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## Understanding <u>Embedded - FPGAs (Field Programmable Gate Array)</u>

Embedded - FPGAs, or Field Programmable Gate Arrays, are advanced integrated circuits that offer unparalleled flexibility and performance for digital systems. Unlike traditional fixed-function logic devices, FPGAs can be programmed and reprogrammed to execute a wide array of logical operations, enabling customized functionality tailored to specific applications. This reprogrammability allows developers to iterate designs quickly and implement complex functions without the need for custom hardware.

## **Applications of Embedded - FPGAs**

The versatility of Embedded - FPGAs makes them indispensable in numerous fields. In telecommunications.

Details	
Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	400
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	4000
Total RAM Bits	78336
Number of I/O	249
Number of Gates	-
Voltage - Supply	1.425V ~ 1.575V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	324-BGA
Supplier Device Package	324-FBGA (19x19)
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functions. Another special packing mode allows the register output to feed back into the LUT of the same LE so that the register is packed with its own fan-out LUT. This provides another mechanism for improved fitting. The LE can also drive out registered and unregistered versions of the LUT output.

## **LUT Chain and Register Chain**

In addition to the three general routing outputs, the LEs within a LAB have LUT chain and register chain outputs. LUT chain connections allow LUTs within the same LAB to cascade together for wide input functions. Register chain outputs allow registers within the same LAB to cascade together. The register chain output allows a LAB to use LUTs for a single combinatorial function and the registers to be used for an unrelated shift register implementation. These resources speed up connections between LABs while saving local interconnect resources. "MultiTrack Interconnect" on page 2–12 for more information on LUT chain and register chain connections.

## addnsub Signal

The LE's dynamic adder/subtractor feature saves logic resources by using one set of LEs to implement both an adder and a subtractor. This feature is controlled by the LAB-wide control signal addnsub. The addnsub signal sets the LAB to perform either A + B or A -B. The LUT computes addition; subtraction is computed by adding the two's complement of the intended subtractor. The LAB-wide signal converts to two's complement by inverting the B bits within the LAB and setting carry-in = 1 to add one to the least significant bit (LSB). The LSB of an adder/subtractor must be placed in the first LE of the LAB, where the LAB-wide addnsub signal automatically sets the carry-in to 1. The Quartus II Compiler automatically places and uses the adder/subtractor feature when using adder/subtractor parameterized functions.

## **LE Operating Modes**

The Cyclone LE can operate in one of the following modes:

- Normal mode
- Dynamic arithmetic mode

Each mode uses LE resources differently. In each mode, eight available inputs to the LE—the four data inputs from the LAB local interconnect, carry-in0 and carry-in1 from the previous LE, the LAB carry-in from the previous carry-chain LAB, and the register chain connection—are directed to different destinations to implement the desired logic function. LAB-wide signals provide clock, asynchronous clear, asynchronous

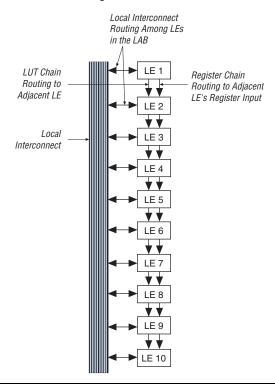


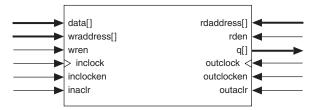
Figure 2–10. LUT Chain and Register Chain Interconnects

The C4 interconnects span four LABs or M4K blocks up or down from a source LAB. Every LAB has its own set of C4 interconnects to drive either up or down. Figure 2–11 shows the C4 interconnect connections from a LAB in a column. The C4 interconnects can drive and be driven by all types of architecture blocks, including PLLs, M4K memory blocks, and column and row IOEs. For LAB interconnection, a primary LAB or its LAB neighbor can drive a given C4 interconnect. C4 interconnects can drive each other to extend their range as well as drive row interconnects for column-to-column connections.

In addition to true dual-port memory, the M4K memory blocks support simple dual-port and single-port RAM. Simple dual-port memory supports a simultaneous read and write. Single-port memory supports non-simultaneous reads and writes. Figure 2–13 shows these different M4K RAM memory port configurations.

Figure 2–13. Simple Dual-Port and Single-Port Memory Configurations

#### Simple Dual-Port Memory



#### Single-Port Memory (1)



#### *Note to Figure 2–13:*

 Two single-port memory blocks can be implemented in a single M4K block as long as each of the two independent block sizes is equal to or less than half of the M4K block size.

The memory blocks also enable mixed-width data ports for reading and writing to the RAM ports in dual-port RAM configuration. For example, the memory block can be written in  $\times 1$  mode at port A and read out in  $\times 16$  mode from port B.

The Cyclone memory architecture can implement fully synchronous RAM by registering both the input and output signals to the M4K RAM block. All M4K memory block inputs are registered, providing synchronous write cycles. In synchronous operation, the memory block generates its own self-timed strobe write enable (wren) signal derived from a global clock. In contrast, a circuit using asynchronous RAM must generate the RAM wren signal while ensuring its data and address signals meet setup and hold time specifications relative to the wren

register outputs (number of taps  $n \times$  width w) must be less than the maximum data width of the M4K RAM block (×36). To create larger shift registers, multiple memory blocks are cascaded together.

Data is written into each address location at the falling edge of the clock and read from the address at the rising edge of the clock. The shift register mode logic automatically controls the positive and negative edge clocking to shift the data in one clock cycle. Figure 2–14 shows the M4K memory block in the shift register mode.

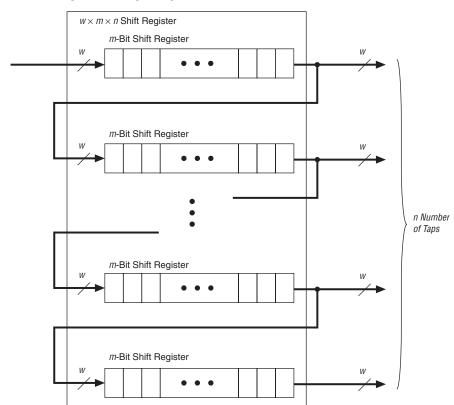


Figure 2-14. Shift Register Memory Configuration

## **Memory Configuration Sizes**

The memory address depths and output widths can be configured as  $4,096 \times 1, 2,048 \times 2, 1,024 \times 4,512 \times 8$  (or  $512 \times 9$  bits),  $256 \times 16$  (or  $256 \times 18$  bits), and  $128 \times 32$  (or  $128 \times 36$  bits). The  $128 \times 32$ - or 36-bit configuration

Figure 2-15. M4K RAM Block Control Signals

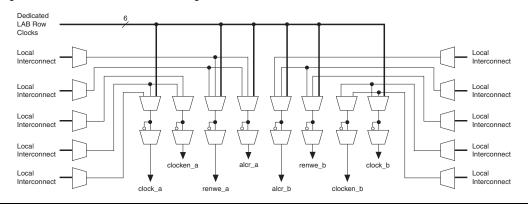
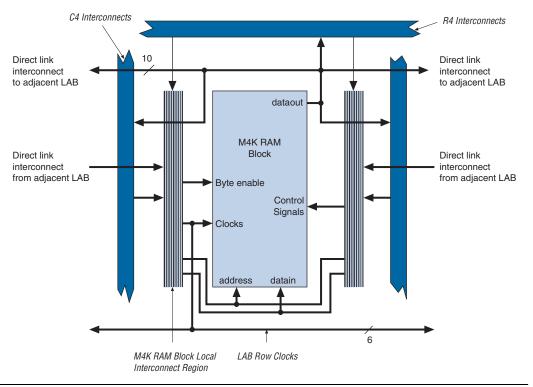


Figure 2-16. M4K RAM Block LAB Row Interface



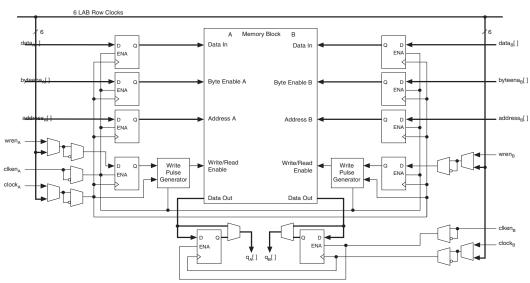


Figure 2–18. Input/Output Clock Mode in True Dual-Port Mode Notes (1), (2)

#### Notes to Figure 2–18:

- (1) All registers shown have asynchronous clear ports.
- (2) Violating the setup or hold time on the address registers could corrupt the memory contents. This applies to both read and write operations.

does not have dedicated clock output pins. The EP1C6 device in the 144-pin TQFP package only supports dedicated clock outputs from PLL 1.

### **Clock Feedback**

Cyclone PLLs have three modes for multiplication and/or phase shifting:

- Zero delay buffer mode—The external clock output pin is phasealigned with the clock input pin for zero delay.
- Normal mode—If the design uses an internal PLL clock output, the normal mode compensates for the internal clock delay from the input clock pin to the IOE registers. The external clock output pin is phase shifted with respect to the clock input pin if connected in this mode. You defines which internal clock output from the PLL should be phase-aligned to compensate for internal clock delay.
- No compensation mode—In this mode, the PLL will not compensate for any clock networks.

## **Phase Shifting**

Cyclone PLLs have an advanced clock shift capability that enables programmable phase shifts. You can enter a phase shift (in degrees or time units) for each PLL clock output port or for all outputs together in one shift. You can perform phase shifting in time units with a resolution range of 125 to 250 ps. The finest resolution equals one eighth of the VCO period. The VCO period is a function of the frequency input and the multiplication and division factors. Each clock output counter can choose a different phase of the VCO period from up to eight taps. You can use this clock output counter along with an initial setting on the post-scale counter to achieve a phase-shift range for the entire period of the output clock. The phase tap feedback to the m counter can shift all outputs to a single phase. The Quartus II software automatically sets the phase taps and counter settings according to the phase shift entered.

## **Lock Detect Signal**

The lock output indicates that there is a stable clock output signal in phase with the reference clock. Without any additional circuitry, the lock signal may toggle as the PLL begins tracking the reference clock. Therefore, you may need to gate the lock signal for use as a system-control signal. For correct operation of the lock circuit below  $-20~\rm C, f_{\rm IN/N} > 200~\rm MHz.$ 

## I/O Structure

IOEs support many features, including:

- Differential and single-ended I/O standards
- 3.3-V, 64- and 32-bit, 66- and 33-MHz PCI compliance
- Joint Test Action Group (JTAG) boundary-scan test (BST) support
- Output drive strength control
- Weak pull-up resistors during configuration
- Slew-rate control
- Tri-state buffers
- Bus-hold circuitry
- Programmable pull-up resistors in user mode
- Programmable input and output delays
- Open-drain outputs
- DQ and DQS I/O pins

Cyclone device IOEs contain a bidirectional I/O buffer and three registers for complete embedded bidirectional single data rate transfer. Figure 2–27 shows the Cyclone IOE structure. The IOE contains one input register, one output register, and one output enable register. You can use the input registers for fast setup times and output registers for fast clock-to-output times. Additionally, you can use the output enable (OE) register for fast clock-to-output enable timing. The Quartus II software automatically duplicates a single OE register that controls multiple output or bidirectional pins. IOEs can be used as input, output, or bidirectional pins.

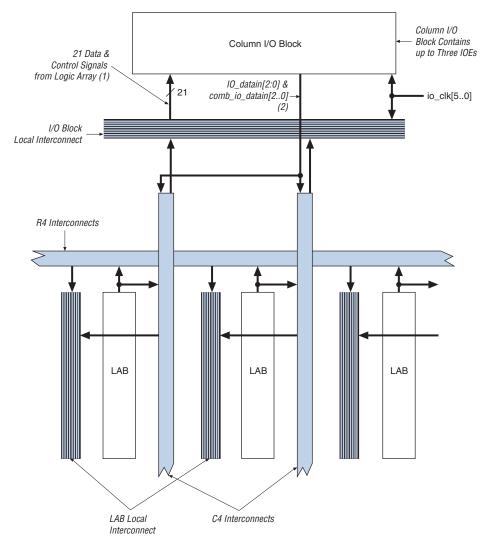


Figure 2-29. Column I/O Block Connection to the Interconnect

#### Notes to Figure 2-29:

- (1) The 21 data and control signals consist of three data out lines, io\_dataout[2..0], three output enables, io\_coe[2..0], three input clock enables, io\_cce\_in[2..0], three output clock enables, io\_cce\_out[2..0], three clocks, io\_cclk[2..0], three asynchronous clear signals, io\_caclr[2..0], and three synchronous clear signals, io\_csclr[2..0].
- (2) Each of the three IOEs in the column I/O block can have one io\_datain input (combinatorial or registered) and one comb io datain (combinatorial) input.

to automatically minimize setup time while providing a zero hold time. Programmable delays can increase the register-to-pin delays for output registers. Table 2–9 shows the programmable delays for Cyclone devices.

Table 2–9. Cyclone Programmable Delay Chain				
Programmable Delays Quartus II Logic Option				
Input pin to logic array delay	Decrease input delay to internal cells			
Input pin to input register delay	Decrease input delay to input registers			
Output pin delay	Increase delay to output pin			

There are two paths in the IOE for a combinatorial input to reach the logic array. Each of the two paths can have a different delay. This allows you adjust delays from the pin to internal LE registers that reside in two different areas of the device. The designer sets the two combinatorial input delays by selecting different delays for two different paths under the **Decrease input delay to internal cells** logic option in the Quartus II software. When the input signal requires two different delays for the combinatorial input, the input register in the IOE is no longer available.

The IOE registers in Cyclone devices share the same source for clear or preset. The designer can program preset or clear for each individual IOE. The designer can also program the registers to power up high or low after configuration is complete. If programmed to power up low, an asynchronous clear can control the registers. If programmed to power up high, an asynchronous preset can control the registers. This feature prevents the inadvertent activation of another device's active-low input upon power up. If one register in an IOE uses a preset or clear signal then all registers in the IOE must use that same signal if they require preset or clear. Additionally a synchronous reset signal is available to the designer for the IOE registers.

## **External RAM Interfacing**

Cyclone devices support DDR SDRAM and FCRAM interfaces at up to 133 MHz through dedicated circuitry.

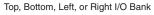
#### DDR SDRAM and FCRAM

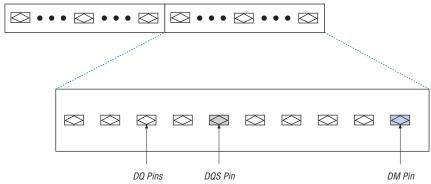
Cyclone devices have dedicated circuitry for interfacing with DDR SDRAM. All I/O banks support DDR SDRAM and FCRAM I/O pins. However, the configuration input pins in bank 1 must operate at 2.5 V because the SSTL-2  $\rm V_{CCIO}$  level is 2.5 V. Additionally, the configuration

output pins (nSTATUS and CONF\_DONE) and all the JTAG pins in I/O bank 3 must operate at 2.5 V because the  $V_{CCIO}$  level of SSTL-2 is 2.5 V. I/O banks 1, 2, 3, and 4 support DQS signals with DQ bus modes of  $\times$  8.

For ×8 mode, there are up to eight groups of programmable DQS and DQ pins, I/O banks 1, 2, 3, and 4 each have two groups in the 324-pin and 400-pin FineLine BGA packages. Each group consists of one DQS pin, a set of eight DQ pins, and one DM pin (see Figure 2–33). Each DQS pin drives the set of eight DQ pins within that group.

Figure 2–33. Cyclone Device DQ and DQS Groups in ×8 Mode Note (1)





Note to Figure 2-33:

(1) Each DQ group consists of one DQS pin, eight DQ pins, and one DM pin.

Table 2–10 shows the number of DQ pin groups per device.

Table 2–10. DQ Pin Groups (Part 1 of 2)					
Device Package Number of × 8 DQ Total DQ Pin Pin Groups Count					
EP1C3	100-pin TQFP (1)	3	24		
	144-pin TQFP	4	32		
EP1C4	324-pin FineLine BGA	8	64		
	400-pin FineLine BGA	8	64		

## Advanced I/O Standard Support

Cyclone device IOEs support the following I/O standards:

- 3.3-V LVTTL/LVCMOS
- 2.5-V LVTTL/LVCMOS
- 1.8-V LVTTL/LVCMOS
- 1.5-V LVCMOS
- 3.3-V PCI
- LVDS
- RSDS
- SSTL-2 class I and II
- SSTL-3 class I and II
- Differential SSTL-2 class II (on output clocks only)

Table 2–12 describes the I/O standards supported by Cyclone devices.

Table 2–12. Cyclone I/O Standards							
I/O Standard	Туре	Input Reference Voltage (V <sub>REF</sub> ) (V)	Output Supply Voltage (V <sub>CCIO</sub> ) (V)	Board Termination Voltage (V <sub>TT</sub> ) (V)			
3.3-V LVTTL/LVCMOS	Single-ended	N/A	3.3	N/A			
2.5-V LVTTL/LVCMOS	Single-ended	N/A	2.5	N/A			
1.8-V LVTTL/LVCMOS	Single-ended	N/A	1.8	N/A			
1.5-V LVCMOS	Single-ended	N/A	1.5	N/A			
3.3-V PCI (1)	Single-ended	N/A	3.3	N/A			
LVDS (2)	Differential	N/A	2.5	N/A			
RSDS (2)	Differential	N/A	2.5	N/A			
SSTL-2 class I and II	Voltage-referenced	1.25	2.5	1.25			
SSTL-3 class I and II	Voltage-referenced	1.5	3.3	1.5			
Differential SSTL-2 (3)	Differential	1.25	2.5	1.25			

### Notes to Table 2-12:

- (1) There is no megafunction support for EP1C3 devices for the PCI compiler. However, EP1C3 devices support PCI by using the LVTTL 16-mA I/O standard and drive strength assignments in the Quartus II software. The device requires an external diode for PCI compliance.
- (2) EP1C3 devices in the 100-pin TQFP package do not support the LVDS and RSDS I/O standards.
- (3) This I/O standard is only available on output clock pins (PLL\_OUT pins). EP1C3 devices in the 100-pin package do not support this I/O standard as it does not have PLL\_OUT pins.

Cyclone devices contain four I/O banks, as shown in Figure 2–35. I/O banks 1 and 3 support all the I/O standards listed in Table 2–12. I/O banks 2 and 4 support all the I/O standards listed in Table 2–12 except the 3.3-V PCI standard. I/O banks 2 and 4 contain dual-purpose DQS, DQ,

The Cyclone  $V_{\rm CCINT}$  pins must always be connected to a 1.5-V power supply. If the  $V_{\rm CCINT}$  level is 1.5 V, then input pins are 1.5-V, 1.8-V, 2.5-V, and 3.3-V tolerant. The  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  pins can be connected to either a 1.5-V, 1.8-V, 2.5-V, or 3.3-V power supply, depending on the output requirements. The output levels are compatible with systems of the same voltage as the power supply (i.e., when  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  pins are connected to a 1.5-V power supply, the output levels are compatible with 1.5-V systems). When  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  pins are connected to a 3.3-V power supply, the output high is 3.3-V and is compatible with 3.3-V or 5.0-V systems. Table 2–14 summarizes Cyclone MultiVolt I/O support.

Table 2–14. Cyclone MultiVolt I/O Support Note (1)										
V (V)	Input Signal Output Signal									
V <sub>CCIO</sub> (V)	1.5 V	1.8 V	2.5 V	3.3 V	5.0 V	1.5 V	1.8 V	2.5 V	3.3 V	5.0 V
1.5	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (2)	<b>√</b> (2)	_	<b>✓</b>	_	_	_	_
1.8	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (2)	<b>√</b> (2)	_	<b>√</b> (3)	<b>✓</b>	_	_	_
2.5	_	_	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	_	<b>√</b> (5)	<b>√</b> (5)	<b>✓</b>	_	_
3.3	_	_	<b>√</b> (4)	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (6)	<b>√</b> (7)	<b>√</b> (7)	<b>√</b> (7)	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (8)

#### Notes to Table 2-14:

- (1) The PCI clamping diode must be disabled to drive an input with voltages higher than V<sub>CCIO</sub>.
- (2) When V<sub>CCIO</sub> = 1.5-V or 1.8-V and a 2.5-V or 3.3-V input signal feeds an input pin, higher pin leakage current is expected. Turn on Allow voltage overdrive for LVTTL / LVCMOS input pins in the Assignments > Device > Device and Pin Options > Pin Placement tab when a device has this I/O combinations.
- (3) When  $V_{CCIO} = 1.8$ -V, a Cyclone device can drive a 1.5-V device with 1.8-V tolerant inputs.
- (4) When  $V_{CCIO} = 3.3$ -V and a 2.5-V input signal feeds an input pin, the  $V_{CCIO}$  supply current will be slightly larger than expected.
- (5) When V<sub>CCIO</sub> = 2.5-V, a Cyclone device can drive a 1.5-V or 1.8-V device with 2.5-V tolerant inputs.
- (6) Cyclone devices can be 5.0-V tolerant with the use of an external resistor and the internal PCI clamp diode.
- (7) When V<sub>CCIO</sub> = 3.3-V, a Cyclone device can drive a 1.5-V, 1.8-V, or 2.5-V device with 3.3-V tolerant inputs.
- (8) When  $V_{CCIO} = 3.3$ -V, a Cyclone device can drive a device with 5.0-V LVTTL inputs but not 5.0-V LVCMOS inputs.

## Power Sequencing and Hot Socketing

Because Cyclone devices can be used in a mixed-voltage environment, they have been designed specifically to tolerate any possible power-up sequence. Therefore, the  $V_{\text{CCIO}}$  and  $V_{\text{CCINT}}$  power supplies may be powered in any order.

Signals can be driven into Cyclone devices before and during power up without damaging the device. In addition, Cyclone devices do not drive out during power up. Once operating conditions are reached and the device is configured, Cyclone devices operate as specified by the user.

## Referenced Documents

This chapter references the following document:

Using PLLs in Cyclone Devices chapter in the Cyclone Device Handbook

# Document Revision History

Table 2–15 shows the revision history for this chapter.

Table 2–15. Document Revision History				
Date and Document Version	Changes Made	Summary of Changes		
May 2008 v1.6	Minor textual and style changes. Added "Referenced Documents" section.	_		
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August 2005 v1.4	Minor updates.	_		
February 2005 v1.3	<ul> <li>Updated JTAG chain limits. Added test vector information.</li> <li>Corrected Figure 2-12.</li> <li>Added a note to Tables 2-17 through 2-21 regarding violating the setup or hold time.</li> </ul>	_		
October 2003 v1.2	<ul><li>Updated phase shift information.</li><li>Added 64-bit PCI support information.</li></ul>	_		
September 2003 v1.1	Updated LVDS data rates to 640 Mbps from 311 Mbps.	_		
May 2003 v1.0	Added document to Cyclone Device Handbook.	_		

Table 3–1. Cyclone JTAG Instructions (Part 2 of 2)				
JTAG Instruction	Instruction Code	Description		
USERCODE	00 0000 0111	Selects the 32-bit USERCODE register and places it between the TDI and TDO pins, allowing the USERCODE to be serially shifted out of TDO.		
IDCODE	00 0000 0110	Selects the IDCODE register and places it between TDI and TDO, allowing the IDCODE to be serially shifted out of TDO.		
HIGHZ (1)	00 0000 1011	Places the 1-bit bypass register between the TDI and TDO pins, which allows the BST data to pass synchronously through selected devices to adjacent devices during normal device operation, while tri-stating all of the I/O pins.		
CLAMP (1)	00 0000 1010	Places the 1-bit bypass register between the TDI and TDO pins, which allows the BST data to pass synchronously through selected devices to adjacent devices during normal device operation while holding I/O pins to a state defined by the data in the boundary-scan register.		
ICR instructions	_	Used when configuring a Cyclone device via the JTAG port with a MasterBlaster <sup>TM</sup> or ByteBlasterMV <sup>TM</sup> download cable, or when using a Jam File or Jam Byte-Code File via an embedded processor.		
PULSE_NCONFIG	00 0000 0001	Emulates pulsing the nCONFIG pin low to trigger reconfiguration even though the physical pin is unaffected.		
CONFIG_IO	00 0000 1101	Allows configuration of I/O standards through the JTAG chain for JTAG testing. Can be executed before, after, or during configuration. Stops configuration if executed during configuration. Once issued, the CONFIG_IO instruction will hold nSTATUS low to reset the configuration device. nSTATUS is held low until the device is reconfigured.		
SignalTap II instructions	_	Monitors internal device operation with the SignalTap II embedded logic analyzer.		

#### *Note to Table 3–1:*

In the Quartus II software, there is an Auto Usercode feature where you can choose to use the checksum value of a programming file as the JTAG user code. If selected, the checksum is automatically loaded to the USERCODE register. Choose Assignments > Device > Device and Pin Options > General. Turn on **Auto Usercode**.

<sup>(1)</sup> Bus hold and weak pull-up resistor features override the high-impedance state of HIGHZ, CLAMP, and EXTEST.

The Cyclone device instruction register length is 10 bits and the USERCODE register length is 32 bits. Tables 3–2 and 3–3 show the boundary-scan register length and device IDCODE information for Cyclone devices.

Table 3–2. Cyclone Boundary-Scan Register Length				
Device Boundary-Scan Register Len				
EP1C3	339			
EP1C4	930			
EP1C6	582			
EP1C12	774			
EP1C20	930			

Table 3–3. 32-Bit Cyclone Device IDCODE							
	IDCODE (32 bits) (1)						
Device	Version (4 Bits)	Part Number (16 Bits)	Manufacturer Identity (11 Bits)	LSB (1 Bit) (2)			
EP1C3	0000	0010 0000 1000 0001	000 0110 1110	1			
EP1C4	0000	0010 0000 1000 0101	000 0110 1110	1			
EP1C6	0000	0010 0000 1000 0010	000 0110 1110	1			
EP1C12	0000	0010 0000 1000 0011	000 0110 1110	1			
EP1C20	0000	0010 0000 1000 0100	000 0110 1110	1			

#### Notes to Table 3-3:

- (1) The most significant bit (MSB) is on the left.
- (2) The IDCODE's least significant bit (LSB) is always 1.



Cyclone devices must be within the first 8 devices in a JTAG chain. All of these devices have the same JTAG controller. If any of the Cyclone devices are in the 9th or after they will fail configuration. This does not affect the SignalTap® II logic analyzer.



For more information on JTAG, refer to the following documents:

- AN 39: IEEE Std. 1149.1 (JTAG) Boundary-Scan Testing in Altera Devices
- Jam Programming & Test Language Specification

## SignalTap II Embedded Logic Analyzer

Cyclone devices feature the SignalTap II embedded logic analyzer, which monitors design operation over a period of time through the IEEE Std. 1149.1 (JTAG) circuitry. A designer can analyze internal logic at speed without bringing internal signals to the I/O pins. This feature is particularly important for advanced packages, such as FineLine BGA packages, because it can be difficult to add a connection to a pin during the debugging process after a board is designed and manufactured.

## Configuration

The logic, circuitry, and interconnects in the Cyclone architecture are configured with CMOS SRAM elements. Altera FPGAs are reconfigurable and every device is tested with a high coverage production test program so the designer does not have to perform fault testing and can instead focus on simulation and design verification.

Cyclone devices are configured at system power-up with data stored in an Altera configuration device or provided by a system controller. The Cyclone device's optimized interface allows the device to act as controller in an active serial configuration scheme with the new low-cost serial configuration device. Cyclone devices can be configured in under 120 ms using serial data at 20 MHz. The serial configuration device can be programmed via the ByteBlaster II download cable, the Altera Programming Unit (APU), or third-party programmers.

In addition to the new low-cost serial configuration device, Altera offers in-system programmability (ISP)-capable configuration devices that can configure Cyclone devices via a serial data stream. The interface also enables microprocessors to treat Cyclone devices as memory and configure them by writing to a virtual memory location, making reconfiguration easy. After a Cyclone device has been configured, it can be reconfigured in-circuit by resetting the device and loading new data. Real-time changes can be made during system operation, enabling innovative reconfigurable computing applications.

Table 4–49. Cyclone Maximum Input Clock Rate for Row Pins						
I/O Standard	-6 Speed Grade	-7 Speed Grade	-8 Speed Grade	Unit		
LVTTL	464	428	387	MHz		
2.5 V	392	302	207	MHz		
1.8 V	387	311	252	MHz		
1.5 V	387	320	243	MHz		
LVCMOS	405	374	333	MHz		
SSTL-3 class I	405	356	293	MHz		
SSTL-3 class II	414	365	302	MHz		
SSTL-2 class I	464	428	396	MHz		
SSTL-2 class II	473	432	396	MHz		
3.3-V PCI (1)	464	428	387	MHz		
LVDS	567	549	531	MHz		

Note to Tables 4–48 through 4–49:

Tables 4–50 and 4–51 show the maximum output clock rate for column and row pins in Cyclone devices.

Table 4–50. Cyclone Maximum Output Clock Rate for Column Pins						
I/O Standard	-6 Speed Grade	-7 Speed Grade	-8 Speed Grade	Unit		
LVTTL	304	304	304	MHz		
2.5 V	220	220	220	MHz		
1.8 V	213	213	213	MHz		
1.5 V	166	166	166	MHz		
LVCMOS	304	304	304	MHz		
SSTL-3 class I	100	100	100	MHz		
SSTL-3 class II	100	100	100	MHz		
SSTL-2 class I	134	134	134	MHz		
SSTL-2 class II	134	134	134	MHz		
LVDS	320	320	275	MHz		

Note to Table 4-50:

(1) EP1C3 devices do not support the PCI I/O standard.

<sup>(1)</sup> EP1C3 devices do not support the PCI I/O standard. These parameters are only available on row I/O pins.

Table 4–52. Cyclone PLL Specifications (Part 2 of 2)						
Symbol Parameter		Min	Max	Unit		
f <sub>OUT</sub> (to global clock)	PLL output frequency (-6 speed grade)	15.625	405	MHz		
	PLL output frequency (-7 speed grade)	15.625	320	MHz		
	PLL output frequency (-8 speed grade)	15.625	275	MHz		
t <sub>OUT</sub> DUTY	Duty cycle for external clock output (when set to 50%)	45.00	55	%		
t <sub>JITTER</sub> (1)	Period jitter for external clock output	_	±300 (2)	ps		
t <sub>LOCK</sub> (3)	Time required to lock from end of device configuration	10.00	100	μs		
f <sub>vco</sub>	PLL internal VCO operating range	500.00	1,000	MHz		
-	Minimum areset time	10	_	ns		
N, G0, G1, E	Counter values	1	32	integer		

#### Notes to Table 4-52:

- (1) The t<sub>JITTER</sub> specification for the PLL[2..1]\_OUT pins are dependent on the I/O pins in its V<sub>CCIO</sub> bank, how many of them are switching outputs, how much they toggle, and whether or not they use programmable current strength or slow slew rate.
- (2)  $f_{OUT} \ge 100$  MHz. When the PLL external clock output frequency ( $f_{OUT}$ ) is smaller than 100 MHz, the jitter specification is 60 mUI.
- (3)  $f_{IN/N}$  must be greater than 200 MHz to ensure correct lock detect circuit operation below -20 C. Otherwise, the PLL operates with the specified parameters under the specified conditions.

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