Hi3531A H.264 CODEC Processor Brief Data Sheet

Key Specifications

Processor Core
- Dual-core ARM Cortex A9@1.1 GHz
- 32 KB L1 I-cache, 32 KB L1 D-cache
- 256 KB L2 cache
- NEON and FPU

Video Encoding/Decoding Protocols
- H.264 baseline/main/high profile L4.2
- MJPEG/JPEG baseline

Video Encoding/Decoding
- H.264&JPEG multi-stream encoding and decoding
  - 8x1080p@30 fps H.264 encoding+8xCIF@30 fps H.264 decoding+8x1080p@2 fps JPEG encoding
  - 16x720p@30 fps H.264 encoding+16xCIF@30 fps H.264 decoding+16x720p@2 fps JPEG encoding
  - 32x960H@30 fps H.264 encoding+32xCIF@30 fps H.264 decoding+32x960H@2 fps JPEG encoding
  - 32xD1@30 fps H.264 encoding+32xCIF@30 fps H.264 decoding+32xD1@2 fps JPEG encoding
- CBR or VBR, ranging from 16 kbit/s to 40 Mbit/s
- Fixed QP
- Encoding frame rate ranging from 1/16 fps to full frame rate
- ROI encoding
- Color-to-gray encoding

Intelligent Video Analysis
- Integrated IVE, supporting various intelligent analysis applications such as motion detection, perimeter defense, and video diagnosis

Video and Graphics Processing
- Video pre- and post-processing, including deinterlacing, sharpening, 3D denoising, DCI, and demosaic
- Anti-flicker for output videos and graphics
- 1/15x to 16x video scaling
- 1/2x to 2x graphics scaling
- Four Cover regions
- OSD overlaying of eight regions

Audio Encoding/Decoding
- ADPCM, G.711, and G.726 hardware audio encoding
- Software audio encoding and decoding complying with multiple protocols

Security Engine
- AES, DES, and 3DES algorithms implemented by using hardware

Video Interfaces
- VI interfaces
  - Eight 8-bit interfaces and one 16-bit video cascade interface
  - Two 8-bit interfaces that can form a 16-bit interface
  - 108 MHz/144 MHz 4xD1/960H TDM inputs for each 8-bit interface (32xD1/32x960H real-time video inputs in total)
  - 144 MHz/148.5 MHz 2x720p TDM inputs for each 8-bit interface (16x720p@30 fps real-time video inputs in total)
  - 4x720p TDM inputs through 148.5 MHz dual-edge sampling or 297 MHz single-edge sampling for each 8-bit interface (32x720p@30 fps real-time video inputs in total)
  - 148.5 MHz BT.1120 inputs in Y/C interleaved mode for each 8-bit interface (8x1080p@30 fps real-time video inputs in total)
  - 2x1080p TDM inputs through 148.5 MHz dual-edge sampling or 297 MHz single-edge sampling for each 8-bit interface (16x1080p@30 fps real-time video inputs in total)
  - 148.5 MHz BT.1120 standard mode for the 16-bit interface (4x1080p@60 fps real-time video inputs in total)
  - One 3840 x 2160@30 fps input through 148.5 MHz dual-edge sampling or 297 MHz single-edge sampling for the 16-bit video cascade input interface

VO interfaces
- One HDMI 1.4 output interface with the maximum output of 3840 x 2160@30 fps
- One VGA HD output interface with the maximum output of 2560 x 1600@60 fps
- One BT.1120 HD output interface with the maximum output of 1080p@60 fps
- One BT.1120 cascade output interface with the maximum output of 1080p@60 fps
- Two independent HD output channels (DHD0 and DHD1), output over any HD interface (HDMI, VGA, or BT.1120/ Cascade Interface)
  - 64-picture output for DHD0, maximum output of 3840 x 2160@30 fps
  - 64-picture output for DHD1, maximum output of 1080p@60 fps
- One CVBS SD output interface
  - Three full-screen GUI graphics layers in ARGB1555 or ARGB8888 format for two HD channels and one SD channel
  - Two hardware cursor layers in ARGB1555 or ARGB8888 format (configurable) with the maximum resolution of 256 x 256

Audio Interfaces
- Five unidirectional I²S/PCM interfaces
  - Three input interfaces, supporting 20 multiplexed inputs
  - Two output interfaces, supporting the dual-channel output
  - 16-bit audio inputs and outputs
Ethernet Ports
- One gigabit Ethernet port
  - RGMII, RMII, and MII modes
  - 10/100 Mbit/s half-duplex or full-duplex
  - 1000 Mbit/s full-duplex
  - TSO for reducing the CPU usage

Peripheral Interfaces
- Four SATA 3.0/PCIe 2.0/USB 3.0 multiplexed interfaces
  - Configurable four SATA interfaces, two 2-lane PCIe interfaces, two SATA interfaces+two 1-lane PCIe interfaces, or one USB 3.0 interface+two SATA interfaces+one 1-lane PCIe interface
  - RC and EP supported as the PCIe 2.0 interface
  - eSATA and PM supported as the SATA 3.0 interface
  - USB host and hub supported as the USB 3.0 interface
- Two USB 2.0 host interfaces, supporting the hub
- Four UART interfaces (including two 4-wire interfaces)
- One SPI, supporting four CSs
- One IR interface
- Two I2C interface
- Multiple GPIO interfaces

Memory Interfaces
- Two 32-bit DDR3/DDR3L SDRAM interfaces
  - Maximum frequency of 866 MHz
  - Dual channels
  - ODT
  - Maximum capacity of 3 GB
- NAND flash interface
  - 8-bit NAND flash
  - Two CSs
  - SLC or MLC
  - 8-/24-/40-/64-bit ECC (based on 1 KB data block)
- SPI NOR/NAND flash interface
  - 1-/2-/4-bit SPI NOR/NAND flash
  - Two CSs, connected to different types of flash memories
  - Maximum capacity of 32 MB for each CS (only for the NOR flash)
  - Maximum capacity of 4 Gbits for each CS (only for the SPI NAND flash)
  - 2 KB/4 KB page size (only for the SPI NAND flash)
  - 8-bit/1 KB or 24-bit/1 KB ECC (only for the SPI NAND flash)
- Embedded 4 KB BOOTROM and 64 KB SRAM

RTC with an Independent Power Supply
- Independent battery for supplying power to the RTC

Configurable Boot Modes
- Booting from the BOOTROM
- Booting from the SPI NOR flash
- Booting from the SPI NAND flash
- Booting from the NAND flash
- Booting the slave chip over the PCIe interface

SDK
- Linux 3.10-based SDK
- Audio encoding and decoding libraries complying with multiple protocols
  - High-performance H.264 PC decoding library

Physical Specifications
- Power consumption
  - Typical power consumption of 5 W
  - Multi-level power consumption control
- Operating voltages
  - 1.1 V core voltage
  - 1.2 V CPU voltage
  - 3.3 V I/O voltage
  - 1.5 V DDR3 SDRAM interface voltage
- Package
  - RoHS, EDHS-PBGA
  - Ball pitch of 0.8 mm (0.03 in.)
  - Body size of 27 mm x 27 mm (1.06 in. x 1.06 in.)
- Operating temperature ranging from 0°C (32°F) to 70°C (158°F)
The Hi3531A is a professional SoC targeted for multi-channel HD (1080p/720p) or SD (D1/960H) DVRs. The Hi3531A provides an embedded dual-core ARM A9 processor, a high-performance H.264 video encoding/decoding engine, a high-performance video/graphics processing engine integrated with various complicated graphics processing algorithms, HDMI/VGA HD outputs, and various peripheral interfaces. These features enable the Hi3531A to provide high-performance, high-picture-quality, and low-cost analog HD/SDI solutions for customers' products while greatly reducing the eBOM cost.

### DVRs (Each with a Hi3531A)

**8x1080p DVR**
- 8x1080p@30 fps H.264 encoding+8xCIF@30 fps H.264 encoding+4x1080p@30 fps H.264 decoding+8x1080p@2 fps JPEG encoding
- HDMI 4K x 2K@30 fps output

**16x720p DVR**
- 16x720p@30 fps H.264 encoding+16xCIF@30 fps H.264 encoding+8x720p@30 fps H.264 decoding+16x720p@2 fps JPEG encoding
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- HDMI 4K x 2K@30 fps output

32x960H DVR
- 32x960H@30 fps H.264 encoding+32xCIF@30 fps H.264 encoding+8x960H@30 fps H.264 decoding+32x960H@2 fps JPEG encoding
- HDMI 4K x 2K@30 fps output+CVBS output

32xD1 DVR
- 32xD1@30 fps H.264 encoding+32xCIF@30 fps H.264 encoding+16xD1@30 fps H.264 decoding+32xD1@2 fps JPEG encoding
- HDMI 4K x 2K@30 fps output+CVBS output