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1 Revision History

The revision history describes the changes that were implemented in the document. The changes are listed by revision, starting with the most current publication.

1.1 Revision 4.0

The following is a summary of the changes made in this revision.

- Updated the document for Libero SoC v2021.2.
- Updated Figure 2, page 4.
- Updated Figure 5, page 6.
- Updated Figure 8, page 10.

1.2 Revision 3.0

This document is updated to include features and enhancements introduced in the LiteFast IP v1.0.5.

- Added Appendix 1: Programming the Device Using FlashPro Express, page 20.
- Added Appendix 2: Running the TCL Script, page 23.
- Removed the references to Libero version numbers.

1.3 Revision 2.0

The document was updated to include features and enhancements introduced in the Libero v11.8 SP2 release.

1.4 Revision 1.0

Revision 1.0 was the first publication of this document.



2 Demo Design Features

Microsemi LiteFast IP is a scalable, lightweight in terms of utilization, high data rate protocol for applications based upon high-speed serial communication. LiteFast has an inbuilt flow control scheme and the physical link is maintained when there is no application data for transmission.

Microsemi LiteFast IP has two distinct sections as LiteFast transmitter and LiteFast receiver. The LiteFast demo design includes the LiteFast transmitter and receiver sections along with example design as part of the user application for traffic generation and frame checking and other components to demonstrate as validation suit. LiteFast transmitter packs the application data into a data frame and initiates the data transmission. LiteFast receiver extracts application data from the data frame and delivers the application data to the user interface. An idle frame is transmitted when there is no application data for transmission, the physical link between systems is maintained by idle frames.

For a given system of the targeted application, the received data extracted from the data frame is written into a receiver buffer. If the available storage space of receiver buffer approaches to zero, LiteFast receiver notifies the remote LiteFast transmitter to pause data frame transmission, to prevent the overflow of receiver buffers. If the available storage space of the receiver buffer is greater than a threshold value, the LiteFast receiver would notify the remote LiteFast transmitter to resume data frame transmission.

The threshold value must be at least 128 bytes and the upper limit of the threshold is fixed by the user application.

The following are the main features of LiteFast IP:

- Supports x1, x2, or x4 lanes per SerDes
- Supports cumulative speeds from 4 to 10 Gbps for x4 lanes, 20 Gbps for x2 lanes (10 Gbps per lane), and 12.7 Gbps for x1 lane
- Serial full duplex or serial simplex operation
- Data packet size: 1 to 128 bytes of application data. The length of the payload must be a multiple of eight, otherwise, K28.4 bytes are filled to meet the requirement
- Idle packet: 8 bytes
- Supports 8b10b encoding mechanism
- Supports CRC-32
- Supports hot plug
- Idle frame for establishing and maintaining the link and data frame for user data
- Flow control through the token exchange
- Word alignment, block alignment, and lane alignment for the receive chain
- Independent of user application and the device
- Supports for little endian

LiteFast transmitter module packs user data into a data frame and generates an idle frame. Frame data are striped on multiple lanes if multiple lanes are configured.

In multiple lanes LiteFast receiver, multiple lanes are aligned according to /A/ order sets, then LiteFast receiver module un-strips all lanes together to get LiteFast data frame and idle frame. LiteFast receiver module drops idle frame and extracts payload in the data frame. LiteFast receiver monitors token field in the data and idle frames and provides the remote token value (used for flow control) to the transmitter.

LiteFast IP data width supports 8bits/16bits/32bits/64bits and supports x1, x2, or x4 lanes.



The following table lists the working mode supported by the LiteFast IP.

| Table 1 • | LiteFast IP Support Mode |
|-----------|--------------------------|
|-----------|--------------------------|

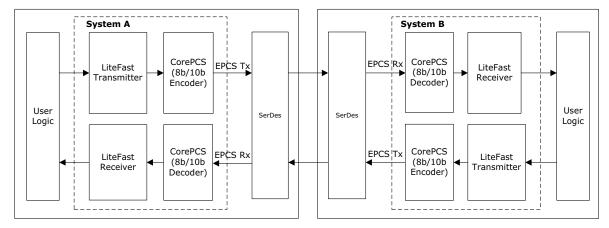
| User Application Data Width | 1 Lane | 2 Lanes | 4 Lanes |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 8 bits | Support | No | No |
| 16 bits | Support maximum 16-bit per lane | Support maximum 8-bit per lane | No |
| 32 bits | Support maximum 32-bit per lane | Support maximum 16-bit per lane | Support maximum 8-bit per lane |
| 64 bits | No | Support maximum 32-bit per lane | Support maximum 16-bit per lane |

Because the 8b10b IP (CorePCS) in Libero supports 8 bits or 16 bits data width, each lane data width can only be 8 bits or 16 bits. LiteFast IP supports a maximum of four lanes per SerDes.

Note: User has to instantiate CorePCS from Libero catalog and configure SerDes through SerDes configurator, for limitation on data width and serial lane bandwidth.

The following figure shows the typical application block diagram of the LiteFast demo.

Figure 1 • RTG4 Typical Application Block Diagram



2.1 Device Family Support

The following FPGA families are supported by the IP core:

- PolarFire[®] (All devices with transceivers in this family)
- IGLOO[®]2 (All devices with transceivers in this family)
- SmartFusion[®]2 (All devices with transceivers in this family)
- RTG4[¬]

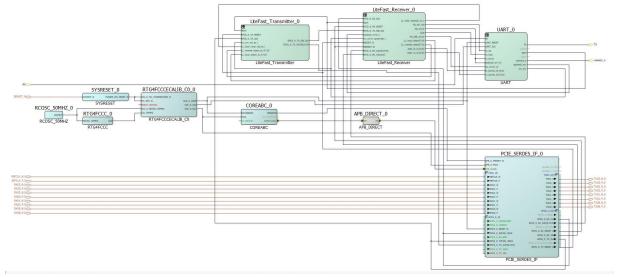
Note: User must ensure that, the selected device in the family has transceivers.



2.2 Hardware Design

The hardware design for the implementation includes a LiteFast transmitter and LiteFast receiver blocks connected to the RTG4 FPGA SerDes. UART block communicates with the GUI to send data and receive control signals. The top-level SmartDesign diagram for the design is shown in the following figure.





Note: All the figures shown in this demo guide are from the 16-bit external loopback demo design.

2.2.1 CorePCS

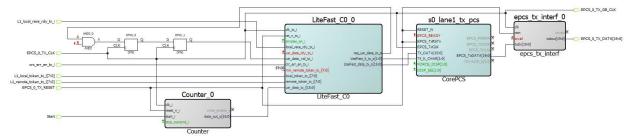
The CorePCS is implemented in the Fabric and supports programmable 8b10b encoding/decoding. This Core can be configured as a transmitter, receiver, or both transmitter and receiver. Word alignment support is included in the receiver. The Core can be configured to support 10-bit or 20-bit external physical coding sublayer (EPCS) data. For more information about CorePCS block, refer to *CorePCS Handbook*.

2.3 Module Level Descriptions

2.3.1 LiteFast Transmitter Module

The LiteFast transmitter module contains a counter to generate data, LiteFast IP in a transmitter mode, CorePCS block configured in transmitter only mode, and transmitter interface for SerDes. The following figure shows the LiteFast SmartDesign transmitter block.





2.3.1.1 Counter Module

The counter block contains a 16-bit counter that transmits incremental data, each clock cycle.



2.3.1.2 LiteFast IP in Transmitter Module

The Lite Fast IP is configured in transmitter only mode. The IP can be configured from IP's configurator window, as shown in the following figure. The g_DATA_WID indicates the data width, g_LANE_NUM indicates the number of lanes to be configured. LiteFast_Mode contains the drop down in which Transmitter Only mode needs to be selected. For more information about exact number of lane, refer Table 1, page 3.

Figure 4 • LiteFast IP Transmitter Configurator

| Configuration | | 1 |
|----------------|-----------------|--------|
| g_DATA_WID: | .6 | - |
| g_LANE_NUM: | L | - |
| LiteFast_Mode: | ransmitter Only | . |
| License O | bfuscated | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| Help 🔻 | ОК | Cancel |

2.3.1.3 CorePCS Transmitter Module

The CorePCS transmitter block multiplexes the control and data inputs on EPCS_TX_DATA. The CorePCS uses the running disparity technique for 8B/10B encoding. The CorePCS output transmits interface is connected to the SerDes EPCS transmit interface.

2.3.1.4 EPCS Transmit Interface Module

The EPCS transmit interface block is a fabric interface that synchronizes data between SerDes block and fabric modules.

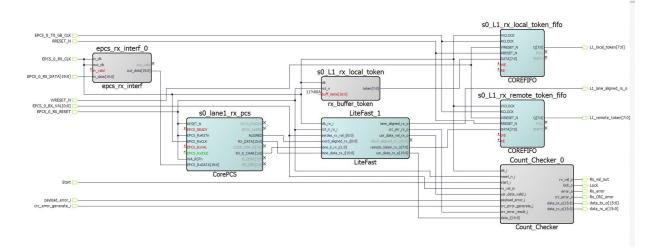
It receives data from the fabric modules and transmits onto the SerDes.

2.3.2 LiteFast Receiver Module

The LiteFast receiver block contains a receiver interface from SerDes, LiteFast IP in receiver mode, CorePCS block configured in receiver only mode, and count checker block. It contains the local token generation block, remote token first in first out (FIFO), and local token FIFO. The SmartDesign diagram for the LiteFast receiver block is shown in the following figure.







2.3.2.1 EPCS Receive Interface Module

The EPCS receive interface block is a fabric interface that synchronizes data between SerDes block and Fabric modules.

It receives the data from SerDes and sends it to the fabric modules.

2.3.2.2 CorePCS Receiver Module

The CorePCS in the Rx chain implements 10B/8B decoding. RX_K_CHAR control signal output of CorePCS is used to indicate a control or data character.

2.3.2.3 LiteFast IP in Receiver Module

The LiteFast IP is configured in the receiver only mode. In this mode it only receives data. The IP can be configured by double clicking the IP so that the configurator window opens, as shown in the following figure. The g_DATA_WID indicates the data width, g_LANE_NUM indicates the number of lanes to be configured and LiteFast Mode contains the drop down in which Receiver Only mode needs to be selected. For exact number of lane and data width choice, refer Table 1, page 3.

Figure 6 • LiteFast IP Receiver Configurator

| Configuration | |
|----------------|---------------|
| g_DATA_WID: | 16 |
| g_LANE_NUM: | 1 |
| LiteFast_Mode: | Receiver Only |
| License | Obfuscated |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| Help 🔻 | OK Cancel |



2.3.2.4 Counter Checker Module

The counter checker block contains a 16-bit count generator and a 16-bit checker that checks the incoming data with the self-generated data. Error counter is incremented whenever there is a mismatch between estimated data and captured data.

2.3.3 SerDes

RTG4 FPGA high-speed SerDes is a hard IP block on chip that supports rates up to 5 Gbps. The SerDes block offers embedded protocol support for PCIe, SRIO, XAUI, SGMII and so on. The SerDes block also supports EPCS interface which can be used for custom protocols. For more information, refer to *UG0567: RTG4 FPGA High Speed Serial Interfaces User Guide*.



In this demo design, the PCIE_SERDES_IF_0 block is configured for EPCS mode on Lane0 with the 20bit parallel interface on both transmit and receive side, and external reference clock from on board Oscillator. The configurator window for SERDES in the SmartDesign is shown in the following figure.

Figure 7 • SerDes Configurator window

| RTG4 High Speed Serial Interface Config | gurator | | | - 0 |
|---|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Identification | | | | |
| ○ SERDES_PCIE_0 | | | | Simulation Level RTL |
| Protocol Configuration | | | | |
| Protocol 1 | | Protocol 2 | | |
| Type EPCS • | | Type N | one 🔻 | |
| Number of Lanes x1 Lane | 0 • | Number of Lanes | ~ | |
| Lane Configuration | | | | |
| | | | | 1 |
| | Lane 0 | Lane 1 | Lane 2 | Lane 3 |
| Speed | Custom Speed 🗸 🗸 | | | |
| Reference Clock Source | REFCLK (Differential) \sim | | | |
| PHY RefClk Frequency (MHz) | 125 | | | |
| Data Rate (Mbps) | 2500 Mbps (20 bit) \sim | | | |
| Data Width | 20 | | | |
| FPGA Interface Frequency (MHz) | 125 | | | |
| VCO Rate (MHz) | 2500 | | | |
| EPCS Lane TX/RX Clock Selection | | | | |
| GLOBAL_0_OUT PHY_EPCS_TXCLK[0] • | GLOBAL | _1_OUT PHY_EPCS_RXCLK[0] • | | |
| Reference Clock Configuration | Signal Integrity | Options | Register Configurati | on |
| Configure Reference Clock Receiver | · | Signal Integrity Options | | Edit Registers |
| Help | | | | OK Cancel |

2.3.3.1 Reference Clock Source

For the given demo, when line speed is working at 2.5 Gbps, the reference Clock to SerDes is 125 MHz and it is given from differential pads (REFCLKP and REFCLKN). In RTG4 Development Kit, the REFCLK differential pads are driven from 125 MHz on board Oscillator.

2.3.4 UART

The UART block contains the CoreUART and FabUART modules. The FabUART module is the wrapper interface that sends/receives commands and data to the GUI through CoreUART block. For more information about CoreUART block, refer to *CoreUART Handbook*.

2.3.5 CoreABC

CoreABC (ABC = APB bus controller) is a simple, configurable, low-gate count, programmable state machine/controller primarily targeted toward the implementation of advanced microcontroller bus architecture (AMBA) advanced peripheral bus (APB) based designs. CoreABC is used for SerDes initialization in this demo design. For more information, refer to *CoreABC Handbook*.



3 Validating the Design on RTG4 Development Kit

3.1 Design Requirements

The following table lists the design requirements to run the demo:

Table 2 •Design Requirements

| Requirement | Version | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Hardware | | | |
| RTG4 Development Kit | - | | |
| SMA M to SMA M loopback cables | - | | |
| Mini to Micro USB cable | - | | |
| Host PC or laptop | 64-bit Windows 7 and 10 | | |
| Software | | | |
| JOB file | Included with project | | |
| GUI Software | Included with project | | |
| Libero [®] System-on-Chip (SoC) | Note: Refer to the readme.txt file provided in the design files | | |
| FlashPro Express | for the software versions used with this reference design. | | |

Note: Libero SmartDesign and configuration screen shots shown in this guide are for illustration purpose only. Open the Libero design to see the latest updates.

3.2 **Prerequisites**

Before you start:

• Download and install Libero SoC (as indicated in the website for this design) on the host PC from the following location: https://www.microsemi.com/product-directory/design-resources/1750-libero-soc

3.3 Demo Design

Download the demo design files from the Microsemi website at:

http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=rtg4_dg0729_df



The demo design files include:

- Libero project
- Programming files
- TCL scripts
- GUI

The following figure shows the top-level structure of the design files. Which are delivered along with this demo guide:

Figure 8 • Design Structure

Note: x can be 8 or 16 and z can be external or Internal.

3.4 Setting Up the Demo Design

The following steps describe how to set up the demo:

- 1. The RTG4 150 device consists of six SerDes with four lanes each. Lane0 of SERDES_PCIE_5 can be used for external loopback testing on the RTG4 Development Kit board.
- 2. A pair of SMA-SMA cables are required to loopback SERDES5_TXP_0 to SERDES5_RXP_0 and SERDES5_TXN_0 to SERDES5_RXN_0.
- 3. Connect the micro-USB to USB-A cable to the board, as shown in the following figure. The USB-A connector needs to be connected to the computer. For more information about RTG4 Development Kit board, refer to UG0617: RTG4 FPGA Development Kit User Guide.

Figure 9 • RTG4 Development Kit Board Overview

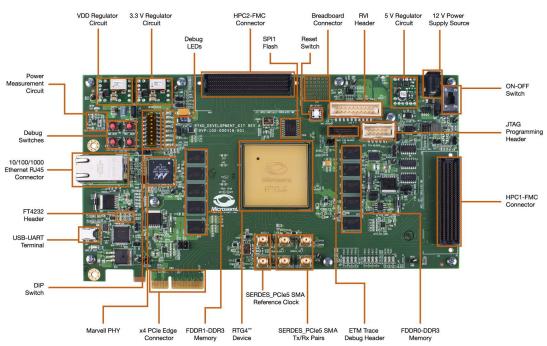
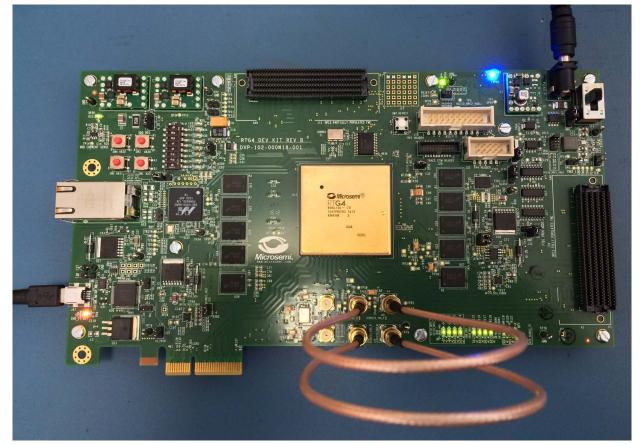




Figure 10 • Board Setup



4. Install USB-UART drivers. USB-UART driver files - FT232R is available on the Microsemi website.

3.5 Building the System

The following steps describe how to rebuild the design:

- 1. Download the demo design files from the design file links.
- 2. Save the design files at the local disk and unzip it, ensure that the Libero version is v(xx.x).
- 3. Open the Libero project using the Libero tool.
- 4. Click generate bitstream option in the Libero tool.

Observe the synthesis, map, and implementation reports.

Note: User need not perform any other activities other than the above ones.

3.6 **Programming the Device**

To program the RTG4 Development Kit with the job file provided as part of the design files using FlashPro Express software, refer to Appendix 1: Programming the Device Using FlashPro Express, page 20.



3.7 Executing the Demo Design

3.7.1 LiteFast Demo GUI Installation

Perform the following steps to install the LiteFast IP Demo GUI:

- 1. Download the GUI installation files: http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=rtg4_dg0729_df/GUI
- 2. Open GUI_Installer>Volume>setup.exe.
- 3. When prompted, click **Yes**.
- 4. On the LiteFast Destination Directory window, click **Next**, as shown in the following figure. Default locations are displayed.

Figure 11 • LiteFast GUI Setup Window

| LiteFast_IP_GUI | |
|--|----------------|
| Destination Directory Select the primary installation directory. | |
| All software will be installed in the following locations. To install software into a different location, click the Browse button and select another directory. | |
| Directory for LiteFast_IP_GUI C:\Program Files (x86)\LiteFast_IP_GUI\ | Browse |
| Directory for National Instruments products C:\Program Files (x86)\National Instruments\ | Browse |
| << Back Next >> | <u>C</u> ancel |



5. On the LiteFast Start Installation window, click **Next**, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 12 • LiteFast GUI Installation

| LiteFast_IP_GUI | | x |
|---|----------------|---|
| Start Installation Review the following summary before continuing. | | |
| Adding or Changing • LiteFast_IP_GUI Files • NI-VISA 14.0.1 Run Time Support | | |
| Click the Next button to begin installation. Click the Back button to change the installation setting | 8. | |
| Save File << Back Next >> | <u>C</u> ancel | |

A progress bar appears which shows the progress of the installation, as shown in the following figure. Wait for the installation to complete. It may take a few minutes.

Figure 13 • LiteFast GUI Setup Progress Bar

| 💭 LiteFast_IP_GUI | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| Overall Progress: 49% Complete | | |
| | | |
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| Creating shortcuts | | |
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| | <pre></pre> | Cancel |



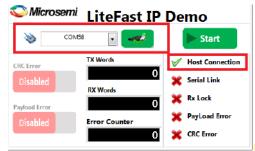
6. If the installation is successful, Installation Complete message appears. Click **Finish**. Restart the computer before using the installed GUI.

Note: The GUI given along with this demo design is applicable only for this demo design.

3.7.2 LiteFast Demo GUI Description and Usage

- 1. Open Programs>LiteFast_IP_Demo.
- 2. The LiteFast GUI window appears, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 14 • LiteFast GUI Window



Note: Hover the mouse pointer on each option to access tool tips and know more information about the specific options.

The following table lists down the main sections of the GUI.

Table 3 •Main Sections of the GUI

| GUI Options | Description | Expectation from user |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| Drop-down COM port list | As soon as the GUI is opened, the internal logic of the GUI tries to communicate with the system as well as the board and check the number of available COM ports and the COM port to which the board is connected. If there is any issue during the auto-connect of the host PC with the board, then the user can manually connect by selecting the appropriate COM port from the dropdown list and clicking connect. | Unless the GUI is not auto connecting, the user doesn't have to perform any activity. This functionality is auto-updated by the GUI. |

Note: Default settings for the design are 9600 Baud, no flow control, one stop, and no parity. User must not modify any settings.

The following table describes the Push Buttons in the GUI.

Table 4 • Push Buttons in the GUI

| GUI Options | Description | Expectation from user |
|-------------|--|--|
| Start/Stop | This is dual functionality button. Click the Start button to start the LiteFast demo. The internal counter transmits the count data which is sent over to the serial link. The count data is received by the receiver and checked for any errors. The status at any time can be monitored using the status signals in the GUI. Stop is exactly opposite of the Start and embedded in the same button. On clicking the Stop button, the example design stops the counter and the core link becomes down. | Unless this button is pressed, the demo design will not be operative. User needs to monitor the core functionality. |



The following table lists down the status signals on the GUI.

Table 5 •Status Signals on the GUI

| GUI Options | Description | Expectation from user |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Host Connection | This indicates if the host is properly connected to the board or not. Green tick mark: It indicates that the communication channel is established. Red cross mark: It Indicates that there is a communication problem with the host COM port. | User needs to check for the Green Mark before starting any functionality check on the GUI. |
| Serial Link | This indicates the transmission link for the serial LiteFast data. Green mark: It indicates that the link is up and running. Red cross mark: It indicates that there is some issue with the board, connection, or any other place as the link is not up. | User needs to check for the green mark before starting any functionality check on the GUI. In case of a red cross mark, the user needs to check for the board and cable connections and may have to perform debug. |
| Rx Lock | This indicates the receiver lock. Green mark: It indicates that the receiver is in sync with the incoming data. The receiver has locked to the count sequences and the subsequently transmitted sequences are successfully received. Red cross mark: It indicates that there is some problem with the receiver as it is not able to receive the data correctly. | User needs to check for the Green Mark before starting any functionality check on the GUI. In case of a Red Cross mark, the user needs to check for the board and cable connections and may have to perform debug. |
| Payload Error | This indicates the errors received. Green mark: This indicates that there are no pay load errors detected. The data received is same as the data transmitted. Red cross mark: This indicates that the data received has injected errors. | User needs to monitor the functionality. Debug is not expected from the user. This error is injected into the data packets when the Payload Error slide bar is enabled. It increments the Error Count display. |
| CRC Errors | This indicates that the received packet has CRC errors. Green mark: This indicates that the data received is with the correct CRC. Red cross mark: This indicates that the received data has CRC errors. | User needs to monitor the functionality. Debug is not expected from user. This error is injected in the data packets when the CRC Error slide bar is enabled. |

Note: Default settings for the design are 9600 Baud, no flow control, one stop, and no parity. User need not modify any settings.



The following table lists down the GUI Data Window options.

Table 6 •GUI Data Window options

| GUI Data Window | Description | Expectation from user |
|-----------------|---|--|
| RX Words | Shows the number of received data words. This number rolls over after 65535 words. | User needs to monitor the number of Rx words received. |
| TX Words | Shows the number of transmitted data words. This number rolls over after 65535 words. | User needs to monitor the number of Tx words transmitted. |
| Error Counter | It indicates the packet loss and rolls over after 65535 words. | User needs to monitor when the payload errors are injected. This text box shows the count of the Errored packets received. The number displayed over here could be different from Tx and Rx packet numbers and may not match the actual subtraction between Tx and Rx words. This is because the internal counters are read slowly, but the internal logic is accurate. |

Note: Error counter may not exactly co-relate to TX words and RX words due to the rollover.

The following table lists down the slider bars available on GUI.

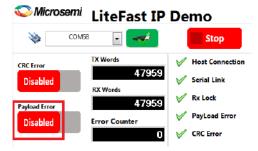
Table 7 • Slider Bars Available on GUI

| GUI Slider Bars | Description | Expectation from user |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Payload Error Slider | It is used to introduce errors in the transmission for debugging. Enabling this slider injects an error in the transmitted count sequence, which as a result, increments the Error Count display, and the Payload Error indicator turns Red. | User needs to monitor the functionality of the error injection and error detection by the core on GUI. |
| CRC Error Slider | It is used to introduce CRC errors in the transmission for debugging. Enabling this slider injects the CRC error in the transmitted count sequence, which as a result, increments the Error Count display, and the CRC Error indicator turns red. | User needs to monitor the functionality of the CRC error injection and error detection by the core. |



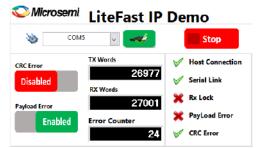
The following figure shows how the GUI looks like during an error free operation of the LiteFast demo system.

Figure 15 • Connected LiteFast GUI



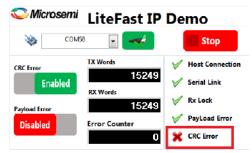
The following figure shows how the GUI looks like during a payload error injection of the LiteFast demo system.

Figure 16 • GUI Payload Error Injection



The following figure shows how the GUI looks like during CRC error injection of the LiteFast demo system.

Figure 17 • GUI with CRC Error Injection





4 Using LiteFast in Customer Application

The demo design consists of LiteFast IP, traffic generator, checker, and other modules. This system is specific to the demo. In case, user likes to use the LiteFast IP in the design, some modifications are needed to be done.

Replace the counter and checker modules with customer design.

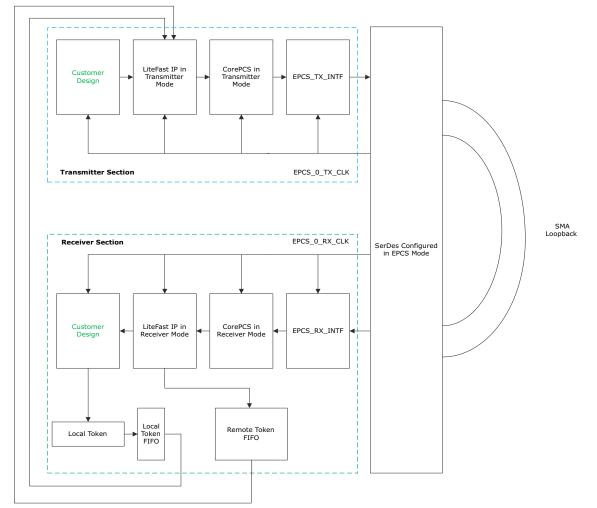
4.1 LiteFast Transmitter Section

The count generator in the transmitter section can be replaced with the user data generator module. The data generator is interfaced with the LiteFast transmit module.

4.2 LiteFast Receiver Section

The count checker in the receiver section can be replaced with the data receiver in the user design. The data receiver takes input from the LiteFast receiver module, as shown in the following figure.







4.3 Guidelines for Libero Design Flow

In a system, the LiteFast IP can be added as per the system design requirements. Once the IP is added, the following are the steps to be followed for Libero design completion:

- 1. Create the design using SmartDesign in the Libero v(xx.x) SP2.
- 2. Add the LiteFast IP from the IP catalog.
- 3. Configure the transmitter and receiver sections, as per system requirements.
- 4. Go through the synthesis and check for any warnings.
- 5. Adjust the DELAY value of the delay line module in the EPCS RX module to avoid any hold violations.
- 6. Give proper LiteFast TX and RX clock constraints.
- 7. Proper care for clock crossing needs to be taken for local and remote token handling.
- 8. Complete the implementation and generate the bitstream.
- 9. Program the device.
- 10. Execute the design and check the functionality.

4.4 System Resource Utilization for Demo Design

| Туре | Used | Total | Percentage |
|------------------------|------|--------|------------|
| 4LUT | 2848 | 151824 | 1.88 |
| DFF | 2209 | 151824 | 1.45 |
| I/O Register | 0 | 2154 | 0.00 |
| User I/O | 3 | 720 | 0.42 |
| Single-ended I/O | 3 | 720 | 0.42 |
| Differential I/O Pairs | 0 | 360 | 0.00 |
| RAM64x18 | 2 | 210 | 0.95 |
| RAM1K18 | 2 | 209 | 0.96 |
| MACC | 0 | 462 | 0.00 |
| H-Chip Globals | 7 | 48 | 14.58 |
| CCC | 1 | 8 | 12.50 |
| RCOSC_50MHz | 1 | 1 | 100.00 |
| SYSRESET | 1 | 1 | 100.00 |
| SERDESIF Blocks | 1 | 6 | 16.67 |
| FDDR | 0 | 2 | 0.00 |
| GRESET | 1 | 1 | 100.00 |
| RGRESET | 2 | 206 | 0.97 |

Table 8 • System Resource Utilization for Demo Design

Note: Resource utilization is given with respect to 16 bit demo design.



5 Appendix 1: Programming the Device Using FlashPro Express

This section describes how to program the RTG4 device with the programming job file using FlashPro Express.

To program the device, perform the following steps:

- 1. Ensure that the jumper settings on the board are the same as those listed in *Table 3 of UG0617: RTG4 Development Kit User Guide*
- 2. Optionally, jumper **J32** can be set to connect pins 2-3 when using an external FlashPro4, FlashPro5, or FlashPro6 programmer instead of the default jumper setting to use the embedded FlashPro5.
- **Note:** The power supply switch, **SW6** must be switched **OFF** while making the jumper connections.
 - 3. Connect the power supply cable to the **J9** connector on the board.
 - 4. Power **ON** the power supply switch **SW6**.
 - 5. If using the embedded FlashPro5, connect the USB cable to connector **J47** and the host PC. Alternatively, if using an external programmer, connect the ribbon cable to the JTAG header **J22** and connect the programmer to the host PC.
 - 6. On the host PC, launch the FlashPro Express software.
 - 7. Click **New** or select **New Job Project from FlashPro Express Job** from **Project** menu to create a new job project, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 19 • FlashPro Express Job Project

| | | E FlashPro Express | |
|-----------------|----|---|--------------|
| Job Projects | | Project Edit View Programmer Help | |
| | | New Job Project from FlashPro Express Job | Ctrl+N |
| New | | 🚰 Open Job Project | Ctrl+0 |
| Open | | × Close Job Project | |
| | | Save Job Project | Ctrl+Shift+A |
| Recent Projects | or | Set Log File | , |
| | | Export Log File | |
| | | Preferences | |
| | | Execute Script | Ctrl+U |
| | | Export Script File | |
| | | Recent Projects | , |
| | | Exit | Ctrl+Q |

- 8. Enter the following in the New Job Project from FlashPro Express Job dialog box:
- **Programming job file:** Click **Browse**, and navigate to the location where the .job file is located and select the file. The default location is:

<download folder>\rtg4 dg0729 df\Programming Job

 FlashPro Express job project location: Click Browse and navigate to the desired FlashPro Express project location.



Figure 20 • New Job Project from FlashPro Express Job

| Create New Job Project | \times |
|--|----------|
| Import FlashPro Express job file LiteFast_x1_RTG4_16bits_External\Libero_Project\designer\top\export\top.job Browse | |
| Construct automatically (developer mode) Connected programmers: Programming interface: JTAG | |
| FlashPro Express job project name: top | |
| FlashPro Express job project location: D:\ Browse | |
| Help OK Cance | el |

- 9. Click **OK**. The required programming file is selected and ready to be programmed in the device.
- 10. The FlashPro Express window appears as shown in the following figure. Confirm that a programmer number appears in the Programmer field. If it does not, confirm the board connections and click **Refresh/Rescan** Programmers.

Figure 21 • Programming the Device

| Programmer | 1 RT4G150 | ۲ | |
|------------|------------------|-------|---|
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| S201QVPT | IDLE | IDL | E |
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11. Click **RUN**. When the device is programmed successfully, a **RUN PASSED** status is displayed as shown in the following figure.



Figure 22 • FlashPro Express—RUN PASSED

| ashPro Express C:\Work\Projects\AC444_Space t Edit View Programmer Help | Wire\Nov_2020_update\QR_12p6\test_FPExpress\top\top.prc - JTAG Programming Interface* | |
|--|--|--|
| resh/Rescan Programmers | | |
| Programmer | RT4G150 TOI TOI | |
| S201QVPTI RUN PASSED | PASSED | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| RAM I | 1 PROGRAMMER(S) PASSED | |
| RUN | 1 PROGRAMMER(S) PASSED | |
| RUN | 14G150' : Frogramming FFGA Array | |
| RUN | 14GISU' : FYOGRAMMING FFGA AFRAY 14GISU' : | |
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12. Close FlashPro Express or click Exit in the Project tab.



6 Appendix 2: Running the TCL Script

TCL scripts are provided in the design files folder under directory TCL_Scripts. If required, the design flow can be reproduced from Design Implementation till generation of job file.

To run the TCL, follow the steps below:

- 1. Launch the Libero software
- 2. Select **Project > Execute Script....**
- 3. Click Browse and select script.tcl from the downloaded TCL_Scripts directory.
- 4. Click Run.

After successful execution of TCL script, Libero project is created within TCL_Scripts directory.

For more information about TCL scripts, refer to:

- rtg4_dg0729_df/DG729_LiteFast_RTG4_8bits_Ext_Loopback/TCL_Scripts/readme.txt.
- rtg4_dg0729_df/DG729_LiteFast_RTG4_8bits_Int_Loopback/TCL_Scripts/readme.txt.
- rtg4_dg0729_df/DG729_LiteFast_x1_RTG4_16bits_External/TCL_Scripts/readme.txt.
- rtg4_dg0729_df/DG729_LiteFast_x1_RTG4_16bits_Internal/TCL_Scripts/readme.txt.

Refer to *Libero*® *SoC TCL Command Reference Guide* for more details on TCL commands. Contact Technical Support for any queries encountered when running the TCL script.