





Super-low latency Ternary-CAM IP-Core

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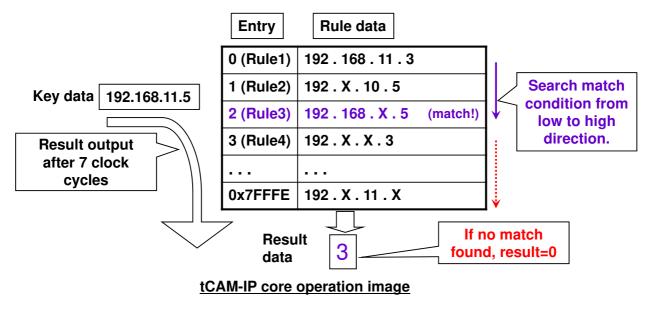
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tCAM-IP core summary

- Super low latency ternary (0,1,X) CAM controller IP core.
- Searching latency=7 clock (constant), up to 512K rule entry.





tCAM-IP core advantage

- Continuous operation under 200MHz clock speed.
- Searching latency is constant at 7 clock cycles.
- Up to 512K rule entries.
- Key bit width 64/56/48/40/32/24 bits
- Support customization
 - Expand rule entry count or key bit width.
 - Support external memory usage.

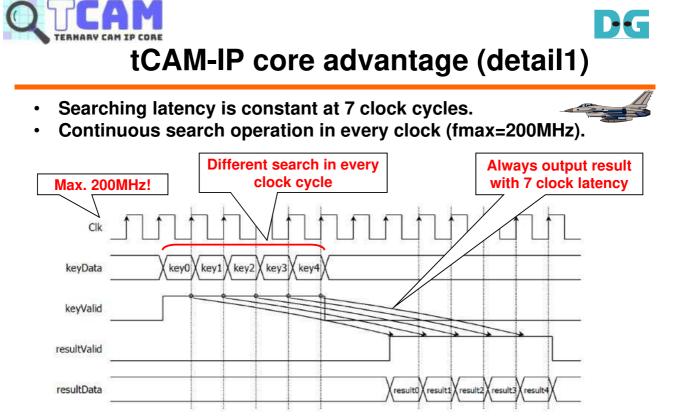




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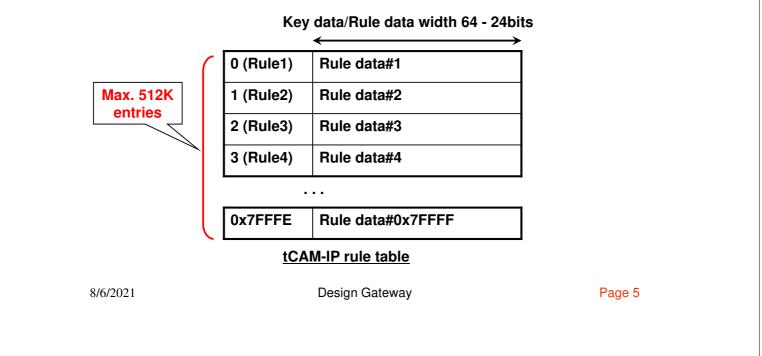
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Timing waveform during search operation



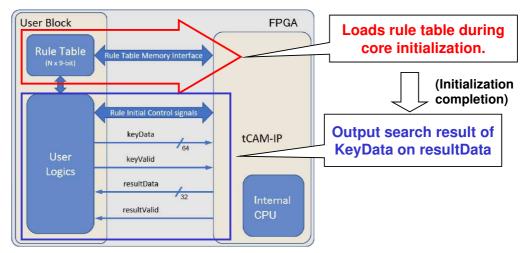
- Rule count 512K entries at maximum.
- Key data width: Selectable from 64/56/48/40/32/24 bits.





tCAM-IP core operation

- tCAM-IP core loads rule table during initialization.
- Search result of KeyData appears on resultData.



tCAM-IP core operation



tCAM-IP core initialization

- Initialization starts by ruleInit assertion.
- tCAM-IP core loads rule table from user block area.
- tCAM-IP negates ruleBusy after initialization.
- If result status is OK, search operation is ready.
- Initialization time depends on key and rule table size.

Key width	Rule size	Init. time
32bit	1K	523msec
32bit	64K	2,957msec
64bit	1K	620msec
64bit	64K	15,472msec

tCAM-IP core initialization time



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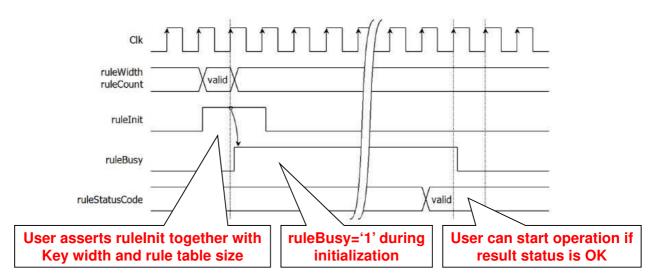
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• tCAM-IP loads rule data from user block area

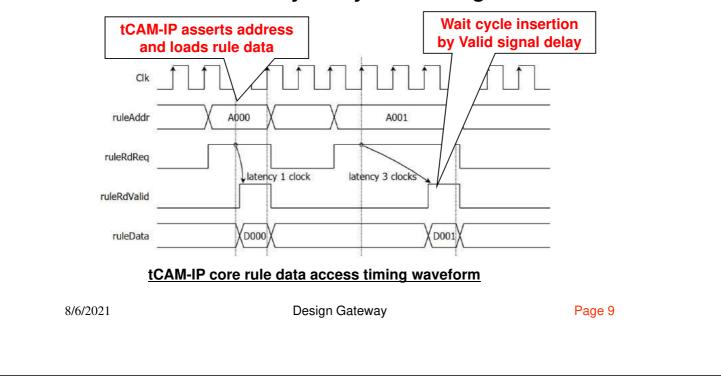


tCAM-IP initialization timing waveform



tCAM-IP core initialization (detail2)

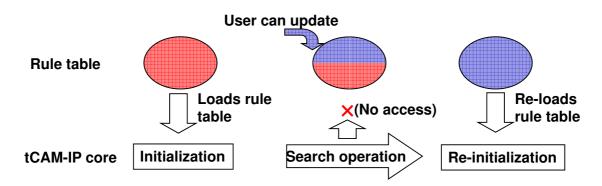
- tCAM-IP loads and scans rule table data in user block.
- User can insert wait cycle by controlling ruleRdValid.





Rule table update

- tCAM-IP does not access to rule table after initialization.
- So user can update rule data during core operation.
- tCAM-IP re-loads updated data by re-initialization.



Rule table update during search operation





Example Implementation Statistics

Family	Example Device	Fmax (MHz)	CLB Regs	CLB LUTs	CLB1	IOB	BRAMTile ²	Design Tools	
Kintex UltraScale+	XCKU5P-FFVB676-2-E	200	3749	3344	1519		292	Vivado2019.1	

Notes:

1) Actual logic resource dependent on percentage of unrelated logic

2) Exclude user rule table memory, Ex: 256K x 9-bit rule table memory will take 64 BRAMTile.

tCAM-IP core resource usage

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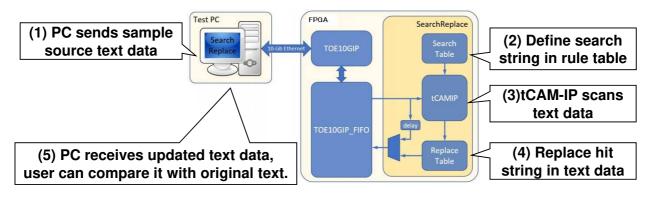
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Demo1 (Search&Replace demo)

- Connect PC and KCU116 by 10GbE.
- PC sends sample source text data to FPGA.
- tCAM-IP core searches specified string in text data, then replace it with another string.
- PC receives updated text data after replacement.



tCAM-IP core search and replace demo



Demo2 (ChipScope waveform)

- Measure real search time by ChipScope.
- System clock frequency = 200MHz.
- User can confirm 7 clocks latency search time.

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tCAM-IP waveform measured by ChipScope

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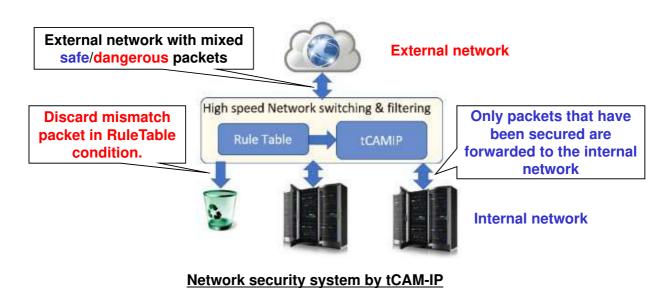
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Application example

Network switch or filtering system.







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1.0XE	5-Aug-21	1st English Revision (Rev1.0XE)							