

Introduction

The LogiCORE™ IP 3GPP Mixed Mode Turbo Decoder provides a flexible turbo convolutional decode function for both LTE and WCDMA air interfaces. The implementation is compliant with the requirements set out in both [Ref 1] and [Ref 2]. The core provides an optimized turbo decode function for base stations at all form factors, from femto to macrocells. The decoder, when used with a TCC encoder, provides an effective way of transmitting data reliably over noisy data channels.

Additional Documentation

A full product guide is available for this core. Access to this material can be requested by clicking on this registration link:
www.xilinx.com/member/mm_tcc_dec_eval/index.htm

Features

- Three versions of this core can be generated, each supporting different standard options:
 - LTE only
 - UMTS only
 - LTE and UMTS
- When UMTS and LTE are both supported the core can switch between different standards on a block by block basis.
- Each core is completely self contained, requiring nothing else to decode data.
- All 3GPP LTE block sizes supported: 188 different block sizes in the range 40–6144
- All 3GPP UMTS block sizes supported, that is block sizes in the range 40-5114.

See [Feature Summary](#) for additional features.

LogiCORE IP Facts Table	
Core Specifics	
Supported Device Family ⁽¹⁾	Versal™ ACAP UltraScale+™ Families UltraScale™ Architecture Zynq®-7000 SoC 7 Series
Supported User Interfaces	AXI4-Stream
Provided with Core	
Design Files	Encrypted RTL
Example Design	VHDL
Test Bench	VHDL
Constraints File	Not Provided
Simulation Model	Encrypted VHDL C Model and MATLAB® Model
Supported S/W Driver	N/A
Tested Design Flows⁽²⁾	
Design Entry	Vivado® Design Suite
Simulation	For supported simulators, see the Xilinx Design Tools: Release Notes Guide .
Synthesis	Vivado Synthesis
Support	
Release Notes and Known Issues	Master Answer Record: 54471
All Vivado IP Change Logs	Master Vivado IP Change Logs: 72775
Provided by Xilinx at the Xilinx Support web page	

Notes:

1. For a complete listing of supported devices, see the Vivado IP catalog.
2. For the supported versions of the tools, see the [Xilinx Design Tools: Release Notes Guide](#).

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Feature Summary

- Configurable with either 1, 2, 4 or 8 decode units, allowing resource utilization to be optimized while meeting system performance requirements at all base station form factors.
- Dynamically selectable number of iterations 1-15.
- Support for MAX, MAX_SCALE and MAX_STAR algorithms.
- AXI4-Stream interfaces used for control and data input/output.
- C model and MATLAB MEX function available for bit accurate modelling of error correcting performance.
- Number representation: Twos complement fractional.
- Data Input: 7 or 8 bits (4 or 5 integer bits with 3 fractional bits)
- Hardware DSP units can be used instead of logic resources to tailor the core resource usage to specific user applications.
- Demonstration test bench to show an example of core usage.
- Integrated scheduler ensures that decode latency remains virtually constant with variable block sizes.

Overview

The TCC decoder is used in conjunction with a TCC encoder to provide an effective way of transmitting data reliably over noisy data channels. The turbo decoder operates very well under low signal-to-noise conditions and provides a performance close to the theoretical optimal performance defined by the Shannon limit [\[Ref 3\]](#).

References

1. 3GPP TS 25.212 "Multiplexing and channel coding (FDD)", v10.1.0
2. 3GPP TS 36.212 "Multiplexing and channel coding", v10.3.0
3. C. Berrou, A. Glavieux, and P. Thitimajshima, Near Shannon Limit Error-correcting Coding and Decoding Turbo Codes, IEEE Proc 1993 Int Conf. Comm., pp1064-1070

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Revision History

The following table shows the revision history for this document:

Date	Version	Description of Revisions
02/04/2021	2.0	Versal device support added.
11/18/2015	2.0	UltraScale+ device support added.
04/02/2014	2.0	Characterization data added to PG030.
12/18/2013	2.0	Added UltraScale architecture support.
03/20/2013	2.0	Updated for Vivado design tools.
01/18/2012	1.0	Xilinx initial release.

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