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Introduction

The Xilinx® LogiCORE™ IP AXI Direct Memory Access (AXI DMA) core is a soft Xilinx IP core for use with the Xilinx Vivado® Design Suite. The AXI DMA provides high-bandwidth direct memory access between memory and AXI4-Stream target peripherals. Its optional scatter/gather capabilities also offload data movement tasks from the Central Processing Unit (CPU).

Features

- AXI4 compliant
- Optional Scatter/Gather Direct Memory Access (DMA) support
- AXI4 data width support of 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024 bits
- AXI4-Stream data width support of 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024 bits
- Supports multichannel operation (up to 16 channels)
- Supports two-dimensional (2-D) transfers in multichannel mode.
- Optional Keyhole support
- Optional Data Re-Alignment support
- Optional AXI Control and Status Streams
- Optional Micro DMA Support

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Supported Device Family ⁽¹⁾	UltraScale™ Architecture, Zynq®-7000 All Programmable SoC, 7 Series FPGAs
Supported User Interfaces	AXI4, AXI4-Lite, AXI4-Stream
Resources	See Table 2-4
Provided with Core	
Design Files	VHDL
Example Design	VHDL
Test Bench	VHDL
Constraints File	Delivered with IP Generation
Supported S/W Drivers ⁽²⁾	Standalone and Linux
Tested Design Flows ⁽³⁾	
Design Entry	Vivado Design Suite Vivado IP Integrator
Simulation	For supported simulators, see the Xilinx Design Tools: Release Notes Guide .
Synthesis	Vivado Synthesis
Support	
Provided by Xilinx, Inc@ www.xilinx.com/support .	

1. For a complete list of supported devices, see the Vivado IP catalog.
2. Standalone driver information can be found in the SDK installation directory. See `xilinx_drivers.htm` in `<install_directory>/doc/usenglish`. Linux OS and driver support information is available from wiki.xilinx.com.
3. For the supported versions of the tools, see the [Xilinx Design Suite: Release Notes Guide](#).

Overview

The AXI Direct Memory Access (AXI DMA) IP provides high-bandwidth direct memory access between the AXI4 memory mapped and AXI4-Stream IP interfaces. Its optional scatter gather capabilities also offload data movement tasks from the Central Processing Unit (CPU) in processor-based systems. Initialization, status, and management registers are accessed through an AXI4-Lite slave interface. [Figure 1-1](#) illustrates the functional composition of the core.

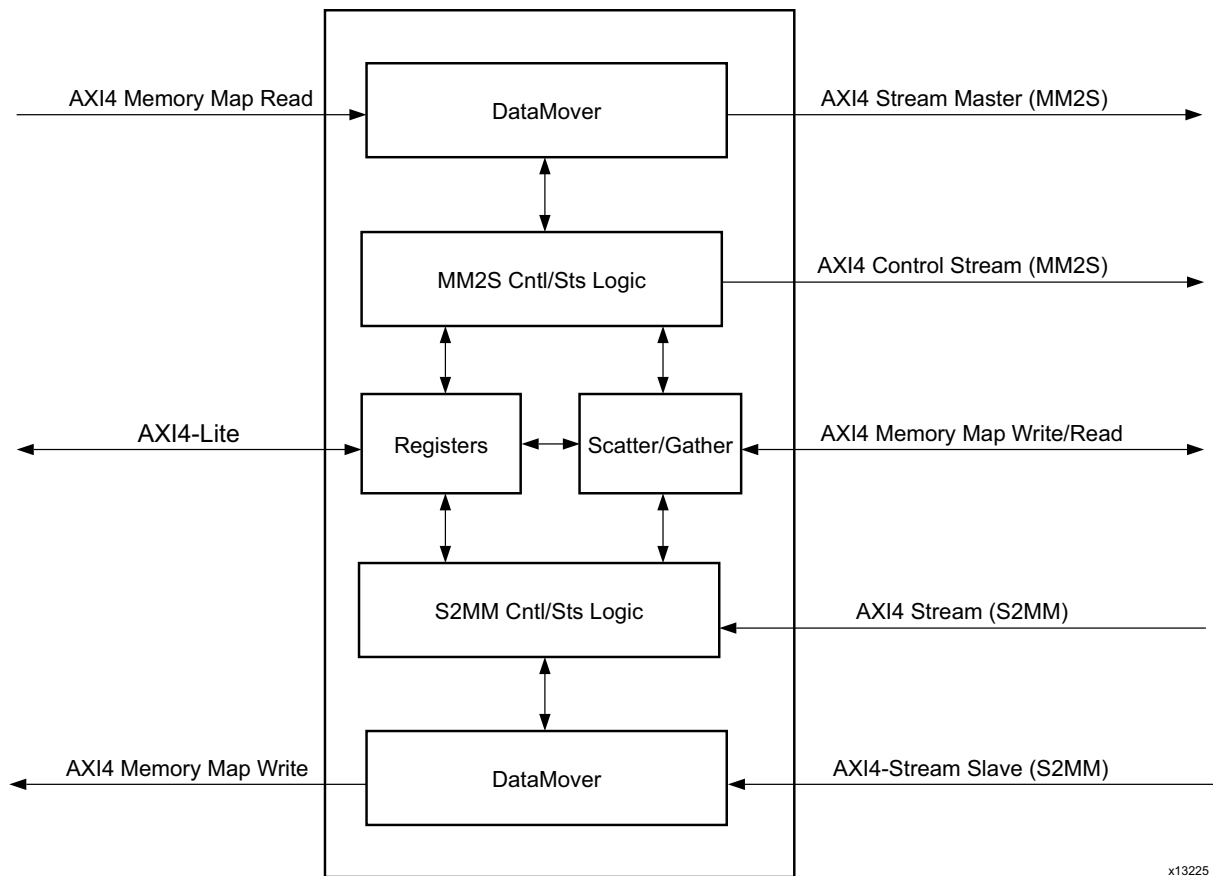


Figure 1-1: AXI DMA Block Diagram

Primary high-speed DMA data movement between system memory and stream target is through the AXI4 Read Master to AXI4 memory-mapped to stream (MM2S) Master, and AXI stream to memory-mapped (S2MM) Slave to AXI4 Write Master. AXI DMA also enables up to 16 multiple channels of data movement on both MM2S and S2MM paths in scatter/gather mode.

The MM2S channel and S2MM channel operate independently. The AXI DMA provides 4 KB address boundary protection (when configured in non Micro DMA), automatic burst mapping, as well as providing the ability to queue multiple transfer requests using nearly the full bandwidth capabilities of the AXI4-Stream buses. Furthermore, the AXI DMA provides byte-level data realignment allowing memory reads and writes starting at any byte offset location.

The MM2S channel supports an AXI Control stream for sending user application data to the target IP. For the S2MM channel, an AXI Status stream is provided for receiving user application data from the target IP.

The optional Scatter/Gather Engine fetches and updates buffer descriptors from system memory through the AXI4 Scatter Gather Read/Write Master interface. Optional descriptor queuing is provided to maximize primary data throughput.

Feature Summary

- AXI4 compliant
- Optional Independent Scatter/Gather Direct Memory Access (DMA) support
 - Provides offloading of DMA management work from the CPU
 - Provides fetch and update of transfer descriptors independent from primary data bus
 - Allows descriptor placement to be in any memory-mapped location separate from data buffers. For example, descriptors can be placed in block RAM.
 - Optionally provides up to 16 multiple channels of data movement on both MM2S and S2MM paths in scatter/gather mode
 - Provides optional 2-D transfers
 - Provides optional cyclic operation
- Optional Register Direct Mode (no scatter/gather support)

A lower performance but less FPGA-resource-intensive mode can be enabled by excluding the Scatter Gather engine. In this mode transfers are commanded by setting a Source Address (for MM2S) or Destination Address (For S2MM) and then specifying a byte count in a length register.

- Primary AXI4 data width support of 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024 bits
- Primary AXI4-Stream data width support of 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024 bits
- Optional Data Re-alignment Engine

Allows data realignment to the byte (8 bits) level on the primary memory map and stream datapaths

- Optional AXI Control and Status Streams to interface to AXI Ethernet IP

Provides optional Control Stream for the MM2S Channel and Status Stream for the S2MM channel to offload low-bandwidth control and status from the high-bandwidth datapath.

- Optional Micro DMA

AXI DMA can be configured to deliver a low footprint, low performance IP that can handle the transfer of small packets. Read the following chapters for more information.

Applications

The AXI DMA provides high-speed data movement between system memory and an AXI4-Stream-based target IP such as AXI Ethernet.

Licensing and Ordering Information

This Xilinx® LogiCORE™ IP module is provided at no additional cost with the Xilinx Vivado® Design Suite under the terms of the [Xilinx End User License](#).

Information about this and other Xilinx LogiCORE IP modules is available at the [Xilinx Intellectual Property](#) page. For information on pricing and availability of other Xilinx LogiCORE IP modules and tools, contact your [local Xilinx sales representative](#).

Product Specification

Performance

This section contains the following subsections.

- [Maximum Frequencies](#)
- [Latency and Throughput](#)

Maximum Frequencies

The AXI DMA is characterized as per the benchmarking methodology described in the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP* (UG896) [Ref 1]. Table 2-1 shows the results of the characterization runs.

Table 2-1: Maximum Frequencies

Family	Speed Grade	Fmax (MHz)		
		AXI4	AXI4-Stream	AXI4-Lite
Virtex®-7	-1	200	200	180
Kintex®-7		200	200	180
Artix®-7		150	150	120
Virtex-7	-2	240	240	200
Kintex-7		240	240	200
Artix-7		180	180	140
Virtex-7	-3	280	280	220
Kintex-7		280	280	220
Artix-7		200	200	160

Latency and Throughput

Table 2-2 and Table 2-3 describe the latency and throughput for the AXI DMA. The tables provide performance information for a typical configuration. The throughput test consisted of transferring 10,000 bytes on the MM2S and S2MM side.

Throughput is measured from completion of descriptor fetching (DMACR.Idle = 1) to frame count interrupt assertion.

Table 2-2: AXI DMA Latency Numbers

Description	Clocks
MM2S Channel	
Tail Descriptor write to m_axi_sg_arvalid	10
m_axi_sg_arvalid to m_axi_mm2s_arvalid	28
m_axi_mm2s_arvalid to m_axis_mm2s_tvalid	6
S2MM Channel	
Tail Descriptor write to m_axi_sg_arvalid	10
s_axis_s2mm_tvalid to m_axi_s2mm_awvalid	39

Table 2-3: AXI DMA Throughput Numbers^a

Channel	Clock Frequency (MHz)	Bytes Transferred	Total Throughput (MB/s)	Percent of Theoretical
MM2S ^b	100	10,000	399.04	99.76
S2MM ^c	100	10,000	298.59	74.64

- The above figures are measured with the default IP configuration.
- The MM2S throughput is measured between the first `arvalid` on Memory Map side to the `tlast` on streaming side.
- The S2MM throughput is measured between the first `tvalid` on streaming side to last `wlast` on the Memory Map side.

Resource Utilization

Resources required for the AXI DMA core have been estimated for 7 series and Zynq®-7000 devices (Table 2-4). These values were generated using the Vivado® Design Suite.

Note: UltraScale™ architecture results are expected to be similar to 7 series device results.

Table 2-4: 7 Series and Zynq-7000 Devices Resource Estimates

					Read Channel					Write Channel								
Enable Async	Enable SG	Enable Multi Channel	Enable Control Status	Width of Buff Length Reg	Number of Channels	Mmap Width	Streaming Width	Burst Size	Unaligned Transfer	Number of Channels	Mmap Width	Streaming Width	Burst Size	Unaligned Transfer	Use RxLength in Status Stream	Slice	LUT	REG
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	14	1	32	32	16	FALSE	1	32	32	16	FALSE	FALSE	943	1864	3122
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	14	1	32	32	16	FALSE	1	32	32	16	FALSE	TRUE	917	1858	2965
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	14	1	32	32	16	FALSE	1	32	32	16	FALSE	FALSE	818	1722	3006
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	14	1	64	64	8	FALSE	1	64	64	8	FALSE	FALSE	1017	2147	3525
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	14	1	64	64	16	TRUE	1	64	64	16	TRUE	FALSE	1303	2787	4006
TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	14	1	32	32	16	FALSE	1	32	32	16	FALSE	FALSE	1171	2200	3890
FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	14	4	32	32	16	FALSE	4	32	32	16	FALSE	FALSE	1425	2970	3952

Port Descriptions

The AXI DMA I/O signals are described in [Table 2-5](#).

Table 2-5: I/O Signal Description

Signal Name	Interface	Signal Type	Init Status	Description
s_axi_lite_aclk	Clock	I		AXI4-Lite Clock.
m_axi_sg_aclk	Clock	I		AXI DMA Scatter Gather Clock
m_axi_mm2s_aclk	Clock	I		AXI DMA MM2S Primary Clock
m_axi_s2mm_aclk	Clock	I		AXI DMA S2MM Primary Clock
axi_resetn	Reset	I		AXI DMA Reset. Active-Low reset. When asserted Low, resets entire AXI DMA core. Must be synchronous to s_axi_lite_aclk.
mm2s_introut	Interrupt	O	0	Interrupt Out for Memory Map to Stream Channel.
s2mm_introut	Interrupt	O	0	Interrupt Out for Stream to Memory Map Channel.
axi_dma_tstvec	NA	O	0	Debug signals for internal use.
AXI4-Lite Interface Signals				
s_axi_lite_*	S_AXI_LITE	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
MM2S Memory Map Read Interface Signals				
m_axi_mm2s_*	M_AXI_MM2S	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AAXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
MM2S Master Stream Interface Signals				
mm2s_prmry_reset_out_n	M_AXIS_MM2S	O	1	Primary MM2S Reset Out. Active-Low reset.
m_axis_mm2s_*	M_AXIS_MM2S	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
MM2S Master Control Stream Interface Signals				
mm2s_cntrl_reset_out_n	M_AXIS_CNTRL	O	1	Control Reset Out. Active-Low reset.
m_axis_mm2s_cntrl_*	M_AXIS_CNTRL	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.

Table 2-5: I/O Signal Description (Cont'd)

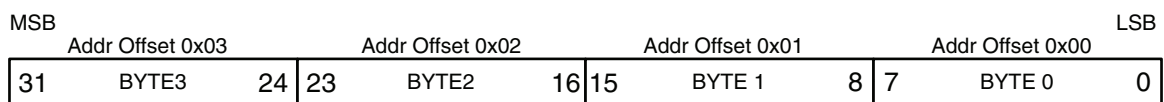
Signal Name	Interface	Signal Type	Init Status	Description
S2MM Memory Map Write Interface Signals				
m_axi_s2mm_*	M_AXI_S2MM	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
S2MM Slave Stream Interface Signals				
s2mm_prmry_reset_out_n	S_AXIS_S2MM	O	1	Primary S2MM Reset Out. Active-Low reset.
s_axis_s2mm_*	S_AXIS_S2MM	I	Input/Output	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
S2MM Slave Status Stream Interface Signals				
s2mm_sts_reset_out_n	S_AXIS_STS	O	1	AXI Status Stream (STS) Reset Output. Active-Low reset.
s_axis_s2mm_sts_*	S_AXIS_STS	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
Scatter Gather Memory Map Read Interface Signals				
m_axi_sg_*	M_AXI_SG	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.
Scatter Gather Memory Map Write Interface Signals				
m_axi_sg*	M_AXI_SG	Input/Output		See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide</i> (UG761) [Ref 2] for AXI4 signal.

Register Space

The AXI DMA core register space for Scatter/Gather Mode is shown in Table 2-6. The AXI DMA core register space for Simple DMA Mode is shown in Table 2-7. The AXI DMA registers are memory-mapped into non-cacheable memory space. This memory space must be aligned on an AXI word (32-bit) boundary.

Endianess

All registers are in Little Endian format, as shown in Figure 2-1.



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Figure 2-1: 32-bit Little Endian Example

AXI DMA Register Address Map

Table 2-6: Scatter / Gather Mode Register Address Map

Address Space Offset ⁽¹⁾	Name	Description
00h	MM2S_DMACR	MM2S DMA Control Register
04h	MM2S_DMASR	MM2S DMA Status Register
08h	MM2S_CURDESC	MM2S Current Descriptor Pointer
0Ch	Reserved	N/A
10h	MM2S_TAILDESC	MM2S Tail Descriptor Pointer
14h to 2Bh	Reserved	N/A
2Ch ⁽²⁾	SG_CTL	Scatter/Gather User and Cache
30h	S2MM_DMACR	S2MM DMA Control Register
34h	S2MM_DMASR	S2MM DMA Status Register
38h	S2MM_CURDESC	S2MM Current Descriptor Pointer
3Ch	Reserved	N/A
40h	S2MM_TAILDESC	S2MM Tail Descriptor Pointer

Notes:

1. Address Space Offset is relative to C_BASEADDR assignment.
2. Register 2Ch is available only when DMA is configured in multichannel mode.

Table 2-7: Direct Register Mode Register Address Map

Address Space Offset ⁽¹⁾	Name	Description
00h	MM2S_DMACR	MM2S DMA Control register
04h	MM2S_DMASR	MM2S DMA Status register
08h – 14h	Reserved	N/A
18h	MM2S_SA	MM2S Source Address
1Ch – 24h	Reserved	N/A
28h	MM2S_LENGTH	MM2S Transfer Length (Bytes)
30h	S2MM_DMACR	S2MM DMA Control register
34h	S2MM_DMASR	S2MM DMA Status register
38h – 44h	Reserved	N/A
48h	S2MM_DA	S2MM Destination Address
4Ch – 54h	Reserved	N/A
58h	S2MM_LENGTH	S2MM Buffer Length (Bytes)

Notes:

1. Address Space Offset is relative to C_BASEADDR assignment.

Memory Map to Stream Register Detail

Register Access Type Description

- RO = Read Only. Writing has no effect
- R/W = Read and Write Accessible
- R/WC = Read / Write to Clear

MM2S_DMCCR (MM2S DMA Control Register – Offset 00h)

This register provides control for the Memory Map to Stream DMA Channel.

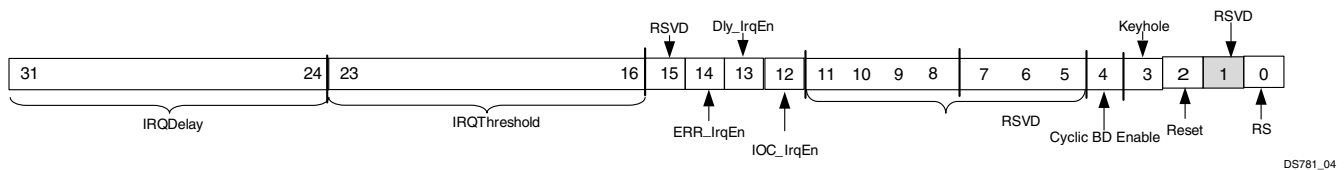


Figure 2-2: MM2S DMCCR Register

Table 2-8: MM2S_DMCCR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
0	RS	0	R/W	<p>Run / Stop control for controlling running and stopping of the DMA channel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Stop – DMA stops when current (if any) DMA operations are complete. For Scatter / Gather Mode pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Stream outs are potentially terminated early. Descriptors in the update queue are allowed to finish updating to remote memory before engine halt. • 1 = Run – Start DMA operations. The halted bit in the DMA Status register deasserts to 0 when the DMA engine begins operations.
1	Reserved	1	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and is always read as 1.

Table 2-8: MM2S_DMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
2	Reset	0	R/W	<p>Soft reset for resetting the AXI DMA core. Setting this bit to a 1 causes the AXI DMA to be reset. Reset is accomplished gracefully. Pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Stream outs are potentially terminated early. Setting either MM2S_DMACR.Reset = 1 or S2MM_DMACR.Reset = 1 resets the entire AXI DMA engine. After completion of a soft reset, all registers and bits are in the Reset State.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Normal operation. • 1 = Reset in progress.
3	Keyhole	0	R/W	<p>Keyhole Read. Setting this bit to 1 causes AXI DMA to initiate MM2S reads (AXI4read) in non-incrementing address mode (Fixed Address Burst transfer on AXI4). This bit can be updated when AXI DMA is in idle. When using keyhole operation the Max Burst Length should not exceed 16. This bit should not be set when DRE is enabled.</p> <p>This bit is non functional when the Multi Channel feature is enabled or in Direct Register mode.</p>
4	Cyclic BD Enable	0	R/W	<p>When set to 1, the DMA operates in Cyclic Buffer Descriptor (BD) mode without any user intervention. In this mode, the Scatter Gather module ignores the 'Completed' bit of the BD. With this bit set, you can use the same BDs in cyclic manner without worrying about any stale descriptor errors.</p> <p>This bit should be set/unset only when the DMA is idle or when not running. Updating this bit while the DMA is running can result in unexpected behavior.</p> <p>This bit is non functional when DMA operates in Multi Channel mode.</p>
11 to 5	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
12	IOC_IrqEn	0	R/W	<p>Interrupt on Complete (IOC) Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows DMASR.IOC_Irq to generate an interrupt out for descriptors with the IOC bit set.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = IOC Interrupt disabled • 1 = IOC Interrupt enabled
13	Dly_IrqEn	0	R/W	<p>Interrupt on Delay Timer Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows DMASR.Dly_Irq to generate an interrupt out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Delay Interrupt disabled • 1 = Delay Interrupt enabled <p>Note: This bit is ignored when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
14	Err_IrqEn	0	R/W	<p>Interrupt on Error Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows DMASR.Err_Irq to generate an interrupt out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Error Interrupt disabled • 1 = Error Interrupt enabled
15	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zeros.

Table 2-8: MM2S_DMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
23 to 16	IRQThreshold	01h	R/W	<p>Interrupt Threshold. This value is used for setting the interrupt threshold. When IOC interrupt events occur, an internal counter counts down from the Interrupt Threshold setting. When the count reaches zero, an interrupt out is generated by the DMA engine.</p> <p>Note: The minimum setting for the threshold is 0x01. A write of 0x00 to this register has no effect.</p> <p>Note: This field is ignored when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
31 to 24	IRQDelay	00h	R/W	<p>Interrupt Delay Time Out. This value is used for setting the interrupt timeout value. The interrupt timeout mechanism causes the DMA engine to generate an interrupt after the delay time period has expired. Timer begins counting at the end of a packet and resets with receipt of a new packet or a timeout event occurs.</p> <p>Note: Setting this value to zero disables the delay timer interrupt.</p> <p>Note: This field is ignored when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>

MM2S_DMASR (MM2S DMA Status Register- Offset 04h)

This register provides the status for the Memory Map to Stream DMA Channel.

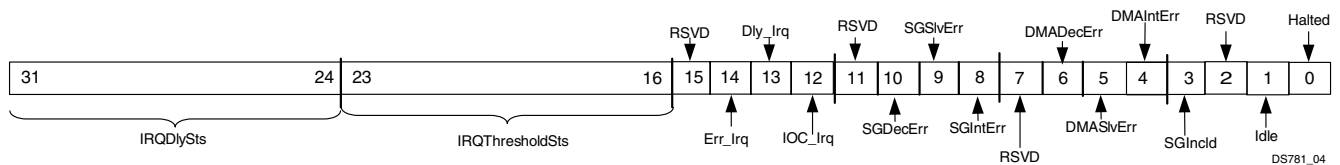


Figure 2-3: MM2S DMASR Register

Table 2-9: MM2S_DMASR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
0	Halted	1	RO	<p>DMA Channel Halted. Indicates the run/stop state of the DMA channel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = DMA channel running. 1 = DMA channel halted. For Scatter / Gather Mode this bit gets set when DMACR.RS = 0 and DMA and SG operations have halted. For Simple DMA Mode (C_INCLUDE_SG = 0) this bit gets set when DMACR.RS = 0 and DMA operations have halted. There can be a lag of time between when DMACR.RS = 0 and when DMASR.Halted = 1. <p>Note: When halted (RS= 0 and Halted = 1), writing to CURDESC_PTR or TAILDESC_PTR pointer registers has no effect on DMA operations when in Scatter Gather Mode. For Simple DMA Mode, writing to the LENGTH register has no effect on DMA operations.</p>
1	Idle	0	RO	<p>DMA Channel Idle. Indicates the state of AXI DMA operations. For Scatter / Gather Mode when IDLE indicates the SG Engine has reached the tail pointer for the associated channel and all queued descriptors have been processed. Writing to the tail pointer register automatically restarts DMA operations. For Simple DMA Mode when IDLE indicates the current transfer has completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not Idle. For Scatter / Gather Mode, SG has not reached tail descriptor pointer and/or DMA operations in progress. For Simple DMA Mode, transfer is not complete. 1 = Idle. For Scatter / Gather Mode, SG has reached tail descriptor pointer and DMA operation paused. for Simple DMA Mode, DMA transfer has completed and controller is paused. <p>Note: This bit is 0 when channel is halted (DMASR.Halted=1). This bit is also 0 prior to initial transfer when AXI DMA configured for Simple DMA mode.</p>
2	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zero.
3	SGIncl	C_INCLUDE_SG	RO	<p>1 = Scatter Gather Enabled 0 = Scatter Gather not enabled</p>
4	DMAIntErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Internal Error. Internal error occurs if the buffer length specified in the fetched descriptor is set to 0. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Internal Errors 1 = DMA Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>Note: This bit is not used and is fixed at 0 when AXI DMA is configured for Simple DMA Mode.</p>

Table 2-9: MM2S_DMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5	DMASlvErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Slave Errors. 1 = DMA Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
6	DMADecErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Decode Error. This error occurs if the address request points to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Decode Errors. 1 = DMA Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
7	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect, and it is always read as zeros.
8	SGIntErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Internal Error. This error occurs if a descriptor with the "Complete bit" already set is fetched. Refer to the Scatter Gather Descriptor section for more information. This indicates to the SG Engine that the descriptor is a stale descriptor. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Internal Errors. 1 = SG Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>Note: This bit is not used and is fixed at 0 when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
9	SGSlvErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from on the Memory Map interface issues a Slave error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Slave Errors. 1 = SG Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>Note: This bit is not used and is fixed at 0 when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
10	SGDecErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Decode Error. This error occurs if CURDESC_PTR and/or NXTDESC_PTR points to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Decode Errors. 1 = SG Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>Note: This bit is not used and is fixed at 0 when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
11	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect, and it is always read as zeros.

Table 2-9: MM2S_DMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
12	IOC_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Complete. When set to 1 for Scatter/Gather Mode, indicates an interrupt event was generated on completion of a descriptor. This occurs for descriptors with the End Of Frame (EOF) bit set. When set to 1 for Simple DMA Mode, indicates an interrupt event was generated on completion of a transfer. If the corresponding bit is enabled in the MM2S_DMACR (IOC_IrqEn = 1) and if the interrupt threshold has been met, causes an interrupt out to be generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No IOC Interrupt. 1 = IOC Interrupt detected.
13	Dly_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Delay. When set to 1, indicates an interrupt event was generated on delay timer timeout. If the corresponding bit is enabled in the MM2S_DMACR (Dly_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No Delay Interrupt. 1 = Delay Interrupt detected. <p>Note: This bit is not used and is fixed at 0 when AXI DMA is configured for Direct Register Mode.</p>
14	Err_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Error. When set to 1, indicates an interrupt event was generated on error. If the corresponding bit is enabled in the MM2S_DMACR (Err_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No error Interrupt. 1 = Error interrupt detected.
15	Reserved	0	RO	Always read as zero.
23 to 16	IRQThresholdSts	01h	RO	<p>Interrupt Threshold Status. Indicates current interrupt threshold value.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>
31 to 24	IRQDelaySts	00h	RO	<p>Interrupt Delay Time Status. Indicates current interrupt delay time value.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>

MM2S_CURDESC (MM2S DMA Current Descriptor Pointer Register- Offset 08h)

This register provides the Current Descriptor Pointer for the Memory Map to Stream DMA Scatter Gather Descriptor Management.

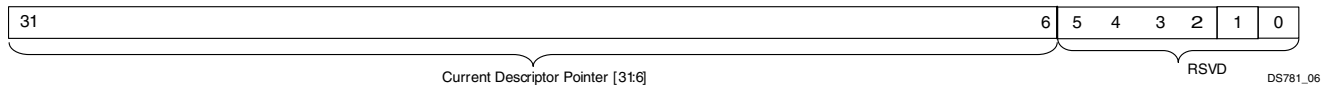


Figure 2-4: MM2S CURDESC Register

Table 2-10: MM2S_CURDESC Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5 to 0 (Offset 0x38)	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.
31 to 6	Current Descriptor Pointer	zeros	R/W (RO)	<p>Indicates the pointer of the current descriptor being worked on. This register must contain a pointer to a valid descriptor prior to writing the TAILDESC_PTR register. Otherwise, undefined results occur. When DMACR.RS is 1, CURDESC_PTR becomes Read Only (RO) and is used to fetch the first descriptor.</p> <p>When the DMA Engine is running (DMACR.RS=1), CURDESC_PTR registers are updated by AXI DMA to indicate the current descriptor being worked on.</p> <p>On error detection, CURDESC_PTR is updated to reflect the descriptor associated with the detected error.</p> <p>Note: The register can only be written to by the CPU when the DMA Engine is Halted (DMACR.RS=0 and DMASR.Halted =1). At all other times, this register is Read Only (RO). Descriptors must be 16 word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80 and others. Any other alignment has undefined results.</p>

MM2S_TAILDESC (MM2S DMA Tail Descriptor Pointer Register- Offset 10h)

This register provides the Tail Descriptor Pointer for the Memory Map to Stream DMA Scatter Gather Descriptor Management.

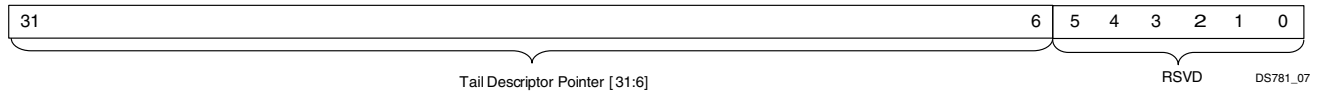


Figure 2-5: MM2S_TAILDESC Register

Table 2-11: MM2S_TAILDESC Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5 to 0	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
31 to 6	Tail Descriptor Pointer	zeros	R/W	<p>Indicates the pause pointer in a descriptor chain. The AXI DMA SG Engine pauses descriptor fetching after completing operations on the descriptor whose current descriptor pointer matches the tail descriptor pointer.</p> <p>When AXI DMA Channel is not halted (DMASR.Halted = 0), a write by the CPU to the TAILDESC_PTR register causes the AXI DMA SG Engine to start fetching descriptors or restart if it was idle (DMASR.Idle = 1). If it was not idle, writing TAILDESC_PTR has no effect except to reposition the pause point.</p> <p>If the AXI DMA Channel is halted (DMASR.Halted = 1 and DMACR.RS = 0), a write by the CPU to the TAILDESC_PTR register has no effect except to reposition the pause point.</p> <p>Note: The software must not move the tail pointer to a location that has not been updated. The software processes and reallocates all completed descriptors (Cmpltd = 1), clears the completed bits and then moves the tail pointer. The software must move the pointer to the last descriptor it updated. Descriptors must be 16-word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80, and so forth. Any other alignment has undefined results.</p>

MM2S_SA (MM2S DMA Source Address Register- Offset 18h)

This register provides the Source Address for reading system memory for the Memory Map to Stream DMA transfer.



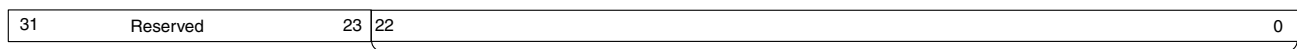
Figure 2-6: MM2S_SA Register

Table 2-12: MM2S_SA Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31 to 0	Source Address	zeros	R/W	Indicates the source address AXI DMA reads from to transfer data to AXI4-Stream on the MM2S Channel. Note: If Data Realignment Engine is included, the Source Address can be at any byte offset. If Data Realignment Engine is not included, the Source Address must be S2MM stream data width aligned.

MM2S_LENGTH (MM2S DMA Transfer Length Register- Offset 28h)

This register provides the number bytes to read from system memory and transfer to MM2S AXI4-Stream.



Note 1: Valid register bits determined by C_SG_Length_Width

MM2S Length [22:0]¹

Figure 2-7: MM2S_LENGTH Register

Table 2-13: MM2S_LENGTH Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
22 ⁽¹⁾ to 0	Length	zeros	R/W	Indicates the number of bytes to transfer for the MM2S channel. Writing a non-zero value to this register starts the MM2S transfer.
31 to 23	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.

1. Width of Length field determined by the parameter, Width of Buffer Length Register. Minimum width is 8 bits (7 to 0) and maximum width is 23 bits (22 to 0).

SG_CTL (Scatter/Gather User and Cache Control Register- Offset 2Ch)

This register is available only when DMA is configured in multichannel mode.

31	Reserved	12	11 SG_USER	8	7 Rsvd	4	3 SG_CACHE	0
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Figure 2-8: **SG_CTL Register**

Table 2-14: **SG_CTL Register Details**

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
3 to 0	SG_CACHE	0011b	R/W	Scatter/Gather Cache Control. Values written in this register reflect on the m_axi_sg_arcache and m_axi_sg_awcache signals of the M_AXI_SG interface.
7 to 4	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.
11 to 8	SG_USER	0	R/W	Scatter/Gather User Control. Values written in this register reflect on the m_axi_sg_aruser and m_axi_sg_awuser signals of the M_AXI_SG interface.

Stream to Memory Map Register Detail

S2MM_DMACR (S2MM DMA Control Register – Offset 30h)

This register provides control for the Stream to Memory Map DMA Channel.

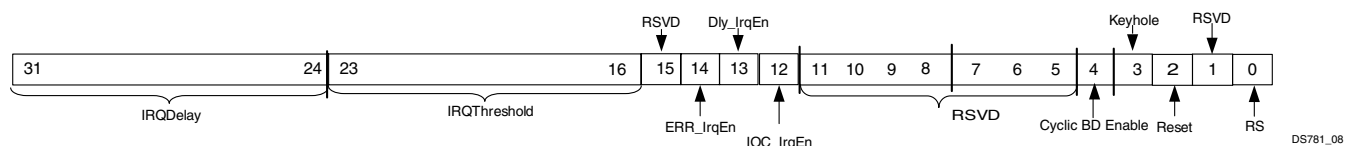


Figure 2-9: **S2MM DMACR Register**

Table 2-15: S2MM_DMACR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
0	RS	0	R/W	<p>Run/Stop control for controlling running and stopping of the DMA channel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Stop – DMA stops when current (if any) DMA operations are complete. For Scatter/Gather Mode pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Streams are potentially terminated early. Descriptors in the update queue are allowed to finish updating to remote memory before engine halt. For Simple DMA Mode pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Streams are potentially terminated. Data integrity on S2MM AXI4 cannot be guaranteed. <p>The halted bit in the DMA Status Register asserts to 1 when the DMA engine is halted. This bit is cleared by AXI DMA hardware when an error occurs. The CPU can also choose to clear this bit to stop DMA operations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 = Run – Start DMA operations. The halted bit in the DMA Status Register deasserts to 0 when the DMA engine begins operations.
1	Reserved	1	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect, and is always read as 1.
2	Reset	0	R/W	<p>Soft reset for resetting the AXI DMA core. Setting this bit to a 1 causes the AXI DMA to be reset. Reset is accomplished gracefully. Pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Stream outs are terminated early, if necessary with associated TLAST. Setting either MM2S_DMACR.Reset = 1 or S2MM_DMACR.Reset = 1 resets the entire AXI DMA engine. After completion of a soft reset, all registers and bits are in the Reset State.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Reset not in progress. Normal operation. 1 = Reset in progress.
3	Keyhole	0	R/W	<p>Keyhole Write. Setting this bit to 1 causes AXI DMA to initiate S2MM writes (AXI4 Writes) in non-incrementing address mode (Fixed Address Burst transfer on AXI4). This bit can be modified when AXI DMA is in idle. When enabling Key hole operation the max burst length cannot be more than 16. This bit should not be set when DRE is enabled.</p> <p>This bit is non functional when DMA is used in multichannel mode.</p>
4	Cyclic BD Enable	0	R/W	<p>When set to 1, you can use the DMA in Cyclic Buffer Descriptor (BD) mode without any user intervention. In this mode, the Scatter Gather module ignores the 'Completed' bit of the BD. With this feature, you can use the same BDs in cyclic manner without worrying about any stale descriptor errors.</p> <p>This bit is non functional when DMA operates in MultiChannel mode or in Direct Register Mode.</p>
11 to 5	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.

Table 2-15: S2MM_DMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
12	IOC_IrqEn	0	R/W	Interrupt on Complete Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows Interrupt On Complete events to generate an interrupt out for descriptors with the "Complete bit" bit set. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = IOC Interrupt disabled. 1 = IOC Interrupt enabled.
13	Dly_IrqEn	0	R/W	Interrupt on Delay Timer Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows error events to generate an interrupt out. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Delay Interrupt disabled. 1 = Delay Interrupt enabled. Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.
14	Err_IrqEn	0	R/W	Interrupt on Error Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows error events to generate an interrupt out. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Error Interrupt disabled. 1 = Error Interrupt enabled.
15	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect, and it is always read as zeros.
23 to 16	IRQThreshold	01h	R/W	Interrupt Threshold. This value is used for setting the interrupt threshold. When IOC interrupt events occur, an internal counter counts down from the Interrupt Threshold setting. When the count reaches zero, an interrupt out is generated by the DMA engine. Note: The minimum setting for the threshold is 0x01. A write of 0x00 to this register has no effect. Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.
31 to 24	IRQDelay	00h	R/W	Interrupt Delay Time Out. This value is used for setting the interrupt timeout value. The interrupt timeout is a mechanism for causing the DMA engine to generate an interrupt after the delay time period has expired. The timer begins counting at the end of a packet and resets with the receipt of a new packet or a timeout event occurs. Note: Setting this value to zero disables the delay timer interrupt. Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.

S2MM_DMASR (S2MM DMA Status Register- Offset 34h)

This register provides the status for the Stream to Memory Map DMA Channel.

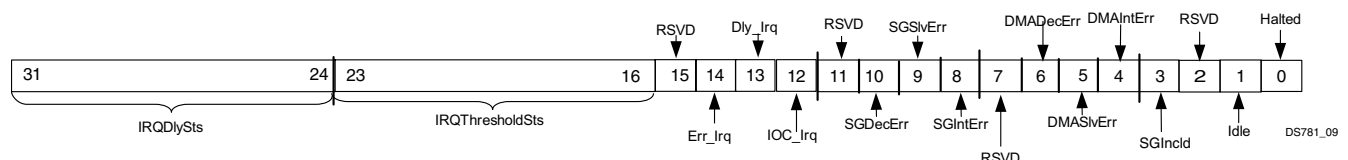


Figure 2-10: S2MM DMASR Register

Table 2-16: S2MM_DMASR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
0	Halted	1	RO	<p>DMA Channel Halted. Indicates the run/stop state of the DMA channel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = DMA channel running. 1 = DMA channel halted. For Scatter/Gather Mode this bit gets set when DMACR.RS = 0 and DMA and SG operations have halted. For Simple DMA Mode this bit gets set when DMACR.RS = 0 and DMA operations have halted. There can be a lag of time between when DMACR.RS = 0 and when DMASR.Halted = 1. <p>Note: When halted (RS= 0 and Halted = 1), writing to CURDESC_PTR or TAILDESC_PTR pointer registers has no effect on DMA operations when in Scatter Gather Mode. For Simple DMA Mode, writing to the LENGTH register has no effect on DMA operations.</p>
1	Idle	0	RO	<p>DMA Channel Idle. Indicates the state of AXI DMA operations. For Scatter / Gather Mode when IDLE indicates the SG Engine has reached the tail pointer for the associated channel and all queued descriptors have been processed. Writing to the tail pointer register automatically restarts DMA operations. For Simple DMA Mode when IDLE indicates the current transfer has completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not Idle. 1 = Idle. <p>Note: This bit is 0 when channel is halted (DMASR.Halted=1). This bit is also 0 prior to initial transfer when AXI DMA is configured for Simple DMA mode.</p>
2	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zero.
3	SGIncl	C_INCLUDE_SG	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Engine Included. DMASR.SGIncl = 1 indicates the Scatter Gather engine is included and the AXI DMA is configured for Scatter Gather mode. DMASR.SGIncl = 0 indicates the Scatter Gather engine is excluded and the AXI DMA is configured for Simple DMA mode.</p>
4	DMAIntErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Internal Error. This error occurs if the buffer length specified in the fetched descriptor is set to 0. Also, when in Scatter Gather Mode and using the status app length field, this error occurs when the Status AXI4-Stream packet RxLength field does not match the S2MM packet being received by the S_AXIS_S2MM interface. When Scatter Gather is disabled, this error is flagged if any error occurs during Memory write or if the incoming packet is bigger than what is specified in the DMA length register.</p> <p>This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Internal Errors. 1 = DMA Internal Error detected.

Table 2-16: S2MM_DMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5	DMASlvErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0 and when the engine has completely shut down the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Slave Errors. 1 = DMA Slave Error detected.
6	DMADecErr	0	RO	<p>DMA Decode Error. This error occurs if the address request points to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Decode Errors. 1 = DMA Decode Error detected.
7	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zeros.
8	SGIntErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Internal Error. This error occurs if a descriptor with the Complete bit already set is fetched. This indicates to the SG Engine that the descriptor is a tail descriptor. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Internal Errors. 1 = SG Internal Error detected. <p>This error cannot be logged into the descriptor.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled</p>
9	SGSlvErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from on the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to gracefully halt. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Slave Errors. 1 = SG Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>This error cannot be logged into the descriptor.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>
10	SGDecErr	0	RO	<p>Scatter Gather Decode Error. This error occurs if CURDESC_PTR and/or NXTDESC_PTR point to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0 and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No SG Decode Errors. 1 = SG Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts. <p>This error cannot be logged into the descriptor.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>
11	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zeros.

Table 2-16: S2MM_DMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
12	IOC_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Complete. When set to 1 for Scatter/Gather Mode indicates an interrupt event was generated on completion of a descriptor. This occurs for descriptors with the End of Frame (EOF) bit set. When set to 1 for Simple DMA Mode indicates an interrupt event was generate on completion of a transfer. If the corresponding bit in S2MM_DMACR is enabled (IOC_IrqEn = 1) and if the interrupt threshold has been met, causes an interrupt out to be generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No IOC Interrupt. 1 = IOC Interrupt detected.
13	Dly_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Delay. When set to 1, indicates an interrupt event was generated on delay timer timeout. If the corresponding bit in S2MM_DMACR is enabled (Dly_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No Delay Interrupt. 1 = Delay Interrupt detected. <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>
14	Err_Irq	0	R/WC	<p>Interrupt on Error. When set to 1, indicates an interrupt event was generated on error. If the corresponding bit in S2MM_DMACR is enabled (Err_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated from the AXI DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No Error Interrupt. 1 = Error Interrupt detected.
15	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to this bit has no effect and it is always read as zeros.
23 to 16	IRQThresholdSts	01h	RO	<p>Interrupt Threshold Status. Indicates current interrupt threshold value.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>
31 to 24	IRQDelaySts	00h	RO	<p>Interrupt delay time Status. Indicates current interrupt delay time value.</p> <p>Note: Applicable only when Scatter Gather is enabled.</p>

S2MM_CURDESC (S2MM DMA Current Descriptor Pointer Register- Offset 38h)

This register provides the Current Descriptor Pointer for the Stream to Memory Map DMA Scatter Gather Descriptor Management.

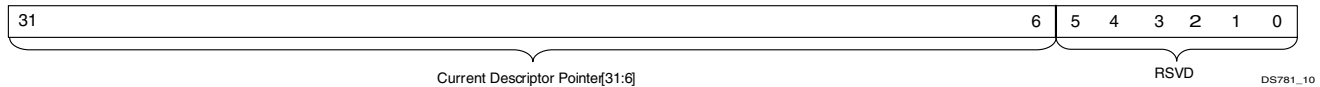


Figure 2-11: S2MM CURDESC Register

Table 2-17: S2MM_CURDESC Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5 to 0 (Offset 0x38)	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.
31 to 6	Current Descriptor Pointer	zeros	R/W (RO)	<p>Indicates the pointer of the current Buffer Descriptor being worked on. This register must contain a pointer to a valid descriptor prior to writing the TAILDESC_PTR register. Otherwise, undefined results occur. When DMACR.RS is 1, CURDESC_PTR becomes Read Only (RO) and is used to fetch the first descriptor.</p> <p>When the DMA Engine is running (DMACR.RS=1), CURDESC_PTR registers are updated by AXI DMA to indicate the current descriptor being worked on.</p> <p>On error detection, CURDESC_PTR is updated to reflect the descriptor associated with the detected error.</p> <p>Note: The register can only be written to by the CPU when the DMA Engine is halted (DMACR.RS=0 and DMASR.Halted =1). At all other times, this register is Read Only (RO).</p> <p>Buffer Descriptors must be 16-word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80, and so forth. Any other alignment has undefined results.</p>

S2MM_TAILDESC (S2MM DMA Tail Descriptor Pointer Register- Offset 40h)

This register provides the Tail Descriptor Pointer for the Stream to Memory Map DMA Scatter Gather Descriptor Management.

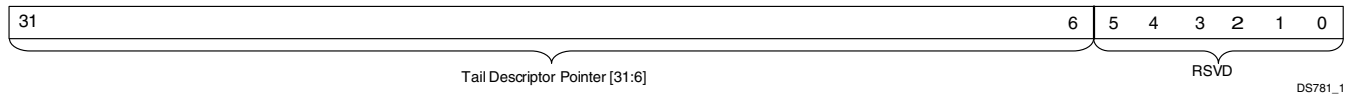


Figure 2-12: S2MM TAILDESC Register

Table 2-18: S2MM_TAILDESC Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
5 to 0	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.
31 to 6	Tail Descriptor Pointer	zeros	R/W	<p>Indicates the pause pointer in a descriptor chain. The AXI DMA SG Engine pauses descriptor fetching after completing operations on the descriptor whose current descriptor pointer matches the tail descriptor pointer.</p> <p>When AXI DMA Channel is not halted (DMASR.Halted = 0), a write by the CPU to the TAILDESC_PTR register causes the AXI DMA SG Engine to start fetching descriptors or restart if it was idle (DMASR.Idle = 1). If it was not idle, then writing TAILDESC_PTR has no effect except to reposition the pause point.</p> <p>If the AXI DMA Channel DMACR.RS bit is set to 0 (DMASR.Halted = 1 and DMACR.RS = 0), a write by the CPU to the TAILDESC_PTR register has no effect except to reposition the pause point.</p> <p>Note: The software must not move the Tail Pointer to a location that has not been updated. The software processes and reallocates all completed descriptors (Cmpltd = 1), clears the completed bits and then moves the tail pointer. The software must move the pointer to the last descriptor it updated.</p> <p>Descriptors must be 16-word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80, and so forth. Any other alignment has undefined results.</p>

S2MM_DA (S2MM DMA Destination Address Register- Offset 48h)

This register provides the Destination Address for writing to system memory for the Stream to Memory Map to DMA transfer.



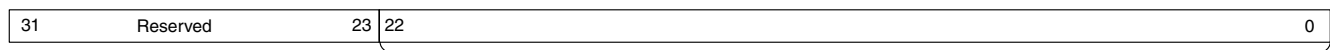
Figure 2-13: S2MM_DA Register

Table 2-19: S2MM_DA Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31 to 0	Destination Address	zeros	R/W	Indicates the destination address the AXI DMA writes to transfer data from AXI4-Stream on S2MM Channel. Note: If Data Realignment Engine is included, the Destination Address can be at any byte offset. If Data Realignment Engine is not included, the Destination Address must be S2MM Memory Map data width aligned.

S2MM_LENGTH (S2MM DMA Buffer Length Register- Offset 58h)

This register provides the length in bytes of the buffer to write data from the Stream to Memory map DMA transfer.



Note 1: Valid register bits determined by C_SG_Length_Width

S2MM Length [22:0] ¹

Figure 2-14: S2MM_LENGTH Register

Table 2-20: S2MM_LENGTH Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
22 ⁽¹⁾ to 0	Length	zeros	R/W	Indicates the length in bytes of the S2MM buffer available to write receive data from the S2MM channel. Writing a non-zero value to this register enables S2MM channel to receive packet data. At the completion of the S2MM transfer, the number of actual bytes written on S2MM AXI4 interface is updated to the S2MM_LENGTH register. Note: This value must be greater than or equal to the largest expected packet to be received on S2MM AXI4-Stream. Values smaller than the received packet result in undefined behavior.
31 to 23	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.

1. Width of Length field determined by Buffer Length Register Width parameter. Minimum width is 8 bits (7 to 0) and maximum width is 23 bits (22 to 0).

Scatter Gather Descriptor

This section defines the fields of the S2MM (Receive) and MM2S (Transmit) Scatter Gather Descriptors for when the AXI DMA is configured for Scatter / Gather Mode. The descriptor is made up of eight 32-bit base words and 0 or 5 User Application words. The descriptor has future support for 64-bit addresses and support for user application data. Multiple descriptors per packet are supported through the Start of Frame and End of Frame flags. Completed status and Interrupt on Complete are also included. The Buffer Length can describe up to 8,388,607 bytes of data buffer per descriptor. Two descriptor chains are required for the two data transfer directions, MM2S and S2MM.

Table 2-21: Descriptor Fields (Non-Multi Channel Mode)

Address Space Offset ⁽¹⁾	Name	Description
00h	NXTDESC	Next Descriptor Pointer
04h	RESERVED	N/A
08h	BUFFER_ADDRESS	Buffer Address
0Ch	RESERVED	N/A
10h	RESERVED	N/A
14h	RESERVED	N/A
18h	CONTROL	Control
1Ch	STATUS	Status
20h	APP0	User Application Field 0 ⁽²⁾
24h	APP1	User Application Field 1
28h	APP2	User Application Field 2
2Ch	APP3	User Application Field 3
30h	APP4	User Application Field 4

Notes:

1. Address Space Offset is relative to 16 - 32-bit word alignment in system memory, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80 and so forth.
2. User Application fields (APP0, APP1, APP2, APP3, and APP4) are only used when the Control / Status Streams are included. When the Control/Status Streams are not included, the User Application fields are not fetched or updated by the Scatter Gather Engine.

MM2S_NXTDESC (MM2S Next Descriptor Pointer)

This value provides the pointer to the next descriptor in the descriptor chain.

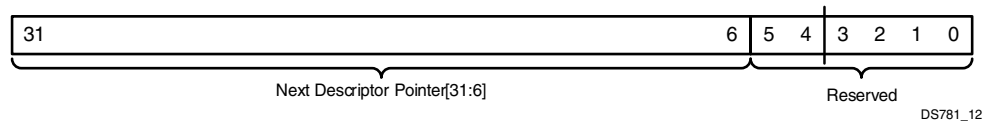


Figure 2-15: MM2S_NXTDESC

Table 2-22: MM2S_NXTDESC Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
5 to 0	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
31 to 6	Next Descriptor Pointer	Indicates the lower order pointer pointing to the first word of the next descriptor. Note: Descriptors must be 16-word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80, and so forth. Any other alignment has undefined results.

MM2S_BUFFER_ADDRESS (MM2S Buffer Address)

This value provides the pointer to the buffer of data to transfer from system memory to stream.



Figure 2-16: MM2S Buffer Address

Table 2-23: MM2S_BUFFER_ADDRESS Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
31 to 0	Buffer Address	Provides the location of the data to transfer from Memory Map to Stream. Note: If Data Realignment Engine is included, the Buffer Address can be at any byte offset, but data within a buffer must be contiguous. If the Data Realignment Engine is not included, the Buffer Address must be MM2S stream data-width aligned.

MM2S_CONTROL (MM2S Control)

This value provides control for MM2S transfers from memory map to stream.

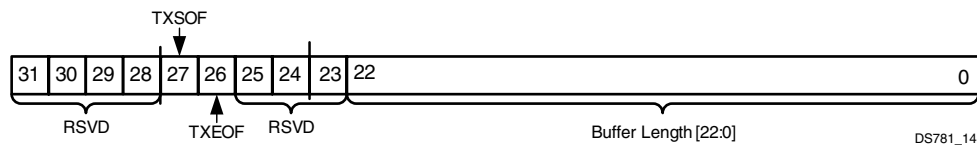


Figure 2-17: MM2S_CONTROL

Table 2-24: MM2S_CONTROL Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
22 to 0	Buffer Length	Indicates the size in bytes of the transfer buffer. This value indicates the amount of bytes to transmit out on the MM2S stream. The usable width of buffer length is specified by the parameter Width of Buffer Length Register . A maximum of 8,388,607 bytes of transfer can be described by this field. When configuring the AXI_DMA in Micro mode, this value should not exceed the following equation: (MM2S Memory Mapped Data width/8)*Burst_length Note: Setting buffer length register width smaller than 23 reduces FPGA resource utilization.
5 to 23	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
26	Transmit End Of Frame (TXEOF)	End of Frame. Flag indicating the last buffer to be processed. This flag is set by the CPU to indicate to AXI DMA that this descriptor describes the end of the packet. The buffer associated with this descriptor is transmitted last. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not end of frame. 1 = End of frame. Note: For proper operation, there must be an Start of Frame (SOF) descriptor (TXSOF=1) and an End of Frame (EOF) descriptor (TXEOF=1) per packet. It is valid to have a single descriptor describe an entire packet that is a descriptor with both TXSOF=1 and TXEOF=1.
27	TXSOF	Start of Frame. Flag indicating the first buffer to be processed. This flag is set by the CPU to indicate to AXI DMA that this descriptor describes the start of the packet. The buffer associated with this descriptor is transmitted first. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not start of frame. 1 = Start of frame. Note: When Status Control Stream is enabled, user application data from APP0 to APP4 of the Start of Frame (SOF) descriptor (TXSOF=1) is transmitted on the control stream output.
31 to 28	Reserved	This bit is reserved and should be written as zero.

MM2S_STATUS (MM2S Status)

This value provides status for MM2S transfers from memory map to stream.

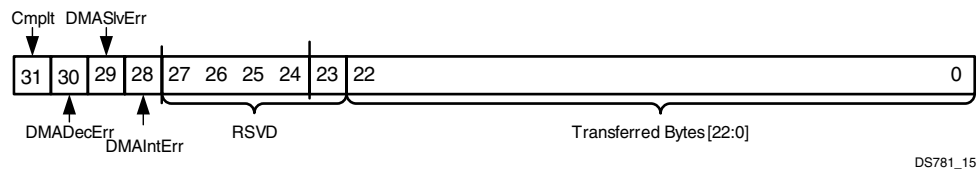


Figure 2-18: MM2S_STATUS

Table 2-25: MM2S_STATUS Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
22 to 0	Transferred Bytes	<p>Indicates the size in bytes of the actual data transferred for this descriptor. This value indicates the amount of bytes to transmit out on MM2S stream. This value should match the Control Buffer Length field.</p> <p>The usable width of Transferred Bytes is specified by the parameter Width of Buffer Length Register. A maximum of 8,388,607 bytes of transfer can be described by this field. AXI_DMA does not update these fields when configured in Micro mode.</p> <p>Note: Setting Buffer length Register Width smaller than 23 reduces FPGA resource utilization. This field is not updated when AXI_DMA is configured in Micro mode.</p>
27 to 23	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
28	DMAIntErr	<p>DMA Internal Error. Internal Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error can occur if a 0 length bytes to transfer is fed to the AXI DataMover. This only happens if the buffer length specified in the fetched descriptor is set to 0.</p> <p>This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Internal Errors. 1 = DMA Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
29	DMASlvErr	<p>DMA Slave Error. Slave Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Slave Errors. 1 = DMA Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts.

Table 2-25: MM2S_STATUS Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Description
30	DMADecErr	DMA Decode Error. Decode Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error occurs if the Descriptor Buffer Address points to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Decode Errors. 1 = DMA Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
31	Cmplt	Completed. This indicates to the software that the DMA Engine has completed the transfer as described by the associated descriptor. The DMA Engine sets this bit to 1 when the transfer is completed. The software might manipulate any descriptor with the Completed bit set to 1. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Descriptor not completed. 1 = Descriptor completed. <p>Note: If a descriptor is fetched with this bit set to 1, the descriptor is considered a stale descriptor. An SGIntErr is flagged, and the AXI DMA engine halts.</p>

MM2S_APP0 to MM2S_APP4 (MM2S User Application Fields 0 to 4)

This value provides User Application fields for MM2S control stream.

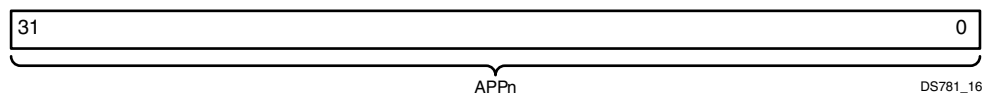


Figure 2-19: MM2S_STATUS

Table 2-26: User Application Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
31 to 0	APP0 to APP4	User application fields 0 to 4. Specifies user-specific application data. When Status Control Stream is enabled, the Application (APP) fields of the Start of Frame (SOF) Descriptor are transmitted to the AXI Control Stream. For other MM2S descriptors with SOF = 0, the APP fields are fetched but ignored. <p>Note: These fields are not fetched when Status Control Stream is not enabled.</p>

S2MM_NXTDESC (S2MM Next Descriptor Pointer)

This value provides the pointer to the next descriptor in the descriptor chain.

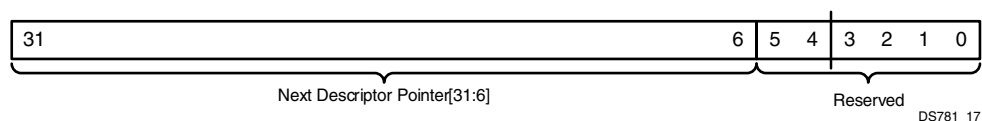


Figure 2-20: S2MM_NXTDESC

Table 2-27: S2MM_NXTDESC Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
5 to 0	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
31 to 6	Next Descriptor Pointer	Indicates the lower order pointer pointing to the first word of the next descriptor. Note: Descriptors must be 16-word aligned, that is, 0x00, 0x40, 0x80, and so forth. Any other alignment has undefined results.

S2MM_BUFFER_ADDRESS (S2MM Buffer Address)

This value provides the pointer to the buffer space available to transfer data from stream to system memory.

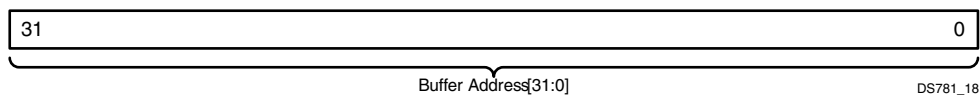


Figure 2-21: S2MM Buffer Address

Table 2-28: S2MM_BUFFER_ADDRESS Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
31 to 0	Buffer Address	Provides the location of the buffer space available to store data transferred from Stream to Memory Map. Note: If Data Realignment Engine is included, the Buffer Address can be at any byte offset. If Data Realignment Engine is not included the Buffer Address must be S2MM Memory Mapped data width aligned.

S2MM_CONTROL (S2MM Control)

This value provides control for S2MM transfers from stream to memory map.

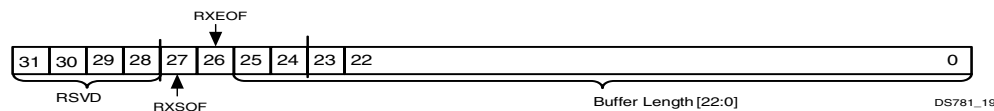


Figure 2-22: S2MM_CONTROL

Table 2-29: S2MM_CONTROL Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
22 to 0	Buffer Length	<p>This value indicates the amount of space in bytes available for receiving data in an S2MM stream. The usable width of buffer length is specified by the parameter Width of Buffer Length Register. A maximum of 8,388,607 bytes of transfer can be described by this field.</p> <p>Note: The total buffer space in the S2MM descriptor chain (that is, the sum of buffer length values for each descriptor in a chain) must be, at a minimum, capable of holding the maximum receive packet size. Undefined results occur if a packet larger than the defined buffer space is received.</p> <p>Note: Setting Buffer Length Register Width smaller than 23 reduces FPGA resource utilization.</p> <p>Note: When configuring the AXI_DMA in Micro mode, this value should not exceed the following equation:</p> $(S2MM\ Memory\ Mapped\ Datawidth/8) * Burst_length$
31 to 28	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
27	RXSOF	<p>Start of Frame. Flag indicating the first buffer to be processed. This flag is set by the sw/user to indicate to AXI DMA that this descriptor describes the start of the packet. The buffer associated with this descriptor is received first.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not end of frame. 1 = End of frame. <p>This is applicable only when AXI_DMA is configured in Micro DMA mode.</p>
26	Receive End Of Frame	<p>End of Frame. Flag indicating the last buffer to be processed. This flag is set by the sw/user to indicate to AXI DMA that this descriptor describes the end of the packet. The buffer associated with this descriptor is received last.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not end of frame. 1 = End of frame. <p>This is applicable only when AXI_DMA is configured in Micro DMA mode.</p>
25–23	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.

S2MM_STATUS (S2MM Status)

This value provides status for S2MM transfers from stream to memory map.

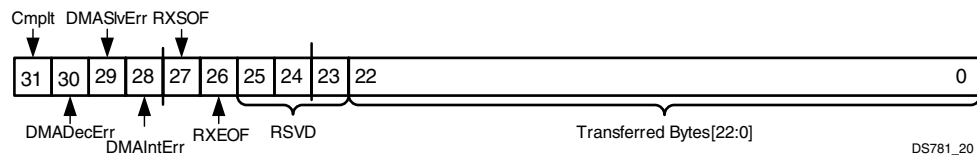


Figure 2-23: S2MM_STATUS

Table 2-30: S2MM_STATUS Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
22 to 0	Transferred Bytes	<p>This value indicates the amount of data received and stored in the buffer described by this descriptor. This might or might not match the buffer length. For example, if this descriptor indicates a buffer length of 1,024 bytes but only 50 bytes were received and stored in the buffer, then the Transferred Bytes field indicates 0x32. The entire receive packet length can be determined by adding the Transferred Byte values from each descriptor from the RXSOF descriptor to the Receive Start Of Frame (RXEOF) descriptor.</p> <p>Note: The usable width of Transferred Bytes is specified by the parameter Width of Buffer Length Register. A maximum of 8,388,607 bytes of transfer can be described by this field.</p> <p>Note: Setting Buffer Length Register Width smaller than 23 reduces FPGA resource utilization. This field is not updated when AXI_DMA is configured in Micro mode.</p>
25 to 23	Reserved	These bits are reserved and should be set to zero.
26	RXEOF	<p>End of Frame. Flag indicating buffer holds the last part of packet. This bit is set by AXI DMA to indicate to the sw/user that the buffer associated with this descriptor contains the end of the packet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not end of frame. 1 = End of frame. <p>Note: User Application data sent through the status stream input is stored in APP0 to APP4 of the RXEOF descriptor when the Control/Status Stream is enabled.</p>
27	RXSOF	<p>Start of Frame. Flag indicating buffer holds first part of packet. This bit is set by AXI DMA to indicate to the sw/user that the buffer associated with this descriptor contains the start of the packet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = Not start of frame. 1 = Start of frame.
28	DMAIntErr	<p>DMA Internal Error. Internal Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error can occur if a 0 length bytes to transfer is fed to the AXI DataMover. This only happens if the Buffer Length specified in the fetched descriptor is set to 0. This error can also be caused if an under-run or over-run condition.</p> <p>This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 = No DMA Internal Errors. 1 = DMA Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts.

Table 2-30: S2MM_STATUS Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Description
29	DMASlvErr	<p>DMA Slave Error. Slave Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = No DMA Slave Errors. • 1 = DMA Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
30	DMADecErr	<p>DMA Decode Error. Decode Error detected by primary AXI DataMover. This error occurs if the Descriptor Buffer Address points to an invalid address. This error condition causes the AXI DMA to halt gracefully. The DMACR.RS bit is set to 0, and when the engine has completely shut down, the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = No DMA Decode Errors. • 1 = DMA Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
31	Cmplt	<p>Completed. This indicates to the software that the DMA Engine has completed the transfer as described by the associated descriptor. The DMA Engine sets this bit to 1 when the transfer is completed. The software can manipulate any descriptor with the Completed bit set to 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 = Descriptor not completed. • 1 = Descriptor completed. <p>Note: If a descriptor is fetched with this bit set to 1, the descriptor is considered a stale descriptor. An SGIntErr is flagged and the AXI DMA engine halts.</p>

S2MM_APP0 to S2MM_APP3 (S2MM User Application Fields 0 to 3)

This value provides User Application field space for the S2MM received status on the Status Stream.

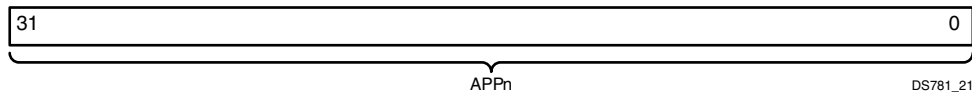


Figure 2-24: S2MM_APP0 to S2MM_APP3

Table 2-31: User Application 0 to 3 Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
31 to 0	APP0 to APP3	When Status/Control Stream is enabled, the status data received on the AXI Status Stream is stored into the APP fields of the End of Frame (EOF) Descriptor. For other S2MM descriptors with EOF = 0, the APP fields are set to zero by the Scatter Gather Engine. Note: These fields are not updated by the Scatter Gather Engine if the Status/Control Fields are disabled.

S2MM_APP4 (S2MM User Application Field 4)

This value provides User Application 4 field space for S2MM received status on the Status Stream.

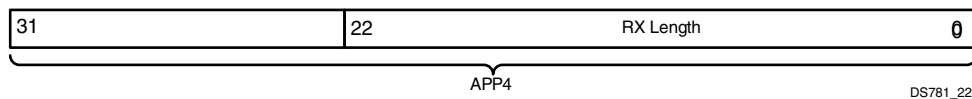


Figure 2-25: S2MM_APP4

Table 2-32: User Application 4 Details

Bits	Field Name	Description
31 to 0	APP4 / RxLength	User Application field 4 and Receive Byte Length. If Use RxLength In Status Stream is not enabled, this field functions identically to APP0 to APP3 in that the status data received on the AXI Status Stream is stored into the APP4 field of the End of Frame (EOF) Descriptor. This field has a dual purpose when Use RxLength in Status Stream is enabled. The first least significant bits specified in the Buffer Length Register Width specify the total number of receive bytes for a packet that were received on the S2MM primary data stream. Second, the remaining most significant bits are User Application data.

Descriptor Management

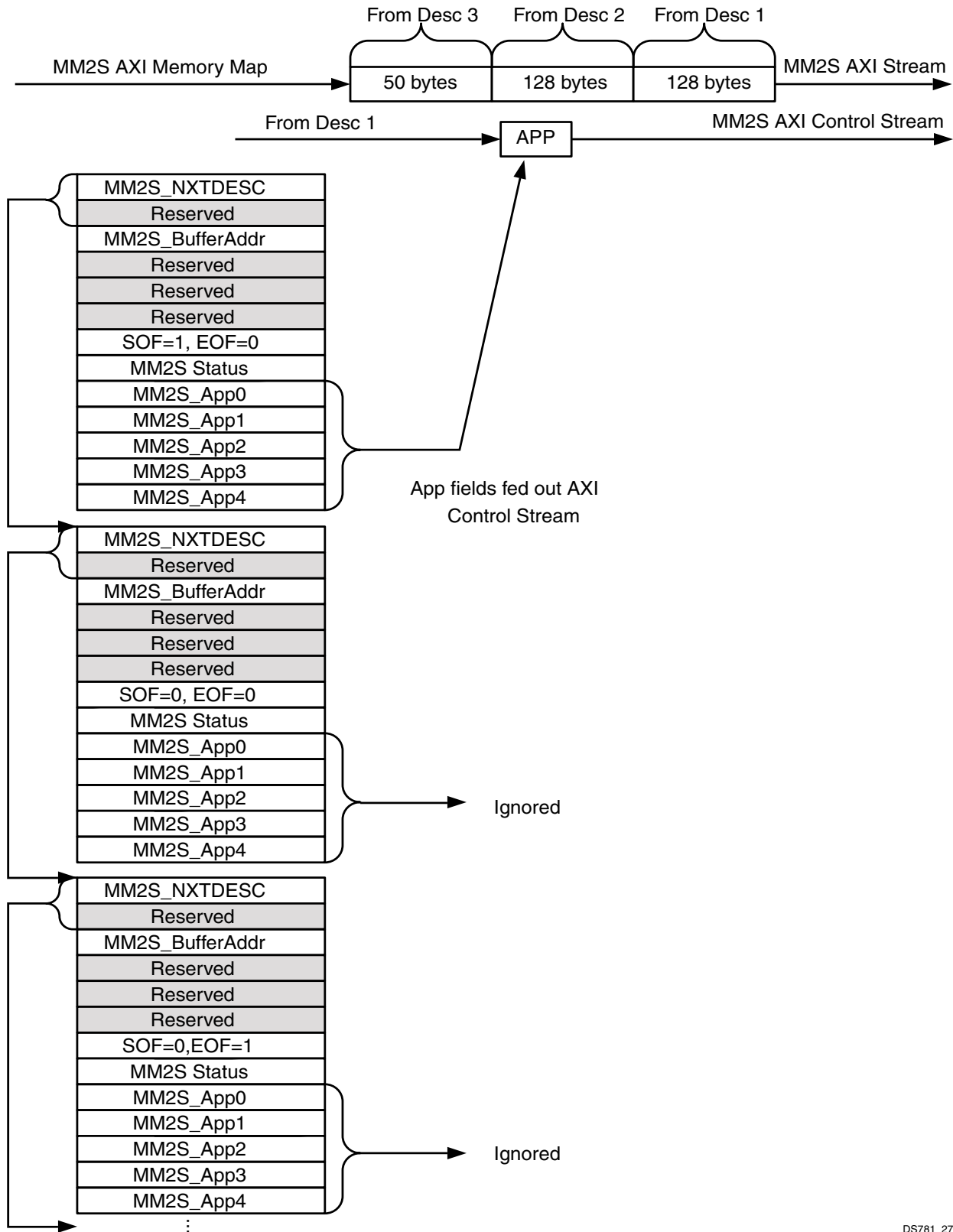
Prior to starting DMA operations, the software application must set up a descriptor chain. When the AXI DMA begins processing the descriptors, it fetches, processes, and then updates the descriptors. By analyzing the descriptors, the software application can read the status on the associated DMA transfer, fetch user information on receive (S2MM) channels, and determine completion of the transfer. With this information, the software application can manage the descriptors and data buffers.

Software applications process each buffer associated with completed descriptors and reallocate the descriptor for AXI DMA use. To prevent software and hardware from stepping on each other, a Tail Pointer Mode is created. The tail pointer is initialized by software to point to the end of the descriptor chain. This becomes the pause point for hardware. When hardware begins running, it fetches and processes each descriptor in the chain until it reaches the tail pointer. The AXI DMA then pauses descriptor processing. The software is allowed to process and re-allocate any descriptor whose Complete bit is set to 1.

The act of writing to the TAILDESC register causes the AXI DMA hardware, if it is paused at the tail pointer, to begin processing descriptors again. If the AXI DMA hardware is not paused at the TAILDESC pointer, writing to the TAILDESC register has no effect on the hardware. In this situation, the AXI DMA continues to process descriptors until reaching the new tail descriptor pointer location. Descriptor Management has to be done by the software. AXI DMA does not manage the descriptors.

MM2S Descriptor Settings and AXI Control Stream

The relationship between descriptor SOF/EOF settings and the AXI Control Stream are illustrated in [Figure 2-26](#). The descriptor with SOF=1 is the beginning of the packet and resets DRE for the MM2S direction. The **User Application** fields for this descriptor are also presented on the AXI Control Stream if the Status/Control Stream is enabled. User Application fields following a descriptor with SOF=1, up to and including the descriptor with EOF =1, are ignored by the AXI DMA engine. If Status/Control Stream is disabled, the **User Application** fields are not fetched by the SG Fetch Engine.



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Figure 2-26: Detail of Descriptor Relationship to MM2S Stream and Control Stream

AXI Control Stream

The AXI control stream is provided from the Scatter Gather Descriptor to a target device for User Application data. The control data is associated with the MM2S primary data stream and can be sent out of AXI DMA prior to, during, or after the primary data packet. Throttling by the target device is allowed, and throttling by AXI DMA can occur. Figure 2-27 shows an example of how descriptor User Application fields are presented on the AXI control stream. AXI DMA inserts a flag indicating the data type to the target device. This is sent as the first word. For Ethernet, the control tag is 0xA in the four Most Significant Bits (MSBs) of the first word.

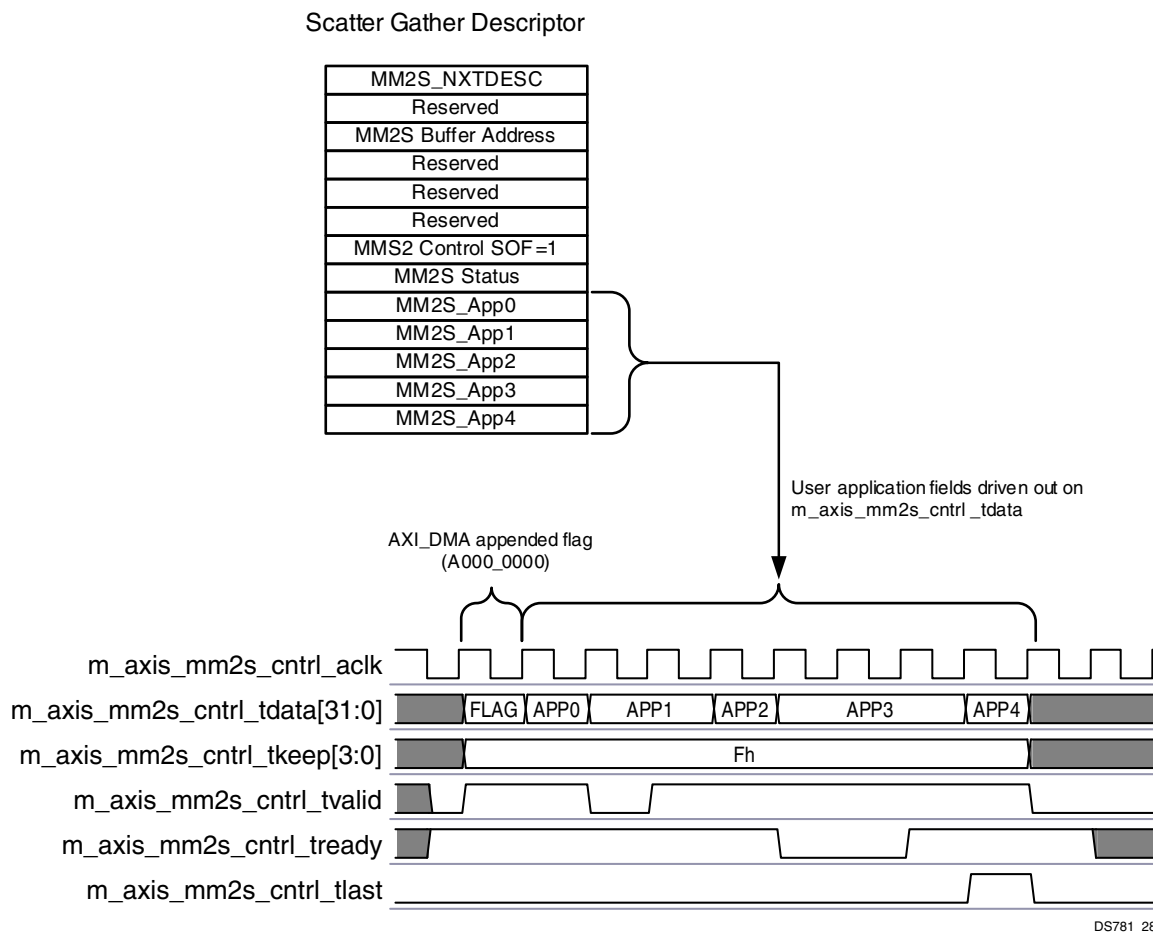
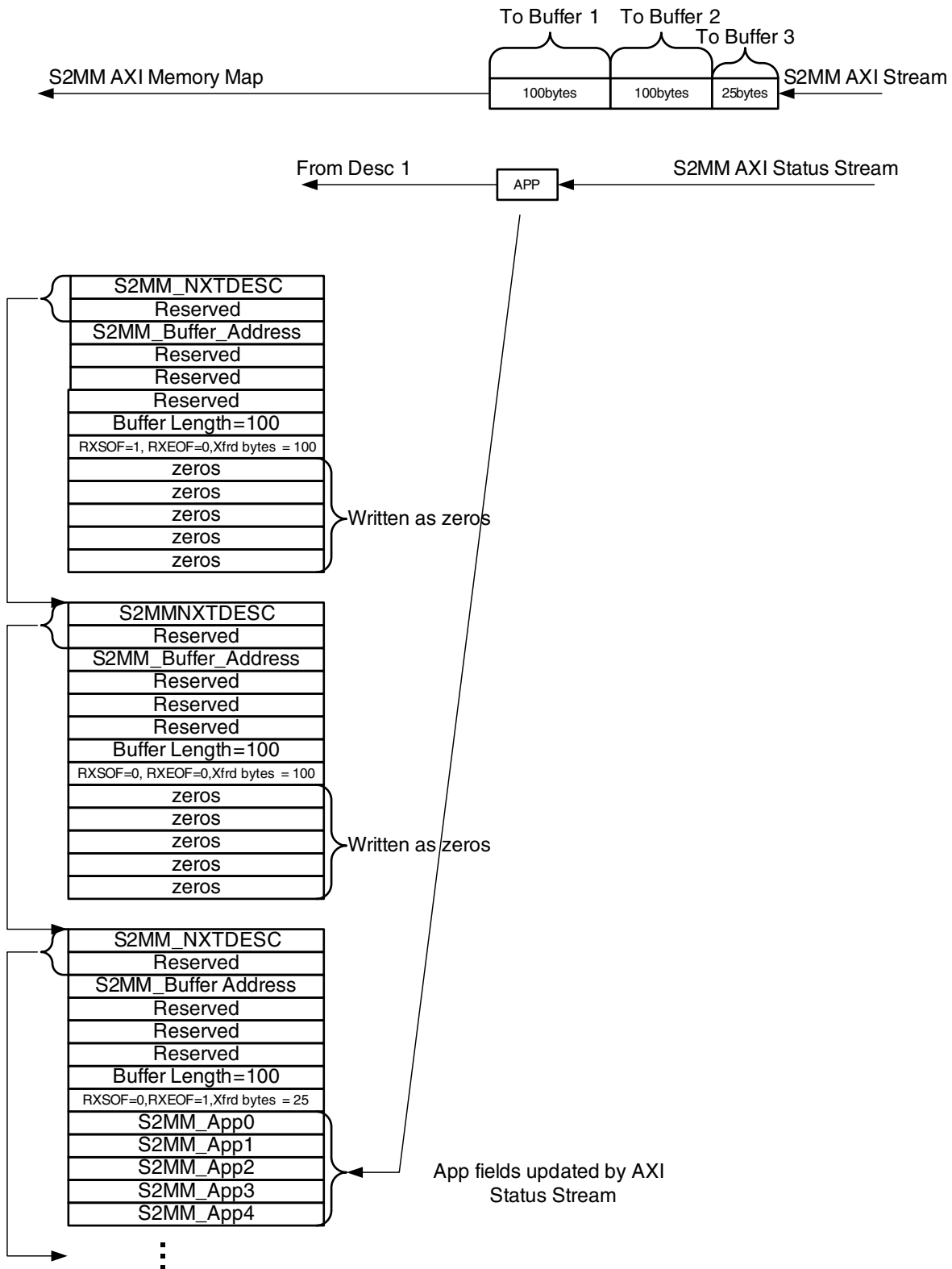


Figure 2-27: Example User Application Field / Timing for MM2S Control Stream

S2MM Descriptor Settings and AXI Status Stream

The relationship between descriptor RXSOF/RXEOF settings and the AXI Status Stream are illustrated in [Figure 2-28](#). The descriptor with RXSOF=1 describes the buffer containing the first part of the receive packet. The Descriptor with RXEOF=1 describes the buffer containing the last part of the receive packet.

For proper operation, the software must specify enough buffer space (the sum of the buffer lengths in each descriptor of the descriptor chain) to be greater than or equal to the maximum sized packet that is received.



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Figure 2-28: Detail of Descriptor Relationship to S2MM Stream and Status Stream

If the Status/Control Stream is included, the status received is stored in the **User Application** fields (APP0 to APP4) of the descriptor with RXEOF set.

The actual byte count of received and stored data for a particular buffer is updated to the Transferred Bytes field in the associated descriptor. The software can determine how many bytes were received by walking the descriptors from RXSOF to RXEOF and adding the Bytes Transferred fields to get a total byte count. For applications where you provide the total length in the status stream, this value is stored in the user-defined application location in the descriptor with RXEOF=1.

AXI Status Stream

The AXI status stream is provided for transfer of target device status to User Application data fields in the Scatter Gather descriptor. The status data is associated with the S2MM primary data stream. As shown in [Figure 2-29](#), the status packet updates to the app fields of the detected last descriptor (RXEOF = 1) describing the packet. Normally, the status stream should come at the start of the S2MM data stream. If the Use RxLength In Status Stream is disabled, then the status stream can come at any time during the course of the S2MM frame. The End of Frame (EOF) BD update would happen only when the entire status stream is received.

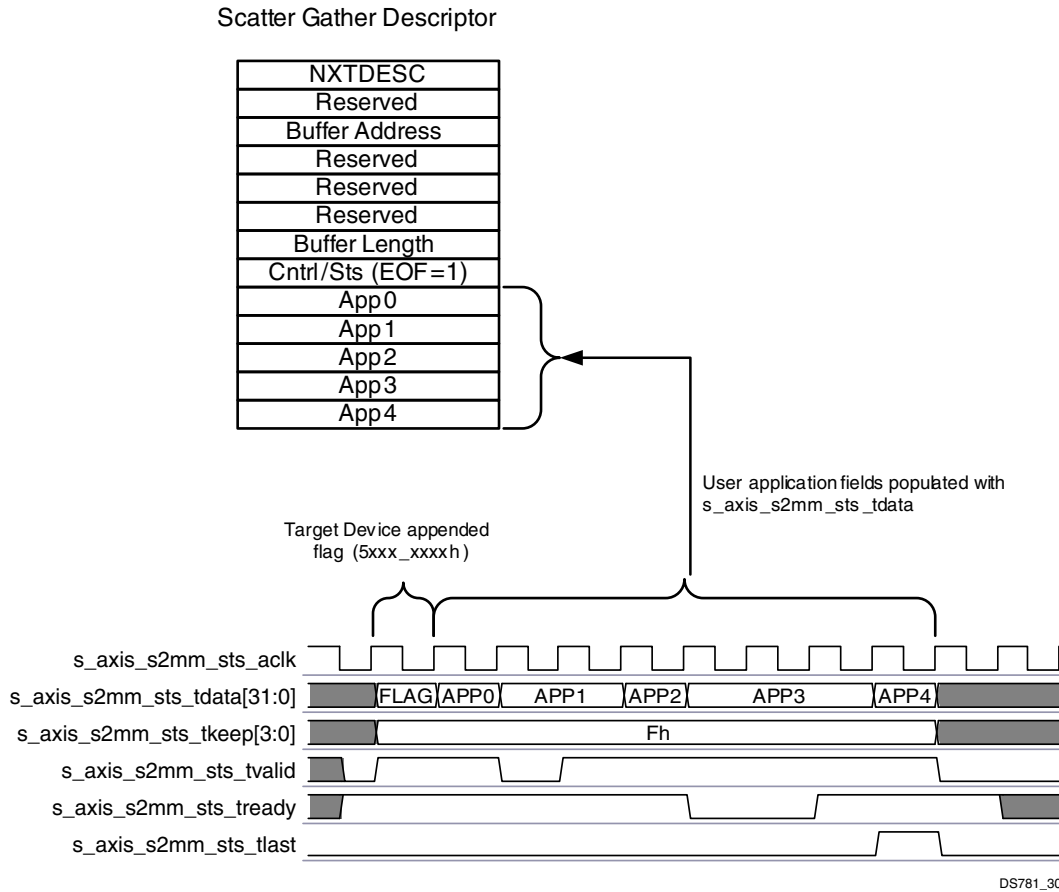


Figure 2-29: Example User Application Field / Timing for S2MM Status Stream

Multichannel DMA Support

Multichannel mode enables DMA to connect to multiple masters and slaves on the streaming side. A new set of signals associated with source and destination signaling are added. They are:

- tid – 5-bit signal. User defined sideband signaling.
- tdest – 5-bit signal. Provides coarse routing information for the data stream.
- tuser – 4-bit signal. User defined sideband signaling.

Scatter Gather Mode (C_INCLUDE_SG = 1)

New descriptor fields are added to support multichannel and 2-D transfers. As described in [AXI DMA Multichannel Operation](#), AXI DMA supports efficient two-dimensional memory access patterns, transferring 2-D blocks across the AXI4-Stream channel. Memory access patterns are controlled with three parameters: HSIZE, VSIZE, and STRIDE. Multiple descriptors per packet are supported through the Start of Packet and End of Packet flags.

In this mode, the Vivado® IDE IP customization feature disables the Status/Control Stream.

AXI DMA can be set in multichannel mode by enabling the Multi Channel Mode and selecting the required number of channels on MM2S and S2MM paths.

MM2S (Tx) Descriptor

0x00	31 NXTDESCPTR 6 5 Rsvd 0																							
0x04	31 Reserved for future use 0																							
0x08	31 Buffer Address 0																							
0x0C	31 Reserved for future use 0																							
0x10	31	ARUSER	28	27	AWCACHE	24	23	Rsvd	20	19	TUSER	16	15	Rsvd	13	12	TID	8	7	Rsvd	5	4	TDEST	0
0x14	31 VSIZE 19									18 Rsvd		15 Stride 0												
0x18	31	30	29	28	TX SOP	TX EOP	25 Rsvd 16				15 HSIZE 0													
0x1C	Cm p	DE	SE	IE	27 Reserved 0																			

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Figure 2-30: Tx Descriptor

Table 2-33: Tx Descriptor Fields

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
00h	NXTDESC	Bits 5:0 – Reserved Bits 31:6 – Next Descriptor Pointer
04h	RESERVED	Bits 31:0 – Reserved
08h	BUFFER_ADDRESS	Bits 31:0 – Buffer Address Provides the location of the data to transfer from Memory Map to Stream. The address should be aligned to the Memory Map data width.
0Ch	RESERVED	Bits 31:0 – Reserved
		Multichannel Control bits. Bits 4:0 – TDEST provides routing information for the data stream. TDEST values are static for entire packet. TDEST values provided in the Tx descriptor field are presented on TDEST signals of streaming side. • Bits 7:5 – Reserved

Table 2-33: Tx Descriptor Fields (Cont'd)

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
10h	MC_CTL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 12:8 – TID: Provides a stream identifier. TID values are static for entire packet. TID values provided in the Tx descriptor field are presented on TID signals of the streaming side.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 15:13 – Reserved
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 19:16 – TUSER: Sideband signals used for user-defined information. TUSER values are static for entire packet. TUSER values provided in the Tx descriptor field are presented on TUSER signals of streaming side.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 23:20 – Reserved
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 27:24 – ARCACHE: Cache type. This signal provides additional information about the cacheable characteristics of the transfer. See the <i>AMBA® AXI and ACE Protocol Specification</i> [Ref 3] for a different decoding mechanism. <p>ARCACHE values from Tx descriptor are presented on ARCACHE [3:0] bus during address cycle. Default value of this field is 0011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 31:28 – ARUSER: Sideband signals used for user-defined information. ARUSER values from Tx descriptor are presented on ARUSER [3:0]. ARUSER values and their interpretations are user-defined. You can keep ARUSER static for the entire packet by programming the same values in all the descriptors within a chain.
14h	STRIDE_VSIZE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 15:0 – Stride Control. It is the address distance between the first address of successive “horizontal” reads. <p>Reads would start at the Buffer Address and read HSIZE bytes, then skip STRIDE-HSIZE addresses and read HSIZE bytes, and so on. This would continue until VSIZE lines have been read. On AXI4-Stream this is transmitted out on the m_axis_mm2s_ interface as one contiguous packet and is terminated with a single assertion of TLAST on the last data beat of the transfer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 18:16 – Reserved Bits 31:19 – Number of “horizontal lines” for stride access. Can represent two-dimensional video data or the size of a 2-D matrix. This is the number of transfers, each HSIZE bytes long, that are expected to be transmitted for each packet.

Table 2-33: Tx Descriptor Fields (Cont'd)

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
18h	HSIZE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 15:0 – Number of bytes to transfer in each “horizontal line” from successive contiguous byte addresses. Can represent a portion of a video line or a portion of a matrix row when the matrix is read in row major order. Bits 25:16 – Reserved Bit 26 – TXEOP – End of packet flag. It indicates the buffer associated with this descriptor is transmitted last. This flag is set by the CPU. 0 – Not end of packet. 1 – End of packet Bit 27 – TXSOP – Start of packet flag. It indicates the buffer associated with this descriptor is transmitted first. This flag is set by the CPU. 0 – Not start of packet. 1 – Start of packet Bits 31:28–Reserved
1Ch	MC_STS	<p>Multichannel Status bits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bits 27:0 – Reserved Bit 28 – IE – DMA Internal Error due to under-run or over-run conditions. 0 – No DMA Internal Errors 1 – DMA Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts Bit 29 – SE – DMA Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. 0 – No DMA Slave Errors 1 – DMA Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts Bit 30 – DE – DMA Decode Error. This error occurs if the address request is to an invalid address. 0 – No DMA Decode Errors 1 – DMA Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts Bit 31 – Cmp – Completed. This indicates to the software that the DMA engine has completed the transfer. 0 – Descriptor not completed 1 – Descriptor completed

1. The ARCACHE, ARUSER values are important from the AXI read perspective. These values should be specified in the descriptor as needed. For normal operation ARCACHE should be set to 0011 while ARUSER can be set to 0000.
2. A value of '0' on VSIZE is illegal and results in Multi Channel DMA not functioning as expected.

S2MM (Rx) Descriptor

0x00	31NXTDESCPTR6														5	Rsvd		0
0x04	31Reserved for future use														0			
0x08	31Buffer Address														0			
0x0C	31Reserved for future use														0			
0x10	31AWUSER28		27AWCACHE24		23Reserved										0			
0x14	31VSIZE19				18Rsvd16		15Stride						0					
0x18	31Reserved16						15HSIZE						0					
0x1C	Cm p	DE	SE	IE	RX SOP	RX EOP	25	24	23Rsvd20		19TUSER16		15Rsvd13		12TID8	7Rsvd5		4TDEST0

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Figure 2-31: Rx Descriptor

Table 2-34: Rx Descriptor Fields

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
00h	NXTDESC	Bits 5:0 – Reserved Bits 31:6 – Next Descriptor Pointer
04h	RESERVED	Bits 31:0 – Reserved
08h	BUFFER_ADDRESS	Bits 31:0 – Buffer Address Provides the location of the buffer space available to store data transferred from Stream to Memory Map. The address should be aligned to Memory Map data width.
0Ch	RESERVED	Bits 31:0 – Reserved
10h	CACHE_USER_CTL	Bit 23:0 – Reserved
		Bit 27:24 – AWCACHE – Cache type. This signal provides additional information about the cacheable characteristics of the transfer. See the <i>AMBA AXI and ACE Protocol Specification [Ref 3]</i> for a different decoding mechanism.
		AWCACHE values from Rx descriptor are presented on AWCACHE [3:0] bus during address cycle. Default value of this field should be 0011. Bits 31:28 – AWUSER – sideband signals used for user-defined information. AWUSER values from Rx descriptor are presented on AWUSER [3:0]. AWUSER values and their interpretations are user-defined. You can keep AWUSER static for entire packet by programming same values in all the descriptors within a chain.

Table 2-34: Rx Descriptor Fields (Cont'd)

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
14h	STRIDE_VSIZE	Bits 15:0 – Stride Control. It is the address distance between the first address of successive “horizontal” writes. Writes start at the Buffer Address and write HSIZE bytes, then skip STRIDE-HSIZE addresses and write HSIZE bytes, and so on. This continues until VSIZE has been written. On AXI4-Stream this is received on the s_axis_s2mm_ interface as one contiguous packet and is terminated with a single assertion of TLAST on the last data beat of the transfer.
		Bits 18:16 – Reserved
		Bits 31:19 – Number of “horizontal lines” for stride access. Can represent two-dimensional video data or the size of a 2-D matrix. VSIZE number of transfers, each HSIZE bytes long, are expected to be received for each packet.
18h	HSIZE	Bits 15:0 – Number of bytes to transfer in each “horizontal line” from successive contiguous byte addresses. Can represent a portion of a video line or a portion of a matrix row when matrix is stored in row major order. Bits 31:16 – Reserved
1Ch	MC_STS	Multichannel Status bits. Bits 4:0 – TDEST provides routing information for the data stream. TDEST values are static for entire packet. TDEST values are captured from incoming stream and updated in this field.
		Bits 7:5 – Reserved
		Bits 12:8 – TID provides a stream identifier. TID values are static for entire packet. TID values are captured from incoming stream and updated in this field.
		Bits 15:13 – Reserved
		Bits 19:16 – TUSER – sideband signals used for user-defined information. TUSER values are static for entire packet. TUSER values are captured from incoming stream and updated in this field.
		Bits 25:20 – Reserved
		Bits 25:24 – Reserved
		Bit 26 – RXEOP – End of packet flag. It indicates the buffer associated with this descriptor contains the last part of packet. This flag is set by AXI DMA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 – Not end of packet • 1 – End of packet

Table 2-34: Rx Descriptor Fields (Cont'd)

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
1Ch (Continued)	MC_STS (Continued)	Bit 27 – RXSOP – Start of packet flag. It indicates the buffer associated with this descriptor contains the start of the packet. This flag is set by AXI DMA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – Not start of packet 1 – Start of packet
		Bit 28 – IE – DMA Internal Error due to under-run or over-run conditions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – No DMA Internal Errors 1 – DMA Internal Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
		Bit 29 – SE – DMA Slave Error. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – No DMA Slave Errors 1 – DMA Slave Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
		Bit 30 – DE – DMA Decode Error. This error occurs if the address request is to an invalid address. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – No DMA Decode Errors 1 – DMA Decode Error detected. DMA Engine halts.
		Bit 31 – Cmp – Completed. This indicates to the software that the DMA engine has completed the transfer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 – Descriptor not completed 1 – Descriptor completed

1. The AWCACHE, AWUSER values are important from the AXI read prospective. These values should be specified in the descriptor as needed. For normal operation AWCACHE should be set to 0011 while AWUSER can be set to 0000.
2. A value of '0' on VSIZE is illegal and results in Multi Channel DMA not functioning as expected.

AXI DMA Multichannel Operation

This section describes the end-to-end control and data flow of descriptors and associated data for both MM2S side and S2MM side.

MM2S

MM2S is similar to normal AXI DMA operation. When MM2S_CURDESC and MM2S_TAILDESC are programmed by software, AXI DMA fetches a chain of descriptors and processes until it reaches tail descriptor. In AXI DMA, TDEST, TID, and TUSER fields are assumed to remain constant for an entire packet as defined in the descriptors. That is, each packet transfer across a logical channel defined by (TDEST, TID, TUSER) runs to completion before the DMA transfers another packet. Although packet transfers for multiple channels can be interleaved, after started, each must run to completion before another transfer can occur. It is your responsibility to avoid deadlock scenarios under this assumption. The AXI DMA does not signal error conditions if the (TDEST, TID, TUSER) fields within the descriptors do not adhere to these assumptions. It is up to the software to maintain consistency.

Tx Descriptor contains control and status fields in multichannel mode. There is no status update on this descriptor for the number of bytes transferred at the end of the transaction. Error information is captured in registers along with the current descriptor pointer of the failing descriptor. The completion of a transfer for a chain can be known by polling the IDLE bit of MM2S_DMASR or through an interrupt by enabling it in MM2S_DMACR.

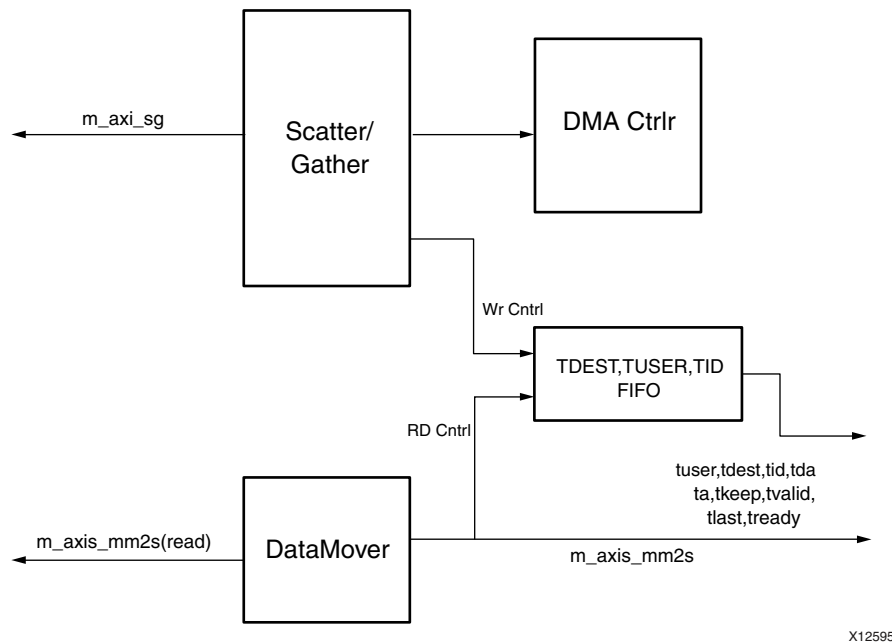


Figure 2-32: MM2S Control and Datapath Flow

S2MM

The `tdest` signals are sampled from the incoming stream. This value is used by the DMA controller to read the corresponding S2MM_CURDESC and S2MM_TAILDESC and present them to the Scatter Gather module. In turn, this SG module fetches a chain of descriptors for that `tdest`. This means that the Buffer Descriptor chain setup should be completed (for all the channels) before the packet arrives on the S2MM channel. The Current Descriptor and Tail Descriptor registers should be programmed before the packet/data arrives. AXI DMA holds the streaming data by deasserting `tready` until the corresponding descriptors are fetched. Then, AXI DMA writes start at the Buffer Address and continue until `tlast` is received from the streaming side. For a particular channel when the data transfer is completed, the current descriptor register will be loaded with the address of the next descriptor in that chain. This is to ensure that the next packet is serviced correctly.

TDEST, TID, TUSER values are captured from incoming streams and stored internally. These values are not expected to change in the middle of a packet. These values are updated in each descriptor of the chain after the completion of data writes for that descriptor onto the Memory Map side along with other status bits.

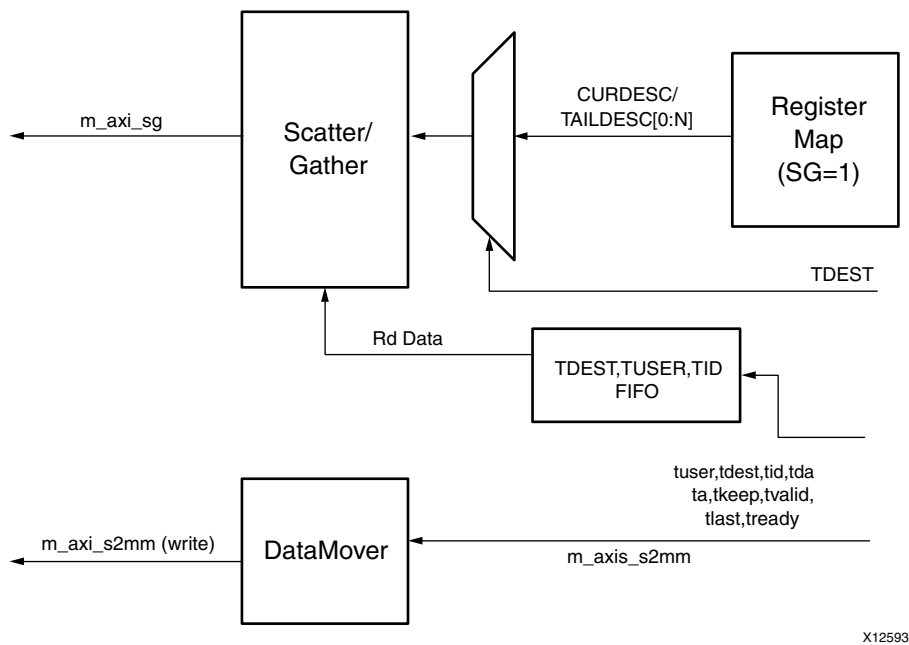


Figure 2-33: S2MM Control and Datapath Flow

2-D Transfers

In Multichannel Mode, AXI DMA supports 2-D memory access patterns to be efficiently transferred with an AXI4-Stream channel.

Access patterns are controlled with descriptor fields HSIZE, VSIZE, and STRIDE, which enable the transfer of sub-blocks within the (implicit) 2-D array. HSIZE is specified between starting addresses for successive 'row' sub-blocks. For 2-D transfers, the HSIZE, VSIZE and STRIDE should be byte aligned. Having unaligned values of HSIZE, VSIZE or STRIDE causes unexpected behavior.

Each read (MM2S) or write (S2MM) transfer consists of VSIZE transfers, each of size HSIZE. The starting address of each successive transfer is STRIDE address from the starting address of the previous transfer (initially, the BaseAddr of the packet transfer).

Figure 2-34 shows the example of the two-dimensional data format.

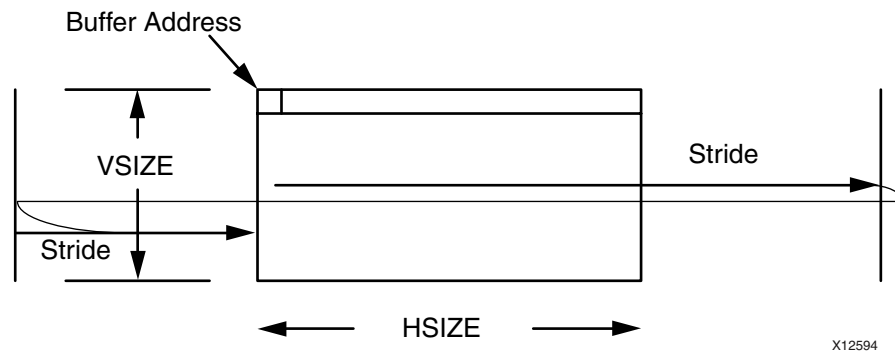


Figure 2-34: 2-D Data Format

MM2S

Reads start at the Buffer Address and consists of VSIZE read bursts, each having HSIZE bytes. The starting address of each read burst is a STRIDE address greater than the starting address of the previous burst read.

Example: Buffer Address = 08, VSIZE = 06, HSIZE = 256 bytes and Stride = 512 bytes

In this case, Reads start at buffer address location 08 and continue to read HSIZE (256) bytes. The second line starts at Buffer address+Stride = 512+8 = 520. It continues to read HSIZE (256) bytes. The third line starts at 520+512 = 1,032 and the fourth line starts at 1032+512 = 1,544. Reads continue in this pattern for VSIZE lines.

On AXI4-Stream this is transmitted on the `m_axis_mm2s` interface as one contiguous packet and is terminated with the assertion of `tlast` on the last data beat of the transfer.

S2MM

Writes start at the Buffer Address and consist of VSIZE write bursts, each having HSIZE bytes. The starting address of each write burst is a STRIDE address greater than the starting address of the previous burst write. On the AXI4-Stream interface, this is received on the `s_axis_s2mm` interface as one contiguous packet and is terminated with a single assertion of `tlast` on the last data beat of the transfer.

Limitations with Multi Channel Mode

- Does not support descriptor queuing in S2MM path for multichannel mode
- Does not support small packet sizes for S2MM path (back-to-back packets of 4 or less data beats)
- For a 2-D access the address and the Hsize have to be aligned to the Memory Map data width.

Register Map for Multichannel (SG = 1)

Register map is modified to support up to 16 TDEST on the S2MM path.

00	MM2S_DMACR	C0	Reserved	180	Reserved
04	MM2S_DMASR	C4	Reserved	184	Reserved
08	MM2S_CURDESC0	C8	Reserved	188	Reserved
0C	Reserved	CC	Reserved	18C	Reserved
10	MM2S_TAILDESC0	D0	S2MM_CURDESC4	190	S2MM_CURDESC10
14	Reserved	D4	Reserved	194	Reserved
18	Reserved	D8	S2MM_TAILDESC4	198	S2MM_TAILDESC10
1C	Reserved	DC	Reserved	19C	Reserved
20	Reserved	E0	Reserved	1A0	Reserved
24	Reserved	E4	Reserved	1A4	Reserved
28	Reserved	E8	Reserved	1A8	Reserved
2C	SG_CTL	EC	Reserved	1AC	Reserved
30	S2MM_DMACR	F0	S2MM_CURDESC5	1B0	S2MM_CURDESC11
34	S2MM_DMASR	F4	Reserved	1B4	Reserved
38	S2MM_CURDESC0	F8	S2MM_TAILDESC5	1B8	S2MM_TAILDESC11
3C	Reserved	FC	Reserved	1BC	Reserved
40	S2MM_TAILDESC0	100	Reserved	1C0	Reserved
44	Reserved	104	Reserved	1C4	Reserved
48	Reserved	108	Reserved	1C8	Reserved
4C	Reserved	10C	Reserved	1CC	Reserved
50	Reserved	110	S2MM_CURDESC6	1D0	S2MM_CURDESC12
54	Reserved	114	Reserved	1D4	Reserved
58	Reserved	118	S2MM_TAILDESC6	1D8	S2MM_TAILDESC12
5C	Reserved	11C	Reserved	1DC	Reserved
60	Reserved	120	Reserved	1E0	Reserved
64	Reserved	124	Reserved	1E4	Reserved
68	Reserved	128	Reserved	1E8	Reserved
6C	Reserved	12C	Reserved	1EC	Reserved
70	S2MM_CURDESC1	130	S2MM_CURDESC7	1F0	S2MM_CURDESC13
74	Reserved	134	Reserved	1F4	Reserved
78	S2MM_TAILDESC1	138	S2MM_TAILDESC7	1F8	S2MM_TAILDESC13
7C	Reserved	13C	Reserved	1FC	Reserved
80	Reserved	140	Reserved	200	Reserved
84	Reserved	144	Reserved	204	Reserved
88	Reserved	148	Reserved	208	Reserved
8C	Reserved	14C	Reserved	20C	Reserved
90	S2MM_CURDESC2	150	S2MM_CURDESC8	210	S2MM_CURDESC14
94	Reserved	154	Reserved	214	Reserved
98	S2MM_TAILDESC2	158	S2MM_TAILDESC8	218	S2MM_TAILDESC14
9C	Reserved	15C	Reserved	21C	Reserved
A0	Reserved	160	Reserved	220	Reserved
A4	Reserved	164	Reserved	224	Reserved
A8	Reserved	168	Reserved	228	Reserved
AC	Reserved	16C	Reserved	22C	Reserved
B0	S2MM_CURDESC3	170	S2MM_CURDESC9	230	S2MM_CURDESC15
B4	Reserved	174	Reserved	234	Reserved
B8	S2MM_TAILDESC3	178	S2MM_TAILDESC9	238	S2MM_TAILDESC15
BC	Reserved	17C	Reserved		

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Figure 2-35: Register Map for Multichannel Support in SG = 1

Errors

Any detected error results in the AXI DMA gracefully halting. When an error is detected, the errored channel DMACR.RS bit is set to 0. Per AXI protocol, all AXI transfers must complete. Therefore, the AXI DMA completes all pending transactions before setting the errored channel DMASR.Halted bit. When the DMASR.Halted bit is set to 1, the AXI DMA engine is truly halted.

For Scatter Gather Mode the pointer to the descriptor associated with the errored transfer is updated to the channels CURDESC_PTR register. On the rare occurrence that more than one error is detected, only the CURDESC_PTR register for one of the errors is logged. To resume operations, a reset must be issued to the AXI DMA.

The following is a list of possible errors:

- **DMAIntErr.** DMA Internal Error indicates that an internal error in the AXI DataMover was detected. For Scatter / Gather Mode this can occur under two conditions. First, for MM2S and S2MM channels, it can occur when a BTT = 0 is written to the primary AXI DataMover. This would happen if a descriptor is fetched with the buffer length = 0.

Secondly, for S2MM channels, the internal error can occur if an underflow condition occurs on the S2MM primary stream interface. This indicates that a failure in the system has occurred. For example, a soft reset issued in the stream source interrupts the receive stream, or a reported length on the status stream does not match actual data received.

For Simple DMA Mode this error can occur on the S2MM side when the data received from the S2MM stream is more than that specified in the BTT field of the register.

- **DMASlvErr.** DMA Slave Error occurs when the slave to or from which data is transferred responds with a SLVERR.
- **DMADecErr.** DMA Decode Error occurs when the address request is targeted to an address that does not exist.
- **SGIntErr.** Scatter Gather Internal Error occurs when a BTT = 0. This error also occurs if a fetched descriptor already has the Complete bit set. This condition (Descriptor with Completed Bit set to 1) indicates to the AXI DMA that the descriptor has not been re-processed/re-allocated by the sw/user, and therefore is considered stale. This error is for Scatter / Gather Mode only.
- **SGSlvErr.** Scatter Gather Slave Error occurs when the slave to or from which descriptors are fetched and updated responds with a SLVERR. This error is for Scatter/Gather Mode only.
- **SGDecErr.** Scatter Gather Decode Error occurs when the address request is targeted to an address that does not exist. This error is for Scatter/Gather Mode only.

Note: Scatter Gather error bits are unable to be updated to the descriptor in remote memory. They are only captured in the associated channel DMASR where the error occurred.

Designing with the Core

Typical System Interconnect

The AXI DMA core is designed to be connected through the AXI Interconnect in the user system. A typical MicroBlaze™ processor configuration is shown in Figure 3-1. The system microprocessor has access to the AXI DMA through the AXI4-Lite interface. An integrated Scatter/Gather Engine fetches buffer descriptors from System Memory which then coordinates primary data transfers between AXI IP and DDRx. Optional Control and status streams provide packet-associated information, such as checksum offload control/status, to and from an Ethernet based IP. The dual interrupt output of the AXI DMA core is routed to the System Interrupt Controller.

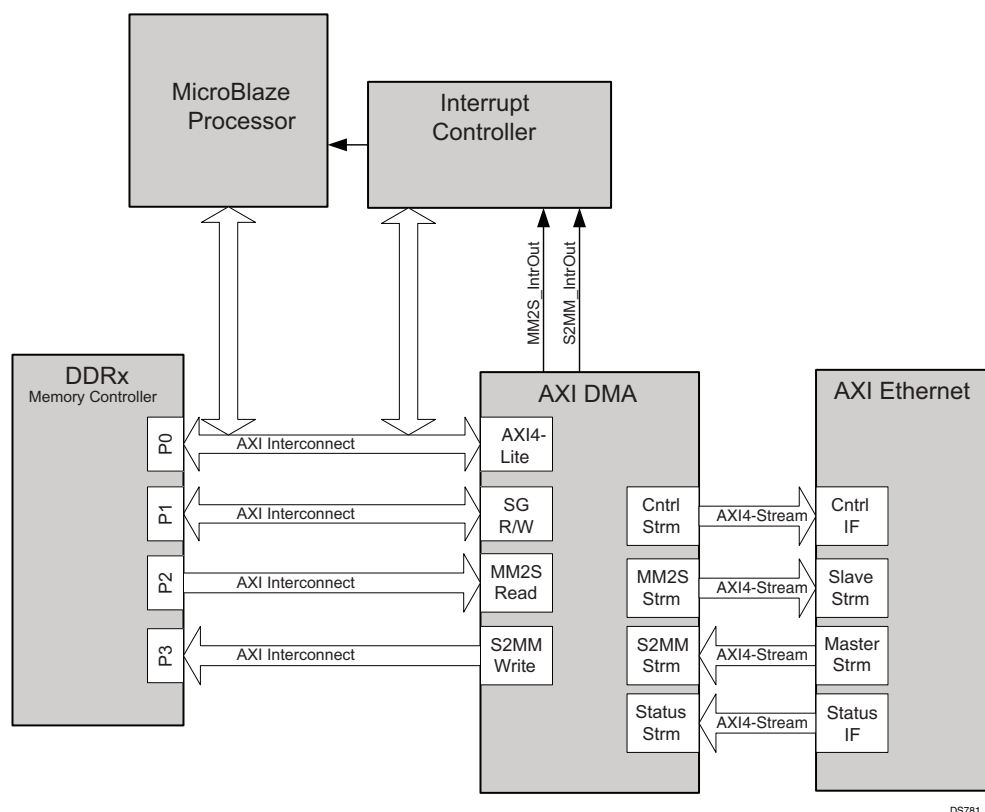


Figure 3-1: Typical MicroBlaze Processor System Configuration (AXI Ethernet)

The AXI DMA core can also be connected to a user system other than with an Ethernet-based AXI IP. Control and Status streams are optional and can be used with Ethernet based IP cores only.

Clocking

There are four clock inputs:

- `m_axi_mm2s_aclk` for MM2S interface
- `m_axi_s2mm_aclk` for S2MM interface
- `s_axi_lite_aclk` for AXI4-Lite control interface
- `m_axi_sg_clk` for Scatter Gather Interface

AXI DMA provides two clocking modes of operation: asynchronous and synchronous. Setting Enable Asynchronous Clocks enables asynchronous mode and creates four clock domains. This allows high-performance users to run the primary datapaths at a higher clock rate than the DMA control (for example, AXI4-Lite interface, SG Engine, DMA Controller) helping in FPGA placement and timing.

In synchronous mode, all logic runs in a single clock domain. `s_axi_lite_aclk`, `m_axi_sg_aclk`, `m_axi_mm2s_aclk` and `m_axi_s2mm_aclk` must be tied to the same source. In asynchronous mode clocks can be run asynchronously, however `s_axi_lite_aclk` must be less than or equal to `m_axi_sg_aclk` and `m_axi_sg_aclk` must be less than or equal to the slower of `m_axi_mm2s_aclk` or `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`.

The relationship between signal sets and its corresponding clocks in asynchronous mode is shown in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1: Asynchronous Mode Clock Distribution

Clock Source	I/O Ports (Scatter Gather Enabled)	I/O Ports (Scatter Gather Disabled)
s_axi_lite_aclk	All s_axi_lite_* Signals mm2s_introut s2mm_introut axi_resetn	All s_axi_lite_* Signals mm2s_introut s2mm_introut axi_resetn
m_axi_sg_aclk	All m_axi_sg_* Signals	N/A
m_axi_mm2s_aclk	All m_axi_mm2s_* Signals All m_axis_mm2s_* Signals mm2s_prmry_reset_out_n mm2s_cntrl_reset_out_n	All m_axi_mm2s_* Signals All m_axis_mm2s_* Signals mm2s_prmry_reset_out_n
m_axi_s2mm_aclk	All m_axi_s2mm_* Signals All s_axis_s2mm_* Signals s2mm_prmry_reset_out_n s2mm_sts_reset_out_n	All m_axi_s2mm_* Signals All s_axis_s2mm_* Signals s2mm_prmry_reset_out_n

Resets

The `axi_resetn` signal needs to be asserted a minimum of 16 of the slowest clock cycles and needs to be synchronized to `s_axi_lite_aclk`.

Programming Sequence

Direct Register Mode (Simple DMA)

Simple DMA mode (Scatter Gather Engine is disabled) provides a configuration for doing simple DMA transfers on MM2S and S2MM channels that requires less FPGA resource utilization. Transfers are initiated by accessing the DMACR, the Source or Destination Address and the Length registers. When the transfer is completed, a `DMASR.IOC_Irq` assert for the associated channel and if enabled generates an interrupt out.

A DMA operation for the MM2S channel is set up and started by the following sequence:

1. Start the MM2S channel running by setting the run/stop bit to 1 (`MM2S_DMACR.RS = 1`). The halted bit (`DMASR.Halted`) should deassert indicating the MM2S channel is running.

2. If desired, enable interrupts by writing a 1 to MM2S_DMACR.IOC_IrqEn and MM2S_DMACR.Err_IrqEn. The delay interrupt, delay count, and threshold count are not used when the AXI DMA is configured for Simple DMA mode.
3. Write a valid source address to the MM2S_SA register. If the AXI DMA is not configured for Data Re-Alignment, then a valid address must be aligned or undefined results occur. What is considered aligned or unaligned is based on the stream data width. When AXI_DMA is configured in Micro Mode, it is your responsibility to specify the correct address. Micro DMA does not take care of 4K boundary.

For example, if Memory Map Data Width = 32, data is aligned if it is located at word offsets (32-bit offset), that is 0x0, 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so forth. If DRE is enabled and Streaming Data Width < 128, then Source Addresses can be of any byte offset.

4. Write the number of bytes to transfer in the MM2S_LENGTH register. A value of zero written has no effect. A non-zero value causes the MM2S_LENGTH number of bytes to be read on the MM2S AXI4 interface and transmitted out of the MM2S AXI4-Stream interface. The MM2S_LENGTH register must be written last. All other MM2S registers can be written in any order. In the case of Micro DMA, this value cannot exceed $\lceil \text{Burst_length} * (\text{Memory Mapped Data Width}) / 8 \rceil$.

A DMA operation for the S2MM channel is set up and started by the following sequence:

1. Start the S2MM channel running by setting the run/stop bit to 1 (S2MM_DMACR.RS = 1). The halted bit (DMASR.Halted) should deassert indicating the S2MM channel is running.
2. If desired, enable interrupts by writing a 1 to S2MM_DMACR.IOC_IrqEn and S2MM_DMACR.Err_IrqEn. The delay interrupt, delay count, and threshold count are not used when the AXI DMA is configured for Simple DMA mode.
3. Write a valid destination address to the S2MM_DA register. If the AXI DMA is not configured for Data Re-Alignment then a valid address must be aligned or undefined results occur. What is considered aligned or unaligned is based on the stream data width.

For example, if Memory Map Data Width= 32, data is aligned if it is located at word offsets (32-bit offset), that is, 0x0, 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so forth. If DRE is enabled and Streaming Data Width < 128 then Destination Addresses can be of any byte offset.

4. Write the length in bytes of the receive buffer in the S2MM_LENGTH register. A value of zero has no effect. A non-zero value causes a write on the S2MM AXI4 interface of the number of bytes received on the S2MM AXI4-Stream interface. A value greater than or equal to the largest received packet must be written to S2MM_LENGTH. A receive buffer length value that is less than the number of bytes received produces undefined results. When AXI DMA is configured in Micro mode, this value should exactly match the bytes received on the S2MM AXI4-Stream interface. The S2MM_LENGTH register must be written last. All other S2MM register can be written in any order.

Scatter/Gather Mode

AXI DMA operation requires a memory-resident data structure that holds the list of DMA operations to be performed. This list of instructions is organized into what is referred to as a descriptor chain. Each descriptor has a pointer to the next descriptor to be processed. The last descriptor in the chain then points back to the first descriptor in the chain.

Scatter Gather operation allows a packet to be described by more than one descriptor. Typical use for this feature is to allow storing or fetching of headers from a location in memory and payload data from another location. Software applications that take advantage of this can improve throughput. To delineate packets in a buffer descriptor chain, the Start of Frame bit (TXSOF) and End of Frame bit (TXEOF) are utilized. When the DMA fetches a descriptor with the TXSOF bit set, the start of a packet is triggered. The packet continues with fetching the subsequent descriptors until it fetches a descriptor with the TXEOF bit set.

On the receive (S2MM) channel when a packet starts to be received, the AXI DMA marks the descriptor with an RXSOF indicating to the software that the data buffer associated with this descriptor contains the beginning of a packet. If the packet being received is longer in byte count than what was specified in the descriptor, the next descriptor buffer is used to store the remainder of the receive packet. This fetching and storing process continues until the entire receive packet has been transferred. The descriptor being processed when the end of the packet is received is marked by AXI DMA with an RXEOF=1. This indicates to the software that the buffer associated with this descriptor contains the end of the packet.

The status field of each descriptor contains the number of bytes actually transferred for that particular descriptor. The software can determine the total number of bytes transferred for the receive packet by walking from the RXSOF descriptor through the descriptor chain to the RXEOF descriptor. The Scatter Gather continues to fetch one extra descriptor and store. This process improves the DMA performance to a great extent.

Scatter Gather operations begin with the setting up of control registers and descriptor pointers.

A DMA operation for the MM2S channel is set up and started by using the following sequence:

1. Write the address of the starting descriptor to the Current Descriptor register.
2. Start the MM2S channel running by setting the run/stop bit to 1 (MM2S_DMACR.RS = 1). The Halted bit (DMASR.Halted) should deassert indicating the MM2S channel is running.
3. If desired, enable interrupts by writing a 1 to MM2S_DMACR.IOC_IrqEn and MM2S_DMACR.Err_IrqEn.
4. Write a valid address to the Tail Descriptor register.
5. Writing to the Tail Descriptor register triggers the DMA to start fetching the descriptors from the memory. In case of Multi Channel configuration, the fetching of descriptors starts when the packet arrives on the S2MM channel.

6. The fetched descriptors are processed, Data is read from the memory and then output to the MM2S streaming channel.

A DMA operation for the S2MM channel is set up and started by using the following sequence:

1. Write the address of the starting descriptor to the Current Descriptor register.
2. Start the S2MM channel running by setting the run/stop bit to 1 (S2MM_DMACR.RS = 1). The halted bit (DMASR.Halted) should deassert indicating the S2MM channel is running.
3. If desired, enable interrupts by writing a 1 to S2MM_DMACR.IOC_IrqEn and S2MM_DMACR.Err_IrqEn.
4. Write a valid address to the Tail Descriptor register.
5. Writing to the Tail Descriptor register triggers the DMA to start fetching the descriptors from the memory.
6. The fetched descriptors are processed and any data received from the S2MM streaming channel is written to the memory.

Cyclic DMA Mode

AXI DMA can be run in cyclic mode by making certain changes to the BD chain setup. In cyclic mode, DMA fetches and processes the same BDs without interruption. The DMA continues to fetch and process until it is stopped or reset. To enable cyclic operation, the BD chain should be set up as shown in [Figure 3-2](#).

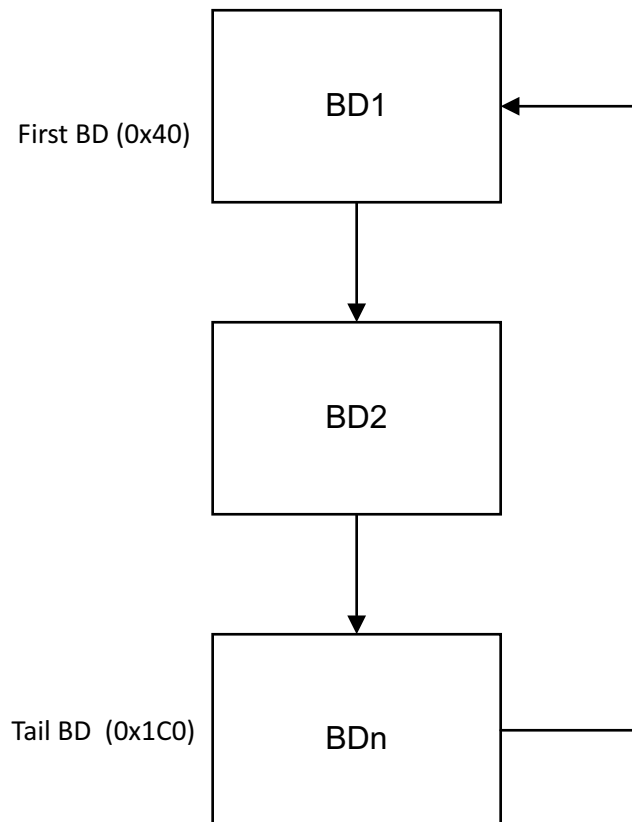


Figure 3-2: BD Chain

In this setup the Tail BD points back to the first BD. The Tail Descriptor Register does not serve any purpose and is used only to trigger the DMA engine. Follow the same programming sequences as mentioned in [Scatter/Gather Mode](#). Ensure that the cyclic bit in the control register is set.

Program the Tail Descriptor Register with some value which is not a part of the BD chain. Say for example 0x50.

After the Tail Descriptor Register is programmed, the DMA starts fetching and processing the BDs (which are set up in a ring fashion) until the DMA is stopped or reset.

Design Flow Steps

This chapter describes customizing and generating the core, constraining the core, and the simulation, synthesis and implementation steps that are specific to this IP core. More detailed information about the standard Vivado® design flows in the IP Integrator can be found in the following Vivado Design Suite user guides:

- *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP* (UG896) [\[Ref 1\]](#)
- *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Getting Started* (UG910) [\[Ref 4\]](#)
- *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing IP Subsystems using IP Integrator* (UG994) [\[Ref 5\]](#)
- *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Logic Simulation* (UG900) [\[Ref 6\]](#)

Customizing and Generating the Core

The AXI DMA can be found in the following places in the Vivado IP catalog.

- **AXI_Infrastructure, Communication_&_Networking\Ethernet**
- **Embedded_Processing\AXI_Infrastructure\DMA**

Vivado Integrated Design Environment

To access the AXI DMA, do the following:

1. Open an existing project or create a new project using the Vivado design tools.
2. Open the IP catalog and navigate to any of the taxonomies.
3. Double-click **AXI Direct Memory Access** to bring up the AXI DMA Customize IP window.

For details, see the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP* (UG896) [\[Ref 1\]](#) and the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Getting Started* (UG910) [\[Ref 4\]](#).

Note: Figures in this chapter are illustrations of the Vivado IDE. This layout might vary from the current version.

If you are customizing and generating the core in the Vivado IP Integrator, see the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing IP Subsystems using IP Integrator* (UG994) [Ref 5] for detailed information. Vivado IDE might auto-compute certain configuration values when validating or generating the design, as noted in this section. You can view the parameter value after successful completion of the `validate_bd_design` command.

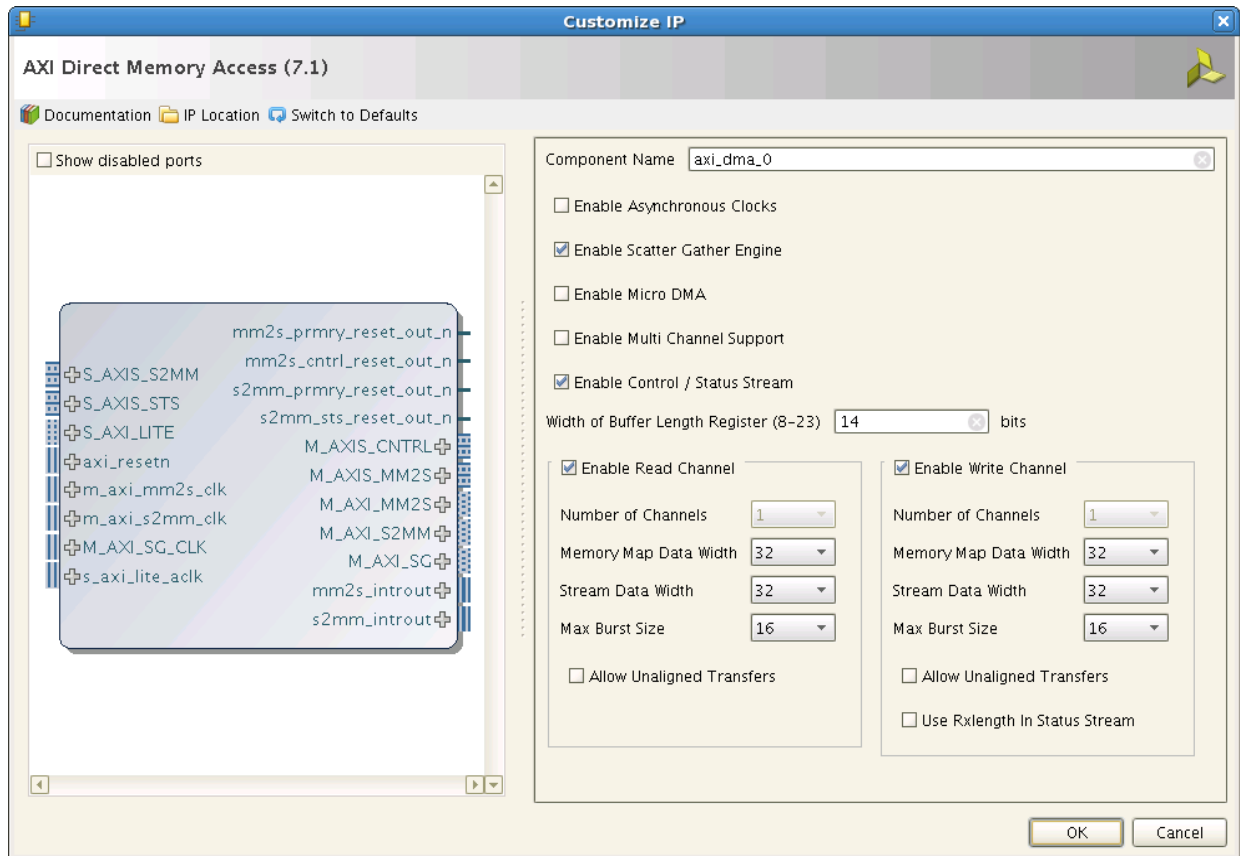


Figure 4-1: Customize IP Options

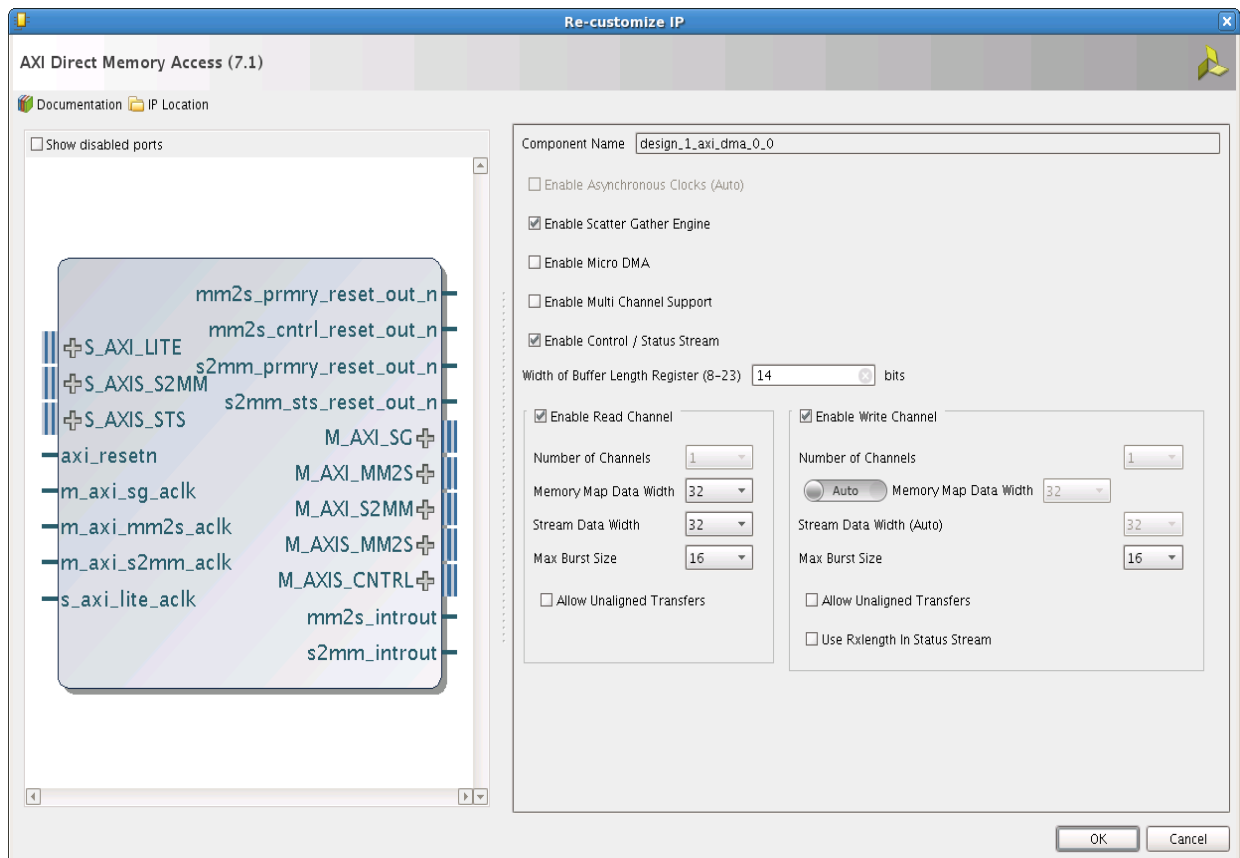


Figure 4-2: IP Integrator

Field Descriptions

Component Name

The base name of the output files generated for the core. Names must begin with a letter and can be composed of any of the following characters: a to z, 0 to 9, and "_".

Enable Asynchronous Clocks

This setting provides the ability to operate the MM2S interface `m_axi_mm2s_aclk`, S2MM interface `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`, AXI4-Lite control interface `s_axi_lite_aclk`, and the Scatter Gather Interface `m_axi_sg_aclk` asynchronously from each other. When Asynchronous Clocks are enabled, the frequency of `s_axi_lite_aclk` must be less than or equal to `m_axi_sg_aclk`. Likewise `m_axi_sg_aclk` must be less than or equal to the slower of `m_axi_mm2s_aclk` and `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`. When in synchronous mode, all clocks inputs should be connected to the same clock signal. This parameter is automatically set in the Vivado IP Integrator based on the clocks connected to `axi_dma`.



TIP: This parameter is automatically set when the IP is used in the Vivado IP Integrator.

Enable Scatter Gather Engine

Checking this option enables Scatter Gather Mode operation and includes the Scatter Gather Engine in AXI DMA. Unchecking this option enables Simple DMA Mode operation, excluding the Scatter Gather Engine from AXI DMA. Disabling the Scatter Gather Engine causes all output ports for the Scatter/Gather engine to be tied to zero and all of the input ports to be left open.

Enable Micro DMA

Checking this option generates a highly optimized DMA which is low on resource count. This setting can be used for applications that transfer a very small amount of data. Program the DMA based on the configuration selected. For example, the maximum bytes that can be transferred per transaction or per BD cannot exceed

$\text{MMap Data_width} * \text{Burst_length}/8$.

Similarly the 4K boundary check is also not implemented in this mode restricting addressing to burst boundaries.

Width of Buffer Length Register

This integer value specifies the number of valid bits used for the Control field buffer length and Status field bytes transferred in the Scatter/Gather descriptors. It also specifies the number of valid bits in the RX Length of Status Stream App4 field when Use Rxlength is enabled. For Simple DMA mode, it specifies the number of valid bits in the MM2S_LENGTH and S2MM_LENGTH registers. The length width directly correlates to the number of bytes being specified in a Scatter/Gather descriptor or number of bytes being specified in App4.RxLength, MM2S_LENGTH, or S2MM_LENGTH. The number of bytes is equal to $2^{\text{Length Width}}$. So a Length Width of 23 gives a byte count of 8,388,607 bytes.

Enable Multi Channel DMA

Checking this option enables multichannel capability of DMA and lets you choose the number of channels for both MM2S and S2MM channels. See [Multichannel DMA Support in Chapter 2](#) for details.

Enable Control / Status Stream

Checking this option enables the AXI4 Control and Status Streams. The AXI4 Control stream allows user application metadata associated with the MM2S channel to be transmitted to a target IP. User application fields 0 through 4 of an MM2S Scatter / Gather Start Of Frame (SOF) descriptor Transmit Start Of Frame (TXSOF = 1) are transmitted on the `m_axis_mm2s_cntrl` stream interface along with an associated packet being transmitted on `m_axis_mm2s` stream interface. The AXI4 Status stream allows user application metadata associated with the S2MM channel to be received from a target IP. The received status packet populates user application fields 0 to 4 of an S2MM Scatter / Gather End Of Frame (EOF) descriptor. That is the descriptor associated with the end of packet. This condition is indicated by a Receive End Of Frame (RXEOF = 1) in the status word of the updated descriptor.

Enable Read Channel Options

The following subsections describe options that affect only the MM2S Channel of the AXI Direct Memory Access (DMA) core.

Enable Channel

This option enables or disables the MM2S Channel. Enabling the MM2S Channel allows read transfers from memory to AXI4-Stream to occur. Disabling the MM2S Channel excludes the logic from the AXI DMA core. Outputs for MM2S channel are tied to zero and inputs are ignored by AXI DMA.

Number of Channels

This option specifies the number of channels from 1 to 16.

Memory Map Data Width

Data width in bits of the AXI MM2S Memory Map Read data bus. Valid values are 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024.

Stream Data Width

Data width in bits of the AXI MM2S AXI4-Stream Data bus. This value must be equal or less than the Memory Map Data Width. Valid values are 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 512 and 1,024.

Max Burst Size

Burst partition granularity setting. This setting specifies the maximum size of the burst cycles on the AXI4-Memory Map side of MM2S. Valid values are 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, and 256.

Allow Unaligned Transfers

Enables or disables the MM2S Data Realignment Engine (DRE). When checked, the DRE is enabled and allows data realignment to the byte (8 bits) level on the MM2S Memory Map datapath. For the MM2S channel, data is read from memory. If the DRE is enabled, data reads can start from any Buffer Address byte offset, and the read data is aligned such that the first byte read is the first valid byte out on the AXI4-Stream.

Note: If DRE is disabled for the respective channel, unaligned Buffer, Source, or Destination Addresses are not supported. Having an unaligned address with DRE disabled produces undefined results. DRE Support is only available for the AXI4-Stream data width setting of 64-bits and under.

Enable Write Channel Options

These options affect only the S2MM Channel of the AXI DMA core.

Enable Channel

This setting enables or disables the S2MM Channel. Enabling the S2MM Channel allows write transfers from AXI4-Stream to memory to occur. Disabling the S2MM Channel excludes the logic from the AXI DMA core. Outputs for S2MM channel are tied to zero and inputs are ignored by AXI DMA.

Number of Channels

This option enables you to choose a number of channels from 1 to 16.

Memory Map Data Width

Data width in bits of the AXI S2MM Memory Map Write data bus. Valid values are 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1,024.



TIP: In the Vivado IP Integrator, this parameter is automatically set based on the data width of the Streaming Interface. Update this parameter by changing the switch to 'Manual'.

Stream Data Width

Data width in bits of the AXI S2MM AXI4-Stream Data bus. This value must be equal or less than the Memory Map Data Width. Valid values are 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 512 and 1,024.



TIP: When IP is used in the Vivado IP Integrator, this parameter is automatically set based on the connection made to the `s_axis_s2mm` interface.

Max Burst Size

This setting specifies the maximum size of the burst cycles on the AXI4-Memory Map side of S2MM channel. In other words, this setting specifies the granularity of burst mapping. Valid values are 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, and 256.

Allow Unaligned Transfers

Enables or disables the S2MM Data Realignment Engine (DRE). When checked, the DRE is enabled and allows data realignment to the byte (8 bits) level on the S2MM Memory Map datapath. For the S2MM channel, data is written to memory. If the DRE is enabled, data writes can start from any Buffer Address byte offset, and the write data is aligned such that the first valid byte received on S2MM AXI4-Stream is written to the specified unaligned address offset.

Note: If DRE is disabled for the respective channel, unaligned Buffer, Source, or Destination Addresses are not supported. Having an unaligned address with DRE disabled produces undefined results. DRE Support is only available for AXI4-Stream data width setting of 64-bits and under.

Use RxLength In Status Stream

If the Control/Status Stream is enabled, checking this allows AXI DMA to use a receive length field that is supplied by the S2MM target IP in the App4 field of the status packet. This gives AXI DMA a pre-determined receive byte count, allowing AXI DMA to command the exact number of bytes to be transferred.

This option provides for a higher bandwidth solution for systems needing greater throughput. In this configuration, the S2MM target IP can supply all data bytes specified in the receive length field of status packet APP4.

Output Generation

For details, see the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP* (UG896) [\[Ref 1\]](#).

Constraining the Core

Necessary XDC constraints are delivered along with the core generation in the Vivado Design Suite.

Required Constraints

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Device, Package, and Speed Grade Selections

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Clock Frequencies

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Clock Management

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Clock Placement

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Banking

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Transceiver Placement

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

I/O Standard and Placement

This section is not applicable for this IP core.

Simulation

This section contains information about simulating IP in the Vivado Design Suite. For comprehensive information about Vivado simulation components, as well as information about using supported third-party tools, see the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Logic Simulation* (UG900) [Ref 6].

Synthesis and Implementation

This section contains information about synthesis and implementation in the Vivado Design Suite. For details about synthesis and implementation, see the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP* (UG896) [Ref 1].

Example Design

This chapter contains information about the example design provided in the Vivado® Design Suite.

The top module instantiates all components of the core and example design that are needed to implement the design in hardware, as shown in [Figure 5-1](#). This includes clock generator (MMCME2), register configuration, data generator, and data checker modules.

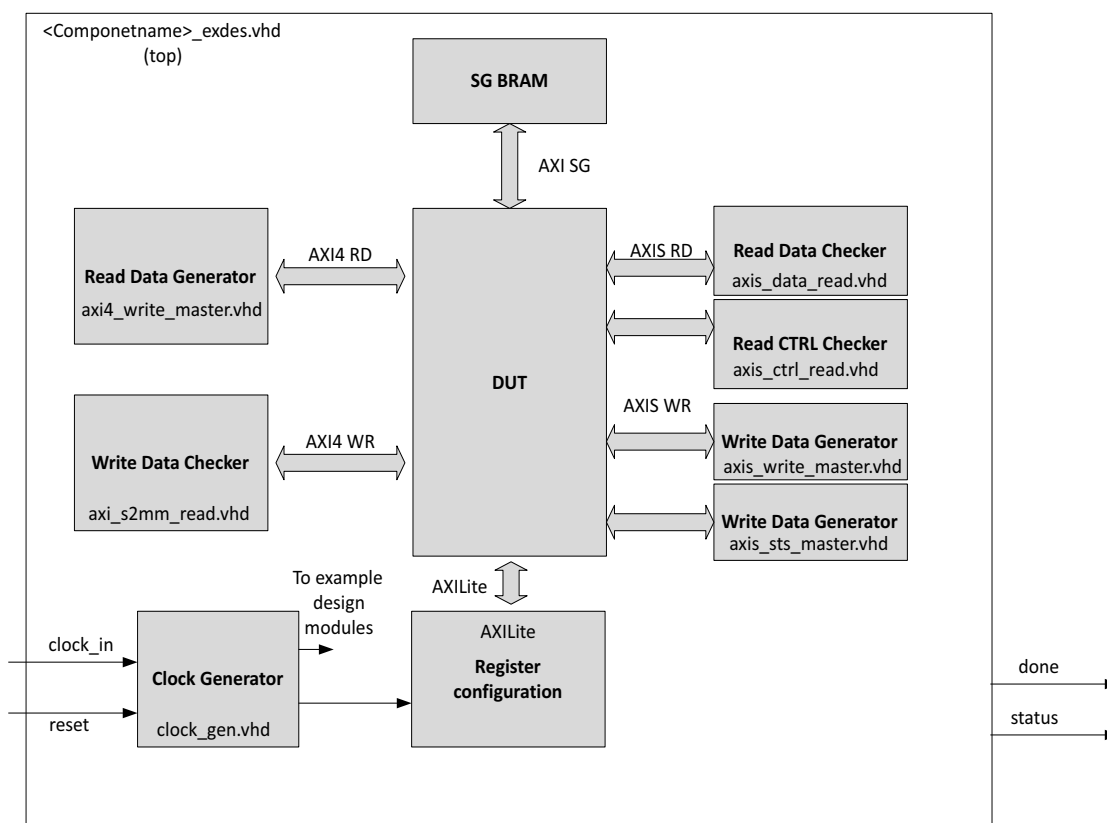


Figure 5-1: Block Diagram of Example Design

This example design demonstrates transactions on the AXI4-Lite, AXI4, and AXI4-Stream interfaces of the DUT.

Clock generator: MMCME2 is used to generate the clocks for the example design. When the DUT is in synchronous mode, MMCME2 generates a 100 MHz clock for all the AXI interfaces in the example design. When in asynchronous mode, MMCME2 generates a 50 MHz clock for the AXI4-Lite interface and a 100 MHz clock for the AXI4 and AXI4-Lite interfaces. The DUT and other modules of the example design are kept under reset until MMCME2 is locked.

Register configuration module: This module configures the DUT registers as mentioned in the programming sequence in [Programming Sequence in Chapter 3](#). This module is an AXI Traffic Generator module that is configured to program the registers. For more information, refer to the *LogiCORE IP AXI Traffic Generator* (PG125) [\[Ref 7\]](#).

Read path generator: This uses an AXI block RAM which is filled (with a fixed amount of transfers) after MMCME2 is locked. MM2S channel reads this AXI block RAM and transfers data to the AXI4-Stream interface.

Read path checker: This module checks the data transferred on the MM2S AXI4-Stream interface.

Read path CTRL checker: This module checks the data transferred on the MM2S AXI4-Stream Control Interface.

Write path generator: When Write (S2MM) channel is configured, this module drives the transactions (with fixed amount of transfers) on the S2MM AXI4-Stream interface.

Write path STS generator: This module generates the S2MM STS data stream.

Write path checker: This module checks the data received on the AXI4 interface. Data received on the AXI4 interface is also written into another AXI block RAM.

The test starts soon after the MMCME2 is locked. The Done pin is asserted High after all the transactions are completed. Similarly the Status pin is asserted High, when the data integrity check is successful. These two pins can be connected to LEDs to know the status of the test.

Implementing the Example Design

After following the steps described in [Chapter 4, Design Flow Steps](#), implement the example design as follows:

1. Right-click the core in the Hierarchy window, and select **Open IP Example Design**.
2. A new window pops up, asking you to specify a directory for the example design. Select a new directory, or keep the default directory.

A new project is automatically created in the selected directory and opened in a new Vivado IDE window.

3. In the Flow Navigator (left-side pane), click **Run Implementation** and follow the directions.

Example Design Directory Structure

In the current project directory, a new project with the name `<component_name>_example` is created and the files are delivered in that directory. This directory and its subdirectories contain all the source files that are required to create the AXI DMA controller example design.

[Table 5-1](#) shows the files that are part of the example design.

Table 5-1: Example Design Directory

Name	Description
<code><component_name>_exdes.vhd</code>	Top-level HDL file for the example design.
<code>axi_lite_sm.vhd</code>	Register configuration file for example design. (This file is not used by default. You can update the <code><component_name>_exdes.vhd</code> to use in place of AXI Traffic Generator).
<code>clock_gen.vhd</code>	Clock generation module for example design.
<code>axi4_write_master.vhd</code>	Read path data generator module for example design.
<code>axis_data_read.vhd</code>	Read path data checker module for example design.
<code>axis_write_master.vhd</code>	Write path data generator module for example design.
<code>axi_s2mm_read.vhd</code>	Write path data checker module for example design.
<code>axis_ctrl_read.vhd</code>	MM2S CTRL data checker
<code>axis_sts_master.vhd</code>	S2MM STS data generator
<code>sg_mif.coe</code>	COE file used by block memory to store BDs

Table 5-2 shows the test bench file that can be used to run the simulation.

Table 5-2: Simulation Directory

Name	Description
<component_name>_exdes.tb.vhd	Test Bench for the example design

Table 5-3 shows the XDC file that is needed to implement the example design.

Table 5-3: Constraints Directory

Name	Description
<component_name>_exdes.xdc	Top level constraints file for the example design.

The XDC delivered with the example design has all the I/O pins configured for KC705 board. These constraints are commented by default. Uncomment them before proceeding with implementation for the KC705 board.

Simulating the Example Design

Using the AXI DMA example design (delivered as part of the AXI DMA), the behavior of the AXI DMA can be quickly simulated and observed.

Simulation Results

The simulation script compiles the AXI DMA example design and supporting simulation files. It then runs the simulation and checks to ensure that it completed successfully.

If the test fails, the following message displays: `Test Failed !!!`

If the test passes, the following message displays: `Test Completed Successfully`

If the test hangs, the following message displays: `Test Failed !! Test Timed Out`

Test Bench for the Example Design

This section contains information about the provided test bench in the Vivado Design Suite.

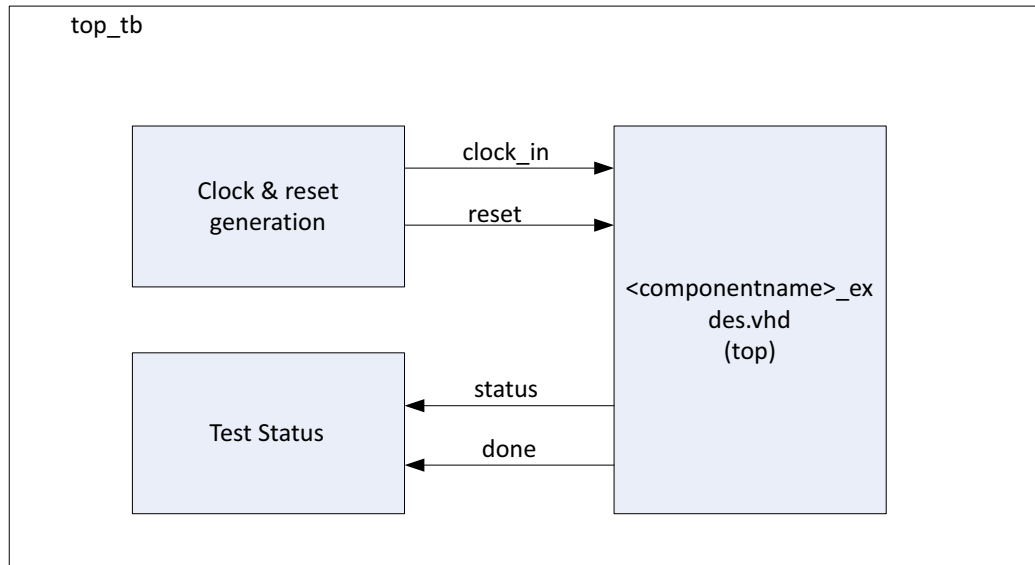


Figure 5-2: AXI DMA Example Design Test Bench

Figure 5-2 shows the test bench for the AXI DMA example design. The top-level test bench generates a 200 MHz differential clock and drives an initial reset to the example design.

Migrating and Upgrading

This appendix contains information about migrating a design from ISE® to the Vivado® Design Suite, and for upgrading to a more recent version of the IP core. For customers upgrading in the Vivado Design Suite, important details (where applicable) about any port changes and other impact to user logic are included.

Migrating to the Vivado Design Suite

For information on migrating from ISE tools to the Vivado Design Suite, see the *ISE to Vivado Design Suite Migration Guide* (UG911) [\[Ref 8\]](#).

Upgrading in the Vivado Design Suite

This section provides information about any changes to the user logic or port designations that take place when you upgrade to a more current version of this IP core in the Vivado Design Suite. There are no parameter or port changes for this core.

Debugging

This appendix includes details about resources available on the Xilinx Support website and debugging tools.

Finding Help on Xilinx.com

To help in the design and debug process when using the AXI DMA core, the [Xilinx Support web page](http://www.xilinx.com/support) (www.xilinx.com/support) contains key resources such as product documentation, release notes, answer records, information about known issues, and links for obtaining further product support.

Documentation

This product guide is the main document associated with the AXI DMA core. This guide, along with documentation related to all products that aid in the design process, can be found on the Xilinx Support web page (www.xilinx.com/support) or by using the Xilinx Documentation Navigator.

Download the Xilinx Documentation Navigator from the Design Tools tab on the Downloads page (www.xilinx.com/download). For more information about this tool and the features available, open the online help after installation.

Answer Records

Answer Records include information about commonly encountered problems, helpful information on how to resolve these problems, and any known issues with a Xilinx product. Answer Records are created and maintained daily ensuring that users have access to the most accurate information available.

Answer Records for this core can be located by using the Search Support box on the main [Xilinx support web page](http://www.xilinx.com/support). To maximize your search results, use proper keywords such as

- Product name
- Tool message(s)
- Summary of the issue encountered

A filter search is available after results are returned to further target the results.

Master Answer Records for the AXI DMA core

AR: [54416](#)

Contacting Technical Support

Xilinx provides technical support at www.xilinx.com/support for this LogiCORE™ IP product when used as described in the product documentation. Xilinx cannot guarantee timing, functionality, or support of product if implemented in devices that are not defined in the documentation, if customized beyond that allowed in the product documentation, or if changes are made to any section of the design labeled DO NOT MODIFY.

Xilinx provides premier technical support for customers encountering issues that require additional assistance.

To contact Xilinx Technical Support:

1. Navigate to www.xilinx.com/support.
2. Open a WebCase by selecting the [WebCase](#) link located under Additional Resources.

When opening a WebCase, include:

- Target FPGA including package and speed grade.
- All applicable Xilinx Design Tools and simulator software versions.
- Additional files based on the specific issue might also be required. See the relevant sections in this debug guide for guidelines about which file(s) to include with the WebCase.

Note: Access to WebCase is not available in all cases. Log in to the WebCase tool to see your specific support options.

Vivado Lab Tools

Vivado® lab tools insert logic analyzer and virtual I/O cores directly into your design. Vivado lab tools also allow you to set trigger conditions to capture application and integrated block port signals in hardware. Captured signals can then be analyzed. This feature in the Vivado IDE is used for logic debugging and validation of a design running in Xilinx devices.

The Vivado logic analyzer is used with the logic debug IP cores, including:

- ILA 2.0 (and later versions)
- VIO 2.0 (and later versions)

Several internal signal are marked as debug signals. These can be easily added to the logic analyzer.

See the *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Programming and Debugging* (UG908) [\[Ref 9\]](#).

Hardware Debug

Hardware issues can range from link bring-up to problems seen after hours of testing. This section provides debug steps for common issues. The Vivado lab tools are a valuable resource to use in hardware debug. The signal names mentioned in the following individual sections can be probed using the Vivado lab tools for debugging the specific problems.

Some of the common problems encountered and possible solutions follow.

- You have programmed your BD ring but nothing seems to work. Register programming sequence has to be followed to start the DMA. See [Programming Sequence](#) and [Descriptor Management](#).
- Internal Error/Error bits set in the Status register
 - Internal error would be set when BTT specified in the descriptor is 0.
 - SG internal error would be set if the fetched BD is a completed BD.
 - Other error bits like Decode Error or Slave Error would also be set based on the response from Interconnect or Slave.
 - See [Errors](#) for more information.
- You are reading data from a location, but the data does not seem to be in order.

Verify if the start address location is aligned or un-aligned. If it is un-aligned, ensure that the DRE is enabled while configuring DMA.

Also see the [Xilinx Solution Centers](#) for support on devices, software tools, and intellectual property at all stages of the design cycle. Topics include design assistance, advisories, and troubleshooting tips.

Additional Resources and Legal Notices

Xilinx Resources

For support resources such as Answers, Documentation, Downloads, and Forums, see [Xilinx Support](#).

For a glossary of technical terms used in Xilinx documentation, see the [Xilinx Glossary](#).

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To search for Xilinx documentation, go to www.xilinx.com/support.

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11. *Synthesis and Simulation Design Guide* ([UG626](#))

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