PicoBlaze Software Development Kit for Multiprocessor APRS controller

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Abstract

The main goal of this paper is to present an application which is able to configure and program multiprocessor PicoBlaze systems for Spartan 3E Development Kit. Presented application is able to control an Automatic Packet Report System node controller implemented in field-programmable gate array (FPGA). The project units are defined in VHDL, and target a Xilinx Spartan-3E FPGA. Some of the VHDL modules, like, UART controller or, port_selector are generic and can be reused in other designs. The hardware project it was designed by using Xilinx ISE 12.3 CAD tool and PicoBlaze EDK and SDK it was developed in Visual Basic.

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