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Details

Product Status	Active
Number of LABs/CLBs	11900
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	31500
Total RAM Bits	1381376
Number of I/O	208
Number of Gates	-
Voltage - Supply	1.07V ~ 1.13V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	484-BGA
Supplier Device Package	484-FBGA (23x23)
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Cyclone V Device Overview

The Cyclone® V devices are designed to simultaneously accommodate the shrinking power consumption, cost, and time-to-market requirements; and the increasing bandwidth requirements for high-volume and cost-sensitive applications.

Enhanced with integrated transceivers and hard memory controllers, the Cyclone V devices are suitable for applications in the industrial, wireless and wireline, military, and automotive markets.

Related Information

[Cyclone V Device Handbook: Known Issues](#)

Lists the planned updates to the Cyclone V Device Handbook chapters.

Key Advantages of Cyclone V Devices

Table 1. Key Advantages of the Cyclone V Device Family

Advantage	Supporting Feature
Lower power consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Built on TSMC's 28 nm low-power (28LP) process technology and includes an abundance of hard intellectual property (IP) blocks Up to 40% lower power consumption than the previous generation device
Improved logic integration and differentiation capabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8-input adaptive logic module (ALM) Up to 13.59 megabits (Mb) of embedded memory Variable-precision digital signal processing (DSP) blocks
Increased bandwidth capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.125 gigabits per second (Gbps) and 6.144 Gbps transceivers Hard memory controllers
Hard processor system (HPS) with integrated Arm* Cortex*-A9 MPCore* processor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tight integration of a dual-core Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore processor, hard IP, and an FPGA in a single Cyclone V system-on-a-chip (SoC) Supports over 128 Gbps peak bandwidth with integrated data coherency between the processor and the FPGA fabric
Lowest system cost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires only two core voltages to operate Available in low-cost wirebond packaging Includes innovative features such as Configuration via Protocol (CvP) and partial reconfiguration

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Summary of Cyclone V Features

Table 2. Summary of Features for Cyclone V Devices

Feature	Description	
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSMC's 28-nm low-power (28LP) process technology 1.1 V core voltage 	
Packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wirebond low-halogen packages Multiple device densities with compatible package footprints for seamless migration between different device densities RoHS-compliant and leaded⁽¹⁾ options 	
High-performance FPGA fabric	Enhanced 8-input ALM with four registers	
Internal memory blocks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M10K—10-kilobits (Kb) memory blocks with soft error correction code (ECC) Memory logic array block (MLAB)—640-bit distributed LUTRAM where you can use up to 25% of the ALMs as MLAB memory 	
Embedded Hard IP blocks	Variable-precision DSP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native support for up to three signal processing precision levels (three 9 x 9, two 18 x 18, or one 27 x 27 multiplier) in the same variable-precision DSP block 64-bit accumulator and cascade Embedded internal coefficient memory Padder/subtractor for improved efficiency
	Memory controller	DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 with 16 and 32 bit ECC support
	Embedded transceiver I/O	PCI Express* (PCIe*) Gen2 and Gen1 (x1, x2, or x4) hard IP with multifunction support, endpoint, and root port
Clock networks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 550 MHz global clock network Global, quadrant, and peripheral clock networks Clock networks that are not used can be powered down to reduce dynamic power 	
Phase-locked loops (PLLs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Precision clock synthesis, clock delay compensation, and zero delay buffering (ZDB) Integer mode and fractional mode 	
FPGA General-purpose I/Os (GPIOs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 875 megabits per second (Mbps) LVDS receiver and 840 Mbps LVDS transmitter 400 MHz/800 Mbps external memory interface On-chip termination (OCT) 3.3 V support with up to 16 mA drive strength 	
Low-power high-speed serial interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 614 Mbps to 6.144 Gbps integrated transceiver speed Transmit pre-emphasis and receiver equalization Dynamic partial reconfiguration of individual channels 	
HPS (Cyclone V SE, SX, and ST devices only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single or dual-core Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore processor-up to 925 MHz maximum frequency with support for symmetric and asymmetric multiprocessing Interface peripherals—10/100/1000 Ethernet media access control (EMAC), USB 2.0 On-The-Go (OTG) controller, quad serial peripheral interface (QSPI) flash controller, NAND flash controller, Secure Digital/MultiMediaCard (SD/MMC) controller, UART, controller area network (CAN), serial peripheral interface (SPI), I²C interface, and up to 85 HPS GPIO interfaces System peripherals—general-purpose timers, watchdog timers, direct memory access (DMA) controller, FPGA configuration manager, and clock and reset managers On-chip RAM and boot ROM 	

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⁽¹⁾ Contact Intel for availability.



Feature	Description
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HPS-FPGA bridges—include the FPGA-to-HPS, HPS-to-FPGA, and lightweight HPS-to-FPGA bridges that allow the FPGA fabric to issue transactions to slaves in the HPS, and vice versa FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM controller subsystem—provides a configurable interface to the multiport front end (MPFE) of the HPS SDRAM controller Arm CoreSight™ JTAG debug access port, trace port, and on-chip trace storage
Configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tamper protection—comprehensive design protection to protect your valuable IP investments Enhanced advanced encryption standard (AES) design security features CvP Dynamic reconfiguration of the FPGA Active serial (AS) x1 and x4, passive serial (PS), JTAG, and fast passive parallel (FPP) x8 and x16 configuration options Internal scrubbing ⁽²⁾ Partial reconfiguration ⁽³⁾

Cyclone V Device Variants and Packages

Table 3. Device Variants for the Cyclone V Device Family

Variant	Description
Cyclone V E	Optimized for the lowest system cost and power requirement for a wide spectrum of general logic and DSP applications
Cyclone V GX	Optimized for the lowest cost and power requirement for 614 Mbps to 3.125 Gbps transceiver applications
Cyclone V GT	The FPGA industry's lowest cost and lowest power requirement for 6.144 Gbps transceiver applications
Cyclone V SE	SoC with integrated Arm-based HPS
Cyclone V SX	SoC with integrated Arm-based HPS and 3.125 Gbps transceivers
Cyclone V ST	SoC with integrated Arm-based HPS and 6.144 Gbps transceivers

Cyclone V E

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Cyclone V E devices.

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- ⁽²⁾ The SEU internal scrubbing feature is available for Cyclone V E, GX, SE, and SX devices with the "SC" suffix in the part number. For device availability and ordering, contact your local Intel sales representatives.
- ⁽³⁾ The partial reconfiguration feature is available for Cyclone V E, GX, SE, and SX devices with the "SC" suffix in the part number. For device availability and ordering, contact your local Intel® sales representatives.



Resource		Member Code				
		C3	C4	C5	C7	C9
LVDS	Transmitter	52	84	84	120	140
	Receiver	52	84	84	120	140
PCIe Hard IP Block		1	2	2	2	2
Hard Memory Controller		1	2	2	2	2

Related Information

[True LVDS Buffers in Devices, I/O Features in Cyclone V Devices](#)

Provides the number of LVDS channels in each device package.

Package Plan

Table 7. Package Plan for Cyclone V GX Devices

Member Code	M301 (11 mm)		M383 (13 mm)		M484 (15 mm)		U324 (15 mm)		U484 (19 mm)	
	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR
C3	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	3	208	3
C4	129	4	175	6	—	—	—	—	224	6
C5	129	4	175	6	—	—	—	—	224	6
C7	—	—	—	—	240	3	—	—	240	6
C9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	240	5

Member Code	F484 (23 mm)		F672 (27 mm)		F896 (31 mm)		F1152 (35 mm)	
	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR
C3	208	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
C4	240	6	336	6	—	—	—	—
C5	240	6	336	6	—	—	—	—
C7	240	6	336	9	480	9	—	—
C9	224	6	336	9	480	12	560	12

Cyclone V GT

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Cyclone V GT devices.

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Cyclone V SE

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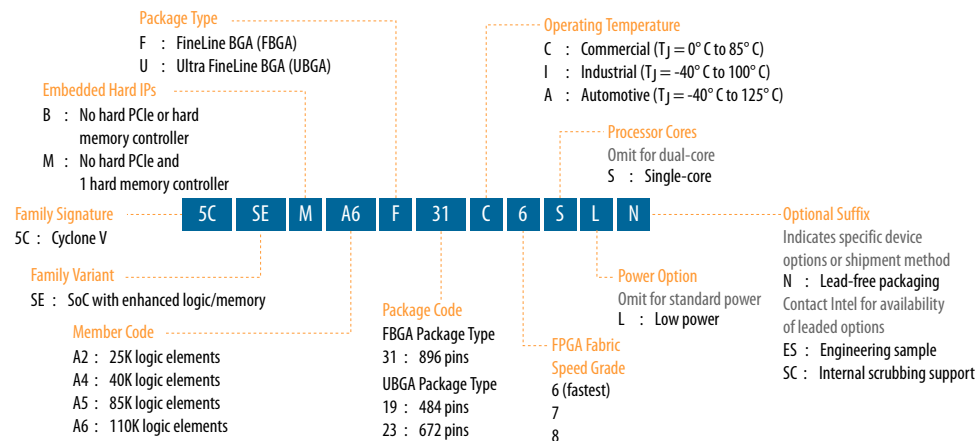
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Available Options

Figure 4. Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V SE Devices

The SEU internal scrubbing feature is available for Cyclone V E, GX, SE, and SX devices with the "SC" suffix in the part number. For device availability and ordering, contact your local Intel sales representatives.

Cyclone V SE and SX low-power devices (L power option) offer 30% static power reduction for devices with 25K LE and 40K LE, and 20% static power reduction for devices with 85K LE and 110K LE.





Resource		Member Code			
		C2	C4	C5	C6
HPS PLL		3	3	3	3
3 Gbps Transceiver		6	6	9	9
FPGA GPIO ⁽⁸⁾		145	145	288	288
HPS I/O		181	181	181	181
LVDS	Transmitter	32	32	72	72
	Receiver	37	37	72	72
PCIe Hard IP Block		2	2	2 ⁽⁹⁾	2 ⁽⁹⁾
FPGA Hard Memory Controller		1	1	1	1
HPS Hard Memory Controller		1	1	1	1
Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore Processor		Dual-core	Dual-core	Dual-core	Dual-core

Related Information

True LVDS Buffers in Devices, I/O Features in Cyclone V Devices

Provides the number of LVDS channels in each device package.

Package Plan

Table 13. Package Plan for Cyclone V SX Devices

The HPS I/O counts are the number of I/Os in the HPS and does not correlate with the number of HPS-specific I/O pins in the FPGA. Each HPS-specific pin in the FPGA may be mapped to several HPS I/Os.

Member Code	U672 (23 mm)			F896 (31 mm)		
	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR
C2	145	181	6	—	—	—
C4	145	181	6	—	—	—
C5	145	181	6	288	181	9
C6	145	181	6	288	181	9

Cyclone V ST

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Cyclone V ST devices.

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⁽⁸⁾ The number of GPIOs does not include transceiver I/Os. In the Intel Quartus Prime software, the number of user I/Os includes transceiver I/Os.

⁽⁹⁾ 1 PCIe Hard IP Block in U672 package.



Resource		Member Code	
		D5	D6
	Receiver	72	72
PCIe Hard IP Block		2	2
FPGA Hard Memory Controller		1	1
HPS Hard Memory Controller		1	1
Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore Processor		Dual-core	Dual-core

Related Information

[True LVDS Buffers in Devices, I/O Features in Cyclone V Devices](#)

Provides the number of LVDS channels in each device package.

Package Plan

Table 15. Package Plan for Cyclone V ST Devices

- The HPS I/O counts are the number of I/Os in the HPS and does not correlate with the number of HPS-specific I/O pins in the FPGA. Each HPS-specific pin in the FPGA may be mapped to several HPS I/Os.
- Transceiver counts shown are for transceiver ≤ 5 Gbps. 6 Gbps transceiver channel count support depends on the package and channel usage. For more information about the 6 Gbps transceiver channel count, refer to the *Cyclone V Device Handbook Volume 2: Transceivers*.

Member Code	F896 (31 mm)		
	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR
D5	288	181	9 ⁽¹¹⁾
D6	288	181	9 ⁽¹¹⁾

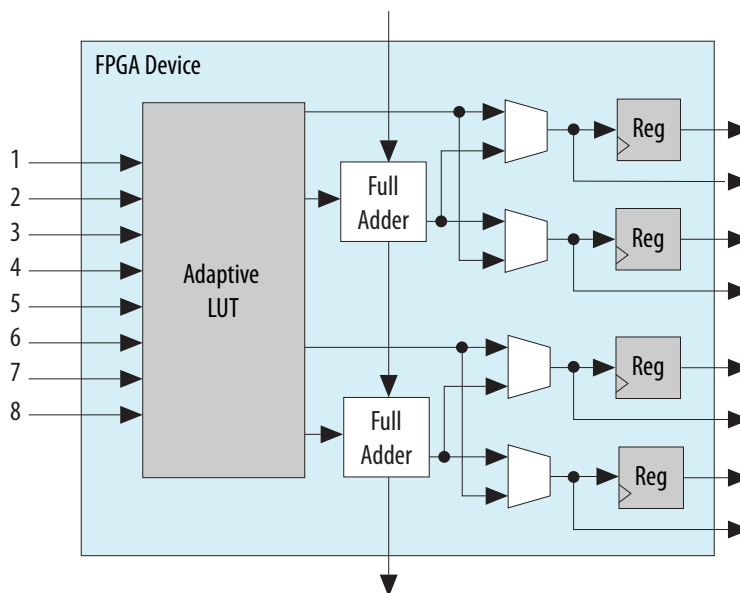
Related Information

[6.144-Gbps Support Capability in Cyclone V GT Devices, Cyclone V Device Handbook Volume 2: Transceivers](#)

Provides more information about 6 Gbps transceiver channel count.

⁽¹¹⁾ If you require CPRI (at 4.9152 Gbps) and PCIe Gen2 transmit jitter compliance, Intel recommends that you use only up to seven full-duplex transceiver channels for CPRI, and up to six full-duplex channels for PCIe Gen2. The CMU channels are not considered full-duplex channels.

Figure 8. ALM for Cyclone V Devices



You can configure up to 25% of the ALMs in the Cyclone V devices as distributed memory using MLABs.

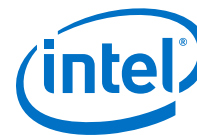
Related Information

[Embedded Memory Capacity in Cyclone V Devices](#) on page 21
Lists the embedded memory capacity for each device.

Variable-Precision DSP Block

Cyclone V devices feature a variable-precision DSP block that supports these features:

- Configurable to support signal processing precisions ranging from 9 x 9, 18 x 18 and 27 x 27 bits natively
- A 64-bit accumulator
- A hard preadder that is available in both 18- and 27-bit modes
- Cascaded output adders for efficient systolic finite impulse response (FIR) filters
- Internal coefficient register banks, 8 deep, for each multiplier in 18- or 27-bit mode
- Fully independent multiplier operation
- A second accumulator feedback register to accommodate complex multiply-accumulate functions
- Fully independent Efficient support for single-precision floating point arithmetic
- The inferability of all modes by the Intel Quartus Prime design software



Variant	Member Code	Variable-precision DSP Block	Independent Input and Output Multiplications Operator			18 x 18 Multiplier Adder Mode	18 x 18 Multiplier Adder Summed with 36 bit Input
			9 x 9 Multiplier	18 x 18 Multiplier	27 x 27 Multiplier		
	C6	112	336	224	112	112	112
Cyclone V ST	D5	87	261	174	87	87	87
	D6	112	336	224	112	112	112

Embedded Memory Blocks

The embedded memory blocks in the devices are flexible and designed to provide an optimal amount of small- and large-sized memory arrays to fit your design requirements.

Types of Embedded Memory

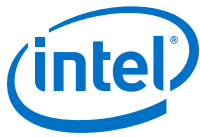
The Cyclone V devices contain two types of memory blocks:

- 10 Kb M10K blocks—blocks of dedicated memory resources. The M10K blocks are ideal for larger memory arrays while still providing a large number of independent ports.
- 640 bit memory logic array blocks (MLABs)—enhanced memory blocks that are configured from dual-purpose logic array blocks (LABs). The MLABs are ideal for wide and shallow memory arrays. The MLABs are optimized for implementation of shift registers for digital signal processing (DSP) applications, wide shallow FIFO buffers, and filter delay lines. Each MLAB is made up of ten adaptive logic modules (ALMs). In the Cyclone V devices, you can configure these ALMs as ten 32 x 2 blocks, giving you one 32 x 20 simple dual-port SRAM block per MLAB.

Embedded Memory Capacity in Cyclone V Devices

Table 18. Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Cyclone V Devices

Variant	Member Code	M10K		MLAB		Total RAM Bit (Kb)
		Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	
Cyclone V E	A2	176	1,760	314	196	1,956
	A4	308	3,080	485	303	3,383
	A5	446	4,460	679	424	4,884
	A7	686	6,860	1338	836	7,696
	A9	1,220	12,200	2748	1,717	13,917
Cyclone V GX	C3	135	1,350	291	182	1,532
	C4	250	2,500	678	424	2,924
	C5	446	4,460	678	424	4,884
	C7	686	6,860	1338	836	7,696
	C9	1,220	12,200	2748	1,717	13,917
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Variant	Member Code	M10K		MLAB		Total RAM Bit (Kb)
		Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	
Cyclone V GT	D5	446	4,460	679	424	4,884
	D7	686	6,860	1338	836	7,696
	D9	1,220	12,200	2748	1,717	13,917
Cyclone V SE	A2	140	1,400	221	138	1,538
	A4	270	2,700	370	231	2,460
	A5	397	3,970	768	480	4,450
	A6	553	5,530	994	621	6,151
Cyclone V SX	C2	140	1,400	221	138	1,538
	C4	270	2,700	370	231	2,460
	C5	397	3,970	768	480	4,450
	C6	553	5,530	994	621	6,151
Cyclone V ST	D5	397	3,970	768	480	4,450
	D6	553	5,530	994	621	6,151

Embedded Memory Configurations

Table 19. Supported Embedded Memory Block Configurations for Cyclone V Devices

This table lists the maximum configurations supported for the embedded memory blocks. The information is applicable only to the single-port RAM and ROM modes.

Memory Block	Depth (bits)	Programmable Width
MLAB	32	x16, x18, or x20
M10K	256	x40 or x32
	512	x20 or x16
	1K	x10 or x8
	2K	x5 or x4
	4K	x2
	8K	x1

Clock Networks and PLL Clock Sources

550 MHz Cyclone V devices have 16 global clock networks capable of up to operation. The clock network architecture is based on Intel's global, quadrant, and peripheral clock structure. This clock structure is supported by dedicated clock input pins and fractional PLLs.

Note: To reduce power consumption, the Intel Quartus Prime software identifies all unused sections of the clock network and powers them down.



PLL Features

The PLLs in the Cyclone V devices support the following features:

- Frequency synthesis
- On-chip clock deskew
- Jitter attenuation
- Programmable output clock duty cycles
- PLL cascading
- Reference clock switchover
- Programmable bandwidth
- User-mode reconfiguration of PLLs
- Low power mode for each fractional PLL
- Dynamic phase shift
- Direct, source synchronous, zero delay buffer, external feedback, and LVDS compensation modes

Fractional PLL

In addition to integer PLLs, the Cyclone V devices use a fractional PLL architecture. The devices have up to eight PLLs, each with nine output counters. You can use the output counters to reduce PLL usage in two ways:

- Reduce the number of oscillators that are required on your board by using fractional PLLs
- Reduce the number of clock pins that are used in the device by synthesizing multiple clock frequencies from a single reference clock source

If you use the fractional PLL mode, you can use the PLLs for precision fractional-N frequency synthesis—removing the need for off-chip reference clock sources in your design.

The transceiver fractional PLLs that are not used by the transceiver I/Os can be used as general purpose fractional PLLs by the FPGA fabric.

FPGA General Purpose I/O

Cyclone V devices offer highly configurable GPIOs. The following list describes the features of the GPIOs:

- Programmable bus hold and weak pull-up
- LVDS output buffer with programmable differential output voltage (V_{OD}) and programmable pre-emphasis
- On-chip parallel termination (R_T OCT) for all I/O banks with OCT calibration to limit the termination impedance variation
- On-chip dynamic termination that has the ability to swap between series and parallel termination, depending on whether there is read or write on a common bus for signal integrity
- Easy timing closure support using the hard read FIFO in the input register path, and delay-locked loop (DLL) delay chain with fine and coarse architecture

PCIe Gen1 and Gen2 Hard IP

Cyclone V GX, GT, SX, and ST devices contain PCIe hard IP that is designed for performance and ease-of-use. The PCIe hard IP consists of the MAC, data link, and transaction layers.

The PCIe hard IP supports PCIe Gen2 and Gen1 end point and root port for up to x4 lane configuration. The PCIe Gen2 x4 support is PCIe-compatible.

The PCIe endpoint support includes multifunction support for up to eight functions, as shown in the following figure. The integrated multifunction support reduces the FPGA logic requirements by up to 20,000 LEs for PCIe designs that require multiple peripherals.

Figure 9. PCIe Multifunction for Cyclone V Devices



The Cyclone V PCIe hard IP operates independently from the core logic. This independent operation allows the PCIe link to wake up and complete link training in less than 100 ms while the Cyclone V device completes loading the programming file for the rest of the device.

In addition, the PCIe hard IP in the Cyclone V device provides improved end-to-end datapath protection using ECC.

External Memory Interface

This section provides an overview of the external memory interface in Cyclone V devices.

Hard and Soft Memory Controllers

Cyclone V devices support up to two hard memory controllers for DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 SDRAM devices. Each controller supports 8 to 32 bit components of up to 4 gigabits (Gb) in density with two chip selects and optional ECC. For the Cyclone V SoC devices, an additional hard memory controller in the HPS supports DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 SDRAM devices.

All Cyclone V devices support soft memory controllers for DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 SDRAM devices for maximum flexibility.



External Memory Performance

Table 20. External Memory Interface Performance in Cyclone V Devices

The maximum and minimum operating frequencies depend on the memory interface standards and the supported delay-locked loop (DLL) frequency listed in the device datasheet.

Interface	Voltage (V)	Maximum Frequency (MHz)		Minimum Frequency (MHz)
		Hard Controller	Soft Controller	
DDR3 SDRAM	1.5	400	303	303
	1.35	400	303	303
DDR2 SDRAM	1.8	400	300	167
LPDDR2 SDRAM	1.2	333	300	167

Related Information

External Memory Interface Spec Estimator

For the latest information and to estimate the external memory system performance specification, use Intel's External Memory Interface Spec Estimator tool.

HPS External Memory Performance

Table 21. HPS External Memory Interface Performance

The hard processor system (HPS) is available in Cyclone V SoC devices only.

Interface	Voltage (V)	HPS Hard Controller (MHz)
DDR3 SDRAM	1.5	400
	1.35	400
DDR2 SDRAM	1.8	400
LPDDR2 SDRAM	1.2	333

Related Information

External Memory Interface Spec Estimator

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Low-Power Serial Transceivers

Cyclone V devices deliver the industry's lowest power 6.144 Gbps transceivers at an estimated 88 mW maximum power consumption per channel. Cyclone V transceivers are designed to be compliant with a wide range of protocols and data rates.

Transceiver Channels

The transceivers are positioned on the left outer edge of the device. The transceiver channels consist of the physical medium attachment (PMA), physical coding sublayer (PCS), and clock networks.

Figure 11. HPS with Dual-Core Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore Processor



System Peripherals and Debug Access Port

Each Ethernet MAC, USB OTG, NAND flash controller, and SD/MMC controller module has an integrated DMA controller. For modules without an integrated DMA controller, an additional DMA controller module provides up to eight channels of high-bandwidth data transfers. Peripherals that communicate off-chip are multiplexed with other peripherals at the HPS pin level. This allows you to choose which peripherals to interface with other devices on your PCB.

The debug access port provides interfaces to industry standard JTAG debug probes and supports Arm CoreSight debug and core traces to facilitate software development.

HPS-FPGA AXI Bridges

The HPS-FPGA bridges, which support the Advanced Microcontroller Bus Architecture (AMBA®) Advanced eXtensible Interface (AXI™) specifications, consist of the following bridges:

- FPGA-to-HPS AXI bridge—a high-performance bus supporting 32, 64, and 128 bit data widths that allows the FPGA fabric to issue transactions to slaves in the HPS.
- HPS-to-FPGA AXI bridge—a high-performance bus supporting 32, 64, and 128 bit data widths that allows the HPS to issue transactions to slaves in the FPGA fabric.
- Lightweight HPS-to-FPGA AXI bridge—a lower latency 32 bit width bus that allows the HPS to issue transactions to slaves in the FPGA fabric. This bridge is primarily used for control and status register (CSR) accesses to peripherals in the FPGA fabric.

The HPS-FPGA AXI bridges allow masters in the FPGA fabric to communicate with slaves in the HPS logic, and vice versa. For example, the HPS-to-FPGA AXI bridge allows you to share memories instantiated in the FPGA fabric with one or both microprocessors in the HPS, while the FPGA-to-HPS AXI bridge allows logic in the FPGA fabric to access the memory and peripherals in the HPS.

Each HPS-FPGA bridge also provides asynchronous clock crossing for data transferred between the FPGA fabric and the HPS.

HPS SDRAM Controller Subsystem

The HPS SDRAM controller subsystem contains a multiport SDRAM controller and DDR PHY that are shared between the FPGA fabric (through the FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM interface), the level 2 (L2) cache, and the level 3 (L3) system interconnect. The FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM interface supports AMBA AXI and Avalon® Memory-Mapped (Avalon-MM) interface standards, and provides up to six individual ports for access by masters implemented in the FPGA fabric.

To maximize memory performance, the SDRAM controller subsystem supports command and data reordering, deficit round-robin arbitration with aging, and high-priority bypass features. The SDRAM controller subsystem supports DDR2, DDR3, or LPDDR2 devices up to 4 Gb in density operating at up to 400 MHz (800 Mbps data rate).

FPGA Configuration and Processor Booting

The FPGA fabric and HPS in the SoC are powered independently. You can reduce the clock frequencies or gate the clocks to reduce dynamic power, or shut down the entire FPGA fabric to reduce total system power.

You can configure the FPGA fabric and boot the HPS independently, in any order, providing you with more design flexibility:

- You can boot the HPS independently. After the HPS is running, the HPS can fully or partially reconfigure the FPGA fabric at any time under software control. The HPS can also configure other FPGAs on the board through the FPGA configuration controller.
- You can power up both the HPS and the FPGA fabric together, configure the FPGA fabric first, and then boot the HPS from memory accessible to the FPGA fabric.



Note: Although the FPGA fabric and HPS are on separate power domains, the HPS must remain powered up during operation while the FPGA fabric can be powered up or down as required.

Related Information

[Cyclone V Device Family Pin Connection Guidelines](#)

Provides detailed information about power supply pin connection guidelines and power regulator sharing.

Hardware and Software Development

For hardware development, you can configure the HPS and connect your soft logic in the FPGA fabric to the HPS interfaces using the Platform Designer (Standard) system integration tool in the Intel Quartus Prime software.

For software development, the Arm-based SoC devices inherit the rich software development ecosystem available for the Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore processor. The software development process for Intel SoCs follows the same steps as those for other SoC devices from other manufacturers. Support for Linux, VxWorks®, and other operating systems is available for the SoCs. For more information on the operating systems support availability, contact the Intel sales team.

You can begin device-specific firmware and software development on the Intel SoC Virtual Target. The Virtual Target is a fast PC-based functional simulation of a target development system—a model of a complete development board that runs on a PC. The Virtual Target enables the development of device-specific production software that can run unmodified on actual hardware.

Related Information

[International Altera Sales Support Offices](#)

Dynamic and Partial Reconfiguration

The Cyclone V devices support dynamic reconfiguration and partial reconfiguration.

Dynamic Reconfiguration

The dynamic reconfiguration feature allows you to dynamically change the transceiver data rates, PMA settings, or protocols of a channel, without affecting data transfer on adjacent channels. This feature is ideal for applications that require on-the-fly multiprotocol or multirate support. You can reconfigure the PMA and PCS blocks with dynamic reconfiguration.

Partial Reconfiguration

Note: The partial reconfiguration feature is available for Cyclone V E, GX, SE, and SX devices with the "SC" suffix in the part number. For device availability and ordering, contact your local Intel sales representatives.

Partial reconfiguration allows you to reconfigure part of the device while other sections of the device remain operational. This capability is important in systems with critical uptime requirements because it allows you to make updates or adjust functionality without disrupting services.



Power Management

Leveraging the FPGA architectural features, process technology advancements, and transceivers that are designed for power efficiency, the Cyclone V devices consume less power than previous generation Cyclone FPGAs:

- Total device core power consumption—less by up to 40%.
- Transceiver channel power consumption—less by up to 50%.

Additionally, Cyclone V devices contain several hard IP blocks that reduce logic resources and deliver substantial power savings of up to 25% less power than equivalent soft implementations.

Document Revision History for Cyclone V Device Overview

Document Version	Changes
2018.05.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added the low power option ("L" suffix) for Cyclone V SE and Cyclone V SX devices in the <i>Sample Ordering Code and Available Options</i> diagrams. • Rebranded as Intel.

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December 2017	2017.12.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated ALM resources for Cyclone V E, Cyclone V SE, Cyclone V SX, and Cyclone V ST devices.
June 2016	2016.06.10	Updated Cyclone V GT speed grade to -7 in Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V GT Devices diagram.
December 2015	2015.12.21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added descriptions to package plan tables for Cyclone V GT and ST devices. • Changed instances of <i>Quartus II</i> to <i>Quartus Prime</i>.
June 2015	2015.06.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replaced a note to partial reconfiguration feature. Note: The partial reconfiguration feature is available for Cyclone V E, GX, SE, and SX devices with the "SC" suffix in the part number. For device availability and ordering, contact your local Altera sales representatives. • Updated logic elements (LE) (K) for the following devices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Cyclone V E A7: Updated from 149.5 to 150 — Cyclone V GX C3: Updated from 35.5 to 36 — Cyclone V GX C7: Updated from 149.7 to 150 — Cyclone V GT D7: Updated from 149.5 to 150 • Updated MLAB (Kb) in Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V GX Devices table as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Cyclone V GX C3: Updated from 291 to 182 — Cyclone V GX C4: Updated from 678 to 424 — Cyclone V GX C5: Updated from 678 to 424 — Cyclone V GX C7: Updated from 1,338 to 836 — Cyclone V GX C9: Updated from 2,748 to 1,717

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Updated MLAB RAM Bit (Kb) in Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Cyclone V Devices table as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cyclone V GX C3: Updated from 181 to 182Cyclone V GX C4: Updated from 295 to 424Updated Total RAM Bit (Kb) in Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Cyclone V Devices table as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cyclone V GX C3: Updated from 1,531 to 1,532Cyclone V GX C4: Updated from 2,795 to 2,924Updated MLAB Block count in Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Cyclone V Devices table as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cyclone V GX C4: Updated from 472 to 678Cyclone V GX C5: Updated from 679 to 678
March 2015	2015.03.31	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Added internal scrubbing feature under configuration in Summary of Features for Cyclone V Devices table.Added optional suffix "SC: Internal scrubbing support" to the following diagrams:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V E DevicesSample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V GX DevicesSample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V SE DevicesSample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V SX Devices
January 2015	2015.01.23	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Updated Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V ST Devices figure because Cyclone V ST devices are only available in I temperature grade and -7 speed grade.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Operating Temperature: Removed C and A temperature gradesFPGA Fabric Speed Grade: Removed -6 and -8 speed gradesUpdated the transceiver specification for Cyclone V ST from 5 Gbps to 6.144 Gbps:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Device Variants for the Cyclone V Device Family tableSample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V ST Devices figureMaximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V ST DevicesUpdated Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V GX Devices table for Cyclone V GX G3 devices.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Logic elements (LE) (K): Updated from 35.7 to 35.5Variable-precision DSP block: Updated from 51 to 5718 x 18 multiplier: Updated from 102 to 114Updated Number of Multipliers in Cyclone V Devices table for Cyclone V GX G3 devices.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Variableprecision DSP Block: Updated from 51 to 579 x 9 Multiplier: Updated from 153 to 17118 x 18 Multiplier: Updated from 102 to 11427 x 27 Multiplier: Updated from 51 to 5718 x 18 Multiplier Adder Mode: Updated from 51 to 5718 x 18 Multiplier Adder Summed with 36 bit Input: Updated from 51 to 57Updated Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Cyclone V Devices table for Cyclone V GX G3 devices.<ul style="list-style-type: none">M10K block: Updated from 119 to 135M10K RAM bit (Kb): Updated from 1,190 to 1,350MLAB block: Updated from 255 to 291MLAB RAM bit (Kb): Updated from 159 to 181Total RAM bit (Kb): Updated from 1,349 to 1,531
October 2014	2014.10.06	Added a footnote to the "Transceiver PCS Features for Cyclone V Devices" table to show that PCIe Gen2 is supported for Cyclone V GT and ST devices.
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July 2014	2014.07.07	Updated the I/O vertical migration figure to clarify the migration capability of Cyclone V SE and SX devices.
December 2013	2013.12.26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corrected single or dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor-up to 925 MHz from 800 MHz. Removed "Preliminary" texts from Ordering Code figures, Maximum Resources, Package Plan and I/O Vertical Migration tables. Removed the note "The number of GPIOs does not include transceiver I/Os. In the Quartus II software, the number of user I/Os includes transceiver I/Os." for GPIOs in the Maximum Resource Counts table for Cyclone V E and SE. Added link to Altera Product Selector for each device variant. Updated Embedded Hard IPs for Cyclone V GT devices to indicate Maximum 2 hard PCIe and 2 hard memory controllers. Added leaded package options. Removed the note "The number of PLLs includes general-purpose fractional PLLs and transceiver fractional PLLs." for all PLLs in the Maximum Resource Counts table. Corrected max LVDS counts for transmitter and receiver for Cyclone V E A5 device from 84 to 60. Corrected max LVDS counts for transmitter and receiver for Cyclone V E A9 device from 140 to 120. Corrected variable-precision DSP block, 27 x 27 multiplier, 18 x 18 multiplier adder mode and 18 x 18 multiplier adder summed with 36 bit input for Cyclone V SE devices from 58 to 84. Corrected 18 x 18 multiplier for Cyclone V SE devices from 116 to 168. Corrected 9 x 9 multiplier for Cyclone V SE devices from 174 to 252. Corrected LVDS transmitter for Cyclone V SE A2 and A4 as well as SX C2 and C4 devices from 31 to 32. Corrected LVDS receiver for Cyclone V SE A2 and A4 as well as SX C2 and C4 devices from 35 to 37. Corrected transceiver speed grade for Cyclone V ST devices ordering code from 4 to 5. Updated the DDR3 SDRAM for the maximum frequency's soft controller and the minimum frequency from 300 to 303 for voltage 1.35V. Added links to Altera's External Memory Spec Estimator tool to the topics listing the external memory interface performance. Corrected XAUI is supported through the soft PCS in the PCS features for Cyclone V. Added decompression support for the CvP configuration mode.
May 2013	2013.05.06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added link to the known document issues in the Knowledge Base. Moved all links to the Related Information section of respective topics for easy reference. Corrected the title to the PCIe hard IP topic. Cyclone V devices support only PCIe Gen1 and Gen2. Updated Supporting Feature in Table 1 of Increased bandwidth capacity to '6.144 Gbps'. Updated Description in Table 2 of Low-power high-speed serial interface to '6.144 Gbps'. Updated Description in Table 3 of Cyclone V GT to '6.144 Gbps'. Updated the M386 package to M383 for Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3. Updated Figure 2 and Figure 3 for Transceiver Count by adding 'F : 4'. Updated LVDS in the Maximum Resource Counts tables to include Transmitter and Receiver values. Updated the package plan with M383 for the Cyclone V E device. Removed the M301 and M383 packages from the Cyclone V GX C4 device. Updated the GPIO count to '129' for the M301 package of the Cyclone V GX C5 device. Updated 5 Gbps to '6.144 Gbps' for Cyclone V GT device.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Updated HPS I/O for U484 (19 mm) in Table 11 with '151' for A2, A4, A5 and A6.Updated Memory (Kb) for Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V SE A4 and A6, SX C4 and C6, ST D6 devices.Updated FPGA PLL for Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V SE A2, SX C2, devices.Removed '36 x 36' from the Variable-Precision DSP Block.Updated Variable-precision DSP Blocks and 18 x 18 Multiplier for Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V SX C4 device.Updated the HPS I/O counts for Cyclone V SE, SX, and ST devices.Updated Figure 7 which shows the I/O vertical migration table.Updated Table 17 for Cyclone V SX C4 device.Updated Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution table for Cyclone V SE A4 and A6, SX C4 and C6, ST D6 devices.Removed 'Counter reconfiguration' from the PLL Features.Updated Low-Power Serial Transceivers by replacing 5 Gbps with 6.144 Gbps.Removed 'Distributed Memory' symbol.Updated the Capability in Table 22 of Backplane support to '6.144 Gbps'.Updated Capability in Table 22 of Ring oscillator transmit PLLs with 6.144 Gbps.Updated the PCS Support in Table 23 from 5 Gbps to '6 Gbps'.Updated the Data Rates (Gbps) in Table 23 of 3 Gbps and 6 Gbps Basic to '6.144 Gbps'.Updated the Data Rates (Gbps) in Table 23 of CPRI 4.1 to '6.144 Gbps'.Clarified that partial reconfiguration is an advanced feature. Contact Altera for support of the feature.
December 2012	2012.12.28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Updated the pin counts for the MBGA packages.Updated the GPIO and transceiver counts for the MBGA packages.Updated the GPIO counts for the U484 package of the Cyclone V E A9, GX C9, and GT D9 devices.Updated the vertical migration table for vertical migration of the U484 packages.Updated the MLAB supported programmable widths at 32 bits depth.
November 2012	2012.11.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Added new MBGA packages and additional U484 packages for Cyclone V E, GX, and GT.Added ordering code for five-transceiver devices for Cyclone V GT and ST.Updated the vertical migration table to add MBGA packages.Added performance information for HPS memory controller.Removed DDR3U support.Updated Cyclone V ST speed grade information.Added information on maximum transceiver channel usage restrictions for PCI Gen2 and CPRI at 4.9152 Gbps transmit jitter compliance.Added note on the differences between GPIO reported in Overview with User I/O numbers shown in the Quartus II software.Updated template.
July 2012	2.1	Added support for PCIe Gen2 x4 lane configuration (PCIe-compatible)
June 2012	2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Restructured the document.Added the "Embedded Memory Capacity" and "Embedded Memory Configurations" sections.Added Table 1, Table 3, Table 16, Table 19, and Table 20.Updated Table 2, Table 4, Table 5, Table 6, Table 7, Table 8, Table 9, Table 10, Table 11, Table 12, Table 13, Table 14, Table 17, and Table 18.
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