

# XPS\_NPI\_DMA\_v2\_00\_a

User Manual v1.6

## Introduction

XPS\_NPI\_DMA is high performance direct memory access (DMA) engine which seamlessly integrates into Xilinx EDK environment (figure 1). It is highly flexible due to full access of a microprocessor to the core functionality through 9 32-bit registers attached to PLBv4.6 bus. It enables high speed data streaming to and out from an external memory attached to a Xilinx Multiport Memory Controller (MPMC). The input and output port can run simultaneously. The transfer on each port can have its own allocated memory space and can be looped. Loop means that when the transfer will run indefinitely on allocated memory space (like a frame buffer) until stopped. The data written to the input port can be stored in a memory linearly. The data coming out from the output port can be read in X-Y pattern. That means it can read data linearly or can jump in memory locations to transpose input data – used for rotating image for 90 degrees. That is possible when using single beat transactions (word or double-word) for reading.

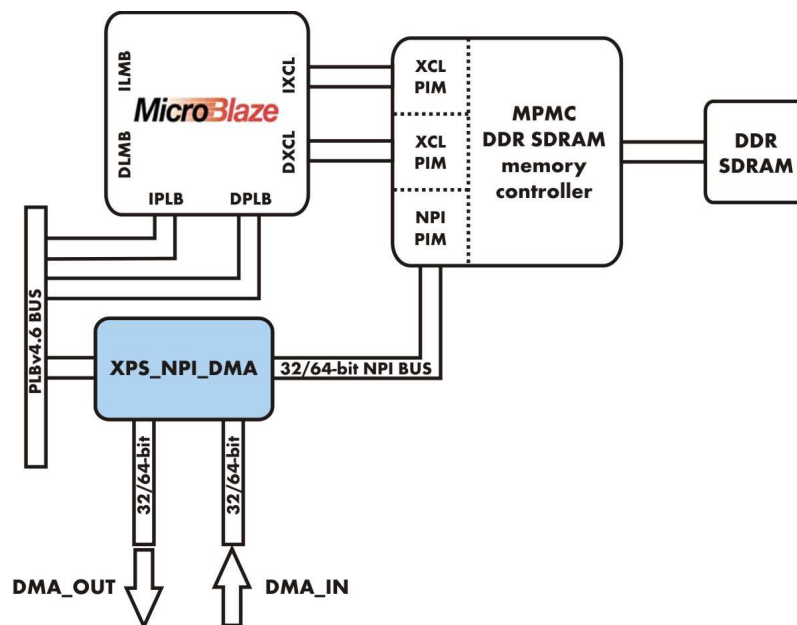


Figure 1: System integration block scheme.

The XPS\_NPI\_DMA has 4 interfaces:

- Xilinx PLBv4.6 created with IPIF wizard for access to 9 x 32-bit registers. These registers control the whole peripheral operation.
- MPMC Native Port Interface (NPI) bus supporting 32 or 64-bit width. This bus is used for high-speed access to external memory.
- Proprietary synchronous 32 or 64-bit wide DMA\_IN bus used for data streaming to external memory. This port can stream data in blocks – up to 64 word burst (64-bit only). Maximal sustainable bandwidth at 100MHz NPI\_Clk is 200MB/s.
- Proprietary synchronous 32 or 64-bit wide DMA\_OUT bus used for data streaming from external memory. The bus width is dependant on NPI bus width. This port can stream data in single beat transfers – word (32-bits), double word (64-bit), 16, 32 and 64-word (64-bit only) per one transaction. Maximal sustainable bandwidth at 100MHz NPI\_Clk is approx. 300MB/s at 32-bits and 600MB/s at 64-bits.

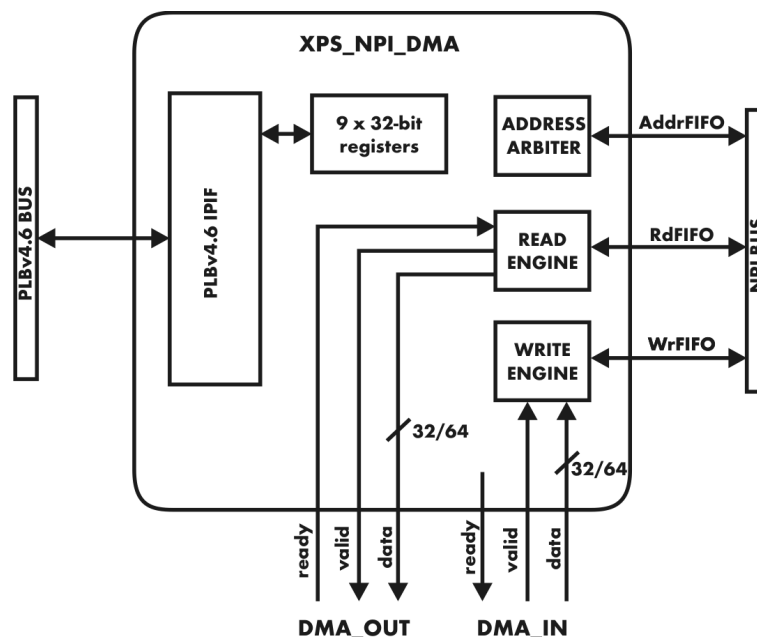


Figure 2: Peripheral internal structure block scheme.

## XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core Design Parameters

Table 1: XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core Design Parameters

Feature/Description	Parameter Name	Allowable Values	Default Value	VHDL Type
System Parameters				
Target FPGA family	C_FAMILY	spartan3, spartan3e, spartan3a, spartan3adsp, spartan3an, virtex2p, virtex4, qvirtex4, qrvirtex4, virtex5	virtex5	string
PLB Parameters				
PLB base address	C_BASEADDR	Valid Address	None	std_logic_vector
PLB high address	C_HIGHADDR	Valid Address	None	std_logic_vector
PLB least significant address bus width	C_SPLB_AWIDTH	32	32	integer
PLB data width	C_SPLB_DWIDTH	32, 64, 128	32	integer
Shared bus topology	C_SPLB_P2P	0 = Shared bus topology	0	integer
PLB master ID bus Width	C_SPLB_MID_WIDTH	log2(C_SPLB_NUM_MASTERS) with a minimum value of 1	1	integer
Number of PLB masters	C_SPLB_NUM_MASTERS	1 - 16	1	integer
Width of the slave data bus	C_SPLB_NATIVE_DWIDTH	32	32	integer
Burst support	C_SPLB_SUPPORT_BURSTS	0 = No burst support	0	integer
XPS_NPI_DMA Parameters				
NPI bus data width	C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH	32, 64	32	integer
Byte swap input data	C_SWAP_INPUT	0, 1	0	integer
Byte swap output data	C_SWAP_OUTPUT	0, 1	0	integer
Writing padding value if number of bytes does not match multiple of packet size	C_PADDING_BE	0, 1 (zeros, ones)	0	integer

## XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core I/O Signals

Table 2: XPS\_NPI\_DMA I/O Signal Descriptions

Name	Interface	I/O	Initial State	Description
NPI_Clk	-	I	-	Memory clock
ChipScope[0:63]	-	O	-	Debug port
IP2INTC_Irpt	-	O	0	Interrupt request LEVEL_HIGH
Capture_data[(C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH-1):0]	DMA_IN	I	-	Sync DMA Input data
Capture_valid	DMA_IN	I	-	Sync DMA Input valid strobe
Capture_ready	DMA_IN	O	0	DMA Input is ready flag
Output_data[(C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH-1):0]	DMA_OUT	O	-	DMA Output data, Sync to NPI_Clk
Output_valid	DMA_OUT	O	0	DMA Output valid strobe, sync to NPI_Clk
Output_ready	DMA_OUT	I	1	External Output ready
NPI_Addr[31:0]	MPMC_PIM	O	zeros	NPI address data
NPI_AddrReq	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI address request
NPI_AddrAck	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI address acknowledge
NPI_RNW	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI read now write
NPI_Size[3:0]	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI packet size See below for info
NPI_RdModWr	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI read mod write (not used)
NPI_WrFIFO_Data[(C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH-1):0]	MPMC_PIM	O	zeros	NPI write FIFO data vector
NPI_WrFIFO_BE[(C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH/8-1):0]	MPMC_PIM	O	ones	NPI write FIFO byte enable mask (always ones)
NPI_WrFIFO_Push	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI write FIFO data valid strobe
NPI_RdFIFO_Data[(C_NPI_DATA_WIDTH-1):0]	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI read FIFO data vector
NPI_RdFIFO_Pop	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI read FIFO data read strobe
NPI_RdFIFO_RdWdAddr[3:0]	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI read FIFO read write addr (not used)
NPI_WrFIFO_Empty	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI write FIFO empty flag
NPI_WrFIFO_AlmostFull	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI write FIFO almost

				full flag
NPI_WrFIFO_Flush	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI write FIFO reset
NPI_RdFIFO_Empty	MPMC_PIM	I	-	NPI read FIFO empty flag
NPI_RdFIFO_Flush	MPMC_PIM	O	0	NPI read FIFO reset
NPI_RdFIFO_Latency[1:0]	MPMC_PIM	O	"01"	NPI read FIFO latency
NPI_InitDone	MPMC_PIM	I	-	MPMC init done flag
OTHERS ARE PLBv4.6 SIGNALS	PLBv4.6			

## Writing and reading to/from DMA\_IN and DMA\_OUT ports

The point to point unidirectional buses use simple handshaking protocol. When (slave) "ready" signal is high the port is open for writing. A write is performed when "valid" signal goes high. The "data" should be valid when valid signal is high. If "valid" signal goes high and the ready is low then the data are discarded (FIFO\_IN only). The signals are updated on rising edge of clock. The internal clock for DMA\_IN is NPI\_Clk.

**NOTE: In this version DMA\_OUT can properly throttle transmission using Ready signal only at single beat transfers (Read block size = 0).**

Table 3: XPS\_NPI\_DMA I/O Signal Descriptions

BUS	DMA_IN	DMA_OUT
Bus width	32 or 64 bit	32 or 64 bit
Clock	synchronous to NPI_Clk	synchronous to NPI_Clk
"valid" width	Multiple cycles possible	Multiple cycles possible

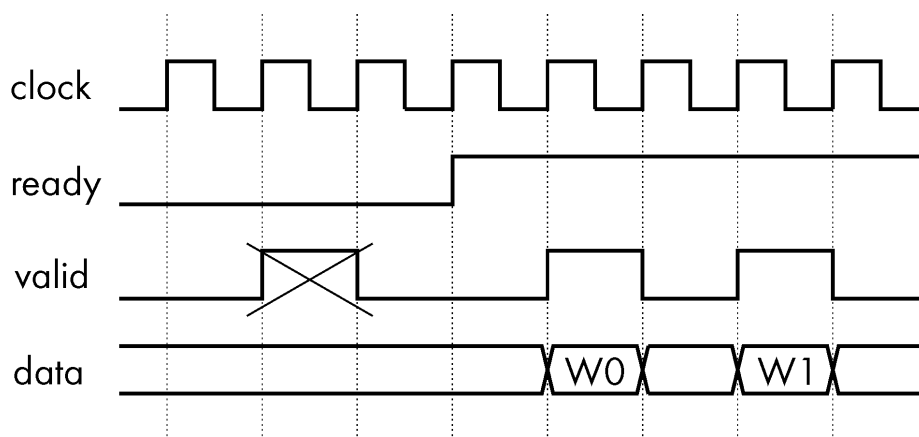


Figure 3: DMA high speed communication ports principle of operation.

## XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core Registers

XPS\_NPI\_DMA has a full access of a microprocessor to the core functionality through a 9 user 32-bit and 7 IPIF Interrupt registers attached to PLBv4.6 bus.

Table 4: XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core Registers

Base Address + Offset (hex)	Register Name	Access Type	Default Value (hex)	Description
NPI_DMA_CORE IP Core Grouping				
C_BASEADDR + 00	CR	R/W	0x00000000	Control Register
C_BASEADDR + 04	WSA	R/W	0x00000000	Wr Start Address Register
C_BASEADDR + 08	WBR	R/W	0x00000000	Wr Bytes Register
C_BASEADDR + 0C	RSA	R/W	0x00000000	Read Start Address Register
C_BASEADDR + 10	RBR	R/W	0x00000000	Read Bytes Register
C_BASEADDR + 14	RJR	R/W	0x00000000	Read Jumps Register
C_BASEADDR + 18	SR	Read	0x00000000	Status Register
C_BASEADDR + 1C	WCR	Read	WSA	Write Address Counter Register
C_BASEADDR + 20	RCR	Read	WBR	Read Address Counter Register
IPIF Interrupt Controller Core Grouping				
C_BASEADDR + 200	INTR_DISR	Read	0x00000000	interrupt status register
C_BASEADDR + 204	INTR_DIPR	Read	0x00000000	interrupt pending register
C_BASEADDR + 208	INTR_DIER	Write	0x00000000	interrupt enable register
C_BASEADDR + 218	INTR_DIIR	Write	0x00000000	interrupt id (priority encoder) register
C_BASEADDR + 21C	INTR_DGIER	Write	0x00000000	global interrupt enable register
C_BASEADDR + 220	INTR_IPISR	Read	0x00000000	ip (user logic) interrupt status register
C_BASEADDR + 228	INTR_IPIER	Write	0x00000000	ip (user logic) interrupt enable register

Note: The First (LSB) interrupt from user\_logic is masked on the left!!

## Details of XPS\_NPI\_DMA Core Registers

The parts of the registers (or the whole registers) with a non-capital designation (e.g. wr\_fifo\_rst) are usually the names of the HDL signals connected to the described register.

### Control Register (CR)

The Control Register is used to control basic peripheral functions. All the bit flags are assembled here.

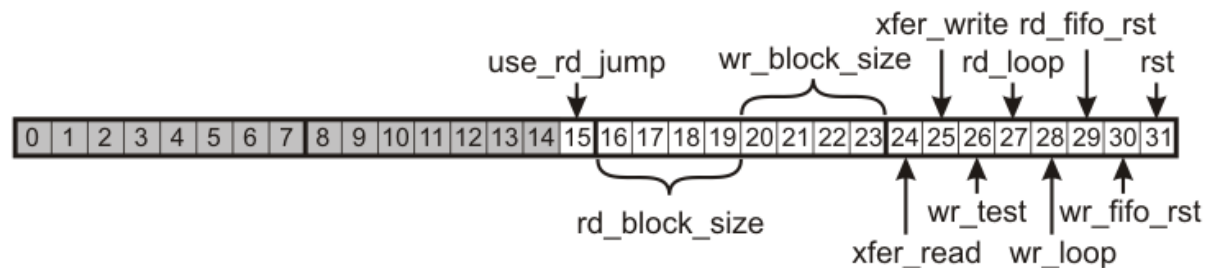


Table 5: Control Register bits

Bits	Name	Description	Reset Value
31	rst	Peripheral soft reset (not self resettable)	0
30	wr_fifo_rst	Write FIFO reset (not self resettable)	0
29	rd_fifo_rst	Read FIFO reset (not self resettable)	0
28	wr_loop	Write loop - continuous transfer	0
27	rd_loop	Read loop - continuous transfer	0
26	wr_test	Write test - writes 32bit counter to memory	0
25	xfer_write	Write data flag (starts/stops xfer)	0
24	xfer_read	Read data flag (starts/stops xfer)	0
20-23	wr_block_size	Write block size	0x0
16-19	rd_block_size	Read block size	0x0
15	use_rd_jump	Enables transpose	0

Write block size:

4 bytes when block\_size = X"0" C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 32 1 word xfer (not implemented)

8 bytes when block\_size = X"0" C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 64 2 words xfer (not implemented)

16 bytes when block\_size = X"1" 4-word cache-line burst

32 bytes when block\_size = X"2" 8-word cache-line burst

64 bytes when block\_size = X"3" 16-word burst

128 bytes when block\_size = X"4" 32-word burst

256 bytes when block\_size = X"5" 64-word burst only possible at C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 64

Read block size:

4 bytes when block\_size = X"0" C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 32 1 word xfer

8 bytes when block\_size = X"0" C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 64 2 words xfer

16 bytes when block\_size = X"1" 4-word cache-line burst (not tested)

32 bytes when block\_size = X"2" 8-word cache-line burst (not tested)

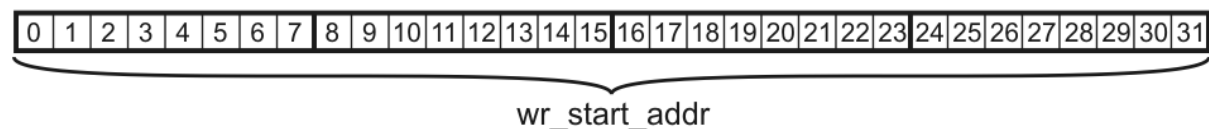
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256 bytes when block\_size = X"5" 64-word burst only possible at C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 64

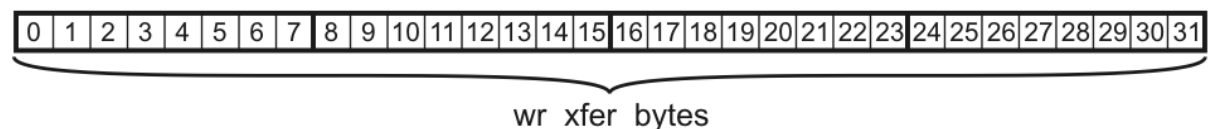
### Write Start Address Register (WSA)

Here you input start address for writing transfer. It is an external memory address for the first byte to be written. **It should be aligned to Write block size boundary.**



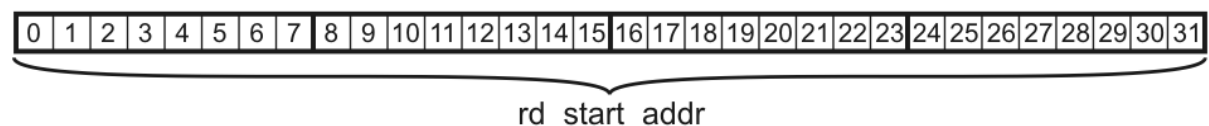
### Write Bytes Register (WBR)

Here you input the number of bytes to written to memory. It is not necessary to align the number of bytes to block size, since the remaining bytes will be padded. If you set wr\_loop to 1 then the WSA+WBR is the maximal address before the address counter jumps to WSA and starts counting again.



### Read Start Address Register (RSA)

Here you input start address for reading transfer. It is an external memory address for the first byte to be read. **It should be aligned to Read block size boundary.**

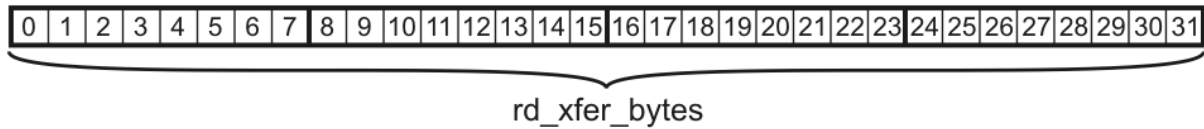


### Read Bytes Register (RBR)

Here you input the number of bytes to be read from the memory. It is not necessary to align the number of bytes to block size, since the remaining bytes will remain in the RdFIFO. If you set

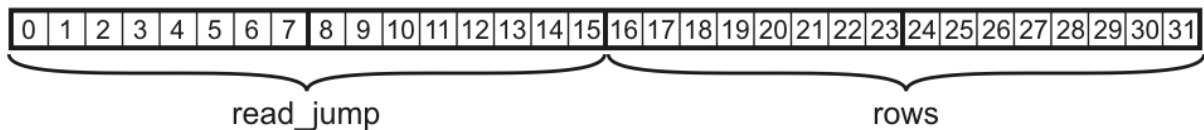


rd\_loop to 1 then the when the byte counter reaches RBR values jumps to 0 (RSA address) and starts counting again.



### Read Jumps Register (RJR)

This register is used to input two 16bit values to define the reading jumping •roject•. The read\_jump is an address increment between two consecutive reads. If you want linear read then this is a number of bytes per read block (4 or 8 for single beat xfer). When rotating (transposing) an image this should equal to number of bytes in a row. The parameter rows define how many reads should be done before returning to starting position+block size. At linear transfer this register is NOT USED.



### Status Register (SR)

In the status register the peripheral reports of the current status.

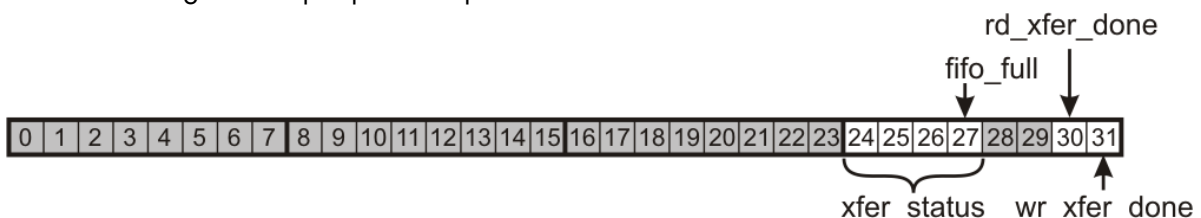
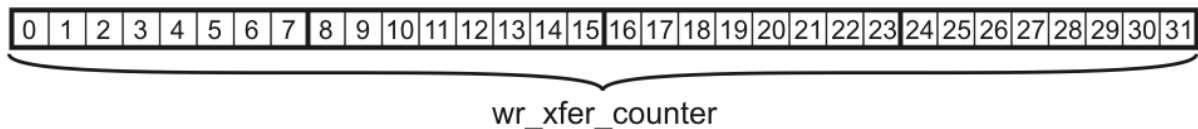


Table 6: Status Register bits

Bits	Name	Description	Reset Value
31	wr_xfer_done	Write xfer done flag (always 0 if wr_loop = '1')	1
30	rd_xfer_done	Read xfer done flag (always 0 if wr_loop = 1)	1
24-27	xfer_status	Write xfer status (bit 27 = wr_fifo_full)	0

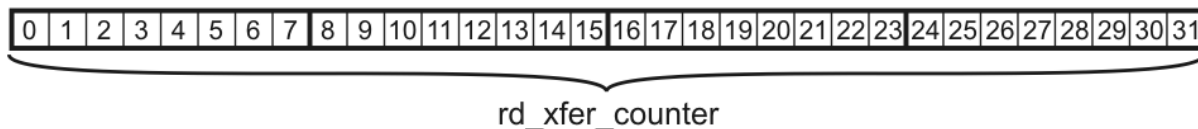
### Write Address Counter Register (WCR)

Reading this register returns current WRITE address counter value. It can be used to monitor write transfer progress.



### Read Address Counter Register (RCR)

Reading this register returns current READ address counter value. It can be used to monitor read transfer progress.

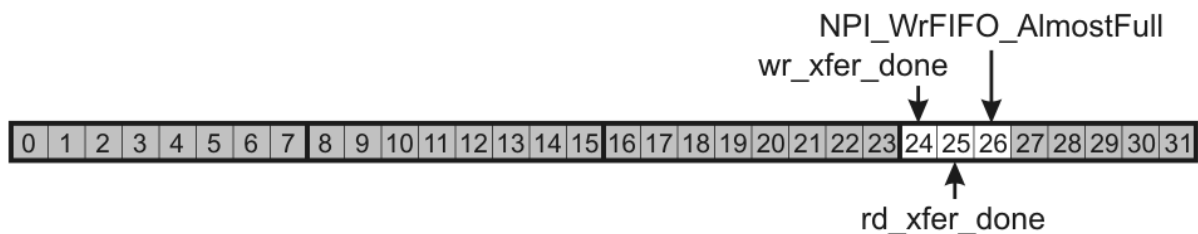


### Interrupt registers

With INTR\_IPIER register you can enable/disable peripheral interrupt sources. With INTR\_IPISR you can identify interrupt source. Writing a value to INTR\_IPISR also clears interrupt. MAKE SURE THAT YOU ONLY CLEAR TRIGGERED INTERRUPTS. Otherwise you will trigger »ghost« interrupts which were not triggered by peripheral, but the interrupt controller itself.

Writing 0x7 to INTR\_DIER will enable IP interrupt sources and writing 0x80000000 to INTR\_DGIER will enable global interrupt.

The image below presents a connection of user logic interrupt to INTR\_IPIER and INTR\_IPISR.



### **Programming model**

In the instruction sequence it is only important that xfer\_write or xfer\_read are written at the end as they start the transmission.

Example of single write transfer from address 0x1C000000 to 0x1C00FFFF using 32-word burst

1. Write 0x1C000000 to WSA
2. Write 0x00010000 to WBR
3. Write 0x00000440 to CR
4. Poll SR until write\_xfer\_done = 1

Example of single linear read transfer from address 0x1C000000 to 0x1C00FFFF using 32-word burst transaction

1. Write 0x1C000000 to RSA
2. Write 0x00010000 to RBR
3. Write 0x00004080 to CR
4. Poll SR until read\_xfer\_done = 1

Example of single transpose read transfer from address 0x1C000000 at image size 750 bytes/row x 480 rows.

1. Write 0x1C000000 to RSA
2. Write 0x00057E40 to RBR
3. Write 0x02EE01DF to RJR (Note 1DF=rows-1)
4. Write 0x00010080 to CR
5. Poll SR until read\_xfer\_done = 1

In this case you get on output port 4 (at C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 32) or 8 (at C\_NPI\_DATA\_WIDTH = 64) bytes per every data valid. Further demultiplexing (downto single pixel size if needed) can be done using a FIFO array (for example OUTPUT\_DMA\_FIFOS).

**For using the software driver read function comments in:**

**#project#(or IP repository)\drivers\xps\_npi\_dma\_v1\_00\_a\src\xps\_npi\_dma.c**

## Revision history

Rev	Date	Author	Description
1.0	16.3.2009	AG	created
1.1	4.4.2009	AG	added programming model
1.2	16.7.2009	AG	added read burst support
1.3	7.8.2009	AG	fixed read bytes countdown according to packet size
1.4	15.8.2009	AG	fixed interrupt doc
1.5	30.6.2010	AG	Updated to Xilinx tools v11, DMA_IN port changed to synchronous 32/64 bit wide
1.6	5.8.2010	AG	Updated images for 64bits DMA_IN and throttling using Ready