

### **Features**

- Built-in Beamformer supports multiboard systems
- Programmable Power Meter and Threshold Detect per channel
- PCI Express 2.0 (Gen. 2)
   Interface up to x16 wide
- 2 or 4 (Model 7753) and 4 or 8 (Model 7753D) channels of DDC
- Four or eight 200 MHz, 16-bit A/Ds
- Independent 32-bit DDC tuning for all channels
- DDC decimation range from 2 to 256 or from 2 to 65536
- Independent decimation factors for each channel
- Default filters offer 0.2 dB ripple and 100 dB rejection
- LVPECL clock/sync bus for multiboard synchronization

## **General Information**

Model 7753 is a high-speed software radio board designed for processing baseband RF or IF signals from a communications receiver. It features four 200 MHz 16-bit A/Ds (Model 7753) or eight A/Ds (Model 7753D). Each group of four A/Ds is supported by a high-performance 4-channel installed DDC and a complete set of beamforming functions. With built-in multiboard synchronization, it is ideally matched to the requirements of real-time software radio and radar systems.

The 7753 attaches to motherboards with full length PCI Express (PCIe) interface slots for installation in various PCs, blade servers and computer systems.

# A/D Converter Stage

The front end accepts four or eight full-scale analog RF or IF inputs on front panel SMC connectors at +8 dBm into 50 ohms with transformer coupling into Texas Instruments ADS5485 200 MHz, 16-bit A/D converters. The digital outputs are delivered into Xilinx Virtex-5 FPGAs for routing, formatting and signal processing.

# **DDC Input Selection and Tuning**

The Model 7753 employs an advanced FPGA-based digital downconverter engine consisting of two or four DDC channels. Four independently controllable input multiplexers select one of the four A/Ds as the input source for each DDC channel. In this way, many different configurations can be achieved including one A/D driving all four DDC channels and each of the four A/Ds driving its own DDC bank.

Each of the DDC channels has an independent 32-bit tuning frequency setting that ranges from DC to  $f_s$  where  $f_s$  is the A/D sampling frequency.

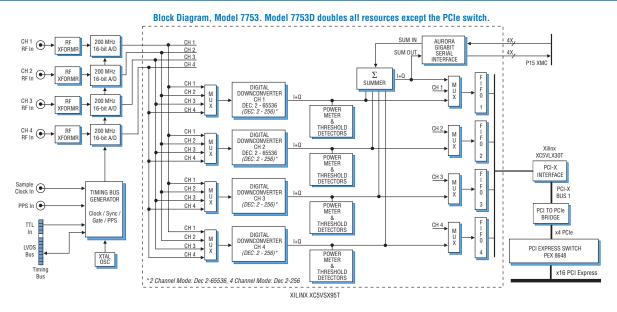
# **Decimation and Filtering**

Each of the four DDC channels can have its own unique decimation setting, supporting as many as four different output bandwidths for the board. The DDC core can be configured in four-channel mode with each channel offering decimations between 2 and 256, or in two-channel mode with each channel having a decimation range of 2 to 65536, for applications that require a wider range of decimations.

The decimating filter for each DDC channel accepts a unique set of user-supplied 18-bit coefficients. The 80% default filters deliver an output bandwidth of  $0.8*f_{\rm s}/{\rm N}$ , where N is the decimation setting. The rejection of adjacent-band components within the 80% output bandwidth is better than 100 dB. Each DDC delivers a complex output stream consisting of 24-bit I + 24-bit Q samples at a rate of  $f_{\rm s}/{\rm N}$ .

## **Power Meters**

Each DDC includes a power meter that continuously measures the individual average power output. The power meters calculate and present average power measurements for each channel in easy-to-read registers. The time constant of the averaging interval for each meter is programmable up to 8 kilosamples. Threshold detectors can generate interrupts when the calculated power levels exceed or fall below user-programmable thresholds, ideal for scanning and monitoring applications.



## **XMC Interface**

For large systems, multiple 7753's or 7753Ds can be chained together via a built-in Xilinx Aurora interface through the P15 XMC connector.

This link creates a board-toboard summation expansion chain for creating larger multichannel beamformer systems.

Xilinx's Aurora protocol is used to provide an efficient x4, 1.25 GB/sec point-to-point data path between boards.

### Beamformer

In addition to the A/Ds and DDCs, these Models include essential resources of a complete beamforming subsystem. First, each DDC channel provides user-programmable I & Q phase and gain adjustments to apply beamforming weights. Then, a summation block adds the four DDC output channels.

An additional programmable-gain stage compensates for summation bit growth. A power meter and threshold detect block is provided for the sum output. The sum output is then delivered to the Channel 1 FIFO for delivery through the PCI-X bus.

For larger systems, multiple Models can be chained together using a built-in Xilinx Aurora engine. It accepts an x4 gigabit sum input stream from a previous board and propagates an x4 sum output stream to the next board through the P15 XMC connector.

# **Output Multiplexers and FIFOs**

Four output MUXs can be independently switched to deliver either A/D data or DDC data into each of the four output FIFOs. This allows users to view either the wideband A/D data or the narrowband DDC data, depending on the application.

Each of the output FIFOs operates at its own input rate and output rate to support different DDC decimation settings between the banks and efficient block transfers to the PCI bus.

## **Clocking and Synchronization**

The Model 7753 architecture includes a flexible timing and synchronization circuit for each group of four A/D converters that allows the A/Ds to be clocked by internal or external clock sources and a multiboard timing bus.

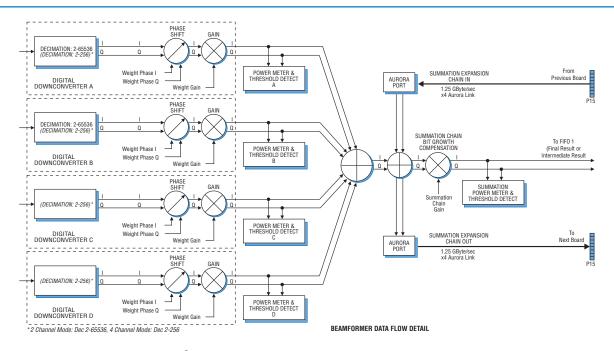
The timing bus includes a clock, a sync, two gate or trigger signals and a PPS signal. The timing bus can be driven by an internal crystal oscillator, a front panel reference input or the LVPECL bus.

One or two front panel 26-pin LVPECL Clock/Sync connectors allow multiple boards to be synchronized. In the slave mode, each accepts differential LVPECL inputs that drive the clock, sync, gate and PPS signals for the internal timing bus.

In the master mode, the LVPECL bus can drive the timing signals for synchronizing multiple boards. Up to three slave 7753's can be driven from each LVPECL bus master, supporting synchronous sampling and sync functions across all connected boards. For larger systems, many more boards can be synchronized with an external clock and sync generator.

# **PCI Express Interface**

The 7753 includes a multiple port, 48-lane Gen. 2 PCI Express (PCIe) switch with integrated SerDes. The switch provides x16 wide connection to the PCIe interface, allowing high-speed data transfers to and from the motherboard. Switch ports each include buffer memory to minimize bottlenecks, with one x4 connection provided to each 64-bit PCI-X interface.





# **Specifications**

## Front Panel Analog Signal Inputs

Input Type: Transformer-coupled, front panel female SMC connectors Transformer Type: Coil Craft WBC4-6TLB

**Full Scale Input:** +8 dBm into 50 ohms **3 dB Passband:** 300 kHz to 700 MHz

#### A/D Converters

Type: Texas Instruments ADS5485 Sampling Rate: 10 MHz to 200 MHz Internal Clock: 200 MHz crystal osc. External Clock: 10 to 200 MHz

Resolution: 16 bits

A/D Data Reduction Mode: Data from the A/Ds can be decimated by any value between 1 and 4096

Clock Sources: Selectable from onboard crystal oscillator, external reference or LVPECL clocks

## **External Clock**

**Type:** Front panel female SMC connector, sine wave, 0 to +10 dBm, AC-coupled 50 ohms

**Sync/Gate Bus:** 26-pin connector, clock/ sync/gate/PPS, input/output LVPECL bus; one gate/trigger and one sync/PPS input TTL signal

## Digital Downconverter

Type: IP core for Xilinx Virtex-5 Qty of DDC Channels: 2 or 4 and 4 or 8 Center Frequency Tuning: 4 tuning words, one for each DDC channel Center Frequency Tuning Range: DC

to  $f_s$  with 32 bit resolution **NCO SFDR:** –120 dBFS

Channel Phase Offset Adjustment: 32-bit resolution

Channel Gain Adjustment: 32-bit resolution

**Input Selection for DDC Banks:** Any channel can select any of the four A/Ds

Decimation Range (N): 2-Channel Mode: 2 to 65536 4-Channel Mode: 2 to 256

FIR Filter: Default passband  $0.8*f_s/N$  with 0.2 dB passband ripple and 100 dB adjacent channel rejection

FIR Filter Coefficients: 18 bits, user-programmable (default values provided)

**Qty FIR Filter Taps:** 28\*N/8 **Output Format:** 24 bits I + 24 bits Q **Output Spectrum Modes:** Normal or

frequency-reversed

**Output Spectrum Offset:** No offset or offset by one-half the output bandwidth

## **Ordering Information**

## Model Description

7753 4-Channel DDC with four 200 MHz, 16-bit A/Ds and Beamformer - Full-Length

x16 PCle

7753D 8-Channel DDC with eight 200 MHz, 16-bit A/Ds and Beamformers - Full-Length

x16 PCle

### Options:

-731 Two-slot heat sink

Contact Pentek for additional available options.

### Beamformer

Summation: Four or eight channels onboard; multiple boards can be summed via Summation Expansion Chain Summation Expansion Chain: One chain in and one chain out link via XMC connector using Aurora protocol Phase Shift Coefficients: I & Q with 16-bit resolution

Gain Coefficients: 16-bit resolution Channel Summation: 24-bit Multiboard Summation Expansion: 32-bit

Output Multiplexer and FIFO
Qty Output FIFOs: Four or eight
FIFO Source Selection: Independent
multiplexer selects DDC output or A/D

### PCI to PCIe Interface

PCI-X Bus: 64 bits, 100 MHz and 64 or 32 bits at 33 or 66 MHz

DMA: 4-channel demand-mode and chaining controller per PCI-X bus

PCIe Interface: Gen. 2, x16 width

PCIe Ports: one x4 port per PCI-X bus one x16 port to PCIe motherboard

### Environmental

Operating Temp: 0° to 50° C Storage Temp: -20° to 90° C Relative Humidity: 0 to 95%, non-cond. Size: Full-length PCIe, 4.38 in. x 12.3 in.



## A/D Performance

