SmartFusion2 Controller Area Network (CAN) - Libero SoC v11.4 Tutorial







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SmartFusion2 Controller Area Network (CAN)

Introduction

SmartFusion[®]2 system-on-chip (SoC) field programmable gateway arrays (FPGAs) have an integrated controller area network (CAN) peripheral. The CAN controller is an advanced peripheral bus (APB_1) slave in the microcontroller subsystem (MSS) AHB bus matrix. Refer to the *SmartFusion2 Microcontroller Subsystem User's Guide* for more information. The ARM[®] Cortex[™]-M3 processor master or a master in the FPGA fabric configures the CAN controller using the APB slave interface in the SmartFusion2 SoC FPGAs.

The CAN controller in the SmartFusion2 device supports the concept of mailboxes. It is compliant to the CAN standard defined in the ISO 11898-1 standard. The CAN controller contains 32-bit receive buffers and 32-bit transmit buffers. Each buffer has its own message filter with prioritized arbitration scheme for optimal support of higher-layer protocols (HLP) such as DeviceNet. The message filter also covers the first two data bytes of the message payload. The transmit and receive message buffers are single error corrected, double error detected (SECDED) using the integrated error detection and correction (EDAC) controller. The functional behavior of the CAN peripheral must be defined at the application level using the SmartFusion2 MSS CAN firmware drivers provided by Microsemi[®]. Refer to the CAN firmware drivers' user guide in Libero[®] SoC design software for more details. Figure 1 shows the CAN controller block diagram.

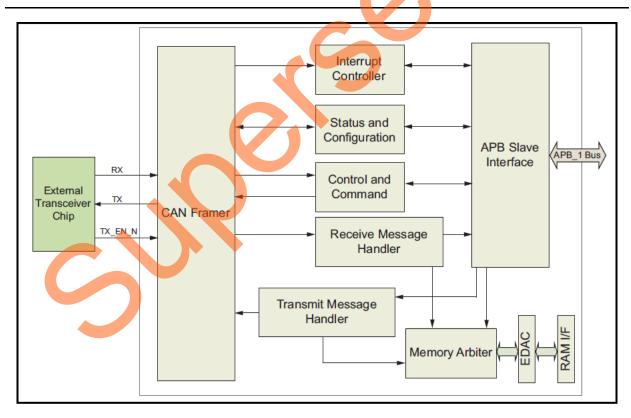


Figure-1 • CAN Controller Block Diagram

This tutorial design focuses on using the ARM[®] Cortex[™]-M3 processor as a master that configures the CAN controller. It uses the firmware driver functions and APIs that Microsemi provides to use different sets of CAN functions.



After completing this tutorial, you should be familiar with the following tasks:

- 1. Creating a Libero® SoC v11.4 project using the SmartFusion2 SoC FPGAs System Builder tools.
- 2. Configuring and generating various hardware blocks and clocking systems using the MSS.
- 3. Opening the project in SoftConsole and writing the application code.
- 4. Validating the application design on the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board.

Tutorial Requirements

Table 1 lists the design requirements of CAN.

Table -1 • Design Requirements

Design Requirements	Description
Hardware Requirements	
PCAN-USB Adapter	Optionally recommended for evaluating some of the CAN features, http://gridconnect.com/can-usb.html
DB9 female-to-female adapter	To connect the PCAN-USB to the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board
SmartFusion2 Development Kit	Rev C or later
Software Requirements	
Libero System-on-Chip (SoC)	v11.4
FlashPro programming software	v11.4
PCAN-View software	Download from GridConnect, http://gridconnect.com/can-usb.html
SoftConsole	v3.4SP1
One of the following serial terminal emulation programs: • HyperTerminal • TeraTerm • PuTTY	

Associated Project Files

Extract the

www.microsemi.com/soc/download/rsc/?f=m2s_can_liberov11p4_tu_df

Libero SoC project along with the ReadMe and programming (.stp) file to a folder on the HDD of your PC (For example, *C:\Microsemiprj*).



Design Overview

The CAN controller tutorial design describes the usage of MSS CAN drivers and APIs to use different SmartFusion2 CAN features. The design is created using the System Builder with the following configurations:

- The M3_CLK and the MSS Main clock are configured to generate a 32 MHz clock, which is generated using the MSS clock conditioning circuit (MSS_CCC). The 32 MHz is used for the demonstration purposes.
- The CLK_BASE of the MSS_CCC is sourced from the fabric CCC (FCCC). The FCCC is sourced from the 25/50 MHz RC Oscillator.
- The MSS is configured to use a UART peripheral instance (MMUART_1). The MMUART_1 is
 used as an interface for reading and writing the messages from and to the HyperTerminal, and is
 clocked by APB 1 CLK on the APB bus1 (APB 1). The APB 1 CLK is derived from M3 CLK.
- The CAN peripheral instance is enabled.

Figure 2 shows the CAN top-level block diagram.

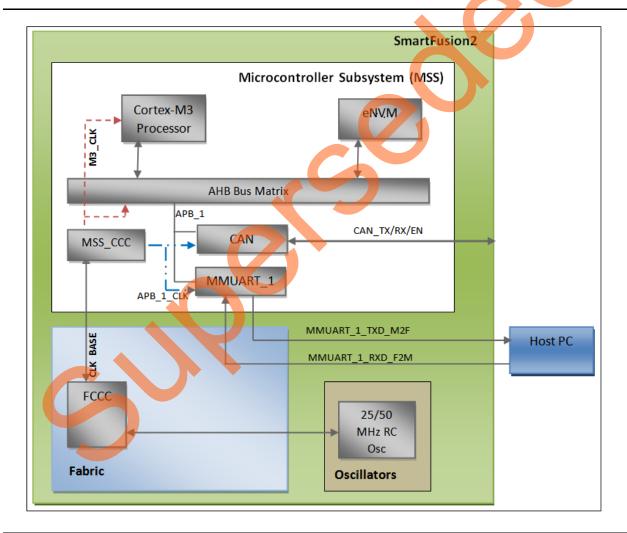


Figure-2 • CAN Top-Level Block Diagram

Design Creation

Step 1: Creating a Libero SoC Project

- 1. Launch Libero SoC.
- 2. Choose New Project from the Project menu. The New Project window is displayed.
- 3. Enter the following information in the **New Project** window. Figure 3 on page 7 shows the new Project window with data entered.
 - Name: CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial
 - Location: Navigate to an appropriate location to save the new project (for example, C:/Microsemi_prj)

Preferred HDL Type: Verilog

- Family: SmartFusion2

- **Die**: M2S050T

- Package: 896 FBGA

– Speed: -1

- Core Voltage (V): 1.2

PLL Supply Voltage (V): 2.5





4. Select Use System Builder under Design Templates and Creators in the New Project window.

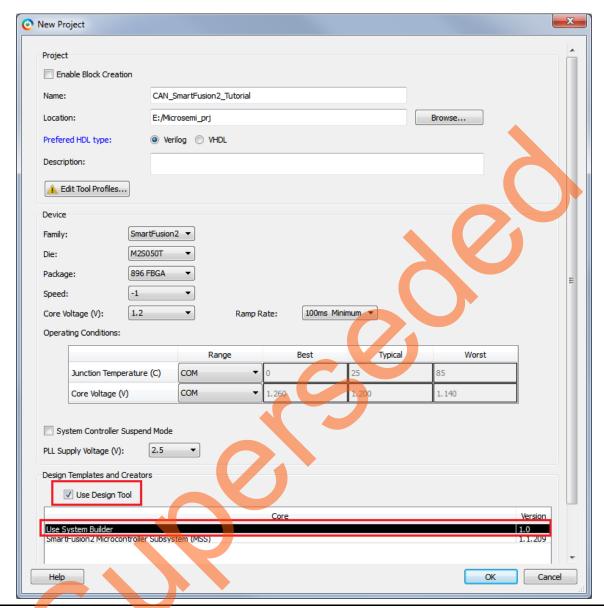


Figure-3 • New Project Window

- Click OK. The System Builder window is displayed.
- 6. Enter CAN_SB as name in the **System** Builder dialog box as shown in Figure 4.

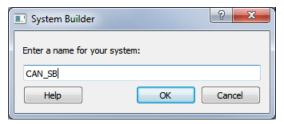


Figure-4 • Create New System Builder

7. Click OK.

The **System Builder- Device Features** window is displayed as shown in Figure 5.

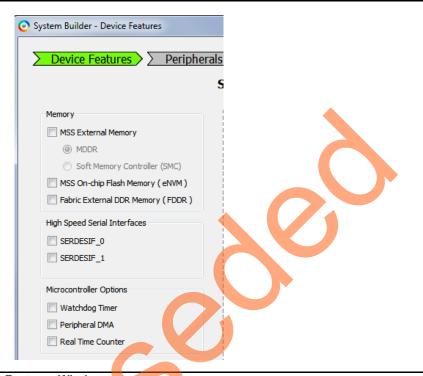
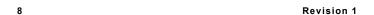


Figure-5 • System Builder - Device Features Window

8. Click Next. The System Builder - Peripherals window is displayed.





 Select the MSS_CAN and MM_UART_1 MSS peripheral check boxes and clear all the other MSS peripheral check boxes as shown in Figure 6.

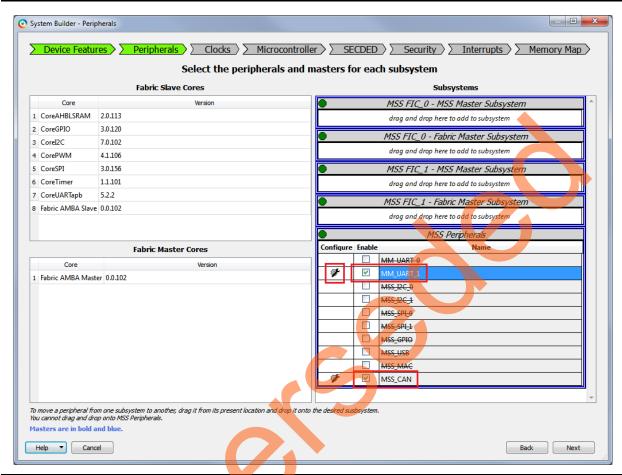


Figure-6 • System Builder - Peripherals Window

 Double-click the settings icon next to MM_UART_1 Peripheral. Figure 6 highlights the MM_UART_1 and MSS_CAN Peripherals and the settings icon. The Configuring MM_UART_1_0 window is displayed.

11. From the MMUART configuration window, select **Fabric** from the **Connect To** drop down list under **Configuration** and leave the other settings default as shown in Figure 7. The MMUART signals are routed through the fabric and connected to the R29 and R24 package pins. The R29 and R24 pins are connected to the FTDI or mini-USB interface using the J129 and J133 jumpers.

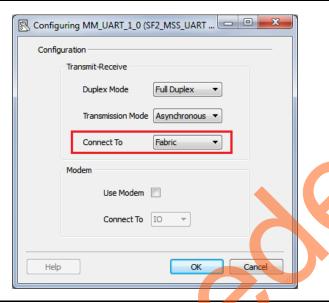


Figure-7 • MMUART Configuration - Fabric Connection

- 12. Click **OK**.
- 13. Click Next. The System Builder Clock Settings window is displayed as shown in Figure 8.
- 14. Select the following options:
 - System Clock: set to 50 MHz and select On-chip 25/50 MHz RC Oscillator from the drop down list. The System Builder automatically instantiates the oscillator and configures it.
 - M3_CLK: set to 32 MHz. This is derived from the System Clock.





 APB_1_CLK: set to 32 MHz. The CAN clock is the APB_1_CLK, which is derived from M3_CLK.

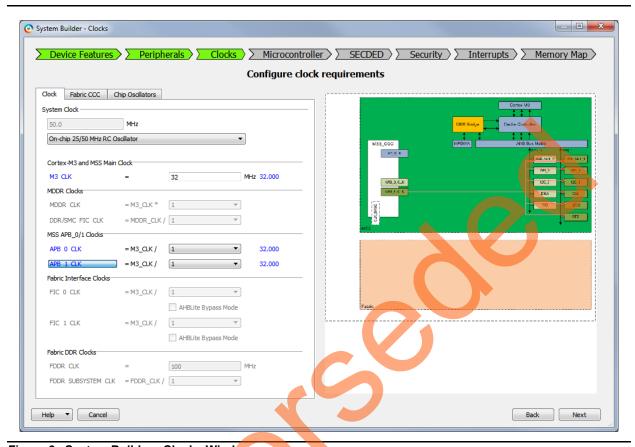


Figure-8 • System Builder - Clocks Window

- Note: By clicking the blue clock name (For example, APB_1_CLK), the clock and the different blocks that the clock drives are shown.
 - 15. Click Next. The System Builder Microcontroller Options window is displayed.
- Note: For steps 15 to 18, keep the default settings.
 - 16. Click Next. The System Builder SECDED Options window is displayed.
 - 17. Click Next. The System Builder Security Options window is displayed.
 - 18. Click Next. The System Builder Interrupts Options window is displayed.
 - 19. Click Next. The System Builder Memory Map Options window is displayed.

20. Click **Finish**. The System Builder generates the system based on the selected options. The System Builder block is created and added to the Libero SoC project as shown in Figure 9.

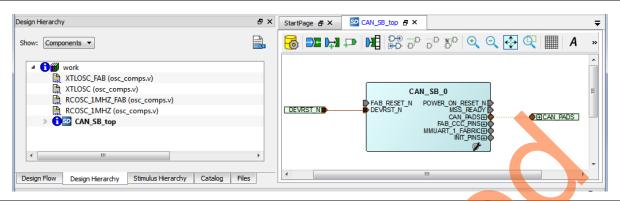


Figure-9 • System Builder Top-Level Block Diagram

- 21. Connect the pins as follows:
 - Right-click FAB_RESET_N and select Tie High. This is an active low reset input that comes from the user logic to fabric. As this signal is not used in this tutorial, set it High.
 - Right-click POWER_ON_RESET_N and select Mark Unused.
 - Right-click MSS READY and select Mark Unused.
 - Right-click FAB_CCC_GL0 > FAB_CCC_PINS and select Mark Unused.
 - Right-click INIT_DONE > INIT_PINS and select Mark Unused.
 - Right-click MMUART_1_FABRIC and select Promote to Top Level.

After making all the connections, the System Builder block displays as shown in Figure 10.

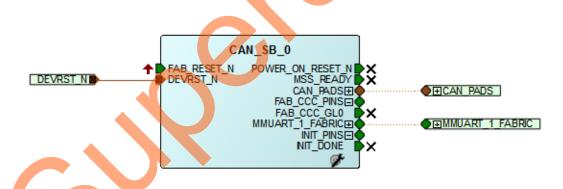


Figure-10 • System Builder Connections

22. Choose Generate Component from the SmartDesign menu to generate the final system. Or click (Generate Component). The System Builder generates the system based on the selected options. After successful generation of the system, the message "Info: 'CAN_SB_top' was successfully generated" is displayed in the log window.



Step 2: Generating the Programming File

 Click the **Design Flow** tab and double-click the **I/O Constraints** in the **Design Flow** window as shown in Figure 11. The **I/O Editor** window is displayed when Synthesize and Compile stages are complete.

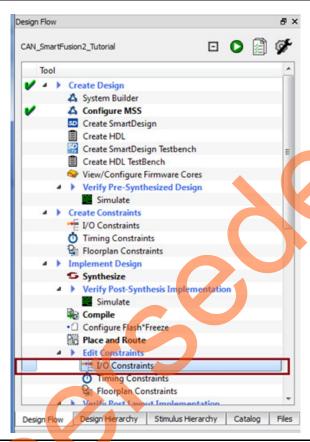


Figure-11 • I/O Constraints Editor

2. Assign the MMUART pins as shown in Table 2.

Table -2 • Pin Names and Pin Numbers

Pin Names	Pin Numbers
MMUART_1_RXD_F2M	R29
MMUART_1_TXD_M2F	R24

The I/O Editor - CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial is displayed as shown in Figure 12.

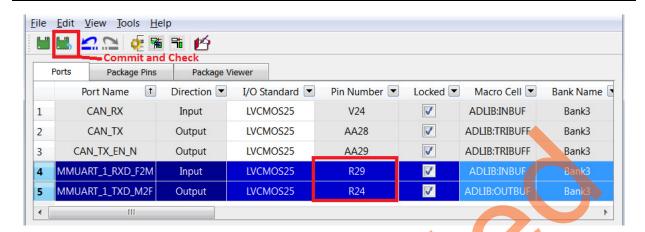


Figure-12 • Launch I/O Constraints Editor

- 3. Click the **Commit and Check** icon after updating the I/O editor. The I/O PDC constraint file is generated automatically and used for compile stage. The message "Info: Generated IOPDC file "E:/Microsemi_prj/CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial/constraint/io/CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial.io.pdc'; marked as Use for Compile" is displayed in the I/O Editor Log window.
- 4. Close the I/O Editor window.
- 5. Click the **Generate Bitstream** icon to complete the Place and Route process and generate the programming file, as shown in Figure 13.



Figure-13 • Generate Programming Data

Step 3: Programming the Device

Before proceeding with programming the device, ensure that FlashPro4 programmer is properly connected to the Flash Pro Header J59 connector of the SmartFusion2 Development Kit board. Use the following to ensure the correct jumper settings:



Board Jumper Settings

1. Connect the Jumpers on the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board as described in Table 3. When connecting the jumper setting, switch OFF the power supply on the board, SW7.

Table -3 • Jumper Settings

Jumper Connection		Descriptions	
J129	2-3	Connects the MMUART1 RXD to the FTDI Interface	
J133	2-3	Connects the MMUART1 TXD to the FTDI Interface	
CAN BUS			
J114	1-2	CANTXBUS1	
J111	1-2	CANRXBUS1	
J115	1-2	CANTXEBL1	
J36	Use jumper	-	

Note: Refer to the *SmartFusion2 Development Kit User Guide* for more information on Board Jumper Settings.

2. Click the **Design Flow** tab and double-click the **Run PROGRAM Action** under **Program Design** in the **Design Flow** window to program the SmartFusion2 SoC device as shown in Figure 14.

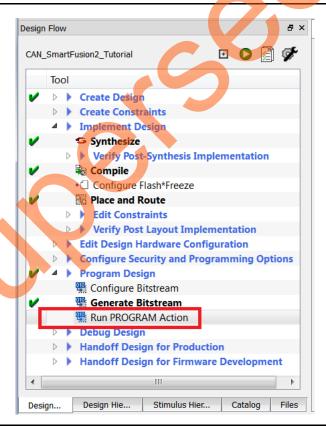


Figure-14 • Program the Device

Step 4: Building the Software Application using SoftConsole

From Libero SoC, configure and export the Firmware cores used in the project. To export the SoftConsole project,

- Double-click the Configure Firmware Cores under Handoff Design for Firmware
 Development as shown in Figure 15 on page 16. Inspect the design's firmware core versions to
 confirm the latest versions of the core drivers are selected.
- 2. Double-click the **Export Firmware** under **Handoff Design for Firmware Development** to export the Firmware files used in the project as shown in Figure 15

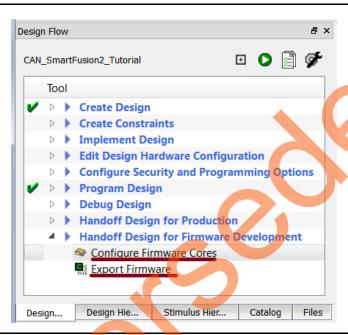


Figure-15 • Configure and Export Firmware

- Select the Create project check box and select SoftConsole3.4 from the drop-down list as shown in Figure 16. By default, the firmware and SoftConsole project files are created in the same directory where the Libero project is created.
- 4. Browse and change the location as required.

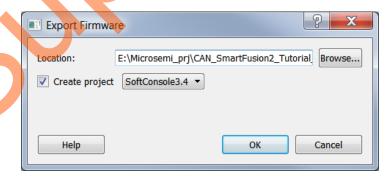


Figure-16 • Export Firmware

5. Click **OK**. The Firmware and SoftConsole folders are created at the selected location. The folders contain the required file sets for SoftConsole IDE. After exporting the Firmware and SoftConsole successfully, the message "Info: Firmware project was successfully exported to 'E:\Microsemi prj\CAN SmartFusion2 Tutorial\firmware'." is displayed.



- 6. Launch the SoftConsole v3.4SP1.
- 7. Browse and select the Workspace of Softconsole folder where the Libero project is located, as shown in Figure 17.

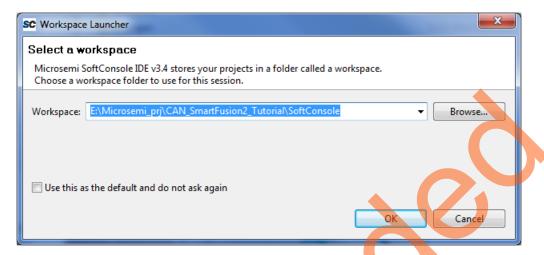


Figure-17 • Specify the SoftConsole Workspace Location

8. Click OK.

Note: The specified SoftConsole Workspace should be the path where the SoftConsole folder is created.

9. Choose **File > Import** in the SoftConsole window as shown in Figure 18. The **Import** window is displayed.

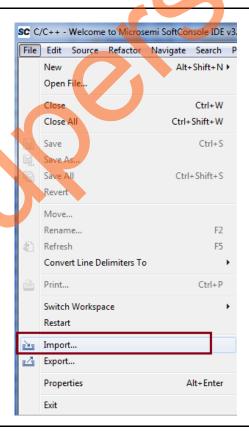


Figure-18 • Import Files

10. Double-click the Existing Projects into Workspace under General folder as shown in Figure 19.

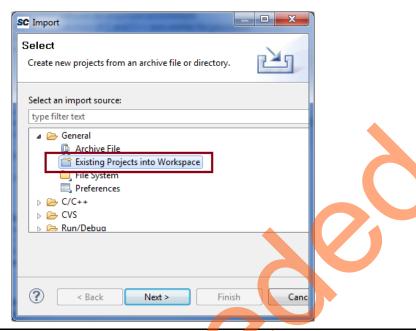


Figure-19 • Import the Existing Projects

11. Browse to the root directory where SoftConsole is created. The root directory of Libero SoC project is displayed in Figure 20. The application and hardware platform check boxes (app and the hw_platform) are automatically detected and selected under Projects.

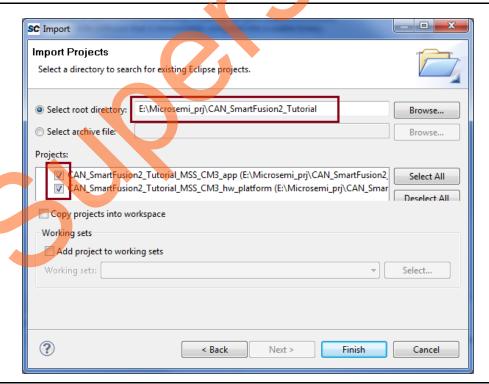


Figure-20 • Import and Select the Existing Projects

12. Click Finish. The SoftConsole window is displayed.



- 13. Go to the source folder in the downloaded design files folder and copy the code from the **source_main.c** file.
- 14. Click the **Project Explorer** tab on the left pane and double-click the **CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app** folder in SoftConsole.
- 15. Double-click the **main.c** file in the left pane. The main.c file is opened on the right pane.
- 16. Delete the existing code and paste the code from <code>source_main.c</code> in the main.c file as shown in Figure 21.

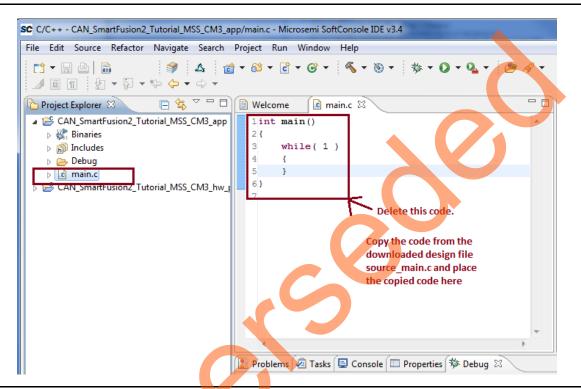


Figure-21 • Update the main.c with the Provided Code

17. Choose **Project** > **Clean** to perform a clean build as shown in Figure 22.

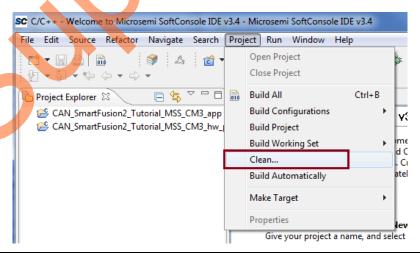


Figure-22 • Clean Project Build

18. Accept the default settings in the Clean window, and click OK as shown in Figure 23.

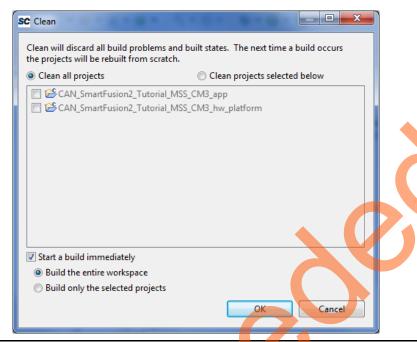


Figure-23 • Clean and Build Window

Note: Ensure that no errors are displayed throughout the design configuration and build flow.

Step 5: Configuring the Serial Terminal Emulation Program

Before running the application program, configure the terminal emulator program (HyperTerminal) in the system. Follow the below steps to use the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board:

- 1. Connect one end of the USB mini-B (FTDI interface) cable to the J24 connector provided on the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board.
- 2. Connect the other end of the USB cable to the host PC.
- 3. Ensure that the USB to UART bridge drivers are automatically detected.
- Download and install the drivers from www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/CDM_2.08.24_WHQL_Certified.zip if the USB to UART bridge drivers are not installed.
- 5. Start a HyperTerminal with the baud rate set as 57600, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity, and no flow control.

Refer to the Configuring Serial Terminal Emulation Programs Tutorial for configuring HyperTerminal, Tera Term, and PuTTY.



Step 6: Setting and Using an External CAN Transceiver

An external transceiver is used to generate and receive CAN transactions, and is also used to demonstrate the sent and received features of the SmartFusion2 CAN controller. The CAN USB Adapter (PCAN-USB) from GridConnect is a hardware that is used in this tutorial shown in Figure 24. The PCAN-View software is also used for user interface along with the PCAN-USB hardware.

Refer to the *GridConnect* site for more information.



Figure-24 • PCAN-USB Adapter

To connect the PCAN USB Adapter,

- 1. Connect the PCAN-USB adapter to the SmartFusion2 CAN header DB9-CAN1 (J42) on the SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board using a DB9 female-to-female adapter.
- 2. Connect the other USB end cable to the host PC.
- 3. Ensure that the drivers are automatically detected.
- 4. Download and install the drivers from http://gridconnect.com/pcan/can-adapters/can-usb.html if PCAN-USB drivers are not installed.
- Download the PCAN-View software executable from http://gridconnect.com/media/documentation/peak_system/pcanview.zip

6. Launch the PCAN-View software. The PCAN-View window is displayed as shown in Figure 25.

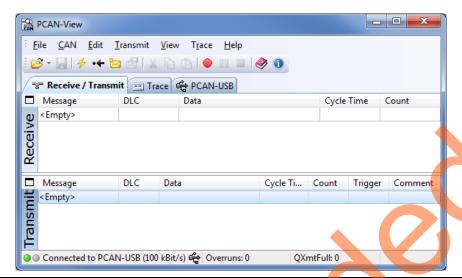


Figure-25 • PCAN-View

7. Choose **Connect** from the **CAN** menu to connect to the **PCAN-USB** adapter. The **Connect** window is displayed as shown in Figure 26.

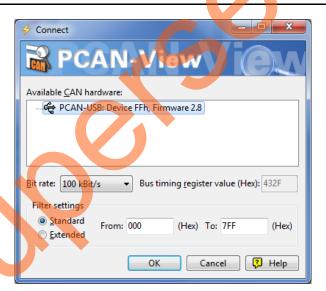


Figure-26 • Connect to the CAN Hardware

The PCAN-USB device is displayed under Available CAN hardware if PCAN-USB adapter drivers are installed correctly.

- 8. Select the Bit rate as 100 kBit/s as shown in Figure 26.
- 9. Click OK.



Step 7: Debugging and Running Application Project using SoftConsole

Follow the steps below to debug and run application project using SoftConsole:

- 1. Select the CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app in Project Explorer of SoftConsole.
- 2. Choose Run > Debug Configurations in the SoftConsole window. The Debug Configurations window is displayed.
- Double-click the Microsemi Cortex-M3 Target and click CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app Debug as shown in Figure 27.

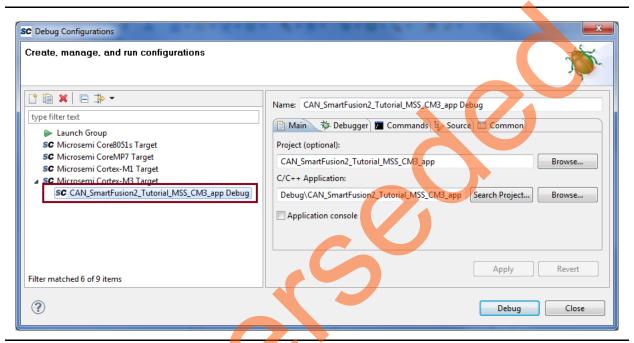


Figure-27 • Debug Configurations

- 4. Ensure that the following information appear in the Main tab of Debug Configurations window:
 - Name: CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app Debug
 - Project (optional): CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app
 - C/C++ Application: CAN_SmartFusion2_Tutorial_MSS_CM3_app
- 5. Click Apply if active, and then click Debug.
- 6. Click Yes, when prompted for Confirm Perspective Switch as shown in Figure 28



Figure-28 • Confirm Perspective Switch

The Debug view mode is displayed as shown in Figure 29.

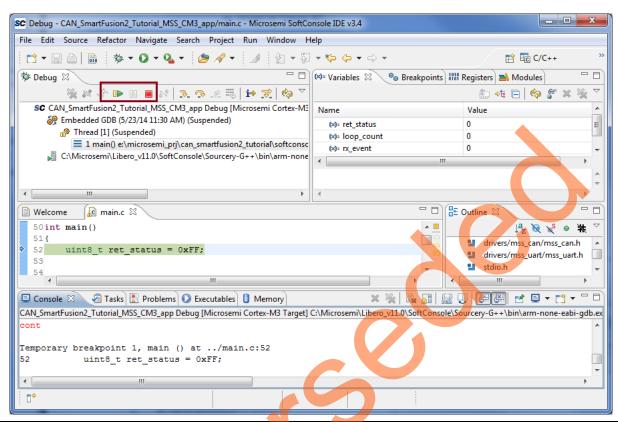


Figure-29 • Debug Perspective

7. Choose **Run** > **Resume** to run the application or click **Run** on the SoftConsole toolbar as shown in Figure 29.



The application options are displayed in the terminal program window as shown in Figure 30.

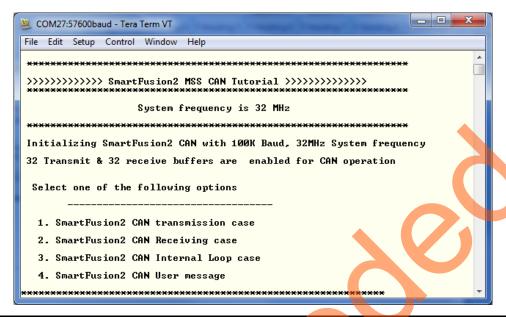


Figure-30 • Greeting Messages

Table 4 summarizes the HyperTerminal options and its usages.

Table -4 • Options and Description

Options	Description
1	When selected, the predefined message is sent to the CAN bus, and the same is reflected in CAN Analyzer.
2	When selected, the message that is received on the CAN bus is displayed in HyperTerminal. The message(s) are sent by the CAN Analyzer are displayed in HyperTerminal.
3	When selected, the message that is sent from CAN controller is looped back internally and reflected in HyperTerminal. It demonstrates the internal loop feature of the CAN controller.
4	When selected, the user enters the message to send to the CAN bus from HyperTerminal. The message is sent to the CAN bus, and the same message is reflected in CAN Analyzer.

Option 1: Transmitting a Message

The MSS CAN driver must be initialized and the mode of the operation must also be selected before performing the data transfers on the CAN bus.

The following functions are used to transmit the messages:

- MSS_CAN_init(): initializes the CAN controller and driver
- MSS_CAN_set_mode(): selects the operating mode of CAN
- MSS_CAN_start(): starts the actual data transfers
- MSS_CAN_stop(): stops the CAN controller
- MSS_CAN_set_config_reg(): changes the MSS CAN configuration after initializing the normal mode operation

A sample message configuration is displayed below.

```
/* configure a message */
pMsg.ID=0x120;
pMsg.DATALOW = 0x1A2B3C4D;
pMsg.DATAHIGH = 0xF5E6C7D9;
pMsg.L = ((1<<20) | 0x00080000);</pre>
```

Refer to the mss_can.h generated file for more information on the CAN message structure.

- To set the mode of the CAN bus, the MSS_CAN_set_mode() function is used as follows:
 - MSS CAN set mode(&g can0, CANOP MODE NORMAL);
- To send a message to the CAN bus, the MSS CAN send() function is used as follows:
 - MSS_CAN_send_message(&g_can0, &pMsg);

Refer to the **SmartFusion2 MSS CAN Driver User Guide** for more information, which can be accessed from the Libero SoC Firmware Configuration option.

 Enter 1. The message is sent to the CAN bus and the same message is reflected in the HyperTerminal as shown in Figure 31.

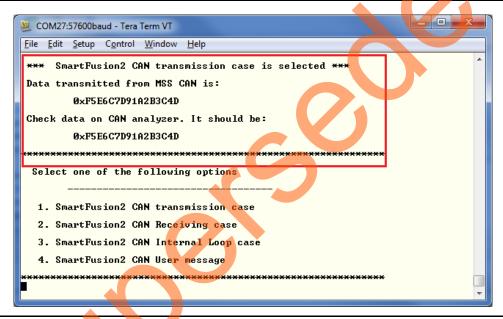


Figure-31 • SmartFusion2 CAN Transmission Case Option

The same message is also displayed in the PCAN-View window as shown in Figure 32.

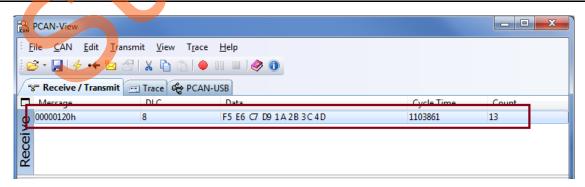


Figure-32 • PCAN-View Transmitted Message



Option 2: Receive a Message

1. Choose **Transmit** > **New Message** to enter a new transmit message using the PCAN-View window as shown in Figure 33. The **New Transmit Message** window is displayed.



Figure-33 • Transmit New Message

2. Enter the message in ID (Hex), DLC, and Data: (Hex). Figure 34 shows an example message.

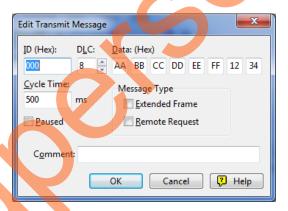


Figure-34 • Edit Transmit Message

- 3. Enter the Cycle Time that specifies the duration of an interval (in Milliseconds) for a periodic message transmission.
- 4. Or enter 0 in Cycle Time to transmit the message manually.
- 5. Click OK.

6. Enter **2** in the HyperTerminal. The CAN controller receives the sent message, and the same message is displayed in the HyperTerminal as shown in Figure 35. The message is sent to the CAN bus periodically as specified in **Cycle Time**.

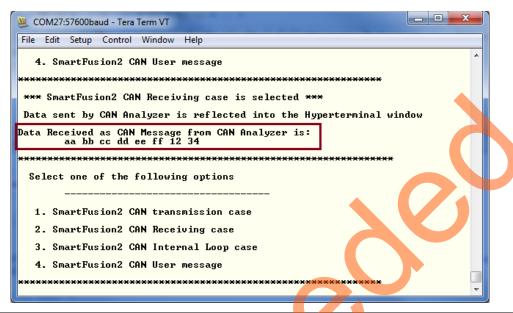


Figure-35 • Sent Message

Option 3: Internal Loop Case

The CAN controller is configured in one of the available test modes where the CAN controller can perform. In this configuration, the CAN controller receives the messages, but they are not sent to the network. Instead, the data is sent internally to the CAN. Refer to the Test Modes Table 11-2 of the SmartFusion2 Microcontroller Subsystem User Guide for more information on the CAN Test mode operations.

The internal mode function is set by using the driver as follows:

MSS_CAN_set_mode(&g_can0, CANOP_MODE_INT_LOOPBACK);





Enter 3. The message is displayed in the HyperTerminal itself. The PCAN-View window does not
receive the messages as the messages are looped internally, and they are not sent to the CAN
bus as shown in Figure 36 and Figure 37.

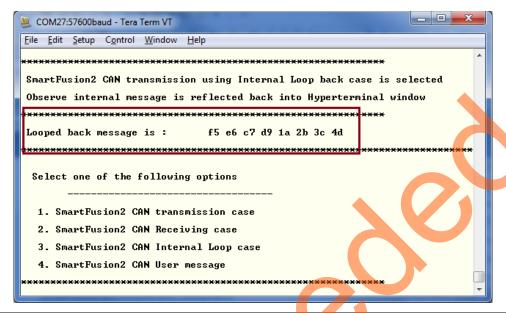


Figure-36 • Looped Back Message

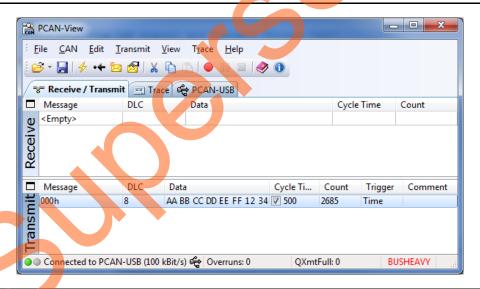


Figure-37 • PCAN-View

Option 4: User Specified Message

In this selection, enter any messages to send to the CAN bus from HyperTerminal. The message is sent to the CAN bus and the same message is reflected in the CAN Analyzer.

- 1. Enter 4 in the HyperTerminal.
- 2. Enter the message to transmit using CAN controller. (For example, enter aabbccddeeff12).

Press ENTER. The sent message is reflected in the PCAN-View window as shown in Figure 38 and Figure 39.

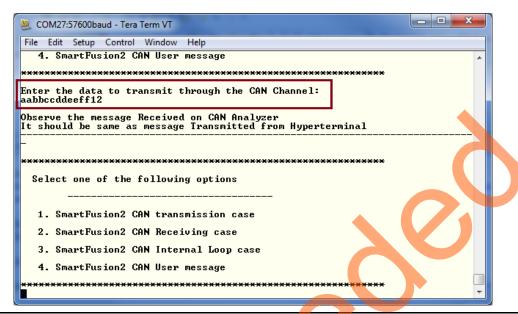


Figure-38 • Enter Data to Transmit to CAN Bus

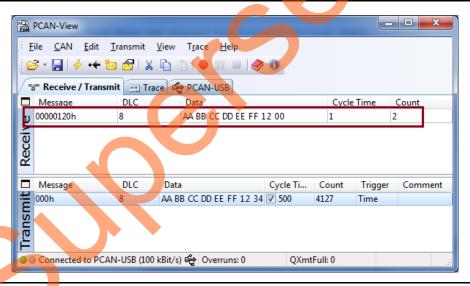


Figure-39 • PCAN-View Received Data

Conclusion

This tutorial presents a step-by-step instructions on how to create a new CAN project in Libero SoC, configure and generate various hardware blocks and clocking system using System Builder, open the project in SoftConsole, and write the application code. The example design describes how to validate the application design on SmartFusion2 Development Kit Board using SoftConsole, PCAN-Adapter, and the PCAN-View software.



A - List of Changes

The following table lists the critical changes that were made in each revision

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