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DA7212 Ultra Low Power Codec

and

Power Commander™ GUI Software

Introduction

The DA7212 Evaluation Board has been designed to allow measurement and evaluation of the DA7212 device.
All Audio Codec functionalities are self-contained within the Evaluation Board (EVB).

The EVB is supplied with a USB memory stick containing various documents and a GUI to allow the user to control the DA7212.

The GUI is called Power Commander™. It uses a simple graphical interface, allowing the DA7212 to be controlled via a USB port of a PC.

The EVB has a number of jumper links to enable the user to change the system configuration and to allow him to make appropriate measurements, although, in reality, few jumper links are required to be altered for standard operations of the DA7212.
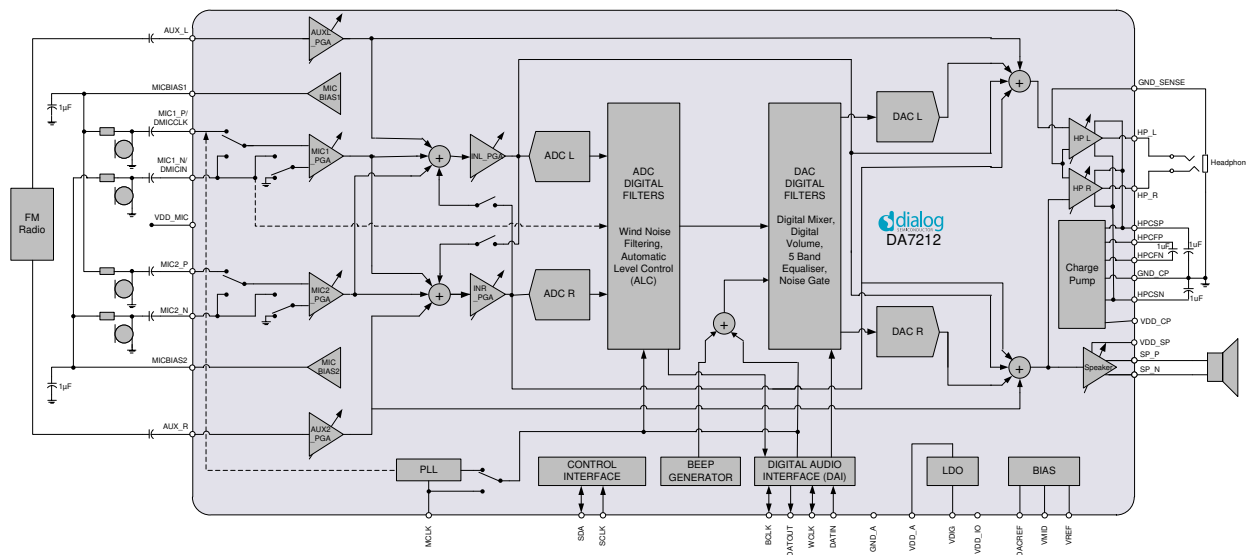

Figure :1 DA7212 Block Diagram

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Summary

This document provides some useful information to the user about the EVB and the GUI to allow testing and evaluation of the DA7212 Ultra Low Power Codec.

The hardware solution is based upon two PCBs:
- "EVALUATION MOTHERBOARD 170-03-A"
- "CUSTOMER REFERENCE BOARD 169-02-A" (DA7212 mini board)

The GUI, called Power Commander™, requires a PC operating Windows 2000/XP/Vista/Windows 7 with a USB1.1 or USB2 interface.
To run Power Commander™ under Windows Vista, set the default installation location to 'C:\Dialog Semiconductor\'.

Note that Dialog recommends connecting the EVB to a 500 mA capable USB port as we cannot guarantee that a USB hub (set to 100 mA) is sufficient to operate it correctly.
See the section on Power Supplies below.

The GUI allows the user to: (i) configure the DA7212 using one of the several pre-loaded initialisation files (i.e. start-up sequences) available; (ii) write and read operations to all control registers; and (iii) monitor of device status.

Hardware

The DA7212 Evaluation Board consists of two boards:

A daughterboard containing the DA7212, and the essential external components. This board could also be used in standalone or as a module for a customer development platform.
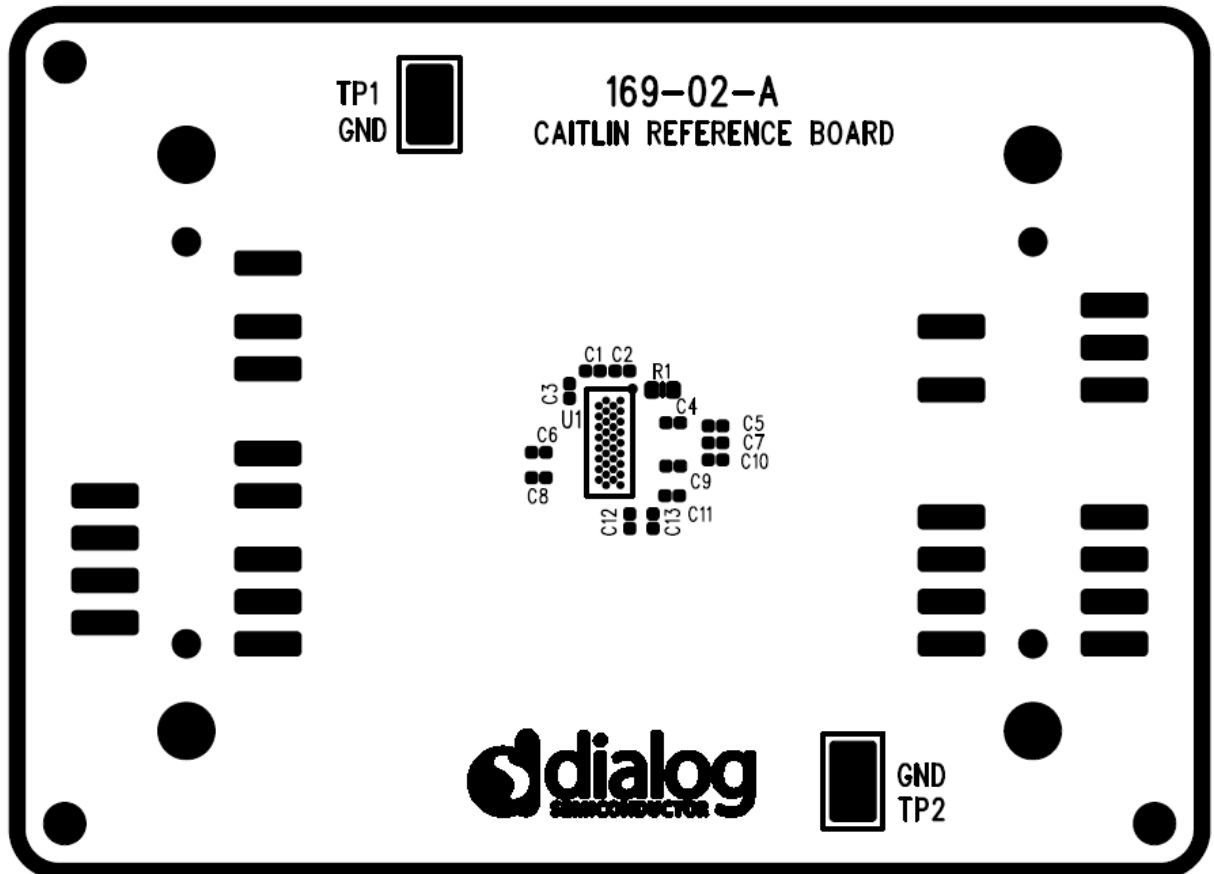

Figure 2: DA7212 Mini Board

Note a socketed mini board (169-01-A) is also available. See appendix B for more information.

A motherboard containing many circuit blocks that allows for flexible configuration and provides test access to the DA7212. It includes:
   a. USB Interface with Control Interface level shifters
   b. 1x audio optical input/output interfaces (with selection matrix)
   c. USB reset and 3.3V reset switches
   d. headphone output
   e. line out outputs
   f. auxiliary inputs
   g. analogue/digital microphone inputs
   h. master clock input
   i. power supply inputs (VBAT, GND)

A USB-I2C bridge is used for communication with the device, and there are a number of external active components to reduce the requirement for external circuitry.
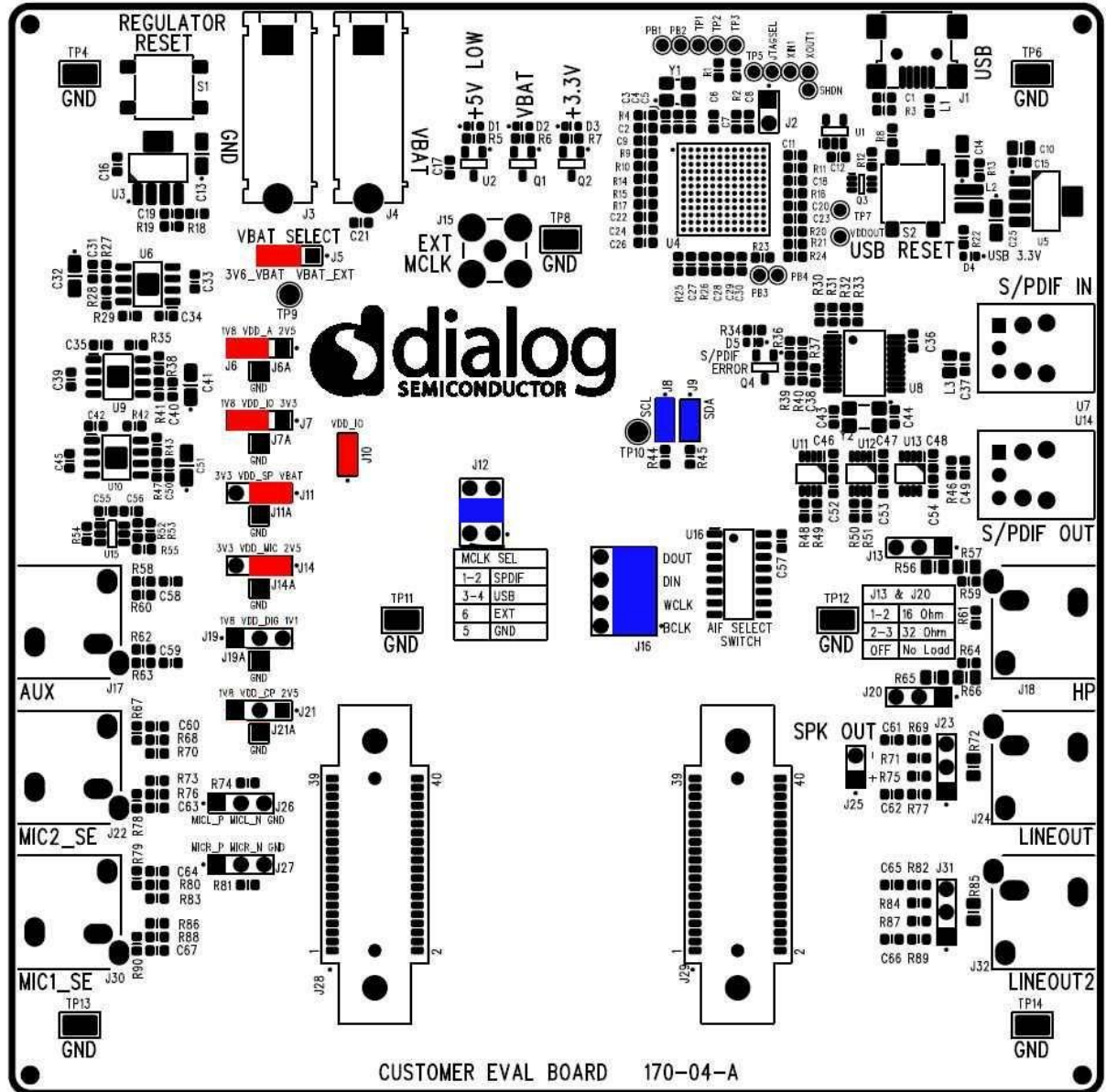

Figure 3: Mother Board – Default Jumper positions shown in Red (power) and Blue (signal)

Note: The EVB has been configured by default to work from the mother board's on-board regulators.

Power Supplies

The DA7212 EVB is powered when a USB cable is connected to J1 (+5V_USB). With default jumper settings (J6, J7, J11, J14 and J19, J21), the DA7212 device on the daughterboard is powered form the on-board regulators.
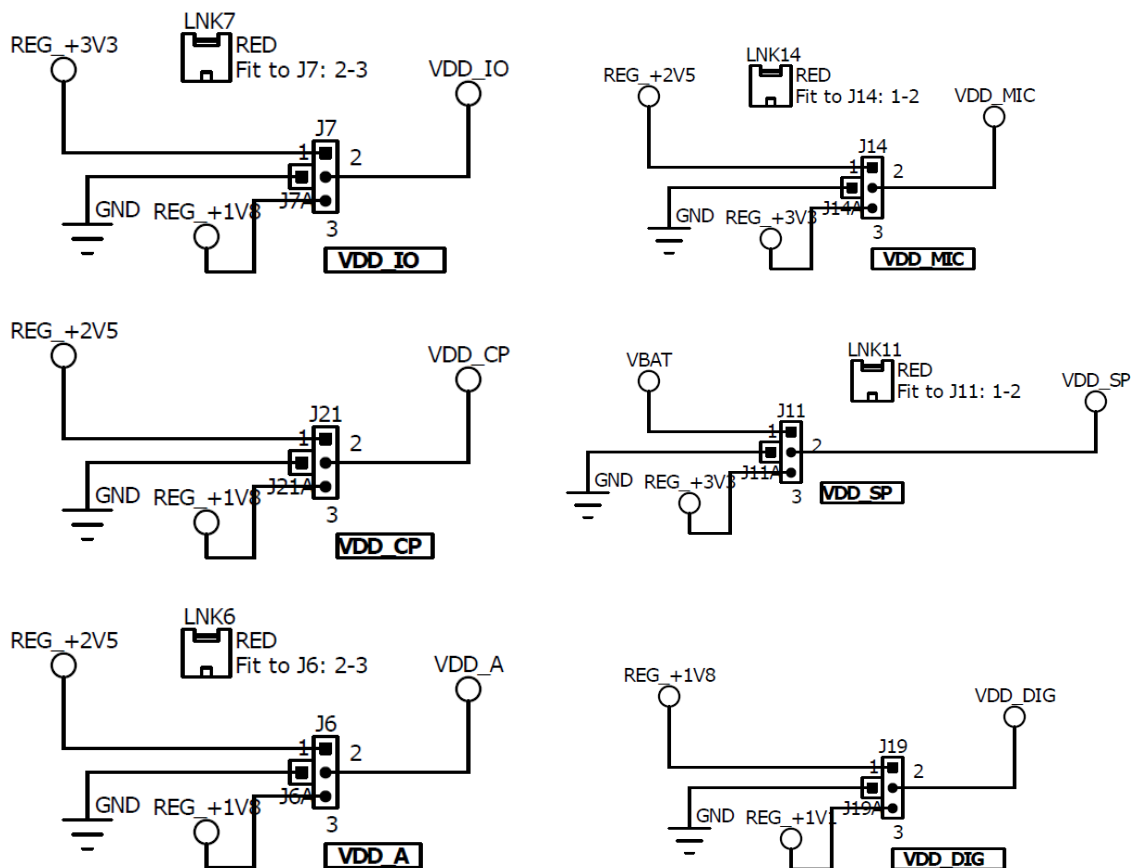
As DA7212 supports a wide supply range the jumper configuration allows the user to select one of two on-board supplies for each supply by connecting the jumper link between pins 1&2 or 2&3 of the jumper. For maximum flexibility the jumper link can be removed and a voltage can be supplied directly onto pin 2 of the jumper with a ground connection connected to the A pin of the jumper. Current measurements on individual supplies can also be performed by connecting an ammeter between the supply and pin2 of the jumper.

Note: As VDD_IO supplies the IO voltage for the USB interface and level translators jumper J10 has been provided for current measurements on this supply of the DA7212 device. For current measurements on VDD_IO remove the jumper link and insert an ammeter between pins 1 & 2 of J10.

Note: VDD_CP and VDD_DIG are not used in DA7212 and the jumper link should be left unpopulated.

Audio Connections

Connector	Name	Function
J17	AUX	Stereo single-ended auxiliary input
J30	MIC1_SE	Stereo single-ended microphone input (connects to MIC1_P and MIC2_P)
J22	MIC2_SE	Stereo single-ended microphone input (connects to MIC1_N and MIC2_N)
J26		Mono differential microphone input Pin 1: MIC1_P Pin 2: MIC1_N Pin 3: GND
J27		Mono differential microphone input Pin 1: MIC2_P Pin 2: MIC2_N Pin 3: GND
U7	S/PDIF IN	Digital optical input
U14	S/PDIF OUT	Digital optical output
J18	HP	Stereo single-ended headphone output
J24	LINEOUT	Differential line output (AC coupled, use J25 for speaker)
J23		Differential line output (AC coupled, use J25 for speaker) Pin 1: LINE_P Pin 2: GND Pin 3: LINE_N
J25		Differential speaker output (DC coupled) Pin 1: SP_P Pin 2: SP_N
J32	LINEOUT2	Unused
J31		Unused

Table 1 170-04-A Audio Connectors

Jumpers Link Positions and Button Settings

Jumper number	Position	Function
J3 &J4		External VBAT and GND connection
J5	1-2, (default)	VBAT select: VBAT is generated from an on-board regulator supplied from the USB
	2-3	VBAT select: VBAT is supplied from J3&J4
J6	1-2, (default)	Connects VDD_A from onboard 1.8V supply
	2-3	Connects VDD_A from onboard 2.5V supply
	A	GND connection for connecting external supply between pin 2 and A
J7	1-2, (default)	Connects VDD_IO from onboard 1.8V supply
	2-3	Connects VDD_IO from onboard 3.3V supply
	A	GND connection for connecting external supply between pin 2 and A
J8	On, (default)	Connects USB I2C SCLK to device
J9	On, (default)	Connects USB I2C SDATA to device
J10	On, (default)	Connects VDD_IO to the DA7212 device.
J11	1-2	Connects VDD_SP from onboard 3.3V supply
	2-3, (default)	Connects VDD_SP from VBAT
	A	GND connection for connecting external supply between pin 2 and A
J12	1-2	MCLK comes from the SPDIF interface
	3-4, (default)	MCLK comes from the USB interface
	5	GND pin
	6	External MCLK pin, anexternal MCLK can be connected between pins 5

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		and 6.
J13	1-2	Inserts a 16ohm load across the left headphone output for test purposes
	2-3	Inserts a 32ohm load across the left headphone output for test purposes
J14	1-2	Connects VDD_MIC from onboard 3.3V supply
	2-3, (default)	Connects VDD_MIC from onboard 2.5V supply
	A	GND connection for connecting external supply between pin 2 and A
J15		Allows connection of an external MCLK using an SMB connector. J12 should have it's jumper link removed when using this option.
J16	1-2, (default)	Connects the SPDIF/USB BCLK to the DA7212 device
	3	GND for connecting BCLK to/from an external source between 2-3 (for example Audio Precision PSIA cable)
	4-5, (default)	Connects the SPDIF/USB WCLK to the DA7212 device
	6	GND for connecting WCLK to/from an external source between 5-6 (for example Audio Precision PSIA cable)
	7-8, (default)	Connects the SPDIF/USB DIN to the DA7212 device
	9	GND for connecting DIN from an external source between 8-9 (for example Audio Precision PSIA cable)
	10-11, (default)	Connects the SPDIF/USB WCLK to the DA7212 device
	12	GND for connecting DOUT to an external source between 11-12 (for example Audio Precision PSIA cable)
J19	1-2	Not Used
	2-3,	Do not connect for DA7212
	A	
J20	1-2	Inserts a 16ohm load across

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			the right headphone output for test purposes
	2-3		Inserts a 32ohm load across the right headphone output for test purposes
J21	1-2, (default)		Not Used
	2-3		Do not connect for DA7212
	A		
S1			Regulator Reset button: Resets the 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V and 1.1V regulators
S2			USB Reset button: Resets the USB sub system

Table 2: 170-04-A Jumpers Link Positions and Button Settings

Control Software

Installation

From the USB memory stick provided with the EVB box, run the 'setup.exe' file (DA7212_USB\DA7212 GUI\setup.exe).
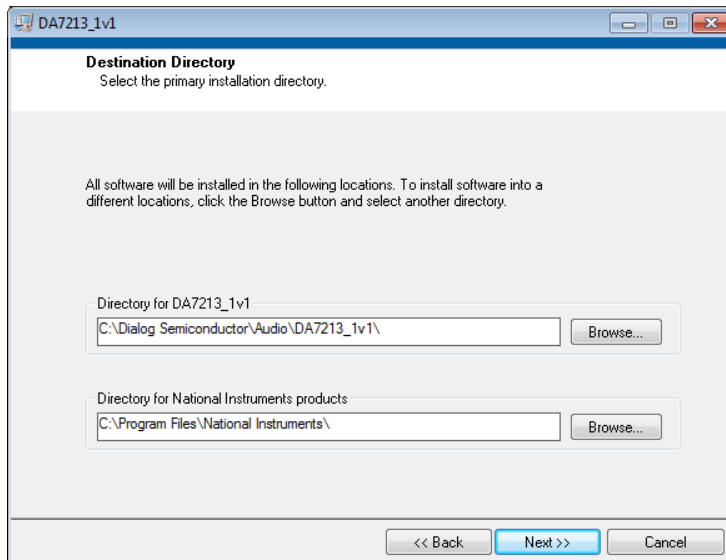
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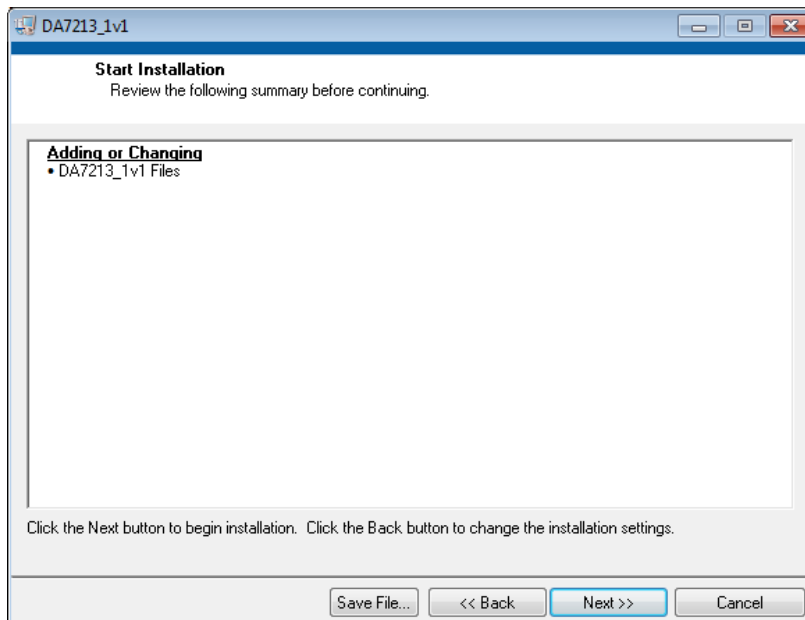
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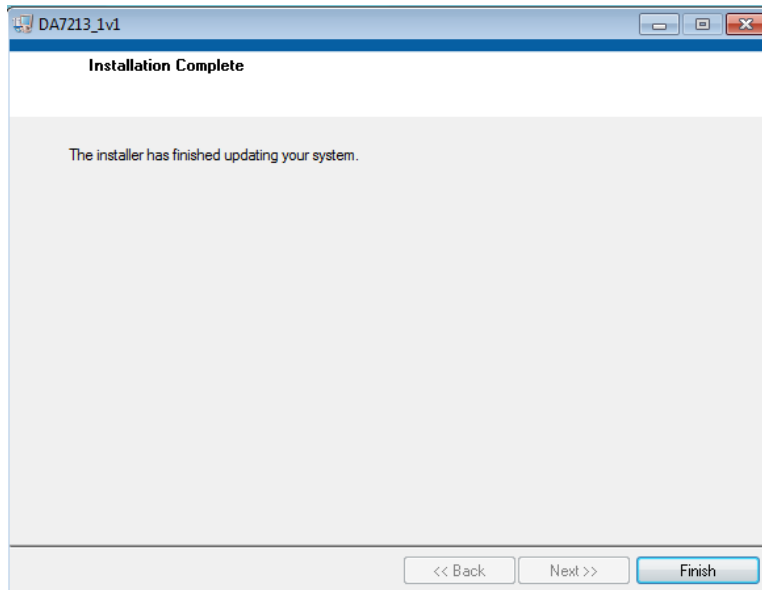
Click "Finish".

You may need to restart your computer; in this case a pop up window will appear asking you to do so.

Once your computer has restarted, plug the USB cable to the EVB and Windows should detect the USB device and automatically install the driver. If not, the driver is located on this DA7212 USB stick

Control Panel

Run the DA7212 program by clicking the shortcut on the appropriate item in the Start menu. The best setting for the PC display size is 1024x768 pixels or above. Font size on the PC display should be Normal (95dpi). It is important to note that a display size other than the recommended setting may affect the way in which the panels appear.

The following screen appears, with the "USB OK?" LED lit if the USB interface is correctly connected and operational.

To start the device, plug in the USB cable.
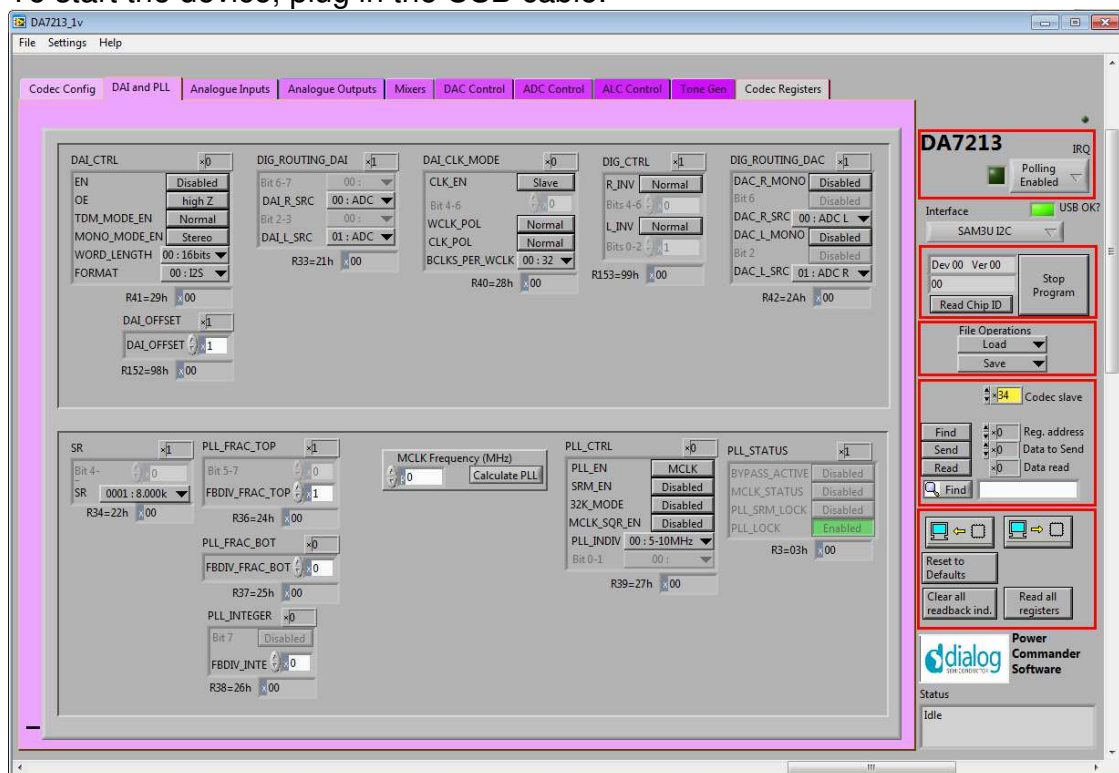
Figure 4 Initial Interface

If the Reset LED is blinking yellow, it indicates that the device is not yet communicating via the I2C interface. See Troubleshooting for more details.

Status and Controls

Polling Enabled   BY default the current page contents is updated via polling the I2C interface. If disabled, these readbacks are suppressed. This is used to force the communication over the bus to be silent.
If this is set to automatic, the program will only poll the device while the application is the topmost window. If obscured by another program or window, polling will be disabled.
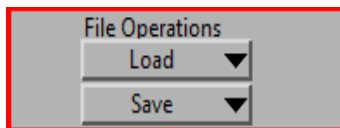
LED   If the device is active this LED is green, or red if inactive.
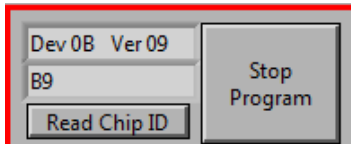
This indicates the device version when the device is active. When inactive, version status will not be correct.

Stop Program   This terminates the program. If there are unsaved changes, a dialog box is displayed.

Load   Loads previously saved text files, send all Registers and read back all registers.
"Load" opens a dialog box to select, view, copy or re-name a file.

Load Codec file opens a dialog box to allow selection of a codec setup file in the "\Codec Setups" directory.

Save Saves current panel state to a text file. Selecting "Save Codec file.." saves the codec registers in a slightly different format. Selecting "Register Dump" option saves current register values to the text file. See Appendix A.

Note: Difference between "Save" and "Register Dump" is that the "Save" dumps the contents of all panel controls to the file (a save state operation); whereas, "Register Dump" reads the device contents (including status registers) into the file. Note that some codec registers do not have readback capability.
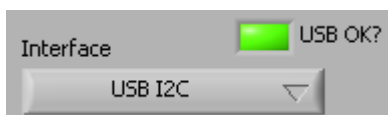
Interface Selects between USB I2C control and offline mode. Switching to offline, then back to USB reinitialises the USB interface.

USB OK? Indicates that the USB is OK and communicating.
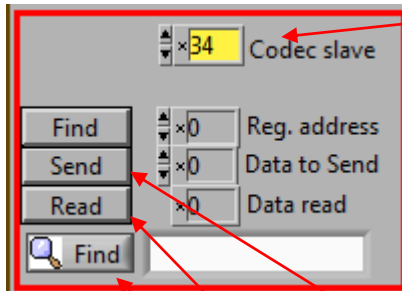
Slave Address
Sets slave address of device. This affects all I2C communications.

The codec slave addresses for DA7212 is 0x34. *Note that this is the 8bit value (34h for Write, 35h for Read).*

Send Sends a single byte data to I2C device using Slave Address, Register Address and Data to Send.

Read Reads single byte data from I2C device using Slave Address and Register Address.

Find Finds a control matching a full or partial register name, a control bit name, a register number (e.g. R23 or 17h). Pressing "Find" repetitively will step through all matching items.

Note: If Device Address does not match the port numbers on the device, this can be used to control/read any other device on the I2C bus.
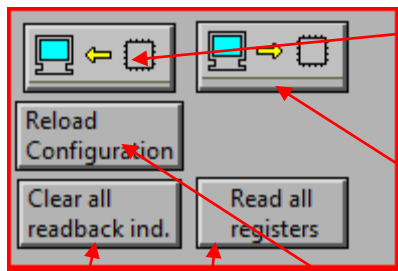
Synchronise Panel from Device
Reads all the register contents of the device and updates the panel to match.

Synchronise Device from Panel
Writes all the device registers to match the panel. (Refresh operation)

Reload Configuration
Resets registers to values specified in configuration file for the PMIC section and default values for the codec.

Clear all I2C readback indicators   Sets all readback indicators to 0.

Read All Registers   Reads all registers, comparing with the panel controls.
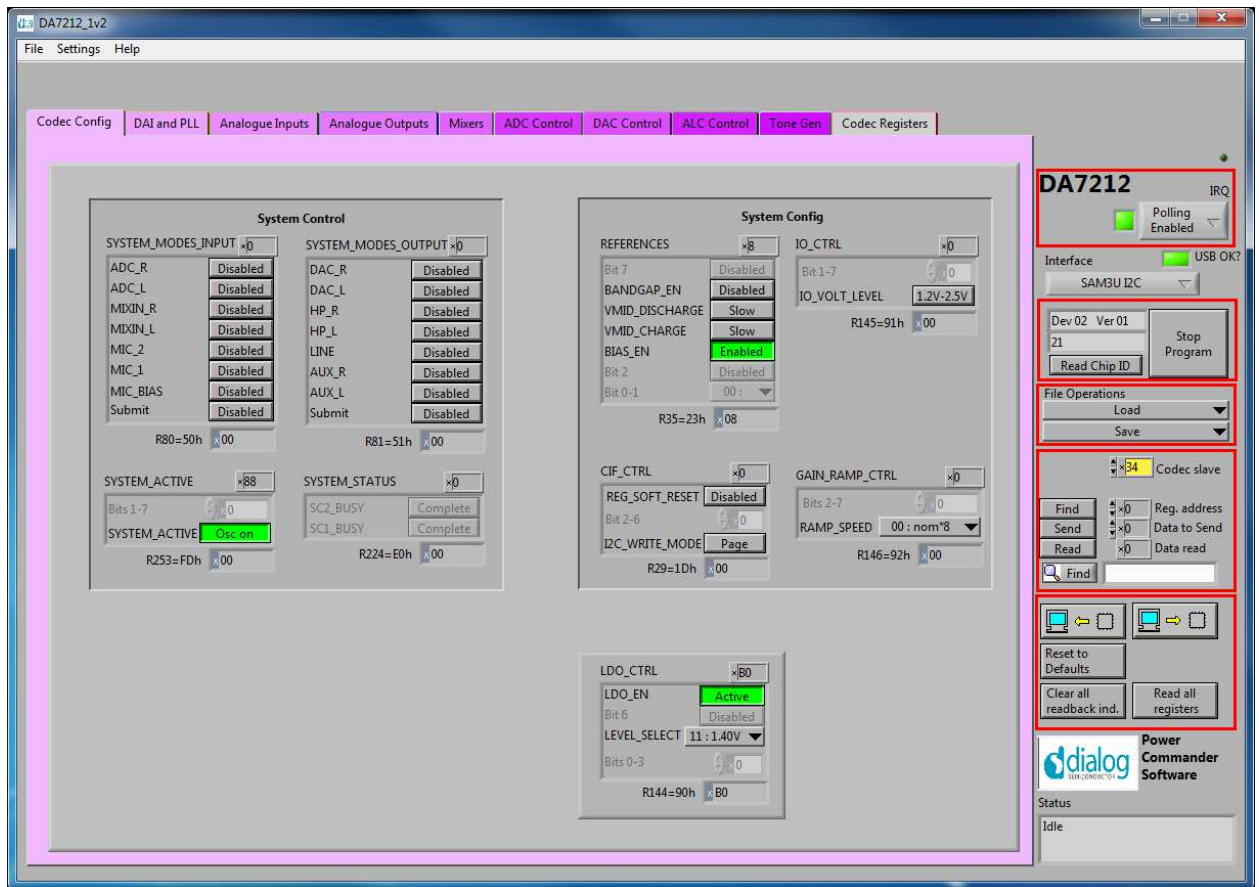
Control Interface

The Codec Config, DAI and PLL, Analogue Inputs, Analogue Outputs, Mixers, DAC Control, ADC Control, ALC control and Tone Gen pages all have the same format.

Each register cluster comprises a control with a mixture of Boolean toggle buttons, multi-value ring controls, or slide controls, as well as a hexadecimal indicator showing the total equivalent register value and a readback indicator showing the current register settings. The Event Register is labeled with a Register number in decimal and its hexadecimal equivalent.

The Readback indicator readings can be switched individually to decimal, octal, hexadecimal or binary by clicking on the "x", or they may all be changed at once between Hex and Binary by the "View>Binary Indicators" menu item.

Codec Config Page

The Codec Config page allows access to the System Controller as well as some basic system settings such as the references, IO levels and digital LDO. To use the System Control panel (de)select the blocks as required for the inputs and outputs and click the Submit button to apply the changes. If no blocks are active then the System Active panel can be used to disable the on-chip oscillator and put DA7212 into an ultra-low power standby state. The CIF CTRL panel can be used to reset the chip and return all the registers to their hardware defaults.

DAI and PLL Page

The DAI and PLL page allows control of the digital audio interface and phase-locked loop. The DAI CTRL panel sets the format on the DAI and the DAI CLK MODE panel sets the master/slave mode as well as the clock polarity and number of BCLKS per WCLK. The DIG ROUTING DAI panel selects the data source for the DAI and DIG ROUTING DAC selects the data source for the DAC.

The PLL Control panel contains all the settings for the PLL and on-chip clocking. The SR panel sets the sample rate being used. The PLL CTRL panel sets the input clock rate, whether the PLL is enabled and whether sample rate matching (SRM) is required to track the DAI in slave mode. If the PLL is required, the three FBDIV panels control the value of the feedback divider. The required values can be calculated using the DA7212 PLL Calculator spreadsheet, or they can be determined automatically by entering the supplied MCLK frequency and pressing the Calculate PLL button. The current status of the PLL is shown in the PLL STATUS panel. The PC COUNT panel controls the behavior of the internal program counter.
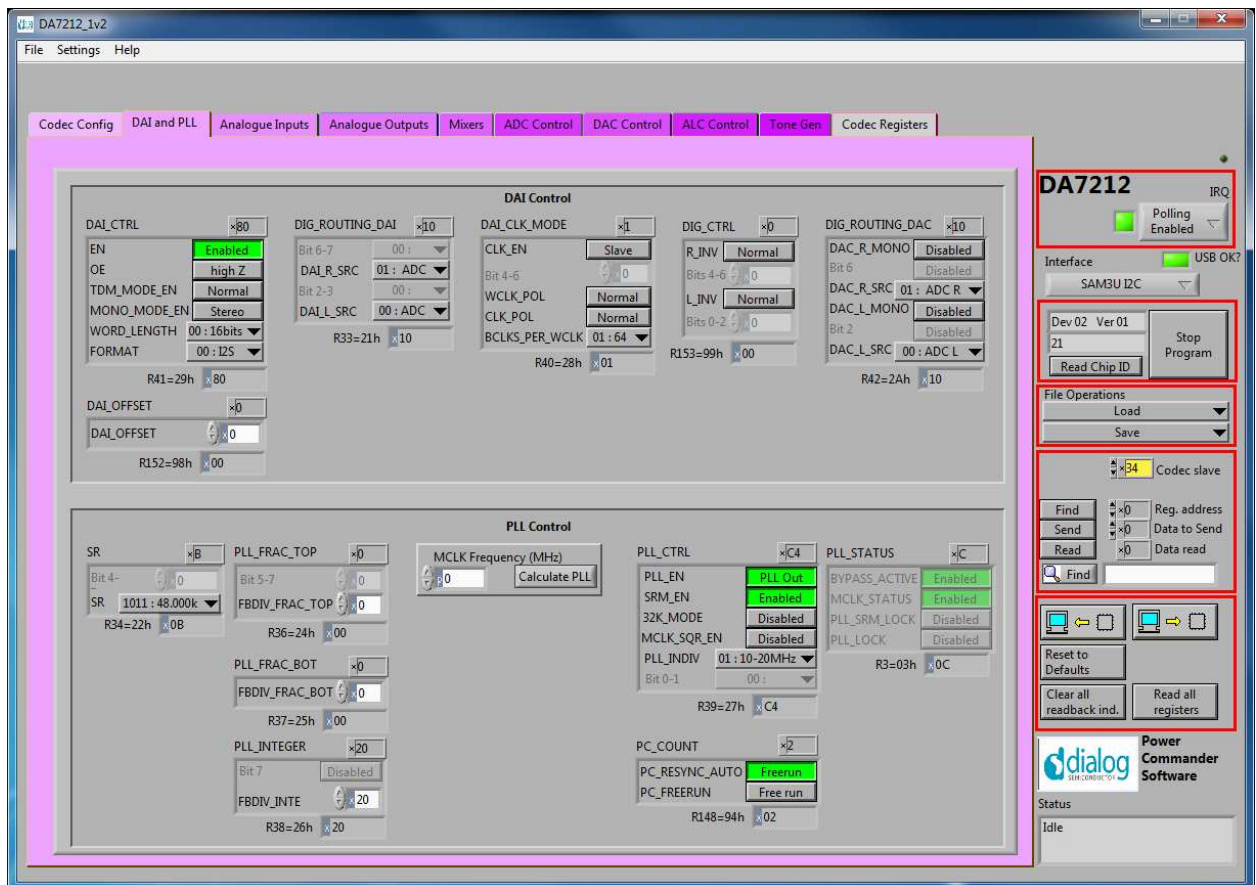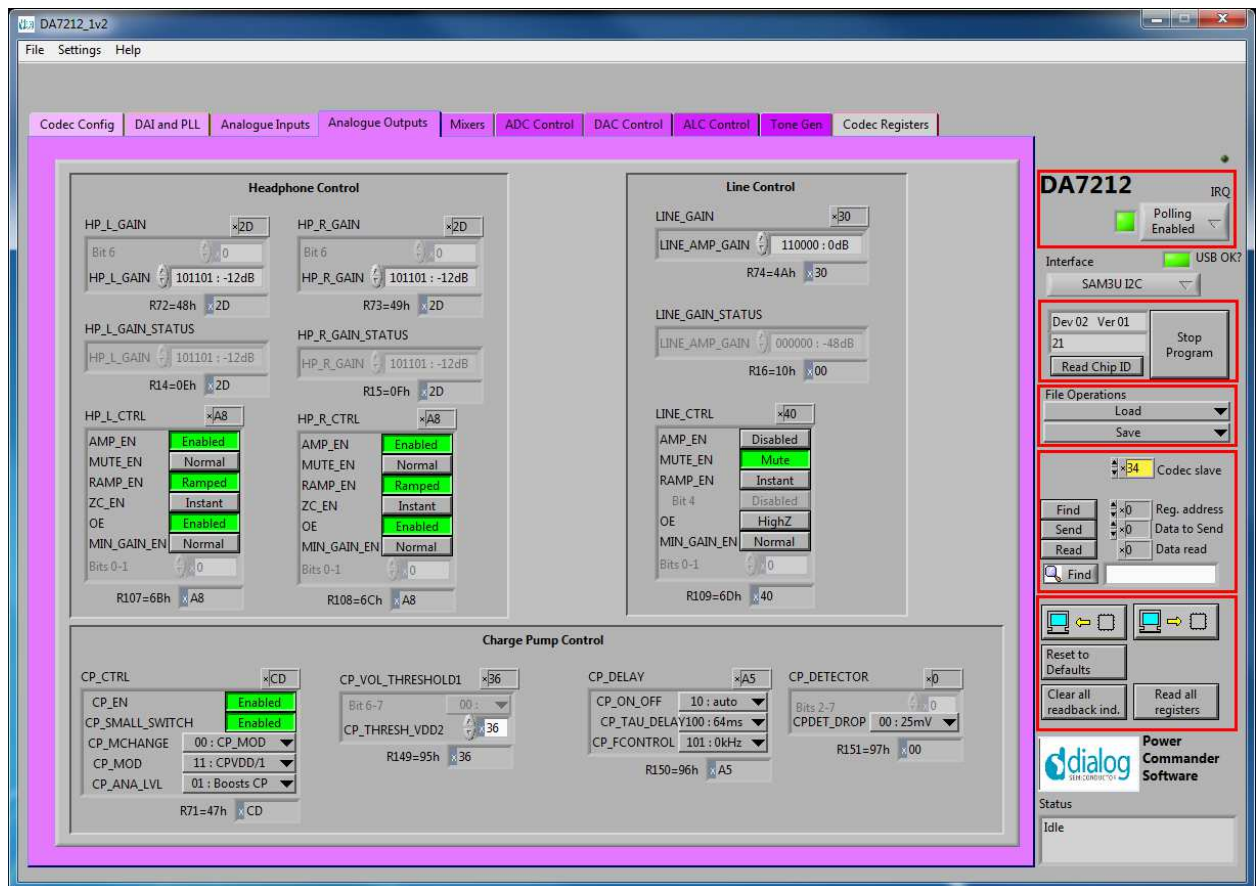
Analogue Inputs

The Analogue Inputs page controls the input amplifiers and microphone biases. Each of the GAIN panels sets the target gain for the amplifiers, and the GAIN STATUS shows the currently active gain setting. Each of the CTRL panels sets the enable, mute, and gain change behavior (ramped or zero-crossed) for the amplifiers. The MIC CTRL panels allow selection of single-ended or differential input signal. The MICBIAS CTRL panel enables and sets the output level for the microphone bias outputs. The MIC CONFIG panel sets the clock and data format when digital microphones are used.
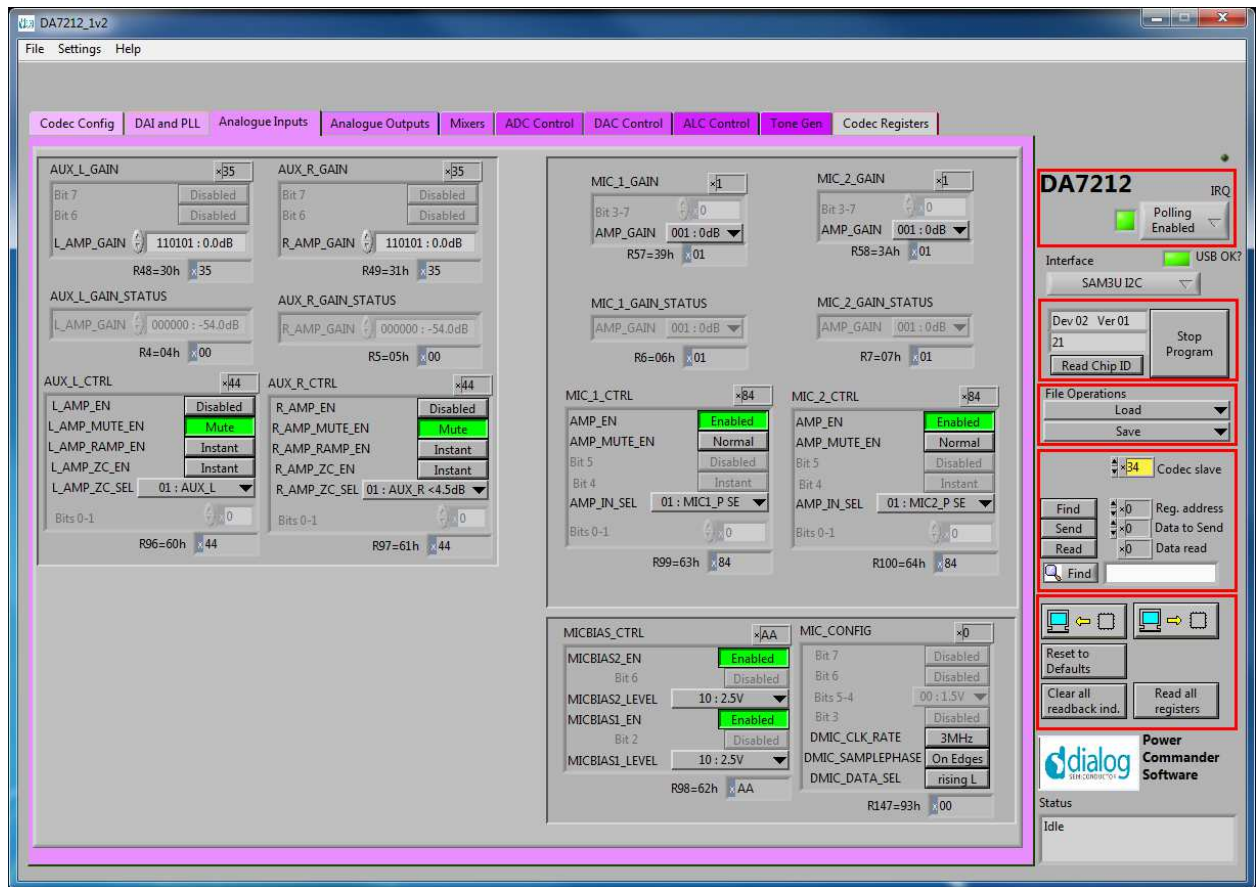
Analogue Outputs

The Analogue Outputs page controls the headphone and line (speaker) amplifiers as well as the charge pump for the headphone supplies. The GAIN, GAIN STATUS and CTRL panels behave as for the Analogue Inputs page. The Charge Pump Control controls the mode and switching behavior of the charge pump as explained in the datasheet.

Mixers

The Mixers page controls the behavior of the analogue input and output mixers. The GAIN, GAIN STATUS and CTRL panels behave as for the Analogue Inputs page. The MIXOUT CTRL panel also enables the Softmix feature to ramp in/out the the select inputs. The SELECT panels controls which inputs are routed to each of the four mixers.
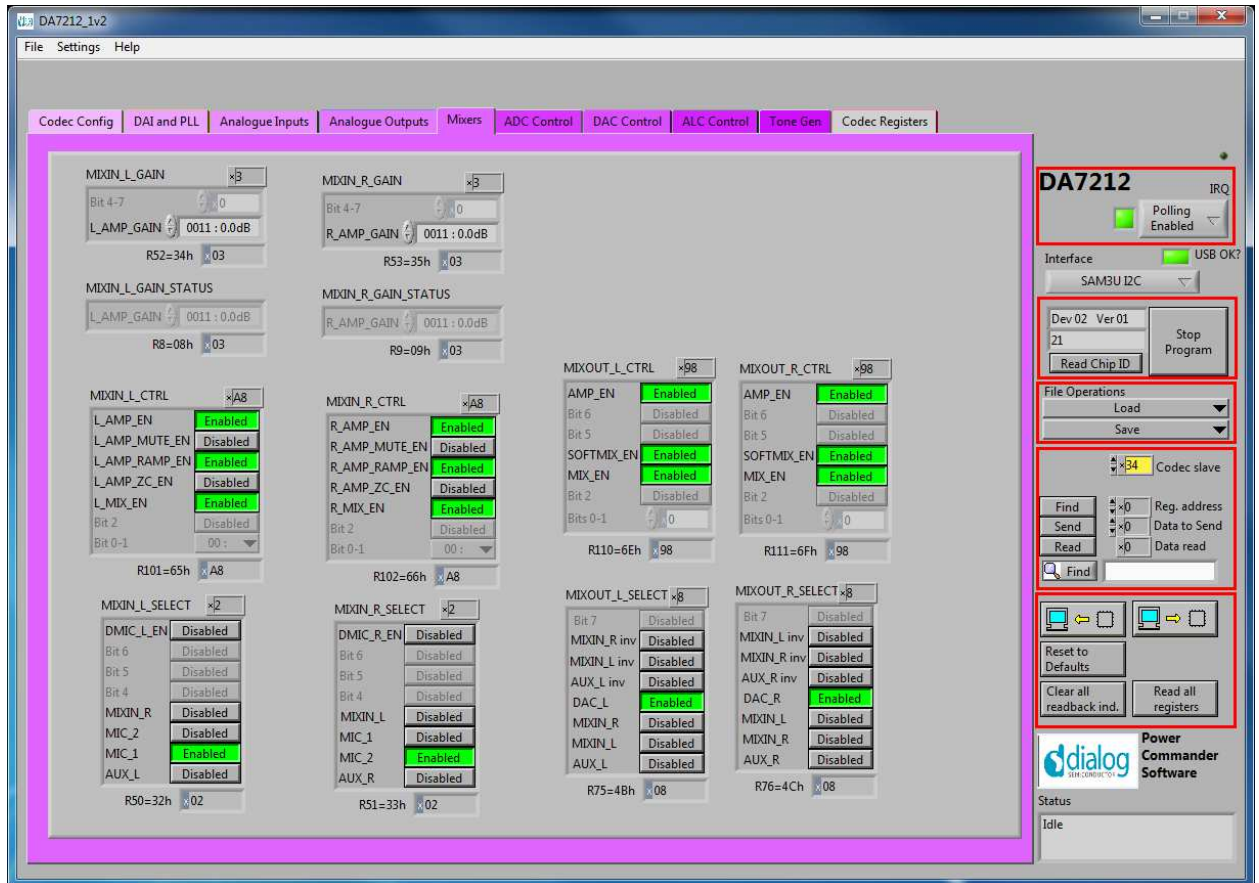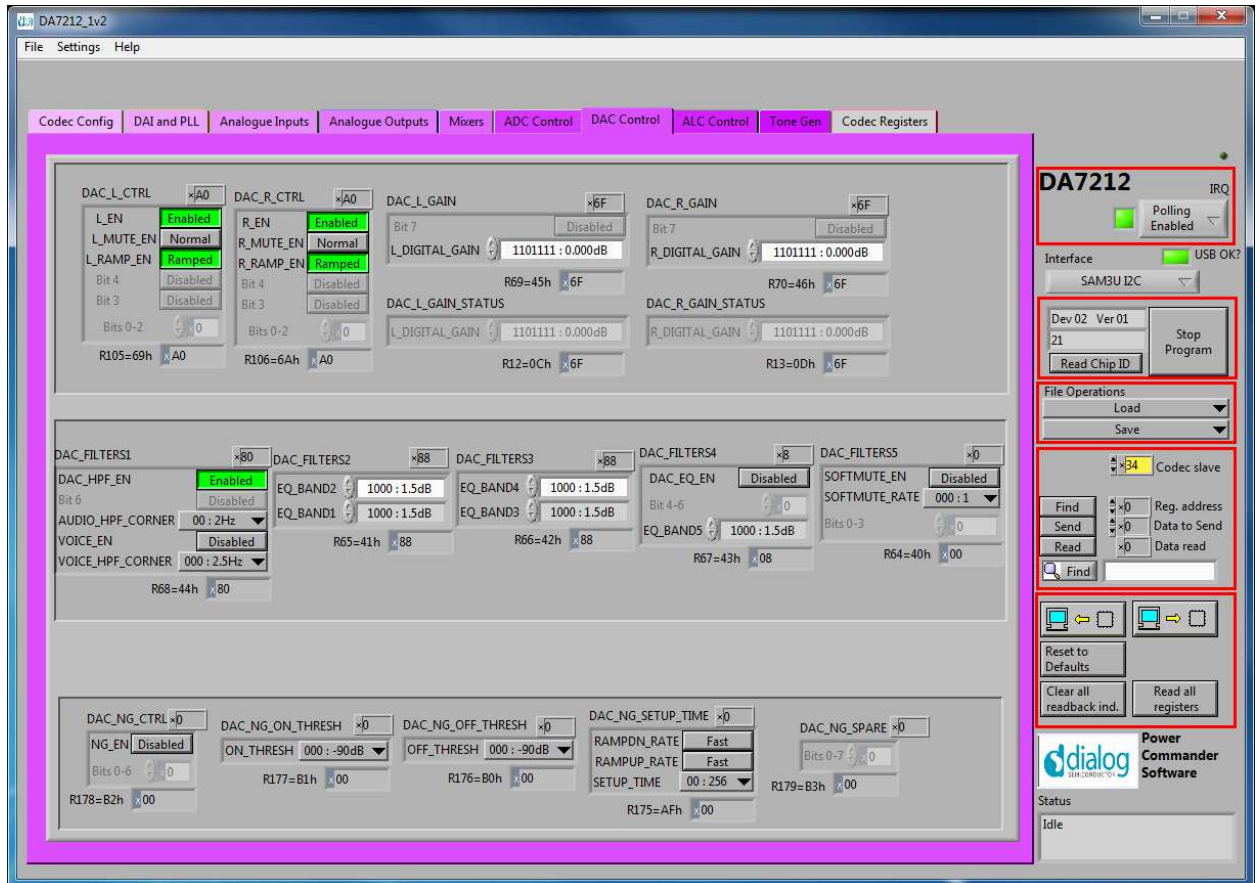
ADC Control

The ADC Control page enables the ADC, sets the digital gain applied after the ADC and controls the behavior of the high-pass filter.
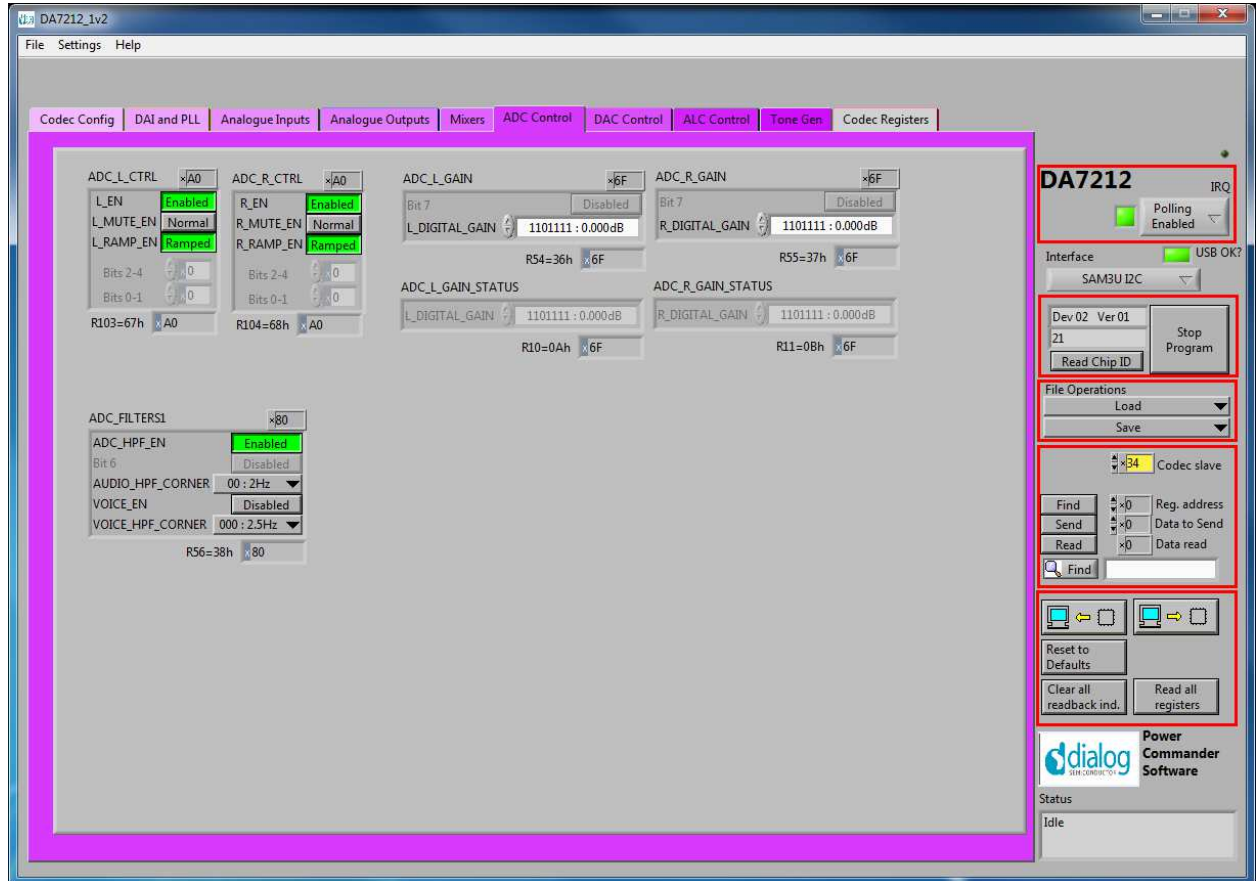
DAC Control

The DAC Control page controls the DAC, the DAC filters and the DAC noise gate. The DAC FILTERS panels control the high-pass filter as well as the 5-band EQ filter. There is also an option to apply a soft mute to the DAC input signal. The DAC NG panels control the behavior of the DAC noise gate in terms of its on and off thresholds, attack/decay rates and hold time.

ALC Control

The ALC Control page configures the automatic level control on the record path. The ALC behavior is described in detail in the datasheet.