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List of Changes

The following table lists critical changes that were made in each revision of the chapter.

Date	Changes	Page				
June 2011	Table 2-1 • ProASIC3/E/nano Low Power Modes Summary and the "Shutdown Mode" section were revised to remove reference to ProASIC3/E devices (SAR 24526).	22, 27				
July 2010	This chapter is no longer published separately with its own part number and version but is now part of several FPGA fabric user's guides.	N/A				
v1.2 (August 2008)	References to ProASIC3 nano devices were added to the document where appropriate.	N/A				
	VJTAG and VPUMP were noted as "Off" in the Sleep Mode section of Table 2-1 • ProASIC3/E/nano Low Power Modes Summary.	22				
	The "Sleep Mode" section, including Table 2-3 • Sleep Mode—Power Supply Requirements for ProASIC3/E/nano Devices, was revised to state that VJTAG and VPUMP are powered off during Sleep mode.	25				
	The text above Table 2-4 • A3P250 Current Draw in Sleep Mode and Table 2-5 • A3PE600 Current Draw in Sleep Mode was revised to state "VCC = VJTAG = VPUMP = GND."					
	Figure 2-6 • Controlling Power On/Off State Using Microprocessor and Power FET and Figure 2-7 • Controlling Power On/Off State Using Microprocessor and Voltage Regulator were revised to show shutdown of VJTAG and VPUMP during Sleep mode.	27, 28				
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	Figure 2-3 • User Low Static (Idle) Mode Application—External Control Signal was updated.	25				
51900138-1/6.06	In Table 2-4 • A3P250 Current Draw in Sleep Mode, "VCCI = 1.5 V" was changed from 3.6158 to 3.62.	26				
	In Table 2-5 • A3PE600 Current Draw in Sleep Mode, "VCCI = 2.5 V" was changed from 5.6875 to 3.69.	26				

Global Resources in Low Power Flash Devices

Table 3-5 • Globals/Spines/Rows for IGLOO PLUS Devices

IGLOO PLUS Devices	Chip Globals	Quadrant Globals (4×3)	Clock Trees	Globals/ Spines per Tree	Total Spines per Device	VersaTiles in Each Tree	Total VersaTiles	Rows in Each Spine
AGLP030	6	0	2	9	18	384*	792	12
AGLP060	6	12	4	9	36	384*	1,584	12
AGLP125	6	12	8	9	72	384*	3,120	12

Note: *Clock trees that are located at far left and far right will support more VersaTiles.

Table 3-6 • Globals/Spines/Rows for Fusion Devices

Fusion Device	Chip Globals	Quadrant Globals (4×3)	Clock Trees	Globals/ Spines per Tree	Total Spines per Device	VersaTiles in Each Tree	Total VersaTiles	Rows in Each Spine
AFS090	6	12	6	9	54	384	2,304	12
AFS250	6	12	8	9	72	768	6,144	24
AFS600	6	12	12	9	108	1,152	13,824	36
AFS1500	6	12	20	9	180	1,920	38,400	60

Global Resources in Low Power Flash Devices

Step 1

Run Synthesis with default options. The Synplicity log shows the following device utilization:

Cell usage:

	cell count	area	count*area
DFN1E1C1	1536	2.0	3072.0
BUFF	278	1.0	278.0
INBUF	10	0.0	0.0
VCC	9	0.0	0.0
GND	9	0.0	0.0
OUTBUF	6	0.0	0.0
CLKBUF	3	0.0	0.0
PLL	2	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	1853		3350.0

Step 2

Run Compile with the **Promote regular nets whose fanout is greater than** option selected in Designer; you will see the following in the Compile report:

Device utilization report:									
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CORE	Used:	1536	Total:	13824	(11.11%)				
IO (W/ clocks)	Used:	19	Total:	147	(12.93%)				
Differential IO	Used:	0	Total:	65	(0.00%)				
GLOBAL	Used:	8	Total:	18	(44.44%)				
PLL	Used:	2	Total:	2	(100.00%)				
RAM/FIFO	Used:	0	Total:	24	(0.00%)				
FlashROM	Used:	0	Total:	1	(0.00%)				

The following nets have been assigned to a global resource:

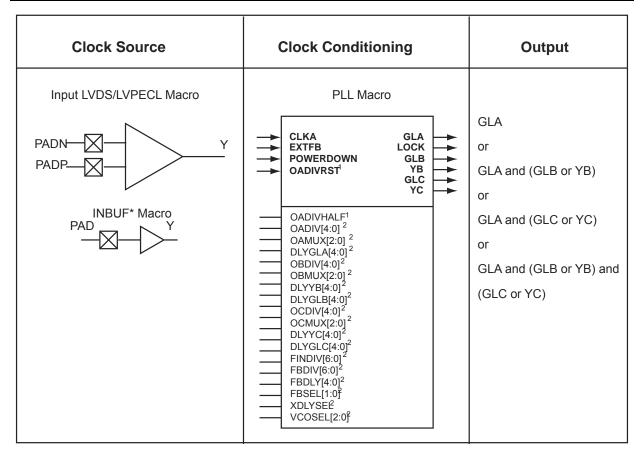
Fanout		Name	abbigned to a groba
1536	INT_NET	Net :	EN_ALL_c
		Driver:	EN_ALL_pad_CLKINT
		Source:	AUTO PROMOTED
1536	${\tt SET/RESET_NET}$	Net :	ACLR_c
		Driver:	ACLR_pad_CLKINT
		Source:	AUTO PROMOTED
256	CLK_NET	Net :	QCLK1_c
		Driver:	QCLK1_pad_CLKINT
		Source:	AUTO PROMOTED
256	CLK_NET	Net :	QCLK2_c
		Driver:	QCLK2_pad_CLKINT
		Source:	AUTO PROMOTED
256	CLK_NET	Net :	QCLK3_c
		Driver:	QCLK3_pad_CLKINT
		Source:	AUTO PROMOTED
256	CLK_NET	Net :	\$1N14
		Driver:	\$1I5/Core
		Source:	ESSENTIAL
256	CLK_NET	Net :	\$1N12
		Driver:	\$1I6/Core
		Source:	ESSENTIAL
256	CLK_NET	Net :	\$1N10
		Driver:	\$1I6/Core
		Source:	ESSENTIAL

Designer will promote five more signals to global due to high fanout. There are eight signals assigned to global networks.

Global Buffers with PLL Function

Clocks requiring frequency synthesis or clock adjustments can utilize the PLL core before connecting to the global / quadrant global networks. A maximum of 18 CCC global buffers can be instantiated in a device—three per CCC and up to six CCCs per device. Each PLL core can generate up to three global/quadrant clocks, while a clock delay element provides one.

The PLL functionality of the clock conditioning block is supported by the PLL macro.



Notes:

- 1. For Fusion only.
- 2. Refer to the IGLOO, ProASIC3, SmartFusion, and Fusion Macro Library Guide for more information.
- 3. For INBUF* driving a PLL macro or CLKDLY macro, the I/O will be hard-routed to the CCC; i.e., will be placed by software to a dedicated Global I/O.
- 4. IGLOO nano and ProASIC3 nano devices do not support differential inputs.

Figure 4-4 • CCC Options: Global Buffers with PLL

The PLL macro provides five derived clocks (three independent) from a single reference clock. The PLL macro also provides power-down input and lock output signals. The additional inputs shown on the macro are configuration settings, which are configured through the use of SmartGen. For manual setting of these bits refer to the *IGLOO*, *ProASIC3*, *SmartFusion*, *and Fusion Macro Library Guide* for details.

Figure 4-6 on page 71 illustrates the various clock output options and delay elements.



Clock Conditioning Circuits in Low Power Flash Devices and Mixed Signal FPGAs

PLL Macro Signal Descriptions

The PLL macro supports two inputs and up to six outputs. Table 4-3 gives a description of each signal.

Table 4-3 • Input and Output Signals of the PLL Block

Signal	Name	I/O	Description
CLKA	Reference Clock	Input	Reference clock input for PLL core; input clock for primary output clock, GLA
OADIVRST	Reset Signal for the Output Divider A	Input	For Fusion only. OADIVRST can be used when you bypass the PLL core (i.e., OAMUX = 001). The purpose of the OADIVRST signals is to reset the output of the final clock divider to synchronize it with the input to that divider when the PLL is bypassed. The signal is active on a low to high transition. The signal must be low for at least one divider input. If PLL core is used, this signal is "don't care" and the internal circuitry will generate the reset signal for the synchronization purpose.
OADIVHALF	Output A Division by Half	Input	For Fusion only. Active high. Division by half feature. This feature can only be used when users bypass the PLL core (i.e., OAMUX = 001) and the RC Oscillator (RCOSC) drives the CLKA input. This can be used to divide the 100 MHz RC oscillator by a factor of 1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5 14.5). Refer to Table 4-18 on page 95 for more information.
EXTFB	External Feedback	Input	Allows an external signal to be compared to a reference clock in the PLL core's phase detector.
POWERDOWN	Power Down	Input	Active low input that selects power-down mode and disables the PLL. With the POWERDOWN signal asserted, the PLL core sends 0 V signals on all of the outputs.
GLA	Primary Output	Output	Primary output clock to respective global/quadrant clock networks
GLB	Secondary 1 Output	Output	Secondary 1 output clock to respective global/quadrant clock networks
YB	Core 1 Output	Output	Core 1 output clock to local routing network
GLC	Secondary 2 Output	Output	Secondary 2 output clock to respective global/quadrant clock networks
YC	Core 2 Output	Output	Core 2 output clock to local routing network
LOCK	PLL Lock Indicator	Output	Active high signal indicating that steady-state lock has been achieved between CLKA and the PLL feedback signal

Input Clock

The inputs to the input reference clock (CLKA) of the PLL can come from global input pins, regular I/O pins, or internally from the core. For Fusion families, the input reference clock can also be from the embedded RC oscillator or crystal oscillator.

Global Output Clocks

GLA (Primary), GLB (Secondary 1), and GLC (Secondary 2) are the outputs of Global Multiplexer 1, Global Multiplexer 2, and Global Multiplexer 3, respectively. These signals (GLx) can be used to drive the high-speed global and quadrant networks of the low power flash devices.

A global multiplexer block consists of the input routing for selecting the input signal for the GLx clock and the output multiplexer, as well as delay elements associated with that clock.

Core Output Clocks

YB and YC are known as Core Outputs and can be used to drive internal logic without using global network resources. This is especially helpful when global network resources must be conserved and utilized for other timing-critical paths.

Phase Adjustment

The four phases available (0, 90, 180, 270) are phases with respect to VCO (PLL output). The VCO is divided to achieve the user's CCC required output frequency (GLA, YB/GLB, YC/GLC). The division happens after the selection of the VCO phase. The effective phase shift is actually the VCO phase shift divided by the output divider. This is why the visual CCC shows both the actual achievable phase and more importantly the actual delay that is equivalent to the phase shift that can be achieved.

Dynamic PLL Configuration

The CCCs can be configured both statically and dynamically.

In addition to the ports available in the Static CCC, the Dynamic CCC has the dynamic shift register signals that enable dynamic reconfiguration of the CCC. With the Dynamic CCC, the ports CLKB and CLKC are also exposed. All three clocks (CLKA, CLKB, and CLKC) can be configured independently. The CCC block is fully configurable. The following two sources can act as the CCC configuration bits.

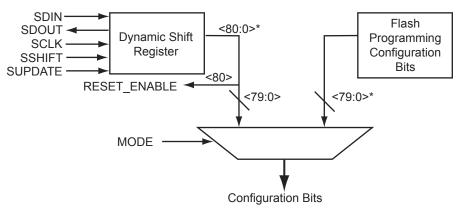
Flash Configuration Bits

The flash configuration bits are the configuration bits associated with programmed flash switches. These bits are used when the CCC is in static configuration mode. Once the device is programmed, these bits cannot be modified. They provide the default operating state of the CCC.

Dynamic Shift Register Outputs

This source does not require core reprogramming and allows core-driven dynamic CCC reconfiguration. When the dynamic register drives the configuration bits, the user-defined core circuit takes full control over SDIN, SDOUT, SCLK, SSHIFT, and SUPDATE. The configuration bits can consequently be dynamically changed through shift and update operations in the serial register interface. Access to the logic core is accomplished via the dynamic bits in the specific tiles assigned to the PLLs.

Figure 4-21 illustrates a simplified block diagram of the MUX architecture in the CCCs.



Note: *For Fusion, bit <88:81> is also needed.

Figure 4-21 • The CCC Configuration MUX Architecture

The selection between the flash configuration bits and the bits from the configuration register is made using the MODE signal shown in Figure 4-21. If the MODE signal is logic HIGH, the dynamic shift register configuration bits are selected. There are 81 control bits to configure the different functions of the CCC.



FlashROM in Microsemi's Low Power Flash Devices

Figure 5-12 shows the programming file generator, which enables different STAPL file generation methods. When you select **Program FlashROM** and choose the UFC file, the FlashROM Settings window appears, as shown in Figure 5-13. In this window, you can select the FlashROM page you want to program and the data value for the configured regions. This enables you to use a different page for different programming files.

Figure 5-12 • Programming File Generator

Figure 5-13 • Setting FlashROM during Programming File Generation

The programming hardware and software can load the FlashROM with the appropriate STAPL file. Programming software handles the single STAPL file that contains multiple FlashROM contents for multiple devices, and programs the FlashROM in sequential order (e.g., for device serialization). This feature is supported in the programming software. After programming with the STAPL file, you can run DEVICE_INFO to check the FlashROM content.

SRAM and FIFO Memories in Microsemi's Low Power Flash Devices

Table 6-8 and Table 6-9 show the maximum potential width and depth configuration for each device. Note that 15 k and 30 k gate devices do not support RAM or FIFO.

Table 6-8 • Memory Availability per IGLOO and ProASIC3 Device

Device			Maximu	um Potential Width ¹	Maximum Potential Depth ²	
IGLOO IGLOO nano IGLOO PLUS	ProASIC3 ProASIC3 nano ProASIC3L	RAM Block s	Depth	Width	Depth	Width
AGL060 AGLN060 AGLP060	A3P060 A3PN060	4	256	72 (4×18)	16,384 (4,096×4)	1
AGL125 AGLN125 AGLP125	A3P125 A3PN125	8	256	144 (8×18)	32,768 (4,094×8)	1
AGL250 AGLN250	A3P250/L A3PN250	8	256	144 (8×18)	32,768 (4,096×8)	1
AGL400	A3P400	12	256	216 (12×18)	49,152 (4,096×12)	1
AGL600	A3P600/L	24	256	432 (24×18)	98,304 (4,096×24)	1
AGL1000	A3P1000/L	32	256	576 (32×18)	131,072 (4,096×32)	1
AGLE600	A3PE600	24	256	432 (24×18)	98,304 (4,096×24)	1
	A3PE1500	60	256	1,080 (60×18)	245,760 (4,096×60)	1
AGLE3000	A3PE3000/L	112	256	2,016 (112×18)	458,752 (4,096×112)	1

Notes:

- 1. Maximum potential width uses the two-port configuration.
- 2. Maximum potential depth uses the dual-port configuration.

Table 6-9 • Memory Availability per Fusion Device

		Maximum Potential Width ¹		Maximum Potential [Depth ²
Device	RAM Blocks	Depth	Width	Depth	Width
AFS090	6	256	108 (6×18)	24,576 (4,094×6)	1
AFS250	8	256	144 (8×18)	32,768 (4,094×8)	1
AFS600	24	256	432 (24×18)	98,304 (4,096×24)	1
AFS1500	60	256	1,080 (60×18)	245,760 (4,096×60)	1

Notes:

- 1. Maximum potential width uses the two-port configuration.
- 2. Maximum potential depth uses the dual-port configuration.

7 - I/O Structures in nano Devices

Introduction

Low power flash devices feature a flexible I/O structure, supporting a range of mixed voltages (1.2 V, 1.5 V, 2.5 V, and 3.3 V) through bank-selectable voltages. IGLOO® and ProASIC3 nano devices support standard I/Os with the addition of Schmitt trigger and hot-swap capability.

Users designing I/O solutions are faced with a number of implementation decisions and configuration choices that can directly impact the efficiency and effectiveness of their final design. The flexible I/O structure, supporting a wide variety of voltages and I/O standards, enables users to meet the growing challenges of their many diverse applications. The Microsemi Libero® System-on-Chip (SoC) software provides an easy way to implement I/O that will result in robust I/O design.

This document describes Standard I/O types used for the nano devices in terms of he supported standards. It then explains the individual features and how to implement them in Libero SoC.

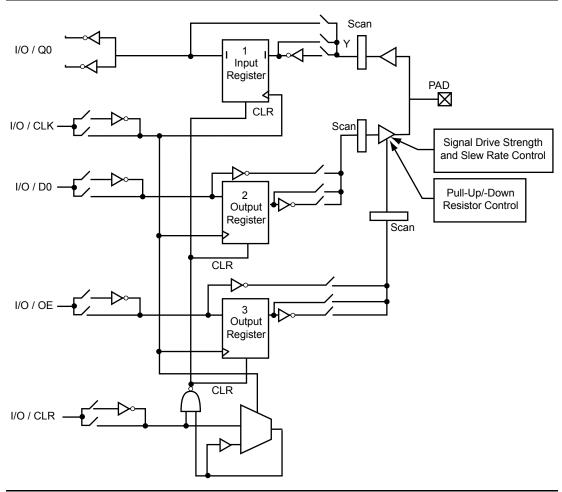


Figure 7-1 • I/O Block Logical Representation for Single-Tile Designs (10 k, 15 k, and 20 k devices)



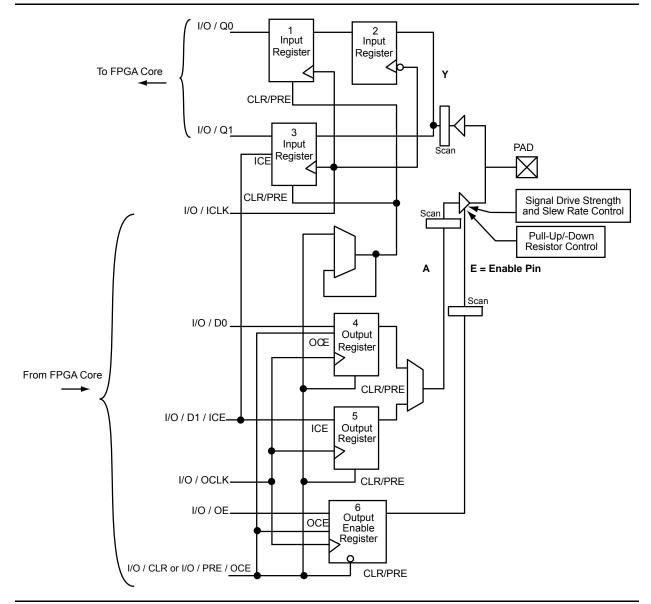


Figure 7-2 • I/O Block Logical Representation for Dual-Tile Designs (60 k,125 k, and 250 k Devices)



Power-Up Behavior

Low power flash devices are power-up/-down friendly; i.e., no particular sequencing is required for power-up and power-down. This eliminates extra board components for power-up sequencing, such as a power-up sequencer.

During power-up, all I/Os are tristated, irrespective of I/O macro type (input buffers, output buffers, I/O buffers with weak pull-ups or weak pull-downs, etc.). Once I/Os become activated, they are set to the user-selected I/O macros. Refer to the "Power-Up/-Down Behavior of Low Power Flash Devices" section on page 307 for details.

Drive Strength

Low power flash devices have up to four programmable output drive strengths. The user can select the drive strength of a particular output in the I/O Attribute Editor or can instantiate a specialized I/O macro, such as OUTBUF_S_8 (slew = low, out_drive = 8 mA).

The maximum available drive strength is 8 mA per I/O. Though no I/O should be forced to source or sink more than 8 mA indefinitely, I/Os may handle a higher amount of current (refer to the device IBIS model for maximum source/sink current) during signal transition (AC current). Every device package has its own power dissipation limit; hence, power calculation must be performed accurately to determine how much current can be tolerated per I/O within that limit.

I/O Interfacing

Low power flash devices are 5 V-input- and 5 V-output-tolerant without adding any extra circuitry. Along with other low-voltage I/O macros, this 5 V tolerance makes these devices suitable for many types of board component interfacing.

Table 7-17 shows some high-level interfacing examples using low power flash devices.

Table 7-17 • nano High-Level Interface

		I/O				
Interface	Туре	Frequency	Туре	Signals In	Signals Out	Data I/O
GM	Src Sync	125 MHz	LVTTL	8	8	125 Mbps
TBI	Src Sync	125 MHz	LVTTL	10	10	125 Mbps

Conclusion

IGLOO nano and ProASIC3 nano device support for multiple I/O standards minimizes board-level components and makes possible a wide variety of applications. The Microsemi Designer software, integrated with Libero SoC, presents a clear visual display of I/O assignments, allowing users to verify I/O and board-level design requirements before programming the device. The nano device I/O features and functionalities ensure board designers can produce low-cost and low power FPGA applications fulfilling the complexities of contemporary design needs.



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If the assignment is not successful, an error message appears in the Output window.

To undo the I/O bank assignments, choose **Undo** from the **Edit** menu. Undo removes the I/O technologies assigned by the IOBA. It does not remove the I/O technologies previously assigned.

To redo the changes undone by the Undo command, choose Redo from the Edit menu.

To clear I/O bank assignments made before using the Undo command, manually unassign or reassign I/O technologies to banks. To do so, choose **I/O Bank Settings** from the **Edit** menu to display the I/O Bank Settings dialog box.

Conclusion

Fusion, IGLOO, and ProASIC3 support for multiple I/O standards minimizes board-level components and makes possible a wide variety of applications. The Microsemi Designer software, integrated with Libero SoC, presents a clear visual display of I/O assignments, allowing users to verify I/O and board-level design requirements before programming the device. The device I/O features and functionalities ensure board designers can produce low-cost and low power FPGA applications fulfilling the complexities of contemporary design needs.

Related Documents

User's Guides

Libero SoC User's Guide

http://www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/libero_ug.pdf
IGLOO, ProASIC3, SmartFusion, and Fusion Macro Library Guide
http://www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/pa3_libguide_ug.pdf
SmartGen Core Reference Guide

http://www.microsemi.com/soc/documents/genguide_ug.pdf



Types of Programming for Flash Devices

The number of devices to be programmed will influence the optimal programming methodology. Those available are listed below:

- · In-system programming
 - Using a programmer
 - Using a microprocessor or microcontroller
- · Device programmers
 - Single-site programmers
 - Multi-site programmers, batch programmers, or gang programmers
 - Automated production (robotic) programmers
- Volume programming services
 - Microsemi in-house programming
 - Programming centers

In-System Programming

Device Type Supported: Flash

ISP refers to programming the FPGA after it has been mounted on the system printed circuit board. The FPGA may be preprogrammed and later reprogrammed using ISP.

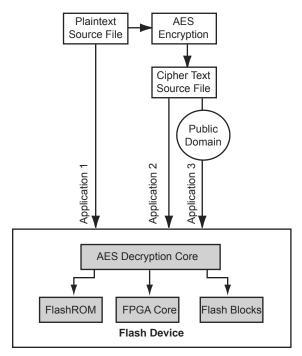
The advantage of using ISP is the ability to update the FPGA design many times without any changes to the board. This eliminates the requirement of using a socket for the FPGA, saving cost and improving reliability. It also reduces programming hardware expenses, as the ISP methodology is die-/package-independent.

There are two methods of in-system programming: external and internal.

- Programmer ISP—Refer to the "In-System Programming (ISP) of Microsemi's Low Power Flash Devices Using FlashPro4/3/3X" section on page 261 for more information.
 - Using an external programmer and a cable, the device can be programmed through a header on the system board. In Microsemi SoC Products Group documentation, this is referred to as external ISP. Microsemi provides FlashPro4, FlashPro3, FlashPro Lite, or Silicon Sculptor 3 to perform external ISP. Note that Silicon Sculptor II and Silicon Sculptor 3 can only provide ISP for ProASIC and ProASICPLUS® families, not for SmartFusion, Fusion, IGLOO, or ProASIC3. Silicon Sculptor II and Silicon Sculptor 3 can be used for programming ProASIC and ProASICPLUS devices by using an adapter module (part number SMPA-ISP-ACTEL-3).
 - Advantages: Allows local control of programming and data files for maximum security. The
 programming algorithms and hardware are available from Microsemi. The only hardware
 required on the board is a programming header.
 - Limitations: A negligible board space requirement for the programming header and JTAG signal routing
- Microprocessor ISP—Refer to the "Microprocessor Programming of Microsemi's Low Power Flash Devices" chapter of an appropriate FPGA fabric user's guide for more information.
 - Using a microprocessor and an external or internal memory, you can store the program in memory and use the microprocessor to perform the programming. In Microsemi documentation, this is referred to as internal ISP. Both the code for the programming algorithm and the FPGA programming file must be stored in memory on the board. Programming voltages must also be generated on the board.
 - Advantages: The programming code is stored in the system memory. An external programmer is not required during programming.
 - Limitations: This is the approach that requires the most design work, since some way of getting and/or storing the data is needed; a system interface to the device must be designed; and the low-level API to the programming firmware must be written and linked into the code provided by Microsemi. While there are benefits to this methodology, serious thought and planning should go into the decision.

Security in Action

This section illustrates some applications of the security advantages of Microsemi's devices (Figure 11-6).



Note: Flash blocks are only used in Fusion devices

Figure 11-6 • Security Options



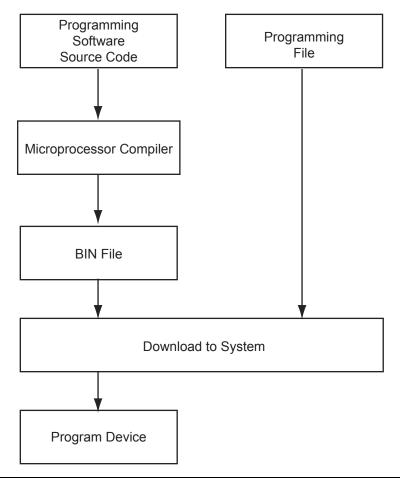


Figure 14-3 • MCU FPGA Programming Model

FlashROM

Microsemi low power flash devices have 1 kbit of user-accessible, nonvolatile, FlashROM on-chip. This nonvolatile FlashROM can be programmed along with the core or on its own using the standard IEEE 1532 JTAG programming interface.

The FlashROM is architected as eight pages of 128 bits. Each page can be individually programmed (erased and written). Additionally, on-chip AES security decryption can be used selectively to load data securely into the FlashROM (e.g., over public or private networks, such as the Internet). Refer to the "FlashROM in Microsemi's Low Power Flash Devices" section on page 117.

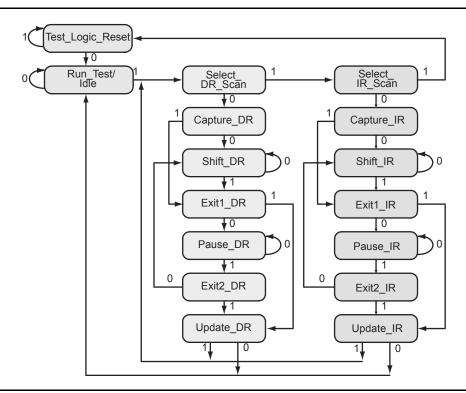


Figure 16-4 • TAP Controller State Diagram

UJTAG Port Usage

UIREG[7:0] hold the contents of the JTAG instruction register. The UIREG vector value is updated when the TAP Controller state machine enters the Update_IR state. Instructions 16 to 127 are user-defined and can be employed to encode multiple applications and commands within an application. Loading new instructions into the UIREG vector requires users to send appropriate logic to TMS to put the TAP Controller in a full IR cycle starting from the Select IR Scan state and ending with the Update IR state.

UTDI, UTDO, and UDRCK are directly connected to the JTAG TDI, TDO, and TCK ports, respectively. The TDI input can be used to provide either data (TAP Controller in the Shift_DR state) or the new contents of the instruction register (TAP Controller in the Shift_IR state).

UDRSH, UDRUPD, and UDRCAP are HIGH when the TAP Controller state machine is in the Shift_DR, Update_DR, and Capture_DR states, respectively. Therefore, they act as flags to indicate the stages of the data shift process. These flags are useful for applications in which blocks of data are shifted into the design from JTAG pins. For example, an active UDRSH can indicate that UTDI contains the data bitstream, and UDRUPD is a candidate for the end-of-data-stream flag.

As mentioned earlier, users should not connect the TDI, TDO, TCK, TMS, and TRST ports of the UJTAG macro to any port or net of the design netlist. The Designer software will automatically handle the port connection.



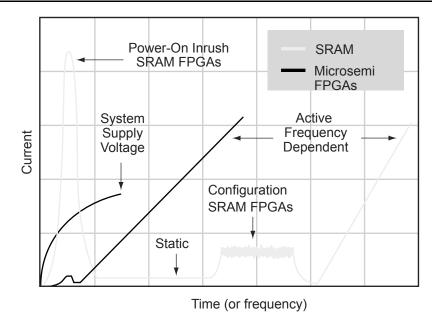


Figure 17-1 • Types of Power Consumption in SRAM FPGAs and Microsemi Nonvolatile FPGAs

Transient Current on VCC

The characterization of the transient current on VCC is performed on nearly all devices within the IGLOO, ProASIC3L, and ProASIC3 families. A sample size of five units is used from each device family member. All the device I/Os are internally pulled down while the transient current measurements are performed. For ProASIC3 devices, the measurements at typical conditions show that the maximum transient current on VCC, when the power supply is powered at ramp-rates ranging from 15 V/ms to 0.15 V/ms, does not exceed the maximum standby current specified in the device datasheets. Refer to the DC and Switching Characteristics chapters of the *ProASIC3 Flash Family FPGAS* datasheet and *ProASIC3E Flash Family FPGAS* datasheet for more information.

Similarly, IGLOO, IGLOO nano, IGLOO PLUS, and ProASIC3L devices exhibit very low transient current on VCC. The transient current does not exceed the typical operating current of the device while in active mode. For example, the characterization of AGL600-FG256 V2 and V5 devices has shown that the transient current on VCC is typically in the range of 1–5 mA.

Transient Current on VCCI

The characterization of the transient current on VCCI is performed on devices within the IGLOO, IGLOO nano, IGLOO PLUS, ProASIC3, ProASIC3 nano, and ProASIC3L groups of devices, similarly to VCC transient current measurements. For ProASIC3 devices, the measurements at typical conditions show that the maximum transient current on VCCI, when the power supply is powered at ramp-rates ranging from 33 V/ms to 0.33 V/ms, does not exceed the maximum standby current specified in the device datasheet. Refer to the DC and Switching Characteristics chapters of the *ProASIC3 Flash Family FPGAS* datasheet and *ProASIC3E Flash Family FPGAS* datasheet for more information.

Similarly, IGLOO, IGLOO PLUS, and ProASIC3L devices exhibit very low transient current on VCCI. The transient current does not exceed the typical operating current of the device while in active mode. For example, the characterization of AGL600-FG256 V2 and V5 devices has shown that the transient current on VCCI is typically in the range of 1–2 mA.



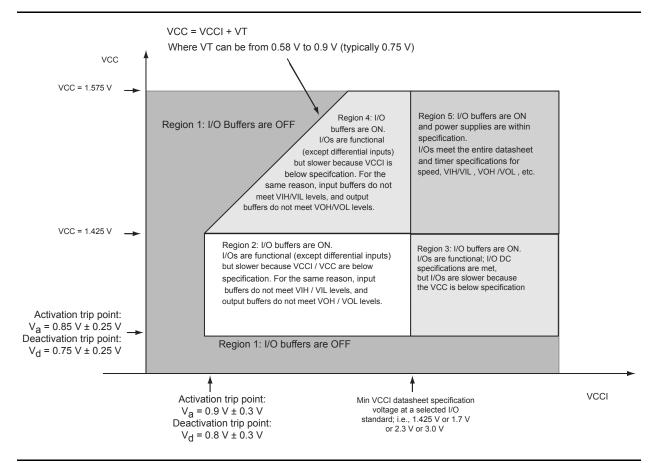


Figure 17-4 • I/O State as a Function of VCCI and VCC Voltage Levels for IGLOO V5, IGLOO nano V5, IGLOO PLUS V5, ProASIC3L, and ProASIC3 Devices Running at VCC = 1.5 V ± 0.075 V

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