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### **Understanding Embedded - FPGAs (Field Programmable Gate Array)**

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	Active
Number of LABs/CLBs	-
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	-
Total RAM Bits	-
Number of I/O	708
Number of Gates	-
Voltage - Supply	1.71V ~ 1.89V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	1020-BBGA
Supplier Device Package	1020-FBGA (33x33)
Purchase URL	<a href="https://www.e-xfl.com/pro/item?MUrl=&amp;PartUrl=ep20k1000cf33c8">https://www.e-xfl.com/pro/item?MUrl=&amp;PartUrl=ep20k1000cf33c8</a>

## ...and More Features

- Low-power operation design
  - 1.8-V supply voltage (see [Table 2](#))
  - Copper interconnect reduces power consumption
  - MultiVolt™ I/O support for 1.8-V, 2.5-V, and 3.3-V interfaces
  - ESBs offering programmable power-saving mode
- Flexible clock management circuitry with up to four phase-locked loops (PLLs)
  - Built-in low-skew clock tree
  - Up to eight global clock signals
  - ClockLock™ feature reducing clock delay and skew
  - ClockBoost™ feature providing clock multiplication and division
  - ClockShift™ feature providing programmable clock phase and delay shifting
- Powerful I/O features
  - Compliant with peripheral component interconnect Special Interest Group (PCI SIG) *PCI Local Bus Specification, Revision 2.2* for 3.3-V operation at 33 or 66 MHz and 32 or 64 bits
  - Support for high-speed external memories, including DDR synchronous dynamic RAM (SDRAM) and ZBT static RAM (SRAM)
  - 16 input and 16 output LVDS channels at 840 megabits per second (Mbps)
  - Direct connection from I/O pins to local interconnect providing fast  $t_{CO}$  and  $t_{SU}$  times for complex logic
  - MultiVolt I/O support for 1.8-V, 2.5-V, and 3.3-V interfaces
  - Programmable clamp to  $V_{CCIO}$
  - Individual tri-state output enable control for each pin
  - Programmable output slew-rate control to reduce switching noise
  - Support for advanced I/O standards, including low-voltage differential signaling (LVDS), LVPECL, PCI-X, AGP, CTT, SSTL-3 and SSTL-2, GTL+, and HSTL Class I
  - Supports hot-socketing operation
  - Pull-up on I/O pins before and during configuration

**Table 2. APEX 20KC Supply Voltages**

Feature	Voltage
Internal supply voltage ( $V_{CCINT}$ )	1.8 V
MultiVolt I/O interface voltage levels ( $V_{CCIO}$ )	1.8 V, 2.5 V, 3.3 V, 5.0 V (1)

Note to [Table 2](#):

(1) APEX 20KC devices can be 5.0-V tolerant by using an external resistor.

The APEX 20KC architecture provides two types of dedicated high-speed data paths that connect adjacent LEs without using local interconnect paths: carry chains and cascade chains. A carry chain supports high-speed arithmetic functions such as counters and adders, while a cascade chain implements wide-input functions such as equality comparators with minimum delay. Carry and cascade chains connect LEs 1 through 10 in an LAB and all LABs in the same MegaLAB structure.

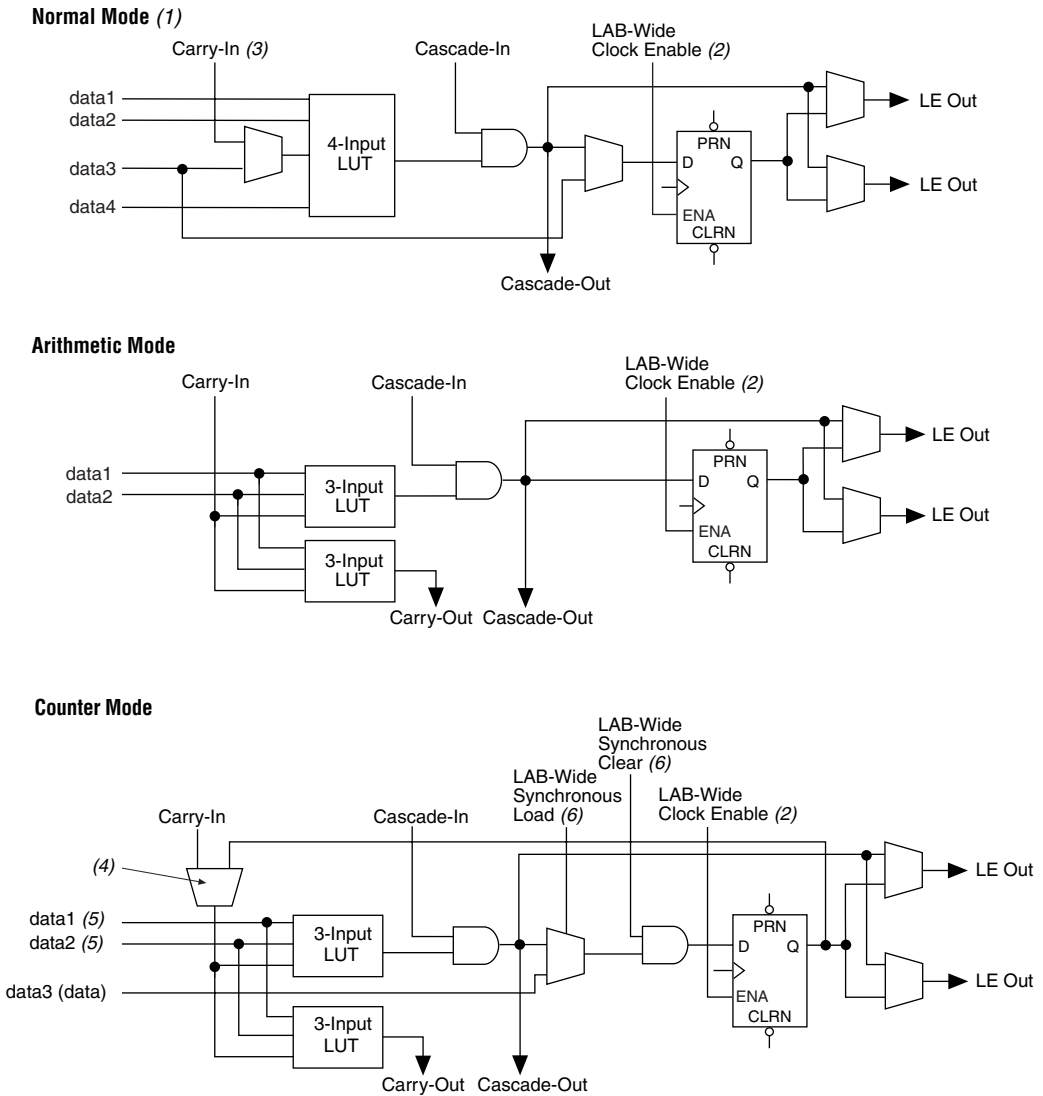
### *Carry Chain*

The carry chain provides a very fast carry-forward function between LEs. The carry-in signal from a lower-order bit drives forward into the higher-order bit via the carry chain, and feeds into both the LUT and the next portion of the carry chain. This feature allows the APEX 20KC architecture to implement high-speed counters, adders, and comparators of arbitrary width. Carry chain logic can be created automatically by the Quartus II Compiler during design processing, or manually by the designer during design entry. Parameterized functions such as DesignWare functions from Synopsys and library of parameterized modules (LPM) functions automatically take advantage of carry chains for the appropriate functions.

The Quartus II Compiler creates carry chains longer than ten LEs by automatically linking LABs together. For enhanced fitting, a long carry chain skips alternate LABs in a MegaLAB structure. A carry chain longer than one LAB skips either from an even-numbered LAB to the next even-numbered LAB, or from an odd-numbered LAB to the next odd-numbered LAB. For example, the last LE of the first LAB in the upper-left MegaLAB structure carries to the first LE of the third LAB in the MegaLAB structure.

**Figure 6** shows how an  $n$ -bit full adder can be implemented in  $n + 1$  LEs with the carry chain. One portion of the LUT generates the sum of two bits using the input signals and the carry-in signal; the sum is routed to the output of the LE. The register can be bypassed for simple adders or used for accumulator functions. Another portion of the LUT and the carry chain logic generates the carry-out signal, which is routed directly to the carry-in signal of the next-higher-order bit. The final carry-out signal is routed to an LE, where it is driven onto the local, MegaLAB, or FastTrack interconnect routing structures.

Figure 8. APEX 20KC LE Operating Modes



Notes to Figure 8:

- (1) LEs in normal mode support register packing.
- (2) There are two LAB-wide clock enables per LAB.
- (3) When using the carry-in in normal mode, the packed register feature is unavailable.
- (4) A register feedback multiplexer is available on LE1 of each LAB.
- (5) The DATA1 and DATA2 input signals can supply counter enable, up or down control, or register feedback signals for LEs other than the second LE in an LAB.
- (6) The LAB-wide synchronous clear and LAB wide synchronous load affect all registers in an LAB.

### Normal Mode

The normal mode is suitable for general logic applications, combinatorial functions, or wide decoding functions that can take advantage of a cascade chain. In normal mode, four data inputs from the LAB local interconnect and the carry-in are inputs to a four-input LUT. The Quartus II Compiler automatically selects the carry-in or the `DATA3` signal as one of the inputs to the LUT. The LUT output can be combined with the cascade-in signal to form a cascade chain through the cascade-out signal. LEs in normal mode support packed registers.

### Arithmetic Mode

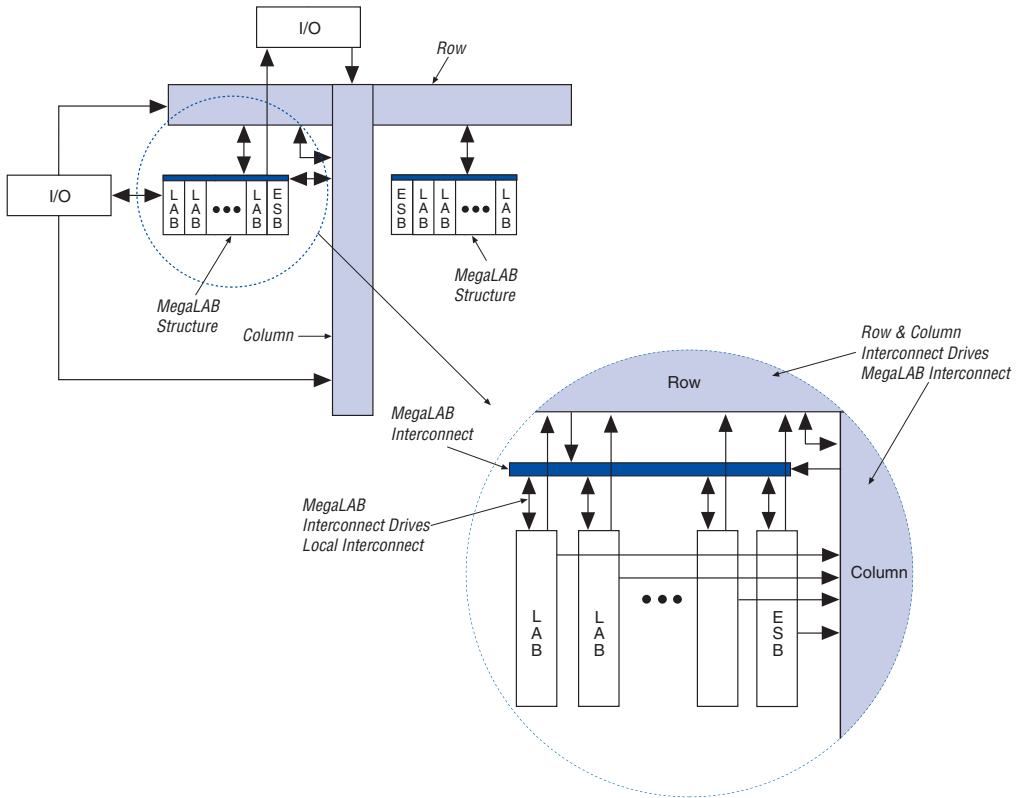
The arithmetic mode is ideal for implementing adders, accumulators, and comparators. An LE in arithmetic mode uses two 3-input LUTs. One LUT computes a three-input function; the other generates a carry output. As shown in [Figure 8](#), the first LUT uses the carry-in signal and two data inputs from the LAB local interconnect to generate a combinatorial or registered output. For example, when implementing an adder, this output is the sum of three signals: `DATA1`, `DATA2`, and carry-in. The second LUT uses the same three signals to generate a carry-out signal, thereby creating a carry chain. The arithmetic mode also supports simultaneous use of the cascade chain. LEs in arithmetic mode can drive out registered and unregistered versions of the LUT output.

The Quartus II software implements parameterized functions that use the arithmetic mode automatically where appropriate; the designer does not need to specify how the carry chain will be used.

### Counter Mode

The counter mode offers clock enable, counter enable, synchronous up/down control, synchronous clear, and synchronous load options. The counter enable and synchronous up/down control signals are generated from the data inputs of the LAB local interconnect. The synchronous clear and synchronous load options are LAB-wide signals that affect all registers in the LAB. Consequently, if any of the LEs in an LAB use the counter mode, other LEs in that LAB must be used as part of the same counter or be used for a combinatorial function. The Quartus II software automatically places any registers that are not used by the counter into other LABs.

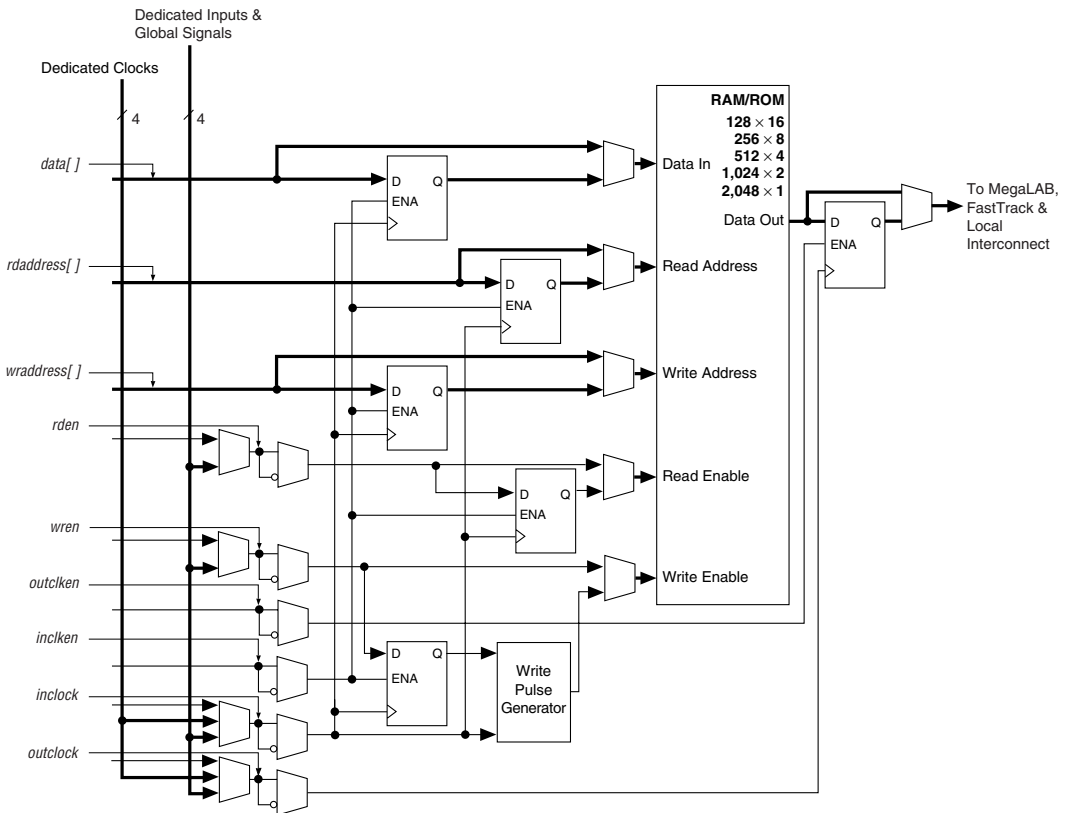
Figure 10. FastTrack Connection to Local Interconnect



## Input/Output Clock Mode

The input/output clock mode contains two clocks. One clock controls all registers for inputs into the ESB: data input, WE, RE, read address, and write address. The other clock controls the ESB data output registers. The ESB also supports clock enable and asynchronous clear signals; these signals also control the reading and writing of registers independently. Input/output clock mode is commonly used for applications where the reads and writes occur at the same system frequency, but require different clock enable signals for the input and output registers. Figure 21 shows the ESB in input/output clock mode.

Figure 21. ESB in Input/Output Clock Mode *Note (1)*



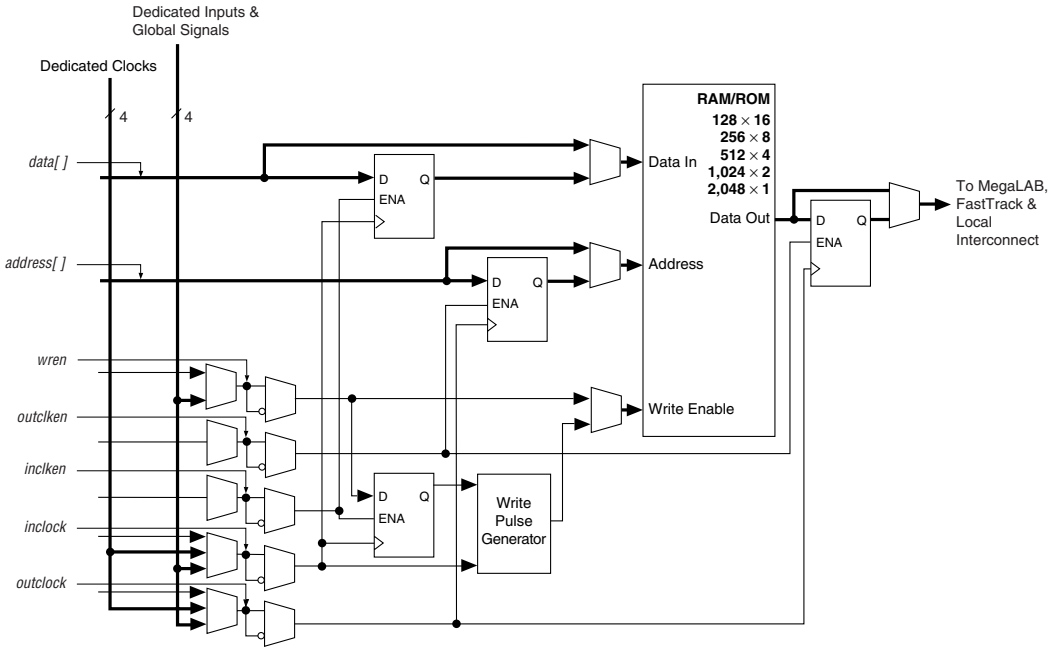
**Note to Figure 21:**

(1) All registers can be cleared asynchronously by ESB local interconnect signals, global signals, or the chip-wide reset.

## Single-Port Mode

The APEX 20KC ESB also supports a single-port mode, which is used when simultaneous reads and writes are not required. See [Figure 22](#).

**Figure 22. ESB in Single-Port Mode** *Note (1)*



**Note to Figure 22:**

- (1) All registers can be asynchronously cleared by ESB local interconnect signals, global signals, or the chip-wide reset.

## Content-Addressable Memory

In APEX 20KC devices, the ESB can implement CAM. CAM can be thought of as the inverse of RAM. When read, RAM outputs the data for a given address. Conversely, CAM outputs an address for a given data word. For example, if the data FA12 is stored in address 14, the CAM outputs 14 when FA12 is driven into it.



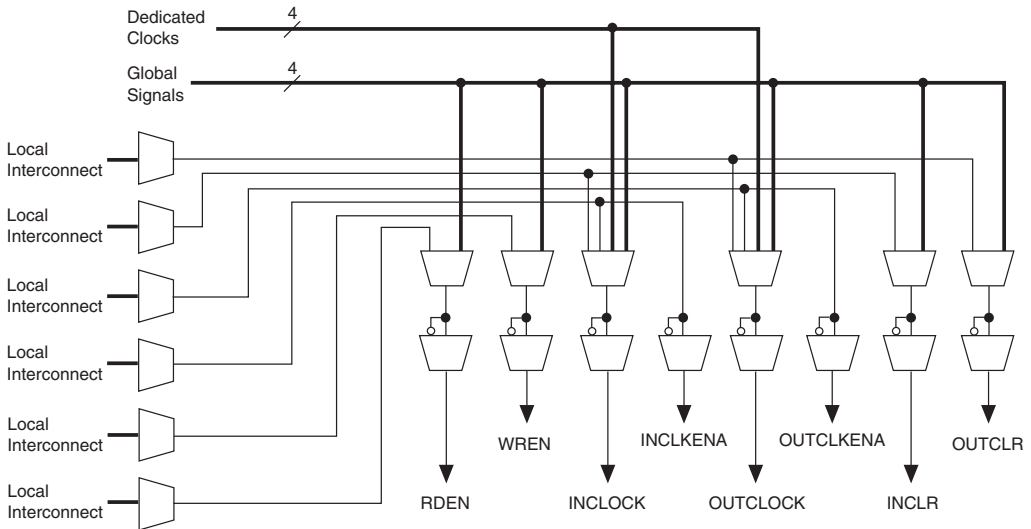


For more information on APEX 20KC devices and CAM, see *Application Note 119 (Implementing High-Speed Search Applications with APEX CAM)*.

### Driving Signals to the ESB

ESBs provide flexible options for driving control signals. Different clocks can be used for the ESB inputs and outputs. Registers can be inserted independently on the data input, data output, read address, write address, WE, and RE signals. The global signals and the local interconnect can drive the WE and RE signals. The global signals, dedicated clock pins, and local interconnect can drive the ESB clock signals. Because the LEs drive the local interconnect, the LEs can control the WE and RE signals and the ESB clock, clock enable, and asynchronous clear signals. [Figure 24](#) shows the ESB control signal generation logic.

**Figure 24. ESB Control Signal Generation**



An ESB is fed by the local interconnect, which is driven by adjacent LEs (for high-speed connection to the ESB) or the MegaLAB interconnect. The ESB can drive the local, MegaLAB, or FastTrack interconnect routing structure to drive LEs and IOEs in the same MegaLAB structure or anywhere in the device.

## 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 20KC 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.

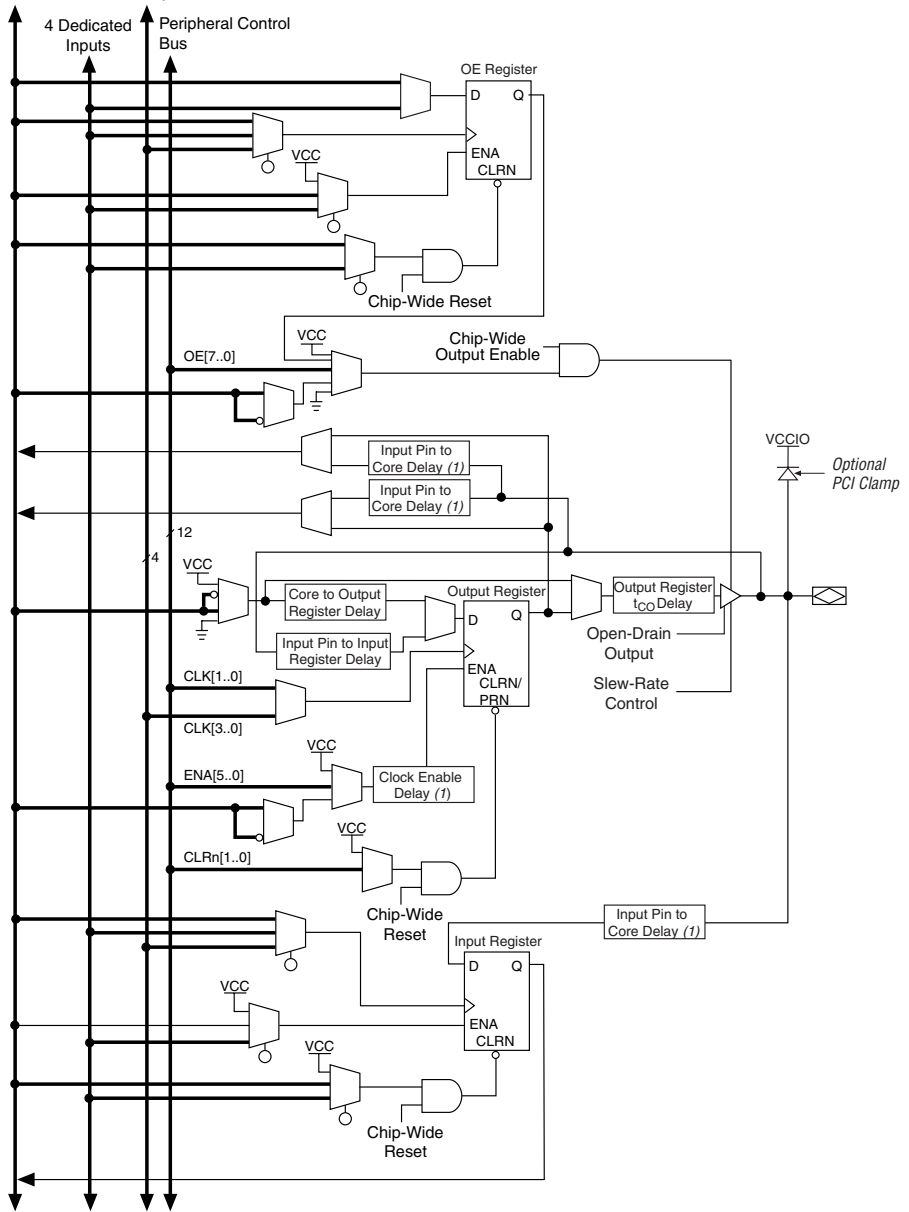
Designers can program each ESB in the APEX 20KC device for either high-speed or low-power operation. As a result, speed-critical paths in the design can run at high speed, while the remaining paths operate at reduced power.

## I/O Structure

The APEX 20KC 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.

Figure 25. APEX 20KC Bidirectional I/O Registers Notes (1), (2)

Row, Column, FastRow, 4 Dedicated  
or Local Interconnect Clock Inputs



**Figure 30. APEX 20KC JTAG Waveforms**

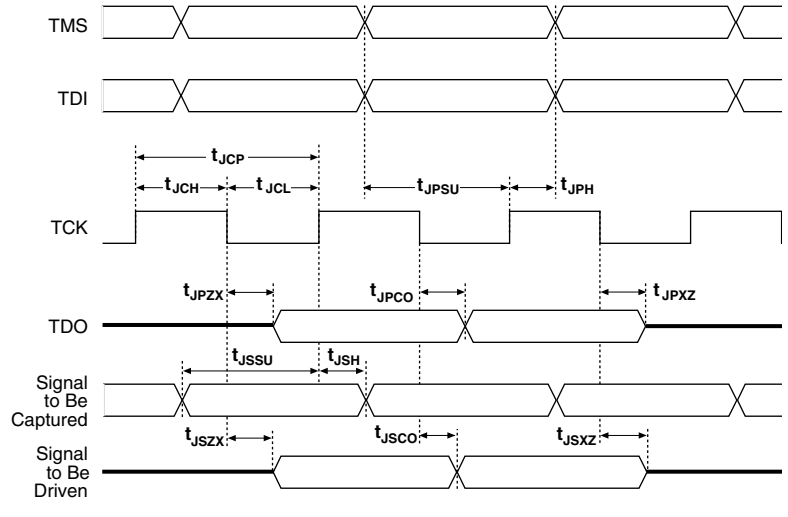


Table 16 shows the JTAG timing parameters and values for APEX 20KC devices.

**Table 16. APEX 20KC JTAG Timing Parameters & Values**

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
$t_{JCP}$	TCK clock period	100		ns
$t_{JCH}$	TCK clock high time	50		ns
$t_{JCL}$	TCK clock low time	50		ns
$t_{JPSU}$	JTAG port setup time	20		ns
$t_{JPH}$	JTAG port hold time	45		ns
$t_{JPCO}$	JTAG port clock to output		25	ns
$t_{JPZX}$	JTAG port high impedance to valid output		25	ns
$t_{JPXZ}$	JTAG port valid output to high impedance		25	ns
$t_{JSSU}$	Capture register setup time	20		ns
$t_{JSH}$	Capture register hold time	45		ns
$t_{JSCO}$	Update register clock to output		35	ns
$t_{JSZX}$	Update register high impedance to valid output		35	ns
$t_{JSXZ}$	Update register valid output to high impedance		35	ns



For more information, see the following documents:

- [Application Note 39 \(IEEE Std. 1149.1 \(JTAG\) Boundary-Scan Testing in Altera Devices\)](#)

**Table 28. GTL+ I/O Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{TT}$	Termination voltage		1.35	1.5	1.65	V
$V_{REF}$	Reference voltage		0.88	1.0	1.12	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$V_{REF} + 0.1$			V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage				$V_{REF} - 0.1$	V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 36 \text{ mA}$ (2)			0.65	V

**Table 29. SSTL-2 Class I Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{CCIO}$	I/O supply voltage		2.375	2.5	2.625	V
$V_{TT}$	Termination voltage		$V_{REF} - 0.04$	$V_{REF}$	$V_{REF} + 0.04$	V
$V_{REF}$	Reference voltage		1.15	1.25	1.35	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$V_{REF} + 0.18$		$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage		-0.3		$V_{REF} - 0.18$	V
$V_{OH}$	High-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -7.6 \text{ mA}$ (1)	$V_{TT} + 0.57$			V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 7.6 \text{ mA}$ (2)			$V_{TT} - 0.57$	V

**Table 30. SSTL-2 Class II Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{CCIO}$	I/O supply voltage		2.375	2.5	2.625	V
$V_{TT}$	Termination voltage		$V_{REF} - 0.04$	$V_{REF}$	$V_{REF} + 0.04$	V
$V_{REF}$	Reference voltage		1.15	1.25	1.35	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$V_{REF} + 0.18$		$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage		-0.3		$V_{REF} - 0.18$	V
$V_{OH}$	High-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -15.2 \text{ mA (1)}$	$V_{TT} + 0.76$			V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 15.2 \text{ mA (2)}$			$V_{TT} - 0.76$	V

**Table 31. SSTL-3 Class I Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{CCIO}$	I/O supply voltage		3.0	3.3	3.6	V
$V_{TT}$	Termination voltage		$V_{REF} - 0.05$	$V_{REF}$	$V_{REF} + 0.05$	V
$V_{REF}$	Reference voltage		1.3	1.5	1.7	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$V_{REF} + 0.2$		$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage		-0.3		$V_{REF} - 0.2$	V
$V_{OH}$	High-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -8 \text{ mA (1)}$	$V_{TT} + 0.6$			V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 8 \text{ mA (2)}$			$V_{TT} - 0.6$	V

**Table 34. 3.3-V AGP I/O Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{CCIO}$	I/O supply voltage		3.15	3.3	3.45	V
$V_{REF}$	Reference voltage		$0.39 \times V_{CCIO}$		$0.41 \times V_{CCIO}$	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$		$V_{CCIO} + 0.5$	V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage				$0.3 \times V_{CCIO}$	V
$V_{OH}$	High-level output voltage	$I_{OUT} = -500 \mu A$	$0.9 \times V_{CCIO}$		3.6	V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OUT} = 1,500 \mu A$			$0.1 \times V_{CCIO}$	V
$I_I$	Input pin leakage current	$0 < V_{IN} < V_{CCIO}$	-10		10	$\mu A$

**Table 35. CTT I/O Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
$V_{CCIO}$	I/O supply voltage		3.0	3.3	3.6	V
$V_{TT}/V_{REF}$ (3)	Termination and reference voltage		1.35	1.5	1.65	V
$V_{IH}$	High-level input voltage		$V_{REF} + 0.2$			V
$V_{IL}$	Low-level input voltage				$V_{REF} - 0.2$	V
$I_I$	Input pin leakage current	$0 < V_{IN} < V_{CCIO}$	-10		10	$\mu A$
$V_{OH}$	High-level output voltage	$I_{OH} = -8 \text{ mA}$ (1)	$V_{REF} + 0.4$			V
$V_{OL}$	Low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 8 \text{ mA}$ (2)			$V_{REF} - 0.4$	V
$I_O$	Output leakage current (when output is high Z)	$GND \leq V_{OUT} \leq V_{CCIO}$	-10		10	$\mu A$

**Notes to Tables 21 through 35:**

- (1) The  $I_{OH}$  parameter refers to high-level output current.
- (2) The  $I_{OL}$  parameter refers to low-level output current. This parameter applies to open-drain pins as well as output pins.
- (3)  $V_{REF}$  specifies center point of switching range.

Figure 31 shows the output drive characteristics of APEX 20KC devices.

**Table 37. APEX 20KC  $f_{MAX}$  ESB Timing Parameters**

Symbol	Parameter
$t_{ESBARC}$	ESB asynchronous read cycle time
$t_{ESBSRC}$	ESB synchronous read cycle time
$t_{ESBAWC}$	ESB asynchronous write cycle time
$t_{ESBSWC}$	ESB synchronous write cycle time
$t_{ESBWASU}$	ESB write address setup time with respect to WE
$t_{ESBWAH}$	ESB write address hold time with respect to WE
$t_{ESBWDSU}$	ESB data setup time with respect to WE
$t_{ESBWDH}$	ESB data hold time with respect to WE
$t_{ESBRASU}$	ESB read address setup time with respect to RE
$t_{ESBRAH}$	ESB read address hold time with respect to RE
$t_{ESBWESU}$	ESB WE setup time before clock when using input register
$t_{ESBDATASU}$	ESB data setup time before clock when using input register
$t_{ESBWADDRSU}$	ESB write address setup time before clock when using input registers
$t_{ESBRADDRSU}$	ESB read address setup time before clock when using input registers
$t_{ESBDATACO1}$	ESB clock-to-output delay when using output registers
$t_{ESBDATACO2}$	ESB clock-to-output delay without output registers
$t_{ESBDD}$	ESB data-in to data-out delay for RAM mode
$t_{PD}$	ESB macrocell input to non-registered output
$t_{PTERMSU}$	ESB macrocell register setup time before clock
$t_{PTERMCO}$	ESB macrocell register clock-to-output delay

**Table 38. APEX 20KC  $f_{MAX}$  Routing Delays**

Symbol	Parameter
$t_{F1-4}$	Fan-out delay estimate using local interconnect
$t_{F5-20}$	Fan-out delay estimate using MegaLab interconnect
$t_{F20+}$	Fan-out delay estimate using FastTrack interconnect



**Table 51. EP20K400C  $t_{MAX}$  ESB Timing Parameters**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{ESBARC}$		1.30		1.51		1.69	ns
$t_{ESBSRC}$		2.35		2.49		2.72	ns
$t_{ESBAWC}$		2.92		3.46		3.86	ns
$t_{ESBSWC}$		3.05		3.44		3.85	ns
$t_{ESBWASU}$	0.45		0.50		0.54		ns
$t_{ESBWAH}$	0.44		0.50		0.55		ns
$t_{ESBWDSU}$	0.57		0.63		0.68		ns
$t_{ESBWDH}$	0.44		0.50		0.55		ns
$t_{ESBRASU}$	1.25		1.43		1.56		ns
$t_{ESBRAH}$	0.00		0.03		0.11		ns
$t_{ESBWESU}$	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{ESBDATASU}$	2.01		2.27		2.45		ns
$t_{ESBWADDRSU}$	-0.20		-0.24		-0.28		ns
$t_{ESBRADDRSU}$	0.02		0.00		-0.02		ns
$t_{ESBDATAO1}$		1.09		1.28		1.43	ns
$t_{ESBDATAO2}$		2.10		2.52		2.82	ns
$t_{ESBDD}$		2.50		2.97		3.32	ns
$t_{PD}$		1.48		1.78		2.00	ns
$t_{PTERMSU}$	0.58		0.72		0.81		ns
$t_{PTERMCO}$		1.10		1.29		1.45	ns

**Table 52. EP20K400C  $t_{MAX}$  Routing Delays**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{F1-4}$		0.15		0.17		0.19	ns
$t_{F5-20}$		0.94		1.06		1.25	ns
$t_{F20+}$		1.73		1.96		2.30	ns

**Table 53. EP20K400C Minimum Pulse Width Timing Parameters**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{CH}$	1.33		1.66		2.00		ns
$t_{CL}$	1.33		1.66		2.00		ns
$t_{CLRP}$	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
$t_{PREP}$	0.20		0.20		0.20		ns
$t_{ESBCH}$	1.33		1.66		2.00		ns
$t_{ESBCL}$	1.33		1.66		2.00		ns
$t_{ESBWP}$	1.05		1.28		1.44		ns
$t_{ESBRP}$	0.87		1.06		1.19		ns

**Table 54. EP20K400C External Timing Parameters**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{INSU}$	1.37		1.52		1.64		ns
$t_{INH}$	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{OUTCO}$	2.00	4.25	2.00	4.61	2.00	5.03	ns
$t_{INSUPLL}$	0.80		0.91		-		ns
$t_{INHPLL}$	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{OUTCOPLL}$	0.50	2.27	0.50	2.55	-	-	ns

**Table 61. EP20K600C External Bidirectional Timing Parameters**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{\text{INSUBIDIR}}$	2.03		2.57		2.97		ns
$t_{\text{INHIDIR}}$	0.00		0.00		0.00		ns
$t_{\text{OUTCOBIDIR}}$	2.00	4.29	2.00	4.77	2.00	5.11	ns
$t_{\text{XZBIDIR}}$		8.31		9.14		9.76	ns
$t_{\text{ZXBIDIR}}$		8.31		9.14		9.76	ns
$t_{\text{INSUBIDIRPLL}}$	3.99		4.77		-		ns
$t_{\text{INHIDIRPLL}}$	0.00		0.00		-		ns
$t_{\text{OUTCOBIDIRPLL}}$	0.50	2.37	0.50	2.63	-	-	ns
$t_{\text{XZBIDIRPLL}}$		6.35		6.94		-	ns
$t_{\text{ZXBIDIRPLL}}$		6.35		6.94		-	ns

**Table 62. EP20K1000C  $t_{\text{MAX}}$  LE Timing Microparameters**

Symbol	-7 Speed Grade		-8 Speed Grade		-9 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{\text{SU}}$	0.01		0.01		0.01		ns
$t_{\text{H}}$	0.10		0.10		0.10		ns
$t_{\text{CO}}$		0.27		0.30		0.32	ns
$t_{\text{LUT}}$		0.66		0.79		0.92	ns

SRAM configuration elements allow APEX 20KC devices to be reconfigured in-circuit by loading new configuration data into the device. Real-time reconfiguration is performed by forcing the device into command mode with a device pin, loading different configuration data, reinitializing the device, and resuming user-mode operation. In-field upgrades can be performed by distributing new configuration files.

### Configuration Schemes

The configuration data for an APEX 20KC device can be loaded with one of five configuration schemes (see [Table 70](#)), chosen on the basis of the target application. An EPC16, EPC2, or EPC1 configuration device, intelligent controller, or the JTAG port can be used to control the configuration of an APEX 20KC device. When a configuration device is used, the system can configure automatically at system power-up.

Multiple APEX 20KC devices can be configured in any of five configuration schemes by connecting the configuration enable (nCE) and configuration enable output (nCEO) pins on each device.

**Table 70. Data Sources for Configuration**

Configuration Scheme	Data Source
Configuration device	EPC16, EPC8, EPC4, EPC2, or EPC1 configuration device
Passive serial (PS)	MasterBlaster or ByteBlasterMV download cable or serial data source
Passive parallel asynchronous (PPA)	Parallel data source
Passive parallel synchronous (PPS)	Parallel data source
JTAG	MasterBlaster or ByteBlasterMV download cable or a microprocessor with a Jam Standard Test and Programming Language (STAPL) or JBC File



For more information on configuration, see [Application Note 116 \(Configuring SRAM-Based LUT Devices\)](#).

### Device Pin-Outs

See the Altera web site (<http://www.altera.com>) or the *Altera Digital Library* for pin-out information.

### Ordering Information

[Figure 39](#) describes the ordering codes for Stratix devices. For more information on a specific package, refer to the [Altera Device Package Information Data Sheet](#).

