GigE FPGA Core

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Sensor to Image GmbH

Founded in 1989 as specialist for machine vision components, especially for custom specific imaging solutions

- Framegrabber
- Linescan cameras
- Smart cameras
- FPGA technology
 - FPGA based image processing
 - FPGA IP Cores (e.g. GigE Core)



Services

- customized variants of our standard products, but also complete new developments
- hard- und software development for smart components with operating system and networking connectivity
- design training and coaching



Slides

The slides of this presentation are available online: www.sensor-to-image.de www.vdma.org/vision



Designing a GigE Device

- in house development
- integrate GigE components, e.g. communication modules
- new: integrate FPGA IP Core

In House Development

+ no cost for third parties
+ no dependencies on other companies
+ full flexibility

- time
- development cost



Integrate Third Party GigE Components

- + prooven functionality
- + time
- + reduces development cost
- limited flexibility
- cost for components
- dependency on other company



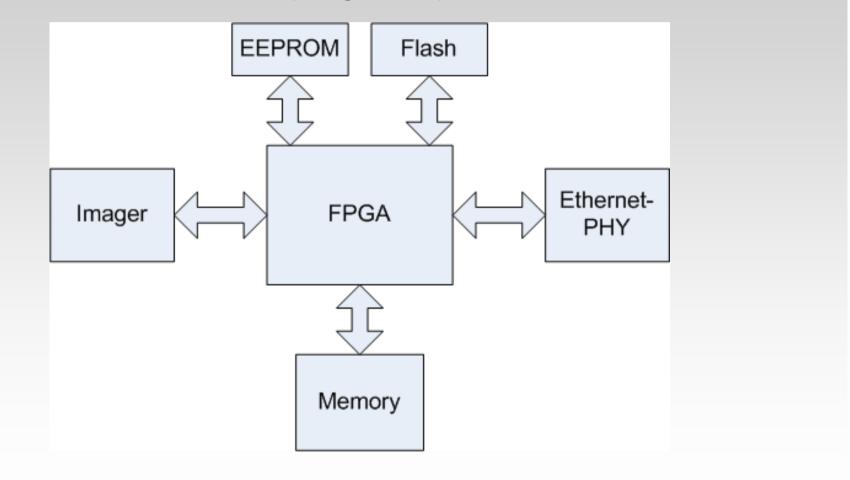
Integrate GigE FPGA IP Core

- + prooven functionality
- + time
- + reduces development cost
- + full flexibility
- + low dependency on other company
- FPGA knowledge needed
- cost for core





(Example camera)

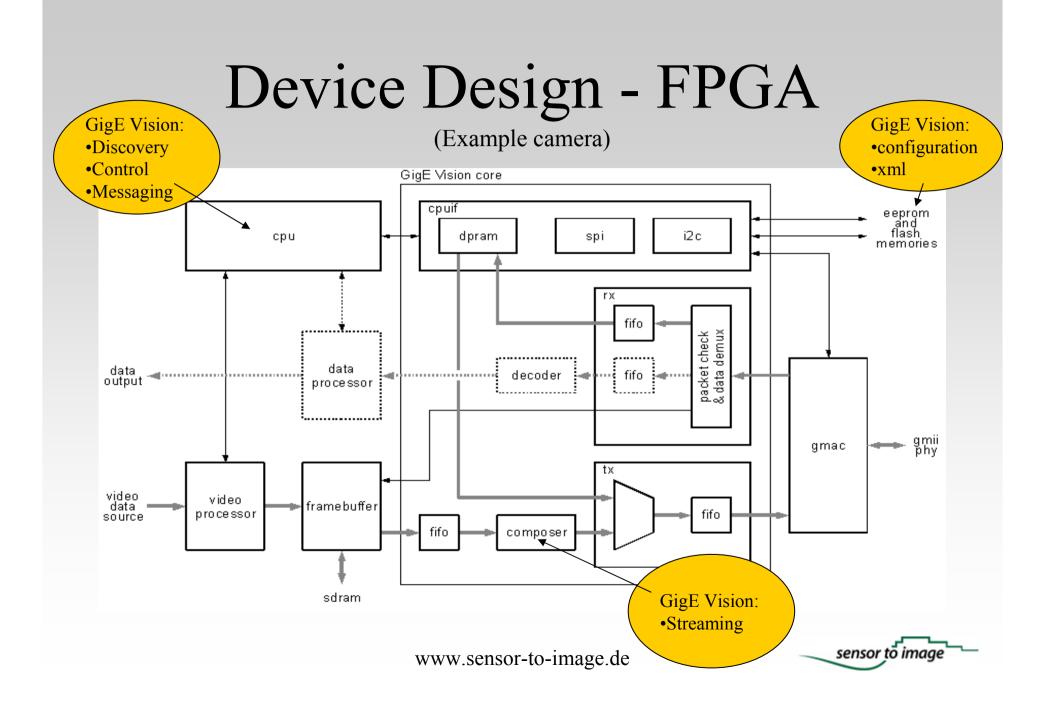




Review: GigE Vision

- Discovery
- Control Protocol
 - Register based access
- Messaging Protocol
- Streaming Protocol
 - Packet Resend
- xml-File



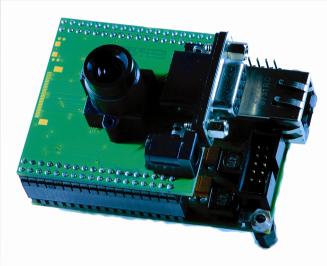


Evaluation

Evaluation – Kit:

- Reference Hardware
 - Spartan3E based communicationmodule
 - camera module
- Reference FPGA Design
- Software
 - Stemmer Imaging's "Image Manager" Part of CVB and contains GenICam transport layer for GigE Vision

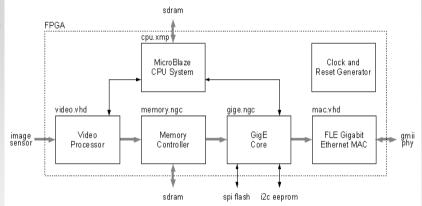
Ref. Design for receiver available too





FPGA Reference Design

- VHDL top-level design
- VHDL video module
- Memory Controller
- GigE Core
- MAC Core
- EDK MicroBlaze design
- Application software for MicroBlaze in "C"





Demo

FPGA Design Environment/Resources



Summary

- Several possibilties to design MV GigE devices
 - each with advantages and disadvantages
 - new: FPGA core based approach
- GigE Core gives maximum of flexibility without the need to reinvent the wheel

smart components for smart solutions

