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1. Introduction

PLXMon is a powerful Windows-based GUI debug utility that allows easy configuration, viewing, and modification of various registers on PLX's PCI devices. It also allows the user to perform interactive block-mode, scatter-gather, and shuttle mode DMA operations. PLXMon incorporates a built-in downloader application for downloading application specific code to your target hardware and supports both FLASH and EEPROM programming. PLXMon works with the Windows 98, Windows 2000, and Windows NT 4.0 operating systems. It is designed to operate with PLX's Rapid Development Kit (RDK) Boards and customer specific hardware that incorporates either the IOP 480, PCI 9030, PCI 9054, PCI 9080 or PCI 9050/9052 devices. It includes an EEPROM Edit Utility to allow programming of blank EEPROMs.

The dialog box windows contain detailed information about each register and, if appropriate, about the individual bits within. Combining this information with the programming algorithms included for accessing the various IOP components and the ability to communicate over both PCI bus and Serial port, PLXMon provides the tools needed to access all PLX RDKs and your prototype or production board.

PLXMon is automatically installed on a system when SDK-LITE v3.2 or SDK-PRO v3.2 is installed. It is compatible with PLX's IOP 480, PCI 9030, PCI 9054 and PCI 9080 devices.

1.1 About this Manual

This manual is divided into seven chapters. Chapter 1 is the Introduction; Chapter 2 shows you how to quickly set up PLXMon, and use some of the more common functions. Chapter 3 gives a self-guided tour of PLXMon. In this area every feature found in PLXMon is outlined. Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7 describe the PLXMon GUI screens for the IOP 480, PCI 9054, PCI 9080, PCI 9030, and PCI 9050/9052 devices, respectively. Appendix A is the troubleshooting section and Appendix B is the glossary of terms.

1.2 Conventions And Support

References to Windows NT assume Windows NT 4.0 or higher and will be shown as WinNT. Similarly, references to Windows 98 or Windows 2000 will be shown as Win98 or Win2000.

The SDK-LITE contains software for a Windows host to access the PLX Chip across the PCI bus. The SDK-PRO also contains software for a local CPU, or IOP (I/O Processor) to access the chip via the local bus on a peripheral card. For further details see the documentation for the SDK-PRO.

All references to IOP (I/O Processor) throughout this manual refer to the embedded hardware and all references to IOP software refer to the embedded software.

 All values used in the manual are hexadecimal numbers, with the exception for memory sizes (used in Local Configuration Register screen). The prefix '0x' has been omitted from all hexadecimal numbers and is not required when entering values for PLXMon fields.

It is important to note that PLXMon will only operate with boards containing PLX devices. This version has been designed to work with the following hardware PLX chips:

- IOP 480RDK
- PCI 9030RDK-LITE
- CompactPCI 9030RDK-LITE
- PCI 9054RDK-LITE
- PCI 9054RDK-860

- CompactPCI 9054RDK-860
- PCI 9080RDK-401B
- PCI 9080RDK-860
- PCI 9050RDK
- Any customer board that uses the IOP 480, PCI 9030, PCI 9080, PCI 9054 or PCI 9050 chips.

PLXMon has been tested to ensure compatibility with Windows NT, Windows 98 and Windows2000.

Note: PLXMon is designed to run best with a high-resolution display, such as 1024x768 with 256 colors or better. Users choosing to run the software at lower resolutions may find it visually inconvenient.

1.3 Installation

In most cases, the PLXMon program is installed on your system when you install SDK v3.2. You can launch this program by clicking on the "PLXMon" icon in the SDK folder in the Start Menu.

1.4 PLXMon Feature List

PLXMon provides the following features:

- Graphical User Interface (GUI) screens that are based on PLX device registers
- Compatible with the IOP 480, PCI 9030, PCI 9054, PCI 9080, PCI 9052, and PCI 9050 chips
- EEPROM Edit Utility to program a blank EEPROM
- Split Screen Interface, allowing command line input while receiving serial data.
- Serial communications with an IOP's debug port. This feature is compatible with PLX's Back-End Monitor protocol
- A built-in downloader providing support for the following image standards: Motorola S-Record, IBM-401B Image Files, COFF, and Binary. This feature supports downloading to RAM and FLASH devices through the PCI bus and the serial port.
- PLX EEPROM Configuration screens to modify the contents of NM93CS46, NM93CS56, and NM93CS66 EEPROMs. These configuration screens allow you to load and save values from and to a file.
- Memory display providing easy access to IOP memory spaces or allocated PCI memory buffer.
- Customizable Hot-Links. This feature allows users to launch Win32 compatible programs such as testing and sample programs

1.5 Customer Support Information

Prior to contacting PLX customer support, please ensure that you are situated close to the computer that has the SDK installed and have the following information:

- 1. Model number of the PLX PCI RDK (if any)
- 2. PLX SDK version (if any)
- 3. Host Operating System and version
- 4. PLXMon version
- 5. Description of your intended design:
 - PLX chip used
 - Microprocessor (if any)
 - Local Operating System and version (if any)
 - I/O devices (if any)
- 6. Description of your problem
- 7. Steps to recreate the problem

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2. A Brief Tour of PLXMon

This section will give a 10-minute tour of PLXMon. During this tour you will become familiar with how to setup the program. The more common features found in PLXMon will also be discussed.

2.1 Starting and Configuring PLXMon

PLXMon can be started by selecting the PLXMon icon in the SDK folder in the Start Menu.

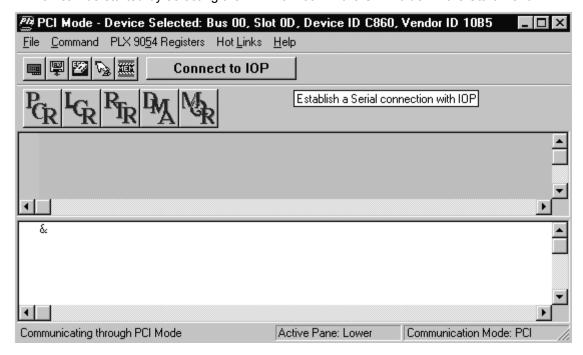


Figure 2-1. The PLXMon Interface

Depending on whether a supported PLX RDK is present, the monitor will enter PCI Mode or Local IOP (Serial) Mode. If a PLX RDK is in a PCI slot on your computer you will be in PCI mode, otherwise you will enter Local IOP (Serial) Mode. It is possible to switch back and forth between the two modes after the program has started. Also note that this program can be run on a second computer and may be used to do remote debugging through a serial port. PLXMon recognizes boards by checking the vendor and device IDs.

If PLXMon does not detect a PLX RDK in the system, it will notify the user that one does not exist. If you are using your own board, you must add a new device to the Properties menu or verify that the device data is correct in the Properties menu. Until properties are assigned to the specific Vendor and Device ID of your board, the program will not know

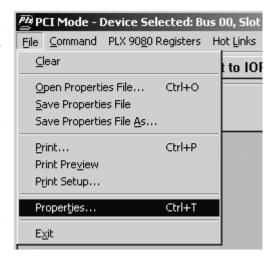


Figure 2-2. Selecting the Properties

the data needed to access the board. To edit these values select the Properties item under the <u>File pull-down menu</u>. (You can also use the hot-key Ctrl-t).

The Properties menu first shows the Device Configuration page. Figure 2-3 shows the Device Configuration screen for the IOP 480RDK. This data is used for PCI access only; the serial configuration data is retrieved using Back End Monitor commands directly through the serial port. The Properties data will be correct if you are using a PLX RDK board. For the IOP 480RDK board, under Local CPU Options, Big Endian CPU is selected by default because the IOP 480 supports Big Endian.

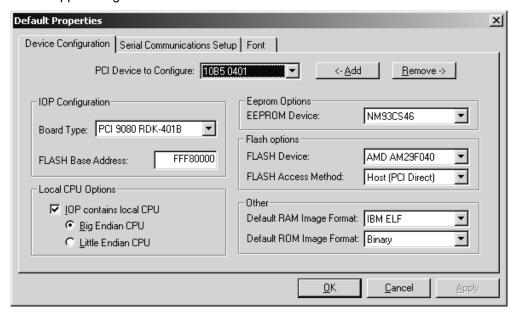
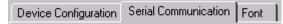


Figure 2-3. Device Configuration

These are the steps that should be followed to ensure proper operation of PLXMon:

- 1. If the Vendor and Device ID are not listed under the "PCI Device to Configure" combo box, then click the "ADD" push button to create a new custom property entry for this device.
- 2. Now enter all the valid device information. By first clicking the RDK Default button, the default values for the RDK type selected will be entered on the screen. You should still verify that the Configuration EEPROM and FLASH EEPROM are the correct device types.
- 3. Change the memory map, or set default data file extension types, if necessary.

Now click the Serial Communications tab.



If you wish to use the debug port on your RDK, then you need to select the correct COM port. Also note if you are in Serial mode (entered by clicking on Connect to IOP) when doing this change, you must switch out, then back into Serial mode for your changes to take effect. The IOP software on the PLX RDKs has been designed to accept 38400 Baud, by default.

2.1.1 Default Vendor and Device IDs for PLX Rapid Development Kit Boards

PLXMon supports a number of PLX Rapid Development Kit Boards. They are listed in Table 2-1 along with their vendor and device IDs for your reference.

Name of PLX Boards	Default Device ID	Default Vendor ID
IOP 480RDK	0480	10B5
PCI 9054RDK-860	1860	10B5
CompactPCI 9054RDK-860	C860	10B5
PCI 9054RDK-LITE	5406	10B5
PCI 9080RDK-860	0860	10B5
PCI 9080RDK-401B	0401	10B5
PCI 9030RDK-LITE	3001	10B5
CompactPCI 9030RDK-LITE	30C1	10B5
PCI 9050RDK	9050	10B5

Table 2-1. RDK Boards Supported by PLXMon

2.2 Displaying Registers

Whether you are in PCI mode or Serial mode, you can access the registers on a PLX RDK. It's as easy as clicking a button. The large buttons on the lower tier display various register sets. Click on the PCI Configuration Registers (PCR) button. A formatted PCI register set appears with some bit decoding already done. Grayed-out boxes indicate

read-only windows. Now close this window and open the Local Configuration Register (LCR) window.



By clicking on an edit box, you can change the hexadecimal value. Then either close the window or move the cursor to another edit box to enter the value. Clicking on a check box will automatically update the register. Try it by clicking on the Details of any register box. The next dialog that appears will have check boxes to represent various bits of the register.

All the register capabilities mentioned above are applicable in Serial Mode as well as in PCI mode. PLXMon uses the interface provided by the Back End Monitor (BEM) to read and write to register locations. For more information on BEM, see either the SDK Programmers Manual or the glossary.

2.3 EEPROM Edit Utility

The EEPROM Edit Utility allows you to program a blank EEPROM. (Figure 2-4)

NOTE: This screen is only available when PLXMon is started with no devices found.

You simply select the PLX chip you are using and click on <Edit Values> push button. This will take you to the chip specific EEPROM screen. All values on this screen are zero. On this screen, you can either enter your own values or load the values from a file. (The SDK contains a *.eep file for each PLX RDK). Then, you can save this file to a floppy disk and walk over to an I/O programmer and program your blank EEPROM device.

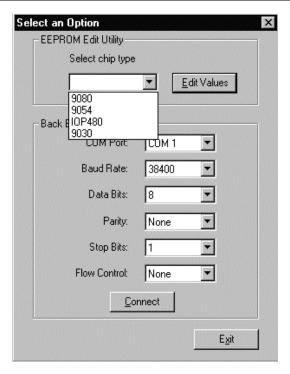


Figure 2-4. EEPROM Edit Utility

2.4 Downloading to the Local-side

If you want to download an application to the Local-side, this is the feature you will need to use.

Some of the features of the download utility include:

- Translation from different file formats including COFF, IBM ELF, Motorola S-Record, and pure Binary.
- The ability to download the file to either RAM or FLASH ROM.
- Binary reads from FLASH ROM to a binary data file.
- Supports Serial downloads to RAM.

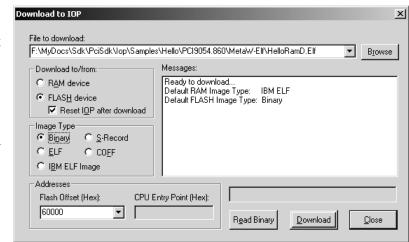


Figure 2-5. Download To IOP

To familiarize yourself with downloading an application/image to an RDK or to your target board, this tour will take you through the steps of downloading a RAM Hello Sample, and the Direct Master ROM. The examples demonstrate downloading using the PCI 9054RDK-860, but the methods also apply to other PLX RDKs.

Downloading to RAM

- a. You must first select either a Serial or PCI channel before opening the Download window. If performing a PCI download, you can connect a serial port to another PC running PLXMon, and see the download in progress.
- b. Open the Download Window by clicking the download to embedded icon, which looks like a small disk with a downward facing arrow.



- c. In the Device Configuration information, RAM data is stored in ELF format for the currently selected device.
 - 1. Go to the directory:
 - <Install-Path>\lop\Samples\Hello\Pci9054-860\Diab-Elf and select the file HelloRam.elf.
 - 2. Click on download. By reading the status screen, you can verify that the program was successfully downloaded (See Figure 2-4).

Burning a FLASH ROM

Note: If in the course of writing a program to the FLASH an error occurs, do not shut down the computer until you have reburned a valid ROM program. Failure to do so will require removal of the FLASH ROM chip and re-burning in an external device programmer.

- Downloads to FLASH are supported via the PCI bus and Serial port. In this example, we will be downloading an image to the FLASH via the PCI bus. So, select the FLASH device.
- After selecting FLASH, set the desired image type. It will also be necessary to give an offset from the physical FLASH address set in the configuration menu. This is necessary because certain RDKs produce FLASH data to be downloaded to different addresses. The

RDK Type	FLASH Offset (in HEX)
IOP 480RDK	60000
PCI 9054RDK-860	0
CompactPCI 9054RDK-860	0
PCI 9080RDK-860	0
PCI 9080RDK-401B	60000
PCI 9054RDK-LITE	N/A
PCI 9050RDK	N/A
PCI 9030RDK-LITE	N/A
CompactPCI 9030RDK-LITE	N/A

Table 2-2. PLX RDK FLASH Offsets

- downloaded to different addresses. The following chart describes the offsets used for each RDK.
- Go to the directory: <Sdk-Dir>\IOP\Samples\Hello\<Rdk>\Diab-Elf and select the file HelloRom.bin.
- 4. Now click on download. Again you can verify that the download was successful by reading from the serial port on another PLXMon, and by reading the Status window as well. A good way to test the ROM code is to reset the RDK, and verify the same program is running after the reset.

For a more complete description of the IOP download function consult the reference section.

2.5 DMA Transfers

DMA transfers can be used to transfer data rapidly between the IOP and the PCI bus. This PCI bus could be a user-mapped common buffer, or another RDK's local space window. This example will demonstrate how to set up a simple IOP to PCI DMA transfer.

- 1. To set up the DMA transfer, some registers must be properly initialized. First click on the DMA button, to display the registers to be modified. Set up the DMA transfer as shown in Figure 2-6.
- 2. At the & prompt, which is located in the Lower Pane, various commands can be entered to get information on the RDK board that is selected. The "VARS" command (started by typing "vars" at the & prompt) gives two values for Hbuf, a virtual and a physical address. The physical address is used for the PCI Address (Lower 32 bits). Enter a value for Transfer Count, 500 is used in this example. Entering dl s0+100000 shows you the current contents of the local memory on PLX RDK board at location 1MB. You can use the EL command for editing and writing to local memory.
- 3. The typical requirement for setting up the mode register is to set the Ready Input Enable and the bus width to 32 bits for PCI 9054 and PCI 9080 based RDKs (see Figure 2-6). These two combinations give the Mode register a value of 43(h). For the IOP 480RDK, the Mode register value can be 0 (see Figure 2-7). The Local Address given here is valid for all supported RDKs and is 100000(h). The Data Transfer direction is set within the Descriptor Pointer by clicking on the Details button, and setting the direction to "Local to PCI." The Threshold Register has a default value of 0.
- 4. To start the transfer, first enable the transfer by checking the Channel 0 Enable box. Clicking on Start button will begin the operation. The DMA Done/Ready bit will remain checked because the transfer count of 80 is very small and the transfer completes very quickly.
- 5. To verify that the data was transferred correctly, you can read the PCI buffer, Hbuf, by typing dl hbuf at the & prompt in the lower pane.

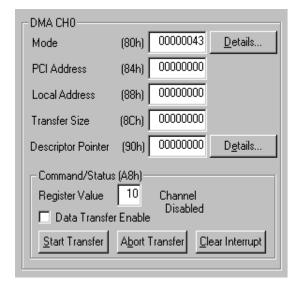


Figure 2-6. PCI 9080 and 9054 DMA Channel 0 Registers

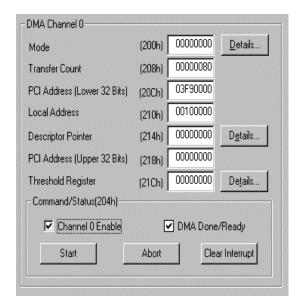


Figure 2-7. IOP 480 DMA Channel 0 Registers

This concludes the tour of PLXMon. More details about the specific PLX devices are included in the appendices.

2.6 Board with No Local CPU

If you are using the PCI 9054RDK-LITE, PCI 9030RDK-LITE, CompactPCI 9030RDK-LITE or PCI 9050RDK boards, or if you are not using a local CPU on your board, then the following information may be helpful to you.

2.6.1 Using an RDK-LITE Board or Your Custom Board with No CPU

The PCI 9054RDK-LITE, PCI 9030RDK-LITE or CompactPCI 9030RDK-LITE board packages contain the PCI SDK CD-ROM. You can install the SDK by inserting this CD-ROM into your PC's CD-ROM drive. When you start PLXMon, you will get the screen shown in Figure 2-8 below.

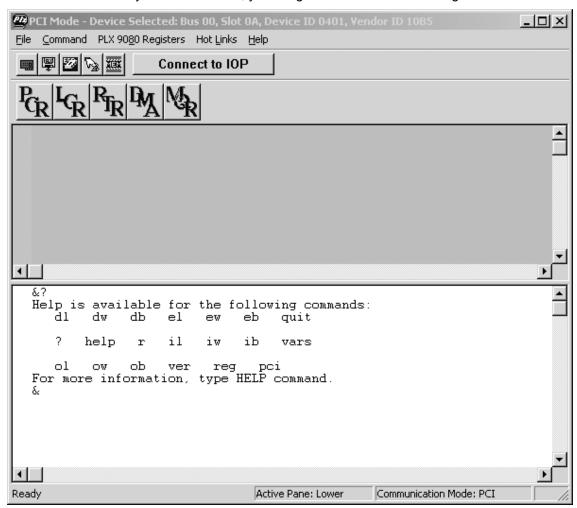


Figure 2-8. PLXMon Startup Screen

From the <File> pull down menu, click on <Properties> and go to the <Device Configuration page>.

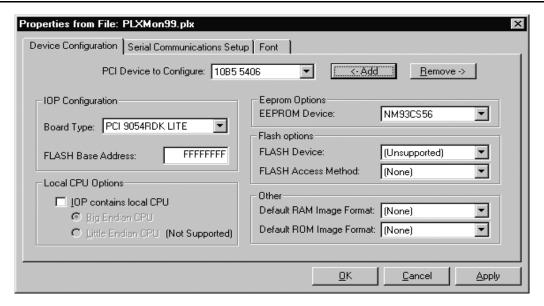


Figure 2-9. PCI 9054RDK-LITE Board Properties

If your board does not have a local CPU, you should de-select the <IOP contains local CPU> check box under the <Local CPU Options>. Figure 2-10 shows the Device Configuration screen for a custom board with a Device Id of ABCD and a Vendor Id of 10B5. These Ids were added by clicking on the <-Add> push down button. Next, you should configure some or all of the other options on this screen depending upon your board design.

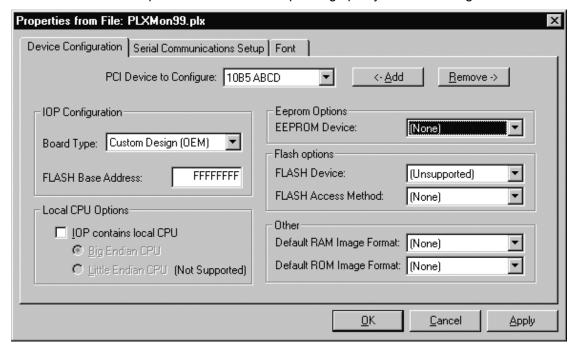


Figure 2-10. Properties for Board with No CPU

3. PLXMon Reference

The reference section is provided to give detailed information about every feature of PLXMon. It is organized alphabetically by feature title.

3.1 Access Mode

The two methods of access to any RDK or custom board are via the PCI bus and via the Serial port. See Figure 3-1.

3.1.1 **PCI Mode**

When PCI mode is selected all communication between PLXMon and the PLX chip is done across the PCI bus, via the SDK API library and Windows device driver. This method will be familiar to users of previous PLXMon versions. The mode is selected by toggling the Connect to IOP/Disconnect from IOP button on the toolbar. In PCI mode, the "Connect to IOP" button is displayed. Essentially, the PCI mode results in all communication to the PLX device via its PCI Bus interface. All RDK properties used in PCI communication are found in the Device Configuration menu. Figure 3-1 shows the PLXMon interface in PCI mode.

3.1.2 IOP (Serial) Mode

Clicking on the "Connect to IOP" toggle button enters IOP Mode. PLXMon automatically enters mode if a PLX RDK is not present or if you are using your prototype board for the first time. When IOP (serial communication) mode is selected all communication between PLXMon and the PLX device by passes the SDK API library and device driver. Instead, PLXMon communicates with the IOP's BEM module (refer to SDK Programmer's Manual for BEM details). First, the program queries RDK information such as the PLX register base address. Essentially this results in all communication to the PLX device via its Local Bus interface. Commands are limited to local reads and writes, and a local reset.

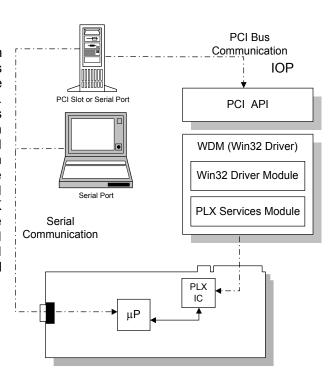


Figure 3-1. PCI vs. Serial Data Flow

Note: To use this mode, the Local software must contain the BEM module. PLX RDKs, which have a local CPU, support this mode by default.

3.2 Application Hot Links

Selecting Hot Link from the PLXMon pull down menu bar can start the application hot links. The PLXMon offers the capability for users to add hot links to applications. Typical applications that a user may want to add hot links to are SDK samples, PLX manufacturing test software, or custom applications. Please see Figure 3-2.

To use this feature you need to enter the Application Name and associated path to the executable in the Hot Links pull-down menu. They will then appear in the Hot Link pull down menu.

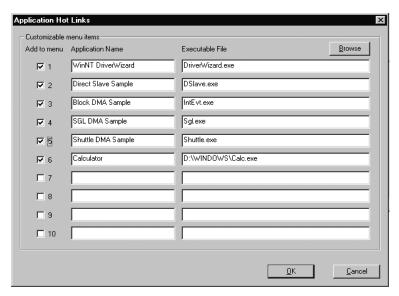
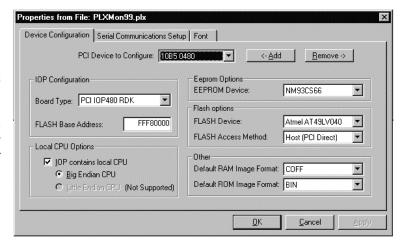


Figure 3-2. Application Hot Links Dialog Box

3.3 Device Configuration

This dialog window can be found by pulling down the File menu then selecting Properties. PLXMon retains program options for specific PLX **RDKs** and custom boards. These options are used throughout PLXMon to setup default values various program options. For example the loader uses the flash properties to determine the flash programming method needed.



All supported device attributes are saved to a **Properties File**. This file has a default name

Figure 3-3. Device Configuration Dialog Box

PLXMon.plx and is automatically loaded. PLXMon will only search the current directory for this file so if the executable is moved, this file should be moved as well.

PLXMon uses the Vendor ID and Device ID to recognize a **supported** device. By adding a new entry to this list, a custom ID combination can be supported. Figure 3-3 shows the settings for the IOP 480RDK board. Similar settings must be selected for each RDK when PLXMon is used.

When adding a new device, first enter the custom Vendor ID and Device ID. Then select its RDK type (if applicable). On hitting RDK Default, the normal settings for that RDK will be entered. Press Apply or OK to enter the data into the Properties file.

3.4 Downloading Local Applications

Note: This feature is available with the PCI SDK-PRO.

In order to download to and execute programs on the IOP, the <u>Download</u> to IOP command is provided. This utility can be run by clicking on the icon, or by selecting it under the <u>Command</u> pull-down menu. Files can be sent to either a RAM device or FLASH device and the base address is programmable.

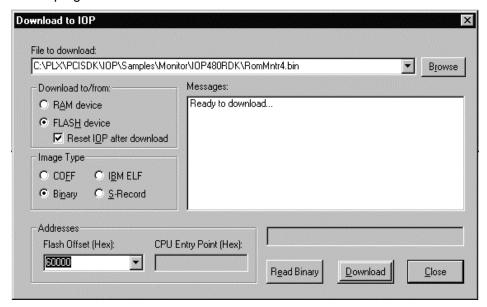


Figure 3-4. File Download Dialog Box

Typically, all default values that are already selected will be correct for the download you wish to do. By selecting either RAM or FLASH, the file format will automatically be changed to the format that is specified for this device in the "Device Config" menu. These features can be overridden, and by doing so the user should be knowledgeable about the format of these files and the memory map of the RDK being programmed.

Note: Programming the FLASH can be dangerous and it is important that the setup parameters are correct before the download is attempted. Data like RDK Type, Flash Address, Programming Method, and Memory Offset must be known beforehand.

To read the data on a FLASH device into a file, the Read Binary button can be used in conjunction with the memory offset window. This data will be retrieved unformatted and stored as a pure binary file. Currently, the binary read function will create an image that starts at the memory offset provided and ends at the end of the usable flash range.

This utility also has the ability to program a device through the serial debug port. The serial download supports both ROM and RAM programming.

3.5 Font Configuration

This dialog screen can be reached from the Properties option in the File pull-down menu. The font and point size will be changed in the display screen only. The appearance of the data in the dialog boxes will not be changed.

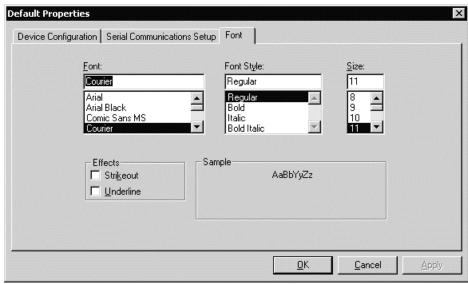


Figure 3-5. Font Select Dialog Box

3.6 The Interface

The PLXMon main interface, shown in Figure 3-6 contains:

- A drop-down menu bar, with the five main drop-down menus. Certain options will be available, depending on which PLX RDK is selected. The PLXMon interface for the 9054RDK-860 is shown in Figure 3-6.
- A split screen interface used for simultaneous Command Line Interface (Lower Pane) and Serial Access (Upper Pane). Use the F6 key to toggle between active panes.

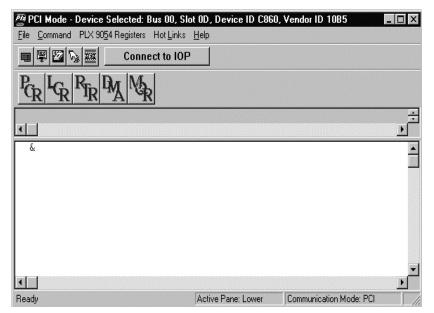


Figure 3-6. The PLXMon Interface

- An optional toolbar
- The status bar which reports the configuration file being used
- The "Connect to IOP/Disconnect from IOP" button toggles between PCI and serial communication mode.

3.6.1 The PLXMon Toolbar

The PLXMon toolbar serves as an optional shortcut to the drop-down menu commands.

3.6.2 Status Bar

The status bar provides simple and useful tips. When the mouse is pointing on an object or a button in the main window of PLXMon, the status bar displays information about it. Tool-tips are also displayed when the mouse pointer is held over an object for a short period.

3.6.3 Command Line Interface (CLI)

At the & prompt which is located in the Lower Pane, various commands can be entered to get information on the RDK that is selected. This command line can be used in both PCI and Serial modes. To get a list of valid commands at any time in PLXMon, at the command line,

type help or ?. The following sections will describe all the valid commands.

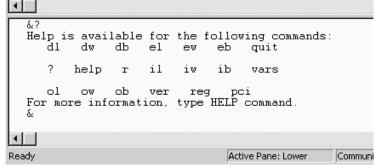


Figure 3-7. Command Line Interface Commands

Note: The CLI is not case sensitive.

3.6.3.1 Displaying Memory Via Memory Cycles, (dl, dw, db)

These commands display different sizes of data that are accessed through memory cycles. Using dll will return a 32-bit value, dw will return a 16-bit value, and db will return a 8-bit value.

They follow the format:

```
<command> <address> [[1] bytelength]
```

By default the byte length is 80 [hex] bytes. Typing the command again with no arguments will make PLXMon continue to display the range with the same bytelength as before.

3.6.3.2 Displaying Memory Via I/O Cycles, (il, iw, ib)

The iX commands are similar in syntax with the dX commands except they access memory using I/O cycles instead of memory cycles. They follow the format:

```
<command> <address> [[1] bytelength]
```

By default, the bytelength is dependent on the command. Using ${\tt il}$ will return 32 bits of data, ${\tt iw}$ will return 16 bits, and ${\tt ib}$ will return 1 byte. All these lengths can be overridden, however. By retyping the command with no arguments, PLXMon will continue to display the memory locations using the size of the data retrieved as the increment size.

3.6.3.3 Writing Memory Via Memory Cycles, (el, ew, eb)

Again the syntax of the write using memory cycles is similar to the dx commands. Using e1 will write values as 32 bit wide objects, ew will write 16 bit values, and eb will write one byte at a time.

They follow the format:

```
<command> <address> [INC increment] [value]
```

While the input address is required, both the value and the increment parameter are optional. By not entering the [value] parameter, the program will query you for data in interactive mode. Interactive mode allows the user to press the space bar between typing the value he/she wants to enter and PLXMon will auto-increment the write address the size of the data being entered. Press the enter key to exit the command. By changing the INC parameter in the command line above, the auto-increment value can be changed. What follows is a brief example of how to use this command.

If the user types the command eb s0 INC 4, they wish to interactively write bytes to the location s0 (which is a system label, more on this in section 3.7.3.6). Every time the user enters a value and hits space the program will query for the previous address plus INC, which is 4. On display of the memory range the user should see the following screen.

The 00: bytes that appear before each user entry are the previous values that are about to be overwritten by the user's data.

```
&eb s0 INC 4
80018000 01:a 02:b 03:c 04:d 05:e 06:f
&dl s0 1 20
80018000: 0002000A 0000000B 0000000C 0000000D .
80018010: 0000000E 0000000F 00000007 00000008 .

Ready Active Pane: Lower Pane | Cor
```

Figure 3-8. Interactive Mode

3.6.3.4 Writing Memory Via I/O Cycles, (ol, ow, ob)

The oX commands are simpler syntactically than the memory cycle writes. Each command writes a different sized data object to a port address. They require only two parameters:

```
<command> <address> <value>
```

3.6.3.5 The Pci Command

This command allows read/write access to the PCI configuration registers. Its syntax is as follows:

```
pci <pci offset> [value]
```

To write to the required offset, just add the value to write; otherwise the value will be displayed as a 32-bit register value.

Note: The offset will be different depending on the Access mode: PCI or Serial.

3.6.3.6 The Quit Command

The quit command terminates the application PLXMon.

3.6.3.7 The Reg Command

The reg command allows users access to the PLX chips local register sets. Data can be read or written in 32 bit sizes at a given byte boundary. The syntax of the command is as follows:

```
reg <register offset> [value]
```

If a [value] is given, the command will write the data to the specified address.

3.6.3.8 The Repeat Command (r)

The repeat command can is used to make PLXMon repeat the command types before the ${\tt r}$ a set number of times. Its syntax is as follows:

```
[command] r [iterations]
```

If the number of iterations is not given, then PLXMon will execute the command indefinitely until the user hits a key. The command to be repeated must be in the same expression as the r command.

3.6.3.9 User Variables (vars)

PLXMon creates some user labels as a mnemonic aid for common memory locations. These strings can be used interchangeably with the values they represent. This table lists the variables set by PLXMon and what memory ranges they represent.

Variable Name	Description
Plx	PLX register address
hbuf	User mapped region of the PCI common buffer.
s0	Local Space 0
s1	Local Space 1
s2	Local Space 2
s3	Local Space 3

Table 3-1. User Variables and their Definitions

3.6.3.10 The Ver Command

Displays the version data contained in the SDK software release. This version of PLXMon is compatible only with SDK v3.2. This command is usable only during PCI mode.

3.7 Print, Print Preview, and Print Setup

The print commands (\underline{P} rint, \underline{P} rint \underline{P} re \underline{v} iew, \underline{P} rint \underline{S} etup...) can be found under the \underline{F} ile pull-down menu. These selections enable the user to create a formatted picture of the display window. Print preview will allow you to see the formatted screen before you print.

3.8 Register Access/Register Sets

The contents of registers can be represented in one of two ways in PLXMon. Usually when a full 32-bit register is being displayed, it is shown in an edit box in hexadecimal format (the 0x prefix is implied). Typing in new values, if not grayed-out, can modify these boxes. The value(s) will be updated when the user closes the window or when the cursor is moved to another edit box.

Check boxes are also used to display and change individual bits in a register. If the check box is on a main dialog window then a state change is immediate. If the check box is in a Details dialog with other checkboxes, then the changes are made only upon closing the dialog box.

Note: Please refer to Appendices A and B for specific details on the IOP 480, PCI 9080, PCI 9054, and PCI 9030 device registers, respectively.

3.9 The Reset Button

Found on the taskbar, the reset button signals the PLX RDK that is currently selected to reset itself. This action can be taken during both PCI and Serial modes.

Note: The method used to reset the board is customized to work with the PLX RDKs. This feature should not be used on devices/boards that do not support the reset algorithm. Consult the BSP source code (included with the SDK-PRO) for complete information on the specific algorithm(s) used with various PLX RDK boards.

3.10 Selecting Devices

The $\underline{\mathtt{Select}}$ A Device menu item, shown in Figure 3-9, is used to select a PCI device that you want to access. The pointer points to the currently selected device.

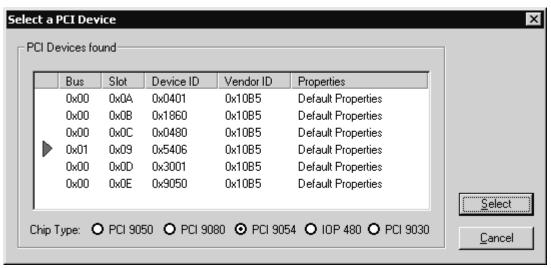


Figure 3-9. Device Select Dialog Box

Figure 3-9 lists two boards, the Compact PCI 9054RDK-860 (Device ID=0xC860) and the IOP 480RDK (Device ID=0x0480). To select a new device, move the highlight to the desired PCI device by using either the mouse or the cursor arrow keys, and click the OK button or press the Enter key. The pointer will not move to the new selection until OK button is pressed or until the item is double-clicked. The chip type radio button indicates which PLX device is present on the selected device.

3.11 Serial Configuration

PLXMon offers the capability to communicate with the PLX device through the serial port. To do so you must configure the appropriate serial port settings as shown in the figure below.

Communication ports COM1 through COM4 are supported. Baud rates 9600, 19200, 38400, and 57600 are supported.

Note: All PLX RDKs should be configured to 38400 baud, 8 Data Bits, No Parity, 1 Stop Bit, and no Flow Control.

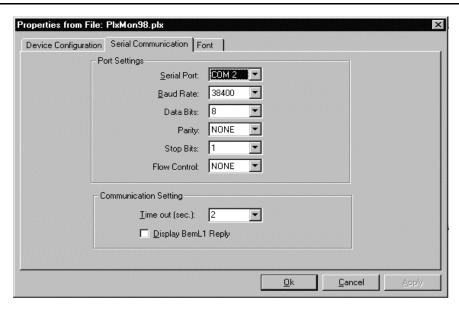


Figure 3-10. Serial Communications Properties

3.12 Serial EEPROM Access

Pressing the Serial EEPROM button on the toolbar of PLXMon will start the EEPROM dialog box. The EEPROM screen for IOP 480RDK is shown in Figure 3-11.

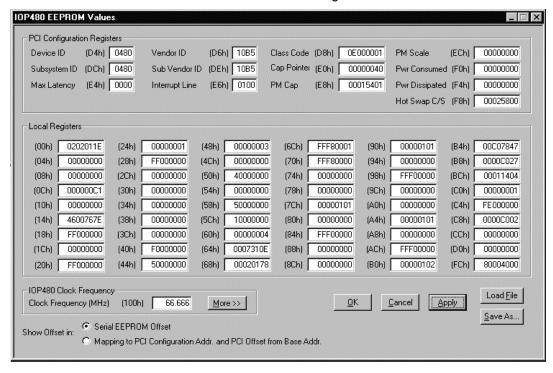


Figure 3-11. Serial EEPROM Access Screen

PLXMon supports saving the EEPROM values to a file and also loading values from a file.

Note: Having the wrong Serial EEPROM type selected in the Device Config. Menu may cause PLXMon to read/write invalid data.

3.13 Memory Access

Pressing the Memory button on the toolbar of PLXMon will start the Memory Display dialog box. The dialog screen of the CompactPCI 9054RDK-860 is shown in Figure 3-12. Memory Display Screen supports both PCI and IOP memory read or writes.

In PCI mode, clicking the "Read Block" button will read 0x100 bytes from the indicated offset address of the specified memory space in the specified bus width and display the data with corresponding Windows

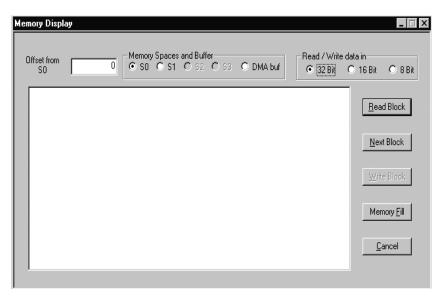


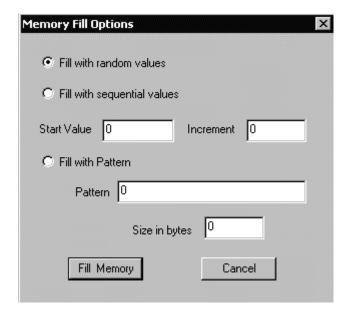
Figure 3-12. Memory Display Screen

virtual addresses. Clicking the "Write Block" button will write the current displaying data to user specified offset address.

In IOP mode, clicking the "Read Block" button will read 0x100 bytes from the user specified local address in specified bus width and display the data with corresponding addresses (absolute local memory addresses). Clicking the "Write Block" button will write the current displaying data to user specified local address.

Note: Giving the wrong offset or local address can cause PLXMon to read/write invalid memory areas. IOP mode memory access is available with the PCI SDK-PRO.

The Memory Fill function enables the user to write memory locations with a specified data pattern. Click, "Memory Fill" button opens the Memory Fill Options dialog box as shown in Figure 3-13.



Select the type of values and fill the edit boxes if necessary. Give the size of memory locations to be filled in number of bytes. Click 'Fill Memory' to write to user specified memory locations.

Figure 3-13. Memory Fill Options

The example below shows the settings of writing to user defined locations with a user defined data pattern.

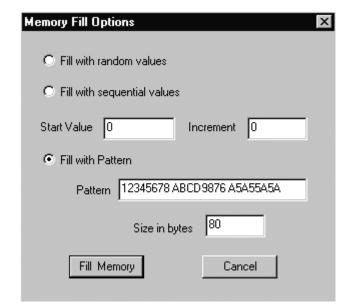


Figure 3-14. User defined data pattern

When editing the data pattern, a space should be given between the values. All the edit boxes accept hexadecimal values only. Please see Figure 3-15 for the memory display of above Memory Fill Options setting.

Note: Giving the wrong memory size in bytes to write can cause PLXMon to write invalid memory areas.

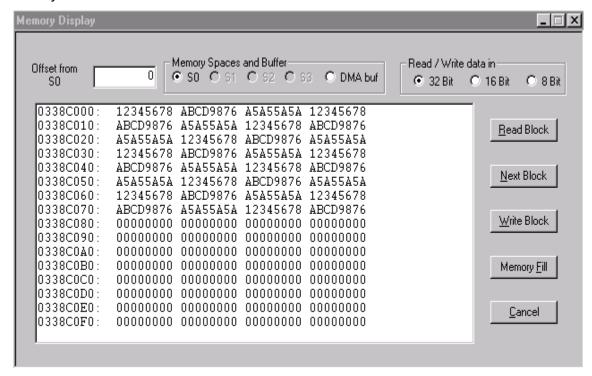


Figure 3-15. Memory filled with user defined data pattern

4. The IOP 480 Register Set

Each of the IOP 480 register groups has a distinct dialog box. Each dialog box has the register values, the register's PCI base address, and a description of the register. Some registers have check boxes and radio buttons to help in describing and setting the register values. Additional dialog boxes are available for more complex registers if necessary.

4.1 The Register Group Dialog Boxes

The PLXMon toolbar for the IOP 480 contains seven buttons for register accesses. They are PCI Configuration Registers (PCR), Local Configuration Registers (LCR), RunTime Registers (RTR), DMA Registers (DMA), Messaging Queue Registers (MQR), Memory Controller Registers (MCR), and IOP 480CPU registers (IOP480 CPU).

4.1.1 PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The grayed text, in Figure 4-1, in the PCI Configuration Registers dialog box indicates that the values cannot be modified using this dialog box. The radio buttons and checkboxes indicate the current settings of the register bit fields. To update the contents of the dialog box push the Refresh button.

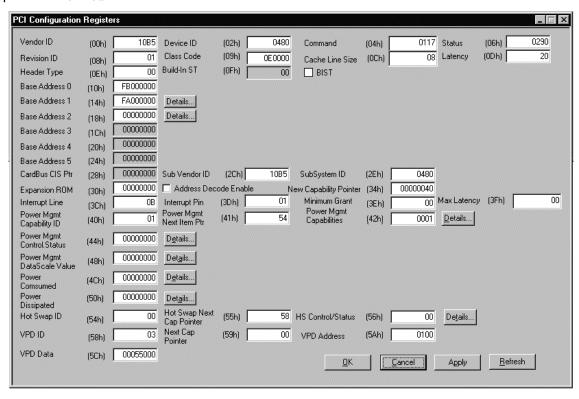


Figure 4-1. PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

4.1.2 Local Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The Local Configuration register values are updated through the related edits and dialog boxes, in Figure 4-2, respectively. The size text box reflects the value (in bytes) of the associated register. The memory size is calculated from the corresponding register value and cannot be modified directly. To change the memory size, modify the associated register.

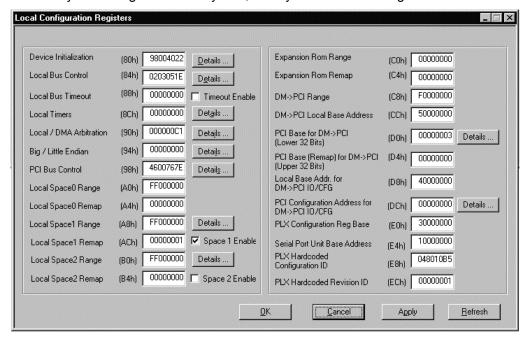
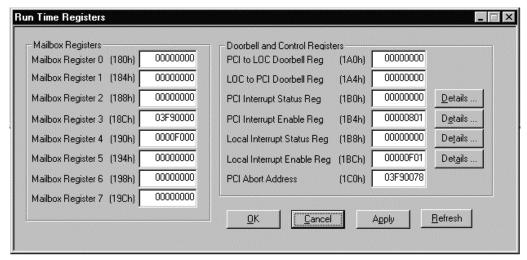


Figure 4-2. Local Configuration Registers Dialog Box

4.1.3 The Runtime Register Group Dialog Box

The Runtime Register Group dialog box displays, and allows modification of, the current register values of the Runtime Registers.



The Interrupt Enable/Status Register Dialog Box

There are four Details buttons for Interrupt Enable/Status Registers. These are for PCI and Local Interrupt Status and Enable Registers. The Interrupt Enable/Status Register Dialog Boxes provide information on the current value of the Interrupt Enable/Status register. The information contained in the dialog box is grouped into two categories, the Control bits and the Status bits. The control bits enable triggering of interrupts for certain events, such as DMA events, doorbell events and others. The status bits cannot be modified directly. They show the current status of the various interrupt triggers.

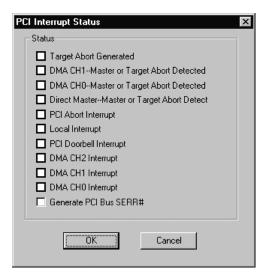


Figure 4-3. Interrupt Enable/Status Register

4.1.4 The DMA Register Group Dialog Box

The DMA Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the DMA registers for all DMA channels. See Figure 4-4 below.

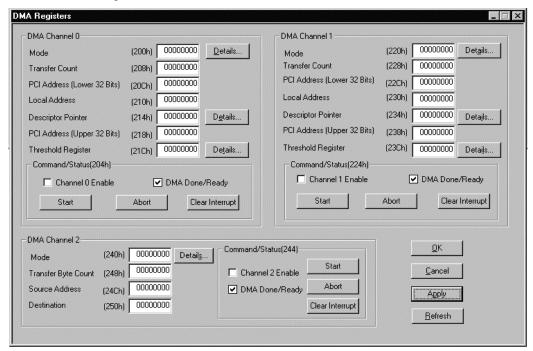


Figure 4-4. DMA Register Group Dialog Box

The Start and Abort Transfer buttons initiate and terminate the DMA transfer using the current information provided in the DMA registers for the given DMA channel. The Clear Interrupt button resets the interrupts to their default state. The Channel Enable bit enables DMA transfers and

activates the Start, Abort, and Clear Interrupt buttons. The DMA Done/Ready bit indicates the DMA engine status.

4.1.5 The Messaging Queue Register Group Dialog Box

The Messaging Queue Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the Messaging FIFO Registers as shown below:

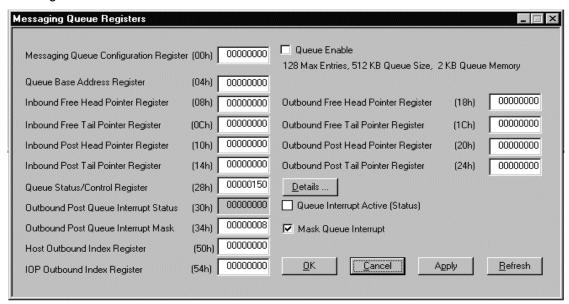


Figure 4-5. Messaging Queue Register Group

All the register values can be modified with the exception of the Outbound Post FIFO Interrupt Status register. This register provides only the status of the Outbound Post FIFO interrupt and cannot be modified, as this is a hardware-generated interrupt.

4.1.6 IOP 480 Memory Controller register Group Dialog Box

The Memory Controller Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the IOP 480's integrated memory controller. The memory controller register group is divided into five subgroups (see figure below), namely, LCS0, LCS1, LCS2, LCS3, and DRAM Control registers. For more information, please consult the IOP 480 data book.

Note: (LCS = Local Chip Select)

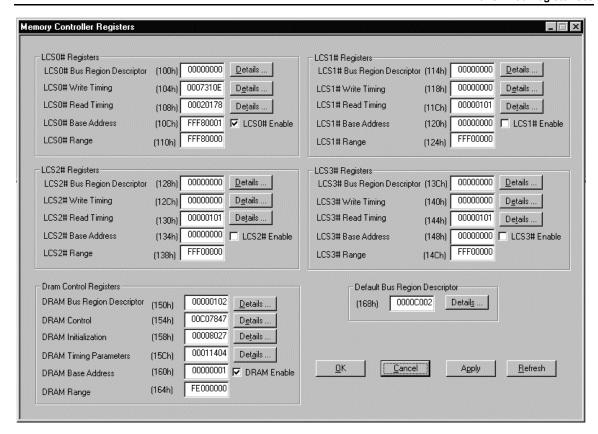


Figure 4-6. IOP 480 Memory Controller Registers

4.1.7 IOP 480 CPU Registers Group Dialog Box

The IOP 480 CPU Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the IOP 480 CPU registers. These are divided into two groups, General Purpose Registers and Special Purpose Registers. Please refer to the IOP 480 data book for more information on these registers. See Figure 4-7 below.

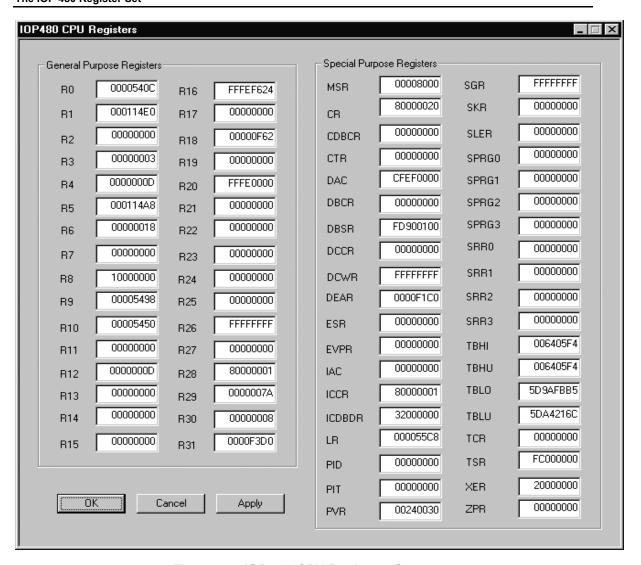


Figure 4-7. IOP 480 CPU Registers Group

4.1.8 IOP 480 EEPROM Values

The following figure shows the default values of the EEPROM on the IOP 480 RDK board. These values may be used as the default values. This dialog box allows one to save the EEPROM values to a file and to load values from a file. Clicking on the <OK> and <Apply> button will write the current values to your EEPROM.

Note: You should be very careful before writing any value to the EEPROM. Wrong EEPROM values can cause your board to crash and it may not reboot. You should save the default values to a file on a floppy diskette as a backup.

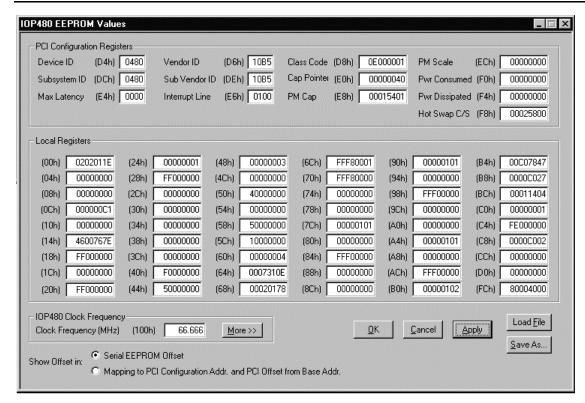
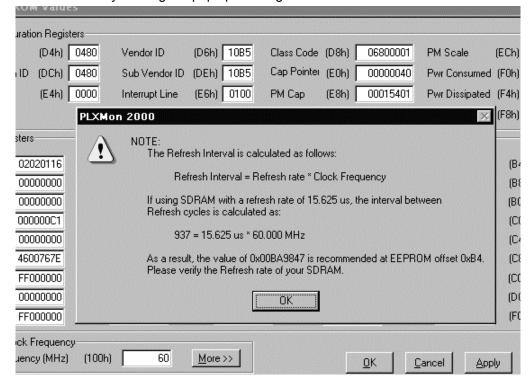


Figure 4-8. IOP 480 EEPROM values

By default, the IOP 480RDK board is configured for 66.66MHz frequency. If your board is designed to work at a different frequency, you can change the frequency in the PLXMon EEPROM screen and you will get a pop up message window as shown below:



5. The PCI 9054 Register Set

Each of the PCI 9054's register groups has a distinct dialog box. Each dialog box has the register values, the register's PCI base addresses, and a description of the register. Some registers have check boxes and radio buttons to help in describing and setting the register values. Additional dialog boxes are available for more complex registers when required.

5.1 The Register Group Dialog Boxes

The PLXMon toolbar contains five buttons for register accesses. They are for PCI Configuration Registers (PCR), Local Configuration Registers (LCR), RunTime Registers (RTR), DMA Registers (DMA), and Messaging Queue Registers (MQR).

5.1.1 PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The grayed text, in the PCI Configuration Registers dialog box indicates that the values cannot be modified using this dialog box. The radio buttons and check boxes, also in Figure 5-1, indicate the current settings of the register bit fields. To update the contents of the dialog box push the Refresh button.

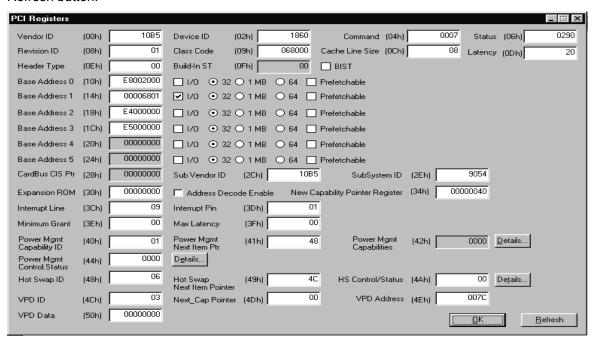


Figure 5-1. PCI Configuration Registers Dialog Box for PCI 9054

Power Management Capabilities

Figure 5-2 displays Power Management setup attributes that are read-only or that can only be modified from the Local side. If this dialog box is opened in Serial Mode, then certain values can be changed.

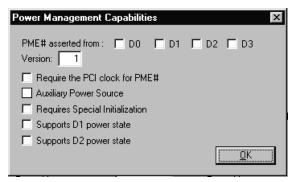


Figure 5-2. Power Management Capabilities

Power Management Control/Status Register

In Figure 5-3 are the bits that handle the operation of Power Management on the PCI 9054.

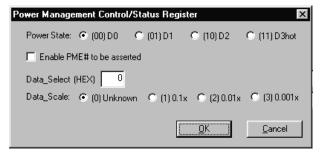


Figure 5-3. Power Management CSR

Hot Swap Control/Status Register

The Control and Status bits for Hot Swapping are found here in Figure 5-4. All of these values can only be written from the PCI side.

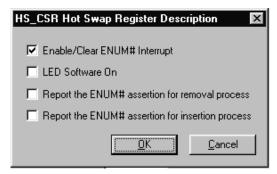


Figure 5-4. Hot Swap CSR Dialog Box

5.1.2 Local Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The Local Configuration register values are updated through the related edit and dialog boxes as

seen in Figure 5-5. The size text box reflects the value (in bytes) of the associated register. The memory size is calculated from corresponding register values and cannot be modified directly. To change the memory size, modify the associated register.

Seven registers within the Local Configuration Register Group have a more detailed dialog box and are as follows:

- The Mode/DMA Arbitration dialog box
- The Endian Descriptor dialog box
- The Miscellaneous Control Register dialog box

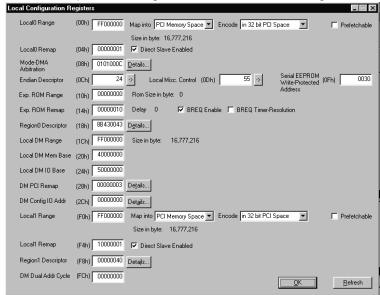


Figure 5-5. Local Configuration Registers

- The Region 0/Exp ROM dialog box
- The DM PCI Remap dialog box
- The DM Config IO Address dialog box
- The Region 1 Descriptor dialog box

The Mode/Arbitration Dialog Box

The Mode/Arbitration dialog box provides information on the current value of the Local/DMA Arbitration register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-6).

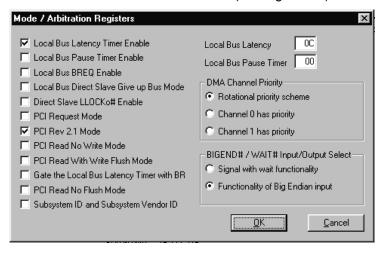
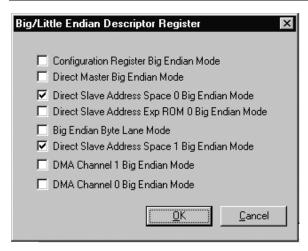


Figure 5-6. Mode/Arbitration Dialog Box



Endian Descriptor Dialog Box

The Endian Descriptor dialog box provides information on the current value of the Big/Little Endian Descriptor register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-7).

Figure 5-7. Endian Descriptor

Local Miscellaneous Control Register Dialog Box

This dialog box contains bit controls for the miscellaneous functions of the PCI 9054 (see Figure 5-8).

These functions include:

- Base Address Register 1 support
- Init Done bit signal to BIOS
- Direct Master Enables
- Error interrupt Masks

The Local Space 0/Exp ROM Dialog Box

The Region 0 descriptor provides information on the current value of the Local Address

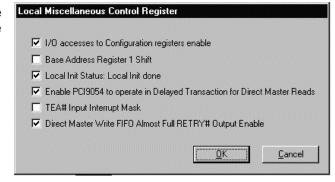


Figure 5-8. Local Miscellaneous Control Register

Space 0/Expansion ROM Bus Region Descriptor register and allows modification of that value

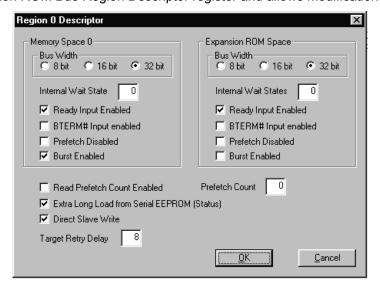


Figure 5-9. Region 0/Expansion ROM Descriptor

The DM PCI Remap Dialog Box

The DM PCI Remap dialog box provides information on the current value of the PCI Base Address (Remap) Register for Direct Master to PCI Memory and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-10).

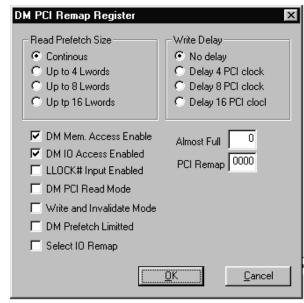
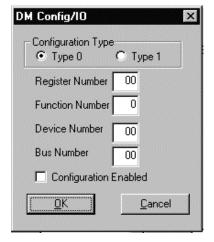


Figure 5-10. Direct Master Remap Dialog Box

The DM Configuration I/O Address Dialog Box

The DM Configuration I/O Address dialog box provides information on the current value of the PCI configuration Address Register for Direct Master to PCI I/O-CFG and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-11).

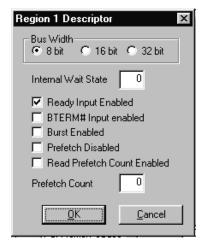




The Local Space 1 Dialog Box

The Region 1 dialog box provides information on the Local Address Space 1 Bus Region Descriptor register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-12).

Figure 5-12. Region 1 Descriptor



5.1.3 The Runtime Register Group Dialog Box

The Runtime Register Group dialog box displays, and allows modification of, the current register values of the Runtime Registers. See Figure 5-13 below.

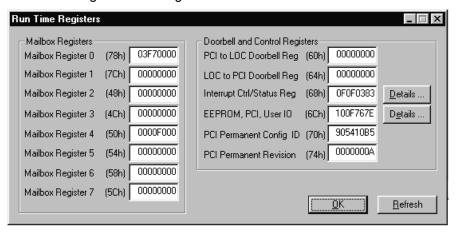


Figure 5-13. Run Time Registers Dialog Box

The Interrupt Control/Status Register Dialog Box

The Interrupt Control/Status Register Dialog Box provides information on the current value of the Interrupt Control/Status register.

The information contained in the dialog box is grouped into two categories, the Control bits and the Status bits. The control bits enable triggering of interrupts for certain events, such as DMA events, doorbell events and others. The status bits cannot be modified directly. They show the current status of the various interrupt triggers.

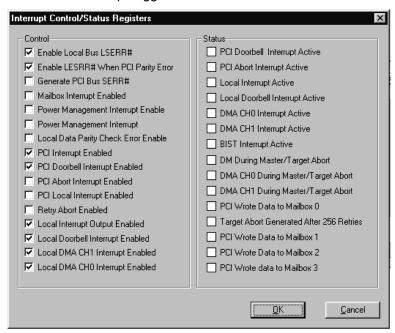


Figure 5-14. Interrupt Control and Status Dialog Box

The EEPROM, PCI, User IO Dialog Box

The EEPROM, PCI, User IO dialog box provides information on the current contents of the EEPROM Control, PCI Command Codes, User I/O Control, Init Control Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-15). The Status section contained in this dialog box contains values that cannot be modified.

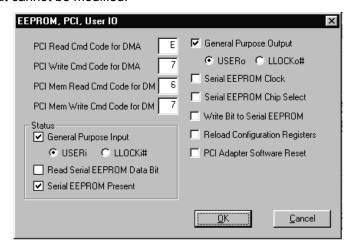


Figure 5-15. EEPROM PCI User IO Dialog Box

5.1.4 The DMA Register Group Dialog Box

The DMA Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the DMA registers for both DMA channels (see Figure 5-16).

The Start and Abort Transfer buttons initiate and terminate the DMA transfer using the current information provided in the DMA registers for the given DMA channel. The Channel Enable bit enables DMA transfers and activates the Start, Abort, and Clear Interrupt buttons.

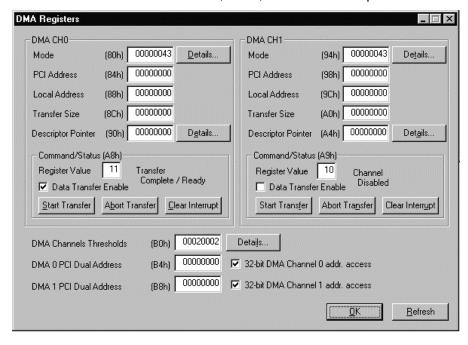


Figure 5-16. Local DMA Registers Dialog Box

The DMA Mode Dialog Box

The DMA Mode dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Channel's Mode Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-17).

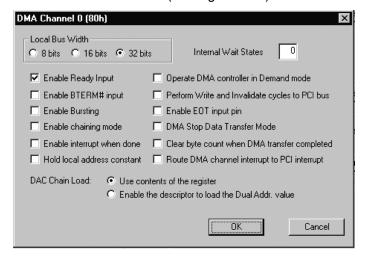


Figure 5-17. DMA Mode Dialog Box

The Descriptor Pointer Dialog Box

The Descriptor Pointer dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Channel's Descriptor Pointer Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-18).

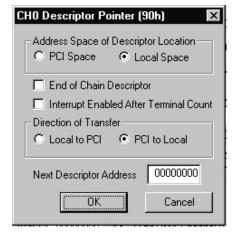


Figure 5-18. DMA Descriptor Pointer

The DMA Channels Threshold Dialog Box

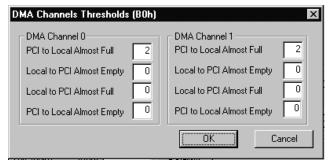


Figure 5-19. DMA Thresholds

The DMA Channels Threshold dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Threshold Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-19).

5.1.5 The Messaging FIFO Register Group Dialog Box

The Messaging FIFO Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the Messaging FIFO Registers as shown in Figure 5-20.

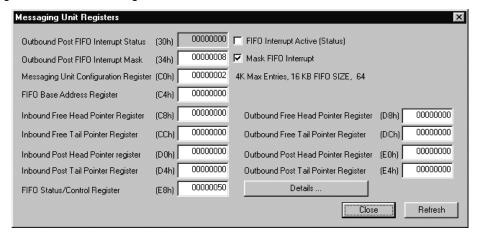


Figure 5-20. Messaging Unit Registers Dialog Box

All the register values can be modified with the exception of the Outbound Post FIFO Interrupt Status register. This register provides only the status of the Outbound Post FIFO interrupt and cannot be modified.

The FIFO Status/Control Register Dialog Box

The FIFO Status/Control Register dialog box provides information on the current value of the Queue Status/Control Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 5-21).

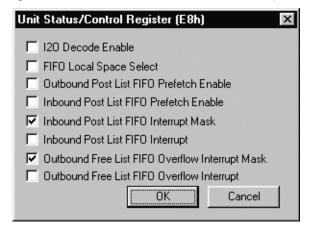


Figure 5-21. Status/Control Register Dialog Box

6. The PCI 9080 Register Set

Each of the PCI 9080's register groups has a distinct dialog box. Each dialog box has the register values, the register's PCI base addresses, and a description of the register. Some registers have check boxes and radio buttons to help in describing and setting the register values. Additional dialog boxes are available for more complex registers if necessary.

6.1 The Register Group Dialog Boxes

The PLXMon toolbar contains five buttons for register accesses. They are for PCI Configuration Registers (PCR), Local Configuration Registers (LCR), RunTime Registers (RTR), DMA Registers (DMA), and Messaging Queue Registers (MQR).

6.1.1 PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The grayed text, in Figure 6-1, on the PCI Configuration Registers dialog box indicates that the values cannot be modified using this dialog box. The radio buttons and check boxes indicate the current settings of the register bit fields. To update the contents of the dialog box push the Refresh button.

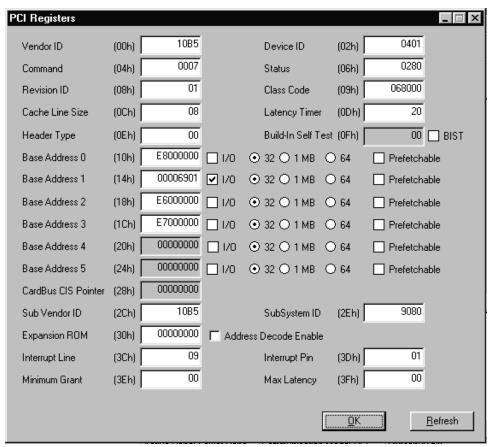


Figure 6-1. PCI Configuration Registers Dialog Box

6.1.2 Local Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The Local Configuration register values are updated through the related edits and dialog boxes, in Figure 6-2, respectively. The size text box reflects the value (in bytes) of the associated register. The memory size is calculated from the corresponding register value and cannot be modified directly. To change the memory size, modify the associated register.

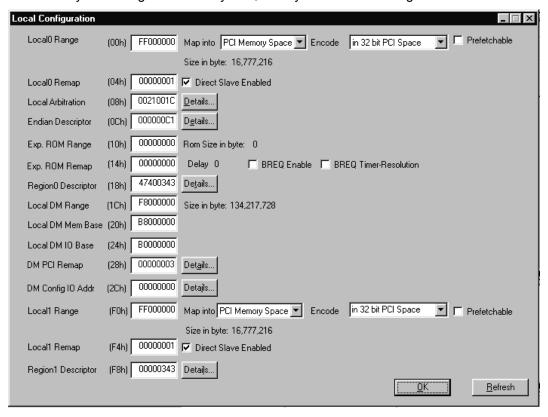


Figure 6-2. Local Configuration Registers Dialog Box

Six registers within the Local Configuration Register Group have a more detailed dialog box and are as follows:

- The Mode/Arbitration dialog box;
- The Endian Descriptor dialog box;
- The Space 0/Exp ROM dialog box;
- The DM PCI Remap dialog box;
- The DM Config I/O Address dialog box; and,
- The Space 1 dialog box.

The Mode/Arbitration Dialog Box

The Mode/Arbitration dialog box provides information on the current value Local/DMA Arbitration registers and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-3).

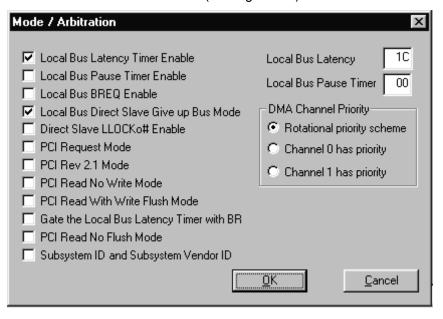


Figure 6-3. Direct Master Mode / Arbitration

Endian Descriptor Dialog Box

The Endian Descriptor dialog box provides information on the current value of the Big/Little Endian Descriptor register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-4).



Figure 6-4. Endian Descriptor Dialog Box

The Local Space 0/Exp ROM Dialog Box

The Region 0 Descriptor dialog box provides information on the current value of the Local Address Space 0/Expansion ROM Bus Region Descriptor register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-5).

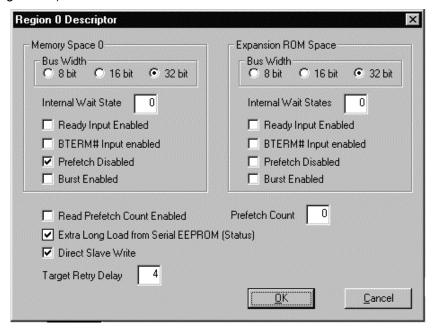


Figure 6-5. Local Space 0/Emp ROM Dialog Box

The Direct Master PCI Remap Dialog Box

The Direct Master (DM) PCI Remap dialog box provides information on the current value of the PCI Base Address (Remap) Register for Direct Master to PCI Memory and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-6).

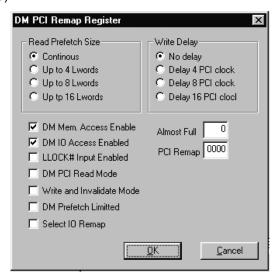


Figure 6-6. Direct Master PCI Remap Dialog Box

The DM Configuration I/O Address Dialog Box

The DM Configuration I/O Address dialog box provides information on the current value of the PCI configuration Address Register for Direct Master to PCI I/O-CFG and allows for modification of that value (see Figure 6-7).

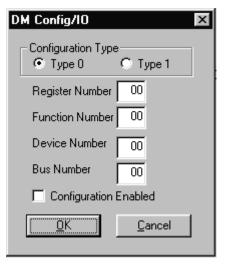


Figure 6-7. Direct Master Configuration

The Region 1 Dialog Box

The Region 1 dialog box provides information on the Local Address Space 1 Bus Region Descriptor register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-8).

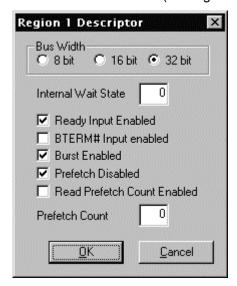


Figure 6-8. Region 1 Descriptor Dialog Box

6.1.3 The Runtime Register Group Dialog Box

The Runtime Register Group dialog box displays, and allows modification of, the current register values of the Runtime Registers.

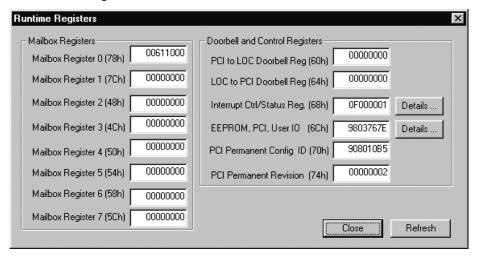


Figure 6-9. Runtime Registers Dialog Box

The Interrupt Control/Status Register Dialog Box

The Interrupt Control/Status Register Dialog Box provides information on the current value of the Interrupt Control/Status register.

The information contained in the dialog box is grouped into two categories, the Control bits and the Status bits. The control bits enable triggering of interrupts for certain events, such as DMA events, doorbell events and others. The status bits cannot be modified directly. They show the current status of the various interrupt triggers.

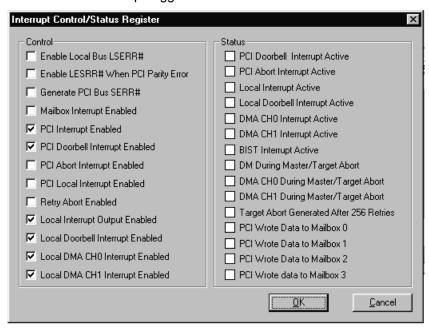


Figure 6-10. Interrupt Control and Status Dialog Box

The EEPROM, PCI, User IO Dialog Box

The EEPROM, PCI, User I/O dialog box provides information on the current contents of the EEPROM Control, PCI Command Codes, User I/O Control, Initialization Control Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-11). The Status section contained in this dialog box contains values that cannot be modified.

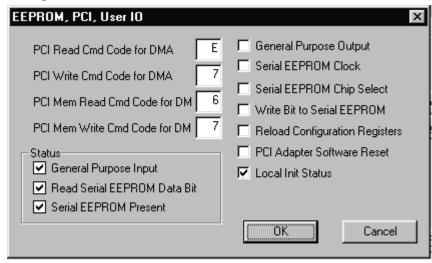


Figure 6-11. EEPROM, PCI, User IO Details Dialog Box

6.1.4 The DMA Register Group Dialog Box

The DMA Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the DMA registers for both DMA channels (see Figure 6-12).

The Start and Abort Transfer buttons, in Figure 6-12, initiate and terminate the DMA transfer using the current information provided in the DMA registers for the given DMA channel. The Channel Enable bit enables DMA transfers and activates the Start, Abort, and Clear Interrupt buttons.

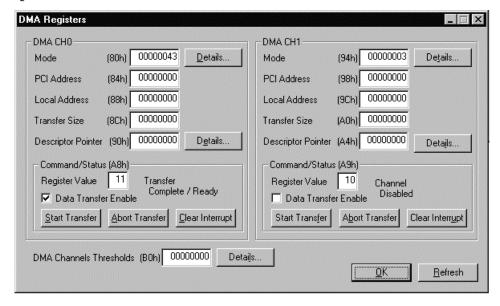


Figure 6-12. DMA Registers Dialog Box

The DMA Mode Dialog Box

The DMA Mode dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Channel's Mode Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-13).

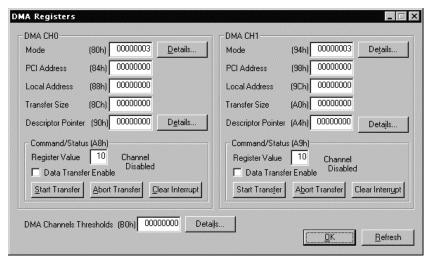


Figure 6-13. DMA Mode Dialog Box

The Descriptor Pointer Dialog Box

The Descriptor Pointer dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Channel's Descriptor Pointer Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-14).



Figure 6-14. Descriptor Pointer Dialog Box

The DMA Channels Threshold Dialog Box

The DMA Channels Threshold dialog box provides information on the current value of the DMA Threshold Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-15).

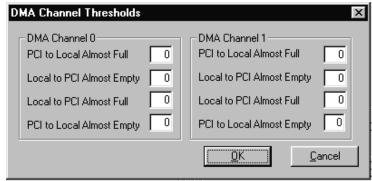


Figure 6-15. DMA Channels Threshold

6.1.5 The Messaging FIFO Register Group Dialog Box

The Messaging FIFO Register Group dialog box displays the current values for the Messaging FIFO Registers as shown in Figure 6-16.

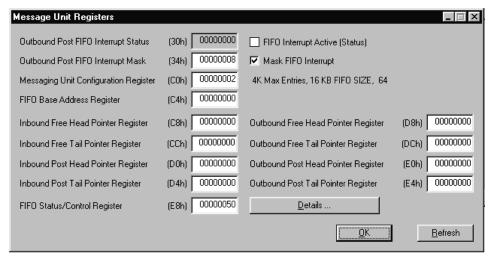


Figure 6-16. Messaging Unit Registers Dialog box

All the register values can be modified with the exception of the Outbound Post FIFO Interrupt Status register. This register provides only the status of the Outbound Post FIFO interrupt and cannot be modified.

The FIFO Status/Control Register Dialog Box

The FIFO Status/Control Register dialog box provides information on the current value of the Queue Status/Control Register and allows modification of that value (see Figure 6-17).

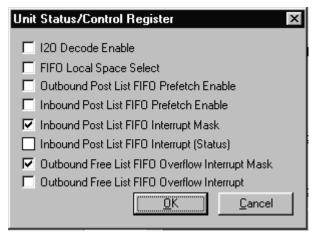


Figure 6-17. FIFO Status/Control Register

7. The PCI 9030 Register Set

Each of the PCI 9030's register groups has a distinct dialog box. Each dialog box has the register values, the register's PCI base addresses, and a description of the register. Some registers have check boxes and radio buttons to help in describing and setting the register values. Additional dialog boxes are available for more complex registers if necessary.

7.1 The Register Group Dialog Boxes

The PLXMon toolbar contains four buttons for register accesses. They are for PCI Configuration Registers (PCR), Local Configuration Registers (LCR), Chip Select Registers (CSR) and RunTime Registers (RTR).

7.1.1 PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The PCI Configuration Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the PCI registers. The grayed fields, in Figure 7-1, on the PCI Configuration Registers dialog box indicate that the values cannot be modified using this dialog box. The radio buttons and check boxes indicate the current settings of the register bit fields. To update the contents of the dialog box push the Refresh button.

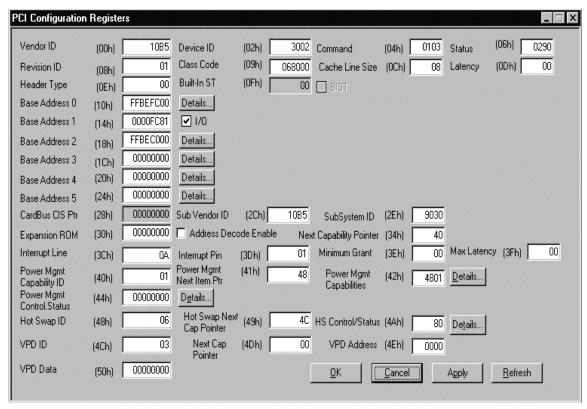


Figure 7-1. PCI Configuration Registers Dialog Box

7.1.2 Local Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The Local Configuration register values are updated through the related edit and dialog boxes, in Figure 7-2, respectively.

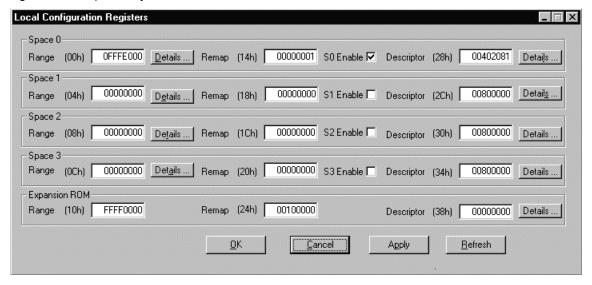


Figure 7-2. Local Configuration Registers Dialog Box

Detailed dialog boxes for local memory descriptors provide information on the current values of the registers and allow modification of the values (see Figure 7-3).

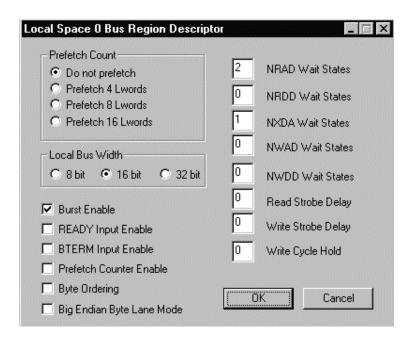


Figure 7-3. Local Memory Bus Region Descriptor Registers

All the register values can be modified with the exception of the reserved bits or Serial EEPROM write only bits (Refer to the PCI 9030 Data Book Chapter 10).

7.1.3 Chip Select Register Group Dialog Box

The Chip Select Register Group Dialog Box contains the current values for the Chip Select Registers as shown in Figure 7-4.

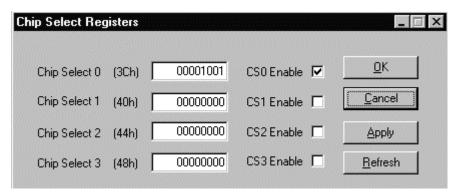


Figure 7-4. Chip Select Registers Dialog Box

All the register values can be modified with the exception that bits 28 to 31 in each chip select register are reserved (Refer to the PCI 9030 Data Book Chapter 10).

7.1.4 Runtime Register Group Dialog Box

The Runtime Register Group dialog box displays, and allows modification of, the current register values of the Runtime Registers. See Figure 7-5 below.

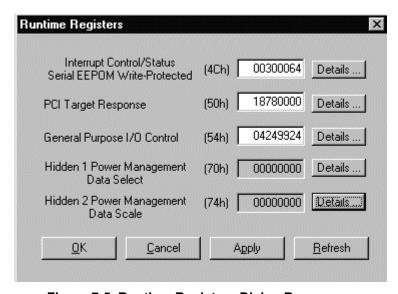


Figure 7-5. Runtime Registers Dialog Box

Hidden register values are read only. Other runtime register values can be modified with the exception of some read only bits (Refer to the PCI 9030 Data Book Chapter 10).

Interrupt Enable/Status Dialog Box

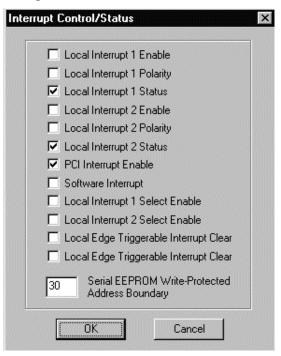
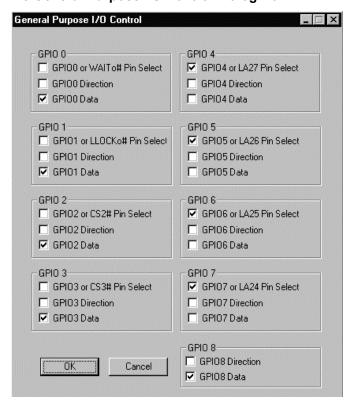


Figure 7-6. Interrupt Enable/Status

The General Purpose I/O Control Dialog Box



The General Purpose I/O Control Dialog Box displays the current setting of the GPIOs.

To modify a value, click the OK button and then click Apply or Refresh button on Runtime Register Dialog Box.

Figure 7-7. General Purpose I/O Control

8. The PCI 9050/9052 Register Set

Each of the PCI 9050's register groups has a distinct dialog box. Each dialog box has the register values, the register's PCI base addresses, and a description of the register. Some registers have check boxes and radio buttons to help in describing and setting the register values. Additional dialog boxes are available for more complex registers if necessary.

8.1 The Register Group Dialog Boxes

The PLXMon toolbar contains two buttons for register accesses. They are for PCI Configuration Registers (PCR) and Local Configuration Registers (LCR).

8.1.1 PCI Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The PCI Configuration Register Group dialog box contains the current values for the PCI registers. The grayed fields, in Figure 8-1, on the PCI Configuration Registers dialog box indicate that the values cannot be modified using this dialog box. The radio buttons and check boxes indicate the current settings of the register bit fields. To update the contents of the dialog box push the Refresh button.

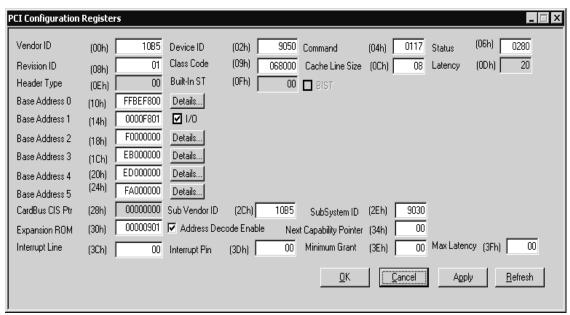


Figure 8-1. PCI Configuration Registers Dialog Box

8.1.2 Local Configuration Register Group Dialog Box

The Local Configuration register values are updated through the related edit and dialog boxes, in Figure 8-2, respectively.

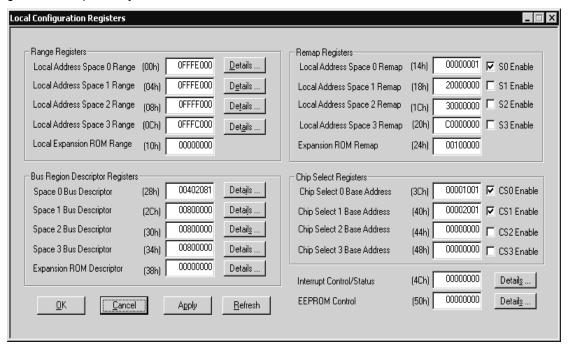


Figure 8-2. Local Configuration Registers Dialog Box

Appendix A. Troubleshooting

In this section you can find solutions to common problems encountered while using PLXMon. If you encountered a problem that is not listed here, please contact PLX customer support (Section 1.4)

I know I have an RDK in my computer, yet when I start PLXMon, the program will only give me serial access. (WinNT only)

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This means the driver was unable to find a "supported" device on your computer. When this happens, the driver will unload itself. Use the event viewer to verify this occurred and to check the cause. Use the driver wizard to add the vendor and device ID of your PCI device to the supported list. Then either restart the computer or manually restart the driver. Instructions for adding a supported device can be found in the SDK User's Manual.

After installing my custom board (the Vendor and Device IDs are my own) the Add New Hardware Wizard in Windows98 or Windows 2000 cannot find my board.

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When adding two different RDK boards at the same time the Add New Hardware Wizard cannot differentiate between them. How do I know which board is which?

The "Add New Hardware Wizard" in Win98 relies on the Vendor and Device IDs of the PCI cards you are inserting. If a custom board is inserted, you must tell the Wizard that the .inf (installation script file) is located in the Inf directory under the Windows system directory. Then select "Unknown PCI XXXX board" depending on the PLX chip that is present on the RDK. The Inf directory is hidden, so make sure you "View all types" within the viewing options of Explorer to find it. Be sure to add new RDKs one at a time to avoid confusing the Wizard.

Appendix B. Glossary Of Terms

Back End Monitor (BEM)

The Back End Monitor is an embedded program that can be compiled into the embedded software running on a PLX RDK board. Its purpose is to scan the serial input and redirect any data that it determines to be a BEM command. The BEM commands allow reads, writes, and resets of a PLX RDK. For more information about BEM, see the PLX SDK-PRO User's Manual.

COFF File Format

Coff files normally are the final data format for a RAM application compiled for use on the PCI and CompactPCI 9054RDK-860RDK boards. The data contained within this file is Big Endian.

IBM-ELF Image File

Local RAM programs compiled for the PCI 9080RDK-401B for RAM will be created in this format. The data is stored in Big-Endian format.

IOP (Input / Output Platform)

This term is interchangeable with the Embedded platform or Local side. This may mean all the software and/or hardware that are on a PLX RDK.

Motorola SRecord

This file format is produced as an intermediate file when compiling code for the PCI and CompactPCI 9054RDK-860. Data is not stored in any particular Endian format.

PCI bus

The PCI bus physically is the location (along with a slot) where the PLX RDK is inserted. The PCI bus can also be given as an address range with data accessible according to the PCI specification.