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About This Guide

This guide describes the Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard (hereinafter called the Wizard).

Guide Contents

This guide contains the following chapters:

- [Chapter 1, Introduction](#) describes the Wizard and related information, including additional resources, technical support, and submitting feedback to Xilinx.
- [Chapter 2, Installing the Wizard](#), provides information about installing the Wizard.
- [Chapter 3, Running the Wizard](#), provides an overview of the Wizard and a step-by-step tutorial to generate a sample GTP transceiver wrapper with the CORE Generator™ tool.
- [Chapter 4, Quick Start Example Design](#), introduces the example design that is included with the GTP Transceiver wrappers. The example design demonstrates how to use the wrappers and demonstrates some of the key features of the GTP transceiver.
- [Chapter 5, Detailed Example Design](#), provides detailed information about the example design, including a description of files and the directory structure generated by the CORE Generator tool, the purpose and contents of the provided scripts, the contents of the example HDL wrappers, and the operation of the demonstration testbench.

Additional Resources

To find additional documentation, see:

<http://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/index.htm>.

To search the Answer Database of silicon, software, and IP questions and answers, or to create a technical support WebCase, see:

<http://www.xilinx.com/support/mysupport.htm>.

Introduction

This chapter introduces the Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard and provides related information, including additional resources, technical support, and submitting feedback to Xilinx.

About the Wizard

The Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Wizard automates the task of creating HDL wrappers to configure the high-speed serial GTP transceivers in Spartan-6 FPGAs.

The menu-driven interface allows the user to configure one or more GTP transceivers using predefined templates for popular industry standards, or by using custom templates, to support a wide variety of custom protocols. The Wizard produces a wrapper, an example design, and a testbench to enable rapid integration and verification of the serial interface with your custom function.

The wrapper instantiates and configures one or more GTP transceivers (Figure 1-1).

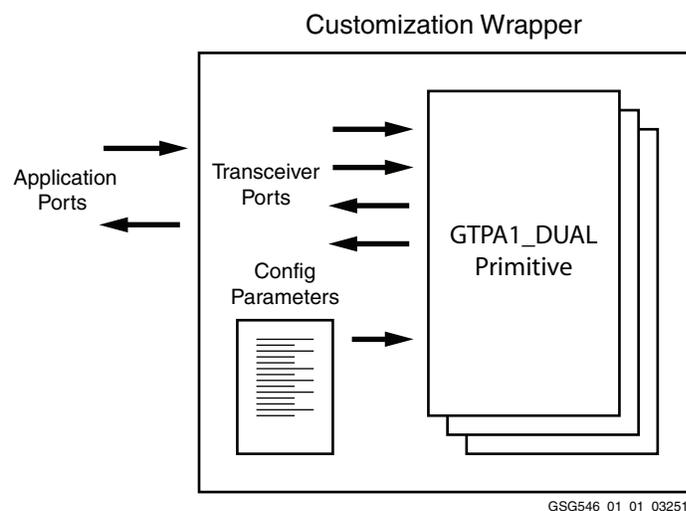


Figure 1-1: GTP Transceiver Wizard Wrapper

The Wizard can be accessed from the ISE® software CORE Generator tool. For information about system requirements and installation, see [Chapter 2, Installing the Wizard](#).

For the latest information on this Wizard, see the Architecture Wizards product information page:

http://www.xilinx.com/products/design_resources/conn_central/solution_kits/wizards

For documentation, see the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard page:
http://www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/ipfgafeaturedesign_iointerface_s6gtpwizard.htm

Features

The Wizard has these features:

- Creates customized HDL wrappers to configure Spartan-6 FPGA GTP transceivers
 - Predefined templates automate transceiver configuration for industry standard protocols such as: CPRI™, DisplayPort, Gigabit Ethernet, High-Definition Serial Digital Interface (HD-SDI), Open Base Station Architecture Initiative (OBSAI), PCI EXPRESS® (PCIe®) generation I, Serial RapidIO, 10 Gb Attachment Unit Interface (XAUI), Aurora 8B/10B, Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA) 1.5 Gb/s, and SATA 3 Gb/s
 - Custom protocols can be specified using the **Start from Scratch** option in the GUI.
- Automatically configures transceiver analog settings of the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP transceivers
- Supports 8B/10B encoding/decoding
- Includes an example design with a companion testbench as well as implementation and simulation scripts

Supported Devices

The Wizard supports the Spartan-6 LXT family. For a complete listing of supported devices, see [XTP025](#), *IP Release Notes Guide* for this Wizard. For more information on the Spartan-6 devices, see [DS160](#), *Spartan-6 Family Overview*.

Provided with the Wizard

The following are provided with the Wizard:

- Documentation: This user guide
- Design Files: Verilog and VHDL
- Example Design: Verilog and VHDL
- Testbench: Verilog and VHDL
- Constraints File: Synthesis constraints file
- Simulation Model: Verilog and VHDL

Recommended Design Experience

The Wizard is a fully verified solution that helps automate the task of defining parameter settings for Spartan-6 FPGA GTP transceivers. The additional challenge associated with implementing a complete design depends on the configuration and required functionality of the application. For best results, previous experience building high-performance, pipelined FPGA designs using Xilinx implementation software and user constraints files (UCF) is recommended.

For those with less experience, Xilinx offers various training classes to help with various aspects of designing with Xilinx FPGAs. These include classes on such topics as designing for performance and designing with multi-gigabit serial I/O. For more information, see <http://www.xilinx.com/training>.

Xilinx sales representatives can provide a closer review and estimation of specific design requirements.

Related Xilinx Documents

For detailed information and updates about the Wizard, see the following:

- [UG546](#), *LogiCORE IP Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard v1.11 User Guide*
- [XTP025](#), *IP Release Notes Guide* for the Wizard

Prior to generating the Wizard, users should be familiar with the following:

1. [DS160](#): *Spartan-6 Family Overview*
2. [UG386](#): *Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide*
3. ISE software documentation at <http://www.xilinx.com/ise>

Technical Support

For technical support, go to www.xilinx.com/support. Questions are routed to a team of engineers with expertise using this Wizard.

Xilinx provides technical support for use of this product as described in this guide. Xilinx cannot guarantee timing, functionality, or support of this product for designs that do not follow these guidelines.

Ordering Information

The Wizard is provided free of charge under the terms of the [Xilinx End User License Agreement](#). The Wizard can be generated by the ISE software CORE Generator tool v13.3 or higher, which is a standard component of the ISE Design Suite. For more information, visit the [Architecture Wizards web page](#). Information about additional LogiCORE modules is available at the [IP Center](#). For pricing and availability of other LogiCORE modules and software, contact a local Xilinx [sales representative](#).

Feedback

Xilinx welcomes comments and suggestions about the Wizard and the accompanying documentation.

Wizard

For comments or suggestions about the Wizard, submit a WebCase from www.xilinx.com/support. (Registration is required to log in to WebCase.) Be sure to include the following information:

- Product name
- Wizard version number
- List of parameter settings
- Explanation of any comments, including whether the case is requesting an *enhancement* (improvement) or reporting a *defect* (something is not working correctly)

Document

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- Document number
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- Explanation of any comments, including whether the case is requesting an *enhancement* (improvement) or reporting a *defect* (something is not working correctly)

Installing the Wizard

This chapter provides instructions for installing the Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard in the ISE® Design Suite CORE Generator™ tool.

Tools and System Requirements

Operating Systems

For a list of system requirements, see the [ISE Design Suite 13: Release Notes Guide](#).

Design Tools

Design Entry

- ISE Design Suite CORE Generator software 13.3
- PlanAhead™ software 13.3

Simulation

- ISE Simulator (ISim) 13.3
- Mentor Graphics ModelSim 6.6d
- Cadence Incisive Enterprise Simulator (IES) 10.2
- Synopsys Verilog Compiler Simulator (VCS) and VCS MX 2010.06

See [XTP025](#), *IP Release Notes Guide* for the Wizard for the required service pack; ISE software service packs can be downloaded from <http://www.xilinx.com/support/download.htm>.

Synthesis

- XST 13.3
- Synopsys Synplify Pro E-2011.03-SP2

Before You Begin

Before installing the Wizard, you must have a MySupport account and the ISE 13.3 software installed on your system. If you already have an account and have the software installed, go to [Installing the Wizard](#), otherwise do the following:

1. Click **Login** at the top of the Xilinx home page then follow the onscreen instructions to create a MySupport account.
2. Install the ISE 13.3 software.

For the software installation instructions, see the ISE Design Suite Release Notes and Installation Guide available in ISE software Documentation.

Installing the Wizard

The Wizard is included with the ISE 13.3 software. Follow the ISE 13.3 installation instructions in the ISE Installation and Release Notes available in www.xilinx.com/support/documentation under the **Design Tools** tab.

Verifying Your Installation

Use the following procedure to verify a successful installation of the Wizard in the CORE Generator tool.

1. Start the CORE Generator tool.
2. The IP core functional categories appear at the left side of the window ([Figure 2-1](#)).

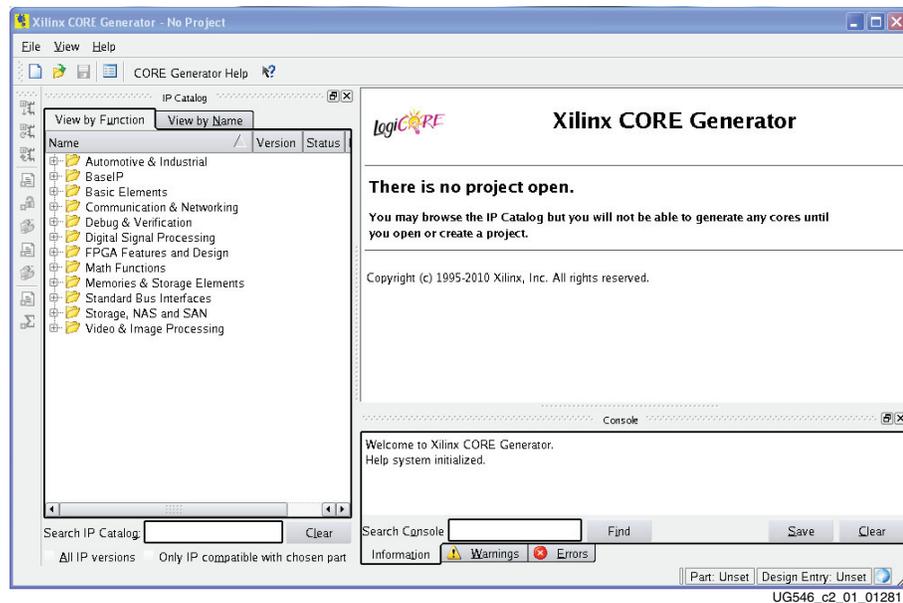


Figure 2-1: CORE Generator Window

3. Click to expand or collapse the view of individual functional categories, or click the **View by Name** tab at the top of the list to see an alphabetical list of all cores in all categories.
4. Determine if the installation was successful by verifying that Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard 1.11 appears at the following location in the Functional Categories list: /FPGA Features and Design/IO Interfaces

Running the Wizard

Overview

This chapter provides a step-by-step procedure for generating a Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP transceiver wrapper, implementing the wrapper in hardware using the accompanying example design, and simulating the wrapper with the provided example testbench.

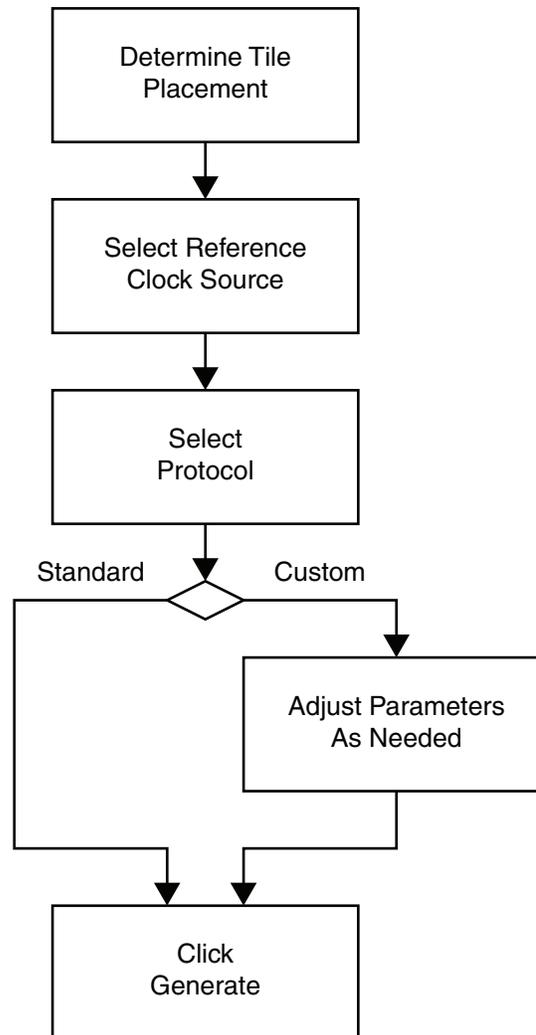
Note: The screen captures in this chapter are conceptual representatives of their subjects and provide general information only. For the latest information, see the CORE Generator™ tool.

Functional Overview

Figure 3-1, page 16 shows the steps required to configure GTP transceivers using the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard. Start the CORE Generator software and select the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard, then follow the chart to configure the transceivers and generate a wrapper that includes an accompanying example design.

- To use an existing template with no changes, click **Generate**.
- To modify a standard template or start from scratch, proceed through the Wizard and adjust the settings as needed.

See [Configuring and Generating the Wrapper](#), page 21 for details on the various transceiver features and parameters available.



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Figure 3-1: GTP Wizard Configuration Steps

Structure of the GTP Transceiver Wrapper, Example Design, and Testbench

Figure 3-2 shows the relationship of the GTP transceiver wrapper, example design, and testbench files generated by the Wizard. For details, see [Example Design Description](#), page 52.

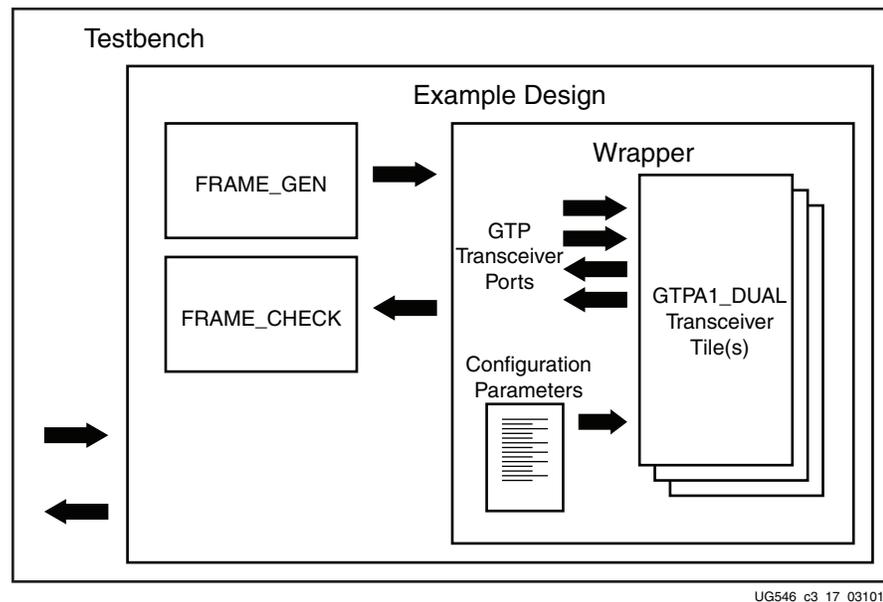


Figure 3-2: Structure of the GTP Transceiver Wrapper, Example Design, and Testbench

The following files are generated by the Wizard to illustrate the components needed to simulate the configured transceiver:

- GTP transceiver wrapper, which includes:
 - The specific gigabit transceiver configuration parameters set using the Wizard.
 - GTPA1 transceiver primitive selected using the Wizard.
- Example design demonstrating the modules required to simulate the wrapper. These include:
 - FRAME_GEN module: Generates a user-definable data stream for simulation analysis.
 - FRAME_CHECK module: Tests for correct transmission of data stream for simulation analysis.
- Testbench:
 - Top-level testbench demonstrating how to simulate the design.

Example Design—PCI EXPRESS Configuration

The example design covered in this section is a wrapper that configures a group of GTP transceivers for use in a PCI EXPRESS® application. Guidelines are also given for incorporating the wrapper in a design and for the expected behavior in operation. For detailed information, see [Chapter 4, Quick Start Example Design](#).

The PCI EXPRESS example consists of the following components:

- A single GTP transceiver wrapper implementing a 4-lane PCI EXPRESS interface using four GTP transceivers
- A demonstration testbench to drive the example design in simulation
- An example design providing clock signals and connecting an instance of the PCI EXPRESS wrapper with modules to drive and monitor the wrapper in hardware, including optional ChipScope™ Pro tool support
- Scripts to synthesize and simulate the example design

The Wizard example design has been tested with Synplify Pro E-2011.03-SP2 and XST 13.3 for synthesis and ModelSim 6.6d for simulation.

[Figure 3-3](#) shows a block diagram of the default PCI EXPRESS example design.

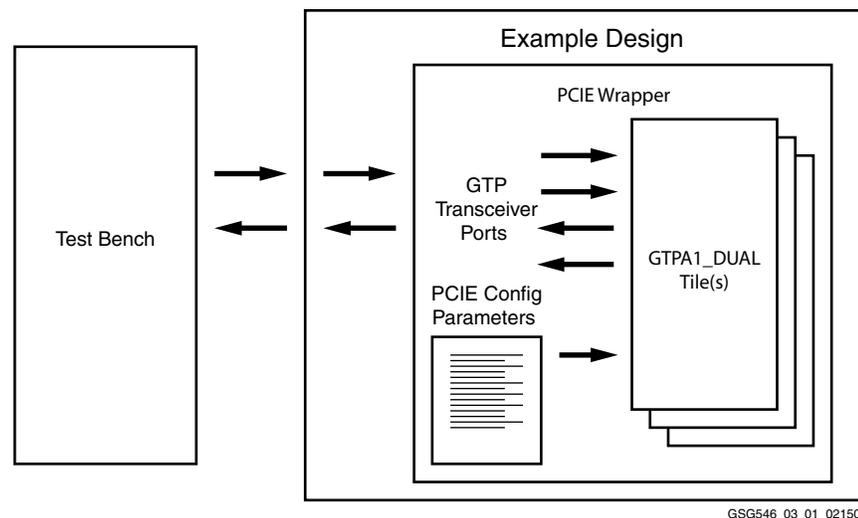


Figure 3-3: Example Design and Testbench—PCI EXPRESS Configuration

Setting Up the Project

Before generating the example design, set up the project as described in [Creating a Directory](#) and [Setting the Project Options](#).

Creating a Directory

To set up the example project, first create a directory using the following steps:

1. Change directory to the desired location. This example uses the following location and directory name:

```
/Projects/pcie_example
```

2. Start the CORE Generator™ tool.

For help starting and using the CORE Generator tool, see *CORE Generator Help*, available in ISE® software documentation.

3. Choose **File** → **New Project** ([Figure 3-4](#)).
4. Change the name of the CGP file (optional).
5. Click **Save**.

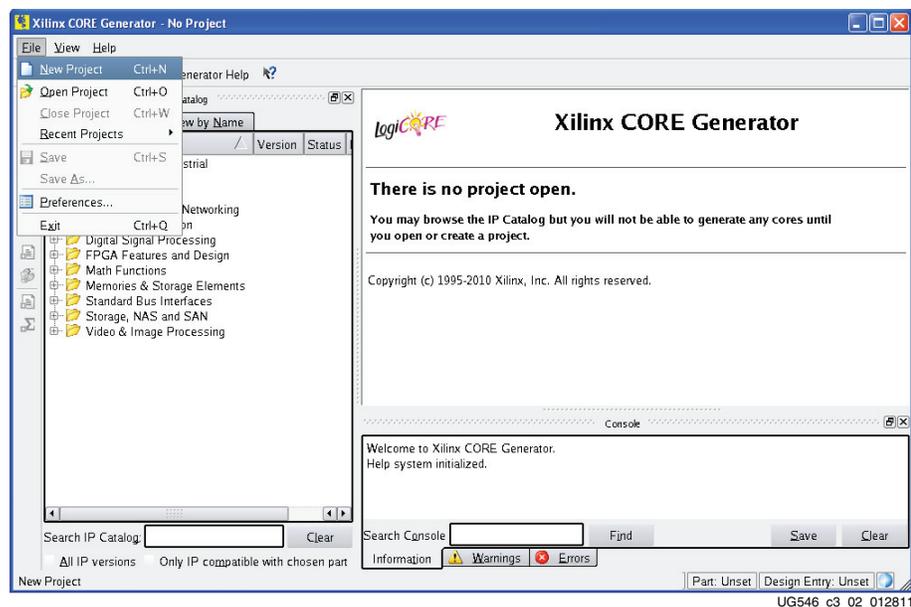


Figure 3-4: Starting a New Project

Setting the Project Options

Set the project options using the following steps:

1. Click **Part** in the option tree.
2. Select **Spartan6** from the Family list.
3. Select a Spartan-6 FPGA from the Device list which supports GTP transceivers.
4. Select an appropriate package from the Package list. This example uses the XC6SLX45T device (see [Figure 3-5](#)).

Note: If an unsupported silicon family is selected, the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard remains light grey in the taxonomy tree and cannot be customized. Only Spartan-6 FPGA devices containing GTPA1 transceiver primitives are supported by the Wizard. See [DS160](#), *Spartan-6 Family Overview* for a list of devices containing GTPA1 transceiver primitives.

5. Click **Generation** in the option tree and select either Verilog or VHDL as the output language.
6. Click **OK**.

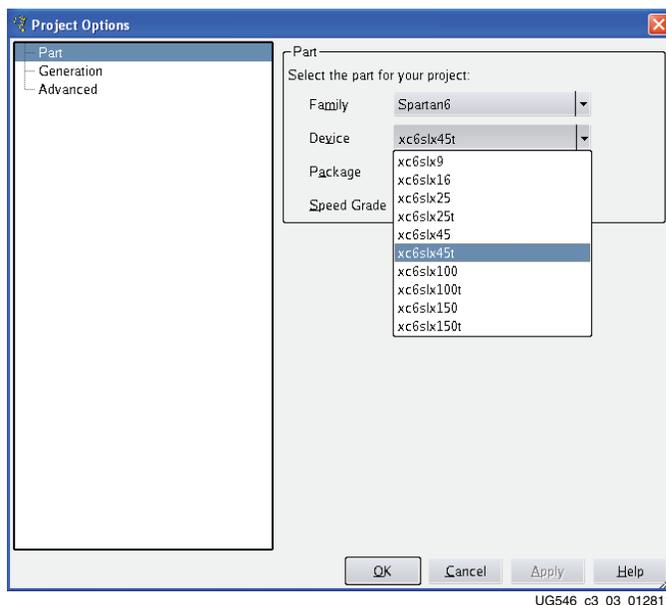


Figure 3-5: Target Architecture Setting

Configuring and Generating the Wrapper

This section provides instructions for generating an example GTP transceiver wrapper using the default values. The wrapper, associated example design, and supporting files are generated in the project directory. For additional details about the example design files and directories see [Functional Simulation of the Example Design, page 43](#).

1. Locate the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard 1.11 in the taxonomy tree under: /FPGA Features & Design/IO Interfaces. (See [Figure 3-6](#))
2. Double-click **Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard 1.11** to launch the Wizard.

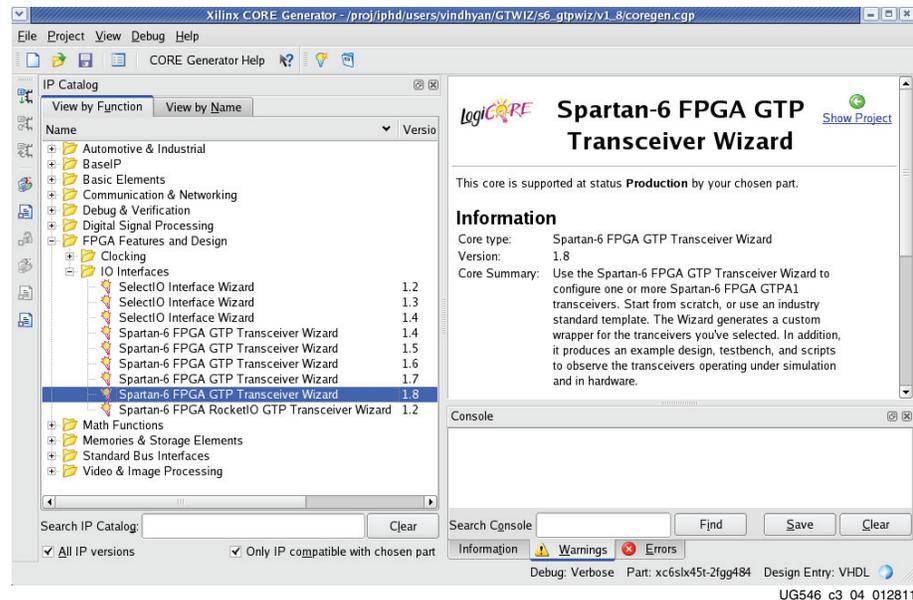


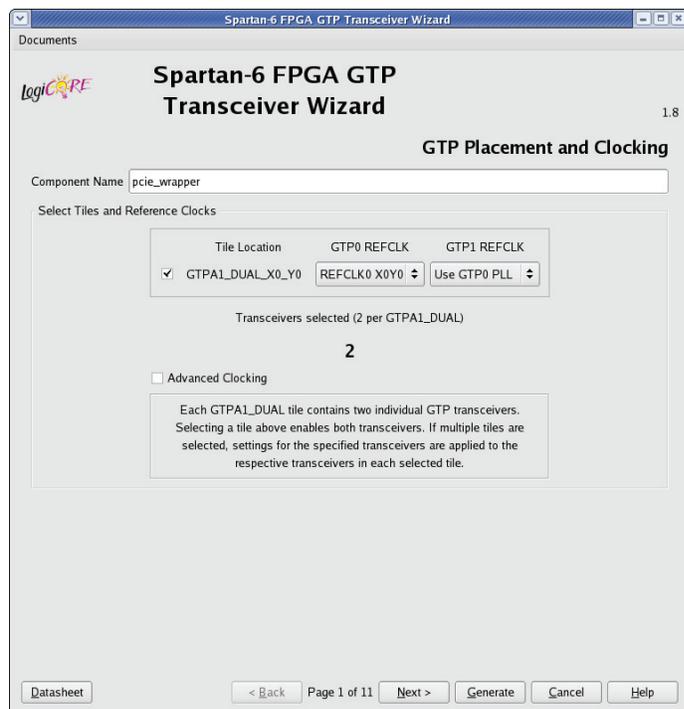
Figure 3-6: Locating the GTP Transceiver Wizard

GTP Transceiver Placement and Clocking

Page 1 of the Wizard (Figure 3-7) allows you to select the component name and determine the placement of the GTP transceivers and the reference clock source.

1. In the Component Name field, enter a name for the wrapper instance. This example uses the name `pcie_wrapper`.

The number of GTPA1_DUAL transceiver primitives appearing on this page depends on the selected target device and package. The PCI EXPRESS example design uses four GTP transceivers (two GTPA1_DUAL primitives). Table 3-1 describes the GTP transceiver selection and reference clock options.



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Figure 3-7: GTP Placement and Clocking—Page 1

Table 3-1: Select Transceiver and Reference Clocks

Option	Description
Tile Location	Select the individual GTPA1_DUAL transceiver pairs by location to be used in the target design. The PCI EXPRESS example requires one transceiver pair.
GTP0 REFCLK	Determines the source for the reference clock signal provided to the GTP0 transceiver in the selected GTPA1_DUAL primitive (see Table 3-2, page 23). Differential clock signal input pin pairs are provided for each GTPA1_DUAL. Individual transceivers have access to the reference clock signals for the two horizontally adjacent GTPA1_DUAL primitives allowing two primitives to share a single reference clock signal. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the REFCLK X0Y0 signal from the upper pair of selected primitives.
GTP1 REFCLK	GTP1 transceiver is the same as the GTP0 transceiver above.
Advanced Cloning	Use this check box to bring out all possible reference clock ports to the generated wrapper.

Table 3-2: Reference Clock Source Options

Option	Description
GREFCLK	Reference clock driven by internal fabric. Lowest performance option.
REFCLK_X0Y0	External GTPA1_DUAL reference clock signal local to first upper transceiver pair.
REFCLK_X1Y0	External GTPA1_DUAL reference clock signal local to second upper transceiver pair.
REFCLK_X0Y1	External GTPA1_DUAL reference clock signal local to first lower transceiver pair. Not available on devices with fewer than four transceiver pairs.
REFCLK_X1Y1	External GTPA1_DUAL reference clock signal local to second lower transceiver pair. Not available on devices with fewer than four transceiver pairs.

Line Rate and Protocol Template

Page 2 of the Wizard (Figure 3-8) allows you to select the line rate, reference clock frequency, encoding/decoding method, and data width. In addition, this page specifies protocol templates.

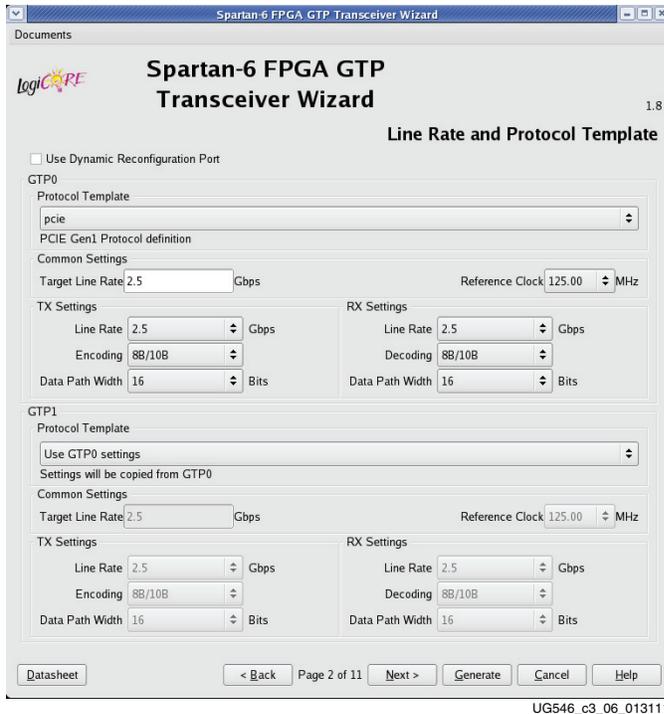


Figure 3-8: Line Rates and Protocol Template—Page 2

1. Place a check next to the **Use Dynamic Reconfiguration Port** option if you wish to bring this signal out for use by the application.

The remaining options are divided into GTP0 and GTP1 groups with identical parameters. These apply to the two GTP transceivers present in each GTPA1_DUAL primitive. The remaining discussion in this chapter describes only the GTP0 portion.

2. From the Protocol Template list, select **Start from scratch** to manually set all parameters.

Select one of the available protocols from the list to begin your design with a predefined protocol template. For GTP1 only, select **Use GTP0 Settings** to automatically copy the settings from GTP1. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the pcie protocol template. Because both transceivers are configured identically, the protocol template option for GTP1 is set to **Use GTP0 Settings**.

Table 3-3 shows the options for the common settings. These options establish the shared PMA PLL settings for both GTP transceivers in each pair.

Table 3-3: Common Settings

Option	Description
Target Line Rate	Line rate in Gb/s desired for the target design. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 2.5 Gb/s.
Reference Clock	Select from the list the optimal reference clock frequency to be provided by the application. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 125.0 MHz.

- Use the following tables to determine the line rate, encoding, decoding, and reference clock settings available on this page.

Table 3-4 details the TX settings options.

Table 3-4: TX Settings

Option	Description	
Line Rate	Set to the desired target line rate in Gb/s. Can be independent of the receive line rate. The line rate has option of selecting No_TX . This option disables all the TX ports in the wrapper when selected. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 2.5 Gb/s.	
Encoding	None	Data stream is passed with no conversion.
	None (MSB First)	Same as above but reorders bytes for applications expecting most significant byte first.
	8B/10B	Data stream is passed to an internal 8B/10B encoder prior to transmission.
Data Path Width	8	Sets both the internal transmitter datapath and the transmitter application interface datapath width to a single 8-bit byte.
	10	Sets the internal transmitter datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width will be set to 8 bits. If 8B/10 encoding is not selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width is set to 10 bits.
	16	Sets the internal transmitter datapath width to a single 8-bit byte. Sets the transmitter application interface datapath width to two 8-bit bytes (16 bits).
	20	Sets the internal transmitter datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width will be set to two 8-bit bytes (16 bits). If 8B/10B encoding is not selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width will be set to two 10-bit bytes (20 bits).
	32	Sets the internal transmitter datapath width to a single 8-bit byte. Sets the transmitter application interface datapath width to four 8-bit bytes (32 bits).
	40	Sets the internal transmitter datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width will be set to four 8-bit bytes (32 bits). If 8B/10B encoding is not selected, the transmitter application interface datapath width will be set to four 10-bit bytes (40 bits).

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-5 details the RX settings options.

Table 3-5: RX Settings

Option		Description
Line Rate		Set to the desired target line rate in Gb/s. Can be independent of the transmit line rate. The line rate has option of selecting No_RX . This option disables all the RX ports in the wrapper when selected. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 2.5 Gb/s.
Decoding	None	Data stream is passed with no conversion.
	None (MSB First)	Same as above but reorders bytes for applications expecting most significant byte first.
	8B/10B	Data stream from de-serializer is passed to an internal 10B/8B decoder.
Data Path Width	8	Sets both the internal receiver datapath and the receiver application interface datapath width to a single 8-bit byte.
	10	Sets the internal receiver datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the receiver application interface datapath width will be set to 8 bits.
	16	Sets the internal receiver datapath width to a single 8-bit byte. Sets the receiver application interface datapath width to two 8-bit bytes (16 bits).
	20	Sets the internal receiver datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the receiver application interface datapath width will be set to two 8-bit bytes (16 bits). If 8B/10B encoding is not selected, the receiver application interface datapath width will be set to two 10-bit bytes (20 bits).
	32	Sets the internal receiver datapath width to a single 8-bit byte. Sets the receiver application interface datapath width to four 8-bit bytes (32 bits).
	40	Sets the internal receiver datapath width to a single 10-bit byte. If 8B/10B encoding is selected, the receiver application interface datapath width will be set to four 8-bit bytes (32 bits). If 8B/10B encoding is not selected, the receiver application interface datapath width will be set to four 10-bit bytes (40 bits).

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

8B/10B Optional Ports

Page 3 of the Wizard (Figure 3-9) provides selections for 8B/10B-specific optional ports. Placing a check next to one of the listed optional port names makes that port available in the wrapper for use by the application. Table 3-6 details the available TX and RX 8B/10B optional ports.

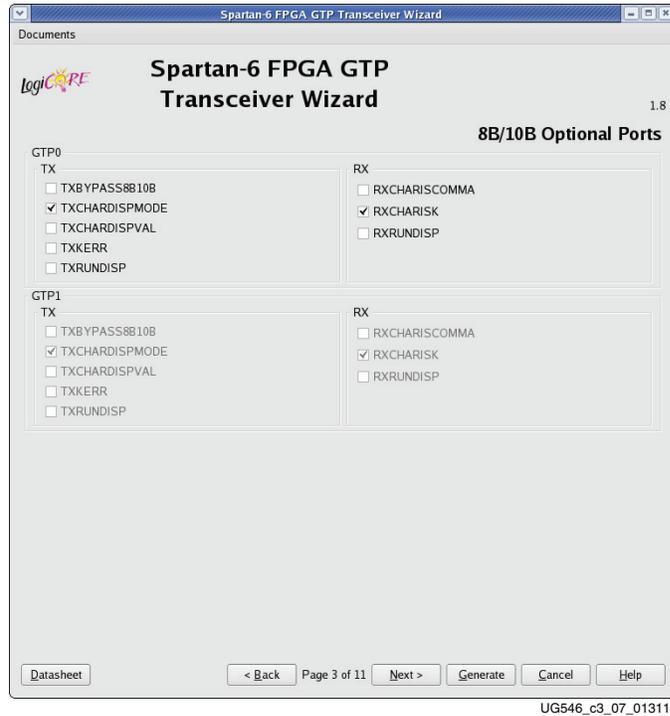


Figure 3-9: 8B/10B Optional Ports—Page 3

Table 3-6: 8B/10B Optional Ports

Option		Description
TX	TXBYPASS8B10B	2-bit wide port disables 8B/10B encoder on a per-byte basis. High-order bit affects high-order byte of datapath.
	TXCHARDISPMODE	2-bit wide ports control disparity of outgoing 8B/10B data. High-order bit affects high-order byte of datapath.
	TXCHARDISPVAL	
	TXKERR	2-bit wide port flags invalid K character codes as they are encountered. High-order bit corresponds to high-order byte of datapath.
	TXRUNDISP	2-bit wide port indicates current running disparity of the 8B/10B encoder on a per-byte basis. High-order bit affects high-order byte of datapath.
RX	RXCHARISCOMMA	2-bit wide port flags valid 8B/10B comma characters as they are encountered. High-order bit corresponds to high-order byte of datapath.
	RXCHARISK	2-bit wide port flags valid 8B/10B K characters as they are encountered. High-order bit corresponds to high-order byte of datapath.
	RXRUNDISP	2-bit wide port indicates current running disparity of the 8B/10B decoder on a per-byte basis. High-order bit corresponds to high-order byte of datapath.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Synchronization and Clocking

Page 4 of the Wizard ([Figure 3-10](#)) provides settings for latency, buffering, and clocking of the transmitter and receiver. The RX comma alignment settings are also provided.

[Table 3-7](#) lists the source signal options and [Table 3-9](#) lists the optional ports.

The **Enable TX buffer** setting controls whether the TX buffer is enabled or bypassed. See [UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide](#) for details on this setting.

The PCI EXPRESS example uses the TX buffer.

The **Enable RX buffer** setting controls whether the RX buffer is enabled or bypassed. If the RX buffer is deselected, then the RX phase alignment circuit is enabled.

The PCI EXPRESS example does not use the RX phase alignment circuit.

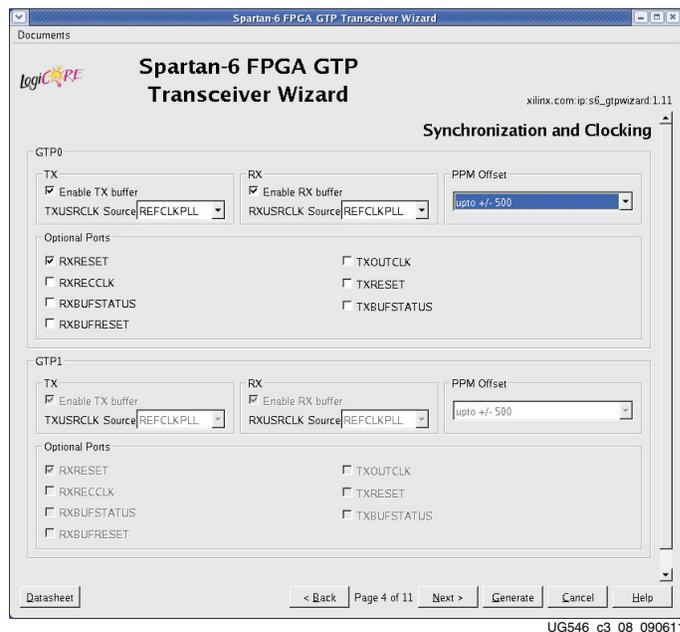


Figure 3-10: Synchronization and Clocking—Page 4

Table 3-7 details the TXUSRCLK and RXUSRCLK source signal options.

Table 3-7: TXUSRCLK and RXUSRCLK Source

Option		Description
TX	TXOUTCLK	TXUSRCLK is driven by TXOUTCLK. This option is not available if the TX phase alignment circuit is used.
	REFCLKPLL	TXUSRCLK is driven by REFCLKPLL. This option is required if the TX phase alignment circuit is used.
	Enable External TXUSRCLK	Brings the TXUSRCLK input signal out to a port at the top-level of the wrapper so it can be provided by the application. Optionally available when single-byte datapath width is used and TX buffer bypass is disabled. Not available for 2-byte datapath width. Mandatory with 4-byte datapath width.
RX	TXOUTCLK	RXUSRCLK is driven by TXOUTCLK. This option is not available if the RX phase alignment circuit is used.
	RXRECCLK	RXUSRCLK is driven by RXRECCLK. This option is required if the RX phase alignment circuit is used.
	REFCLKPLL	RXUSRCLK is driven by REFCLKPLL. This option is not available if the RX phase alignment circuit is used.
	Enable External RXUSRCLK	Brings the RXUSRCLK input signal out to a port at the top-level of the wrapper so it can be provided by the application. Optionally available when single-byte datapath width is used without channel bonding. Not available for 2-byte datapath width. Mandatory with 4-byte datapath width.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-8 shows the available PPM offset settings. The **PPM Offset** setting optimizes the receiver CDR logic for the desired PPM tolerance range.

Table 3-8: PPM Offset

Option	Description
0 (Synchronous)	Use with synchronous applications (zero tolerance).
Up to ± 500	For applications where clock tolerance is below 500 PPM.

Table 3-9 shows the optional ports available for synchronization and clocking.

Table 3-9: Optional Ports

Option	Description
RXRESET	Active-High reset signal for the receiver PCS logic.
RXRECCLK	Recovered clock signal from the CDR logic. This option is required when selected as an input to RXUSRCLK.
RXBUFSTATUS	Indicates the condition of the RX elastic buffer. This option is not available when the RX phase alignment circuit is used.
RXBUFRESET	Active-High reset signal for the RX elastic buffer logic. This option is not available when the RX phase alignment circuit is used.
TXOUTCLK	Parallel clock signal generated by the GTP transceiver. This option is required when selected as an input to either TXUSRCLK or RXUSRCLK. This option is not available when the TX phase alignment circuit is used.

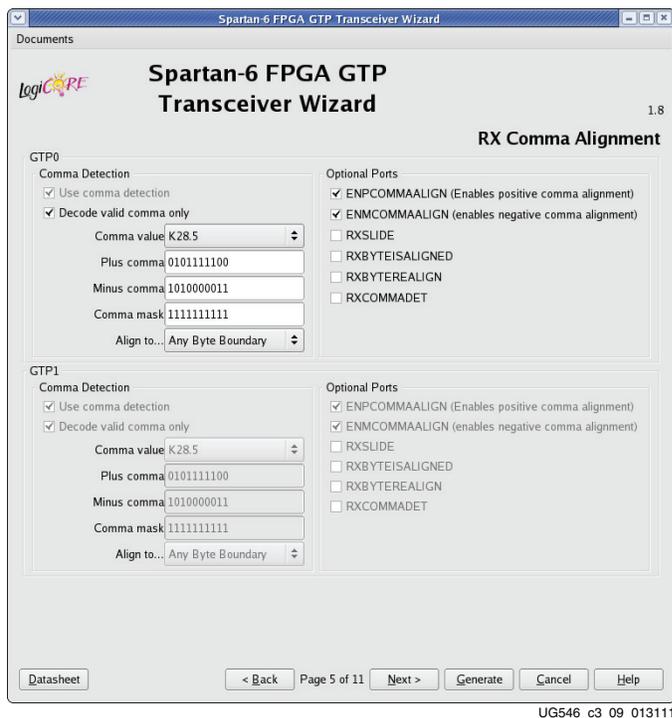
Table 3-9: Optional Ports (Cont'd)

Option	Description
TXRESET	Active-High reset signal for the transmitter PCS logic.
TXBUFSTATUS	2-bit signal monitors the status of the TX elastic buffer. This option is not available when the TX phase alignment circuit is used.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

RX Comma Alignment

Page 5 of the Wizard (Figure 3-11) allows you to configure the RX comma detection and alignment logic. The settings are detailed in Table 3-10, page 31.



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Figure 3-11: RX Comma Alignment—Page 5

Table 3-10: Comma Detection

Option		Description
Use Comma Detection		Enables receive comma detection. Used to identify special protocol comma and framing characters in the data stream.
Decode Valid Comma Only		When receive comma detection is enabled, limits the detection to specific defined comma characters.
Comma Value		Select one of several standard comma patterns or User Defined to enter a custom pattern. The PCI EXPRESS example is K28.5.
Plus Comma		10-bit binary pattern representing the positive-disparity comma character to match. The rightmost bit of the pattern is the first bit to arrive serially. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 0101111100.
Minus Comma		10-bit binary pattern representing the negative-disparity comma character to match. The rightmost bit of the pattern is the first bit to arrive serially. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 1010000011.
Comma Mask		10-bit binary pattern representing the mask for the comma match patterns. A 1 bit indicates the corresponding bit in the comma patterns is to be matched. A 0 bit indicates don't care for the corresponding bit in the comma patterns. The PCI EXPRESS example matches all ten bits (1111111111).
Align to...	Any Byte Boundary	When a comma is detected, the data stream is aligned using the comma pattern to the nearest byte boundary.
	Even Byte Boundaries	When a comma is detected, the data stream is aligned using the comma pattern to the nearest even byte boundary. This option is available only for 16- and 20-bit RX data interfaces.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-11 shows the optional ports available on this page.

Table 3-11: Optional Ports

Option	Description
ENPCOMMAALIGN	Active-High signal which enables the byte boundary alignment process when a plus comma pattern is detected.
ENMCOMMAALIGN	Active-High signal which enables the byte boundary alignment process when a minus comma pattern is detected.
RXSLIDE	Active-High signal that causes the byte alignment to be adjusted by one bit with each assertion. Takes precedence over normal comma alignment.
RXBYTEISALIGNED	Active-High signal indicating that the parallel data stream is aligned to byte boundaries.
RXBYTEREALIGN	Active-High signal indicating that byte alignment has changed with a recent comma detection. Note that data errors can occur with this condition.
RXCOMMADET	Active-High signal indicating the comma alignment logic has detected a comma pattern in the data stream.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Preemphasis, Termination, and Equalization

Page 6 of the Wizard (Figure 3-12) allows you to set the preemphasis, termination, and equalization options.

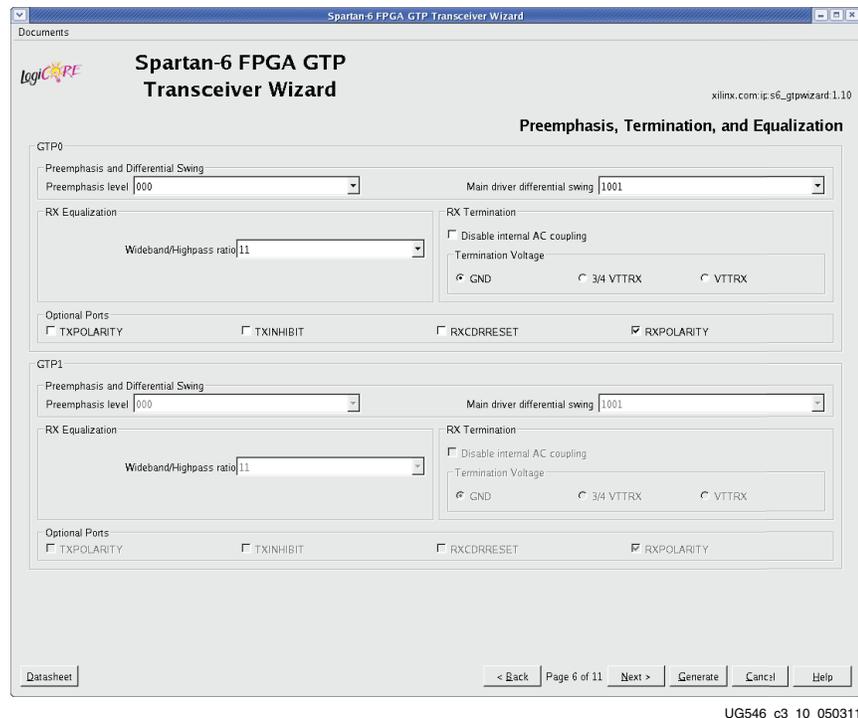


Figure 3-12: Preemphasis, Termination and Equalization—Page 6

Table 3-12 details the preemphasis and differential swing settings.

Table 3-12: Preemphasis and Differential Swing

Option	Description
Preemphasis Level	Specifies the output preemphasis setting in 6.5% steps from 0% to approximately 45%. Selecting Use TXPREEMPHASIS port enables the optional TXPREEMPHASIS configuration port to dynamically set the preemphasis level. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the default setting of 000 (0%). See UG386 , <i>Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide</i> for a table mapping TXPREEMPHASIS value settings to preemphasis levels.
Main Driver Differential Swing	Specifies the differential swing level for the transmitter main driver in 100 mV steps from approximately 300 mV to 1400 mV. Can also be set to zero. Selecting Use TXDIFFCTRL port enables the optional TXDIFFCTRL configuration port to dynamically set the swing level. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the default setting 1001 (1110 mV). See UG386 , <i>Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide</i> for a table mapping TXDIFFCTRL value settings to differential swing levels.

Table 3-13 describes the RX equalization settings.

Table 3-13: RX Equalization

Option	Description
Wide Band/High Pass Ratio	Controls the proportion of signal derived from the high pass filter and from the unfiltered receiver (wide band) when RX equalization is active. Select a percentage ratio from the drop-down list. The PCI EXPRESS example uses setting 11 (bypass with gain).

Table 3-14 describes the RX termination settings.

Table 3-14: RX Termination

Option	Description
Disable Internal AC Coupling	Bypasses the internal AC coupling capacitor. Use this option for DC coupling applications or for external AC coupling.
Termination Voltage	Selecting GND grounds the internal termination network. Selecting VTTRX or 3/4 VTTRX applies an internal voltage reference source to the internal termination network. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the GND setting.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-15 shows the optional ports available on this page.

Table 3-15: Optional Ports

Option	Description
TXPOLARITY	Active-High signal to invert the polarity of the transmitter output.
TXINHIBIT	Active-High signal forces transmitter output to steady state.
RXCDRRESET	Active-High reset signal causes the CDR logic to unlock and return to the shared PLL frequency.
RXPOLARITY	Active-High signal inverts the polarity of the receive data signal.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

RX OOB, PRBS, and Loss of Sync

Page 7 of the Wizard (Figure 3-13) provides configuration options for the RX out-of-band (OOB) signal, PRBS detector, and the loss of sync state machine settings.

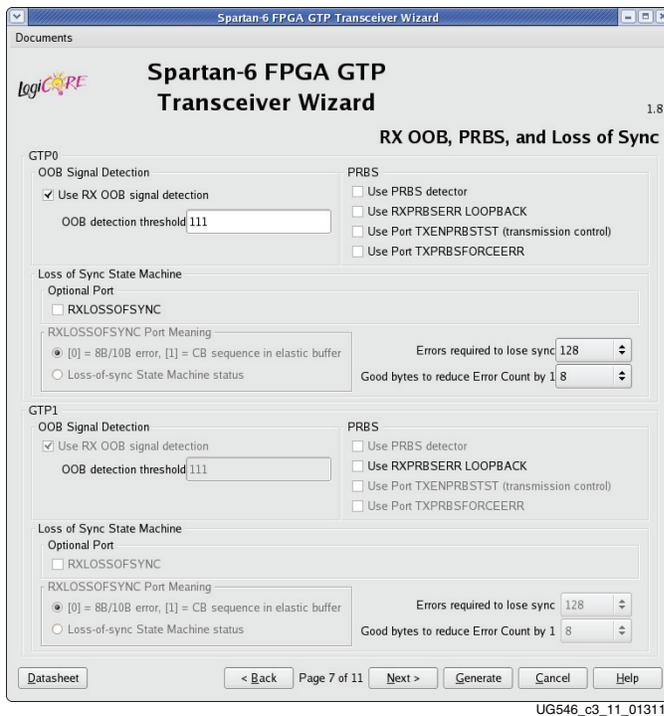


Figure 3-13: RX OOB, PRBS, and Loss of Sync—Page 7

Table 3-16 shows the OOB signal detection options.

Table 3-16: OOB Signal Detection

Option	Description
Use RX OOB Signal Detection	Enables the internal out-of-band (OOB) signal detector. OOB signal detection is used for PCI EXPRESS and SATA.
OOB Detection Threshold	Specifies a binary value representing a differential receive signal voltage level. Valid values are 110 and 111, with 111 recommended. When the signal drops below this level it is determined to be an OOB signal. This option is not available if the Use RX OOB signal detection option is not selected. See UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide for more information about the OOB detection threshold levels.

Table 3-17 details the PRBS settings.

Table 3-17: PRBS

Option	Description
Use PRBS Detector	Enables the internal pseudo random bitstream sequence detector (PRBS). This feature can be used by an application to implement a built-in self-test.
Use RXPRBSERR LOOPBACK	Enables the PRBS loopback on the receiver side. This port allows synchronous and asynchronous jitter tolerance testing without worrying about data clock domain crossing.
Use Port TXENPRBSTST	Enables the PRBS transmission control port. This port is used by the application to start/stop PRBS generation.
Use Port TXPRBSFORCEERR	Enables the PRBS force error control port. This port allows the application to insert errors into the bitstream.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

The loss of sync state machine settings are described in Table 3-18.

Table 3-18: Loss of Sync State Machine

Option	Description
RXLOSSOFSYNC Optional Port	Two-bit multi-purpose status port. The meaning of the bits is determined by the settings below.
RXLOSSOFSYNC Port Meaning	[0] = 8B/10B Error [1] = CB Sequence in Elastic Buffer Bit 0 of the RXLOSSOFSYNC status port indicates the detection of an 8B/10B coding error. Bit 1 indicates a channel bonding sequence is present in the receive elastic buffer.
	Loss of Sync State Machine Status Bit 0 of the RXLOSSOFSYNC status port indicates sync state is active due to channel bonding or realignment. Bit 1 indicates sync lost due to invalid characters or reset.
Errors Required to Lose Sync	Integer value between 4 and 512 representing the count of invalid characters received, above which sync is determined to be lost. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 128.
Good Bytes to Reduce Error Count by 1	Integer value between 1 and 128 representing the number of consecutive valid characters needed to cancel out the appearance of one invalid character. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 8.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

RX PCI EXPRESS and SATA Features

Page 8 of the Wizard (Figure 3-14) configures the receiver for PCI EXPRESS and Serial ATA (SATA) features. Table 3-19 details the receiver SATA configuration options. Table 3-20, page 37 details the receiver PCI EXPRESS configuration options.

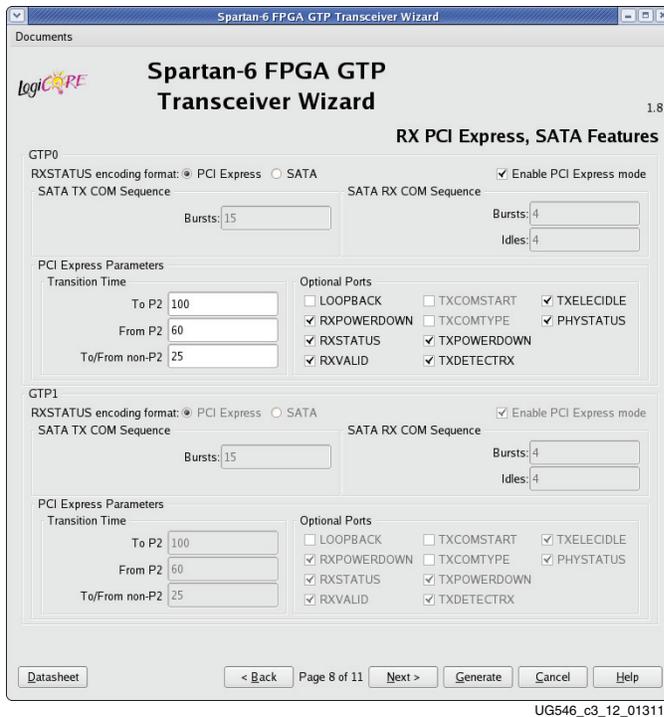


Figure 3-14: RX PCI EXPRESS, SATA Features—Page 8

Table 3-19: Receiver Serial ATA Options

Options		Description
RXSTATUS Encoding Format	PCI Express	Default setting. The RXSTATUS optional port presents status information for the PIPE interface. See UG386 , <i>Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide</i> for more details.
	SATA	The RXSTATUS optional port presents codes for the SATA COM sequence status.
Enable PCI Express Mode		Selecting this option enables certain operations specific to PCI EXPRESS, including enabling options for PCI EXPRESS powerdown modes and PCIe® channel bonding. This option should be activated whenever the transceiver is used for PCI EXPRESS. This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to SATA .
SATA TX COM Sequence	Bursts	Integer value between 0 and 15 indicating the number of bursts to define a TX COM sequence. This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to PCI EXPRESS .
SATA RX COM Sequence	Bursts	Integer value between 0 and 7 indicating the number of burst sequences to declare a COM match. This value defaults to 4, which is the burst count specified in the SATA specification for COMINIT, COMRESET, and COMWAKE.
	Idles	Integer value between 0 and 7 indicating number of Idle sequences to declare a COM match. Each Idle is an OOB signal with a length that matches COMWAKE or COMINIT/COMRESET. This value defaults to 3 per the SATA specification. This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to PCI EXPRESS .

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-20 details the receiver PCI EXPRESS configuration options.

Table 3-20: PCI EXPRESS Parameters

Option		Description
Transition Time	To P2	Integer value between 0 and 65,535. Sets a counter to determine the transition time to the P2 power state for PCI EXPRESS. See UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide for details on determining the time value for each count. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the default setting of 100 .
	From P2	Integer value between 0 and 65,535. Sets a counter to determine the transition time from the P2 power state for PCI EXPRESS. See UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide for details on determining the time value for each count. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the default setting of 60 .
	To/From non-P2	Integer value between 0 and 65,535. Sets a counter to determine the transition time to or from power states other than P2 for PCI EXPRESS. See UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide for details on determining the time value for each count. The PCI EXPRESS example uses the default setting of 25 . This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to SATA .
Optional Ports	LOOPBACK	3-bit signal to enable the various data loopback modes for testing.
	RXPOWERDOWN	2-bit PCI EXPRESS compliant receiver powerdown control signal.
	RXSTATUS	3-bit receiver status signal. The encoding of this signal is dependent on the setting of RXSTATUS encoding format.
	RXVALID	Active-High, PCI EXPRESS RX OOB/beacon signal. Indicates symbol lock and valid data on RXDATA and RXCHARISK[3:0].
	TXCOMSTART	Active-High signal initiates the transmission of the SATA COM sequence selected by the setting of TXCOMTYPE. This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to PCI EXPRESS . Activate the RXSTATUS optional port when using this option.
	TXCOMTYPE	Active-High signal selects SATA COMWAKE sequence when asserted, otherwise selects COMINIT. The sequence is initiated upon assertion of TXCOMSTART. This option is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to PCI EXPRESS .
	TXPOWERDOWN	2-bit PCI EXPRESS compliant transmitter powerdown control signal.
	TXDETECTRX	PIPE interface for PCI EXPRESS specification-compliant control signal. Activates the PCI EXPRESS receiver detection feature. Function depends on the state of TXPOWERDOWN, RXPOWERDOWN, TXELECIDLE, TXCHARDISPMODE, and TXCHARDISPVAL. This port is not available if RXSTATUS encoding format is set to SATA .
	TXELECIDLE	Drives the transmitter to an electrical idle state (no differential voltage). In PCI EXPRESS mode this option is used for electrical idle modes. Function depends on the state of TXPOWERDOWN, RXPOWERDOWN, TXELECIDLE, TXCHARDISPMODE, and TXCHARDISPVAL.
	PHYSTATUS	Active-High, PCI EXPRESS receive detect support signal. Indicates completion of several PHY functions.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Channel Bonding and Clock Correction

Page 9 of the Wizard (Figure 3-15) defines the channel bonding and clock correction parameters. The common channel bonding sequence is also, defined on this page.

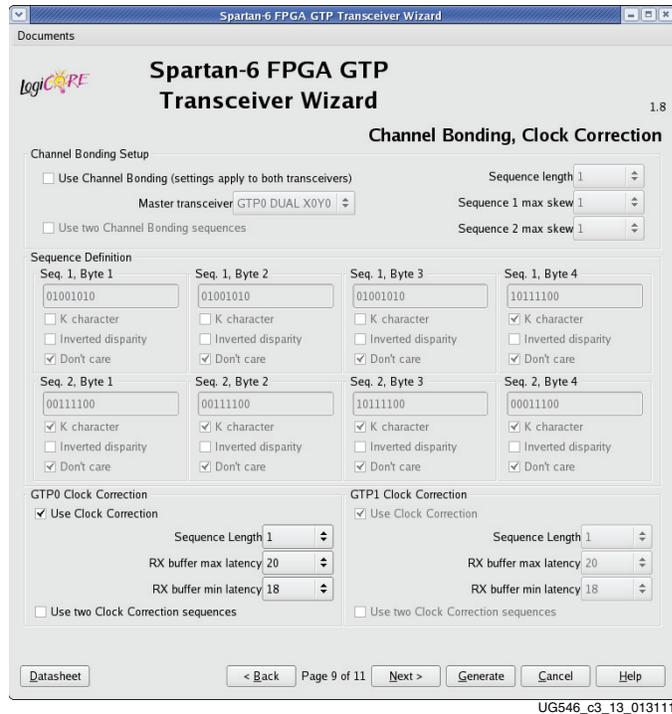


Figure 3-15: Channel Bonding, Clock Correction—Page 9

The channel bonding settings and sequence definition are common between both transceivers of each selected pair. The protocol template option for GTP1 (Wizard Page 2 in [Line Rate and Protocol Template, page 24](#)) must be set to **Use GTP0 settings** to enable the channel bonding settings.

Table 3-21 describes the common channel bonding settings.

Table 3-21: Channel Bonding Setup

Options	Description
Use Channel Bonding	Enables receiver channel bonding logic using unique character sequences. When recognized, these sequences allow for adding or deleting characters in the receive buffer to byte-align multiple data transceivers.
Master Transceiver	Indicates which transceiver from the selected pair(s) will function as the channel bonding master.
Use Two Channel Bonding Sequences	Activates the optional second channel bonding sequence. Detection of either sequence triggers channel bonding.
Sequence Length	Select from the drop-down list the number of characters in the unique channel bonding sequence. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 4.
Sequence 1 Max Skew	Select from the drop-down list the maximum skew in characters that can be handled by channel bonding. Must always be less than the minimum distance between channel bonding sequences. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 7.
Sequence 2 Max Skew	Same as sequence 1 max skew.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-22 describes the channel bonding sequence definition.

Table 3-22: Sequence Definition

Option	Description
Byte (Symbol)	Set each symbol to match the pattern the protocol requires. The PCI EXPRESS sequence length is 8 bits. 01001010 is used for the first three symbols of sequence 1. Symbol 4, sequence 1 and symbol 3, sequence 2 are set to 10111100. Symbols 1 and 2 of sequence 2 are set to 00111100. Symbol 4 of sequence 2 is set to 00011100.
K Character	This option is available when 8B/10B decoding is selected. When checked, the symbol is an 8B/10B K character.
Inverted Disparity	Some protocols with 8B/10B decoding use symbols with deliberately inverted disparity. This option should be checked when such symbols are expected in the sequence.
Don't Care	Multiple-byte sequences can have wild card symbols by checking this option. Unused bytes in the sequence automatically have this option set.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Table 3-23, page 39 describes the clock correction settings.

Table 3-23: Clock Correction

Option	Description
Use Clock Correction	Enables receiver clock correction logic using unique character sequences. When recognized, these sequences allow for adding or deleting characters in the receive buffer to prevent buffer underflow/overflow due to small differences in the transmit/receive clock frequencies.
Sequence Length	Select from the drop-down list the number of characters (subsequences) in the unique clock correction sequence. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 1.
Rx Buffer Max Latency	Select from the drop-down list the maximum number of characters to permit in the receive buffer before clock correction attempts to delete incoming clock correction sequences. Also determines the maximum latency of the receive buffer in RXUSRCLK cycles. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 20.
Rx Buffer Min Latency	Select from the drop-down list the minimum number of characters to permit in the receive buffer before clock correction attempts to add extra clock correction sequences to the receive buffer. Also determines the minimum latency of the receive buffer in RXUSRCLK cycles. The PCI EXPRESS example uses 28.
Use Two Clock Correction Sequences	Activates the optional second clock correction sequence. Detection of either sequence triggers clock correction.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Clock Correction Sequence

Page 10 of the Wizard (Figure 3-16) defines the clock correction sequence. See Table 3-24 for details.



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Figure 3-16: Clock Correction Sequence—Page 10

Table 3-24: Clock Correction Sequence

Option	Description
Byte (Symbol)	Set each symbol to match the pattern the protocol requires. The PCI EXPRESS sequence length is 8 bits. 00011100 is used for the first symbol of sequence 1. The remaining symbols are disabled because the sequence length is set to 1.
K Character	This option is available when 8B/10B decoding is selected. When checked, the symbol is an 8B/10B K character.
Inverted Disparity	Some protocols with 8B/10B decoding use symbols with deliberately inverted disparity. This option should be checked when such symbols are expected in the sequence.
Don't Care	Multiple-byte sequences can have wild card symbols by checking this option. Unused bytes in the sequence automatically have this option set.

Note: Options not used by the PCI EXPRESS example are shaded.

Summary

Page 11 of the Wizard (Figure 3-17) provides a summary of the selected configuration parameters. After reviewing the settings, click **Generate** to exit and generate the wrapper.



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Figure 3-17: Summary—Page 11

Quick Start Example Design

Overview

This chapter introduces the example design that is included with the Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP transceiver wrappers for the Spartan-6 LXT family. The example design demonstrates how to use the wrappers and demonstrates some of the key features of the GTP transceiver. For detailed information about the example design, see [Chapter 5, Detailed Example Design](#).

Functional Simulation of the Example Design

The Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard (hereinafter called the Wizard) provides a quick way to simulate and observe the behavior of the wrapper using the provided example design and script files.

Using ModelSim

Prior to simulating the wrapper with ModelSim, the functional (gate-level) simulation models must be generated. All source files in the following directories must be compiled to a single library as shown in [Table 4-1](#). See the *Synthesis and Simulation Design Guide* for ISE® 13.3 available in the ISE software documentation for instructions on how to compile ISE simulation libraries.

Table 4-1: Required ModelSim Simulation Libraries

HDL	Library	Source Directories
Verilog	UNISIMS_VER	<Xilinx dir>/verilog/src/unisims <Xilinx dir>/secureip/mti
VHDL	UNISIM	<Xilinx dir>/vhdl/src/unisims/primitive <Xilinx dir>/secureip/mti

The Wizard provides a command line script for use within ModelSim. To run a VHDL or Verilog ModelSim simulation of the wrapper, use the following instructions:

1. Launch the Modelsim simulator and set the current directory to

```
<project_directory>/<component_name>/simulation/functional
```
2. Set the MTI_LIBS variable:

```
modelsim> setenv MTI_LIBS <path to compiled libraries>
```
3. Launch the simulation script:

```
modelsim> do simulate_mti.do
```

The ModelSim script compiles the example design and testbench, and adds the relevant signals to the wave window.

Using the ISE Simulator

When using the ISE Simulator (ISim), the required simulation device libraries are precompiled, and are updated automatically when service packs and IP updates are installed. There is no need to run CompXlib to compile libraries, or to manually download updated libraries.

Table 4-2: Required ISim Simulation Libraries

HDL	Library	Source Directories
Verilog	UNISIMS_VER	<Xilinx dir>/verilog/hdp/<OS>/unisims_ver
VHDL	UNISIM	<Xilinx dir>/vhdl/hdp/<OS>/unisim

Note: OS refers to the following operating systems: lin, lin64, nt, nt64.

The Wizard also generates a perl script for use with ISim. To run a VHDL or Verilog simulation of the wrapper, use the following instructions:

1. Set the current directory to


```
<project_directory>/<component_name>/simulation/functional
```
2. Launch the simulation script:
 - For Windows


```
simulate_isim.bat
```
 - For Linux


```
% simulate_isim.sh
```

The ISim script compiles the example design and testbench, and adds the relevant signals to the wave window.

Implementing the Example Design

When all of the parameters are set as desired, click **Generate** to create a directory structure under the provided Component Name. Wrapper generation proceeds and the generated output populates the appropriate subdirectories.

The directory structure for the PCI EXPRESS® example is provided in [Chapter 5, Detailed Example Design](#).

After wrapper generation is complete, the results can be tested in hardware. The provided example design incorporates the wrapper and additional blocks, allowing the wrapper to be driven and monitored in hardware. The generated output also includes several scripts to assist in running the Xilinx software.

From the command prompt, navigate to the project directory and type the following:

For Windows

```
> cd pcie_wrapper\implement
> implement.bat
```

For Linux

```
% cd pcie_wrapper/implement
% implement.sh
```

These commands execute a script that synthesizes, builds, maps, places, and routes the example design and produces a bitmap file. The resulting files are placed in the `implement/results` directory.

Netlist Simulation of the Example Design

The Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard provides a script to perform simulations on the routed netlist of the example design.

Note: Timing checks are not enabled.

Using ModelSim

Prior to performing netlist simulation with ModelSim, the generated design should successfully pass through implementation. All source files in the following directories must be compiled to a single library, as shown in [Table 4-3](#). See the *Synthesis and Simulation Design Guide* for ISE® 13.3 available in the ISE software documentation, for instructions on how to compile ISE simulation libraries.

Table 4-3: Required ModelSim Netlist Simulation Libraries

HDL	Library	Source Directories
Verilog	SIMPRIMS_VER	<Xilinx dir>/verilog/src/simprims <Xilinx dir>/secureip/mti
VHDL	SIMPRIM	<Xilinx dir>/vhdl/src/simprims/primitive <Xilinx dir>/secureip/mti

The Wizard provides a command line script for use within ModelSim. To run a VHDL or Verilog ModelSim simulation of the wrapper, use the following instructions:

1. Launch the Modelsim simulator and set the current directory to:


```
<project_directory>/<component_name>/simulation/netlist
```
2. Set the MTI_LIBS variable:


```
modelsim> setenv MTI_LIBS <path to compiled libraries>
```
2. Launch the simulation script:


```
modelsim> do simulate_mti.do
```

The ModelSim script compiles and simulates the routed netlist of the example design and testbench.

Using ChipScope Pro Cores with the Wizard

The ChipScope™ Pro Integrated Controller (ICON) and Virtual Input/Output (VIO) cores aid in debugging and validating the design in board. To assist with debugging, these ChipScope cores are provided with the Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard wrapper, which is enabled by setting `USE_CHIPSCOPE` as 1 in the `<component_name>_top_example_design` file.

Detailed Example Design

This chapter provides detailed information about the example design, including a description of files and the directory structure generated by the CORE Generator™ tool, the purpose and contents of the provided scripts, the contents of the example HDL wrappers, and the operation of the demonstration testbench.

Directory and File Structure

- 📁 **<project directory>**
Top-level project directory; name is user-defined
 - 📁 **<project directory>/<component name>**
Wizard release notes file
 - 📁 **<component name>/doc**
Product documentation
 - 📁 **<component name>/example design**
Verilog and VHDL design files
 - 📁 **<component name>/implement**
Implementation script files
 - 📁 **implement/results**
Results directory, created after implementation scripts are run, and contains implement script results
 - 📁 **<component name>/simulation**
Simulation scripts
 - 📁 **simulation/functional**
Functional simulation files
 - 📁 **simulation/netlist**
Netlist simulation files

Directory and File Contents

The Spartan®-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard directories and their associated files are defined in the following sections.

<project directory>

The <project directory> contains all the CORE Generator tool's project files.

Table 5-1: Project Directory

Name	Description
<component_name>.v[hd]	Main GTP transceiver wrapper. Instantiates individual GTP transceiver wrappers. For use in the target design.
<component_name>.[veo vho]	GTP transceiver wrapper files instantiation templates. Includes templates for the GTP transceiver wrapper module, the IBUFDS, and essential GTP transceiver support modules (such as TX_SYNC).
<component_name>.xco	Log file from the CORE Generator tool describing which options were used to generate the GTP transceiver wrapper. An XCO file is generated by the CORE Generator tool for each wizard wrapper that it creates in the current project directory. An XCO file can also be used as an input to the CORE Generator tool.
<component_name>_tile.v[hd]	Individual GTPA1_DUAL transceiver wrapper to be instantiated in the main GTP transceiver wrapper. Instantiates the selected GTPA1_DUAL transceivers with settings for the selected protocol.

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<project directory>/<component name>

The <component name> directory contains the README file provided with the Wizard, which might include last-minute changes and updates.

Table 5-2: GTP Wrapper Component Name

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>	
s6_gtpwizard_readme.txt	README file for the Wizard.
<component_name>.pf	Protocol description for the selected protocol from the Wizard.

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<component name>/doc

The doc directory contains the PDF documentation provided with the Wizard.

Table 5-3: Doc Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/doc	
ug546_s6_gtpwizard.pdf	<i>LogiCORE IP Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceiver Wizard v1.11 User Guide</i>

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<component name>/example design

The example design directory contains the example design files provided with the Wizard wrapper.

Table 5-4: Example Design Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/example_design	
frame_check.v[hd]	Frame-check logic to be instantiated in the example design.
frame_gen.v[hd]	Frame-generator logic to be instantiated in the example design.
gtp_attributes.ucf	Constraints file containing the GTP transceiver attributes generated by the GTP transceiver Wizard GUI settings.
<component_name>_top.ucf	Constraint file for mapping the GTP transceiver wrapper example design onto a Spartan-6 device.
<component_name>_top.v[hd]	Top-level example design. Contains the GTP transceiver wrapper, reset logic, and instantiations for frame generator, frame-checker, and TX sync logic. Also contains definitions for test frame data and ChipScope™ Pro module instantiation. See Figure 3-3, page 18 .

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<component name>/implement

The implement directory contains the implementation script files provided with the Wizard wrapper.

Table 5-5: Implement Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/implement	
chipscope_project.cpj	ChipScope Pro project file.
data_vio.ngc	Netlist of the design generated by ChipScope Pro Virtual Input/Output (VIO) Wizard.
icon.ngc	Netlist of the design generated by ChipScope Pro Integrated Controller (ICON) Wizard.
ila.ngc	Netlist of the design generated by ChipScope Pro Integrated Logic Analyzer (ILA) Wizard.
implement.bat	A Windows batch file that processes the example design through the tool flow.
implement.sh	A Linux shell script that processes the example design through the tool flow.
implement_synplify.bat	A Windows batch file that processes the example design through Synplify synthesis and the tool flow.
implement_synplify.sh	A Linux shell script that processes the example design through Synplify synthesis and the tool flow.
synplify.prj	Synplify project file for the example design.
planAhead_ise.bat	A Windows batch file that processes the example design through PlanAhead™ software-based ISE® design tools flow.
planAhead_ise.sh	A Linux shell script that processes the example design through PlanAhead software-based ISE design tools flow.
planAhead_ise.tcl	A TCL file that contains tool settings and file list for ISE design tools flow.
xst.prj	The XST project file for the example design. The project file lists all of the source files to be synthesized.
xst.scr	The XST script file for the example design that is used to synthesize the Wizard wrapper. It is called from the implement script described above.

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implement/results

The results directory is created by the implement script, after which the implement script results are placed in the results directory.

Table 5-6: Results Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/implement/results	
Implement script result files.	

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<component name>/simulation

The simulation directory contains the simulation scripts provided with the Wizard wrapper.

Table 5-7: Simulation Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/simulation	
demo_tb.v[hd]	Testbench to perform functional simulation of the provided example design. See Functional Simulation of the Example Design, page 43 .
sim_reset_mgt_model.vhd	Reset module for VHDL required for emulating the GSR pulse at the beginning of functional simulation in order to correctly reset the VHDL MGT smart model.
demo_tb_imp.v[hd]	Testbench to perform netlist simulation of the provided example design. See Netlist Simulation of the Example Design, page 45 .

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simulation/functional

The functional directory contains functional simulation scripts provided with the Wizard wrapper.

Table 5-8: Functional Directory

Name	Description
<project_dir>/<component_name>/simulation/functional	
simulate_isim.sh	Linux script for running simulation using ISim.
simulate_isim.bat	Windows script for running simulation using ISim.
simulate_mti.do	ModelSim simulation script.
simulate_ncsim.bat	Windows script for running simulation using Cadence Incisive Enterprise Simulator (IES).
simulate_ncsim.sh	Linux script for running simulation using Cadence IES.

Table 5-8: Functional Directory (Cont'd)

Name	Description
<code>simulate_vcs.sh</code>	Linux script for running simulation using Synopsys VCS and VCS MX.
<code>ucli_commands.key</code>	Script for VCS commands.
<code>vcs_session.tcl</code>	Script for adding GTP transceiver wrapper signals to VCS wave viewer.
<code>wave_isim.tcl</code>	Script for adding GTP transceiver wrapper signals to the ISim wave viewer.
<code>wave_mti.do</code>	Script for adding GTP transceiver wrapper signals to the ModelSim wave viewer.
<code>wave_ncsim.sv</code>	Script for adding GTP transceiver wrapper signals to the Cadence IES wave viewer.

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simulation/netlist

The netlist directory contains netlist simulation scripts provided with the Wizard wrapper.

Table 5-9: Netlist Directory

Name	Description
<code>simulate_mti.do</code>	ModelSim netlist simulation script.

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Example Design Description

The example design that is delivered with the wrappers helps Wizard designers understand how to use the wrappers and GTP transceivers in a design. The example design is shown in [Figure 5-1](#).

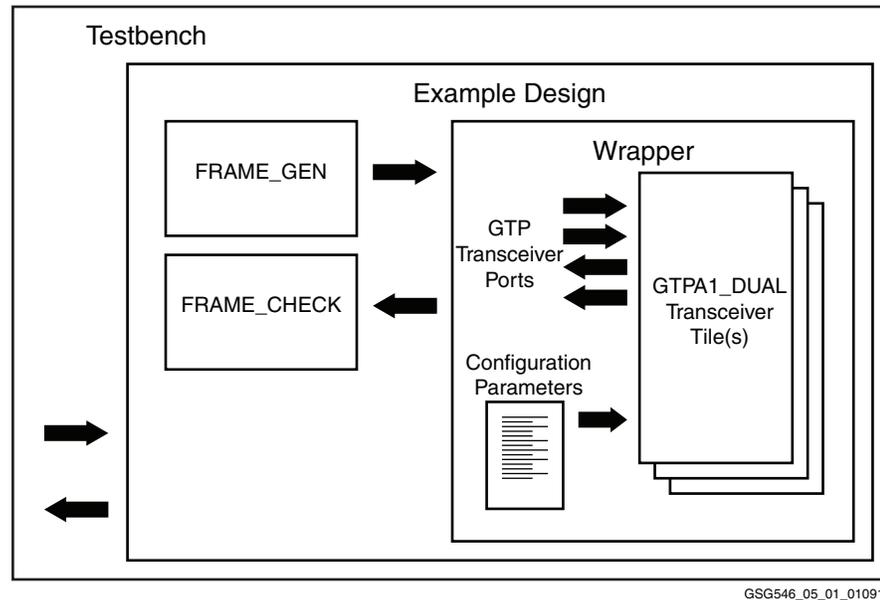


Figure 5-1: Diagram of Example Design and Testbench

The example design connects a frame generator and a frame checker to the wrapper. The frame generator transmits an incrementing counting pattern while the frame checker monitors the received data for correctness. The frame generator counting pattern is stored in the block RAM. This pattern can be easily modified by altering the parameters in the frame generator instantiation. The frame checker contains the same pattern in the block RAM and compares it with the received data. An error counter in the frame checker keeps a track of how many errors have occurred.

If comma alignment is enabled, the comma character will be placed within the counting pattern. Similarly, if channel bonding is enabled, the channel bonding sequence would be interspersed within the counting pattern. The frame check works by first scanning the received data for the `START_OF_PACKET_CHAR`. In 8B/10B designs, this is the comma alignment character. After the `START_OF_PACKET_CHAR` has been found, the received data will continuously be compared to the counting pattern stored in the block RAM at each `RXUSRCLK2` cycle. After comparison has begun, if the received data ever fails to match the data in the block RAM, checking of receive data will immediately stop, an error counter will be incremented and the frame checker will return to searching for the `START_OF_PACKET_CHAR`.

If the TX buffer is bypassed, the `TX_SYNC` module is instantiated in the example design and connected to the wrapper. The module performs the TX phase alignment procedure outlined in [UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide](#). Similarly, if the RX buffer is bypassed, the `RX_SYNC` module is instantiated in the example design and connected to the wrapper. The `RX_SYNC` module demonstrates the RX phase alignment procedure outlined in [UG386, Spartan-6 FPGA GTP Transceivers User Guide](#).

The example design also demonstrates how to properly connect clocks to GTX transceiver ports `TXUSRCLK`, `TXUSRCLK2`, `RXUSRCLK`, and `RXUSRCLK2`. Properly configured digital clock manager (DCM) and phase-locked loop (PLL) wrappers are also provided if they are required to generate user clocks for the instantiated GTP transceivers.

The example design can be synthesized using XST or Synplify Pro, implemented with ISE software and then observed in hardware using the Chipscope Pro tools. RX output

ports such as RXDATA can be observed on the ChipScope Pro ILA core while input ports can be controlled from the ChipScope Pro VIO core. A ChipScope Pro project file is also included with each example design.

For the example design to work properly in simulation or in hardware, both the transmit and receive side need to be configured with the same line rate, encoding, and datapath width in the GUI.

Example Design Hierarchy

The hierarchy for the design used in this example is:

```
example_tb
|__example_mgt_top
|   |__mgt_userclk_source_pll
|   |__ibufds
|   |__frame_gen
|   |__frame_check
|   |__pcie_wrapper
|       |__pcie_wrapper_tile
|           |__gtpa1_dual
```