
SmartFusion2, IGLOO2, and RTG4

Hard Multiplier Configuration



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Introduction

The Hard Multiplier for SmartFusion2, IGLOO2, and RTG4 supports two's complement normal (Figure 1) and dot product (Figure 2) multiplication.

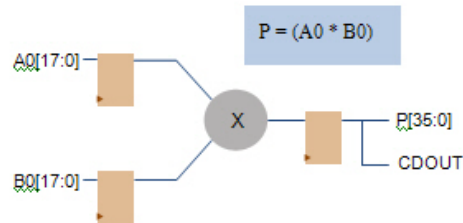


Figure 1 • Normal Multiplier

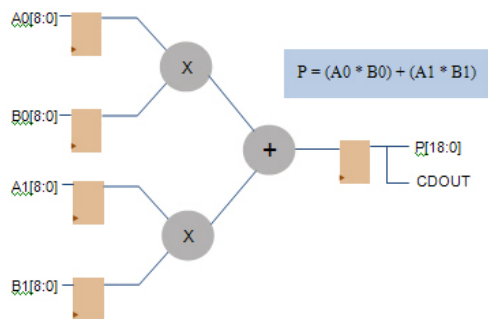


Figure 2 • Dot Product Multiplier

Key Features

The Hard Multiplier supports two operating modes: Normal and Dot Product.

- A structural netlist is generated in either Verilog or VHDL.
- Individual inputs and outputs can be optionally registered with:
 - A common rising edge clock
 - Independent active-low asynchronous and synchronous clear controls
 - Independent active-high enable controls
- Additional cascade output CDOUT can be enabled. This is the sign-extended 44 bit copy of output P.
- Normal Mode Features:
 - Configurable operand widths for A0 and B0 between 2 and 18.
 - Optional assignment of operand A0 to an 18 bit two's complement constant.
- Dot Product Mode Features:
 - Configurable operand widths for A0, B0, A1, B1 between 2 and 9.
 - Optional assignment of operand A0 and A1 to a 9 bit two's complement constant.

1 – SmartDesign

The Hard Multiplier for SmartFusion2, IGLOO2, and RTG4 is available for download from the Libero® SoC IP Catalog via the web repository. Once listed in the Catalog you can double-click the macro to configure it in SmartDesign. For information on using SmartDesign to configure, connect, and generate cores, see the Libero SoC online help.

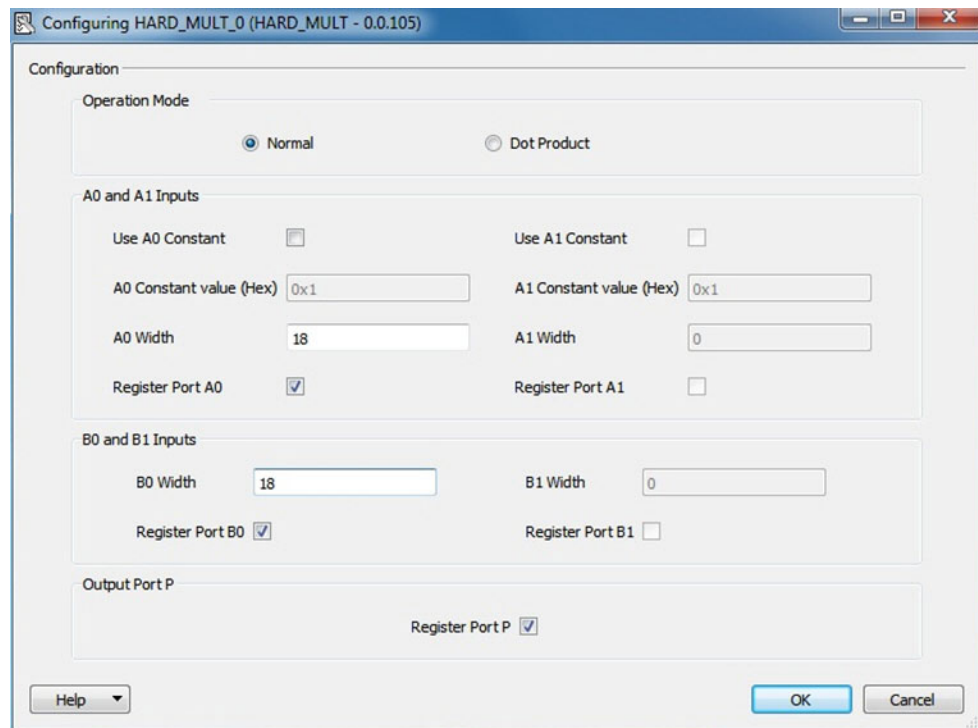


Figure 1-1 • Hard Multiplier Configuration Options - Normal Mode

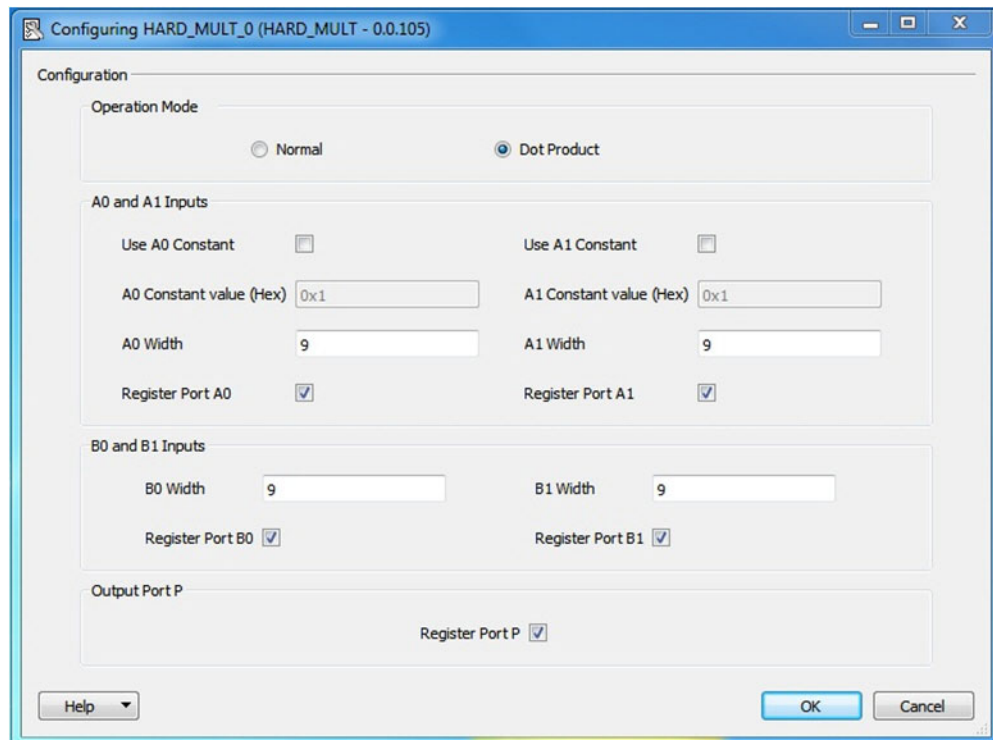


Figure 1-2 • Hard Multiplier Configuration Options - Dot Product Mode

After configuring and generating the macro instance, you can simulate basic functionality. The macro can then be instantiated as a component of a larger design.

2 – Core Parameters

Table 2-1 lists the Normal mode Hard Multiplier settings; Table 2-2 lists the Dot Product mode settings.

Table 2-1 • Hard Multiplier Normal Mode Configuration Description

Name	Valid Range	Description
Input Port A0		
Use Constant		Sets input port A0 to constant
Constant Value (Hex)	-2^{17} to $(2^{17} - 1)$	Two's complement value of A0, if A0 is constant. Values shorter than 18 bits are padded with zeros. Negative values must be a full 18 bits wide. For example, 0x1FFFF means +131071 ($2^{17} - 1$), while 0x3FFFF means -1
Width	2 to 18	Width of input port A0; if shorter than 18 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1
Register Port		Registers input port A0 (if A0 is not constant)
Input Port B0		
Width	2 to 18	Width of input port B0; if shorter than 18 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1.
Register Port		Registers input port B0
Output Port P		
Register Port		Registers output port P and CDOOUT

Table 2-2 • Hard Multiplier Dot Product Mode Configuration Description

Name	Valid Range	Description
Input Port A0		
Use Constant		Sets input port A0 to constant
Constant Value (Hex)	-2^8 to $(2^8 - 1)$	Two's complement value of A0, if A0 is constant. Values shorter than 9 bits are padded with zeros. Negative values must be a full 9 bits wide. For example, 0xFF means +255 ($2^8 - 1$), while 0x1FF means -1
Width	2 to 9	Width of input port A0; if shorter than 9 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1.
Register Port		Registers input port A0 (if A0 is not constant)
Input Port A1		
Use Constant		Sets input port A1 to constant

Table 2-2 • Hard Multiplier Dot Product Mode Configuration Description

Name	Valid Range	Description
Constant Value (Hex)	-2^8 to $(2^8 - 1)$	Two's complement value of A1, if A1 is constant. Values shorter than 9 bits are padded with zeros. Negative values must be a full 9 bits wide. For example, 0xFF means +255 ($2^8 - 1$), while 0x1FF means -1.
Width	2 to 9	Width of input port A1; if shorter than 9 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1.
Register Port		Registers input port A1 (if A1 is not constant).
Input Port B0		
Width	2 to 9	Width of input port B0; if shorter than 9 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1.
Register Port		Registers input port B0
Input Port B1		
Width	2 to 9	Width of input port B1; if shorter than 9 bits it is sign-extended. For example, if the width is 8, a value of 0x7F means +127 and a value of 0xFF means -1.
Register Port		Registers input port B1
Output Port P		
Register Port		Registers output port P and CDOUT

3 – Port Description

The figures below display the Hard Multiplier input and output ports for Normal mode (Figure 3-1) and Dot Product mode (Figure 3-2). The ports shown are a superset of all possible ports. Only a subset of the ports is used in any given Hard Multiplier configuration.

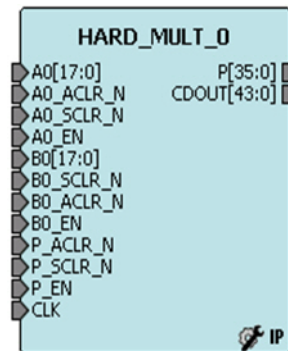


Figure 3-1 • Hard Multiplier Ports, Normal Mode

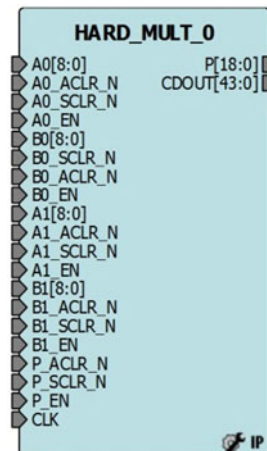


Figure 3-2 • Hard Multiplier Ports, Dot Product Mode

Table 3-1 lists the Hard Multiplier port signals for Normal mode.

Table 3-1 • Hard Multiplier Ports - Normal Mode

Signal	Direction	Description
A0	Input	Input data A0, 2 - 18 bits wide
B0	Input	Input data B0, 2 - 18 bits wide
CLK	Input	Input clock for A0, B0, P and CDOUT registers
A0_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data A0 registers
A0_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data A0 registers
A0_EN	Input	Enable for data A0 registers
B0_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data B0 registers
B0_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data B0 registers
B0_EN	Input	Enable for data B0 registers
P_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for result P and CDOUT registers
P_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for result P and CDOUT registers
P_EN	Input	Enable for result P and CDOUT registers
P	Output	Result data: $P = A0 * B0$
CDOUT	Output Cascade	Cascade output of result P. CDOUT is a copy of P, sign- extended to 44 bits. The entire bus must either be dangling or drive an entire CDIN of another MATH block in normal mode.

Table 3-2 lists the Hard Multiplier port signals for Dot Product mode.

Table 3-2 • Hard Multiplier Ports - Dot Product Mode

Signal	Direction	Description
A0	Input	Input data A0, 2 - 9 bits wide
A1	Input	Input data A1, 2 - 9 bits wide
B0	Input	Input data B0, 2 - 9 bits wide
B1	Input	Input data B1, 2 - 9 bits wide
CLK	Input	Input clock for A0, A1, B0, B1, P and CDOUT registers
A0_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data A0 registers
A0_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data A0 registers
A0_EN	Input	Enable for data A0 registers
B0_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data B0 registers
B0_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data B0 registers
B0_EN	Input	Enable for data B0 registers
A1_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data A1 registers
A1_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data A1 registers
A1_EN	Input	Enable for data A1 registers
B1_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for data B1 registers
B1_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for data B1 registers
B1_EN	Input	Enable for data B1 registers
P_ACLR_N	Input	Asynchronous reset for result P and CDOUT registers
P_SCLR_N	Input	Synchronous reset for result P and CDOUT registers
P_EN	Input	Enable for result P and CDOUT registers
P	Output	Result data: $P = (A0 * B0) + (A1 * B1)$
CDOUT	Output Cascade	Cascade output of result P. CDOUT is a copy of P, sign- extended. The entire bus must either be dangling or drive an entire CDIN of another MATH block in dot product mode.

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