# Synthesizable System-on-Chip with 64-bits RISC-V processor core

Technical Reference Manual

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# **Chapter 1**

# RISC-V System-on-Chip VHDL IP libraries

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#### 1.2 Overview

The IP Library is an integrated set of reusable IP cores, designed for system-on-chip (SOC) development. The IP cores are centered around a common on-chip AMBA AXI system bus, and use a coherent method for simulation and synthesis. This library is vendor independent, with support for different CAD tools and target technologies. Inherited from gaisler GRLIB library plug&play method was further developed and used to configure and connect the IP cores without the need to modify any global resources.

# 1.3 Library organization

Open source repository with VHLD libraries, Debugger and SW examples is available at:

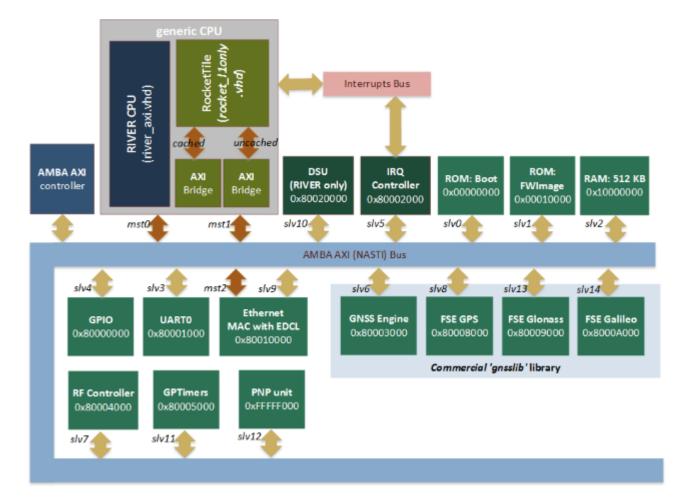
https://github.com/sergeykhbr/riscv\_vhdl

This repository is organized around VHDL libraries, where each major IP is assigned a unique library name. Using separate libraries avoids name clashes between IP cores and hides unnecessary implementation details from the end user.

#### **Satellite Navigation support**

Hardware part of the satellite navigation functionality is fully implemented inside of the *gnsslib* library. This library is the commercial product of GNSS Sensor limited and in this shared repository you can find only 
∴ modules declaration, configuration parameters and stub modules that provide enough functionality to use SOC as general purpose processor system based on RISC-V architecture. Netlists of the real GNSS IPs either as RF front-end for the FPGA development boards could be acquires via special request.

# 1.4 Top-Level structure



#### **Features**

- Pre-generated single-core "Rocket-chip" core (RISC-V). This is 64-bits processor with I/D caches, MMU, branch predictor, 128-bits width data bus, FPU (if enabled) and etc.
- Custom 64-bits single-core CPU "River"(RISC-V).
- Set of common peripheries: UART, GPIO (LEDs), Interrupt controller, General Purpose timers and etc.
- Debugging via Ethernet using EDCL capability of the MAC. This capability allows to redirect UDP requests directly on system bus and allows to use external debugger from the Reset Vector.
- Debug Support Unit (DSU) for the RIVER CPU with full debugging functionality support: run/halt, breakpoints, stepping, registers/CSRs and memory access. Also it provides general SoC run-time information: Clock Per Instruction (CPI), Bus Utilisization for each master device and etc.
- Templates for the AXI slaves and master devices with DMA access
- Configuration parameters to enable/disable additional functionality, like: *GNSS Engine*, *Viterbi decoder*, *etc.*

Information about GNSS (Satellite Navigation Engine) you can find at www.gnss-sensor.com.

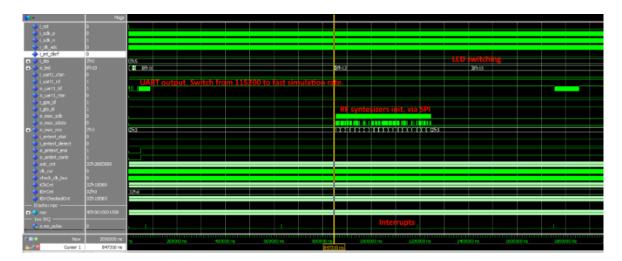
# **Chapter 2**

# **RTL Verification**

# 2.1 Top-level simulation

#### Test-bench example

Use file work/tb/riscv\_soc\_tb.vhd to run simulation scenario. You can get the following time diagram after simulation of 2 ms interval.



#### Note

Simulation behaviour depends of current firmware image. It may significantly differs in a new releases either as Zephyr OS kernel image is absolutely different relative GNSS FW image.

Some FW versions can detect RTL simulation target by reading 'Target' Register in PnP device that allows to speed-up simulation by removing some delays and changing Devices IO parameters (UART speed for example).

#### **Running on FPGA**

# Supported FPGA:

- ML605 with Virtex6 FPGA using ISE 14.7 (default).
- KC705 with Kintex7 FPGA using Vivado 2015.4.

#### Warning

In a case of using GNSS FW without connected RF front-end don't forget to **switch ON DIP[0]** (**i\_int\_clkrf**) **to enable Test Mode**. Otherwise there wouldn't be generated interrupts and, as result, no UART output.

# 2.2 VCD-files automatic comparision

#### 2.2.1 Generating VCD-pattern form SystemC model

Edit the following attributes in SystemC target script debugger/targets/sysc\_river\_gui.json to enable vcd-file generation.

- ['InVcdFile','i\_river','Non empty string enables generation of stimulus VCD file'].
- ['OutVcdFile','o\_river','Non empty string enables VCD file with reference signals']

Files *i\_river.vcd* and *o\_river.vcd* will be generated. The first one will be used as a RTL simulation stimulus to generate input signals. The second one as a reference.

# 2.2.2 Compare RIVER SystemC model relative RTL

Run simulation in ModelSim with the following commands using correct pathes for your host:

```
vcd2wlf E:/Projects/GitProjects/riscv_vhdl/debugger/win32build/Debug/i_river.vcd -o e:/i_river.wlf
vcd2wlf E:/Projects/GitProjects/riscv_vhdl/debugger/win32build/Debug/o_river.vcd -o e:/o_river.wlf
wlf2vcd e:/i_river.wlf -o e:/i_river.vcd
vsim -t 1ps -vcdstim E:/i_river.vcd riverlib.RiverTop
vsim -view e:/o_river.wlf
add wave o_river:/SystemC/o_*
add wave sim:/rivertop/*
run 500us
compare start o_river sim
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_req_mem_valid o_river:/SystemC/o_req_mem_valid
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_req_mem_write o_river:/SystemC/o_req_mem_write
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_req_mem_addr o_river:/SystemC/o_req_mem_addr
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_req_mem_strob o_river:/SystemC/o_req_mem_strob
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_req_mem_data o_river:/SystemC/o_req_mem_data
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_dport_ready o_river:/SystemC/o_dport_ready
compare add -wave sim:/RiverTop/o_dport_rdata o_river:/SystemC/o_dport_rdata
compare run
```

#### Note

In this script I've used vcd2wlf and wlf2vcd utilities to form compatible with ModelSim VCD-file. Otherwise there're will be errors because ModelSim cannot parse std\_logic\_vector siganls (only std\_logic).

# **Chapter 3**

# **RISC-V Processor**

#### 3.1 Overview

Current repository supports two synthesizable processors: Rocket and River. Both of them implement open RISC-V ISA. To select what processor to use there's special generic parameter:

CFG\_COMMON\_RIVER\_CPU\_ENABLE

### 3.2 Rocket CPU

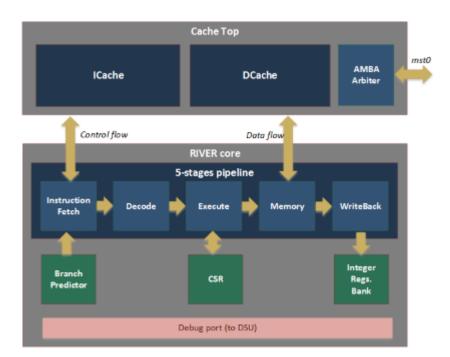
Rocket is the 64-bits single issue, in-order processor developed in Berkley and shared as the sources writen on SCALA language. It uses specally developed library Chisel to generate Verilog implementation from SCALA sources.

Rocket Core usually implements all features of the latest ISA specification, either as multi-core support with L2-cache implementation and many other. But it has a set of disadvantages: bad integration with other devices not writen on SCALA, not very-good integration with RTL simulators, no reference model. It shows worse performance than RIVER CPU (for now).

### 3.3 River CPU

River is my implementation of RISC-V ISA writen on VHDL either as all others parts of shared SoC implementation. There's also availabel precise SystemC model integrated into Simulator which is used as a stimulus during RTL simulation and garantee consistency of functional and SystemC models either as RTL.

River CPU is the 5-stage processor with the classical pipeline structure:



# **Chapter 4**

# **Peripheries**

List of implemented modules with AXI4 interface:

Debug Support Unit (DSU)

**GPIO** Controller

**General Purpose Timers** 

Interrupt Controller

**UART** 

**SPI Controller** 

Plug'n'Play support module

### 4.1 Debug Support Unit (DSU)

Debug Support Unit (DSU) was developed to interact with "RIVER" CPU via its debug port interace. This bus provides access to all internal CPU registers and states and may be additionally extended by request. Run control functionality like 'run', 'halt', 'step' or 'breakpoints' imlemented using proprietary algorithms and intend to simplify integration with debugger application.

Set of general registers and control registers (CSR) are described in RISC-V privileged ISA specification and also available for read and write access via debug port.

#### Note

Take into account that CPU can have any number of platform specific CSRs that usually not entirely documented.

### 4.1.1 DSU registers mapping

DSU acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is 0x80020000. DSU directly transforms device offset address into one of regions of the debug port:

- 0x00000..0x08000 (Region 1): CSR registers.
- 0x08000..0x10000 (Region 2): General set of registers.
- 0x10000..0x18000 (Region 3): Run control and debug support registers.

• 0x18000..0x20000 (Region 4): Local DSU region that doesn't access CPU debug port.

### Example:

Bus transaction at address 0x80023C10 will be redirected to Debug port with CSR index 0x782.

### 4.1.1.1 CSR Region (32 KB)

User Exception Program Counter (0x00208). ISA offset 0x041.

Bits	Type	Reset	Name	Definition
64	RO	64h'0	uepc	<b>User mode exception program counter</b> . Instruction URET is used to return from traps in User Mode into specified instruction pointer. URET is only provided if user-mode traps are supported.

Machine Status Register (0x01800). ISA offset 0x300.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
1	RW	1b'0	SD	63	Bit summarizes whether either the FS field or XS field sig-
					nals the presence of some dirty state that will require saving
					extended user context to memory
22	RW	22h'0	WPRI	62:20	Reserved
5	RW	5h'0	VM (WARL)	28:24	Virtual addressing enable
4	RW	4h'0	WPRI	23:20	Reserved
1	RW	1b'0	MXR	19	Make eXecutable Readable
1	RW	1b'0	PUM	18	Protect User Memory bit modifies the privilege with which
					loads access virtual memory
1	RW	1b'0	MPRV	17	Privilege level at which loads and stores execute
2	RW	2h'0	XS	16:15	Context switch reducing flags: 0=All Off; 1=None dirty or
					clean, some on; 2=None dirty, some clean; 3=Some dirty
2	RW	2h'0	FS	14:13	Context switch reducing flags: 0=Off; 1=Initial; 2=Clean;
					3=Dirty
2	RW	2h'0	MPP	12:11	Priviledge mode on MRET
2	RW	2h'0	HPP	10:9	Priviledge mode on HRET
1	RW	1b'0	SPP	8	Priviledge mode on SRET
1	RW	1b'0	MPIE	7	MIE prior to the trap
1	RW	1b'0	HPIE	6	HIE prior to the trap
1	RW	1b'0	SPIE	5	SIE prior to the trap
1	RW	1b'0	UPIE	4	UIE prior to the trap
1	RW	1b'0	MIE	3	Machine interrupt enable bit
1	RW	1b'0	HIE	2	Hypervisor interrupt enable bit
1	RW	1b'0	SIE	1	Super-user interrupt enable bit
1	RW	1b'0	UIE	0	User interrupt enable bit

Machine Trap-Vector Base-Address Register (0x01828). ISA offset 0x305.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Definition
64	RW	64h'0	mtvec	<b>Trap-vector Base Address</b> . The mtvec register is an XLEN-bit read/write register that holds the base address of the M-mode trap vector.

Machine Exception Program Counter (0x01A08). ISA offset 0x341.

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Definition
64	RW	64h'0	mepc	<b>Machine mode exception program counter</b> . Instruction MRET is used to return from traps in User Mode into specified instruction pointer. On implementations that do not support instruction-set extensions with 16-bit instruction alignment, the two low bits (mepc[1:0]) are always zero.

Machine Cause Register (0x01A10). ISA offset 0x342.

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Definition
1	RW	1b'0	Interrupt	63	The Interrupt bit is set if the trap was caused by an interrupt.
63	RW	63h'0	Exception Code	62:0	<b>Exception code</b> . The Exception Code field contains a code identifying the last exception. Table 3.6 lists the possible machine-level exception codes.

Machine Cause Register (0x01A18). ISA offset 0x343.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Definition
64	RW	64h'0	mbadaddr	63:0	<b>Exception address</b> . When a hardware breakpoint is triggered, or an instruction-fetch, load, or store address-misaligned or access exception occurs, mbadaddr is written with the faulting address. mbadaddr is not modified for other exceptions.

Machine ISA Register (0x07880). ISA offset 0xf10.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
2	RO	2h'2	Base (WARL)	63:62	Integer ISA width: 1=32 bits; 2=64 bits; 3=128
					bits.
34	RO	64h'0	WIRI	61:28	Reserved.
28	RO	28h'141181	Extension (WARL)	27:0	Supported ISA extensions. See priviledge-isa
					datasheet.

Machine Vendor ID (0x07888). ISA offset 0xf11.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	Vendor	63:0	<b>Vendor ID</b> . read-only register encoding the manufacturer of the part. This register must be readable in any implementation, but a value of 0 can be returned to indicate the field is not implemented or that this is a non-commercial implementation.

Machine Architecture ID Register (0x07890). ISA offset 0xf12.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	marchid	63:0	Architecture ID. Read-only register encoding the base microarchitecture of the hart. This register must be readable in any implementation, but a value of 0 can be returned to indicate the field is not implemented. The combination of mvendorid and marchid should uniquely identify the type of hart microarchitecture that is implemented.

Machine implementation ID Register (0x07898). ISA offset 0xf13.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	mimplid	63:0	<b>Implementation ID</b> . CSR provides a unique encoding of the version of the processor implementation. This register must be readable in any implementation, but a value of 0 can be returned to indicate that the field is not implemented.

Hart ID Register (0x078A0). ISA offset 0xf14.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	mhartid	63:0	Integer ID of hardware thread. Hart IDs mightnot necessar-
					ily be numbered contiguously in a multiprocessor system, but
					at least one hart musthave a hart ID of zero.

### 4.1.1.2 General CPU Registers Region (32 KB)

CPU integer registers (0x08000).

Offset	Bits	Туре	Reset	Name	Definition
0x08000	64	RW	64h'0	zero	x0. CPU General Integer Register hardware connected to zero.
0x08008	64	RW	64h'0	ra	x1. Return address.

Offset	Bits	Туре	Reset	Name	Definition
0x08010	64	RW	64h'0	sp	x2. Stack pointer.
0x08018	64	RW	64h'0	gp	x3. Global pointer.
0x08020	64	RW	64h'0	tp	x4. Thread pointer.
0x08028	64	RW	64h'0	t0	x5. Temporaries 0.
0x08030	64	RW	64h'0	t1	x6. Temporaries 1.
0x08038	64	RW	64h'0	t2	x7. Temporaries 2.
0x08040	64	RW	64h'0	s0/fp	x8. CPU General Integer Register 'Saved register 0/ Frame
0.00040	0.4	5)44	0.41.10		pointer'.
0x08048	64	RW	64h'0	s1	x9. Saved register 1.
0x08050	64	RW	64h'0	a0	x10. Function argument 0. It is also used to save return value.
0x08058	64	RW	64h'0	a1	x11. Function argument 1.
0x08060	64	RW	64h'0	a2	x12. Function argument 2.
0x08068	64	RW	64h'0	a3	x13. Function argument 3.
0x08070	64	RW	64h'0	a4	x14. Function argument 4.
0x08078	64	RW	64h'0	a5	x15. Function argument 5.
0x08080	64	RW	64h'0	a6	x16. Function argument 6.
0x08088	64	RW	64h'0	a7	x17. Function argument 7.
0x08090	64	RW	64h'0	s2	x18. Saved register 2.
0x08098	64	RW	64h'0	s3	x19. Saved register 3.
0x080a0	64	RW	64h'0	s4	x20. Saved register 4.
0x080a8	64	RW	64h'0	s5	x21. Saved register 5.
0x080b0	64	RW	64h'0	s6	x22. Saved register 6.
0x080b8	64	RW	64h'0	s7	x23. Saved register 7.
0x080c0	64	RW	64h'0	s8	x24. Saved register 8.
0x080c8	64	RW	64h'0	s9	x25. Saved register 9.
0x080d0	64	RW	64h'0	s10	x26. Saved register 10.
0x080d8	64	RW	64h'0	s11	x27. Saved register 11.
0x080e0	64	RW	64h'0	t3	x28. Temporaries 3.
0x080e8	64	RW	64h'0	t4	x29. Temporaries 4.
0x080f0	64	RW	64h'0	t5	x30. Temporaries 5.
0x080f8	64	RW	64h'0	t6	x31. Temporaries 6.
0x08100	64	RO	64h'0	рс	Instruction pointer. Cannot be modified because shows the
0.05:55	0.	D	0.41.15		latest executed instruction address
0x08108	64	RW	64h'0	npc	Next Instruction Pointer

### 4.1.1.3 Run Control and Debug support Region (32 KB)

Run control/status registers (0x10000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
44	RW	61h'0	Reserved	63:6	Reserved.
16	RO	16h'0	core_id	15:4	Core ID.
1	RW	1b'0	Reserved	3	Reserved.
1	RO	1b'0	breakpoint	2	Breakpoint. Status bit is set when CPU was halted due
					the EBREAK instruction.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
1	WO	1b'0	stepping_mode	1	<b>Stepping mode</b> . This bit enables stepping mode if the Register 'steps' is non zero.
1	RW	1b'0	halt	0	<b>Halt mode</b> . When this bit is set CPU pipeline is in the halted state. CPU can be halted at any time without impact on processing data.

Stepping mode Steps registers (0x10008).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	steps	63:0	<b>Step counter</b> . Total number of instructions that should execute CPU before halt. CPU is set into stepping using 'stepping mode' bit in Run Control register.

Clock counter registers (0x10010).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	clock_cnt	63:0	<b>Clock counter</b> . Clock counter is used for hardware computation of CPI rate. Clock counter isn't incrementing in Halt state.

Step counter registers (0x10018).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	executed_cnt	63:0	Step counter. Total number of executed instructions. Step
					counter is used for hardware computation of CPI rate.

Breakpoint Control registers (0x10020).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
63	RW	63h'0	Reserved	63:1	Reserved
1	RW	1b'0	trap_on_break	0	<b>Trap On Break</b> . Generate exception 'Breakpoint' on E← BRAK instruction if this bit is set or just Halt the pipeline otherwise.

Add hardware breakpoint registers (0x10028).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	add_break	63:0	Add HW breakpoint address. Add specified address into
					Hardware breakpoint stack. In case of matching Instruction
					Pointer (pc) and any HW breakpoint there's injected EBREAK
					instruction on hardware level.

Remove hardware breakpoint registers (0x10030).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	rem_break	63:0	Remove HW breakpoint address. Remove specified ad-
					dress from Hardware breakpoints stack.

Breakpoint Address Fetch registers (0x10038).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	br_address_fetch	63:0	Breakpoint fetch address. Specify address that will be
					ignored by Fetch stage and used Breakpoint Fetch In-
					struction value instead. This logic is used to avoid re-
					writing EBREAK into memory.

Breakpoint Instruction Fetch registers (0x10040).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	br_instr_fetch	63:0	<b>Breakpoint fetch instruction</b> . Specify instruction that should executed instead of fetched from memory in a case of matching Breapoint Address Fetch register and Instruction pointer (pc).

### 4.1.1.4 Local DSU Region (32 KB)

Soft Reset registers (0x18000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
63	RW	63h'0	Reserved	63:1	Reserved.
1	RW	1b'0	soft_reset	0	Soft Reset. Status bit is set when CPU was halted due the
					EBREAK instruction.

Miss Access counter registers (0x18008).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	miss_access_cnt	63:0	<b>Miss Access counter</b> . This value as an additional debugging informantion provided by AXI Controller. It is possible to enable interrupt generation in Interrupt Controller on miss-access.

Miss Access Address registers (0x18010).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RO	64h'0	miss_access_addr	63:0	<b>Miss Access address</b> . Address of the latest miss-accessed transaction. This information comes from AXI Controller.

Bus Utilization registers (0x18040 + n\*2\*sizeof(uint64\_t)).

Offset	Bits	Type	Reset	Name	Definition
0x18040	64	RO	64h'0	w_cnt	Write transactions counter for master 0. Master 0 is the R←
					IVER CPU by default.
0x18048	64	RO	64h'0	r_cnt	Read transactions counter for master 0.
0x18050	64	RO	64h'0	w_cnt	Write transactions counter for master 1. Master 1 is unused
					in a case of configuration with RIVER CPU.
0x18058	64	RO	64h'0	r_cnt	Read transactions counter for master 1.
0x18060	64	RO	64h'0	w_cnt	Write transactions counter for master 2. Master 2 is the G←
					RETH by default (Ethernet Controller with master interface).
0x18068	64	RO	64h'0	r_cnt	Read transactions counter for master 2.

# 4.2 GPIO Controller

### 4.2.1 GPIO registers mapping

GPIO Controller acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is defined by 0x80000000. Memory size is 4 KB.

LED register (0x000).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
24	RW	24h'0	rsrv	24	Reserved
8	RW	8h'0	led	7:0	<b>LEDs</b> . Written value directly assigned on SoC output pins and can be used as test signals.

DIP register (0x004).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
28	RO	28h'0	rsrv	28	Reserved
4	RO	-	dip	3:0	<b>DIPs</b> . Input configuration pins value (Read-Only). Configuration pin meaning depends of the used FW.

Set of temporary registers (0x008).

Offset	Bits	Type	Reset	Name	Definition
0x008	32	RW	32h'0	reg32←	Temporary register 2. FW specific register used for debugging
				_2	purposes.
0x00C	32	RW	32h'0	reg32←	Temporary register 3.
				_3	
0x010	32	RW	32h'0	reg32 <i>←</i>	Temporary register 4.
				_4	
0x014	32	RW	32h'0	reg32 <i>←</i>	Temporary register 5.
				_5	
0x018	32	RW	32h'0	reg32 <i>←</i>	Temporary register 6.
				_6	

# 4.3 General Purpose Timers

### 4.3.1 GPTimers overview

This GPTimers implementation can be additionally configured using the following generic parameters.

Name	Default	Description
irqx	0	Interrupt pin index This value is used only as argument in output Plug'n'Play configura-
		tion.
tmr_total	2	<b>Total Number of Timers.</b> Each timer is the 64-bits counter that can be used for interrupt
		generation or without.

### 4.3.2 GPTimers registers mapping

GPTimers device acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is defined by 0x80005000. Memory size is 4 KB.

High Precision Timer register (Least Word) (0x000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	highcnt	63:0	High precision counter. This counter isn't used as a source
					of interrupt and cannot be stopped from SW.

High Precision Timer register (Most Word) (0x004).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	highcnt	63:0	High precision counter. This counter isn't used as a source
					of interrupt and cannot be stopped from SW.

Pending Timer IRQ register (0x008).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32-tmr_total	RW	0	reserved	31:tmr_total	Reserved.
tmr_total	RW	0	pending	tmr_total- 1:0	<b>Pending Bit.</b> Each timer can be configured to generate interrupt. Simaltenously with interrupt is rising pending bit that has to be lowed by Software.

Timer[0] Control register (0x040).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
30	RW	30h'0	reserved	31:2	Reserved.
1	RW	1b'0	irq_ena	1	Interrupt Enable. Enable the interrupt generation when the
					timer reaches zero value.
0	RW	1b'0	count_ena	0	Count Enable. Enable/Disable counter.

Timer[0] Current Value register (0x048).

Bit	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	value	63:0	<b>Timer Value</b> . Read/Write register with counter's value. When it equals to 0 the 'init_value' will be used to re-initialize counter.

Timer[0] Init Value register (0x050).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	init_value	63:0	<b>Timer Init Value</b> . Read/Write register is used for cycle timer re-initializtion. If init_value = 0 and value != 0 then the timer is used as a 'single shot' timer.

Timer[1] Control register (0x060 = 0x040 + Idx \* 32).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
30	RW	30h'0	reserved	31:2	Reserved.
1	RW	1b'0	irq_ena	1	Interrupt Enable. Enable the interrupt generation when the
					timer reaches zero value.

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
0	RW	1b'0	count_ena	0	Count Enable. Enable/Disable counter.

Timer[1] Current Value register (0x068 = 0x48 + Idx \* 32).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	value	63:0	Timer Value. Read/Write register with counter's value. When
					it equals to 0 the 'init_value' will be used to re-initialize
					counter.

Timer[1] Init Value register (0x070 = 0x050 + Idx \* 32).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64h'0	init_value	63:0	<b>Timer Init Value</b> . Read/Write register is used for cycle timer re-initializtion. If init_value = 0 and value != 0 then the timer is used as a 'single shot' timer.

# 4.4 Interrupt Controller

### 4.4.1 IRQ assignments

IRQ pins configuration is the part of generic constants defined in file <code>ambalib/types\_amba4.vhd</code>. Number of interrupts and its indexes can changed in future releases.

Pin	Name	Description
0	Unused	Zero Interrupt pin is unsued and connected to Ground.
1	UART1	Uart 1 IRQ. UART device used this line to signal CPU via Interrupt Controller that new
		data is available or device ready to accept new Rx data.
2	ETHMAC	Ethernet IRQ.
3	GPTIMERS	General Purpose Timers IRQ.
4	MISS_ACCESS	Memory Miss Access IRQ. This interrupt is generated by AXI Controller in a case of
		access to unmapped memory region.
5	GNSSENGINE	Gnss Engine IRQ. Device Specific 1 msec interrupt that schedules critical Navigation
		Task.

### 4.4.2 IRQ Controller registers mapping

IRQ Controller acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is defined by 0x80002000. Memory size is 4 KB.

Interrupts Mask register (0x000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32-N	RW	h'0	reserved	31:N	Reserved
N	RW	all 1	mask	N-	IRQ mask. 1 equals interrupt disabled; 0 is enabled.
				1:0	

Pending Interrupts register (0x004).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32-N	RO	h'0	reserved	31:N	Reserved
N	RO	0	pending	N- 1:0	<b>Pending Bits</b> . 1 signals rised interrupt. This bit is cleared by writing 1 into the register 'Clear IRQ' or writing 1 into 'Lock
					Register'.

Clear Interrupt Mask register (0x008).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32-N	WO	h'0	reserved	31:N	Reserved
N	WO	0	clear_bit	N-	Clear IRQ line. Clear Pending interrupt register bits that are
				1:0	marked with 1s.

Raise Interrupt Mask register (0x00C).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32-N	WO	h'0	reserved	31:N	Reserved
N	WO	0	raise_irq	N-	Rise specified IRQ line manually. This register can be
				1:0	used for test and debugging either as for 'system calls'.

ISR table address (low word) (0x010).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	isr_table	31:0	Interrupts table address LSB. This register stores address where located ISR table. This value must be intialized be Software.

ISR table address (high word) (0x014).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	isr_table	31:0	Interrupts table address MSB. This register stores address where located ISR table. This value must be intialized be
					Software.

ISR cause code (low word) (0x018).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	dbg_cause	31:0	Cause of te Interrupt LSB. This register stores the latest cause of the interrupt. This value is optional and updates by ROM ISR handler in current implementation.

ISR cause code (high word) (0x01C).

Bit	s	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32		WR	0	dbg_cause	31:0	Cause of the Interrupt MSB. This register stores the latest cause of the interrupt. This value is optional and updates by ROM ISR handler in current implementation.

Instruction Pointer before trap (low word) (0x020).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	dbg_epc	31:0	npc[31:0] register value before trap. This register stores copy of xEPC value. This value is optional and updates by ROM ISR handler in current implementation.

Instruction Pointer before trap (high word) (0x024).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	dbg_epc	31:0	npc[63:32] register value before trap. This register stores copy of xEPC value. This value is optional and updates by ROM ISR handler in current implementation.

Lock interrupt register (0x028).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
31	WR	31h'0	reserved	31:1	Reserved
1	WR	1b'	lock	0	<b>Lock interrupts</b> . Disabled all interrupts when this bit is 1. All new interrupt request marked as postponed and will be raised when 'lock' signal will be cleared.

Lock interrupt register (0x02C).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WR	0	irq_idx	31:0	Interrupt Index. This register stores current interrupt index while in ISR handler. This value is optional and updates by ROM ISR handler in current implementation.

### **4.5 UART**

### 4.5.1 Overview

This UART implementation can be additionally configured using the following generic parameters.

Name	Default	Description
irqx	0	Interrupt pin index This value is used only as argument in output Plug'n'Play configuration.
fifosz	16	FIFO size. Size of the Tx and Rx FIFOs in bytes.

# 4.5.2 UART registers mapping

UART acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is defined by 0x80001000. Memory size is 4 KB.

Control Status register (0x000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
16	RW	16h'0	Reserved	31:16	Reserved.
1	RW	1b'0	parity_bit	15	Enable parity checking. Serial port setting setup by SW.
1	RW	1b'0	tx_irq_ena	14	<b>Enable Tx Interrupt</b> . Generate interrupt when number of symbol in output FIFO less than defined in Tx Threshold register.
1	RW	1b'0	rx_irq_ena	13	<b>Enable Rx Interrupt</b> . Generate interrupt when number of available for reading symbol greater or equalt Rx Threshold register.
3	RW	3h'0	Reserved	12:10	Reserved.
1	RO	1b'0	err_stopbit	9	<b>Stop Bit Error</b> . This bit is set when the Stoping Bit has the wrnog value.
1	RO	1b'0	err_parity	8	<b>Parity Error</b> . This bit is set when the Parity error occurs. Will be automatically cleared by next received symbol if the parity OK.
2	RW	2h'0	Reserved	7:6	Reserved.
1	RO	1b'1	rx_fifo_empty	5	Receive FIFO is Empty.
1	RO	1b'0	rx_fifo_fifo	4	Receive FIFO is Full.
2	RW	2h'0	Reserved	3:2	Reserved.
1	RO	1b'1	tx_fifo_empty	1	Transmit FIFO is Empty.
1	RO	1'b0	tx_fifo_full	0	Transmit FIFO is Full.

Scaler register (0x004).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	RW	32h'0	scaler	31:16	Scale threshold. This register value is used to transform
					System Bus clock into port baudrate.

Data register (0x010).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
24	RW	28h'0	Reserved	31:8	Reserved.
8	RW	8h'0	data	7:0	<b>Data</b> . Access to Tx/Rx FIFO data. Writing into this register put data into Tx FIFO. Reading is accomplished from Rx F← IFO.

#### 4.6 SPI Controller

#### 4.6.1 Overview

This SPI controller is the specially developed module to support the following Flash memory ICs:

- Microchip 25AA1024 and 25LC1024.
- 1636PP52Y

Read/write access to the controller's registers directly generate SPI signals sequence (nCS, SDO, SCK) to form read/write transaction request. AXI4 bus transaction is holded and CPU (or DMA) waits the response from the SPI interface all the time while SPI is active.

The following generic parameters are used to configure the SPI controllers:

Name	Default	Description
xaddr	0	Base address. Bus address bits [31:12] allocated for the controller.
xmask	16#fffff#	<b>Address mask.</b> Bus address mask bits used to specify allocated size (default 4 KB, minimum).

#### 4.6.2 Mapped Registers

SPI controller module acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for this implementation is defined as 0x00200000 with allocated memory size 256 KB.

The lower 128 KB region is used for the direct access to the external Flash memory via SPI interface. The control registers are mapped at offset 0x20000 (upper 128 KB).

Flash Region 128 KB (0x00000..0x20000).

Read access to this region directly converted into SPI read request. 4 and 8-bytes read requests is supported by this SPI controller.

Write requests to this region doesn't generate any SPI activity. All write data is writing ONLY into the local Page Buffer (256 Bytes length). 4 or 8-bytes write access is supported. Address bits [31:8] are ignored and must be

specified on write access into Flash Page Write register.

Scaler register (0x20000).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	RW	0	scaler	31:0	Clock Scaling Rate. RW register is specifies the SPI fre-
					quency relative Bus Frequency. Fspi = Fbus / $(2*scaler)$ .

Flash STATUS (0x20010).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	RW	STATUS	7:0	<b>STATUS</b> . Flash STATUS register read via SPI. Read Command ID = 0x05; Write Command ID = 0x01.

Flash ID (0x20018).

Bits	Туре	Field Name	Bits	Description
8	RO	ID	7:0	Manufacturer ID. Read Only value read from Flash: 0x29 is the default
				value of Microchip. Command $ID = 0xAB$ .

Flash Write Enable (0x20020).

Bits	Туре	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WO	WE	31:0	Flash Write Enable. Writing to this register generates SPI transasction
				with command ID = $0x06$ . Write value is ignored.

Flash Page Write (0x20028).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
8	WO	ignored	7:0	Ignored.
9	WO	PAGE_ADDR	16:8	<b>Page address</b> . Page Address which is used to store current Page Buffer (256 Bytes) into external Flash. Command ID = 0x02.
15	WO	ignored	31:17	Ignored.

Flash Write Disable (0x20030).

Bits	Туре	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WO	WD	31:0	Flash Write Disable. Writing to this register generates SPI transasc-
				tion with command ID = 0x04. Write value is ignored.

Flash Page Erase (0x20038).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
24	WO	PAGE_ADDR	23:0	Flash Page Erase. Erase external Flash page with specified ad-
				dress. Command ID = 0x42.
8	WO	ignored	31:24	Ignored.

Flash Sectore Erase (0x20040).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
24	WO	SECTOR_ADDR	23:0	Flash Sector Erase. Erase external Flash sector with specified
				address. Command ID = 0xDB.
8	WO	ignored	31:24	Ignored.

Flash Chip Erase (0x20048).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WO	ignored	31:0	<b>Chip Erase</b> . Writing any value to this register generates SPI transasction with command ID = $0xC7$ . Write value is ignored.

Deep Power-Down mode (0x20050).

Bits	Type	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	WO	ignored	31:0	<b>Deep Power-Down mode</b> . Writing any value to this register generates
				SPI transasction with command ID = 0xB9 that sends ICs into Power- Down mode. Write value is ignored.

# 4.7 Plug'n'Play support module

### 4.7.1 PNP registers mapping

PNP module acts like a slave AMBA AXI4 device that is directly mapped into physical memory. Default address location for our implementation is defined as 0xFFFFF000. Memory size is 4 KB.

HW ID register (0x000).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	RO	CFG_HW_ID	hw_id	31:0	<b>HW ID</b> . Read only SoC identificator. Now it contains manually specified date in hex-format. Can be changed via CFG HW ID configuration parameter.

FW ID register (0x004).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
32	RW	32'h0	fw_id	31:0	Firmware ID. This value is modified by bootloader or user's
					firmware. Can be used to simplify firmware version tracking.

AXI Slots Configuration Register (0x008).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
8	RO	CFG_TECH	tech	7:0	<b>Technology ID</b> . Read Only value specifies the target configuration. Possible values: inferred, virtex6, kintex7. Other targets ID could be added in a future.
8	RO	CFG_NASTI_SLAVES_TOTAL	slaves	15:8	Total number of AXI slave slots. This value specifies maximum number of slave devices connected to the system bus. If device wasn't connected the dummy signals must be applied to the slave interface otherwise SoC behaviour isn't defined.
8	RO	CFG_NASTI_MASTER_TOTAL	masters	23:16	Total number of AXI master slots. This value specifies maximum number of master devices connected to the system bus. Slot signals cannot be unconnected either.
8	RO	8'h0	adc_detect	31:24	ADC clock detector. This value is used by GNSS firmware to detect presence of the ADC clock frequency that allows to detect presence of the RF front-end board.

Debug IDT register (0x010).

Bits	Type	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64'h0	idt	63:0	Debug IDT. This is debug register used by GNSS firmware
					to store debug information.

Debug Memory Allocation Pointer register (0x018).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64'h0	malloc_addr	63:0	<b>Memory Allocation Pointer</b> . This is debug register used by GNSS firmware to store 'heap' pointer and allows to debug memory management.

Debug Memory Allocation Size register (0x020).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64'h0	malloc_size	63:0	<b>Memory Allocation size</b> . This is debug register used by G← NSS firmware to store total allocated memory size.

Debug Firmware1 register (0x028).

Bits	Туре	Reset	Field Name	Bits	Description
64	RW	64'h0	fwdbg1	63:0	Firmware debug1. This is debug register used by GNSS
					firmware to store temporary information.

### 4.7.2 PNP Device descriptors

Our SoC implementation provides capability to read in real-time information about mapped devices. Such information is packed into special device descriptors. Now we can provide 3 types of descriptors:

- · Master device descriptor
- · Slave device descriptor
- · Custom device descriptor

All descriptors mapped sequentually starting from 0xFFFFF040. Each descriptor implements field 'size' in Bytes that specifies offset to the next mapped descriptor.

Master device descriptor

Bits	Description
[7:0]	<b>Descriptor Size.</b> Read Only value specifies size in Bytes of the current descriptor. This value should be used as offset to the next descriptor. Master descriptor size is hardwired to PNP_CFG_MASTE ← R DESCR BYTES value (8'h08).
[9:8]	Descriptor Type. Master descriptor type is hardwired to PNP_CFG_TYPE_MASTER value (2'b01).
[31:10]	Reserved.
[47:32]	Device ID. Unique Master identificator.
[63:48]	Vendor ID. Unique Vendor identificator.

Slave device descriptor

Bits	Description
[7:0]	Descriptor Size. Read Only value specifies size in Bytes of the current descriptor. This value
	should be used as offset to the next descriptor. Slave descriptor size is hardwired to PNP_CFG_
	SLAVE_DESCR_BYTES value (8'h10).
[9:8]	<b>Descriptor Type.</b> Slave descriptor type is hardwired to PNP_CFG_TYPE_SLAVE value (2'b10).
[15:10]	Reserved.
[23:16]	IRQ ID. Interrupt line index assigned to the device.
[31:24]	Reserved.
[47:32]	Device ID. Unique Master identificator.
[63:48]	Vendor ID. Unique Vendor identificator.
[75:64]	zero. Hardwired to X"000".
[95:76]	Base Address Mask specifies the memory region allocated for the device.
[107:96]	zero. Hardwired to X"000".
[127:108]	Base Address value of the device.

# **Chapter 5**

# RISC-V debugger

#### 5.1 Overview

This debugger was specially developed as a software utility to interact with our SOC implementation in riscve\_soc repository. The main purpose was to provide convinient way to develop and debug our Satellite Navigation firmware that can not be debugged by any other tool provided RISC-V community. Additionally, we would like to use the single unified application capable to work with Real and Simulated platforms without any modification of source code. Debugger provides base functionality such as: run control, read/write memory, registers and CSRs, breakpoints. It allows to reload FW image and reset target. Also we are developing own version of the CPU simulator (analog of spike) that can be extended with peripheries models to Full SOC simulator. These extensions for the debugger simplify porting procedure (Zephyr OS for an example) so that simulation doesn't require any hardware and allows to develop SW and HW simultaneously.

### 5.2 Project structure

General idea of the project is to develop one Core library providing API methods for registering classes, services, attributes and methods to interact with them. Each extension plugin registers one or several class services performing some usefull work. All plugins are built as an independent libraries that are opening by Core library at initialization stage with the call of method **plugin\_init()**. All Core API methods start with RISCV\_... prefix:

Configuration of the debugger and plugins is fully described in JSON formatted configuration files **targets/target** ← **\_name.json**. These files store all instantiated services names, attributes values and interconnect among plugins.

This configuration can be saved to/load from file at any time. By default command exit will save current debugger state into file (including full command history).

#### Note

You can manually add/change new Registers/CSRs names and indexes by modifying this config file without changing source code.

#### Folders description

- 1. **libdgb64g** Core library (so/dll) that provides standard API methods defined in file api\_core.h.
- 2. appdbg64g Executable (exe) file implements functionality of the console debugger.
- 3. Plugins:
  - (a) simple\_plugin Simple plugin (so/dll library) just for demonstration of the integration with debugger.
  - (b) **cpu fnc plugin** Functional model of the RISC-V CPU (so/dll library).
  - (c) cpu sysc plugin Precise SystemC model of RIVER CPU (so/dll library).
  - (d) **socsim\_plugin** Functional models of the peripheries and assembled board (so/dll library). This plugin registers several classes: UART, GPIO, SRAM, ROMs and etc.

# 5.3 Ethernet setup

The Ethernet Media Access Controller (GRETH) provides an interface between an AMBA-AXI bus and Ethernet network. It supports 10/100 Mbit speed in both full- and half-duplex modes. Integrated EDCL submodule implements hardware decoding of UDP traffic and redirects EDCL request directly on AXI system bus. The AMBA interface consists of an AXI slave interface for configuration and control and an AXI master interface for transmit and receive data. There is one DMA engine for the transmitter and one for receiver. EDCL submodule and both DMA engines share the same AXI master interface.

#### 5.3.1 Configure Host Computer

To make development board visible in your local network your should properly specify connection properties. In this chapter I will show how to configure the host computer (Windows 7 or Linux) to communicate with the FPGA hardware over Ethernet.

#### Note

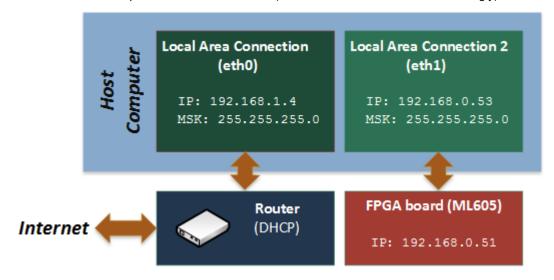
If you also want simultaneous Internet access your host computer requires a second Ethernet port. I couldn't find workable configuration via router.

#### Warning

I recommend you to make restore point before you start.

### 5.3.2 Configure Windows Host

Let's setup the following network configuration that allows to work with FPGA board and to be connected to Internet. I use different Ethernet ports and different subnets (192.168.0.x and 192.168.1.x accordingly).



#### Host IP and subnet definition:

- 1. Open cmd console.
- 2. Use ipconfig command to determine network settings.

ipconfig /all

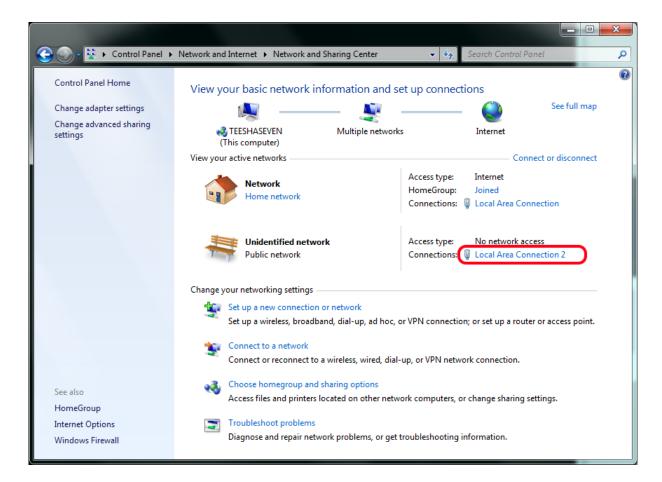
- 3. Find your IP address (in my case it's 192.168.1.4)
- 4. Check and change if needed default IP address of SOC as follow.

#### Setup hard-reset FPGA IP address:

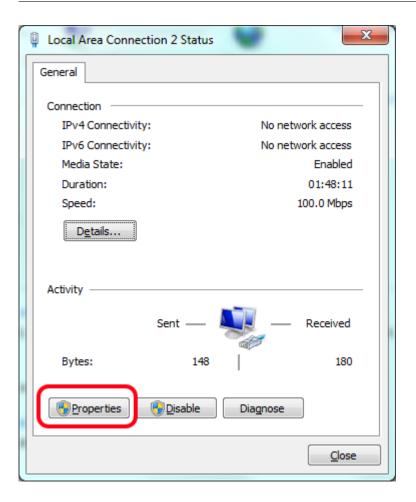
- 1. Open in editor rocket soc.vhd.
- 2. Find place where grethaxi module is instantiated.
- 3. Change generic **ipaddrh** and **ipaddrl** parameters so that they belonged another subnet (Default values: C0A8.0033 corresponding to 192.168.0.51) than Internet connection.

#### Configure the Ethernet card for your FPGA hardware

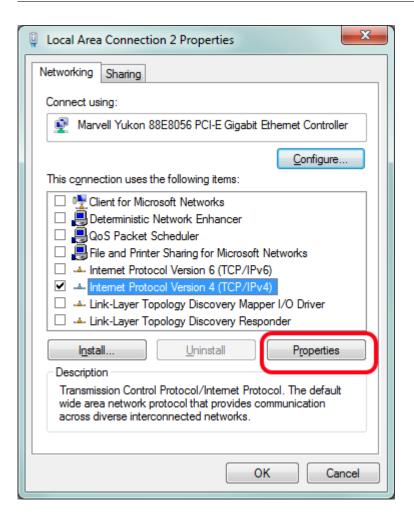
- 1. Load pre-built image file into FPGA board (located in ./rocket soc/bit files/folder) or use your own one.
- 2. Open Network and Sharing Center via Control Panel



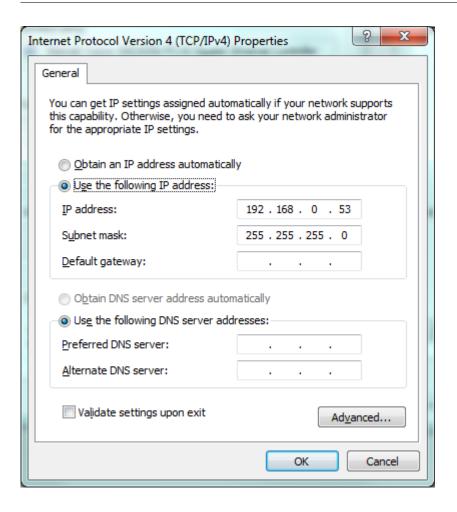
1. Click on Local Area Connection 2 link



1. Click on **Properties** to open properties dialog.



- 1. Disable all network services except Internet Protocol Version 4 as shown on figure above.
- 2. Select enabled service and click on Properties button.



- 1. Specify unique IP as shown above so that FPGA and your Local Connection were placed in the same subnet.
- 2. Leave the subnet mask set to the default value 255.255.255.0.
- 3. Click OK.

## **Check connection**

- 1. Check presence of the Ethernet activity by blinking LEDs near the Ethernet connector on FPGA board
- 2. Run arp command to see arp table entries.

E:\Projects\VHDLProjects\rocket\work>arp -a -v  Interface: 127.0.0.1 0x1    Internet Address		
Internet Address Physical Address Type 224.0.0.22 static		
Internet Address Physical Address Type 224.0.0.22 static		
224.0.0.22 static		
239.255.255.250 static		
Interface: 192.168.1.4 0xb		
Internet Address Physical Address Type		
192.168.1.1 00-26-18-f8-3c-d5 dynamic		
192.168.1.3 1c-c6-3c-76-72-82 dynamic		
192.168.1.99 90-fb-a6-48-74-51 dynamic		
192.168.1.101 00-90-a9-3b-3e-da dynamic		
192.168.1.255 ff-ff-ff-ff-ff static		
224.0.0.22 01-00-5e-00-00-16 static		
224.0.0.251 01-00-5e-00-00-fb static		
224.0.0.252 01-00-5e-00-00-fc static		
239.255.255.250 01-00-5e-7f-ff-fa static		
255.255.255. ff-ff-ff-ff static		
Interface: 192.168.0.53 0xd		
Internet Address Physical Address Type		
192.168.0.51 02-07-89-00-01-23 dynamic		
192.168.0.255		
224.0.0.22 01-00-5e-00-00-16 static		
224.0.0.251 01-00-5e-00-00-fb static		
224.0.0.252 01-00-5e-00-00-fc static		
255.255.255.255 ff-ff-ff-ff-ff static		
E:\Projects\VHDLProjects\rocket\work>		
1Left 2Right 3View 4Edit 5Print 6MkLink 7Fi		

1. MAC supports only ARP and EDCL requests on hardware level and it cannot respond on others without properly installed software. By this reason ping won't work without running OS on FPGA target but it maybe usefull to ping FPGA target so that it can force updating of the ARP table or use the commands:

```
ipconfig /release
ipconfig /renew
```

## 5.3.3 Configure Linux Host

Let's setup the similar network configuration on Linux host.

1. Check **ipaddrh** and **ipaddrl** values that are hardcoded on top-level of SOC (default values: C0A8.0033 corresponding to 192.168.0.51).

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2. Set host IP value in the same subnet using the ifconfig command. You might need to enter a password to use the sudo command.

```
% sudo ifconfig eth0 192.168.0.53 netmask 255.255.255.0
```

3. Enter the following command in the shell to check that the changes took effect:

% ifconfig eth0

## 5.3.4 Run Application

Now your FPGA board is ready to interact with the host computer via Ethernet. You can find detailed information about MAC (GRETH) in GRLIB IP Core User's Manual.

There you can find:

- 1. DMA Configuration registers description (Rx/Tx Descriptors tables and entries).
- 2. EDCL message format.
- 3. GRLIB itself includes C-example that configure MAC Rx/Tx queues and start transmission of the 1500 Mbyte of data to define Bitrate in Mbps.

We provide debugger functionality via Ethernet. See Debugger description page.

## 5.4 Debug session

#### 5.4.1 Plugins interaction

Core library uses UDP protocol to communicate with all targets: FPGA or simulators. The general structure is looking like on the following figure:



or with real Hardware



GUI plugin uses QT-libraries and interacts with the core library using the text console input interface. GUI generates the same text commands that are available in debugger console for any who's using this debugger. That's why any presented in GUI widgets information can be achieved in console mode.

## 5.4.2 Start Debugger

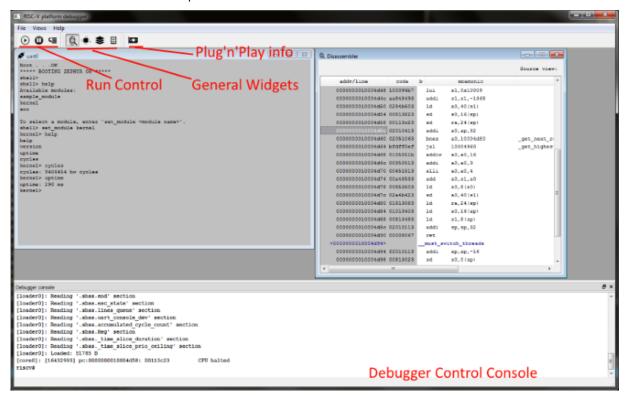
We provide several targets that can run software (bootloader, firmware or user specific application) without any source code modifications:

Start Configuration	Description
\$ ./_run_functional_sim.sh[bat]	Functional RISC-V Full System Model
\$ ./_run_systemc_sim.sh[bat]	Use SystemC Precise Model of RIVER CPU
\$ ./_run_fpga_gui.sh[bat]	FPGA board. Default port 'COM3', TAP IP = 192.168.0.51

To run debugger with the real FPGA target connected via Ethernet do:

```
# cd rocket_soc/debugger/win32build/debug
# _run_functional_sim.bat
```

The result should look like on the picture below:



#### Example of the debug session

Switch ON all User LEDs on board:

```
riscv# help -- Print full list of commands
riscv# csr MCPUID -- Read supported ISA extensions
riscv# read 0xfffff000 20 -- Read 20 bytes from PNP module
riscv# write 0x80000000 4 0xff -- Write into GPIO new LED value
riscv# loadelf helloworld -- Load elf-file to board RAM and run
```

## Console mode view

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## 5.4.3 Debug Zephyr OS kernel with symbols

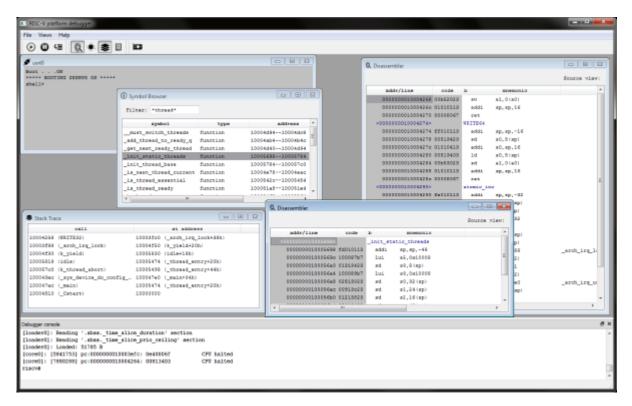
Build Zephyr kernel from scratch using our patches enabling 64-bits RISC-V architecture support:

```
$ mkdir zephyr_160
$ cd zephyr_160
$ git clone https://gerrit.zephyrproject.org/r/zephyr
$ cd zephyr
$ git checkout tags/v1.6.0
$ cp ../../riscv_vhdl/zephyr/v1.6.0-riscv64-base.diff .
$ cp ../../riscv_vhdl/zephyr/v1.6.0-riscv64-exten.diff .
$ git apply v1.6.0-riscv64-base.diff
$ git apply v1.6.0-riscv64-exten.diff
```

#### Then build elf-file:

Load debug symbols from elf-file without target reprogramming (or with):

```
riscv# loadelf zephyr.elf
riscv# loadelf zephyr.elf nocode
```

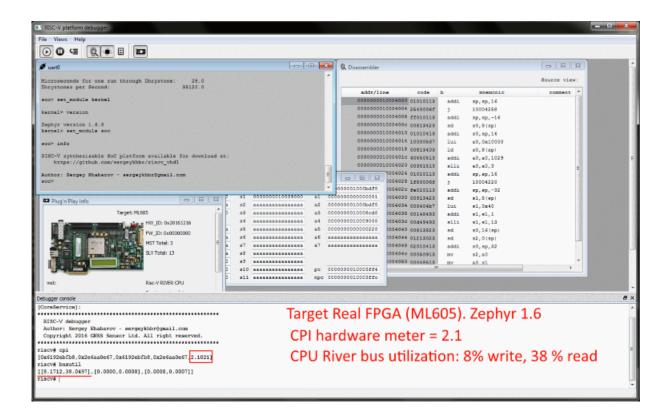


Now becomes available the following features:

- · Stack trace with function names
- Function names in Disassembler including additional information for branch and jump instructions in column 'comment'.
- · Symbol Browser with filter.
- Opening Disassembler and Memory Viewer widgets in a new window by name.

Debugger provides additional features that could simplify software development:

- · Clock Per Instruction (CPI) hardware measure
- · Bus utilization information
- · Others. List of a new features is constantly increasing.



## 5.5 Troubleshooting

## 5.5.1 Image Files not found

If you'll get the error messages that image files not found

To fix this problem do the following steps:

- 1. Close debugger console using exit command.
- 2. Open config file name.json file in any editor.
- 3. Find strings that specify these paths and correct them. Simulator uses the same images as VHDL platform

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for ROMs intialization. You can find them in 'rocket\_soc/fw\_images' directory. After that you should see something like follow:

```
<serialconsole> # RISC-V: Rocket-Chip demonstration design
<serialconsole> # HW version: 0x20151217
<serialconsole>[# FW id: 20160329
<serialconsole> # Target technology: inferred
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv0: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                 Boot ROM
<serialconsole> #
                    0x000000000...0x000001FFF, size = 8 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv1: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                FW Image ROM
<serialconsole> #
                    0x00100000...0x0013FFFF, size = 256 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv2: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                 Internal SRAM
<serialconsole> #
                    0x10000000...0x1007FFFF, size = 512 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv3: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                 Generic UART
<serialconsole> #
                    0x80001000...0x80001FFF, size = 4 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv4: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                 Generic GPIO
<serialconsole> #
                    0x80000000...0x80000FFF, size = 4 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv5: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                 Interrupt Controller
<serialconsole> #
                    0x80002000...0x80002FFF, size = 4 KB
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv6: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                GNSS Engine stub
[gpio0]: LED = 01
                    0x80003000...0x80003FFF, size = 4 KB
<serialconsole> #
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv7: Empty slot
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv8: Empty slot
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv9: Empty slot
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv10: Empty slot
<serialconsole> # AXI4: slv11: GNSS Sensor Ltd.
                                                  Plug'n'Play support
riscv# read 0xfffff004 128
[000000000ffffff000]: 00 00 00 00 ff 00 0c 00 20 16 03 29
00000000fffff010]:
                    00 00 00 00 10 00 5c 00 00 00 00 00 00 1d a5 26
                    00 00 00 00 00 00 55 77
000000000fffff020]:
                                            00 00 00 00 00 00 00 20
00000000fffff030]:
                    00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                           00
                                              00 00 00 00 00
                    00 00 00 10 00 f1 00
000000000fffff040]:
                                         71
                                            00
                                              00
                                                 00
000000000fffff050]:
                    00 00 00 10 00 f1 00
                                        72 00
                                                 00 00 ff
                                                          fc 00 00
                                              10
                                                    00 ff f8 00 00
000000000fffff060]:
                            10 00 f1 00
                                                 00
                    00 00 00
                                        73 10
                                              00
                    00 00 00 10 00 f1 00 7a 80 00 10 00 ff
                                                          ff f0 00
00000000fffff070]:
00000000fffff080]:
                                                        ff ff f0 00
riscv#
```

Debug your target. All commands that are available for Real Hardware absolutely valid for the Simulation. Users shouldn't see any difference between these targets this is our purpose.

### 5.5.2 Can't open COM3 when FPGA is used

- 1. Open fpga\_gui.json
- 2. Change value ['ComPortName','COM3'], on your one (for an example on ttyUSB0).

#### 5.5.3 EDCL: No response. Break read transaction

This error means that host cannot locate board with specified IP address. Before you continue pass through the following checklist:

- 1. You should properly setup network connection and see FPGA board in ARP-table.
- 2. If you've changed default FPGA IP address:
  - (a) Open \_run\_fpga\_gui.bat (\*.sh)
  - (b) Change value ['BoardIP','192.168.0.51'] on your one.
- 3. Run debugger

## **Chapter 6**

# **Python Frontend**

## 6.1 Prerequisites

Current Debugger version is integrated with Python 2.7 using TCP connection and special Python module rcp distributed with this bundle. The following requirements should be met before start using the python's debug console:

- Debugger binary files built from the provided sources on Windows or Linux machines. It is possible to use starting script \_run\_fpga\_nogui\_uartdbg (sh|bat) to load minimal configuration into Debugger without GUI and SystemC support. It enables console mode only.
- · Installed Python 2.7. To check the installed version:

```
>>> import sys
>>> sys.version
```

- FPGA board with loaded image instantiated 2 UARTs modules:
  - UART1 is the slave device used for the user's output.
  - UART2 is the master device (with DMA) used as the Test Access Point (TAP) to the system. Cannot be used for the user's output.

## 6.2 UART TAP

- Build FPGA image from the provided sources (ML605 or KC705 are supported).
- · Run FPGA board and load the prepared bit-file.

So now your target supports 2 debug interfaces:

- Debug via Ethernet
- · Debug via UART

Actually both this interfaces can be used in the same time. There's no limitation on that.

Run minimal Debugger configuration with UART TAP support (and disabled Ethernet). For this run one of the following starting files depending of your OS:

```
# cd $(TOP)/river_demo/debugger/linuxbuild/bin
```

<sup># ./</sup>\_run\_fpga\_nogui\_uartdbg.sh

or

```
# cd $(TOP)/river_demo/debugger/win32build/Debug
# _run_fpga_nogui_uartdbg.bat
```

Both os these scripts is doing the same thing actually. They start debugger application and point to the JSON-configuration file /river\_demo/debugger/targets/fpga\_nogui\_uartdbg.json

Modify this JSON-file accordingly with your Serial Port settings:

When debugger was started you should see the following debugger console:

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
E:\Projects\VHDLProjects\river_demo\debugger\win32build\Debug>appdbg64
[autocmd0]: e:\projects\vhdlprojects\river_demo\debugger\src\common\ise
[CoreService]: e:\projects\vhdlprojects\river_demo\debugger\src\libdbg@
[rpcserver]: Selected Host IPv4 127.0.0.1:8687
[rpcserver]: IPv4 address 127.0.0.1:8687 . . . opened
[example0]: Plugin post-init example: attr1_='This is test attr value'
[CoreService]:
System Emulator and Debugger
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 e-mail: sergeykhbr@gmail.com
********************
[example0]: This is exampleAction(): val=0000cafe
[port1]: Serial port \\.\COM3 opened
riscv#
```

Try different console commands to test debugger:

```
# help
# help read
# regs
```

```
# status
# cpi
etc
```

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
E:\Projects\VHDLProjects\river_demo\debugger\win32build\Debug>appdbg64g.exe -c ../../targets/
[autocmd0]: e:\projects\vhdlprojects\river_demo\debugger\src\common\iservice.h:54 Attribute
[CoreService]: e:\projects\vhdlprojects\river_demo\debugger\src\libdbg64g\api_core.cpp:230 Ser
[rpcserver]: Selected Host IPv4 127.0.0.1:8687
 rpcserver]: IPv4 address 127.0.0.1:8687 . . . opened
 example0]: Plugin post-init example: attr1_='This is test attr value'
[CoreService]:
 System Emulator and Debugger
  Copyright (c) 2017 Sergey Khabarov.
  All rights reserved.
 e-mail: sergeykhbr@gmail.com
*************************
[example0]: This is exampleAction(): val=0000cafe
[port1]: Serial port \\.\COM3 opened
[console0]: riscv# regs
<serialconsole>
[console0]: {'zero':0x0,'ra':0x1000049c,'sp':0x1007faa0,'gp':0x10000000,'tp':0x1007ff00,'t0':0
a0,'s1':0x10000608,'a0':0x1007facb,'a1':0x2b,'a2':0x0,'a3':0x1007facb,'a4':0x80001000,'a5':0x6
,'s3':0x726f776f6c6c6568,'s4':0xa0d74,'s5':0x656e726568746520,'s6':0x6169762064656461,'s7':0x6
46c,'s9':0x0,'s10':0x0,'s11':0x0,'t3':0x0,'t4':0x0,'t5':0x0,'t6':0x0,'pc':0x10000470,'npc':0x1
[console0]: riscv# status
[console0]: 0x100000000
[console0]: riscv# read 0xFFFFF000 8
[console0]: [0x14,0x06,0x17,0x20,0x44,0x33,0x22,0x11]
[console0]: riscv# disas 0x10000000 8
[console0]: [[0x0,0x10000000,0xff010113,0x4,False,'','addi
                                                                    sp, sp, -16', ''], [0x0, 0x10000004, 0
p)','']]
riscv# _
```

#### Warning

UART TAP configured with hardcoded Scale Rate computed to give port speed 115200 when Bus Frequency is 40 MHz.

This simple Debug configuration also includes TCP server to interact with the standalone Python scripts. Don't close Debugger console and run Python as in the following part of the document.

## 6.3 Python Scripting

Just after your Debugger was started you actually is able to control the FPGA board via specially implemeted JSON-based interface using TCP transport and the standalone frontend.

We provide special Python module rpc placed in the following folder:

```
# cd $(TOP)/river_demo/debugger/scripts
```

You should be inside of folder scripts to import module otherwise you will need to modify sys.path variable.

Let's debug our FPGA board from python manually without running automatic script. For this, run python's shell from the folder scripts:

```
E:\river_demo\debugger\scripts> python.exe
```

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```
>>> import sys
>>> sys.version
>>> import rpc
>>> t = rpc.Remote()
>>> t.connect()
```

Try to call different method to debug FPGA board:

```
D:\Python27\Python.exe
Python 2.7.10 (default, May 23 2015, 09:44:00) [MSC v.1500 64 bit (AMD6
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import sys,rpc
>>> t=rpc.Remote()
>>> t.connect()
Connecting to 127.0.0.1:8687
>>> t.regs()
sp : 0x000000001007faa0 s1 : 0000000010000608 a1 : 000000000000002b
tp : 0x0000000010000000 s3 : 726f776f6c6c6568 a3 : 000000001007facb
                     s4 : 000000000000a0d74 a4 : 0000000080001000
t0 : 0x0000000000000000 s5 : 656e726568746520 a5 : 0000000000000000
t3 : 0x0000000000000000 s8 : 757220736920646c
t4 : 0x0000000000000000 s9 : 0000000000000000
t5 : 0x0000000000000000 s10: 00000000000000 pc : 000000001000046c
t6 : 0x0000000000000000 s11: 00000000000000 npc: 0000000010000470
{'s0': 268958368, 'gp': 268435456, 's7': 8028827864300875374L, 's11':
26145L, 'a1': 43, 'a0': 268958411, 'zero': 0, 'a2': 0, 'a5': 0, 't0':
: 8462862329839641708L, 't5': 0, 'pc': 268436588, 's3': 824594076318278
'a3': 268958411, 'tp': 268959488, 't1': 0, 't6': 0, 'ra': 268436636, '
>>> t.read(0xfffff000,12)
[538379796, 287454020, 265508]
>>> t.reg("npc")
268436588
>>> t.disas(t.reg("npc"),8)
 [10000470] fe078ee3
                    beqz
                            a5,1000046c
 [10000474] 00090593
                     mν
                            a1,s2
[[0, 268436592, 4261908195L, 4, False, '', 'begz a5,1000046c', ''],
>>> =
```

If you see the similar results then your debugger works properly and you can try to run demonstration scripts with annotation placed in folder scripts. Close current python shell:

```
>>> t.connect()
>>> exit()
```

Run automatic scripts from the OS console:

# python example.py

Congratulations! Now you are able to remotely debug your target using scripts.