Date – 03/18/2011

Minutes of the IEEE-1149.1 Working Group Friday meeting

Attendees:
Dave Dubberke,
Adam Ley,
John Braden,
Brian Turnelle,
Carol Pyron,
Roland Latvala,
Mike Ricchetti
Heiko Ehrenberg
CJ Clark
Craig Stephen

Meeting called to order at 9:30 am MST

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Agenda: CJ gave an informal review of his PDL work in progress.

Minutes:

CJ – We’ll discuss PDL from 1687. There are some known problems but you can see where we diverge from them.

Ken – Will this be Annex C of 1149.1

CJ – Yes exactly right. Should be able to cut and paste and drop into Annex C when it is done

CJ – Starting to put a use model together (Fig C-1). To show how it can be potentially used in the Std.
- PDL’s for most IC instances
- PDL not required for any given IC
- PDL’s for board itself
- PDL’s for IC internal levels such as a memory block

Ken – How are we going to coordinate between 1687 and 1149.1 PDL?

CJ – Working to manage this with 1687 group

Ken – We have a PDL like language, and they have their own version
CJ – We are trying to avoid conflicts between the PDL of each Std. We are trying to manage this. Hold off for now.

CJ – It is not likely there will be a conflict since 1687 has its own registers.

CJ – IC’s themselves can have internal levels (memory) which have their own PDL files.

CJ – Levels might be confusing to a Dot1 reader.

Carol – Do you want to allow for levels if a user permission is available to cross between the Stds?

CJ – Open to this

CJ – If a permission is given it could allow TCL usage.

John – Wondering whether 1149.1 is required in a 1687 device? We could have 1687 define level1 and Dot1 define level0 to keep them separate and avoid conflicts.

CJ – 1687 doesn’t require 1149.1, but it is allowed. It might not be palatable to 1687 for marketing reasons.

Carol – How about Dot7?

CJ – Dot7 hasn’t been discussed.

John – There is no reason we should be defining part of the 1687 PDL.

CJ – I don’t follow this. Let’s get through the presentation. The 1687 allows for a TAP but does not require it.

CJ – Let’s get the PDL language defined and then both camps can iron out the little things.

John – Thanks, I’ll be quiet now.

CJ – Table C-1 Parameters:

• iReset – TRST On | TRST Off – currently a difference (1687 doesn’t have TRST)
• iWrite – register and pins for 1687, Dot1 register only
• iApply – IR
• iEndState – Was dropped, add back in
• Other new instructions:
  • iCall, iTarget, iScan, iClock, iClockOverride
  • source – file. Ability to pull in multiple files in TCL today. Add to level 0 PDL

C.6 PDL Structure
C.7 PDL Example
   • Start with some simple examples for the reader.
   • Agreed by all

Ken – Is PDL case sensitive?

CJ – Yes

Ken - Why ‘i’ prefix on all instructions?

CJ – ‘i’ meant internal, but possibly not mandatory now.

C.8.2 Stored Scan Frame:
   • iRead and iWrite are queued scan frames
   • Setting bits in a stored database, no bits are being applied directly

C.10.1 iPDLLevel Command
   • Must coordinate between the Stds to manage the syntax of this.

Examples:
   • iWrite
   • iRead
   • iScope – Needs more work. Design hierarchy

iRead Command:
   • 1687 draft is old and needs some cleanup
   • In 1687 case sensitive is needed. For dot1 maybe force all upper case for the dot1 parsers
   • Carol – Is that VHDL related?
   • Brian – Yes
   • CJ – It is nice to use upper and lower case. When you get into mnemonics it might be an issue. Table this and think about it to see what we should allow.
   • Ken – VHDL has restrictions on underscore usage. Trailing, or two in a row, etc.
   • CJ – Tried to capture that must begin with a letter.
   • Ken – We inherited this weird behavior.
   • CJ – Does it matter in a quoted string?
   • Ken – Need to take offline and review the details.

iScope Command:
   • CJ - Works along with iCall command.

Register values when not correct length:
   • CJ - Should we call this out as an error. What do others think? A value stored into a frame.
• Ken – I’m not comfortable with the overshift.
• Heiko – Should be able to do this with any register.
• CJ – Should it be an Error or truncated? Putting data into a stored data frame.
• John – Truncating is common.
• Carol – Truncating is nice for hex.
• John – I would lean toward a warning but allow it.
• CJ – For Carol’s question there is no concept of overshifting for iRead and iWrite in this context.
• CJ – If I assign a smaller number in a larger field then upper bits should be padded to zeros. Think about it. It should be a mistake, and flagged as an error.
• Ken – Maybe ok to truncate upper zeros. As long as only upper bits if all zeros.
• Carol – I concur.
• CJ – OK if 0x3 is thought of 0011
• Carol – Show both examples
• CJ – More examples will be better. Show both allowed and non-allowed truncation examples
• CJ – iWrite example may be better. Allows padding upper bits with all zeros if your number is shorter than the field.
• Carol – msb lsb definitions for upper and lower bits?
• CJ – For Dot1 msb (closest to TDI), lsb (closest to TDO)

CJ – iRead – If you don’t define the expected data, then 1687 retains its old definition from prior execution. You can have binary, hex and X’s in the expect fields.

Carol – For polling bist you would expect the same value until done.

CJ – My last iRead, then iApply, and iApply again this is sticky. If you add a TCL wrapper then you could do what Carol wants.

CJ - iApply does the work, IR scans and DR scans to get the register data to where it needs to go.

Ken – What if several instructions each call the boundary register?

CJ – That is an issue we need to work out.
• If we want to target the boundary register and example is:
  • iWrite instruction PRELOAD
  • iWrite AregFieldfromBScanReg 0x55
  • iApply – IR

Carol – Add instruction to the iWrite

CJ – Good idea
• # iWrite instruction PRELOAD
• iWrite AregFieldfromBScanReg 0x55 –PRELOAD
• iApply

CJ – Must check with software guys about this.

Carol – Only allow for boundary register

CJ – May happen in other registers too. Accessing the same register from different instructions is common. This is problematic in an IP subblock.

Carol – Can add –PRELOAD, -SAMPLE –EXTEST

CJ – Let’s explore this.
  • Discussion 1687 can mix and match writing internal registers.
  • Dot1 using the boundary register cannot do this.

Meeting adjourned: 11:00am MST

Action Items:

Next Friday Meeting:
• Next week Friday March 25, 2011