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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	29080
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	77000
Total RAM Bits	5001216
Number of I/O	240
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)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/5cgxfc5c6f23c7n

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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	• 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	• 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	• 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	• 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	• 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

ISO 9001:2008 Registered

Feature	Description
	• 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	• 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.

The information in this section is correct at the time of publication. For the latest information and to get more details, refer to the Product Selector Guide.

Related Information

Product Selector Guide
Provides the latest information about Intel products.

[(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.

Available Options

Figure 1.   Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V E 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.

Package Type
F : FineLine BGA (FBGA)
U : Ultra FineLine BGA (UBGA)
M : Micro FineLine BGA (MBGA)

Embedded Hard IPs
B : No hard PCIe or hard memory controller
F : No hard PCIe and maximum 2 hard memory controllers

Operating Temperature
C : Commercial ($T_J = 0°$ C to $85°$ C)
I : Industrial ($T_J = -40°$ C to $100°$ C)
A : Automotive ($T_J = -40°$ C to $125°$ C)

Family Signature
5C : Cyclone V

`5C  E  F  A9  F  31  C  7  N`

Optional Suffix
Indicates specific device options or shipment method
N : Lead-free packaging
Contact Intel for availability of leaded options
ES : Engineering sample
SC : Internal scrubbing support

Family Variant
E : Enhanced logic/memory

Member Code
A2 : 25K logic elements
A4 : 49K logic elements
A5 : 77K logic elements
A7 : 150K logic elements
A9 : 301K logic elements

Package Code
FBGA Package Type
17 : 256 pins
23 : 484 pins
27 : 672 pins
31 : 896 pins
UBGA Package Type
15 : 324 pins
19 : 484 pins
MBGA Package Type
13 : 383 pins
15 : 484 pins

FPGA Fabric Speed Grade
6 (fastest)
7
8

Maximum Resources

Table 4.   Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V E Devices

Resource		A2	A4	A5	A7	A9
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		25	49	77	150	301
ALM		9,430	18,480	29,080	56,480	113,560
Register		37,736	73,920	116,320	225,920	454,240
Memory (Kb)	M10K	1,760	3,080	4,460	6,860	12,200
	MLAB	196	303	424	836	1,717
Variable-precision DSP Block		25	66	150	156	342
18 x 18 Multiplier		50	132	300	312	684
PLL		4	4	6	7	8
GPIO		224	224	240	480	480
LVDS	Transmitter	56	56	60	120	120
	Receiver	56	56	60	120	120
Hard Memory Controller		1	1	2	2	2

(Table header: "Member Code" spans columns A2, A4, A5, A7, A9.)

Available Options

Figure 2. Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V GX 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.

Transceiver Count
B : 3
F : 4
A : 5
C : 6
D : 9
E : 12

Package Type
F : FineLine BGA (FBGA)
U : Ultra FineLine BGA (UBGA)
M : Micro FineLine BGA (MBGA)

Embedded Hard IPs
B : No hard PCIe or hard memory controller
F : Maximum 2 hard PCIe and 2 hard memory controllers

Operating Temperature
C : Commercial ($T_J = 0°$ C to $85°$ C)
I : Industrial ($T_J = -40°$ C to $100°$ C)
A : Automotive ($T_J = -40°$ C to $125°$ C)

Ordering code: 5C GX F C9 E 6 F 35 C 7 N

Family Signature
5C : Cyclone V

Family Variant
GX : 3-Gbps transceivers

Member Code
C3 : 36K logic elements
C4 : 50K logic elements
C5 : 77K logic elements
C7 : 150K logic elements
C9 : 301K logic elements

Transceiver Speed Grade
6 : 3.125 Gbps
7 : 2.5 Gbps

Package Code
FBGA Package Type
23 : 484 pins
27 : 672 pins
31 : 896 pins
35 : 1,152 pins
UBGA Package Type
15 : 324 pins
19 : 484 pins
MBGA Package Type
11 : 301 pins
13 : 383 pins
15 : 484 pins

Optional Suffix
Indicates specific device options or shipment method
N : Lead-free packaging
Contact Intel for availability of leaded options
ES : Engineering sample
SC : Internal scrubbing support

FPGA Fabric Speed Grade
6 (fastest)
7
8

Maximum Resources

Table 6. Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V GX Devices

Resource		C3	C4	C5	C7	C9
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		36	50	77	150	301
ALM		13,460	18,860	29,080	56,480	113,560
Register		53,840	75,440	116,320	225,920	454,240
Memory (Kb)	M10K	1,350	2,500	4,460	6,860	12,200
	MLAB	182	424	424	836	1,717
Variable-precision DSP Block		57	70	150	156	342
18 x 18 Multiplier		114	140	300	312	684
PLL		4	6	6	7	8
3 Gbps Transceiver		3	6	6	9	12
GPIO[4]		208	336	336	480	560
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[4] 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.

Resource		Member Code		
		D5	**D7**	**D9**
	Receiver	84	120	140
PCIe Hard IP Block		2	2	2
Hard Memory Controller		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 9.   **Package Plan for Cyclone V GT Devices**

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	M301 (11 mm)		M383 (13 mm)		M484 (15 mm)		U484 (19 mm)	
	GPIO	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**
D5	129	4	175	6	—	—	224	6
D7	—	—	—	—	240	3	240	6
D9	—	—	—	—	—	—	240	5

Member Code	F484 (23 mm)		F672 (27 mm)		F896 (31 mm)		F1152 (35 mm)	
	GPIO	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**	**GPIO**	**XCVR**
D5	240	6	336	6	—	—	—	—
D7	240	6	336	9 [6]	480	9 [6]	—	—
D9	224	6	336	9 [6]	480	12 [7]	560	12 [7]

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.

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[6] If you require CPRI (at 6.144 Gbps) and PCIe Gen2 transmit jitter compliance, Intel recommends that you use only up to three 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.

[7] If you require CPRI (at 6.144 Gbps) and PCIe Gen2 transmit jitter compliance, Intel recommends that you use only up to three full-duplex transceiver channels for CPRI, and up to eight full-duplex channels for PCIe Gen2. The CMU channels are not considered full-duplex channels.
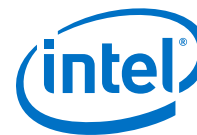
Maximum Resources

Table 10.   Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V SE Devices

Resource		Member Code			
		A2	**A4**	**A5**	**A6**
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		25	40	85	110
ALM		9,430	15,880	32,070	41,910
Register		37,736	60,376	128,300	166,036
Memory (Kb)	M10K	1,400	2,700	3,970	5,570
	MLAB	138	231	480	621
Variable-precision DSP Block		36	84	87	112
18 x 18 Multiplier		72	168	174	224
FPGA PLL		5	5	6	6
HPS PLL		3	3	3	3
FPGA GPIO		145	145	288	288
HPS I/O		181	181	181	181
LVDS	Transmitter	32	32	72	72
	Receiver	37	37	72	72
FPGA Hard Memory Controller		1	1	1	1
HPS Hard Memory Controller		1	1	1	1
Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore Processor		Single- or dual-core	Single- or dual-core	Single- or dual-core	Single- or 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 11.   Package Plan for Cyclone V SE 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	U484 (19 mm)		U672 (23 mm)		F896 (31 mm)	
	FPGA GPIO	**HPS I/O**	**FPGA GPIO**	**HPS I/O**	**FPGA GPIO**	**HPS I/O**
A2	66	151	145	181	—	—
A4	66	151	145	181	—	—
A5	66	151	145	181	288	181
A6	66	151	145	181	288	181

Cyclone V SX

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

The information in this section is correct at the time of publication. For the latest information and to get more details, refer to the *Product Selector Guide*.

Related Information

Product Selector Guide
Provides the latest information about Intel products.

Available Options

Figure 5.   **Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Cyclone V SX 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.

Maximum Resources

Table 12.   **Maximum Resource Counts for Cyclone V SX Devices**

Resource		Member Code			
		C2	**C4**	**C5**	**C6**
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		25	40	85	110
ALM		9,430	15,880	32,070	41,910
Register		37,736	60,376	128,300	166,036
Memory (Kb)	M10K	1,400	2,700	3,970	5,570
	MLAB	138	231	480	621
Variable-precision DSP Block		36	84	87	112
18 x 18 Multiplier		72	168	174	224
FPGA PLL		5	5	6	6
					continued...

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.

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[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

Table 16.   Variable-Precision DSP Block Configurations for Cyclone V Devices

Usage Example	Multiplier Size (Bit)	DSP Block Resource
Low precision fixed point for video applications	Three 9 x 9	1
Medium precision fixed point in FIR filters	Two 18 x 18	1
FIR filters and general DSP usage	Two 18 x 18 with accumulate	1
High precision fixed- or floating-point implementations	One 27 x 27 with accumulate	1

You can configure each DSP block during compilation as independent three 9 x 9, two 18 x 18, or one 27 x 27 multipliers. With a dedicated 64 bit cascade bus, you can cascade multiple variable-precision DSP blocks to implement even higher precision DSP functions efficiently.

Table 17.   Number of Multipliers in Cyclone V Devices

The table lists the variable-precision DSP resources by bit precision for each Cyclone V device.

| 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		
Cyclone V E	A2	25	75	50	25	25	25
	A4	66	198	132	66	66	66
	A5	150	450	300	150	150	150
	A7	156	468	312	156	156	156
	A9	342	1,026	684	342	342	342
Cyclone V GX	C3	57	171	114	57	57	57
	C4	70	210	140	70	70	70
	C5	150	450	300	150	150	150
	C7	156	468	312	156	156	156
	C9	342	1,026	684	342	342	342
Cyclone V GT	D5	150	450	300	150	150	150
	D7	156	468	312	156	156	156
	D9	342	1,026	684	342	342	342
Cyclone V SE	A2	36	108	72	36	36	36
	A4	84	252	168	84	84	84
	A5	87	261	174	87	87	87
	A6	112	336	224	112	112	112
Cyclone V SX	C2	36	108	72	36	36	36
	C4	84	252	168	84	84	84
	C5	87	261	174	87	87	87

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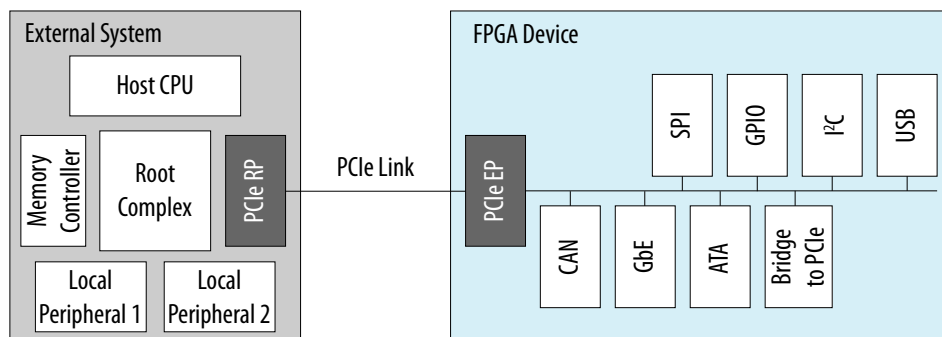
The Cyclone V PCIe hard IP operates independently from the core logic. This independent operation allows the PCIe link to wake up and complete link training in less than 100 ms while the Cyclone V device completes loading the programming file for the rest of the device.

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

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

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.

PCS Support	Data Rates (Gbps)	Transmitter Data Path Feature	Receiver Data Path Feature
Serial ATA Gen1 and Gen2	1.5 and 3.0	• Custom PHY IP core with preset feature • Electrical idle	• Custom PHY IP core with preset feature • Signal detect • Wider spread of asynchronous SSC
CPRI 4.1[16]	0.6144 to 6.144	• Dedicated deterministic latency PHY IP core • Transmitter (TX) manual bit-slip mode	• Dedicated deterministic latency PHY IP core • Receiver (RX) deterministic latency state machine
OBSAI RP3	0.768 to 3.072		
V-by-One HS	Up to 3.75	Custom PHY IP core	• Custom PHY IP core • Wider spread of asynchronous SSC
DisplayPort 1.2[17]	1.62 and 2.7		

SoC with HPS

Each SoC combines an FPGA fabric and an HPS in a single device. This combination delivers the flexibility of programmable logic with the power and cost savings of hard IP in these ways:

- Reduces board space, system power, and bill of materials cost by eliminating a discrete embedded processor

- Allows you to differentiate the end product in both hardware and software, and to support virtually any interface standard

- Extends the product life and revenue through in-field hardware and software updates

HPS Features

The HPS consists of a dual-core Arm Cortex-A9 MPCore processor, a rich set of peripherals, and a shared multiport SDRAM memory controller, as shown in the following figure.

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[16] High-voltage output mode (1000-BASE-CX) is not supported.

[17] Pending characterization.

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	• Added the low power option ("L" suffix) for Cyclone V SE and Cyclone V SX devices in the *Sample Ordering Code and Available Options* diagrams. • Rebranded as Intel.

Date	Version	Changes
December 2017	2017.12.18	• 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	• Added descriptions to package plan tables for Cyclone V GT and ST devices. • Changed instances of *Quartus II* to *Quartus Prime*.

June 2015	2015.06.12	• 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:
		  — 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:
		  — 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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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	• 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	• 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' forCyclone V GT device.

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		• 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	• 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	• 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	• 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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