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1 DOCUMENT INFORMATION

1.1 Abstract

The present document describes the routines and programs, which are necessary to use the RORC (pRORC or D-RORC) card as a data-collecting interface or as a data source unit in DATE [3] or test environments.

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2 PREFACE

Following the request of several detectors to have a PCI-based Read-out Receiver Card (RORC) the development of a simple 33 MHz 32 bit PCI-based RORC (pRORC) has been proposed [1]. For the technical details of the pRORC card see [4]. Later the development of 66 MHz, 64-bit PCI RORC (named D-RORC) has been done aiming higher bandwidth and being capable to send data to the ALICE DAQ system and to the High Level Trigger (HLT) farm. For the technical details of the D-RORC card see [5].

In this paper we describe the C library routines and stand-alone programs necessary for steering and testing both types of RORC cards, during the DAQ data flow, not dealing with HLT functions.

Both RORC cards can be used as a PCI master during data collection and as a stand-alone PCI data source. In both working modes it is necessary to initialize the card and continuously fill the so-called Free FIFO with the addresses of memory blocks (so called pages) where events can be loaded. (Figure 1 shows the data-loading concept.) The Free FIFO is a 64 bit wide FIFO located on the RORC card containing the following information:

- Start address of the memory page where the next data page can be loaded (32 bits).
- Size of the given page (24 bits).
- Index of the Ready FIFO where information should be loaded at the end of the transfer (8 bits).

The filling of the Free FIFO can be done by the inline function `rorcPushFreeFifo()` described in chapter 3.11

The Ready FIFO is a 64-bit wide software area. Its address must be at 2KB boundary. After a successful data transfer it contains:

- The length of the data loaded into the corresponding memory page (32 bits).
- The transfer status (32 bits). If the given page was the last page of an event block then this field contains the Data Transmission Status Word (DTSW), which is added to the event block according the DDL protocol [2]. For other (not event block ending) pages this field is loaded with 0. The DTSW can contain a continuation bit, which signals that the next event block belongs to the same event.

The user of the pRORC card should fill the Ready FIFO record with `-1` before pushing the corresponding Free FIFO entry. The definition of the Ready FIFO can be found in the `rorc_lib.h` header file, while the polling inline function `rorcHasData()` is described in chapter 3.28

The RORC can be used for sending data blocks (e.g. pedestal data) to the detector Front-end Electronics. The corresponding routine is described in chapter 3.19.

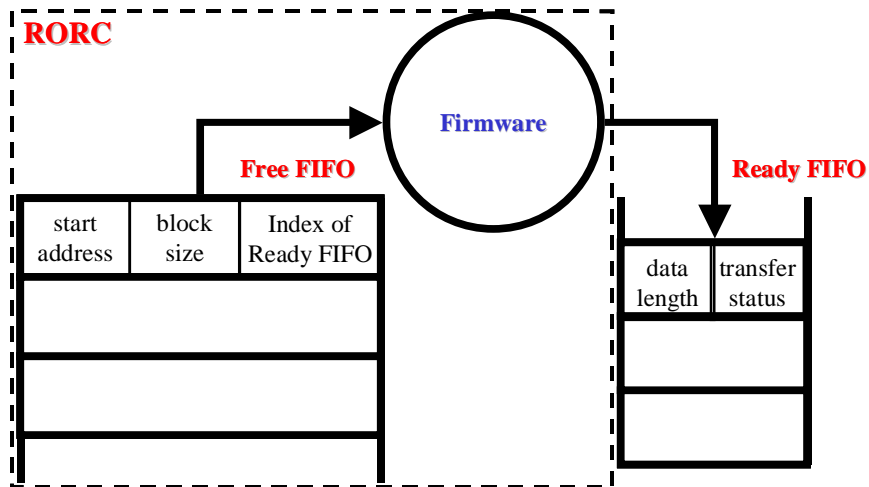


Figure 1: The Free FIFO – Ready FIFO concept

Figure 2 shows a flow chart presenting the use and calling order of the most important routines of the library.

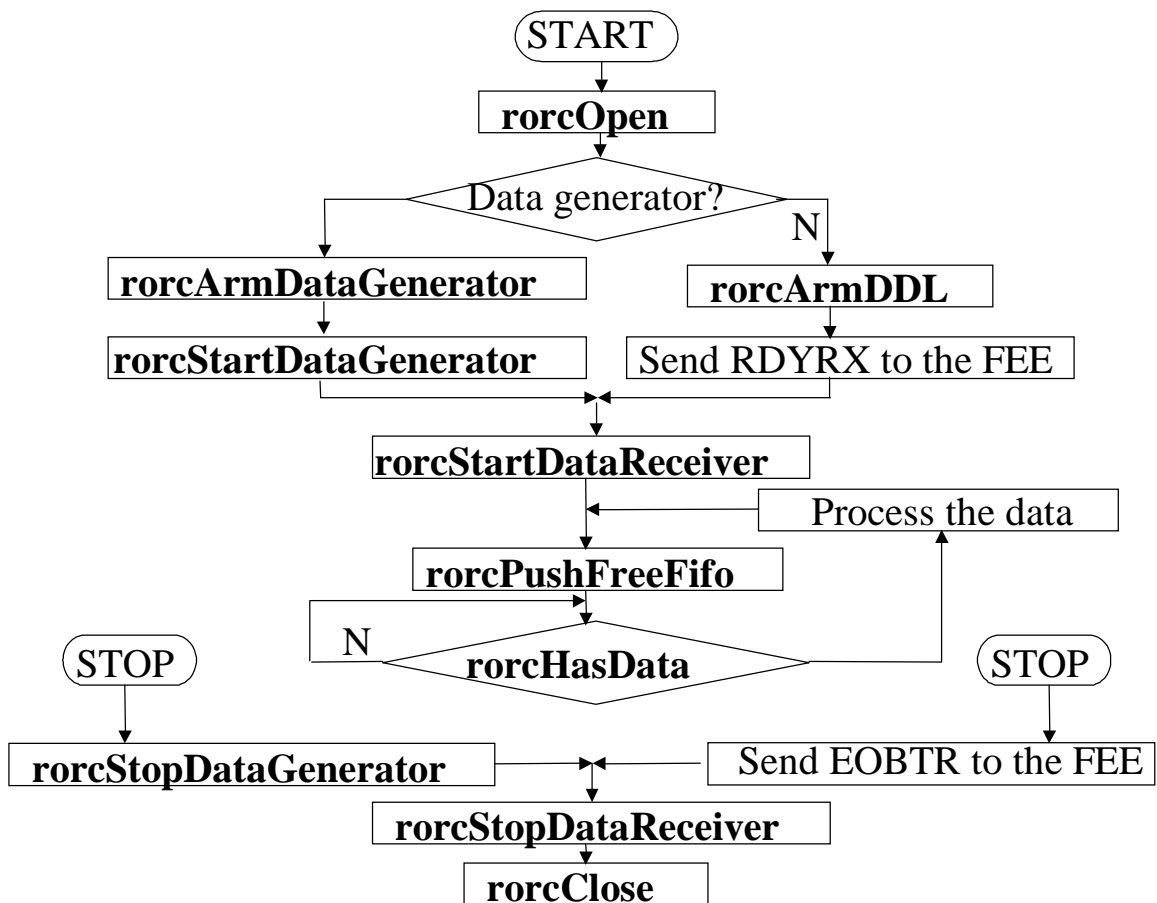


Figure 2: Use of the RORC library routines

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3 DESCRIPTION OF RORC HEADERS AND ROUTINES

3.1 *.h* header files

Before calling any of the following routines the user must include a header file:

```
#include "rorc_ddl.h"
```

This file contains the necessary definitions for the use of DDL. It has a reference to another header file, which contains the definitions special to the RORC cards:

```
#include "rorc_lib.h"
```

The header files contain the type definition of the structures referred in further descriptions. Also they contain definition of the macros described later on.

3.2 The rorc_driver

The programs and routines described in this documents work under LINUX operating system. Currently we have RORC driver for LINUX kernel version 2.4. Before using the described routines and programs the RORC driver must be loaded. See chapter 8 for details.

3.3 rorcFindAll

Find all pRORC cards

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcFindAll(rorcHwSerial_t *hw,
               rorcHwSerial_t *diu_hw,
               rorcChannelId_t *channel,
               int *rorc_revision,
               int *diu_vers,
               int max_dev)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcFindAll()** routine returns the version, serial, revision, minor and channel numbers of all RORC cards plugged in the PC together with the same information regarding the plugged in or embedded DIUs. The routine tries to open all RORC devices and reads from their configuration EPROM the hardware version and serial numbers. It also sends a DDL command to the DIU to find out the DIU version and serial number.

Parameters:

<i>hw</i>	pointer to an array of <i>rorcHwSerial_t</i> type structures. The routine loads into these structures the version and serial numbers of RORC cards found. <i>rorcHwSerial_t</i> is defined in the header file <i>rorc_lib.h</i> . Besides the major and minor version and the serial numbers it contains the full string found in the configuration EPROM of the RORC card. If there is no information in the EPROM about the hw version and serial numbers then the routine puts -1 into the structure as version and serial numbers.
<i>diu_hw</i>	pointer to an array of <i>rorcHwSerial_t</i> type structures. The routine loads into these structures the version and serial numbers of the DIU card found. If no DIU is plugged or there is no information in the DIU's EPROM about the hw version and serial numbers then the routine puts -1 into the structure as version and serial numbers.
<i>channel</i>	pointer to an array of <i>rorcChannel_t</i> structures. The routine supplies here the corresponding minor device numbers of the RORC cards and the channel numbers of the DIUs.
<i>rorc_revision</i>	pointer to an array of integers. The routine supplies here the corresponding device revision numbers (1 for pRORC, 2 for D-RORC with connector for DIU and 3 for D-RORC with embedded DIUs) of the RORC cards.
<i>diu_vers</i>	pointer to an array of integers. The routine supplies here the corresponding DIU version number (0 if no DIU, 1 if prototype DIU, 2 if final DIU plugged in version, and 3 if

max_dev embedded DIU) of the DIU on the corresponding DDL channel.
the size of *hw*, *diu_hw*, *channel*, *rorc_revision* and *diu_vers* arrays.

Return value:

number of DDL channels found the number of the DDL channels found on PCI bus or 0.

SEE ALSO

rorcFind(), *rorcSerial()*, *rorcOpenChannel()*

3.4 rorcFind

Find the specified RORC card

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcFind(int revision, int serial)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcFind()** routine returns the minor number of a RORC card with the specified revision and serial numbers. The routine tries to open all RORC devices plugged in PC and reads the revision number from their PCI configuration space and the hardware serial number from their configuration EPROM. If it finds the card, it returns its minor number, which can be used for opening and using the card. If several cards have the same specified revision and serial numbers then the routine returns the first one.

Parameters:

<i>revision</i>	device revision number (1 for pRORC, 2 for D-RORC with connector for DIU and 3 for D-RORC with embedded DIUs) of the RORC card to be found.
<i>serial</i>	the serial number (a 5 digit decimal number) of a RORC card to be found.

Return value:

<i>minor number</i> ≥ 0	the minor number of the specified RORC card.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR</i> = -1	the specified RORC was not found. Either such card is not plugged or other process uses it.

SEE ALSO

rorcFindAll(), *rorcSerial()*, *rorcOpenChannel()*

3.5 rorcOpenChannel

Arm and reset the DDL channel

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcOpenChannel (rorcHandle_t handle,
                    int rorc_minor, int rorc_channel)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcOpenChannel()** routine should be called for every DDL channel at the start of a run. The routine checks the existence of the RORC channel. If it finds the channel, it opens it and fills a descriptor. The descriptor address can be used as a handle for every further use of the given channel. The **rorcOpenChannel()** routine resets the RORC device and sends a command the DIU to find out whether there is any DIU plugged and if so, what is the given DIU version (prototype or final). The above information is written into the *handle* structure. If one does not want the RORC be reset, use the **rorcMapChannel()** routine instead.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of a RORC descriptor structure. The <i>rorc_handle_t</i> type is a pointer to a <i>rorcDescriptor_t</i> structure, which contains all information about the PCI-based RORC. The structure type is defined in the <i>rorc_lib.h</i> header file. The caller, before calling the rorcOpenChannel() routine has to allocate a descriptor and supply its address to the routine. The routine fills the structure with data necessary at the further calls.
<i>rorc_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0.
<i>rorc_channel</i>	RORC channel number (0 or 1). For pRORC or D-RORC with not embedded DIUs only channel 0 can be used.

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, channel initialized and <i>handle</i> points to a valid RORC descriptor.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR = -1</i>	the RORC channel couldn't be open. Either no card was found or other process uses it or its PCI memory cannot be mapped.

SEE ALSO

rorcMapChannel(), *rorcClose()*

3.6 rorcMapChannel

Arm the pRORC card

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcMapChannel (rorcHandle_t handle,
                   int rorc_minor, rorc_channel)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcMapChannel()** routine can be called instead of **rorcOpenChannel()** routine when one does not want to reset the open device. It should be called for every DDL channel at the start of a run. The routine checks the existence of the RORC channel. If it finds the channel, it opens it and fills a descriptor. The descriptor address can be used as a handle for every further use of the given channel. The routine does not initialize the RORC card and does not send any command via the DDL channel.

To initialize the DDL components (reset RORC, DIU, SIU and establish the DDL link) use the routine **rorcReset()** or **rorcArmDDL()**.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of a RORC descriptor structure. The <i>rorc_handle_t</i> type is a pointer to a <i>rorcDescriptor_t</i> structure, which contains all information about the PCI-based RORC. The structure type is defined in the <i>rorc_lib.h</i> header file. The caller, before calling the rorcMapChannel() routine has to allocate a descriptor and supply its address to the routine. The routine fills the structure with data necessary at the further calls.
<i>rorc_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0.
<i>rorc_channel</i>	RORC channel number (0 or 1). For pRORC or D-RORC with not embedded DIUs only channel 0 can be used.

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, channel initialized and <i>handle</i> points to a valid RORC descriptor.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR = -1</i>	the RORC channel couldn't be open. Either no card was found or other process uses it or its PCI memory cannot be mapped.

SEE ALSO

rorcOpenChannel(), rorcReset(), rorcArmDDL(), rorcClose()

3.7 rorcClose

Close the RORC channel.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcClose(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcClose()** routine should be called for every DDL channel at the end of a run. The routine closes all resources set up by a previous call of routine **rorcOpenChannel()** or **rorcMapChannel()**.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor. When the routine returns the *handle* will point to an invalid descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error, channel closed

SEE ALSO

rorcOpenChannel(), *rorcMapChannel()*

3.8 rorcReset

Reset the RORC channel.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

void rorcReset(rorcHandle_t handle, int option)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcRoroc()** routine initializes the RORC card and/or a DDL channel. According to the user request the routine resets the Free FIFO, the other parts of the RORC, the DIU or the SIU. Resetting the RORC channel means to empty all its FIFOs, including the Free FIFO and error bits, and then put all programmable features to their reset values. Resetting the DIU or the SIU means cutting the DDL link; afterward the DDL link rebuilds itself.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>option</i>	the following values can be used:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>RORC_RESET_FF</i> clear Rx and TX Free FIFOs• <i>RORC_RESET_FIFOS</i> clear RORC's other FIFOs• <i>RORC_RESET_ERROR</i> clear RORC's error bits• <i>RORC_RESET_COUNTERS</i> clear RORC's byte counters• <i>RORC_RESET_RORC</i> reset RORC• <i>RORC_RESET_DIU</i> reset DIU• <i>RORC_RESET_SIU</i> reset SIU• <i>0</i> reset RORC

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error, channel closed

SEE ALSO

rorcOpenChannel(), *rorcMapChannel()*, *rorc_reset*

3.9 rorcArmDataGenerator

Initialize RORC's Data generator.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int
rorcArmDataGenerator(rorcHandle_t      handle,
                    __u32              initEventNumber,
                    __u32              initDataWord,
                    int                 dataPattern,
                    int                 eventLen,
                    int                 seed,
                    int                 *rounded_length)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcArmDataGenerator()** routine should be called for every DDL channel where the RORC card will be used as data generator. The routine can be called after the call of the **rorcOpenChannel()** and before the call of the **rorcStartDataGenerator()** routines. It defines all the parameters needed for data generation. If **rorcStartDataGenerator()** is called without calling **rorcArmDataGenerator()** then the data generator will use unpredictable values.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>initEventNumber</i>	each event starts with the serial number of the given event (event count). This parameter defines the starting value of it.
<i>initDataWord</i>	the first data word of the event (after the event count). It is used only for some of the test patterns. Note: for D-RORC, if <i>seed</i> is not RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN, the first data word of each event is 0.
<i>dataPattern</i>	an integer between 1 and 7: RORC_DG_CONST: all data words are <i>initDataWord</i> . RORC_DG_ALTER: alternating pattern, starting from <i>initDataWord</i> RORC_DG_FLY0: flying 0 starting from 0xffffffffe RORC_DG_FLY1: flying 1 starting from 1 RORC_DG_INCR: incrementing data starting from <i>initDataWord</i> RORC_DG_DECR: decrementing data starting from <i>initDataWord</i> RORC_DG_RANDOM: random data

<i>eventLen</i>	length (from 1 to $2^{19}-1$) of the generated events in 32 bit words, including the event count. Important: because of the special features of the random number generation if random length is used (<i>seed</i> is not equal to RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN), the minimum generated event length is 1, and the maximum value of the length will be <i>eventLen</i> rounded down to the nearest integer of power of 2.
<i>seed</i>	defines the seed value for random data length. If given, the event lengths will vary between 1 and <i>eventLen</i> . Using the value RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN no random length will be generated.
<i>rounded_length</i>	it us an output parameter: in case of random length generation the maximum event length is rounded to the nearest integer of power of two. The routine transfers this value to RORC as the maximum length and returns it to the user in this variable.

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK</i> = 0	no error, data generator initialised
<i>RORC_INVALID_PARAM</i> = -2	error: some of the parameters out of range.

SEE ALSO

rorcOpenChannel(), *pRrorcStartDataGenerator()*

3.10 rorcArmDDL

Initialize the RORC card and the DDL link

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int rorcArmDDL(rorcHandle_t handle,
               int options)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcArmDDL()** routine should be called for every DDL channel where the RORC card will be not used as data generator but the data should arrive via DDL from the Front-end Electronics (FEE). The routine (on user request) tries to establish the link between the two end-points of the DDL: the DIU and SIU (only necessary with prototype DDL cards). According to the user request the routine resets the Free FIFO, the other parts of the RORC, the DIU or the FEE units. The RORC, DIU and SIU reset will be done before establishing the link. If several reset requests are “OR-d”, the program first resets the SIU, then establishes the link, then resets the DIU and at last resets the RORC. Resetting the RORC card means to empty all its FIFOs, including the Free FIFO, and then put all programmable features to their reset values. Resetting the DIU or SIU means to cut the DDL link (if it was on before the call of the routine). In the case of prototype version of the DDL cards, after the link cut, the link has to be re-established by calling **rorcArmDDL()** with *RORC_LINK_UP* parameter. In case of the final DDL cards, the link sets up automatically.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>options</i>	the following values can be “OR-d”:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>RORC_RESET_FF</i> reset Free FIFO• <i>RORC_RESET_RORC</i> reset RORC• <i>RORC_RESET_DIU</i> reset DIU• <i>RORC_RESET_SIU</i> reset SIU• <i>RORC_LINK_UP</i> establish the DDL link

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, requested task done.
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4</i>	link initialization did not succeed
<i>RORC_CMD_NOT_ALLOWED = -8</i>	routine called with not permitted option
<i>RORC_NOT_ACCEPTED = -16</i>	unsuccessful SIU reset

SEE ALSO

rorcArmDataGenerator(), *rorcReset()*, *rorc_reset*

3.11 rorcPushFreeFifo

Push one entry into RORC's Free FIFO.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

rorcPushFreeFifo(rorcHandle_t      handle,
                 rorcMemAddress_t  blockAddress,
                 __u32             blockLength,
                 int               readyFifoIndex)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcPushFreeFifo()** is an in-line function what should be called when the user has a free data page and wants to load its parameters into the Free FIFO. It loads the parameters directly into the RORC registers.

The function does not check the range of the parameters: it masks them for the given range. It neither checks the Free FIFO status. If the Free FIFO is overflowed then the new parameters will not be loaded. The caller can check this situation using **rorcCheckFreeFifo()**.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>blockAddress</i>	physical address of the next free page in <i>physmem</i> memory.
<i>blockLength</i>	length of the next free page in byte (24 bit).
<i>readyFifoIndex</i>	index of the ready FIFO, where the "data arrived" flag has to be put to (8 bit).

SEE ALSO

rorcCheckFreeFifo()

3.12 rorcCheckFreeFifo

Returns the status of the pRORC's Free FIFO.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcCheckFreeFifo(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcCheckFreeFifo()** should be called when the caller wants to know how many FIFO entries are in the Free FIFO. Using pRORC device, it returns the number of entries in "8 entry" units (i.e. 0 means 1 to 8 entries, 1 means 9 to 16 entries, etc.). FIFO full and FIFO empty statuses are signaled. In the case of D-RORC, the routine only signals if the Free FIFO is not empty

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

Value between 1 and 15 (=x) the number of not empty Free FIFO entries are between. $8x+1$ and $8x+8$

Return value	# of not empty FF entries
0	Between 1 and 8 words
1	Between 9 and 16 words
2	Between 17 and 24 words
3	Between 25 and 32 words
.....
13	Between 105 and 112 words
14	Between 113 and 120 words
15	Between 121 and 128 words

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0

RORC_FF_EMPTY = -256

RORC_FF_FULL = -128

Free FIFO is not empty (and not full).

Free FIFO is empty.

error: Free FIFO full.

SEE ALSO

rorcPushFreeFifo()

3.13 Setting RORC parameters on/off

The following routines can be used to set RORC internal control parameters on or off.

3.13.1 *rorcLoopBackOn*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcLoopBackOn(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcLoopBackOn()** routine should to be called when the user wants to set the operational control parameter “Internal Loop-back” bit. If this control bit is on the data generated by the RORC’s Data Generator will be sent back to the RORC as if it had arrived from the link.

This conditions can be reset by the routine **rorcLoopBackOff()**.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error

3.13.2 *rorcLoopBackOff*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcLoopBackOff(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcLoopBackOff()** routine should to be called when the user wants to reset the operational control parameter “Internal Loop-back” bit

This condition is automatically set after RORC reset.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error

3.13.3 *rorcHltSplitOn*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcHltSplitOn(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The D-RORC card with 2 integrated DIU can be used in “split mode”. It means that the data arriving in one channel can be transferred to the other channel. The **rorcHltSplitOn()** routine should be called when the user wants the give channel to be used as the output channel.

This conditions can be reset by the routine **rorcHltSplitOff()**.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error
RORC_CMD_NOT_ALLOWED = -8 routine cannot be called for pRORC or D-RORC with not integrated DIU.

3.13.4 *rorcHltSplitOff*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcHltSplitOff(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcHltSplitOff()** routine should be called when the user wants to switch off the data sending for the given channel.

This condition is automatically set after RORC reset.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error
RORC_CMD_NOT_ALLOWED = -8 routine cannot be called for pRORC or D-RORC with not integrated DIU.

3.13.5 *rorcHltFlctlOn*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcHltFlctlOn(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The D-RORC card with 2 integrated DIU can be used in “split mode”. It means that the data arriving in one channel can be transferred to the other channel. The **rorcHltFlctlOn()** routine should to be called when the given channel is used as the output channel (**rorcHltSplitOn()** is called or will be called) and the user wants the flow control from the receiver side (probably the HLT farm) be taken into account.

This conditions can be reset by the routine **rorcHltFlctlOff()**.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error
RORC_CMD_NOT_ALLOWED = -8 routine cannot be called for pRORC or D-RORC with not integrated DIU.

3.13.6 *rorcHltFlctlOff*

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcHltFlctlOff(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcHltFlctlOff()** routine should to be called when the given channel is used as the output channel (**rorcHltSplitOn()** is called or will be called) and the user wants the flow control from the receiver side (probably the HLT farm) NOT be taken into account.

This condition is automatically set after RORC reset.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error
RORC_CMD_NOT_ALLOWED = -8 routine cannot be called for pRORC or D-RORC with not integrated DIU.

3.14 ddISendCommandAndWaitReply

Send a command to the FEE and waits for its reply

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int ddISendCommandAndWaitReply(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                               __u32          feeCommand,
                               __u32          feeAddress,
                               int            timeout,
                               stword_t      *stw,
                               int            expected,
                               int            *n_reply)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **ddISendCommandAndWaitReply()** routine should be called when the user wants to send a command to the FEE via the DDL channel. The routine returns the received replies.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>feeCommand</i>	a maximum 4 bit long value which will be sent to the FEE as a part the command. The following FEE commands are allowed: RDYRX = 1 Ready to Receive EOBTR = 11 End of Block Transfer STBWR = 13 Start of Block Write STBRD = 5 Start of Block Read FECTRL = 12 Front-end control FESTRD =4 Front-end status readout
<i>feeAddress</i>	a maximum 19 bit long value which will be sent to the FEE as a part of the command.
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the SIU reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <i><timeout in μs> * handle->loop_per_usec</i>
<i>stw</i>	pointer to an array of status word structures where the routine returns the received statuses.
<i>expected</i>	number of expected reply words.
<i>n_reply</i>	pointer to a variable where the routine returns the number of received statuses.

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, the command sent, the expected number of reply words received
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4</i>	error: the link is down

<i>RORC_TIMEOUT</i> = -64	error: command can not be sent in time <i>timeout</i>
<i>RORC_TOO_MANY_REPLY</i> = -512	error: too many replies arrived or before sending the command, the RORC's received FIFO contained already some words from a previous command
<i>RORC_NOT_ENOUGH_REPLY</i> = -1024	error: less reply arrived than expected in time <i>timeout</i>

SEE ALSO

rorc_send_command

3.15 rorcStartDataGenerator

Set RORC to start sending generated data

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcStartDataGenerator(rorcHandle_t handle,
                           __u32 maxLoop)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStartDataGenerator()** routine should to be called when the user wants to receive generated data. Normally the Data Generator sends the data out to the DDL link. If the user wants the simulated data arriving into the PC then the RORC has to set to lop-back mode before starting the Generator. This can be done by the routine **rorcLoopBackOn()**.

Data will arrive only when data receiver is started by calling the **rorcStartDataReceiver()** routine, and RORC's Free FIFO is not empty. Features of the generated data (data pattern, event length, event frequency) can be defined by a previous call of **rorcArmDataGenerator()**. To stop the data generator (in the case of infinite number of events) call the routine **rorcStopDataGenerator()**.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>maxLoop</i>	number of events to be generated. Possible values are from 1 to $2^{32}-1$. or RORC_DG_INFINIT_EVENT (infinite number of events).

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, data generator started
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SEE ALSO

rorcArmDataGenerator(), *rorcLoopBackOn()*, *rorcStartDataReceiver()*
rorcStopDataGenerator()

3.16 rorcStopDataGenerator

Stop sending generated data

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcStopDataGenerator(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStopDataGenerator()** routine should to be called when the user wants to stop receiving generated data. The data generator stops sending events when the number of events preset in **rorcStartDataGenerator()** is reached. However **rorcDataStopGenerator()** has to be called to set the RORC card into normal state. If data sending is going on when this routine is called then the current event will be finished and no more data will be sent. (If the transfer is stuck, one has to reset the RORC card.)

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error, data generator stopped

SEE ALSO

rorcStartDataGenerator()

3.17 rorcStartDataReceiver

Set the DDL channel to data collecting state

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcStartDataReceiver(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                          unsigned long   readyFifoBaseAddress)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStartDataReceiver()** routine should to be called when the user wants to receive data via the DDL channel.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.
readyFifoBaseAddress the physical memory address of the Ready FIFO. It must be a multiple of 2K, i.e. the lower 11 bits of the Ready FIFO address must be 0.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error, data collection started

SEE ALSO

rorcStopDataReceiver()

3.18 rorcStopDataReceiver

Stop data collecting

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcStopDataReceiver(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStopDataReceiver()** routine should to be called when the user wants to stop receiving data via the DDL channel.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor.

Return value

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error, data collection stopped

SEE ALSO

rorcStartDataReceiver()

3.19 ddlReadDataBlock

Read a data block from the FEE

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int ddlReadDataBlock(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                    unsigned long    bufferPhysAddress,
                    unsigned long    returnPhysAddress,
                    rorcReadyFifo_t  *returnAddr,
                    __u32             feeAddress,
                    int               timeout,
                    stword_t         *stw,
                    int               *n_reply,
                    int               *step)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **ddlReadDataBlock()** routine should to be called when the user wants to read a data block from the FEE via the DDL channel. The routine fulfils the following 3 steps:

1. Sends a Start Block Read (STBRD) command to the FEE, specifying the front-end address where the data is intended.
2. Receives the data block.
3. Sends an End Of Block Transfer (EOBTR) command to the SIU.

If error occurs in any of the above steps, the routine returns with the error code, step number and the received reply from the FEE or SIU.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>bufferPhysAddress</i>	the physical memory address of the data.
<i>returnPhysAddress</i>	the physical memory address of a word where the number of transferred word and a status word will be put when the transfer had finished. When using D-RORC the address must be 2K aligned, i.e. its lower 11 bits must be 0. The routine writes -1 on this address before sending the data and polls this address while the transfer is done.
<i>returnAddress</i>	a pointer to the virtual address of the above physical memory.
<i>feeAddress</i>	a maximum 19 bit long value which will be sent to the FEE in the STBRD command.
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the SIU reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <timeout in μ s> * <i>handle</i> -> <i>loop_per_usec</i>
<i>stw</i>	pointer to an array of status word structures where the routine returns the received statuses.
<i>n_reply</i>	pointer to a variable where the routine returns the number of received statuses.

step pointer to a variable where the routine returns the step number where the routine returned from.

Return value:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK</i> = 0	no error
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON</i> = -4	error: the link is down
<i>RORC_TIMEOUT</i> = -64	error: command can not be sent in time <i>timeout</i>
<i>RORC_TOO_MANY_REPLY</i> = -512	error: too many replies arrived
<i>RORC_NOT_ENOUGH_REPLY</i> = -1024	error: less reply arrived then expected in time <i>timeout</i>

SEE ALSO

ddlWriteDataBlock()

3.20 ddlWriteDataBlock

Send a data block to the FEE

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int ddlWriteDataBlock(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                     unsigned long    bufferPhysAddress,
                     unsigned long    bufferWordLength,
                     unsigned long    returnPhysAddress,
                     volatile unsigned long *returnAddr,
                     __u32            feeAddress,
                     int              timeout,
                     stword_t         *stw,
                     int              *n_reply,
                     int              *step)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **ddlWriteDataBlock()** routine should to be called when the user wants to send a data block to the FEE via the DDL channel. The routine fulfils the following 3 steps:

4. Sends a Start Block Write (STBWR) command to the FEE, specifying the front-end address where the data is intended.
5. Sends the data block.
6. Sends an End Of Block Transfer (EOBTR) command to the SIU.

If error occurs in any of the above steps, the routine returns with the error code, step number and the received reply from the FEE or SIU.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>bufferPhysAddress</i>	the physical memory address of the data.
<i>bufferWordLength</i>	the length of the data block in 32 bit words. The maximum length is 512 K words – 1 word.
<i>returnPhysAddress</i>	the physical memory address of a word where the number of transferred word will be put when the transfer had finished. When using D-RORC the address must be 2K aligned, i.e. its lower 11 bits must be 0. The routine writes -1 on this address before sending the data and polls this address while the transfer is done.
<i>returnAddress</i>	a pointer to the virtual address of the above physical memory.
<i>feeAddress</i>	a maximum 19 bit long value which will be sent to the FEE in the STBWR command.
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the SIU reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <i><timeout in μs> * handle->loop_per_usec</i>

stw pointer to an array of status word structures where the routine returns the received statuses.

n_reply pointer to a variable where the routine returns the number of received statuses.

step pointer to a variable where the routine returns the step number where the routine returned from.

Return value:

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 no error

RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4 error: the link is down

RORC_TIMEOUT = -64 error: command can not be sent in time *timeout*

RORC_NOT_ABLE = -32 error: the previous download was not finished in time *timeout*

RORC_TOO_MANY_REPLY = -512 error: too many replies arrived

RORC_NOT_ENOUGH_REPLY = -1024 error: less reply arrived then expected in time *timeout*

SEE ALSO

ddlReadDataBlock()

3.21 rorcArmFeic

Initialize the Front-End Emulator Interface Card (FEIC)

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int rorcArmFeic(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                int              pattern,
                int              evlen,
                int              trig,
                int              flctrl,
                int              trdis,
                int              seed,
                int              time,
                int              *rounded_length)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcArmFeic()** routine sends commands to the FEIC card [7] and sets its working modes. After setting, it reads back and checks the working modes. The DDL link must be initialised before the call of **rorcArmFeic()** routine.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor
<i>pattern</i>	the pattern code of the events to be generated by the FEIC. 1: external pattern generator 2: alternating pattern 3: flying 0 4: flying 1 5: incrementing data 6: decrementing data
<i>evlen</i>	event length or in case of random length generation the maximum event length: The FEIC accepts only event length between 16 words and 256Mwords in power of 2 steps (16, 32,, 256M). The routine modifies the value received by the user to a lower value, which meets the above requirements. The modified value will be returned to the user in the <i>rounded_length</i> parameter.
<i>trig</i>	trigger mode: 1: external push button 2: external trigger 3: 16 clocks gap after each event 4: 128 clocks gap after each event 5: every 10 ms 6: every 100 ms
<i>flctrl</i>	flow control simulation: 1: flow control after each received word 2: flow control after receiving 128 words 3: flow control after receiving 16 Kword

<i>trdis</i>	transmission disable: 1: after each word sent 2: after transmitting 128 words 3: after transmitting 16 Kword.
<i>seed</i>	defines the seed value for random data length. If given, the event lengths will vary between <i>l</i> and <i>evlen</i> . Using the value RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN no random length will be generated.
<i>time</i>	number of mail status checks for SIU response. If > 0 then the routine tests if the commands can be sent and wait as many cycles as specified if necessary.
<i>rounded_length</i>	the FEIC card accepts only event length rounded to the nearest lower power of two integer. The routine returns this value to the user in this variable.

Return values:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK</i> = 0	the initialising commands was sent successfully and FEIC is set.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR</i> = -1	error: reading back the FEIC's working modes the program found a mode not matching the initialised value.
<i>RORC_INVALID_PARAM</i> = -2	error: some of the parameters out of range.
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON</i> = -4	error: the RORC was not able to initialise the FEIC because the DDL link was not on.
<i>RORC_TIMEOUT</i> = -64	error: the RORC was not able to initialise the FEIC because the FEIC did not reply properly during time-out <i>time</i> .

SEE ALSO

prorcArmDataGenerator() *feic.menu*

3.22 rorcStartTrigger

Send a RDYRX command to the FEE

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

int rorcStartTrigger(rorcHandle_t    handle,
                    int              timeout,
                    stword_t         stword)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStartTrigger()** routine sends a RDYRX command to the FEE.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the FEE reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <i><timeout in μs> * handle->loop_per_usec</i>
<i>stword</i>	the FEE reply: a DDL status word. <i>stword.stw</i> contains the full reply. For the details of a status word, see [2].

Return values:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	the RDYRX command was sent successfully.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR = -1</i>	the RORC was not able to send the command.
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4</i>	the link is down; the RORC is not able to send the command.
<i>RORC_NOT_ACCEPTED = -16</i>	No reply arrived from SIU in time-out.

SEE ALSO

rorcStopTrigger()

3.23 rorcStopTrigger

Send an EOBTR command to the FEE

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>
```

```
int rorcStopTrigger(rorcHandle_t    handle,  
                   int              timeout,  
                   stword_t         stword)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcStopTrigger()** routine sends an EOBTR command to the FEE.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the FEE reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <i><timeout in μs> * handle->loop_per_usec</i>
<i>stword</i>	the FEE reply: a DDL status word. <i>stword.stw</i> contains the full reply. For the details of a status word, see [2].

Return values:

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	the EOBTR command was sent successfully.
<i>RORC_STATUS_ERROR = -1</i>	the RORC was not able to send the command.
<i>RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4</i>	the link is down; the RORC is not able to send the command.
<i>RORC_NOT_ACCEPTED = -16</i>	no reply arrived from SIU in time-out.

SEE ALSO

rorcStartTrigger()

3.24 rorcSerial

Reads RORC's version and serial numbers

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

rorcHwSerial_t rorcSerial(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcSerial()** routine reads from the card's configuration EPROM its hardware version and serial numbers.

Parameters:

handle address of the RORC descriptor

Return value:

structure rorcHwSerial The routine loads into this structure the version and serial numbers of the RORC card. *rorcHwSerial_t* is defined in the header file *rorc_lib.h*. Besides the major and minor version and the serial numbers it contains the full string found in the configuration EPROM of the RORC card. If there is no information in the EPROM about the hw version and serial numbers then the routine puts -1 into the structure as version and serial numbers. The library routine **rorcInterpretSerial(hw)** interprets the relevant fields and print the interpretation to the standard output.

SEE ALSO

rorcFind(), *rorcFindAll()*, *rorcReadFw()*, *ddlSerial()*

3.25 rorcReadFw

Read RORC's software identification word

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcReadFw(rorcHandle_t handl)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcReadFw()** function returns the RORC's firmware identification word.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor.
<i>hw</i>	hardware identifications word's address.
<i>fw</i>	firmware identifications word's address.

Return value

The returned word contains the RORC's firmware identification in the following format:

bits 0-4:	day
bits 5-8:	month
bits 9-12:	year form 2000
bits 13-24	version number of the pRORC card's firmware
bits 25-31	Free FIFO size of the card in 64 units.

The library routine **rorcInterpretFw(fw)** interprets the relevant fields and print the interpretation to the standard output. The inline function **rorcFFSize(fw)** returns the number of Free FIFO entries of the card while **rorcFWVersMajor(fw)** and **rorcFWVersMinor(fw)** returns the major and minor version numbers of the card's firmware.

SEE ALSO

rorcSerial()

3.26 rorcReadRorcStatus

Read pRORC status

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcReadRorcStatus(rorcHandle_t      handle,
                      rorcStatus_t      *status)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcReadRorcStatus()** function fills a structure (defined in *rorc_lib.h* header file) containing information about RORC status and errors, such as: working mode of the RORC, Free FIFO status, link status, flow control status, etc. Before calling the **rorcRorcReadStatus()** routine the caller has to allocate a *rorcStatus_t* structure and supply its address to the routine. The routine fills this structure.

The *rorcStatus_t* structure contains three members:

- *ccsr* , the copy of the RORC's Operation Control and Status Register,
- *cerr* , the copy of the RORC's Error Register,
- *cdgs* , the copy of the RORC's Data Generator Status Register,

The meaning of the status and error bits can be found in *rorc_lib.h* header file. The library routines **rorcInterpretStatus(ccsr)** and **rorcInterpretError(cerr)** interpret the relevant register bits and print the interpretation to the standard output.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the pRORC descriptor.
<i>status</i>	address of a <i>rorcStatus_t</i> type structure. The routine fills into this structure the RORC status information.

Return value

<i>RORC_STATUS_OK = 0</i>	no error, RORC status structure filled
---------------------------	--

3.27 **ddlSerial**

Reads the version and serial numbers of the DIU or SIU card

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_ddl.h>

rorcHwSerial_t ddlSerial(rorcHandle_t handle,
                        int destination,
                        int timeout)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **ddlSerial** routine send command to the DIU or SIU requesting its hardware version and serial numbers. The routine works only for plugged DIU and DDL cards of final version.

Parameters:

<i>handle</i>	address of the RORC descriptor
<i>destination</i>	DIU or SIU
<i>timeout</i>	the number of waiting cycles for receiving the DDL card's reply. If you want to specify the timeout value in microseconds, then use <timeout in μ s> * <i>handle->loop_per_usec</i>

Return value:

<i>structure rorcHwSerial</i>	The routine loads into this structure the version and serial numbers of the DDL (DIU or SIU) card. <i>rorcHwSerial_t</i> is defined in the header file <i>rorc_lib.h</i> . Besides the major and minor version and the serial numbers it contains the full string received from the card. If there is no information received then the routine puts -1 into the structure as version and serial numbers (this is the case for the prototype version DDL cards or integrated DIUs).
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SEE ALSO

rorcSerial()

3.28 rorcHasData

Check the Ready FIFO for new data block.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcHasData(rorcReadyFifo_t readyFifoBaseAddr,
               int readyFifoIndex)
```

DESCRIPTION

The calling program has to specify the Ready FIFO base address and index. The routine polls the Ready FIFO entry and returns:

RORC_DATA_BLOCK_NOT_ARRIVED or
RORC_NOT_END_OF_EVENT_ARRIVED or
RORC_LAST_BLOCK_OF_EVENT_ARRIVED.

Since this routine is an in-line function, it makes the minimum work possible. It does not return values from the Ready FIFO. The caller can read the block length and the status from the FIFO.

The routine only returns the information of block arrival. The memory address of the given block (and the other blocks of the same event) has to be known by the caller.

Parameters:

readyFifoBaseAddr base address of the Ready FIFO
readyFifoIndex index of the Ready FIFO where the checking has to be done

Return value:

RORC_DATA_BLOCK_NOT_ARRIVED = 0 no data block (data page) arrived (Ready FIFO status = -1)
RORC_NOT_END_OF_EVENT_ARRIVED = 1 data block (data page) arrived but not end-of-event block (status 0)
RORC_LAST_BLOCK_OF_EVENT_ARRIVED = 2 end-of-event data block arrived (status = DTSTW)
If the continuation bit (bit 8) is set, the event will continue.

3.29 rorcCheckLink

Check the DDL link status.

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <rorc_lib.h>

int rorcCheckLink(rorcHandle_t handle)
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorcCheckLink()** macro function checks a status word of the RORC card which reflects the link status.

Parameters:

handle address of the pRORC descriptor.

Return value

RORC_STATUS_OK = 0 the DDL link is on
RORC_LINK_NOT_ON = -4 the DDL link is not on

SEE ALSO

rorcReadRorcStatus()

4 TEST PROGRAMS

The following programs use the RORC library routines described in the previous chapter. The executable programs can be used for testing the RORC card: read and write its registers, establish the DDL link, test the Data Generator function and receive and check data sent by the Front-End Emulator [7] or other data source.

We use the following **notations** for program options (parameter list):

- Optional parameters are in square brackets “[]”
- Obligatory part of the parameters are in twirl brackets “{ }”
- Mutually exclusive parts are separated by a vertical line “|”
- Parts in < > brackets has to be replaced by an actual value.

4.1 rorc_find

Find and list all RORC cards not under use

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_find
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_find** program lists the type and hardware identification text of all RORC cards plugged in the PC, together with the same information for the eventually plugged or integrated DIUs. The program tries to open all RORC devices and reads from their configuration EPROM the hardware identification.

The type of the RORC device could be pRORC, D-RORC and integrated D-RORC.

The type of the DIU could be old (prototype), new (final), embedded (in case of integrated D-RORC) DIU or “no DIU plugged”.

SEE ALSO

rorcFind(), *rorcFindAll()*, *rorcSerial()*

4.2 Mailbox read and write programs

The following 4 programs can be used only for pRORC devices.

4.2.1 *prorc_mbread*

Read the pRORC card's mailboxes.

SYNOPSIS

```
mbread [-{M|m} <pRORC_minor>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **prorc_mbread** program reads the 4 incoming and 4 outgoing mailboxes of the specified pRORC card's PCI bridge chip. The program displays the values on the standard output together with the contents of the chip's Mailbox Empty-Full (MBEF) register [8]. The non-zero bits of MBEF shows which mailbox not empty before the read execution.

Parameters:

<i>pRORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the pRORC card. Multiple pRORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
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4.2.2 *prorc_mbwrite*

Write the pRORC card's mailboxes.

SYNOPSIS

```
mbread [-{M|m} <pRORC_minor>] -{N|n} <mailbox_number>  
-{V|v} <hex_value>
```

DESCRIPTION

The **prorc_mbwrite** program writes one of the 4 outgoing mailboxes of the specified pRORC card's PCI bridge chip. After loading the new value it displays the values of all mailboxes, like the **mbread** program.

Parameters:

<i>pRORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the pRORC card. Multiple pRORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>mailbox_number</i>	the number of the outgoing mailbox to be loaded (a decimal number from 1 to 4).

hex_value the new value of the mailbox (a 8 digit hexadecimal number).

4.2.3 *prorc_mbreset*

Reset the pRORC card's mailboxes.

SYNOPSIS

```
mbreset [-{M|m}] <pRORC_minor>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **prorc_mbreset** program resets the 4 incoming and 4 outgoing mailboxes of the specified pRORC card's PCI bridge chip. The program displays the contents of the chip's Mailbox Empty-Full (MBEF) register [8] before and after the resetting. The non-zero bits of MBEF shows which mailboxes are not empty.

Parameters:

pRORC_minor device file minor number of the pRORC card. Multiple pRORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.

4.2.4 *prorc_empty_mb*

Read one of the pRORC card's mailboxes till no new data arrives.

SYNOPSIS

```
prorc_empty_mb [-{M|m}] <pRORC_minor>]  
                 [-{N|n}] <mailbox_number>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **prorc_empty_mb** program reads one of the 4 incoming mailboxes of the specified pRORC card's PCI bridge chip until the chip's Mailbox Empty-Full (MBEF) register [8] shows the given register empty.

Parameters:

pRORC_minor device file minor number of the pRORC card. Multiple pRORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.

mailbox_number the number of the incoming mailbox to be read (a decimal number from 1 to 4). Default value is 1.

4.3 rorc_reset

Initialize the RORC card and the DDL link

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_reset [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
          [-D|d|B|b|S|s|F|f|O|o|E|e|N|n]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_reset** program initializes the RORC card and/or a DDL channel. According to the user request the program resets the Free FIFO, the other parts of the RORC, the DIU or the SIU. Resetting the RORC card means to empty all its FIFOs, including the Free FIFO and error bits, and then put all programmable features to their reset values. Resetting the DIU or the SIU means cutting the DDL link; afterwards the DDL link rebuilds itself.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>-D or -d</i>	reset DIU
<i>-B or -b</i>	reset both RORC and DIU
<i>-S or -s</i>	reset SIU
<i>-F or -f</i>	clear Free FIFO
<i>-O or -o</i>	clear RORC's other FIFOs
<i>-E or -e</i>	clear RORC's error bits
<i>-N or -n</i>	clear RORC's byte counters
<i>Missing reset code</i>	reset RORC

SEE ALSO

rorcReset(), *siu_reset*

4.4 siu_reset

Reset SIU and check if link is on.

SYNOPSIS

```
siu_reset [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
          [-{N|n} <cycle>] [-{T|t} <time-out>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **siu_reset** program initializes the SIU card. Resetting the SIU means to cut the DDL link and bring the SIU into its working state. For the final version SIU card the link will be re-established automatically. The calling of the **siu_reset** program differs from the **rorc_reset -s** call that **siu_reset** checks several times the re-establishment of the link by reading the DIU and SIU status. The program returns if the DIU and SIU are in normal state or the specified check number is over. Before each status check the program sleeps 10 ms.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>cycle</i>	number of DIU and SIU status check after SIU reset. The default value is 3.
<i>time-out</i>	microseconds to wait for DIU response. Default value is 1000 μ s.

SEE ALSO

rorc_reset, diu_status, siu_status

4.5 rorc_id

Display RORC's hardware and software identification words

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_id [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
        [-V <major version> -v <minor version>  
        -{P|p} <PLD version> -{S|s} <serial#>]  
        -{N|n} <channels>]  
        [-{D|d} {S|s}] [-{T|t} <time-out>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_id** program reads and displays the RORC's type and its hardware and firmware identification words. For user request it displays the DIU or SIU firmware id words as well. In the end the program writes out whether the program library version and the RORC firmware are compatible.

The RORC's type is written as "RORC revision number". It is a number read from the PCI configuration space. If its value is 1, the device is pRORC, if it is 2 then the device is a D-RORC having one DDL channel, while if it is 3 then the device is a two-channel integrated D-RORC.

The RORC's hardware identification word contains the hardware release date and version number. The RORC's firmware identification word contains the firmware release date, the firmware's version, and the size of the Free FIFO. The DIU or SIU firmware id words contain the firmware's release date and version.

For the DIU or SIU firmware id the program sends a command to the device asking the fw id. The SIU firmware id can be asked only if the link is on. The program waits as many microseconds for the answer as specified in *time-out* parameter. If the answer arrives, the program interprets and displays it. For the hardware identification number of the DIU or SIU use the **diu_id** or **siu_id** programs.

The **rorc_id** program can be used for writing the RORC's hardware identification as well. This feature is planned for the RORC's producers, not for the RORC's users. When the hardware identification is written and the producer has soldered a resistor out, the identification cannot be changed. As a user, do not use the *-V*, *-v*, *-P*, *-S* and *-N* switches.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where <i>N</i> is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>-D</i> or <i>-d</i>	display DIU's firmware id as well
<i>-S</i> or <i>-s</i>	display SIU's firmware id as well.
<i>time-out</i>	time-out value in micro seconds for DIU and SIU id request. Default value is 1000 μ s.

SEE ALSO

diu_id, *siu_id*, *diu_status*, *siu_status*

4.6 diu_id

Display DIU's hardware and software identification words

SYNOPSIS

```
diu_id [-{M|m} <RORC minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
        [-V <major version> -v <minor version>  
        -P <PLD version> -B <speed version>  
        -S <serial#>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **diu_id** program reads and displays the DIU's hardware identification words. This program can be used for writing this information into the card's memory. For writing the hardware identification a special resistor must be soldered in the card. If this resistor is soldered out, the hardware identification cannot be changed.

The DIU's hardware identification word contains the card major's and minor version numbers (e.g. 2.0), the PLD version code (e.g. 20K60E), the card's speed version (e.g. 2125 Mbps) and the card's serial number. If the major version number is 1 then the card is a prototype (old) DDL card, if it is 2 then the card is the final (new) card.

For *embedded* DIUs, i.e. when the DIUs are integrated onto the D-RORC card, the DIU does not have separated hardware identification. It is identified as a channel of the integrated D-RORC card. For reading the hardware identification of the D-RORC card use the **rorc_id** program.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0

The other parameters are only used when one wants to write in the hardware identification.

SEE ALSO

rorc_id, siu_id, diu_status, siu_status

4.7 siu_id

Display SIU's hardware and software identification words

SYNOPSIS

```
siu_id [-{M|m} <RORC minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
      [-V <major version> -v <minor version>  
      -P <PLD version> -B <speed version>  
      -S <serial#>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **siu_id** program reads and displays the SIU's hardware identification words. This program can be used for writing this information into the card's memory. For writing the hardware identification a special resistor must be soldered in the card. If this resistor is soldered out, the hardware identification cannot be changed.

The SIU's hardware identification words can be read only if the link is up.

The SIU's hardware identification word contains the card's major and minor version numbers (e.g. 2.0), the PLD version code (e.g. 20K60E), the card's speed version (e.g. 2125 Mbps) and the card's serial number. If the major version number is 1 then the card is a prototype (old) DDL card, if it is 2 then the card is the final (new) card.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL_channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0

The other parameters are only used when one wants to write in the hardware identification.

SEE ALSO

rorc_id, diu_id, diu_status, siu_status

4.8 rorc_push_fifo

Push some entries into RORC's Free FIFO.

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_push_fifo [-{M|m} <RORC number>]
               [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]
               [-{A|a} <address>] [-{L|l} <length>]
               [-{I|i} <index>] [-{P|p} <pattern>]
               [-{R|r} <cycles>] [-{T|t}]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_push_fifo** program loads Free FIFO parameters (block address, block length and Ready FIFO index) into the Free FIFO. This program can be used for testing the RORC's Free FIFO feature. The user can specify the first address/length/index entry then the program generates the next entries following a user specified pattern: constant or incrementing addresses and indices will be used. FreeFIFO content can read back and check by the **rorc_pop_fifo** program (only for pRORC card).

The program does not check the range of the parameters: it masks them for the given range. It neither checks the Free FIFO status. If it is overflowed then the new parameters will not be loaded. The caller can check this situation using **rorc_status** program.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_number</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>address</i>	address of the first free block. Default value is the start address of the physmem memory.
<i>length</i>	length of the free blocks in words (24 bit). Default value is 4096 words.
<i>index</i>	index of the first ready FIFO, where the "data arrived" flag has to be put to (8 bit). Default value is 0.
<i>pattern</i>	if more than one push is requested this option defines how to make the second, third, etc pushes. The value of this parameter could be <i>c</i> (constant) or <i>i</i> (increment). In the first case all address and index pushed will be the same. In the second case every address is incremented by the block length and every index by one. The default value is <i>i</i> .
<i>cycle</i>	number of pushes. Default: 1.
<i>-T</i>	pushes the transfer address FIFO instead of the FreeFIFO. This feature can be used only for D-RORC devices.

SEE ALSO

rorc_pop_fifo, rorc_status

4.9 rorc_pop_fifo

Pop one or more entries from RORC's Free FIFO and display them.

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_pop_fifo [-{M|m} <RORC minor>]
              [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]
              [-{A|a} <address>] [-{L|l} <length>]
              [-{I|i} <index>] [-{P|p} <pattern>]
              [-{R|r} <cycles>] [-{T|t}] [-{N|n}]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_pop_fifo** program works only for pRORC, not for D-RORC. It pops Free FIFO parameters (block address, block length and Ready FIFO index) from the Free FIFO. This program can check the data found in the FIFO supposed the **rorc_push_fifo** program pushed them before. For this checking the user can specify the first address/length/index entry. The next entries will be checked according a user specified pattern: constant or incrementing addresses and indices will be supposed.

The program can be called for popping all entries in the FIFO and display them.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the pRORC card. Multiple pRORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL_channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>address</i>	address of the first free block. Default value is the start address of the physmem memory.
<i>length</i>	length of the free blocks in words (24 bit). Default value is 4096 words.
<i>index</i>	index of the first ready FIFO, where the "data arrived" flag has to be put to (8 bit). Default value is 0.
<i>pattern</i>	if more than one entry is in the FIFO this option defines how to check the second, third, etc entries. The value of this parameter could be <i>c</i> (constant) or <i>i</i> (increment). In the first case all address and index popped will supposed to be the same. In the second case every address is incremented by the block length and every index by one. The default parameter value is <i>i</i> .
<i>cycle</i>	number of pops. 0 means pop until Free FIFO is empty. Default: 0.
<i>-T</i>	pops the transfer address FIFO instead of the FreeFIFO. This feature can be used only for D-RORC devices.
<i>-N</i>	do not display the popped values but check their content. Default: display the popped values without checking them.

SEE ALSO

rorc_push_fifo

4.10 rorc_status

Show RORC status

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_status [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_status** program reads RORC's type, the Control/Status and error registers and displays information about RORC status and errors, such as: RORC's working mode, Free FIFO status, link status, flow control status, etc. The RORC's type is written as "RORC revision". It is a number read from the PCI configuration space. If its value is 1, the device is pRORC, if it is 2 then the device is a D-RORC with plugged DIU, and if it 3 then the device is a D-RORC with integrated DIUs.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0

SEE ALSO

rorcReadRorcStatus()

4.11 rorc_reg

Show RORC registers

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_reg [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
        [-{A|a} <register_address>] [-{V|v} <hex_value>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_reg** program reads RORC's registers directly reachable via PCI and displays their content in binary, hexadecimal and decimal notation. For more information about these registers, see [8] and [5]. For D-RORC devices the routine can read or write a single register as well.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>register_address</i>	hexadecimal address of a D-RORC register. The maximum register address value is 0x7c. The default value is 0.
<i>hex_value</i>	the value to be written into the given D-RORC register.

SEE ALSO

rorcReadRorcStatus()

4.12 diu_status

Display DIU's status

SYNOPSIS

```
diu_status [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
          [-{T|t} <time-out>] [-{V|v} <diu_version>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **diu_status** program sends a status asking command to the DIU, waits for its reply and displays the DIU's status. The user has to specify the DIU version (prototype or final) for the correct interpretation of the status. The program displays the DIU's hardware and firmware identifications as well.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>time-out</i>	microseconds to wait for DIU response. Default value is 1000 μ s.
<i>diu_version</i>	1 for prototype, 2 for final (plugged or embedded) version. Default value is 2.

SEE ALSO

siu_status, rorc_send_command

4.13 **siu_status**

Display SIU's status

SYNOPSIS

```
siu_status [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>] [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
          [-{T|t} <time-out>] [-{V|v} <diu_version>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **siu_status** program sends a status asking command to the SIU, waits for its reply and displays the SIU's status. The SIU receives the commands and replies only if the link is on. The program displays the SIU's hardware and firmware identifications as well. The program can read the above information only if the link is up.

The user has to specify the DIU version (prototype or final) for the correct interpretation of the status.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>time-out</i>	microseconds to wait for SIU response. Default value is 1000 μ s.
<i>diu_version</i>	1 for prototype, 2 for final (plugged or embedded) version. Default value is 2.

SEE ALSO

siu_status, rorc_send_command ddl_init_link

4.14 ddl_init_link

Establish DDL link

SYNOPSIS

```
ddl_init_link [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>]
              [-{C|c} <DDL_channel>]
              [-{P|p} <print>]
              [-{S|s}] [-{T|t}] [-{N|n}]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **ddl_init_link** program tries to establish the DDL link. First it resets the RORC and the DIU (cuts the link). Then it sends commands to DIU to establish the link, and reads DIU status. The program repeats these actions until it finds the link active. It can be run as link monitor, i.e. the user can request not to reset the link and to continue checking the DIU status even when the link is active.

The final version DDL cards automatically establish the link. For prototype DIU version, the call of this routine is mandatory.

Parameters:

<i>RORC_minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>print</i>	# of status prints (default: -1 means no limit). If the program loops many times the printout can be very large. Setting this option the printout can be minimized.
<i>-s</i>	slave (default: master). This option can be used when the link has to be established between two DIUs. The program can be started at one of the DIUs without this option, i.e. as a master. Optionally the program can be started at the other end as well with this option set. Then the program will not initialize the activation of the link but will display the link status.
<i>-t</i>	test: no stop (default: no test). Setting this option the program does not stop when the link became active but continues monitoring the link status. To stop the program, press ^C.
<i>-n</i>	no reset (default: reset). Normally the program resets the RORC and DIU cards before (re)establishing the link. Setting this option the program does not cut the link. If the link is active program write out the link status and does not rebuilt the link.

SEE ALSO

diu_status, siu_status

4.15 rorc_send_command

Send DDL command via RORC

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_send_command [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>]
                  [-{C|c} <DDL_channel>]
                  -{W|w} <command>
                  [-{R|r} <reg_num>]
                  [-{T|t} <time-out>]
                  [-{V|v} <diu_version>] // first calling mode
```

or

```
rorc_send_command [-{M|m} <RORC_minor>]
                  [-{C|c} <DDL_channel>]
                  -{W|w} <cmd_code>
                  -{D|d} <destination>
                  [-{I|i} <tr_id>]
                  [-{P|p} <parameter>]
                  [-{R|r} <reg_num>]
                  [-{T|t} <time-out>]
                  [-{V|v} <diu_version>] // second calling
mode
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_send_command** routine can be used for sending commands to the RORC, to the DIU, to the SIU or to the Front-End Electronics (FEE) via the DDL link. The program sends the specified command and waits a while for the reply.

The command to be sent can be specified several ways:

- as a hexadecimal number starting with “0x” (first calling mode),
- using the command ASCII mnemonics (first calling mode),
- using the DDL command code together with the destination code and other command fields (second calling mode).

A DDL command has the following format:

D31	D30	D12	D11	D8	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
don't use	PARAMETER FIELD		IDENTIFIER FIELD		CODE FIELD				DESTINATION FIELD			
X	FEE address		transaction ID		command code				reserved	FEE	SIU	DIU
optional command parameter					pRORC command code				0			

The user has to specify the DIU type (prototype or final) for the correct sending mode. In the case of D-RORC device the register number can be specified as well.

Parameters:

- RORC_minor* device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
- DDL channel command* DDL channel number, default = 0
the command to be sent.
- a hexadecimal number starting with "0x", or
 - the ASCII mnemonic of a DLL or RORC command. The following commands mnemonics are accepted:
 - PRSTAT get RORC status
 - PRID get RORC id
 - LBON RORC loop-back on
 - LBOFF RORC loop-back off
 - HLT_FLCON HLT flow control on (for D-RORC)
 - HLT_FLCOFF HLT flow control off (for D-RORC)
 - HLTON HLT switch on (for D-RORC)
 - HLTOFF HLT switch off (for D-RORC)
 - STEON "stop on error" on (only pRORC)
 - STEOFF "stop on error" off (only pRORC)
 - STARTWDMA stat data collection (write DMA)
 - STOPWDMA stop data collection
 - STARTDG start data generator
 - STOPDG stop data generator
 - STARTDLOAD start data downloading (read DMA)
 - STOPDLOAD stop data downloading
 - RDYRX ready to receive (SIU command)
 - EOBTR end of block transfer (SIU command)
 - DTCC data transmission control command
 - STBWR start block write command
 - STBRD start block read command
 - FECTRL FEE control command
 - FESTRD FEE status read command
 - SRST SIU reset command
 - SUSPEND suspend DIU functions
 - WAKEUP wake up the DIU
 - TXLOOP DIU loop-back
 - TSTOP stop DDL test
 - TSTART start DDL test
 - TSTART_F0 start DDL test with flying 0 pattern
 - TSTART_F1 start DDL test with flying 1 pattern
 - TSTART_INC start DDL test with increment pattern
 - TSTART_DEC start DDL test with decrement pattern
 - DIUHW read DIU hardware id
 - SIUHW read SIU hardware id
 - DIUFW read DIU firmware id
 - SIUFW read SIU firmware id

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DIUST read DIU status• SIUST read SIU status• DIUPM read DIU power monitor• SIUPM read SIU power monitor
<i>destination</i>	the command destination (4 bit): 0: RORC, 1: DIU, 2: SIU, 4: FEE,
<i>tr_id</i>	the transaction id (0-15). Default = 0.
<i>parameter</i>	the command parameter (19 bit hex number). Default = 0.
<i>reg_num</i>	the number (from 0 to 27) of D-RORC register where the command has to be loaded. Default: 6 (DDL command register) in case of DDL commands, and 4 (Control/status reg.) in case of RORC commands. -R is ignored in case of pRORC or when using symbolic command.
<i>time-out</i>	microseconds to wait for SIU response. Default value is 1000 μ s.
<i>diu_version</i>	1 for prototype, 2 for final version. Default value is 2.

4.16 rorc_send

Download data from the PC to the Front-end via the RORC card

SYNOPSIS

```

rorc_send [ {-M|-m|--minor}           <RORC minor>]
          [ {-C|-c|--channel}         <DDL channel>]
          [ {-L|-l|--length}          <data length>]
          [ {-B|-b|--rand_len}        <seed>]
          [-J|-j|--rand_data]
          [-F|-f|--front_end]
          [ {-A|-a|--address}         <fee address>]
          [ {-P|-p|--pattern}         {c|a|0|1|i|d}]
          [ {-I|-i|--init_word}       <init word>]
          [ {-T|-t|--time_out}        <time-out>]
          [ {-U|-u|--physmem}         <utilizable memory>]
          [ {-O|-o|--offset}          <memory offset>]
          [ {-E|-e|--events}          <max event>]
          [ {-N|-n|--init_count}      <initial event count>]
          [ {-K|-k|--file}            <input file name>]
          [ {-Q|-q|--byte_print}      <gigabytes>]
          [-G|-g|--generator]
          [-R|-r|--rorc_lback]
          [-D|-d|--diu_lback]
          [-Y|-y|--ext_lback]
          [-S|-s|--STBWR]
          [-W|-w|--inf_wait]
          [-X|-x|--nocheck]

```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_send** program is made to send data via the DDL link to the Front-end Electronics. It uses the *physmem* memory management package [6] for allocating memory blocks for the source data and for the returning data in the case of loop-back.

One can call the **rorc_send** program together with other programs using *physmem* memory management package on other RORCs. In this case the *physmem* memory must be divided to as many parts as many jobs are running. The division can be done by specifying the size of *physmem* to be used by the **rorc_send** job (options *-U* and *-O*).

Parameters:

<i>RORC_number</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where <i>N</i> is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>data length</i>	size in words of the block to send (from 1 to $2^{19}-1$). The default value is 2047 words. If RORC's data generator and random length are used (option <i>-G</i> and <i>seed</i> is not

	equal to RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN), the minimum length is 1, and the maximum value of the length will be <i>data length</i> rounded down to the nearest integer of power of 2.
<i>seed</i>	defines the seed value for random data length. If given, the event lengths will vary between 1 and <i>data length</i> . Using the value RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN no random length will be generated (this is the default).
<i>-J</i>	generate random data. (Options <i>-J</i> and <i>-G</i> are mutually exclusive.)
<i>-F</i>	the data is sent to Front-end Electronics and will be read back. After sending each data block the program sends a Start Block Read (STBRD) command and waits for data coming back. If <i>-X</i> option is not on the returned data will be checked.
<i>fee address</i>	the front-end address value to be sent in the Start Block Write (STBWR) command.
<i>pattern</i>	the event pattern. It could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>c</i> constant data = <i>init_word</i>• <i>a</i> alternating data• <i>0</i> flying 0 starting from 0xffffffffe• <i>1</i> flying 1 starting from 0x00000001• <i>i</i> incremental data (this one is the default)• <i>d</i> decremented data
<i>init word</i>	the first number of each block. The default value is 0.
<i>time-out</i>	microseconds to wait for the ending of the previous transfer. Default value is 1000 μ s.
<i>utilizable memory</i>	specify the useable part of phymem memory in Megabytes. The default value is 30 MB or the physical size of phymem memory, if less than 30 MB.
<i>memory offset</i>	offset in Megabytes of the useable memory relative to the start of phymem memory. The default value is 0.
<i>max event</i>	number of data blocks to send. The 0 value specifies infinite block number. The default value is 0.
<i>initial event count</i>	the event count (first word) of the first event. The default value is 1.
<i>input file name</i>	if given the program reads here the data to be sent as a text data. Each data block starts with the length of the block; then follow the data words in hexadecimal format, separated by space, tabulator or new line characters. Empty lines and lines started with '*', '#' or ';' characters are skipped. The data is not checked (implies option <i>-X</i>).
<i>gigabytes</i>	The program prints the number of Gigabytes sent after this quantity of sent data. The default is 1 GB.
<i>-G</i>	use RORC's data generator.
<i>-R</i>	loop-back data in the RORC card.
<i>-D</i>	loop-back data in the DIU card.
<i>-Y</i>	data is looped-back by an external optical cable.

- S send STWBR (Start Block Write) and EOBTR (End of Block Transfer) commands before the first and after the last data download.
- W wait infinite time if data can not be sent because of flow control. One can stop the program if necessary by pressing ^C.
- X do not check the received data (in case of loop-back).

SEE ALSO

rorc_receive

4.17 rorc_receive

Functional test of the RORC card and the DDL link

SYNOPSIS

```
rorc_receive [ {-M|-m|--minor}           <RORC minor>]
             [ {-C|-c|--channel}         <DDL channel>]
             [ -v|--verbose]
             [ {-G|-g|--generator}       <loop back_mode>]
             [ -D|-d|--no_scatter]
             [ {-R|-r|--reset_lev}       <reset level>]
             [ {-X|-x|--check}          <check level>]
             [ -Y|-y|--DDL_header]
             [ -Z|-z|--no_RDYRX]
             [ {-B|-b|--page}             <page length>]
             [ {-U|-u|--physmem}         <utilizable memory>]
             [ {-O|-o|--offset}          <memory offset>]
             [ {-E|-e|--events}          <events>]
             [ {-I|-i|--init_word}       <init word>]
             [ {-P|-p|--pattern}         c|a|0|1|i|d]
             [ {-S|-s|--stat_file}       <stat file>]
             [ {-L|-l|--length}          <data length>]
             [ {-N|-n|--init_count}      <initial count>]
             [ {-J|-j|--rand_len}        <random seed>]
             [ {-F}                       <max FIFO>]
             [ {-f}                       <min FIFO>]
             [ {-T|-t|--sleep_time}      <sleep time>]
             [ {-W|-w|--resp_wait}       <wait time>]
             [ {-Q}                       <GBs to print>]
             [ {-q}                       <pages to print>]
             [ {-K|-k|--output_file}     <output file>]
             [ {-A|-a|--front_end}       <FEE address>]
```

DESCRIPTION

The **rorc_receive** program is made to receive and check data from the DDL link or Data Generator. It uses the *physmem* memory management package [6] for allocating memory blocks where the data is stored. The program fills every word of these blocks with its own address then when the data arrives compares every word with its expected value. It also checks whether the event length in the DTSW word is the real event length.

One can call the **rorc_receive** program for several RORCs. In this case the *physmem* memory must be divided to as many parts as many **rorc_receive** jobs are running. The division can be done by specifying the size of *physmem* to be used by one **rorc_receive** job (options *-U* and *-O*).

Parameters:

<i>RORC minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>-v</i>	verbose mode: print details for debugging. (Capital V is not accepted!)
<i>loopback mode</i>	use RORC's data generator with loop-back mode: 0 means: use Data Generator, but do not loop-back data. Use this option if you want to send data via the link. 1 means: set DIU loop-back 2 means: set SIU loop-back any other value set RORC loop-back
<i>-N</i>	do not scatter the received data in <i>physmem</i> memory: every event page will be written on the same physical address (pages will overwrite each other).
<i>reset level</i>	0 means: do not reset RORC, neither DIU nor SIU 1 means: reset RORC only 2 means: reset RORC and DIU, do not reset SIU 3 means: reset RORC, DIU and SIU before collecting data
<i>check level</i>	0 means: do not check the received data 1 means: check only the first word of events 2 means: do not check the first word of events 3 means: check the whole received event. The default value is 3.
<i>-Z</i>	do not send RDYRX and EOBTR commands This option is automatically set with <i>-G</i> or <i>-A</i> options.
<i>-Y</i>	the received block will have DDL header (not be checked)
<i>page length</i>	length in bytes of the memory blocks (pages) where the data are expected. The default value is 4096 bytes.
<i>utilizable memory</i>	specify the useable part of <i>physmem</i> memory in Megabytes. The default value is 30 MB or the physical size of <i>physmem</i> memory, if less than 30 MB.
<i>memory offset</i>	offset in Megabytes of the useable memory relative to the start of <i>physmem</i> memory. The default value is 0.
<i>events</i>	number of events to read (and to generate if <i>-G</i> is set). The 0 value specifies infinite event number. Default value is 0.
<i>init word</i>	the first number of each event's payload (the second word of the events). The default value is 0.
<i>pattern</i>	the event pattern. It could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• c constant data = <i>init_word</i>• a alternating data• 0 flying 0 starting from 0xffffffffe• 1 flying 1 starting from 0x00000001• i incremental data (this one is the default)• d decremented data

<i>stat file</i>	name of the file where the program writes the number of bytes transferred. If given, and the file already exist, the program adds the number of transferred bytes to the value already in the file.
<i>data length</i>	size in words of the longest event expected and the size of generated events if <i>-G</i> is set. The default value is 524287 words. If RORC's data generator and random length are used (option <i>-G</i> and <i>random seed</i> is not equal to RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN), the minimum length is 1, and the maximum value of the length will be <i>data length</i> rounded down to the nearest integer of power of 2.
<i>initial count</i>	the event count (first word) of the first event. The default value is 1.
<i>random seed</i>	defines the seed value for random data length. If given, the event lengths will vary between 1 and <i>data length</i> . Using the value RORC_DG_NO_RANDOM_LEN no random length will be generated (this is the default).
<i>max FIFO</i>	The program fills the Free FIFO at the beginning of the run and after each page until the number of entries in the Free FIFO reaches this value. This filling is done only if the number of entries in the Free FIFO is less than or equal to <i>min FIFO</i> . The default value is 128.
<i>min FIFO</i>	The program fills the Free FIFO after each page if the entries in the Free FIFO is less than or equal to this value. The default value is 127.
<i>sleep time</i>	the time in ms that the program waits after each event, simulating the occupancy of PC during data taking. The default value is 0 ms.
<i>wait time</i>	wait time for command responses in μ s. The default value is 1000.
<i>GBs to print</i>	The program prints the number of Gigabytes received after this quantity of received data. The default is 1 GB.
<i>pages to print</i>	The program prints the number of pages received when this quantity of pages received. The default: no page printout.
<i>output file name</i>	if given the program dumps here the received events as a text data. The file will contain comment lines starting with '#' character and empty lines. Each event in the file starts with a comment line containing the event number then follows certain number of DDL data blocks. Each block contains the block number as a comment, then the word length of the block followed by (after an empty line) the payload words, each in a separate row. The maximum size of a DDL block is 524287 ($2^{19}-1$) words. En event can contain maximum 2048 blocks. Events and blocks are separated by one empty line. If <i>output file name</i> is specified the program does not check the data (implies option <i>-X 0</i>).

Here is an example of the output file:

```
# <file name> <date and time>
# Event 1 // start of the 1st event
# Block 1 // start of the 1st DDL block
0x0007ffff // size (in words) of the 1st DDL block
0x.....
.
. // payload of the 1st DDL block
0x.....
# Block2 // start of the 2nd DDL block
0x0007ffff // size (in words) of the 2nd DDL block
0x.....
.
. // payload of the 2nd DDL block
0x.....
# Block 3 // start of the 3rd (last in this example) DDL block
0x00000002 // size (in words) of the last DDL block of the event.
0xffffffff // payload of the last DDL block of the event
0x00000000
# Event 2 // start of the 2nd event
# Block1 // start of the 1st DDL block of the 2nd event
0x.....
.
.
.
# End of events. <number of events> event(s) in the file.
```

FEE address

the data is read using the Start Block Read (STBRD) DDL command. *FEE address* is the front-end address value to be sent in the STBRD command.

SEE ALSO

rorc_send

5 FEC2: FRONT-END CONTROL AND CONFIGURATION

SYNOPSIS

```
FeC2 [-{M|m} <Rorc device> |  
      -{R|r} <revision> {N|n} <serial>]  
      [-{C|c} <DDL channel>]  
      [-{F|f} <FeC2 script file>] [-{L|l} <log file>]  
      [-{O|o} <mem offset>] [-{U|u} <mem size>]  
      [-{T|t} <DDL timeout>] [-S|-s][-v] [-H|-h]
```

DESCRIPTION

The FeC2 program can be used for controlling and configuring the Front-end Electronics via the DDL. It can download FEE commands and data blocks and can read FEE status and data. The user can compose his task by a simple script file.

The data blocks to be downloaded have to be written into files beforehand. It can happen that the same file has to be downloaded several times during the same run of the program or at different times. To accelerate the file handling there is a possibility to store the files into shared memory segments. If one calls the program with the `-S` switch, the program tries to store each files into shared memory, so for the next use of the file it will be retrieved from memory instead of the file.

Limitations of shared memory usage:

- Each DDL channel has its own shared memory system.
- Maximum number of channels in one LDC is 16.
- Maximum number of files for one channel is 15420.
- Maximum length of a file name is 255 characters.
- Maximum number of shared memory segments used by the program for storing the file data is 127. (One segment is used for administration. So the maximum number of segments used in one LCD is $128 * 16 = 2048$. Other programs, e.g. DATE, can use another 2048 segments.)
- 8 bytes are used for administration in each segment; so 4MB-8 bytes can be used for data storage. $127 * (4MB-8B)$ is slightly less than half GB (precisely 507 MB). The average length of a file is 33.7 KB. (The DDL protocol allows the maximum data block size of 2MB-4bytes.)

There is a small program for cleaning the shared memories in a channel-by-channel way:

```
clean_shm [-m minor] [-c channel] [-x]
```

In case of `-x`, the program scans the shared memories and does not remove them.

Parameters:

<i>RORC device</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name <code>"/dev/prorcN"</code> , where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>revision</i>	RORC PCI revision number. Must be < 5.
<i>serial</i>	RORC hw serial number. If given RORC is identified by <code><revision></code> and <code><serial></code> , not by <code><RORC device></code> minor number.
<i>DDL channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>FeC2 script file</i>	name of the script file. The default is FeC2.scr
<i>log file</i>	the name of the log file. The default is FeC2.log
<i>mem offset</i>	offset in physmem memory in MBs. The default value depends on <code><RORC device></code> and <code><DDL channel></code> in the following way: $\langle mem\ offset \rangle = (\langle RORC\ device \rangle * 2 + \langle DDL\ channel \rangle) * 8$ i.e. for a each channel 8 MB memory is reserved.
<i>mem size</i>	utilizable physmem memory in MBs, default: 8.
<i>DDL timeout</i>	time-out value for DDL commands. Default: 1000 μ s.
<i>-S</i>	use shared memory for file storage.
<i>-v</i>	verbose mode (capital V not accepted).
<i>-H</i>	prints a short help and stops.

INSTRUCTIONS USED IN THE SCRIPT FILE:

The commands and parameters can be separated by space(s) or tabulator(s). Each command should be written in one line. Any number of empty lines is allowed. Lines starting with a '#', '*' or ';' character are considered as comment. After ';' or '//' characters the remaining part of any line is considered as in-line comment. Comment lines, in-line comments and empty lines can be used in data files as well.

A command consists of a key word and zero or some parameters. Any parameters of a command can be an environmental variable. If the variable is undefined the program stops after an error message. The variable can be referenced in one of the following forms: `$<variable>`, `${<variable>}` or `$(<variable>)`.

All the commands will be executed sequentially up the end of the script file, or until reaching a return/stop command, or till the occurrence of an error.

DDL related instructions:

reset [RORC | DIU | SIU]

ACTION:

Resets the given part of the DDL link. If no parameter is given then the RORC card will be reset.

write_RDYRX

ACTION:

A RDYRX DDL command will be sent to the Front-end.

write_EOBTR

ACTION:

An EOBTR DDL command will be sent to the Front-end.

write_command <command code>

WHERE:

<command code> is a hexadecimal number of maximum 19 bits.

ACTION:

A DDL command will be sent to the Front-end.

write_block <address> <file name> [<format>]

WHERE:

<address> is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the block has to be sent.

<file name> is the name of the file where the data is.

<format> the C style format of reading a word from the file. If missing binary file is supposed.

ACTION:

First the address, then the block of data will be sent to the Front-end. The length of the file should correspond to the length expected for the given address. The maximum length allowed is $(2^{19}-1)$ words.

write_block_multiple <poll address> <status> <mask> <timeout> <FEE address> <block size> <file name> [<format>]

WHERE:

<poll address> is a hexadecimal number (maximum 19 bits) within the address space of the FEE to which the status read request sent. The FEE needs to change this status when it is ready to accept the next data block.

<status> is a hexadecimal number (maximum 19 bits) of the expected reply sent by the FEE signaling that it is ready to accept the next data block.

<mask> is applied as bitwise AND operation to the received value from the FEE before the comparison against the parameter <status> is done.

<timeout> defines the maximum duration in microseconds to repeat the polling operation of the status read request.

<FEE address> is a hexadecimal number (maximum 19 bits) within the address space of the FEE to which the first sub-block is sent.

<block size> is the size of the sub-blocks in words to be sent in one DDL transaction.

<file name is the> name of the file where the block of data is stored. The maximum length of this file is $(2^{19} - 1 = 524287)$ words.

<format> specifies in C style format (e.g. "%x") for the reading the words from the file. If omitted, binary read mode is used.

ACTION:

First read the data from the file called *<file name>* and divide it into sub-blocks of *<block size>* words length. For each sub-block send the incremented address to the FEE followed by the data, thus the first sub-block goes to FEE address, the second sub-block to FEE address + block size, the third sub-block to FEE address + 2 * block size, and so forth. At the end of each sub-block send a status read request to the *<poll address>* and compare the reply (after applying *<mask>* as bitwise AND operation) with the value *<status>*. Repeat the status read request until an exact match happens or the *<timeout>* is expired. In the latter case stop looping and set the "check_fail" flag (see Section 25.3.2.2). The length of the file needs to correspond with the length expected for the given FEE address. The maximum length allowed is $2^{19} - 1 = 524287$ words.

read_and_print <address> "<format>" [<stream>]

WHERE:

- <address>* is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the status read request has to be sent.
- <format>* the C style format for printing the read data.
- <stream>* the file name where to append the print. If *<stream>* is missing the program does the following: if a log file was defined (see the calling sequence of FeC2) it will be used, if not the print will be sent to the standard output.

ACTION:

A status read command will be sent to the Front_end and the received value will be printed according to the C style *<format>* into the *<stream>* stream.

read_and_check <address> <status> <mask>

WHERE:

- <address>* is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the status read request has to be sent.
- <status>* is the expected reply sent by the Front-end (a 19 bit hexadecimal number)
- <mask>* will be AND-ed with the received value before comparing against *<status>*.

ACTION:

A status read command will be sent to the Front-end and the (*reply & <mask>*) will be compared with *<status>*. If the comparison fails the "check_fail" flag is set (see command **stop_if_failed** below).

read_until <address> <status> <mask> <timeout>

WHERE:

- <address> is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the status read request has to be sent.
- <status> is the expected reply sent by the Front_end (a 19 bit hexadecimal number)
- <mask> will be AND-ed with the received value before comparing against <status>.
- <timeout> is the maximum time in microseconds while the repeated status read is going on.

ACTION:

A status read command will be sent to the Front-end and the (reply & <mask>) will be compared with <status>. This will be repeated until exact match happens or the timeout is over. In the latter case the "check_fail" flag is set (see command **stop_if_failed** below).

read_block <address> <file_name> [<format>]

WHERE:

- <address> is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the block has to be read from.
- <file name> is the name of the file where the data has to be written to.
- <format> the C style format of writing a word into the file. If missing, binary file will be written.

ACTION:

First the address will be sent, then a block of data will be read and written to the file. The length of the block is under the control of the Front-end.

read_and_check_block <address> <file_name> [<format>]

WHERE:

- <address> is the front-end address (of maximum 19 bits) where the block has to be read from.
- <file name> is the name of the file which contains the data to compare with.
- <format> the C style format of reading a word from the file. If missing binary file is supposed.

ACTION:

First the address, will be sent, then a block of data will be read and compare with the data in the file. The length of the block is under the control of the Front-end. If the comparison fails the "check_fail" flag is set (see command **stop_if_failed** below).

Program flow related commands:

define <name> <value>

ACTION:

Whenever the <name> occurs as a command parameter the <value> will be used instead. The definition of <name> must be before its first use. To distinguish <name> and numbers the <name> must start with a letter while hexadecimal constants must start with 0x.

wait <usecs>

ACTION:

The execution of the program is suspended for the given number of microseconds.

call <file_name>

ACTION:

The execution will jump to another script file, if file is found, else: stop processing. Recursive calls are not allowed.

return

ACTION:

Terminate the processing of the current script and return to one level higher (or stop in the highest level).

stop_if_failed [<exit_code>]

ACTION:

If a previous check (**read_and_check**, **read_until**, or **read_and_check_block** instructions) fails the command processing will be stopped with the given or with 1 exit code.

stop [<exit_code>]

ACTION:

Terminate the command processing with the given or 0 exit code.

SEE ALSO

rorc_send_command rorc_send, rorc_receive

6 FEIC.MENU: SET AND CHECK THE FRONT-END EMULATOR INTERFACE CARD (FEIC)

SYNOPSIS

```
feic.menu [-{M|m} <minor>] [-{C|c} <channel>]  
          [-{F|f} <config file>
```

DESCRIPTION

The **feic.menu** command offers a menu for checking and setting the FEIC card [7] working modes. The DDL link must be initialised before the call of **feic.menu** command.

The following working modes can be set:

<i>PATGEN</i>	the pattern code of the events to be generated by the FEIC. 1: external pattern generator 2: alternating pattern 3: flying 0 4: flying 1 5: incrementing data 6: decrementing data
<i>EVLEN</i>	event length or in case of random length generation the maximum event length: The FEIC can generate events with lengths between 16 words and 256Mwords in power of 2 steps (16, 32,, 256M). Each length can be set by two codes, according to the following table. In the case of using the second code, events with random length will be generated. In this case the length of the events will be varied between 1 word and the given number of words. The following codes are allowed: 01 or 81: event length: 16 words 02 or 82: event length: 32 words 09 or 89: event length: 4K words 0A or 1A: event length: 8K words 0F or 8F: event length: 256K words 10 or 90: event length: 512K words 19 or 99: event length: 256M words
<i>TRIG</i>	trigger mode: 1: external push button 2: external trigger 3: 16 clocks gap after each event 4: 128 clocks gap after each event 5: every 10 ms 6: every 100 ms

<i>FLCTRL</i>	flow control simulation: 1: flow control after each received word 2: flow control after receiving 128 words 3: flow control after receiving 16 Kword
<i>TRDIS</i>	transmission disable: 1: after each word sent 2: after transmitting 128 words 3: after transmitting 16 Kword.
<i>SEED</i>	defines the seed value for random data length.

After a successful setting of FEIC working modes the program saves the parameter values into a configuration file. At the next call of the program it offers the saved values as the default ones.

Parameters:

<i>minor</i>	device file minor number of the RORC card. Multiple RORC cards can be supported (with device file name "/dev/prorcN", where N is the minor number). The minor numbers start from 0. The default value is 0.
<i>channel</i>	DDL channel number, default = 0
<i>config file</i>	name of the FEIC configuration file. The default is <i>feic.cfg</i>

SEE ALSO

prorcArmFeic()

7 DDG: DDL DATA GENERATOR PROGRAM

SYNOPSIS:

```
ddg [-{F|f} <config file>] [-{L|l} <log file>]
     [-{S|s} <SMI object>] [-{T|t} <time-out>]
     [-{N|n}] [-v] [-h]
```

DESCRIPTION:

The program is designed for supplying data (simulated events) for the DDL Data Generator card or for the D-RORC card. The program can handle more than one DDL channel (maximum 12 channels). The program works with integrated D-RORC cards, i.e. one RORC card containing 2 DDL channels.

The program reads sub-events from files or generates them according to the user request. The program can also generate DDL header for each sub-events. If header is requested the Event ID of all sub events will be synchronized.

Several replica of the ddg program can run parallel on the same or different machines. With carefully set run parameters the DDL headers of the corresponding sub-events (generated with different program replica) remain synchronized.

The simulated sub-event data blocks to be sent to the DDG has to be written into files beforehand. It can happen that the same file has to be used for several channels. In this case one has to make several copies of the file.

Program parameters:

<config file>	name of the configuration file. The default is ddg.conf. The configuration file contains all parameters describing the events to be generated.
<log file>	the name of the log file. The default is the stdout stream.
<SMI object>	the name of the associated SMI object to connect to. In the form <domain_name>::<object_name>. The default is: DDG::DDG.
<time-out>	time-out value for DDL commands. The default is : 1000 µsec.
-n	do not scatter data (use only 1 data buffer).
-v	verbose mode (capital V is not accepted).
-h	prints a short help and stops.

The aim of the program:

The program works in the following way:

- First the program reads the configuration file. Initializes the *physmem* memory, the DIM and SMI packages. The program sets the SMI IDLE state. Opens the requested DDL channels. Opens the data files and reads in the first sub-events into his buffer. Generate the sub-events if they are not read from file.
- The program waits for the READY TO RECEIVE commands from the DDL channels. It should receive them when the DATE system at the receiving ends have been started and are ready to receive data. The program resets the given channel if requested.
- The program should start sending data when a START message from the Experimental Control System had been received. It sets the SMI RUNNING state. It should stop sending data when receiving a STOP message.
- During data sending the program fills sub-event parameters (physical address and length) into the transmit FIFOs of the RORC cards. It checks the status of the FIFOs. When a sub-event is transmitted the program reads in the next from file and pushes its parameters.
- After receiving the STOP message, the program stops sending data and terminates.

7.1 Syntax of the data files:

- Any number of empty lines is allowed.
- Lines starting with a "#", "*" or ";" character are considered as comment.
- After ";" or "/" characters the remaining part of any line is considered as in-line comment.

The structure of the data file:

```
<Maximum length in 32 bit words of the sub-events>  
# decimal number.  
# It must be greater than 0 and less than 16777215 ( = 2^24 - 1 = 16MWord - 1)  
  
<Length in 32 bit words of the first sub-event> // hexa  
# It can be 0 and must be less than 0xFFFFFFFF ( = 2^24 - 1 = 16MWord - 1)  
<Word1> <word2> // hexa  
  
<Length in 32 bit words of the second sub-event>  
<Word1> <word2> // hexa
```

- Space, tabulator or new line characters(s) can separate the above data words.
- The maximum length and the lengths of sub-events must be written in separate lines.

7.2 Syntax of the configuration file:

- The key words and parameters can be separated by space(s), tabulator(s) or equal sign(s).
- Each key word should be written in a separate line.
- Any number of empty lines is allowed.
- Lines starting with a "#", "*" or ";" character are considered as comment.
- After ";" or "/" characters the remaining part of any line is considered as in-line comment.

The use of the key words is not obligatory. Each key word has a default value, which will be used when the key word is not given in the configuration file. In an extreme case the configuration file can be empty.

If the same key word occurs more than once in the configuration file then the last value will be used. This rule applies for contradictory key words as well. For example if one key word specifies to use random event lengths and later on another one specifies no random lengths then the last one will be considered.

The use of following key words are possible:

7.2.1 Channel independent key words:

These key words can be given once for each program instances.

PHYSMEM_OFFSET <offset in MB>

Where

<offset in MB> specifies from which relative address the program can use the *physmem* memory. The use of this and the following parameters makes possible that several instances of *ddg* program can use different parts of the *physmem* in parallel.

Data format: integer number

Data unit: megabyte

Default value: 0

PHYSMEM_LENGTH <size in MB>

Where

<offset in MB> specifies what part of the *physmem* memory the program can use. The use of this and the preceding parameters makes possible that several instances of *ddg* program can use different parts of the *physmem* in parallel.

Data format: integer number

Data unit: megabyte

Default value: 32

DDL_COMMANDS

If this keyword is given then the program waits for the RDYRX commands before starting sending data.

Default: if neither DDL_COMMANDS nor NO_DDL_COMMANDS is given then NO_DDL_COMMANDS is supposed.

NO_DDL_COMMANDS

If this keyword is given then the program does not wait for the RDYRX commands before starting sending data.

Default: if neither DDL_COMMANDS nor NO_DDL_COMMANDS is given then NO_DDL_COMMANDS is supposed.

HEADER

If this key word is given then the program generates DDL headers for each sub-event.

Default: if neither HEADER nor NOHEADER is given then NOHEADER is supposed.

NOHEADER

If this key word is given then the program does not generate DDL headers.

Default: if neither HEADER nor NOHEADER is given then NOHEADER is supposed.

BUNCH_CROSSING_START <start value>

Where

<start value>

This value is used to calculate the start values of *Bunch Crossing* and *Orbit Number*, to be used in the first sub-event header of all channels. The following algorithm is used:

```
orbit_start = <start value> / 3564;  
bunch_crossing_start = <start value> % 3564;
```

Data format: integer number

Default value: 1

BUNCH_CROSSING_INCREMENT <min value> <max value>

Where

<min value>

<max value>

These values specify the minimum and maximum exponents used for incrementing the Bunch Crossing value. The `bcIncrMin` and `bcIncrMax` values, used in the calculation of the new *Bunch Crossing* and *Orbit Number* values (see at BUNCH_CROSSING_SEED keyword) are calculated in the following way:

```
bcIncrMin = 2^<min value> - 1;
```

```
bcIncrMax = 2^<max value> - 1;
```

Data format: integer numbers

Data range: [0 – 31],

<min value> should be less or equal to <max value>

Default values: <min value> = 1, <max value> = 20

BUNCH_CROSSING_SEED <seed value>

Where

<seed value>

This value will be used starting random number generation for calculating the increment of Bunch Crossing. The new *Bunch Crossing* and *Orbit Number* values are calculated using the following algorithm:

```
// random increment between bcIncrMin and bcIncrMax
bcIncrement = bcIncrMin + (int)((float)random() *
    (float)(bcIncrMax - bcIncrMin) / (RAND_MAX+1.0));
orbitNumber += bcIncrement / 3564;
bunchCrossing += bcIncrement % 3564;
if (bunchCrossing >= 3564)
{
    orbitNumber++;
    bunchCrossing %= 3564;
}
```

Data format: integer number

Default value: 0

MAX_EVENT <maximal event number>

Where

<maximal event number>

The number of events to send. If this number is reached in the first channel, the program stops. Use this option only for program tests.

Data format: integer number

Default: 0: the program stops only if SMI command STOP is received.

7.2.2 Channel dependent key words:

These key words can be given for each DDL channels.

RORC_CHANNEL <minor> <channel>

Where

<minor>

Defines the minor number of the D-RORC device. Using the `rorc_find` DDL program one can find the minor numbers of the device.

Data format: integer number

Default value: 0

<channel>

Defines the channel number of the D-RORC card. It can be 0 (channel A) or 1 (Channel B).

Data format: integer number

Default value: 0

If DDL channel is not specified then only one channel (minor = 0, channel = 0) will be supposed.

DATA_FILE <file name>

Where

<file name>

The name of the data file containing the simulated sub-events for the given channel.

Data format: string of maximum 80-character length.

Default value: `ddg.data`

If both `DATA_FILE` and `DATA_PATTERN` are given, the last one will be considered. If neither is given then `DATA_PATTERN` will be supposed.

DATA_PATTERN <pattern>

Where

<pattern>

If this key word is given the program generates the simulated data for the given channel. One can choose from the following possibilities:

'c':	constant data
'a':	alternating data
'0':	“flying” binary 0 pattern
'1':	“flying” binary 1 pattern
'i':	incrementing data
'd':	decrementing data

The first data word of the generated sub-events will be the event's serial number (starting from 1). The second word will be the init word defined by the INIT_WORD keyword, and then follows the data words as specified by the <pattern>.

Data format: character
Default value: i

If both DATA_FILE and DATA_PATTERN are given, the last one will be considered. If neither is given then DATA_PATTERN will be supposed.

INIT_WORD <start value>

Where

<start value>

The value of the second word of the generated sub-events for the given channel.

Data format: hexadecimal number
Default value: 0xffffffffe for "flying" 0 pattern,
0x00000001 for "flying" 1 pattern,
0 for other patterns

DATA_LENGTH <maximum length>

Where

<maximum length>

The length of generated sub-event patterns in 32-bit words. If RANDOM is not specified this will be the size of the sub-event blocks. If RANDOM is specified then this will be the maximum size of the blocks.

Data format: integer number
Data range: [1 – 16777215 (= $2^{24} - 1 = 16\text{MWord} - 1$)]
Default value: 524287 (= $512\text{kWord} - 1$)

RANDOM

If this key word is given then the program generates random length sub-events. The minimum length is 0. The key word DATA_LENGTH or the length of sub-event read from data file specifies the maximum random length.

Default: if neither RANDOM nor NORANDOM is given then RANDOM is supposed.

NORANDOM

If this key word is given then the program generates sub-events with lengths specified by the DATA_LENGTH key word or using the length of the sub-event read from the data file.

Default: if neither RANDOM nor NORANDOM is given then RANDOM is supposed.

RESET

If this key word is given the program resets the given DDL channel before starting to generate the sub events.

Default: if neither RESET nor NORESET is given then RESET is supposed.

NORESET

If this key word is given the program does not reset the given DDL channel.

Default: if neither RESET nor NORESET is given then RESET is supposed.

7.2.3 Key words describing DDL headers:

These key words can specify the DDL header for each channel. For the detailed description of header fields see note:

ALICE-INT-2002-10 v.5: Data Format over the ALICE DDL,
[https://edms.cern.ch/cedar/plsql/doc.info?cookie=3148766
&document_id=340186&version=5](https://edms.cern.ch/cedar/plsql/doc.info?cookie=3148766&document_id=340186&version=5)

BLOCK_LENGTH

If this key word is given then the program fills the *block length* field of each DDL header of the given channel with the lengths of the sub events.

Default: if neither BLOCK_LENGTH nor NO_BLOCK_LENGTH is given then BLOCK_LENGTH is supposed.

NO_BLOCK_LENGTH

If this key word is given then the program fills the *block length* field of each DDL header of the given channel with 0xFFFFFFFF.

Default: if neither BLOCK_LENGTH nor NO_BLOCK_LENGTH is given then BLOCK_LENGTH is supposed.

MINI_EVENT_ID

If this key word is given then the program puts into the *mini-event ID* field the value of the *bunch crossing*.

Default: if neither MINI_EVENT_ID nor NO_MINI_EVENT_ID is given then MINI_EVENT_ID is supposed.

NO_MINI_EVENT_ID

If this key word is given then the program generates random errors in the *mini-event ID* header field.

Default: if neither MINI_EVENT_ID nor NO_MINI_EVENT_ID is given then MINI_EVENT_ID is supposed.

FORMAT_VERSION <version>

Where

<version>

The format version of the DDL header.

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 1 byte

Default value: 1

L1_TRIGGER <L1 trigger message>

Where

<L1 trigger message>

Simulated L1 trigger message.

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 10 bits

Default value: 0

SUB_DETECTORS <participating sub-detectors>

Where

<participating sub-detectors>

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 3 bytes

Default value: 0

ATTRIBUTES <block attributes>

Where

<block attributes>

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 1 byte

Default value: 0

STATUS_BITS <status and error bits>

Where

<status and error bits>

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 2 bytes

Default value: 0

TRIGGER_CLASS_LOW <trigger class low bits>

Where

<trigger class low bits>

The low part (bits 1-31) of the trigger class information

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 4 bytes

Default value: 0

TRIGGER_CLASS_HIGH <trigger class high bits>

Where

<trigger class low bits>

The high part (bits 32-49) of the trigger class information.

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 18 bits

Default value: 0

ROI_LOW <ROI low bits>

Where

<ROI low bits>

The low part (bits 0-3) of the Region of Interest information

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 4 bits

Default value: 0

ROI_HIGH <ROI high bits>

Where

<ROI high bits>

The high part (bits 4-35) of the Region of Interest information

Data format: hexadecimal number

Data size: 4 bytes

Default value: 0

8 INSTALLATION

The DDL-RORC Library and Test Programs are installed together with the ALICE DATE [3] software package. For a stand-alone installation follow the given procedure below:

- The header, source, object and executable files of RORC and DDL test programs and library are in a common *afs* area:
`/afs/cern.ch/alice/daq/ddl/rorc/`
- This directory contains the different versions of the software as separate sub directories. It also contains the different versions in compressed formats.
- The compressed file names show the version number and the time of archiving. Use always the latest date of the given version. The latest distributed version can be found in the DDL home page as well:
`http://cern.ch/ddl/rorc_support.html`
- Copy the compressed file onto your area, uncompress it and extract all directories and files from it. Use the following command for extracting files:
`gtar -xvzf rorc_vers.x.y.z_year.month.day.tgz rorc/`
- You will get a directory structure with the following subdirectories:
`rorc/` source header and make files
`rorc/Linux/` executables
- Some test programs uses the *phymem* memory manager module. [6]. We suppose that it is installed on the given machine.
- To do the compilation type the following commands:
`cd rorc`
`make-f Makefile clean`
`make -f Makefile`
- To create the device files type as root:
`make-f Makefile dev`
- To load the `rorc_driver` kernel module (currently we have RORC driver for LINUX kernel 2.4) call as root the following script:
`load_rorc`
- If an older version of the RORC driver is already loaded then run
`reload_rorc`
- It is useful to make this insertion automatic during system boot by adding the following line into `/etc/rc.d/rc.local` file:
`/sbin/insmod <your_dir>/rorc/Linux/prorc_driver.o`

NOTES