Semiconductor IP

General Description

The Digital Blocks DB-DMAC-MC-AXI Verilog RTL IP Core is a Multi-Channel DMA Controller supporting 2, 4, 8, or 16 independent data transfers. The Direct Memory Access Controller IP Core contains a fixed 2 to 16 DMA Controller Engines (i.e. DMA Channels), with user selectable AMBA AXI4 / AXI3 Master Read/Write interconnects. The DB-DMAC-MC-AXI excels at high data throughput on both small and large data sets. Please contact Digital Blocks about our parameter configurable DMA Controller IP (typically 1 to 256 DMA Channels).

Figure 1 depicts the DMA Controller IP Core. The individual internal DMA Controller Engines are geared to perform high-bandwidth data transfers among memory and peripherals via the AXI4 / AXI3 interconnects with low latency.

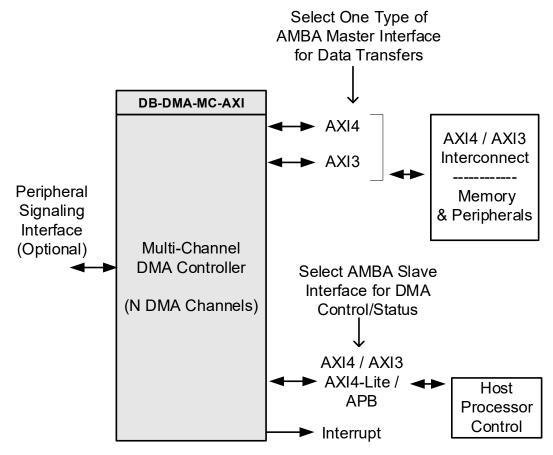


Figure 1: DB-DMA-MC-AXI - DMA Controller - Multi-Channel

Features

- 1 16 Multi-Channel High Performance DMA Controller Engines:
 - o High-Speed Finite State Machine Control
 - o Up to 16 DMA transfers operational in parallel
 - High Throughput to/from Memory via AMBA AXI4 / AXI3 on both small and large data sets with low latency
 - o Dual-Port, Single-Clock FIFO, user parameterized in Depth x Width.
 - o Optional Dual-Port, Dual-Clock FIFO design
 - o Optional external single memory interface for all DMA Multi-Channels
 - o Fixed number of DMA Multi-Channel releases at lower licensing cost
- Contact Digital Blocks about our configurable DB-DMAC-MC-AMBA with 1 to 256 DMA Channels.
- Supports following DMA transfers:
 - Memory-to-Memory
 - o Memory-to-Peripheral
 - o Peripheral-to-Memory
 - o Peripheral-to-Peripheral
- Sideband DMA Request/Grant triggering transfers as an option for peripherals
- Scatter Gather List (SGL):
 - o processing of linked-list Descriptor nodes
 - o supports non-contiguous data block transfers to a contiguous segment of memory and vice versa
- Variety of User DMA Transfer Control:
 - o Link-List Processor for Autonomous & Chained Block Transfers (SGL)
 - o CPU Software or external Hardware initiated transfers
- Targets CPU DMA & PCIe DMA Controller in Linux environment as well as applications with standard peripherals or unique peripheral data transfer requirements
- Arbiter High & Low Priority Round Robin Arbitration
- Individual Interface Data Widths: 8 / 16 / 32 / 64 / 128 / 256 / 512 / 1024.
- Programmable Data Burst Capability: 1, 4, 8, 16 on AXI3 and up to 256 on AXI4
- AXI4 Quality of Service (QoS) programming per DMA Channel (Option)
- AXI4-Stream to AXI Memory Map Conversion external Digital Blocks IP to connect-in AXI4-Stream Interface (Please Contact Digital Blocks for more information) (Option)
- Interrupt Controller Signaling DMA Status Transfer Done & Diagnostics
- Fully-synchronous, synthesizable Verilog RTL core, with rising-edge clocking, no gated clocks, and no internal tri-states, for easy integration into FPGA or ASIC design flows.

Verification Method

The DB-DMAC-MC-AXI DMA Controller IP Core contains a test suite that programs the Controller and sources and receives with checking data transfers.

The DB-DMAC-MC-AXI DMA Controller IP Core has been implemented in a variety of Digital Blocks IP, including the 2D Graphics Hardware Accelerator, and Low Latency / High-Speed Networking RTP/TCP/UDP/IP Protocol Stack Processor.

The DB-DMAC-MC-AXI DMA Controller IP Core has been implemented in customer unique SoC/ASIC & FPGA applications.

Customer Evaluation

Digital Blocks offers a variety of methods for prospective customers to evaluate the DB-DMAC-MC-AXI DMA Controller IP Core. Please contact Digital Blocks for additional information.

Deliverables

The DB-DMAC-MC-AXI is available in synthesizable RTL Verilog or a technology-specific netlist for FPGAs, along with Synopsys Design Constraints, a simulation test bench with expected results, datasheet, and user manual.

Ordering Information

Please contact Digital Blocks for additional technical, pricing, evaluation, and support information.

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