

AXIS_DATA_TO_AXIS_STRING



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1 Usage

1.1 Introduction

All data is converted to a string with prefixes for each of the 3 input ports. All strings are terminated with a single byte, and each has a delimiter between them. All output characters will be feed out from the buffer till it is exhausted. While the core is outputting data it will not be ready to take in any other data. There is no down clock cycle time between output and input, outside of the time to output the total amount in the buffer. Essentially no wasted cycles.

1.2 Dependencies

The following are the dependencies of the cores.

- fusesoc 2.X
- iverilog (simulation)
- cocotb (simulation)

1.2.1 fusesoc_info Depenecies

- dep
 - AFRL:utility:helper:1.0.0
- dep_tb
 - AFRL:simulation:axis_stimulator
 - AFRL:simulation:clock_stimulator
 - AFRL:utility:sim_helper

1.3 In a Project

Simply use this core between a sink and source AXIS devices. This will convert from input data into an output string one character at a time. Check the code to see if others will work correctly.

2 Architecture

The only module is the axis_data_to_axis_string module. It is listed below.

- **axis_data_to_axis_string** Implement an algorithm to convert input data to ASCII string (see core for documentation).

The only always process converts the input data to a stream of ASCII strings.

1. If the counter has data and the destination device is ready, output data and decrement buffer counter.
2. If the input data is valid and the counter is 0, meaning previous ASCII string is exhausted, take input data and create ASCII string.
 - (a) Insert data prefix into buffer.
 - (b) Using unrolled for loop encode tdata input into ASCII HEX and insert into buffer (4 bit nibbles 0 to F).
 - (c) Insert delimiter into buffer.
 - (d) Insert user prefix into buffer.
 - (e) Using unrolled for loop encode tuser input into ASCII HEX and insert into buffer (4 bit nibbles 0 to F).
 - (f) Insert delimiter into buffer.
 - (g) Insert destination prefix into buffer.
 - (h) Using unrolled for loop encode tdest input into ASCII HEX and insert into buffer (4 bit nibbles 0 to F).
 - (i) Insert string termination into buffer.
 - (j) Counter is set to string length.

Please see 5 for more information.

3 Building

The AXIS data to AXIS string core is written in Verilog 2001. They should synthesize in any modern FPGA software. The core comes as a fusesoc packaged core and can be included in any other core. Be sure to make sure you have met the dependencies listed in the previous section.

3.1 fusesoc

Fusesoc is a system for building FPGA software without relying on the internal project management of the tool. Avoiding vendor lock in to Vivado or Quartus. These cores, when included in a project, can be easily integrated and targets created based upon the end developer needs. The core by itself is not a part of a system and should be integrated into a fusesoc based system. Simulations are setup to use fusesoc and are a part of its targets.

3.2 Source Files

3.2.1 fusesoc_info File List

- src
 - 'src/axis_data_to_axis_string.v': 'file_type': 'verilogSource'
- tb
 - 'tb/tb_axis.v': 'file_type': 'verilogSource'

3.3 Targets

3.3.1 fusesoc_info Targets

- default
 - Info: Default for IP intergration.
 - src
 - dep
- sim
 - Info: Default simulation with const data.
 - src
 - dep
 - tb
 - dep_tb
 - IN_FILE_NAME
 - OUT_FILE_NAME
 - RAND_READY
- sim_rand_data
 - Info: Use random data for input.
 - src
 - dep
 - tb
 - dep_tb
 - IN_FILE_NAME=random.bin
 - OUT_FILE_NAME=out_random.txt
 - RAND_READY
- sim_rand_ready_rand_data

Info: Random data for input, and random ready input.

- src
- dep
- tb
- dep_tb
- IN_FILE_NAME=random.bin
- OUT_FILE_NAME=out_random.txt
- RAND_READY=1

- sim_8bit_count_data

Info: Counter data input.

- src
- dep
- tb
- dep_tb
- IN_FILE_NAME=8bit_count.bin
- OUT_FILE_NAME=out_8bit_count.txt
- RAND_READY

- sim_rand_ready_8bit_count_data

Info: Counter data input, and random ready input.

- src
- dep
- tb
- dep_tb
- IN_FILE_NAME=8bit_count.bin
- OUT_FILE_NAME=out_8bit_count.txt
- RAND_READY=1

3.4 Directory Guide

Below highlights important folders from the root of the directory.

1. **docs** Contains all documentation related to this project.
 - **manual** Contains user manual and github page that are generated from the latex sources.
2. **src** Contains source files for the core
3. **tb** Contains test bench files for iverilog and cocotb
 - **cocotb** testbench files

4 Simulation

There are a few different simulations that can be run for this core.

4.1 iverilog

iverilog is used for simple test benches for quick verification, visually, of the core.

4.2 cocotb

Future simulations will use cocotb. This feature is not yet implemented.

5 Module Documentation

There is a single async module for this core.

- **axis_data_to_axis_string** AXIS data to AXIS string, convert input data to a ASCII string.

The next sections document the module in great detail.

axis_data_to_axis_string.v

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INFORMATION

Brief

Parse raw binary data into ASCII string output.

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axis_data_to_axis_string

```
module axis_data_to_axis_string #(
    parameter
    DELIMITER
    =
    " , "
    parameter
    TERMINATION
    =
    "\n"
    parameter
    SBUS_WIDTH
```

```

=
1,
parameter
USER_WIDTH
=
4,
parameter
DEST_WIDTH
=
4,
parameter
PREFIX_LEN
=
1,
parameter
DATA_PREFIX
=
"##",
parameter
DEST_PREFIX
=
"&",
parameter
USER_PREFIX
=
""
) ( input aclk, input arstn, input [(SBUS_WIDTH*8)-1:0] s_axis_tdata, input

```

Parse raw binary data into ASCII string output.

Parameters

DELIMITER parameter	break value between multiple strings
TERMINATION parameter	termination value of full string from serial port, byte only. (\n = 0A \r = 0D).
SBUS_WIDTH parameter	bus width of master (data) output
USER_WIDTH parameter	user width of master bus, only in 4 bit nibbles, and at least 4 bits.
DEST_WIDTH parameter	dest width of master bus, only in 4 bit nibbles, and at least 4 bits.
PREFIX_LEN parameter	length of following prefix strings.
DATA_PREFIX parameter	prefix for data hex strings
DEST_PREFIX parameter	prefix for destination hex strings
USER_PREFIX parameter	prefix for user hex strings

Ports

aclk	Clock for AXIS
arstn	Negative reset for AXIS
s_axis_tdata	Input data
s_axis_tvalid	When set active high the input data is valid

s_axis_tuser	User data to convert.
s_axis_tdest	Destination data to convert
s_axis_tready	When active high the device is ready for input data.
m_axis_tdata	Output data
m_axis_tvalid	When active high the output data is valid
m_axis_tready	When set active high the output device is ready for data.

VARIABLES

s_axis_tready

```
assign s_axis_tready = (
    arstn                                     (counter == 0) ? 1 &
    :
    0
)
```

ready if count is zero, this is a FWFT so no worries in pumping out data.

m_axis_tdata

```
assign m_axis_tdata = char_buffer[STRING_LEN*8-1 -:8]
```

output whatever is in the character buffer.

m_axis_tvalid

```
assign m_axis_tvalid = (
    1                                         counter > 0 ?
    :
    0
)
```

Counter greater than 0? Valid output is available.