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Demo Guide
Running Modbus TCP Reference Design on SmartFusion2 Devices using lwIP and FreeRTOS - Libero SoC v11.8
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- Libero SoC, FlashPro, and SoftConsole design requirements are updated in the Design Requirements, page 5.
- Throughout the guide, the names of SoftConsole projects used in the demo design and all the associated figures are updated.

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2 Running Modbus TCP Reference Design on SmartFusion2 Devices Using IwIP and FreeRTOS

2.1 Introduction

Microsemi offers a reference design for SmartFusion®2 SoC FPGA devices that demonstrate the tri-speed ethernet medium access controller (TSEMAC) features of the SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA and implements the Modbus protocol. The reference design runs on the UG0557: SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA Advanced Development Kit User Guide. This demo guide describes:

- Usage of SmartFusion2 TSEMAC connected to a serial gigabit media independent interface (SGMII) PHY.
- Integration of SmartFusion2 MAC driver with the lightweight IP (IwIP) transmission control protocol (TCP) or IP stack and the free real time operating system (RTOS).
- Application layer with industrial automation protocol, Modbus on TCP or IP.
- How to run the reference design

The microcontroller subsystem (MSS) of the SmartFusion2 SoC FPGA has an instance of the TSEMAC peripheral. The TSEMAC can be configured between the host processor and the Ethernet network at the following data transfer rates (line speeds):

- 10 Mbps
- 100 Mbps
- 1000 Mbps

For more information on the TSEMAC interface for SmartFusion2 devices, see the UG0331: SmartFusion2 Microcontroller Subsystem User Guide.

2.1.1 Using the Modbus Protocol

Modbus is an application layer messaging protocol present at the level seven of the open systems interconnection (OSI) model. It enables client or server communication between the devices connected in different types of buses or networks. It is a service protocol that offers many services specified by the function codes. The Modbus function codes are elements of Modbus request or reply protocol data units. The components of the Modbus protocol include:

- TCP or IP over Ethernet
- Asynchronous serial transmission over a variety of media
  - Wire:
    - EIA/TIA-232-E
    - EIA-422
    - EIA/TIA-485-A Fiber
  - Radio
- Modbus PLUS, a high-speed token passing network
The following figure describes the Modbus communication stacks for various communication networks.

**Figure 1 • Modbus Communication Stack**

- Modbus Application Layer
- Modbus on TCP
- TCP
- IP
- Ethernet 11/802.3
- Ethernet Physical Layer
- EIA/TIA-232 or EIA/TIA-485
- Master Slave
- Physical Layer
- Modbus/HDLC
- Other
- Other
2.1.2 Using Modbus Protocol on SmartFusion2 Device

The Modbus TCP server runs on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit and responds to the Modbus TCP client running on the host PC. The following figure shows the block diagram of the Modbus TCP server and application on the SmartFusion2 device.

*Figure 2* • Block Diagram of Modbus TCP Server and Application on SmartFusion2
2.2 Design Requirements

The following table lists the hardware and software design requirements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Design Requirements</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Hardware</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit</td>
<td>Rev A or later</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– USB A to mini-B cable</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>– 12 V adapter</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ethernet cable</td>
<td>RJ45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Any one of the following serial terminal emulation programs:</td>
<td>– HyperTerminal – TeraTerm – PuTTY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host PC or Laptop</td>
<td>Windows 64-bit Operating System</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Software</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Libero® System-on-Chip (SoC)</td>
<td>v11.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SoftConsole</td>
<td>v4.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FlashPro programming software</td>
<td>v11.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USB to UART drivers</td>
<td>–</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MSS Ethernet MAC drivers</td>
<td>v3.1.100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A serial terminal emulation program</td>
<td>HyperTerminal, TeraTerm, or PuTTY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Browser</td>
<td>Mozilla Firefox or Internet Explorer</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

2.3 Demo Design

The following sections describe the demo design of the Modbus TCP reference design on SmartFusion2 devices using IwIP and FreeRTOS.

The demo design files are available for download at:

http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=m2s_dg0440_liberov11p8_df

The demo design files include:

- Libero
- Programming files
- HostTool
- Readme

The following figure shows the top-level structure of the design files. For more information, see the Readme.txt file.
2.3.1 Demo Design Features

The reference design includes:

- Complete Libero SoC Verilog project
- SoftConsole firmware project

The reference design can support the following Modbus function codes depending on the free Modbus communications stack settings:

- Read input registers (function code 0x04)
- Read holding registers (function code 0x03)
- Write single registers (function code 0x06)
- Write multiple registers (function code 0x10)
- Read or Write multiple registers (function code 0x17)
- Read coils (function code 0x01)
- Write single coil (function code 0x05)
- Write multiple coils (function code 0x0F)
- Read discrete inputs (function code 0x02)

The reference design supports the following Modbus function codes for all free Modbus communications stack settings:

- Read input registers (function code 0x04)
- Read discrete inputs (function code 0x02)
- Write multiple coils (function code 0x0F)
- Read holding registers (function code 0x03)

2.3.2 Demo Design Description

The design is implemented using a SGMII PHY interface by configuring the TSEMAC for the ten-bit interface (TBI) operation. For more information on the TSEMAC TBI interface, see the UG0331: SmartFusion2 Microcontroller Subsystem User Guide.
2.3.2.1 Libero SoC Hardware Project

The following figure shows the hardware design implementation on which the reference design slave firmware runs.

Figure 4 • Libero SoC Top-Level Hardware Design

The Libero SoC hardware project uses the following SmartFusion2 MSS resources and IPs:

- **TSEMTC TBI interface**
- **MMUART_0** for RS-232 communications on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit
- **Dedicated input pad 0 as the clock source**
- General purpose input and output (GPIO) that interfaces the following:
  - Light emitting diodes (LEDs): 4 numbers
  - Push-buttons: 4 numbers
  - Dual in-line package (DIP) switches: 4 numbers
- The following board resources are associated with the Modbus commands:
  - LEDs (coils)
  - DIP switches (discrete inputs)
  - Push-buttons (discrete inputs)
  - Real time clock (RTC) (input registers)
- High-speed serial interface (SERDESIF) **SERDES_IF IP**, configured for **SERDESIF_3 EPCS lane 3**, see the following figure. To know more about high-speed serial interfaces, see the *UG0447- SmartFusion2 and IGLOO2 FPGA High Speed Serial Interfaces User Guide*. 
The following figure shows the **High Speed Serial Interface Configurator** window.

**Figure 5 • High Speed Serial Interface Configurator Window**

### 2.3.2.1.1 Package Pin Assignments

Package pin assignments for LED, DIP switches, push-button switches, and PHY interface signals are shown in the following table through **Table 5, page 9.**

#### Table 2 • LED to Package Pins Assignments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Output</th>
<th>Package Pin</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>LED_1</td>
<td>D26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED_2</td>
<td>F26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED_3</td>
<td>A27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LED_4</td>
<td>C26</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Table 3 • DIP Switches to Package Pins Assignments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Output</th>
<th>Package Pin</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DIP1</td>
<td>F25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DIP2</td>
<td>G25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DIP3</td>
<td>J23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DIP4</td>
<td>J22</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
2.3.2.2 SoftConsole Firmware Project

Invoke the SoftConsole project using standalone SoftConsole IDE.

The following versions of the stack are used for the reference design:

- lwIP TCP or IP stack version 1.3.2
- Modbus TCP server version 1.5 ([www.freemodbus.org](http://www.freemodbus.org)) with enhancements for the complete function code support as Modbus TCP server
- FreeRTOS ([www.freertos.org](http://www.freertos.org))

### Table 4 • Push Button Switches to Package Pins Assignments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Output</th>
<th>Package Pin</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SWITCH1</td>
<td>J25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SWITCH2</td>
<td>H25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SWITCH3</td>
<td>J24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SWITCH4</td>
<td>H23</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Table 5 • PHY Interface Signals to Package Pins Assignments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Port Name</th>
<th>Direction</th>
<th>Package Pin</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PHY_MDC</td>
<td>Output</td>
<td>F3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PHY_MDI0</td>
<td>Input</td>
<td>K7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PHY_RST</td>
<td>Output</td>
<td>F2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The following figure shows SoftConsole software stacks directory structure of the design.

**Figure 6 • SoftConsole Project Explorer Window**

The SoftConsole workspace consists of the project, Modbus_TCP_App that has the Modbus TCP application (which uses lwIP and FreeRTOS) and all the firmware and hardware abstraction layers that correspond to the hardware design.

The following figure shows the driver versions used for the demo.

**Figure 7 • Demo Design Driver Versions**
2.4 Setting Up the Demo Design

The following steps describe how to setup the demo for the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board:

1. Connect the host PC to the J33 connector using the USB A to mini-B cable. The USB to universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter (UART) bridge drivers are automatically detected.
2. From the detected four communication (COM) ports, right-click any one of the COM ports and select Properties. The selected COM port properties window is displayed, as shown in the following figure.
3. Ensure to have the Location as on USB FP5 Serial Converter C in the Properties window as shown in the following figure.  

   Note: Make a note of the COM port number for serial port configuration and ensure that the COM port Location is specified as on USB FP5 Serial Converter C.

   Figure 8 • Device Manager Window

4. Install the USB driver if the USB drivers are not detected automatically.
5. Install the FTDI D2XX driver for serial terminal communication through the FTDI mini USB cable. Download the drivers and installation guide from:  

   www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/CDM_2.08.24_WHQL_Certified.zip

6. Connect the jumpers on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board as shown in the following table. For information on jumper locations, see the Appendix: Jumper Locations, page 19.

   CAUTION: Switch OFF the power supply switch, SW7, before making the jumper connections.
7. Connect the power supply to the J42 connector in the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board.
8. This design example can run in both static IP and dynamic IP modes. By default, programming files are provided for dynamic IP mode.
   - For static IP, connect the host PC to the J21 connector of the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board using an RJ45 cable.
   - For dynamic IP, connect any one of the open network ports to the J21 connector of the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board using an RJ45 cable.

2.4.1 Board Setup Snapshot
Snapshots of the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board with all the setup connections are given in the Appendix: Board Setup for Running the Modbus TCP Reference Design, page 18.

2.5 Running the Demo Design
The following steps describe how to run the demo design:
1. Download the design file from: http://soc.microsemi.com/download/rsc/?f=m2s_dg0440_liberov11p8_df
2. Switch ON the power supply switch, SW7.
3. Start any serial terminal emulation program such as:
   - HyperTerminal
   - PuTTY
   - TeraTerm
   **Note:** In this demo HyperTerminal is used.
   The configuration for the program is:
   - Baud Rate: 115200
   - 8 Data bits
   - 1 Stop bit
   - No parity
   - No flow control
   For information on configuring the serial terminal emulation programs, see the Configuring Serial Terminal Emulation Programs.
4. Launch the FlashPro software.
5. Click **New Project**.
6. In the **New Project** window, enter the Project Name, as shown in the following figure.
7. Click **Browse** and navigate to the location where you want to save the project.
8. Select **Single device** as the **Programming mode**.
9. Click **OK** to save the project.
10. Click **Configure Device**.
11. Click **Browse** and navigate to the location where the `Modbus_TCP_top.stp` file is located and select the file. The default location is: `\SF2_Modbus_TCP_Ref_Design_DF\Programmingfile\Modbus_TCP_top.stp`. The required programming file is selected and is ready to be programmed in the device as shown in the following figure.
12. Click **PROGRAM** to start programming the device. Wait until a message is displayed indicating that the program passed. This demo requires the SmartFusion2 device to be preprogrammed with the application code to activate the Modbus application. The SmartFusion2 device is preprogrammed with the `Modbus_TCP_top.stp` using FlashPro software.
13. Power cycle the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development board.
A welcome message with the IP address is displayed in the HyperTerminal window, as shown in the following figure.

**Figure 12 • HyperTerminal with IP Address**

Open a new command prompt on the host PC, go to the folder 
(SF2_Modbus_TCP_Ref_Design_DF\HostTool) where
SmartFusion2_Modbus_TCP_Client.exe file is present, enter the command:
SmartFusion2_Modbus_TCP_Client.exe <IP address> as shown in the following figure.
Figure 13 • Invoking the Modbus Client

The following figure shows the Modbus TCP functions that are running. The functions are:

- Read discrete inputs (function code 02)
- Read holding registers (function code 03)
- Read input registers (function code 04)
- Write multiple coils (function code 15)

Figure 14 • Modbus Functional Codes Demonstration

See the Running Modbus Functions, page 17 for more information on the Modbus functions that are demonstrated in the reference design.

14. After running the demo, close HyperTerminal.
2.5.1 Running Modbus Functions

This section describes the Modbus functions that are demonstrated in the reference design.

2.5.1.1 Read Discrete Inputs (function code 02)

GPIOs are connected to 4 DIP switches and 4 push-button switches. Switch ON and switch OFF the DIP switches and push-button switches on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit. Read discrete inputs functional code displays the statuses of switches as shown in the following figure.

**Figure 15 • Read Discrete Inputs**

![Read Discrete Inputs](image1)

2.5.1.2 Read Holding Registers (function code 03)

The following figure shows the global buffer data defined in the firmware.

**Figure 16 • Read Holding Registers**

![Read Holding Registers](image2)

2.5.1.3 Read Input Registers (function code 04)

The following figure shows the number of seconds that the real-time counter (RTC) has counted.

**Figure 17 • Read Input Registers**

![Read Input Registers](image3)

2.5.1.4 Write Multiple Coils (function code 0x0F)

The following figure shows the Write Multiple Coils register data for toggling the LEDs connected to GPIOs.

**Figure 18 • Write Multiple Coils**

![Write Multiple Coils](image4)
Appendix: Board Setup for Running the Modbus TCP Reference Design

The following figure shows the board setup for running the reference design on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board.

*Figure 19 • SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Board Setup*
The following figure shows the jumper locations on the SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit board.

*Figure 20 • SmartFusion2 Advanced Development Kit Silkscreen Top View*

*Note:* Jumpers highlighted in red are set by default. Jumpers highlighted in green must be set manually.

*Note:* The location of the jumpers in the preceding figure are searchable.
Appendix: Running the Design in Static IP Mode

The following steps describe how to run the design in static IP mode:

1. Right-click the **Project Explorer** window of SoftConsole project and go to **Properties** as shown in the following figure.

*Figure 21 • Project Explorer Window of SoftConsole Project*
2. Remove the symbol `NET_USE_DHCP` in Tool Settings of the Properties for Modbus_TCP_App window. The following figure shows the Properties for Modbus_TCP_App window.

*Figure 22 • Project Explorer Properties Window*

3. If the device is connected in static IP mode, the board static IP address is 169.254.1.23, then change the Host TCP/IP settings to reflect the IP address. See the following figure and *Figure 24*, page 22.

*Figure 23 • Host PC TCP/IP Settings*
Figure 24 • Static IP Address Settings

Note: When these settings are configured, compile the design, load the design into Flash memory, and run the design using SoftConsole.