

# **TMS320TCI6487/8 Module Throughput**

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## **ABSTRACT**

This document provides information on the TCI6487/8 module throughput.

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## 1 Introduction

This document analyzes various scenarios of the TCI6487/8 to come up with data on its throughput. It is intended to complement the *Common Bus Architecture (CBA) Throughput* application report ([SPRAAN7](#)) [1] by reporting the CBA protocols, switch central resources (SCRs), and bridges, as applied to the TCI6487/8.

The next sections provide a brief overview followed by a list of the different peripherals and their corresponding throughput analysis and measurements.

## 2 TCI6487/8 Overview

TCI6487/8 is a DSP designed to meet the requirements for wide-band code division multiple access (WCDMA) and Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) wireless infrastructure baseband systems.

The DSP comprises three 1+GHz C64x+ cores, three baseband accelerators, and many high-speed interfaces. All cores on the device have full access to the memory map and all resources on the device. Outside of the megamodule and rake search accelerator (RSA) logic that is local to each core, all are equally accessible by each core. The TCI6487/8 block diagram is shown in [Figure 1](#).

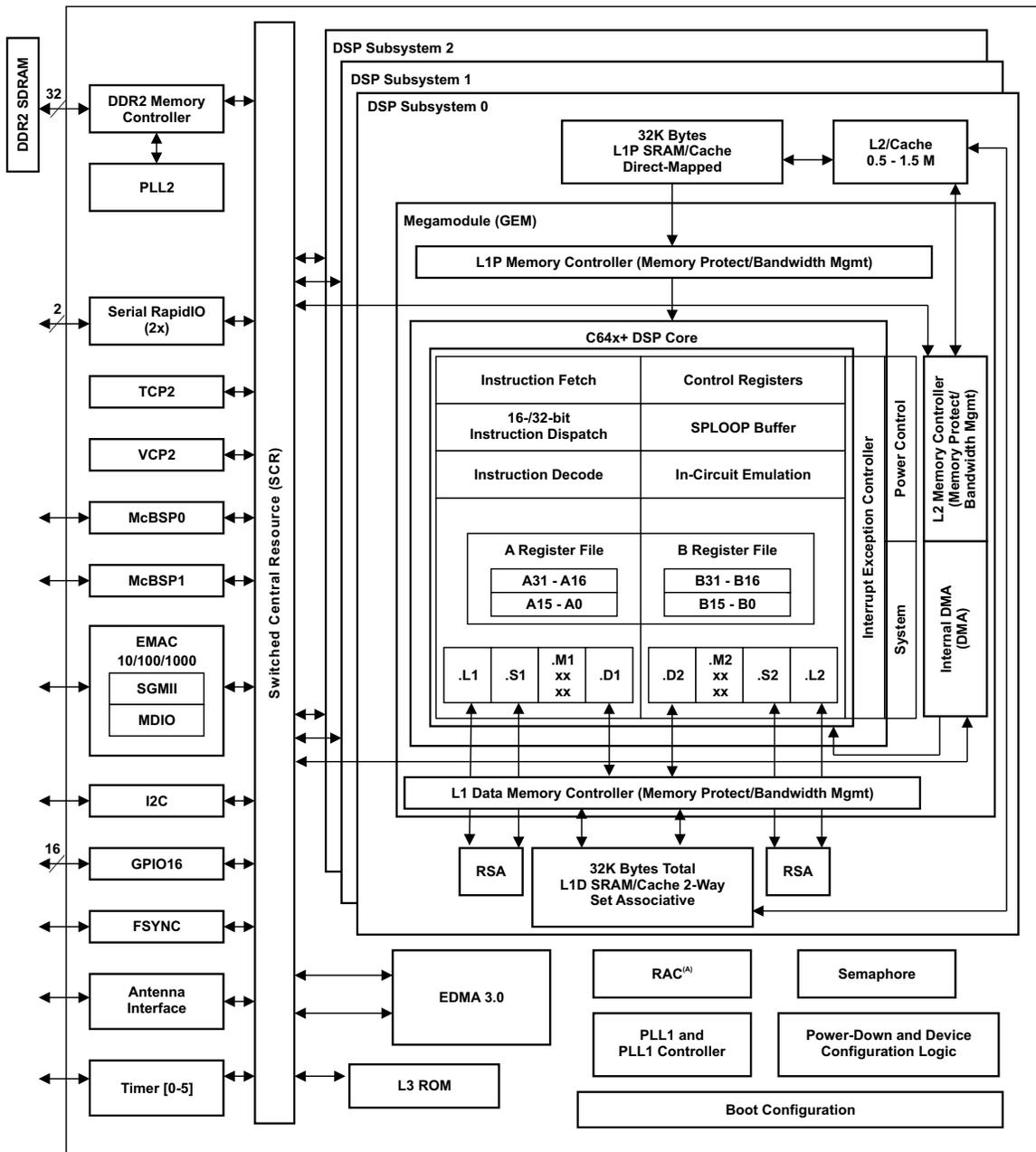


Figure 1. TCI6487/8 Block Diagram

The TCI6487/8 peripherals include:

- Level-three 64 KB read-only memory (ROM) for boot control and internet protocol (IP) security support
- Main switch fabric operating at one-third (1/3) the central processing unit (CPU) clock rate partitioned into 128-bit and 64-bit crossbars, including a 64-channel enhanced direct memory access (DMA) controller running at 1/3 the CPU clock rate
- 32-bit configuration (CFG) switch fabric operating at 1/3 the CPU clock rate.
- Turbo co-processor (TCP2) for processing data channels
- Viterbi co-processor (VCP2) for processing voice channels
- Receive acceleration coprocessor (RAC)
- Configuration module (CFGC) for latching device settings
- 1.8-V, 32-bit DDR2 synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM) external memory interface (EMIF) capable of 200-MHz (DDR2-400) to 400-MHz (DDR2-800) operation.
- Six-link antenna interface (AIF) capable of up to 3.072 Gbps operation per link, compliant to the Open Base Station Architecture Initiative Reference Point 3 Specification (OBSAI RP3) (768 Mbps, 1.536 Gbps, 3.072 Gbps link rates) and Common Public Radio Interface (CPRI) (614.4 Mbps, 1.2288 Gbps, 2.4576 Gbps link rates) standards.
- Two high-speed 1x Serial RapidIO<sup>®</sup> (SRIO) ports , capable of 1.25, 2.5, or 3.125 Gbps raw data rate
- Two 1.8-V 128-channel multichannel buffered serial ports (McBSP0/1)
- 1.8-V inter-integrated circuit (I2C) control module
- Frame synchronization module (FSYNC), compliant to OBSAI RP1 and CPRI standards
- Six 64-bit timers (Timer64)
- Two standard PLLs and phased-locked loop (PLL) controllers
- 16-pin general-purpose I/O module (GPIO)
- 10/100/1000M-bit Ethernet media access controller (EMAC) with serial gigabit media independent interface (SGMII)
- Integrated interrupt controller to combine Ethernet MAC and management data input/output (MDIO) interrupts
- Semaphore peripheral block for enforcing atomic accesses to shared chip-level resources

### 3 Main Switch Fabric Connections

Figure 2 shows the main switch fabric connection between slaves and masters through the data switched central resource (SCR). Masters are shown on the right and slaves on the left.

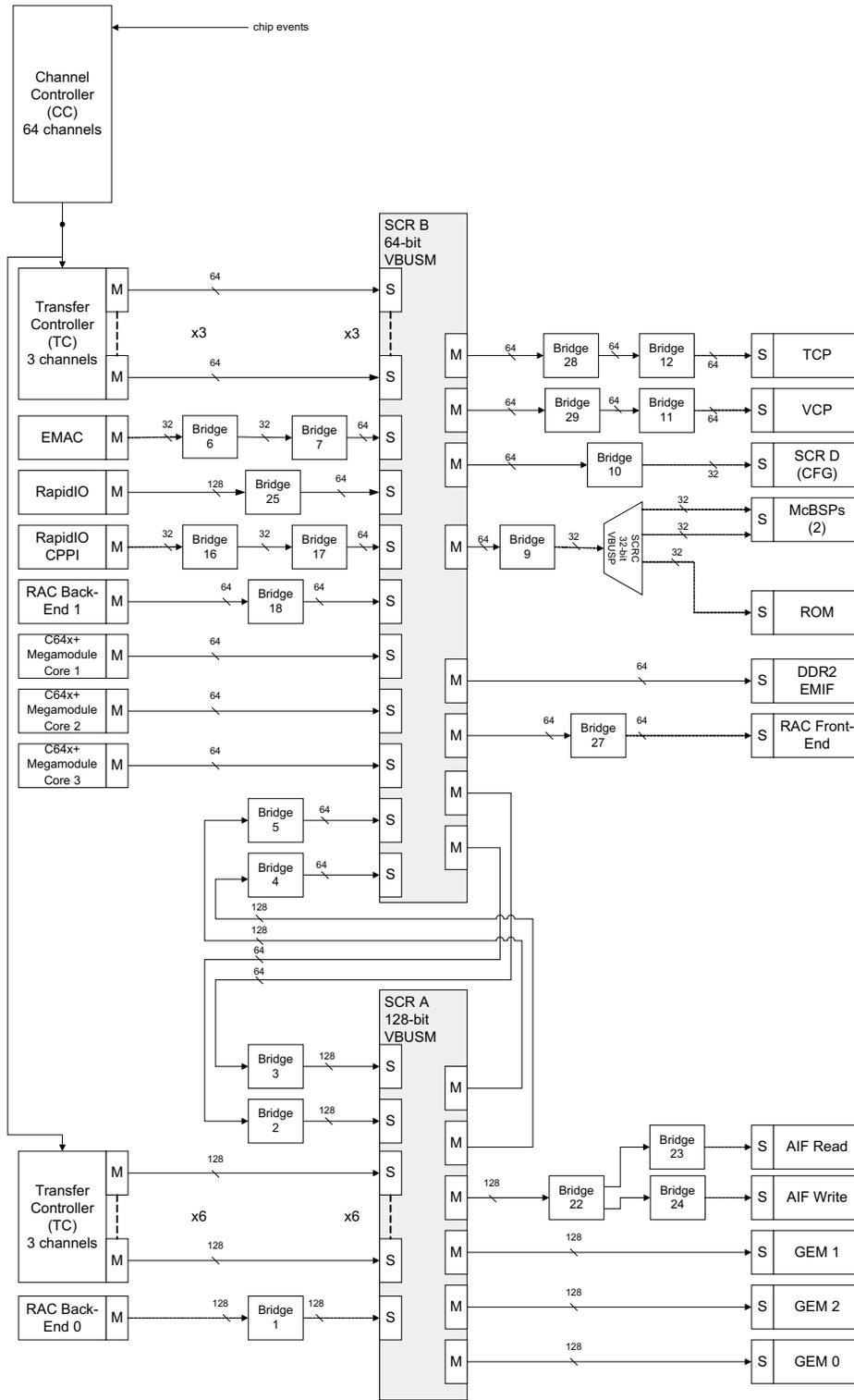


Figure 2. Switched Central Resource Block Diagram

**Table 1. TCI6487/8 Bridges**

Bridge	Type (Mstr:Slv)	Width (Mstr:Slv)	CLK (Mstr:Slv)	Read FIFO Ctl	Read FIFO Data	Read FIFO Burst Size	Write FIFO Data	Write FIFO Burst Size	CMD FIFO Depth	Status FIFO Depth
1	P-M	128:128	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	M-M	64:128	1:1	8	8	1*	3	2	3	2
3	M-M	64:128	1:1	8	8	1*	3	2	3	2
4	M-M	128:64	1:1	2	2	1	2	0	2	2
5	M-M	128:64	1:1	2	2	1	2	0	2	2
6	P-M	32:32	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	M-M	32:64	1:2	3	7	1	6	4	2	2
9	M-P	64:32	2:1	2	2	1	3	0	2	2
10	M-P	64:32	1:1	2	4	4	2	0	2	2
11	M-P	64:32	1:1	2	9	8	2	0	2	2
12	M-P	64:32	1:1	2	9	8	2	0	2	2
16	P-M	32:32	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
17	M-M	32:64	1:1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
18	P-M	64:64	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
22	M:2M	128:1 28R+128W	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
23	M:P (Read)	128:128	1:1	5	5	1	N/A	N/A	2	2
24	M:P (Write)	128:128	1:1	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	1	2	2
25	M-M	128:64	1:1	2	2	1	2	0	2	2
27	M-P	64:64	1:1	2	2	1	5	0	2	2
28	M-M	64:64	1:1	2	2	0	2	0	2	2
29	M-M	64:64	1:1	2	2	0	2	0	2	2

The definitions of the bridges' parameters can be found in the *Common Bus Architecture Throughput (SPRAAN7)*.

## 4 Peripherals Throughput

Theoretically, throughput is simply calculated by dividing the number of bytes being transferred through a peripheral to the bus width of that peripheral.

### 4.1 AIF Throughput

Enhanced direct memory access (EDMA) controls all antenna data movement in the TCI6487/8. Antenna data enter and leave this device through any of six bidirectional serializer/deserializer (SerDes) links with a maximum capacity of 3.125 Gbps.

The antenna interface block has internal memories, called inbound and outbound memories, which respectively hold antenna data that is intended to enter and exit TCI6487/8.

AIF supports both the OBSAI RP3 and the CPRI standards. Each one of the six links must follow the same protocol, but may be independently configured for its frequency.

The antenna data-flow can be classified as:

- Uplink on-time streams
- Uplink delayed streams
- Downlink streams

### 4.1.1 Uplink On-Time Streams

Uplink data received by AIF needs to be routed to the RAC and/or to the GEM (which houses the RSA) to perform uplink chip rate (CR) processing. The data-flow would be:

AIF (inbound memory) → EDMA → RAC

or

AIF (inbound memory) → EDMA → GEM (0, 1, or 2)

The processing time is divided among the various components within the path of the transfer.

- Transfer from the AIF (inbound memory) → EDMA: the uplink data coming at 3.84 Mcps chip rate is divided in packets that contain 8 chips per antenna stream. Each antenna stream packet contains  $8 \times 2$  (OSF)  $\times 2$  (I, Q)  $\times 8$  (bit-width) = 32 bytes. For N antenna streams you need to transfer  $N \times 32$  bytes before a transfer is complete. It takes 2 bus (VBUS) cycles to transfer a packet from AIF → EDMA.
- It takes 4 VBUS cycles to transfer a packet from EDMA → bridge (between 2 SCRs).
- Transfer from the bridge → RAC: the bus width for RAC front end = 8 bytes; the AIF data requires at least  $32 \times N/8 = 4 \times N$  RAC cycles. When the flow is continuous the slowest connection is from the bridge to RAC which has the lowest bandwidth. This connection determines the transfer time.

An example nominal case with N = 24 on-time streams lead to the theoretical transfer time (in UMTS chips):

$$= 2 \text{ VBUS cycles (AIF} \rightarrow \text{EDMA)} + 4 \text{ VBUS cycles (EDMA} \rightarrow \text{Bridge)} + 4 \times 24 \text{ RAC cycles}$$

$$= 2 \text{ VBUS cycles (AIF} \rightarrow \text{EDMA)} + 4 \text{ VBUS cycles (EDMA} \rightarrow \text{Bridge)} + 96 \text{ RAC cycles}$$

(RAC running at 1/4 the CPU frequency or 250 MHz)

$$= 4 / ((1000/3) \times .260) + 96 / ((1000/4) \times .260) = 0.0461 + 1.477 = 1.523 \text{ UMTS chips}$$

This shows that AIF → EDMA → (RAC/GEM) data-flow has a theoretical delay budget of no more than a handful of UMTS chips. In reality, the measured time required for such transfer is 1.48 UMTS chips.

### 4.1.2 Uplink Delayed Streams

Uplink antenna streams can be buffered in external memory for 1+ frame and routed back to the RAC or AIF at an appropriate time:

AIF → EDMA → External memory :: External memory → EDMA → RAC

To study bottlenecks, on-time and delayed stream traffics were superimposed at the same time and different transfer controllers were used to control both traffics. The measured transfer latencies are noted in [Table 2](#).

**Table 2. AIF Uplink Delayed Streams Data**

Data-Flow	Number of Uplink Antenna Streams	Number of Downlink Antenna Streams	Theoretical Minimum Time Required in UMTS Chips	Measured Time in UMTS Chips
AIF-EDMA-RAC On-Time Streams	24	24	1.459 UMTS chips	1.57 UMTS chips
AIF-EDMA-DDR2 + DDR2-EDMA-RAC Delayed Streams	24	24	2.92 UMTS chips	3.58 UMTS chips

Comparing the on-time streams' transfer time between the theoretical estimates (calculated in the previous paragraph) and the measured values in [Table 2](#), the increase in time can be attributed to the occasional conflict of commands directed at RAC and/or AIF for on-time and delayed traffic; it can also be contributed to the EDMA overhead.

### 4.1.3 Downlink Streams

Downlink streams are transferred in 4 chip packets for each antenna stream. Each downlink antenna stream packet contains  $4 \times 2$  (OSF)  $\times 2$ (I, Q)  $\times 8$  (Bit-width) = 16 bytes. With TX Gem  $\rightarrow$  EDMA bus 16 bytes wide (assuming the downlink antenna buffer is in internal memory, otherwise when it is in DDR2 memory the bus width would be 8 bytes), each antenna stream needs 1-VBUS cycle to pass from TX Gem to EDMA.

The transfer controller typically has a burst size of 64 bytes; first it waits for 4 VBUS cycles to get 64 bytes before beginning.

For the nominal example of 24 antenna streams, and assuming that all antenna streams on a given SerDes link are in contiguous locations in the outbound memory, 24 VBUS transactions are needed to transfer all streams.

The theoretical minimum transport time for 24 on-time downlink streams is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} & 24\text{-VBUS cycles (TX Gem } \rightarrow \text{ EDMA) + 4 VBUS cycles (time to fill the transfer controller queue)} \\ & = 28\text{-VBUS cycles} \\ & = 28 / ((1000/3) \times 0.260) = 0.323 \text{ UMTS chips} \end{aligned}$$

Due to a blocking in the bridge when both on-time and delayed uplink antenna streams are used, the actual real time required for completing the transfers was almost double the calculated value for on-time downlink streams only.

## 4.2 RAC Throughput

RAC operates at one-fourth (1/4) the CPU frequency. With CPUs operating at 1 GHz, then each RAC cycle takes 4 ns. So, each RAC iteration of 32 chip periods (or 8333 ns) would take  $8333/4 = 2083.25$  RAC clock cycles, of which 2048 cycles are active.

RAC is capable of processing 54 uplink streams, 48 of them are on-time streams and the remaining 6 are delayed. EDMA is transferring up to 48 streams \* 4 bytes/chip (2x over-sampling) \* 3.84 Mcps, or 737.28 Mbytes/s of data. The DMA transfers data to the RAC up to 1536 bytes at a time (48 streams \* 8 chips \* 4 bytes/chip).

The following sections analyze RAC throughput with a focus on traffic involving post-despread data. As a worst case, post-despread data of all fingers and all user equipment (UE) (random access channel (RACH) and data channel (DCH)) is transferred to external memory; control channel data and finger power estimation (FPE) data are transferred to the L2 memories of the Rx core; path monitoring (PM) data is transferred to external memory.

The worst case example scenario for the analysis was for 60 users (48 DCH voice users and 12 RACH users), with 8 fingers per user and a spreading factor of 32. All DCH/RACH users had associated PM tasks with a non-coherent integration interval of 1 frame and a search window size of 128 (with half chip offsets). The control channel fingers for each UE have an associated FPE and an associated finger tracking (FT); measurements corresponding to both of these were transferred to the L2 of the Rx Gem. All UE's have aligned dumps to create a worst case instantaneous loading effect.

### 4.2.1 Without Cache Traffic to External Memory

RAC has two ports on the backend, one of 128 bits for high-priority traffic and one of 64 bits for low-priority traffic. A hi-priority FIFO of 384 entries (control/data) and a lo-priority FIFO of 2048 entries (control/data) were sufficient to avoid overflowing the FIFOs and to withstand scenarios that do not instrument the L2 cache miss. Measured results are shown in [Table 3](#).

**Table 3. RAC Without Cache Traffic to External Memory**

Max Hi FIFO Depth Reached C, D	Max Lo FIFO Depth Reached C, D	Transfer Latency for Downlink Antennas	Transfer Latency for On-Time Uplink Antennas	Transfer Latency for Delayed Antennas Uplink
260, 260	480, 1440	0.58 UMTS chips	1.57 UMTS chips	3.58 UMTS chips

#### 4.2.2 With Cache Traffic to External Memory

Using exponential distribution (Poisson process) as a statistical model to simulate the inter L2 miss cycle time, the number of delayed streams supported by a given TCI6487/8 gets severely impacted by the mean inter L2 miss cycles.

When the RAC is active and maximally used, the maximum number of delayed streams supported per TCI6487/8 is 6; beyond this number RAC exhibits FIFO overflow even for very moderate values of inter L2 miss cycles.

#### 4.2.3 With L2 Memory Access

When RAC or any other peripheral tries to access the L2 memories, it goes thru a series of logic interfaces before actually reaching the memory. Along the way there is potential for contention with various traffic sources, namely L1P misses, L1D misses, other masters trying to access slave Gem ports and potentially L2 misses fetching program/data from external memory. L2 cache miss traffic does not interfere with the slave direct memory access (SDMA) traffic. The real contention is therefore between L1P, L1D accesses to L2 cache memory, and SDMA accesses to L2 memory.

Note that the maximum allowed transfer time for delayed streams is 8 UMTS chips.

### 4.3 EDMA Throughput

Worst-case, SCR activity arises when all data transactions line up to the same memory end-point. Since the SCR allows for concurrent transfers between non-conflicting master/slave pairs, the SCR can support a very high total data rate across any end-point. If transfers line up such that the source or destination memory is the same, then collisions will occur and certain transactions will be chocked.

For 1 GHz CPU frequency and DDR2 (DDR2.667), silicon measurements give the maximum EDMA throughput for passing data between different L2s and DDR2 as shown in [Table 4](#). The measured throughput values are obtained by sending packets from 16 channels at a time on the same queue that corresponds to a particular TC. In this way, 16 channels run on every TC in sequential manner but, at a given time, all are using the same TC. The channels are doing the same operation; i.e., source and destination points of all the channels are the same.

**Table 4. EDMA Maximum Measured Throughput**

	Maximum Throughput in MBytes/s				
	16-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2	32-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2	GEM0 L2 - 16-Bit DDR2	GEM0 L2 - 32-Bit DDR2	GEM0 L2 - GEM1 L2
TC0	1224.8	2191.52	1226.08	2443.84	2058.72
TC1	1224.48	2178.56	1226.08	2444.64	2058.72
TC2	1224.8	2179.52	1226.08	2444.64	2058.72
TC3	1226.24	2456.48	1227.36	2454.88	3681.76
TC4	1226.56	2456.16	1227.36	2455.68	3681.76
TC5	1226.24	2456.00	1227.36	2454.88	3681.76

The maximum theoretical EDMA throughput values for passing data between different L2s and DDR2 are shown in [Table 5](#). For 16-bit DDR memory controller the theoretical throughput is  $666.7 * 16/8 = 1333$  MBps, while for 32-bit DDR2 memory controller is  $666.7 * 32/8 = 2666.8$  MBps. For 1 GHz CPU and with both SCRs running at CPU/3 frequency, for TC0-2 the theoretical throughput is  $8 * 1000/3 = 2667$  MBps, while for TC3-5 it is  $16 * 1000/3 = 5333$  MBps. Note that the maximum theoretical throughput for 128-bit TCs (TC3, TC4, or TC5) is the same as the one for its corresponding 64-bit TCs (TC0, TC1, or TC2) for all but one scenario (GEM0 L2 - GEM1 L2) as this scenario is the only one that contains only 128-bit data in the path.

**Table 5. Maximum Theoretical Throughput Values**

	Maximum Throughput in MBytes/s				
	16-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2	32-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2	GEM0 L2 - 16-Bit DDR2	GEM0 L2 - 32-Bit DDR2	GEM0 L2 - GEM1 L2
64-bit (TC0, 1, or 2)	1333	2667	1333	2667	2667
128-bit (TC3, 4, or 5)	1333	2667	1333	2667	5333

Table 6 shows the EDMA throughput measured on silicon (from Table 4) as a percentage of theoretical values (from Table 5). The GEM0 L2 - GEM1 L2 throughput is 77.20% of theoretical values when using TC0, TC1, or TC2, while it is 69.03% of theoretical values when using TC3, TC4, or TC5; however, the actual amount of data transferred using TC3, TC4, or TC5 is 178% of the amount of data transferred using TC0, TC1, or TC2.

**Table 6. EDMA Measured Throughput as Percentage of Theoretical**

	Maximum Throughput in MBytes/s				
	16-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2 %	32-Bit DDR2 - GEM0 L2 %	GEM0 L2 - 16-Bit DDR2 %	GEM0 L2 - 32-Bit DDR2 %	GEM0 L2 - GEM1 L2 %
TC0	91.88	82.17	91.98	91.63	77.20
TC1	91.86	81.68	91.98	91.66	77.20
TC2	91.88	81.72	91.98	91.66	77.20
TC3	91.99	92.11	92.07	92.05	69.03
TC4	92.01	92.09	92.07	92.07	69.03
TC5	91.99	92.09	92.07	92.05	69.03

Among the various scenarios, the difference in throughput results can be attributed to one or more of the following reasons:

- EDMA throughput data varies from source and destination resource configuration and selection; 16-bit DDR and 32-bit DDR data have different throughput.
- There are 6 different transfer controllers (TCs) responsible for doing the data transfer between source and destination. Out of these 6 TCs:
  - TC0, TC1, TC2 have 64-bit data bus
  - TC3, TC4, TC5 have 128-bit data bus.

So, there is a difference of percent utilization among TCs. For instance, using TC3 instead of TC1 in passing data between 32-bit DDR2 and GEM0 L2 would improve the EDMA throughput from 81.68% to 92.11% (in percentage of theoretical values).

- All the data movement within TCI6487/8 happens between the pre-defined path allocated to each source/destination pair via SCR. Even though GEM0-GEM1 pair looks close, there are lots of bridges accommodating the difference in bus width in the path, which is the primary cause of degrading the throughput data.

#### 4.4 Ethernet EMAC Throughput

The Ethernet MAC interface operates with a 125-MHz input clock from the SGMII SerDes, with 125 Mbytes/second sustained throughput to any on-chip L2 or L1D RAM, or to the DDR2 interface.

Ethernet packets contain 64-byte payloads. The worst-case scenario occurs on the Ethernet interface when operating with a 1000 Mbps PHY. In this case, the peripheral needs to transfer a packet (64 bytes) once every 1  $\mu$ s (1 MHz packet rate).

EMAC throughput testing results on TCI6487/8 running at a clock rate of 1 GHz are captured in Table 7. Measurements are collected for two scenarios: PHY external loopback and internal loopback. For external loopback, one Gigabit or 100 Mbps throughput via SGMII is used, with descriptors in/to L2 or DDR. For internal loopback, EMAC mode is set to Gigabit or 100 Mbps in order to verify full-duplex operation with a SerDes loopback.

**Table 7. EMAC Throughput on Silicon With 1 GHz CPU Frequency**

Source/ Destination	Packet Length (Including Overhead Bytes)	Number of Packets TX/ RX	Theoretical (Mbps)	Transmit (Mbps)	Receive (Mbps)	% Utilization (TX)	% Utilization (RX)
PHY External Loopback							
L2	1538	5	1000	999.29798	999.2979836	99.929798	99.92979836
L2	1538	5	100	99.943638	99.94426005	99.943638	99.94426005
DDR	1538	5	1000	999.29798	999.2979836	99.929798	99.92979836
DDR	1538	5	100	99.943793	99.94286034	99.943793	99.94286034
Internal Loopback							
L2	1538	5	1000	999.31353	999.2979836	99.931353	99.92979836
L2	1538	5	100	99.943793	99.94379347	99.943793	99.94379347

#### 4.5 SRIO Throughput

RapidIO interface operates at a data rate of 3.125 Gbps per differential pair. Assuming a 10% packet overhead, this equals 2.25 Gbps data throughput rate per 1x link. Both links operating simultaneously can have at most 4.5 Gbps data in both transmit and receive directions.

The worst-case scenario occurs on two 1x RapidIO ports running at 3.125 Gbps and the payload sizes for the packets are small (32 bytes). In this case, the peripheral needs to transfer a packet (32 bytes) once every 14.3 ns (70 MHz packet rate). This assumes full packet rate on both links in both transmit and receive directions.

The RapidIO peripheral has sufficient buffering to hold up to four full-size packets of 256 bytes each, or 1 KByte; the peripheral can hold up to 32 of 32B packets. Multiple transfers can be outstanding at a time to the DMA switch fabric.

The SRIO throughput measurements from the TCI6487/8 running at a clock rate of 1 GHz and for 3.125 Gbps link rate are captured in [Table 8](#).

**Table 8. SRIO Throughput on Silicon With 1 GHz CPU and 3.125 Gbps Link**

Test Case	Source/ Destination	Data	# Packets Transmitted	Throughput		% Utilization	
SWRITE	L2	4096	1	2361.723		94.47	
NWRITE	L2	4096	1	2366.420		94.66	
TxuRxu	L2	2048	16	TX (Mbps) 2618.041	RX (Mbps) 2433.394	%TX 104.72	%RX 97.33
SWRITE	DDR	4096	1	2351.221		94.05	
NWRITE	DDR	4096	1	2355.501		94.22	
TxuRxu	DDR	2048	16	TX (Mbps) 2608.53	RX (Mbps) 2426.206	%TX 104.34	%RX 97.05

#### 4.6 EMIF DDR2 Throughput

As long as data requests are pending from the SCR, the 333 MHz, 32-bit DDR EMIF (DDR2-667) operates with sustained throughput at the memory data rate. For example, a 128 32-bit word linear burst from any GEM L2 to external memory (or vice versa) should complete in approximately 64-EMIF clock cycles (data clocked on both rising and falling edges). This assumes that the first command is pending at the EMIF controller boundary and ignores the latency of performing the first transfer.

The SCR must meet or exceed the data rate to keep the EMIF serviced to maintain full utilization with a 32-bit DDR2-667 interface, therefore the CPU clock rate should be  $\geq 1.0$  GHz. Since the SCR is running at 1/3 the CPU frequency with a 64-bit data bus width,  $x/3 * 64 \geq 667 * 32$  means  $x \geq 1000$ . If running below 1.0 GHz frequency then the EMIF data rate should be reduced, either by dropping the frequency or the data width.

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The worst case, the EMIF cycle latency occurs when running at 400 MHz (2.5 ns period). The default burst length for all transactions through the DMA SCR is 64 bytes, or 16 external memory data-phases. With a read burst size of 16, the EMIF must be serviced once every 20 ns ( $8 \times 2.5$  ns EMIF period - 2 data/cycle).

When running the EMIF at 333 MHz (3.3 ns period) the EMIF must be serviced once every 24 ns. With a clock rate of 1 GHz (1 ns period) it must be serviced once every 24 CPU cycles.

### 4.7 **McBSP Throughput**

A minimum of 1 McBSP can support CPU/10 = 100 Mbps transfers in full duplex mode using 32-bit data words in a McBSP interface operation. Under optimal conditions, both McBSPs are supported with CPU/8 Mbps bidirectional data transfer based on a single data word transfer per McBSP.

The worst-case scenario is where the McBSP is running full duplex at 100 MHz with 8-bit contiguous data, both the transmitter and the receiver need to be serviced by the EDMA with 8-bit data once every 64 CPU cycles per McBSP, per direction. McBSP silicon measurement with 8-bit data showed that it can only achieve  $\approx 30$  Mbps throughput while 16-bit operation only achieved  $\approx 43$  Mbps; this is due to EDMA overhead.

### 4.8 **TCP Throughput**

TCP coprocessor operates at 1/3 the CPU frequency. This allows for  $\approx 17$  Mbps (decoded data-rate when the CPUs are operating at 1 GHz), assuming eight iterations for 384 kbps data channels.

McBSP silicon measurement with 8-bit data showed that it can only achieve  $\approx 30$  Mbps throughput while a 16-bit operation can only achieve  $\approx 43$  Mbps. This is due to EDMA overhead.

### 4.9 **VCP Throughput**

The VCP coprocessor operates at 1/3 the CPU frequency. This allows for  $\approx 9$  Mbps (decoded data-rate when the CPUs are operating at 1 GHz), assuming 12.2 kbps adaptive multi rate (AMR) (class B&C) channels.

### 4.10 **I2C Throughput**

The worst-case scenario is when the I2C is running at 400 kHz with 8-bit data. In this case, the device needs to service the I2C module at a packet rate of 3.2 MHz.

## 5 **References**

1. *Common Bus Architecture Throughput* ([SPRAAN7](#))

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