

# ACAN2517FD Arduino library

## For the MCP2517FD and MCP2518FD CANFD Controllers in CANFD mode

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## 1 Versions

Version	Date	Comment
2.1.7	September 15, 2021	Added <code>LoopBackDemoArduinoUnoNoInt.ino</code> sketch. Changed receive message handling, see <a href="#">section 12 page 27</a> . Added the <code>resetHardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount</code> method, see <a href="#">section 12.2 page 28</a> . Fixed several typos.
2.1.6	April 21, 2021	Added x9 and x10 data bit rate factors (thanks to Pedro Dionisio Pereira Junior). Added Arduino Uno – MCP2518FDClick wiring scheme (thanks to soso49).
2.1.5	January 27, 2021	Fixed retransmission attempts setting bug. Added <code>NoRetransmissionAttemptsDemoTeensy3x.ino</code> sketch.
2.1.4	January 14, 2021	Improved method to read also the <code>BDIAG0_REGISTER</code> diagnostic register (thanks to turmary), see <a href="#">section 21.4 page 56</a> . Fix: <code>mHardwareTxFIFOFull = true</code> will block the transmitter if call <code>begin()</code> multiple times without constructor (thanks to turmary).
2.1.3	October 3, 2020	Add method to read the diagnostic registers (thanks to F1o1e998), see <a href="#">section 21.4 page 56</a> .
2.1.2	May 31, 2020	Fix retransmission attempts settings (thanks to F1o1e998)
2.1.1	April 27, 2020	Added <code>dataFloat</code> to <code>CANMessage</code> and <code>CANFDMessage</code> (thanks to Koryphon)
2.1.0	December 31, 2019	For compatibility with <code>ACAN_T4</code> , the <code>DataBitRateFactor</code> enumeration is declared outside of the <code>ACAN2517FDSettings</code> class. Fix commented out line (thank to F1o1e998).
2.0.1	October 28, 2019	Fix incorrect usage of <code>digitalPinToInterrupt</code> (thank to F1o1e998).
2.0.0	September 15, 2019	Fixed several bugs. Added <code>ACAN2517FD::currentOperationMode</code> method, see <a href="#">section 21.1 page 55</a> . Added <code>ACAN2517FD::recoverFromRestrictedOperationMode</code> method, see <a href="#">section 21.2 page 55</a> . Added <code>ACAN2517FD::errorCounters</code> method, see <a href="#">section 21.3 page 55</a> . Added description of <code>sendfd-odd</code> and <code>sendfd-even</code> sketches, see <a href="#">section 22 page 56</a> . Added <a href="#">section MCP2517FD or MCP2518FD? page 7</a> .
1.1.6	June 6, 2019	Running <code>pinMode (mINT, INPUT_PULLUP)</code> only if <code>mInt</code> pin is used (thanks to Tyler Lewis).
1.1.5	June 2, 2019	Fixed a race condition on ESP32 (thanks to Nick Kirkby).
1.1.4	March 21, 2019	Fixed dual bit rate bug (thanks to danielhenz). Fixed TxQ enable bug (thanks to danielhenz).

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		Added setting of <i>Enable Edge Filtering during Bus Integration state bit</i> , for reaching the 8 Mbit/s bit data rate.
		Updated <code>LoopBackIntensiveTestTeensy3x</code> sample code.
1.1.3	February 8, 2019	Compatibility for Arduino Uno. Added demo sketch <code>LoopBackDemoArduinoUno</code> . Renamed <code>ACANBuffer</code> to <code>ACANFDBuffer</code> .
1.1.2	February 3, 2019	Added setting <code>mINTIsOpenDrain</code> ( <a href="#">section 20.11.2 page 52</a> ). Remove useless mutex (ESP32).
1.1.1	January 31, 2019	First release running on ESP32 ( <a href="#">section 8.4 page 21</a> ). New option: no interrupt pin ( <a href="#">section 8.5 page 22</a> ).
1.0.4	January 14, 2019	Fixed mask and acceptance filters for extended messages. New <code>LoopBackDemoTeensy3xStandardFilterTest.ino</code> sample code for checking base reception filters. New <code>LoopBackDemoTeensy3xExtendedFilterTest.ino</code> sample code for checking extended reception filters.
1.0.3	January 6, 2019	Corrected identifiers for extended messages.
1.0.2	November 2, 2018	added <code>mISOCRCEnabled</code> setting.
1.0.1	October 29, 2018	Conformity with Arduino library.
1.0.0	October 28, 2018	Initial release.

## 2 Features

The ACAN2517FD library is a MCP2517FD and MCP2518FD CANFD (*Controller Area Network with Flexible Data*) Controller driver for any board running Arduino. It handles CANFD frames.

This library is compatible with:

- the ACAN 1.0.6 and above library (<https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan>), CAN driver for Flex-Can module embedded in Teensy 3.1 / 3.2, 3.5, 3.6 microcontrollers;
- the ACAN2515 1.0.1 and above library (<https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2515>), CAN driver for MCP2515 CAN controller;
- the ACAN2517 library (<https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2517>), CAN driver for MCP2517FD CAN controller, in CAN 2.0B mode.

It has been designed to make it easy to start and to be easily configurable:

- default configuration sends and receives any frame – no default filter to provide;
- ISO CRC enabled by default;
- efficient built-in CAN bit settings computation from arbitration and data bit rates;

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- user can fully define its own CAN bit setting values;
  - all 32 reception filter registers are easily defined;
  - reception filters accept call back functions;
  - driver and controller transmit buffer sizes are customisable;
  - driver and controller receive buffer size is customisable;
  - overflow of the driver receive buffer is detectable;
  - MCP2517FD internal RAM allocation is customizable and the driver checks no overflow occurs;
  - *loop back, self reception, listing only* MCP2517FD controller modes are selectable.

### 3 MCP2517FD or MCP2518FD?

**In short: I recommend using a MCP2518FD. My opinion is that the MCP2517FD has hardware bugs.**

#### 3.1 Reset

An originality of the MCP2517FD is that it has no reset pin. Resetting the MCP2517FD can only be done by software, by sending a RESET command through the SPI. But sometimes, for reasons I don't know, the reset is not done correctly. We can see this because the value returned by the `ACAN2517FD::begin` function is not zero (see [section 19.3 page 40](#)). Some possible errors are `0x1` (`kRequestedConfigurationModeTimeout`, the MCP2517FD cannot reach the *configuration* mode), `0x40000` (`kReadBackErrorWithFullSpeedSPIClock`, the MCP2517FD RAM cannot be written and read back). Typically, this can happen when uploading and starting a new version of the firmware into the microcontroller. **So I recommend to always check the value returned by the `ACAN2517FD::begin` function is zero.** In such case, you should power off and the power on.

With a MCP2518FD, uploading and starting a new version of the firmware into the microcontroller always succeeds, but if the previous sketch has provided invalid clock setting, as enabling PLL with a 40MHz clock.

Note you should also add a pullup resistor on the nCS pin ([section 8.1 page 18](#)) with a MCP2517FD, I don't think this resistance is necessary with a MCP2518FD.

#### 3.2 Clock

**In short: I recommend using an external clock, as an integrated oscillator. Do not use a crystal oscillator.**

Using a crystal oscillator may be tricky: just take a look to section 3.1.1 page 13 of the DS20005678D document, that gives few guidelines for selecting the correct crystal oscillator or ceramic resonator. This section gives very precise references for crystal oscillator and associated capacitors. Note also an *Optional Feedback Resistor* has been added in the C revision of this document, and the section 3.1.1 has been updated in the C and D revisions.

### 3.3 Restricted Operation Mode

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**4MHz crystal oscillator.** I have tried a 4MHz crystal oscillator (HC49US-FF3F18-4.0000), with two 22pF capacitors, so the clock setting is `ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL`. I noticed that a MCP2517FD worked well for a data bit rate up to 1Mbps; above 1Mbps, the MCP2517FD often enters in *Restricted Operation Mode*, but maybe it's due to internal bugs (see [section 3.3 page 8](#)). A MCP2518FD works perfectly with this oscillator.

**40MHz crystal oscillator.** I have also tried a 40MHz crystal oscillator (YIC-HC49US), with the same two 22pF capacitors, and the `ACAN2517FD-Settings::OSC_40MHz` setting. Surprisingly, the observed frequency on the OSC2 pin was... 13.3MHz! Exactly one third of 40MHz. Probably the 22pF capacitors are not appropriate. The OSC2 pin signal, observed at the oscilloscope, had a very small amplitude: 300mV.

Same behaviour as with the 4MHz crystal oscillator: buggy with a MCP2517FD above 1Mbps, success with a MCP2518FD.

**Morality: if you choose a crystal oscillator, always observe the frequency obtained with an oscilloscope.**

**4MHz integrated oscillator.** I use a 4MHz integrated oscillator (LFSPX0024978BULK, the supply voltage of my MCP2517FD is 3.3V), connected to OSC1. OSC2 is left unconnected.

The clock setting is `ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL`. I have observed with oscilloscope the OSC1 pin signal, it has the correct frequency, and the amplitude I expected: 3.3V.

**40MHz integrated oscillator.** I use a 40MHz integrated oscillator (LFSPX0026068BULK). The clock setting is `ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_40MHz`. I have also observed with oscilloscope the OSC1 pin signal, it has the correct frequency, and the amplitude I expected: 3.3V.

### 3.3 Restricted Operation Mode

For testing transmission and reception, I use the `sendfd-odd` and `sendfd-even` sketches, that are provided as sample code in the library (see [section 22 page 56](#)). They are designed for a *Teensy 3.5*, but can easily be adapted for other platforms.

For data bit rates higher than 1Mbps with a MCP2517FD, I have noticed the error counters may have not zero values (error counters can be read by the `errorCounters` method, see [section 21.3 page 55](#)), and the MCP2517FD enters sometimes in *Restricted Operation Mode*. The mode's operation is described in DS20005678D, figure 2.1 page 9. *Restricted Operation Mode* is reached from *Normal Modes* on *System Error*, as the driver lets the `SERR2LOM` bit equal to 0.

*System Error* is described in section 10.5.6, page 63. The MCP2517FD Data Sheet Errata (DS80000792B) gives an explanation: *The SPI Interface can block the CANFD Controller module from accessing RAM in between SPI bytes and between the last byte and the rising edge of the nCS line during an SPI READ or SPI READ CRC instruction while accessing RAM. If the CANFD Controller module is blocked for more than TSPIMAXDLY, a TX MAB underflow or an RX MAB overflow can occur.* Within the CANFD Control Field, `TSPIMAXDLY` is  $3 \text{ NBT} + 5 \text{ DBT}$ , that is for an 1Mbps arbitration bit rate and a data bit factor x8 (8Mbps):  $3 \cdot 1\mu\text{s} + 5 \cdot 125\text{ns} = 3.625\mu\text{s}$ . The challenge is to write a driver that checks these constraints. This is not easy, as transfers are made through `transfer` and `transfer16` SPI Arduino routines, and their implementation may vary from one platform to another. In the ACAN2517FD code, I have masked interruptions during transfers to minimize the delay between bytes, and to ensure that the `nCS` signal becomes inactive (high) as quickly as possible at the end of the transfer.



You can check current MCP2517FD operation mode by calling the `ACAN2517FD::currentOperationMode` function (section 21.1 page 55). It returns 7 for the *Restricted Operation Mode*. You can recover from *Restricted Operation Mode* by calling the `ACAN2517FD::recoverFromRestrictedOperationMode` function (section 21.2 page 55); however, some send or receive data has been lost.

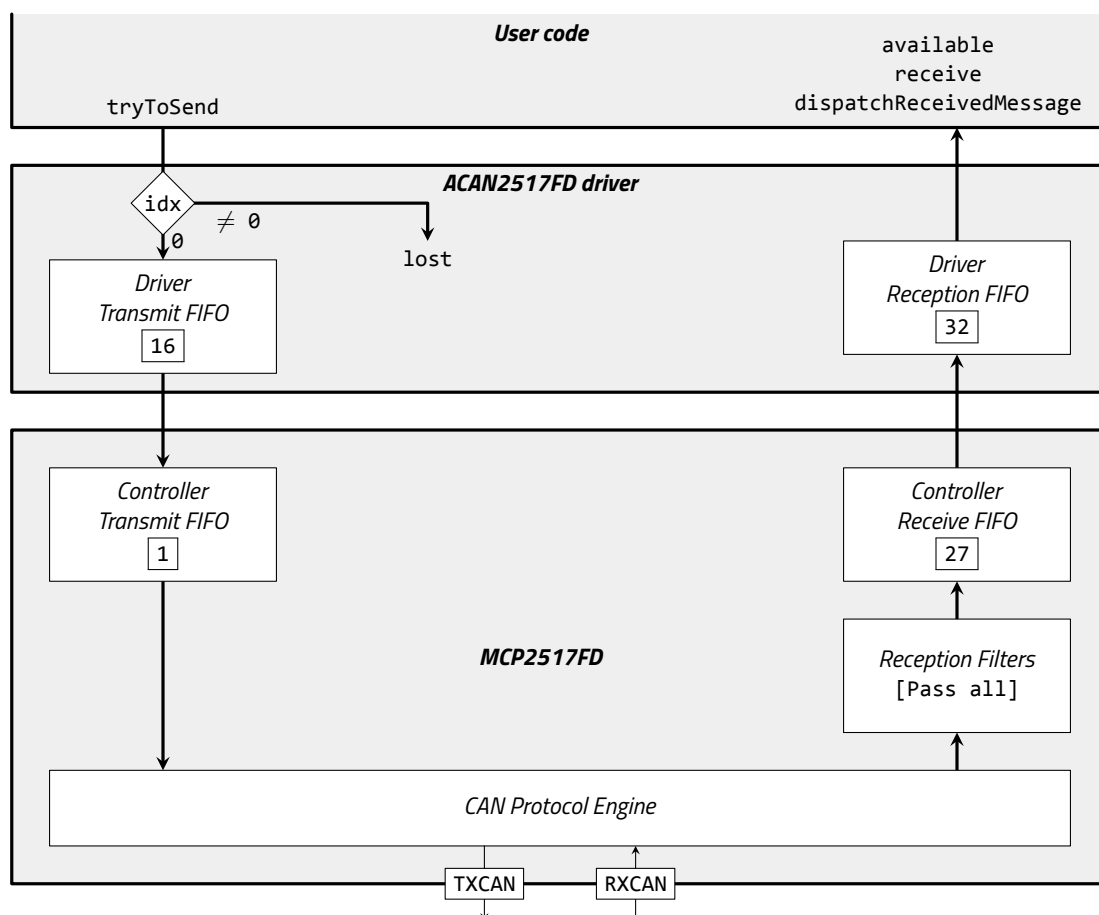
I have never observed that a MCP2518FD enters the *Restricted Operation Mode*.

## 4 Data flow

Two figures illustrate message flow for sending and receiving CANFD messages: figure 1 is the default configuration, figure 2 is the customized configuration.

### 4.1 Data flow in default configuration

The figure 1 illustrates message flow in the default configuration.



**Figure 1** – Message flow in ACAN2517FD driver and MCP2517FD CAN Controller, default configuration

**Sending messages.** The ACAN2517FD driver defines a *driver transmit FIFO* (default size: 16 messages), and configures the MCP2517FD with a *controller transmit FIFO* with a size of 4 messages. MCP2517FD RAM has a

capacity of 2048 bytes, that limits the sizes of the *controller transmit FIFO* and *controller receive FIFO*. See [section 14 page 30](#).

A message is defined by an instance of `CANFDMessage` class. For sending a message, user code calls the `tryToSend` method – see [section 15 page 30](#), and the `idx` property of the sent message should be equal to 0 (default value).

**Receiving messages.** The MCP2517FD *CAN Protocol Engine* transmits all correct frames to the *reception filters*. By default, they are configured as pass-all, see [section 17 page 35](#) for configuring them. Messages that pass the filters are stored in the *Controller Reception FIFO*; its size is 24 message by default. The interrupt service routine transfers the messages from this FIFO to the *Driver Receive FIFO*. The size of the *Driver Receive Buffer* is 32 by default – see [section 16.1 page 34](#) for changing the default value. Three user methods are available:

- the `available` method returns `false` if the *Driver Receive Buffer* is empty, and `true` otherwise;
- the `receive` method retrieves messages from the *Driver Receive Buffer* – see [section 16 page 33](#);
- the `dispatchReceivedMessage` method if you have defined the reception filters that name a call-back function – see [section 18 page 38](#).

## 4.2 Data flow, custom configuration

The [figure 2](#) illustrates message flow in a custom configuration.

**Note.** The *transmit Event FIFO* and the `transmitEvent` function are not currently implemented.

You can allocate the *Controller transmit Queue*: send order is defined by frame priority (see [section 11 page 26](#)). You can also define up to 32 receive filters (see [section 17 page 35](#)). Sizes of MCP2517FD internal buffer are easily customizable.

## 5 A simple example: LoopBackDemo

The following code is a sample code for introducing the ACAN2517FD library, extracted from the LoopBackDemo sample code included in the library distribution. It runs natively on any Arduino compatible board, and is easily adaptable to any microcontroller supporting SPI. It demonstrates how to configure the driver, to send a CAN message, and to receive a CAN message.

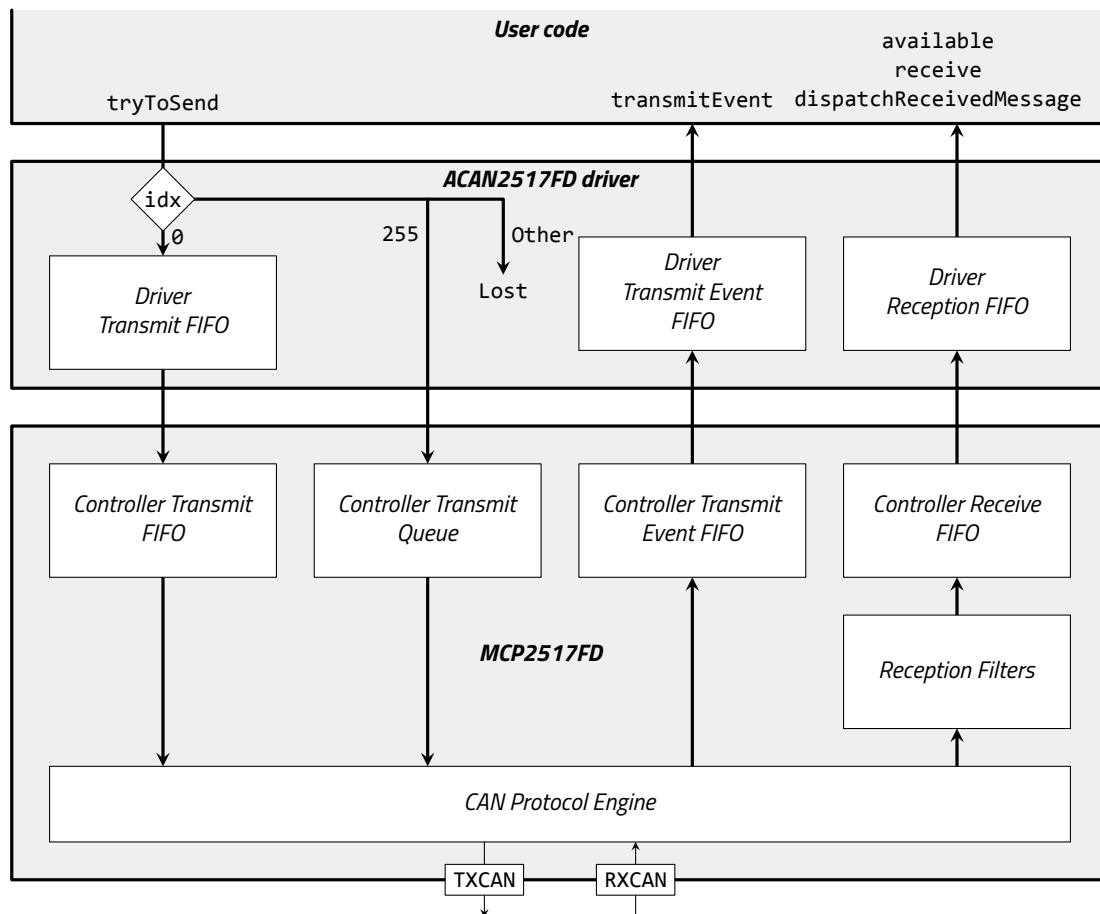
Note: this code runs without any CAN transceiver (the TXCAN and RXCAN pins of the MCP2517FD are left open), the MCP2517FD is configured in the *loop back* mode.

```
#include <ACAN2517FD.h>
```

This line includes the ACAN2517FD library.

```
static const byte MCP2517_CS = 20 ; // CS input of MCP2517FD
static const byte MCP2517_INT = 37 ; // INT output of MCP2517FD
```

Define the pins connected to  $\overline{CS}$  and  $\overline{INT}$  pins (adapt to your design).



**Figure 2** – Message flow in ACAN2517FD driver and MCP2517FD CAN Controller, custom configuration

```
ACAN2517FD can (MCP2517_CS, SPI, MCP2517_INT) ;
```

Instanciation of the ACAN2517FD library, declaration and initialization of the can object that implements the driver. The constructor names: the number of the pin connected to the  $\overline{CS}$  pin, the SPI object (you can use SPI1, SPI2, ...), the number of the pin connected to the  $\overline{INT}$  pin.

```
void setup () {
  //--- Switch on builtin led
  pinMode (LED_BUILTIN, OUTPUT) ;
  digitalWrite (LED_BUILTIN, HIGH) ;
  //--- Start serial
  Serial.begin (38400) ;
  //--- Wait for serial (blink led at 10 Hz during waiting)
  while (!Serial) {
    delay (50) ;
    digitalWrite (LED_BUILTIN, !digitalRead (LED_BUILTIN)) ;
  }
}
```

Builtin led is used for signaling. It blinks led at 10 Hz during until serial monitor is ready.

```
SPI.begin () ;
```

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You should call `SPI.begin`. Many platforms define alternate pins for SPI. On Teensy 3.x ([section 8.2 page 18](#)), selecting alternate pins should be done before calling `SPI.begin`, on Adafruit Feather MO ([section 8.3 page 20](#)), this should be done after. Calling `SPI.begin` explicitly allows you to fully handle alternate pins.

```
ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,  
                             125UL * 1000UL, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x4) ;
```

Configuration is a four-step operation. This line is the first step. It instantiates the `settings` object of the `ACAN2517FDSettings` class. The constructor has three parameters: the MCP2517FD oscillator specification, the desired CAN arbitration bit rate (here, 125 kb/s), and the data bit rate, given by a multiplicative factor of the arbitration bit rate; here, the data bit rate is 125 kb/s \* 4 = 500 kbit/s. It returns a `settings` object fully initialized with CAN bit settings for the desired arbitration and data bit rates, and default values for other configuration properties.

**Note.** For releases before 2.1.0, the data bit rate enumerated type was declared within the `ACAN2517FDSettings` class, so the declaration was `ACAN2517FDSettings::DATA_BITRATE_x4`. In release 2.1.0 and above, the `DataBitRateFactor` enumerated type is declared outside any class, enabling its compatibility with other CANFD libraries, as `ACAN_T4`.

```
settings.mRequestedMode = ACAN2517FDSettings::InternalLoopBack ;
```

This is the second step. You can override the values of the properties of `settings` object. Here, the `mRequestedMode` property is set to `InternalLoopBack` – its value is `NormalFD` by default. Setting this property enables *loop back*, that is you can run this demo sketch even if you have no connection to a physical CAN network. The [section 20.11 page 52](#) lists all properties you can override.

```
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
```

This is the third step, configuration of the can driver with `settings` values. The driver is configured for being able to send any (base / extended, data / remote, CAN / CANFD) frame, and to receive all (base / extended, data / remote, CAN / CANFD) frames. If you want to define reception filters, see [section 17 page 35](#). The second argument is the *interrupt service routine*, and is defined by a C++ lambda expression<sup>1</sup>. See [section 19.2 page 39](#) for using a function instead.

```
if (errorCode != 0) {  
    Serial.print ("Configuration error 0x") ;  
    Serial.println (errorCode, HEX) ;  
}  
}
```

Last step: the configuration of the can driver returns an error code, stored in the `errorCode` constant. It has the value 0 if all is ok – see [section 19.3 page 40](#).

```
static uint32_t gBlinkLedDate = 0 ;  
static uint32_t gReceivedFrameCount = 0 ;  
static uint32_t gSentFrameCount = 0 ;
```

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<sup>1</sup><https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/language/lambda>

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The `gSendDate` global variable is used for sending a CAN message every 2 s. The `gSentCount` global variable counts the number of sent messages. The `gReceivedCount` global variable counts the number of received messages.

```
void loop() {  
    CANFDMessage frame ;
```

The message object is fully initialized by the default constructor, it represents a base data frame, with an identifier equal to 0, and without any data – see [section 6 page 13](#).

```
if (gBlinkLedDate < millis ()) {  
    gBlinkLedDate += 2000 ;  
    digitalWrite (LED_BUILTIN, !digitalRead (LED_BUILTIN)) ;  
    const bool ok = can.tryToSend (frame) ;  
    if (ok) {  
        gSentFrameCount += 1 ;  
        Serial.print ("Sent: ") ;  
        Serial.println (gSentFrameCount) ;  
    }else{  
        Serial.println ("Send failure") ;  
    }  
}
```

We try to send the data message. Actually, we try to transfer it into the *Driver transmit buffer*. The transfer succeeds if the buffer is not full. The `tryToSend` method returns `false` if the buffer is full, and `true` otherwise. Note the returned value only tells if the transfer into the *Driver transmit buffer* is successful or not: we have no way to know if the frame is actually sent on the the CAN network. Then, we act the successful transfer by setting `gSendDate` to the next send date and incrementing the `gSentCount` variable. Note if the transfer did fail, the send date is not changed, so the `tryToSend` method will be called on the execution of the `loop` function.

```
if (can.available ()) {  
    can.receive (frame) ;  
    gReceivedFrameCount ++ ;  
    Serial.print ("Received: ") ;  
    Serial.println (gReceivedFrameCount) ;  
}  
}
```

As the MCP2517FD controller is configured in *loop back* mode, all sent messages are received. The `receive` method returns `false` if no message is available from the *driver reception buffer*. It returns `true` if a message has been successfully removed from the *driver reception buffer*. This message is assigned to the `message` object. If a message has been received, the `gReceivedCount` is incremented and displayed.

## 6 The CANFDMessage class

**Note.** The `CANFDMessage` class did change in release 2.0.0: the `rtr` property has been removed, the type

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property has been added.

**Note.** The `CANFDMessage` class is declared in the `CANFDMessage.h` header file. The class declaration is protected by an include guard that causes the macro `GENERIC_CANFD_MESSAGE_DEFINED` to be defined. This allows an other library to freely include this file without any declaration conflict.

A CANFD message is an object that contains all CANFD frame user informations.

**Example:** The message object describes an extended frame, with identifier equal to `0x123`, that contains 12 bytes of data:

```
CANFDMessage message ; // message is fully initialized with default values
message.id = 0x123 ; // Set the message identifier (it is 0 by default)
message.ext = true ; // message is an extended one (it is a base one by default)
message.len = 12 ; // message contains 12 bytes (0 by default)
message.data [0] = 0x12 ; // First data byte is 0x12
...
message.data [11] = 0xCD ; // 11th data byte is 0xCD
```

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```
class CANFDMessage {
    ...
public : uint32_t id; // Frame identifier
public : bool ext ; // false -> base frame, true -> extended frame
public : Type type ;
public : uint8_t idx ; // Used by the driver
public : uint8_t len ; // Length of data (0 ... 64)
public : union {
    uint64_t data64 [ 8] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint32_t data32 [16] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint16_t data16 [32] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    float dataFloat [16] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint8_t data [64] ;
} ;
    ...
} ;
```

Note the message datas are defined by an **union**. So message datas can be seen as 64 bytes, 32 x 16-bit unsigned integers, 16 x 32-bit, 8 x 64-bit or 16 x 32-bit floats. Be aware that multi-byte integers are subject to endianness (Cortex M4 processors of Teensy 3.x are little-endian).

## 6.2 The default constructor

All properties are initialized by default, and represent a base data frame, with an identifier equal to 0, and without any data ([table 2](#)).

### 6.3 Constructor from CANMessage

Property	Initial value	Comment
id	0	
ext	false	Base frame
type	CANFD_WITH_BIT_RATE_SWITCH	CANFD frame, with bit rate switch
idx	0	
len	0	No data
data	–	<i>uninitialized</i>

**Table 2** – CANFDMessage default constructor initialization

### 6.3 Constructor from CANMessage

```
class CANFDMessage {  
    ...  
    CANFDMessage (const CANMessage & inCANMessage) ;  
    ...  
} ;
```

All properties are initialized from the `inCANMessage` ([table 3](#)). Note that only `data64[0]` is initialized from `inCANMessage.data64`.

Property	Initial value
id	<code>inCANMessage.id</code>
ext	<code>inCANMessage.ext</code>
type	<code>inCANMessage.rtr ? CAN_REMOTE : CAN_DATA</code>
idx	<code>inCANMessage.idx</code>
len	<code>inCANMessage.len</code>
<code>data64[0]</code>	<code>inCANMessage.data64</code>

**Table 3** – CANFDMessage constructor CANMessage

### 6.4 The type property

The type property has been added in release 2.0.0. Its value is an instance of an enumerated type:

```
class CANFDMessage {  
    ...  
    public: typedef enum : uint8_t {  
        CAN_REMOTE,  
        CAN_DATA,  
        CANFD_NO_BIT_RATE_SWITCH,  
        CANFD_WITH_BIT_RATE_SWITCH  
    } Type ;  
    ...  
} ;
```

The type property specifies the frame format, as indicated in the [table 4](#).

## 6.5 The len property

type property	Meaning	Constraint on len
CAN_REMOTE	CAN 2.0B remote frame	0 ... 8
CAN_DATA	CAN 2.0B data frame	0 ... 8
CANFD_NO_BIT_RATE_SWITCH	CANFD frame, no bit rate switch	0 ... 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 32, 48, 64
CANFD_WITH_BIT_RATE_SWITCH	CANFD frame, bit rate switch	0 ... 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 32, 48, 64

**Table 4** – CANFDMessage type property

## 6.5 The len property

Note that len property contains the actual length, not its encoding in CANFD frames. So valid values are: 0, 1, ..., 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 32, 48, 64. Having other values is an error that prevents frame to be sent by the ACAN2517FD::tryToSend method. You can use the pad method (see [section 6.7 page 16](#)) for padding with 0x00 bytes to the next valid length.

## 6.6 The idx property

The idx property is not used in CANFD frames, but:

- for a received message, it contains the acceptance filter index (see [section 18 page 38](#));
- on sending messages, it is used for selecting the transmit buffer (see [section 15 page 30](#)).

## 6.7 The pad method

```
void CANFDMessage::pad (void) ;
```

The CANFDMessage::pad method appends zero bytes to datas for reaching the next valid length. Valid lengths are: 0, 1, ..., 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 32, 48, 64. If the length is already valid, no padding is performed. For example:

```
CANFDMessage frame ;  
frame.length = 21 ; // Not a valid value for sending  
frame.pad () ;  
// frame.length is 24, frame.data [21], frame.data [22], frame.data [23] are 0
```

## 6.8 The isValid method

```
bool CANFDMessage::isValid (void) const ;
```

Not all settings of CANFDMessage instances represent a valid frame. For example, there is no CANFD remote frame, so a remote frame should have its length lower than or equal to 8. There is no constraint on extended / base identifier (ext property).

The isValid returns true if the constraints on the len property are checked, as indicated the [table 4 page 16](#), and false otherwise.



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## 7 The CANMessage class

**Note.** The CANMessage class is declared in the CANMessage.h header file. The class declaration is protected by an include guard that causes the macro GENERIC\_CAN\_MESSAGE\_DEFINED to be defined. The ACAN<sup>2</sup> (version 1.0.3 and above) driver, the ACAN2515<sup>3</sup> driver and the ACAN2517<sup>4</sup> driver contain an identical CANMessage.h file header, enabling using ACAN driver, ACAN2515 driver, ACAN2517 driver and ACAN2517FD driver in a same sketch.

A *CAN message* is an object that contains all CAN 2.0B frame user informations. All properties are initialized by default, and represent a base data frame, with an identifier equal to 0, and without any data. In the ACAN2517FD library, the CANMessage class is only used by a CANFDMessage constructor (section 6.3 page 15).

```
class CANMessage {
public : uint32_t id = 0 ; // Frame identifier
public : bool ext = false ; // false -> standard frame, true -> extended frame
public : bool rtr = false ; // false -> data frame, true -> remote frame
public : uint8_t idx = 0 ; // Used by the ACAN driver
public : uint8_t len = 0 ; // Length of data (0 ... 8)
public : union {
    uint64_t data64 ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint32_t data32 [2] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint16_t data16 [4] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    float dataFloat [2] ; // Caution: subject to endianness
    uint8_t data [8] = {0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0} ;
} ;
} ;
```

Note the message datas are defined by an **union**. So message datas can be seen as eight bytes, four 16-bit unsigned integers, two 32-bit, one 64-bit or two 32-bit floats. Be aware that multi-byte integers and floats are subject to endianness (Cortex M4 processors of Teensy 3.x are little-endian).

The idx property is not used in CAN frames, but:

- for a received message, it contains the acceptance filter index (see section 18 page 38);
- on sending messages, it is used for selecting the transmit buffer (see section 15 page 30).

## 8 Connecting a MCP2517FD to your microcontroller

Connecting a MCP2517FD requires 5 pins (figure 3):

- hardware SPI requires you use dedicated pins of your microcontroller. You can use alternate pins (see below), and if your microcontroller supports several hardware SPIs, you can select any of them;

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<sup>2</sup>The ACAN driver is a CAN driver for FlexCAN modules integrated in the Teensy 3.x microcontrollers, <https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan>.

<sup>3</sup>The ACAN2515 driver is a CAN driver for the MCP2515 CAN controller, <https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2515>.

<sup>4</sup>The ACAN2517 driver is a CAN driver for the MCP2517FD CAN controller in CAN 2.0B mode, <https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2517>.

## 8.1 Pullup resistor on nCS pin

- connecting the  $\overline{CS}$  signal requires one digital pin, that the driver configures as an OUTPUT ;
- connecting the  $\overline{INT}$  signal requires one other digital pin, that the driver configures as an external interrupt input; so this pin should have interrupt capability (checked by the `begin` method of the driver object);
- the  $\overline{INT0}$  and  $\overline{INT1}$  signals are not used by driver and are left not connected.

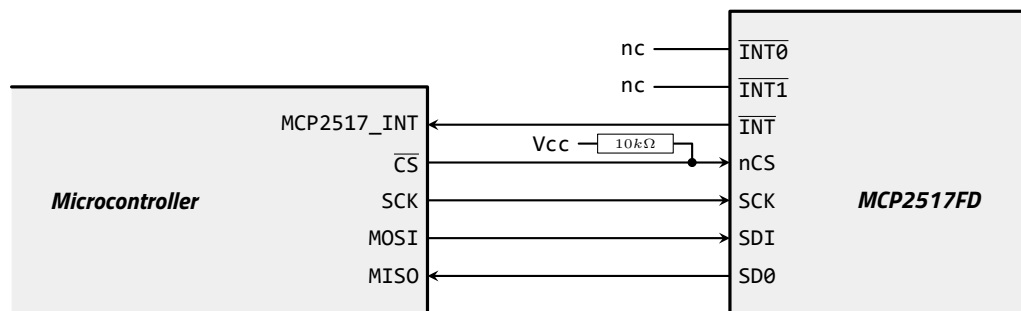


Figure 3 – MCP2517FD connection to a microcontroller

## 8.1 Pullup resistor on nCS pin

Note the  $10\text{ k}\Omega$  resistor between nCS and Vcc. I have experienced that this resistor is useful in the following case: a sketch using the MCP2517FD is running, and I upload a new sketch. During this process, the microcontroller is reset, leaving its  $\overline{CS}$  pin floating. Without the  $10\text{ k}\Omega$  resistor, the nCS level is unpredictable, and if it becomes low, initiates transactions. I think this can crash the MCP2517FD firmware, and the following reset command sent by the driver not handled. With the resistor, the nCS level remains high until the driver sets the nCS as output.

However, I noticed that the MCP2518FD reset properly even without any pullup resistor.

## 8.2 Using alternate pins on Teensy 3.x

**Demo sketch:** LoopBackDemoTeensy3x.

On Teensy 3.x, "the main SPI pins are enabled by default. SPI pins can be moved to their alternate position with `SPI.setMOSI(pin)`, `SPI.setMISO(pin)`, and `SPI.setSCK(pin)`. You can move all of them, or just the ones that conflict, as you prefer."<sup>5</sup>

For example, the LoopBackDemoTeensy3x sketch uses SPI1 on a Teensy 3.5 with these alternate pins<sup>6</sup>:

You call the `SPI1.setMOSI`, `SPI1.setMISO`, and `SPI1.setSCK` functions **before** calling the `begin` function of your ACAN2517FD instance:

```
ACAN2517FD can (MCP2517_CS, SPI1, MCP2517_INT) ;
...
static const byte MCP2517_SCK = 32 ; // SCK input of MCP2517
```

<sup>5</sup>See [https://www.pjrc.com/teensy/td\\_libs\\_SPI.html](https://www.pjrc.com/teensy/td_libs_SPI.html)

<sup>6</sup>See <https://www.pjrc.com/teensy/pinout.html>

## 8.2 Using alternate pins on Teensy 3.x

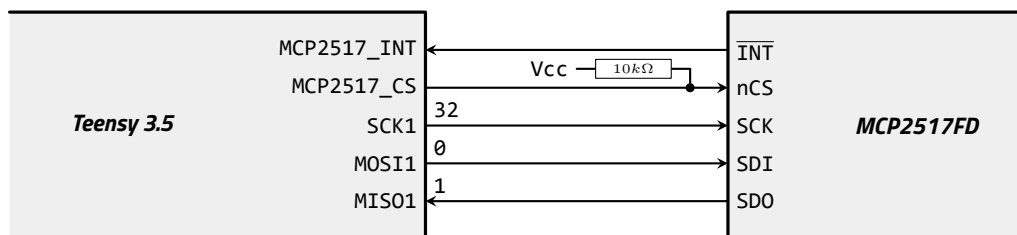


Figure 4 – Using SPI alternate pins on a Teensy 3.5

```
static const byte MCP2517_SDI = 0 ; // SDI input of MCP2517
static const byte MCP2517_SDO = 1 ; // SDO output of MCP2517
...
void setup () {
    ...
    SPI1.setMOSI (MCP2517_SDI) ;
    SPI1.setMISO (MCP2517_SDO) ;
    SPI1.setSCK (MCP2517_SCK) ;
    SPI1.begin () ;
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
    ...
}
```

Note you can use the SPI1.pinIsMOSI, SPI1.pinIsMISO, and SPI1.pinIsSCK functions to check if the alternate pins you select are valid:

```
void setup () {
    ...
    Serial.print ("Using pin #") ;
    Serial.print (MCP2517_SDI) ;
    Serial.print (" for MOSI: ") ;
    Serial.println (SPI1.pinIsMOSI (MCP2517_SDI) ? "yes" : "NO!!!") ;
    Serial.print ("Using pin #") ;
    Serial.print (MCP2517_SDO) ;
    Serial.print (" for MISO: ") ;
    Serial.println (SPI1.pinIsMISO (MCP2517_SDO) ? "yes" : "NO!!!") ;
    Serial.print ("Using pin #") ;
    Serial.print (MCP2517_SCK) ;
    Serial.print (" for SCK: ") ;
    Serial.println (SPI1.pinIsSCK (MCP2517_SCK) ? "yes" : "NO!!!") ;
    SPI1.setMOSI (MCP2517_SDI) ;
    SPI1.setMISO (MCP2517_SDO) ;
    SPI1.setSCK (MCP2517_SCK) ;
    SPI1.begin () ;
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
    ...
}
```

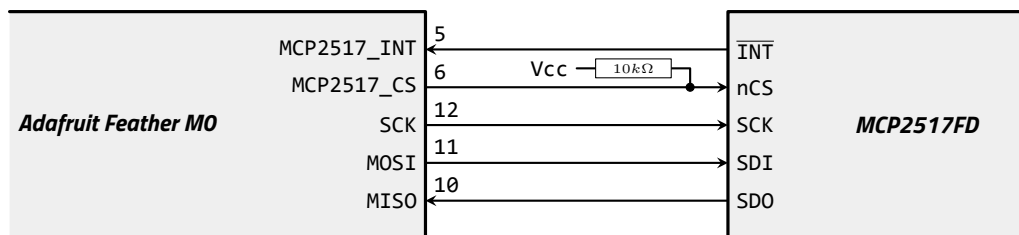
### 8.3 Using alternate pins on an Adafruit Feather M0

**Demo sketch:** LoopBackDemoAdafruitFeatherM0.

**Link:** <https://learn.adafruit.com/using-atsamd21-sercom-to-add-more-spi-i2c-serial-ports/overview>

This document explains in details how configure and set alternate SPI pins on Adafruit Feather M0.

For example, the LoopBackDemoAdafruitFeatherM0 sketch uses SERCOM1 on an Adafruit Feather M0 as illustrated in [figure 5](#).



**Figure 5** – Using SPI alternate pins on an Adafruit Feather M0

The configuration code is the following. Note you should call the `pinPeripheral` function **after** calling the `mySPI.begin` function.

```
#include <wiring_private.h>
...
static const byte MCP2517_SCK = 12 ; // SCK pin, SCK input of MCP2517FD
static const byte MCP2517_SDI = 11 ; // MOSI pin, SDI input of MCP2517FD
static const byte MCP2517_SDO = 10 ; // MISO pin, SDO output of MCP2517FD

SPIClass mySPI (&sercom1,
               MCP2517_SDO, MCP2517_SDI, MCP2517_SCK,
               SPI_PAD_0_SCK_3, SERCOM_RX_PAD_2);

static const byte MCP2517_CS = 6 ; // CS input of MCP2517FD
static const byte MCP2517_INT = 5 ; // INT output of MCP2517FD
...
ACAN2517FD can (MCP2517_CS, mySPI, MCP2517_INT) ;
...
void setup () {
  ...
  mySPI.begin () ;
  pinPeripheral (MCP2517_SDI, PIO_SERCOM);
  pinPeripheral (MCP2517_SCK, PIO_SERCOM);
  pinPeripheral (MCP2517_SDO, PIO_SERCOM);
  ...
  const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
  ...
}
```

## 8.4 Connecting to an ESP32

**Demo sketches:** LoopBackDemoESP32 and LoopBackESP32-intensive. See also the ESP32 demo sketch SPI\_Multiple\_Busses.

**Link:** <https://randomnerdtutorials.com/esp32-pinout-reference-gpios/>

Two ESP32 SPI busses are available in Arduino, HSPI and VSPI. By default, Arduino SPI is VSPI. The ESP32 default pins are given in [table 5](#).

Port	SCK	MOSI	MISO
VSPI	I018	I023	I019
HSPI	I014	I013	I012

**Table 5** – ESP32 SPI default pins

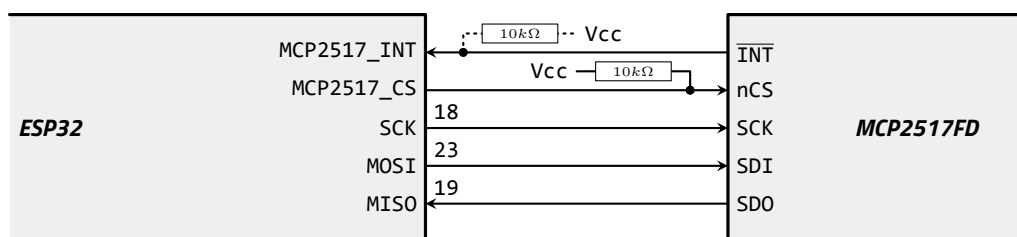
### 8.4.1 Connecting MCP2517\_CS and MCP2517\_INT

For MCP2517\_CS, you can use any port that can be configured as digital output. ACAN2517FD does not support hardware chip select. For MCP2517\_INT, you can use any port that can be configured as digital input, as ESP32 provides interrupt capability on any input pin.

**Note.** I034 to I039 are input only pins, without internal pullup or pulldown. So you cannot use these pins for MCP2517\_CS. If you use one of these pins for MCP2517\_INT, you should add an external pullup resistor if you configure the  $\overline{\text{INT}}$  pin as Open Drain ([section 20.11.2 page 52](#)).

### 8.4.2 Using SPI

Default SPI (i.e. VSPI) pins are: SCK=18, MISO=19, MOSI=23 ([figure 6](#)).



**Figure 6** – Using VSPI default pins on an ESP32

You can change the default pins with additional arguments (up to three) for `SPI.begin` :

```
SPI.begin (SCK_PIN) ; // Uses MISO and MOSI default pins
```

or

```
SPI.begin (SCK_PIN, MISO_PIN) ; // Uses MOSI default pin
```

or

```
SPI.begin (SCK_PIN, MISO_PIN, MOSI_PIN) ;
```

## 8.5 Connection with no interrupt pin

Note that `SPI.begin` accepts a fourth argument, for CS pin. Do not use this feature with ACAN2517FD.

### 8.4.3 Using HSPI

The ESP32 demo sketch `SPI_Multiple_Busses` shows how to use both HSPI and VSPI. However for ACAN2517FD, we proceed in a slightly different way:

```
#include <SPI.h>
....
SPIClass hspi (HSPI) ;
ACAN2517FD can (MCP2517_CS, hspi, MCP2517_INT) ;
....
void setup () {
    ....
    hspi.begin () ; // You can also add parameters for not using default pins
    ....
}
```

You declare the `hspi` object before declaring the `can` object. You can change the `hspi` name, the important point is the HSPI argument that specifies the HSPI bus. Then, instead of using the `SPI` name, you use the `hspi` name in:

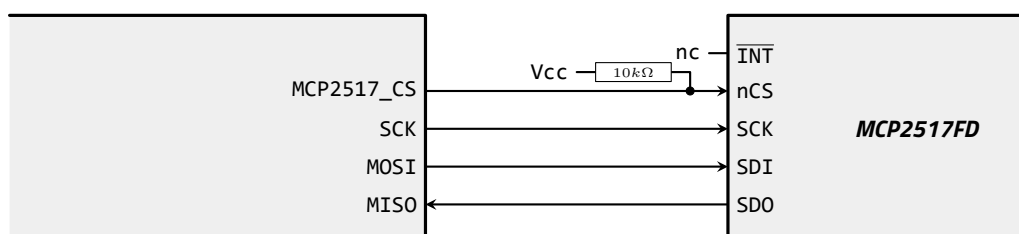
- `can` object declaration;
- in `begin SPI` instruction.

See the `LoopBackESP32-intensive` sketch for an example with VSPI.

## 8.5 Connection with no interrupt pin

See the `LoopBackDemoTeensy3xNoInt` and `LoopBackDemoESP32NoInt` sketches.

**Note that not using an interruption is only valid if the message throughput is not too high. Received messages are recovered by polling, so the risk of MCP2517FD internal buffers overflowing is greater.**



**Figure 7** – Connection with no interrupt pin

For not using the interrupt signal, you should adapt your sketch as following:

1. the last argument of `can` constructor should be 255, meaning no interrupt pin;

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2. the second argument of `can.begin` should be `NULL` (no interrupt service routine);
3. in the `loop` function, you should call `can.poll` as often as possible.

```
ACAN2517FD can (MCP2517_CS, SPI, 255) ; // Last argument is 255 -> no interrupt pin

void setup () {
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, NULL) ; // ISR is null
    ...
}

void loop () {
    can.poll () ;
    ...
}
```

## 8.6 Wiring schemes

Here I list wiring schemes sent by users. If you want to see your wiring scheme here, send it to me. I will publish it in the next release of the library.

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Thanks to soso49 for this wiring scheme ([figure 8](#)).

## 9 Clock configuration

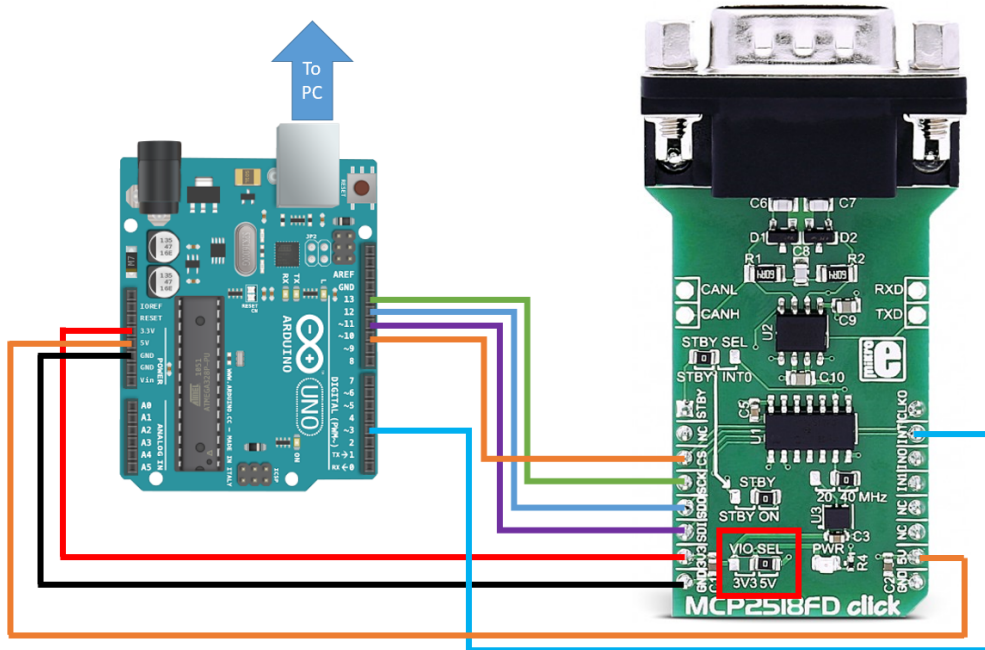
The MCP251x7FD Oscillator Block Diagram is given in [figure 9](#). Microchip recommends using a 4, 40 or 20 MHz CLKIN, Crystal or Ceramic Resonator. *A PLL can be enabled to multiply a 4 MHz clock by 10 by setting the `PLLEN` bit. Setting the `SCLKDIV` bit divides the `SYSCLK` by 2.*<sup>7</sup> **My opinion is that it is better to use an external clock (see [section 3.2 page 7](#)).**

The `ACAN2517FDSettings` class defines an enumerated type for specifying your settings:

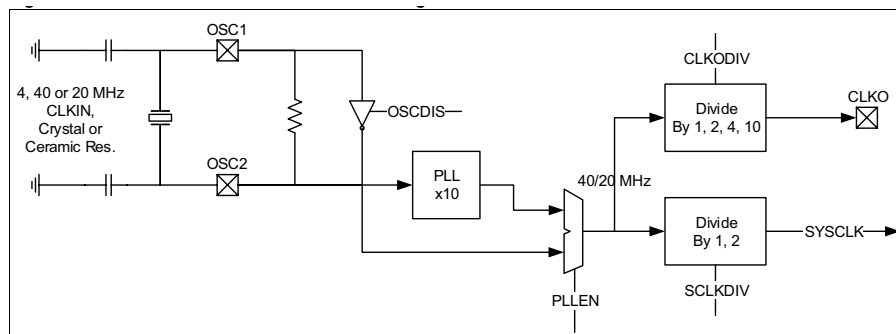
```
class ACAN2517FDSettings {
public: typedef enum {
    OSC_4MHz,
    OSC_4MHz_DIVIDED_BY_2,
    OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
    OSC_4MHz10xPLL_DIVIDED_BY_2,
    OSC_20MHz,
    OSC_20MHz_DIVIDED_BY_2,
```

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<sup>7</sup>DS20005678B, page 13.



**Figure 8** – Connecting an Arduino Uno with a MCP2518FDClick board



**Figure 9** – MCP251xFD Oscillator Block Diagram (DS20005678B, figure 3.1 page 13)

```

OSC_40MHz,
OSC_40MHz_DIVIDED_BY_2
} Oscillator ;
...
} ;

```

The first argument of the `ACAN2517FDSettings` constructor specifies the oscillator. For example, with a 4 MHz clock, the `ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL` setting leads to a 40 MHz `SYSCLK`.

The eight clock settings are given in the [table 6](#). Note Microchip recommends a 40 MHz or 20 MHz `SYSCLK`. The `ACAN2517FDSettings` class has two accessors that return current settings: `oscillator()` and `sysClock()`.

The `begin` function of `ACAN2517FD` library first configures the selected SPI with a frequency of 1 Mbit/s, for resetting the MCP2517FD and programming the `PLEN` and `SCLDIV` bits. Then SPI clock is set to a frequency equal to `SYSCLK / 2`, the maximum allowed frequency. More precisely, the SPI library of your microcontroller



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Oscillator Frequency	Oscillator parameter	SYSCLK
4 MHz	OSC_4MHz	4 MHz
4 MHz	OSC_4MHz_DIVIDE_BY_2	2 MHz
4 MHz	OSC_4MHz10xPLL	40 MHz
4 MHz	OSC_4MHz10xPLL_DIVIDE_BY_2	20 MHz
20 MHz	OSC_20MHz	20 MHz
20 MHz	OSC_20MHz_DIVIDE_BY_2	10 MHz
40 MHz	OSC_40MHz	40 MHz
40 MHz	OSC_40MHz_DIVIDE_BY_2	20 MHz

**Table 6** – The ACAN2517FD oscillator selection

may adopt a lower frequency; for example, the maximum frequency of the Arduino Uno SPI is 8 Mbit/s.

Note that an incorrect setting may crash the MCP2517FD firmware (for example, enabling the PLL with a 20 MHz or 40 MHz oscillator). In such case, no SPI communication can then be established, and in particular, the MCP2517FD cannot be reset by software. As the MCP2517FD has no RESET pin, the only way is to power off and power on the MCP2517FD.

## 10 Transmit FIFO

The transmit FIFO (see [figure 1 page 9](#)) is composed by:

- the *driver transmit FIFO*, whose size is positive or zero (default 16); you can change the default size by setting the `mDriverTransmitFIFOSize` property of your `settings` object;
- the *controller transmit FIFO*, whose size is between 1 and 32 (default 1); you can change the default size by setting the `mControllerTransmitFIFOSize` property of your `settings` object.

Having a *driver transmit FIFO* of zero size is valid; in this case, the FIFO must be considered both empty and full.

For sending a message through the *Transmit FIFO*, call the `tryToSend` method with a message whose `idx` property is zero:

- if the *controller transmit FIFO* is not full, the message is appended to it, and `tryToSend` returns `true`;
- otherwise, if the *driver transmit FIFO* is not full, the message is appended to it, and `tryToSend` returns `true`; the interrupt service routine will transfer messages from *driver transmit FIFO* to the *controller transmit FIFO* when it becomes not full;
- otherwise, both FIFOs are full, the message is not stored and `tryToSend` returns `false`.

The transmit FIFO ensures sequentiality of emissions.

There are three other parameters you can override:

## 10.1 The driverTransmitBufferSize method

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- `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFORetransmissionAttempts` is the number of retransmission attempts; by default, it is set to `UnlimitedNumber`; other values are `Disabled` and `ThreeAttempts`;
- `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFOPriority` is the priority of the transmit FIFO: between 0 (lowest priority) and 31 (highest priority); default value is 0;
- `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload` is the controller transmit FIFO object payload size; default value is `PAYLOAD_64`, enabled sending any CANFD frame; see [section 13 page 28](#).

The *controller transmit FIFO* is located in the MCP2517FD RAM. It requires 16 bytes for each message (see [section 14 page 30](#)).

## 10.1 The driverTransmitBufferSize method

The `driverTransmitBufferSize` method returns the allocated size of this driver transmit buffer, that is the value of `settings.mDriverTransmitBufferSize` when the `begin` method is called.

```
const uint32_t s = can.driverTransmitBufferSize ();
```

## 10.2 The driverTransmitBufferCount method

The `driverTransmitBufferCount` method returns the current number of messages in the driver transmit buffer.

```
const uint32_t n = can.driverTransmitBufferCount ();
```

## 10.3 The driverTransmitBufferPeakCount method

The `driverTransmitBufferPeakCount` method returns the peak value of message count in the driver transmit buffer

```
const uint32_t max = can.driverTransmitBufferPeakCount ();
```

If the transmit buffer is full when `tryToSend` is called, the return value of this call is `false`. In such case, the following calls of `driverTransmitBufferPeakCount()` will return `driverTransmitBufferSize ()+1`.

So, when `driverTransmitBufferPeakCount()` returns a value lower or equal to `transmitBufferSize ()`, it means that calls to `tryToSend` have always returned `true`, and no overflow occurs on driver transmit buffer.

# 11 Transmit Queue (TXQ)

The *Transmit Queue* is handled by the MCP2517FD, its contents is located in its RAM. **It is not a FIFO.** Messages inside the TXQ will be transmitted based on their ID. The message with the highest priority ID, lowest ID value will be transmitted first<sup>8</sup>.

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<sup>8</sup>DS20005678B, section 4.5, page 28.

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By default, the *transmit queue* is disabled (its default size is 0); you can change the default size by setting the `mControllerTXQSize` property of your settings object. The maximum valid size is 32.

For sending a message through the *transmit queue*, call the `tryToSend` method with a message whose `idx` property is 255:

- if the *transmit queue* size is not zero and if it is not full, the message is appended to it, and `tryToSend` returns `true`;
- otherwise, the message is not stored and `tryToSend` returns `false`.

There are three other parameters you can override:

- `inSettings.mControllerTXQBufferRetransmissionAttempts` is the number of retransmission attempts; by default, it is set to `UnlimitedNumber`; other values are `Disabled` and `ThreeAttempts`;
- `inSettings.mControllerTXQBufferPriority` is the priority of the TXQ buffer: between 0 (lowest priority) and 31 (highest priority); default value is 31;
- `inSettings.mControllerTXQBufferPayload` is the controller TXQ buffer object payload size; default value is `PAYLOAD_64`, enabled sending any CANFD frame; see [section 13 page 28](#).

The *transmit queue* is located in the MCP2517FD RAM. It requires 16 bytes for each message (see [section 14 page 30](#)).

## 12 Receive FIFO

The receive FIFO (see [figure 1 page 9](#)) is composed by:

- the *controller receive FIFO* (in the MCP2517FD RAM), whose size is between 1 and 32 (default 27); you can change the default size by setting the `mControllerReceiveFIFOSize` property of your settings object;
- the *driver receive FIFO* (in library software), whose size is positive (default 32); you can change the default size by setting the `mDriverReceiveFIFOSize` property of your settings object.

The receive FIFO mechanism ensures sequentiality of reception. The `ACAN2517FD::available`, `ACAN2517FD::receive` and `ACAN2517FD::dispatchReceivedMessage` methods work only with the *driver receive FIFO*.

You can override the `mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload` value, which represents the controller receive FIFO object payload size; default value is `PAYLOAD_64`, enabled receiving any CANFD frame. See [section 13 page 28](#).

When a valid incoming CANFD message is received, the MCP2517FD submits it to the *reception filters*. If it is accepted by a receive filter, it is transferred to the *controller receive FIFO*. Then, the behaviour depends from the library release.

**Releases <= 2.1.6.** When an incoming message has been accepted by a receive filter:

## 12.1 The hardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount method

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- the message is removed from the *controller receive FIFO*;
- if the *driver receive FIFO* is not full, it is stored in the *driver receive FIFO*.

Then, if the *driver receive FIFO* is not full, the message is transferred by the *interrupt service routine* from *controller receive FIFO* to the *driver receive FIFO*. If the *driver receive FIFO* is full, the message is lost. So the *driver receive FIFO* and the *controller receive FIFO* never overflow.

**Releases >= 2.1.7.** When an incoming message has been accepted by a receive filter:

- if the *driver receive FIFO* is not full, it is removed from the *controller receive FIFO* and stored in the *driver receive FIFO*;
- otherwise, the message remains in the *controller receive FIFO*.

So the *driver receive FIFO* never overflows, but *controller receive FIFO* may (you can get the overflow count by call the hardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount method, see [section 12.1 page 28](#)).

As soon as the *driver receive FIFO* becomes not full, messages from *controller receive FIFO* are transferred to the *driver receive FIFO* by the *interrupt service routine* until the *driver receive FIFO* becomes full again or the *driver receive FIFO* becomes empty.

## 12.1 The hardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount method

```
uint8_t ACAN2517FD::hardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount (void) const ;
```

The driver maintains an `uint8_t` counter of *controller receive FIFO* overflows, saturating at 255. The method returns the current value of the counter.

## 12.2 The resetHardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount method

```
void ACAN2517FD::resetHardwareReceiveBufferOverflowCount (void) ;
```

The driver maintains an `uint8_t` counter of *controller receive FIFO* overflows. The method resets the current value of the counter.

# 13 Payload size

Controller transmit FIFO, controller TXQ buffer and controller receive FIFO objects are stored in the internal MCP2517FD RAM. The size of each object depends on the setting applied to the corresponding FIFO or buffer.

By default, all FIFOs and buffer accept objects up to 64 data bytes. The size of each object is 72 bytes. As the internal MCP2517FD RAM has a capacity of 2048 bytes, only 28 objects are available, and they are allocated as follows:

- controller transmit FIFO (`mControllerTransmitFIFOSize` property): 4 objects;

### 13.1 The ACAN2517FDSettings::objectSizeForPayload static method

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- controller TXQ buffer (mControllerTXQSize property): no object;
- controller receive FIFO (mControllerReceiveFIFOSize property): 24 objects.

The details of RAM usage computation are presented in [section 14 page 30](#).

Note the ACAN2517 library<sup>9</sup> handles an MCP2517FD in CAN 2.0B mode. As CAN 2.0B frames contains at most 8 bytes, the size of each object is 16 bytes, allowing using up to 128 objects.

With the mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload, the mControllerTXQBufferPayload and the mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload properties, you can adjust the object size following your application requirements. The [table 7](#) shows the possible values of these properties and the corresponding payload and object size.

By example, suppose your application always send data frames with no more than 24 bytes. You can set the mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload and mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload properties to ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD\_24, leading to an object size equal to 32 bytes. If your application also receives data frames with no more than 24 bytes, you can also set the mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload property to ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD\_24. All your objects require 32 bytes, allowing 64 objects in the MCP2517FD RAM. The benefit is you can now increase controller buffer sizes, for example:

- controller transmit FIFO (mControllerTransmitFIFOSize property): 16 objects;
- controller TXQ buffer (mControllerTXQSize property): 16 objects;
- controller receive FIFO (mControllerReceiveFIFOSize property): 32 objects.

Object Size specification	Payload	Object Size
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_8	Up to 8 bytes	16 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_12	Up to 12 bytes	20 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_16	Up to 16 bytes	24 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_20	Up to 20 bytes	28 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_24	Up to 24 bytes	32 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_32	Up to 32 bytes	40 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_48	Up to 48 bytes	56 bytes
ACAN2517FDSettings::PAYLOAD_64	Up to 64 bytes	72 bytes

**Table 7** – ACAN2517FD object size from payload size specification

### 13.1 The ACAN2517FDSettings::objectSizeForPayload static method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::objectSizeForPayload (const PayloadSize inPayload) ;
```

This static method returns the object size for a given payload specification, following [table 7](#).

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<sup>9</sup><https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2517>

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## 14 RAM usage

The MCP2517FD contains a 2048 bytes RAM that is used to store message objects<sup>10</sup>. There are three different kinds of message objects:

- Transmit Message Objects used by the TXQ buffer;
- Transmit Message Objects used by the transmit FIFO;
- Receive Message Objects used by the receive FIFO.

There are six parameters that affect the required memory amount:

- the `mControllerTransmitFIFOSize` property sets the controller transmit FIFO object count;
- the `mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload` property defines the controller transmit FIFO object size;
- the `mControllerTXQSize` property sets the controller TXQ buffer object count;
- the `mControllerTXQBufferPayload` property defines the controller TXQ buffer object size;
- the `mControllerReceiveFIFOSize` property sets the controller receive FIFO object count;
- the `mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload` property defines the controller receive FIFO object size.

The `ACAN2517FDSettings::ramUsage` method computes the required memory amount as follows:

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::ramUsage (void) const {
    uint32_t r = 0 ;
    //--- TXQ
    r += objectSizeForPayload(mControllerTXQBufferPayload) * mControllerTXQSize;
    //--- Receive FIFO (FIFO #1)
    r += objectSizeForPayload(mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload) * mControllerReceiveFIFOSize;
    //--- Send FIFO (FIFO #2)
    r += objectSizeForPayload(mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload) * mControllerTransmitFIFOSize;
    //---
    return r ;
}
```

The `ACAN2517FD::begin` method checks the required memory amount is lower or equal than 2048 bytes. Otherwise, it raises the error code `kControllerRamUsageGreaterThan2048`.

You can also use the *MCP2517FD RAM Usage Calculations* Excel sheet from Microchip<sup>11</sup>.

## 15 Sending frames: the `tryToSend` method

The `ACAN2517FD::tryToSend` method sends CAN 2.0B and CANFD frames:

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<sup>10</sup>DS20005688B, section 3.3, page 63.

<sup>11</sup><http://ww1.microchip.com/downloads/en/DeviceDoc/MCP2517FD%20RAM%20Usage%20Calculations%20-%20UG.xlsx>

## 15.1 Calling tryToSend with an CANMessage argument

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```
bool ACAN2517FD::tryToSend (const CANFDMessage & inMessage) ;
```

You call the tryToSend method for sending a message in the CAN network. Note this function returns before the message is actually sent; this function only appends the message to a transmit buffer.

The idx property of the message specifies the transmit buffer:

- 0 for the transmit FIFO ([section 10 page 25](#)) ;
- 255 for the transmit Queue ([section 11 page 26](#)).

The type property of inMessage specifies how the frame is sent:

- CAN\_REMOTE, the frame is sent in the CAN 2.0B remote frame format;
- CAN\_DATA, the frame is sent in the CAN 2.0B data frame format;
- CANFD\_NO\_BIT\_RATE\_SWITCH, the frame is sent in CANFD format at arbitration bit rate, regardless of the ACAN2517FDSettings::DATA\_BITRATE\_xn setting;
- CANFD\_WITH\_BIT\_RATE\_SWITCH, with the ACAN2517FDSettings::DATA\_BITRATE\_x1 setting, the frame is sent in CANFD format at arbitration bit rate, and otherwise in CANFD format with bit rate switch.

```
...
CANFDMessage message ;
// Setup message
const bool ok = can.tryToSend (message) ;
...
```

The tryToSend method returns:

- false if the message responds false to the isValid method (see [section 6.8 page 16](#)), or if its len property has a value greater than the corresponding buffer payload; an invalid message is never submitted to a transmit buffer;
- otherwise, if the message responds true to the isValid method:
  - true if the message has been successfully transmitted to the transmit buffer; note that does not mean that the CAN frame has been actually sent;
  - false if the message has not been successfully transmitted to the transmit buffer, it was full.

So it is wise to systematically test the returned value.

## 15.1 Calling tryToSend with an CANMessage argument

The CANFDMessage class provides a constructor from a CANMessage object, so it is valid to call the tryToSend method with an CANMessage argument.

```
...
CANMessage message ;
// Setup message
const bool ok = can.tryToSend (message) ;
...
```

So, if the `message.rtr` is:

- `true`, the frame is sent in the CAN 2.0B remote frame format;
- `false`, the frame is sent in the CAN 2.0B data frame format.

## 15.2 Usage example

A way is to use a global variable to note if the message has been successfully transmitted to driver transmit buffer. For example, for sending a message every 2 seconds:

```
static uint32_t gSendDate = 0 ;

void loop () {
  if (gSendDate < millis ()) {
    CANFDMessage message ;
    // Initialize message properties
    const bool ok = can.tryToSend (message) ;
    if (ok) {
      gSendDate += 2000 ;
    }
  }
}
```

An other hint to use a global boolean variable as a flag that remains `true` while the message has not been sent.

```
static bool gSendMessage = false ;

void loop () {
  ...
  if (frame_should_be_sent) {
    gSendMessage = true ;
  }
  ...
  if (gSendMessage) {
    CANMessage message ;
    // Initialize message properties
    const bool ok = can.tryToSend (message) ;
    if (ok) {
      gSendMessage = false ;
    }
  }
}
```



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```
}  
...  
}
```

## 16 Retrieving received messages using the receive method

There are two ways for retrieving received messages :

- using the receive method, as explained in this section;
- using the `dispatchReceivedMessage` method (see [section 18 page 38](#)).

This is a basic example:

```
void loop () {  
  CANFDMessage message ;  
  if (can.receive (message)) {  
    // Handle received message  
  }  
  ...  
}
```

The receive method:

- returns `false` if the driver receive buffer is empty, `message` argument is not modified;
- returns `true` if a message has been removed from the driver receive buffer, and the `message` argument is assigned.

The type property contains the received frame format:

- `CAN_REMOTE`, the received frame is a CAN 2.0B remote frame;
- `CAN_DATA`, the received frame is a CAN 2.0B data frame;
- `CANFD_NO_BIT_RATE_SWITCH`, the frame received frame is a CANFD frame, received at at arbitration bit rate;
- `CANFD_WITH_BIT_RATE_SWITCH`, the frame received frame is a CANFD frame, received with bit rate switch.

You need to manually dispatch the received messages. If you did not provide any receive filter, you should check the type property (remote or data frame?), the ext bit (base or extended frame), and the id (identifier value). The following snippet dispatches three messages:

```
void loop () {  
  CANFDMessage message ;  
  if (can.receive (message)) {
```

```
if (!message.rtr && message.ext && (message.id == 0x123456)) {  
    handle_myMessage_0 (message) ; // Extended data frame, id is 0x123456  
}else if (!message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x234)) {  
    handle_myMessage_1 (message) ; // Base data frame, id is 0x234  
}else if (message.rtr && !message.ext && (message.id == 0x542)) {  
    handle_myMessage_2 (message) ; // Base remote frame, id is 0x542  
}  
}  
}  
...  
}
```

The `handle_myMessage_0` function has the following header:

```
void handle_myMessage_0 (const CANFDMessage & inMessage) {  
    ...  
}
```

So are the header of the `handle_myMessage_1` and the `handle_myMessage_2` functions.

## 16.1 Driver receive buffer size

By default, the driver receive buffer size is 24. You can change it by setting the `mReceiveBufferSize` property of `settings` variable before calling the `begin` method:

```
ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,  
                             125 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x4) ;  
settings.mReceiveBufferSize = 100 ;  
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;  
...
```

As the size of `CANFDMessage` class is 72 bytes, the actual size of the driver receive buffer is the value of `settings.mReceiveBufferSize * 72`.

## 16.2 The `receiveBufferSize` method

The `receiveBufferSize` method returns the size of the driver receive buffer, that is the value of the `mReceiveBufferSize` property of `settings` variable when the `begin` method is called.

```
const uint32_t s = can.receiveBufferSize () ;
```

## 16.3 The `receiveBufferCount` method

The `receiveBufferCount` method returns the current number of messages in the driver receive buffer.

```
const uint32_t n = can.receiveBufferCount () ;
```

## 16.4 The receiveBufferPeakCount method

The receiveBufferPeakCount method returns the peak value of message count in the driver receive buffer.

```
const uint32_t max = can.receiveBufferPeakCount () ;
```

Note the driver receive buffer can overflow, if messages are not retrieved (by calling the receive or the dispatchReceivedMessage methods). If an overflow occurs, further calls of can.receiveBufferPeakCount () return can.receiveBufferSize ()+1.

## 17 Acceptance filters

**Note.** The acceptance filters implemented in the ACAN2517 library, that handles a MCP2517FD CAN Controller in the CAN 2.0B mode<sup>12</sup>, are almost identical, they differ only from the prototype of the callback routine.

If you invoke the ACAN2517FD.begin method with two arguments, it configures the MCP2517FD for receiving all messages.

```
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
```

If you want to define receive filters, you have to set up an MCP2517FDFilters instance object, and pass it as third argument of the ACAN2517FD.begin method:

```
MCP2517FDFilters filters ;  
... // Append filters  
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }, filters) ;  
...
```

### 17.1 An example

**Sample sketch:** the LoopBackDemoTeensy3xWithFilters sketch is an example of filter definition.

```
MCP2517FDFilters filters ;
```

First, you instantiate an MCP2517FDFilters object. It represents an empty list of filters. So, if you do not append any filter, can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }, filters) configures the controller in such a way that no messages can be received.

```
// Filter #0: receive base frame with identifier 0x123  
filters.appendFrameFilter (kStandard, 0x123, receiveFromFilter0) ;  
// Filter #1: receive extended frame with identifier 0x12345678  
filters.appendFrameFilter (kExtended, 0x12345678, receiveFromFilter1) ;
```

You define the filters sequentially, with the four methods: appendPassAllFilter, appendFormatFilter, appendFrameFilter, appendFilter. Theses methods have as last argument an optional callback routine, that is called by the dispatchReceivedMessage method (see [section 18 page 38](#)).

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<sup>12</sup><https://github.com/pierremolinaro/acan2517>

## 17.2 The appendPassAllFilter method

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The `appendFrameFilter` defines a filter that matches for an extended or base identifier of a given value.

You can define up to 32 filters. Filter definition registers are outside the MCP2517FD RAM, so defining filter does not restrict the receive and transmit buffer sizes. Note that MCP2517FD filter does not allow to establish a filter based on the data / remote information.

```
// Filter #2: receive base frame with identifier 0x3n4 (0 <= n <= 15)
filters.appendFilter (kStandard, 0x70F, 0x304, receiveFromFilter2) ;
```

The `appendFilter` defines a filter that matches for an identifier that matches the condition:

$$\text{identifier} \& 0x70F == 0x304$$

The `kStandard` argument constraints to accept only base frames. So the accepted base identifiers are 0x304, 0x314, 0x324, ..., 0x3E4, 0x3F4.

```
//----- Filters ok ?
if (filters.filterStatus () != MCP2517FDFilters::kFiltersOk) {
    Serial.print ("Error filter ") ;
    Serial.print (filters.filterErrorIndex ()) ;
    Serial.print (": ") ;
    Serial.println (filters.filterStatus ()) ;
}
```

Filter definitions can have error(s), you can check error kind with the `filterStatus` method. If it returns a value different than `MCP2517FDFilters::kFiltersOk`, there is at least one error: only the last one is reported, and the `filterErrorIndex` returns the corresponding filter index. Note this does not check the number of filters is lower or equal than 32.

```
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }, filters) ;
```

The `begin` method checks the filter definition:

- it raises the `kMoreThan32Filters` error if more than 32 filters are defined;
- it raises the `kFilterDefinitionError` error if one or more filter definitions are erroneous (that is if `filterStatus` returns a value different than `MCP2517FDFilters::kFiltersOk`).

## 17.2 The appendPassAllFilter method

```
void MCP2517FDFilters::appendPassAllFilter (const ACANFDCallBackRoutine inCallBackRoutine) ;
```

This defines a filter that accepts all (base / extended, remote / data) frames.

If used, this filter must be the last one: as the MCP2517FD tests the filters sequentially, the following filters will never match.

## 17.3 The appendFormatFilter method

## 17.4 The appendFrameFilter method

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```
void MCP2517FDFilters::appendFormatFilter (const tFrameFormat inFormat,  
                                            const ACANFDCallbackRoutine inCallbackRoutine) ;
```

This defines a filter that accepts:

- if inFormat is equal to kStandard, all base remote frames and all base data frames;
- if inFormat is equal to kExtended, all extended remote frames and all extended data frames.

## 17.4 The appendFrameFilter method

```
void MCP2517FDFilters::appendFrameFilter (const tFrameFormat inFormat,  
                                           const uint32_t inIdentifier,  
                                           const ACANFDCallbackRoutine inCallbackRoutine) ;
```

This defines a filter that accepts:

- if inFormat is equal to kStandard, all base remote frames and all base data frames with a given identifier;
- if inFormat is equal to kExtended, all extended remote frames and all extended data frames with a given identifier.

If inFormat is equal to kStandard, the inIdentifier should be lower or equal to 0x7FF. Otherwise, settings.filterStatus () returns the kStandardIdentifierTooLarge error.

If inFormat is equal to kExtended, the inIdentifier should be lower or equal to 0x1FFFFFFF. Otherwise, settings.filterStatus () returns the kExtendedIdentifierTooLarge error.

## 17.5 The appendFilter method

```
void MCP2517FDFilters::appendFilter (const tFrameFormat inFormat,  
                                      const uint32_t inMask,  
                                      const uint32_t inAcceptance,  
                                      const ACANFDCallbackRoutine inCallbackRoutine) ;
```

The inMask and inAcceptance arguments defines a filter that accepts frame whose identifier verifies:

$$\text{identifier} \& \text{inMask} == \text{inAcceptance}$$

The inFormat filters base (if inFormat is equal to kStandard) frames, or extended ones (if inFormat is equal to kExtended).

Note that inMask and inAcceptance arguments should verify:

$$\text{inAcceptance} \& \text{inMask} == \text{inAcceptance}$$

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Otherwise, `settings.filterStatus ()` returns the `kInconsistencyBetweenMaskAndAcceptance` error.

If `inFormat` is equal to `kStandard`:

- the `inAcceptance` should be lower or equal to `0x7FF`; Otherwise, `settings.filterStatus ()` returns the `kStandardAcceptanceTooLarge` error;
- the `inMask` should be lower or equal to `0x7FF`; Otherwise, `settings.filterStatus ()` returns the `kStandardMaskTooLarge` error.

If `inFormat` is equal to `kExtended`:

- the `inAcceptance` should be lower or equal to `0x1FFFFFFF`; Otherwise, `settings.filterStatus ()` returns the `kExtendedAcceptanceTooLarge` error;
- the `inMask` should be lower or equal to `0x1FFFFFFF`; Otherwise, `settings.filterStatus ()` returns the `kExtendedMaskTooLarge` error.

## 18 The `dispatchReceivedMessage` method

**Sample sketch:** the `LoopBackDemoTeensy3xWithFilters` shows how using the `dispatchReceivedMessage` method.

Instead of calling the `receive` method, call the `dispatchReceivedMessage` method in your `loop` function. It calls the call back function associated with the matching filter.

If you have not defined any filter, do not use this function, call the `receive` method.

```
void loop () {  
    can.dispatchReceivedMessage () ; // Do not use can.receive any more  
    ...  
}
```

The `dispatchReceivedMessage` method handles one message at a time. More precisely:

- if it returns `false`, the driver receive buffer was empty;
- if it returns `true`, the driver receive buffer was not empty, one message has been removed and dispatched.

So, the return value can be used for emptying and dispatching all received messages:

```
void loop () {  
    while (can.dispatchReceivedMessage ()) {  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

---

If a filter definition does not name a call back function, the corresponding messages are lost.

The `dispatchReceivedMessage` method has an optional argument – NULL by default: a function name. This function is called for every message that pass the receive filters, with an argument equal to the matching filter index:

```
void filterMatchFunction (const uint32_t inFilterIndex) {  
    ...  
}  
  
void loop () {  
    can.dispatchReceivedMessage (filterMatchFunction) ;  
    ...  
}
```

You can use this function for maintaining statistics about receiver filter matches.

## 19 The ACAN2517FD::begin method reference

### 19.1 The prototypes

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FD::begin (const ACAN2517FDSettings & inSettings,  
                           void (* inInterruptServiceRoutine) (void)) ;
```

This prototype has two arguments, a `ACAN2517FDSettings` instance that defines the settings, and the interrupt service routine, that can be specified by a lambda expression or a function (see [section 19.2 page 39](#)). It configures the controller in such a way that all messages are received (*pass-all* filter).

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FD::begin (const ACAN2517FDSettings & inSettings,  
                           void (* inInterruptServiceRoutine) (void),  
                           const MCP2517FDFilters & inFilters) ;
```

The second prototype has a third argument, an instance of `MCP2517FDFilters` class that defines the receive filters.

### 19.2 Defining explicitly the interrupt service routine

In this document, the *interrupt service routine* is defined by a lambda expression:

```
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
```

Instead of a lambda expression, you are free to define the *interrupt service routine* as a function:

```
void canISR () {  
    can.isr () ;  
}
```

And you pass `canISR` as argument to the `begin` method:

```
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, canISR) ;
```

## 19.3 The error code

The `ACAN2517FD::begin` method returns an error code. The value 0 denotes no error. Otherwise, you consider every bit as an error flag, as described in [table 8](#). An error code could report several errors. The `ACAN2517FD` class defines static constants for naming errors.

Bit	Code	Static constant Name	Link
0	0x1	<code>kRequestedConfigurationModeTimeOut</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.1 page 40</a>
1	0x2	<code>kReadBackErrorWith1MHzSPIClock</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.2 page 40</a>
2	0x4	<code>kTooFarFromDesiredBitRate</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.3 page 41</a>
3	0x8	<code>kInconsistentBitRateSettings</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.4 page 41</a>
4	0x10	<code>kINTPinIsNotAnInterrupt</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.5 page 41</a>
5	0x20	<code>kISRIsNull</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.6 page 41</a>
6	0x40	<code>kFilterDefinitionError</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.7 page 41</a>
7	0x80	<code>kMoreThan32Filters</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.8 page 41</a>
8	0x100	<code>kControllerReceiveFIFOSizeIsZero</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.9 page 41</a>
9	0x200	<code>kControllerReceiveFIFOSizeGreaterThan32</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.10 page 42</a>
10	0x400	<code>kControllerTransmitFIFOSizeIsZero</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.11 page 42</a>
11	0x800	<code>kControllerTransmitFIFOSizeGreaterThan32</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.12 page 42</a>
12	0x1000	<code>kControllerRamUsageGreaterThan2048</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.13 page 42</a>
13	0x2000	<code>kControllerTXQPriorityGreaterThan31</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.14 page 42</a>
14	0x4000	<code>kControllerTransmitFIFOPriorityGreaterThan31</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.15 page 42</a>
15	0x8000	<code>kControllerTXQSizeGreaterThan32</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.16 page 42</a>
16	0x1_0000	<code>kRequestedModeTimeOut</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.17 page 42</a>
17	0x2_0000	<code>kX10PLLNotReadyWithin1MS</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.18 page 43</a>
18	0x4_0000	<code>kReadBackErrorWithFullSpeedSPIClock</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.19 page 43</a>
19	0x8_0000	<code>kISRNotNullAndNoIntPin</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.20 page 43</a>
20	0x10_0000	<code>kInvalidTDCO</code>	<a href="#">section 19.3.21 page 43</a>

**Table 8** – The `ACAN2517FD::begin` method error code bits

### 19.3.1 `kRequestedConfigurationModeTimeOut`

The `ACAN2517FD::begin` method first configures SPI with a 1 Mbit/s clock, and then requests the configuration mode. This error is raised when the `LCP2517FD` does not reach the configuration mode with 2ms. It means that the `MCP2517FD` cannot be accessed via SPI.

### 19.3.2 `kReadBackErrorWith1MHzSPIClock`

Then, the `ACAN2517FD::begin` method checks accessibility by writing and reading back 32-bit values at the first `MCP2517FD` RAM address (0x400). The values are  $1 \ll n$ , with  $0 \leq n \leq 31$ . This error is raised when the read value is different from the written one. It means that the `MCP2517FD` cannot be accessed via SPI.



### 19.3.3 kTooFarFromDesiredBitRate

This error occurs when the `mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate` property of the settings object is false. This means that the `ACAN2517FDSettings` constructor cannot compute a CAN bit configuration close enough to the desired bit rate. For example:

```
void setup () {
    ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                                  1, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x1) ; // 1 bit/s !!!
    // Here, settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate is false
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
    // Here, errorCode contains ACAN2517FD::kCANBitConfigurationTooFarFromDesiredBitRate
}
```

### 19.3.4 kInconsistentBitRateSettings

The `ACAN2517FDSettings` constructor always returns consistent bit rate settings – even if the settings provide a bit rate too far away the desired bit rate. So this error occurs only when you have changed the CAN bit properties (`mBitRatePrescaler`, `mPropagationSegment`, `mArbitrationPhaseSegment1`, `mArbitrationPhaseSegment2`, `mArbitrationSJW`), and one or more resulting values are inconsistent. See [section 20.2 page 49](#).

### 19.3.5 kINTPinIsNotAnInterrupt

The pin you provide for handling the MCP2517FD interrupt has no interrupt capability.

### 19.3.6 kISRIsNull

The interrupt service routine argument is NULL, you should provide a valid function.

### 19.3.7 kFilterDefinitionError

`settings.filterStatus()` returns a value different than `MCP2517FDFilters::kFiltersOk`, meaning that one or more filters are erroneous. See [section 17.1 page 35](#).

### 19.3.8 kMoreThan32Filters

You have defined more than 32 filters. MCP2517FD cannot handle more than 32 filters.

### 19.3.9 kControllerReceiveFIFOSizeIsZero

You have assigned 0 to `settings.mControllerReceiveFIFOSize`. The *controller receive FIFO size* should be greater than 0.

### 19.3.10 `kControllerReceiveFIFOSizeGreaterThan32`

You have assigned a value greater than 32 to `settings.mControllerReceiveFIFOSize`. The *controller receive FIFO size* should be lower or equal than 32.

### 19.3.11 `kControllerTransmitFIFOSizeIsZero`

You have assigned 0 to `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFOSize`. The *controller transmit FIFO size* should be greater than 0.

### 19.3.12 `kControllerTransmitFIFOSizeGreaterThan32`

You have assigned a value greater than 32 to `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFOSize`. The *controller transmit FIFO size* should be lower or equal than 32.

### 19.3.13 `kControllerRamUsageGreaterThan2048`

The configuration you have defined requires more than 2048 bytes of MCP2517FD internal RAM. See [section 14 page 30](#).

### 19.3.14 `kControllerTXQPriorityGreaterThan31`

You have assigned a value greater than 31 to `settings.mControllerTXQBufferPriority`. The *controller transmit FIFO size* should be lower or equal than 31.

### 19.3.15 `kControllerTransmitFIFOPriorityGreaterThan31`

You have assigned a value greater than 31 to `settings.mControllerTransmitFIFOPriority`. The *controller transmit FIFO size* should be lower or equal than 31.

### 19.3.16 `kControllerTXQSizeGreaterThan32`

You have assigned a value greater than 32 to `settings.mControllerTXQSize`. The *controller transmit FIFO size* should be lower than 32.

### 19.3.17 `kRequestedModeTimeOut`

During configuration by the `ACAN2517FD::begin` method, the MCP2517FD is in the *configuration* mode. At this end of this process, the mode specified by the `inSettings.mRequestedMode` value is requested. The switch to this mode is not immediate, a register is repetitively read for checking the switch is done. This error is raised if the switch is not completed within a delay between 1 ms and 2 ms.

**19.3.18 kX10PLLNotReadyWithin1MS**

You have requested the OSC\_4MHz10xPLL oscillator mode, enabling the 10x PLL. The ACAN2517FD::begin method waits during 2ms the PLL to be locked. This error is raised when the PLL is not locked within 2 ms.

**19.3.19 kReadBackErrorWithFullSpeedSPIClock**

After the oscillator configuration has been established, the ACAN2517FD::begin method configures the SPI at its full speed (SYSCLK/2, and checks accessibility by writing and reading back 32 32-bit values at the first MCP2517FD RAM address (0x400). The 32 used values are  $1 \ll n$ , with  $0 \leq n \leq 31$ . This error is raised when the read value is different from the written one.

**19.3.20 kISRNotNullAndNoIntPin**

This error occurs when you have no INT pin, and a not-null interrupt service routine:

```
ACAN2517 can (MCP2517_CS, SPI, 255) ; // Last argument is 255 -> no interrupt pin

void setup () {
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ; // ISR is not null
    ...
}
```

Interrupt service routine should be NULL if no INT pin is defined:

```
ACAN2517 can (MCP2517_CS, SPI, 255) ; // Last argument is 255 -> no interrupt pin

void setup () {
    ...
    const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, NULL) ; // Ok, ISR is null
    ...
}
```

See the LoopBackDemoTeensy3xNoInt and LoopBackDemoESP32NoInt sketches.

**19.3.21 kInvalidTDCO**

TDCO should be a 7-bit signed integer (i.e.  $-64 \leq \text{TDCO} \leq 63$ ). ACAN2517FDSettings constructor ensures this constraint, and provides a valid value in mTDCO property.

This error occurs when you have manually change the mTDCO property, for example:

```
ACAN2517FDSettings settings (... arguments ...) ;
settings.mTDCO = 100 ; // Invalid value
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
```

---

## 20 ACAN2517FDS settings class reference

**Note.** The ACAN2517FDS settings class is not Arduino specific. You can compile it on your desktop computer with your favorite C++ compiler.

### 20.1 The ACAN2517FDS settings constructor: computation of the CAN bit settings

The constructor of the ACAN2517FDS settings has three mandatory arguments: the oscillator frequency, the desired arbitration bit rate, and the data bit rate factor. It tries to compute the CAN bit settings for these bit rates. If it succeeds, the constructed object has its `mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate` property set to true, otherwise it is set to false. For example, for an 1 Mbit/s arbitration bit rate and an 8 Mbit/s data bit rate:

```
void setup () {  
  // Arbitration bit rate: 1 Mbit/s, data bit rate: 8 Mbit/s  
  ACAN2517FDS settings (ACAN2517FDS::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,  
                        1000 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x8) ;  
  // Here, settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate is true  
  ...  
}
```

Note the data bit rate is not defined by its frequency, but by its multiplicative factor from arbitration bit rate. If you want a single bit rate, use `ACAN2517FDS::DATA_BITRATE_x1` as data bit rate factor.

Of course, with a 40 MHz or 20 MHz SYSCLK, CAN bit computation always succeeds for classical arbitration bit rates: 1 Mbit/s, 500 kbit/s, 250 kbit/s, 125 kbit/s. With a 40 MHz SYSCLK, there are 184 exact arbitration / data bit rate combinations ([table 9 page 45](#)), and 178 with a 20 MHz SYSCLK ([table 10 page 46](#)). Note a 8 Mbit/s data bit rate cannot be performed with a 20 MHz SYSCLK. By “exact”, we mean that arbitration bit rate and data bit rate are both exactly integer values. There is no such combination for data bit rate factors 3x, 6x, 7x.

But this does not mean there is no possibility to get such data bit rates factors. For example, we can have a data bit rate of 4 Mbit/s, and an arbitration bit rate of 4/7 Mbit/s = 571 428 kbit/s:

```
void setup () {  
  ...  
  ACAN2517FDS settings (ACAN2517FDS::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,  
                        571428, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x7) ;  
  Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;  
  Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 1 (--> is true)  
  Serial.print ("Actual Arbitration Bit Rate: ") ;  
  Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 571428 bit/s  
  Serial.print ("distance: ") ;  
  Serial.println (settings.ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 1 ppm= 0,0001 %  
  Serial.print ("Actual Data Bit Rate: ") ;  
  Serial.println (settings.actualDataBitRate ()) ; // 4 Mbit/s  
  ...  
}
```

Arbitration Bit Rate	Valid Data Rate factors
500 bit/s	1x 8x
625 bit/s	1x 8x
640 bit/s	1x
800 bit/s	1x 5x 8x
1 kbit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
1250 bit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
1280 bit/s	1x 5x
1600 bit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
2 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
2500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
2560 bit/s	1x 5x
3125 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
3200 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
4 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
5 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
6250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
6400 bit/s	1x 2x 5x
8 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
10 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
12500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
12800 bit/s	1x 5x
15625 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
16 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
20 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
25 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
31250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
32 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
40 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
50 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
62500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
64 kbit/s	1x 5x
78125 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
80 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
100 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
125 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
156250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
160 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
200 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
250 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
312500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
320 kbit/s	1x 5x
400 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
500 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
625 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
800 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
1000 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x

**Table 9** – 40 MHz SYSCLK: the 184 exact bit rates

Due to integer computations, and the distance from desired arbitration bit rate is 1 ppm. "ppm" stands for "part-per-million", and  $1 \text{ ppm} = 10^{-6}$ . In other words,  $10,000 \text{ ppm} = 1\%$ .

By default, a desired bit rate is accepted if the distance from the computed actual bit rate is lower or equal to  $1,000 \text{ ppm} = 0.1\%$ . You can change this default value by adding your own value as fourth argument of ACAN2517FDS settings constructor. For example, with an arbitration bit rate equal to 727 kbit/s:

```
void setup () {
```

Arbitration Bit Rate	Valid Data Rate factors
250 bit/s	1x 8x
320 bit/s	1x
400 bit/s	1x 5x 8x
500 bit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
625 bit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
640 bit/s	1x 5x
800 bit/s	1x 4x 5x 8x
1 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
1250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
1280 bit/s	1x 5x
1600 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
2 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
2500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
3125 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
3200 bit/s	1x 2x 5x
4 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
5 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
6250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
6400 bit/s	1x 5x
8 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
10 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
12500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
15625 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
16 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
20 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
25 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
31250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
32 kbit/s	1x 5x
40 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
50 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
62500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
78125 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
80 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
100 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
125 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
156250 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
160 kbit/s	1x 5x
200 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x
250 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
312500 bit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
400 kbit/s	1x 2x 5x
500 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x 8x
625 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 8x
800 kbit/s	1x 5x
1000 kbit/s	1x 2x 4x 5x

Table 10 – 20 MHz SYSCLK: the 178 exact bit rates

```

...
ACAN2517FDS settings (ACAN2517FDS::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                      727 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x1,
                      100) ; // 100 ppm
Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 0 (--> is false)
Serial.print ("actual arbitration bit rate: ") ;

```

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```
Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 727272 bit/s
Serial.print ("distance: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 375 ppm
...
}
```

The fourth argument does not change the CAN bit computation, it only changes the acceptance test for setting the `mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate` property. For example, you can specify that you want the computed actual bit to be exactly the desired bit rate:

```
void setup () {
  ...
  ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                                500 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x1,
                                0) ; // Max distance is 0 ppm
  Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 1 (--> is true)
  Serial.print ("actual arbitration bit rate: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 500,000 bit/s
  Serial.print ("distance: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 0 ppm
  ...
}
```

In any way, the bit rate computation always gives a consistent result, resulting an actual arbitration / data bit rates closest from the desired bit rate. For example, we query a 423 kbit/s arbitration bit rate, and a 423 kbit/s \* 3 = 1 269 kbit/s data bit rate:

```
void setup () {
  ...
  ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                                423 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x3) ;
  Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 0 (--> is false)
  Serial.print ("Actual Arbitration Bit Rate: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 416 666 bit/s
  Serial.print ("Actual Data Bit Rate: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.actualDataBitRate ()) ; // 1 250 kbit/s
  Serial.print ("distance: ") ;
  Serial.println (settings.ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 14972 ppm
  ...
}
```

The resulting bit rates settings are far from the desired values, the CAN bit decomposition is consistent. You can get its details:

```
void setup () {
  ...
  ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                                423 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x6) ;
```

```

Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 0 (--> is false)
Serial.print ("Actual Arbitration Bit Rate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 416 666 bit/s
Serial.print ("Actual Data Bit Rate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.actualDataBitRate ()) ; // 1 250 kbit/s
Serial.print ("distance: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 14972 ppm
Serial.print ("Bit rate prescaler: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mBitRatePrescaler) ; // BRP = 2
Serial.print ("Arbitration Phase segment 1: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationPhaseSegment1) ; // PS1 = 38
Serial.print ("Arbitration Phase segment 2: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationPhaseSegment2) ; // PS2 = 9
Serial.print ("Arbitration Resynchronization Jump Width: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationSJW) ; // SJW = 9
Serial.print ("Arbitration Sample Point: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.arbitrationSamplePointFromBitStart ()) ; // 81, meaning 81%
Serial.print ("Data Phase segment 1: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mDataPhaseSegment1) ; // PS1 = 12
Serial.print ("Data Phase segment 2: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mDataPhaseSegment2) ; // PS2 = 3
Serial.print ("Data Resynchronization Jump Width: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mDataSJW) ; // SJW = 3
Serial.print ("Data Sample Point: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.dataSamplePointFromBitStart ()) ; // 81, meaning 81%
Serial.print ("Consistency: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.CANBitSettingConsistency ()) ; // 0, meaning Ok
...
}

```

The `samplePointFromBitStart` method returns sample point, expressed in per-cent of the bit duration from the beginning of the bit.

Note the computation may calculate a bit decomposition too far from the desired bit rate, but it is always consistent. You can check this by calling the `CANBitSettingConsistency` method.

You can change the property values for adapting to the particularities of your CAN network propagation time. By example, you can increment the `mArbitrationPhaseSegment1` property value, and decrement the `mArbitrationPhaseSegment2` property value in order to sample the CAN Rx pin later.

```

void setup () {
    ...
    ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                                500 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x1) ;
    Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
    Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 1 (--> is true)
    settings.mArbitrationPhaseSegment1 -= 8 ; // 63 -> 55: safe, 1 <= PS1 <= 256
    settings.mArbitrationPhaseSegment2 += 8 ; // 16 -> 24: safe, 1 <= PS2 <= 128
}

```



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```
settings.mArbitrationSJW += 8          ; // 16 -> 24: safe, 1 <= SJW <= PS2
Serial.print ("Sample Point: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.samplePointFromBitStart ()) ; // 68, meaning 68%
Serial.print ("actual arbitration bit rate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 500000: ok, no change
Serial.print ("Consistency: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.CANBitSettingConsistency ()) ; // 0, meaning Ok
...
}
```

Be aware to always respect CAN bit timing consistency! The MCP2517FD constraints are:

$$\begin{aligned}1 &\leq \text{mBitRatePrescaler} \leq 256 \\2 &\leq \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment1} \leq 256 \\1 &\leq \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment2} \leq 128 \\1 &\leq \text{mArbitrationSJW} \leq \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment2} \\2 &\leq \text{mDataPhaseSegment1} \leq 32 \\1 &\leq \text{mDataPhaseSegment2} \leq 16 \\1 &\leq \text{mDataSJW} \leq \text{mDataPhaseSegment2}\end{aligned}$$

Miicrochips recommends using the same bit rate prescaler for arbitration and data bit rates.

Resulting actual bit rates are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Actual Arbitration Bit Rate} &= \frac{\text{SYSCLK}}{\text{mBitRatePrescaler} \cdot (1 + \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment1} + \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment2})} \\ \text{Actual Data Bit Rate} &= \frac{\text{SYSCLK}}{\text{mBitRatePrescaler} \cdot (1 + \text{mDataPhaseSegment1} + \text{mDataPhaseSegment2})}\end{aligned}$$

And the sampling point (in per-cent unit) are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Arbitration Sampling Point} &= 100 \cdot \frac{1 + \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment1}}{1 + \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment1} + \text{mArbitrationPhaseSegment2}} \\ \text{Data Sampling Point} &= 100 \cdot \frac{1 + \text{mDataPhaseSegment1}}{1 + \text{mDataPhaseSegment1} + \text{mDataPhaseSegment2}}\end{aligned}$$

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This method checks the CAN bit decomposition (given by mBitRatePrescaler, mArbitrationPhaseSegment1, mArbitrationPhaseSegment2, mArbitrationSJW, mDataPhaseSegment1, mDataPhaseSegment2, mDataSJW property values) is consistent.

```
void setup () {
```

## 20.3 The kArbitrationTQCountNotDivisibleByDataBitRateFactor error

```
...
ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,
                             500 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x2) ;
Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;
Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 1 (--> is true)
settings.mDataPhaseSegment1 = 0 ; // Error, mDataPhaseSegment1 should be >= 1 (and <= 32)
Serial.print ("Consistency: 0x") ;
Serial.println (settings.CANBitSettingConsistency (), HEX) ; // != 0, meaning error
...
}
```

The CANBitSettingConsistency method returns 0 if CAN bit decomposition is consistent. Otherwise, the returned value is a bit field that can report several errors – see [table 11](#).

The ACAN2517FDSettings class defines static constant properties that can be used as mask error. For example:

```
public: static const uint32_t kBitRatePrescalerIsZero = 1 << 0 ;
```

Bit	Error Name	Error
0	kBitRatePrescalerIsZero	mBitRatePrescaler == 0
1	kBitRatePrescalerIsGreaterThan256	mBitRatePrescaler > 256
2	kArbitrationPhaseSegment1IsLowerThan2	mArbitrationPhaseSegment1 < 2
3	kArbitrationPhaseSegment1IsGreaterThan256	mArbitrationPhaseSegment1 > 256
4	kArbitrationPhaseSegment2IsZero	mArbitrationPhaseSegment2 == 0
5	kArbitrationPhaseSegment2IsGreaterThan128	mArbitrationPhaseSegment2 > 128
6	kArbitrationSJWIsZero	mArbitrationSJW == 0
7	kArbitrationSJWIsGreaterThan128	mArbitrationSJW > 128
8	kArbitrationSJWIsGreaterThanPhaseSegment1	mArbitrationSJW > mArbitrationPhaseSegment1
9	kArbitrationSJWIsGreaterThanPhaseSegment2	mArbitrationSJW > mArbitrationPhaseSegment2
10	kArbitrationTQCountNotDivisibleByDataBitRateFactor	See <a href="#">section 20.3 page 50</a>
11	kDataPhaseSegment1IsLowerThan2	mDataPhaseSegment1 < 2
12	kDataPhaseSegment1IsGreaterThan32	mDataPhaseSegment1 > 32
13	kDataPhaseSegment2IsZero	mDataPhaseSegment2 == 0
14	kDataPhaseSegment2IsGreaterThan16	mDataPhaseSegment2 > 16
15	kDataSJWIsZero	mDataSJW == 0
16	kDataSJWIsGreaterThan16	mDataSJW > 16
17	kDataSJWIsGreaterThanPhaseSegment1	mDataSJW > mDataPhaseSegment1
18	kDataSJWIsGreaterThanPhaseSegment2	mDataSJW > mDataPhaseSegment2

**Table 11** – The ACAN2517FDSettings::CANBitSettingConsistency method error codes

## 20.3 The kArbitrationTQCountNotDivisibleByDataBitRateFactor error

This error occurs when you have changed the properties relative to arbitration and / or data bit rates, and the resulting values provide a data bit rate that is not an integer multiple of arbitration bit rate, that is the ACAN2517FDSettings::dataBitRateIsAMultipleOfArbitrationBitRate method returns false.

## 20.4 The actualArbitrationBitRate method

The actualArbitrationBitRate method returns the actual bit computed from mBitRatePrescaler, mPropagationSegment, mArbitrationPhaseSegment1, mArbitrationPhaseSegment2, mArbitrationSJW property values.

```
void setup () {  
    ...  
    ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL,  
                                  440 * 1000, DataBitRateFactor::DATA_BITRATE_x1) ;  
    Serial.print ("mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate: ") ;  
    Serial.println (settings.mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate) ; // 0 (--> is false)  
    Serial.print ("actual arbitration bit rate: ") ;  
    Serial.println (settings.actualArbitrationBitRate ()) ; // 444,444 bit/s  
    ...  
}
```

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.5 The exactArbitrationBitRate method

```
bool ACAN2517FDSettings::exactArbitrationBitRate (void) const ;
```

The exactArbitrationBitRate method returns true if the actual arbitration bit rate is equal to the desired arbitration bit rate, and false otherwise.

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.6 The exactDataBitRate method

```
bool ACAN2517FDSettings::exactDataBitRate (void) const ;
```

The exactDataBitRate method returns true if the actual data bit rate is equal to the desired data bit rate, and false otherwise.

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.7 The ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate (void) const ;
```

The ppmFromDesiredArbitrationBitRate method returns the distance from the actual arbitration bit rate to the desired arbitration bit rate, expressed in part-per-million (ppm): 1 ppm =  $10^{-6}$ . In other words, 10,000 ppm = 1%.

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.8 The ppmFromDesiredDataBitRate method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::ppmFromDesiredDataBitRate (void) const ;
```

The ppmFromDesiredDataBitRate method returns the distance from the actual data bit rate to the desired data bit rate, expressed in part-per-million (ppm):  $1 \text{ ppm} = 10^{-6}$ . In other words,  $10,000 \text{ ppm} = 1\%$ .

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.9 The arbitrationSamplePointFromBitStart method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::arbitrationSamplePointFromBitStart (void) const ;
```

The arbitrationSamplePointFromBitStart method returns the distance of sample point from the start of the arbitration CAN bit, expressed in part-per-cent (ppc):  $1 \text{ ppc} = 1\% = 10^{-2}$ . It is a good practice to get sample point from 65% to 80%. The bit rate calculator tries to set the sample point at 80%.

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.10 The dataSamplePointFromBitStart method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FDSettings::dataSamplePointFromBitStart (void) const ;
```

The dataSamplePointFromBitStart method returns the distance of sample point from the start of the data CAN bit, expressed in part-per-cent (ppc):  $1 \text{ ppc} = 1\% = 10^{-2}$ . It is a good practice to get sample point from 65% to 80%. The bit rate calculator tries to set the sample point at 80%.

**Note.** If CAN bit settings are not consistent (see [section 20.2 page 49](#)), the returned value is irrelevant.

## 20.11 Properties of the ACAN2517FDSettings class

All properties of the ACAN2517FDSettings class are declared public and are initialized ([table 12](#)).

### 20.11.1 The mTXCANIsOpenDrain property

This property defines the output mode of the MCP2517FD TXCAN pin:

- if false (default value), the TXCAN pin is a push/pull output;
- if true, the TXCAN pin is an open drain output.

### 20.11.2 The mINTIsOpenDrain property

This property defines the output mode of the MCP2517FD INT pin:

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Property	Type	Initial value	Comment
mOscillator	Oscillator	Constructor argument	
mSysClock	uint32_t	Constructor argument	
mDesiredBitRate	uint32_t	Constructor argument	
mBitRatePrescaler	uint16_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mArbitrationPhaseSegment1	uint16_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mArbitrationPhaseSegment2	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mArbitrationSJW	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mArbitrationBitRateClosedToDesiredRate	bool	false	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mDataPhaseSegment1	uint16_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mDataPhaseSegment2	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mDataSJW	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mDataBitRateClosedToDesiredRate	bool	false	See <a href="#">section 20.1 page 44</a>
mTXCANIsOpenDrain	bool	false	See <a href="#">section 20.11.1 page 52</a>
mINTIsOpenDrain	bool	false	See <a href="#">section 20.11.2 page 52</a>
mCLKOPin	CLKOPin	CLK0_DIVIDED_BY_10	See <a href="#">section 20.11.3 page 53</a>
mISOCRCEnabled	bool	true	See <a href="#">section 20.11.5 page 54</a>
mRequestedMode	RequestedMode	NormalFD	See <a href="#">section 20.11.4 page 54</a>
mDriverTransmitFIFOSize	uint16_t	16	See <a href="#">section 10 page 25</a>
mControllerTransmitFIFOSize	uint8_t	1	See <a href="#">section 10 page 25</a>
mControllerTransmitFIFOPayload	PayloadSize	PAYLOAD_64	See <a href="#">section 10 page 25</a>
mControllerTransmitFIFOPriority	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 10 page 25</a>
mControllerTransmitFIFO-RetransmissionAttempts	RetransmissionAttempts	UnlimitedNumber	See <a href="#">section 10 page 25</a>
mControllerTXQSize	uint8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 11 page 26</a>
mControllerTXQBufferPayload	PayloadSize	PAYLOAD_64	See <a href="#">section 11 page 26</a>
mControllerTXQBufferPriority	uint8_t	31	See <a href="#">section 11 page 26</a>
mControllerTXQBuffer-RetransmissionAttempts	RetransmissionAttempts	UnlimitedNumber	See <a href="#">section 11 page 26</a>
mDriverReceiveFIFOSize	uint16_t	32	See <a href="#">section 12 page 27</a>
mControllerReceiveFIFOPayload	PayloadSize	PAYLOAD_64	See <a href="#">section 12 page 27</a>
mControllerReceiveFIFOSize	uint8_t	27	See <a href="#">section 12 page 27</a>
mTDCO	int8_t	0	See <a href="#">section 20.11.6 page 54</a>

**Table 12** – Properties of the ACAN2517FDSettings class

- if false (default value), the INT pin is a push/pull output;
- if true, the INT pin is an open drain output.

### 20.11.3 The CLK0/SOF pin

The CLK0/SOF pin of the MCP2517FD controller is an output pin has five functions<sup>13</sup>:

- output *internally generated clock*;
- output *internally generated clock* divided by 2;
- output *internally generated clock* divided by 4;

<sup>13</sup> *Internally generated clock* is not SYSClk, see [figure 9 page 24](#).

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- output *internally generated clock* divided by 10;
- output SOF ("Start Of Frame").

By default, after power on, CLK0/SOF pin outputs *internally generated clock* divided by 10.

The ACAN2517FDSettings class defines an enumerated type for specifying these settings:

```
class ACAN2517FDSettings {
public: typedef enum {CLKO_DIVIDED_BY_1, CLKO_DIVIDED_BY_2,
                    CLKO_DIVIDED_BY_4, CLKO_DIVIDED_BY_10,
                    SOF} CLKOPin ;

    ...
} ;
```

The `mCLKOPin` property lets you select the CLK0/SOF pin function; by default, this property value is `CLKO_DIVIDED_BY_10`, that corresponds to MCP2517FD power on setting. For example:

```
ACAN2517FDSettings settings (ACAN2517FDSettings::OSC_4MHz10xPLL, CAN_BIT_RATE) ;
...
settings.mCLKOPin = ACAN2517FDSettings::SOF ;
...
const uint32_t errorCode = can.begin (settings, [] { can.isr () ; }) ;
```

### 20.11.4 The `mRequestedMode` property

This property defines the mode requested at this end of the configuration: `NormalFD` (default value), `InternalLoopBack`, `ExternalLoopBack`, `ListenOnly`.

### 20.11.5 The `mISOCRCEnabled` property

This property enables ISO CRC in CANFD Frames bit:

- `true` (default): include Stuff Bit Count in CRC Field and use Non-Zero CRC Initialization Vector according to ISO 11898-1:2015;
- `false`: do NOT include Stuff Bit Count in CRC Field and use CRC Initialization Vector with all zeros.

This setting correspondonds to the ISOCRCEN bit of the `CiCON` register.

### 20.11.6 The `mTDC0` property

*Transmitter Delay Compensation* is required when data phase bit time that is shorter than the transceiver loop delay. The `mTDC0` property is by default set to `mBitRatePrescaler * mDataPhaseSegment1` by the `ACAN2517FDSettings` constructor.

For more details, see DS20005678D, sections 3.4.3 to 3.4.8, pages 18 to 20.

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## 21 Other ACAN2517FD methods

### 21.1 The `currentOperationMode` method

```
ACAN2517FD::OperationMode ACAN2517FD::currentOperationMode (void) ;
```

This function returns the MCP2517FD current operation mode, as a value of the `ACAN2517FD::currentOperationMode` enumerated type. This type is defined in the `ACAN2517FD.h` header file.

```
class ACAN2517FD {  
    ...  
    public: typedef enum : uint8_t {  
        NormalFD = 0,  
        Sleep = 1,  
        InternalLoopBack = 2,  
        ListenOnly = 3,  
        Configuration = 4,  
        ExternalLoopBack = 5,  
        Normal120B = 6,  
        RestrictedOperation = 7  
    } OperationMode ;  
    ...  
} ;
```

### 21.2 The `recoverFromRestrictedOperationMode` method

```
bool ACAN2517FD::recoverFromRestrictedOperationMode (void) ;
```

If the MCP2517FD is in *Restricted Operation Mode*, this method requests the operation mode defined by the `mRequestedMode` property of the `ACAN2517FDSettings` class instance. This method has no effect if the current mode is not the *Restricted Operation Mode*.

This method returns true if both conditions are met:

- the MCP2517FD is in *Restricted Operation Mode*;
- the operation mode has been successfully recovered.

It returns false otherwise.

### 21.3 The `errorCounters` method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FD::errorCounters (void) ;
```

This method returns the transmit / receive error count register value, as described in DS20005688B, REGISTER 3-19 page 41. The `CiTREC` value is zero when there is no error.

### 21.4 The diagInfos method

```
uint32_t ACAN2517FD::diagInfos (const int inIndex = 1) ;
```

**Thanks to Flole998 and turmary.** This method returns:

- if inIndex is equal to 0, the C1BDIAG0 register value, as described in DS20005688B, REGISTER 3-20 page 42;
- if inIndex is not equal to 0, the C1BDIAG1 register value, as described in DS20005688B, REGISTER 3-21 page 43.

## 22 The sendfd-odd and sendfd-even sketches

I use these two sketches for testing transmission and reception of CANFD frames. They try to send the frames as quickly as possible, repeatedly calling the tryToSend function.

They are designed for Teensy 3.5, with the MCP2517FD connected to SPI1. It is easy to adapt them to any other platform, although it can be tricky for an Arduino Uno which has little RAM and small computation power.

Make a small CANFD network with two boards, one running the sendfd-odd sketch, the other running the sendfd-even sketch. Both display results in the Arduino Serial Monitor, you need two desktop computers.

The sendfd-odd sketch sends 50,000 CANFD base frames with an odd identifier, and waits for receiving 50,000 frames. Identifier is computed randomly, by  $((\text{micros}() \& 0x7FE) | 1)$ .

The sendfd-even sketch sends 50,000 CANFD base frames with an even identifier, and waits for receiving 50,000 frames. Identifier is computed randomly, by  $(\text{micros}() \& 0x7FE)$ .

In a CANFD network, as in a CAN network, two stations must not transmit frames with the same identifier: the arbitration does not operate, and a collision occurs when the DLC field or data is transmitted. As an odd identifier is always different from an even identifier, it is safe to run the two sketches in the same network.

You should adapt the same settings for the two sketches: same arbitration bit rate, same data bit rate factor.

Start the sendfd-odd sketch first: after initialization, it displays Ready in the Arduino Serial Monitor, meaning it is waiting for receiving frames.

Then, start the sendfd-even sketch: it sends frames immediately; when the sendfd-odd sketch receives the first frame, it begins to send frames. Both sides send 50,000 frames. When the sendfd-odd sketch has sent and received 50,000 frames, it displays the duration from the reception of the first frame.

Every second, each sketch displays on its Arduino Serial Monitor:

- the sent frame count;
- the received frame count;
- the MCP2517FD error counter (0) if no error;
- the MCP2517FD operation mode (0 in normal mode, 7 if it reaches the *Restricted Operation Mode*);



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- the driver receive buffer peak count;
  - the MCP2517FD receive buffer overflow count.

It is safe to observe that one side is stopping temporarily, while the other sends continuously. For example, consider the case where the `sendfd-odd` sketch tries to send a frame with the `0x7FF` identifier; any frame with an even identifier has higher priority, so the `sendfd-even` sketch sends all remaining frames before the `sendfd-odd` sketch resumes sending.