

Summary - Time Demux

Name	time_demux
Latest Version	1.5 (4/2019)
Worker Type	Application
Component Library	ocpi.training.components
Workers	time_demux.rcc
Tested Platforms	linux-zynq-arm, c7-x86_64

Functionality

The Time Demux component acts as a demultiplexer/router by parsing an `iqstream_with_sync` protocol and routing timestamps and data to separate output ports.

The incoming `iqstream_with_sync` supports three opcodes: `iq`, `Sync`, and `Time`. The output ports use the `iqstream` and `iqstream_with_sync` protocols, the former using a single opcode. Data within the `iqstream_with_sync`'s `Time` opcode (a single 64-bit value) is passed directly through, while data within the `iq` opcode is converted to `iqstream`'s `iq` opcode's data (which, conveniently, is the same structure). The `iqstream_with_sync`'s `Sync` opcode is currently ignored.

Block Diagrams

Top level



Figure 1: Top-level Block Diagram

Source Dependencies

time_demux.rcc

- training/components/time_demux.rcc/time_demux.cc

Component Properties

Name	Type	SequenceLength	ArrayDimensions	Accessibility	Valid Range	Default	Description
Current_Second	ULong	-	-	Volatile	Standard	-	-
Messages_Read	ULongLong	-	-	Volatile	Standard	-	-
Bytes_Read	ULongLong	-	-	Volatile	Standard	-	-

Component Ports

Name	Producer	Protocol	Optional
Mux_In	false	iqstream_with_sync_protocol	false
Time_Out	true	iqstream_with_sync_protocol	false
Data_Out	true	iqstream_protocol	false

Test and Verification

This component uses the standard OpenCPI test process. It is one of the few that use multiple ports.

The only currently known issue is that the specfile must define the “Data.Out” port *first* to have the test application use it to signal “done.”

Advanced / Detailed Theory of Operation

This section is not essential to understand to perform the training lab.

Testing of the Time Demux component consists of a C++ program (*test_data_generator.cxx*) used to generate input data and expected “golden” outputs (Figure 2).

Fake timestamps and sample data are interleaved into an input file using the “message mode” format required to have *ocpi.file_read* playback opcodes with data. The C++ generator takes input arguments of: input file name, starting timestamp, number of samples to push each “second,” filename for the interleaved file, filename for the golden timestamps, and filename for the golden output file. These parameters are all handled by the OpenCPI test XML, with the test application shown in Figure 3.

Output data is compared to the golden file(s) by the Makefile (Figure 4).

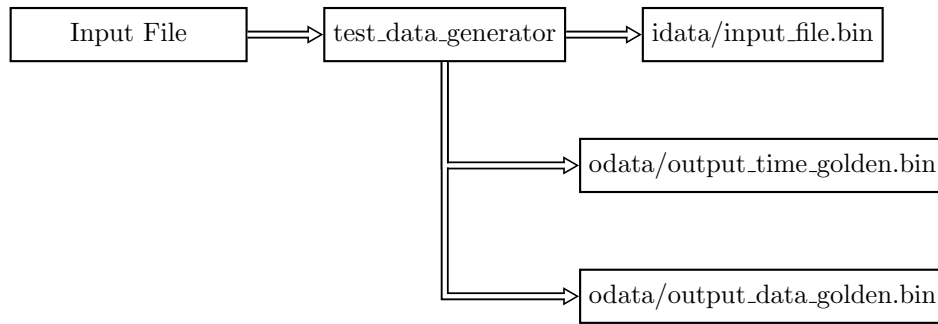


Figure 2: C++ Generator Usage

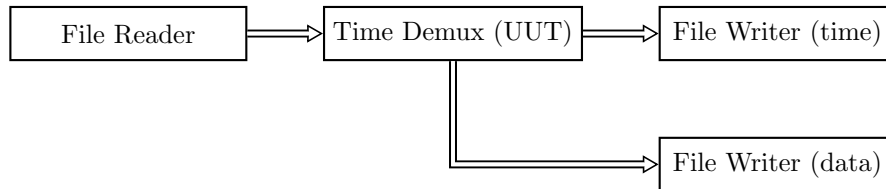


Figure 3: Test Application Layout (*app_time_demux*)

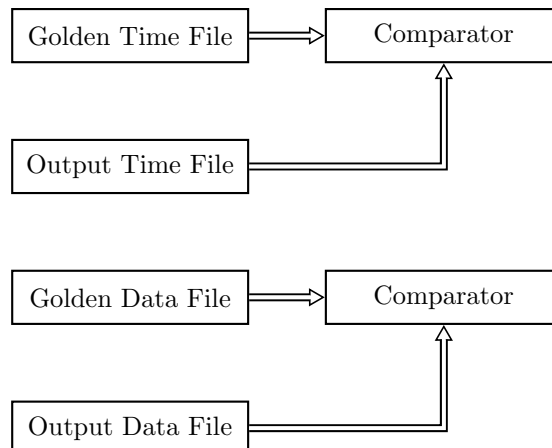


Figure 4: Testing

The default XML provides reasonable values for each of the data generator's required parameters:

Test Property	Default	Notes
IFILE	(Running kernel image) <i>e.g.</i> /boot/vmlinuz-3.10.0-327.4.4.el7.x86_64	The input file is truncated to a 32-bit boundary to simulate two 16-bit data samples. This may cause verification issues if using random files.
START	0	Decimal only
SAMPLES	256	Should not exceed 2048

For test purposes, the “timestamp” is a one-up counter starting at START placed in the upper 32-bits and then incremented and placed into the lower 32-bits:

```
$ od -t x8 odata/output_time_golden.bin | head
0000000 000000000000000001 00000001000000002
0000020 00000002000000003 00000003000000004
0000040 00000004000000005 00000005000000006
0000060 00000006000000007 00000007000000008
0000100 00000008000000009 0000000900000000a
0000120 0000000a00000000b 0000000b00000000c
0000140 0000000c00000000d 0000000d00000000e
0000160 0000000e00000000f 0000000f000000010
0000200 00000010000000011 00000011000000012
0000220 00000012000000013 00000013000000014
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