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1. Introduction

This document describes a C++ library of TLM 2.0-compatible type definitions for modeling AMBA[®] AXI, ACE, and CHI ports on SystemC models with approximate and cycle-accurate timing requirements.

1.1. Intended audience

The reader of this document is assumed to understand SystemC, TLM 2.0 Generic Protocol payloads and phases, and TLM 2.0 sockets. An understanding of the blocking and non-blocking transports used by TLM 2.0 and the motivations for the form of those mechanisms is also assumed.

1.2. Conventions

The following subsections describe conventions used in Arm documents.

Glossary

The Arm Glossary is a list of terms used in Arm documentation, together with definitions for those terms. The Arm Glossary does not contain terms that are industry standard unless the Arm meaning differs from the generally accepted meaning.

See the Arm Glossary for more information: https://developer.arm.com/glossary.

Convention	Use	
italic	Citations.	
bold	Interface elements, such as menu names. Terms in descriptive lists, where appropriate.	
monospace	Text that you can enter at the keyboard, such as commands, file and program names, and source code.	
monospace bold	Language keywords when used outside example code.	
monospace <u>underline</u>	A permitted abbreviation for a command or option. You can enter the underlined text instead of the full command or option name.	
<and></and>	Encloses replaceable terms for assembler syntax where they appear in code or code fragments. For example: MRC p15, 0, <rd>, <crn>, <crm>, <opcode_2></opcode_2></crm></crn></rd>	
SMALL CAPITALS	Terms that have specific technical meanings as defined in the Arm [®] Glossary. For example, IMPLEMENTATION DEFINED, IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFIC, UNKNOWN, and UNPREDICTABLE.	

Typographical conventions

Convention	Use
Caution	Recommendations. Not following these recommendations might lead to system failure or damage.
Warning	Requirements for the system. Not following these requirements might result in system failure or damage.
Danger	Requirements for the system. Not following these requirements will result in system failure or damage.
Note	An important piece of information that needs your attention.
- Č	A useful tip that might make it easier, better, or faster to perform a task.
Remember	A reminder of something important that relates to the information you are reading.

1.3. Useful resources

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Arm architecture and specifications	Document ID	Confidentiality
AMBA® 5 CHI Architecture Specification	IHI 0050E.c	Non-Confidential
AMBA® AXI and ACE Protocol Specification	IHI 0022H	Non-Confidential

Non-Arm resources	Document ID	Organization
For information about the SystemC and TLM 2.0 standards, see IEEE	IEEE Std 1666-	IEEE,
Standard for Standard SystemC Language Reference Manual, January 2012.	2011	https://www.ieee.org/

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2. AMBA TLM 2.0 Library overview

The AMBA[®] Transaction-Level Modeling (TLM) 2.0 Library allows you to model and simulate Approximately-Timed (AT) and Cycle-Accurate (CA) AXI, ACE and CHI transactions and ports.

The supported versions of the AMBA AXI, ACE, and CHI protocols are:

- AMBA® AXI and ACE Protocol Specification issue H, and backward compatible with issue G, issue F, and issue E
- AMBA® 5 CHI Architecture Specification issue E, and backward compatible with issue D, issue C, and issue B

The AMBA TLM Library package includes:

- This document
- A pre-compiled binary library
- Examples of the library in use
- C++ source files

2.1. Header file structure

The AMBA TLM 2.0 Library is provided as a pre-compiled binary library and a collection of C++ header files. These header files define payload types, communication phases, base socket definitions, and types to identify the protocol used at particular sockets.

The following table summarizes the provided header files.

Header file	Contents
arm_axi4.h	#includes all the header files needed to model AMBA AXI.
arm_axi4_payload.h	The constituent types required to describe the data and control payload of an AXI transaction. The payload types are described in 3 AXI protocol .
arm_axi4_phase.h	The phase type used to describe events in AXI for Approximately-Timed (AT) and Cycle-Accurate (CA) modeling. These phases are described in the context of the protocols that they form in 3.1 AXI phases .
arm_axi4_socket.h	Base socket definitions for initiator and target TLM 2.0 sockets for AXI ports. These definitions are described in 2.2 Socket types .
arm_chi.h	#includes all the header files needed to model AMBA CHI.
arm_chi_payload.h	The constituent types required to describe the data and control payload of a CHI transaction. The payload types are described in 4 CHI protocol .
arm_chi_phase.h	The phase type used to describe events in CHI Approximately-Timed (AT) and Cycle-Accurate (CA) modeling. These are described in the context of the protocols they form in 4.1 CHI phases .

Table 2-1: C++ header files

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Header file	Contents
arm_chi_socket.h	Base socket definitions for initiator and target TLM 2.0 sockets for CHI ports. These are described in 2.2 Socket types .
arm_tlm_helpers.h	Miscellaneous helper type definitions used by other header files.
arm_tlm_protocol.h	An enumeration of the varieties of AXI and CHI supportable by a socket. This enumeration is described in 2.2.1 Socket protocol and port width .
arm_tlm_socket.h	Contains common base socket definitions that contain protocol and port width definitions for a port but are not committed to a particular payload or protocol. These definitions are described in 2.2 Socket types and 2.2.1 Socket protocol and port width .

2.2. Socket types

Base initiator and target sockets are provided. A single socket models an entire AXI or CHI port including address, data, response, snoop, and ACE WACK/RACK channels as applicable. Ports on models should be derived from these base sockets.

Base sockets are provided as these types:

- ARM::TLM::BaseTargetSocket, derived from tlm::tlm_target_socket
- ARM::TLM::BaseInitiatorSocket, derived from tlm::tlm initiator socket

ARM::TLM::BaseTargetSocket and ARM::TLM::BaseInitiatorSocket are templates that must be specialized with the payload type and protocol-defining phase type of the port.

The following table lists the supported specializations.

Table 2-2: Supported specializations

Socket types	Applicability
ARM::TLM::BaseTargetSocket <arm::chi::protocoltype> ARM::TLM::BaseInitiatorSocket<arm::chi::protocoltype></arm::chi::protocoltype></arm::chi::protocoltype>	For CHI models
ARM::TLM::BaseTargetSocket <arm::axi::protocoltype> ARM::TLM::BaseInitiatorSocket <arm::axi::protocoltype></arm::axi::protocoltype></arm::axi::protocoltype>	For AXI models

The types ARM::AXI::BaseTargetSocket and ARM::AXI::BaseInitiatorSocket are provided with ARM::AXI::ProtocolType as their default specialization.

2.2.1. Socket protocol and port width

In addition to the port name, the two base socket types are passed on construction. There are two arguments that configure the expected communications on the port.

The following table describes the arguments.

Table 2-3: Socket protocol and port width arguments

Argument	Туре	Meaning
protocol	ARM::TLM::Protocol	The AXI or CHI protocol variant expected on the port.
port_width	unsigned	The width of the data channels of the port in bits. This must be a power of two and be valid according to the AMBA® AXI and ACE Protocol Specification or the AMBA® 5 CHI Architecture Specification.

The following table describes the valid values for the socket protocol argument.

Table 2-4: Protocol values

Protocol value	Description
PROTOCOL_ACE	Full ACE with DVM, barriers, snoop channels and ACE RACK/WACK channels
PROTOCOL_ACE_LITE	ACE-Lite. ACE without snoop channels and RACK/WACK channels
PROTOCOL_ACE_LITE_DVM	ACE-Lite with additional DVM support
PROTOCOL_AXI4	AXI4 without any ACE features
PROTOCOL_AXI4_LITE	AXI4-Lite. AXI with simpler payload options
PROTOCOL_AXI5	AXI5 without any ACE features
PROTOCOL_AXI5_LITE	AXI5-Lite. AXI with simpler payload options
PROTOCOL_ACE5	ACE5. Full ACE5
PROTOCOL_ACE5_LITE	ACE5-Lite. ACE5 without snoop channels and RACK/WACK channels
PROTOCOL_ACE5_LITE_DVM	ACE-Lite with additional DVM support
PROTOCOL_ACE5_LITE_ACP	ACE-Lite with additional ACP support
PROTOCOL_CHI_B	CHI implementing the CHI.B standard
PROTOCOL_CHI_C	CHI implementing the CHI.C standard
PROTOCOL_CHI_D	CHI implementing the CHI.D standard
PROTOCOL_CHI_E	CHI implementing the CHI.E standard

2.2.2. Binding sockets

Sockets are bound together according to the standard TLM 2.0 method. ARM::TLM::BaseTargetSocket and ARM::TLM::BaseInitiatorSocket overload the member function bind() to ensure that the protocol and port width of bound sockets exactly match. Connecting sockets with different protocols or port widths result in a SystemC error.

2.2.3. Supported transport interfaces

The AXI and CHI protocols support only a subset of the interfaces that the TLM 2.0 types, tlm::tlm fw transport if and tlm::tlm bw transport if provide.

These transport call types are supported:

Non-blocking transport

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	Non-blocking forward and backward calls are supported by all sockets. All protocols that this library supports use these calls as the standard communication method.
Blocking transport	
	Blocking transport is not supported by the protocols that this library supports.
DMI	
	DMI is not supported by the protocols that this library supports
Debug transport	
	Sockets must implement the transport_dbg() call. Not all models can deal with debug transactions correctly, therefore, it is always valid for a model to return 0 and so decline to accept debug transactions.
Simple sockets	
	Sockets ARM::TLM::SimpleInitiatorSocket and ARM::TLM::SimpleTargetSocket are provided to implement non-blocking transport and debug transport using member functions on objects other than sockets. These work in a similar way to the TLM 2.0 types, tlm_utils::tlm_simple_initiator_socket and tlm_utils::tlm_simple_target_socket, but do not provide any blocking to non-blocking adaptation.
	ARM::AXI::SimpleInitiatorSocket and ARM::AXI::SimpleTargetSocket are provided for use with AXI protocols.

2.3. Clocking

Non-blocking protocol communications are always associated with a clocking regime. Bound sockets must share a clocking regime and that regime must have two distinct alternating periods in each clock cycle.

These clock periods are supported:

Communicate

When TLM 2.0 interface calls are made between ports

Update

When internal state updates are made in response to communications

Two periods are required so that all communications in a cycle are known to occur before a state update at the start of the next cycle takes place. A model does not require a free-running clock signal but must respect the communicate/update clock periods of the model to which it is connected.

Where a free-running clock signal with alternative positive and negative-going events is present, this clocking model can be implemented by using those events for Update and Communicate respectively.

AMBA TLM requires at minimum that where a clock signal associated with a socket is present, communication does not take place that is triggered by the positive-going event of that clock. We recommend that all communication is triggered only by the negative-going edge of the clock.

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 11 of 61 For this reason, this document refers to events causing communication as negedge and those causing state update as posedge.

3. AXI protocol

The AXI protocol aims to represent the low-level signaling present in the underlying AXI channels of a port. This protocol enables cycle-accurate models of AXI port behavior to be constructed.

The AXI protocol is designed to be used at a range of abstractions from purely behavioral untimed models to interfacing with RTL signal level simulations at a signal and cycle-accurate level.

3.1. AXI phases

AXI communications use several channels and most of these communications use READY and VALID phases.

AXI channels

Each AXI port logically consists of several AXI channels. The complete set of channels is:

- AW
- W
- B
- AR
- R
- AC
- CR
- CD
- WACK
- RACK
- WQOSACCEPT
- RQOSACCEPT

AXI channel phases

All the channels of a port are modeled with a single TLM 2.0 socket. Each channel has a pair of phase enumeration values from the type ARM::AXI::Phase representing VALID and READY signaling on that channel. For example, AXI channel AW has phases AW_VALID and AW_READY. Two channels do not have a pair of phase enumeration values, *ACK and *QOSACCEPT.

With non-blocking communication, these functions are used:

• AXI channels from Initiator port to Target port send their VALID event using nb_transport_fw(). They receive a READY event either as a phase update to an nb_transport_fw() call or by making an nb_transport_bw() call.

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 13 of 61 • AXI channels from Target port to Initiator port (for example, B) send VALID with nb_transport_bw() and READY with nb_transport_fw().

Figure 3-1 AXI Channel State Machine



Each AXI channel, except *ACK and *QOSACCEPT, obeys the state machine shown in Figure 3-1. From state CLEAR, sending a VALID phase is analogous to raising a VALID signal on an AXI channel. The port receiving the VALID phase call can then respond with READY (for example, AW_VALID receives the response AW_READY), which is analogous to the READY signal being observed after a raised VALID signal. READY can be communicated by either:

- Immediately changing the nb_transport_fw/bw() phase to READY, passed by reference, and returning with tlm::TLM_UPDATED.
- Responding later in the opposite direction with a READY phase.

These two options are shown in Figure 3-1 as transitions from CLEAR to ACK and REQ respectively. Responding immediately with READY indicates that the AXI channel communication has been accepted in the same cycle as the VALID was presented. Responding later can indicate same-cycle READY, where:

- A model can generate the required response function call before posedge.
- The response is in a different cycle (after the next posedge) it indicates a delayed READY.

Transition from the ACK state back to CLEAR in Figure 3-1 only happens when the next posedge period passes. This restriction ensures that no more than one handshake takes place on each AXI channel in each clock cycle. Where a free-running clock is not present, this restriction must remain to ensure that the next update period in the agreed clocking regime has passed before the next VALID phase can be sent.

Although the AMBA® AXI and ACE Protocol Specification allows the READY signal to rise before the VALID signal has arrived, this library does not model this behavior. Therefore, a READY call must only be generated as a response to a received VALID phase. This means a VALID phase indicates that both READY and VALID signals are high.

In all cases, a READY phase call must reference the same payload as that passed by the VALID phase call.

The following table includes:

- All phases
- The direction phases should be transmitted, bw or fw, that is, backward or forward according to the nb transport fw or nb transport bw calls mentioned in 3.1 AXI phases.
- The response for VALID calls. Optionally, immediately using the tlm::TLM UPDATED response.
- The signal-level interpretation for each phase

AXI channel	ARM::AXI::Phase::	Direction	Response (for VALIDs)	Signal-level interpretation
AR	AR_VALID	fw	AR_READY	ARVALID rise
AR	AR_READY	bw	-	ARVALID & ARREADY
R	R_VALID	bw	R_READY	RVALID rise & !RLAST
R	R_VALID_LAST	bw	R_READY	RVALID rise & RLAST
R	R_READY	fw	_	RVALID & RREADY
AW	AW_VALID	fw	AW_READY	AWVALID rise
AW	AW_READY	bw	_	AWVALID & AWREADY
W	W_VALID	fw	W_READY	WVALID rise & !WLAST
W	W_VALID_LAST	fw	W_READY	WVALID rise & WLAST
W	W_READY	bw	-	WVALID & WREADY
В	B_VALID	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise
В	B_VALID_COMP	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise & BCOMP & !BPERSIST
В	B_VALID_PERSIST	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise & !BCOMP & BPERSIST

Table 3-1: AXI channel phases

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AXI channel	ARM::AXI::Phase::	Direction	Response (for VALIDs)	Signal-level interpretation
В	B_VALID_COMP_PERSIST	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise & BCOMP & BPERSIST
В	B_VALID_TAGMATCH	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise & !BCOMP & BTAGMATCH[1]
В	B_VALID_COMP_TAGMATCH	bw	B_READY	BVALID rise & BCOMP & BTAGMATCH[1]
В	B_READY	fw	-	BVALID & BREADY
AC	AC_VALID	bw	AC_READY	ACVALID rise
AC	AC_READY	fw		ACVALID & ACREADY
CR	CR_VALID	fw	CR_READY	CRVALID rise
CR	CR_READY	bw		CRVALID & CRREADY
CD	CD_VALID	fw	CD_READY	CDVALID rise & !CDLAST
CD	CD_VALID_LAST	fw	CD_READY	CDVALID rise & CDLAST
CD	CD_READY	bw	-	CDVALID & CDREADY
RACK	RACK	fw	-	RACK rise
WACK	WACK	fw	-	WACK rise
RQOSACCEPT	RQOSACCEPT	bw	-	RQOSACCEPT change
WQOSACCEPT	WQOSACCEPT	bw	-	WQOSACCEPT change

AXI data passing channels (R, W and CD) have an additional VALID_LAST phase which indicates that a data beat is the last one of that burst. This VALID_LAST phase should be used with the last beat of a burst on those channels for all burst lengths. VALID_LAST's matching READY phase is the standard READY phase for that AXI channel. There are no READY_LAST phases. Last beats are marked with different phases to make tracking transaction progress easier for ports that you do not want to count burst data beats.

In B channels which support cache maintenance operations for persistence or Memory Tagging Extension (MTE), the B_VALID phases are extended to communicate the value of BCOMP, BPERSIST, and BTAGMATCH[1] signals. The value of TAGMATCH[0] (pass or fail) is available in the payload.

When receiving a phase, if you want to compare it to one of the values in the preceding table, the phase should be stripped to remove any additional fields in it. To strip the phase, use the Phase phase strip (Phase phase) function.

3.1.1. ACE WACK and RACK signals

On ACE ports, WACK and RACK signals indicate that an Initiator has completed a transaction and can be snooped with respect to that data.

In this library that signal is communicated as a forward call with the phase set to RACK or WACK. The payload communicated with that call should be the correct payload for the transaction being acknowledged. The receiving port must reply with TLM_ACCEPTED. The timing requirements of WACK and RACK are similar to the VALID/READY state machine of other AXI channels, but without a REQ state.

3.1.2. QOSACCEPT

On ports that support it, the values of RQOSACCEPT and WQOSACCEPT signals can be communicated across the TLM channel. These are communicated using bw calls.

The payload used in the call should not be accessed by the call recipient. The caller can either use a dummy payload, provided by the AXI::Payload::get_dummy() function, or any other payload. The value of the QOSACCEPT signal is communicated within the phase and can be extracted using uint8_t phase_get_qos_accept(Phase phase) function. It can be set using the void phase_set_qos_accept(Phase &phase, uint8_t qos_accept) function. Because the QoS value is encoded within the phase value, the phase must be stripped before it can be tested for which phase value it holds. This is done using the Phase phase_strip(Phase phase) function.

3.1.3. RCHUNKNUM and RCHUNKSTRB

In AXI chunking transactions, the RCHUNKNUM and RCHUNKSTRB signals are available in the phase of the R beat phases.

The phase_get_chunk_number and phase_set_chunk_number functions access the RCHUNKNUM value. The phase_get_chunk_strobe and phase_set_chunk_strobe access the RCHUNKSTRB value. As with other phases that encode additional information, the phase should be stripped before being compared to one of the enumeration values.

3.2. AXI payload generation

Payloads are reference-counted and are managed by a single global payload pool. Local payloads allocated on the stack are not permitted and are protected by having a private constructor for the payload.

A new AXI payload is constructed by calling ARM::AXI::Payload::new_payload() with arguments that are essential for the construction and interpretation of the data of the payload. The command, address, size, len, and burst arguments are described in **3.3** AXI payload fields. Copyright[©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved.

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Except for the fields passed as arguments to the constructor, and unless otherwise stated, newly generated payloads have all other fields set to 0.

The payload is allocated with a reference count of 1. The reference count of the payload can be incremented and decremented using the ref() and unref() functions respectively. It is the duty of the model that called the constructor to unref() the payload once it is no longer holding any pointers to it. All models that keep a pointer to a payload should ref() the payload and unref() it once the pointer is discarded.

3.3. AXI payload fields

The payload can represent any AXI transaction.

The fields the payload contains use the same enumeration encodings as the hardware implementation as listed in the AMBA[®] AXI and ACE Protocol Specification.

3.3.1. Command field

The command field indicates on what AXI address channel the transaction was initiated, AR, AW, or AC. It is set during payload construction and cannot be altered after construction.

This information can be derived from the AXI channel that corresponds to the phase accompanying the payload but is also carried in the payload.

Name	command
Туре	ARM::AXI::Command
Getter	Command get_command() const
Setter	N/A, fixed at payload construction
RTL signals	N/A, not communicated as a signal
Default value	N/A, set by the constructor

3.3.2. Len field

The len field indicates the burst length of the transaction. It is set during payload construction and cannot be altered after construction.

The beat count for a transaction is equal to len + 1. This encoding matches the encoding of the ARLEN and AWLEN signals.

In RTL, the number of data beats of a snoop transaction is implicitly defined by the cache line length and data channel width. When constructing a snoop payload, the len field must be set to match the number of data beats the transaction could potentially return, that is, set to number_of_beats - 1.

Name len

Type uint8_t

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Getter	uint8_t get_len() const
Setter	N/A, fixed at payload construction
RTL signals	ARLEN, AWLEN
Default value	N/A, set by the constructor

3.3.3. Size field

The size field indicates the size of each data beat in bytes. It is set during payload construction and cannot be altered after construction.

The enumeration encodes the range of allowed beat sizes, that is, 1 to 128, and matches the enumeration used by the ARSIZE and AWSIZE signals. The enumeration uses the beat size in bytes. For example, 128-bit wide transactions must set size to SIZE_16. The beat element size in bytes can be calculated using 1 << size. In snoop transactions, the field must be set to the width of the data channel the transaction is operating across.

Name	size
Туре	ARM::AXI::Size
Getter	Size get_size() const
Setter	N/A, fixed at payload construction
RTL signals	ARSIZE, AWSIZE
Default value	N/A, set by the constructor

3.3.4. Burst field

The burst field indicates the burst type of the transaction. It is set during payload construction and cannot be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARBURST and AWBURST signals.

The burst field is optional in the new_payload constructor and defaults to INCR.

The burst field is only relevant in read and write operations.

In RTL, the burst type of a snoop transaction is implicitly defined, when constructing a snoop payload, the burst field must be set to INCR, which is the default value.

Name	burst
Туре	ARM::AXI::Burst
Getter	Burst get_burst() const
Setter	N/A, fixed at payload construction
RTL signals	ARBURST, AWBURST
Default value	N/A, set by the constructor, defaults to INCR if not specified

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3.3.5. Address field

The address field indicates the address of the transaction. It is set during payload construction and can be altered after construction unless the change alters the interpretation of a wrapping burst beat orderings.

The field matches the field used by the ARADDR, AWADDR and ACADDR signals.

Name	address
Туре	uint64_t
Getter	<pre>uint64_t get_address() const</pre>
Setter	<pre>void set_address(uint64_t new_address)</pre>
RTL signals	ARADDR, AWADDR, ACADDR
Default value	N/A, set by the constructor

In fixed and incrementing burst transactions, the address refers to the base address of the memory accessed. In wrapping bursts, the address points to the critical beat of the transaction. For functional memory models, it is the base address that is relevant to the operation and this is extractable by using the get_base_address () function. In wrapping burst transactions, parts of the address determine the data beat ordering, therefore, setting the address must only be performed if it does not affect these bits. To test whether an address is valid, mask both new and old addresses with payload->get_len() << payload->get_size() and compare them.

3.3.6. ID field

The id field indicates the ID of the transaction. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	id
Туре	uint32_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARID, RID, AWID, BID
Default value	0

3.3.7. Lock field

The lock field indicates the exclusiveness of the transaction. It is set to LOCK_NORMAL at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARLOCK and AWLOCK signals.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

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Name	lock
Туре	ARM::AXI::Lock
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARLOCK, AWLOCK
Default value	lock_normal (0)

3.3.8. Cache field

The cache field indicates the Cacheability of the transaction. It is set to CACHE_AR_DEVICE_NB/CACHE_AW_DEVICE_NB at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARCACHE and AWCACHE signals.

The element is accessible as an integer value, an enumeration for read and write transactions. It is also accessible as a set of bit fields using the CacheBitEnum type allowing access to the individual B, M, A and AO bits. The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, it must be ignored.

Name	cache
Туре	ARM::AXI::Cache
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARCACHE, AWCACHE
Default value	CACHE_AR_DEVICE_NB/CACHE_AW_DEVICE_NB(0)

3.3.9. Prot field

The prot field indicates the protection level of the transaction. It is set to PROT_D_S_UP (data, secure, unprivileged) at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARPROT, AWPROT and ACPROT signals.

The element is accessible as an integer value, an enumeration, and as a set of bit fields using the ProtBitEnum type allowing access to the individual P, NS, and I bits.

Name	prot
Туре	ARM::AXI::Prot
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARPROT, AWPROT, ACPROT
Default value	prot_d_s_up (0)

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3.3.10. **QoS field**

The qos field indicates the quality of service value of the transaction. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	qos
Туре	uint8_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARQOS, AWQOS
Default value	0

3.3.11. Region field

The region field indicates the region of the transaction. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	region
Туре	uint8_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARREGION, AWREGION
Default value	0

3.3.12. User field

The user field indicates the user-defined signaling of the transaction. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field should be ignored.

Name	user
Туре	uint64_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARUSER, RUSER, AWUSER, WUSER, BUSER
Default value	0

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3.3.13. Snoop field

The snoop field indicates the transaction coherency type. It is set to NO_SNOOP at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARPROT, ARSNOOP, AWSNOOP, and ACSNOOP signals.

Name	snoop
Туре	ARM::AXI::Snoop
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARSNOOP, AWSNOOP, ACSNOOP
Default value	<pre>SNOOP_AW_WRITE_NO_SNOOP/SNOOP_AR_READ_NO_SNOOP/ SNOOP AC READ ONCE (0)</pre>

3.3.14. Domain field

The domain field indicates the Shareability domain of the transaction. It is set to DOMAIN_NSH (not shared) at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARDOMAIN and AWDOMAIN signals.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	domain
Туре	ARM::AXI::Domain
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARDOMAIN, AWDOMAIN
Default value	domain_nsh (0)

3.3.15. Bar field

The bar field indicates whether the operation is a barrier transaction. It is set to BAR_NORM (normal access) at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches the enumeration used by the ARBAR and AWBAR signals.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	bar
Туре	ARM::AXI::Bar
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
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RTL signalsARBAR, AWBARDefault valueBAR_NORM (0)

3.3.16. Unique field

The unique field is used with various write transactions to improve the operation of lower levels of the cache hierarchy. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in writes operations. In read and snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	unique
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWUNIQUE
Default value	false

3.3.17. Atop field

The atop field is used by atomic operations. It is set to ATOP_NON_ATOMIC at payload construction and can be altered after construction. The field is only relevant in writes operations.

In read and snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name	atop
Туре	ARM::AXI::Atop
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWATOP
Default value	false

3.3.18. VMID Extension field

The VMID extension field indicates the high order bits of the VMID used in DVM transactions. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in DVM carrying read and snoop transactions. In write operations, it should be ignored.

Name	vmid_ext
Туре	uint8_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARVMIDEXT, ACVMIDEXT
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Default value 0

3.3.19. Stash NID field

The Stash NID field indicates the node identifier of the physical interface that is the target interface for the cache stash operation. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name	stash_nid
Туре	uint16_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWSTASHNID
Default value	0

3.3.20. Stash NID Valid field

The Stash NID Valid field indicates the Stash NID field is valid and should be used. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name	stash_nid_valid
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWSTASHNIDEN
Default value	false

3.3.21. Stash LPID field

The Stash LPID field indicates the logical processor sub-unit associated with the physical interface that is the target for the cache stash operation. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

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Name	stash_lpid
Туре	uint8_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWSTASHLPID
Default value	0
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3.3.22. Stash LPID Valid field

The Stash LPID Valid field indicates the Stash LPID field is valid and should be used. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name	stash_lpid_valid
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWSTASHLPIDEN
Default value	false

3.3.23. Resp field

The resp field indicates the response status of the transaction. It is set to RESP_OKAY at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The enumeration matches that used by the RRESP, BRESP, and CRRESP signals with the addition of the RESP_INCONSISTENT value.

Name	resp
Туре	ARM::AXI::Resp
Getter	Resp get_resp() const
Setter	<pre>void set_resp(Resp resp)</pre>
RTL signals	RRESP, BRESP, CRRESP
Default value	resp_okay (0)

In read operations, each beat can have a different resp value. If resp values for all beats are equal, resp for the whole payload will be set to that value. If beat resps are not all equal, the resp field will be set to RESP_INCONSISTENT and the resp values for each beat will be accessible with the read_out_resps () function described in 3.5.1 AXI transaction-level read functions. The field should not be set to RESP_INCONSISTENT directly.

3.3.24. Unique ID field

The unique ID indicator is an optional flag that indicates when a request on the read and write address channels uses an AXI identifier that is unique for in-flight transactions. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read and write operations. In snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

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Name	idunq	
Туре	bool	
Getter	N/A, directly accessible	
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Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARIDUNQ, RIDUNQ, AWIDUNQ, BIDUNQ
Default value	false

3.3.25. Chunk Enable field

The read data chunking option enables a Target interface to send read data for a transaction in any order using a 128-bit granule. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

The field is only relevant in read operations. In write and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name	chunk_en
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARCHUNKEN
Default value	false

3.3.26. Untranslated Transaction Secure Stream Identifier field

In untranslated transactions, this field represents the Secure Stream Identifier. When deasserted it indicates a Non-secure stream. When asserted it indicates a Secure stream. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

Name	mmu_sec_sid
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMMUSECSID, AWMMUSECSID
Default value	false

3.3.27. Untranslated Transaction Secure Identifier field

In untranslated transactions, this field represents the Stream Identifier. Secure and Non-secure streams use different namespaces, qualified with AxMMUSECSID, so they can use the same stream identifier values. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

Name	mmu_sid
Туре	uint32_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMMUSID, AWMMUSID
Default value	0
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3.3.28. Untranslated Transaction Substream Identifier Valid field

In untranslated transactions, this field represents the Substream Identifier Valid. Indicates that the transaction has a substream identifier. When deasserted, this signal indicates that the transaction does not have a substream identifier. When asserted, this signal indicates that the transaction has a substream identifier. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

Name	mmu_ssid_v
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMMUSSIDV, AWMMUSSIDV
Default value	false

3.3.29. Untranslated Transaction Substream Identifier field

In untranslated transactions, this field represents the Substream Identifier. This signal is only valid if AxMMUSSIDV is asserted. For a single stream, the stream with substream 0 is a different stream from the stream with no valid substream. It is set to 0 at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

Name	mmu_ssid
Туре	uint32_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMMUSSID, AWMMUSSID
Default value	0

3.3.30. Untranslated Transaction Address Translated field

In untranslated transactions, this field represents Address Translated. It indicates that the transaction has already undergone PCIe ATS translation. This translation might be a full or partial translation in cases where two stages of translation are supported. When deasserted, this signal indicates that the transaction has not been translated. When asserted, this signal indicates that the transaction has been translated. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction.

Name	mmu_atst
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMMUATST, AWMMUATST
Default value	false

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3.3.31. Tag Match field

The Tag Match field indicates the result of a tag comparison on a write transaction. It is set to false at payload construction and can be altered after construction. It represents BTAGMATCH[0] in RTL. BTAGMATCH[1] is encoded into the phase. The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name	tag_match
Туре	bool
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	BTAGMATCH[0]
Default value	false

3.3.32. TagOp field

The TagOp field indicates the operation to be performed on the tags. It is set to TAG_OP_INVALID at phase construction.

Name	tag_op
Туре	TagOp
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARTAGOP, AWTAGOP
Default value	TAG_OP_INVALID

3.3.33. CMO field

The CMO field indicates the operation indicates the type of operation being requested. It is set to CMO_CLEAN_INVALID at phase construction.

Name	cmo
Туре	СМО
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	AWCMO
Default value	CMO_CLEAN_INVALID

3.3.34. MPAM field

The MPAM field contains the Memory Partitioning and Monitoring (MPAM) information. It is initialized to the default constructor at payload construction.

Name	mpam
Туре	Mpam
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Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARMPAM, AWMPAM
Default value	Mpam()

3.3.35. NSAID field

The NSAID field contains the Non-secure access identifiers. It is initialized to 0 at payload construction.

Name	nsaid
Туре	uint8_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARNSAID, AWNSAID, CRNSAID
Default value	0

3.3.36. Loopback field

The Loopback field permits an agent that is issuing transactions to store information that is related to the transaction in an indexed table. It is initialized to 0 at payload construction.

Name	loop
Туре	uint64_t
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, directly accessible
RTL signals	ARLOOP, AWLOOP, RLOOP, BLOOP
Default value	0

3.4. AXI helper functions

Several additional helper functions are provided to help working with AXI payloads.

get_beat_count()

As the value of the len field within the payload can be counter-intuitive, get_beat_count() provides the correct number of data beats for the payload.

Function	get_beat_	_count		
Prototype	unsigned	get_beat	count()	const

get beats complete()

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 30 of 61 The get_beats_complete() function provides the number of beats that have been filled within the payload. Models should not expect to be able to access beats which have not yet been communicated. This function is provided for debug purposes.

Function	get_beats	s_cor	nplete		
Prototype	unsigned	get_	beats	_complete()	const

get_data_length()

The get_data_length() function provides the size (in bytes) of the data payload of the whole transaction. Before calling the data copy out functions, a buffer must be allocated of at least the size returned by get_data_length().

Function	get_data_length					
Prototype	<pre>std::size_t get_data_length()</pre>	const				

get_base_address()

In wrapping transactions, the address field specifies an address of the critical beat rather than the base of the transaction. The get_base_address() function provides the base address of any transaction performing the appropriate rounding down for wrapping bursts.

Function	get_base_address				
Prototype	<pre>uint64_t get_base_address()</pre>	const			

get_atomic_response_length()

In Atomic transactions, get atomic response length () gives the length of the response.

Function	get_atomic_response_length	
Prototype	<pre>std::size_t get_atomic_response_length() </pre>	con

get_atomic_response_beat_count()

In Atomic transactions, get_atomic_response_beat_count () gives the number of response data beats.

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Function	get	atomic	response	beat	count
	_				

Prototype unsigned get_atomic_response_beat_count() const

get_atomic_response_beat_length ()

In Atomic transactions, get_atomic_response_beat_length() gives the length of a single beat.

Function get_atomic_response_beat_length

Prototype std::size_t get_atomic_response_beat_length() const

get_unaligned_skipped_chunks ()

In chunking transactions, get_unaligned_skipped_chunks () gives the number of chunks which are skipped. Skipped chunks are within the payload, occupy the lowest chunk indexes, but are not valid to be accessed.

Function get_unaligned_skipped_chunks

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 31 of 61 Prototype unsigned get_unaligned_skipped_chunks() const

3.5. AXI transaction-level data and response functions

Unlike the Generic TLM 2.0 payload, in ARM::AXI::Payload the data carried for the transaction is not directly accessible. Data is accessed through copy in and copy out access functions. Copying out data is only permitted on data that has previously been copied into the payload.

If the transaction is communicated across a socket as beats, copying out the data of the entire transaction is only permitted once the last data beat has been received. If all data is entered in one function call, the payload should have this data set before communicating the first data beat of the transaction.

3.5.1. AXI transaction-level read functions

The library provides a set of read functions for whole read transactions.

read_in()

Copy in the data for a whole read transaction from an array of get_data_length() bytes. resp is an optional array of per-beat responses that is get beat count() Resps long.

Function read_in

Prototype void read_in(const uint8_t* data, Resp* resp = NULL)

read_out()

Copy out the data for a whole read transaction to an array of get data length () bytes.

Function	read	out				
Prototype	void	read	_out(uint8_	_t*	data)	const

read_out_resps()

Copy out the beat response values for a whole read transaction to an array get_beat_count() Resps long.

```
Functionread_out_respsPrototypevoid read_out_resps(Resp* resp) const
```

3.5.2. AXI transaction-level write functions

The library provides a set of write functions for whole write transactions.

write_in()

Copy in the data for a whole write transaction from an array get_data_length() bytes long. An optional array of byte strobes ceil(get_data_length() / 8.0) bytes long can be passed to select what bytes to write. The strobes are organized as one bit for each data byte with the lowest bit

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 32 of 61 of byte strobe [0] corresponding to the lowest byte of data. If strobe is NULL (that is, the default value if not specified), all bytes are written.

Function write_in
Prototype void write_in(const uint8_t* data, const uint8_t* strobe
= NULL)

write_out()

Copy out the data for a whole write transaction into an array get data length () bytes long.

Function	write_out	
Prototype	<pre>void write_out(uint8_t* da</pre>	ta) const

write_out_strobes()

Copy out the strobes for a whole write transaction into an array ceil (get_data_length() / 8.0) bytes long.

Function	write	e_out_s	strok	bes			
Prototype	void	write_	_out_	_strobes(uint8_	_t*	strobe)	const

3.5.3. AXI transaction-level snoop functions

The library provides a set of snoop functions for whole snoop transactions.

snoop_in()

Copy in the data for a whole snoop transaction from an array get data length () bytes long.

Function	snoop_in				
Prototype	void snoo	p_in(const	uint8	_t*	data)

snoop_out()

Copy out the data for a whole snoop transaction into an array get data length () bytes long.

Function	snoop	out_				
Prototype	void	snoop_	_out(uint8_	_t*	data)	const

3.6. AXI beat-level data and response functions

If the transaction is communicated across a socket as beats, it is permissible to enter the data for individual beats before that beat is communicated across the socket. The data of an individual beat can be copied out of the payload once that beat has communicated across the socket. The beat index supplied to the copy out access functions is the index of the beat in communication sequence, not address sequence.

3.6.1. AXI beat-level read functions

The library provides a set of read functions for beat-level read transactions.

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read_in_beat()

Copy in the data for one beat of a read transaction from an array get_beat_data_length() bytes long. The beat response will be set to resp.

Function	read_in_beat
Prototype	<pre>void read_in_beat(const uint8_t* data, Resp resp = RESP_OKAY)</pre>

read_out_beat()

Copy out the data for one beat of a read transaction into an array get_beat_data_length() bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can be read out.

Function	read_out_beat
Prototype	<pre>void read_out_beat(unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

read_out_beat_resp()

Get the response for one beat of a read transaction. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can be copied out.

Function	read_out_beat_resp	
Prototype	Resp read_out_beat_resp(unsigned beat_index) con	nst

3.6.2. AXI beat-level write functions

The library provides a set of write functions for beat-level write transactions.

write_in_beat() for an array

Copy in the data for one beat of a write transaction. The write strobe is passed as an array ceil(get_beat_data_length() / 8.0) bytes long with the same strobe organization as for write_in() but with the lowest strobe bit corresponding to the *beat* data[0] rather than the data of the whole transaction.

Function	write_in_beat
Prototype	<pre>void write_in_beat(const uint8_t* data, const uint8_t* strobe = NULL)</pre>

write_in_beat() for a beat shorter than 64 bytes

Copy in the data for one beat of a write transaction where the beat is shorter than 64 bytes long (size <= SIZE_64).strobe encodes the byte strobes for the beat with the lowest bit of strobe being the strobe for data[0].

Function	write_in_beat
Prototype	<pre>void write_in_beat(const uint8_t* data, uint64_t strobe)</pre>

write_out_beat()

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 34 of 61 Copy out the data for one beat of a write transaction to an array get_beat_data_length() bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can be read out.

Function	write_out_beat
Prototype	<pre>void write_out_beat(unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

write out beat strobe() for an array

Copy out the strobes for one beat of a write transaction into an array

ceil(get_beat_data_length() / 8.0) bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can have their strobe copied out. The strobes are organized as one bit per data byte with the lowest bit of byte strobe[0] corresponding to the lowest byte of data.

Function	write_out_beat_strobe
Prototype	<pre>void write_out_beat_strobe(unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* strobe) const</pre>

write_out_beat_strobe() for a beat shorter than 64 bytes

Get the strobe for one beat of a write transaction where the beat is shorter than 64 bytes long (get_size() <= SIZE_64). The returned strobe will be organized with the lowest bit corresponding to the lowest address byte in the beat.

Function	write_out_beat_strobe
Prototype	<pre>uint64_t write_out_beat_strobe(unsigned beat_index) const</pre>

3.6.3. AXI beat-level snoop functions

The library provides a set of snoop functions for beat-level snoop transactions.

snoop_in_beat()

Copy in the data for one beat of a snoop transaction from an array get_beat_data_length() bytes long.

Function	snoop	_in_be	eat				
Prototype	void	snoop_	_in_	_beat(const	uint8_	_t*	data)

snoop_out_beat()

Copy out the data for one beat of a snoop transaction into an array get_beat_data_length() bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can have their strobe copied out.

Function	snoop_out_beat
Prototype	<pre>void snoop_out_beat(unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

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3.7. AXI chunk-level data and response functions

The library provides a set of functions for chunk-level transactions.

read_in_chunk()

Copy in the data for a single chunk to an array of 16 bytes.

Function:	read_in_chunk
Prototype:	<pre>void read_in_chunk(unsigned chunk_number, const uint8_t* data, Resp resp = RESP OKAY)</pre>

read_out_chunk()

Copy out the data for a single chunk to an array of 16 bytes.

Function:	read_out_chunk
Prototype:	<pre>void read_out_chunk(unsigned chunk_number, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

read_out_chunk_resp()

Get the response for a single chunk.

Function:	read_out_chunk_resp
Prototype:	Resp read_out_chunk_resp(unsigned chunk_number) const

3.8. AXI atomic response data functions

Data associated with the request for an atomic transaction is accessible using the standard write functions. The atomic response is accessible in the same payload using a set of functions for atomic transactions that the library provides.

read_in_atomic_response()

Copy in the data for a whole atomic transaction response to an array get atomic response length() bytes.

Function: read_in_atomic_response

Prototype: void read_in_atomic_response(const uint8_t* data)

read_out_atomic_response()

Copy in the data for a whole atomic transaction response to an array get atomic response length() bytes.

Function:	read_out_atomic_response	

Prototype: void read_out_atomic_response(const uint8_t* data)

read_in_atomic_response_beat()

Copy in the data for one beat of an atomic transaction response to an array get_atomic_response_beat_length() bytes.

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Function:	read_in_atomic_response_beat
Prototype:	<pre>void read_in_atomic_response_beat (const uint8_t* data)</pre>

read_out_atomic_response_beat()

Copy out the data for one beat of an atomic transaction response to an array get_atomic_response_beat_length() bytes.

Function:	read_out_atomic_response_beat
Prototype:	<pre>void read_out_atomic_response_beat (const uint8_t* data)</pre>

3.9. AXI Memory Tagging Extension functions

The library provides a set of functions for using the Memory Tagging Extension (MTE).

get_mte_tag_count()

Get the number of MTE tags needed to be sent with the transaction.

Function:	get_mte_t	tag_0	count	_		
Prototype:	unsigned	get	mte	tag	count()	const

set mte tag()

Set the MTE tag at a given index.

Function:	set_mte_tag
Prototype:	<pre>void set_mte_tag(unsigned chunk_index, MteTag tag)</pre>

get_mte_tag()

Get the MTE tag at a given index.

Function:	get_mte_tag
Prototype:	<pre>MteTag get_mte_tag(unsigned chunk_index) cons</pre>

3.10. AXI signal-level support functions

To help with communication between the signal level and TLM 2.0 models, a set of functions is provided to propagate data between the payload and raw signal-level interfaces.

3.10.1. AXI signal-level support read functions

The library provides a set of read functions to support signal-level read transactions.

read_in_beat_raw()

Copy in the data for one beat of a read transaction supplied in raw signal level format. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. data is an array (1 << width) bytes long.

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Function:	read_in_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void read_in_beat_raw(Size width, const uint8_t* data, Resp resp = RESP_OKAY)</pre>

read_out_beat_raw()

Copy out the data for one beat of a read transaction supplied in raw signal level format. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. data is an array (1 << width) bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can be read out.

Function:read_out_beat_rawPrototype:void read_out_beat_raw(Size width, unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* data) const

read_in_chunk_beat_raw()

Copy in the data for one beat of a chunking read transaction supplied in raw signal level format. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. data is an array (1 << width) bytes long. chunk_number contains the index of the chunk number, as supplied by RCHUNKNUM in signals or Phase. chunk_strobe contains the strobe, as supplied by RCHUNKNUM in signals or Phase.

Function:	read_in_chunk_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void read_in_chunk_beat_raw(Size width, const uint8_t* data, unsigned chunk_number, unsigned chunk_strobe, Resp resp = RESP_OKAY)</pre>

read_out_chunk_beat_raw()

Copy out the data for one beat of a read transaction supplied in raw signal level format. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. data is an array (1 << width) bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats that have already been written into a payload can be read out.

Function:	read_out_chunk_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void read_out_chunk_beat_raw(Size width, unsigned chunk_number, unsigned chunk_strobe, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

3.10.2. AXI signal-level support write functions

The library provides a set of write functions to support signal-level write transactions.

write_in_beat_raw() for a data channel

Copy in the data for one beat of a write transaction supplied in raw signal level format. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. data is an array (1 << width) bytes long. The write strobe is passed as an array ceil ((1 << 'width') / 8.0) bytes long with the same strobe organization as for write_in() but with the lowest strobe bit corresponding to the signal level beat data[0] rather than the data of the whole transaction.

Function:	write_in_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void write_in_beat_raw(Size width, const uint8_t* data, const uint8_t* strobe)</pre>

write in beat raw() for a data channel under 64 bytes wide

Copy in the data for one beat of a write transaction supplied in raw signal level format where width <= SIZE_64.width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port.data is an array (1 << width) bytes long. Strobes are organized with the lowest bit being the strobe for byte data[0].

Function:	write_in_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void write_in_beat_raw(Size width, const uint8_t* data, uint64 t strobe)</pre>

write_out_beat_raw()

Copy out the data for one beat of a write transaction supplied in raw signal level format. data is an array width bytes long. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats which have already been written into a payload can have their strobe copied out.

Function:	write_out_beat_raw
Prototype:	<pre>void write_out_beat_raw(Size width, unsigned beat_index, uint8_t* data) const</pre>

write_out_beat_raw_strobe()

Get the strobe for one beat of a write transaction. width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. The write strobe is passed as an array ceil (width / 8.0) bytes long with the same strobe organization as for write_in() but with the lowest strobe bit corresponding to the lowest data byte of the signal level beat rather than the data of the whole transaction.

Function:	write_out_beat_raw_strobe
Prototype:	<pre>void write_out_beat_raw_strobe(Size width, unsigned beat_index,</pre>

write_out_beat_raw_strobe() for a data channel under 64 bytes wide

Get the strobe for one beat of a write transaction supplied in raw signal level format where width <= SIZE_64.width is the width of the data channel (in bytes) in the signal level implementation of the AXI port. Strobes are organized with the lowest bit being the strobe for byte data[0]. The first beat of a transaction has index 0. Only beats that have already been written into a payload can have their strobe copied out.

Function:	write_out_beat_raw_strobe
Prototype:	<pre>uint64_t write_out_beat_raw_strobe(Size width, unsigned beat_index) const</pre>

3.10.3. AXI signal-level support snoop

There are no specific signal-level helper functions for handling snoop data. You can use the signal-level read functions to handle the CD AXI channel.

3.11. AXI payload propagation

Two methods are provided to enable models to create new payloads derived from payloads that have been received.

In a very simple system, payloads are generated at the transaction initiator, they are transmitted to the target model which fills in the response fields and passes the payload back to the initiator. In more complex systems, the payload can pass through several models between the initiator and the target. It is legal and encouraged for a module that only propagates the transaction unchanged to forward the payload that was received.

Other models need to amend the payload before propagating it. A model which receives a transaction over a socket is only permitted to write the data and response fields and only if it is the final target model. No other fields should be changed as the payload can still be in use by other models.

3.11.1. AXI descend function

The descend() function creates a new payload and it copies all fields from a previous payload to create a new copy of that payload.

The function takes the same parameters as new_payload() and there is no restriction on what kind of payload is generated from the parent. All fields not set by the constructor can be altered before propagating just like a new payload. descend() can be called multiple times on a single payload creating multiple derived transactions.

We recommend you use descend () when creating derived payloads rather than directly creating new payloads. See **5.1.1 UID field** and **5.1.2 Parent field** for features that can help when handling derived payloads. When responses of descended transactions return, it is the job of the model that descended the payload to copy the response and data from the descended payload to the original before propagating the original back upstream.

3.11.2. AXI clone function

clone() creates a new payload based on the original, similar to descend(), but data and response fields of the payload are shared between the cloned payload and the original.

Models such as simple interconnects, address mappers and other models that change transaction request fields but do not alter the command or the burst qualifications should use the clone () function to create a new payload.

A new payload created using clone () will have all fields set to the same values as the original. Construction time fields (command, size, len, burst and bits of the address) cannot be changed. All other fields can be changed before the payload is propagated.

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Non-Confidential Page 40 of 61 As the response and data fields are shared, a target model which sets the response and data values of the cloned payload also sets those of the original. For this reason, each payload can be cloned at most once. The model which cloned the payload does not need to copy the transaction response between the cloned and original.

4. CHI protocol

The AMBA CHI TLM 2.0 Library is designed to be sufficiently flexible to enable modeling of any CHI connected element. This includes coherency and caching agents. The CHI payload is designed to be usable by a range of abstractions from purely behavioral untimed models, to interfacing with RTL signal level simulations at a signal and cycle-accurate level.

4.1. CHI phases

CHI communications use several channels.

CHI channels

Each CHI port logically consists of several CHI channels. The complete set of channels is:

- REQ
- SNP
- RSP
- DAT

Individual channels can be replicated to form multiple subchannels.

CHI channel phases

The channels of a port are modeled with a single TLM 2.0 socket. The channel field in ARM::CHI::Phase indicates what channel is being used.

CHI uses link credits for flow control. With non-blocking communication, flits sent using a link credit are accepted by the receiver without requiring a response. For example, nb_transport_fw/bw() returns with tlm::TLM_ACCEPTED. For more information on link credits, see 4.3 CHI link credits.

4.2. CHI payload alterations

As with other TLM APIs, fields within the CHI TLM payload are considered one time mutable. A field is set once by the relevant agent (either the requestor, or the target) and must not change again for the duration of the lifetime of the transaction. As different parts of the transaction (requests, responses, and data) can be communicated at different points in the system simultaneously, changing the payload will result in changing all views of the payload globally, which is generally incorrect.

Due to CHI interconnects not being restricted to acyclic directed graph formation, the path of the response can be different than the path of the request. In traditional schemes (for example, AXI) it was possible to change fields of a payload request, by creating a new payload with the new field values and passing this downstream. On the receipt of a response, the field altering agent can propagate any response fields to the original payload and use this as the upstream response. As the response in the CHI might take a different path than the request, and therefore the opportunity to convert the descended payload back to the original before forwarding it to the requestor is no longer available.

Copyright [©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 42 of 61 The payload descending field alteration scheme can only be used if the altering agent is the only route to a requestor or target.

Many of the CHI fields change several times during the lifetime of the transaction. For example, the TgtID, used by the interconnect to route the flit to the correct destination, will be different in various flits (request, response, and data). Some transactions might generate two simultaneous responses to different targets. As altering the payload post is not permitted, such fields are implemented in the phase object. The phase is only valid during the TLM calls and a copy made in case the content is required after a return from this call type.

4.3. CHI link credits

Link credits are communicated through TLM calls. These calls can set the appropriate Channel, SubChannel values, and set LCrd to true in the phase object or set the command to LCrdReturn to communicate a return of a credit. The payload used should not be altered by the target because no fields within it are valid. The Requester can use either a valid payload or use the dummy payload.

4.4. CHI payload generation

Payloads are reference-counted and are managed by a single global payload pool. Local payloads allocated on the stack are not permitted and are protected by having a private constructor for the payload.

A new CHI payload is constructed by calling ARM::CHI::Payload::new_payload().

Unless otherwise stated, newly generated payloads will have all fields set to 0, except for the AllowRetry field.

The payload is allocated with a reference count of 1. The reference count of the payload can be incremented and decremented using the ref() and unref() functions respectively. It is the duty of the model that called the constructor to unref() the payload once it is no longer holding any pointers to it. All models which keep a pointer to a payload should ref() the payload and unref() it once the pointer is discarded.

4.5. CHI payload use

All requests use a new payload unless the CHI protocol requires the request to generate responses to a different node. If responses to a different node are required, the request must use the same payload as the request that the responses belong to.

For example, all requests generated by a Request Node use a new payload, but a Home Node must use an existing payload if it chooses to complete a transaction using DMT, DCT, or DWT.

In CHI, messages that are not attributable to a specific transaction can:

• Use a new payload.

- Use an existing payload, if fields in that payload match payload fields in the message to send or can be updated, subject to the payload alteration rules in **4.2 CHI payload alterations**.
- Use the dummy payload if the message does not carry any fields in the payload.

Messages that this payload applies to include:

- L-Credits
- PCrdGrant
- *LCrdReturn
- TagMatch
- Persist

4.6. CHI field location summary

For CHI, the fields are split between phase and payload.

The following table shows each CHI field and its location and the corresponding TLM field.

Table 4-1: CHI field locations

CHI field	Location	TLM field
Target Identifier, TgtID	Phase	tgt_id
Source Identifier, SrcID	Phase	src_id
Home Node Identifier, HomeNID	Phase	home_nid
Return Node Identifier, ReturnNID	Phase	return_nid
Forward Node Identifier, FwdNID	Phase	fwd_nid
Logical Processor Identifier, LPID	Payload	lpid
Persistence Group Identifier, PGroupID	Payload	p_group_id
Stash Node Identifier, StashNID	Phase	stash_nid
Stash Node Identifier Valid, StashNIDValid	Payload	stash_nid_valid
Stash Logical Processor Identifier, StashLPID	Phase	stash_lpid.value
Stash Logical Processor Identifier Valid, StashLPIDValid	Phase	stash_lpid.valid
Stash Group Identifier, StashGroupID	Payload	stash_group_id
Transaction Identifier, TxnID	Phase	txn_id
Return Transaction Identifier, ReturnTxnID	Phase	return_txn_id
Forwarding Transaction Identifier, FwdTxnID	Phase	fwd_txn_id
Data Buffer Identifier, DBID	Phase	dbid

CHI field	Location	TLM field
Channel opcodes, Opcode	Phase	 req_opcode snp_opcode rsp_opcode dat_opcode raw_opcode
Deep persistence, Deep	Payload	deep
Address, Addr	Payload	address
Non-secure, NS	Payload	ns
Size of transaction data, Size	Payload	size
Memory Attribute, MemAttr	Payload	mem_attr
Snoop Attribute, SnpAttr	Phase	snp_attr
Do Direct Write Transfer, DoDWT	Phase	do_dwt
Likely Shared, LikelyShared	Payload	likely_shared
Ordering requirements, Order	Phase	order
Exclusive, Excl	Payload	exclusive
Endian	Payload	endian
Allow Retry, AllowRetry	Phase	allow_retry
Expect Completion Acknowledge, ExpCompAck	Phase	exp_comp_ack
SnoopMe	Payload	snoop_me
Return to Source, RetToSrc	Payload	ret_to_src
Data Pull, DataPull	Payload	data_pull
Do not transition to SD state, DoNotGoToSD	Payload	do_not_go_to_sd
Quality of Service priority level, QoS	Phase	qos
Protocol Credit Type, PCrdType	Phase	pcrd_type
Tag Operation, TagOp	Phase	tag_op
Тад	Payload	tag
Tag Update, TU	Payload	tu
Tag Group Identifier, TagGroupID	Payload	tag_group_id
Memory System Performance Resource Partitioning and Monitoring, MPAM	Payload	mpam
Virtual Machine Identifier Extension, VMIDExt	Phase	vmid_ext

4.7. CHI phase fields

The library provides a set of CHI phase fields.

CHI fields are split between the phase and payload, see the table in 4.6 CHI field location summary.

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4.7.1. Channel field

The channel field indicates the channel the transaction is being communicated on. It is set to CHANNEL_REQ at phase construction. Other permissible values are CHANNEL_SNP, CHANNEL_RSP and CHANNEL_DAT.

Name:	channel
Type:	Channel
Default value:	CHANNEL_REQ

4.7.2. SubChannel field

When channels are replicated on a single interface, the sub_channel field indicates the replicated sub-channel index the transaction is being communicated on. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	sub_channel
Type:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.7.3. Opcode field

The opcode field specifies the transaction type and is the primary field that determines the transaction structure. It is set to 0 at phase construction. Four different enumerations are used depending on the channel type, only one of which is valid at one time. The raw_opcode value allows access to the numerical form of the value.

Name:	req_opcode, snp_opcode, rsp_opcode, dat_opcode, raw_opcode
Туре:	<pre>ARM::CHI::{Req, Snp, Rsp, Dat}Opcode, uint8_t</pre>
Default value:	ARM::CHI::{REQ, SNP, RSP, DAT}_OPCODE_REQ_LCRD_RETURN, 0

4.7.4. LCrd field

The lcrd field indicates the call is to pass a link credit. On a credit pass call, only channel and sub_channel phase fields are valid. All other phase fields and payload fields are undefined. It is set to false at phase construction.

Name:	lcrd
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

4.7.5. SrcID field

The src_id field indicates the node ID of the port on the component from which the packet was sent. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name: src_id

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4.7.6. TgtID field

The tgt_id field indicates the node ID of the port on the component to which the packet is targeted. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name: tgt_id Type: uint16_t Defaultvalue: 0

4.7.7. StashNID field

The stash_nid field indicates the node ID of the Stash target. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	stash_nid
Type:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.8. ReturnNID field

The return_nid field indicates the node ID that the response with Data is to be sent to. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	return_nid
Туре:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.9. FwdNID field

The fwd nid field indicates the node ID of the original Requester. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	fwd_nid
Туре:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.10. HomeNID field

The home_nid field indicates the node ID of the target of the CompAck response to be sent from the Requester. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	home_nid
Туре:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

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4.7.11. SLCRepHint field

The slc_rep_hint field indicates node ID of the Stash target. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	slc_rep_hint
Type:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.12. TxnID field

The txn_id field indicates the unique transaction ID for each source node. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	txn_id
Type:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.13. DBID field

The dbid field indicates the ID to be used as the TxnID in the response to this message. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	dbid
Туре:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.14. ReturnTxnID field

The return_txn_id field indicates the unique transaction ID that conveys the value of TxnID in the data response from the Target. It is set to 0 at payload construction. The field is only relevant in DMT transactions.

Name:	return_txn_id
Туре:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

4.7.15. FwdTxnID field

The fwd_txn_id field indicates the transaction ID used in the Request by the original Requester. It is set to 0 at payload construction. The field is only relevant in DMT transactions.

Name:	fwd_txn_id
Type:	uint16_t
Default value:	0

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4.7.16. VMIDExt field

The vmid ext field indicates the Virtual Machine ID Extension. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	vmid_ext
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.7.17. StashLPID field

The stash_lpid field indicates the Stash Logical Processor ID value and the Valid bit. Both the value and the valid bit are set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	stash_lpid
Туре:	ARM::CHI::Phase::StashLPID
Default value:	{0,0}

4.7.18. Order field

The order field indicates the order of the transaction. The type holds the same enumeration as the AMBA® 5 CHI Architecture Specification. It is set to ORDER NO ORDER at phase construction.

Name:	order
Type:	Order
Default value:	ORDER_NO_ORDER

4.7.19. SnpAttr field

The snp_attr field indicates the snoop attributes associated with the transaction. It is set to false at phase construction.

Name:	snp_attr
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

4.7.20. AllowRetry field

The allow_retry field indicates if the target is permitted to give a Retry response. It is set to true at phase construction.

Name:	allow_retry
Туре:	bool
Default value:	true

4.7.21. DataID field

The data_id field indicates the address offset of the data provided in the packet. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name: data_id Type: uint8_t Default value: 0

4.7.22. Resp field

The resp field indicates the cache line state associated with a data transfer. It is set to RESP_I at phase construction.

Name:	resp	
Туре:	Resp	
Default value:	RESP	Ι

4.7.23. FwdState field

The fwd_state field indicates the cache line state associated with a data transfer to the Requester from the receiver of the snoop. It is set to RESP_I at phase construction.

Name:	fwd_state
Туре:	Resp
Default value:	RESP_I

4.7.24. RespErr field

The resp_err field indicates the error status associated with a data transfer. It is set to RESP ERR OK at phase construction.

Name:	resp_err
Туре:	RespErr
Default value:	RESP_ERR_OK

4.7.25. CBusy field

The c_busy field indicates the current level of activity at the Completer. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	c_busy
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.7.26. ExpCompAck field

The exp_comp_ack bit indicates that the transaction will include a Completion Acknowledge message. It is set to false at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:exp_comp_ackType:boolDefault value:false

4.7.27. PCrdType field

The pcrd_type field indicates the type of Protocol Credit being used by a request that has the AllowRetry field deasserted. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	pcrd_type
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.7.28. QoS field

The qos field specifies 1 of 16 possible priority levels for the transaction with ascending values of QoS indicating higher priority levels. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	qos
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.7.29. TagOp field

The tag_op field indicates the operation to be performed on the tags present in the corresponding DAT channel. It is set to 0 at phase construction.

Name:	tag_op
Туре:	TagOp
Default value:	TAG_OP_INVALID

4.7.30. DoDWT field

The do_dwt field indicates that the Subordinate requests write data directly from the Requester. It is set to false at payload construction.

Name:	do_dwt
Type:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8. CHI payload fields

The payload can represent any CHI transaction.

The payload contains fields that use the same enumeration encodings as the hardware implementation as listed in the AMBA® 5 CHI Architecture Specification.

CHI fields are split between the phase and payload, see the table in 4.6 CHI field location summary.

4.8.1. Payload address field

The address field indicates the address value of the transaction. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	address
Туре:	uint64_t
Default value:	0

When transmitting data on channels smaller than a cache line, the critical chunk (that is, the beat containing the byte that is addressed) is decoded from the respective bits of the address field. For example, when addressing a 64-byte cache line on a 16-byte data channel, bits 5:4 are assumed to be the critical chunk ID (CCID). This chunk is, when possible, given transmission priority and is encoded as DataID in the DAT phase.

4.8.2. Size field

The size field indicates the Size value of the transaction. The enumeration matches that used by the size field used in the REQ channel. It is set to SIZE_1 at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:	size
Туре:	ARM::CHI::Size
Default value:	SIZE_1 (0)

4.8.3. MemAttr field

The mem_attr field indicates the MemAttr value of the transaction. The enumeration matches that used by the MemAttr field used in the REQ channel. It is set to 0 at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:	mem_attr
Туре:	ARM::CHI::MemAttr
Default value:	<pre>MEM_ATTR_NORMAL_NC_NB (0)</pre>

4.8.4. LPID field

The lpid field indicates the Logical Processor ID (LPID), used in conjunction with the src_id field to uniquely identify the logical processor that generated the request. It is set to 0 at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:	lpid
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.8.5. **PGroupID field**

The p_group_id field indicates the set of CleanSharedPersistSep transactions to which the request applies. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	p_group_id
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.8.6. StashGroupID field

The stash_group_id field indicates the set of StashOnceSep transactions to which the request applies. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	stash_group_id
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.8.7. TagGroupID field

The tag_group_id is typically expected to contain Exception Level, TTBR value, and CPU identifier. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	tag_group_id
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.8.8. Excl field

The exclusive field indicates that the corresponding transaction is an Exclusive access transaction. It is set to false at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:	exclusive	
Туре:	bool	
Default value:	false	

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4.8.9. SnoopMe field

The snoop_me field indicates that Home must determine whether to send a snoop to the Requester. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in Atomic transactions.

Name:	snoop_me
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.10. Endian field

The endian bit indicates the endianness of Data in the Data packet for Atomic transactions. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in Atomic operations.

Name:	endian
Type:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.11. StashNIDValid field

The stash_nid_valid field indicates the Stash NID field is valid and should be used. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in write operations. In read and snoop transactions, it should be ignored.

Name:	stash_nid_valid
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.12. Deep field

The deep bit indicates that the Persist response must not be sent until all earlier writes are written to the final destination. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in Persistent CMO operations.

Name:	deep
Type:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.13. NS field

The ns field indicates if the transaction is Non-secure or Secure. It is set to false at payload construction.

Name:	ns
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

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4.8.14. LikelyShared field

The likely_shared field indicates an allocation hint for downstream caches. It is set to false at payload construction. In snoop transactions, this field must be ignored.

Name:	likely_shared
Type:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.15. RetToSrc field

The ret_to_src bit instructs the receiver of the snoop to return Data with the Snoop response. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in Snoop transactions.

Name:	ret_to_src	
Туре:	bool	
Default value:	false	

4.8.16. DoNotGoToSD field

The do_not_go_to_sd bit controls Snoopee use of SD state. It is set to false at payload construction. The field is only relevant in Snoop transactions.

Name:	do_not_go_to_sd
Туре:	bool
Default value:	false

4.8.17. RSVDC field

The rsvdc field is used for user-defined values. It is set to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	rsvdc
Type:	uint32_t
Default value:	0

4.8.18. DataPull field

The data pull field indicates the inclusion of an implied read request in the data response.

Name:	data_pull	
Туре:	ARM::CHI::DataPull	
Default value:	ARM::CHI::DATA_PULL_NO_READ	

4.8.19. DataSource field

The data_source field indicates the source of the data in a read data response. Copyright[©] 2019, 2023 Arm Limited (or its affiliates). All rights reserved. Non-Confidential Page 55 of 61

Name:	data_source	
Туре:	uint8_t	
Default value:	0	

4.8.20. MPAM field

The mpam field contains a label, identifying the partition to which it belongs, together with the performance monitoring group within that partition.

Name:	mpam
Туре:	ARM::CHI::Mpam
Default value:	{0,0,false}

4.8.21. TU field

The tu (Tag Update) field indicates which of the allocation tags must be updated.

Name:	tu
Туре:	uint8_t
Default value:	0

4.8.22. Tag field

The tag field provides sets of 4-bit tags, each associated with an aligned 16 bytes of data.

Name:	tag	
Туре:	uint8_t[4]	
Default value:	0	

4.8.23. Data field

The data field indicates the data of the transaction. It is cleared to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	data	
Туре:	uint8_t[64]	
Default value:	0	

4.8.24. BE field

The byte_enable field indicates the byte enable mask of the transaction. It is cleared to 0 at payload construction.

Name:	byte_enable
Туре:	uint64_t
Default value:	0

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4.9. CHI payload functions

The library provides a set of payload functions for CHI transactions.

4.9.1. Payload creation functions

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new_payload()

Create a new payload. The returned payload has its fields set to their default state.

Function:	new_payload	
Prototype:	static Payload*	new_payload()

descend()

Create a new payload and setting the parent payload to be the object the function is called on.

Function:	descend	
Prototype:	Payload*	descend()

get_dummy()

Get the dummy payload that can be used for LCRD passing operations. The content of the payload is undefined. The payload can have ref and unref called on it, but we do not encourage it.

Function:	get_dummy		
Prototype:	static Payload*	get_dummy	()

4.9.2. Reference counting functions

The library provides a set of reference counting functions for CHI payloads.

ref()

Increment the payload reference count.

Function:	ref

Prototype: void ref()

unref()

Decrement the payload reference count. If a payload reference count reached zero, it will be returned to the pool.

Function:	unref
Prototype:	<pre>void unref()</pre>

4.10. CHI payload propagation

In a very simple system, payloads are generated at the transaction initiator, they are transmitted to the target model which fills in the response fields and passes the payload back to the initiator. In more complex systems, the payload can pass through several models between the initiator and the target. It is legal and encouraged for a module which only propagates the transaction unchanged to forward the payload that was received.

Other models need to amend the payload before propagating it. A model which receives a transaction over a socket is only permitted to write the data and response fields and only if it is the final target model. No other fields should be changed as the payload can still be in use by other models.

4.10.1. CHI descend function

The descend() function creates a new payload and copies all fields from a previous payload to create a new copy of that payload. The function takes the same parameters as new_payload() and there is no restriction on what kind of payload is generated from the parent. All fields not set by the constructor can be altered before propagating just like a new payload. descend() can be called multiple times on a single payload creating multiple derived transactions.

It is strongly encouraged to use descend () when creating derived payloads rather than directly creating new payloads. See **5.1.1 UID field** and **5.1.2 Parent field** for features that can help when handling derived payloads. When responses of descended transactions return, it is the job of the model that descended that payload to copy the response and data from the descended payload to the original before propagating the original back upstream.

5. Additional payload features

Several fields are attached to all payloads to help the programmer working with AXI and CHI payloads. These fields have no representation in the signal-level implementation and should have no influence on the behavior of a model.

5.1. Additional payload fields

The library provides additional payload fields.

5.1.1. UID field

The uid field is a unique payload ID that can be used to refer to a specific payload. It is set to a unique value at payload construction and cannot be altered after construction. The uid is unique for each payload constructed and is not reused even if a payload is destroyed. uid is not copied by clone or descend operations, and child payloads have a new, unique uid value. The uid of O is never allocated to a payload and can be used as a sentinel value where uid fields are used as key values outside ARM::AXI::Payload.

Name:	uid
Туре:	uint64_t const
Getter:	N/A, directly accessible
Setter:	N/A, const
RTL signals:	N/A, simulation construct

5.1.2. Parent field

The parent field is a pointer to the payload that this payload is descended from. In newly constructed payloads it is set to NULL unless the payload is constructed by descending or cloning in which case the parent field is set to point to the original payload. It cannot be altered post payload construction.

Descended and cloned payloads that refer to a parent increment the reference count of that parent and decrement the parent reference count when they are destroyed. It is always safe to look at the parent of any payload (if it has one) and no manual referencing is required. It is possible to walk up the parent tree to find the original transaction that triggered the current one.

Name:	parent
Туре:	Payload* const
Getter	N/A, directly accessible
Setter	N/A, const
RTL signals	N/A, simulation construct

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5.2. Extension system

The payload extension system allows additional fields to be added to payloads. All payloads have space allocated to hold all extensions whether they are set or not.

Values of extensions are copied when a payload is descended (or cloned in AXI). Extension fields in new payloads are created using the default constructor and destroyed using the default destructor when the payload is returned to the pool. Each extension can be of any object type.

Extensions must be declared before any payload object is created. Because extensions are typically declared by models, no payloads can be created before all models in a system are instantiated.

A payload extension handle is a class that provides access to a payload extension value. Constructing the handle during model instantiation adds the extension to the set allocated in payloads (if it has not already been added). The first handle for an extension must be created to register the extension before any payloads are created. Constructing two handles with the same name and type give accessors to the same extension.

The following example code constructs an extension named CORE_ID of type uint32_t:

ARM::AXI::PayloadExtension<uint32_t> core_id_accessor("CORE_ID");

Providing a payload to the accessor through the get () function returns a non-const reference to the value for that payload extension. Reading and writing the value of the extension can be done through this reference. The following example code demonstrates changing an extension value:

```
uint32_t& core_id_value = core_id_accessor.get(&payload);
core_id_value &= 0xF;
```

5.2.1. Custom Extension Managers

When an extension manager is not defined, similar to the previous example, the default extension manager is used.

The default extension manager uses the default constructor, copy constructor, and destructor for the actions of creating a new payload, descending a payload, and returning the payload to the pool, respectively. It is possible to perform relevant actions.

An example of a custom extension manager is available in tests/extensions.cpp.

Appendix A. Revisions

This appendix describes the technical changes between released issues of this document.

Table A-1: Issue 01

Change	Location
First issue	-

Table A-2: Differences between issue 01 and issue 02

Change	Location
Document renamed from Arm [®] AMBA [®] TLM 2.0 Library Developer Guide to AMBA [®] TLM 2.0 Library Reference Manual	-
Previous document issue numbering format updated from 1000-00 to 01	-
Editorial updates	Whole document
Added information about CHI header files and socket types	 2.1 Header file structure 2.2 Socket types
Moved section to 2 AMBA TLM 2.0 Library overview	2.3 Clocking
Added sections to 3.1 AXI phases	3.1.2 QOSACCEPT3.1.3 RCHUNKNUM and RCHUNKSTRB
Added sections to 3 AXI protocol	 3.1 AXI phases 3.8 AXI atomic response data functions 3.9 AXI Memory Tagging Extension functions
Added chapter	4 CHI protocol
Moved sections to 5 Additional payload features	5.1 Additional payload fields5.2 Extension system