

# Using the SDR Control Box

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What follows are the details of the implementation. This should be used along with the schematic when planning uses for the Control Box. Also included are suggested pin assignments for use with both the DD4WH Convolution SDR and the DSP-10.

**I2C Control Interface** – This is a standard hardware interface that gives up some flexibility for only needing 2 wires and ground. Multiple devices can share the interface as long as there built-in addresses do not collide. See [Wikipedia I2C]. The control box makes available a single I2C with the Teensy as a master and all devices are slaves, using

Teensy Pin 18	I2C SDA	Data
Teensy Pin 19	I2C SCL	Clock

These lines operate directly with the Teensy using 3.3 Volt logic, and must never be operated with 5 Volt logic. The damage from doing so would be with the Teensy.

These two lines are available in the 25-pin D connector as

D-Pin 4	I2C SDA
D-Pin 16	I2C SCL

Note that the selection of 3.3 Volt/5 Volt output for the 25-pin D connector, using jumpers E35, E36 and E37, does not change the I2C in any way. It is always 3.3 Volt logic.

The exact same I2C wires are available for general use on the 4-pin header, P15. The pins are:

P15-1	Ground
P15-2	I2C SDA
P15-3	I2C SCL
P15-4	+3.3 VDC

Teensy Audio Adapter SGTL5000 Codec in the SDR Control Box uses the I2C bus for control. It is at address 0x0A (default) or 0x2A (rewire jumper).

The I2C buss must have a pair of pull-up resistors to 3.3VDC. This is supplied by the Teensy Audio Adaptor (2.2K) and no other resistors are needed.

**SPI Control Interfaces** – Flexible “SPI” serial interfaces are available, all using the Teensy as Master. Each SPI device needs a private “Chip Select” line, but otherwise, the buss lines are sharable, as

Teensy Pin 7	SPI MOSI	Data, Master Out Slave In
Teensy Pin 12	SPI MISO	Data, Master In Slave Out
Teensy Pin 14	SPI SCK	Clock out from master

The chip selects are any general purpose digital I/O lines:

Teensy Pin 12	SPI CS to D-Pin 11
Teensy Pin 12	SPI CS to Aud Adaptor memory (alternative)
Teensy Pin 16	SPI CS to D-Pin 8
Teensy Pin 20	SPI CS for the 320x240 touch display
Teensy Pin 28	SPI CS to on-board Audio amp and 595 shift reg

In addition, there are two complete SPI ports, for general use, brought to headers. These continue to share the MOSI, MISO and SCK but have there Chip Selects provided by the 595 shift register, which is itself a SPI port. These two ports are not buffered and are direct Teensy digital outputs, with 3.3-Volt logic. The pinouts:

SPI Port #2

P5-1	+3.3VDC
P5-2	Ground
P5-3	SPI SCK
P5-4	SPI MISO
P5-5	SPI MOSI
P5-6	Chip Select, Shift Reg Pin U5-D

SPI Port #3

P4-1	+3.3VDC
P4-2	Ground
P4-3	SPI SCK
P4-4	SPI MISO
P4-5	SPI MOSI
P4-6	Chip Select, Shift Reg Pin U5-E

**Serial UART Interfaces** – In order to fully support the older DSP-10 design, this Control Box has 3 independent RS-232 serial interfaces. These are supported by hardware UARTs, There are differences in the three that again relate to the DSP-10 hardware design. Obviously, these need not be implemented if the DSP-10 support is not required. The MAX 3232 buffers allow RS-232 voltages to be met while running off 3.3 Volts.

RS-232 #1 for antenna dish mover control, 9 pin D, M

P9-1	Not used, available by E23
P9-2	RX Data in to Box
P9-3	TX Data out of Box
P9-4	Not used, available by E21
P9-5	Ground

RS-232 #1 for antenna dish mover control, 9 pin D, M  
P9-1 Not used, available by E23  
P9-2 RX Data in to Box  
P9-3 TX Data out of Box  
P9-4 Not used, available by E21  
P9-5 Ground

RS-232 #1 for antenna dish mover control, 9 pin D, M  
P9-1 Not used, available by E23  
P9-2 RX Data in to Box  
P9-3 TX Data out of Box  
P9-4 Not used, available by E21  
P9-5 Ground

**Serial USB Device** – The Teensy board includes a Micro Type B socket to allow programming and serial communications with a USB Host PC. I left a 0.5-inch hole to allow a cable to pass through the back panel, just above the 25-pin D connector. This cable needs to be made accessible.

In addition, for many SDR it is possible to borrow power from the 5-Volt 500 mA USB supply.

**Serial USB Host – CORRECTION** – This supports the Teensy operating as a Host for USB. This needs to go to a panel Type A USB socket. Currently there are no users for this, but it has much potential, and the Teensyduino library is filling out with device types. Note that Rev 0.4 of the schematic had the wrong pin functions. These were corrected on Rev 0.4.1 and are (the PCB is unchanged):

J4-1 +5 Out  
J4-2 DM  
J4-3 DP  
J4-4 GND  
J4-5 GND

**Button Interfaces** – The box front panel should include 8 push buttons. Two or three of these can be built into the rotary encoders. These all pull a line to ground through 4.7K resistors. The 9 pin header is

U9-1 Ground  
U9-2 Button 1  
U9-3 Button 2  
U9-4 Button 3  
U9-5 Button 4  
U9-6 Button 5  
U9-7 Button 6  
U9-8 Button 7  
U9-9 Button 8

**Rotary Encoder Interfaces** – The box front panel should include 3 rotary encoders. They can be either mechanical or optical, but need to be in-phase/quadrature type (I-Q) that is very standard. The I-Q lines are pulled to ground with 4.7K pull up resistors to 3.3 VDC on the PCB. Power is supplied for optical type encoders; note this is 5-Volts. The three headers are

P11, Rotary Encoder #1 (usually 'Tune" with a large knob)

P11-1	Ground
P11-2	I
P11-3	Q
P11-4	+5 VDC

P12, Rotary Encoder #2

P12-1	Ground
P12-2	I
P12-3	Q
P12-4	+5 VDC

P13, Rotary Encoder #3

P13-1	Ground
P13-2	I
P13-3	Q
P13-4	+5 VDC

**DC Voltage Monitor** – Teensy pin 21 is used as analog input to measure a summation of all power supply voltages. This does not tell where a problem is, but it does a simple test of whether there is a problem. There is a 1000 Ohm resistor to ground, so the sum of the currents into the resistor should be roughly 1.5 mA with the sum node at 1.5 Volts. A 4700 Ohm resistor to the 3.3 Volt buss provides 0.38 mA. A 10K resistor to 5V provides another 0.35 mA. This leaves about 0.85 mA that can come from the SDR through D-Pin 7. As an example, if this was connected to a 10.0 Volt supply, it would need  $(10-1.5)/0.85 = 10K$  Ohms. The value in the SDR is reduced by the R13 protection resistor in the Control Box (1000 Ohms) so that 9K is needed.

If no external resistor is used, a voltage of 0.65 Volts will be measured, just checking the two supplies in the Control Box.

**Red/Green LED** – A bidirectional LED connected to the 2-pin header P3 will indicate status. This is controlled by the shift register U5-A and U5-B on the internal SPI buss.

**Audio Interfaces** - First, a jumper is required inside the control box to connect the Audio Adaptor In/Out to the main PCB P1. For the Audio Adaptor, see [https://www.pjrc.com/store/teensy3\\_audio.html](https://www.pjrc.com/store/teensy3_audio.html) especially the back side markings of the PCB.

Audio inputs/outputs for the Control Box are on 4 two-pin headers:

- P2 - Audio in left
- P3 - Audio in right
- J1 - Audio out left
- J2 - Audio out right

This connects the inputs through U1, the programmable LTC6912-2 audio amplifier. If this is not desired, the P2 and P3 connections should go directly to the Teensy Audio Adaptor.

### DC Power Selection –

**Important: Unless you are going to always power everything through the Teensy USB connector, you must cut the 5 Volt jumper on the Teensy 3.6 board. See <https://www.pjrc.com/teensy/schematic.html> and <https://www.pjrc.com/teensy/pinout.html> (the right end of the backside).**

The only voltage used as an input for the Control Box is 5 Volts that is must go to E39 (see schematic sheet 2). This can come from the external SDR via D-Pin 19, which in turn is accessed by a connection between E38 and E39. Alternatively, the 5 Volts at E39 can come from off the board, either via the USB connector on the Teensy, or from an off board regulator in the control box. Note that there is a 3.3 Volt regulator on the PCB, but its input is **always** 5 Volts.

Traditionally 12 was general level of voltage used as a starting point for radios. If this is desired, it can be provided through the external SDR (but regulated down to 5-Volts for D-Pin19). Alternatively, a 12 to 5 Volt regulator can be placed in the Control Box.

If this seems like too many options, this figure (TBD) shows an off-board 3-position switch that selects

- 1 Power from SDR via D-Pin19
- 2 Power from the Teensy USB
- 3 Power from a 12 to 5 Volt regulator in the Control Box

I have placed such a switch on the back panel of my Control Box.

**Use with DD4WH Convolution SDR** – To make this Contrl Box general, it was necessary to change some of the pin assignments used with this radio. These are changeable via #define's in the DD4WH software, but at this writing, they are not all collected together. Here are the defines that go with the Control Box:

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// For I2C "Wire" library, default Teensy 3.6 uses (no #define
needed):
//          SDA    Data    Pin 18
//          SCL    Clock   Pin 19
#define BACKLIGHT_PIN      45    // NOT USED
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#define TFT_DC          10
#define TFT_CS          20
#define TFT_RST         46  // 255 = unused. connect to 3.3V
#define TFT_MOSI        7
#define TFT_SCLK        14
#define TFT_MISO        8
// pins for digital attenuator board PE4306
#define ATT_LE          16
#define ATT_DATA        7
#define ATT_CLOCK       14
// push-buttons
#define  BUTTON_1_PIN   35    // Left
#define  BUTTON_2_PIN   36    // Right
#define  BUTTON_3_PIN   37    // Down
#define  BUTTON_4_PIN   38    // Up
#define  BUTTON_5_PIN   41    // pushbutton pin for tune encoder
(ALT)
#define  BUTTON_6_PIN   26    // the pushbutton pin of the filter
encoder (FCN)
#define  BUTTON_7_PIN   43    // the menu button pin
#define  BUTTON_8_PIN   27    // the pushbutton pin of encoder 3
#define ENCODER_TUNE_I    3
#define ENCODER_TUNE_Q    2
#define ENCODER_FILTER_I  4
#define ENCODER_FILTER_Q  5
#define ENCODER_3_I      47
#define ENCODER_3_Q      48
#define RF_FILTER1       40
#define RF_FILTER2       42
#define RF_FILTER3       51
#define RF_FILTER4       52
#define RF_FILTER5       53

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In hardware terms, the listing of Teensy pins, 25-Pin D-Pins and Function are

#### T3.6 25-pin

Pin	Conn	Function
0		NU
1		NU
2		Opto Encoder 1 I
3		Opto Encoder 1 Q
4		Opto Encoder 2 I
5		Opto Encoder 2 Q
6		T_CS Disp
7	13	SPI MOSI0 Disp+Share
8	12	SPI MISO Disp +Share
9		I2S BCLK Codec
10		D/C Disp
11		I2S MCLK Codec
12	11	NU

13		I2S RX Codec
14	10	SPI SCK0 Disp & share
15		Vol Codec DC to uP
16	8	ATT_LE
17		I2S TX Codec
18	4	I2C SDA Codec+Share
19	16	I2C SCL Codec+Share
20		CS Disp
21	7	Power Supply monitor
22	6	NU
23		I2S LCLK Codec
24		T_IRQ Disp
25	25	NU
26		Button 1
27		Button 2
28		Local SPI SS
29	24	NU
30	23	NU
31		NU
32		NU
33		NU
34		NU
35		Button 3
36		Button 4
37		Button 5
38		Button 6
39	9	AUDIO_AMP_ENABLE
---	20	Ground
---	19	+5 VDC to Ctrl Box
A21	3	NU-Analog
A22	14	NU-Analog
40	21	Filter Band 1 Out
41		Button 7
42	22	Filter Band 2 Out
43		Button 8
44		NU
45		NU
46		NU
47		Opto Encod 3 I
48		Opto Encod 3 Q
49		RTC Battery Voltage ?
50	2	NU
51	18	Filter Band 3
52	5	Filter Band 4
53	17	Filter Band 5

**Use with DSP-10 (EZ-Kit replacement) -**

Software #define's TBD

The hardware connections for the DSP-10 are:

T3.6 25-pin

Pin	Conn	DSP-10 Function
0		Serial1 RX (from PC)
1		Serial1 TX (to PC)
2		Opto Encoder 1 I
3		Opto Encoder 1 Q
4		Opto Encoder 2 I
5		Opto Encoder 2 Q
6		T_CS Disp
7	13	SPI Data from uP
8	12	SPI Data to uP
9		I2S Bclk Codec
10		D/C Disp
11		I2S MCLK
12	11	SPI SS #2
13		I2S RX Codec
14	10	SPI Serial Clock #0
15		NU
16	8	SPI SS #1
17	6	NU
18	4	I2C SDA
19	16	I2C SCL
20		CS Disp
21	7	Power Supply monitor
22		I2S TX Codec
23		I2S LCLK Codec
24		T_IRQ Disp
25	25	CW Key to uP
26		Button 1
27		Button 2
28		Local SPI SS
29	24	PLL_LOCK to uP
30	23	PTT to uP & RS-232 RI
31		Serial4 RX (GPS)
32		Serial4 TX (GPS)
33		Serial5 TX (Ant Ctrl)
34		Serial 5 RX (Ant Ctrl)
35		Button 3
36		Button 4
37		Button 5
38		Button 6
39	9	NU
---	20	Ground
---	19	+5 VDC to Ctrl Box
A21	3	NU-Analog
A22	14	NU-Analog

40	21	NU
41		Button 7
42	22	NU
43		Button 8
44		NU
45		NU
46		NU
47		OptoEncod 3 I
48		OptoEncod 3 Q
49		NU
50	2	NU
51	18	NU
52	5	NU
53	17	NU