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VDINT

Basic BT.656 Video Deinterlacer IP Core

Features

- Accepts an 8-bit, 4:2:2, YCrCb, video data stream in ITU Recommendation BT.656 video format
- Supports NTSC, PAL, 1080i and all lower resolutions transmitted in conformance with the BT.656 format
- Sophisticated BT.656 analyzer splits contents of the incoming video stream
- Works with optional user-defined SAV (Start of Active Video) codes in the incoming video stream
- Output frame rate equals the input field rate
- Maximum horizontal resolution can be set as a pre-synthesis parameter to reduce logic resources
- Includes write-through mode
- Produces raster scan format of output video data
- Minimum system clock speed equals two times the raw pixel clock speed
- Fully synchronous design: all inputs and outputs are based on the rising edge of clock
- Includes complete documentation and testbench

This deinterlacer IP core converts a standard interlaced video stream to progressive video format for further processing or display. Extremely efficient, the deinterlacer core requires little area and transforms the video with practically no delay.

The core implements the most popular basic deinterlacing algorithm, Bob with scan line interpolation. It accepts an industry-standard ITU-R BT.656 interlaced video stream (8-bit 4:2:2 video data mixed with audio, control, and other signals) which may optionally include user-defined SAV codes.

The BT.656 input video is typically 480i/576i, but higher resolutions are possible (requiring higher clock frequencies). The output video contains twice the pixels and has a frame rate matching the input's field rate. Additionally, the user can constrain the possible maximum horizontal resolution with a pre-synthesis parameter.

The deinterlacer core's synchronous control interface allows for easy integration with the system CPU via the address and data buses. The core's efficiency and small size contribute to significant power savings compared to more complex deinterlacers.

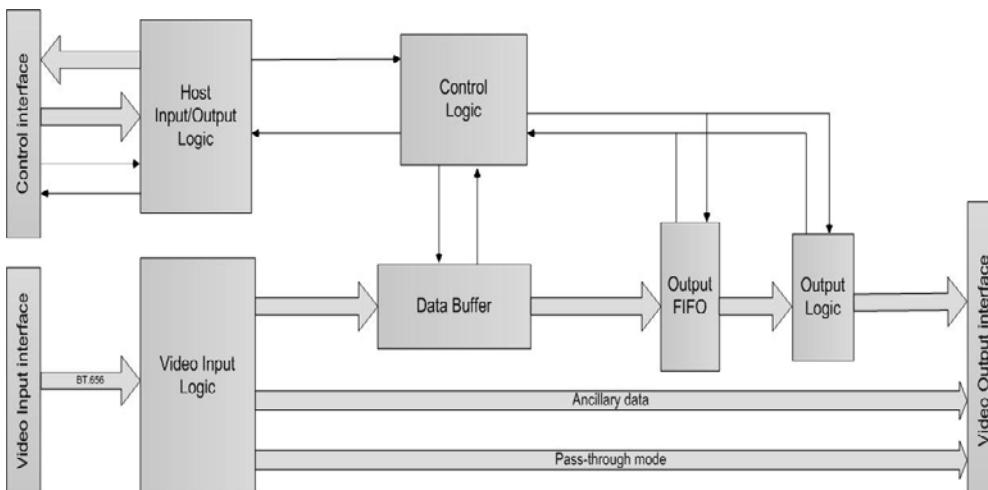
Developed for easy reuse in FPGA or ASIC applications, the core is available optimized for several technologies, with competitive utilization and performance characteristics.

Applications

The VDINT Video Deinterlacer Core is appropriate for a variety of serial communication applications including:

- DVD Players
- AV Receivers
- DTVs
- Surveillance systems

Block Diagram



Functional Description

The core includes six major blocks, as shown in the block diagram and described below. All the core's inputs and outputs are fully synchronous to the rising edge of the CLK input.

Host Input/Output Logic

Handles communication with the processor side of the system. Manages all writing and reading of internal registers.

Video Input Logic

Splits the incoming BT.656 media stream into video and auxiliary data. The incoming media stream can be 576i/480i or any other resolution complying with the BT.656 format.

Data Buffer

Includes two FIFO modules that store the pixel values needed for the proper implementation of the deinterlacing algorithm. Also includes the computation logic.

Control Logic

Controls all logic modules according to the implemented deinterlacing algorithm. Includes a state machine responsible for the correct data processing and computation. Also incorporates the register logic which stores the user configuration

Output FIFO

Receives and buffers the computed deinterlaced video stream.

Output Logic

Handles the Output FIFO reading and formatting of the outgoing video stream. Also allows the user to stop the core's data processing in case of data overflow at the user's side.

Support

The core as delivered is warranted against defects for ninety days from purchase. Thirty days of phone and email technical support are included, starting with the first interaction. Additional maintenance and support options are available.

Verification

The core has been verified through extensive simulation and rigorous code coverage measurements.

Implementation Results

Reference designs have been evaluated in a variety of technologies.

The following are sample ASIC results optimized for speed without data buffers.

ASIC Technology	Approx. Area	Frequency (MHz)
TSMC 0.18 μ	5167 gates	294
TSMC 0.13 μ	4867 gates	294
TSMC 90n	4644 gates	500
TSMC 65n	5098 gates	500

Deliverables

The core is available in ASIC (synthesizable) or FPGA (netlist) forms, and includes everything required for successful implementation. The ASIC version includes

- HDL RTL source
- Sophisticated HDL Testbench (self-checking)
- Simulation scripts, stimulus vectors, test clips, expected results, and comparison utility
- Synthesis script
- Comprehensive user documentation, including detailed specifications and a system integration guide