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# Introduction

The E300 platform is the first member of SiFive's Freedom Everywhere family of customizable RISC-V SoCs. By combining a highly configurable base platform with customer-specific hardware extensions, the Freedom Everywhere family provides low-NRE and rapid time-to-market solutions for performance, cost, and power-sensitive embedded and IoT markets.

Each E300 SoC includes a SiFive E3 series RISC-V Coreplex with integrated instruction and data memories, a platform-level interrupt controller, on-chip debug unit, and an extensive selection of peripheral devices. This manual should be read together with the E3 Coreplex manual.

All aspects of the base E300 platform can be flexibly configured. In addition, the platform can be readily extended with customer-specific instruction-set extensions, custom coprocessors, custom accelerators, custom I/O, and custom always-on blocks. The resulting application-specific E300 SoC is optimized for manufacture in a TSMC 180nm process, and delivered as packaged tested parts by SiFive.

# **Block Diagram**

Figure 1.1 shows the top-level block diagram of the E300 platform. The heart of the current E300 platform is an E31 Coreplex, which contains an E31 RISC-V processor, instruction and data memories, the platform-level interrupt controller (PLIC), a central DMA controller, and a debug module.

## **Configurable E31 RISC-V Coreplex**

The configurable E31 RISC-V Coreplex provides a high-performance single-issue in-order 32-bit execution pipeline, with a peak sustained execution rate of one instruction per clock cycle. The Freedom E300 platform supports most configuration options of the E31 core as described in the E3 Coreplex manual, except for the following:

- Where present, the instruction cache line size is 32 bytes.
- The data cache is not supported.

The E3 Coreplex exports two TileLink attachments; a TileLink master port which can be used to attach a custom accelerator, and a TileLink slave port to drive the platform bus. Both ports support 32-byte burst accesses over a 32-bit datapath.

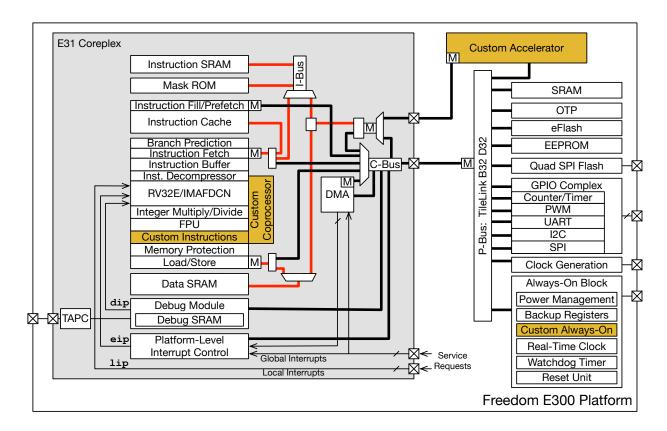


Figure 1.1: Top-Level Block Diagram of the E300 platform.

#### **Custom Accelerators**

Custom autonomous accelerators can be added to provide application-specific processing. The custom accelerators can directly access on-chip memories and peripheral devices, and can generate and receive interrupts from the platform-level interrupt controller.

# **On-Chip Memory**

The on-chip memory system can be flexibly configured to include ROM, OTP, eFLASH, NVM/EEPROM, and/or SRAM of various sizes.

#### **Execute-in-Place Quad-SPI Flash controller**

A dedicated Quad-SPI flash controller can be added with support for a a memory-mapped burst-read interface to support processor instruction cache or data cache refills from an external SPI flash memory. Memory burst writes are not supported. The external SPI flash has a set of control registers mapped into I/O space through which the external flash can be written under software control.

## **Peripheral Devices**

Peripheral devices can be selected from a large catalog of standard components, including counter/timers, watchdogs, PWM, GPIO, UART, I2C, SPI, ADC, DAC, SD/eMMC, USB 1.1/2.0 OTG, and 10/100/1000 Ethernet. The autonomous Coreplex DMA engine can be added to reduce processor overhead in servicing I/O transfers to and from data memory. Third-party peripheral IP can be attached via industry-standard SoC buses or TileLink. Please contact SiFive for details on the available peripheral offerings, or on how to connect to existing IP.

# **Platform-Level Interrupt Controller**

The configurable platform-level interrupt controller (PLIC) supports a large number of inputs and programmable priority levels, and with the addition of the N extension can also support nested interrupt handling for fast interrupt response.

## **Always-On Block and Power Management**

E300 SoCs can be configured with active power management to reduce leakage current in sleep mode. The Always-On Block (AON) supports low-power sleep with wakeup from an internal real-time clock interrupt or external I/O stimulus, or custom always-on circuitry.

# **Debug Support**

Each E300 system includes extensive platform-level debug facilities including hardware breakpoints, watchpoints, and single-step execution accessed via an industry-standard JTAG interface and supported by a full set of open-source debug tools. All components in the system, including the processor, accelerators, memories, peripheral devices, and interrupt controller, can be controlled and monitored over the debug port.

#### **Software Tools**

SiFive provides a full open-source RISC-V embedded software development toolchain for E300 SoCs, including modern C and C++ compilers with soft-floating-point support, standard libraries, assemblers, linkers, and the FreeRTOS real-time operating system, together with debug tools to drive the on-chip debug hardware.

# **E300 Platform Memory Map**

The overall memory map of E300 is shown in Table 2.1.

Base	Тор	Description	
0x0000_0000	0x0FFF_FFFF	(see E3 Coreplex Manual)	E3 Coreplex (256 MiB)
0x1000_0000	0x1000_7FFF	Always-On (AON) (≤32 KiB)	
0x1000_8000	0x1000_FFFF	Power, Reset, Clock, Interrupts (PRCI)	
		(≤32 KiB)	
0x1001_0000	0x1001_0FFF	On-chip OTP control	
0x1001_1000	0x1001_1FFF	On-chip eFlash control	Off-Coreplex I/O (1.75 GiB)
0x1001_2000	0x1001_2FFF	GPIO0	OII-Coreplex I/O (1.73 GIB)
0x1001_3000	0x1001_3FFF	UART0	
0x1001_4000	0x1001_4FFF	QSPI0	
0x1001_5000	0x1FFF_FFFF	Additional Peripherals (<256MiB)	
0x2000_0000	0x3FFF_FFFF	Off-chip QSPI0 flash read (512 MiB)	
0x4000_0000	0x7FFF_FFFF	Additional I/O or RAM (1 GiB)	
0x8000_0000	0x8001_FFFF	Instruction and Data RAM (≤ 128 KiB)	Memory (2 GiB)
0x8002_0000	OxFFFF_FFFF	Additional RAM	Memory (2 dib)

Table 2.1: E300 Physical Memory Map.

# **E300 Power Modes**

This chapter describes the different power modes available on E300 systems. E300 systems currently support three power modes: Run, Wait, and Sleep.

#### Run Mode

Run mode corresponds to regular execution where the processor is running. Power consumption can be adjusted by varying the clock frequency of the processor and peripheral bus, and by enabling or disabling individual peripheral blocks. The processor exits run mode by executing a "Wait for Interrupt" (WFI) instruction.

#### **Wait Mode**

When the processor executes a WFI instruction it enters Wait mode, which halts instruction execution and gates the clocks driving the processor pipeline. All state is preserved in the system. The processor will resume in Run mode when there is a local interrupt pending or when the PLIC sends an interrupt notification. The processor may also exit wait mode for other events, and software must check system status when exiting wait mode to determine the correct course of action.

## Sleep Mode

Sleep mode is entered by writing to a memory-mapped register pmusleep in the power-management unit (PMU). The pmusleep register is protected by the pmukey register which must be written with a defined value before writing to pmusleep.

The PMU will then execute a power-down sequence to turn off power to the processor and main pads. All volatile state in the system is lost except for state held in the AON domain. The main output pads will be left floating.

Sleep mode is exited when an enabled wakeup event occurs, whereupon the PMU will initiate a wakeup sequence. The wakeup sequence turns on the core and pad power supplies while asserting reset on the clocks, core and pads. After the power supplies stabilize, the clock reset is deasserted to allow the clocks to stabilize. Once the clocks are stable, the pad and processor resets are deasserted, and the processor begins running from the reset vector.

Software must reinitialize the core and can interrogate the PMU pmucause register to determine the cause of reset, and can recover pre-sleep state from the backup registers. The processor

always initially runs from the HFROSC at the default setting, and must reconfigure clocks to run from an alternate clock source (HFXOSC or PLL) or at a different setting on the HFROSC.

# **E300 Clock Generation**

The Freedom E300 platform supports many alternative clock-generation schemes to match application needs. This chapter describes the basic structure of E300 clock generation. The various clock configuration registers live either in the AON block (Chapter 5) or the PRCI block (Chapter 7).

#### **Clock Generation Overview**

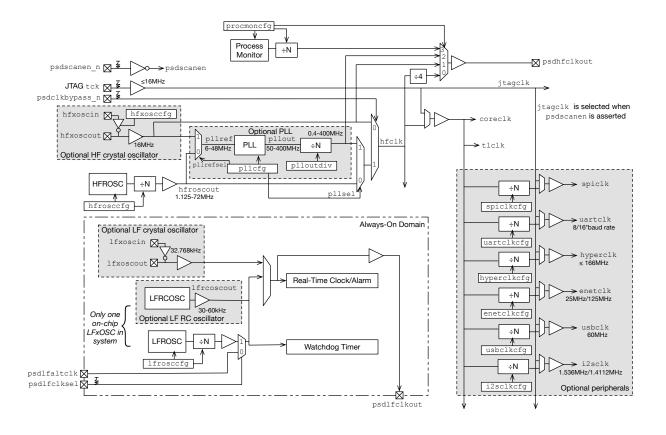


Figure 4.1: E300 clock generation scheme.

Figure 4.1 shows an overview of the E300 clock generation scheme. Most digital clocks on the chip are divided down from a central high-frequency clock hfclk produced from either the PLL or an on-chip trimmable oscillator. The PLL can be driven from either the on-chip oscillator or an off-chip crystal oscillator. In systems without a PLL, the off-chip oscillator can drive the high-frequency clock directly.

For the FE310-G000, the TileLink bus clock (tlclk) is fixed to be the same as the processor core clock (coreclk). As shown, each peripheral may also generate local divided clocks from tlclk.

The Always-On block includes a real-time clock circuit that is driven from one of three possible low-frequency clock sources: an off-chip 32 kHz crystal oscillator, an on-chip low-frequency RC oscillator, or a clock divided down from hfclk.

Test mode can select the JTAG test clk (TCK) to be driven into all clock trees to support scan.

## **Internal Trimmable Programmable 72 MHz Oscillator (HFROSC)**

An internal trimmable high-frequency ring oscillator (HFROSC) is used to provide the default clock after reset, and can be used to allow operation without an external high-frequency crystal or a PLL.

The oscillator is controlled by the hfrosccfg register, which is memory-mapped in the PRCI address space, and whose format is shown in Figure 4.1.

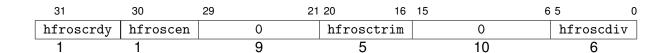


Table 4.1: The HFROSC config register, hfrosccfg.

The frequency can be adjusted in software using a 5-bit trim value in the hfrosctrim. The trim value (from 0–31) adjusts which tap of the variable delay chain is fed back to the start of the ring. A value of 0 corresponds to the longest chain and slowest frequency, while higher values correspond to shorter chains and therefore higher frequencies.

The HFROSC oscillator output frequency can be divided by an integer between 1 and 64 giving a frequency range of 1.125 MHz–72 MHz assuming the trim value is set to give a 72 MHz output. The value of the divider is given in the hfroscdiv field, where the divide ratio is one greater than the binary value held in the field (i.e., hfroscdiv=0 indicates divide by 1, hfroscdiv=1 indicates divide by 2, etc.). The value of the divider can be changed at any time.

The HFROSC is the default clock source used for the system core at reset. After a reset, the  ${\tt hfrosctrim}$  value is reset to 16, the middle of the adjustable range, and the divider is reset to  $\div 5$  ( ${\tt hfroscdiv=4}$ ), which gives a nominal 13.8 MHz ( $\pm 50\%$ ) output frequency.

The value of hfrosctrim that most closely achieves an 72 MHz clock output at nominal conditions (1.8 V at 25 C) is determined by manufacturing-time calibration and is stored in on-chip OTP storage. Upon reset, software in the processor boot sequence can write the calibrated value into the hfrosctrim field, but the value can be altered at any time during operation including when the processor is running from HFROSC.

To save power, the HFROSC can be disabled by clearing hfroscen. The processor must be running from a different clock source (the PLL, external crystal, or external clock) before disabling HFROSC. HFROSC can be explicitly renabled by setting hfroscen. HFROSC will be automatically re-enabled at every reset.

The status bit hfroscrdy indicates if the oscillator is operational and ready for use as a clock source.

## External 16 MHz Crystal Oscillator (HFXOSC)

An external high-frequency 16 MHz crystal oscillator can be used to provide a precise clock source. The crystal oscillator should have a capacitive load of  $\leq$ 12 pF and an ESR  $\leq$ 80  $\Omega$ .

When used to drive the PLL, the 16 MHz crystal oscillator output frequency must be divided by two in the first-stage divider of the PLL (i.e., R=2) to provide an 8 MHz reference clock to the VCO.

The input pad of the HFXOSC can also be used to supply an external clock source, in which case, the output pad should be left unconnected.

The HFXOSC input can be used to generate hfclk directly if there is no PLL present in the system, or if the PLL is set to bypass.

The HFXOSC is controlled via the memory-mapped hfxosccfg register.

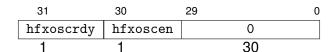


Table 4.2: The HFXOSC config register, hfxoscccfg.

The hfxoscen bit turns on the crystal driver and is set after wakeup reset, but can be cleared to turn off the crystal driver and reduce power consumption. The hfxoscrdy bit indicates if the crystal oscillator output is ready for use.

The hfxoscen bit must also be turned on to use the HFXOSC input pad to connect an external clock source.

# Internal High-Frequency PLL (HFPLL)

The PLL generates a high-frequency clock by multiplying a mid-frequency reference source clock, either the HFROSC or the HFXOSC. The input frequency to the PLL can be in the range 6–48 MHz. The PLL can generate output clock frequencies in the range 48–384 MHz.

The PLL is controlled by a memory-mapped read-write pllcfg register in the PRCI address space. The format of pllcfg is shown in Figure 4.3.

Figure 4.2 shows how the PLL output frequency is set using a combination of three read-write fields: pllr[2:0], pllf[2:0], pllq[1:0]. The frequency constraints must be observed between each stage for correct operation.

The pllr[1:0] field encodes the reference clock divide ratio as a 2-bit binary value, where the value is one less than the divide ratio (i.e., 00=1, 11=4). The frequency of the output of the

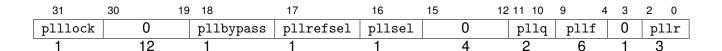


Table 4.3: The PLL config register, pllcfg.

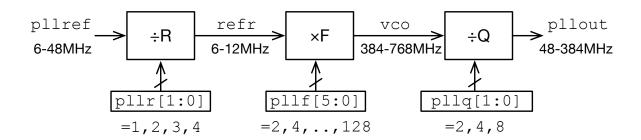


Figure 4.2: Controlling the E300 PLL output frequency.

reference divider (refr) must lie between 6-12 MHz.

The p11f [5:0] field encodes the PLL VCO multiply ratio as a 6-bit binary value, N, signifying a divide ratio of  $2 \times (N+1)$  (i.e., 000000=2, 111111=128). The frequency of the VCO output (vco) must lie between 384–768 MHz. Table 4.4 summarizes the valid settings of the multiply ratio.

	Legal		vco	
	pllf		frequency	
refr	multiplier		(MHz)	
(MHz)	Min Max		Min	Max
6	64	128	384	768
8	48	96	384	768
10	39	76	390	760
12	32	64	384	768

Table 4.4: Valid PLL multiply ratios. The multiplier setting in the table is given as the actual multiply ratio; the binary value stored in pllf field should be (M/2) - 1 for a multiply ratio M.

The pllq[1:0] field encodes the PLL output divide ratio as follow, 01=2, 10=4, 11=8. The value 00 is not supported. The final output of the PLL must have a frequency that lies between 48–384 MHz.

The one-bit read-write pllbypass field in the pllcfg register turns off the PLL when written with a 1 and then pllout is driven directly by the clock indicated by pllrefsel. The other PLL registers can be configured when pllbypass is set. The agent that writes pllcfg should be running from a different clock source before disabling the PLL. The PLL is also disabled with pllbypass=1 after a wakeup reset.

The pllsel bit must be set to drive the final hfclk with the PLL output, bypassed or otherwise.

When pllsel is clear, the hfroscclk directly drives hfclk. The pllsel bit is clear on wakeup reset.

The pllcfg register is reset to: bypass and power off the PLL pllbypass=1; input driven from external HFXOSC oscillator pllrefsel=1; PLL not driving system clock pllsel=0; and the PLL ratios are set to R=2, F=64, and Q=8 (pllr=01, pllf=0111111, pllq=11).

The PLL provides a lock signal which is set when the PLL has achieved lock, and which can be read from the most-significant bit of the pllcfg register. The PLL requires up to  $100\,\mu$ s to regain lock once enabled, and the lock signal will not necessarily be stable during this initial lock period so should only be interrogated after this period. The PLL may not achieve lock and the lock signal might not remain asserted if there is excessive jitter in the source clock.

The PLL requires dedicated 1.8 V power supply pads with a supply filter on the circuit board. The supply filter should be a  $100\,\Omega$  resistor in series with the board 1.8 V supply decoupled with a  $100\,\text{nF}$  capacitor across the VDDPLL/VSSPLL supply pins. The VSSPLL pin should not be connected to board VSS.

# **PLL Output Divider**

The plloutdiv register controls a clock divider that divides the output of the PLL.



Figure 4.3: PLL Output Divider Register plloutdiv

If the plloutdivby1 bit is set, the PLL output clock is passed through undivided. If plloutdivby1 is clear, the value N in plloutdiv sets the clock-divide ratio to  $2\times(N+1)$  (between 2–128). The output divider expands the PLL output frequency range to  $0.375-384\,\mathrm{MHz}$ .

The plloutdivby1 register is reset to divide-by-1 (plloutdivby1=1)...

## Internal Low-Frequency Oscillator (LFRCOSC)

An untrimmed internal low-frequency RC oscillator can be provided with an operating frequency of 40-80 kHz. The internal low-frequency oscillator can be used to clock the always-on domain in lieu of an external crystal. A programmable prescalar is provided to allow runtime calibration of the low-frequency output to improve timing accuracy.

## External 32.768 kHz Low-Frequency Crystal Oscillator (LFXOSC)

A 32.768 kHz external crystal oscillator can be attached to provide a precise real-time clock. The oscillator can be turned off to save power but can require up to 1 s to stabilize.

# E300 Always-On (AON) Domain

The E300 platform supports an always-on (AON) domain that includes real-time counters, watchdog timers, backup registers, and reset and power-management circuitry for the rest of the system. Figure 5.1 shows an overview of the AON block.

#### **AON Power Source**

The AON domain is continuously powered from an off-chip power source, either a regulated power supply or a battery.

#### **AON Clocking and Tilelink Slave Port**

The AON block has a TileLink slave port to allow an external master to read and write registers inside the AON block. The AON domain is clocked by the low-frequency clock, lfclk. The core domain's Tilelink peripheral bus uses the high-frequency tlclk. A HF-LF power-clock-domain crossing (VCDC) bridges TileLink between the two power and clock domains.

#### **AON Reset Unit**

An AON reset is the widest reset on an E300 system, and resets all state except for the JTAG debug interface.

An AON reset can be triggered by an on-chip power-on reset (POR) circuit when power is first applied to the AON domain, an external active-low reset pin (erst\_n), or expiration of the watchdog timer (wdogrst).

These sources provide a short initial reset pulse which is extended by the reset stretcher to provide a shorter LFROSC reset signal lfroscrst and a longer stretched internal reset, srst.

The lfroscrst signal is used to initialize the ring oscillator in the LFROSC. This oscillator provides lfclk, which is used to clock the AON.

The srst strobe is passed to a reset synchronizer clocked by lfclk to generate aonrst, an asychronous-onset/synchronous-release reset signal used to reset most of the AON block.

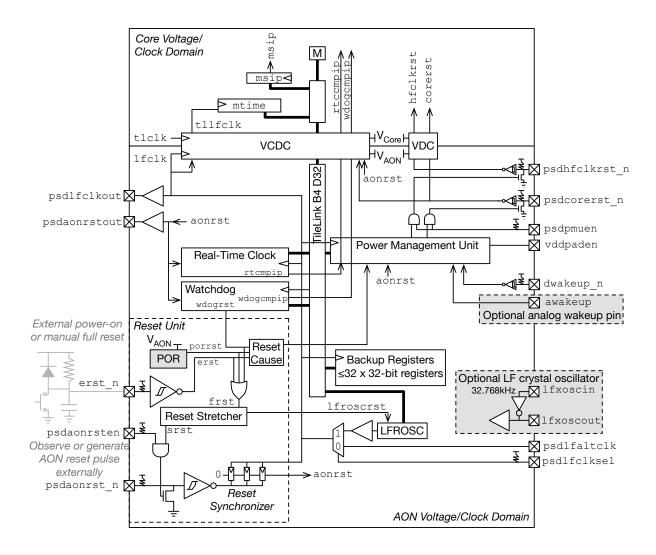


Figure 5.1: E300 Always-On Domain.

#### **Power-On Reset Circuit**

This optional circuit holds it's output low until the voltage in the AON block rises above a designtime configurable preset threshold.

#### **External Reset Circuit**

The E300 can be reset by pulling down on the external reset pin (erst\_n), which has a weak pullup. An external power-on reset circuit consisting of a resistor and capacitor can be to provided to generate a sufficiently long pulse to allow supply voltage to rise and then initiate the reset stretcher.

The external reset circuit can add a diode as shown to quickly discharge the capacitor after the supply is removed to rearm the external power-on reset circuit.

A manual reset button can be connected in parallel over the capacitor.

#### **Reset Cause**

The cause of an AON reset is latched in the Reset Unit and can be read from the pmucause register in the PMU.

## Watchdog Timer (WDT)

The watchdog timer can be used to provide a watchdog reset function, or a periodic timer interrupt. The watchdog is described in detail in Chapter 8.

#### Real-Time Clock (RTC)

The real-time clock maintains time for the system and can also be used to generate interrupts for timed wakeup from sleep-mode or timer interrupts during normal operation. The Real-Time Clock is described in detail in Chapter 9.

## **Backup Registers**

The backup register provide a configurable number of 32-bit data registers that hold state during sleep. The FE310-G000 has  $16\times32$ -bit backup registers. The backup registers are described in detail in Chapter 10.

# **Power-Management Unit (PMU)**

The power-management unit (PMU) sequences the system power supplies and reset signals when transitioning into and out of sleep mode. The PMU also monitors AON signals for wakeup conditions. The PMU is described in detail in Chapter 6.

# **AON Memory Map**

Table 5.1 shows the memory map of the AON block.

Address	Description	
0x1000_0000	wdogcfg	
0x1000_0004	Reserved	
0x1000_0008	wdogcount	
0x1000_000C	Reserved	
0x1000_0010	wdogs	Watchdog Timer Registers
0x1000_0014	Reserved	watchdog filler registers
0x1000_0018	wdogfeed	
0x1000_001C	wdogkey	
0x1000_0020	wdogcmp	
• • •		
0x1000_0040	rtccfg	
0x1000_0044	Reserved	
0x1000_0048	rtclo	
0x1000_004C	rtchi	
0x1000_0050	rtcs	Real-Time Clock Registers
0x1000_0054	Reserved	Trodi Timo Greek Hegietere
0x1000_0058	Reserved	
0x1000_005C	Reserved	
0x1000_0060	rtccmp	
0x1000_0070	lfrosccfg	
		AON Clock Configuration Registers
0x1000_0080	backup0	
0x1000_0084	backup1	Backup Registers
0x1000_00FC	backup31	
0x1000_0100	PMU wakeup program memory	
0x1000_0120	PMU sleep program memory	
0x1000_0140	pmuie	Power Management Unit
0x1000_0144	pmucause	
0x1000_0148	pmusleep	
0x1000_014C	pmukey	

Table 5.1: SiFive AON Memory Map.

# E300 Power-Management Unit (PMU)

The E300 power-management unit (PMU) is implemented within the AON domain and sequences the system's power supplies and reset signals during power-on reset and when transitioning the "mostly off" (MOFF) block into and out of sleep mode.

#### **PMU Overview**

The PMU is a synchronous unit clocked by the lfclk in the AON domain. The PMU handles reset, wakeup, and sleep actions initiated by power-on reset, wakeup events, and sleep requests. When the MOFF block is powered off, the PMU monitors AON signals to initiate the wakeup sequence. When the MOFF block is powered on, the PMU awaits sleep requests from the MOFF block, which initiate the sleep sequence. The PMU is based around a simple programmable microcode sequencer that steps through short programs to sequence output signals that control the power supplies and reset signals to the clocks, core, and pads in the system.

## PMU Key Register (pmukey)

The pmukey register has one bit of state. To prevent spurious sleep or PMU program modification, all writes to PMU registers must be preceded by an unlock operation to the pmukey register location, which sets pmukey. The value 0x51F15E must be written to the pmukey register address to set the state bit before any write access to any other PMU register. The state bit is reset at AON reset, and after any write to a PMU register.

PMU registers may be read without setting pmukey.

## **PMU Program**

The PMU is implemented as a programmable sequencer to support customization and tuning of the wakeup and sleep sequences. A wakeup or sleep program comprises eight instructions. An instruction consists of a delay, encoded as a binary order of magnitude, and a new value for all of the PMU output signals to assume after that delay. The PMU instruction format is shown in Figure 6.2. For example, the instruction 0x108 delays for 2<sup>8</sup> clock cycles, then raises hfclkrst and lowers all other output signals.

The PMU output signals are registered and only toggle on PMU instruction boundaries. The output registers are all asynchronously set to 1 by aonrst.

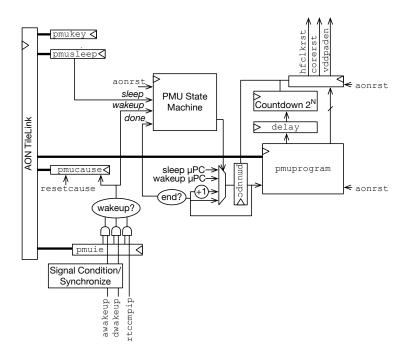


Figure 6.1: E300 Power-Management Unit.



Figure 6.2: PMU instruction format.

At power-on reset, the PMU program memories are reset to conservative defaults. Table 6.1 shows the default wakeup program, and Table 6.2 shows the default sleep program.

Index	Value	Meaning	
0	0x1f0	Assert all resets and enable all power supplies	
1	0x0f8	Idle $2^8$ cycles, then deassert <code>hfclkrst</code>	
2	0x030	Deassert corerst and padrst	
3-7	0x030	Repeats	

Table 6.1: Default PMU wakeup program.

# Initiate Sleep Sequence Register (pmusleep)

Writing any value to the pmusleep register initiates the sleep sequence stored in the sleep program memory. The MOFF block will sleep until an event enabled in the pmuie register occurs.

Index	Value	Meaning
0	0x0f0	Assert corerst
1	0x1f0	Assert hfclkrst
2	0x1d0	Deassert vddpaden
3	0x1c0	Deassert Reserved
4-7	0x1c0	Repeats

Table 6.2: Default PMU sleep program.

## **Wakeup Signal Conditioning**

The PMU can be woken by external signals, dwakeup and awakeup, which are preconditioned by the signal conditioning block.

Currently, the dwakeup signal has a fixed deglitch circuit that requires the dwakeup signal remain asserted for two AON clock edges before being accepted. The conditioning circuit also resynchronizes the dwakeup signal to the AON lfclk.

The awakeup analog intput is not yet supported on E300 systems.

# PMU Interrupt Enables (pmuie) and Wakeup Cause (pmucause)

The pmuie register indicates which events can wake the MOFF block from sleep. The awakeup bit indicates that the awakeup pin can rouse MOFF. The dwakeup bit indicates that a logic 0 on the dwakeup\_n pin can rouse MOFF. The rtc bit indicates that the RTC comparator can rouse MOFF.



Figure 6.3: Format of pmuie register.

Following a wakeup, the pmucause register indicates which event caused the wakeup. The value in the wakeupcause field corresponds to the bit position of the event in pmuie, e.g., a value of 2 indicates dwakeup. The value 0 indicates a wakeup from reset.



Figure 6.4: Format of pmucause register.

In the event of a wakeup from reset, the resetcause field indicates which reset source triggered the wakeup. Table 6.3 lists the values the resetcause field may take. The value in resetcause persists until the next reset.

Index	Meaning	
0	Power-on reset	
1	External reset	
2 Watchdog timer rese		

Table 6.3: Reset cause values.

# **Memory Map**

The memory map for the PMU is shown in Table 6.4. The memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses.

Address	Name	Description
0x100	pmuwakeupi0	Wakeup program instruction 0
0x104	pmuwakeupi1	Wakeup program instruction 1
0x108	pmuwakeupi2	Wakeup program instruction 2
0x10c	pmuwakeupi3	Wakeup program instruction 3
0x110	pmuwakeupi4	Wakeup program instruction 4
0x114	pmuwakeupi5	Wakeup program instruction 5
0x118	pmuwakeupi6	Wakeup program instruction 6
0x11c	pmuwakeupi7	Wakeup program instruction 7
0x120	pmusleepi0	Sleep program instruction 0
0x124	pmusleepi1	Sleep program instruction 1
0x128	pmusleepi2	Sleep program instruction 2
0x12c	pmusleepi3	Sleep program instruction 3
0x130	pmusleepi4	Sleep program instruction 4
0x134	pmusleepi5	Sleep program instruction 5
0x138	pmusleepi6	Sleep program instruction 6
0x13c	pmusleepi7	Sleep program instruction 7
0x140	pmuie	PMU interrupt enables
0x144	pmucause	PMU wakeup cause
0x148	pmusleep	Initiate sleep sequence
0x14c	pmukey	PMU key register

Table 6.4: SiFive PMU register offsets within AON memory map. Only naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses are supported.

# E300 Power, Reset, Clock, Interrupt (PRCI) Control and Status Registers

PRCI is an umbrella term for platform non-AON memory-mapped control and status registers controlling component power states, resets, clock selection, and low-level interrupts, hence the name. The PRCI registers are generally only made visible to machine-mode software. The AON block contains registers with similar functions, but only for the AON block units.

## **PRCI Address Space Usage**

Table 7.1 shows the memory map for PRCI on SiFive systems.

Address	Description	
0x1000_8000	hfrosccfg	Clock Configuration Registers
0x1000_8004	hfxosccfg	
0x1000_8008	pllcfg	
0x1000_800c	plloutdiv	
0x1000_8010	coreclkcfg	

Table 7.1: SiFive E300 PRCI Memory Map.

# E300 Watchdog Timer (WDT)

The watchdog timer (WDT) is used to cause a full power-on reset if either hardware or software errors cause the system to malfunction. The WDT can also be used as a programmable periodic interrupt source if the watchdog functionality is not required. The WDT is implemented as an upcounter in the Always-On domain that must be reset at regular intervals before the count reaches a preset threshold, else it will trigger a full power-on reset. To prevent errant code from resetting the counter, the WDT registers can only be updated by presenting a WDT key sequence.

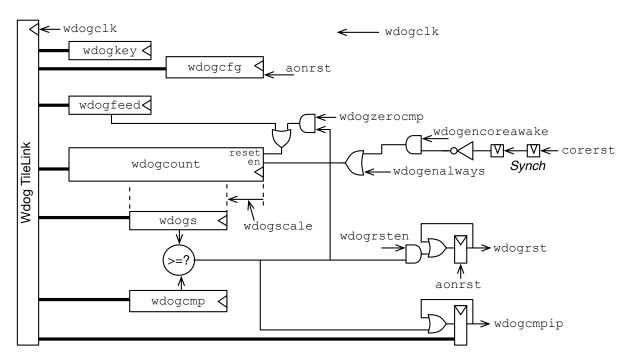


Figure 8.1: E300 Watchdog Timer.

#### Watchdog Count Register (wdogcount)

The WDT is based around a 31-bit counter held in wdogcount [30:0]. The counter can be read or written over the TileLink bus. Bit 31 of wdogcount returns a zero when read.

The counter is incremented at a maximum rate determined by the watchdog clock selection. Each cycle, the counter can be conditionally incremented depending on the existence of certain conditions, including always incrementing or incrementing only when the processor is not asleep.

The counter can also be reset to zero depending on certain conditions, such as a successful write to wdogfeed or the counter matching the compare value.

## **Watchdog Clock Selection**

The WDT unit clock, wdogclk, is either driven from LFXOSC or LFRCOSC and runs at approximately 32 kHz.

## Watchdog Configuration Register wdogcfg

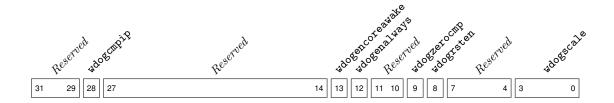


Figure 8.2: Watchdog configuration register wdogcfg

The wdogen\* bits control the conditions under which the watchdog counter wdogcount is incremented. The wdogenalways bit if set means the watchdog counter always increments. The wdogencoreawake bit if set means the watchdog counter increments if the processor core is not asleep. The WDT uses the corerst signal from the wakeup sequencer to know when the core is sleeping. The counter increments by one each cycle only if any of the enabled conditions are true. The wdogen\* bits are reset on AON reset.

The 4-bit wdogscale field scales the watchdog counter value before feeding it to the comparator. The value in wdogscale is the bit position within the wdogcount register of the start of a 16-bit wdogs field. A value of 0 in wdogscale indicates no scaling, and wdogs would then be equal to the low 16 bits of wdogcount. The maximum value of 15 in wdogscale corresponds to dividing the clock rate by  $2^{15}$ , so for an input clock of 32.768 kHz, the LSB of wdogs will increment once per second.

The value of wdogs is memory-mapped and can be read as a single 16-bit value over the AON TileLink bus.

The wdogzerocmp bit, if set, causes the watchdog counter wdogcount to be automatically reset to zero one cycle after the wdogs counter value matches or exceeds the compare value in wdogcmp. This feature can be used to implement periodic counter interrupts, where the period is independent of interrupt service time.

The wdogrsten bit controls whether the comparator output can set the wdogrst bit and hence cause a full reset.

The wdogcmpip interrupt pending bit can be read or written.



Figure 8.3: Watchdog compare register wdogcmp

```
li t0, 0x51F15E # Obtain key.
sw t0, wdogkey # Unlock kennel.
li t0, 0xD09F00D # Get some food.
sw t0, wdogfeed # Feed the watchdog.
```

Figure 8.4: Sequence to reinitialize watchdog.

## Watchdog Compare Register (wdogcmp)

The compare register is a 16-bit value against which the current wdogs value is compared every cycle. The output of the comparator is asserted whenever the value of wdogs is greater than or equal to wdogcmp.

## Watchdog Key Register (wdogkey)

The wdogkey register has one bit of state. To prevent spurious reset of the WDT, all writes to wdogcfg, wdogfeed, wdogcount, wdogs, wdogcmp and wdogcmpip must be preceded by an unlock operation to the wdogkey register location, which sets wdogkey. The value 0x51F15E must be written to the wdogkey register address to set the state bit before any write access to any other watchdog register. The state bit is reset at AON reset, and after any write to a watchdog register.

Watchdog registers may be read without setting wdogkey.

#### Watchdog Feed Address (wdogfeed)

After a successful key unlock, the watchdog can be fed using a write of the value 0xD09F00D to the wdogfeed address, which will reset the wdogcount register to zero. The full watchdog feed sequence is shown in Figure 8.4.

Note there is no state associated with the wdogfeed address. Reads of this address return 0.

#### **Watchdog Configuration**

The WDT provides watchdog intervals of up to over 18 hours ( $\approx$ 65,535 seconds).

#### Watchdog Resets

If the watchdog is not fed before the wdogcount register exceeds the compare register zero while the WDT is enabled, a reset pulse is sent to the reset circuitry, and the chip will go through a complete power-on sequence.

The WDT will be initalized after a full reset, with mode bit cleared.

# Watchdog Interrupts (wdogcmpip)

The WDT can be configured to provide periodic counter interrupts by disabling watchdog resets (wdogrsten=0) and enabling auto-zeroing of the count register when the comparator fires (wdogzerocmp=1).

The sticky single-bit wdogcmpip register captures the comparator output and holds it to provide an interrupt pending signal. The wdogcmpip register resides in bit 28 of the wdogcfg register, and can be read and written over TileLink to clear down the interrupt.

## E300 Real-Time Clock (RTC)

The E300 real-time clock (RT) is located in the always-on domain, and is clocked by a selectable low-frequency clock source. For best accuracy, the RTC should be driven by an external 32.768 kHz watch crystal oscillator (LFXOSC), but to reduce cost, can be driven by a factory-trimmed on-chip oscillator.

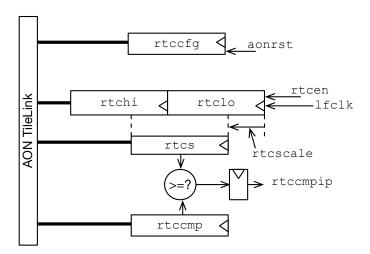


Figure 9.1: E300 Real-Time Clock.

#### RTC Count Registers rtchi/rtclo

The real-time counter is based around the rtchi/rtclo register pair, which increment at the low-frequency clock rate when the RTC is enabled. The rtclo register holds the low 32 bits of the RTC, while rtchi holds the upper 16 bits of the RTC value. The total  $\geq$ 48-bit counter width ensures there will no counter rollover for over 270 years assuming a 32.768 kHz low-frequency real-time clock source. The counter registers can be read or written over the TileLink bus.

#### RTC Configuration Register rtccfg

The rtcenalways bit controls whether the RTC is enabled, and is reset on AON reset.

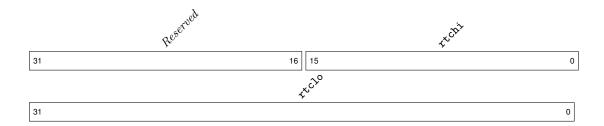


Figure 9.2: RTC counter register pair rtchi/rtclo



Figure 9.3: RTC configuration register rtccfg

The 4-bit rtcscale field scales the real-time counter value before feeding to the real-time interrupt comparator. The value in rtcscale is the bit position within the rtclo/rtchi register pair of the start of a 32-bit field rtcs. A value of 0 in rtcscale indicates no scaling, and rtcs would then be equal to rtclo. The maximum value of 15 in rtcscale corresponds to dividing the clock rate by  $2^{15}$ , so for an input clock of 32.768 kHz, the LSB of rtcs will increment once per second. The value of rtcs is memory-mapped and can be read as a single 32-bit register over the AON TileLink bus.

The rtccmpip interrupt pending bit is read-only.

#### RTC Compare Register rtccmp

The rtccmp register holds a 32-bit value that is compared against rtcs, the scaled real-time clock. If rtcs is greater than or equal to rtccmp, the rtccmpip interrupt pending bit is set. The rtccmpip bit can be cleared down by writing a value to rtccmp that is greater than rtcs.



Figure 9.4: RTC counter compare register rtccmp

## E300 Backup Registers

The backup registers live in the Always-On domain, and provide a place to store critical data during sleep. Each register is 32-bits wide, and the number of backup registers is a configurable option.

# General Purpose Input/Output Controller (GPIO)

This chapter describes the operation of the General Purpose Input/Output Controller (GPIO) on SiFive systems. The SiFive GPIO controller is a peripheral device mapped in the internal memory map, discoverable in the Configuration String. It is responsible for low-level configuration of the actual GPIO pads on the device (direction, pull up-enable, and drive value), as well as selecting between various sources of the controls for these signals. The GPIO controller allows seperate configuration of each of N GPIO bits. Figure 11.1 shows the control structure for each pin.

Atomic operations such as toggles are natively possible with the RISC-V 'A' extension.

#### **Memory Map**

The memory map for the SiFive GPIO control registers is shown in Table 11.1. The GPIO memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses.

#### Input / Output Values

The same port register can be configured on a bitwise fashion to represent either inputs or outputs, as set by the direction register. Writing to the port register will update the bits regardless of the tristate value. Reading the port register will return the written value. Reading the value register will return the actual value of the pin.

In other words, on a read:

```
value = (input & direction) | (output & ~direction)
```

#### Interrupts

A single interrupt bit can be generated for each GPIO bit. The interrupt can be driven by rising or falling edges, or by level values, and each can be enabled individually.

Inputs are synchronized before being sampled by the interrupt logic, so the input pulse width must be long enough to be detected by the synchronization logic.

To enable an interrupt, set the corresponding bit in the rise\_ie and/or fall\_ie to 1. If the correpsonding bit in rise\_ip or fall\_ip is set, an interrupt pin will be raised.

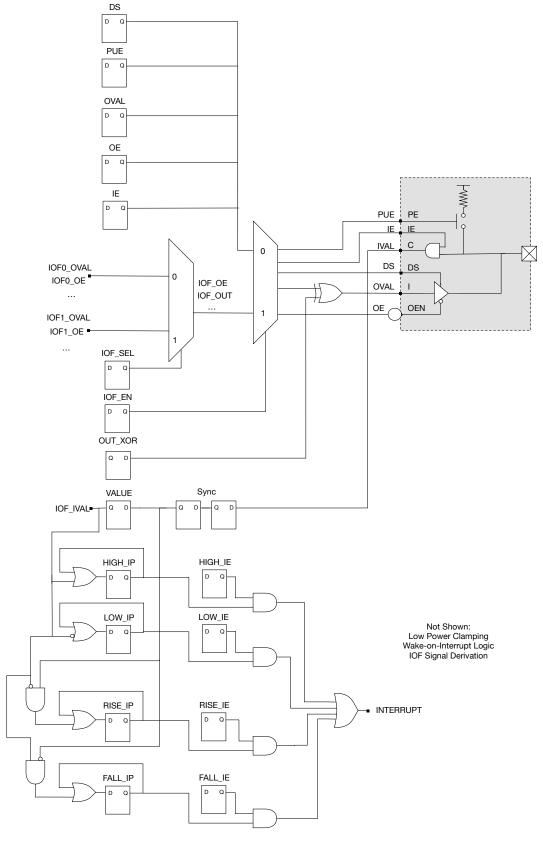


Figure 11.1: Structure of a single GPIO Pin with Control Registers. This structure is repeated for each pin.

Address	Name	Description
0x000	value	pin value
0x004	input₋en	* pin input enable
800x0	output_en	* pin output enable
0x00C	port	output port value
0x010	pue	* internal pull-up enable
0x014	ds	Pin Drive Strength
0x018	rise_ie	rise interrupt enable
0x01C	rise_ip	rise interrupt pending
0x020	fall₋ie	fall interrupt enable
0x024	fall_ip	fall interrupt pending
0x028	high_ie	high interrupt enable
0x02C	high_ip	high interrupt pending
0x030	low_ie	low interrupt enable
0x034	low_ip	low interrupt pending
0x038	iof_en	* HW I/O Function enable
0x03C	iof_sel	HW I/O Function select
0x040	out_xor	Output XOR (invert)

Table 11.1: SiFive GPIO Register Offsets. Only naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses are supported. Registers marked with an \* are asynchronously reset to 0. All other registers are synchronously reset to 0.

Once the interrupt is pending, it will remain set until a 1 is written to the \*\_ip register at that bit.

The interrupt pins may be routed to the PLIC, or directly to local interrupts.

#### **Internal Pull-Ups**

When configured as inputs, each pin has an internal pull-up which can be enabled by software. At reset, all pins are set as inputs and pull-ups are disabled.

#### **Drive Strength**

When configured as output, each pin has a SW-controllable Drive Strength.

#### **Output Inversion**

When configured as an output (either SW or IOF controlled), the SW-writable out\_xor register is combined with the output to invert it.

#### **HW I/O Functions (IOF)**

Each GPIO pin can implement up to 2 HW-Driven functions (IOF) enabled with the iof\_en register. Which IOF is used is selected with the iof\_sel register.

When a pin is set to perform an IOF, it is possible that the software registers port, output\_en, pullup, ds, input\_en may not be used to control the pin directly. Rather, the pins may be controlled by hardware driving the IOF. Which functionalities are controlled by the IOF and which are

controlled by the software registers are fixed in the hardware on a per-IOF basis. Those that are not controlled by the hardware continue to be controlled by the software registers.

If there is no IOFx for a pin configured with IOFx, the pin reverts to full software control.

#### **Behavior During Sleep Mode**

# Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART)

This chapter describes the operation of the SiFive Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART).

#### **UART Overview**

The UART peripheral supports the following features:

- 8-N-1 and 8-N-2 formats: 8 data bits, no parity bit, 1 start bit, 1 or 2 stop bits
- 8-entry transmit and receive FIFO buffers with programmable watermark interrupts
- 16× Rx oversampling with 2/3 majority voting per bit

The UART peripheral does not support hardware flow control or other modem control signals, or synchronous serial data transesrs.

#### **Memory Map**

The memory map for the UART control registers is shown in Table 12.1. The UART memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses.

Address	Name	Description
0x000	txdata	Transmit data register
0x004	rxdata	Receive data register
800x0	txctrl	Transmit control register
0x00C	rxctrl	Receive control register
0x010	ie	UART interrupt enable
0x014	ip	UART Interrupt pending
0x018	div	Baud rate divisor

Table 12.1: Register offsets within UART memory map.

#### Transmit Data Register (txdata)

Writing to the txdata register enqueues the character contained in the data field to the transmit FIFO if the FIFO is able to accept new entries. Reading from txdata returns the current value of the full flag and zero in the data field. The full flag indicates whether the transmit FIFO is able to accept new entries; when set, writes to data are ignored. A RISC-V amoswap instruction can be used to both read the full status and attempt to enqueue data, with a non-zero return value indicating the character was not accepted.



Figure 12.1: Format of txdata register.

#### Receive Data Register (rxdata)

Reading the rxdata register dequeues a character from the receive FIFO, and returns the value in the data field. The empty flag indicates if the receive FIFO was empty; when set, the data field does not contain a valid character. Writes to rxdata are ignored.



Figure 12.2: Format of rxdata register.

#### **Transmit Control Register (txctrl)**

The read-write txctrl register controls the operation of the transmit channel. The txen bit controls whether the Tx channel is active. When cleared, transmission of Tx FIFO contents is suppressed, and the txd pin is driven high.

The nstop field specifies the number of stop bits: 0 for one stop bit and 1 for two stop bits.

The txcnt field specifies the threshold at which the Tx FIFO watermark interrupt triggers.

The txctrl register is reset to 0.



Figure 12.3: Format of txctrl register.

#### Receive Control Register (rxctrl)

The read-write rxctrl register controls the operation of the receive channel. The rxen bit controls whether the Rx channel is active. When cleared, the state of the rxd pin is ignored, and no characters will be enqueued into the Rx FIFO.

The rxcnt field specifies the threshold at which the Rx FIFO watermark interrupt triggers.

The rxctrl register is reset to 0.

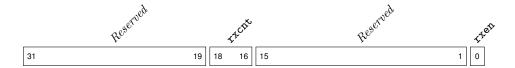


Figure 12.4: Format of rxctrl register.

#### Interrupt Registers (ip and ie)

The ip register is a read-only register indicating the pending interrupt conditions, and the read-write ie register controls which UART interrupts are enabled. ie is reset to 0.

The txwm condition becomes raised when the number of entries in the transmit FIFO is strictly less than the count specified by the txcnt field of the txctrl register. The pending bit is cleared when sufficient entries have been enqueued to exceed the watermark.

The rxwm condition becomes raised when the number of entries in the receive FIFO is strictly greater than the count specified by the rxcnt field of the rxctrl register. The pending bit is cleared when sufficient entries have been dequeued to fall below the watermark.



Figure 12.5: Format of ie and ip registers.

#### Baud Rate Divisor Register (div)

The read-write div register specifies the divisor used by baud rate generation for both Tx and Rx channels. The relationship between the input clock and baud rate is given by the following formula:

$$f_{
m baud}=rac{f_{
m in}}{{
m div}+1}$$

Figure 12.6: Format of div register.

The input clock is the bus clock tlclk. Table 12.2 shows divisors for some common core clock rates and commonly used baud rates. Note the table shows the divide ratios, which are one greater than the value stored in the div register.

tlclk (MHz)	Target Baud (Hz)	Divisor	Actual Baud (Hz)	Error (%)
2	31250	64	31250	0
2	115200	17	117647	2.12
16	31250	512	31250	0
16	115200	139	115108	0.08
16	250000	64	250000	0
200	31250	6400	31250	0
200	115200	1736	115207	0.0064
200	250000	800	250000	0
200	1843200	109	1834862	0.45
384	31250	12288	31250	0
384	115200	3333	115212	0.01
384	250000	1536	250000	0
384	1843200	208	1846154	0.16

Table 12.2: Common baud rates (MIDI=31250, DMX=250000) and required divide values to achieve them with given bus clock frequencies. The divide values are one greater than the value stored in the div register.

The receive channel is sampled at  $16 \times$  the baud rate, and a majority vote over 3 neighboring bits is used to determine the received value. For this reason, the divisor must be  $\geq 16$  for a receive channel.

## **Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)**

This chapter describes the operation of the SiFive Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) controller.

#### **SPI Overview**

The SPI controller supports master-only operation over the single-lane, dual-lane, and quad-lane protocols. The baseline controller provides a FIFO-based interface for performing programmed I/O. Software initiates a transfer by enqueuing a frame in the transmit FIFO; when the transfer completes, the slave response is placed in the receive FIFO.

In addition, the dedicated SPI0 controller implements a SPI flash read sequencer, which exposes the external SPI flash contents as a read/execute-only memory-mapped device. The SPI0 controller is reset to a state which allows memory-mapped reads, under the assumption that the input clock rate is less than  $100\,\mathrm{MHz}$  and the external SPI flash device supports the common Winbond/Numonyx serial read (0x03) command. Sequential accesses are automatically combined into one long read command for higher performance.

The fctrl register controls switching between the memory-mapped and programmed-I/O modes. While in programmed-I/O mode, memory-mapped reads do not access the external SPI flash device and instead return 0 immediately. Hardware interlocks ensure that the current transfer completes before mode transitions and control register updates take effect.

#### **Memory Map**

The memory map for the SPI control registers is shown in Table 13.1. The SPI memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses.

#### Serial Clock Divisor Register (sckdiv)

The sckdiv register specifies the divisor used for generating the serial clock (SCK). The relationship between the input clock and SCK is given by the following formula:

$$f_{
m sck} = rac{f_{
m in}}{2({
m div}+1)}$$

The input clock is the bus clock tlclk. The reset value of the div field is 0x003.

Address	Name	Description
0x000	sckdiv	Serial clock divisor
0x004	sckmode	Serial clock mode
0x010	csid	Chip select ID
0x014	csdef	Chip select default
0x018	csmode	Chip select mode
0x028	delay0	Delay control 0
0x02C	delay1	Delay control 1
0x040	fmt	Frame format
0x048	txdata	Tx FIFO data
0x04C	rxdata	Rx FIFO data
0x050	txmark	Tx FIFO watermark
0x054	rxmark	Rx FIFO watermark
0x060	fctrl*	SPI flash interface control
0x064	ffmt <sup>*</sup>	SPI flash instruction format
0x070	ie	SPI interrupt enable
0x074	ip	SPI interrupt pending

Table 13.1: Register offsets within the SPI memory map. Registers marked \* are present only on controllers with the direct-map flash interface, i.e., SPI0.



Figure 13.1: Format of sckdiv register.

#### Serial Clock Mode Register (sckmode)

The sckmode register defines the serial clock polarity and phase. Tables 13.2 and 13.3 describe the behavior of the pol and pha fields, respectively. The reset value of sckmode is 0.



Figure 13.2: Format of sckmode register.

Value	Description
0	Inactive state of SCK is logical 0
1	Inactive state of SCK is logical 1

Table 13.2: Serial clock polarity.

Value	Description
0	Data is sampled on the leading edge of SCK and shifted on the trailing edge of SCK
1	Data is shifted on the leading edge of SCK and sampled on the trailing edge of SCK

Table 13.3: Serial clock phase.

#### Chip Select ID Register (csid)

The csid register encodes the index of the CS pin to be toggled by hardware chip select control. The reset value is 0.



Figure 13.3: Format of csid register.

#### Chip Select Default Register (csdef)

The csdef register specifies the inactive state (polarity) of the CS pins. The reset value is 0xFFFF.

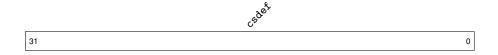


Figure 13.4: Format of csdef register.

#### Chip Select Mode Register (csmode)

The csmode register defines the hardware chip select behavior as described in Table 13.4. The reset value is 0 (AUTO). In HOLD mode, the CS pin is de-asserted only when one of the following conditions occur:

- A different value is written to csmode or csid.
- A write to csdef changes the state of the selected pin.
- Direct-mapped flash mode is enabled.



Figure 13.5: Format of csmode register.

Value	Name	Description
0	AUTO	Assert/de-assert CS at the beginning/end of each frame
2	HOLD	Keep CS continuously asserted after the initial frame
3	OFF	Disable hardware control of the CS pin

Table 13.4: Chip select modes.

#### Delay Control Registers (delay0 and delay1)

The delay0 and delay1 registers allow for the insertion of arbitrary delays specified in units of one SCK period.

The cssck field specifies the delay between the assertion of CS and the first leading edge of SCK. When sckmode.pha = 0, an additional half-period delay is implicit. The reset value is 0x01.

The sckcs field specifies the delay between the last trailing edge of SCK and the de-assertion of CS. When sckmode.pha = 1, an additional half-period delay is implicit. The reset value is 0x01.

The interest field specifies the minimum CS inactive time between de-assertion and assertion. The reset value is 0x01.

The interxfr field specifies the delay between two consecutive frames without de-asserting CS. This is applicable only when sckmode is HOLD or OFF. The reset value is 0x00.



Figure 13.6: Format of delay0 register.



Figure 13.7: Format of delay1 register.

#### Frame Format Register (fmt)

The fmt register defines the frame format for transfers initiated through the programmed-I/O (FIFO) interface. Tables 13.5, 13.6, and 13.7 describe the proto, endian, and dir fields, respectively. The len field defines the number of bits per frame, where the allowed range is 0 to 8 inclusive.

The reset value is 0x80000, corresponding to proto = single, dir = Rx, endian = MSB, and len = 8.



Figure 13.8: Format of fmt register.

Value	Description	Data Pins
0	Single	DQ0 (MOSI), DQ1 (MISO)
1	Dual	DQ0, DQ1
2	Quad	DQ0, DQ1, DQ2, DQ3

Table 13.5: SPI protocol. Unused DQ pins are tri-stated.

Value	Description
0	Transmit most-significant bit (MSB) first
1	Transmit least-significant bit (LSB) first

Table 13.6: SPI endianness.

Value	Description
0	Rx: For dual and quad protocols, the DQ pins are tri-stated. For the single
	protocol, the DQ0 pin is driven with the transmit data as normal.
1	Tx: The receive FIFO is not populated.

Table 13.7: SPI I/O direction.

#### Transmit Data Register (txdata)

Writing to the txdata register loads the transmit FIFO with the value contained in the data field. For fmt.len < 8, values should be left-aligned when fmt.endian = MSB and right-aligned when fmt.endian = LSB.

The full flag indicates whether the transmit FIFO is ready to accept new entries; when set, writes to txdata are ignored. The data field returns 0x00 when read.



Figure 13.9: Format of txdata register.

#### Receive Data Register (rxdata)

Reading the rxdata register dequeues a frame from the receive FIFO. For fmt.len < 8, values are left-aligned when fmt.endian = MSB and right-aligned when fmt.endian = LSB.

The empty flag indicates whether the receive FIFO contains new entries to be read; when set, the data field does not contain a valid frame. Writes to rxdata are ignored.



Figure 13.10: Format of rxdata register.

#### Transmit Watermark Register (txmark)

The txmark register specifies the threshold at which the Tx FIFO watermark interrupt triggers. The reset value is 0.



Figure 13.11: Format of txmark register.

#### Receive Watermark Register (rxmark)

The rxmark register specifies the threshold at which the Rx FIFO watermark interrupt triggers. The reset value is 0.



Figure 13.12: Format of rxmark register.

#### Interrupt Registers (ie and ip)

The ie register controls which SPI interrupts are enabled, and ip is a read-only register indicating the pending interrupt conditions. ie is reset to zero.

The txwm condition becomes raised when the number of entries in the transmit FIFO is strictly less than the count specified by the txmark register. The pending bit is cleared when sufficient entries have been enqueued to exceed the watermark.

The rxwm condition becomes raised when the number of entries in the receive FIFO is strictly greater than the count specified by the rxmark register. The pending bit is cleared when sufficient entries have been dequeued to fall below the watermark.



Figure 13.13: Format of ie and ie registers.

#### SPI Flash Interface Control Register (fctrl)

When the en bit of the fctrl register is set, the controller enters SPI flash mode. Accesses to the direct-mapped memory region causes the controller to automatically sequence SPI flash reads in hardware. The reset value is 0x1.



Figure 13.14: Format of fctrl register.

#### **SPI Flash Instruction Format Register (ffmt)**

The ffmt register defines the format of the SPI flash read instruction issued by the controller when the direct-mapped memory region is accessed while in SPI flash mode.

An instruction consists of a command byte followed by a variable number of address bytes, dummy cycles (padding), and data bytes. Table 13.8 describes the function and reset value of each field.



Figure 13.15: Format of ffmt register.

Field	Description	Reset Value
cmd_en	Enable sending of command	0x1
cmd_code	Value of command byte	0x03
cmd_proto	Protocol for transmitting command	0x0
addr_len	Number of address bytes (0 to 4)	0x3
addr_proto	Protocol for transmitting address and padding	0x0
pad_cnt	Number of dummy cycles	0x0
pad_code	First 8 bits to transmit during dummy cycles	0x00
data_proto	Protocol for receiving data bytes	0x0

Table 13.8: Instruction format fields. The protocol values follow the same definition as Table 13.5.

# One-Time Programmable Memory (OTP) Peripheral

This chapter describes the operation of the One-Time Programmable Memory (OTP) Controller on SiFive systems.

Device configuration and power-supply control is principally under software control. The controller is reset to a state that allows memory-mapped reads, under the assumption that the controller's clock rate is between 1 MHz and 37 MHz. vrren is asserted during synchronous reset; it is safe to read from OTP immediately after reset if reset is asserted for at least  $??? \mu s$  while the controller's clock is running.

Programmed-I/O reads and writes are sequenced entirely by software.

#### **Memory Map**

The memory map for the OTP control registers is shown in Table 14.1. The control-register memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses. The OTP controller also contains a read sequencer, which exposes the OTP's contents as a read/execute-only memory-mapped device.

#### Programmed-I/O lock register (otp\_lock)

The otp\_lock register supports synchronization between the read sequencer and the programmed-I/O interface. When the lock is clear, memory-mapped reads may proceed. When the lock is set, memory-mapped reads do not access the OTP device, and instead return 0 immediately.

The otp\_lock should be acquired before writing to any other control register. Software can attempt to acquire the lock by storing 1 to otp\_lock. If a memory-mapped read is in progress, the lock will not be acquired, and will retain the value 0. Software can check if the lock was successfully acquired by loading otp\_lock and checking that it has the value 1.

After a programmed-I/O sequence, software should restore the previous value of any control registers that were modified, then store 0 to otp\_lock.

Figure 14.1 shows the synchronization code sequence.

Address	Name	Description
0x00	otp_lock	Programmed-I/O lock register
0x04	otp_ck	OTP device clock signal
0x08	otp_oe	OTP device output-enable signal
0x0c	otp_sel	OTP device chip-select signal
0x10	otp_we	OTP device write-enable signal
0x14	otp_mr	OTP device mode register
0x18	otp_mrr	OTP read-voltage regulator control
0x1c	otp_mpp	OTP write-voltage charge pump control
0x20	otp_vrren	OTP read-voltage enable
0x24	otp_vppen	OTP write-voltage enable
0x28	otp_a	OTP device address
0x2c	otp_d	OTP device data input
0x30	otp_q	OTP device data output
0x34	otp_rsctrl	OTP read sequencer control

Table 14.1: SiFive OTP Register Offsets. Only naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses are supported.

```
la t0, otp_lock
    li t1, 1
loop: sw t1, (t0)
    lw t2, (t0)
    beqz t2, loop
    #
    # Programmed I/O sequence goes here.
    #
    sw x0, (t0)
```

Figure 14.1: Sequence to acquire and release otp\_lock.

#### **Programmed-I/O Sequencing**

The programmed-I/O interface exposes the OTP device's and power-supply's control signals directly to software. Software is responsible for respecting these signals' setup and hold times.

The OTP device requires that data be programmed one bit at a time and that the result be re-read and retried according to a specific protocol.

See the OTP device and power supply data sheets for timing constraints, control signal descriptions, and the programming algorithm.

#### Read sequencer control register (otp\_rsctrl)

The read sequence consists of an address-setup phase, a read-pulse phase, and a read-access phase. The duration of these phases, in terms of controller clock cycles, is set by a programmable clock divider. The divider is controlled by the otp\_rsctrl register, the layout of which is shown in Figure 14.2

The number of clock cycles in each phase is given by  $2^{scale}$ , and the width of each phase may be optionally scaled by 3. That is, the number of controller clock cycles in the address-setup phase is given by the expression  $2^{scale} (1+2t_{AS})$ ; the number of clock cycles in the read-pulse phase is given by  $2^{scale} (1+2t_{RP})$ ; and the read-access phase is  $2^{scale} (1+2t_{RACC})$  cycles long. The reset value of scale is 1.

Software should acquire the otp\_lock prior to modifying otp\_rsctrl.



Figure 14.2: Read sequencer control register otp\_rsctrl

# E300 Pulse-Width Modulation (PWM) Peripheral

This chapter describes the operation of the E300 Pulse-Width Modulation peripheral (PWM).

#### **PWM Overview**

Figure 15.1 shows an overview of the PWM peripheral. The default configuration described here has four independent PWM comparators (pwmcmp0-pwmcmp3), but custom configurations with ncmp comparators are available on request. The PWM block can generate multiple types of waveform on GPIO output pins (pwmXgpio), and can also be used to generate several forms of internal timer interrupt. The comparator results are captured in the pwmcmpXip flops and then fed to the PLIC as potential interrupt sources. The pwmcmpXip outputs are further processed by an output ganging stage before being fed to the GPIOs.

The PWM unit can be provided in different comparator precisions up to 16 bits, with the version described here having the full 16 bits. To support clock scaling, the pwmcount register is 15 bits wider than the comparator precision, cmpwidth.

#### **PWM Memory Map**

The memory map for the PWM peripheral is shown in Table 15.1.

#### **PWM Count Register (pwmcount)**

The PWM unit is based around a counter held in pwmcount. The counter can be read or written over the TileLink bus. The pwmcount register is (15+cmpwidth) bits wide. For example, for cmpwidth of 16 bits, the counter is held in pwmcount [30:0], and bit 31 of pwmcount returns a zero when read.

When used for PWM generation, the counter is normally incremented at a fixed rate then reset to zero at the end of every PWM cycle. The PWM counter is either reset when the scaled counter pwms reaches the value in pwmcmp0, or is simply allowed to wraparound to zero.

The counter can also be used in one-shot mode, where it disables counting after the first reset.

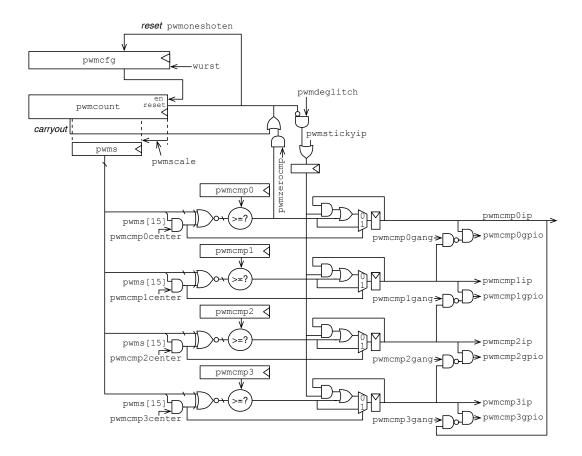


Figure 15.1: E300 PWM Peripheral.

#### **PWM Configuration Register (pwmcfg)**

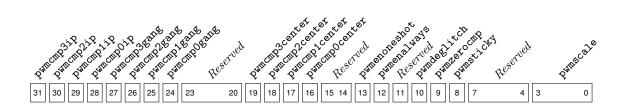


Figure 15.2: PWM configuration register pwmcfg

The pwmcfg register contains various control and status information regarding the PWM peripheral, as shown in Figure 15.2.

The pwmen\* bits control the conditions under which the PWM counter pwmcount is incremented. The counter increments by one each cycle only if any of the enabled conditions are true.

If the pwmenalways bit is set, the PWM counter increments continuously. When pwmenoneshot is set, the counter can increment but pwmenoneshot is reset to zero once the counter resets, disabling further counting (unless pwmenalways is set). The pwmenoneshot bit provides a way for software to generate a single PWM cycle then stop. Software can set the pwnenoneshot again at any time

Address	Description
0x00	pwmcfg
0x04	Reserved
80x0	pwmcount
0x0C	Reserved
0x10	pwms
0x14	Reserved
0x18	Reserved
0x1C	Reserved
0x20	pwmcmp0
0x24	pwmcmp1
0x28	pwmcmp2
0x2C	pwmcmp3

Table 15.1: SiFive PWM memory map, offsets relative to PWM peripheral base address.

to replay the one-shot waveform. The pwmen\* bits are reset at wakeup reset, which disables the PWM counter and saves power.

The 4-bit pwmscale field scales the PWM counter value before feeding it to the PWM comparators. The value in pwmscale is the bit position within the pwmcount register of the start of a cmpwidth-bit pwms field. A value of 0 in pwmscale indicates no scaling, and pwms would then be equal to the low cmpwidth bits of pwmcount. The maximum value of 15 in pwmscale corresponds to dividing the clock rate by  $2^{15}$ , so for an input bus clock of 16 MHz, the LSB of pwms will increment at 488.3 Hz.

The value of pwms is memory-mapped and can be read as a single cmpwidth-bit value over the TileLink bus.

The pwmzerocmp bit, if set, causes the PWM counter pwmcount to be automatically reset to zero one cycle after the pwms counter value matches the compare value in pwmcmp0. This is normally used to set the period of the PWM cycle. This feature can also be used to implement periodic counter interrupts, where the period is independent of interrupt service time.

#### PWM Compare Registers (pwmcmp0-pwmcmp3)



Figure 15.3: PWM compare register pwmcmp0. Registers pwmcmp1—pwmcmp3 have the same format. This diagram assumes that cmpwidth of 16. The actual width each register is cmpwidth.

The primary use of the ncmp PWM compare registers is to define the edges of the PWM waveforms within the PWM cycle.

Each compare register is a cmpwdith-bit value against which the current pwms value is compared

every cycle. The output of each comparator is high whenever the value of pwms is greater than or equal to the corresponding pwmcmpX.

If the pwmzerocomp bit is set, when pwms reaches or exceeds pwmcmp0, pwmcount is cleared to zero and the current PWM cycle is completed. Otherwise, the counter is allowed to wrap around.

#### **Deglitch and Sticky circuitry**

To avoid glitches in the PWM waveforms when changing pwmcmpX register values, the pwmdeglitch bit in pwmcfg can be set to capture any high output of a PWM comparator in a sticky bit (pwmcmpXip for comparator X) and prevent the output falling again within the same PWM cycle. The pwmcmpXip bits are only allowed to change at the start of the next PWM cycle.

Note the pwmcmp0ip bit will only be high for one cycle when pwmdeglitch and pwmzerocmp are set where pwmcmp0 is used to define the PWM cycle, but can be used as a regular PWM edge otherwise.

If pwmdeglitch is set, but pwmzerocmp is clear, the deglitch circuit is still operational but is now triggered when pwms contains all 1s and will cause a carry out of the high bit of the pwms incrementer just before the counter wraps to zero.

The pwmsticky bit will disallow the pwmcmpXip registers from clearing if they're already set, and is used to ensure interrupts are seen from the pwmcmpXip bits.

#### **Generating Left- or Right-Aligned PWM Waveforms**

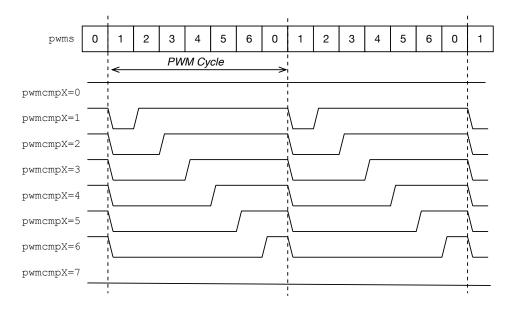


Figure 15.4: E300 basic right-aligned PWM waveforms. All possible base waveforms are shown for a 7-clock PWM cycle (pwmcmp0=6). The waveforms show the single cycle delay caused by registering the comparator outputs in the pwmcmpXip bits. The signals can be inverted at the GPIOs to generate left-aligned waveforms.

Figure 15.4 shows the generation of various base PWM waveforms. The Figure illustrates that if pwmcmp0 is set to less than the maximum count value (6 in this case), it is possible to generate

pwms	pwmscenter
000	000
001	001
010	010
011	011
100	011
101	010
110	001
111	000

Figure 15.5: Illustration of how count value is inverted before presentation to comparator when pwmcmpXcenter is selected, using a 3-bit pwms value.

both 100% (pwmcmpX = 0) and 0% (pwmcmpX > pwmcmp0) right-aligned duty cycles using the other comparators. The pwmcmpXip bits are routed to the GPIO pads, where they can be optionally and individually inverted thereby creating left-aligned PWM waveforms (high at beginning of cycle).

#### **Generating Center-Aligned (Phase-Correct) PWM Waveforms**

The simple PWM waveforms above shift the phase of the waveform along with the duty cycle. A per-comparator pwmcmpXcenter bit in pwmcfg allows a single PWM comparator to generate a center-aligned symmetric duty-cycle as shown in Figure 15.6 The pwmcmpXcenter bit changes the comparator to compare with the bitwise inverted pwms value whenever the MSB of pwms is high.

This technique provides symmetric PWM waveforms but only when the PWM cycle is at the largest supported size. At a 16 MHz bus clock rate with 16-bit precision, this limits the fastest PWM cycle to 244 Hz, or 62.5 kHz with 8-bit precision. Higher bus clock rates allow proportionally faster PWM cycles using the single comparator center-aligned waveforms. This technique also reduces the effective width resolution by a factor of 2.

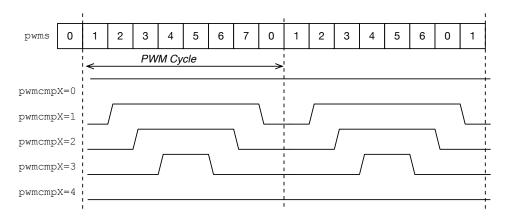


Figure 15.6: E300 center-aligned PWM waveforms generated from one comparator. All possible waveforms are shown for a 3-bit PWM precision. The signals can be inverted at the GPIOs to generate opposite-phase waveforms.

When a comparator is operating in center mode, the deglitch circuit allows one 0-1 transition during

the first half of the cycle, and one 1-0 transition on the second half of the cycle.

#### **Generating Arbitrary PWM Waveforms using Ganging**

A comparator can be ganged together with its next-highest-numbered neighbor to generate arbitrary PWM pulses. When the pwmcmpXgang bit is set, comparator X fires and raises its pwmXgpio signal. When comparator X+1 (or pwmcmp0 for pwmcmp3) fires, the pwmXgpio output is reset to zero.

#### **Generating One-shot Waveforms**

The PWM peripheral can be used to generate precisely timed one-shot pulses by first initializing the other parts of pwmcfg then writing a 1 to the pwmenoneshot bit. The counter will run for one PWM cycle, then once a reset condition occurs, the pwmenoneshot bit is reset in hardware to prevent a second cycle.

#### **PWM Interrupts**

The PWM can be configured to provide periodic counter interrupts by enabling auto-zeroing of the count register when a comparator 0 fires (pwmzerocmp=1). The pwmsticky bit should also be set to ensure interrupts are not forgotten while waiting to run a handler.

The interrupt pending bits pwmcmpXip can be cleared down using writes to the pwmcfg register.

The PWM peripheral can also be used as a regular timer with no counter reset (pwmzerocmp=0), where the comparators are now used to provide timer interrupts.