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DEVELOG
Debug Support

Highlights

Debug support is based on two components: OCDS (On-Chip Debug System) and MCDS (Multi Core Debug Solution), which offer debugging and performance optimization for the software and system hardware.

Eight hardware breakpoints for instruction and data address together with dedicated interrupt resources make the debug events easy to handle.

Key Features

Effective debug & trace solution

Non-intrusive debugging with trace

Low cost tool interface (DAP)

Customer Benefits

› Fast bug fixing and performance analysis at very low costs

› Debugging & tracing do not influence system’s timing behavior

› Debugging with the same tooling possible from the lab to the target system
Debugging of specific features can be done via Trigger Lines that collect debug events from various sources (e.g. CPUs, interrupt requesters, peripherals, MCDS, input pins)

The Central Suspend Switch allows the user to configure which CPUs or peripherals to be halted as reaction to a debug event

Tracing enables the user to create a log of the program execution, which helps in finding the causes of system’s misbehavior and analyzing of performance

For example, tracing the interrupt system offers valuable information about which interrupts are serviced by a particular CPU
The debugging with trace enables the user to get a log of program execution with time information added. The main advantage of this type of debugging is that it does not impact the user's code execution and timing behavior.

The full trace capabilities are available together with the MCDS module (on emulation devices), where two CPUs can be monitored in parallel together with the busses.

Depending on the complexity of the trace, DAP (up to 15 MByte/s) or Aurora (2.5 Gbit/s) can be used as interfaces.
Low cost tool interface (DAP)

- The Device Access Port (DAP) is a convenient way to connect a debugger or a measurement system to AURIX™ TC2xx due to the small dimension and low pin-count (right figure).
- The synchronous clocking ensure that DAP is a high-speed interface, enabling a block access up to 15 MByte/s for block read or write.
- The protocol is based on telegrams protected by 6-bit CRC (Cyclic Redundancy Code), which minimizes the overhead for the protocol.
DEBUG
System Integration

› OCDS infrastructure is a network of tightly coupled add-ons to other system components

› This structure enables:
  – Peripheral triggering and tracing
  – Collect debug events from various sources like CPUs, interrupt requesters, bus controllers, peripherals, etc.

› MCDS enables the user to trace up to two CPUs together with the busses
Application Example
Debugging an issue of the system

Overview

› Description of issue: An unintended system behavior (e.g. random reset) is observed, the root cause is unknown
› Procedure: Analyze the trace data taken around the point in time when the issue appears

Advantages

› Non-intrusive method to find issues (no risk of errors due to changes in the code)
› Trace data can contain both program and data information, therefore enabling the user to debug easily any possible mistake in the software
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