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ABSTRACT

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Owing to the growing demand for bandwidth-hungry video-on-demand applications, Passive Optical Network (PON) has been widely considered as one of the most promising solutions for broadband access. Environmental concerns motivated network designers to lower energy consumption of optical access networks. A well-known approach to reduce energy consumption is to allow network elements to switch to the sleep mode.

In this framework, an improved Optical network Unit (ONU) architecture in TDM-PON is proposed to reduce the handover time of status switching. Energy-saving performances of current and improved architectures are compared in different scenarios. The simulation results show that by applying a proper sleep mode mechanism, the improved architecture can effectively reduce the ONU energy consumption. We further implement the cycle sleep scheme on a multi-ONU testbed based on the improved ONU architecture. The experimental results have substantiated the viability of the improved ONU architecture.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

A passive optical network (PON) is a telecommunications network that has a point to multipoint network architecture as depicted in Figure 1.1.

PON does not require outside plant electronics. It uses a passive optical splitter instead of placing an Ethernet switch at the outside plant. In the downstream, the splitter divides the light sending from the Central Office (CO) and then broadcasts it to all Optical Network Units (ONUs). In the upstream, the splitter combines the light coming from ONUs, and or other active devices in the passive optical network [1].

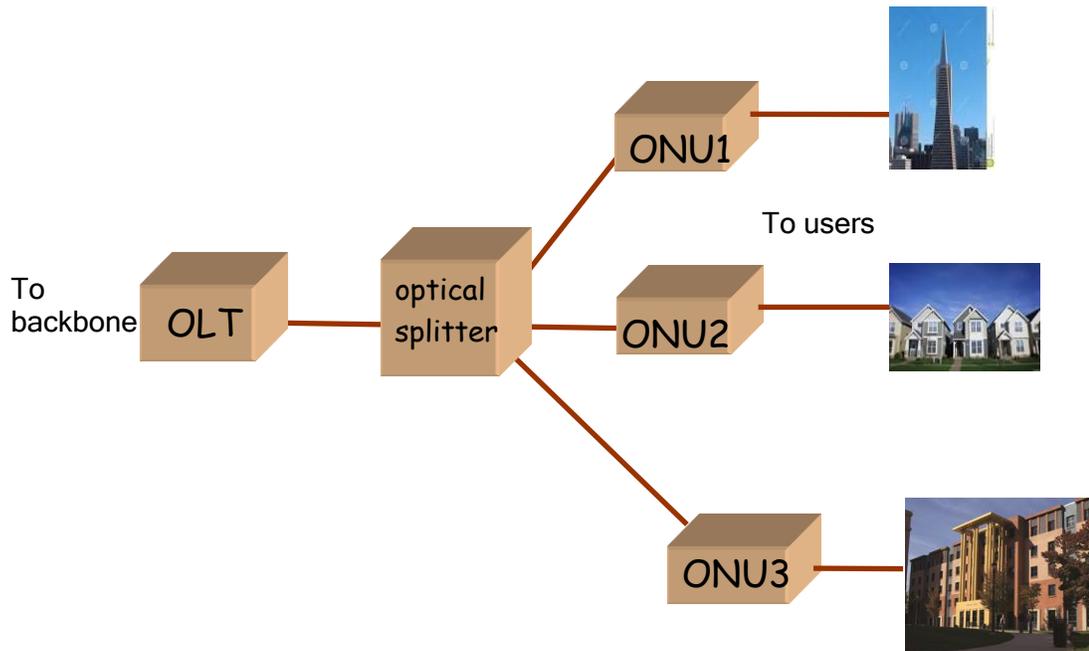


Figure 1.1 Structure of PON.

PON consists of three main parts [1]:

- Optical Line Terminal: The OLT at the service provider's central office provides the interface between PON and the backbone network.
- Optical Network Unit: The ONU provides the service interface to end users. Therefore, they are located close to the end users.
- Optical Distribution Network: The ODN in PON connects the OLT at the central office to the ONUs close to the end users by using optical fibers and splitters. The ODN usually forms a tree structure with the OLT as the root of the tree and the ONUs as the leaves of the tree.

A PON is characterized by a simple point-to-multipoint topology, low-cost implementation, and relative ease of deployment, thus making it the most flexible, scalable, and future-proof optical access technology. A major factor in the success of PON is the ability to share the underlying network resources, such as physical fiber plant, communications channel capacity, and frequency spectrum among its subscribers.

Depending on the data multiplexing scheme, PONs can be divided into three types [2]: Time division multiplexing (TDM) PON, Wavelength division multiplexing (WDM) PON, and orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) PON. In TDM PON, data transmission is divided into time slots [3], and traffic from/to multiple ONUs are TDM multiplexed onto the upstream/downstream wavelength. WDM PON efficiently exploits the large capacity of optical fibers [4], and it increases capacity by utilizing optical devices with multi-wavelength provisioning capability compared to TDM PON such as Ethernet PON [5]. OFDM PON [6] employs a number of orthogonal subcarriers to transmit upstream/downstream traffic.

1.1 Evolution of PON

Nowadays, PON has emerged as the most successful and widely deployed broadband technology. Owing to its potential to meet the tremendous bandwidth requirements, several PON technologies have been standardized and widely deployed over the last decade [7].

A. 1G-EPON

1G-EPON is the first generation of EPON, specified by IEEE 802.3ah; it provides bidirectional 1-Gb/s links using 1490-nm wavelength for downstream and 1310-nm wavelength for upstream direction, with 1550 nm reserved for future extensions or additional services, such as analog video broadcast. EPON uses the same MAC found in any IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet) compliant devices. The point-to-multipoint connectivity is supported by the multipoint control protocol (MPCP), which uses standard Ethernet frames generated in the MAC layer. The adaptation of low-cost optics and flexible bandwidth allocation has greatly spearheaded the mass deployment of 1G-EPON systems.

B. 10G-EPON

In 2009, 10G-EPON, a successor of 1G-EPON, was standardized by the IEEE 802.3av task force. This technology is currently being tested by various network operators in preparation for commercial deployments. 10G-EPON supports symmetric 10-Gb/s downstream and upstream, and asymmetric 10-Gb/s downstream and 1-Gb/s upstream data rates [2]. 10G-EPON is compatible with legacy 1G-EPON and can coexist on the same fiber plant. To lower the cost of 10G-EPON implementations, a balance between performance of optical transceivers and complexity of electronics has been considered. To extend the power budget while keeping the optical transceiver parameters relaxed, the 10G-EPON specifications include a mandatory forward error correction (FEC) encoding,

which also helps reduce the deployment cost. Considering the high capacity and low-cost implementation possibilities of 10GEAPON, it could be the de facto broadband solution in foreseeable future.

C. GPON

GPON was developed by the ITU-T as the G.984 series of Recommendations. The focus of this work was to develop a universal PON architecture which is able to deliver a mix of variable-size frames, ATM cells, and native TDM traffic. GPON supports asymmetric data rates of 2.488 Gb/s downstream and 1.244 Gb/s upstream. The GPON architecture supports a two-wavelength Coarse Wavelength Division Multiplexing (CWDM) scheme similar to EPON. An additional downstream wavelength is allocated for distribution of analog video services.

D. XG-PON

XG-PON architecture has been recently standardized in ITU-T (the G.987 series of Recommendations) [7, 8]. It supports coexistence with GPON on the same fiber plant and provides 10-Gb/s downstream and 2.5-Gb/s upstream data rates.

1.2 Power Consumption in Current PON

Energy efficiency in communications networks is currently drawing much attention. Access networks (both fixed and mobile) are the major contributors to current communications network energy consumption [9]. This is mainly attributed to the large number of involved elements (i.e., the customer premise equipment). As a replacement of digital subscriber line (DSL)-based wired access networks with optical access systems,

PONs have the potential of reducing the energy consumed by access networks. Nevertheless, it is still desirable to further reduce energy consumption of PONs.

Within PONs, ONUs are customer premise equipment, and they are the energy hungriest devices. Indeed, the ONUs are numerous and always on, and often lead to the low utilization of PON capacity. It has been shown that over 65% of the total PON power consumption is contributed by ONUs [10]. In other words, ONUs are the major target for energy saving in PONs. By designing a proper scheme to turn off the idle ONUs, the energy efficiency will be further improved.

Typically, an ONU consists of a transceiver and an electronic circuitry called System on Chip (SoC), which implements the medium access control (MAC) layer functions. The transceiver blocks consist of two components: optical and electronic components.

The optical components are:

- A transmitter, typically a Fabry-Perot (F-P) laser, to optically transmit data to the OLT in the upstream direction.
- An avalanche photo-diode (APD), to receive data from the OLT, and to convert optical signals to electrical signals.
- A WDM coupler to couple downstream and upstream wavelengths into a single optical fiber.

The electronic part of the transceiver includes:

- A burst mode laser driver (BM-LD) to drive the F-P laser for upstream transmission.
- A trans-impedance amplifier (TIA) to translate and amplify downstream photocurrent into voltage.
- A limiting amplifier (LA) to reshape the voltage coming from the TIA.
- A continuous mode clock and data recovery (CDR) system.

Several implementations of the ONU transceiver are available with different degrees of integration and thus different power consumption levels. The main functional block of the electronic circuitry is the serializer-deserializer (SERDES), which converts serial signals to parallel signals and vice versa. In this work, the remaining functions of the SoC are included in a back-end electronic circuit.

The ONU power consumption data can be obtained from component data sheets, research papers, and standards [11]. Power consumption data for EPON, GPON, 10GEPON, and XG-PON are summarized in Table 1.1. Data have been collected by analyzing the data sheets available online from tens of vendors. As shown in Table 1.1, the CDR and the SERDES consume the highest power in both EPON and GPON, i.e., more than 80 percent of the power of the entire ONU front-end. A similar behavior is expected for 10G-EPON and XG-PON. However, the ONU receiver and transmitter generally share the SERDES. Moreover, the collected data confirm that about 60–70 percent of the overall ONU power consumption is attributed to the ONU transceiver and back-end electronic circuit [12].

Table 1.1 Power Consumption Data of each PON Generation

Receiver front-end component	EPON		GPON		10G-EPON		XG-PON	
	Avg	Range	Avg	Range	Avg	Range	Avg	Range
APD	2.6	2-3.75	2.6	2-3.75	2.6	2-3.75	2.05	0.5-3.75
TIA	83.4	56-112	83.4	56-112	123	105-160	123	105-160
LA	121	89-140	126	100-165	145	110-165	154	125-180
CDR	545	540-580	520	260-790	356	N/A	365	N/A
SERDES	550	530-660	560	530-660	N/A		N/A	
Total receiver front-end	1302		1292					
Transceiver	1350	1100-2500	1500	1040-2250	1300-2300	1800	1800	1800
Back-end circuit	2700		3150		5850		6750	
Whole ONU (services)	6000 (Ethernet data port+IPTV)		7000 (triple play + multicast video)		13,000 (prediction)		15,000 (PoE on Gigabit Ethernet port)	

Source: Conservation G P. ITU-T G-Series Recommendations-Supplement 45 (G. sup45)[J]. ITU-T, May, 2009.

The rest of this thesis is organized as follows. Chapter 2 discusses the current solutions for energy saving in PON and existing sleep-control algorithms. Chapter 3 details the improved scheme and describes how the ONU receiver architecture can affect the synchronization process. Furthermore, simulation results are conducted to evaluate the energy saving performance of the existing and improved ONU architectures. Chapter 4 provides an experimental implementation of the scheme described in Chapter 3 in a multi-ONU testbed. This chapter provisions the main source code of the implemented PON system. APPENDIX A is the top-level code, which defines the logic and entrance of the whole project, APPENDIX B provides the code used to generate data, and APPENDIX C is to extract control messages and valid data.

CHAPTER 2

STATE OF THE ART

In order to decrease the energy consumption, many solutions have been proposed to put ONUs into the sleep mode when the ONU does not have downstream or upstream traffic. Ideally, an ONU is desired to stay in the sleep mode with low power consumption when the ONU does not have traffic, and to switch back into the active mode when traffic of an ONU arrives.

2.1 Solutions for Saving Energy in PON

This section provides a classification of the existing solutions, which have been proposed by standardization authorities and academia for implementing energy-efficient optical access networks. As shown in Figure 2.1, the current solutions can be mainly classified into three categories: physical layer, data link layer, and hybrid solution. It can be inferred from the figure that both the physical layer and datalink layer solutions can be further divided into two sub-categories.

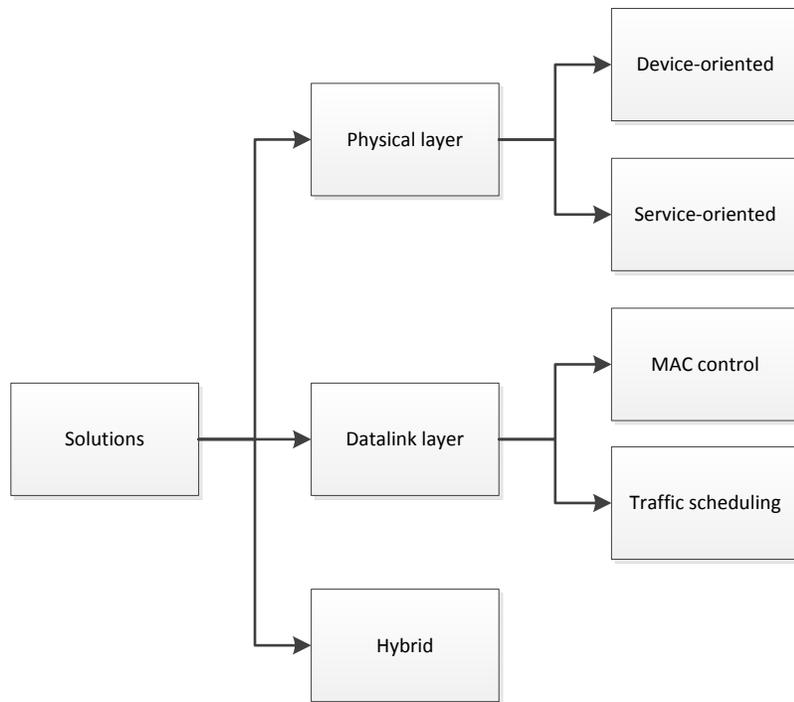


Figure 2.1 Classification for Energy-Saving Solutions in PON.

Physical layer solutions [13] focus on reducing PON energy consumption by modifying the physical layer of PON architectures without changing the upper layer protocols. They can be further classified into device-oriented and service-oriented solutions. Device-oriented solutions target at lowering energy consumption of the physical devices. Service-oriented solutions try to improving the performance of the services provided by the physical layer in order to enable upper layer solutions. Physical layer solutions are often utilized in combination with data link layer solutions to implement hybrid solutions.

Data link layer solutions [13, 14] target the data link layer of the IEEE 802.3 architecture (i.e., the medium access control MAC layer) or the transmission convergence (TC) layer in GPON (ITU-T Recommendation G.984.3) and XG-PON (ITU-T Recommendation G.987.3). They are based on the possibility of switching network

elements to a low power mode (e.g., sleep mode). In GPON, similar functionalities are also defined in the ONU management and control interface layer (OMCI) (ITU-T Recommendation 984.4 for GPON and ITU-T Recommendation G.988 for XG-PON). They can be further divided into MAC control and traffic scheduling solutions. Most of the schemes are proposed to reduce the energy consumption of PONs.

Hybrid solutions [13] are those that combine physical and data link layer solutions to reduce energy consumption. This combination approach is commonly adopted in applications.

2.2 Existing Schemes for Energy Saving in PON

A number of schemes have been proposed to reduce the energy consumption of the ONUs. These proposed energy saving schemes mainly belong to datalink layer solutions which are further divided into MAC control and traffic scheduling solutions. The first class tries to design a proper MAC control scheme to convey the downstream (DS) queue status to ONUs that always involves a handshake process, while the second class focuses on investigating energy-efficient traffic scheduling schemes [15].

The Service Interoperability in Ethernet Passive Optical Networks (SIEPON) standard described in [16] illustrates mechanisms and protocols for reducing the ONU power consumption. This standard supports two power saving modes. In the Tx mode, the ONU disables only the transmit data path, whereas in the TRx mode, both transmit and receive data paths are disabled. In the mechanism, sleep cycles are established based on mutual consent of the OLT and ONU. It is quite similar to the scheme described in [17], which details the negotiation process between the OLT and ONUs.

Sleep and Periodic Wake-up (SPW) mechanism is proposed in [17]. In the cyclic sleep mode, the ONU transceiver is switched to the sleep mode. During a sleep period, DS traffic is buffered at the OLT and upstream (US) traffic is buffered at the ONU. The most important tasks of a cyclic sleep control mechanism are to determine sleep related decisions including when an ONU is switched to sleep and for how long the ONU can sleep to minimize energy consumption without violating Quality of Service (QoS) constraints. The decisions can be made by either the OLT alone or both the OLT and the ONU based on information of one or both transmission directions. The sleep time can be constant or variable depending on the implemented sleep control. The cyclic sleep is depicted in Figure 2.2. A sleep request (Sleep req) is always originated by the OLT, based on a traffic condition. The sleep request contains a desired sleep time. When the sleep request is sent, the OLT stops transmitting DS frames, stores them into a DS buffer and waits for a response from the ONU. Upon reception of the Sleep req message, depending on the implemented sleep triggering method, the ONU either positively acknowledges with an ACK message and goes to sleep, or it negatively acknowledges with a NACK and remains active. In case of the ACK, the ONU stores all the incoming US traffic from users in an US buffer until the expiration of the sleep duration. Upon waking up, the ONU first send a bandwidth request to the OLT and wait for a response. If it receives the wake up message, it can send the buffered data based on the allocated bandwidth. Once the OLT receives the request, depending on the DS traffic condition, the OLT responds with either an Awake message to force the ONU to wake up to receive DS traffic or a Sleep message to allow the ONU stay asleep in a new sleep period.

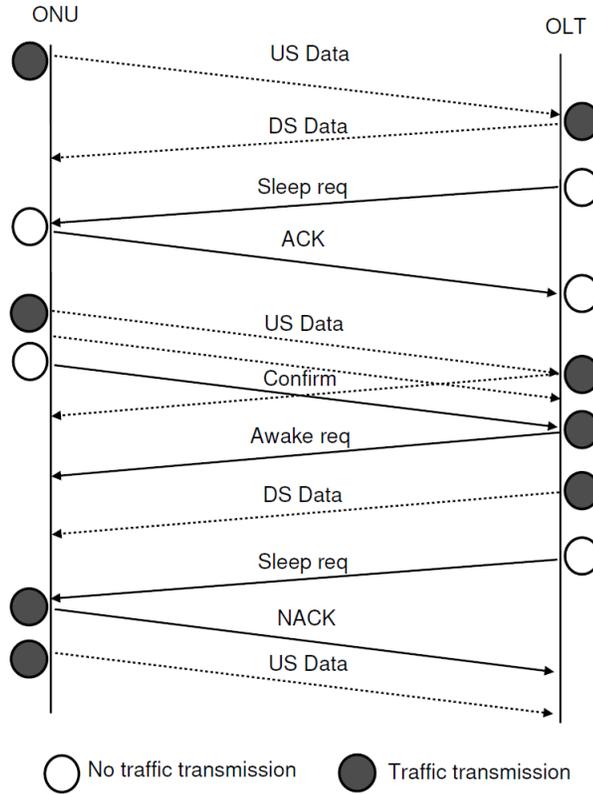


Figure 2.2 Cyclic Sleep Handshake Protocol (adopted from Figure 1 of [6]).

Yan *et al.* [18] proposed the upstream centric schemes (UCS) and the downstream centric schemes (DCS), and evaluated two energy management mechanisms. In the UCS scheme, the status of the ONU highly depends on the US traffic. The ONU sleeps outside its assigned US bandwidth allocation and during the sleep time US and DS traffic transmission are stopped. In the DCS scheme, the ONU must be awake during its US bandwidth allocation and when the OLT schedules DS transmission for it. The DS transmission scheduling depends on DS traffic only, and thus it does not need to be synchronized with US scheduling.

Zhang *et al.* [15] proposed a simple and efficient sleep control scheme to tackle the downstream challenge. First, they set certain DS traffic scheduling rules at the OLT and let the rules be known to the ONUs. Since an ONU possesses the information of the DS traffic

scheduling rules, it can infer its current DS queue status based on historical arrival DS traffic. Second, according to the inferred queue status, ONUs make their own sleep decisions based on some sleep control rules. These sleep control rules implemented at the ONU side is also known to the OLT. Third, based on the sleep control rules, the OLT is aware the status of the ONUs, and buffers the incoming DS traffic of asleep ONUs accordingly. Essentially, there are four key components of the sleep control scheme: the DS traffic scheduling rules, the DS queue inference at ONUs, the sleep control rules, and the ONU sleep status inference at the OLT.

CHAPTER 3

CYCLE SLEEP TRIGGERING ALGORITHM AND A NEW SYNCHRONIZATION ARCHITECTURE

In this chapter, the Cycle Sleep scheme is described and evaluated. The performance of the current ONU receiver architecture and the improved ONU receiver architecture are compared under the Cycle Sleep scheme.

3.1 Cycle Sleep Operation

Before discussing the operating mechanism of cyclic sleep, we need a clear definition of Transmission Cycle. In this thesis, a transmission cycle means a specific time period during which every ONU is assigned some time slots to complete its transmission.

$$T_{\text{cycle}} = \sum_{k=1}^N T_{\text{slot}}^k \quad (3.1)$$

where T_{slot}^k indicates the time for the k-th ONU to receive data.

The cycle sleep considered in this paper can be described as follows. At beginning of each Transmission Cycle, the OLT schedules the DS traffic to every ONU based on the incoming traffic and application requirements. Then, the scheduled information is packaged as a control message and broadcasted to all ONUs. The format of the control message is predefined in the PON system and known to the OLT and all ONUs, which will be discussed in Section 4.3.2. Upon receiving the control message, ONUs extract the scheduling information and so they know when they need to wake up in this Transmission Cycle. Every ONU easily knows when to sleep and how long it can sleep, and acts in

accordance with the schedule. In the sleep period, the OLT stops transmitting DS frames to this ONU, and will store these frames into a DS buffer for the next Transmission Cycle.

The sleep time of each ONU could be constant or variable. The constant T_{sleep} is predefined regardless of DS traffic conditions while the variable T_{sleep} is defined by the OLT according to the DS estimated transmitting time.

3.2 ONU Receiver Architecture

Most of the studies conducted within both the research community [19] and working groups in the standard bodies [20] build upon the idea of allowing PON network elements, specifically ONUs, to switch to the sleep mode when it is idle for saving energy. However, to implement the ONU sleep mode, some issues must be addressed. In the current TDM PON, ONUs synchronize their local clock by recovering it from the OLT continuous downstream traffic through the CDR circuit [21, 22]. Therefore, if an ONU stops receiving DS transmission, the clock synchronization is lost and a period of time is needed to resume the transmission. Moreover, the absence of synchronization among different ONUs clocks might cause upstream data collision at the OLT [23].

This section first describes the synchronization process in the sleep-enabled PON system, and further introduces drawbacks of the current ONU receiver architecture. An improved ONU receiver architecture is then proposed that can significantly reduce the clock recovery time in the wake-up process.

3.2.1 Current ONU Receiver Architecture and Sleep Mode

Figure 3.1 shows the receiver architecture of current ONUs. In this architecture, the received optical signal is first converted into the photocurrent signal through a signal

converter, typically an avalanche photodiode. The amplifier (TIA and LA) amplifies the electrical signal before sending it into the clock and data recovery circuit, where TIA translates and amplifies downstream photocurrent into voltage and LA reshapes the outgoing voltage from the TIA. The CDR forwards the recovered data and clock to the de-serializer, which then converts serial signals to parallel signals and sends them to the lower speed digital circuit for further processing. The digital circuit varies depending on different applications [24].

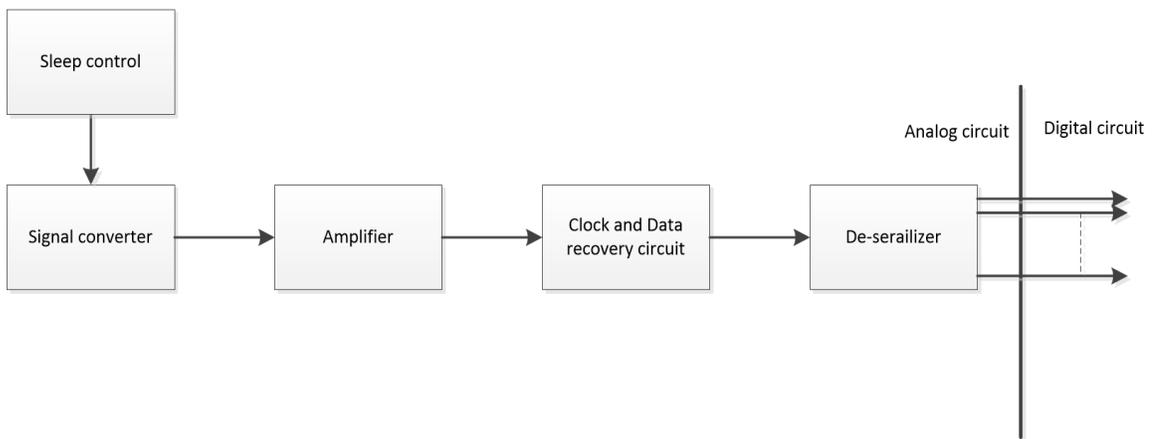


Figure 3.1 Receiver Architecture of Current ONUs.

In the current model, the sleep control is added before the signal converter, and thus the entire analog circuit is turned off during the sleep period. When the ONU wakes up from the sleep mode, the current ONU architecture uses CDR to recover the OLT clock. Significant time is required for CDR to recover the OLT clock, i.e., 2-5ms [25]. As shown in Table 3.1, the long recovery time (T_{recovery}) significantly increases the wake-up overhead that degrades the achievable energy saving performance.

In this architecture, when an ONU enters its sleep mode, the entire analog circuit and part of the digital circuit are turned off. Some parts of the digital circuit must be left ON, such as the clock and volatile memory. Thus, the ONU still consumes some power during the sleep status. Table 3.1 summarizes the expected power consumptions during the active and sleep mode for the current ONU. All power consumption data are extracted from a list of well-known PON component vendors [22, 23, 25].

Table 3.1 Power Consumption Comparison for Different ONU Architectures

	Front-End Analog Circuit					Back-End Digital Circuit	Total Power Consumption
	APD	TIA	LA	CDR	DMUX		
Active	N/A	100 mW	100m W	330mW	470mW	2.85W	3.85W
Current	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off	750mW	750mW
Improved	On	On	On	On	Off	750mW	1.28W

Source: <http://www.maxim-ic.com/en/ds/MAX3886.pdf>.

Table 3.2 Wake-up Overhead Comparison for Different ONU Architectures

Architecture	Clock Recovery Time	Max Synchronization Time	Total Overhead
Current	2-5ms	125us	5.125ms
Improved	none	125us	125us

Source: <http://www.maxim-ic.com/en/ds/MAX3886.pdf>.

3.2.2 The Improved Architecture

Figure 3.2 shows the improved ONU architecture. In this architecture, an additional sleep mode control circuit is placed before de-serializer instead of before the signal converter. Other parts of the analog circuit remain the same as in the current ONU. Different from the current architecture, the CDR circuit is always ON to keep synchronizing with the OLT while the de-serializer is turned off when the ONU enters the sleep mode. The sleep control block calculates and sends the sleep time duration to the decision block. The decision block

chooses the counter path and sets the counter to time the sleep period. When the counter expires, it sends a TIMEOUT signal to the sleep control block. Then, the sleep control block forwards the signal to the decision block, which switches the recovered clock and data to the DMUX to resume the receiving mode.

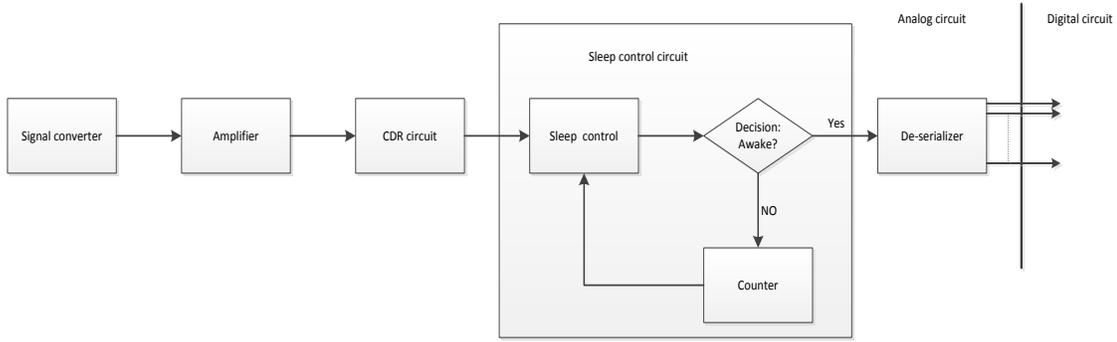


Figure 3.2 Sleep Control Circuit for ONU.

The advantage of the improved ONU is to eliminate clock recovery time using counter path. Although the CDR circuit is on during the sleep mode, it only requires small incremental power consumption as compared to the current architecture. This is a significant outcome, because reducing overhead time helps saving energy especially in the condition that needs frequent change of the status.

3.3 Energy Saving Performance Analysis

The energy saving performance of the two ONU receiver architectures are analytically computed and compared in this section. Energy consumed by an ONU can be determined as the sum of energy spent in the active mode plus that in the sleep mode, shown as Equation (3.2). Given Transmission Cycle $T_{cycle} = T_{active} + T_{sleep}$,

$$E_{ONU} = T_{active} * P_{active} + T_{sleep} * P_{sleep} \quad (3.2)$$

Where the values of P_{active} and P_{sleep} are retrieved from Table 3.1 in the analysis.

The following parts present the energy saving performance for two ONU architectures under two different traffic scenarios.

The first scenario considers traffic from the perspective of a single ONU, where the ONU periodically wakes up for a fixed period of time T_{active} . In this scenario, each ONU is assigned 2ms for receiving data. T_{sleep} is parameterized and $T_{\text{active}} = 2\text{ms} + T_{\text{overhead}}$. T_{overhead} is extracted from Table 3.1.

The second scenario considers traffic for all ONUs. The traffic is scheduled using fixed TDM, and the slot size T_{slot}^k is assumed to be the same for all ONUs $T_{\text{slot}} = 2\text{ms}$. Each ONU^k turns on to receive data for a fixed period of time, and therefore the active time for k -th ONU can be defined by Equation (3.3).

$$T_{\text{active}}^k = T_{\text{slot}}^k + T_{\text{overhead}} \quad (3.3)$$

The definition for TDM cycle is defined by Equation (3.1).

In this scenario, the number of ONUs in system varies, and N is parameterized in the analysis. The amount of time that an ONU spends in the sleep mode in one cycle can be determined according to Equation (3.4).

$$T_{\text{sleep}} = T_{\text{cycle}} - T_{\text{active}} = (N-1) T_{\text{slot}} - T_{\text{overhead}} \quad (3.4)$$

In the subsequent analysis, the energy saving performance is evaluated by using the percentage of energy savings $\eta_{savings}$, which is calculated as follows:

$$\eta_{savings} = \left(1 - \frac{E_{ONU}}{T_{cycle} * P_{active}}\right) * 100\% \quad (3.5)$$

Figure 7 demonstrates the results of the analysis for a single ONU. The current ONU architecture saves more energy when the sleep time is much longer than the active time. This is expected because the current architecture has less power consumption in the sleep mode than the improved one. On the other hand, the improved ONU architecture has higher performance than the current one when the sleep time is less than 25ms. This is because when the sleep time is reduced, the overhead time for the current ONU becomes a significant factor in ONU energy consumption.

The finding indicates that the current ONU design provides significant power saving when the ONU goes to sleep for a long period of time. However, in some applications, an ONU does not know about its future traffic demand and it needs to wake up more often to be aware of the traffic. In these situations, our improved architecture is more desirable. In Figure 3.3, for example, the improved ONU architecture provides more than 10% energy saving when the sleep time is between 2ms to 15ms.

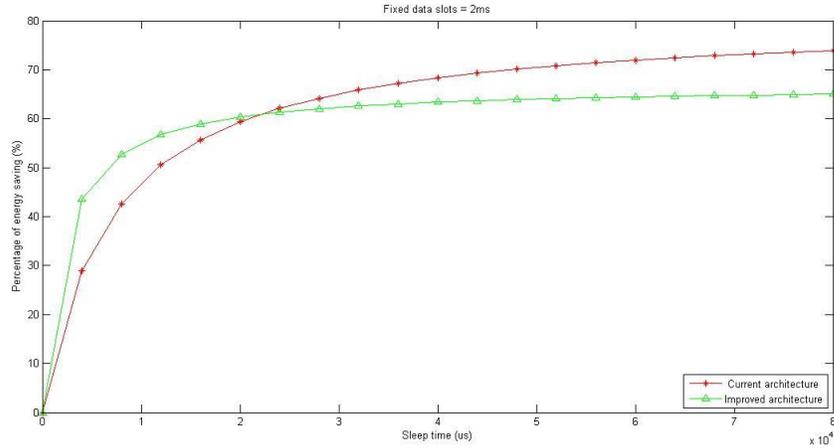


Figure 3.3 Performance Comparison of Sleep Modes Against Sleep Time.

Under a TDM scheduled traffic scenario, an ONU receives traffic periodically and waits for a full TDM cycle in which all the other ONUs receive traffic. In this analysis, the improved ONU architecture is compared with the current one. The analysis considers energy saving performance when the number of ONUs ranges from 1 to 32. The TDM slot is set to 2ms. Figure 3.4 shows that the improved ONU architecture has better performance when PON has a less number of ONUs. For 17 ONUs, the improved architecture has the same performance as the current one. Especially when the number of ONUs is less than 13, the energy saving difference is more than 10%. Based on the above discussion, the improved architecture has excellent performance if the system contains less than 17 ONUs when time slot is 2ms. Note, however, that a PON system is normally implemented with the number of ONUs in the 2 to the n th power, where n is a positive integer.

More significantly, the results also show that the current ONU architecture fails to save any energy at some specific time (i.e., in the simulation, when the number of ONUs is less than 5). This is because the overhead time exceeds the length of the TDM cycle, which prevents the ONU from switching into the sleep mode.

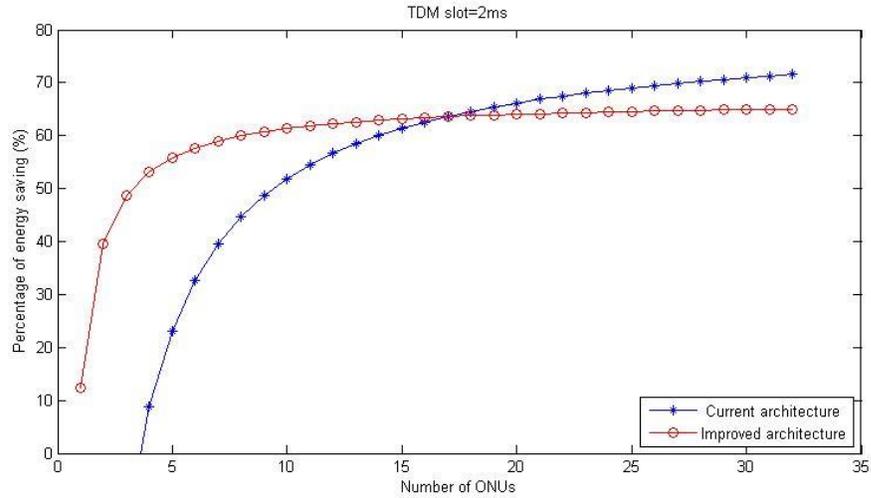


Figure 3.4 Performance Comparison of Sleep Modes Against the Number of ONUs.

The sleep time for an ONU in TDM-PON is not expected to be too long when TDM traffic is involved. Essentially, an ONU might need to wake up shortly after it switches to the sleep mode. Furthermore, the inter-ONU scheduling cycle in TDM-PON typically lasts only a few milliseconds to satisfy the quality of service (QoS) requirement incurred by delay sensitive applications. As a result, the improved ONU could effectively reduce the ONU energy consumption by using the sleep mode mechanism under real-time traffic.

CHAPTER 4

HARDWARE IMPLEMENTATION

This section first lists the required steps in the FPGA development process. Then, the FPGA boards used in the implementation are introduced, and the specific interfaces and modules are explained. Section 4.3 describes the system architecture in the form of a layered stack with major functioning blocks, details the format of control messages, and implements the cycle sleep scheme in a multi-ONUs testbed.

4.1 FPGA Development Process

Figure 4.1 shows the flow-chart of an FPGA development process.

- Plan phase

An FPGA development process starts with system requirements, which are decomposed into lower levels of the design, i.e. sub-systems.

Legacy requirements can often be leveraged for the new design to minimize the time spent in this phase. Requirements are vital to the success of any project. This is often a balancing act to find what is “good enough” to move the design forward. It is a mistake to start sub-system level designs without requirements and generally leads to a conflict between functional teams and longer overall design cycles.

Language selection is a key of this phase. VHDL or Verilog for design is a typical choice. Verification is also decided at this phase. During this phase, selecting a third party Intellectual Property (IP) can help complete the design faster. This will also open the door for using standard verification IP to streamline the verification activity.

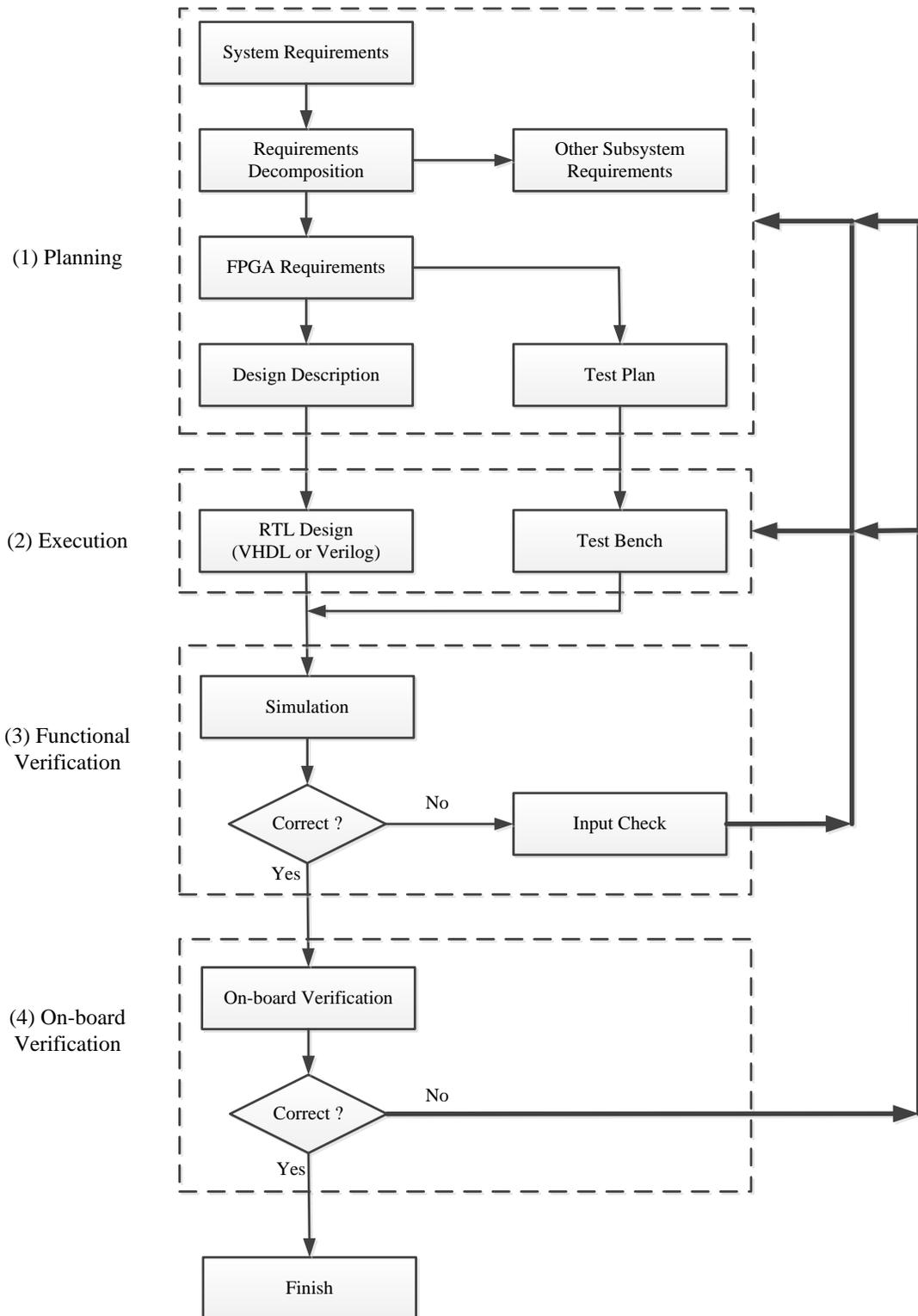


Figure 4.1 FPGA Development Process.

The FPGA requirements provide the foundation on how the design is partitioned and how it is tested. Also, an appropriate hardware architecture or proper partitioning of the design can optimize design re-use, complexity, power, quality and reliability.

Generally, the test plan provides a list of requirements and a plan to test them.

- Execute phase

This is the coding phase of the design. Both the design and the testing environment are created. This should be the shortest phase if the PLAN phase is as complete as possible.

VHDL and Verilog are the two main languages used to develop Register-Transfer Level (RTL). VHDL is more structured but more involved in programming and Verilog is less structured and can cause unforeseen behavior in the code.

Constraint verification is needed to create meaningful random simulation stimulus for a design that minimizes the need to stress the design through directed test patterns. It also minimizes the effort to create test patterns and reduces the size and effort of managing the test suite.

- Verification phase

The Verification phase is divided into two distinct stages. The first phase is Functional Verification followed by the Lab Verification phase. This feature provides leverage in a couple of ways. First, using simulations as the primary form of debug provides a shorter loop to fix the inevitable shortcomings of simulation problems, and finding these problems in the simulation stage rather than the in-circuit verification stage greatly reduces the development time. Second, the two-stage verification allows the project to schedule staged hardware for the software organization.

The reason for simulation centric flow is two-folded. First, it is much easier to debug a design in simulation than the hardware. Second, it reduces the overall churn because software is testing on verified hardware and hardware can focus on hardware verification rather than responding to problems found during software testing.

In-circuit verification work is always necessary in the design process. However, putting the bulk of the effort into simulation makes the hardware work faster and more efficient. Industry has found that for every month spent in the simulation, you save about two to three months of in-circuit testing.

4.2 Introduction of EDA Tool and Testbed

The Electronic Design Automation (EDA) tool used for synthesizing and configuring the FPGAs is Quartus II 14.0.

The cycle sleep scheme is implemented in two Altera Transceiver Signal Integrity Development Kits equipped with Arria V GX FPGA (i.e., featured device 5AGXFB3H4F35C5ES or 5AGXFB3H4F40C5NES).

The FPGA board contains High Speed Mezzanine Card (HSMC) interface. This physical interface provides eight channels of 6.5536 Gbps-capable transceivers. The HSMC specification defines the electrical and mechanical properties of a high speed mezzanine card adapter interface for FPGA-based motherboards. This specification should allow for the design of interoperable motherboards and add-on cards by different manufacturers that can interoperate and utilize the high-performance I/O features found in today's FPGA devices. In this work, we expand the functionality of the board through the addition of SFP HSMC (Small Form-Factor Pluggable) daughtercards.

The SFP HSMC card (Figure 4.2) is a hardware platform for evaluating the interoperability of Altera FPGA, specifically Stratix IV GX, Arria V GX, and Arria II GX, with generic SFP modules. The optical modules that are of particular importance are Gigabit Media-Independent Interface (SGMII) Ethernet, Fiber channel, Common Public Radio Interface/Open Base Station Architecture Initiative (CPRI/OBSAI), and Synchronous optical networking (SONET). Furthermore, the SFP HSMC card is intended to implement both telecommunications and data communications applications. The electrical and optical specifications of SFP should be compatible with those enumerated in the appropriate standards (i.e., the IEEE 802.3z Gigabit Ethernet standard and the ITU G.957 Synchronous Digital Hierarchy standard).



Figure 4.2 The SFP HSMC Card.

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Testbed in this work includes three parts: one OLT and two ONUs. Figure 4.3 shows a picture of the real testbed. The Optical Distribution Networks (ODN) is not implemented because the experiments aim at testing the cycle sleep mode function which is independent from the ODN and implemented in electronics. The output and input of the OLT and ONUs can be directly interconnected by means of Active Optical Direct Attach Cable.

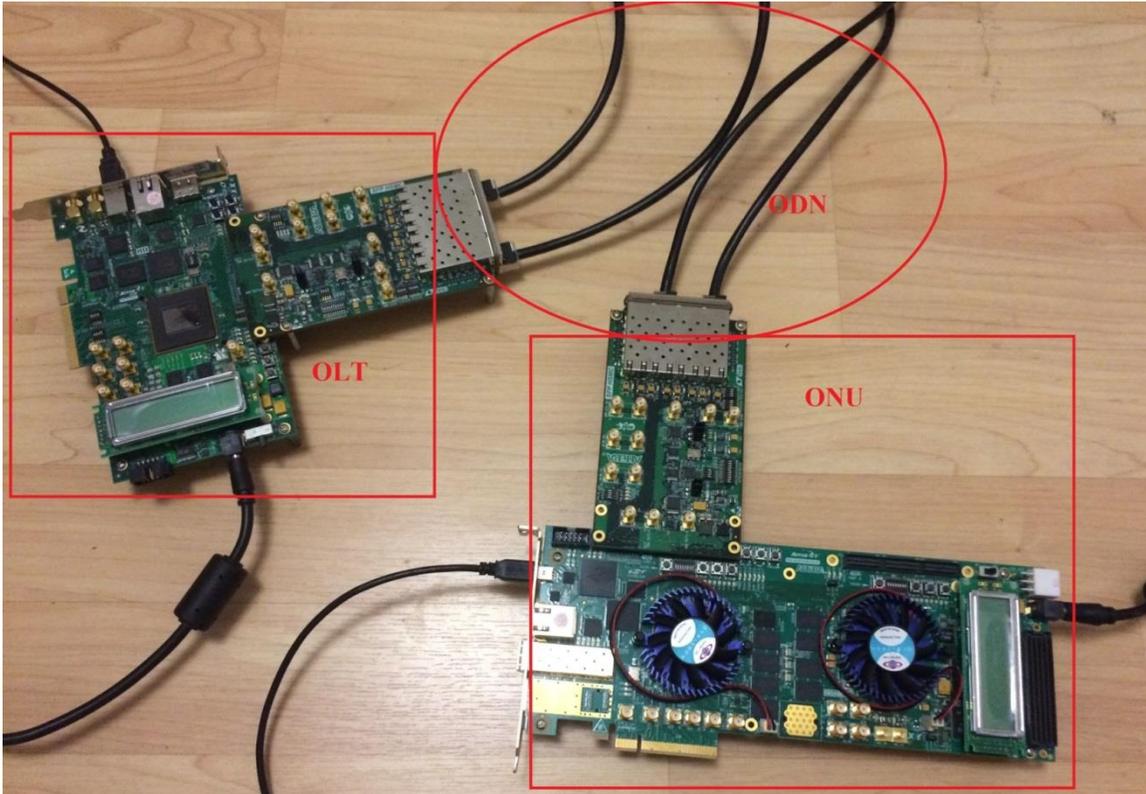


Figure 4.3 Testbed Picture.

4.3 Emulation of the PON Testbed

4.3.1 Layered Architecture

Figure 4.4 is the layered architecture of the cycle sleep PON system. The OLT and ONU functions partly use the IP cores, such as `altera_xcvr_custom_phy`. This section mainly describes how to implement the sleep scheme by some major blocks, whereas the MAC and physical layer are out of the scope of this work.

The OLT and ONU block diagrams both contain Sleep Control blocks. The OLT Sleep Control determines the active time interval of each ONUs according to the DS traffic. Meanwhile, the ONU Sleep Control part calculates its estimated sleeping time.

Both data frame and control message are generated by the OLT Generator as shown in Figure 4.4, implemented within the FPGAs. The DS FIFO is a buffer used to store DS data frames during the ONU inactive time, i.e., when the ONU sojourns in the sleep state. The ONU Monitor receives data frames and collects the relevant statistics for the DS transmission. The ONU Extractor extracts the received frames to hunt for control messages and forwards the extracted headers, such as sleep time, to the corresponding Sleep Control.

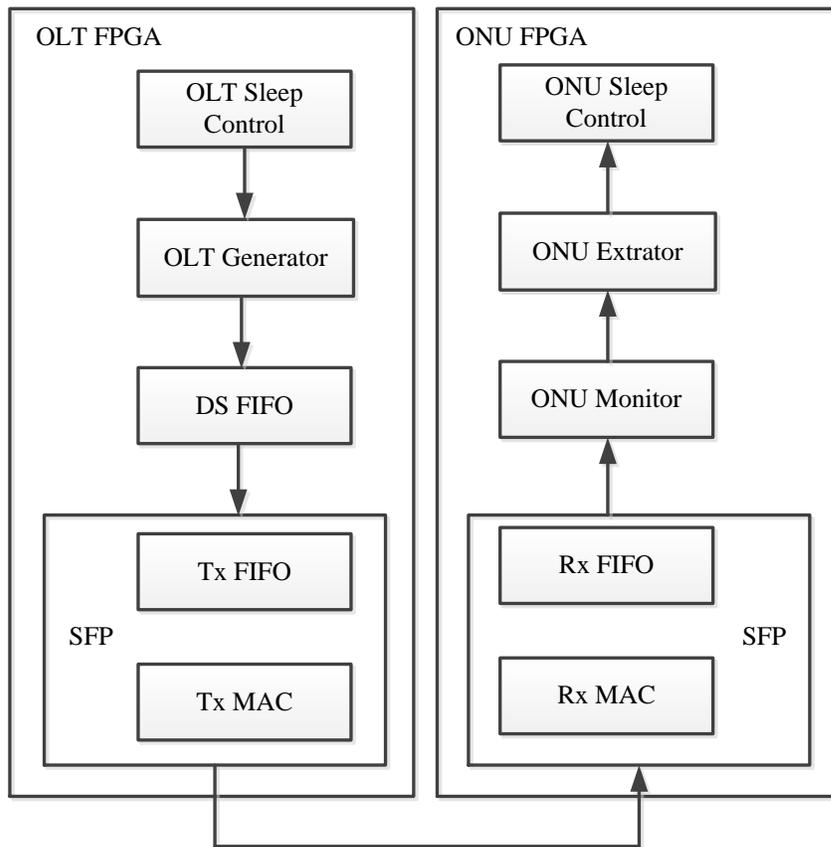


Figure 4.4 The Layered Architecture of the Cycle Sleep PON System.

4.3.2 Control Message Format

The control message format depicted in Figure 4.5 includes three segments. *Transmission header* is a specific 8-byte opcode for the start of a transmission. In this work, we set the

header to be four AA55h, which can be predefined according to the application. The 16-bit opcode of the *Identification No.* field is used to identify the destination ONU of the following data. The value ranges from 0001h to FFFFh, which satisfies the requirements for various standards. The *Sleep period notification* segment contains a 16-bit field that indicates the desired sleep time specified by the OLT in terms of the number of data frames to be transmitted. Data segment is the valid data to be transmitted.

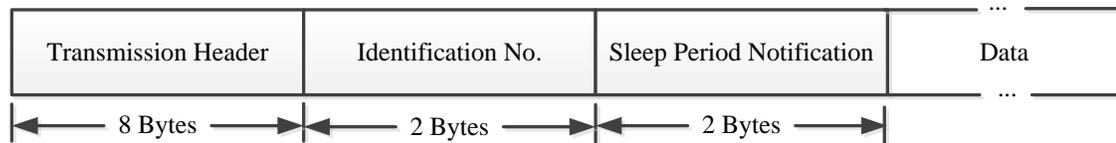
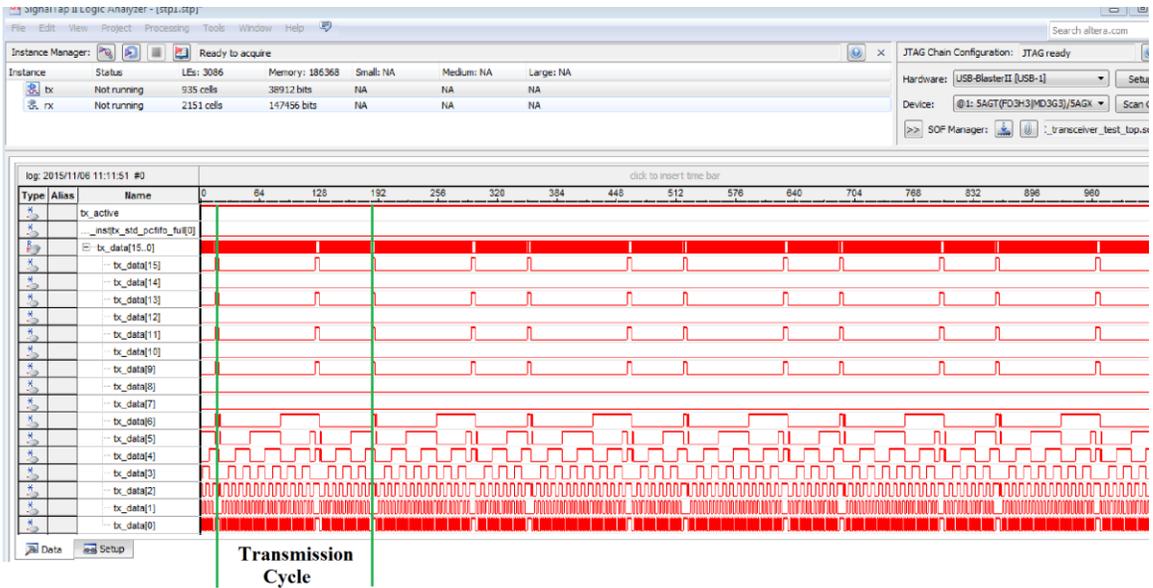


Figure 4.5 Format of the Control Message.

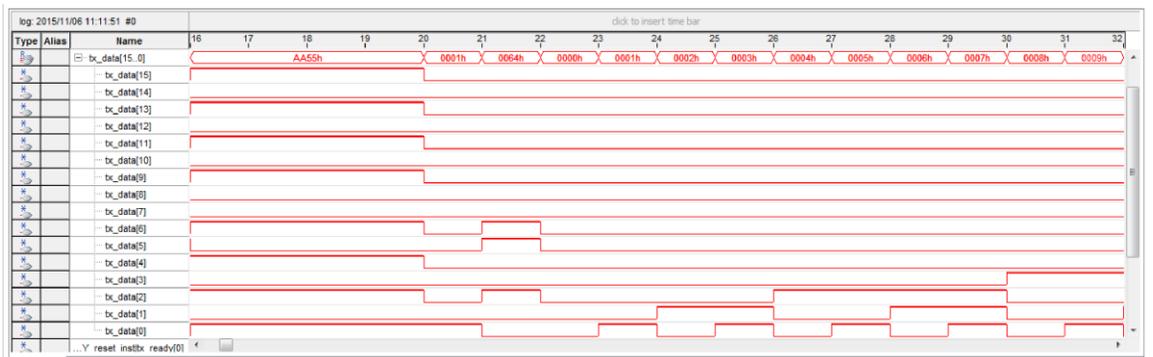
4.3.3 Data Analysis

Because of the hardware resource limitation, two ONUs are used for implementing the cycle sleep scheme. SignalTap is used to capture and display real time signals in the FPGA design.

Figure 4.6(a) shows the data transmitted by the OLT and Figure 4.6(b) shows the control message in magnification, that in one cycle. In Figure 4.6(a), we mark the Transmission cycle of our PON system, and we can observe the value of each bit in Figure 4.6(b).



(a)

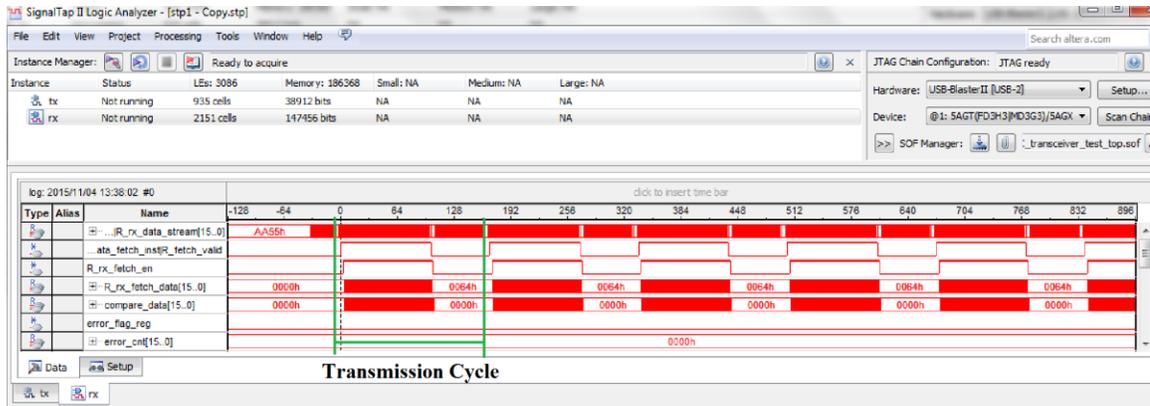


(b)

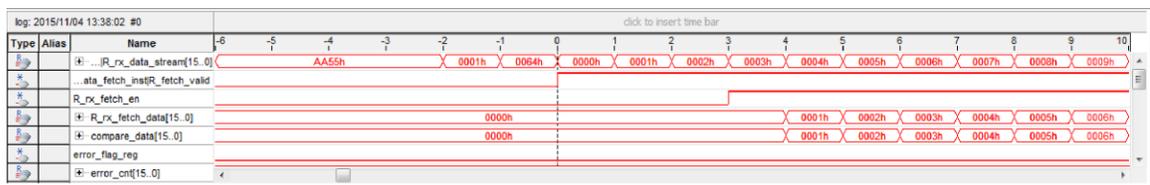
Figure 4.6 Output data of OLT: (a) Overall Output, and (b) Output Details.

Data captured on ONU1 are depicted in Figure 4.7 (a), (b) and (c).

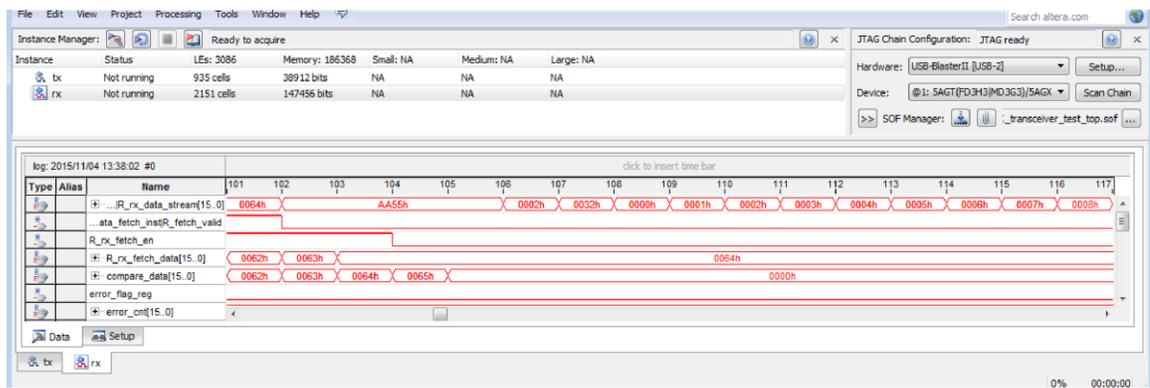
Figure 4.7 (a) is an overall data view of ONU1. The DS data are a continuous signal emitting from the OLT, while the ONU1 shows discontinuous reception. In comparison between R_rx_data_stream in Figure 4.7 (b) and the tx_data in Figure 4.6 (b), it is easy to see that the two signals are essentially the same.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure 4.7 Data Received at ONU: (a) Overall Downstream Data at ONU1, (b) Control Message for ONU1, and (c) Control Message for ONU2.

Description of parameters used in the emulation:

- R_rx_data_stream: the DS data stream from the OLT.
- R_fetch_valid: a flag to indicate the beginning of valid data.
- R_rx_fetch_en: enable signal; pulled high when the ONU begins to receive data.
- R_rx_fetch_data: data received from the OLT.

- Compare_data: reference data used to check whether errors exist.
- Error_flag_reg: pulled high when an error exists.
- Error_cnt: a counter to store the total number of errors.

Figure 4.7 (b) shows the detailed information of the captured data. It can be seen that the control message is AA55h AA55h AA55h AA55h 0001h 0064h. The four consecutive AA55h implies the sign for transmission, and the following 0001h indicates the destination ID is 1, which represents ONU1, and 0064h means that the following one hundred 16-bit data are going to be transmitted.

Figure 4.7 (c) demonstrates the end of transmission to ONU1 following the control message for the next transmission. R_fetch_valid is drawn to low to illustrate the end of valid data for the current destination. R_rx_fetch_data register keeps the last data in preparing the switching to the sleep mode. Error_flag_reg is driven low if an error occurs, and Error_cnt counts the number of errors. The values of these two parameters are 0 if this transmission is error free.

According to the definition of the transmission cycle and the observed results, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{cycle} &= \sum_{k=1}^2 T_{slot}^k = T_{slot}^1 + T_{slot}^2 \\
 &= T_{transmit(0064h+0032h)data} \cdot \\
 &= T_{(150)}
 \end{aligned}$$

In this equation, k is the sequence number of ONU. In this implementation, the sleep time of each ONU is constant. Based on the emulation and assuming t is the time needed for transmitting one 16-bit data, we can calculate the percentage of energy savings as follows,

$$\eta_{savings} = \left(1 - \frac{E_{ONU}}{T_{cycle} * P_{active}}\right) * 100\% = \left(1 - \frac{100t \times 3.85 + 50t \times 1.28}{150t \times 3.85}\right) = 77.75\%$$

It can be concluded in this implementation that the cycle sleep scheme can save up to 77.75% of energy consumption of one ONU.

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSIONS

This thesis describes the wake-up process and compares the power consumption in the active mode and sleep mode for ONU with the current receiver architecture. An improved ONU architecture has been proposed to allow ONUs to switch to the sleep mode and quickly recover the OLT clock. The effects of the sleep mode on the energy saving performance are analytically computed and compared for the two architectures. The simulation results show that the improved architecture significantly reduces the clock recovery overhead of the current architecture as the ONU wakes up from the sleep mode.

This work further implements the cycle sleep scheme on a multi-ONU testbed based on the improved ONU architecture. The emulation results illustrate that the improved architecture can effectively reduce energy consumption by using the proper sleep mode approach under live traffic.

APPENDIX A

TOP-LEVEL CODE

Top-level code is the entrance of the whole project, which combines all the sub-functional modules by designing a proper logic sequence.

```

`include "definition.v"

module custom_PHY_test_top(

    input          clkintop_125_p    ,

    input          cpu_resetrn       ,//2.5V, CPU Reset Pushbutton, comment out if dev_clrn
function is set

    //

    //HIGH-SPEED-MEZZANINE-CARD interface -----//198 pins

    //xcvr: 8

    //IO: 85

    output [3 :0]   hsma_d           ,

    //Bank 1 (transceivers)

    output [1 :0]   hsma_tx_p        ,//1.5V PCML, HSMA Transmit Data
    input  [1 :0]   hsma_rx_p        ,//1.5V PCML, HSMA Receive Data-req's OCT

    //

    input          refclk2_qr1_p     ,//1.5-V PCML, default 125MHz

    //input        refclk3_qr1_p     ,//1.5-V PCML, HSMC CLKIN2 (differential)

    //user LED

    //IO: 6

    input  [3:0]   user_dipsw       ,

    output [3:0]   user_led         ,//2.5V, Green User LEDs

    output        hsma_tx_led       ,//2.5V, User LED - Labeled HSMA TX

    output        hsma_rx_led       //2.5V, User LED - Labeled HSMA RX

);

//=====

//parameters definition

//===== `ifdef SIM

```

```

parameter REPEAT_ALIGN_CYCLE = 5000;

`else

parameter REPEAT_ALIGN_CYCLE = 40000;

`endif

parameter ALIGN_CYCLE = 2000;

//=====

wire [1:0] pll_powerdown    ;//pll_powerdown.pll_powerdown

wire [1:0] tx_analogreset   ;//tx_analogreset.tx_analogreset

wire [1:0] tx_digitalreset  ;//tx_digitalreset.tx_digitalreset

wire [0:0] tx_pll_refclk    ;//tx_pll_refclk.tx_pll_refclk

wire [1:0] tx_serial_data   ;//tx_serial_data.tx_serial_data

wire [1:0] pll_locked       ;//pll_locked.pll_locked

wire [1:0] rx_analogreset   ;//rx_analogreset.rx_analogreset

wire [1:0] rx_digitalreset  ;//rx_digitalreset.rx_digitalreset

wire [0:0] rx_cdr_refclk    ;//rx_cdr_refclk.rx_cdr_refclk

wire [1:0] rx_serial_data   ;//rx_serial_data.rx_serial_data

wire [1:0] rx_is_lockedtoref ;//rx_is_lockedtoref.rx_is_lockedtoref

wire [1:0] rx_is_lockedtodata ;//rx_is_lockedtodata.rx_is_lockedtodata

wire [1:0] rx_serialpbken   ;//rx_serialpbken.rx_serialpbken

wire [87:0] tx_parallel_data ;//tx_parallel_data.tx_parallel_data

wire [127:0] rx_parallel_data ;//rx_parallel_data.rx_parallel_data

wire [1:0] tx_std_coreclkin  ;//tx_std_coreclkin.tx_std_coreclkin

wire [1:0] rx_std_coreclkin  ;//rx_std_coreclkin.rx_std_coreclkin

wire [1:0] tx_std_clkout     ;//tx_std_clkout.tx_std_clkout

wire [1:0] rx_std_clkout     ;//rx_std_clkout.rx_std_clkout

```

```

wire [1:0] tx_std_pcfifo_full  ;//tx_std_pcfifo_full.tx_std_pcfifo_full
wire [1:0] rx_std_pcfifo_empty ;//rx_std_pcfifo_empty.rx_std_pcfifo_empty
wire [1:0] rx_std_wa_patternalign; // rx_std_wa_patternalign.rx_std_wa_patternalign
wire [9:0] rx_std_bitslipboundarysel; // rx_std_bitslipboundarysel.rx_std_bitslipboundarysel
reg [1:0] rx_std_bitslip=0    ;//rx_std_bitslip.rx_std_bitslip
wire [1:0] tx_cal_busy      ;//tx_cal_busy.tx_cal_busy
wire [1:0] rx_cal_busy      ;//rx_cal_busy.rx_cal_busy
wire [279:0] reconfig_to_xcvr  ;//reconfig_to_xcvr.reconfig_to_xcvr
wire [183:0] reconfig_from_xcvr ;//reconfig_from_xcvr.reconfig_from_xcvr
wire [1:0] tx_ready          ;
wire [1:0] rx_ready          ;

//=====

wire hw_reset_n          ;
wire phy_mgmt_clk        ;
wire locked               ;
reg heartbeat_led=0      ;
reg [31:0] heartbeat_cnt=0 ;
reg [15:0] tx_data=0;
wire tx_reset            ;
wire rx_reset            ;
reg [31:0] tx_test_cnt    ;
reg [1:0] rx_align_done=2'b0 ;
reg [5:0] wait_cnt_0 = 6'd30 ;
reg [5:0] wait_cnt_1 = 6'd30 ;
reg rx_data_valid_0      ;

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```

reg    rx_data_valid_1    ;
reg [15:0] rx_data_0      ;
reg [15:0] rx_data_1      ;
reg [15:0] test_data = 16'hacef ;
wire [15:0] tx_bus_data    ;
wire [15:0] rx_data_temp_0 ;
wire [15:0] rx_data_temp_1 ;
wire    rx_fetch_en_0     ;
wire [15:0] rx_fetch_data_0 ;
wire    rx_fetch_en_1     ;
wire [15:0] rx_fetch_data_1 ;
reg    rx_data_valid_reg0 ;
reg [15:0] rx_data_reg0    ;
reg    rx_data_valid_reg1 ;
reg [15:0] rx_data_reg1    ;
reg    R_rx_fetch_en_0    ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_fetch_data_0 ;
reg    R_rx_fetch_en_1    ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_fetch_data_1 ;
reg    compare_en_0=0     ;
reg    compare_en_1=0     ;
reg [15:0] compare_data_0  ;
reg [15:0] compare_data_1  ;
wire    error_falg_0      ;
reg    error_flag_reg_0   ;

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reg [15:0] error_cnt_0      ;
wire  error_falg_1        ;
reg    error_flag_reg_1    ;
reg [15:0] error_cnt_1      ;
reg    tx_active          ;
reg [1:0] rx_active        ;
reg [13:0] rx_align_cnt_0   ;
reg [13:0] rx_align_cnt_1   ;
reg    tx_en              ;
reg [15:0] tx_en_time      ;
reg    rx_valid_en        ;
reg    rx_valid_en_reg     ;
reg [15:0] rx_valid_data_cnt_0 ;
reg [15:0] rx_valid_data_cnt_1 ;
reg [31:0] rx_reset_cnt=0   ;

//=====
reset_debounced#(
    .FR  (125)//125MHz
    .DELAY (15) //15ms
)reset_debounced_inst(
    .I_clk    (clkintop_125_p ),
    .I_reset_in_n (cpu_resetn   ),
    .O_reset_out_n (hw_reset_n   )
);

sys_pll sys_pll_inst (

```

```

.refclk (clkintop_125_p ),
.rst (1'b0 ),
.outclk_0 (phy_mgmt_clk ),
.locked (locked )
);

delay_reset delay_reset_inst(
.i_clk (phy_mgmt_clk ),
.i_locked ( locked ),
.O_rst (phy_mgmt_clk_reset )
);

delay_reset delay_reset_inst_tx(
.i_clk (tx_std_clkout[0] ),
.i_locked (pll_locked[0] ),
.O_rst (tx_reset )
);

delay_reset delay_reset_inst_rx(
.i_clk (rx_std_clkout[1] ),
.i_locked (pll_locked[1] ),
.O_rst (rx_reset )
);

always@(posedge phy_mgmt_clk)
begin
if(heartbeat_cnt==32'd62500000)
begin
heartbeat_cnt <= 32'd0;

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```

        heartbeat_led <= ~heartbeat_led;

    end

else

    begin

        heartbeat_cnt <= heartbeat_cnt + 32'd1;

    end

end

//=====

assign hsma_d      = 4'b11_11      ;
assign rx_serialpbken = 2'b0      ;
assign tx_pll_refclk = refclk2_qr1_p ;
assign rx_cdr_refclk = refclk2_qr1_p ;//refclk3_qr1_p ;
assign tx_std_coreclkin = tx_std_clkout ;
assign rx_std_coreclkin = rx_std_clkout ;
assign pll_powerdown[1] = {1{pll_powerdown[0]}};
assign rx_serial_data[0] = hsma_rx_p[0] ;
assign hsma_tx_p[0] = tx_serial_data[0] ;
assign rx_serial_data[1] = hsma_rx_p[1] ;
assign hsma_tx_p[1] = tx_serial_data[1] ;

assign tx_parallel_data =
{{25'b0,tx_data[15:8],3'b0,tx_data[7:0]},{25'b0,tx_data[15:8],3'b0,tx_data[7:0]}};

assign rx_data_temp_0 = {rx_parallel_data[23:16],rx_parallel_data[7:0]};
assign rx_data_temp_1 = {rx_parallel_data[64+23:64+16],rx_parallel_data[64+7:64+0]};

assign hsma_tx_led = ~rx_is_lockedtodata ;
assign hsma_rx_led = ~rx_is_lockedtoref ;
assign user_led[0] = ~pll_locked ;

```

```

assign user_led[1]    = ~& rx_align_done    ;

assign user_led[2]    = ~( |error_cnt_0 | ~( |error_cnt_1 | ~error_flag_reg_0 |
~error_flag_reg_1;

assign user_led[3]    = heartbeat_led     ;

//=====

always@(posedge tx_std_coreclk[0])

begin

    tx_active <= user_dipsw[0];

end

always@(posedge tx_std_coreclk[0])

begin

    if(tx_reset)

        begin

            tx_test_cnt <= 32'd0;

            tx_data    <= 16'd0;

        end

    else if(tx_active)

        begin

            if(tx_ready[0] )

                begin

                    `ifdef SIM

                        if(tx_test_cnt[11])

                    `else

                        if(tx_test_cnt[27])

                    `endif

                begin

```

```

        if(tx_en)
            tx_data <= tx_bus_data;
        else
            tx_data <= test_data;
        end
    else
        begin
            tx_data <= test_data;
            tx_test_cnt <= tx_test_cnt + 32'd1;
        end
    end
end

end

else

begin

    tx_data <= 16'd0;
    tx_test_cnt <= 32'd0;

end

end

always@(posedge tx_std_coreclkin[0])

begin

    if(tx_reset)

        begin

            tx_en_time <= 16'd0;
            tx_en <= 1'b0;

        end

    end
end

```

```

else if(tx_test_cnt[11])
    begin
        if(tx_en_time>=(REPEAT_ALIGN_CYCLE+ALIGN_CYCLE))
            begin
                tx_en_time <= 16'd0;
                tx_en_time <= tx_en_time;
            end
        else
            begin
                if(tx_en_time<REPEAT_ALIGN_CYCLE)
                    begin
                        tx_en <= 1'b1;
                    end
                else
                    begin
                        tx_en <= 1'b0;
                    end
                end
            end
        end
    end
end

tx_data_gen tx_data_gen_inst(
    .clk      (tx_std_coreclk[0]),
    .reset    (tx_reset      ),
    .en       (tx_en         ),
    .data_out (tx_bus_data   )

```

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);
//=====
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    rx_active[0] <= user_dipsw[1];
end

always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    if(rx_reset)
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b0;
        rx_align_done[0] <= 1'b0;
        wait_cnt_0 <= 6'd30;
        rx_align_cnt_0 <= 13'd0;
        rx_valid_data_cnt_0 <= 16'd0;
    end
else if(rx_active[0])
begin
    if(rx_ready[0])
    begin
        if(!rx_align_done[0])
        begin
            if(rx_data_temp_0==test_data)
            begin
                wait_cnt_0 <= 6'd30;
            end
        end
    end
end

```

```

//
`ifdef SIM
    if(rx_align_cnt_0[4])
`else
    if(rx_align_cnt_0[12])
`endif

    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b0;
        rx_align_done[0] <= 1'b1;
    end

else
    begin
        rx_align_cnt_0 <= rx_align_cnt_0 + 13'd1;
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b0;
    end

end

else if(wait_cnt_0<6'd5)

    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b1;

        //

        if(wait_cnt_0==6'd0)

            wait_cnt_0 <= 6'd30;

        else

            wait_cnt_0 <= wait_cnt_0 - 6'd1;

        //

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```

        rx_align_cnt_0  <= 13'd0;
    end
else
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b0;
        wait_cnt_0      <= wait_cnt_0 - 6'd1;
        rx_align_cnt_0  <= 13'd0;
    end
end
end
end
end
else
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[0] <= 1'b0;
        rx_align_done[0]  <= 1'b0;
        wait_cnt_0        <= 4'd15;
    end
end
end
//=====
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[1])
begin
    rx_active[1] <= user_dipsw[1];
end
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[1])
begin

```

```

if(rx_reset)
begin
    rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b0;
    rx_align_done[1] <= 1'b0;
    wait_cnt_1 <= 6'd30;
    rx_align_cnt_1 <= 13'd0;
    rx_valid_data_cnt_1 <= 16'd0;
end
else if(rx_active[1])
begin
    if(rx_ready[1])
begin
    if(!rx_align_done[1])
begin
    if(rx_data_temp_1==test_data)
begin
    wait_cnt_1 <= 6'd30;
    //
    `ifdef SIM
    if(rx_align_cnt_1[4])
    `else
    if(rx_align_cnt_1[12])
    `endif
begin
    rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b0;

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        rx_align_done[1] <= 1'b1;
    end
else
    begin
        rx_align_cnt_1 <= rx_align_cnt_1 + 13'd1;
        rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b0;
    end
end
end
else if(wait_cnt_1<6'd5)
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b1;
        //
        if(wait_cnt_1==6'd0)
            wait_cnt_1 <= 6'd30;
        else
            wait_cnt_1 <= wait_cnt_1 - 6'd1;
        //
        rx_align_cnt_1 <= 13'd0;
    end
end
else
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b0;
        wait_cnt_1 <= wait_cnt_1 - 6'd1;
        rx_align_cnt_1 <= 13'd0;
    end
end

```

```

        end
    end
end
else
    begin
        rx_std_bitslip[1] <= 1'b0;
        rx_align_done[1] <= 1'b0;
        wait_cnt_1      <= 4'd15;
    end
end
//=====
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    if(rx_align_done[0])
    begin
        if(rx_ready[0])
        begin
            rx_data_valid_0 <= 1'b1;
            rx_data_0      <= rx_data_temp_0;
        end
    end
    else
    begin
        rx_data_valid_0 <= 1'b0;
    end
end
end

```

```

else
    begin
        rx_data_valid_0 <= 1'b0;
    end
end

rx_data_fetch#(.ch(0))rx_data_fetch_inst0(
    .clk      (rx_std_coreclkin[0] ),
    .reset    (rx_reset      ),

    .rx_valid  (rx_data_valid_0  ),
    .rx_data   (rx_data_0       ),

    .rx_fetch_en  (rx_fetch_en_0  ),
    .rx_fetch_data (rx_fetch_data_0 )
);

//=====
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclkin[1])
begin
    if(rx_align_done[1])
    begin
        if(rx_ready[1])
        begin
            rx_data_valid_1 <= 1'b1;
            rx_data_1      <= rx_data_temp_1;
        end
    end
end

```

```

        end

    else

        begin

            rx_data_valid_1 <= 1'b0;

        end

    end

else

    begin

        rx_data_valid_1 <= 1'b0;

    end

end

rx_data_fetch#(.ch(1))rx_data_fetch_inst1(

    .clk      (rx_std_coreclk[1] ),

    .reset    (rx_reset      ),

    .rx_valid  (rx_data_valid_1  ),

    .rx_data   (rx_data_1      ),

    .rx_fetch_en  (rx_fetch_en_1  ),

    .rx_fetch_data (rx_fetch_data_1  )

);

//=====

//RX error detcter

//=====

always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])

begin

    rx_data_valid_reg0 <= rx_fetch_en_0;

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rx_data_reg0    <= rx_fetch_data_0;

R_rx_fetch_en_0  <= rx_data_valid_reg0;
R_rx_fetch_data_0 <= rx_data_reg0  ;

rx_data_valid_reg1 <= rx_fetch_en_1;
rx_data_reg1    <= rx_fetch_data_1;

R_rx_fetch_en_1  <= rx_data_valid_reg1;
R_rx_fetch_data_1 <= rx_data_reg1  ;
end
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    if(rx_align_done[0])
        begin
            if(rx_data_valid_reg0 && ((R_rx_fetch_data_0==test_data) &&
(rx_data_reg0==~test_data)))
                begin
                    compare_en_0 <= 1'b1;
                end
            end
        end
end

always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    if(rx_reset)

```

```

begin
    compare_data_0 <= 16'h0;
end

if(R_rx_fetch_en_0)
begin
    compare_data_0 <= compare_data_0 + 16'd1;
end

else
begin
    compare_data_0 <= 16'h0;
end

end

assign error_falg_0 = (compare_data_0==R_rx_fetch_data_0)? 1'b0 : 1'b1;

always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[0])
begin
    if(rx_reset)
begin
    error_cnt_0    <= 16'd0;
    error_flag_reg_0 <= 1'b0;
end

else if(R_rx_fetch_en_0 & error_falg_0)
begin
    error_cnt_0    <= error_cnt_0 + 16'd1;
    error_flag_reg_0 <= 1'b1;
end

end

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```

else
    begin
        error_flag_reg_0 <= 1'b0;
    end
end

//=====always@(posedge
rx_std_coreclk[1])

begin
    if(rx_align_done[1])
        begin
            if(rx_data_valid_reg1 && ((R_rx_fetch_data_1==test_data) &&
(rx_data_reg1==~test_data)))
                begin
                    compare_en_1 <= 1'b1;
                end
            end
        end
end

always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[1])

begin
    if(rx_reset)
        begin
            compare_data_1 <= 16'h0;
        end
    if(R_rx_fetch_en_1)
        begin
            compare_data_1 <= compare_data_1 + 16'd1;
        end
    end
end

```

```

        end
    else
        begin
            compare_data_1 <= 16'h0;
        end
    end
end
assign error_falg_1 = (compare_data_1==R_rx_fetch_data_1)? 1'b0 : 1'b1;
always@(posedge rx_std_coreclk[1])
begin
    if(rx_reset)
        begin
            error_cnt_1    <= 16'd0;
            error_flag_reg_1 <= 1'b0;
        end
    else if(R_rx_fetch_en_1 & error_falg_1)
        begin
            error_cnt_1    <= error_cnt_1 + 16'd1;
            error_flag_reg_1 <= 1'b1;
        end
    end
else
    begin
        error_flag_reg_1 <= 1'b0;
    end
end
end

//=====
=====

```

```

transceiver_native_PHY transceiver_native_PHY_inst (
/*input wire [0:0] */.pll_powerdown
(pll_powerdown ),//pll_powerdown.pll_powerdown

/*input wire [0:0] */.tx_analogreset (tx_analogreset ),//tx_analogreset.tx_analogreset

/*input wire [0:0] */.tx_digitalreset (tx_digitalreset ),//tx_digitalreset.tx_digitalreset

/*input wire [0:0] */.tx_pll_refclk (tx_pll_refclk ),//tx_pll_refclk.tx_pll_refclk

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_serial_data (tx_serial_data ),//tx_serial_data.tx_serial_data

/*output wire [0:0] */.pll_locked (pll_locked ),//pll_locked.pll_locked

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_analogreset (rx_analogreset ),//rx_analogreset.rx_analogreset

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_digitalreset (rx_digitalreset ),//rx_digitalreset.rx_digitalreset

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_cdr_refclk (rx_cdr_refclk ),//rx_cdr_refclk.rx_cdr_refclk

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_serial_data (rx_serial_data ),//rx_serial_data.rx_serial_data

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_is_lockedtoref
(rx_is_lockedtoref ),//rx_is_lockedtoref.rx_is_lockedtoref

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_is_lockedtodata
(rx_is_lockedtodata ),//rx_is_lockedtodata.rx_is_lockedtodata

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_serialpbken (rx_serialpbken ),//rx_serialpbken.rx_serialpbken

/*input wire [43:0] */.tx_parallel_data
(tx_parallel_data ),//tx_parallel_data.tx_parallel_data

/*output wire [63:0] */.rx_parallel_data
(rx_parallel_data ),//rx_parallel_data.rx_parallel_data

/*input wire [0:0] */.tx_std_coreclk
(tx_std_coreclk ),//tx_std_coreclk.tx_std_coreclk

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_std_coreclk
(rx_std_coreclk ),//rx_std_coreclk.rx_std_coreclk

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_std_clkout (tx_std_clkout ),//tx_std_clkout.tx_std_clkout

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_std_clkout (rx_std_clkout ),//rx_std_clkout.rx_std_clkout

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_std_pcfifo_full
(tx_std_pcfifo_full ),//tx_std_pcfifo_full.tx_std_pcfifo_full

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/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_std_pcfifo_empty
(rx_std_pcfifo_empty),//rx_std_pcfifo_empty.rx_std_pcfifo_empty

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_std_wa_patternalign (rx_std_wa_patternalign), //
rx_std_wa_patternalign.rx_std_wa_patternalign

/*output wire [4:0] */.rx_std_bitslipboundarysel(rx_std_bitslipboundarysel), //
rx_std_bitslipboundarysel.rx_std_bitslipboundarysel

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_clkslip (rx_std_bitslip ),//rx_std_bitslip.rx_std_bitslip

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_cal_busy (tx_cal_busy ),//tx_cal_busy.tx_cal_busy

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_cal_busy (rx_cal_busy ),//rx_cal_busy.rx_cal_busy

/*input wire [139:0] */.reconfig_to_xcvr
(reconfig_to_xcvr ),//reconfig_to_xcvr.reconfig_to_xcvr

/*output wire [91:0] */.reconfig_from_xcvr (reconfig_from_xcvr )
//reconfig_from_xcvr.reconfig_from_xcvr

);

transceiver_PHY_reset transceiver_PHY_reset_inst (

/*input wire */.clock (phy_mgmt_clk ),//clock.clk

/*input wire */.reset (phy_mgmt_clk_reset ),//reset.reset

/*output wire [0:0] */.pll_powerdown
(pll_powerdown[0] ),//pll_powerdown.pll_powerdown

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_analogreset (tx_analogreset ),//tx_analogreset.tx_analogreset

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_digitalreset (tx_digitalreset ),//tx_digitalreset.tx_digitalreset

/*output wire [0:0] */.tx_ready (tx_ready ),//tx_ready.tx_ready

/*input wire [0:0] */.pll_locked (pll_locked ),//pll_locked.pll_locked

/*input wire [0:0] */.pll_select (0),//pll_select.pll_select

/*input wire [0:0] */.tx_cal_busy (tx_cal_busy ),//tx_cal_busy.tx_cal_busy

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_analogreset (rx_analogreset ),//rx_analogreset.rx_analogreset

/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_digitalreset (rx_digitalreset ),//rx_digitalreset.rx_digitalreset

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/*output wire [0:0] */.rx_ready      (rx_ready      ),//rx_ready.rx_ready

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_is_lockedtodata
(rx_is_lockedtodata ),//rx_is_lockedtodata.rx_is_lockedtodata

/*input wire [0:0] */.rx_cal_busy    (rx_cal_busy    )//rx_cal_busy.rx_cal_busy

);

transceiver_PHY_reconfig transceiver_PHY_reconfig_inst (

/*output wire      */.reconfig_busy    ( ),//reconfig_busy.reconfig_busy

/*input wire      */.mgmt_clk_clk      (phy_mgmt_clk      ),//mgmt_clk_clk.clk

/*input wire      */.mgmt_rst_reset    (phy_mgmt_clk_reset ),//mgmt_rst_reset.reset

/*input wire [6:0] */.reconfig_mgmt_address  (0),//reconfig_mgmt.address

/*input wire      */.reconfig_mgmt_read    (0),//.read

/*output wire [31:0] */.reconfig_mgmt_readdata  ( ),//.readdata

/*output wire      */.reconfig_mgmt_waitrequest  ( ),//.waitrequest

/*input wire      */.reconfig_mgmt_write    (0),//.write

/*input wire [31:0] */.reconfig_mgmt_writedata  (0),//.writedata

/*output wire [139:0] */.reconfig_to_xcvr
(reconfig_to_xcvr ),//reconfig_to_xcvr.reconfig_to_xcvr

/*input wire [91:0] */.reconfig_from_xcvr      (reconfig_from_xcvr )
//reconfig_from_xcvr.reconfig_from_xcvr

);

endmodule

```

APPENDIX B

DATA GENERATOR CODE

This module is used to generate incremental data to be transmitted.

```

module tx_data_gen(
    input      clk      ,
    input      reset    ,
    input      en       ,
    output [15:0] data_out

);

//=====

reg [15:0] R_data_out ;
reg [15:0] R_data_tx  ;

reg [7:0] R_traffic_cycle ;
reg      R_traffic_valid0 ;
reg      R_traffic_valid1 ;
reg      R_id_change     ;
reg [2:0] R_id           ;

//=====

always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(reset)
        begin
            R_traffic_cycle <= 8'd0;
        end
    else if(en)
        begin
            if(R_traffic_cycle<=8'd166)

```

```

        R_traffic_cycle <= R_traffic_cycle + 8'd1;
    else
        R_traffic_cycle <= 8'd0;
    end
end
always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if((R_traffic_cycle<=8'd106) || ((R_traffic_cycle>8'd107) && (R_traffic_cycle<=8'd164)))
        R_traffic_valid0 <= 1'b1;
    else
        R_traffic_valid0 <= 1'b0;
    end
always@(posedge clk)
begin
    R_traffic_valid1  <= R_traffic_valid0;
end

always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(reset)
        begin
            R_id <= 3'd0;
        end
    else if(en)
        begin

```

```

    if(R_traffic_valid0)
        begin
            if(R_id<3'd7)
                R_id  <= R_id + 3'd1;
            end
        else
            begin
                R_id  <= 3'd0;
            end
        end
    else
        begin
            R_id  <= 3'd0;
        end
    end

always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(reset)
        R_id_change <= 1'b0;
    else if(!R_traffic_valid0 & R_traffic_valid1)
        R_id_change <= ~R_id_change;
    end

always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(reset)

```

```

begin
    R_data_out <= 16'd0;
end
else if(en)
begin
    if(R_traffic_valid0)
begin
    if(!R_id_change)
begin
    case(R_id)
3'd1,3'd2,3'd3,3'd4:
begin
    R_data_out <= 16'haa55;
end
3'd5:
begin
    R_data_out <= 16'd1;
end
3'd6:
begin
    R_data_out <= 16'd100;
end
3'd7:
begin
    R_data_out <= R_data_tx;

```

```
        end
    endcase
end
else
begin
    case(R_id)
        3'd1,3'd2,3'd3,3'd4:
            begin
                R_data_out <= 16'haa55;
            end
        3'd5:
            begin
                R_data_out <= 16'd2;
            end
        3'd6:
            begin
                R_data_out <= 16'd50;
            end
        3'd7:
            begin
                R_data_out <= R_data_tx;
            end
    endcase
end
end
```

```
        else
            begin
                R_data_out <= R_data_out + 16'h1;
            end
        end
    end
end

always@(posedge clk)
begin
    if(R_id==3'd7)
        begin
            R_data_tx <= R_data_tx + 16'd1;
        end
    else
        begin
            R_data_tx <= 16'd0;
        end
    end
end

assign data_out = R_data_out;
endmodule
```

APPENDIX C

DATA EXTRACT CODE

This module is used to receive and extract data from the data stream.

```

module rx_data_fetch#(
    parameter ch = 0
)
    input      clk      ,
    input      reset    ,
    input      rx_valid  ,
    input [15:0] rx_data  ,
    output     rx_fetch_en ,
    output [15:0] rx_fetch_data

);

//=====
reg      R_rx_valid_0  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_stream  ;
reg      R_rx_valid_1  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_1  ;
reg      R_rx_valid_2  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_2  ;
reg      R_rx_valid_3  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_3  ;
reg      R_rx_valid_4  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_4  ;
reg      R_rx_valid_5  ;
reg [15:0] R_rx_data_5  ;
reg [15:0] R_fetch_count  ;
reg [15:0] R_fetch_len  ;

```

```

reg          R_fetch_valid  ;
reg          R_rx_fetch_en  ;
reg    [15:0] R_rx_fetch_data ;

//=====================================================

always@(posedge clk)

begin

    R_rx_valid_0  <= rx_valid  ;
    R_rx_data_stream  <= rx_data  ;
    R_rx_valid_1  <= R_rx_valid_0;
    R_rx_data_1   <= R_rx_data_stream ;
    R_rx_valid_2  <= R_rx_valid_1;
    R_rx_data_2   <= R_rx_data_1 ;
    R_rx_valid_3  <= R_rx_valid_2;
    R_rx_data_3   <= R_rx_data_2 ;
    R_rx_valid_4  <= R_rx_valid_3;
    R_rx_data_4   <= R_rx_data_3 ;
    R_rx_valid_5  <= R_rx_valid_4;
    R_rx_data_5   <= R_rx_data_4 ;

end

always@(posedge clk)

begin

    if(reset)

        begin

            R_fetch_len  <= 16'd0;


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```

R_fetch_valid <= 1'b0;

//

R_fetch_count <= 16'd0;

R_rx_fetch_en <= 1'b0;

R_rx_fetch_data <= 16'd0;

end

else if(R_rx_valid_5 | R_rx_valid_4 | R_rx_valid_3 | R_rx_valid_2 | R_rx_valid_1)

begin

    if((R_rx_data_5==16'haa55) && (R_rx_data_4==16'haa55) && (R_rx_data_3==16'haa55)
    && (R_rx_data_2==16'haa55))

        begin

            if(ch==0)

                begin

                    if(R_rx_data_1==16'h0001)

                        begin

                            R_fetch_len <= R_rx_data_stream;

                            R_fetch_valid <= 1'b1;

                        end

                    else

                        begin

                            R_fetch_valid <= 1'b0;

                        end

                    end

                end

            else if(ch==1)

                begin

                    if(R_rx_data_1==16'h0002)

```

```

        begin
            R_fetch_len  <= R_rx_data_stream;
            R_fetch_valid <= 1'b1;
        end
    else
        begin
            R_fetch_valid <= 1'b0;
        end
    end
end
end
end
end
//=====
if(R_fetch_valid)
    begin
        if(R_fetch_count<=R_fetch_len)
            begin
                R_fetch_count <= R_fetch_count + 16'd1;
                //
                R_rx_fetch_en <= 1'b1;
                R_rx_fetch_data <= R_rx_data_stream;
            end
        else
            begin
                R_fetch_count <= 16'd0;
                R_fetch_valid <= 1'b0;
            end
        end
    end
end

```

```
        R_rx_fetch_en <= 1'b0;
    end
end
else
    begin
        R_rx_fetch_en <= 1'b0;
    end
end
assign rx_fetch_en    = R_rx_fetch_en;
assign rx_fetch_data = R_rx_fetch_data;
endmodule
```

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