

Features

- Analog component for a Low-Pass Filter (LPF) with 4 configurable corner frequencies and bypass.
- Run-time setting of corner frequency or bypass.

General description

The LPF Component implements a simple interface on the PsoC5 for a settable Low-Pass Filter (LPF) for analog signal processing.

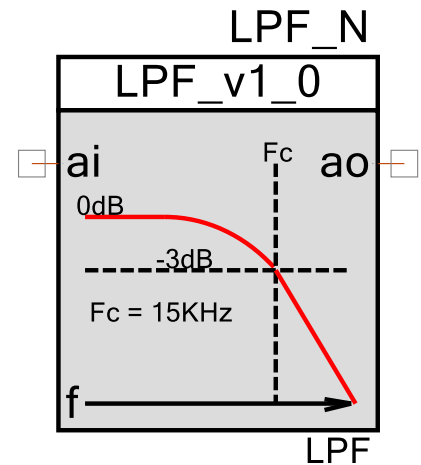
The LPF component is a PSoC fixed function analog block that is a first-order single RC circuit with 2 'R' setting values and 2 'C' setting values. This provides 4 configurable corner frequencies as shown in the table below. The corner frequency (F_c) is the frequency where the output is at 70.7% of the input. At frequencies above F_c , the output slope is at -20dB per decade.

Table 1 - Corner Frequency and RC values

Fc enum value	'R' value	'C' value	Corner Frequency (F_c)
3	1040K Ω	10pF	153 KHz
2	1040K Ω	5pF	77 KHz
1	208K Ω	10pF	31 KHz
0	208K Ω	5pF	15 KHz

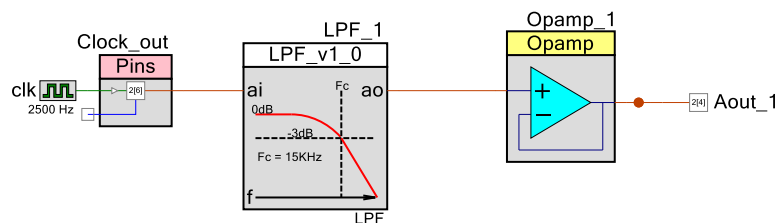
The LPF component can be stopped or disabled. When this occurs, the LPF is placed in BYPASS. This mode has no practical analog filtering. The entire frequency spectrum is passed from the input to the output.

When to use LPF component



The LPF Component was developed to attenuate analog frequencies past the selected corner frequency for further down-stream analog processing.

The LPF can also be used in combination with an Opamp in follower mode to lower the slew-rate of a digital signal. Here is a circuit example:



Use of this custom component requires the designer to configure the project to reference the component library supplied. Refer to ["How to Access Custom Libraries and Components"](#) for methods of access available.

Device Families Supported

At this time, the following are the PsoC devices that support this component:

- PsoC5 (Note: There are only 2 of these blocks available.)

Implementation Limitations

This version of the LPF Component has the following limitations:

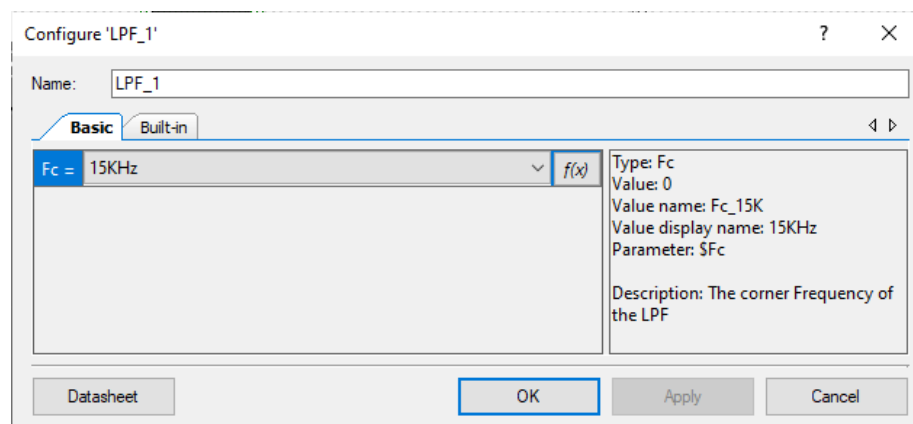
- The output impedance of the LPF is high ($> 200\text{K } \Omega$). This means it is highly affected by additional circuit resistance and/or capacitance. Connecting the LPF output directly to a PSoC pin will affect the corner frequency by lowering it. This is because the PSoC pin capacitance ranges from 3pF to 12pF. If there are any other circuit capacitances like PCB parasitics, it will lower the corner frequency further. Therefore I highly recommend connecting the output of the LPF to the input of an internal Opamp. The input capacitance of the internal Opamp is $\ll 1\text{pF}$.

Input-output connections

LPF Component has only two analog connections (Ain and Aout).

Parameters and Settings

Basic tab



This tab provides following parameters:

Fc =

- There are 4 settable corner frequencies as listed in Table 1 - Corner Frequency and RC values

Application Programming Interface (API)

The API calls supported:

Table 2 - Supported API calls

API call	Description
<code>uint8 LPF_Init()</code>	Initialization
<code>void LPF_Start()</code>	Initialization and Enable
<code>void LPF_Stop()</code>	Stop (bypass) the LPF
<code>void LPF_Enable()</code>	Enable the LPF
<code>void LPF_Disable()</code>	Disable (bypass) the LPF
<code>char *LPF_GetFc_Str()</code>	Get the current selected Fc in string form
<code>uint8 LPF_SetFc()</code>	Set the Corner Frequency (Fc)

`uint8 LPF_Init(LPF_1_cf_e fc)`

This is the initialization function.

It is used for `LPF_Start()` and `LPF_SetFc()`.

Parameters:

fc = corner frequency enum value.

Returns:

STATUS_GOOD = No error

STATUS_BAD_PARAM = Bad fc parameter

void LPF_Start(void)

This is the Start function that calls the initialization with the user fault Fc enum value and Enables it.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

none

void LPF_Stop(void)

This issues LPF_2_Disable()

Parameters:

none

Returns:

none

void LPF_Enable(void)

This is the Enable function sets the LPF amux to point to the LPF

Parameters:

none

Returns:

none

void LPF_2_Disable(void)

This is the Disable function sets the LPF amux to bypass around the LPF.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

none

void LPF_2_GetFc_Str(void)

This is the Disable function sets the LPF amux to bypass around the LPF.

Parameters:

none

Returns:

Pointer to char of selected corner frequency string

uint8 LPF_SetFc(LPF_1_cf_e fc)

This set the corner frequency Fc.

Parameters:

fc = corner frequency enum value.

Returns:

STATUS_GOOD = No error

STATUS_BAD_PARAM = Bad fc parameter

Resources

The LPF Component utilizes the following resources.

<i>Function</i>	<i>Fixed Func</i>	Resource Type						
		<i>Datapath Cells</i>	<i>Macro cells</i>	<i>Status Cells</i>	<i>Control Cells</i>	<i>DMA Channels</i>	<i>Interrupts</i>	<i>GPIO</i>
LPF	1							

Sample Firmware Source Code

A simple sample project is available called “LPF_Demo_v1_0_1” using the LPF component.

Component Changes

Version	Description of changes	Reason for changes/impact
1.0	first release of the component	

References

LPF_Demo_v1_0_1.pdf	
How to Access Custom Libraries and Components.pdf	

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