

LogiCORE IP AXI Video Direct Memory Access v6.0

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Introduction

The Advanced eXtensible Interface Video Direct Memory Access (AXI VDMA) core is a soft Xilinx Intellectual Property (IP) core. It provides high-bandwidth direct memory access between memory and AXI4-Stream video type target peripherals including peripherals which support AXI4-Stream Video Protocol as described in the Video IP: AXI Feature Adoption section of the *AXI Reference Guide* ([UG761](#)).

Features

- AXI4 Compliant
- Primary AXI4 data width support of 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, and 1024 bits
- Primary AXI4-Stream data width support of multiples of 8 up to 1024 bits
- Optional Data Re-Alignment Engine
- Optional Genlock Synchronization
- Independent, asynchronous channel operation
- Dynamic clock frequency change of AXI4-Stream interface clocks
- Optional frame advance or repeat on error
- Supports up to 32 frame buffers

LogiCORE IP Facts Table	
Core Specifics	
Supported Device Family ⁽¹⁾	Zynq™-7000, Virtex®-7, Kintex™-7, Artix™-7,
Supported User Interfaces	AXI4, AXI4-Lite, AXI4-Stream
Resources	See Table 2-4 , Table 2-5 , and Table 2-6
Provided with Core	
Design Files ⁽²⁾	VHDL
Example Design	Not Applicable
Test Bench	Not Provided
Constraints File	Provided
Simulation Model	Not Provided
Supported S/W Drivers ⁽³⁾	Standalone and Linux
Tested Design Flows⁽⁴⁾	
Design Entry	Vivado™ Design Suite
Simulation	Mentor Graphics Questa® SIM Vivado Simulator
Synthesis	Vivado Synthesis
Support	
Provided by Xilinx @ www.xilinx.com/support	

1. For a complete list of supported devices, see Vivado IP catalog.
2. Contains few Verilog files. Top level is VHDL.
3. Standalone driver information can be found in the SDK installation directory.

See `xilinx_drivers.htm` in `<install_directory>/doc/usenglish`. Linux OS and driver support information is available from wiki.xilinx.com.

4. For the supported versions of the tools, see the [Xilinx Design Tools: Release Notes Guide](#).

Overview

Many video applications require frame buffers to handle frame rate changes or changes to the image dimensions (scaling or cropping). The AXI VDMA is designed to allow for efficient high-bandwidth access between AXI4-Stream video interface and AXI4 interface.

Figure 1-1 illustrates the AXI VDMA Block Diagram.

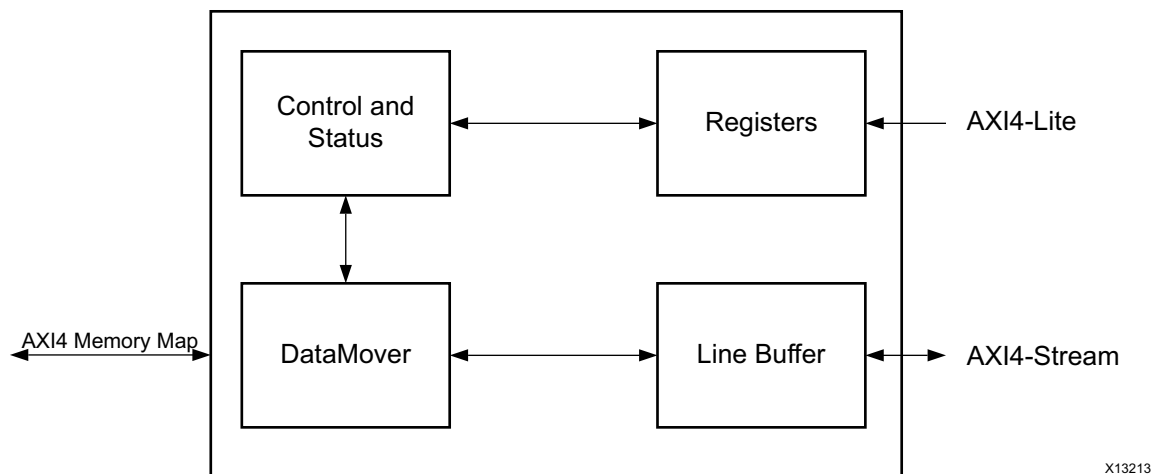


Figure 1-1: AXI VDMA Block Diagram

After registers are programmed through the AXI4-Lite interface, Control/ Status logic block generates appropriate commands to the Datamover to initiate Write and Read commands on the AXI4 Master interface.

A configurable asynchronous line buffer is used to temporarily hold the pixel data prior to writing it out to AXI4-Memory Map interface or AXI4-Stream interface.

In the Write path, the AXI VDMA accepts frames on the AXI4-Stream Slave interface and writes it to system memory using the AXI4 Master interface.

In the Read path, the AXI VDMA uses the AXI4 Master interface for reading frames from system memory and outputs it on the AXI4-Stream Master interface.

Both write and read paths operate independently. The AXI VDMA also provides an option to synchronize the incoming/outgoing frames with external synchronization signal.

Feature Summary

AXI4 Compliant

The AXI VDMA core is fully compliant with the AXI4 interface, AXI4-Stream interface and AXI4-Lite interface. The AXI4-Stream also supports the Video Protocol as described in the “Video IP: AXI Feature Adoption” section of the *AXI Reference Guide* ([UG761](#)).

AXI4 Data Width

The AXI VDMA core supports the primary AXI4 data bus width of 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, and 1024 bits.

AXI4-Stream Data Width

The AXI VDMA core supports the primary AXI4-Stream data bus width of multiples of 8 bits up to 1024 bits. The AXI4-Stream data width must be less than or equal to the AXI4 data width for the respective channel.

Data Realignment Engine

The AXI VDMA core supports the optional Data Realignment Engine (DRE). The DRE lets unaligned access to memory, allowing the frame buffer to start at any address in memory. There is no restriction on the hsize and stride as well. This feature is supported for the AXI4-Stream interface width up to 64 bits.

Genlock Synchronization

The AXI VDMA supports a mechanism to synchronize writing and reading of frames in the frame buffer through genlock synchronization. Each channel of the AXI VDMA can be designed to operate as either a Genlock Master/Slave or Dynamic Genlock Master/Slave. By using this feature, the master and slave are kept in sync by not allowing both to use the same buffer at the same time.

The AXI VDMA core supports internal Genlock Bus by default when both read and write channels are selected. This eliminates the need for an external connection between the write and read channels. See [Genlock Synchronization in Chapter 2](#) for more details.

Asynchronous Channels

The AXI VDMA core supports asynchronous clock domains for AXI4-Lite, S2MM AXI4-Stream interface, MM2S AXI4-Stream interface, S2MM AXI4 interface and MM2S AXI4 interface.

Frame Sync Options

The AXI VDMA core supports the following 3 sources for frame synchronization.

- AXI4-Stream based frame synchronization using `tuser(0)` port
 - Drives start-of-frame on `m_axis_mm2s_tuser(0)` output for read path
 - Synchronizes the incoming frame with start-of-frame on `s_axis_s2mm_tuser(0)` input for write path
- Streaming to Memory Mapped frame sync port (`s2mm_fsync`)
- Memory Mapped to Streaming frame sync port (`mm2s_fsync`)

32 Frame Buffers

The AXI VDMA core supports addressing up to 32 frame buffers. They are divided into 2 banks of 16 buffers each.

Dynamic Clock Frequency Change on AXI4-Stream Interface

The AXI VDMA core allows changing the AXI4-Stream interface clock dynamically to support different video frame resolution and frame rates.

Frame Advance or Repeat on Error

When an error is detected in a particular frame, this optional feature allows you to let the frame number advance on the next frame sync or not advance and reuse the errored frame number. It is controlled by VDMACR bit15.

Applications

The AXI VDMA core provides high-speed data movement between system memory and AXI4-Stream Video Protocol Video IP. See [Triple Frame Buffer Example in Chapter 6](#) for quick bring up of AXI VDMA.

Unsupported Features

The following AXI4 features are not supported by the AXI VDMA design.

- User signals on AXI4 Interface
- Locked transfers
- Exclusive transfers
- FIXED and WRAP Burst transfers

Licensing and Ordering Information

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Product Specification

Performance

The AXI VDMA is characterized as per the benchmarking methodology described in Appendix A, IP Characterization and fMAX Margin System Methodology, *Vivado Design Suite User Guide: Designing with IP (UG896)*. Table 2-1 shows the results of the characterization runs.

Table 2-1: Maximum Frequencies

Family	Speed Grade	Fmax (MHz)	
		AXI4	AXI4-Lite
Virtex-7	-1	200	180
Kintex-7		180	150
Artix-7		150	120
Virtex-7	-2	220	180
Kintex-7		200	150
Artix-7		160	120
Virtex-7	-3	250	180
Kintex-7		220	150
Artix-7		170	120

Latency

Table 2-2 shows the AXI VDMA core latency cycles measured on write (s2mm) and read (mm2s) paths. It does not include system dependent latency or throttling.

Table 2-2: AXI VDMA Latency

Description	Clocks
Read (MM2S) Channel	
Frame Sync out to AXI4 Address Valid	14
AXI4 Read Valid to AXI4-Stream Data Valid	4
Current Frame AXI4-Stream TLAST to Next Frame Sync out	8
Write (S2MM) Channel	
AXI4-Stream Data Valid to AXI4 Write Address Valid	14
m_axi_s2mm_awvalild and m_axi_s2mm_awready=1 to m_axi_s2mm_wvalid	2
Current AXI4 Write Last to next Frame Sync out	11

Throughput

Table 2-3 shows the AXI VDMA throughput measured for different data widths. It was measured using standard HD frames on hardware.

Table 2-3: AXI VDMA Throughput

Memory Map & Streaming Data Widths (in bits)	Throughput (frames/sec)
32	96
64	192
128	384
256	500
512	680

Resource Utilization

The AXI VDMA resource utilization for various parameter combinations measured with Virtex®-7 FPGA (Table 2-4), Kintex™-7 FPGA (Table 2-5), and Artix™-7 FPGA (Table 2-6) target device.

Note: Resource numbers for Zynq™-7000 devices are expected to be similar to 7 series device numbers.

Table 2-4: Resource Estimations for Virtex-7 FPGAs

Read Channel		Write Channel		Registers	LUTs	Slices	Block RAM
Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width	Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width				
64	32	64	32	3090	2180	1044	2
128	32	128	32	3425	2374	1107	4
128	64	128	64	3638	2500	1254	4
256	64	256	64	4254	2803	1443	8

Table 2-5: Resource Estimations for Kintex-7 FPGAs

Read Channel		Write Channel		Registers	LUTs	Slices	Block RAM
Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width	Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width				
64	32	64	32	3090	2178	971	2
128	32	128	32	3425	2374	1203	4
128	64	128	64	3638	2498	1146	4
256	64	256	64	4274	2809	1339	8

Table 2-6: Resource Estimations for Artix-7 FPGAs

Read Channel		Write Channel		Registers	LUTs	Slices	Block RAM
Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width	Memory Map Data Width	Stream Data Width				
64	32	64	32	3090	2178	1091	2
128	32	128	32	3425	2374	1179	4
128	64	128	64	3638	2496	1215	4
256	64	256	64	4274	2809	1469	8

Port Descriptions

This section describes the details for each interface. In addition, detailed information about configuration and control registers is included.

The AXI VDMA signals are described in [Table 2-7](#).

Table 2-7: AXI VDMA I/O Signal Description

Signal Name	Interface	Signal Type	Init Status	Description
Clock, Reset and Interrupt Interface Signals				
s_axi_lite_aclk	Clock	I		AXI VDMA AXI4-Lite interface clock
m_axi_mm2s_aclk	Clock	I		AXI VDMA MM2S clock
m_axi_s2mm_aclk	Clock	I		AXI VDMA S2MM clock
m_axis_mm2s_aclk	Clock	I		AXI VDMA MM2S AXIS clock
s_axis_s2mm_aclk	Clock	I		AXI VDMA S2MM AXIS clock
axi_resetn	Reset	I		AXI VDMA Reset. Active-Low reset. When asserted low, resets entire AXI VDMA core. Must be synchronous to s_axi_lite_aclk and asserted for a minimum eight clock cycles.
mm2s_introut	Interrupt	O	0	Interrupt Out for Memory Map to Stream Channel
s2mm_introut	Interrupt	O	0	Interrupt Out for Stream to Memory Map Channel
AXI4-Lite Interface Signals				
s_axi_lite*	S_AXI_LITE	-	-	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide (UG761)</i> for the description of AXI4 Signals.
AXI4 Read Interface Signals				
m_axi_mm2s*	M_AXI_MM2S	-	-	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide (UG761)</i> for the description of AXI4 Signals.
AXI4 Write Interface Signals				
m_axi_s2mm*	M_AXI_S2MM	-	-	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide (UG761)</i> for the description of AXI4 Signals.
AXI4-Stream Master Interface Signals				
m_axis_mm2s*	M_AXIS_MM2S	-	-	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide (UG761)</i> for the description of AXI4 Signals.
AXI4-Stream Slave Interface Signals				
s_axis_s2mm*	S_AXIS_S2MM	-	-	See Appendix A of the <i>AXI Reference Guide (UG761)</i> for the description of AXI4 Signals.

Table 2-7: AXI VDMA I/O Signal Description (Cont'd)

Signal Name	Interface	Signal Type	Init Status	Description
Video Synchronization Interface Signals				
mm2s_fsync	Frame Sync	I		MM2S Frame Sync Input. When enabled, VDMA Operations begin on each falling edge of fsync. AXI VDMA expects this signal to be asserted for one m_axis_mm2s_aclk cycle.
s2mm_fsync	Frame Sync	I		S2MM Frame Sync Input. When enabled, VDMA operations begin on each falling edge of fsync. AXI VDMA expects this signal to be asserted for one s_axis_s2mm_aclk cycle.
Genlock Interface Signals				
mm2s_frame_ptr_in(5:0)	Genlock	I		Read (MM2S) Channel Frame Pointer Input. See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.
mm2s_frame_ptr_out(5:0)	Genlock	O	zeros	Read (MM2S) Channel Frame Pointer Output. See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.
s2mm_frame_ptr_in(5:0)	Genlock	I		Write (S2MM) Channel Frame Pointer Input. See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.
s2mm_frame_ptr_out(5:0)	Genlock	O	zeros	Write (S2MM) Channel Frame Pointer Output. See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.

Register Space

The AXI VDMA core register space is shown in Table 2-8. The AXI VDMA Registers are memory-mapped into non-cacheable memory space. This memory space must be aligned on a AXI word (32-bit) boundary.

Endianess

All registers are in Little Endian format, as shown in Figure 2-1.

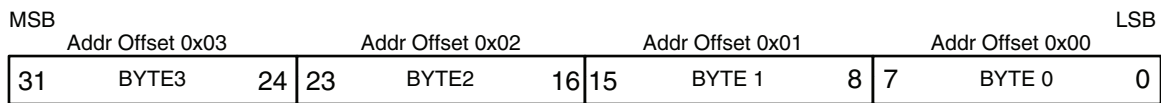


Figure 2-1: 32-bit Little Endian Example

AXI VDMA Register Address Map

Table 2-8: Register Address Map

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
00h	MM2S_VDMACR	MM2S VDMA Control Register
04h	MM2S_VDMASR	MM2S VDMA Status Register
08 to 10h	Reserved	N/A
14h	MM2S_REG_INDEX	MM2S Register Index
18h to 24h	Reserved	N/A
28h	PARK_PTR_REG	MM2S and S2MM Park Pointer Register
2Ch	VDMA_VERSION	Video DMA Version Register
30h	S2MM_VDMACR	S2MM VDMA Control Register
34h	S2MM_VDMASR	S2MM VDMA Status Register
38h to 40h	Reserved	N/A
44h	S2MM_REG_INDEX	S2MM Register Index
48h to 4Ch	Reserved	N/A
50h	MM2S_VSIZE	MM2S Vertical Size Register
54h	MM2S_HSIZE	MM2S Horizontal Size Register
58h	MM2S_FRMDLY_STRIDE	MM2S Frame Delay and Stride Register
5Ch to 98h	MM2S_START_ADDRESS (1 to 16) ⁽¹⁾	MM2S Start Address (1 to 16)
9Ch	Reserved	N/A
A0h	S2MM_VSIZE	S2MM Vertical Size Register

Table 2-8: Register Address Map (Cont'd)

Address Space Offset	Name	Description
A4h	S2MM_HSIZE	S2MM Horizontal Size Register
A8h	S2MM_FRMDLY_STRIDE	S2MM Frame Delay and Stride Register
ACh to E8h	S2MM_START_ADDRESS (1 to 16) ⁽¹⁾	S2MM Start Address (1 to 16)
ECh to F4h	Reserved	N/A

1. Start Addresses 2 to 32 for MM2S and S2MM depend on Frame Buffers parameter. Start address registers greater than Frame Buffers setting are reserved. See the MM2S_REG_INDEX and S2MM_REG_INDEX register definitions for accessing 32 start address registers.

Memory Map to Stream Register Details

Register Access Type Description

- RO = Read Only. Writing has no effect
- R/W = Read and Write Accessible
- R/WC = Read / Write to Clear

MM2S_VDMACR (MM2S VDMA Control Register – Offset 00h)

This register provides control for the Memory Map to Stream VDMA Channel.

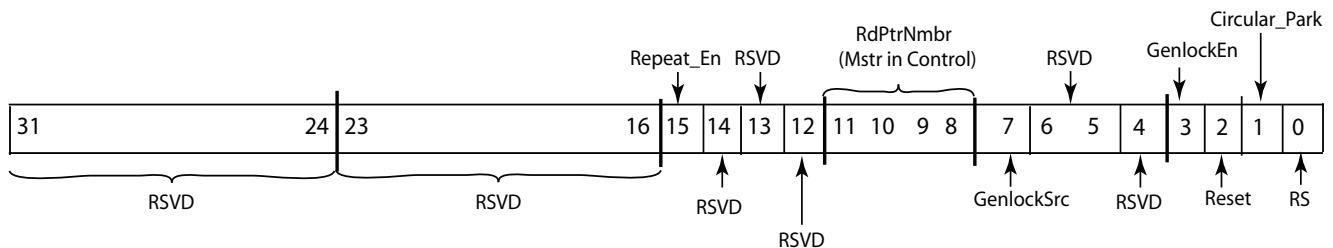


Figure 2-2: MM2S VDMACR Register

Table 2-9: MM2S_VDMACR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	0001h	RO	Write has no effect and read as default. Note: Bits [31:24] are used as delay counter and Bits [23:16] are used as frame counter for generating corresponding interrupts when enabled. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable these features.
15	Repeat_En	1h	R/W	Enables repeat or advance frame when AXI VDMA encounters frame error. This is applicable when AXI VDMA is configured in Genlock Master or Dynamic Genlock Master. 0 - Advance to next frame on frame errors 1 - Repeat previous frame on frame errors
14	Err_IrqEn	0h	R/W	Interrupt on Error Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows VDMASR.Err_Irq to generate an interrupt out. 0 = Error Interrupt disabled 1 = Error Interrupt enabled
13-12	Reserved	0h	R/W	Writing has no effect on AXI VDMA. Note: Bit 13 is used to enable delay count interrupt and bit 12 is used to enable frame count interrupt. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable these features.
11-8	RdPntrNum	0h	R/W	Indicates the master in control when MM2S channel is configured for Genlock slave/Dynamic Genlock Master/Dynamic Genlock Slave or reserved otherwise. 0000b = Controlling entity is Entity 1 0001b = Controller entity is Entity 2 0010b = Controller entity is Entity 3 and so on.
7	GenlockSrc	1h	R/W	Selects internal or external genlock bus. This bit is set by default when both channels are enabled and are configured as a valid Genlock pair. 0 = External Genlock 1 = Internal Genlock
6-5	Reserved	0h	R/W	Write has no effect on AXI VDMA.
4	Reserved	0h	R/W	Writing has no effect on AXI VDMA. Note: This bit is used to enable frame counter. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable these features.

Table 2-9: MM2S_VDMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
3	GenlockEn	0h	R/W	<p>Enables Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization.</p> <p>0 = Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization disabled. Genlock input is ignored by MM2S.</p> <p>1 = Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization enabled. MM2S synchronized to Genlock frame input.</p> <p>Note: This value is valid only when the channel is configured as Genlock Slave or Dynamic Genlock Master or Dynamic Genlock Slave. If configured for Genlock Master mode, this bit is reserved and always reads as zero.</p> <p>See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.</p>
2	Reset	0h	R/W	<p>Soft reset for AXI VDMA MM2S channel. Setting this bit to a 1 causes the AXI VDMA MM2S channel to be reset. Reset is accomplished gracefully. Pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Stream reset output is asserted. Setting VDMACR.Reset = 1 only resets the MM2S channel. After completion of a soft reset all MM2S registers and bits are in the default state. This bit will be zero at the end of the reset cycle.</p> <p>0 = Normal operation</p> <p>1 = Reset in progress</p>
1	Circular_Park	1h	R/W	<p>Indicates frame buffer Circular mode or frame buffer Park mode.</p> <p>0 = Park Mode— Engine will park on frame buffer referenced by PARK_PTR_REG.RdFrmPntrRef.</p> <p>1 = Circular Mode — Engine continuously circles through frame buffers.</p>
0	RS	0h	R/W	<p>Run / Stop controls running and stopping of the VDMA channel. For any VDMA operations to commence, the AXI VDMA engine must be running (VDMACR.RS=1).</p> <p>0 = Stop — VDMA stops when current (if any) VDMA operations are complete. The halted bit in the VDMA Status Register asserts to 1 when the VDMA engine is halted. This bit gets cleared by AXI VDMA hardware when an AXI4 Slave response error occurs. The CPU can also choose to clear this bit to stop VDMA operations.</p> <p>1 = Run — Start VDMA operations. The halted bit in the VDMA Status Register deasserts to 0 when the VDMA engine begins operations.</p> <p>Note: On Run/Stop clear, in-progress stream transfers might terminate early.</p>

MM2S_VDMASR (MM2S VDMA Status Register – Offset 04h)

This register provides the status for the Memory Map to Stream VDMA Channel.

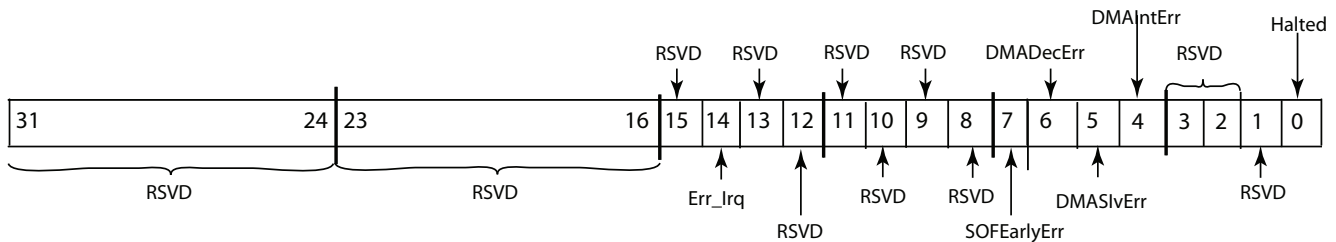


Figure 2-3: MM2S VDMASR Register

Table 2-10: MM2S_VDMASR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	0001h	RO	Write has no effect and read as default. It. Note: Bits [31:24] are used as delay counter and Bits [23:16] are used as frame counter when corresponding counters are enabled. Refer Appendix C to enable these features.
15	Reserved	0	RO	Always read as zero.
14	Err_Irq	0	R/WC	Interrupt on Error. 0 = No error Interrupt. 1 = Error interrupt detected. If enabled (VDMACR.Err_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated when error is detected.
13	Reserved	0	RO	Write has no effect and read as zero. Note: This bit captures the Delay Interrupt Status. It is set to 1 when the delay interrupt is detected. It is write 1 to clear. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable Delay Interrupt feature.
12	Reserved	0	RO	Write has no effect and read as zero. Note: This bit captures Frame Count Interrupt Status. It is set to 1 when frame count interrupt is detected. It is write 1 to clear. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable Frame Count Interrupt feature.
11-8	Reserved	0	RO	Writing has no effect and read as zero.

Table 2-10: MM2S_VDMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
7	SOFEarlyErr	0	RO or R/WC	Start of Frame Early Error 0 = No Start of Frame Error 1 = Start of Frame Early Error detected This error occurs if mm2s_fsync is received before the completion of frame on streaming interface.
6	VDMADecErr	0	RO	VDMA Decode Error. This error occurs if the address request is to an invalid address. 0 = No VDMA Decode Errors. 1 = VDMA Decode Error detected. VDMA channel halts.
5	VDMASlvErr	0	RO	VDMA Slave Error. 0 = No VDMA Slave Errors. 1 = VDMA Slave Error detected. VDMA Engine halts. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error.
4	VDMAIntErr	0	R/WC	VDMA Internal Error. 0 = No VDMA Internal Errors. 1 = VDMA Internal Error detected. VDMA channel halts. This error occurs during one of the following conditions: HSIZE or VSIZE register were written zeros. Transferred frame size is lesser than vsize values.
3-2	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
1	Reserved	0	RO	Write has no effect and read as zero.
0	Halted	1	RO	VDMA Channel Halted. Indicates the run/stop state of the VDMA channel. 0 = VDMA channel running 1 = VDMA channel halted. This bit gets set when VDMACR.RS = 0. There can be a lag of time between when VDMACR.RS = 0 and when VDMASR.Halted = 1.

MM2S_REG_INDEX (MM2S Register Index - Offset 14h)

This register is reserved if Frame Buffers selected in the Vivado™ Integrated Design Environment (IDE) is less than 17 (writing has no effect, read returns 0).

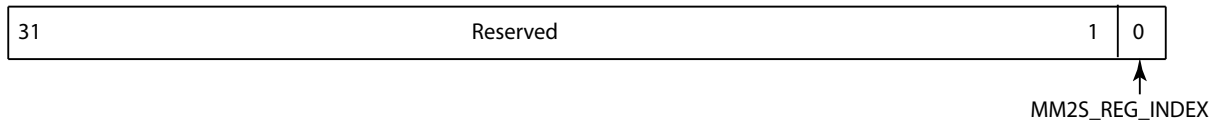


Figure 2-4: MM2S Register Index

Table 2-11: MM2S Register Index (MM2S_REG_INDEX – Offset 0x14)

Bits	Field Name	Default/Reset State	Access	
31-1		Reserved	RO	Always read as zero
0	MM2S Reg Index	zeroes	R/W	When Frame Buffers is greater than 16 0 = Any write or read access between 0x5C to 0x98 accesses the Start Address 1 to 16. 1 = Any write or read access between 0x5C to 0x98 accesses the Start Address 17 to 32.

PARK_PTR_REG (Park Pointer Register – Offset 28h)

This register provides Park Pointer Registers for the Memory Map to Stream and Stream to Memory Map VDMA transfer Management.

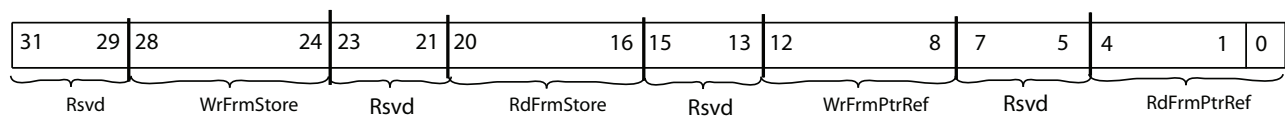


Figure 2-5: PARK_PTR_REG Register

Table 2-12: PARK_PTR_REG Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-29	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
28-24	WrFrmStore		RO	Write Frame Store. Indicates current frame being operated on by S2MM channel. During VDMA operations this value continually updates as each frame is processed. During error conditions, the value is updated with the current frame being operated on when the error occurred. It will again start tracking frames when all errors are cleared.
23-21	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
20-16	RdFrmStore		RO	Read Frame Store. Indicates current frame being operated on by MM2S channel. During VDMA operations this value continually updates as each frame is processed. During error conditions, the value is updated with the current frame being operated on when the error occurred. It will again start tracking frames when all errors are cleared.
15-13	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
12-8	WrFrmPtrRef		R/W	Write Frame Pointer Reference. When Parked (VDMACR.Circular_Park = 0), references the S2MM Frame to park on.
7-5	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
4-0	RdFrmPtrRef		R/W	Read Frame Pointer Reference. When Parked (VDMACR.Circular_Park = 0) references the MM2S Frame to park on.

VDMA_VERSION (AXI VDMA Version Register – Offset 2Ch)

This register provides the AXI VDMA Version.

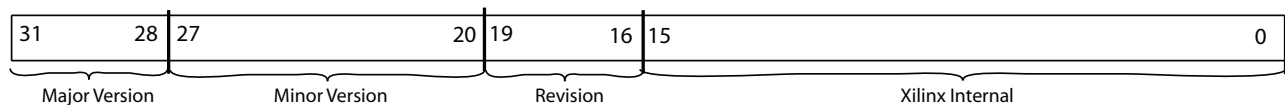


Figure 2-6: VDMA_VERSION Register

Table 2-13: VDMA_VERSION Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-28	Major Version	6h	RO	Single 4-bit hexadecimal value. v1 = 1h, v2=2h, v3=3h, and so on.
27-20	Minor Version	00h	RO	Two separate 4-bit hexadecimal values. 00 = 00h, 01 = 01h, and so on.
19-16	Revision	0h	RO	Reserved for Internal Use Only.
15-0	Xilinx Internal	various	RO	Reserved for Internal Use Only. Integer value from 0 to 9999.

Stream to Memory Map Register Detail

S2MM_VDMACR (S2MM VDMA Control Register – Offset 30h)

This register provides control for the Stream to Memory Map VDMA Channel.

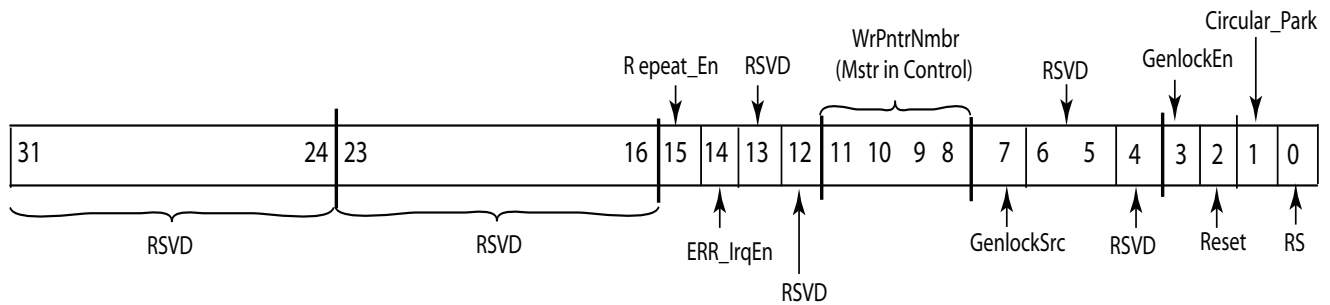


Figure 2-7: S2MM_VDMACR Register

Table 2-14: S2MM_VDMACR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	0x0001h	RO	Write has no effect and read as default. Note: Bits [31:24] are used as delay counter and Bits [23:16] are used as frame counter for generating corresponding interrupts when enabled. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable these features.
15	Repeat_En	1h	RO	Enables repeat or advance frame when AXI VDMA encounters frame error. This is applicable when AXI VDMA is configured in Genlock Master or Dynamic Genlock Master. 0 - Advance to next frame on frame errors 1 - Repeat previous frame on frame errors
14	Err_IrqEn	0h	R/W	Interrupt on Error Interrupt Enable. When set to 1, allows VDMASR.Err_Irq to generate an interrupt out. 0 = Error Interrupt disabled 1 = Error Interrupt enabled
13-12	Reserved	0h	RO	Write has no effect on AXI VDMA. Note: Bit 13 is used to enable delay count interrupt and bit 12 is used to enable the frame count interrupt. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable these features.
11-8	WrPntrNum	0h	R/W	Indicates the master in control when S2MM channel is configured for Genlock slave/Dynamic Genlock Master/Dynamic Genlock Slave. 0000b = Controlling entity is Entity 1 0001b = Controller entity is Entity 2 0010b = Controller entity is Entity 3 and so on
7	GenlockSrc	1h	R/W	Sets the Genlock source for Genlock slaves. This bit is set by default when both channels are enabled and are configured as a valid Genlock pair. 0 = External Genlock 1 = Internal Genlock
6-5	Reserved	0h	R/W	Write has no effect on AXI VDMA.
4	Reserved	0h	R/W	Writing has no effect on AXI VDMA. Note: This bit is used to enable frame counter. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable this feature.

Table 2-14: S2MM_VDMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

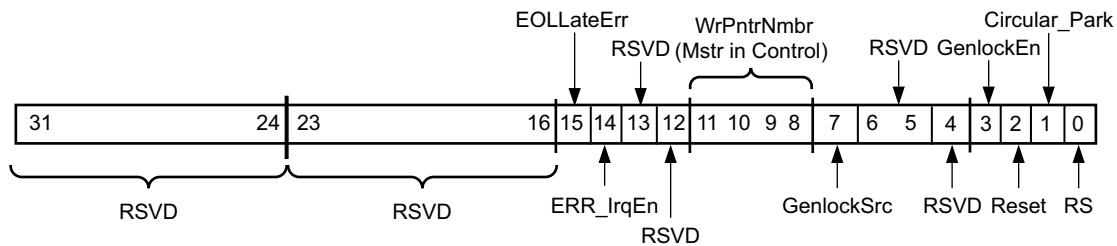
Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
3	GenlockEn	0h	R/W RO	<p>Enables Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization.</p> <p>0 = Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization disabled. Genlock input is ignored by S2MM.</p> <p>1 = Genlock or Dynamic Genlock Synchronization enabled. S2MM synchronized to Genlock frame input.</p> <p>Note: This value is only valid when the channel is configured as Genlock Slave or Dynamic Genlock Master or Dynamic Genlock Slave. If configured for Genlock Master mode, this bit is reserved and always reads as zero.</p> <p>See Genlock Synchronization for more details on different Genlock modes.</p>
2	Reset	0h	R/W	<p>Soft reset for AXI VDMA S2MM channel. Setting this bit to a 1 causes the AXI VDMA S2MM channel to be reset. Reset is accomplished gracefully. Pending commands/transfers are flushed or completed. AXI4-Stream reset output is asserted. Setting VDMACR.Reset = 1 only resets the S2MM channel. After completion of a soft reset, all S2MM registers and bits are in the default state. This bit will be 0 at the end of reset cycle.</p> <p>0 = Normal operation 1 = Reset in progress</p>

Table 2-14: S2MM_VDMACR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
1	Circular_Park	1h	R/W	<p>When set to 1, indicates Circular Buffer Mode and frame buffers are processed in a circular manner. When set to 0, indicates Park Mode and channel will park on the frame buffer referenced by PARK_PTR_REG.WrFrmPntrRef.</p> <p>0 = Park – Engine will park on the frame buffer referenced by PARK_PTR_REG.WrFrmPntrRef.</p> <p>1 = Tail Pointer Mode/Circular Buffer Mode. SG Descriptor is processed until the TAILDESC pointer is reached if SG engine is included and start address is cycled through in a circular manner.</p> <p>Note: Transitions to/from Park and Circular Buffer modes occur on frame sync boundaries.</p>
0	RS	0h	R/W	<p>Run / Stop. Controls running and stopping of the VDMA channel. For any VDMA operations to commence the AXI VDMA engine must be running (VDMACR.RS=1).</p> <p>0 = Stop – VDMA stops when current (if any) VDMA operations are complete. The halted bit in the VDMA Status Register asserts to 1 when the VDMA engine is halted. This bit gets cleared by the AXI VDMA hardware when an error occurs. The CPU can also choose to clear this bit to stop VDMA operations.</p> <p>1 = Run – Start VDMA operations. The halted bit in the VDMA Status Register deasserts to 0 when the VDMA engine begins operations.</p> <p>Note: If Run/Stop is cleared, in-progress stream transfers might terminate early.</p>

S2MM_VDMASR (S2MM VDMA Status Register – Offset 34h)

This register provides the status for the Stream to Memory Map VDMA Channel.



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Figure 2-8: S2MM_VDMASR Register

Table 2-15: S2MM_VDMASR Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	0001h	RO	Write has no effect and read as default.
15	EOLLateErr	0	R/WC	End of Line Late Error. 0 = No End of Line Late Error 1 = End of Line Late Error detected. VDMA does not halt This error occurs if incoming line size is greater than programmed hsize value. Write 1 to clear.
14	Err_Irq	0	R/WC	Interrupt on Error. When set to 1, indicates an interrupt event was generated on error. If enabled (VDMACR.Err_IrqEn = 1), an interrupt out is generated from the AXI VDMA. 0 = No error Interrupt. 1 = Error interrupt detected.
13-12	Reserved	0	R/W	Write has no effect and read as zero. Note: Bit 13 captures Delay Interrupt Status. It is set to 1 when a delay interrupt is detected. Bit 12 captures the Frame Count Interrupt Status. It is set to 1 when a frame count interrupt is detected. Both of these bits are write 1 to clear. See Appendix C, Additional Design Information to enable Delay Interrupt feature.
11	SOFLateErr	0	R/WC	Start of Frame Late Error. 0 = No Start of Frame Late Error 1 = Start of Frame Late Error detected. VDMA does not halt This error occurs if incoming frame size is greater than programmed vsize value. Write 1 to Clear in flush on fsync mode.
10-9	Reserved	0	RO	Write has no effect and read as zero.
8	EOLEarlyErr	0	R/WC	End of Line Early Error. 0 = No End of Line Early Error 1 = End of Line Early Error detected. VDMA does not halt This error occurs if incoming line size is lesser than programmed hsize value. Write 1 to clear.
7	SOFEarlyErr	0	RO or R/WC	Start of Frame Early Error. 0 = No Start of Frame Early Error 1 = Start of Frame Early Error detected. VDMA does not halt This error occurs if incoming frame size is lesser than programmed vsize value. Write 1 to Clear in flush on fsync mode and Read Only otherwise.

Table 2-15: S2MM_VDMASR Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
6	VDMADecErr	0	RO	VDMA Decode Error. 0 = No VDMA Decode Errors. 1 = VDMA Decode Error detected. VDMA channel halts. This error occurs if the address request is to an invalid address.
5	DMASlvErr	0	RO	DMA Slave Error. 0 = No VDMA Slave Errors. 1 = VDMA Slave Error detected. VDMA Engine halts. This error occurs if the slave read from the Memory Map interface issues a Slave Error.
4	DMAIntErr	0	R/WC	DMA Internal Error. 0 = No VDMA Internal Errors. 1 = VDMA Internal Error detected. VDMA channel halts. This error occurs during one of the following conditions: HSIZE or VSIZE register were written zeros in Received frame size is greater or less than vsize lines.
3-2	Reserved	0	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect and they are always read as zeros.
1	Reserved	0	RO	Write has no effect and read as zero.
0	Halted	1	RO	DMA Channel Halted. Indicates the run/stop state of the VDMA channel. 0 = VDMA channel running 1 = VDMA channel halted. This bit gets set when VDMACR.RS = 0 and VDMA and SG operations have halted. There can be a lag of time between when VDMACR.RS = 0 and when VDMASR.Halted = 1.

S2MM_REG_INDEX (S2MM Register Index - Offset 44h)

This register is reserved if Frame Buffers selected in the Vivado IDE is less than 17 (writing has no effect, read returns 0).

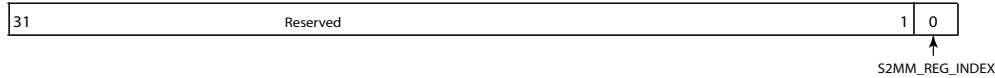


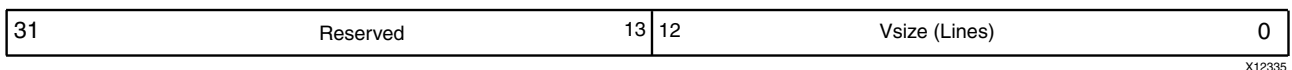
Figure 2-9: S2MM Register Index

Table 2-16: S2MM Register Index (S2MM_REG_INDEX - Offset 0x44)

Bits	Name	Default/Reset State	Access	Description
31-1	Reserved		RO	Always read as zero
0	S2MM Reg Index	0h	RO	When Frame Buffers is greater than 16 0 = Any write or read access between 0xAC to 0xE8 accesses the Start Address 1 to 16 registers. 1 = Any write or read access between 0xAC to 0xE8 accesses the Start Address 17 to 32 registers.

MM2S Vertical Size (MM2S_VSIZE – Offset 0x50)

The vertical size register has a dual purpose: first to hold the number of vertical lines, and second to be the mechanism for starting an MM2S transfer. If MM2S_VDMACR.RS = 1, a write to this register transfers the video parameters and start addresses to an internal register block for VDMA controller use. This register must be written last for a particular channel.



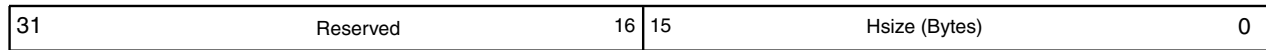
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Figure 2-10: MM2S VSIZE Register

Table 2-17: MM2S VSIZE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-13	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
12-0	Vertical Size (Lines)	zeros	R/W	Indicates vertical size in lines of the video data to transfer.

MM2S Horizontal Size (MM2S_HSIZE – Offset 0x54)



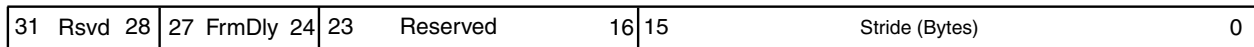
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Figure 2-11: MM2S HSIZE Register

Table 2-18: MM2S HSIZE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
15-0	Horizontal Size (Bytes)	zeros	R/W	Indicates the horizontal size in bytes of the video data to transfer. Note: A value of zero in this field when MM2S_VSIZE is written causes a VDMAIntErr to be flagged in the VDMASR Register.

MM2S Frame Delay and Stride (MM2S_FRMDLY_STRIDE – Offset 0x58)



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Figure 2-12: MM2S Frame Delay and Stride Register

Table 2-19: MM2S FRMDELAY_STRIDE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-29	Reserved	zeroes	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
28-24	Frame Delay	zeros	R/W	Indicates the minimum number of frame buffers the Genlock slave is to be behind the locked master. This field is only used if the channel is enabled for Genlock Slave operations. This field has no meaning in other Genlock modes. Note: Frame Delay must be less than or equal to Frame Buffers or undefined results occur.

Table 2-19: MM2S FRMDELAY_STRIDE Register Details (Cont'd)

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
23-16	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
15-0	Stride (Bytes)	zeros	R/W	Indicates the number of address bytes between the first pixels of each video line. Note: A stride value less than MM2S_HSIZE causes data to be corrupted.

MM2S Start Addresses (Offsets 0x5C to Maximum Offset 0x98)

There is a maximum of 32 start registers available that are divided in two register banks, Bank0 and Bank1, each of 16 registers. Both the banks have the same initial offset (that is, 0x5C) and are accessed depending upon the MM2S_REG_INDEX value. If you want to access the 17th start address, it can be done by setting MM2S_REG_INDEX to 1 and accessing offset 0x5C.

31	Start Address 1	0
31	:	0
31	Start Address N ⁽¹⁾	0

1. N = Frame Buffers in XGUI

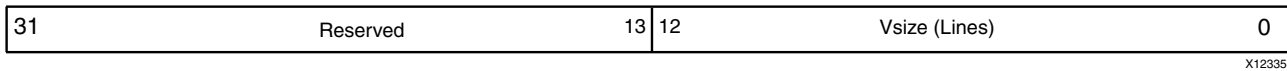
Figure 2-13: MM2S Start Address Register/s 1 to N

Table 2-20: MM2S Start Address Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-0 (Offset 0x5C to 0x98 max.)	Start Address 1 to N	zeros	R/W	Indicates the Start Address for video buffer 1 to N.

S2MM Vertical Size (S2MM_VSIZE – Offset 0xA0)

The vertical size register has a dual purpose: first to hold the number of vertical lines, and second to be the mechanism for starting an S2MM transfer. If S2MM_DMACR.RS = 1, a write to this register transfers the video parameters and start addresses to an internal register block for VDMA controller use. This register must be written last for a particular channel.



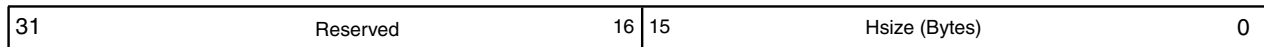
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Figure 2-14: S2MM VSIZE Register

Table 2-21: S2MM VSIZE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-13	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
12-0	Vertical Size (Lines)	zeros	R/W	Indicates vertical size in lines of the video data to transfer. Note: Writing a value of zero in this field causes a VDMAIntErr to be flagged in the VDMASR on next frame boundary.

S2MM Horizontal Size (S2MM_HSIZE – Offset 0xA4)



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Figure 2-15: S2MM HSIZE Register

Table 2-22: S2MM HSIZE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-16	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
15-0	Horizontal Size (Bytes)	zeros	R/W	Indicates the horizontal size in bytes of the video data to transfer. Note: A value of zero in this field when S2MM_VSIZE is written causes a VDMAIntErr to be flagged in the VDMASR register on next frame boundary.

S2MM Frame Delay and Stride (S2MM_FRMDLY_STRIDE – Offset 0xA8)

31	Rsvd	29	28	S2MM_FrmDly	24	23	Reserved	16	15	S2MM_Stride (Bytes)	0
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Figure 2-16: S2MM Frame Delay and Stride Register

Table 2-23: S2MM FRMDELAY_STRIDE Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-29	Reserved	zeros	RO	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
28-24	Frame Delay	zeros	R/W	Indicates the minimum number of frame stores the Genlock slave is to be behind the locked master. This field is only used if channel is enabled for Genlock Slave Operations Note: Frame Delay must be less than or equal to Frame Buffers or undefined results occur.
23-16	Reserved	zeros	R/W	Writing to these bits has no effect, and they are always read as zeros.
15-0	Stride (Bytes)	zeros	R/W	Indicates the number of address bytes between the first pixels of each video line. Note: A stride value less than S2MM_HSIZE causes data to be corrupted.

S2MM Start Addresses (Offsets 0xAC to Maximum Offset 0xE8)

There is a maximum of 32 start registers available that are divided in two register banks, Bank0 and Bank1, each of 16 registers. Both the banks have the same initial offset (that is, 0xE8) and are accessed depending upon the S2MM_REG_INDEX value. If you want to access the 17th start address, it can be done by setting S2MM_REG_INDEX to 1 and accessing offset 0xE8.

31	Start Address 1	0
31	:	0
31	Start Address N ⁽¹⁾	0

1. N = Frame Buffers in XGUI

Figure 2-17: S2MM Start Address Register/s 1 to N

Table 2-24: S2MM Start Address Register Details

Bits	Field Name	Default Value	Access Type	Description
31-0 (Offset 0xAC to 0xE8 max.)	Start Address 1 to N	zeros	R/W	Indicates the Start Address for video buffer 1 to N.

Genlock Synchronization

In many video applications, a producer of data runs at a different rate than the consumer of that data. To avoid the potential ill effects that such a rate mismatch can cause, frame buffering is often used. Frame buffering allocates multiple frames worth of memory to be used to hold the data. The data producer writes to one buffer while the consumer reads from another.

The Genlock feature of the AXI VDMA compensates for this by preventing the read and write channels from accessing the same frame simultaneously.

The AXI VDMA supports four modes of Genlock synchronization. They are Genlock Master, Genlock Slave, Dynamic Genlock Master and Dynamic Genlock Slave. [Figure 2-18](#) and [Figure 2-19](#) show the valid Genlock Connections.

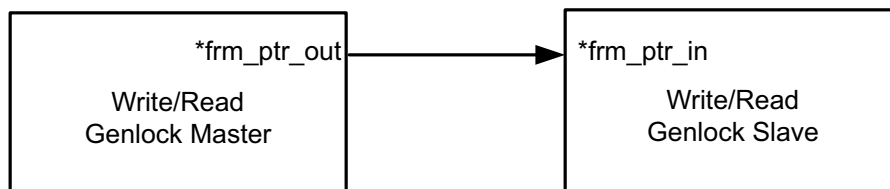


Figure 2-18: Genlock Master and Genlock Slave Connection

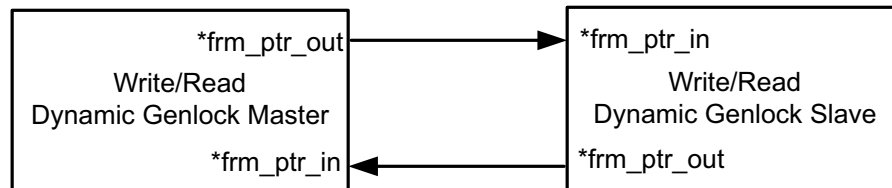


Figure 2-19: Dynamic Genlock Master and Dynamic Genlock Slave Connection

Genlock Master

Read (MM2S) channel: When configured as Genlock Master, the channel does not drop or repeat the frames. It outputs the current frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out`. It does not monitor the frame pointer values on `mm2s_frm_ptr_in`. Genlock Slave should follow the Genlock Master with a predetermined frame delay value set in its `*FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]`.

Write (S2MM) channel: When configured as Genlock Master, the channel does not drop or repeat the frames. It outputs the current frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out`. It does not monitor the frame pointer values on `s2mm_frm_ptr_in`. Genlock Slave should follow the Genlock Master with a predetermined frame delay value set in its `*FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]`.

Genlock Slave

Read (MM2S) channel: When configured as Genlock Slave, the channel tries to catch up with the Genlock Master either by dropping or repeating frames. It samples Genlock Master frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_in` and operates with a predetermined frame delay value set in its `MM2S_FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]`. It does not outputs its current frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out`.

To setup the channel in Genlock Slave mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (`MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1`) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (`MM2S_VDMACR[7]=1`) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, you do not need to connect `*_frm_ptr_out` and `*_frm_ptr_in` signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.
- Set appropriate value in `MM2S_FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]` based on master and slave frame rates.

Write (S2MM) channel: When configured as Genlock Slave, the channel tries to catch up with the Genlock Master either by dropping or repeating frames. It samples Genlock Master frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_in` and operates with predetermined frame delay value set in its `S2MM_FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]`. It does not output its current frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out`.

To setup the channel in Genlock Slave mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (`S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1`) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (`S2MM_VDMACR[7]=1`) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, you do not need to connect `*_frm_ptr_out` and `*_frm_ptr_in` signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.
- Set appropriate value in `S2MM_FRMDLY_STRIDE[28:24]` based on master and slave frame rates.

Dynamic Genlock Master

Read (MM2S) channel: When configured as Dynamic Genlock Master, the channel skips the frame buffers that Dynamic Genlock Slave is operating on. It is done by either dropping or repeating frames. It samples Dynamic Genlock Slave frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_in`. It outputs the previously accessed frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out`.

To setup the channel in Dynamic Genlock Master mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (`MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1`) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (`MM2S_VDMACR[7]=1`) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, you do not need to connect `*_frm_ptr_out` and `*_frm_ptr_in` signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.

Example: In case of three frame stores, the Dynamic Genlock Master will rotate around 0,1,2,0,1,2 and so on as long as it is not stepping on the Slave buffer. If it does detect that it is stepping on the Slave buffer, it skips that buffer and keeps on rotating. Thus if the Slave buffer is 1 for a long time, the Master rotates between 0,2,0,2 and so on.

Write (S2MM) channel: When configured as Dynamic Genlock Master, the channel skips the frame buffers that Dynamic Genlock Slave is operating on. It is done by either dropping or repeating frames. It samples Dynamic Genlock Slave frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_in`. It outputs the previously accessed frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out`.

To setup the channel in Dynamic Genlock Master mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (S2MM_VDMACR[7]=1) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, you do not need to connect *_frm_ptr_out and *_frm_ptr_in signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.

Dynamic Genlock Slave

Read (MM2S) channel: When configured as Dynamic Genlock Slave, the channel accesses the previous frame that Dynamic Genlock Master operated on. It samples Dynamic Genlock Master frame number on mm2s_frm_ptr_in. It outputs the current accessed frame number on mm2s_frm_ptr_out.

To setup the channel in Dynamic Genlock Slave mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (MM2S_VDMACR[7]=1) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, user does not need to connect *_frm_ptr_out and *_frm_ptr_in signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.

Write (S2MM) channel: When configured as Dynamic Genlock Slave, the channel accesses the previous frame that Dynamic Genlock Master operated on. It samples Dynamic Genlock Master frame number on s2mm_frm_ptr_in. It outputs the current accessed frame number on s2mm_frm_ptr_out.

To setup the AXI VDMA in Dynamic Genlock Slave mode, the following settings should be used:

- Set GenlockEn (S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1) to enable Genlock synchronization between master and slave.
- Set GenlockSrc (S2MM_VDMACR[7]=1) to enable Internal Genlock mode. This bit is set to 1 by default if both channels are enabled in the Vivado IDE. When it is set to 1, you not need to connect *_frm_ptr_out and *_frm_ptr_in signals externally. They are routed internally in the core.

Figure 2-20 illustrates simple timing of Genlock operation. In this example, Write(S2MM) channel has been configured as the Genlock Master and Read(MM2S) channel has been configured as the Genlock Slave. The Write channel frame rate is faster than that of Read so the Write channel Genlock Slave skips frames automatically.

As one can see in [Figure 2-20](#), in the time the Write channel cycles through frame 0, 1, 2 and back to 0, the Read channel has only cycled through two frame.

Due to the slow frame rate of the Read channel compared to Write channel, the Read channel processes frame 2 then frame 0 then frame 2 again, skipping frame 1.

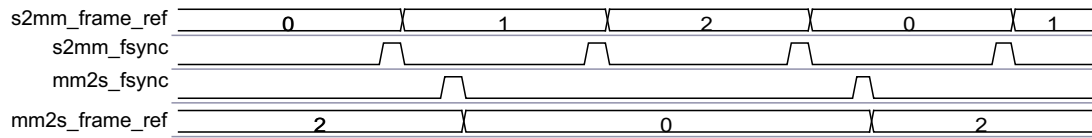


Figure 2-20: Example Genlock Timing

The Genlock Master uses the index of the Start Address register to specify which Start Address register the Genlock Slave should use. This Start Address Register index is encoded as a Grey code value and appears on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out` and `s2mm_frm_ptr_out` for the MM2S and S2MM channels respectively.

Errors

Any detected error on the primary datapath (that is, `VDMAIntErr`, `VDMASlvErr`, and `VDMADecErr`) results in the associated channel (MM2S or S2MM) to halt gracefully. To resume operations, a reset must be issued, either soft or hard. Soft reset can be issued to the channel that logged the error. Hard reset will reset the whole VDMA engine. The following sections describe the possible errors and their causes.

VDMAIntErr

This error occurs if the `VSIZE` and/or `HSIZE` register for the respective channel = 0 when the `VSIZE` register was written. This error also occurs when there is a frame size mismatch between programmed `vsize` and received(S2MM path)/transmitted(MM2S path) lines.

VDMASlvErr

VDMA Slave Error occurs when the slave to/from which data are transferred responds with a `SLVERR` on the memory map interface.

VDMADecErr

DMA Decode Error occurs when the address request is targeted to an address that does not exist.

Line and Frame Errors

Line and Frame errors are flagged if line and frame sizes do not match with the configured values in the AXI VDMA. AXI VDMA does not halt when these errors occur. It logs the error in status register and continue processing the frames. [Table 2-25](#) lists errors in Read(MM2S) path and [Table 2-26](#) lists errors in Write(S2MM) path.

Table 2-25: Line and Frame Errors in Read Path

Cause	MM2S Errors	Operating Mode	
	Register setting	Free run	Fsync mode
VDMA configured for too many lines w.r.t. Streaming Slave	SOFEarlyErr (bit7 of offset 0x04h).	N/A	Channel does not HALT. Channel goes out-of-sync until next fsync, asserts TVALID low and does not provide any data until next fsync.

Table 2-26: Line and Frame Errors in Write Path

Cause	S2MM Errors	Operating Mode	
	Register setting	Free run	Fsync mode
VDMA configured for too many lines w.r.t. Streaming Master	SOFEarlyErr (bit 7 of offset 0x34h).	This error cannot happen in free-run mode. VDMA waits infinitely for pending lines.	Channel does not HALT. Channel goes out-of-sync until next fsync, asserts TREADY high but does not transfer data till next fsync.
VDMA configured for too few lines w.r.t. Streaming Master	SOFLateErr (bit 11 of offset 0x34h).	This error cannot happen in free-run mode.	After receiving the VSIZE number of video lines, channel continues to assert TREADY high. If Streaming Master drives more data, it is dropped and this error bit is set.
VDMA configured for too many bytes per line w.r.t. Streaming Master	EOLEarlyErr (bit 8 of offset 0x34h).	Channel does not HALT.	Channel does not HALT.
VDMA configured for too few bytes per line w.r.t. Streaming Master	EOLLateErr (bit 15 of offset 0x34h).	Channel does not HALT. Extra bytes received in the line are dropped.	Channel does not HALT. Extra bytes received in the line are dropped.

Designing with the Core

General Design Guidelines

AXI VDMA is compliant to AXI4 on both the memory and streaming side. Any AXI compliant IP can be connected to the core. See [XAPP741](#), [XAPP742](#) for various system configuration using AXI VDMA. Also see the [Triple Frame Buffer Example in Chapter 6](#).

Clocking

AXI VDMA provides two clocking modes of operation: asynchronous and synchronous. In async mode VDMA control, MM2S and S2MM Primary datapaths can all run asynchronously from each other. Checking "Enable Asynchronous Mode" in the Vivado™ IDE enables this mode and creates five clock domains.

- AXI4-Lite clock domain clocked by `s_axi_lite_aclk`
- mm2s clock domain on Memory Map side clocked by `m_axi_mm2s_aclk`
- s2mm clock domain on Memory Map side clocked by `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`
- s2mm clock domain on streaming side clocked by `s_axis_s2mm_aclk`
- mm2s clock domain on streaming side clocked by `m_axis_mm2s_aclk`

In asynchronous mode, the frequency of `s_axi_lite_aclk` \leq `m_axi_mm2s_aclk` or `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`.

Note: Make sure Memory Map side clock is equal to or greater than Streaming side clock to achieve required performance.

In synchronous mode, all logic runs in a single clock domain. The signals `s_axi_lite_aclk`, `m_axi_mm2s_aclk`, `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`, `m_axis_mm2s_aclk`, and `s_axis_s2mm_aclk` must be tied to the same source otherwise undefined results occur.

Frequency

Changing Clock frequencies dynamically is supported on the AXI4-Stream. This allows users to dynamically change the AXI4 -Stream clocks (m_axis_mm2s_aclk and s_axis_s2mm_clk). Dynamic frequency change of m_axi_mm2s_aclk, m_axi_s2mm_aclk and s_axi_lite_aclk are not supported.

Dynamic Resolution

This feature allows you to dynamically change both the streaming clock and frame format without going through the reset cycle. For example, you will be able to switch between HD1080 to NTSC/PAL without going through reset cycle.

Table 3-1 illustrates signal sets and its corresponding clock in asynchronous mode.

Table 3-1: Asynchronous Mode Clock Distribution

Clocks	Ports
s_axi_lite_aclk	All s_axi_lite_* Signals mm2s_introut s2mm_introut axi_resetn
m_axi_mm2s_aclk	All m_axi_mm2s_* Signals
m_axi_s2mm_aclk	All m_axi_s2mm_* Signals
m_axis_mm2s_aclk	All m_axis_mm2s_* Signals mm2s_fsync mm2s_frame_ptr_in mm2s_frame_ptr_out
s_axis_s2mm_aclk	All s_axis_s2mm_* Signals s2mm_prmtr_update s2mm_frame_ptr_in s2mm_frame_ptr_out

Resets

The AXI VDMA uses an active-Low reset input `axi_resetn`. The reset signal must be synchronous to the `s_axi_lite_aclk` signal and should be asserted for a minimum of eight clock cycles of the slowest clock. All registers are reset to power-on conditions; all queues are flushed; all internal logic is returned to power-on conditions.

AXI VDMA also provides Soft Reset with the VDMA Control Register for each channel. Issuing a Soft Reset by setting MM2S VDMA Control Register Reset bit to 1 or S2MM VDMA Control Register Reset bit to 1 causes the respective channel to reset gracefully. All pending transactions on AXI interface will be completed. Resetting one channel with the VDMA Control Register does *not* Reset the other channel.

Programming Sequence

AXI VDMA operations begin with the set up of the video parameter and start address registers and the VDMA control registers. The following lists minimum steps, in order, required to start AXI VDMA operations:

1. Write control information to the channel VDMACR register (Offset 0x00 for MM2S and 0x30 for S2MM) to set interrupt enables if desired, and set VDMACR.RS=1 to start the AXI VDMA channel running.
2. Write valid video frame buffer start address to the channel START_ADDRESS register 1 to N where N equals Frame Buffers (Offset 0x58 up to 0x98 for MM2S and 0xAC up to 0xE8 for S2MM). Set the REG_INDEX register as and if required.
3. Write a valid Frame Delay (valid only for Genlock Slave) and Stride to the channel FRMDLY_STRIDE register (Offset 0x58 for MM2S and 0xA8 for S2MM).
4. Write a valid Horizontal Size to the channel HSIZE register (Offset 0x54 for MM2S and 0xA4 for S2MM).
5. Write a valid Vertical Size to the channel VSIZE register (Offset 0x50 for MM2S and 0xA0 for S2MM). This starts the channel transferring video data

You should be able to update video parameter settings at any time while the engine is running by writing new video parameters and a video start address through the AXI4-Lite control interface. The newly written video transfer values take effect on the next frame boundary after you write the vertical size register for the respective channel.

To update video parameters dynamically while AXI VDMA operations are ongoing, a similar process to the start steps is needed.

1. Write the Frame Delay, Stride, and Horizontal Size in any order for the associated channel.
 2. Write the Vertical Size. When VSize is written, the video register values are transferred to an internal register block. On the next frame boundary the VDMA controller for the associated channel starts transfers using the newly updated values.
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Interrupts

An interrupt output is provided for each channel (MM2S and S2MM). This output drives High when there is an error if the error interrupt is enabled.

Customizing and Generating the Core

This chapter includes information on using Xilinx tools to customize and generate the core using the Vivado™ IP catalog. For more information about the Vivado Design Suite, see the [Vivado design tools user documentation](#).

Vivado Integrated Design Environment

To access the AXI VDMA, do the following:

1. Open a project by selecting **File > Open Project** or create a new project by selecting **File > New Project**.
2. Open **IP Catalog** and choose **AXI Infrastructure/Video & Image Processing** in the **View by Function** pane.
3. Double-click **AXI Video Direct Memory Access** to display the AXI VDMA Vivado IDE.

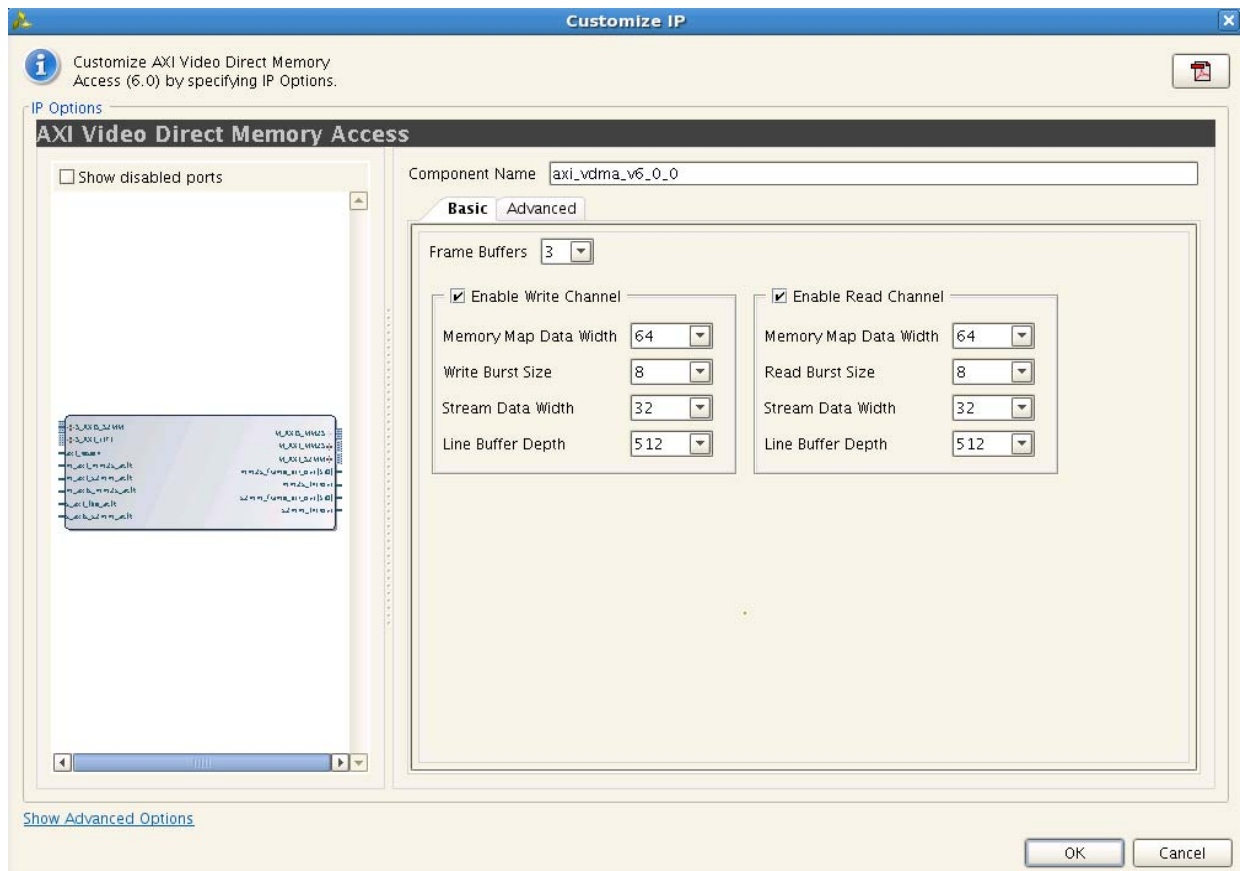


Figure 4-1: AXI VDMA Basic Options (Vivado IDE)

Basic Options

The following describes the basic options that affect both channels of the AXI VDMA core.

Frame Buffers

This option enables selection of the number of frame buffer storage locations to be processed by AXI VDMA.

Enable Write Channel

Checking this option enables S2MM Channel

Memory Map Data Width

This option enables selection desired AXI4 data width for S2MM channel. Valid values are 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1024.

Write Burst Size

This option specifies the maximum size of the burst cycles on the AXI S2MM Memory Map Write interface. For example, if the burst length is set to 16, the maximum burst on the memory map interface is 16 data beats.

Stream Data Width

This option enables selection of AXI4-Stream data width for S2MM channel. Valid values are multiples of 8 up to 1024 bits. This value must be less than or equal to Memory Map Data Width.

Line Buffer Depth

This option enables selection of line buffer depth for S2MM channel.

Enable Read Channel

Checking this option enables MM2S Channel.

Memory Map Data Width

This option enables selection of desired AXI4 data width for MM2S channel. Valid values are 32, 64, 128, 256, 512 and 1024.

Read Burst Size

This option specifies the maximum size of the burst cycles on the AXI MM2S Memory Map Read interface. For example, if the burst length is set to 16, the maximum burst on the memory map interface is 16 data beats.

Stream Data Width

This option enables selection of AXI4-Stream data width for MM2S channel. Valid values are multiples of 8 up to 1024 bits. This value must be less than or equal to Memory Map Data Width.

Line Buffer Depth

This option enables selection of line buffer depth for MM2S channel.

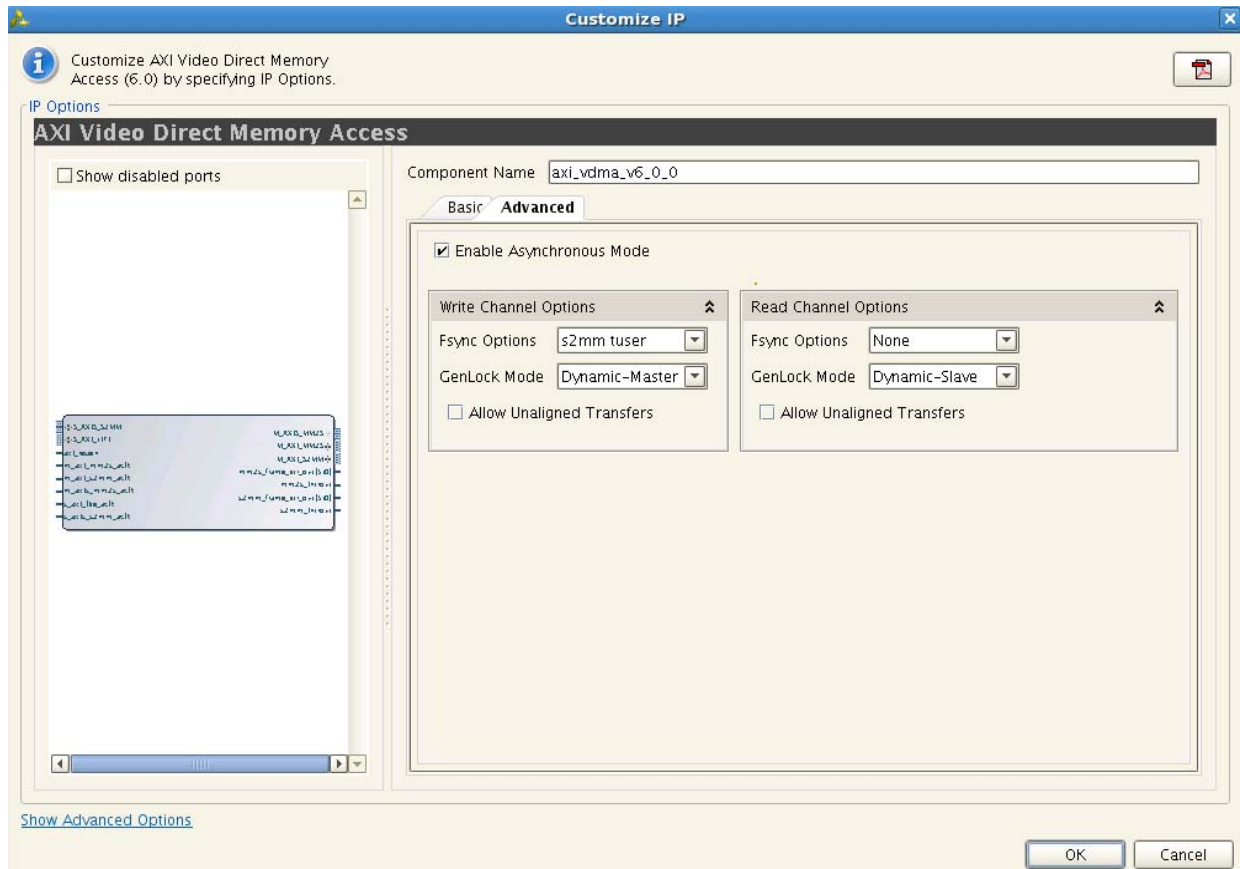


Figure 4-2: AXI VDMA Advanced Options (Vivado IDE)

Advanced Options

The following describes advanced options that affect both channels of the AXI VDMA core

Enable Asynchronous Mode

This setting allows `m_axi_mm2s_aclk`, `m_axi_s2mm_aclk`, `s_axi_lite_aclk`, `m_axis_mm2s_aclk` and `s_axis_s2mm_aclk` to be asynchronous from each other. When Asynchronous Clocks are disabled, all clocks must be at the same frequency and from the same source. When building systems using AXI VDMA through IPI, this parameter sets to the appropriate value automatically based on clock connections.

Write Channel Options

It provides advanced options for S2MM path.

Fsync Options

This option is used to set various frame synchronization modes of AXI VDMA.

None

Selecting this option enables AXI VDMA in free run mode. In free run mode, video data are transferred as quickly as possible without waiting for any external trigger.

s2mm fsync

When selected the AXI VDMA starts processing each frame on the falling edge of the `s2mm_fsync` input.

s2mm tuser

When selected the AXI VDMA expects the Start-Of-Frame (SOF) over the AXI4-Stream `s_axis_s2mm_tuser0` signal. The SOF pulse is 1 *valid* transfer wide, and must coincide with the first pixel of the frame.

It can be asserted an arbitrary number of `s_axis_s2mm_aclk` cycles before the first pixel value is presented on `s_axis_s2mm_tdata`, as long as a `s_axis_s2mm_tvalid` is not asserted.

Genlock Mode

There are four genlock options:

Master

When selected, outputs current frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out` port.

Slave

When selected, Slave follows the Master by the frames set in Frame Delay register either by dropping or repeating frames. `GenlockEn (S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1)` register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Master and Slave.

Dynamic Master

When selected, AXI VDMA skips the frame buffers that Dynamic Slave is working on. It outputs completed frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out` port.

`GenlockEn (S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1)` register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Dynamic Master and Dynamic Slave.

Dynamic Slave

When selected, AXI VDMA follows Dynamic Master either by dropping or repeating frames. It outputs current frame number on `s2mm_frm_ptr_out` port.

GenlockEn (S2MM_VDMACR[3]=1) register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Dynamic Master and Dynamic Slave.

See [Genlock Synchronization in Chapter 2](#) for more details.

Allow Unaligned Transfers

Enables or disables the S2MM Data Realignment Engine. When checked, the data realignment engine is enabled and allows data realignment to the byte (8 bits) level on the S2MM Memory Map datapath. When unchecked, the Start Address must be aligned to multiples of write memory map data width bytes. Also Horizontal Size and Stride must be specified in even multiples of write memory map data width bytes. For example, if read memory map data width = 32, data is aligned if the Start Address at word offsets(32-bit offset), that is, 0x0, 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so on. Horizontal Size is 0x4, 0x8, 0xC and so on. Stride is 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so on.



IMPORTANT: *Having an unaligned Start Address, HSize, and/or Stride when Allow Unaligned Transfers is unchecked will result in undefined behavior.*

Note: The Data Realignment Engine only supports AXI4-Stream data width setting of 64-bits and less.

Read Channel Options

It provides advanced options for MM2S path.

Fsync Options

This option is used to set various frame synchronization modes of AXI VDMA

None

Selecting this option enables AXI VDMA in free run mode. In free run mode, video data are transferred as quickly as possible without waiting for any external trigger.

mm2s fsync

When selected the AXI VDMA starts processing each frame on the falling edge of the `mm2s_fsync` input.

GenLock Mode

There are four genlock options:

Master

When selected, outputs current frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out` port.

Slave

When selected, Slave follows the Master by the frames set in the Frame Delay register either by dropping or repeating frames. GenlockEn (MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1) register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Master and Slave.

Dynamic Master

When selected, AXI VDMA skips the frame buffers that Dynamic Slave is working on. It outputs completed frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out` port.

GenlockEn (MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1) register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Dynamic Master and Dynamic Slave.

Dynamic Slave

When selected, AXI VDMA follows Dynamic Master either by dropping or repeating frames. It outputs current frame number on `mm2s_frm_ptr_out` port.

GenlockEn (MM2S_VDMACR[3]=1) register should be set to enable genlock synchronization between Dynamic Master and Dynamic Slave.

See [Genlock Synchronization in Chapter 2](#) for more details.

Allow Unaligned Transfers

Enables or disables the MM2S Data Realignment Engine. When checked, the data realignment engine is enabled and allows data realignment to the byte (8 bits) level on the MM2S Memory Map datapath.

When disabled, the Start Address must be aligned to multiples of read memory map data width bytes. Also Horizontal Size and Stride must be specified in even multiples of read memory map data width bytes. For example, if read memory map data width = 32, data is aligned if the Start Address at word offsets(32-bit offset), that is, 0x0, 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so on. Horizontal Size is 0x4, 0x8, 0xC and so on. Stride is 0x4, 0x8, 0xC, and so on.



IMPORTANT: *Having an unaligned Start Address, HSize, and/or Stride when Allow Unaligned Transfers is unchecked will result in undefined behavior.*

Note: The Data Realignment Engine only supports AXI4-Stream data width setting of 64-bits and less.

Constraining the Core

This chapter contains information about constraining the core when using the Vivado™ Design Suite.

In synchronous mode, all clocks run at the same frequency and are derived from the same source. There are no multicycle or false paths in this design.

In asynchronous mode, all clocks are treated asynchronously to each other and the core will write out appropriate clock domain crossing constraints.

Detailed Example Design

This chapter contains information about the provided example design in the Vivado™ Design Suite. For detailed information about available example designs for the VDMA core, see the Xilinx Application Notes, [XAPP739](#), [XAPP740](#), [XAPP741](#), and [XAPP742](#).

Triple Frame Buffer Example

Triple buffers or drop/add frame synchronizers are a common use for the AXI VDMA. Triple buffers can be used to pass image frames between two distinct clock domains without shear. Shear occurs when a frame is read from memory but that frame is made up of two different write frames. When the read and write clocks are asynchronous, the read and write memory pointers will cross each other at some point in time resulting in shear. To avoid shear, read and write pointers are not allowed to cross each other which results in frames being repeated or skipped.

The AXI VDMA Vivado IDE parameters are configured for Triple Buffer Mode by default. You can generate the core by clicking OK on XGUI if Write and Read channel data widths, Burst size and Line buffer depth changes are not required.

1. Configure the write registers as Dynamic Genlock Master.
 - a. Set S2MM_VDMACR (30h) to 0x108Bh. This enables run/stop and circular_park mode.
 - b. Set S2MM_Start_Address 1 (ACh) through S2MM_Start_Address 3 (B4h) to their required locations. These locations can be static (based on maximum frame size) or dynamic (based on actual frame size).
 - c. Set S2MM_FRMDLY_STRIDE (A8h) to the appropriate value. FRMDLY is not applicable for the Dynamic Genlock Master. STRIDE is the number of bytes per line.
 - d. Set S2MM_HSIZE (A4h) to the number of bytes per line.
 - e. Set S2MM_VSIZE (A0h) to the number of lines per frame. VSIZE must be set last and starts the S2MM VDMA transactions.
2. Configure the read registers as Dynamic Genlock Slave.

- a. Set MM2S_VDMACR (00h) to 0x0000008B. This enables run/stop, Circular_Park, GenlockEn, and GenlockSrc. In this case, Genlock source is internal. External connections of frame pointers are not required.
- b. Set MM2S_Start_Address1 (5Ch) through MM2S_Start_Address 3 (64h) to their required locations. These locations should match their S2MM_Start_Address counterparts.
- c. Set MM2S_FRMDLY_STRIDE (58h) to the appropriate value. FRMDLY is not applicable for the Dynamic Genlock Slave. STRIDE is the number of bytes per line.
- d. Set MM2S_HSIZE (54h) to the number of bytes per line.
- e. Set MM2S_VSIZE (50h) to the number of lines per frame. VSIZE must be set last and starts the MM2S VDMA transactions.

When changing frame sizes, the incoming frame size might not match the S2MM HSIZE and VSIZE registers and an error is noted on S2MM VDMASR register VDMAIntErr. The preceding example enables S2MM Frame Repeat on Error and the next frame is written to the same frame store location invalidating the bad frame. If the start addresses are based on maximum frame sizes, no changes are necessary to their registers. However, the S2MM HSIZE and VSIZE registers must be updated with the new frame size. VSIZE should be written last. After a full frame is written into memory, the MM2S HSIZE and VSIZE registers can be updated and are used with the new frame after Frame Sync occurs.

Example Read (MM2S) Path Timing

Figure 6-1 illustrates example timing on MM2S channel for Vertical Size = 5 lines, Horizontal Size = 16, bytes, and Stride = 32 bytes. The figure shows the `m_axi_mm2s` and `m_axis_mm2s` interfaces.

Dataflow: After the reception of `mm2s_fsync`, AXI VDMA asserts `m_axi_mm2s_arvalid` with the start address on `m_axi_mm2s_araddr`. The signal `m_axi_mm2s_arvalid` is asserted five times to fetch five (`vsize`) lines of a frame. Read data from the mm side is stored in the line buffer and delivered on the streaming side by asserting `m_axis_mm2s_tvalid`. The signal `m_axis_mm2s_tlast` is asserted at the end of each line.

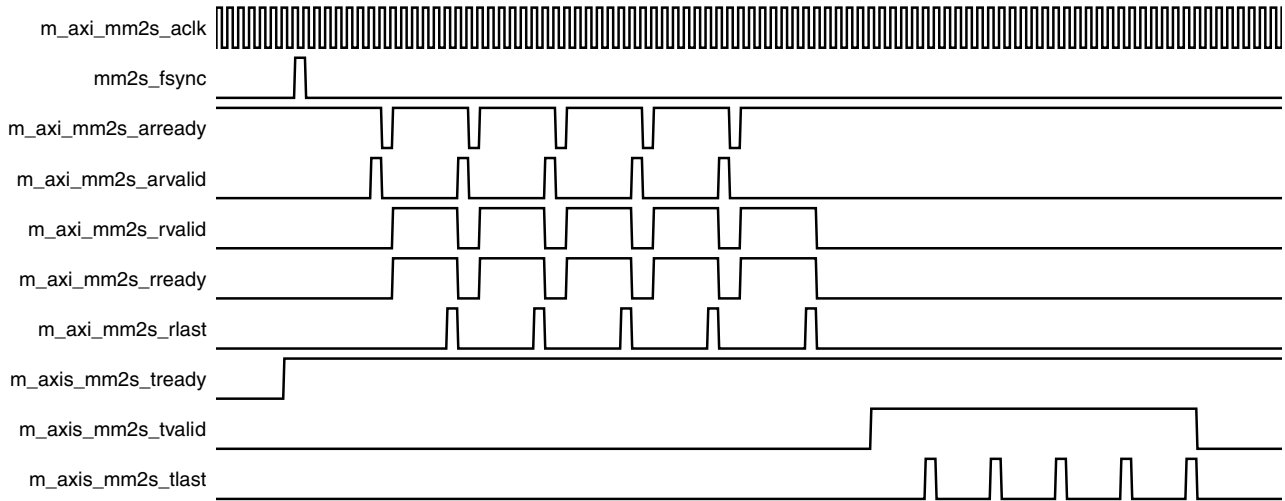


Figure 6-1: Example MM2S Interface Timing

Example Write (S2MM) Path Timing

Figure 6-2 illustrates example timing on S2MM channel for Vertical Size = 5 lines, Horizontal Size = 16, bytes, and Stride = 32 bytes. The figure shows the m_axi_s2mm and s_axis_s2mm interfaces.

Dataflow: After the reception of s2mm_fsync, AXI VDMA drives s2mm_fsync_out and s_axis_s2mm_tready to indicate its readiness to receive a frame on the streaming interface. Incoming streaming data is stored in the line buffer and driven onto the mm side by asserting m_axi_s2mm_awvalid and subsequently driving data on m_axi_s2mm_wdata along with m_axi_s2mm_wvalid.

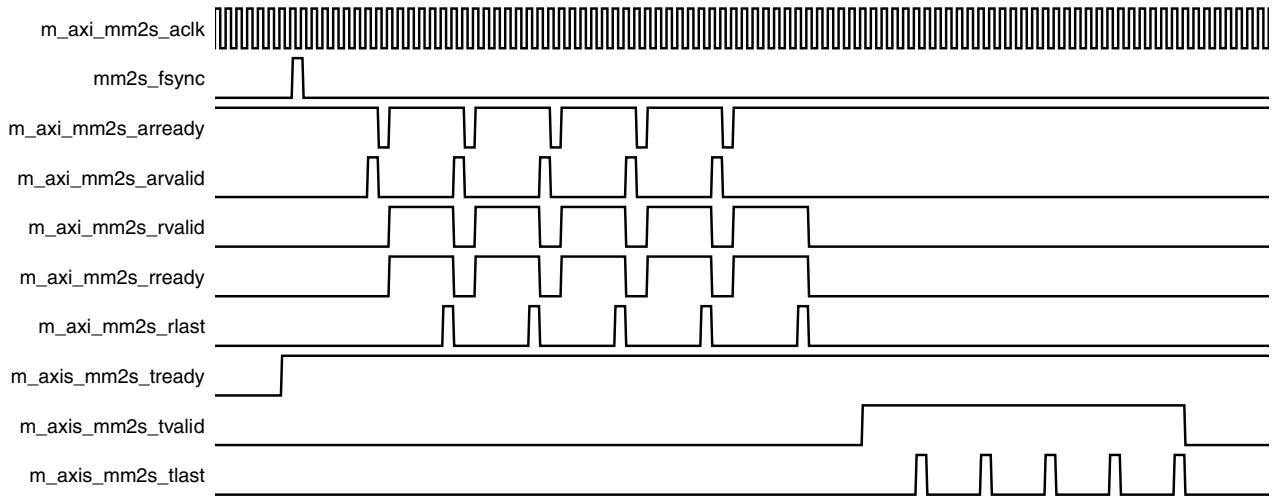


Figure 6-2: Example S2MM Interface Timing

Migrating

See *Vivado Design Suite Migration Methodology Guide* ([UG911](#)) for more information about migrating from ISE® Design Suite implementations to the Vivado™ Design Suite.

Debugging

This appendix includes details about resources available on the Xilinx Support website and debugging tools. In addition, this appendix provides a step-by-step debugging process and a flow diagram to guide you through debugging the AXI VDMA core.

The following topics are included in this appendix:

- [Finding Help on Xilinx.com](#)
- [Vivado Lab Tools](#)
- [Hardware Debug](#)

Finding Help on Xilinx.com

To help in the design and debug process when using the AXI VDMA core, the [Xilinx Support web page](#) (www.xilinx.com/support) contains key resources such as product documentation, release notes, answer records, information about known issues, and links for opening a Technical Support WebCase.

Documentation

This product guide is the main document associated with the AXI VDMA core. This guide, along with documentation related to all products that aid in the design process, can be found on the Xilinx Support web page (www.xilinx.com/support) or by using the Xilinx Documentation Navigator.

Download the Xilinx Documentation Navigator from the Design Tools tab on the Downloads page (www.xilinx.com/download). For more information about this tool and the features available, open the online help after installation.

Example Designs

For detailed information about available example designs for the VDMA core, see the Application Notes [XAPP739](#), [XAPP740](#), [XAPP741](#), and [XAPP742](#). Also see [Triple Frame Buffer Example in Chapter 6](#).

Known Issues

Answer Records include information about commonly encountered problems, helpful information on how to resolve these problems, and any known issues with a Xilinx product. Answer Records are created and maintained daily ensuring that users have access to the most accurate information available.

Answer Records can also be located by using the Search Support box on the main [Xilinx support web page](#). To maximize your search results, use proper keywords such as

- Product name
- Tool message(s)
- Summary of the issue encountered

A filter search is available after results are returned to further target the results.

Master Answer Record for the AXI VDMA Core

AR [54448](#)

Contacting Technical Support

Xilinx provides technical support at www.xilinx.com/support for this LogiCORE™ IP product when used as described in the product documentation. Xilinx cannot guarantee timing, functionality, or support of product if implemented in devices that are not defined in the documentation, if customized beyond that allowed in the product documentation, or if changes are made to any section of the design labeled DO NOT MODIFY.

To contact Xilinx Technical Support:

1. Navigate to www.xilinx.com/support.
2. Open a WebCase by selecting the [WebCase](#) link located under Support Quick Links.

When opening a WebCase, include:

- Target FPGA including package and speed grade.
- All applicable Xilinx Design Tools and simulator software versions.
- Additional files based on the specific issue might also be required. See the relevant sections in this debug guide for guidelines about which file(s) to include with the WebCase.

Vivado Lab Tools

Vivado™ lab tools insert logic analyzer and virtual I/O cores directly into your design. Vivado lab tools allows you to set trigger conditions to capture application and integrated block port signals in hardware. Captured signals can then be analyzed. This feature represents the functionality in the Vivado IDE that is used for logic debugging and validation of a design running in Xilinx FPGA devices in hardware.

The Vivado logic analyzer is used to interact with the logic debug LogiCORE™ IP cores including:

- ILA 2.0 (and later versions)
- VIO 2.0 (and later versions)

Hardware Debug

Following are common issues that you can encounter:

1. AXI VDMA works, but the bottom few lines are not proper.

Most of these issues are attributed to wrong hsize and vsize programming in AXI VDMA. Double-check programmed values and check if fsync signals are connected and fsync period is maintained properly.

2. AXI VDMA locks up.

The following registers are implemented to help debug the failures:

- Bits 7(SOFEarlyErr), 8(EOLEarlyErr), 11(SOFLateErr) and 15(EOLLateErr) of offset 0x34h to identify error occurrence in S2MM path

3. Per VDMA park pointer register read, VDMA channel is not moving to next frame buffer.

Answer: VDMA park ptr register latches the frame_number value when any (line/frame) error happens. After the error bits are cleared, this register continuously updates the working frame numbers.

4. When VDMA system is re-initialized through software, horizontal shift is observed onscreen.

Answer: This could be related to system reset release sequence and programming issues. User needs to make sure all fifos in the datapath are flushed and VDMA trigger (vsize) is programmed at the end of the initialization sequence.

5. Channel does not come out from reset.

Answer: Check that all clocks related to the VDMA channel have proper connectivity & are running.

6. VDMA core does not give expected performance.

Answer: Make sure Memory Map side clock is equal or greater than Streaming side Clock.

7. Make sure your VDMA memory map clock and interconnect clock are derived from the same source.
8. Make sure `s2mm_tkeep` is tied to 1 when Streaming Master IP does not support it.
9. TREADY remains low

Answer: This can happen if you are not meeting alignment constraints when "Allow Unaligned Transfers" is disabled while generating the core. In this case, the start address must be aligned to multiples of the memory map data width bytes, HSize and Stride must be specified in even multiples of memory map data width bytes.

10. See [Appendix C, Additional Design Information](#) to enable frame counters, vsize and hsize counters for debugging purposes.

Additional Design Information

The following parameters/registers/ports are hidden as it is not required for most use cases. However, these parameters and its associated feature can be enabled by entering below mentioned command in Tcl Console in Vivado™ IDE.

Hidden parameter (for example C_INCLUDE_SG) can be enabled in the Vivado design tools using following command

```
set_property -name {CONFIG.c_include_sg} -value {1} -objects [get_ips axi_vdma_v6_0_0]
```

Hidden ports (like s2mm_reset_out_n) can be enabled in Vivado design tools using following command

```
set_property -name {CONFIG.c_enable_debug_info_8} -value {1} -objects [get_ips axi_vdma_v6_0_0]
```

To enable all debug options and ports, use the following command.

```
set_property -dict [list CONFIG.c_enable_debug_all {1}] [get_ips axi_vdma_v6_0_0]
```

Table C-1: Parameters

Parameter	Default Value	Description
C_INCLUDE_SG	0 (Disable)	Enable/Disable Scatter Gather feature
C_MM2S_GENLOCK_NUM_MASTERS	1	Specifies the number of Genlock Masters that Genlock Slave can synchronize in Read channel. MM2S_DMOCR[11:8] in Genlock Slave should be programmed to the Genlock Master number to which Genlock Slave should get synchronized to. mm2s_frm_ptr_in ([C_MM2S_GENLOCK_NUM_MASTERS*6]-1:0)
C_S2MM_GENLOCK_NUM_MASTERS	1	Specifies the number of Genlock Masters that Genlock Slave can synchronize in Read channel. S2MM_DMOCR[11:8] in Genlock Slave should be programmed to the Genlock Master number to which Genlock Slave should get synchronized to s2mm_frm_ptr_in ([C_S2MM_GENLOCK_NUM_MASTERS*6]-1:0)

Table C-1: Parameters

Parameter	Default Value	Description
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_15	0	1 – Allows programming of Frame Counter (S2MM_VDMACR[23:16]), Frame Count Interrupt Enable (S2MM_VDMACR[12]) and Frame Count Enable(S2MM_VDMACR[4]). When S2MM_VDMACR[4] is set to 1, AXI VDMA counts incoming frames and compares with frame counts programmed in S2MM_VDMACR[23:16] and halts when it matches if DMACR(4) is set to 1. Frame counter status is reported in S2MM_VDMASR[23:16]. Interrupt can be enabled by setting S2MM_VDMACR[12].
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_14	0	1 – Allows programming of Delay Counter (S2MM_VDMACR[31:24]) and Delay Count Interrupt Enable (S2MM_VDMACR[13]). When S2MM_VDMACR[13] is set to 1, AXI VDMA timer starts incrementing after receiving fsync and compares it with values programmed in S2MM_VDMACR[31:24] and generates an interrupt when it matches. Timer resets with subsequent start of packet. Timer status is reported in S2MM_VDMASR[31:24].
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_13	0	1 – Enables S2MM_FRMSTORE (0x48) register. This allows frame buffers numbers to be modified for write channel.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_12	0	1 – Enables S2MM_VSIZE_STATUS(0xF0), S2MM_HSIZE_STATUS(0xF4) and FRMPTR_STS(0x24) registers. These are debug registers to track various counters on Write channel.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_11	0	1 – Enables “s2mm_fsync_out” output port.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_10	0	1 – Enables “s2mm_prmtr_update” output port.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_9	0	1 – Enables “s2mm_buffer_full, s2mm_buffer_almost_full” output ports and enable S2MM_THRESHOLD (0x4C) register.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_8	0	1 – Enables “s2mm_prmry_reset_out_n” output port
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_7	0	1 – Allows programming of Frame Counter (MM2S_VDMACR[23:16]), Frame Count Interrupt Enable (MM2S_VDMACR[12]) and Frame Count Enable (MM2S_VDMACR[4]). When MM2S_VDMACR[4] is set to 1, AXI VDMA counts outgoing frames and compares it with frame counts programmed in MM2S_VDMACR[23:16] and halts when it matches if DMACR(4) is set to 1. Frame counter status is reported in MM2S_VDMASR[23:16]. Interrupt can be enabled by setting MM2S_VDMACR[12].
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_6	0	1 – Allows programming of Delay Counter (MM2S_VDMACR[31:24]) and Delay Count Interrupt Enable (MM2S_VDMACR[13]). When MM2S_VDMACR[13] is set to 1, AXI VDMA timer starts incrementing after receiving fsync and compares it with values programmed in MM2S_VDMACR[31:24] and generates an interrupt when it matches. Timer resets with subsequent start of packet. Timer status is reported in MM2S_VDMASR[31:24].

Table C-1: Parameters

Parameter	Default Value	Description
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_5	0	1 – Enables MM2S_FRMSTORE (0x18) register. This allows frame buffers numbers to be modified for read channel.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_4	0	1 – Enables “axi_vdma_tstvec(63:0)” output port
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_3	0	1 – Enables “mm2s_fsync_out” output port
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_2	0	1 – Enables “mm2s_prmtr_update” output port
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_1	0	1 – Enables “mm2s_buffer_empty, mm2s_buffer_almost_empty” output ports and enables MM2S_Threshold (0x1C) register.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_INFO_0	0	1 – Enables “mm2s_prmry_reset_out_n” output port.
C_ENABLE_DEBUG_ALL	0	1 – Enables all the debug options mentioned in this table

Frame Pointers Grey Code Outputs

Table D-1, Table D-2, and Table D-3 list the Grey Codes that are used for each of the 32 possible Frame Store sizes. The Grey Code cycles through all of the codes on the first line first and then cycles through all of the codes on the second line before repeating the first line. Number of grey codes is double the number of frame buffers to allow for non-power-of-two frame buffer values to be cycled through and still maintain grey code coherency with minimal FPGA resources required.



IMPORTANT: AXI VDMA does not support intra-frame mode. Genlock synchronization cannot be provided for writing and reading the same frame with a predetermined delay between write and read operations.

Table D-1: Genlock Grey Code

FRMSTORE	Grey Code															
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	0 1															
2	0 1 3 2															
3	1 3 2 6 7 5															
4	0 1 3 2 6 7 5 4															
5	2 6 7 5 4 12 13 15 14 10															
6	3 2 6 7 5 4 12 13 15 14 10 11															
7	1 3 2 6 7 5 4 12 13 15 14 10 11 9															
8	0 1 3 2 6 7 5 4 12 13 15 14 10 11 9 8															
9	4 12 13 15 14 10 11 9 8 24 25 27 26 30 31 29 28 20															
10	5 4 12 13 15 14 10 11 9 8 24 25 27 26 30 31 29 28 20 21															
11	7 5 4 12 13 15 14 10 11 9 8 24 25 27 26 30 31 29 28 20 21 23															

Table D-1: Genlock Grey Code (Cont'd)

FRMSTORE	Grey Code															
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12	6 24	7 25	5 27	4 26	12 30	13 31	15 29	14 28	10 20	11 21	9 23	8 22				
13	2 24	6 25	7 27	5 26	4 30	12 31	13 29	15 28	14 20	10 21	11 23	9 22	8 18			
14	3 24	2 25	6 27	7 26	5 30	4 31	12 29	13 28	15 20	14 21	10 23	11 22	9 18	8 19		
15	1 24	3 25	2 27	6 26	7 30	5 31	4 29	12 28	13 20	15 21	14 23	10 22	11 18	9 19	8 17	
16	0 24	1 25	3 27	2 26	6 30	7 31	5 29	4 28	12 20	13 21	15 23	14 22	10 18	11 19	9 17	8 16

Table D-2: Gen-Lock Grey Codes (Frame Store 17 to 32)

FrmStore (down)	Grey Code															
	Frame number (right)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
17	8 48	24 49	25 51	27 50	26 54	30 55	31 53	29 52	28 60	20 61	21 63	23 62	22 58	18 59	19 57	17 56
18	9 48	8 49	24 51	25 50	27 54	26 55	30 53	31 52	29 60	28 61	20 63	21 62	23 58	22 59	18 57	19 56
19	11 48	9 49	8 51	24 50	25 54	27 55	26 53	30 52	31 60	29 61	28 63	20 62	21 58	23 59	22 57	18 56
20	10 48	11 49	9 51	8 50	24 54	25 55	27 53	26 52	30 60	31 61	29 63	28 62	20 58	21 59	23 57	22 56
21	14 48	10 49	11 51	9 50	8 54	24 55	25 53	27 52	26 60	30 61	31 63	29 62	28 58	20 59	21 57	23 56
22	15 48	14 49	10 51	11 50	9 54	8 55	24 53	25 52	27 60	26 61	30 63	31 62	29 58	28 59	20 57	21 56
23	13 48	15 49	14 51	10 50	11 54	9 55	8 53	24 52	25 60	27 61	26 63	30 62	31 58	29 59	28 57	20 56
24	12 48	13 49	15 51	14 50	10 54	11 55	9 53	8 52	24 60	25 61	27 63	26 62	30 58	31 59	29 57	28 56
25	4 48	12 49	13 51	15 50	14 54	10 55	11 53	9 52	8 60	24 61	25 63	27 62	26 58	30 59	31 57	29 56

Table D-2: Gen-Lock Grey Codes (Frame Store 17 to 32) (Cont'd)

FrmStore (down)	Grey Code															
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
26	5 48	4 49	12 51	13 50	15 54	14 55	10 53	11 52	9 60	8 61	24 63	25 62	27 58	26 59	30 57	31 56
27	7 48	5 49	4 51	12 50	13 54	15 55	14 53	10 52	11 60	9 61	8 63	24 62	25 58	27 59	26 57	30 56
28	6 48	7 49	5 51	4 50	12 54	13 55	15 53	14 52	10 60	11 61	9 63	8 62	24 58	25 59	27 57	26 56
29	2 48	6 49	7 51	5 50	4 54	12 55	13 53	15 52	14 60	10 61	11 63	9 62	8 58	24 59	25 57	27 56
30	3 48	2 49	6 51	7 50	5 54	4 55	12 53	13 52	15 60	14 61	10 63	11 62	9 58	8 59	24 57	25 56
31	1 48	3 49	2 51	6 50	7 54	5 55	4 53	12 52	13 60	15 61	14 63	10 62	11 58	9 59	8 57	24 56
32	0 48	1 49	3 51	2 50	6 54	7 55	5 53	4 52	12 60	13 61	15 63	14 62	10 58	11 59	9 57	8 56

Table D-3: Gen-Lock Grey Codes (Frame Store 17 to 32)

FrmStore (down)	Grey Code															
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
17	16 40															
18	17 40	16 41														
19	19 40	17 41	16 43													
20	18 40	19 41	17 43	16 42												

Table D-3: Gen-Lock Grey Codes (Frame Store 17 to 32) (Cont'd)

FrmStore (down) Frame number (right)	Grey Code															
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
21	22	18	19	17	16											
	40	41	43	42	46											
22	23	22	18	19	17	16										
	40	41	43	42	46	47										
23	21	23	22	18	19	17	16									
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45									
24	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16								
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44								
25	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16							
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36							
26	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16						
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37						
27	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16					
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39					
28	30	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16				
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39	38				
29	26	30	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16			
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39	38	34			
30	27	26	30	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16		
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39	39	34	35		
31	25	27	26	30	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16	
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39	36	34	35	33	
32	24	25	27	26	30	31	29	28	20	21	23	22	18	19	17	16
	40	41	43	42	46	47	45	44	36	37	39	38	34	35	33	32

The Grey codes received by the Genlock slave are then converted to a frame reference to tell the Genlock slave which frame to work on. The slave modifies the Genlock frame reference received by the frame delay such that the Genlock slaves remain a Frame Delay behind the Genlock Master. Table D-4 illustrates an example conversion from Genlock Grey Code to Frame Reference used by the Genlock Slave.

Table D-4: Example Grey Code Conversion for Frame Buffers= 5

Grey To Frame Conversion	Grey Code Progressions for Frame Buffers = 5									
Grey Code	2	6	7	5	4	12	13	15	14	10
Decoded Frame Reference	0	1	2	3	4	0	1	2	3	4

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10/19/2011	1.0	Initial Xilinx release.
01/18/2012	1.1	Summary of Major Core Changes Added 32 Frame Stores support Added Internal Genlock support Added Frame Sync on TUSER0 support Added additional stream data width support Summary of Major Documentation Changes Removed List of Acronym from Appendix. For the first occurrence of each acronym, spelled out full text. Added supported software drivers to IP Facts table. Created new section Scatter Gather Mode. Reordered the hierarchy of the Register Space section. Reordered the hierarchy of the Designing with the Core section. Added the new section, Triple Frame Buffer Example. Added new Appendix, HBlank and VBlank Periods for Standard Frames
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