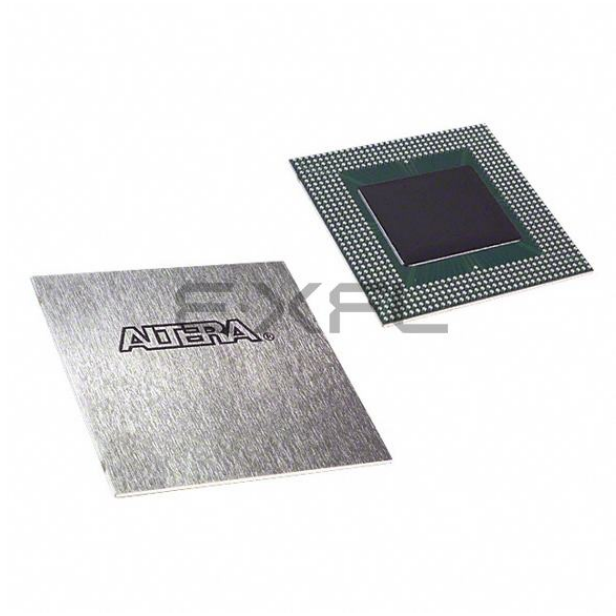

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Details	
Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	1664
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	16640
Total RAM Bits	212992
Number of I/O	502
Number of Gates	1052000
Voltage - Supply	2.375V ~ 2.625V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	652-BGA
Supplier Device Package	652-BGA (45x45)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/ep20k400bc652-1xv

Table 8. Comparison of APEX 20K & APEX 20KE Features

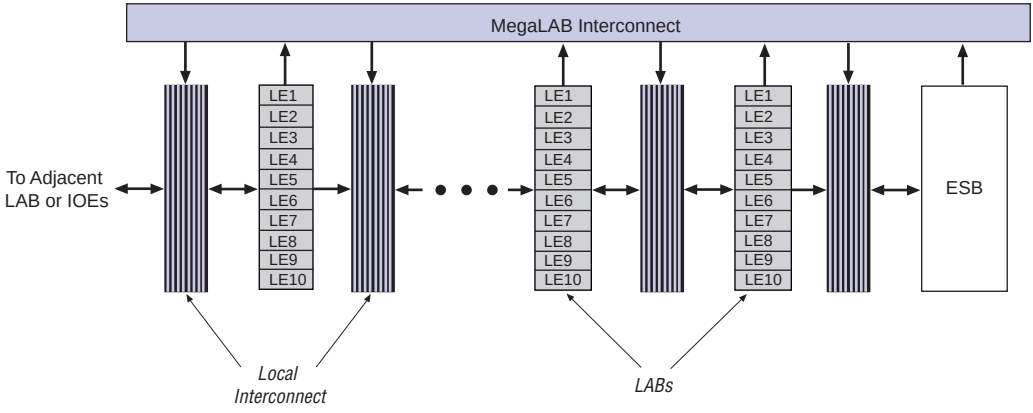
Feature	APEX 20K Devices	APEX 20KE Devices
MultiCore system integration	Full support	Full support
SignalTap logic analysis	Full support	Full support
32/64-Bit, 33-MHz PCI	Full compliance in -1, -2 speed grades	Full compliance in -1, -2 speed grades
32/64-Bit, 66-MHz PCI	-	Full compliance in -1 speed grade
MultiVolt I/O	2.5-V or 3.3-V V_{CCIO} V_{CCIO} selected for device Certain devices are 5.0-V tolerant	1.8-V, 2.5-V, or 3.3-V V_{CCIO} V_{CCIO} selected block-by-block 5.0-V tolerant with use of external resistor
ClockLock support	Clock delay reduction 2× and 4× clock multiplication	Clock delay reduction $m/(n \times v)$ or $m/(n \times k)$ clock multiplication Drive ClockLock output off-chip External clock feedback ClockShift LVDS support Up to four PLLs ClockShift, clock phase adjustment
Dedicated clock and input pins	Six	Eight
I/O standard support	2.5-V, 3.3-V, 5.0-V I/O 3.3-V PCI Low-voltage complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (LVCMOS) Low-voltage transistor-to-transistor logic (LVTTL)	1.8-V, 2.5-V, 3.3-V, 5.0-V I/O 2.5-V I/O 3.3-V PCI and PCI-X 3.3-V Advanced Graphics Port (AGP) Center tap terminated (CTT) GTL+ LVCMOS LVTTL True-LVDS and LVPECL data pins (in EP20K300E and larger devices) LVDS and LVPECL signaling (in all BGA and FineLine BGA devices) LVDS and LVPECL data pins up to 156 Mbps (in -1 speed grade devices) HSTL Class I PCI-X SSTL-2 Class I and II SSTL-3 Class I and II
Memory support	Dual-port RAM FIFO RAM ROM	CAM Dual-port RAM FIFO RAM ROM

APEX 20K devices provide two dedicated clock pins and four dedicated input pins that drive register control inputs. These signals ensure efficient distribution of high-speed, low-skew control signals. These signals use dedicated routing channels to provide short delays and low skews. Four of the dedicated inputs drive four global signals. These four global signals can also be driven by internal logic, providing an ideal solution for a clock divider or internally generated asynchronous clear signals with high fan-out. The dedicated clock pins featured on the APEX 20K devices can also feed logic. The devices also feature ClockLock and ClockBoost clock management circuitry. APEX 20KE devices provide two additional dedicated clock pins, for a total of four dedicated clock pins.

MegaLAB Structure

APEX 20K devices are constructed from a series of MegaLAB™ structures. Each MegaLAB structure contains a group of logic array blocks (LABs), one ESB, and a MegaLAB interconnect, which routes signals within the MegaLAB structure. The EP20K30E device has 10 LABs, EP20K60E through EP20K600E devices have 16 LABs, and the EP20K1000E and EP20K1500E devices have 24 LABs. Signals are routed between MegaLAB structures and I/O pins via the FastTrack Interconnect. In addition, edge LABs can be driven by I/O pins through the local interconnect. Figure 2 shows the MegaLAB structure.

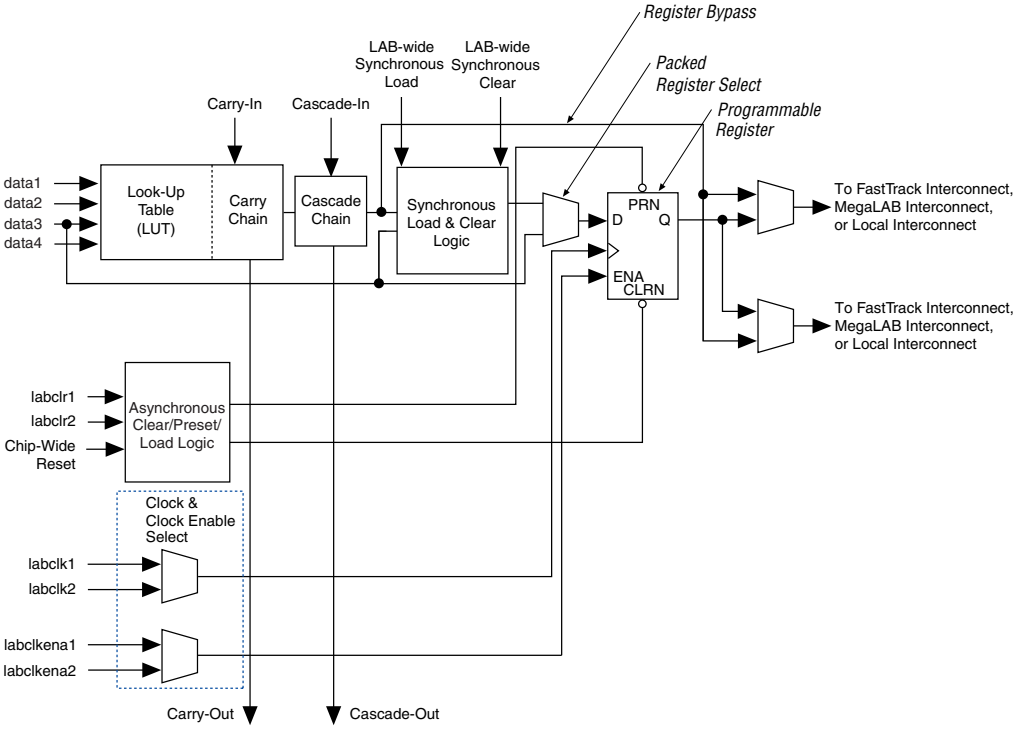
Figure 2. MegaLAB Structure



Logic Element

The LE, the smallest unit of logic in the APEX 20K architecture, is compact and provides efficient logic usage. Each LE contains a four-input LUT, which is a function generator that can quickly implement any function of four variables. In addition, each LE contains a programmable register and carry and cascade chains. Each LE drives the local interconnect, MegaLAB interconnect, and FastTrack Interconnect routing structures. See Figure 5.

Figure 5. APEX 20K Logic Element



Each LE's programmable register can be configured for D, T, JK, or SR operation. The register's clock and clear control signals can be driven by global signals, general-purpose I/O pins, or any internal logic. For combinatorial functions, the register is bypassed and the output of the LUT drives the outputs of the LE.

LE Operating Modes

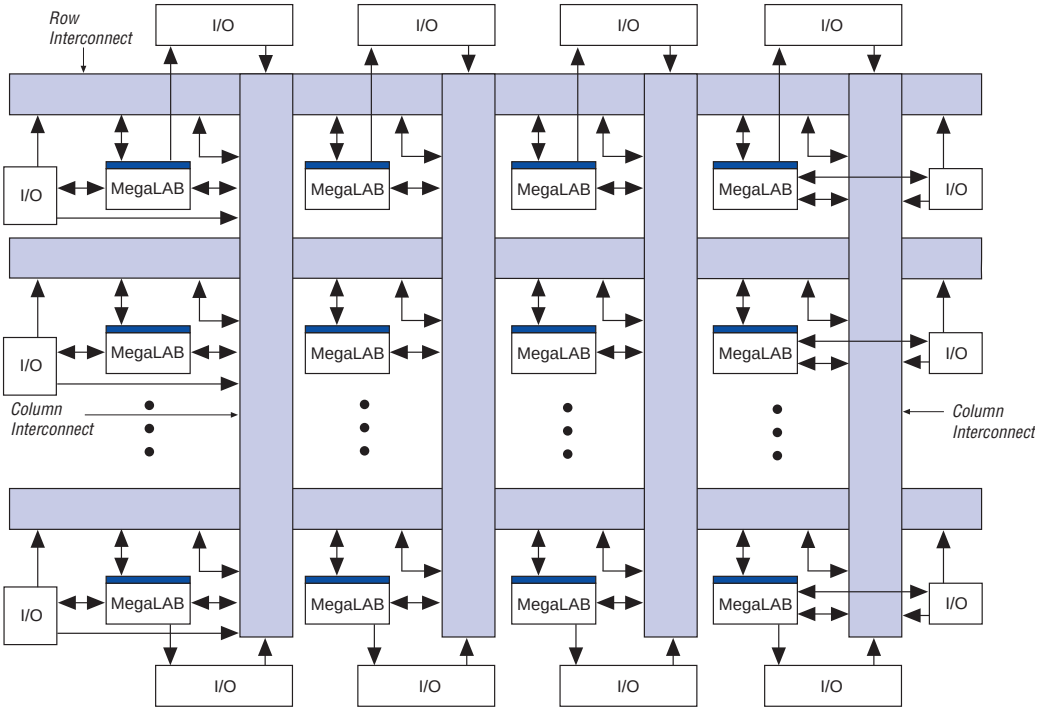
The APEX 20K LE can operate in one of the following three modes:

- Normal mode
- Arithmetic mode
- Counter mode

Each mode uses LE resources differently. In each mode, seven available inputs to the LE—the four data inputs from the LAB local interconnect, the feedback from the programmable register, and the carry-in and cascade-in from the previous LE—are directed to different destinations to implement the desired logic function. LAB-wide signals provide clock, asynchronous clear, asynchronous preset, asynchronous load, synchronous clear, synchronous load, and clock enable control for the register. These LAB-wide signals are available in all LE modes.

The Quartus II software, in conjunction with parameterized functions such as LPM and DesignWare functions, automatically chooses the appropriate mode for common functions such as counters, adders, and multipliers. If required, the designer can also create special-purpose functions that specify which LE operating mode to use for optimal performance. Figure 8 shows the LE operating modes.

Figure 9. APEX 20K Interconnect Structure



A row line can be driven directly by LEs, IOEs, or ESBs in that row. Further, a column line can drive a row line, allowing an LE, IOE, or ESB to drive elements in a different row via the column and row interconnect. The row interconnect drives the MegaLAB interconnect to drive LEs, IOEs, or ESBs in a particular MegaLAB structure.

A column line can be directly driven by LEs, IOEs, or ESBs in that column. A column line on a device's left or right edge can also be driven by row IOEs. The column line is used to route signals from one row to another. A column line can drive a row line; it can also drive the MegaLAB interconnect directly, allowing faster connections between rows.

Figure 10 shows how the FastTrack Interconnect uses the local interconnect to drive LEs within MegaLAB structures.

Figure 10. FastTrack Connection to Local Interconnect

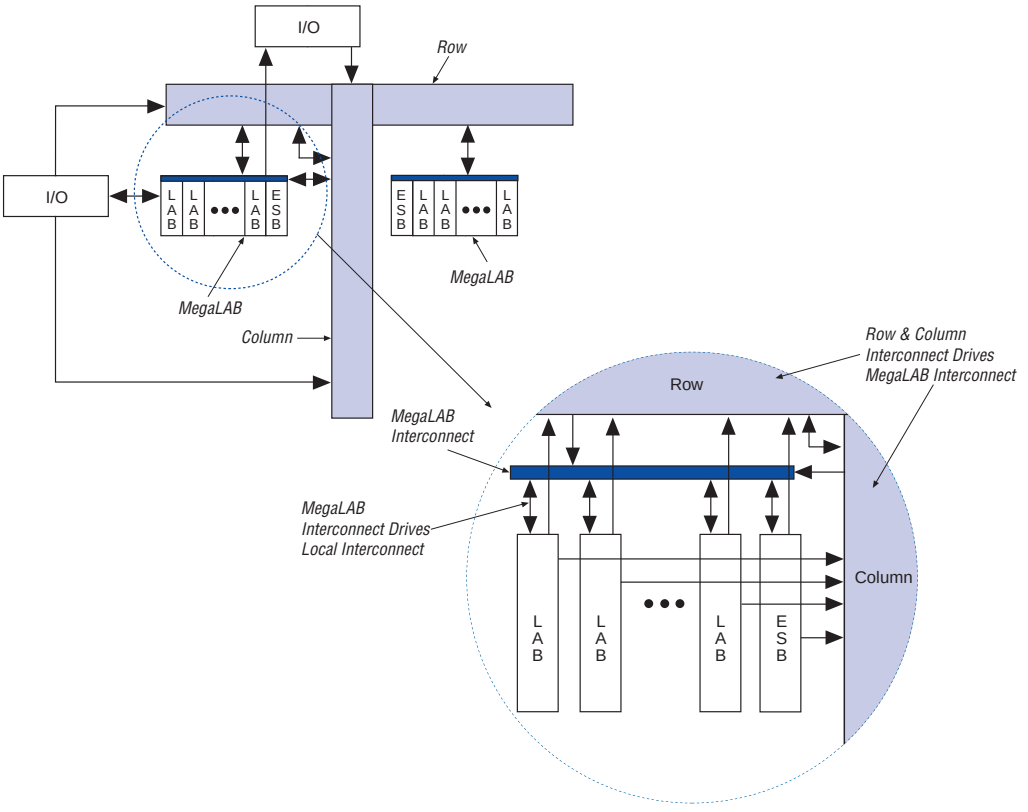


Figure 12. APEX 20KE FastRow Interconnect

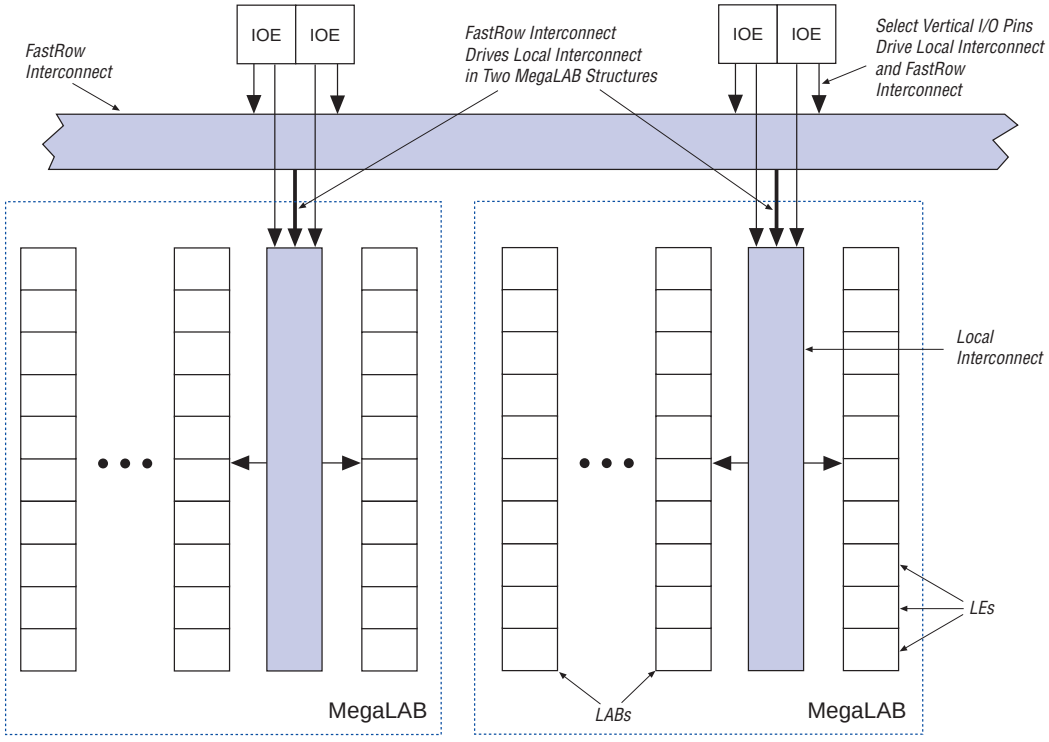
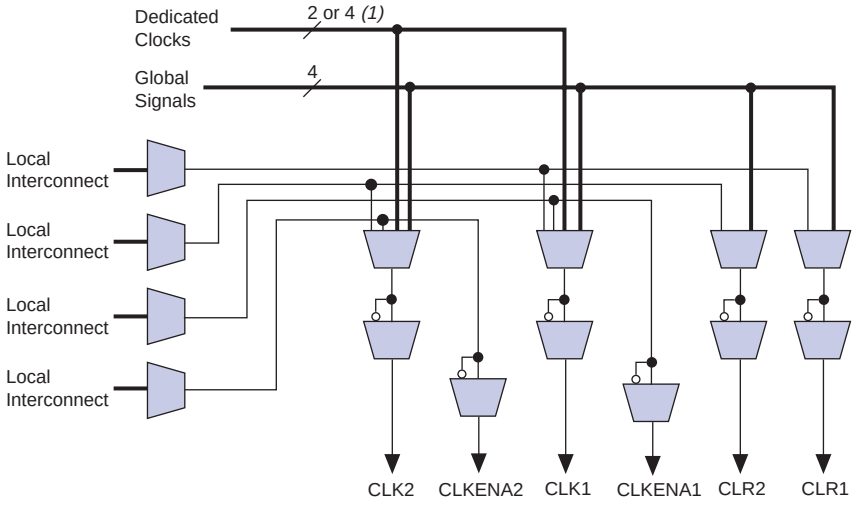


Table 9 summarizes how various elements of the APEX 20K architecture drive each other.

The programmable register also supports an asynchronous clear function. Within the ESB, two asynchronous clears are generated from global signals and the local interconnect. Each macrocell can either choose between the two asynchronous clear signals or choose to not be cleared. Either of the two clear signals can be inverted within the ESB. Figure 15 shows the ESB control logic when implementing product-terms.

Figure 15. ESB Product-Term Mode Control Logic



Note to Figure 15:
(1) APEX 20KE devices have four dedicated clocks.

Parallel Expanders

Parallel expanders are unused product terms that can be allocated to a neighboring macrocell to implement fast, complex logic functions. Parallel expanders allow up to 32 product terms to feed the macrocell OR logic directly, with two product terms provided by the macrocell and 30 parallel expanders provided by the neighboring macrocells in the ESB.

The Quartus II software Compiler can allocate up to 15 sets of up to two parallel expanders per set to the macrocells automatically. Each set of two parallel expanders incurs a small, incremental timing delay. Figure 16 shows the APEX 20K parallel expanders.

Implementing Logic in ROM

In addition to implementing logic with product terms, the ESB can implement logic functions when it is programmed with a read-only pattern during configuration, creating a large LUT. With LUTs, combinatorial functions are implemented by looking up the results, rather than by computing them. This implementation of combinatorial functions can be faster than using algorithms implemented in general logic, a performance advantage that is further enhanced by the fast access times of ESBs. The large capacity of ESBs enables designers to implement complex functions in one logic level without the routing delays associated with linked LEs or distributed RAM blocks. Parameterized functions such as LPM functions can take advantage of the ESB automatically. Further, the Quartus II software can implement portions of a design with ESBs where appropriate.

Programmable Speed/Power Control

APEX 20K ESBs offer a high-speed mode that supports very fast operation on an ESB-by-ESB basis. When high speed is not required, this feature can be turned off to reduce the ESB's power dissipation by up to 50%. ESBs that run at low power incur a nominal timing delay adder. This Turbo Bit™ option is available for ESBs that implement product-term logic or memory functions. An ESB that is not used will be powered down so that it does not consume DC current.

Designers can program each ESB in the APEX 20K device for either high-speed or low-power operation. As a result, speed-critical paths in the design can run at high speed, while the remaining paths operate at reduced power.

I/O Structure

The APEX 20K IOE contains a bidirectional I/O buffer and a register that can be used either as an input register for external data requiring fast setup times, or as an output register for data requiring fast clock-to-output performance. IOEs can be used as input, output, or bidirectional pins. For fast bidirectional I/O timing, LE registers using local routing can improve setup times and OE timing. The Quartus II software Compiler uses the programmable inversion option to invert signals from the row and column interconnect automatically where appropriate. Because the APEX 20K IOE offers one output enable per pin, the Quartus II software Compiler can emulate open-drain operation efficiently.

The APEX 20K IOE includes programmable delays that can be activated to ensure zero hold times, minimum clock-to-output times, input IOE register-to-core register transfers, or core-to-output IOE register transfers. A path in which a pin directly drives a register may require the delay to ensure zero hold time, whereas a path in which a pin drives a register through combinatorial logic may not require the delay.

IEEE Std. 1149.1 (JTAG) Boundary-Scan Support

All APEX 20K devices provide JTAG BST circuitry that complies with the IEEE Std. 1149.1-1990 specification. JTAG boundary-scan testing can be performed before or after configuration, but not during configuration. APEX 20K devices can also use the JTAG port for configuration with the Quartus II software or with hardware using either Jam Files (**.jam**) or Jam Byte-Code Files (**.jbc**). Finally, APEX 20K devices use the JTAG port to monitor the logic operation of the device with the SignalTap embedded logic analyzer. APEX 20K devices support the JTAG instructions shown in Table 19. Although EP20K1500E devices support the JTAG BYPASS and SignalTap instructions, they do not support boundary-scan testing or the use of the JTAG port for configuration.

Table 19. APEX 20K JTAG Instructions

JTAG Instruction	Description
SAMPLE/PRELOAD	Allows a snapshot of signals at the device pins to be captured and examined during normal device operation, and permits an initial data pattern to be output at the device pins. Also used by the SignalTap embedded logic analyzer.
EXTEST	Allows the external circuitry and board-level interconnections to be tested by forcing a test pattern at the output pins and capturing test results at the input pins.
BYPASS *(1)*	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.
USERCODE	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	Selects the IDCODE register and places it between TDI and TDO, allowing the IDCODE to be serially shifted out of TDO.
ICR Instructions	Used when configuring an APEX 20K device via the JTAG port with a MasterBlaster™ or ByteBlasterMV™ download cable, or when using a Jam File or Jam Byte-Code File via an embedded processor.
SignalTap Instructions *(1)*	Monitors internal device operation with the SignalTap embedded logic analyzer.

Note to Table 19:
(1) The EP20K1500E device supports the JTAG BYPASS instruction and the SignalTap instructions.

The APEX 20K device instruction register length is 10 bits. The APEX 20K device USERCODE register length is 32 bits. Tables 20 and 21 show the boundary-scan register length and device IDCODE information for APEX 20K devices.

Table 20. APEX 20K Boundary-Scan Register Length

Device	Boundary-Scan Register Length
EP20K30E	420
EP20K60E	624
EP20K100	786
EP20K100E	774
EP20K160E	984
EP20K200	1,176
EP20K200E	1,164
EP20K300E	1,266
EP20K400	1,536
EP20K400E	1,506
EP20K600E	1,806
EP20K1000E	2,190
EP20K1500E	1 *(1)*

Note to Table 20:
(1) This device does not support JTAG boundary scan testing.

Table 24. APEX 20K 5.0-V Tolerant Device Recommended Operating Conditions *Note (2)*

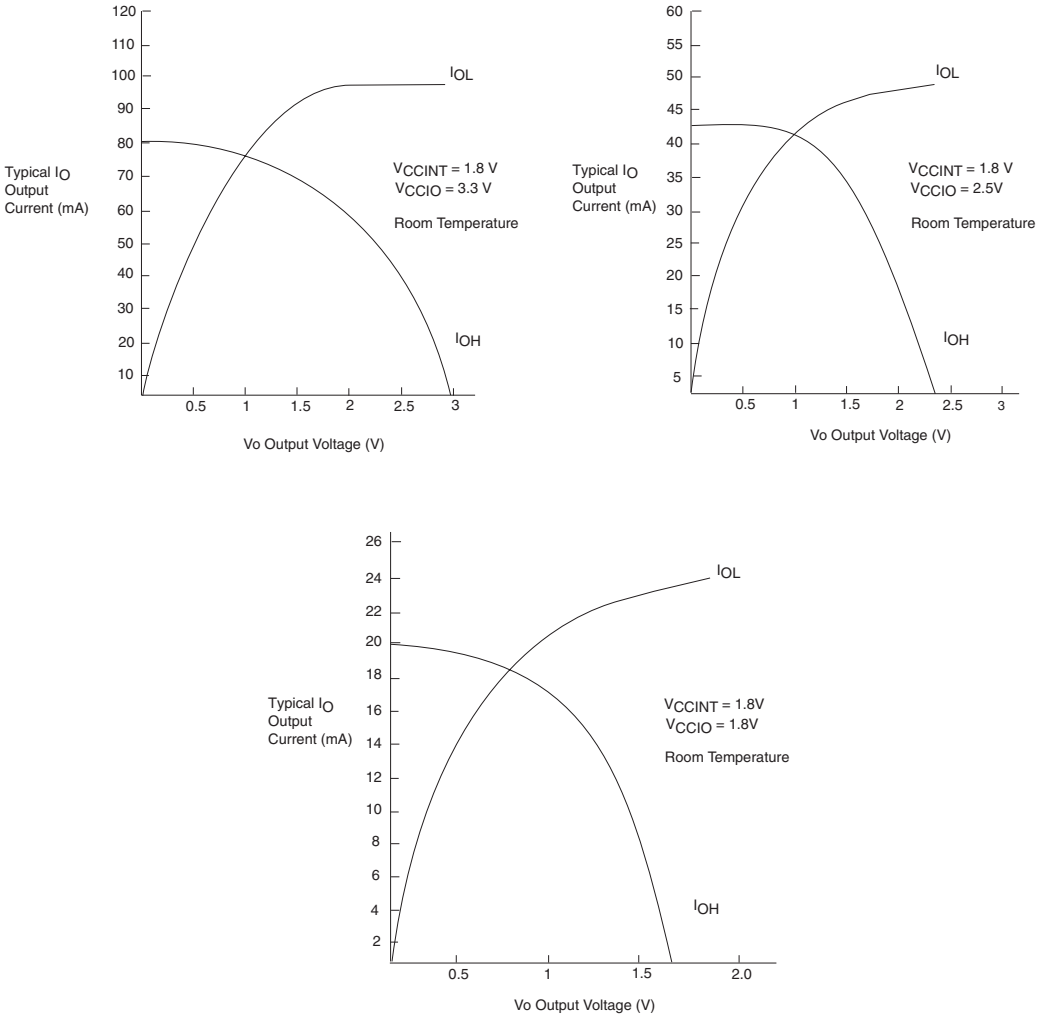
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V_{CCINT}	Supply voltage for internal logic and input buffers	*(4), (5)*	2.375 (2.375)	2.625 (2.625)	V
V_{CCIO}	Supply voltage for output buffers, 3.3-V operation	*(4), (5)*	3.00 (3.00)	3.60 (3.60)	V
	Supply voltage for output buffers, 2.5-V operation	*(4), (5)*	2.375 (2.375)	2.625 (2.625)	V
V_I	Input voltage	*(3), (6)*	–0.5	5.75	V
V_O	Output voltage		0	V_{CCIO}	V
T_J	Junction temperature	For commercial use	0	85	° C
		For industrial use	–40	100	° C
t_R	Input rise time			40	ns
t_F	Input fall time			40	ns

Table 25. APEX 20K 5.0-V Tolerant Device DC Operating Conditions (Part 1 of 2) *Notes (2), (7), (8)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V_{IH}	High-level input voltage		1.7, 0.5 × V_{CCIO} *(9)*		5.75	V
V_{IL}	Low-level input voltage		–0.5		0.8, 0.3 × V_{CCIO} *(9)*	V
V_{OH}	3.3-V high-level TTL output voltage	I_{OH} = –8 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 3.00 V *(10)*	2.4			V
	3.3-V high-level CMOS output voltage	I_{OH} = –0.1 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 3.00 V *(10)*	V_{CCIO} – 0.2			V
	3.3-V high-level PCI output voltage	I_{OH} = –0.5 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 3.00 to 3.60 V *(10)*	0.9 × V_{CCIO}			V
	2.5-V high-level output voltage	I_{OH} = –0.1 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 2.30 V *(10)*	2.1			V
		I_{OH} = –1 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 2.30 V *(10)*	2.0			V
		I_{OH} = –2 mA DC, V_{CCIO} = 2.30 V *(10)*	1.7			V

Figure 35 shows the output drive characteristics of APEX 20KE devices.

Figure 35. Output Drive Characteristics of APEX 20KE Devices *Note (1)*



Note to Figure 35:
(1) These are transient (AC) currents.

Timing Model

The high-performance FastTrack and MegaLAB interconnect routing resources ensure predictable performance, accurate simulation, and accurate timing analysis. This predictable performance contrasts with that of FPGAs, which use a segmented connection scheme and therefore have unpredictable performance.

Notes to Tables 43 through 48:
(1) This parameter is measured without using ClockLock or ClockBoost circuits.
(2) This parameter is measured using ClockLock or ClockBoost circuits.

Tables 49 through 54 describe f_{MAX} LE Timing Microparameters, f_{MAX} ESB Timing Microparameters, f_{MAX} Routing Delays, Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters, External Timing Parameters, and External Bidirectional Timing Parameters for EP20K30E APEX 20KE devices.

Table 49. EP20K30E f_{MAX} LE Timing Microparameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{SU}	0.01		0.02		0.02		ns
t_{H}	0.11		0.16		0.23		ns
t_{CO}		0.32		0.45		0.67	ns
t_{LUT}		0.85		1.20		1.77	ns

Table 56. EP20K60E f_{MAX} ESB Timing Microparameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{ESBARC}		1.83		2.57		3.79	ns
t_{ESBSRC}		2.46		3.26		4.61	ns
t_{ESBAWC}		3.50		4.90		7.23	ns
t_{ESBSWC}		3.77		4.90		6.79	ns
$t_{ESBWASU}$	1.59		2.23		3.29		ns
t_{ESBWAH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{ESBWDSU}$	1.75		2.46		3.62		ns
t_{ESBWDH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{ESBRASU}$	1.76		2.47		3.64		ns
t_{ESBRAH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{ESBWESU}$	1.68		2.49		3.87		ns
t_{ESBWEH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{ESBDATASU}$	0.08		0.43		1.04		ns
$t_{ESBDATAH}$	0.13		0.13		0.13		ns
$t_{ESBWADDRSU}$	0.29		0.72		1.46		ns
$t_{ESBRADDRSU}$	0.36		0.81		1.58		ns
$t_{ESBDATACO1}$		1.06		1.24		1.55	ns
$t_{ESBDATACO2}$		2.39		3.35		4.94	ns
t_{ESBDD}		3.50		4.90		7.23	ns
t_{PD}		1.72		2.41		3.56	ns
$t_{PTERMSU}$	0.99		1.56		2.55		ns
$t_{PTERMCO}$		1.07		1.26		1.08	ns

Table 57. EP20K60E f_{MAX} Routing Delays

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{F1-4}		0.24		0.26		0.30	ns
t_{F5-20}		1.45		1.58		1.79	ns
t_{F20+}		1.96		2.14		2.45	ns

Table 58. EP20K60E Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{CH}	2.00		2.50		2.75		ns
t_{CL}	2.00		2.50		2.75		ns
t_{CLRP}	0.20		0.28		0.41		ns
t_{PREP}	0.20		0.28		0.41		ns
t_{ESBCH}	2.00		2.50		2.75		ns
t_{ESBCL}	2.00		2.50		2.75		ns
t_{ESBWP}	1.29		1.80		2.66		ns
t_{ESBRP}	1.04		1.45		2.14		ns

Table 59. EP20K60E External Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{INSU}	2.03		2.12		2.23		ns
t_{INH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
t_{OUTCO}	2.00	4.84	2.00	5.31	2.00	5.81	ns
$t_{INSUPLL}$	1.12		1.15		-		ns
t_{INHPLL}	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOPLL}$	0.50	3.37	0.50	3.69	-	-	ns

Table 82. EP20K300E Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{CH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CLRP}	0.19		0.26		0.35		ns
t_{PREP}	0.19		0.26		0.35		ns
t_{ESBCH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBCL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBWP}	1.25		1.71		2.28		ns
t_{ESBRP}	1.01		1.38		1.84		ns

Table 83. EP20K300E External Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{INSU}	2.31		2.44		2.57		ns
t_{INH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
t_{OUTCO}	2.00	5.29	2.00	5.82	2.00	6.24	ns
$t_{INSUPLL}$	1.76		1.85		-		ns
t_{INHPLL}	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOPLL}$	0.50	2.65	0.50	2.95	-	-	ns

Table 84. EP20K300E External Bidirectional Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1		-2		-3		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{INSUBIDIR}$	2.77		2.85		3.11		ns
$t_{INHBIDIR}$	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{OUTCOBIDIR}$	2.00	5.29	2.00	5.82	2.00	6.24	ns
$t_{XZBIDIR}$		7.59		8.30		9.09	ns
$t_{ZXBIDIR}$		7.59		8.30		9.09	ns
$t_{INSUBIDIRPLL}$	2.50		2.76		-		ns
$t_{INHBIDIRPLL}$	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOBIDIRPLL}$	0.50	2.65	0.50	2.95	-	-	ns
$t_{XZBIDIRPLL}$		5.00		5.43		-	ns
$t_{ZXBIDIRPLL}$		5.00		5.43		-	ns

Table 99. EP20K1000E f_{MAX} Routing Delays

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{F1-4}		0.27		0.27		0.27	ns
t_{F5-20}		1.45		1.63		1.75	ns
t_{F20+}		4.15		4.33		4.97	ns

Table 100. EP20K1000E Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{CH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CLRP}	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
t_{PREP}	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
t_{ESBCH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBCL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBWP}	1.28		1.51		1.65		ns
t_{ESBRP}	1.11		1.29		1.41		ns

Table 101. EP20K1000E External Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{INSU}	2.70		2.84		2.97		ns
t_{INH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
t_{OUTCO}	2.00	5.75	2.00	6.33	2.00	6.90	ns
$t_{INSUPLL}$	1.64		2.09		-		ns
t_{INHPLL}	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOPLL}$	0.50	2.25	0.50	2.99	-	-	ns

Table 106. EP20K1500E Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{CH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{CLRP}	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
t_{PREP}	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
t_{ESBCH}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBCL}	1.25		1.43		1.67		ns
t_{ESBWP}	1.28		1.51		1.65		ns
t_{ESBRP}	1.11		1.29		1.41		ns

Table 107. EP20K1500E External Timing Parameters

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{INSU}	3.09		3.30		3.58		ns
t_{INH}	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
t_{OUTCO}	2.00	6.18	2.00	6.81	2.00	7.36	ns
$t_{INSUPLL}$	1.94		2.08		-		ns
t_{INHPLL}	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOPLL}$	0.50	2.67	0.50	2.99	-	-	ns

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APEX 20K Programmable Logic Device Family Data Sheet version 4.1 contains the following changes:

- t_{ESBWEH} added to Figure 37 and Tables 35, 50, 56, 62, 68, 74, 86, 92, 97, and 104.
- Updated EP20K300E device internal and external timing numbers in Tables 79 through 84.