

SmartDesign MSS

External Memory Controller (EMC) Configuration

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Configuration Options

The EMC provides a seamless interface to external memories. It supports asynchronous memories and synchronous SRAM memory types.

For complete details please refer to the [Actel SmartFusion Microcontroller Subsystem User's Guide](#).

The EMC Configurator helps you configure the SmartFusion MSS External Memory Controller.

Connectivity Options

The EMC provides 2 chip select, each addressing 64MB of address space. The EMC configurator provides two regions (chip select 0 and 1) that can be configured independently.

In this document, we provide a mapping between the EMC configurator's labels and the EMC register bits as defined in the [Actel SmartFusion Microcontroller Subsystem User's Guide](#).

Table 1-1 · Configurator Labels and EMC Register Bits

Configurator Parameter Label	Handbook Description
Memory Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asynchronous RAM Synchronous RAM NOR flash None 	External Memory Type: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asynchronous /PSRAM memory Synchronous memory NOR flash memory No memory assigned
Port Size: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Byte Half Word 	Port Size: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8-bit EMD data bus 16-bit EMD data bus
Invert Read/Write Signal Polarity	Read/Write polarity
Read Latency for First Access (HCLK cycles)	Read data latency, first access
Read Latency for Remaining Accesses (HCLK cycles)	Read data latency, next access
Write Latency (HCLK cycles)	Write data latency
Use Alternate Chip Selection	Chip select falling edge
Configure BYTEN port as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write Enable Byte Enable 	Write enable/byte enable
Pipeline Synchronous Read Cycle	Pipeline read
Pipeline Synchronous Write Cycle	Pipeline write
Inter Device Latency (HCLK cycles)	Inter device delay

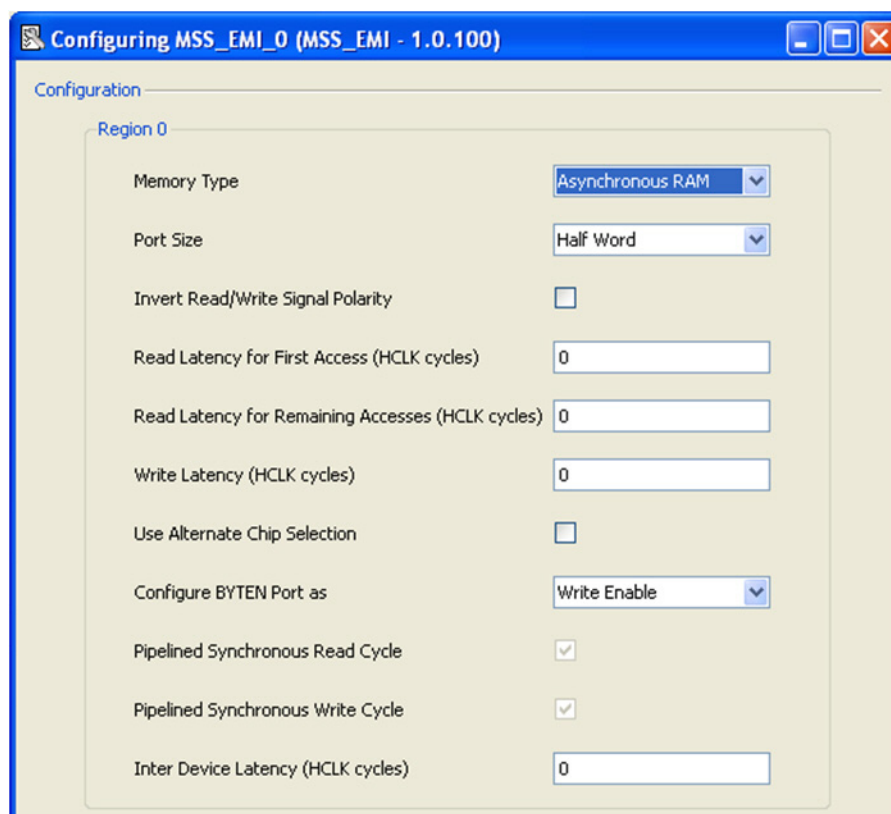


Figure 1-1 · Region 0 Configuration Screen

Port Description

Table 2-1 · EMC Port Description

Port Name	Port Group	Direction	PAD?	Description
AB[25:0]	PADs	Out	Yes	Address bus
DB[N-1:0]	PADs	Inout	Yes	Bidirectional data bus. N is 8 or 16 based on the port size selection of the two EMC regions
BYTEN[1:0]	PADs	Out	Yes	Byte lane signals (BYTE_EN[1:0] in datasheet)
CS1_N	PADs	Out	Yes	Chip select 1
CS0_N	PADs	Out	Yes	Chip select 0
OEN1_N	PADs	Out	Yes	Output enable 1 (OE1_N in datasheet)
OEN0_N	PADs	Out	Yes	Output enable 0 (OE0_N in datasheet)
RW_N	PADs	Out	Yes	Read/write
CLK	PADs	Out	Yes	Clock

Notes:

- PAD ports are automatically promoted to top throughout the design hierarchy.
- Non-PAD ports must be promoted manually to the top level from the MSS configurator canvas to be available as the next level of hierarchy.

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