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SENT Simulator

User's Guide

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1 Scope

Dear Reader,

Thanks for using this SENT simulator! This tool will help you to emulate a SENT sensor, in order to help you to develop a SENT driver on your target microcontroller. This document will give you step by step instruction in order to install and operate the simulator.

The aim of this simulator is to generate a SENT compatible signal. For this a TC1796 microcontroller TriBoard is used.

The following features are supported by the simulator:

- Generation of SENT compliant frames.
- Up to 8 data nibbles per frame.
- Easy to use user's interface.
- Serial data generation.
- Automatic and manual mode supported, so that data are read from a predefined table or modified "on the fly".
- Programmable clock rate.
- Error generation: signal loss, synchronization loss, clock drift, invalid CRC, invalid data nibble, serial data error.
- Full source code available.

Have fun with Infineon's SENT simulator!

Note: Single Edge Nibble Transmission (SENT) refers to the SAE standard J2716. For more information, please visit www.sae.org.

Note: The simulator generates logical SENT frames. Electrical characteristics as defined by the standard are not covered by the simulator.

Note: The code delivered with this application note is aimed at development and demonstration purpose only. Neither is its quality nor its robustness guaranteed.

2 Needed material

The following HW and SW material is mandatory to operate the tool:

HW:

- A PC with local administration rights.
- A functional TC1796 TriBoard (incl. cables, power supplies and adapter board).
- A debugger supporting TC1796.
- A standard oscilloscope.

SW:

- The Simulator source code and executable (included in this package).
- MTTY, or any terminal window program.
- Optional: MemTool (available on www.infineon.com).
- Optional: Tasking toolchain for TriCore, v2.5.

It is strongly recommended to have the Tasking toolchain installed and running on the PC where the simulator is running, so that the default parameters of the simulator can be changed (recompilation needed). For more information about the toolchain, please visit www.tasking.com .

The Simulator software delivered with this application note is made of:

- C and Header file for the simulator.
- Two option files for Tasking toolchain v2.5 (one for locating the code in the SPRAM, one for locating it in the Flash).

3 Installation steps

It is assumed that the user knows how to operate the different tools mentioned above (Compiler, Debugger, TriBoard, etc.). The following steps may be followed to install operate the simulator:

- Install all the needed SW tools (MemTool, MTTTY, Tasking toolchain).
- Connect a TriBoard to the debugger. Connect the PC serial port to the serial port of the TriBoard.
- Connect a Scope to Pin 2.8 (SENT signal) and 2.15 (Trigger).
- In the Compiler toolchain, create a new project and add all the C and H files provided. Load the wanted options (code in RAM or code in Flash). Build the project.
- In case the code is located in the RAM, a debugger session can be started.
- In case the code is to be located in the Flash, it needs to be flashed first (e.g. by using MemTool).
- Open MTTTY (default communication settings) and select "connect".
- Run the program: a SENT signal should be displayed on the scope.
- A message should be displayed on the terminal. The simulator is ready to use!

```
*****  
SENT Simulator  
v1.0  
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*****  
  
---PRESS A CONTROL KEY---
```

Figure 1 Terminal message after starting the simulator.

Note: In case the message does not display, reset the TriBoard and restart the program.

4 User's Interface

The following keys of the keyboard are used to send commands to the simulator.

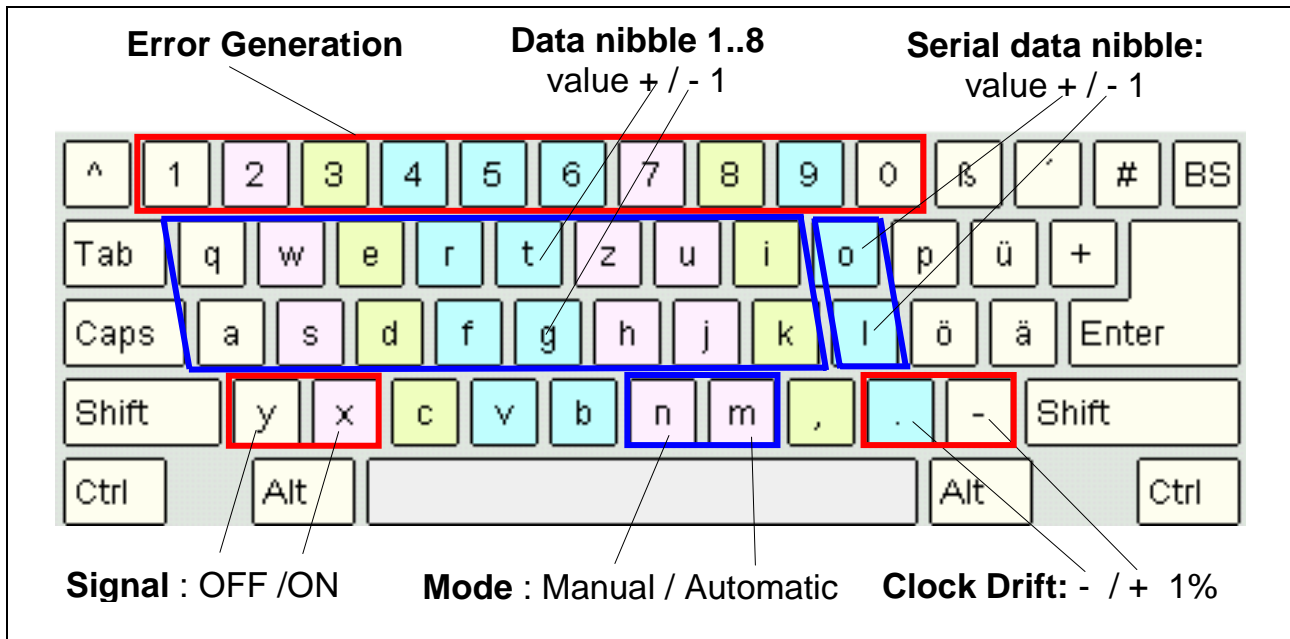


Figure 2 User's interface.

Used keys

- “q”: Increase the first data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “a”: Decrease the first data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “w”: Increase the second data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “s”: Decrease the second data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “e”: Increase the third data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “d”: Decrease the third data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “r”: Increase the fourth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “f”: Decrease the fourth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “t”: Increase the fifth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “g”: Decrease the fifth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “z”: Increase the sixth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “h”: Decrease the sixth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “u”: Increase the seventh data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “j”: Decrease the seventh data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “i”: Increase the eighth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.
- “k”: Decrease the eighth data nibble by 1 in manual mode.

“o”: Increase serial data by 1.

“l”: Decrease serial data by 1.

“.”: Increase the clock rate by 1%.

“_”: Increase the clock rate by 1%.

“y”: Signal ON.

“x”: Signal OFF.

“n”: Manual Mode selected (the value of the data nibbles can be modified on the fly).

“m”: Automatic mode selected (the value of the data nibbles is read from a table).

Error keys

“1”: The transmit clock will drift of +2%.

“2”: The transmit clock will drift of -2%.

“3”: Synchronization loss: calibration pulse missing.

“4”: Synchronization loss: calibration pulse too early.

“5”: Frame CRC error generated.

“6”: The last data nibble will be too short (data < 0).

“7”: The last data nibble will be too long (data > 15).

“8”: Serial Data start bit missing.

“9”: Serial Data start bit too early.

“0”: Serial data CRC error generated.

*Note: The control keys have been selected to fit with a German keyboard. By modifying the simulator's source code, it is possible to modify the control keys. This can be done in the function **ASC0_viRx()** in the file **ASC0.c**.*

5 Simulator's configuration

The settings that can be modified by the user are "defines" located in the file "Parameters.c". After a parameter has been modified, the program should be recompiled.

```
//NEEDS TO BE CONFIGURED BY THE USER

#define NUM_DATA_NIBBLE 6 // valid range: 1 to 8.
#define SDATA_CRC 0 // 0: the serial data nibble is not part of the frame CRC.
#define SDATA_USED 0 // 0: Serial Data nibble always 0.
#define TCLOCK 3000 // transmit clock period in ns. Valid range: 3000 to 10000.
#define INIT_CLK_DEV 100 // Initial Clock deviation from nominal frequency.
#define INIT_DATA 0x88888888 // Initial DATA value (Manual Mode).
#define INIT_SDATA 0xf88 // Initial Serial DATA value (4 bit ID + 1 byte data).
#define USER_DATA_SIZE 2 // Number of elements in the data table (automatic mode).
```

Figure 3 Default simulator's settings.

- **NUM_DATA_NIBBLE:** This field defines the number of data nibbles within a frame. A value between 1 and 8 should be set.
- **SDATA_CRC:** This field sets if the serial data nibble should be taken into account in the frame CRC calculation. 0 means that it is not taken into account, 1 that it is taken into account.
- **SDATA_USED:** This field sets if a valid serial data nibble should be generated in the frame. If set to 0, the serial data nibble is always set to 0. If set to 1, the nibble is computed from the user's data.
- **TCLOCK:** This field defines the bit rate of the SENT communication (in ns). Values between 3000 and 10000 are valid (as per SENT specification).
- **INIT_CLK_DEV:** This field defines the deviation (in %) of the bit rate with respect to the nominal one defined by TCLOCK. Deviation lower than 80% or higher than 120% are to be detected by the DUT.
- **INIT_DATA:** This field defines the initial value of the data in manual mode.
- **INIT_SDATA:** This field defines the initial value of the serial data (ID + payload).
- **USER_DATA_SIZE:** This field defines the number of elements in the user's defined data table (automatic mode).

In Automatic mode, the SENT frames are generated from the table defined in file "Users_data.c".

6 Code revisions history

v 1.0	Creation
v1.1	Correct bug in crc calculation function crc4()
v1.2	Correct bug in clock ratio calculation in function CPU_viSRN0()

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