

User's Guide Addendum

SSD8IO-MF2 Configuration Package



Synchronous serial device with 8 I/O (multi-function 2) for use with EDT PCI CDa interface

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SSD8IO-MF2 Configuration Package

Overview

The SSD8IO-MF2 (Synchronous Serial Device, 8 I/O - Multifunction 2) Configuration Package is a package that enables the EDT PCI CDa board to transfer eight channels of synchronous serial input/output (I/O) between an external device and a PCI computer.

NOTE The SSD8IO-MF2 firmware was developed using the Xilinx Project Navigator. The VHDL source is available and the project is set up for you to use, if you wish; for details, contact tech@edt.com.

Channels 0–3 provide additional handshaking and clocking signals, while channels 4–7 provide the same functionality as the FPGA files in the SSD16IO configuration package (see Related Resources on page 1).

Channels 0–3 support both sender- and receiver-initiated flow control. The sender can pause transmission at any time by holding the clock high; the receiver can pause transmission at any time by deasserting the ready signal. The receiver will safely accept at least 16 bits after suspending transmission. Transmission or reception can be paused manually via the 0x3F User Pause register.

Channels 0–1 are output channels; each has a frame valid (active low) output signal and a device ready (active high) input signal in addition to the normal clock and data signals. Output clock signals can be sourced from either an internal PLL or an external clock input via the connector pinout. The transmitted frame length in bytes is programmable via the configuration registers (see 0x39 - 3B Channel 0 Transmit Frame Length and 0x3C - 3E Channel 1 Transmit Frame Length).

Channels 2–3 are input channels; each has a frame valid (active low) input signal and a ready (active high) output signal in addition to the normal clock and data input signals. Data is latched only when the frame valid input signal is true. If a frame ends on a non-4byte boundary, the receiver will fill the remaining bytes as zero.

Channels 4–7 can be configured as either input or output channels in pairs. No additional handshaking signals are provided; however, the output clock can be sourced independently from channels 0 and 1.

Related Resources

These EDT resources may prove helpful or necessary for your applications.

Resource	EDT weblink
SSD16IO Addendum -User's Guide	www.edt.com/manuals/PCD/ssd16.pdf
PCI CD / CDa User's Guide	www.edt.com/manuals/PCD/pcicd.pdf
Application Programming Interface	www.edt.com/manuals.html
Installation packages / software downloads for supported operating systems (Windows, Linux, etc.)	www.edt.com/software.html

Installation

The EDT installation disk provides installation packages for all supported operating systems (Windows, Linux, Solaris, MacOS).

However, to get the most current package and avoid version issues later, for new applications we recommend downloading the latest EDT installation package from our website (as instructed below).

NOTE For existing applications, avoid version issues by updating only if you have a specific reason to do so.

To download the latest EDT installation package:

- 1. Go to www.edt.com/software.html and find the correct package for your system.
- 2. Install the Pcd driver software by doing one of the following:
 - For a new application, download the latest package for your operating system.
 - For an existing application, use the package that was used to build it (from your own or EDT's archives), or recompile / relink the application with the latest installation package download.
- 3. Install the board assembly in the host computer as specified by the computer manufacturer.
- 4. To configure the board, at the command prompt, enter:

initpcd -u unit number -f configuration file

...substituting appropriate values for the placeholder text (indicated in *italic*).

For example, to configure board 0 with the sample configuration file provided, enter:

initpcd -u 0 -f pcd_config/ssd8io_mf2.cfg

About the Software and Firmware

Your EDT installation package includes software and firmware for the SSD8IO-MF2 configuration package. This software and firmware includes at least the files listed below.

ssd8io_mf2.bit	FPGA configuration file for the UI FPGA on the PCI CDa board (LVDS or RS422); implements the multi-function firmware capabilities.
ssd8io_mf2.cfg	Sample software initialization file to enable operation with ssd8io_mf2.bit. All sample software initialization files (editable text files that you can customize for your own applications) are in the pcd_config subdirectory of your EDT installation package.
cda16_classic.bit	FPGA configuration file for the PCI FPGA on the PCI CDa board.

To load the cdal6_classic.bit file (required), go to the directory installed on the driver and run...

```
pciload -u 0 cda16_classic.bit
```

FPGA Configuration Files

The PCI CDa board implements the DMA interface using two field-programmable gate arrays (FPGAs), referred to as the PCI FPGA and the UI (user interface) FPGA:

The *PCI FPGA* communicates with the host computer over the PCI bus. It implements the DMA engine, which transfers data between the board and the host computer, and loads its firmware on powerup from flash ROM located on the main board.

The *UI FPGA* transfers data between the user device and the PCI FPGA; in some instances, it also sends the data to the mezzanine board. The UI FPGA or mezzanine board may also process the data in some manner, depending on the application.

FPGA configuration files define the firmware required for the PCI FPGA and the UI FPGA.

- PCI FPGA configuration files are in the flash subdirectory of the EDT installation package.
- UI FPGA configuration files are in the bitfiles subdirectory of the EDT installation package.

The PCD Device Driver

The PCD device driver is the software running on the host computer that allows the host operating system to communicate with the SSD8IO-MF2 configuration package. The driver is loaded into the kernel upon installation, and thereafter runs as a kernel module. The driver name and subdirectory is specific to each supported operating system; the installation script handles those details for you, automatically installing the correct device driver in the correct operating system-specific manner.

Sample Program Files

Along with the driver, the FPGA configuration files, and the software initialization files, the EDT installation package includes applications and utilities that you can use to initialize and configure the board, access registers, or test the board. For many of these programs, C source is also provided, so that you can use them as starting points to write your own applications. The most commonly useful are described below.

Application Files

	rd16	Performs simple ring buffer input on a specified channel.
	wr16	Performs simple ring buffer output on a specified channel.
	simple_read	Performs DMA input without using ring buffers. Data is therefore subject to interruptions, depending on system performance.
	simple_write	Performs DMA output without using ring buffers. Data is therefore subject to interruptions, depending on system performance.
	simple_getdata	Serves as an example of a variety of DMA-related operations, including reading the data from the connector interface and writing it to a file, as well as measuring input rate.
	simple_putdata	Serves as an example of a variety of DMA-related operations, including reading data from a file and writing it out to the connector interface.
U	ility Files	

initpcdA utility for initializing and configuring the SSD8IO.pciloadA utility for loading the PCI FPGA firmware.pdbA utility that enables interactive reading and writing of the PCI CDa UI
FPGA registers.

Test Files

Various C source, executable, and FPGA configuration files are available for testing (see Testing on page 4), including at least:

ssd8io_mf2_test.c Tests the PCI CDa multifunction configuration.

Building Applications

Executable and PCD source files are at the top level of your EDT installation package. If you need to rebuild an application, therefore, run make in this top-level directory.

To install a compiler:

- With Linux, you can use the gcc compiler typically included with the Linux installation.
- With Windows or Solaris, you must either install a C compiler (EDT recommends Microsoft Visual C for Windows, or Sun WorkShop C for Solaris) or contact tech@edt.com for instructions on using gcc.

After building an application, use the --help command line option for a list of usage options and descriptions.

Testing

After installing a loopback connector (described in the Pinouts section), run the test program...

```
ssd8io_mf2_test -u N
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...where \mathbb{N} is the unit number of the PCI CDa board being tested. The test is menu-driven, and it includes tests to send data across the loopback cable, set the buffer size, and adjust the enable signal block size and the number of inter-block clocks.

For details, see ssd8io_mf2_test.c.

Registers

In the SSD8IO-MF2 configuration package, the following registers are modified, as shown below, from those in the SSD16IO configuration package.

0x21 Ungated Channels Clock Select

Access / Notes:	8-bit read-write / EDT_SS_CLK_SEL
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Selects output clock timing source. Internal clock is the default. External clocks let you select an input channel's clock to serve as the output transmit clock for channels 4-7.

Bit	Name	Description	
7–0	[no name]	0x00 Internal from PLL1	0x0A External, ch. 9 input clock
		0x01 External, ch. 0 input clock	0x0B External, ch. 10 input clock
		0x02 External, ch. 1 input clock	0x0C External, ch. 11 input clock
		0x03 External, ch. 2 input clock	0x0D External, ch. 12 input clock
		0x04 External, ch. 3 input clock	0x0E External, ch. 13 input clock
		0x05 External, ch. 4 input clock	0x0F External, ch. 14 input clock
		0x06 External, ch. 5 input clock	0x10 External, ch. 15 input clock
		0x07 External, ch. 6 input clock	0x20 External, EXTCLKIN input clock Not
		0x08 External, ch. 7 input clock	0x40 Enable PLL0 out on EXTCLKIN available
		0x09 External, ch. 8 input clock	for board under test (testing only) for ECL

0x37 Gated Channels Clock Select

Access / Notes: 8-bit read-write / SSD8IO_MF_CLK_SEL

Selects output clock timing source for channels 0 and 1. The internal clock is the default. External clocks let you select an input channel's clock to serve as the output transmit clock for channels 0 and 1.

Bit	Name	Description	
7–0	[no name]	0x00 Internal from PLL1	0x0A External, ch. 9 input clock
		0x01 External, ch. 0 input clock	0x0B External, ch. 10 input clock
		0x02 External, ch. 1 input clock	0x0C External, ch. 11 input clock
		0x03 External, ch. 2 input clock	0x0D External, ch. 12 input clock
		0x04 External, ch. 3 input clock	0x0E External, ch. 13 input clock
		0x05 External, ch. 4 input clock	0x0F External, ch. 14 input clock
		0x06 External, ch. 5 input clock	0x10 External, ch. 15 input clock
		0x07 External, ch. 6 input clock	0x20 External, EXTCLKIN input clock Not
		0x08 External, ch. 7 input clock	0x40 Enable PLL0 out on EXTCLKIN available
		0x09 External, ch. 8 input clock	for board under test (testing only) for ECL

0x38 Custom Receive Channel 32-byte Pad Enable

	Access / Notes:	8-bit read-write / [no access name]	
		Enables extra padding logic on specified receive channel(s).	
		Enabling this functionality pads a DMA'd frame to a 32-byte boundary	
Bit	Name	Description	
7–4	[no name]	Not used.	
3–2	[no name]	Enable padding per custom receive channel.	
1–0	[no name]	Not used.	

0x39 – 3B Channel 0 Transmit Frame Length

	Access / Notes:	24-bit read-write / [no access name]	
		Sets the expected transmit frame length in bytes for channel 0.	
Bit	Name	Description	
23–0	[no name]	Transmit frame length (in bytes).	

0x3C – 3E Channel 1 Transmit Frame Length

	Access / Notes:	24-bit read-write / [no access name]	
		Sets the expected transmit frame length in bytes for channel 1.	
Bit	Name	Description	
23–0	[no name]	Transmit frame length (in bytes).	

0x3F User Pause

Name	Description
	Forces a channel to pause (i.e., not be ready) so it will not transmit or receive.
Access / Notes:	4-bit read-write / [no access name]

Bit	Name	Description
7–4	[no name]	Reserved.
3–0	[no name]	For each channel (3-0), manually pause.

Pinouts

The SSD8IO-MF2 configuration package connects your device to the PCI CDa main board via the 80-pin connector, as shown below. Signals labeled "not used" are connected, and can be accessed by your firmware.

Din	Signal		0	Loopback	Din	Signal		
	Signal				41	Signal		
2	ground not used				41	ground not used		
2	CH2D+	_	IN		42 43	CH0D+	_	OUT
4	CH2D+ CH2D-		IIN		43 44	CH0D+ CH0D-		001
5 6	CH2CLK+ CH2CLK-		IN		45 46	CH0CLK+ CH0CLK-		OUT
7 8	CH3D+ CH3D-]	IN		47 48	CH1D+ CH1D-		OUT
9 10	CH3CLK+ CH3CLK-		IN		49 50	CH1CLK+ CH1CLK-		OUT
11 12	CH6D+ CH6D-				51 52	CH4D+ CH4D-		
13 14	CH6CLK+ CH6CLK-				53 54	CH4CLK+ CH4CLK-		
15 16	CH7D+ CH7D-				55 56	CH5D+ CH5D-		
17 18	CH7CLK+ CH7CLK-				57 58	CH5CLK+ CH5CLK-		
19	EXTCLKIN+				59	EXTCLKIN-		
20	not used				60	not used		
21	not used				61	not used		
22	not used				62	not used		
23	not used				63	not used		
24 25	CH8D+ CH8D-		Ch 0 - OUT FRM_L		64 65	CH10D+ CH10D-		Ch 2 - IN FRM_L
26	not used				66	not used		
27	not used				67	not used		
28	CH9D+	٦	Ch 1 - OUT		68	CH11D+	٦	Ch 3 - IN
29	CH9D-		FRM_L	XX	69	CH11D-		FRM_L
30	not used				70	not used		
31	not used				71	not used		
32 33	CH12D+ CH12D-		Ch 0 - IN RDY		72 73	CH14D+ CH14D-		CH 2 - OUT RDY
34	not used				74	not used		
35	not used				75	not used		
36 37	CH13D+ CH13D-		Ch 1 - IN RDY		76 77	CH15D+ CH15D-		CH 3 - OUT RDY
38	not used				78	not used		
39	not used				79	not used		
40	ground				80	ground		

Revision Log

Below is a history of modifications to this guide for the SSD8IO-MF2 configuration package.

Date	Rev	Ву	Рр	Detail
20110817	01	PH, SB	6	Added register 0x38.
20110601	00	PH	All	Created new guide.

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