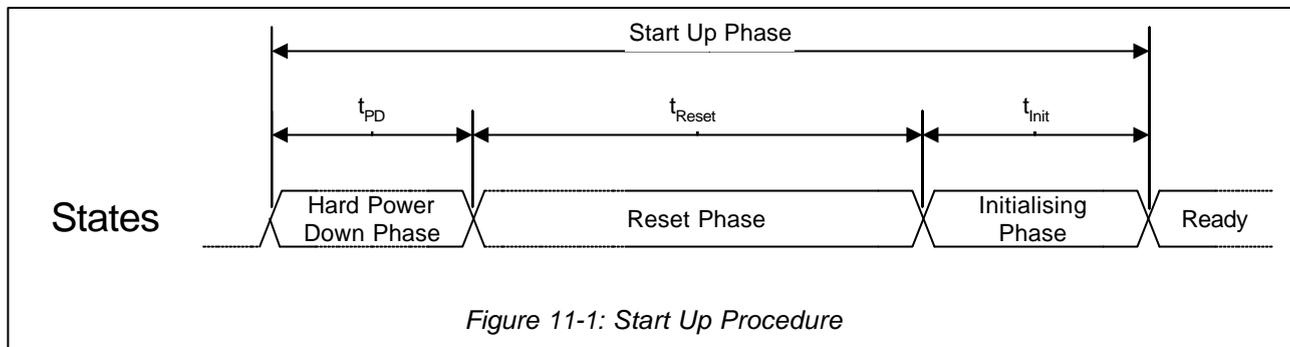
It is power saving to switch off the receiver circuit when it is not needed and switched it on again right before data is to be received from the label. This is done automatically by setting bit *RxAutoPD* to 1. If it is set to 0 the receiver is continuously switched on.

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11 START UP PHASE

The phases executed during the start up are shown in the following figure:



11.1 Hard Power Down Phase

The Hard Power Down Phase is active during the following cases:

- Power On Reset caused by power up at pin DVDD (active while DVDD is below the digital reset threshold)
- Power On Reset caused by power up at pin AVDD (active while AVDD is below the analog reset threshold)
- A HIGH level on pin RSTPD (active while pin RSTPD is HIGH)

11.2 Reset Phase

The Reset Phase follows the Hard Power Down Phase automatically. It takes 512 clocks. During the Reset Phase, some of the register bits are preset by hardware. The respective reset values are given in the description of each register (see 5.2.).

Note: If the internal oscillator is used, you have to take into account that it is supplied by AVDD and that it will take a certain time  $t_{osc}$  until the oscillator is stable.

11.3 Initialising Phase

The Initialising Phase follows the Reset Phase automatically. It takes 128 clocks. During the Initialising Phase the content of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM blocks 1 and 2 is copied into the registers 10<sub>hex</sub> to 2F<sub>hex</sub> (see 6.3.).

Note: At production test, the SL RC400 is initialised with default configuration values. This reduces the  $\mu$ -Processors effort for configuring the device to a minimum.

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### 11.4 Initialising the Parallel Interface-Type

For the different connections for the different  $\mu$ -Processor interface types (see 4.3), a certain initialising sequence shall be applied to enable a proper  $\mu$ -Processor interface type detection and to synchronise the  $\mu$ -Processor's and the SL RC400's Start Up.

During the whole Start Up Phase, the *Command* value reads as  $3F_{\text{hex}}$ . At the end of the Initialising Phase the SL RC400 enters the *Idle Command* automatically. Consequently the *Command* value changes to  $00_{\text{hex}}$ .

To ensure proper detection of the  $\mu$ -Processor interface, the following sequence shall be executed:

- Read from the *Command-Register* until the six bit register value for *Command* is  $00_{\text{hex}}$ . The internal initialisation phase is now completed and the SL RC400 is ready to be controlled.
- Write the value  $80_{\text{hex}}$  to the *Page-Register* to initialise the  $\mu$ -Processor interface.
- Read the *Command-Register*. If its value is  $00_{\text{hex}}$  the  $\mu$ -Processor interface initialisation was successful.

After interface initialisation, the linear addressing mode can be activated by writing  $0x00$  to the page register(s).

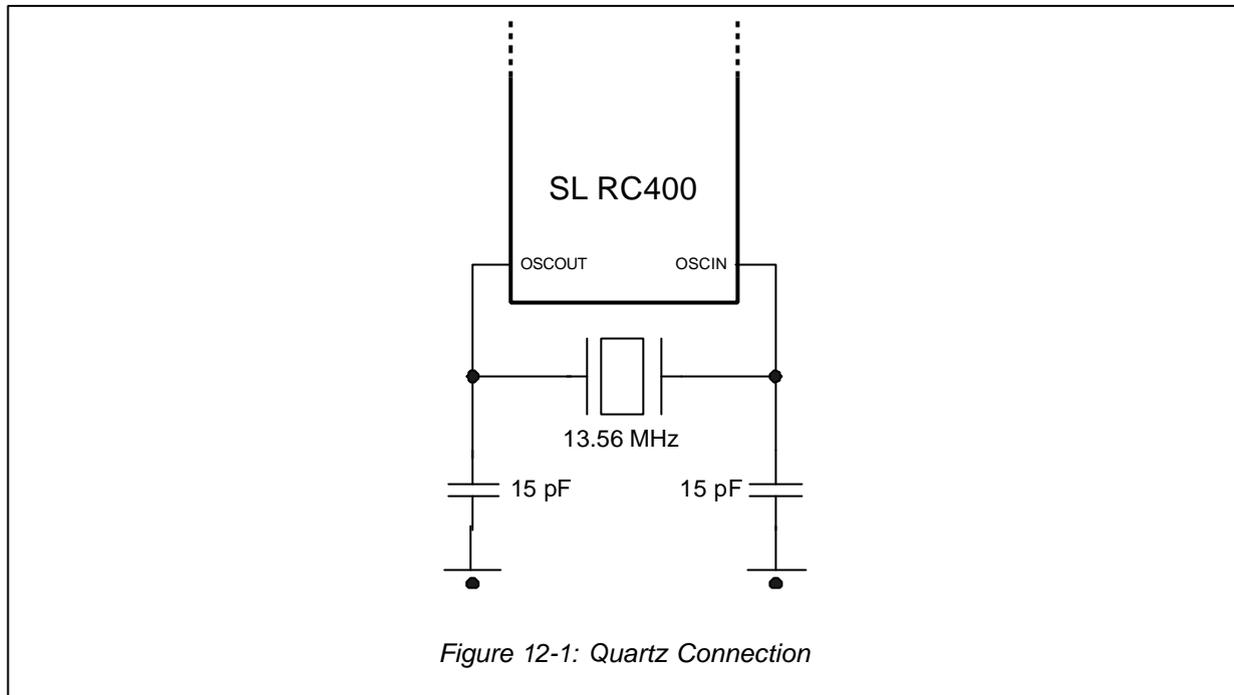
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Figure 12-1: Quartz Connection

The clock applied to the SL RC400 acts as time basis for the coder and decoder of the synchronous system. Therefore stability of clock the frequency is an important factor for proper performance. To obtain highest performance, clock jitter has to be as small as possible. This is best achieved by using the internal oscillator buffer with the recommended circuitry. If an external clock source is used, the clock signal has to be applied to pin OSCIN. In this case special care for clock duty cycle and clock jitter is needed and the clock quality has to be verified. It needs to be in accordance with the specifications in chapter 19.5.3.

**Remark:** It is recommend not to use an external clock source.

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****13 TRANSMITTER PINS TX1 AND TX2**

The signal delivered on TX1 and TX2 is the 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated by an envelope signal. It can be used to drive an antenna directly, using a few passive components for matching and filtering (see chapter 17). For that, the output circuitry is designed with an very low impedance source resistance. The signal of TX1 and TX2 can be controlled via the *TxControl Register*.

**13.1 Configuration of TX1 and TX2**

The configuration possibilities of TX1 are described in the table below:

| Register Configuration in <i>TxControl</i> |  | Envelope | Signal on TX1                         |
|--|--|----------|---------------------------------------|
| <i>TX1RFEn</i>                             |  |          |                                       |
| 0  |  | X        | LOW (GND)                             |
| 1  |  | 0        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated |
| 1  |  | 1        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency           |

Table 13-1: Configurations of Pin TX1

The configuration possibilities of TX2 are described in the table below:

| Register Configuration in <i>TxControl</i> |              |               | Envelope | Signal on TX2   |
|--|--------------|---------------|----------|---|
| <i>TX2RFEn</i>                             | <i>TX2CW</i> | <i>InvTX2</i> |          |   |
| 0  | X            | X             | X        | LOW (GND)   |
| 1  | 0            | 0             | 0        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated                                   |
|  |              |               | 1        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency   |
|  |              | 1             | 0        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency modulated, 180° phase shift relative to TX1 |
|  |              |               | 1        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency, 180° phase shift relative to TX1           |
|  | 1            | 0             | X        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency   |
|  |              | 1             | X        | 13.56 MHz carrier frequency, 180° phase shift relative to TX1           |

Table 13-2: Configurations of Pin TX2

**13.2 Operating Distance versus Power Consumption**

The user has the possibility to find a trade-off between maximum achievable operating distance and power consumption by using different antenna matching circuits as described in 17.3.1 and/or by varying the supply voltage at the antenna driver supply pin TVDD.

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****13.2.1 ANTENNA DRIVER OUTPUT SOURCE RESISTANCE**

The output source conductance of TX1 and TX2 for driving a HIGH level may be adjusted via the value  $G_{sCfG}CW$  in the *CwConductance Register* in the range from about 1 up to 100 Ohm. The values given are relative to the reference resistance  $R_{s,rel}$ , that is measured during production test and stored in the SL RC400 E<sup>2</sup>PROM. It can be obtained from the Product Information Field (see chapter 6.2). The electrical specification can be found in chapter 19.4.3.

*13.2.1.1 Source Resistance Table*

| $G_{sCfG}CW$ | $EXP_{G_{sCfG}CW}$ | $MANT_{G_{sCfG}CW}$ | $R_{s,rel}$ | $G_{sCfG}CW$ | $EXP_{G_{sCfG}CW}$ | $MANT_{G_{sCfG}CW}$ | $R_{s,rel}$ |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 0            | 0                  | 0                   | 8           | 24           | 1                  | 8                   | 0,0652      |
| 16           | 1                  | 0                   | 8           | 25           | 1                  | 9                   | 0,0580      |
| 32           | 2                  | 0                   | 8           | 37           | 2                  | 5                   | 0,0541      |
| 48           | 3                  | 0                   | 8           | 26           | 1                  | A                   | 0,0522      |
| 1            | 0                  | 1                   | 1,0000      | 27           | 1                  | B                   | 0,0474      |
| 17           | 1                  | 1                   | 0,5217      | 51           | 3                  | 3                   | 0,0467      |
| 2            | 0                  | 2                   | 0,5000      | 38           | 2                  | 6                   | 0,0450      |
| 3            | 0                  | 3                   | 0,3333      | 28           | 1                  | C                   | 0,0435      |
| 33           | 2                  | 1                   | 0,2703      | 29           | 1                  | D                   | 0,0401      |
| 18           | 1                  | 2                   | 0,2609      | 39           | 2                  | 7                   | 0,0386      |
| 4            | 0                  | 4                   | 0,2500      | 30           | 1                  | E                   | 0,0373      |
| 5            | 0                  | 5                   | 0,2000      | 52           | 3                  | 4                   | 0,0350      |
| 19           | 1                  | 3                   | 0,1739      | 31           | 1                  | F                   | 0,0348      |
| 6            | 0                  | 6                   | 0,1667      | 40           | 2                  | 8                   | 0,0338      |
| 7            | 0                  | 7                   | 0,1429      | 41           | 2                  | 9                   | 0,0300      |
| 49           | 3                  | 1                   | 0,1402      | 53           | 3                  | 5                   | 0,0280      |
| 34           | 2                  | 2                   | 0,1351      | 42           | 2                  | A                   | 0,0270      |
| 20           | 1                  | 4                   | 0,1304      | 43           | 2                  | B                   | 0,0246      |
| 8            | 0                  | 8                   | 0,1250      | 54           | 3                  | 6                   | 0,0234      |
| 9            | 0                  | 9                   | 0,1111      | 44           | 2                  | C                   | 0,0225      |
| 21           | 1                  | 5                   | 0,1043      | 45           | 2                  | D                   | 0,0208      |
| 10           | 0                  | A                   | 0,1000      | 55           | 3                  | 7                   | 0,0200      |
| 11           | 0                  | B                   | 0,0909      | 46           | 2                  | E                   | 0,0193      |
| 35           | 2                  | 3                   | 0,0901      | 47           | 2                  | F                   | 0,0180      |
| 22           | 1                  | 6                   | 0,0870      | 56           | 3                  | 8                   | 0,0175      |
| 12           | 0                  | C                   | 0,0833      | 57           | 3                  | 9                   | 0,0156      |
| 13           | 0                  | D                   | 0,0769      | 58           | 3                  | A                   | 0,0140      |
| 23           | 1                  | 7                   | 0,0745      | 59           | 3                  | B                   | 0,0127      |
| 14           | 0                  | E                   | 0,0714      | 60           | 3                  | C                   | 0,0117      |
| 50           | 3                  | 2                   | 0,0701      | 61           | 3                  | D                   | 0,0108      |
| 36           | 2                  | 4                   | 0,0676      | 62           | 3                  | E                   | 0,0100      |
| 15           | 0                  | F                   | 0,0667      | 63           | 3                  | F                   | 0,0093      |

Table 13-3: Source Resistance of n-Channel Driver Transistor of TX1 and TX2 vs.  $G_{sCfG}CW$

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### 13.2.1.2 Formula for the Source Resistance

The relative resistance  $R_{s_{rel}}$  is about

$$R_{s_{rel}} = \frac{1}{MANT_{GsConfCW} \cdot \left(\frac{77}{40}\right)^{EXP_{GsConfCW}}}$$

### 13.2.1.3 Calculating the Effective Source Resistance

#### 13.2.1.3.1 Wiring Resistance

Wiring and bonding adds a constant offset to the driver resistance, that is relevant if TX1 and TX2 are switched to low impedance.

$$R_{s_{wire,TX1}} \approx 500m\Omega$$

#### 13.2.1.3.2 Effective Resistance

The source resistances of the driver transistors found in the Product Information Field (see 6.2) are measured at production test with  $GsModCW$  set to  $01_{hex}$ . To get the driver resistance for a specific value set in  $GsModCW$  the following formula may be used:

$$R_{s_x} = \left( R_{s_{ref,max,n}} - R_{s_{wire,TX1}} \right) \cdot R_{s_{rel}} + R_{s_{wire,TX1}}$$

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****13.3 Changing the Modulation Index**

The following table shows the modulation index, if a 50 ohm antenna is used and GsCfgCW is set to 0x3F. To change the modulation index the GsCfgMod register has to be changed similar as the GsCfgCW register.

| GsCfgMod | rel. resistance         | Mod. index | GsCfgMod | rel. resistance         | Mod. index |
|----------|-------------------------|------------|----------|-------------------------|------------|
|          | Rrel(during modulation) | Rant=50Ω   |          | Rrel(during modulation) | Rant=50Ω   |
| 0x00     | Infite                  |            | 0x18     | 0,065                   | 4,15%      |
| 0x10     | Infite                  |            | 0x19     | 0,058                   | 3,63%      |
| 0x20     | Infite                  |            | 0x25     | 0,054                   | 3,35%      |
| 0x30     | Infite                  |            | 0x1A     | 0,052                   | 3,22%      |
| 0x01     | 1,000                   | 43,45%     | 0x1B     | 0,047                   | 2,87%      |
| 0x11     | 0,522                   | 28,44%     | 0x33     | 0,047                   | 2,82%      |
| 0x02     | 0,500                   | 27,57%     | 0x26     | 0,045                   | 2,69%      |
| 0x03     | 0,333                   | 20,08%     | 0x1C     | 0,043                   | 2,58%      |
| 0x21     | 0,270                   | 16,83%     | 0x1D     | 0,040                   | 2,33%      |
| 0x12     | 0,261                   | 16,33%     | 0x27     | 0,039                   | 2,22%      |
| 0x04     | 0,250                   | 15,73%     | 0x1E     | 0,037                   | 2,12%      |
| 0x05     | 0,200                   | 12,88%     | 0x34     | 0,035                   | 1,95%      |
| 0x13     | 0,174                   | 11,32%     | 0x1F     | 0,035                   | 1,93%      |
| 0x06     | 0,167                   | 10,88%     | 0x28     | 0,034                   | 1,86%      |
| 0x07     | 0,143                   | 9,38%      | 0x29     | 0,030                   | 1,58%      |
| 0x31     | 0,140                   | 9,21%      | 0x35     | 0,028                   | 1,43%      |
| 0x22     | 0,135                   | 8,89%      | 0x2A     | 0,027                   | 1,35%      |
| 0x14     | 0,130                   | 8,59%      | 0x2B     | 0,025                   | 1,17%      |
| 0x08     | 0,125                   | 8,23%      | 0x36     | 0,023                   | 1,08%      |
| 0x09     | 0,111                   | 7,32%      | 0x2C     | 0,023                   | 1,01%      |
| 0x15     | 0,104                   | 6,86%      | 0x2D     | 0,021                   | 0,88%      |
| 0x0A     | 0,100                   | 6,57%      | 0x37     | 0,020                   | 0,82%      |
| 0x0B     | 0,091                   | 5,95%      | 0x2E     | 0,019                   | 0,77%      |
| 0x23     | 0,090                   | 5,89%      | 0x2F     | 0,018                   | 0,67%      |
| 0x16     | 0,087                   | 5,68%      | 0x38     | 0,018                   | 0,63%      |
| 0x0C     | 0,083                   | 5,43%      | 0x39     | 0,016                   | 0,48%      |
| 0x0D     | 0,077                   | 4,98%      | 0x3A     | 0,014                   | 0,36%      |
| 0x17     | 0,075                   | 4,81%      | 0x3B     | 0,013                   | 0,26%      |
| 0x0E     | 0,071                   | 4,59%      | 0x3C     | 0,012                   | 0,18%      |
| 0x32     | 0,070                   | 4,50%      | 0x3D     | 0,011                   | 0,11%      |
| 0x24     | 0,068                   | 4,32%      | 0x3E     | 0,010                   | 0,05%      |
| 0x0F     | 0,067                   | 4,26%      | 0x3F     | 0,009                   | 0,00%      |

Note: If the output source conductance (GsCfgCW) has been changed GsCfgMod must also be changed to get the same modulation index.

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**13.4 Pulse Width**

The envelope carries the information of the data signal, that shall be transmitted to the label. This is done by coding the data signal according to the 1 out of 256, RZ or 1 out of 4 code. Furthermore, each pause of the coded signal again is coded as a pulse of certain length. The width of this pulse can be adjusted by means of the *ModWidth Register*. The pulse length is calculated by

$$T_{pulse} = 2 \frac{ModWidth + 1}{f_c}$$

where  $f_c = 13.56\text{MHz}$ .

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14 RECEIVER CIRCUITRY

14.1 General

The SL RC400 employs an integrated quadrature-demodulation circuit which extracts the sub-carrier signal from the 13.56 MHz ASK-modulated signal applied to pin RX. The quadrature-demodulator uses two different clocks, Q- and I-clock, with a phase shift of 90° between them. Both resulting subcarrier signals are amplified, filtered and forwarded to the correlation circuitry. The correlation results are evaluated, digitised and passed to the digital circuitry.

For all processing units various adjustments can be made to obtain optimum performance.

14.2 Block Diagram

Figure 14-1 shows the block diagram of the receiver circuitry. The receiving process includes several steps. First the quadrature demodulation of the carrier signal of 13.56 MHz is done. To achieve an optimum in performance an automatic clock Q calibration is recommended (see 14.3.1). The demodulated signal is amplified by an adjustable amplifier. A correlation circuit calculates the degree of similarity between the expected and the received signal. The bit phase register allows to align the position of the correlation intervals with the bit grid of the received signal. In the evaluation and digitizer circuitry the valid bits are detected and the digital results are send to the FIFO register. Several tuning steps in this circuit are possible.

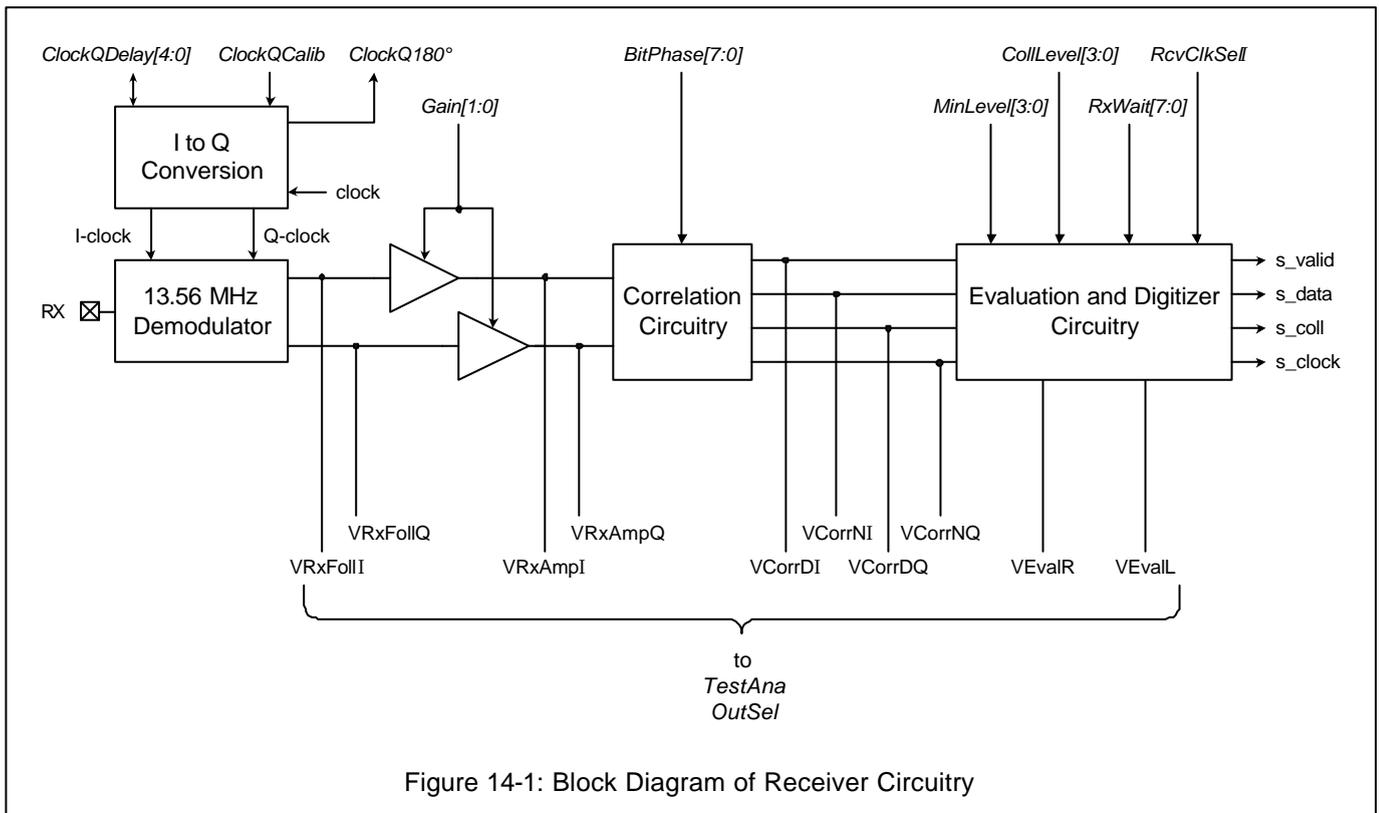


Figure 14-1: Block Diagram of Receiver Circuitry

The user may observe the signal on its way through the receiver as shown in the block diagram above. One signal at a time may be routed to pin AUX using the TestAnaSelect-Register as described in 18.3.

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## 14.3 Putting the Receiver into Operation

In general, the default settings programmed into the Start Up Initialisation File are suitable to use the SL RC400 for data communication with I·CODE labels. However, in some environments specific user settings may achieve better performance.

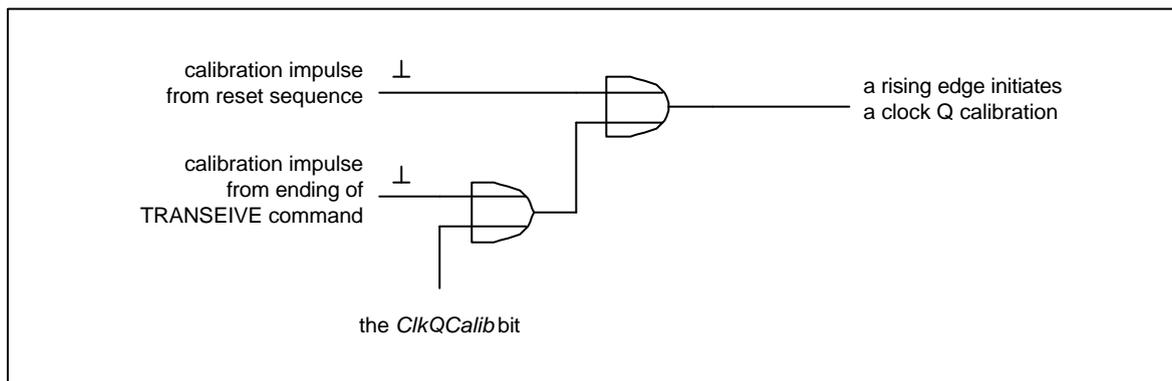
### 14.3.1 AUTOMATIC CLOCK-Q CALIBRATION

The quadrature demodulation concept of the receiver generates a phase signal I-clock and a 90° shifted quadrature signal Q-clock. To achieve an optimum demodulator performance, the Q- and the I-clock have to have a difference in phase of 90°. After the reset phase of the SL RC400, a calibration procedure is done automatically. It is possible to have an automatic calibration done at the ending of each Transceive command. To do so, the *ClkQCalib* bit has to be configured to a value of 0.

Configuring this bit to a constant value of 1 disables all automatic calibrations except the one after the reset sequence.

It is also possible to initiate one automatic calibration by software. This is done with a 0 to 1 transition of bit *ClkQCalib*.

The details:



**Note:** The duration of the automatic clock Q calibration is at most 65 oscillator periods which is approx. 4,8µs.

The value of *ClkQDelay* is proportional to the phase shift between the Q- and the I-clock. The status flag *ClkQ180Deg* shows, that the phase shift between the Q- and the I-clock is greater than 180°.

**Notes:**

- The startup configuration file enables an automatically Q-clock calibration after the reset.
- While *ClkQCalib* is 1, no automatic calibration is done. Therefore leaving this bit 1 can be used to permanently disable the automatic calibration.
- It is possible to write data to *ClkQDelay* via the µ-Processor. The aim could be a disabling of the automatic calibration and to pre-set the delay by software. But notice, that configuring the delay value by software requires that bit *ClkQCalib* has already been set to 1 before and that a time interval of at least 4.8µs has elapsed since then. Each delay value must be written with the *ClkQCalib* bit set to 1. If *ClkQCalib* is 0 the configured delay value will be overwritten by the next interval automatic calibration.

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## 14.3.2 AMPLIFIER

The demodulated signal has to be amplified with the variable amplifier to achieve the best performance. The gain of the amplifiers can be adjusted by means of the register bits *Gain[1:0]*. The following gain factors are selectable:

| Register Setting | Gain Factor<br>(Simulation Results) | Gain Factor [dB]<br>(Simulation Results) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 0                | 22                                  | 26.9                                     |
| 1                | 35                                  | 30.9                                     |
| 2                | 82                                  | 38.3                                     |
| 3                | 130                                 | 42.2                                     |

*Table 14-1: Gain Factors for the Internal Amplifier*

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### 14.3.3 CORRELATION CIRCUITRY

The correlation circuitry calculates the degree of matching between the received and an expected signal. The output is a measure for the amplitude of the expected signal in the received signal. This is done for both, the Q- and the I-channel. The correlator delivers two outputs for each of the two input channels, resulting in four output signals in total.

For optimum performance, the correlation circuitry needs the phase information for the signal coming from the label. This information has to be defined by the  $\mu$ -Processor by means of the register *BitPhase[7:0]*. This value defines the phase relation between the transmitter and receiver clock in multiples of  $t_{\text{BitPhase}} = 1/13.56 \text{ MHz}$ .

### 14.3.4 EVALUATION AND DIGITIZER CIRCUITRY

For each bit-half of the Manchester coded signal the correlation results are evaluated. The evaluation and digitizer circuit decides from the signal strengths of both bit-halves, whether the current bit is valid, and, if it is valid, the value of the bit itself or whether the current bit-interval contains a collision.

To do this in an optimum way, the user may select the following levels:

- *MinLevel*: Defines the minimum signal strength of the stronger bit-half's signal for being considered valid.
- *CollLevel*: Defines the minimum signal strength that has to be exceeded by the weaker half-bit of the Manchester-coded signal to generate a bit-collision. If the signal's strength is below this value, a 1 and 0 can be determined unequivocally.  
*CollLevel* defines the minimum signal strength relative to the amplitude of the stronger half-bit.

After transmission of data, the label is not allowed to send its response before a certain time period, called frame guard time in the standard ISO 15693 (similar to I· CODE1). The length of this time period after transmission shall be set in the *RxWait-Register*. The *RxWait-Register* defines when the receiver is switched on after data transmission to the label in multiples of one bit-duration.

If register bit *RcvClkSelI* is set to 1, the I-clock is used to clock the correlator and evaluation circuits. If set to 0, the Q-clock is used.

Note: It is recommended to use the Q-clock.

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15 SERIAL SIGNAL SWITCH

15.1 General

Two main blocks are implemented in the SL RC400. A digital circuitry, comprising state machines, coder and decoder logic and so on and an analog circuitry with the modulator and antenna drivers, receiver and amplification circuitry. The interface between these two blocks can be configured in the way, that the interfacing signals may be routed to the pin SIGOUT.

15.2 Block Diagram

Figure 15-1 describes the serial signal switches. Three different switches are implemented in the serial signal switch in order to use the SL RC400 in different configurations.

The serial signal switch may also be used during the design In phase or for test purposes to check the transmitted and received data. Chapter 18.2, describes analog test signals as well as measurements at the serial signal switch.

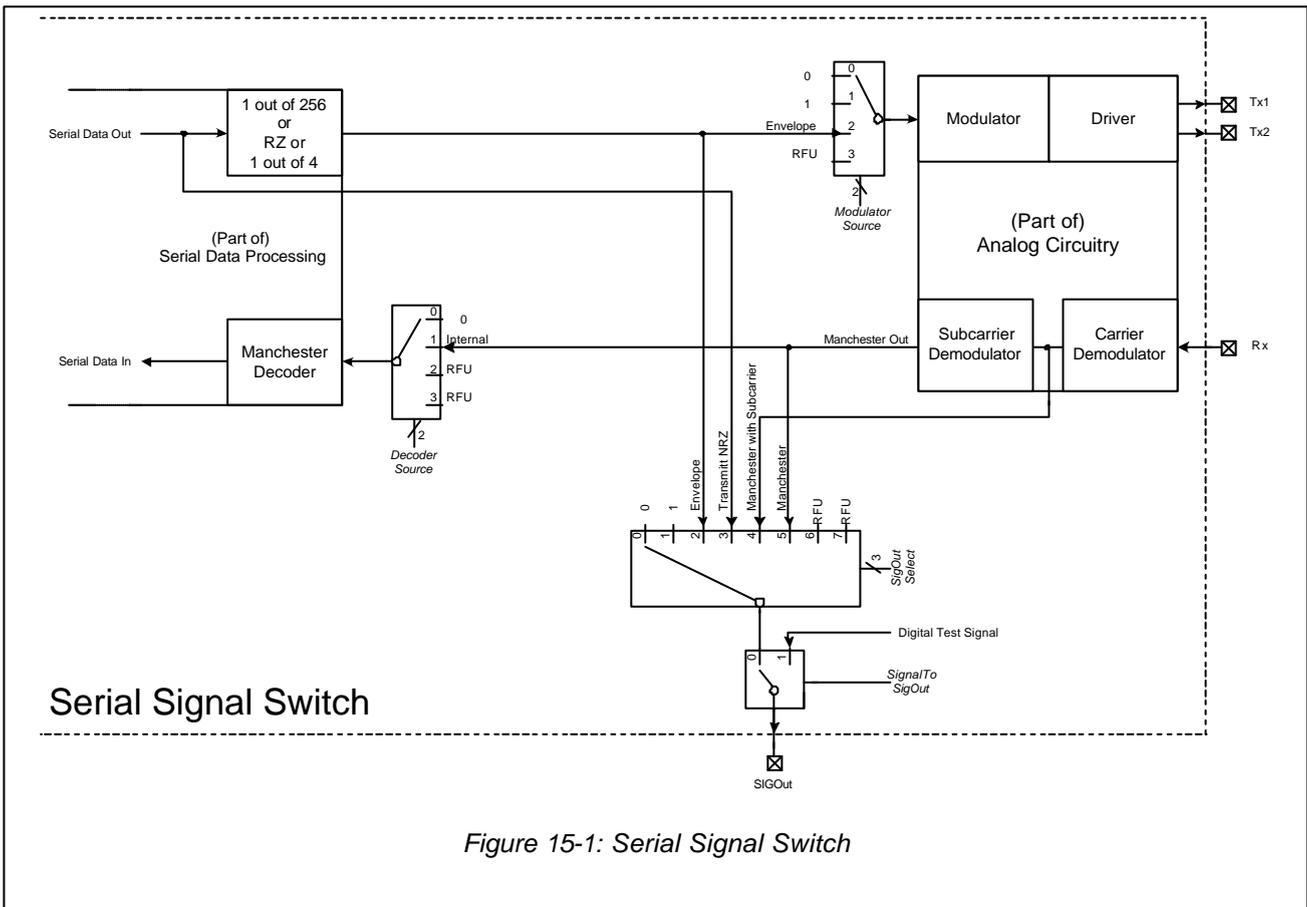


Figure 15-1: Serial Signal Switch

The following chapters describe the relevant registers used to configure and control the serial signal switch.

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****15.3 Registers Relevant for the Serial Signal Switch**

The flags *DecoderSource* define the input signal for the internal Manchester decoder in the following way:

| <i>DecoderSource</i> | Input Signal for Decoder                                      |
|----------------------|---|
| 0                    | Constant 0  |
| 1                    | Output of the analog part. This is the default configuration. |
| 2                    | RFU   |
| 3                    | RFU   |

Table 15-1: Values for *DecoderSource*

*ModulatorSource* defines the signal that modulates the transmitted 13.56 MHz carrier frequency. The modulated signal drives the pins TX1 and TX2.

| <i>ModulatorSource</i> | Input Signal for Modulator   |
|------------------------|--|
| 0                      | Constant 0 (carrier frequency off at pin TX1 and TX2).                                   |
| 1                      | Constant 1 (continuous carrier frequency delivered at pin TX1 and TX2).                  |
| 2                      | Modulation signal (envelope) from the internal coder. This is the default configuration. |
| 3                      | RFU  |

Table 15-2: Values for *ModulatorSource*

*SIGOUTSelect* defines the input signal for the internal Manchester decoder in the following way:

| <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> | Signal Routed to Pin SIGOUT  |
|---------------------|--|
| 0                   | Constant 0   |
| 1                   | Constant 1   |
| 2                   | Modulation signal (envelope) from the internal coder.  |
| 3                   | Serial data stream that is to be transmitted (same as for <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> = 2, but not coded by the "selected" pulse coder yet). |
| 4                   | Output signal of the receiver circuit (label modulation signal regenerated and delayed)  |
| 5                   | Output signal of the sub-carrier demodulator (Manchester-coded label signal)   |
| 6                   | RFU  |
| 7                   | RFU  |

Table 15-3: Values for *SIGOUTselect*

Note: To use *SIGOUTSelect*, the value of test signal control bit *SignalToSIGOUT* has to be 0.

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**16 SL RC400 COMMAND SET****16.1 General Description**

The SL RC400 behaviour is determined by an internal state machine that is capable to perform a certain set of commands. These commands are started by writing the according command-code to the *Command-Register*.

Arguments and/or data necessary to process a command are exchanged via the FIFO buffer.

**16.2 General Behaviour**

- Each command, that needs a data stream (or data byte stream) as input will immediately process the data it finds in the FIFO buffer.
- Each command, that needs a certain number of arguments will start processing only when it has received the correct number of arguments via the FIFO buffer.
- The FIFO buffer is not cleared automatically at command start. Therefore, it is also possible to write the command arguments and/or the data bytes into the FIFO buffer and start the command afterwards.
- Each command (except the *StartUp-Command*) may be interrupted by the  $\mu$ -Processor by writing a new command code into the *Command-Register* e.g.: the *Idle-Command*.

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## 16.3 SL RC400 Commands Overview

| Command    | Code              | Action  | Arguments and Data passed via FIFO                             | Returned Data via FIFO | see Chapter |
|------------|-------------------|---|--|------------------------|-------------|
| StartUp    | 3F <sub>hex</sub> | Runs the Reset- and Initialisation Phase.<br><b>Note:</b> This command can not be activated by software, but only by a Power-On or Hard Reset   | -  | -                      | 16.3.2      |
| Idle       | 00 <sub>hex</sub> | No action: cancels current command execution.   | -  | -                      | 16.3.3      |
| Transmit   | 1A <sub>hex</sub> | Transmits data from the FIFO buffer to the label.   | Data Stream  | -                      | 16.4.1      |
| Receive    | 16 <sub>hex</sub> | Activates Receiver Circuitry.<br><b>Note:</b> Before the receiver actually starts, the state machine waits until the time configured in the register RcvWait has passed.<br><b>Note:</b> This command may be used for test purposes only, since there is no timing relation to the <i>Transmit-Command</i> .            | -  | Data Stream            | 16.4.2      |
| Transceive | 1E <sub>hex</sub> | Transmits data from FIFO buffer to the label and activates automatically the receiver after transmission.<br><b>Note:</b> Before the receiver actually starts, the SL RC400 waits until the time configured in the register RcvWait has passed.<br><b>Note:</b> This command is the combination of Transmit and Receive | Data Stream  | Data Stream            | 16.4.3      |
| WriteE2    | 01 <sub>hex</sub> | Gets data from FIFO buffer and writes it to the internal E <sup>2</sup> PROM.   | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB<br>Data Byte Stream     | -                      | 16.5        |
| ReadE2     | 03 <sub>hex</sub> | Reads data from the internal E <sup>2</sup> PROM and puts it into the FIFO buffer.  | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB<br>Number of Data Bytes | Data Bytes             | 16.5.2      |
| LoadConfig | 07 <sub>hex</sub> | Reads data from E <sup>2</sup> PROM and initialises the SL RC400 registers.   | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB                         | -                      | 16.6.1      |
| CalcCRC    | 12 <sub>hex</sub> | Activates the CRC-Coprocessor.<br><b>Note:</b> The result of the CRC calculation can be read from the registers <i>CRCResultLSB</i> and <i>CRCResultMSB</i>   | Data Byte-Stream   | -                      | 16.5        |

Table 16-1: SL RC400 Command Overview

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16.3.1 BASIC STATES

16.3.2 STARTUP COMMAND 3F<sub>HEX</sub>

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action   | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|---------|---------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
| StartUp | 3F                  | Runs the Reset- and Initialisation Phase<br><u>Note:</u> This command can not be activated by software, but only by a Power-On or Hard Reset | -                  | -             |

The *StartUp-Command* runs the Reset- and Initialisation Phase. It does not need or return any data. It can not be activated by the  $\mu$ -Processor but is started automatically after one of the following events:

- Power On Reset caused by power up at Pin DVDD
- Power On Reset caused by power up at Pin AVDD
- Negative Edge at Pin RSTPD

The Reset-Phase defines certain register bits by an asynchronous reset. The Initialisation-Phase defines certain registers with values taken from the E<sup>2</sup>PROM.

When the *StartUp-Command* has finished, the *Idle-Command* is entered automatically.

Notes:

- The  $\mu$ -Processor must not write to the SL RC400 as long as the SL RC400 is busy executing the *StartUp-Command*. To ensure this, the  $\mu$ -Processor shall poll for the *Idle-Command* to determine the end of the Initialisation Phase (see also chapter 11.4).
- As long as the *StartUp-Command* is active, only reading from page 0 of the SL RC400 is possible.
- The *StartUp-Command* can not be interrupted by the  $\mu$ -Processor.

16.3.3 IDLE COMMAND 00<sub>HEX</sub>

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action                                       | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|---------|---------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
| Idle    | 00                  | No action: cancels current command execution | -                  | -             |

The *Idle-Command* switches the SL RC400 to its inactive state. In this Idle-state it waits for the next command. It does not need or return any data. The device automatically enters the Idle-state when a command finishes. In this case the SL RC400 simultaneously initiates an interrupt request by setting bit *IdleIRq*. Triggered by the  $\mu$ -Processor, the *Idle-Command* may be used to stop execution of all other commands (except the *StartUp Command*). In that case no *IdleIRq* is generated.

Remark: Stopping a command with the *Idle Command* does not clear the FIFO buffer content.

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### 16.4 Commands for Label Communication

The SL RC400 is a fully ISO 15693 and I·CODE1 compliant reader IC. The following chapter describe the command set for label communication in general.

#### 16.4.1 TRANSMIT COMMAND 1A<sub>HEX</sub>

| Command  | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action                                       | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|----------|---------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
| Transmit | 1A                  | Transmits data from FIFO buffer to the label | Data Stream        | -             |

The *Transmit-Command* takes data from the FIFO buffer and forwards it to the transmitter. It does not return any data. The *Transmit-Command* can only be started by the  $\mu$ -Processor.

##### 16.4.1.1 Working with the Transmit Command

To transmit data one of the following sequences may be used:

1. All data, that shall be transmitted to the label is written to the FIFO while the *Idle-Command* is active. After that, the command code for the *Transmit-Command* is written to the *Command-Register*.  
Note: This is possible for transmission of data with a length of up to 64 bytes.
2. The command code for the *Transmit-Command* is written to *Command-Register* first. Since no data is available in the FIFO, the command is only enabled but transmission is not triggered yet. Data transmission really starts with the first data byte written to the FIFO. To generate a continuous data stream on the RF-interface, the  $\mu$ -Processor has to put the next data bytes to the FIFO in time.  
Note: This allows transmission of data of any length but requires that data is available in the FIFO in time.
3. A part of the data, that shall be transmit to the label is written to the FIFO while the *Idle-Command* is active. After that, the command code for the *Transmit-Command* is written to the *Command-Register*. While the *Transmit-Command* is active, the  $\mu$ -Processor may feed further data to the FIFO, causing the transmitter to append it to the transmitted data stream.  
Note: This enables transmission of data of any length but requires that data is available in the FIFO in time.

When the transmitter requests the next data byte to keep the data stream on the RF-interface continuous but the FIFO buffer is empty, the *Transmit-Command* automatically terminates. This causes the internal state machine to change its state from Transmit to Idle.

If data transmission to the label is finished, the SL RC400 sets the flag *Tx/Rq* to signal it to the  $\mu$ -Processor.

Remark: If the  $\mu$ -Processor overwrites the transmit code in the *Command-Register* with the *Idle-Command* or any other command, transmission stops immediately with the next clock cycle. This may produce output signals that are not according to the standard ISO 15693 or the I·CODE1 protocol.

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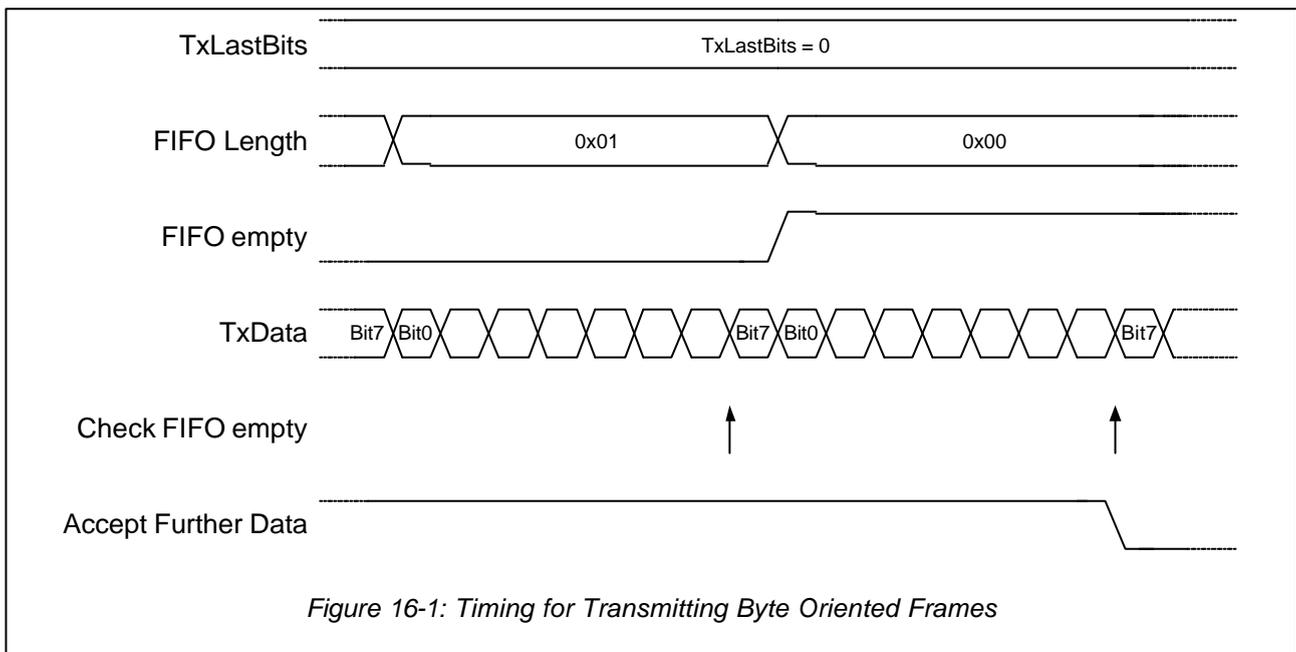
16.4.1.2 RF-Channel Redundancy and Framing

Each transmitted ISO 15693 frame consists of a SOF (start of frame) pattern, followed by the data stream and is closed by an EOF (end of frame) pattern. All I·CODE1 command frames consists of a START PULSE followed by the data stream. The I·CODE1 commands have a fix length and no EOF is needed. These different phases of the transmit sequence may be monitored by watching ModemState of PrimaryStatus-Register (see 16.4.4).

Depending on the setting of bit TxCRCEn in the ChannelRedundancy-Register a CRC is calculated and appended to the data stream. The CRC is calculated according the settings in the ChannelRedundancy Register.

16.4.1.3 Transmission of Frames with more than 64 Bytes

To generate frames with more than 64 bytes, the μ-Processor has to write data into the FIFO buffer while the Transmit Command is active. The state machine checks the FIFO status when it starts transmitting the last bit of the actual data stream (the check time is marked below with arrows).



As long as the internal signal 'Accept Further Data' is 1 further data may be loaded into the FIFO. The SL RC400 appends this data to the data stream transmitted via the RF-interface. If the internal signal 'Accept Further Data' is 0 the transmission will terminate. All data written into the FIFO buffer after 'Accept Further Data' went 0 will not be transmitted anymore, but remain in the FIFO buffer.

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### 16.4.2 RECEIVE COMMAND 16<sub>HEX</sub>

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action                       | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|---------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Receive | 16                  | Activates Receiver Circuitry | -                  | Data Stream   |

The *Receive-Command* activates the receiver circuitry. All data received from the RF interface is returned via the FIFO buffer. The *Receive-Command* can be started either by the  $\mu$ -Processor or automatically during execution of the *Transceive-Command*.

**Note:** This command may be used for test purposes only, since there is no timing relation to the *Transmit-Command*.

#### 16.4.2.1 Working with the Receive Command

After starting the *Receive Command* the internal state machine decrements the value set in the *RxWait-Register* with every bit-clock. From 3 down to 1 the analog receiver circuitry is prepared and activated. When the counter reaches 0, the receiver starts monitoring the incoming signal at the RF-interface. If the signal strength reaches a level higher than the value set in the *MinLevel-Register* it finally starts decoding. The decoder stops, if no more signal can be detected on the receiver input pin Rx. The decoder indicates termination of operation by setting bit *RxIRq*.

The different phases of the receive sequence may be monitored by watching *ModemState* of the *PrimaryStatus-Register* (see 16.4.4).

**Note:** Since the counter values from 3 to 0 are necessary to initialise the analog receiver circuitry the minimum value for *RxWait* is 3.

#### 16.4.2.2 RF-Channel Redundancy and Framing

For ISO 15693 the decoder expects a SOF pattern at the beginning of each data stream. If a SOF is detected, it activates the serial to parallel converter and gathers the incoming data bits. For I·CODE1 the decoder do not expects a SOF pattern at the beginning of each data stream. It activates the serial to parallel converter with the first received bit of the data. Every completed byte is forwarded to the FIFO. If an EOF pattern (ISO15693) is detected or the signal strength falls below *MinLevel* set in the *RxThreshold Register*, the receiver and the decoder stop, the *Idle-Command* is entered and an appropriate response for the  $\mu$ -Processor is generated (interrupt request activated, status flags set).

If bit *RxCRCEn* in the *ChannelRedundancy Register* is set a CRC block is expected. The CRC block may be one byte or two bytes according to bit *CRC8* in the *ChannelRedundancy Register*.

**Remark:** The received CRC block is not forwarded to the FIFO buffer if it is correct. This is realised by shifting the incoming data bytes through an internal buffer of either one or two bytes (depending on the defined CRC). The CRC block remains in this internal buffer. As a consequence all data bytes are available in the FIFO buffer one or two bytes delayed.

If the CRC fails all received bytes are forwarded to the FIFO buffer (including the faulty CRC itself).

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16.4.2.3 Collision Detection

If more than one label is within the RF-field during the label selection phase, they will respond simultaneously. The SL RC400 supports the algorithm defined in ISO 15693 as well as the **ICODE1** anti-collision algorithm to resolve data-collisions of label serial numbers by doing the so-called anti-collision procedure. The basis for this is the ability to detect bit-collisions.

Bit-collision detection is supported by the used bit-coding scheme, namely the Manchester-coding. If in the first and second half-bit of a bit a sub-carrier modulation is detected, instead of forwarding a 1 or a 0 a bit collision will be signalled. To distinguish a 1 or 0-bit from a bit-collision, the SL RC400 uses the setting of *CollLevel*. If the amplitude of the half-bit with smaller amplitude is larger than defined by *CollLevel*, the SL RC400 indicates a bit-collision.

If a bit-collision is detected, the error flag *CollErr* is set.

Independent from the detected collision the receiver continues receiving the incoming data stream. In case of a bit-collision, the decoder forwards 1 at the collision position.

Note: As an exception, if bit *ZeroAfterColl* is set, all bits received after the first bit-collision are forced to zero, regardless whether a bit-collision or an unequivocal state has been detected. This feature eases for the software to carry out the anti-collision procedure defined in ISO 15693.

When the first bit collision in a frame is detected, the bit position of this collision is stored in the *CollPos Register*.

The collision position follows the table below:

| Collision in Bit     | Value of CollPos |
|----------------------|------------------|
| SOF                  | 0                |
| LSBit of LSByte      | 1                |
| ...                  | ...              |
| MSBit of LSByte      | 8                |
| LSBit of second Byte | 9                |
| ...                  | ...              |
| MSBit of second Byte | 16               |
| LSBit of third Byte  | 17               |
| ...                  | ...              |

Table 16-2: Returned Values for Bit Collision Positions

If a collision is detected in the SOF a frame error is reported and no data is forwarded to the FIFO buffer. In this case the receiver continues to monitor the incoming signal and generates the correct notifications to the  $\mu$ -Processor when the ending of the faulty input stream is detected. This helps the  $\mu$ -Processor to determine the time when it is allowed next to send anything to the label.

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The following table shows which event causes the setting of error flags:

| Cause  | Bit, that is set |
|--|------------------|
| Received data did not start with a SOF pattern.  | FramingErr       |
| The CRC block is not equal the expected value.   | CRCErr           |
| The received data is shorter than the CRC block. | CRCErr           |
| A collision is detected.                         | CollErr          |

Table 16-3: Communication Error Table

**16.4.3 TRANSCEIVE COMMAND 1E<sub>HEX</sub>**

| Command    | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action   | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|------------|---------------------|--|--------------------|---------------|
| Transceive | 1E                  | Transmits data from FIFO buffer to the label and then activates automatically the receiver | Data Stream        | Data Stream   |

The *Transceive-Command* first executes the *Transmit-Command* (see 16.4.1) and then automatically starts the *Receive-Command* (see 16.4.2). All data that shall be transmitted is forwarded via the FIFO buffer and all data received is returned via the FIFO buffer. The *Transceive-Command* can be started only by the  $\mu$ -Processor.

**Note:** To adjust the timing relation between transmitting and receiving, the *RxWait Register* is used to define the time delay from the last bit transmitted until the receiver is activated. Furthermore, the *BitPhase Register* determines the phase-shift between the transmitter and the receiver clock.

**16.4.4 STATES OF THE LABEL COMMUNICATION**

The actual state of the transmitter and receiver state machine can be fetched from *ModemState* in the *PrimaryStatus Register*.

The assignment of *ModemState* to the internal action is shown in the following table:

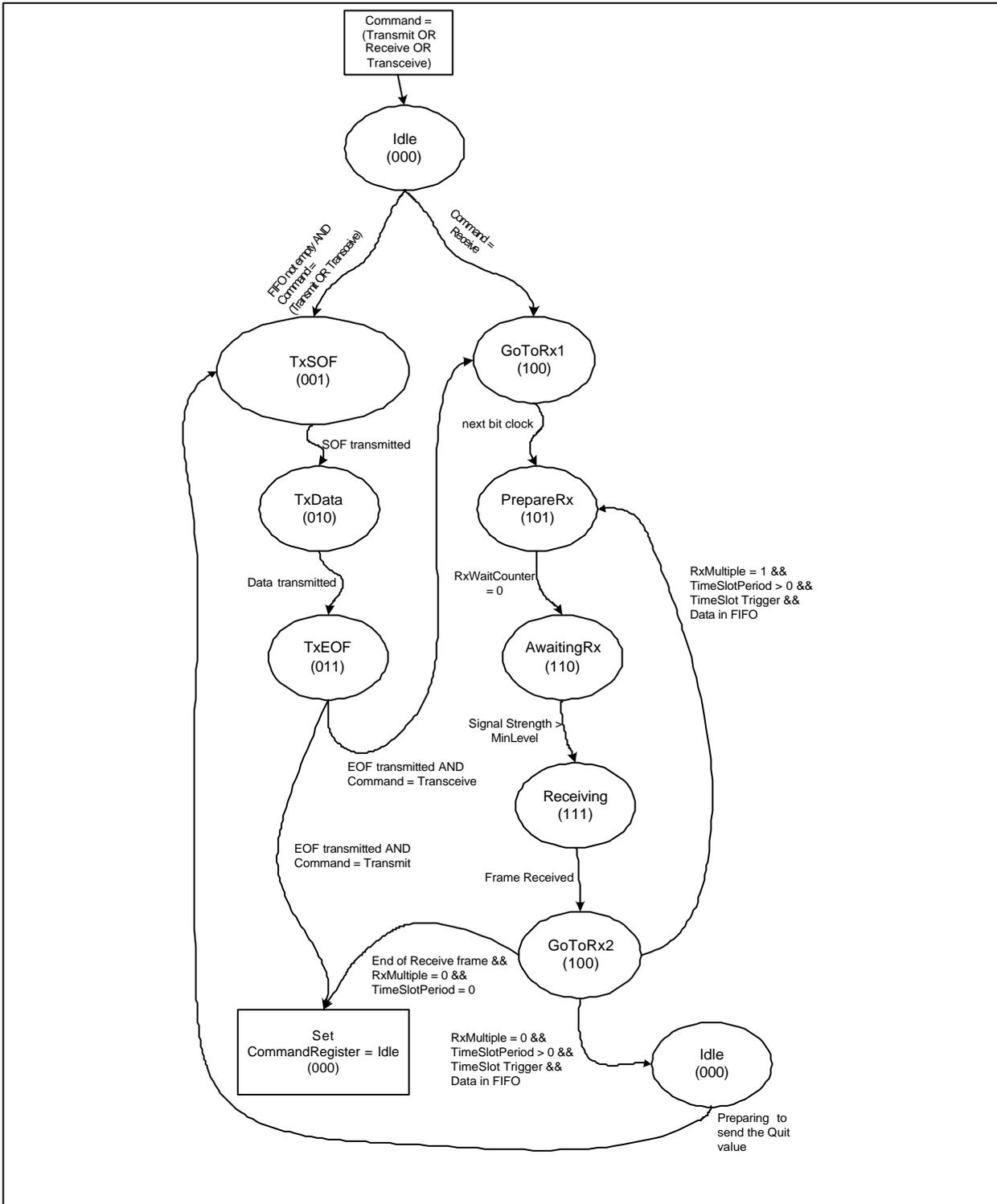
| ModemState | Name of State | Description   |
|------------|---------------|---|
| 000        | Idle          | Neither the transmitter nor the receiver is in operation, since none of them is started or the transmitter has not got input data |
| 001        | TxSOF         | Transmitting the 'Start Of Frame' Pattern   |
| 010        | TxData        | Transmitting data from the FIFO buffer (or redundancy check bits)   |
| 011        | TxEof         | Transmitting the 'End Of Frame' Pattern   |
| 100        | GoToRx1       | Intermediate state passed, when receiver starts   |
|            | GoToRx2       | Intermediate state passed, when receiver finishes   |
| 101        | PrepareRx     | Waiting until the time period selected in the <i>RxWait Register</i> has expired  |
| 110        | AwaitingRx    | Receiver activated; Awaiting an input signal at pin Rx  |
| 111        | Receiving     | Receiving data  |

Table 16-4: Meaning of ModemState

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16.4.5 STATE DIAGRAM FOR THE LABEL COMMUNICATION



Remark: I·CODE1 do not have a SOF and a EOF

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## 16.5 Commands to Access the E<sup>2</sup>PROM

### 16.5.1 WRITEE2 COMMAND 01<sub>HEX</sub>

#### 16.5.1.1 Overview

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action  | Arguments and Data passed via FIFO                         | Returned Data via FIFO |
|---------|---------------------|---|--|------------------------|
| WriteE2 | 01                  | Get data from FIFO buffer and write it to the E <sup>2</sup> PROM | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB<br>Data Byte Stream | -                      |

The *WriteE2-Command* interprets the first two bytes in the FIFO buffer as E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address. Any further bytes are interpreted as data bytes and are programmed into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM, starting from the given E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address. This command does not return any data.

The *WriteE2-Command* can only be started by the  $\mu$ -Processor. It will not stop automatically but has to be stopped explicitly by the  $\mu$ -Processor by issuing the *Idle-Command*.

#### 16.5.1.2 Programming Process

One byte up to 16 byte can be programmed into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM in one programming cycle. The time needed will be in any case about 5.8ms.

The state machine copies all data bytes prepared in the FIFO buffer to the E<sup>2</sup>PROM input buffer. The internal E<sup>2</sup>PROM input buffer is 16 byte long which is equal the block size of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM. A programming cycle is started either if the last position of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM input buffer is written or if the last byte of the FIFO buffer has been fetched.

As long as there are unprocessed bytes in the FIFO buffer or the E<sup>2</sup>PROM programming cycle still is in progress, the flag *E2Ready* is 0. If all data from the FIFO buffer are programmed into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM, the flag *E2Ready* is set to 1. Together with the rising edge of *E2Ready* the interrupt request flag *Tx/Rq* indicates a 1. This may be used to generate an interrupt when programming of all data is finished.

After the *E2Ready* bit is set to 1, the *WriteE2-Command* may be stopped by the  $\mu$ -Processor by issuing the *Idle-Command*.

**Important:** The *WriteE2-Command* must not be stopped by starting another command before the *E2Ready* flag is set to 1. Otherwise the content of the currently processed E<sup>2</sup>PROM block will not be defined or in worst case the SL RC400 functionality is in-reversibly reduced.

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16.5.1.3 Timing Diagram

The following diagram shows programming of 5 bytes into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM:

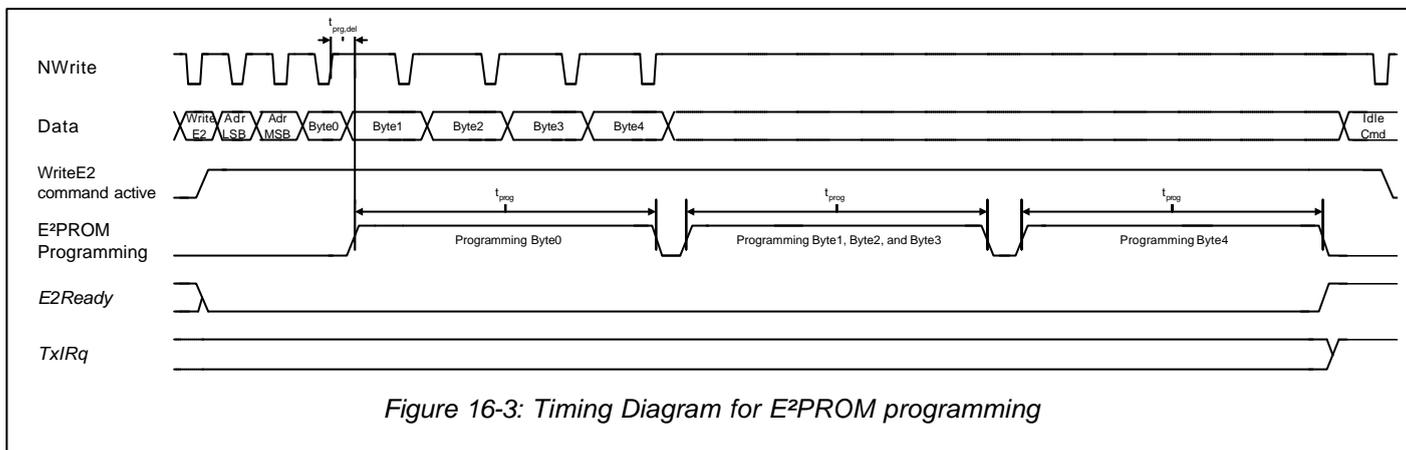


Figure 16-3: Timing Diagram for E<sup>2</sup>PROM programming

**Explanation:** It is assumed, that the SL RC400 finds and reads Byte 0 before the  $\mu$ -Processor is able to write Byte 1 ( $t_{prog,del} = 300$  ns). This causes the SL RC400 to start the programming cycle, which needs about  $t_{prog} = 2.9$  ms. In the meantime the  $\mu$ -Processor stores Byte 1 to Byte 4 to the FIFO buffer. Assuming, that the E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address is e.g.  $4C_{hex}$  then Byte 0 is stored exactly there. The SL RC400 copies the following data bytes into the E<sup>2</sup>PROM input buffer. Copying Byte 3, it detects, that this data byte has to be programmed at the E<sup>2</sup>PROM byte-address  $4F_{hex}$ . Since this is the end of the memory block, the SL RC400 automatically starts a programming cycle. In the next turn, Byte 4 will be programmed at the E<sup>2</sup>PROM byte-address  $50_{hex}$ . Since this is the last data byte, the flags (*E2Ready* and *TxIRq*) that indicate the end of the E<sup>2</sup>PROM programming activity will be set.

Although all data has been programmed into the E2PROM, the SL RC400 stays in the *WriteE2-Command*. Writing further data to the FIFO would lead to further E<sup>2</sup>PROM programming, continuing at the E<sup>2</sup>PROM byte-address  $51_{hex}$ . The command is stopped using the *Idle-Command*.

16.5.1.4 Error Flags for the WriteE2 Command

Programming is inhibited for the E<sup>2</sup>PROM blocks 0 (E<sup>2</sup>PROM's byte-address  $00_{hex}$  to  $0F_{hex}$ ). Programming to these addresses sets the flag *AccessErr*. No programming cycle is started (for the E<sup>2</sup>PROM memory organisation refer to chapter 6.). It is strictly recommended to use only the described E<sup>2</sup>PROM address area.

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400**16.5.2 READE2 COMMAND 03<sub>HEX</sub>

## 16.5.2.1 Overview

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action   | Arguments  | Returned Data |
|---------|---------------------|--|--|---------------|
| ReadE2  | 03                  | Reads data from E <sup>2</sup> PROM and puts it to the FIFO buffer | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB<br>Number of Data Bytes | Data Bytes    |

The *ReadE2-Command* interprets the first two bytes found in the FIFO buffer as E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address. The next byte specifies the number of data bytes that shall be returned. When all three argument-bytes are available in the FIFO buffer, the specified number of data bytes is copied from the E<sup>2</sup>PROM into the FIFO buffer, starting from the given E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address.

The *ReadE2-Command* can be triggered only by the  $\mu$ -Processor. It stops automatically when all data has been delivered.

Note: It is strictly recommended to use only the described E<sup>2</sup>PROM address area.

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**16.6 Diverse Commands**

16.6.1 LOADCONFIG COMMAND 07<sub>HEX</sub>

16.6.1.1 Overview

| Command    | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action  | Arguments and Data                     | Returned Data |
|------------|---------------------|---|--|---------------|
| LoadConfig | 07                  | Reads data from E <sup>2</sup> PROM and initialises the registers | Start Address LSB<br>Start Address MSB | -             |

The *LoadConfig-Command* interprets the first two bytes found in the FIFO buffer as E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address. When the two argument-bytes are available in the FIFO buffer, 32 bytes from the E<sup>2</sup>PROM are copied into the SL RC400 control and configuration registers, starting at the given E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address. The *LoadConfig-Command* can only be started by the  $\mu$ -Processor. It stops automatically when all relevant registers have been copied.

Note: It is strictly recommended to use only the described E<sup>2</sup>PROM address area.

16.6.1.2 Register Assignment

The 32 bytes of E<sup>2</sup>PROM content, beginning with the E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address, is written to the SL RC400 register 10<sub>hex</sub> up to register 2F<sub>hex</sub> (for the E<sup>2</sup>PROM memory organisation see 6).

Note: The procedure for the register assignment is the same as it is for the Start Up Initialisation (see 11.3). The difference is, that the E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-address for the Start Up Initialisation is fixed to 10<sub>hex</sub> (Block 1, Byte 0). With the *LoadConfig-Command* it can be chosen.

16.6.1.3 Relevant Error Flags for the LoadConfig-Command

Valid E<sup>2</sup>PROM starting byte-addresses are in the range from 10<sub>hex</sub> up to 60<sub>hex</sub>.

16.6.2 CALCCRC COMMAND 12<sub>HEX</sub>

16.6.2.1 Overview

| Command | Code <sub>hex</sub> | Action                        | Arguments and Data | Returned Data |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| CalcCRC | 12                  | Activates the CRC-Coprocessor | Data Byte-Stream   | -             |

The *CalcCRC-Command* takes all data from the FIFO buffer as input bytes for the CRC-Coprocessor. All data stored in the FIFO buffer before the command is started will be processed. This command does not return any data via the FIFO buffer, but the content of the CRC-register can be read back via the *CRCResultLSB-register* and the *CRCResultMSB-register*. The *CalcCRC-Command* can only be started by the  $\mu$ -Processor. It does not stop automatically but has to be stopped explicitly by the  $\mu$ -Processor with the *Idle-Command*. If the FIFO buffer is empty, the *CalcCRC-Command* waits for further input from the FIFO buffer.

Note: Do not use this command to calculate the Quit value for !?CODE1 tag's because this would terminate the Transceive command.

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For the CRC-Coprocessor the following parameters may be configured:

| Parameter                | Value  | Bit                           | Register                      |
|--------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CRC Register Length      | 8 Bit or 16 Bit CRC  | CRC8                          | ChannelRedundancy             |
| CRC Algorithm            | 1 = Algorithm according ISO 15693 or according ISO/IEC3309<br>0 = algorithm according to I·CODE1 | CRC3309                       | ChannelRedundancy             |
| Bit-Processing Direction | Shift the MSBit or LSBit first into the CRC-register   | CRCMSBFirst                   | ChannelRedundancy             |
| CRC Preset Value         | Any  | CRCPresetLSB,<br>CRCPresetMSB | CRCPresetLSB,<br>CRCPresetMSB |

Table 16-5: CRC-Coprocessor Parameters

The CRC polynomial for the 8-bit CRC is fixed to  $x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x^2 + 1$ .

The CRC polynomial for the 16-bit CRC is fixed to  $x^{16} + x^{12} + x^5 + 1$ .

**16.6.2.3 Status Flags of the CRC-Coprocessor**

The status flag *CRCReady* indicates, that the CRC-Coprocessor has finished processing of all data bytes found in the FIFO buffer. With the *CRCReady* flag setting to 1, an interrupt is requested with *TxIRq* being set. This supports interrupt driven usage of the CRC-Coprocessor.

When *CRCReady* and *TxIRq* are set to 1, respectively, the content of the *CRCResultLSB*- and *CRCResultMSB*-register and the flag *CRCErr* is valid.

The *CRCResultLSB*- and *CRCResultMSB*-register hold the content of the CRC register, the *CRCErr* flag indicates CRC validity for the processed data.

**16.7 Error Handling during Command Execution**

If any error is detected during command execution, this is shown by setting the status flag *Err* in the *PrimaryStatus Register*. For information about the cause of the error, the  $\mu$ -Processor may evaluate the status flags in the *ErrorFlag Register*.

| Error Flag of the <i>ErrorFlag Register</i> | Related to Command                  |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| <i>AccessError</i>                          | <i>WriteE2, ReadE2, LoadConfig</i>  |
| <i>FIFOovl</i>                              | <i>Not related to a command</i>     |
| <i>CRCErr</i>                               | <i>Receive, Transceive, CalcCRC</i> |
| <i>FramingErr</i>                           | <i>Receive, Transceive</i>          |
| <i>CollErr</i>                              | <i>Receive, Transceive</i>          |

Table 16-6: Error Flags Overview

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17 TYPICAL APPLICATION

17.1 Circuit Diagram

The figure below shows a typical application, where the antenna is direct connected to the SL RC400:

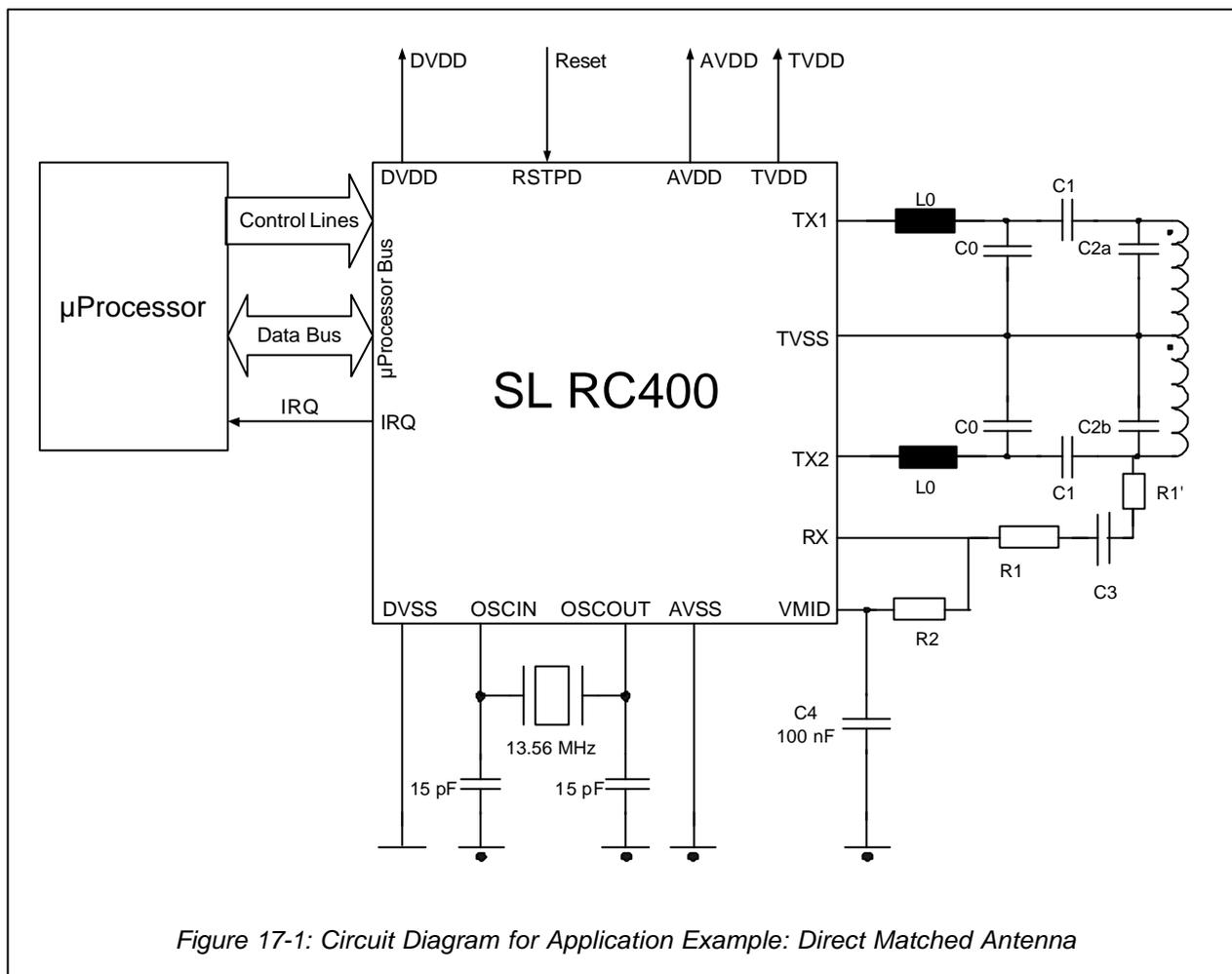


Figure 17-1: Circuit Diagram for Application Example: Direct Matched Antenna

The matching circuit consists of an EMC low pass filter, a receiving circuit, an antenna matching circuit and the antenna itself.

For more detailed information about designing and tuning an antenna please refer to chapter 17.3.1.

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**17.2 Circuit Description**

17.2.1 EMC LOW PASS FILTER

The I·CODE system operates at a frequency of 13.56 MHz. This frequency is generated by a quartz oscillator to clock the SL RC400 and is also the basis for driving the antenna with the 13.56 MHz carrier frequency. This will not only cause emitted power at 13.56 MHz but will also emit power at higher harmonics. The international EMC regulations define the amplitude of the emitted power in a broad frequency range. Thus, an appropriate filtering of the output signal is necessary to fulfil these regulations.

A multi-layer board it is strongly recommended to implement a low pass filter as shown in the circuit above. The low pass filter consists of the components L0 and C0. The values are given in table below.

Note: To achieve best performance all components shall have at least the quality of the recommended ones.

17.2.2 RECEIVING CIRCUIT

The internal receiving part of the SL RC400 uses a concept that benefits from both side-bands of the sub-carrier load modulation of the label response. It is recommended to use the internally generated VMID potential as the input potential of pin RX. To provide a stable reference voltage a capacitance C4 to ground has to be connected to VMID. The receiving part of the reader needs a voltage divider connected between the RX and the VMID pin. Additionally, it is recommended to use a series capacitance between the antenna coil and the voltage divider. The circuit diagram above shows the recommended receiving circuit. The receiving circuit consists of the components R1, R2, C3 and C4. The values are given in the table below.

| Components | Value          | Remark  |
|------------|----------------|---|
| L0         | 1 μH ± 5%      | Magnetic shielded e.g. TDK NL322522T-1R0J               |
| C0         | 2 * 68 pF ± 2% | NPO material, Value depending on the antenna inductance |
| R1'        | 3.9 kΩ ± 1%    |   |
| R1         | 560 Ω ± 1%     |   |
| R2         | 820Ω ± 1%      |   |
| C3         | 1 nF ± 2%      | NPO material  |

Table 17-1: Values for the EMC- Filter and Receiving Circuit

Note: It is recommended not to use X7R material for the capacitors.

**17.3 Calculation of the Antenna Coil Inductance**

The precise calculation of the antenna coils inductance is not practicable but the inductance can be **estimated** using the following formula. We recommend designing an antenna either with a circular or rectangular shape.

$$L_1 [nH] = 2 \cdot l_1 [cm] \cdot \left( \ln \left( \frac{l_1}{D_1} \right) - K \right) N_1^{1,8}$$

l<sub>1</sub>..... Length of the conductor loop of one turn

D<sub>1</sub>..... Diameter of the wire or width of the PCB conductor respectively

K ..... Antenna Shape Factor (K = 1,07 for circular antennas and K = 1,47 for square antennas)

N<sub>1</sub>..... Number of turns

ln..... Natural logarithm function

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17.3.1 IMPEDANCE MATCHING FOR DIRECTLY MATCHED ANTENNAS

To design a matching circuit for a directly matched antenna we recommend to use the circuit shown in 17.1. The values for the capacitors C1 and C2a, C2b depend on the antenna’s electrical properties and environmental influences.

The values for the capacitors shown in the table below are guidelines. In fact, they are used as starting values for the tuning procedure.

| Antenna Coil Inductance [ $\mu$ H] | C1 [pF] | C2a [pF]  | C2b [pF]  |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| 0.8                                | 27      | 270       | 330       |
| 0.9                                | 27      | 270       | 270       |
| 1.0                                | 27      | 220       | 270       |
| 1.1                                | 27      | 180    22 | 220       |
| 1.2                                | 27      | 180       | 180    22 |
| 1.3                                | 27      | 180       | 180       |
| 1.4                                | 27      | 150       | 180       |
| 1.5                                | 27      | 150       | 150       |
| 1.6                                | 27      | 120    10 | 150       |
| 1.7                                | 27      | 120       | 150       |
| 1.8                                | 27      | 120       | 120       |

*Table 17-2: Capacitance Values for the Matching Circuit*

However, for optimum performance, the accurate values have to be found by the tuning, variation of the capacitance’s C2x and C1.

The above table assumes a stray capacitance of 15 pF of the antenna coil. The capacitors C1 and C2s should have a NP0 dielectric with a tolerance of +/-2 %.

The actual values of the antenna inductance and capacitance depend on various parameters like:

- antenna construction (Type of PCB)
- thickness of conductor
- distance between the windings
- shielding layer
- metal or ferrite in the near environment

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**18 TEST SIGNALS**

**18.1 General**

The SL RC400 allows different kind of signal measurements. These measurements can be used to check the internally generated and received signals using the possibilities of the serial signal switch as described in chapter 15.

Furthermore, with the SL RC400 the user may select internal analog signals to measure them at pin AUX and internal digital signals to observe them on pin SIGOUT by register selections. These measurements can be helpful during the design-in phase to optimise the receiver's behaviour or for test purpose.

**18.2 Measurements Using the Serial Signal Switch**

Using the serial signal switch at pin SIGOUT the user may observe data send to the label or data received from the label. The following tables give an overview of the different signals available.

| SignalToSIGOUT | SIGOUTSelect | Signal routed to SIGOUT pin |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 0              | 0            | LOW                         |
| 0              | 1            | HIGH                        |
| 0              | 2            | Envelope                    |
| 0              | 3            | Transmit NRZ                |
| 0              | 4            | Manchester with Subcarrier  |
| 0              | 5            | Manchester                  |
| 0              | 6            | RFU                         |
| 0              | 7            | RFU                         |
| 1              | X            | Digital Test signal         |

*Table 18-1 Signal routed to SIGOUT pin*

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The analog test signals may be routed to pin AUX by selecting them with the register bits *TestAnaOutSel*.

| Value | Signal Name   | Description   |
|-------|---------------|---|
| 0     | $V_{mid}$     | Voltage at internal node Vmid   |
| 1     | $V_{bandgap}$ | Internal reference voltage generated by the band gap.                         |
| 2     | $V_{RxFollI}$ | Output signal from the demodulator using the I-clock.                         |
| 3     | $V_{RxFollQ}$ | Output signal from the demodulator using the Q-clock.                         |
| 4     | $V_{RxAmpI}$  | I-channel subcarrier signal amplified and filtered.                           |
| 5     | $V_{RxAmpQ}$  | Q-channel subcarrier signal amplified and filtered.                           |
| 6     | $V_{CorrNI}$  | Output signal of N-channel correlator fed by the I-channel subcarrier signal. |
| 7     | $V_{CorrNQ}$  | Output signal of N-channel correlator fed by the Q-channel subcarrier signal. |
| 8     | $V_{CorrDI}$  | Output signal of D-channel correlator fed by the I-channel subcarrier signal. |
| 9     | $V_{CorrDQ}$  | Output signal of D-channel correlator fed by the Q-channel subcarrier signal. |
| A     | $V_{EvalL}$   | Evaluation signal from the left half bit.                                     |
| B     | $V_{EvalR}$   | Evaluation signal from the right half bit.                                    |
| C     | $V_{Temp}$    | Temperature voltage derived from band gap.                                    |
| D     | RFU           | Reserved for future use   |
| E     | RFU           | Reserved for future use   |
| F     | RFU           | Reserved for future use   |

Table 18-2: Analog Test Signal Selection

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### 18.4 Digital Test-Signals

Digital test signals may be routed to pin SIGOUT by setting bit *SignalToSIGOUT* to 1. A digital test signal may be selected via the register bits *TestDigiSignalSel* in Register *TestDigiSelect*.

The signals selected by a certain *TestDigiSignalSel* setting is shown in the table below:

| TestDigiSignalSel | Signal Name    | Description  |
|-------------------|----------------|--|
| F4 <sub>hex</sub> | s_data         | Data received from the label.  |
| E4 <sub>hex</sub> | s_valid        | Shows with 1, that the signals s_data and s_coll are valid.  |
| D4 <sub>hex</sub> | s_coll         | Shows with 1, that a collision has been detected in the current bit.   |
| C4 <sub>hex</sub> | s_clock        | Internal serial clock: during transmission, this is the coder-clock and during reception this is the receiver clock. |
| B5 <sub>hex</sub> | rd_sync        | Internal synchronised read signal (derived from the parallel $\mu$ -Processor interface).                            |
| A5 <sub>hex</sub> | wr_sync        | Internal synchronised write signal (derived from the parallel $\mu$ -Processor interface).                           |
| 96 <sub>hex</sub> | int_clock      | Internal 13.56 MHz clock.  |
| 00 <sub>hex</sub> | no test signal | output as defined by <i>SIGOUTSelect</i> are routed to pin SIGOUT.   |

Table 18-3: Digital Test Signal Selection

If no test signals are used, the value for the *TestDigiSel-Register* shall be 00<sub>hex</sub>.

Note: All other values of *TestDigiSignalSel* are for production test purposes only.

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**18.5 Examples of Analog- and Digital Test Signals**

Fig. 17 shows the answer of an I·CODE1 Label IC to a unselected read command using the Qclock receiving path.

RX –Reference is given to show the Manchester modulated signal at the RX pin. This signal is demodulated and amplified in the receiver circuitry VRxAmpQ shows the amplified side band signal having used the Q-Clock for demodulation. The signals VCorrDQ and VCorrNQ generated in the correlation circuitry are evaluated and digitised in the evaluation and digitizer circuitry. VEvalR and VEvalL show the evaluation signal of the right and left half bit. Finally, the digital test-signal S\_data shows the received data which is send to the internal digital circuit and S\_valid indicates that the received data stream is valid.

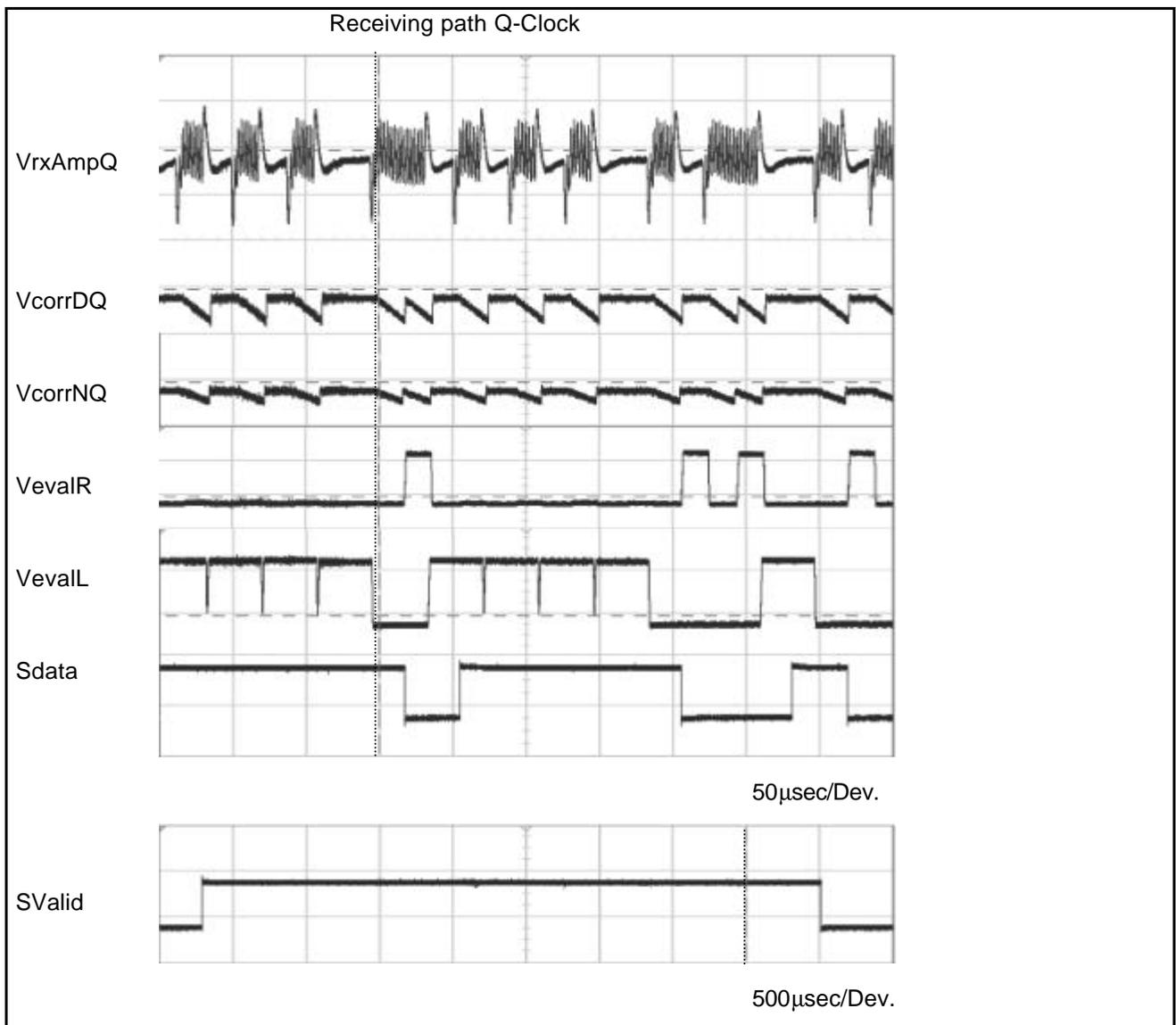


Figure 17. Receiving path Q-Clock

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**I·CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****19 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS****19.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings**

| SYMBOL               | PARAMETER                                   | MIN  | MAX        | UNIT |
|----------------------|---|------|------------|------|
| $T_{amb,abs}$        | Ambient or Storage Temperature Range        | -40  | +150       | °C   |
| DVDD<br>AVDD<br>TVDD | DC Supply Voltages                          | -0.5 | 6          | V    |
| $V_{in,abs}$         | Absolute voltage on any digital pin to DVSS | -0.5 | DVDD + 0.5 | V    |
| $V_{RX,abs}$         | Absolute voltage on RX pin to AVSS          | -0.5 | AVDD + 0.5 | V    |

Table 19-1: Absolute Maximum Ratings

**19.2 Operating Condition Range**

| SYMBOL    | PARAMETER                  | CONDITIONS              | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| $T_{amb}$ | Ambient Temperature        | -                       | -25 | +25 | +85 | °C   |
| DVDD      | Digital Supply Voltage     | DVSS = AVSS = TVSS = 0V | 4.5 | 5.0 | 5.5 | V    |
| AVDD      | Analog Supply Voltage      |                         | 4.5 | 5.0 | 5.5 | V    |
| TVDD      | Transmitter Supply Voltage |                         | 3.0 | 5.0 | 5.5 | V    |

Table 19-2: Operating Condition Range

**19.3 Current Consumption**

| SYMBOL     | PARAMETER                  | CONDITIONS  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|------------|----------------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|------|
| $I_{DVDD}$ | Digital Supply Current     | Idle Command                                      |     | 6   |     | mA   |
|            |                            | Stand By Mode                                     |     | 3   |     | mA   |
|            |                            | Soft Power Down Mode                              |     | 800 |     | µA   |
|            |                            | Hard Power Down Mode                              |     | 1   |     | µA   |
| $I_{AVDD}$ | Analog Supply Current      | Idle Command, Receiver On                         |     | 29  |     | mA   |
|            |                            | Idle Command, Receiver Off                        |     | 10  |     | mA   |
|            |                            | Stand By Mode                                     |     | 8   |     | mA   |
|            |                            | Soft Power Down Mode                              |     | 1   |     | µA   |
|            |                            | Hard Power Down Mode                              |     | 1   |     | µA   |
| $I_{TVDD}$ | Transmitter Supply Current | Continuous Wave                                   |     |     | 150 | mA   |
|            |                            | TX1 and TX2 unconnected<br>$TX1RFEn, TX2RFEn = 1$ |     | 4.5 | 9   | mA   |
|            |                            | TX1 and TX2 unconnected<br>$TX1RFEn, TX2RFEn = 0$ |     | 65  | 130 | µA   |

Table 19-3: Current Consumption

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****19.4 Pin Characteristics**

## 19.4.1 INPUT PIN CHARACTERISTICS

Pins D0 to D7, A0 and A1 have TTL input characteristics and behave as defined in the following table.

| SYMBOL     | PARAMETER             | CONDITIONS | MIN  | MAX  | UNIT    |
|------------|-----------------------|------------|------|------|---------|
| $I_{Leak}$ | Input Leakage Current |            | -1.0 | +1.0 | $\mu A$ |
| $V_T$      | Threshold             |            | 0.8  | 2.0  | V       |

Table 19-4: Standard Input Pin Characteristics

The digital input pins NCS, NWR, NRD, ALE and A2 have Schmitt-Trigger characteristics, and behave as defined in the following table.

| SYMBOL     | PARAMETER                | CONDITIONS | MIN  | MAX  | UNIT    |
|------------|--------------------------|------------|------|------|---------|
| $I_{Leak}$ | Input Leakage Current    |            | -1.0 | +1.0 | $\mu A$ |
| $V_{T+}$   | Positive-Going Threshold |            | 1.4  | 2.0  | V       |
| $V_{T-}$   | Negative-Going Threshold |            | 0.8  | 1.3  | V       |

Table 19-5: Schmitt-Trigger Input Pin Characteristics

Pin RSTPD has Schmitt-Trigger CMOS characteristics. In addition, it is internally filtered with an RC-low-pass filter, which causes a relevant propagation delay for the reset signal:

| SYMBOL        | PARAMETER                | CONDITIONS | MIN       | MAX       | UNIT    |
|---------------|--------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| $I_{Leak}$    | Input Leakage Current    |            | -1.0      | +1.0      | $\mu A$ |
| $V_{T+}$      | Positive-Going Threshold |            | 0.65 DVDD | 0.75 DVDD | V       |
| $V_{T-}$      | Negative-Going Threshold |            | 0.25 DVDD | 0.4 DVDD  | V       |
| $t_{RSTPD,p}$ | Propagation Delay        |            |           | 20        | $\mu s$ |

Table 19-6: RSTPD Input Pin Characteristics

The analog input pin RX has the following input capacitance:

| SYMBOL   | PARAMETER         | CONDITIONS | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|----------|-------------------|------------|-----|-----|------|
| $C_{RX}$ | Input Capacitance |            |     | 15  | pF   |

Table 19-7: RX Input Capacitance

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## 19.4.2 DIGITAL OUTPUT PIN CHARACTERISTICS

Pins D0 to D7, SIGOUT and IRQ have TTL output characteristics and behave as defined in the following table.

| SYMBOL          | PARAMETER                     | CONDITIONS                           | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| V <sub>OH</sub> | Output Voltage HIGH           | DVDD = 5 V, I <sub>OH</sub> = -1 mA  | 2.4 | 4.9 |     | V    |
|                 |                               | DVDD = 5 V, I <sub>OH</sub> = -10 mA | 2.4 | 4.2 |     | V    |
| V <sub>OL</sub> | Output Voltage LOW            | DVDD = 5 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 1 mA   |     | 25  | 400 | mV   |
|                 |                               | DVDD = 5 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 10 mA  |     | 250 | 400 | mV   |
| I <sub>o</sub>  | Output Current source or sink | DVDD = 5 V                           |     |     | 10  | mA   |

Table 19-8: Digital Output Pin Characteristics

Note: IRQ pin may also be configured as open collector. In that case the values for V<sub>OH</sub> do not apply.

## 19.4.3 ANTENNA DRIVER OUTPUT PIN CHARACTERISTICS

The source conductance of the antenna driver pins TX1 and TX2 for driving the HIGH level can be configured via *GsCfgCW* in the *CwConductance Register*, while their source conductance for driving the LOW level is constant.

For the default configuration, the output characteristic is specified below:

| SYMBOL          | PARAMETER                  | CONDITIONS                             | MIN | TYP  | MAX | UNIT               |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--|-----|------|-----|--------------------|
| V <sub>OH</sub> | Output Voltage HIGH        | TVDD = 5.0 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 20 mA  |     | 4.97 |     | V                  |
|                 |                            | TVDD = 5.0 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 100 mA |     | 4.85 |     | V                  |
| V <sub>OL</sub> | Output Voltage LOW         | TVDD = 5.0 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 20 mA  |     | 30   |     | mV                 |
|                 |                            | TVDD = 5.0 V, I <sub>OL</sub> = 100 mA |     | 150  |     | mV                 |
| I <sub>TX</sub> | Transmitter Output Current | Continuous Wave                        |     |      | 200 | mA <sub>peak</sub> |

Table 19-9: Antenna Driver Output Pin Characteristics

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****19.5 AC Electrical Characteristics**

## 19.5.1 AC SYMBOLS

Each timing symbol has five characters. The first character is always 't' for time. The other characters indicate the name of a signal or the logic state of that signal (depending on position):

| Designation: | Signal:                  | Designation: | Logic Level:             |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| A            | address                  | H            | HIGH                     |
| D            | data                     | L            | LOW                      |
| W            | NWR or nWait             | Z            | high impedance           |
| R            | NRD or R/NW or nWrite    | X            | any level or data        |
| L            | ALE or AS                | V            | any valid signal or data |
| C            | NCS                      |              |                          |
| S            | NDS or nDStrb and nAStrb |              |                          |

Example:  $t_{AVLL}$  = time for address valid to ALE low

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19.5.2 AC OPERATING SPECIFICATION

19.5.2.1 Bus Timing for Separated Read/Write Strobe

| SYMBOL     | PARAMETER   | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|------------|---|-----|-----|------|
| $t_{LHLL}$ | ALE pulse width   | 20  |     | ns   |
| $t_{AVLL}$ | Multiplexed Address Bus valid to ALE low (Address Set Up Time)  | 15  |     | ns   |
| $t_{LLAX}$ | Multiplexed Address Bus valid after ALE low (Address Hold Time) | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{LLWL}$ | ALE low to NWR, NRD low   | 15  |     | ns   |
| $t_{CLWL}$ | NCS low to NRD, NWR low   | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{WHCH}$ | NRD, NWR high to NCS high                                       | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{RLDV}$ | NRD low to DATA valid   |     | 65  | ns   |
| $t_{RHDZ}$ | NRD high to DATA high impedance                                 |     | 20  | ns   |
| $t_{WLDV}$ | NWR low to DATA valid   |     | 35  | ns   |
| $t_{WHDX}$ | DATA hold after NWR high (Data Hold Time)                       | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{WLWH}$ | NRD, NWR pulse width  | 65  |     | ns   |
| $t_{AVWL}$ | Separated Address Bus valid to NRD, NWR low (Set Up Time)       | 30  |     | ns   |
| $t_{WHAX}$ | Separated Address Bus valid after NWR high (Hold Time)          | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{WHWL}$ | period between sequenced read / write accesses                  | 150 |     | ns   |

Table 19-10: Timing Specification for Separated Read/Write Strobe

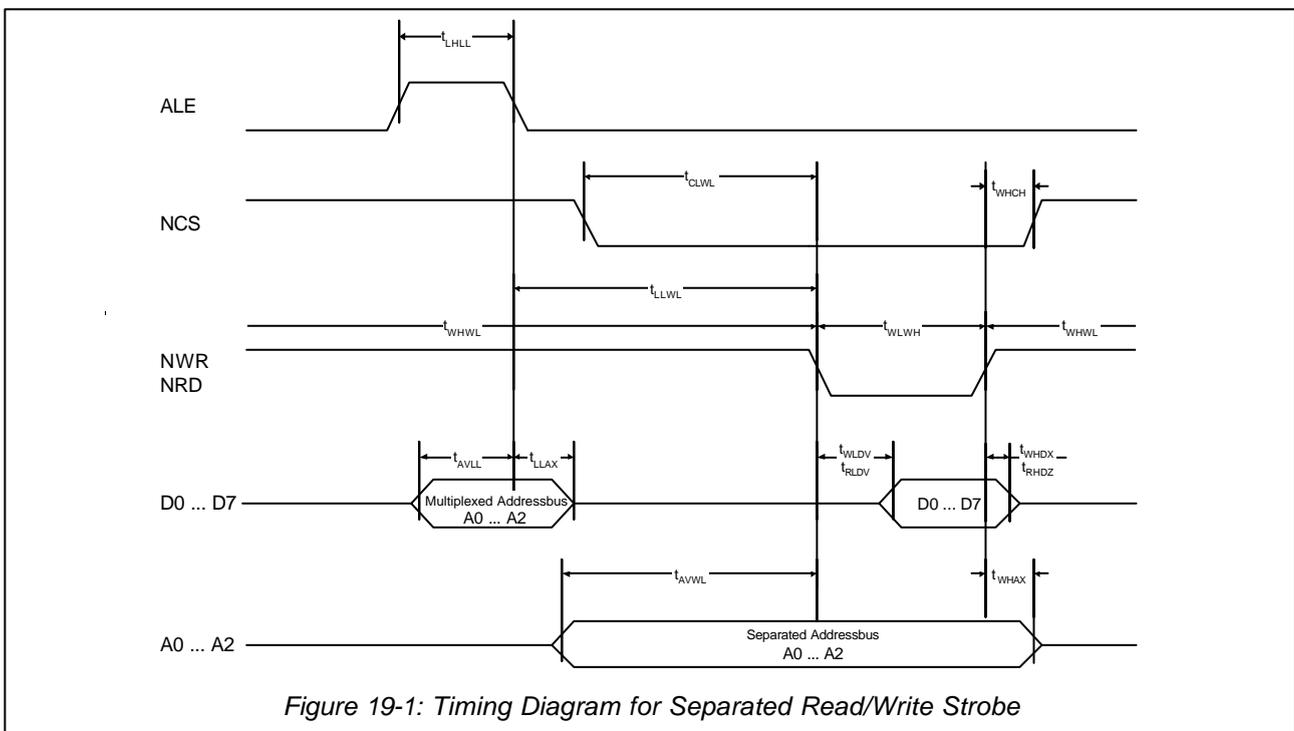


Figure 19-1: Timing Diagram for Separated Read/Write Strobe

**Note:** For separated address and data bus the signal ALE is not relevant and the multiplexed addresses on the data bus don't care.

For the multiplexed address and data bus the address lines A0 to A2 have to be connected as described in 4.3.

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19.5.2.2 Bus Timing for Common Read/Write Strobe

| SYMBOL       | PARAMETER  | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|--------------|--|-----|-----|------|
| $t_{LHLL}$   | AS pulse width   | 20  |     | ns   |
| $t_{AVLL}$   | Multiplexed Address Bus valid to AS low (Address Set Up Time)  | 15  |     | ns   |
| $t_{LLAX}$   | Multiplexed Address Bus valid after AS low (Address Hold Time) | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{LLSL}$   | AS low to NDS low  | 15  |     | ns   |
| $t_{CLSL}$   | NCS low to NDS low   | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHCH}$   | NDS high to NCS high   | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SLDV,R}$ | NDS low to DATA valid (for read cycle)                         |     | 65  | ns   |
| $t_{SHDZ}$   | NDS low to DATA high impedance (read cycle)                    |     | 20  | ns   |
| $t_{SLDV,W}$ | NDS low to DATA valid (for write cycle)                        |     | 35  | ns   |
| $t_{SHDX}$   | DATA hold after NDS high (write cycle, Hold Time)              | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHRX}$   | R/NW hold after NDS high                                       | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SLSH}$   | NDS pulse width  | 65  |     | ns   |
| $t_{AVSL}$   | Separated Address Bus valid to NDS low (Hold Time)             | 30  |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHAX}$   | Separated Address Bus valid after NDS high (Set Up Time)       | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHSL}$   | period between sequenced read/write accesses                   | 150 |     | ns   |
| $t_{RVSL}$   | R/NW valid to NDS low  | 8   |     | ns   |

Table 19-11: Timing Specification for Common Read/Write Strobe

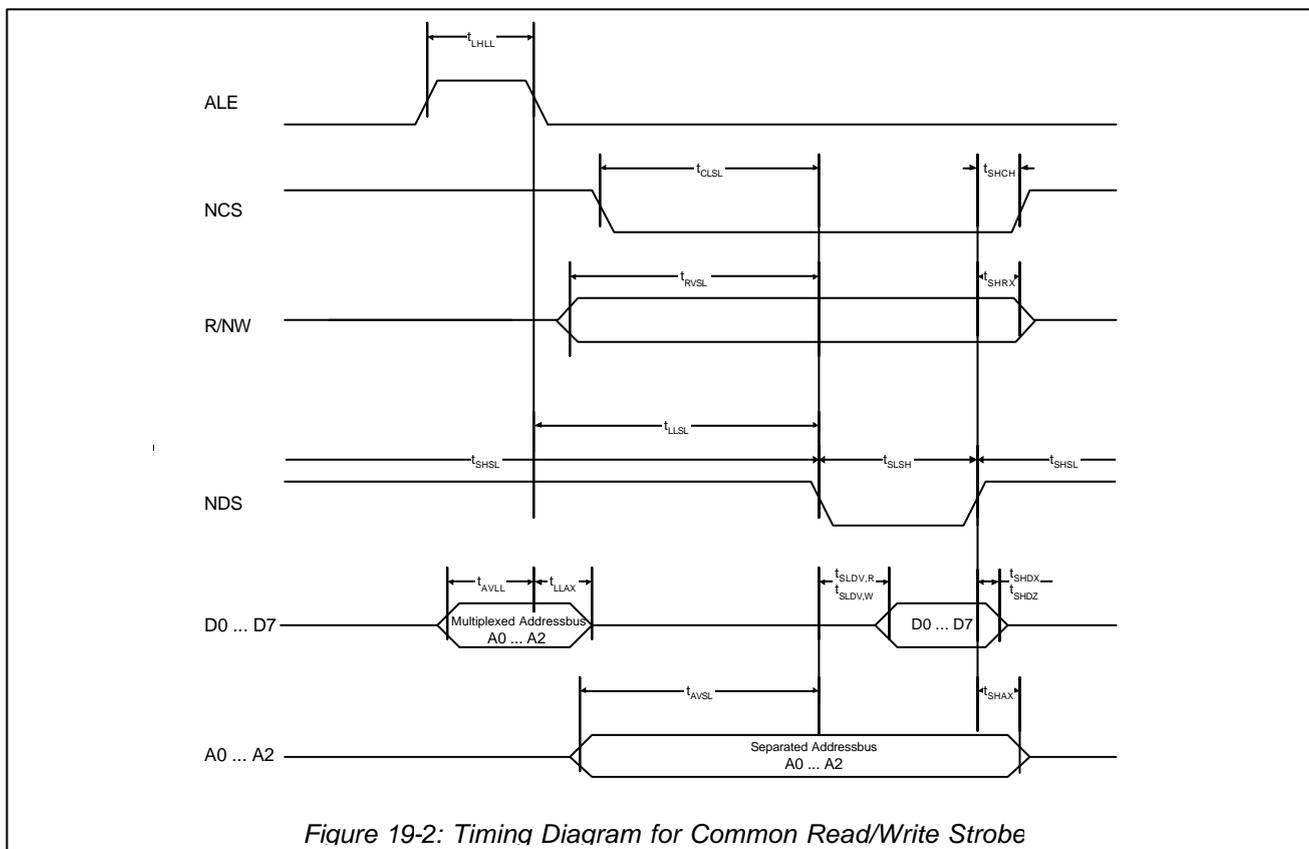


Figure 19-2: Timing Diagram for Common Read/Write Strobe

**Note:** For separated address and data bus the signal ALE is not relevant and the multiplexed addresses on the data bus don't care. For the multiplexed address and data bus the address lines A0 to A2 have to be connected as described in 4.3.

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19.5.2.3 Bus Timing for EPP

| SYMBOL       | PARAMETER  | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|--------------|--|-----|-----|------|
| $t_{LLH}$    | nASt rb pulse width  | 20  |     | ns   |
| $t_{AVLH}$   | Multiplexed Address Bus valid to nASt rb high (Set Up Time)  | 15  |     | ns   |
| $t_{LHAX}$   | Multiplexed Address Bus valid after nASt rb high (Hold Time) | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{CLSL}$   | NCS low to nDSt rb low                                       | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHCH}$   | nDSt rb high to NCS high                                     | 0   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SLDV,R}$ | nDSt rb low to DATA valid (read cycle)                       |     | 65  | ns   |
| $t_{SHDZ}$   | nDSt rb low to DATA high impedance (read cycle)              |     | 20  | ns   |
| $t_{SLDV,W}$ | nDSt rb low to DATA valid (write cycle, Set up Time)         |     | 35  | ns   |
| $t_{SHDX}$   | DATA hold after nDSt rb high (write cycle, Hold Time)        | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SHRX}$   | nWrite hold after nDSt rb high                               | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SLSH}$   | nDSt rb pulse width  | 65  |     | ns   |
| $t_{RVSL}$   | nWrite valid to nDSt rb low                                  | 8   |     | ns   |
| $t_{SLWH}$   | nDSt rb low to nWait high                                    |     | 75  | ns   |
| $t_{SHWL}$   | nDSt rb high to nWait low                                    |     | 75  | ns   |

Table 19-12: Timing Specification for Common Read/Write Strobe

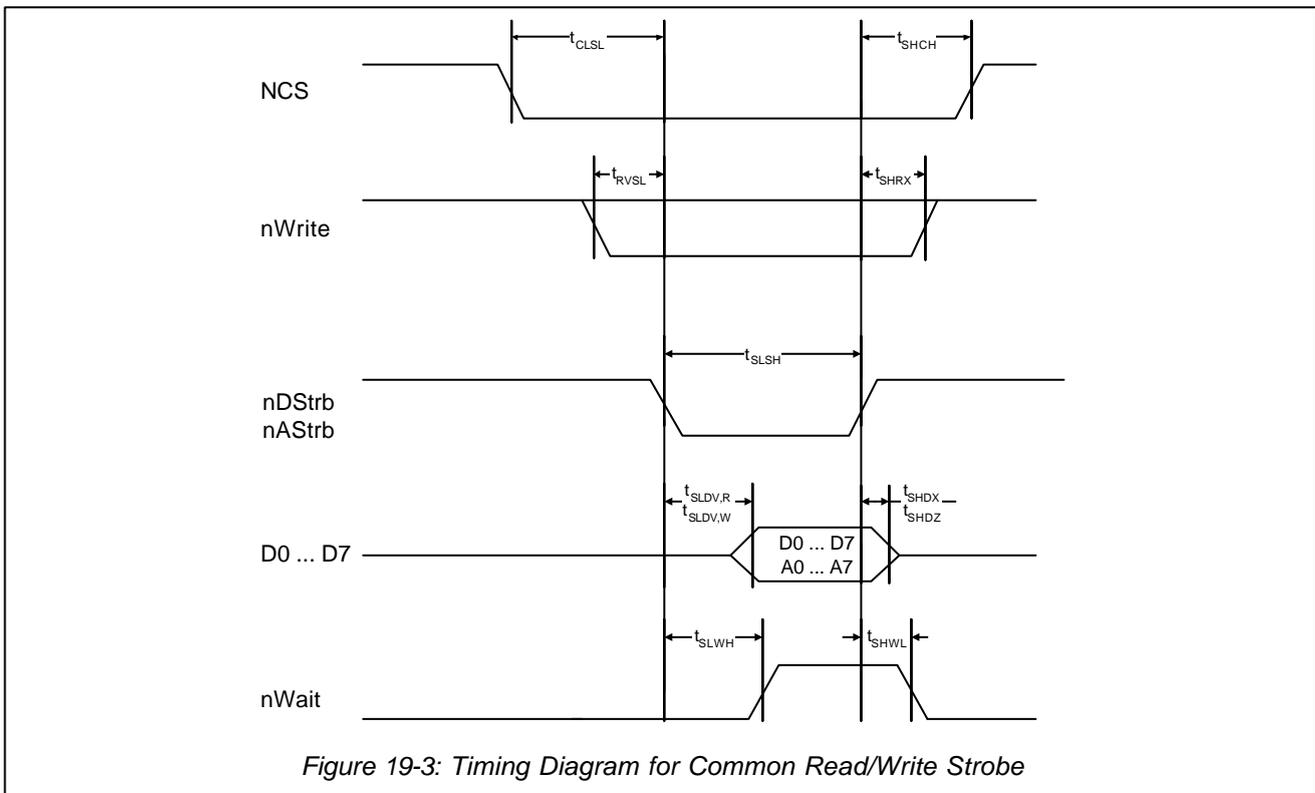


Figure 19-3: Timing Diagram for Common Read/Write Strobe

**Remark:** The figure does not distinguish between the Address Write Cycle and a Data Write Cycle. Take in account, that timings for the Address Write and Data Write Cycle different. For the EPP-Mode the address lines A0 to A2 have to be connected as described in 4.3.

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## 19.5.3 CLOCK FREQUENCY

The clock input is pin 1, OSCIN.

| PARAMETER                                     | SYMBOL              | MIN | TYP   | MAX | UNIT |
|---|---------------------|-----|-------|-----|------|
| Clock Frequency (checked by the clock filter) | $f_{\text{OSCIN}}$  |     | 13.56 |     | MHz  |
| Duty Cycle of Clock Frequency                 | $d_{\text{FEC}}$    | 40  | 50    | 60  | %    |
| Jitter of Clock Edges                         | $t_{\text{jitter}}$ |     |       | 10  | ps   |

The clock applied to the SL RC400 acts as time basis for the coder and decoder of the synchronous system. Therefore stability of clock frequency is an important factor for proper performance. To obtain highest performance, clock jitter shall be as small as possible. This is best achieved using the internal oscillator buffer with the recommended circuitry (see 12).

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****20 E<sup>2</sup>PROM CHARACTERISTICS**

The E<sup>2</sup>PROM has a size of 8x16x8 = 1.024 bit.

| <b>SYMBOL</b>            | <b>PARAMETER</b> | <b>CONDITIONS</b>       | <b>MIN</b> | <b>MAX</b> | <b>UNIT</b>        |
|--------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|
| t <sub>EEEndurance</sub> | Data Endurance   |                         | 100.000    |            | erase/write cycles |
| t <sub>EERetention</sub> | Data Retention   | T <sub>amb</sub> ≤ 55°C | 10         |            | years              |
| t <sub>EEErise</sub>     | Erase Time       |                         |            | 2.9        | ms                 |
| t <sub>EEWrite</sub>     | Write Time       |                         |            | 2.9        | ms                 |

*Table 20-1: E<sup>2</sup>PROM Characteristics*

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21 PACKAGE OUTLINES

21.1 SO32

SO32: plastic small outline package; 32 leads; body width 7.5 mm

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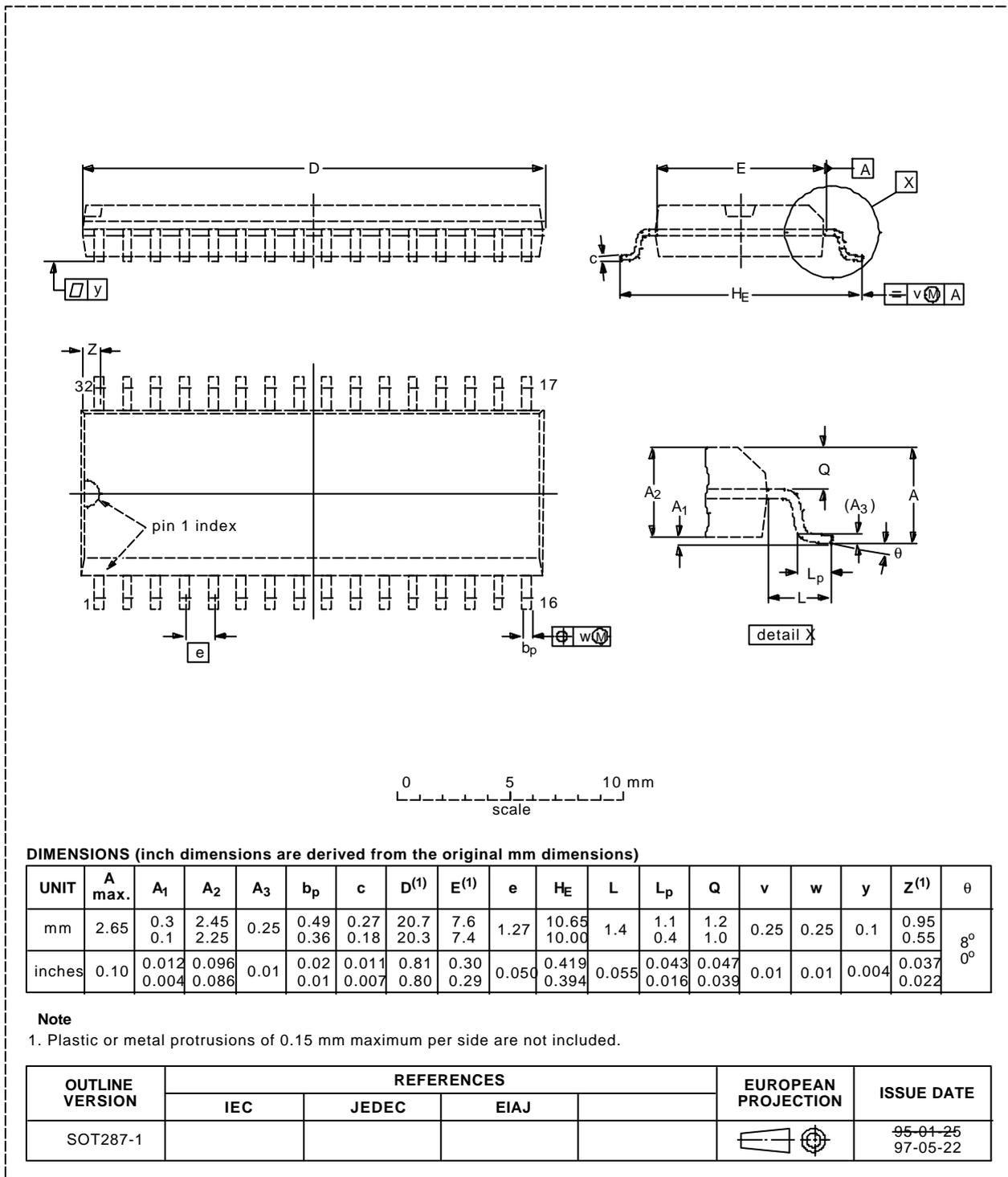


Figure 21-1: Outline and Dimension of SL RC400 in SO32

**I·CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****22 TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

| <b>Designation:</b> | <b>Description:</b>  |
|---------------------|--|
| μ-Processor         | Micro Processor  |
| E <sup>2</sup> PROM | Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory  |
| EOF                 | End of Frame   |
| FWT                 | Frame Waiting Time: maximum time delay between last bit transmitted by the reader and first bit received from the label's response.                              |
| I?CODE              | A family of hard-wired logic contactless label ICs. The protocol of these labels is according to I·CODE1 and ISO 15693. On top they use a fixed set of commands. |
| POR                 | Power On Reset: triggers a reset, caused by a rising edge on a supply pin.   |
| ROM                 | Read Only Memory   |
| SOF                 | Start of Frame   |

**I· CODE Reader IC****SL RC400****23 DEFINITIONS**

| <b>Data sheet status</b>   |   |
|--|---|
| Objective specification  | This data sheet contains target or goal specifications for product development.       |
| Preliminary specification  | This data sheet contains preliminary data; supplementary data may be published later. |
| Product specification  | This data sheet contains final product specifications.                                |
| <b>Limiting values</b>   |   |
| Limiting values given are in accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 134). Stress above one or more of the limiting values may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only and operation of the device at these or at any other conditions above those given in the Characteristics section of the specification is not implied. Exposure to limiting values for extended periods may affect device reliability. |   |
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| Where application information is given, it is advisory and does not form part of the specification.  |   |

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**25 REVISION HISTORY**

| REVISION | DATE     | CPCN | PAGE | DESCRIPTION             |
|----------|----------|------|------|-------------------------|
| 1.0      |          |      |      | First published version |
| 2.0      | 14.11.01 |      |      | Preliminary version     |

*Table 25-1: Document Versions Up to Revision 1.0*

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