

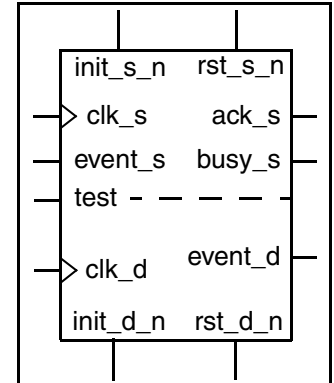
DW_pulseack_sync

Pulse Synchronizer with Acknowledge

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Features and Benefits

- Fully tested cross-clock domain
- Fully parameterized
- Able to use both positive and negative clock edge for sending clock domain
- Provides for both combinatorial and registered output, via parameter



Description

DW_pulseack_sync provides a low-risk method for transmitting single-clock-cycle pulses between two different clock domains. This component uses clock-domain-crossing techniques to safely transfer pulses between logic operating on different clocks, as well as providing a busy signal and acknowledge to guarantee the pulse has arrived in the destination domain.

Simulation models are available in Verilog and VHDL. Synthesizable source is available in Verilog.

Table 1-1 Pin Description

Pin Name	Width	Direction	Function
clk_s	1	Input	Source clock
rst_s_n	1	Input	Asynchronous source reset
init_s_n	1	Input	Synchronous source reset
event_s	1	Input	Input pulse
busy_s	1	Output	busy_s is active high while the transmitted pulse and the acknowledge are in transit
ack_s	1	Output	ack_s is active high when the transmitted pulse has traveled to the destination domain and returned to the transmitting domain; active for one clock cycle
clk_d	1	Input	Destination clock
rst_d_n	1	Input	Asynchronous destination reset
init_d_n	1	Input	Synchronous destination reset
event_d	1	Output	Output pulse
test	1	Input	Scan test mode select input

Table 1-2 Parameter Description

Parameter	Values	Description
reg_event	0 to 1 Default: 1	0 – no register on output 1 – register event_d output
reg_ack	0 to 1 Default: 1	0 – ack_s has combination logic, but latency is 1 cycle sooner 1 – ack_s is retimed to eliminate combinational logic in the output; requires an additional clock cycle of delay
ack_delay	0 to 1 Default: 1	0 – ack_s has combination logic, but latency is 1 cycle sooner 1 – ack_s is retimed so there is no logic between register and port, but event is delayed 1 cycle
f_sync_type	0 to 4 Default: 2	0 – single clock design <code>clk_d=clk_s</code> 1 – negedge to posedge sync 2 – posedge to posedge sync 3 – 3 posedge registers in destination domain 4 – 4 posedge registers in destination domain
r_sync_type	0 to 4 Default: 2	0 – single clock design <code>clk_d=clk_s</code> 1 – negedge to posedge sync 2 – posedge to posedge sync 3 – 3 posedge registers in destination domain 4 – 4 posedge registers in destination domain
tst_mode	0 to 2 Default: 0	0 – no test latch insertion 1 – hold latch using negedge flop 2 – hold latch using active low latch
verif_en	0 to 4 Default: 1	0 = no sampling errors inserted 1 = sampling errors are randomly inserted with 0 or up to 1 destination clock cycle delays 2 = sampling errors are randomly inserted with 0, 0.5, 1, or 1.5 destination clock cycle delays 3 = sampling errors are randomly inserted with 0, 1, 2, or 3 destination clock cycle delays 4 = sampling errors are randomly inserted with 0 or up to 0.5 destination clock cycle delays

Table 1-3 Synthesis Implementations

Implementation Name	Function	License Feature Required
rtl	Synthesis model	DesignWare

Table 1-4 Simulation Models

Model	Function
DW03.DW_PULSEACK_SYNC_SIM	Architectural name for VHDL simulation without missamplings.
DW03.DW_PULSEACK_SYNC_SIM_MS	Architectural name for VHDL simulation with missamplings enabled. (See "Simulation Methodology" for details.)
dw/dw03/src/DW_pulseack_sync_sim.vhd	VHDL simulation model source code (modeling RTL)
dw/sim_ver/DW_pulseack_sync_1c.v	Verilog simulation model source code

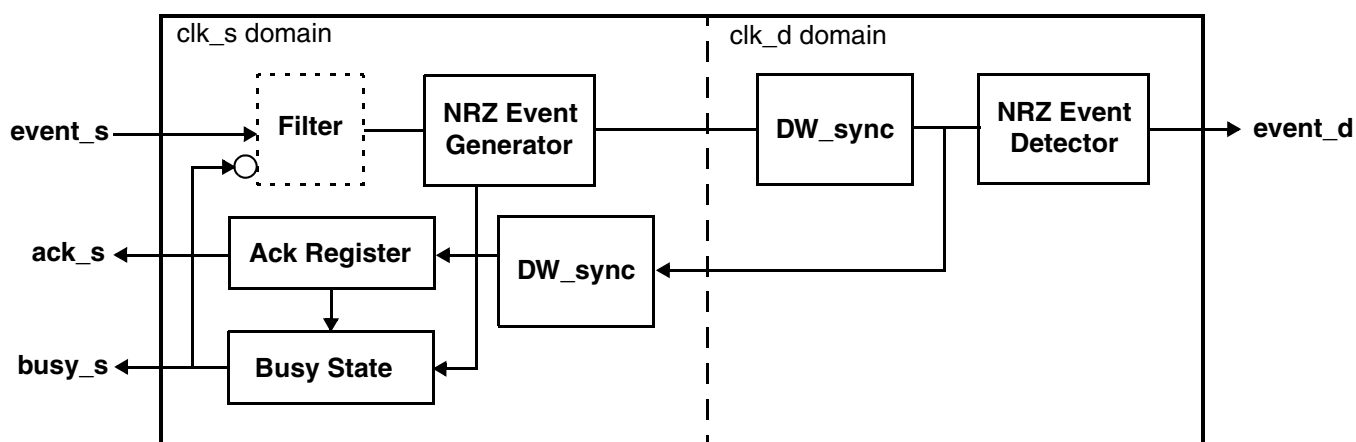
Simulation Methodology

The underlying pulse synchronization methodology implements a clock boundary missampling technique which allows for robust simulation of designs implementing this component. The Verilog model transparently uses missampling based on the parameters provided at compile/simulation time. The VHDL has a configuration which specifies the desired missampling model. For missampling to work with VHDL, the correct configuration must be selected at compile/run time.

Functional Description

The DW_pulseack_sync synchronizer provides a method of passing event information from one clock domain to another and acknowledgement that the pulse was recognized in the destination domain. Using a Non-Return-to-Zero (NRZ) event generator (that is, a toggle register) triggered by the input, `event_s`, in the source clock domain, the destination domain synchronizes the NRZ event signal (using an instance of DW_sync) and then detects the NRZ event (that is, a toggle of the signal) and presents an active high output on `event_d` for once cycle of `clk_d` to signal the detected event.

Figure 1-1 DW_pulse_sync Dual-clock Pulse Synchronizer Block Diagram



The way in which the `event_s` input triggers events depends on the value of the parameter, `pulse_mode`.

Table 1-5 *pulse_mode* Parameter Trigger Method

<i>pulse_mode</i>	Trigger Method
0	Trigger an even for each clock cycle that event_s is high
1	Trigger an even for each clock cycle when event_s is high AND event_s was low for the previous clock (rising edge detect)
2	Trigger an even for each clock cycle when event_s is low AND event_s was high for the previous clock (falling edge detect)
3	Trigger an even for each clock cycle when event_s is different than it was for the previous clock (double edge detect)

Although there are no required clock frequency relationship between the source and destination clocks, the rate of events that the synchronizer can reliably pass is restricted by the frequency of the destination clock. The time between NRZ events between the domains must not approach one clock period of clk_d plus some adequate setup time of a synchronization register. To be safe, it's best to allow at least two periods of clk_d between any two consecutive events.

To avoid unwanted events, both domains should be reset.

Related Topics

- [Memory – Registers Overview](#)
- [DesignWare Building Block IP Documentation Overview](#)

HDL Usage Through Component Instantiation - VHDL

```

library IEEE,DWARE,WORK;
use IEEE.std_logic_1164.all;
use DWARE.DW_Foundation_comp.all;

entity DW_pulseack_sync_inst is
    generic (
        inst_reg_event : NATURAL := 1;
        inst_reg_ack : NATURAL := 1;
        inst_ack_delay : NATURAL := 0;
        inst_f_sync_type : NATURAL := 2;
        inst_r_sync_type : NATURAL := 2;
        inst_tst_mode : NATURAL := 0;
        inst_verif_en : NATURAL := 1;
        inst_pulse_mode : NATURAL := 0
    );
    port (
        inst_clk_s : in std_logic;
        inst_rst_s_n : in std_logic;
        inst_init_s_n : in std_logic;
        inst_event_s : in std_logic;
        inst_clk_d : in std_logic;
        inst_rst_d_n : in std_logic;
        inst_init_d_n : in std_logic;
        inst_test : in std_logic;
        busy_s_inst : out std_logic;
        ack_s_inst : out std_logic;
        event_d_inst : out std_logic
    );
end DW_pulseack_sync_inst;

architecture inst of DW_pulseack_sync_inst is

begin

    -- Instance of DW_pulseack_sync
    U1 : DW_pulseack_sync
    generic map ( reg_event => inst_reg_event,
        reg_ack => inst_reg_ack,
        ack_delay => inst_ack_delay,
        f_sync_type => inst_f_sync_type,
        r_sync_type => inst_r_sync_type,
        tst_mode => inst_tst_mode,
        verif_en => inst_verif_en,
        pulse_mode => inst_pulse_mode )
    port map ( clk_s => inst_clk_s,
        rst_s_n => inst_rst_s_n,

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        init_s_n => inst_init_s_n,  
        event_s => inst_event_s,  
        clk_d => inst_clk_d,  
        rst_d_n => inst_rst_d_n,  
        init_d_n => inst_init_d_n,  
        test => inst_test,  
        busy_s => busy_s_inst,  
        ack_s => ack_s_inst,  
        event_d => event_d_inst );  
  
end inst;  
-- pragma translate_off  
library DW03;  
configuration DW_pulseack_sync_inst_cfg_inst of DW_pulseack_sync_inst is  
    for inst  
        end for; -- inst  
end DW_pulseack_sync_inst_cfg_inst;  
-- pragma translate_on
```

HDL Usage Through Component Instantiation - Verilog

```
module DW_pulseack_sync_inst( inst_clk_s, inst_rst_s_n, inst_init_s_n, inst_event_s,
inst_clk_d,
    inst_rst_d_n, inst_init_d_n, inst_test, busy_s_inst, ack_s_inst,
    event_d_inst );

parameter reg_event = 1;
parameter reg_ack = 1;
parameter ack_delay = 0;
parameter f_sync_type = 2;
parameter r_sync_type = 2;
parameter tst_mode = 0;
parameter verif_en = 1;
parameter pulse_mode = 0;

input inst_clk_s;
input inst_rst_s_n;
input inst_init_s_n;
input inst_event_s;
input inst_clk_d;
input inst_rst_d_n;
input inst_init_d_n;
input inst_test;
output busy_s_inst;
output ack_s_inst;
output event_d_inst;

    // Instance of DW_pulseack_sync
    DW_pulseack_sync #(reg_event, reg_ack, ack_delay, f_sync_type, r_sync_type,
tst_mode, verif_en, pulse_mode)
        U1 ( .clk_s(inst_clk_s), .rst_s_n(inst_rst_s_n), .init_s_n(inst_init_s_n),
.event_s(inst_event_s), .clk_d(inst_clk_d), .rst_d_n(inst_rst_d_n),
.init_d_n(inst_init_d_n), .test(inst_test), .busy_s(busy_s_inst), .ack_s(ack_s_inst),
.event_d(event_d_inst) );

endmodule
```

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