Multiplexer for Capacitive Sensors (MUXC01)

Features

- Very well suited for multiple-capacitance measurement
- Low-cost CMOS
- Low output impedance
- Rail-to-rail digital outputs
- All inputs and outputs are ESD protected
- High digital output currents possible (8 mA at 10% voltage drop)
- Large capacitive driving capability
- Available in 16-pins DIL(MUX03) in 16-pins SOIC(MUXEN01) and as bare die(MUXC01)
- Temperature range -40°C to 85°C

1. General Description

The multiplexer chip (MUXC01) is designed to select the passage-path of the digital signals between one input and nine outputs. It is mainly composed of a basic 9-bit shift register (nine cascaded D-flipflops) and nine 2-input AND gates (see Figure 2).

The square-wave signal is entered through the signal input (*signal in*) of the MUXC01. The input signal is gated by the nine 2input AND gates to the respective 9 outputs ($OUT1 \sim OUT9$). One of two inputs of the AND gates is controlled by the output Q_i of the D-flipflops. If the input signal of the MUXC01 keeps high (V_{CC}), the function of the MUXC01 just is a 9-bit shift register with one data entry (*serial in*) and the output from each of the nine stages. The *shift out* is internally connected to the data output of the shift register via an output buffer. The shift output can be used as an input for a second MUXC01, for instance, when more than nine capacitances are to be measured.

The outputs of the MUXC01 are:

$$OUT_i = SignalIn \cdot Q_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots 9)$$
⁽¹⁾

$$ShiftOut = Q_9 \tag{2}$$

where SignalIn is the input signal at the signal in terminal and ShiftOut is the output signal at the shift out terminal.

The states of the 9bit shift register are determined by the three control inputs: the *serial in*, the *clock in* and the *clear in* The serial input is used as data entry to create an arbitrarily bit pattern at the outputs of the MUXC01. Each low-to-high transition on the clock input shifts data one place to the right and enters into Q_I , the serial input, the data that existed before the rising clock edge. A low level on the *clear in* overrides all other inputs and clears the nine outputs (*OUT1* ~ *OUT9*) and shift output asynchronously, forcing all outputs low level. Figure 3 shows the timing diagram of the MUXC01.

2. Pin-out and Ratings

The MUXC01 is available in a 16-pin plastic dual-in-line package (DIP) as well as a 16-lead small outline package (SOIC). Figure 1 shows the pin configuration of DIP and SOIC. The function of the pins is listed in Table 1.



Figure 1 Pin configuration.

| Pin No. | SYMBOL | Function of the pin | |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 15 | V _{DD} | Positive supply voltage | |
| 16, 1, 2, 3, 4, | OUT1 ··· OUT9 | Outputs | |
| 5, 6, 8, 9 | | | |
| 10 | SIGNAL IN | Signal input | |
| 11 | CLEAR IN | Master reset input (Active Low) | |
| 12 | SHIFT OUT | Shift output | |
| 13 | SERIAL IN | Data input | |
| 14 | CLOCK IN | Clock input (Low to High edge | |
| | | triggered) | |
| 7 | GND | Ground (0 V) | |

Table 1. Function of the pins.

3. Truth Table

Table 2 Truth table of the MUXC01.

| | II | NPUTS | | | OUTP | UTS | |
|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|-----|-------|
| CLEAR IN | CLOCK | SERIAL IN | SIGNAL IN | OUTI | OUT2 | | OUT9 |
| L | \times^* | × | × | L | L | | L |
| Н | | × | × | NO CHANGE | | | |
| Н | | L | × | L | OUT1n* | | OUT8n |
| Н | | Н | × | Н | OUT1n | | OUT8n |

* Note: 1.×: Don't care,

2. *OUT1n ~ OUT8n*: The output of *OUT1 ~ OUT8*, respectively, before the most-recent positive transition of the clock.

4. Logic Diagram



Figure 2 The internal diagram of the MUXC01.

5. Timing Chart



Figure 3 The timing diagram of the MUXC01.

6. Input and Output Equivalent Circuit

The MUXC01 has been fabricated in a low-cost 0.74m CMOS technology. The output buffers have a drive capability of 8 mA. A CMOS schmitt trigger input buffer has been used as the input stage of the *clear in* and *clock in* to eliminate the effect of the interference at these inputs. All inputs are equipped with protection circuits against static discharge and transient excess voltage. Figure 4 shows the input and output equivalent circuit.



Figure 4 The input and output equivalent circuit.

7. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| $T_A = +25 \ ^{\circ}C$ | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Power supply voltage | -0.3 V to +7 V |
| Power dissipation | 500 mW |
| DC input voltage | -0.3 V to V_{DD} +0.3 V |
| Output current | 8 mA |
| Output impedance | 60 Ω |
| DC output voltage | -0.3 V to V_{DD} +0.3 V |
| DC Input current on each pin | ±20 mA |
| ESD rating | >4000 V |
| Storage temperature range | -65°C to +150°C |
| Operating temperature range | -40°C to +85°C |
| Lead temperature (soldering, 10 sec) | +300°C |

Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these conditions is not implied.

8. DC Specifications

Table 3 shows some DC parameters of the MUXC01 under the conditions of $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V} \pm 10\%$.

| Symbol | Parameters | min. typ. max. | Unit |
|------------------|--|----------------|------|
| Io | Output current | 8 | mA |
| V _{CC} | Supply voltage | 2.7 5 6 | V |
| ΔV_{out} | Output voltage deviation between any 2 of 9 output (in same package) | 0.1 | mV |
| R ₀ | Output resistance | 13 | Ω |
| ΔR_0 | Output resistance deviation between any 2 of 9 output (in same package) | 0.6 | Ω |
| V _{IH} | High level input voltage | 3.5 | V |
| V _{IL} | Low level input voltage | 1.5 | V |
| V _{OH} | High level output voltage | 4.0 | V |
| V _{OL} | Low level output voltage | 0.25 | V |
| I _{CC} | Quiescent supply current | 0.38 | μA |

Table 3 Some DC parameters.

9. AC Electrical Characteristics

Table 4 shows some AC parameters of the MUXC01 under the conditions of $V_{CC}=5 \text{ V} \pm 10\%$, frequency of the input signal of 100 kHz and no external load.

| Symbol | Parameters | min. typ. max. | Unit | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|------|--|--|
| t _W (L) | Minimum Pulse Width (CLEAR) | - 10 20 | ns | | |
| $t_W(L), t_W(H)$ | Minimum Pulse Width (CLOCK) | - 10 20 | ns | | |
| $t_W(L), t_W(H)$ | Minimum Pulse Width (SIGNAL IN) | - 8 15 | ns | | |
| t _{PHL} | Propagation Delay Time (CLEAR -OUT) | - 23 36 | ns | | |
| t _{PHL} , t _{PLH} | Propagation Delay Time (CLOCK-OUT) | - 23 36 | ns | | |
| t _{PLH} | Intrinsic propagation delay time | 9.8 | 20 | | |
| t _{PHL} | (Signal In -OUT _i) | 10.5 | ns | | |
| t _{TLH} | Output transition time | 13.9 | ns | | |
| t _{THL} | Output transition time | 12.9 | 115 | | |
| \mathbf{f}_{MAX} | Maximum clock frequency | 30 50 | MHz | | |
| Cload | Output capacitive drive capability | 15 | nF | | |
| В | HF bandwidth for signal input | 1.6 | MHz | | |
| C _{IN} | Input capacitance | 5 10 | pF | | |
| ${\rm C_{PD}}^*$ | Power Dissipation Capacitance | 111 | pF | | |

Table 4 Some AC parameters.

* Note C_{PD} is defined as the value of the IC's internal equivalent capacitance which is calculated from the operating current consumption without load.

Average operating current is: $I_{CC(opr)} = C_{PD}V_C d_{IN} + I_{CC}$ Figure 5 shows the testing circuit for current $I_{CC}(Opr)$.

Figure 6 and Figure 8 show the output resistance R_0 vs the power supply voltage V_{CC} and the load current for $V_{CC} = 5V\pm 10\%$, respectively.



Figure 5 The testing circuit for I_{CC(opr)}.



Figure 6 Output resistance vs power supply voltage.



Figure 8 Output resistance vs the load current.



Figure 9 The propagation delay times of the multiplexer.



Figure 10 The AC characteristics test waveforms.

10. Applications

A. Multiple capacitance measurement

The MUXC01 is developed for the multiple-capacitance measurement. One of the main applications of the MUXC01 concerns the accurate measurement of the multiple capacitances in combination with a capacitance-controlled oscillator. As an example, Figure 11 shows a diagram for such an application. In this application, a microcontroller is employed to provide control signals for the multiplexer and measure the output signal from the UTI. The UTI is a universal transducer interface for various passive sensors, for instance, the capacitive, resistive, resistive-bridge and potentiometric sensors. When the UTI is set in the mode CMUX, it works as a capacitance-controlled oscillator. The multiplexer(s) is used to select the capacitor(s) to be measured and provide driving signals with a square-wave form for the capacitances to be measured. By using the serial input and the clock input on the multiplexer, any of these capacitances in any combination can be measured.

B. Nine bit shift register

When the input signal of the MUXC01 is high (V_{CO}), the function of the multiplexer just is a 9 bit shift register with one data entry (*serial in*) and the output from each of the nine stages. So the multiplexer can be used as a 9 bit shift register.



Figure 11A diagram for the application of the MUXC01 in a multiple-capacitance measurement.

11. Chip Size

Figure 12 shows the pad configuration of the MUXC01. The size of the die amounts to $1.7 \text{ mm} \times 1.6 \text{ mm}$.



Figure 12 The pad configuration of MUXC01 chip.