

# Output of my Audio DK is noisy/clipping when coming via i2s

I am quite new to the nRF5340 Audio DK and used [ace.johnny](#)'s project on [https://github.com/ace-johnny/nrfadk-hello\\_codec](https://github.com/ace-johnny/nrfadk-hello_codec) to get me started.

The overall project goal is to process audio data coming via line-in on the nRF5340 to add filters, effects, etc. and output again via the headphone.

In order to achieve this I transmit the data from the codec via i2s to the MCU, process it there and send it back. However, something in this chain is introducing a lot of noise/clipping and I can't find the reason for this. Right now my processing of the received data is just copying it 1:1 to the transmit buffer - no change whatsoever.

When I directly route the line-in input to the output and not going via i2s to the MCU and back everything is crystal clear.

This is the code I use:

Fullscreen

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1  /**
2   * @file      main.c
3   *
4   * @brief     Audio DK HW_CODEC test using I2S loop and tone/noise generators.
5   */
6
7 #include <zephyr/kernel.h>
8 #include <nrf.h>
9 #include <nrfx_clock.h>
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11 #include "cs47l63_comm.h"
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13 /////////////////
14 // NRFX_CLOCKS
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16 #define HFCLKAUDIO0_12_288_MHZ 0x9BA6
17 #define ENABLE_LINEIN
18 #undef ENABLE_MIC
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```

process\_audio() is the simple function which just sets the TX buffer to the RX buffer's values.

(Here I want eventually to add my processing)

nrfadk\_i2s\_reg\_init() initializes the i2s on the nRF5340 side. I've added here also the reception of the data from the codec

i2s\_polling\_loop() constantly checks if i2s data is present, then copies it over and starts the back transmission

cs47l63\_cfg() configures the line-in input, the i2s in the ASPI and the output channel coming fr  
i2s

 assumption is that the error is in one of those regions:

i2s\_polling\_loop() - maybe done completely wrong at all?

cs47l63\_cfg() - I am confused - do I have a stereo input with line-in or only mono? Will I need ASPIRX1,2 and ASPITX1,2 then or just ASPIRX1 and ASPITX1?

Is it OK to use int16\_t as the values in the buffer but uint32\_t to address the elements? Does the i2s config in the codec match?

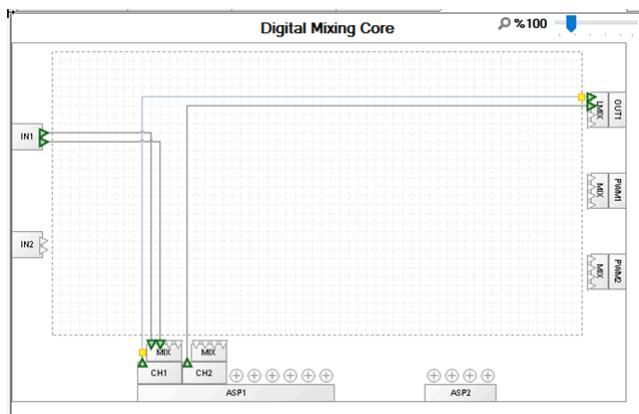
Is the noise maybe just a result of the MCU not being able to keep up?

The audio is properly played back in general but there is noise/clipping present all the time - not only during loud parts of the music.

 daubsi  
25 days ago

I also tried playing around with the WISCE tool, because it allows me to play with the codec's config in realtime and change settings/outputs, etc. It seems the IN2RP/IN2RPN has no part at all in the processing, so that means the input from line-in is just mono as well on the DK?

Also when I visually disconnect the signal from CH2 at ASPI going to OUTIPort2 there is no change. All the audio data seems to be sent via CH1 to OUTIPort1.



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 daubsi  
7 hours ago in reply to daubsi

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I do not think that anything changed on our side. I can see all previous replies. Which browser application do you use? Have you tried using different browser?

Best regards,  
Dejan



dejans

16 minutes ago in reply to daubsi

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