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### **Embedded - System On Chip (SoC): The Heart of Modern Embedded Systems**

**Embedded - System On Chip (SoC)** refers to an integrated circuit that consolidates all the essential components of a computer system into a single chip. This includes a microprocessor, memory, and other peripherals, all packed into one compact and efficient package. SoCs are designed to provide a complete computing solution, optimizing both space and power consumption, making them ideal for a wide range of embedded applications.

### **What are Embedded - System On Chip (SoC)?**

**System On Chip (SoC)** integrates multiple functions of a computer or electronic system onto a single chip. Unlike traditional multi-chip solutions, SoCs combine a central

#### **Details**

Product Status	Active
Architecture	MCU, FPGA
Core Processor	Dual ARM® Cortex®-A9 MPCore™ with CoreSight™
Flash Size	-
RAM Size	256KB
Peripherals	DMA, POR, WDT
Connectivity	EBI/EMI, Ethernet, I <sup>2</sup> C, MMC/SD/SDIO, SPI, UART/USART, USB OTG
Speed	1.5GHz
Primary Attributes	FPGA - 270K Logic Elements
Operating Temperature	-40°C ~ 100°C (TJ)
Package / Case	672-BBGA, FCBGA
Supplier Device Package	672-FBGA, FC (27x27)
Purchase URL	<a href="https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/10as027e2f27i2lg">https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/10as027e2f27i2lg</a>



## Intel® Arria® 10 Device Overview

The Intel® Arria® 10 device family consists of high-performance and power-efficient 20 nm mid-range FPGAs and SoCs.

Intel Arria 10 device family delivers:

- Higher performance than the previous generation of mid-range and high-end FPGAs.
- Power efficiency attained through a comprehensive set of power-saving technologies.

The Intel Arria 10 devices are ideal for high performance, power-sensitive, midrange applications in diverse markets.

**Table 1. Sample Markets and Ideal Applications for Intel Arria 10 Devices**

Market	Applications
Wireless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Channel and switch cards in remote radio heads</li> <li>• Mobile backhaul</li> </ul>
Wireline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40G/100G muxponders and transponders</li> <li>• 100G line cards</li> <li>• Bridging</li> <li>• Aggregation</li> </ul>
Broadcast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Studio switches</li> <li>• Servers and transport</li> <li>• Videoconferencing</li> <li>• Professional audio and video</li> </ul>
Computing and Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flash cache</li> <li>• Cloud computing servers</li> <li>• Server acceleration</li> </ul>
Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnostic scanners</li> <li>• Diagnostic imaging</li> </ul>
Military	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Missile guidance and control</li> <li>• Radar</li> <li>• Electronic warfare</li> <li>• Secure communications</li> </ul>

### Related Information

#### Intel Arria 10 Device Handbook: Known Issues

Lists the planned updates to the *Intel Arria 10 Device Handbook* chapters.



## Key Advantages of Intel Arria 10 Devices

**Table 2. Key Advantages of the Intel Arria 10 Device Family**

Advantage	Supporting Feature
Enhanced core architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Built on TSMC's 20 nm process technology</li><li>60% higher performance than the previous generation of mid-range FPGAs</li><li>15% higher performance than the fastest previous-generation FPGA</li></ul>
High-bandwidth integrated transceivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Short-reach rates up to 25.8 Gigabits per second (Gbps)</li><li>Backplane capability up to 12.5 Gbps</li><li>Integrated 10GBASE-KR and 40GBASE-KR4 Forward Error Correction (FEC)</li></ul>
Improved logic integration and hard IP blocks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>8-input adaptive logic module (ALM)</li><li>Up to 65.6 megabits (Mb) of embedded memory</li><li>Variable-precision digital signal processing (DSP) blocks</li><li>Fractional synthesis phase-locked loops (PLLs)</li><li>Hard PCI Express Gen3 IP blocks</li><li>Hard memory controllers and PHY up to 2,400 Megabits per second (Mbps)</li></ul>
Second generation hard processor system (HPS) with integrated ARM* Cortex*-A9* MPCore* processor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tight integration of a dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor, hard IP, and an FPGA in a single Intel Arria 10 system-on-a-chip (SoC)</li><li>Supports over 128 Gbps peak bandwidth with integrated data coherency between the processor and the FPGA fabric</li></ul>
Advanced power savings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Comprehensive set of advanced power saving features</li><li>Power-optimized MultiTrack routing and core architecture</li><li>Up to 40% lower power compared to previous generation of mid-range FPGAs</li><li>Up to 60% lower power compared to previous generation of high-end FPGAs</li></ul>

## Summary of Intel Arria 10 Features

**Table 3. Summary of Features for Intel Arria 10 Devices**

Feature	Description
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>TSMC's 20-nm SoC process technology</li><li>Allows operation at a lower <math>V_{CC}</math> level of 0.82 V instead of the 0.9 V standard <math>V_{CC}</math> core voltage</li></ul>
Packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.0 mm ball-pitch FINELINE BGA packaging</li><li>0.8 mm ball-pitch Ultra FINELINE BGA packaging</li><li>Multiple devices with identical package footprints for seamless migration between different FPGA densities</li><li>Devices with compatible package footprints allow migration to next generation high-end Stratix® 10 devices</li><li>RoHS, leaded<sup>(1)</sup>, and lead-free (Pb-free) options</li></ul>
High-performance FPGA fabric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Enhanced 8-input ALM with four registers</li><li>Improved multi-track routing architecture to reduce congestion and improve compilation time</li><li>Hierarchical core clocking architecture</li><li>Fine-grained partial reconfiguration</li></ul>
Internal memory blocks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>M20K—20-Kb memory blocks with hard error correction code (ECC)</li><li>Memory logic array block (MLAB)—640-bit memory</li></ul>
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(1) Contact Intel for availability.



Feature	Description	
Low-power serial transceivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Continuous operating range:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Intel Arria 10 GX—1 Gbps to 17.4 Gbps</li><li>Intel Arria 10 GT—1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps</li></ul></li><li>Backplane support:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Intel Arria 10 GX—up to 12.5</li><li>Intel Arria 10 GT—up to 12.5</li></ul></li><li>Extended range down to 125 Mbps with oversampling</li><li>ATX transmit PLLs with user-configurable fractional synthesis capability</li><li>Electronic Dispersion Compensation (EDC) support for XFP, SFP+, QSFP, and CFP optical module</li><li>Adaptive linear and decision feedback equalization</li><li>Transmitter pre-emphasis and de-emphasis</li><li>Dynamic partial reconfiguration of individual transceiver channels</li></ul>	
HPS (Intel Arria 10 SX devices only)	Processor and system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor—1.2 GHz CPU with 1.5 GHz overdrive capability</li><li>256 KB on-chip RAM and 64 KB on-chip ROM</li><li>System peripherals—general-purpose timers, watchdog timers, direct memory access (DMA) controller, FPGA configuration manager, and clock and reset managers</li><li>Security features—anti-tamper, secure boot, Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) and authentication (SHA)</li><li>ARM CoreSight* JTAG debug access port, trace port, and on-chip trace storage</li></ul>
	External interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Hard memory interface—Hard memory controller (2,400 Mbps DDR4, and 2,133 Mbps DDR3), Quad serial peripheral interface (QSPI) flash controller, NAND flash controller, direct memory access (DMA) controller, Secure Digital/MultiMediaCard (SD/MMC) controller</li><li>Communication interface— 10/100/1000 Ethernet media access control (MAC), USB On-The-Go (OTG) controllers, I<sup>2</sup>C controllers, UART 16550, serial peripheral interface (SPI), and up to 62 HPS GPIO interfaces (48 direct-share I/Os)</li></ul>
	Interconnects to core	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>High-performance ARM AMBA* AXI bus bridges that support simultaneous read and write</li><li>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</li><li>Configuration bridge that allows HPS configuration manager to configure the core logic via dedicated 32-bit configuration port</li><li>FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM controller bridge—provides configuration interfaces for the multiport front end (MPFE) of the HPS SDRAM controller</li></ul>
Configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tamper protection—comprehensive design protection to protect your valuable IP investments</li><li>Enhanced 256-bit advanced encryption standard (AES) design security with authentication</li><li>Configuration via protocol (CvP) using PCIe Gen1, Gen2, or Gen3</li></ul>	
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<sup>(2)</sup> Intel Arria 10 devices support this external memory interface using hard PHY with soft memory controller.



## Available Options

Figure 1. Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices



## Related Information

### Transceiver Performance for Intel Arria 10 GX/SX Devices

Provides more information about the transceiver speed grade.



## Maximum Resources

**Table 5. Maximum Resource Counts for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices (GX 160, GX 220, GX 270, GX 320, and GX 480)**

Resource		Product Line				
		GX 160	GX 220	GX 270	GX 320	GX 480
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		160	220	270	320	480
ALM		61,510	80,330	101,620	119,900	183,590
Register		246,040	321,320	406,480	479,600	734,360
Memory (Kb)	M20K	8,800	11,740	15,000	17,820	28,620
	MLAB	1,050	1,690	2,452	2,727	4,164
Variable-precision DSP Block		156	192	830	985	1,368
18 x 19 Multiplier		312	384	1,660	1,970	2,736
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	6	6	8	8	12
	I/O	6	6	8	8	12
17.4 Gbps Transceiver		12	12	24	24	36
GPIO <sup>(3)</sup>		288	288	384	384	492
LVDS Pair <sup>(4)</sup>		120	120	168	168	222
PCIe Hard IP Block		1	1	2	2	2
Hard Memory Controller		6	6	8	8	12

<sup>(3)</sup> 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.

<sup>(4)</sup> Each LVDS I/O pair can be used as differential input or output.



**Table 6. Maximum Resource Counts for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices (GX 570, GX 660, GX 900, and GX 1150)**

Resource		Product Line			
		GX 570	GX 660	GX 900	GX 1150
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		570	660	900	1,150
ALM		217,080	251,680	339,620	427,200
Register		868,320	1,006,720	1,358,480	1,708,800
Memory (Kb)	M20K	36,000	42,620	48,460	54,260
	MLAB	5,096	5,788	9,386	12,984
Variable-precision DSP Block		1,523	1,687	1,518	1,518
18 x 19 Multiplier		3,046	3,374	3,036	3,036
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	16	16	32	32
	I/O	16	16	16	16
17.4 Gbps Transceiver		48	48	96	96
GPIO <sup>(3)</sup>		696	696	768	768
LVDS Pair <sup>(4)</sup>		324	324	384	384
PCIe Hard IP Block		2	2	4	4
Hard Memory Controller		16	16	16	16

## Package Plan

**Table 7. Package Plan for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices (U19, F27, and F29)**

Refer to I/O and High Speed I/O in Intel Arria 10 Devices chapter for the number of 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and LVDS channels in each device package.

Product Line	U19 (19 mm × 19 mm, 484-pin UBGA)			F27 (27 mm × 27 mm, 672-pin FBGA)			F29 (29 mm × 29 mm, 780-pin FBGA)		
	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR
GX 160	48	192	6	48	192	12	48	240	12
GX 220	48	192	6	48	192	12	48	240	12
GX 270	—	—	—	48	192	12	48	312	12
GX 320	—	—	—	48	192	12	48	312	12
GX 480	—	—	—	—	—	—	48	312	12



## Available Options

Figure 2. Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 GT Devices







## Maximum Resources

**Table 10. Maximum Resource Counts for Intel Arria 10 GT Devices**

Resource		Product Line	
		GT 900	GT 1150
Logic Elements (LE) (K)		900	1,150
ALM		339,620	427,200
Register		1,358,480	1,708,800
Memory (Kb)	M20K	48,460	54,260
	MLAB	9,386	12,984
Variable-precision DSP Block		1,518	1,518
18 x 19 Multiplier		3,036	3,036
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	32	32
	I/O	16	16
Transceiver	17.4 Gbps	72 <sup>(5)</sup>	72 <sup>(5)</sup>
	25.8 Gbps	6	6
GPIO <sup>(6)</sup>		624	624
LVDS Pair <sup>(7)</sup>		312	312
PCIe Hard IP Block		4	4
Hard Memory Controller		16	16

### Related Information

#### Intel Arria 10 GT Channel Usage

Configuring GT/GX channels in Intel Arria 10 GT devices.

## Package Plan

**Table 11. Package Plan for Intel Arria 10 GT Devices**

Refer to I/O and High Speed I/O in Intel Arria 10 Devices chapter for the number of 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and LVDS channels in each device package.

Product Line	SF45 (45 mm x 45 mm, 1932-pin FBGA)		
	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR
GT 900	—	624	72
GT 1150	—	624	72

<sup>(5)</sup> If all 6 GT channels are in use, 12 of the GX channels are not usable.

<sup>(6)</sup> 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.

<sup>(7)</sup> Each LVDS I/O pair can be used as differential input or output.



### Related Information

I/O and High-Speed Differential I/O Interfaces in Intel Arria 10 Devices chapter, Intel Arria 10 Device Handbook

Provides the number of 3 V and LVDS I/Os, and LVDS channels for each Intel Arria 10 device package.

## Intel Arria 10 SX

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Intel Arria 10 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 Intel FPGA Product Selector.

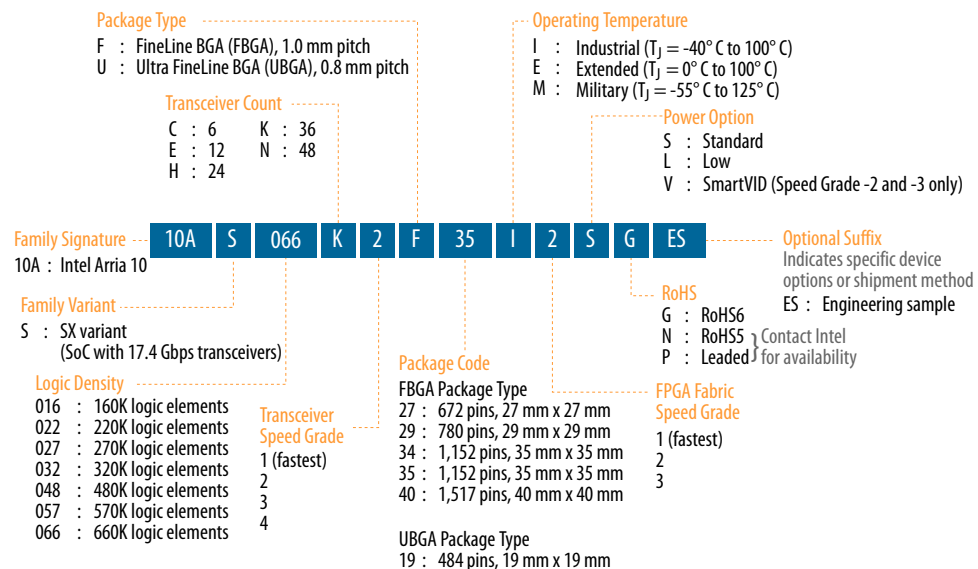
### Related Information

Intel FPGA Product Selector

Provides the latest information on Intel products.

## Available Options

**Figure 3. Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 SX Devices**



### Related Information

Transceiver Performance for Intel Arria 10 GX/SX Devices

Provides more information about the transceiver speed grade.



Variant	Product Line	Variable-precision DSP Block	Independent Input and Output Multiplications Operator		18 x 19 Multiplier Adder Sum Mode	18 x 18 Multiplier Adder Summed with 36 bit Input
			18 x 19 Multiplier	27 x 27 Multiplier		
	SX 320	984	1,968	984	984	984
	SX 480	1,368	2,736	1,368	1,368	1,368
	SX 570	1,523	3,046	1,523	1,523	1,523
	SX 660	1,687	3,374	1,687	1,687	1,687

**Table 17. Resources for Floating-Point Arithmetic in Intel Arria 10 Devices**

The table lists the variable-precision DSP resources by bit precision for each Intel Arria 10 device.

Variant	Product Line	Variable-precision DSP Block	Single Precision Floating-Point Multiplication Mode	Single-Precision Floating-Point Adder Mode	Single-Precision Floating-Point Multiply Accumulate Mode	Peak Giga Floating-Point Operations per Second (GFLOPs)
Intel Arria 10 GX	GX 160	156	156	156	156	140
	GX 220	192	192	192	192	173
	GX 270	830	830	830	830	747
	GX 320	984	984	984	984	886
	GX 480	1,369	1,368	1,368	1,368	1,231
	GX 570	1,523	1,523	1,523	1,523	1,371
	GX 660	1,687	1,687	1,687	1,687	1,518
	GX 900	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,366
	GX 1150	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,366
Intel Arria 10 GT	GT 900	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,366
	GT 1150	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,518	1,366
Intel Arria 10 SX	SX 160	156	156	156	156	140
	SX 220	192	192	192	192	173
	SX 270	830	830	830	830	747
	SX 320	984	984	984	984	886
	SX 480	1,369	1,368	1,368	1,368	1,231
	SX 570	1,523	1,523	1,523	1,523	1,371
	SX 660	1,687	1,687	1,687	1,687	1,518

## 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.



### **Related Information**

#### [Intel Arria 10 Device Datasheet](#)

Lists the memory interface performance according to memory interface standards, rank or chip select configurations, and Intel Arria 10 device speed grades.

## **PCIe Gen1, Gen2, and Gen3 Hard IP**

Intel Arria 10 devices contain PCIe hard IP that is designed for performance and ease-of-use:

- Includes all layers of the PCIe stack—transaction, data link and physical layers.
- Supports PCIe Gen3, Gen2, and Gen1 Endpoint and Root Port in x1, x2, x4, or x8 lane configuration.
- Operates independently from the core logic—optional configuration via protocol (CvP) allows the PCIe link to power up and complete link training in less than 100 ms while the Intel Arria 10 device completes loading the programming file for the rest of the FPGA.
- Provides added functionality that makes it easier to support emerging features such as Single Root I/O Virtualization (SR-IOV) and optional protocol extensions.
- Provides improved end-to-end datapath protection using ECC.
- Supports FPGA configuration via protocol (CvP) using PCIe at Gen3, Gen2, or Gen1 speed.

### **Related Information**

[PCS Features](#) on page 30

## **Enhanced PCS Hard IP for Interlaken and 10 Gbps Ethernet**

### **Interlaken Support**

The Intel Arria 10 enhanced PCS hard IP provides integrated Interlaken PCS supporting rates up to 25.8 Gbps per lane.

The Interlaken PCS is based on the proven functionality of the PCS developed for Intel's previous generation FPGAs, which demonstrated interoperability with Interlaken ASSP vendors and third-party IP suppliers. The Interlaken PCS is present in every transceiver channel in Intel Arria 10 devices.

### **Related Information**

[PCS Features](#) on page 30

### **10 Gbps Ethernet Support**

The Intel Arria 10 enhanced PCS hard IP supports 10GBASE-R PCS compliant with IEEE 802.3 10 Gbps Ethernet (10GbE). The integrated hard IP support for 10GbE and the 10 Gbps transceivers save external PHY cost, board space, and system power.



The scalable hard IP supports multiple independent 10GbE ports while using a single PLL for all the 10GBASE-R PCS instantiations, which saves on core logic resources and clock networks:

- Simplifies multiport 10GbE systems compared to XAUI interfaces that require an external XAUI-to-10G PHY.
- Incorporates Electronic Dispersion Compensation (EDC), which enables direct connection to standard 10 Gbps XFP and SFP+ pluggable optical modules.
- Supports backplane Ethernet applications and includes a hard 10GBASE-KR Forward Error Correction (FEC) circuit that you can use for 10 Gbps and 40 Gbps applications.

The 10 Gbps Ethernet PCS hard IP and 10GBASE-KR FEC are present in every transceiver channel.

#### **Related Information**

[PCS Features](#) on page 30

## **Low Power Serial Transceivers**

Intel Arria 10 FPGAs and SoCs include lowest power transceivers that deliver high bandwidth, throughput and low latency.

Intel Arria 10 devices deliver the industry's lowest power consumption per transceiver channel:

- 12.5 Gbps transceivers at as low as 242 mW
- 10 Gbps transceivers at as low as 168 mW
- 6 Gbps transceivers at as low as 117 mW

Intel Arria 10 transceivers support various data rates according to application:

- Chip-to-chip and chip-to-module applications—from 1 Gbps up to 25.8 Gbps
- Long reach and backplane applications—from 1 Gbps up to 12.5 with advanced adaptive equalization
- Critical power sensitive applications—from 1 Gbps up to 11.3 Gbps using lower power modes

The combination of 20 nm process technology and architectural advances provide the following benefits:

- Significant reduction in die area and power consumption
- Increase of up to two times in transceiver I/O density compared to previous generation devices while maintaining optimal signal integrity
- Up to 72 total transceiver channels—you can configure up to 6 of these channels to run as fast as 25.8 Gbps
- All channels feature continuous data rate support up to the maximum rated speed



Each transceiver channel contains a channel PLL that can be used as the CMU PLL or clock data recovery (CDR) PLL. In CDR mode, the channel PLL recovers the receiver clock and data in the transceiver channel. Up to 80 independent data rates can be configured on a single Intel Arria 10 device.

**Table 23. PMA Features of the Transceivers in Intel Arria 10 Devices**

Feature	Capability
Chip-to-Chip Data Rates	1 Gbps to 17.4 Gbps (Intel Arria 10 GX devices) 1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps (Intel Arria 10 GT devices)
Backplane Support	Drive backplanes at data rates up to 12.5 Gbps
Optical Module Support	SFP+/SFP, XFP, CXP, QSFP/QSFP28, CFP/CFP2/CFP4
Cable Driving Support	SFP+ Direct Attach, PCI Express over cable, eSATA
Transmit Pre-Emphasis	4-tap transmit pre-emphasis and de-emphasis to compensate for system channel loss
Continuous Time Linear Equalizer (CTLE)	Dual mode, high-gain, and high-data rate, linear receive equalization to compensate for system channel loss
Decision Feedback Equalizer (DFE)	7-fixed and 4-floating tap DFE to equalize backplane channel loss in the presence of crosstalk and noisy environments
Variable Gain Amplifier	Optimizes the signal amplitude prior to the CDR sampling and operates in fixed and adaptive modes
Altera Digital Adaptive Parametric Tuning (ADAPT)	Fully digital adaptation engine to automatically adjust all link equalization parameters—including CTLE, DFE, and variable gain amplifier blocks—that provide optimal link margin without intervention from user logic
Precision Signal Integrity Calibration Engine (PreSICE)	Hardened calibration controller to quickly calibrate all transceiver control parameters on power-up, which provides the optimal signal integrity and jitter performance
Advanced Transmit (ATX) PLL	Low jitter ATX (LC tank based) PLLs with continuous tuning range to cover a wide range of standard and proprietary protocols
Fractional PLLs	On-chip fractional frequency synthesizers to replace on-board crystal oscillators and reduce system cost
Digitally Assisted Analog CDR	Superior jitter tolerance with fast lock time
Dynamic Partial Reconfiguration	Allows independent control of the Avalon memory-mapped interface of each transceiver channel for the highest transceiver flexibility
Multiple PCS-PMA and PCS-PLD interface widths	8-, 10-, 16-, 20-, 32-, 40-, or 64-bit interface widths for flexibility of deserialization width, encoding, and reduced latency

## PCS Features

This table summarizes the Intel Arria 10 transceiver PCS features. You can use the transceiver PCS to support a wide range of protocols ranging from 1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps.



Protocol	Data Rate (Gbps)	Transceiver IP	PCS Support
CPRI 6.0 (64B/66B)	0.6144 to 10.1376	Native PHY	Enhanced PCS
CPRI 4.2 (8B/10B)	0.6144 to 9.8304	Native PHY	Standard PCS
OBSAI RP3 v4.2	0.6144 to 6.144	Native PHY	Standard PCS
SD-SDI/HD-SDI/3G-SDI	0.143 <sup>(12)</sup> to 2.97	Native PHY	Standard PCS

### Related Information

#### [Intel Arria 10 Transceiver PHY User Guide](#)

Provides more information about the supported transceiver protocols and PHY IP, the PMA architecture, and the standard, enhanced, and PCIe Gen3 PCS architecture.

## SoC with Hard Processor System

Each SoC device combines an FPGA fabric and a hard processor system (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:

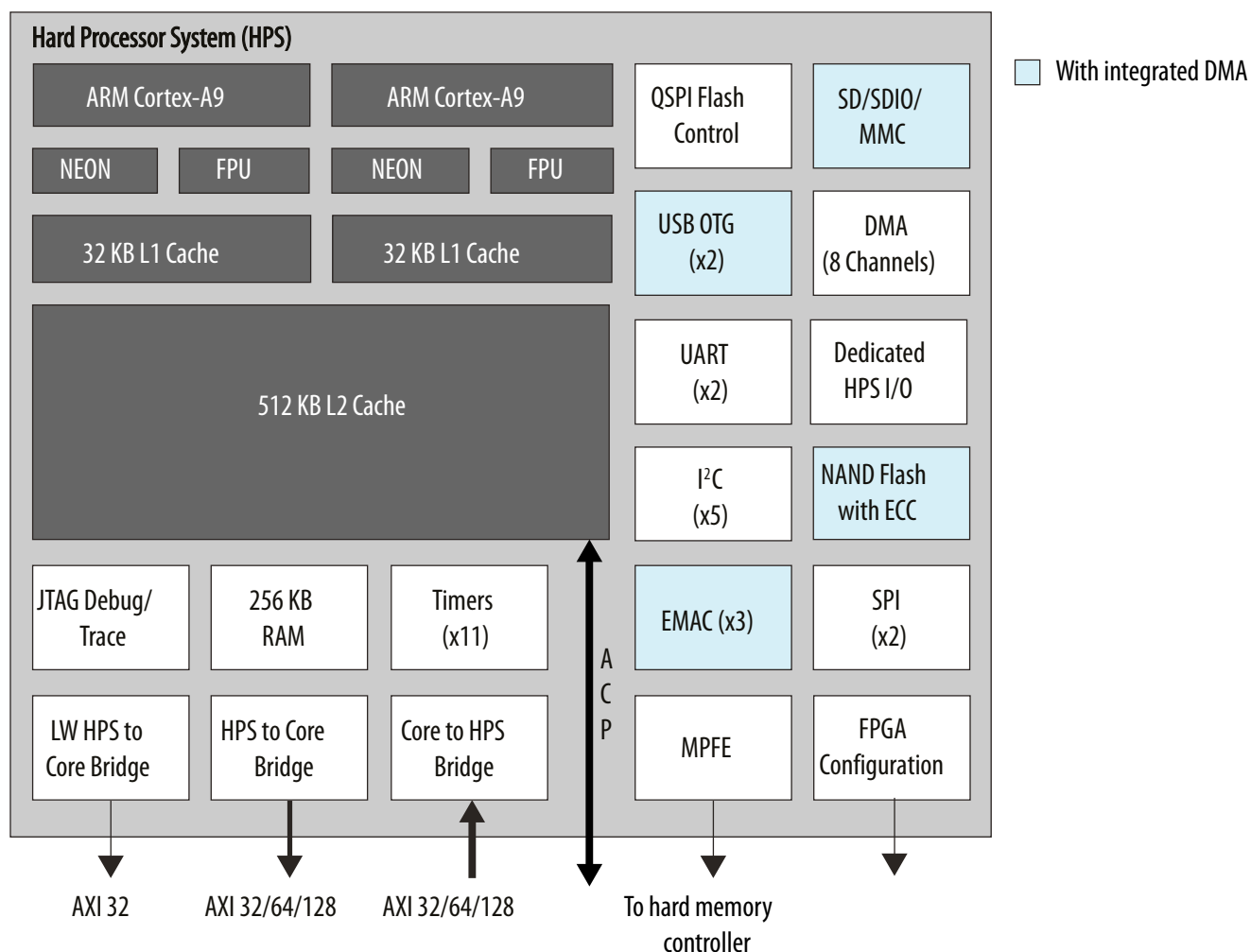
- Reduces board space, system power, and bill of materials cost by eliminating a discrete embedded processor
- Allows you to differentiate the end product in both hardware and software, and to support virtually any interface standard
- Extends the product life and revenue through in-field hardware and software updates

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<sup>(12)</sup> The 0.143 Gbps data rate is supported using oversampling of user logic that you must implement in the FPGA fabric.

**Figure 9. HPS Block Diagram**

This figure shows a block diagram of the HPS with the dual ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor.



## Key Advantages of 20-nm HPS

The 20-nm HPS strikes a balance between enabling maximum software compatibility with 28-nm SoCs while still improving upon the 28-nm HPS architecture. These improvements address the requirements of the next generation target markets such as wireless and wireline communications, compute and storage equipment, broadcast and military in terms of performance, memory bandwidth, connectivity via backplane and security.





**Table 24. Improvements in 20 nm HPS**

This table lists the key improvements of the 20 nm HPS compared to the 28 nm HPS.

Advantages/ Improvements	Description
Increased performance and overdrive capability	While the nominal processor frequency is 1.2 GHz, the 20 nm HPS offers an “overdrive” feature which enables a higher processor operating frequency. This requires a higher supply voltage value that is unique to the HPS and may require a separate regulator.
Increased processor memory bandwidth and DDR4 support	Up to 64-bit DDR4 memory at 2,400 Mbps support is available for the processor. The hard memory controller for the HPS comprises a multi-port front end that manages connections to a single port memory controller. The multi-port front end allows logic core and the HPS to share ports and thereby the available bandwidth of the memory controller.
Flexible I/O sharing	An advanced I/O pin muxing scheme allows improved sharing of I/O between the HPS and the core logic. The following types of I/O are available for SoC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 17 dedicated I/Os—physically located inside the HPS block and are not accessible to logic within the core. The 17 dedicated I/Os are used for HPS clock, resets, and interfacing with boot devices, QSPI, and SD/MMC.</li><li>• 48 direct shared I/O—located closest to the HPS block and are ideal for high speed HPS peripherals such as EMAC, USB, and others. There is one bank of 48 I/Os that supports direct sharing where the 48 I/Os can be shared 12 I/Os at a time.</li><li>• Standard (shared) I/O—all standard I/Os can be shared by the HPS peripherals and any logic within the core. For designs where more than 48 I/Os are required to fully use all the peripherals in the HPS, these I/Os can be connected through the core logic.</li></ul>
EMAC core	Three EMAC cores are available in the HPS. The EMAC cores enable an application to support two redundant Ethernet connections; for example, backplane, or two EMAC cores for managing IEEE 1588 time stamp information while allowing a third EMAC core for debug and configuration. All three EMACs can potentially share the same time stamps, simplifying the 1588 time stamping implementation. A new serial time stamp interface allows core logic to access and read the time stamp values. The integrated EMAC controllers can be connected to external Ethernet PHY through the provided MDIO or I <sup>2</sup> C interface.
On-chip memory	The on-chip memory is updated to 256 KB support and can support larger data sets and real time algorithms.
ECC enhancements	Improvements in L2 Cache ECC management allow identification of errors down to the address level. ECC enhancements also enable improved error injection and status reporting via the introduction of new memory mapped access to syndrome and data signals.
HPS to FPGA Interconnect Backbone	Although the HPS and the Logic Core can operate independently, they are tightly coupled via a high-bandwidth system interconnect built from high-performance ARM AMBA AXI bus bridges. IP bus masters in the FPGA fabric have access to HPS bus slaves via the FPGA-to-HPS interconnect. Similarly, HPS bus masters have access to bus slaves in the core fabric via the HPS-to-FPGA bridge. Both bridges are AMBA AXI-3 compliant and support simultaneous read and write transactions. Up to three masters within the core fabric can share the HPS SDRAM controller with the processor. Additionally, the processor can be used to configure the core fabric under program control via a dedicated 32-bit configuration port.
FPGA configuration and HPS booting	The FPGA fabric and HPS in the SoCs are powered independently. You can reduce the clock frequencies or gate the clocks to reduce dynamic power. You can configure the FPGA fabric and boot the HPS independently, in any order, providing you with more design flexibility.
Security	New security features have been introduced for anti-tamper management, secure boot, encryption (AES), and authentication (SHA).

## 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 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 AMBA 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 Avalon/AMBA 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 soft peripherals 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.

The HPS SDRAM controller supports up to 3 masters (command ports), 3x 64-bit read data ports and 3x 64-bit write data ports.

To maximize memory performance, the SDRAM controller subsystem supports command and data reordering, deficit round-robin arbitration with aging, and high-priority bypass features.



## FPGA Configuration and HPS Booting

The FPGA fabric and HPS in the SoC FPGA must be powered at the same time. You can reduce the clock frequencies or gate the clocks to reduce dynamic power.

Once powered, the FPGA fabric and HPS can be configured independently thus 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.
- Configure the FPGA fabric first, and then boot the HPS from memory accessible to the FPGA fabric.

## 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 system integration tool in the Intel Quartus Prime software.

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

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

## Dynamic and Partial Reconfiguration

The Intel Arria 10 devices support dynamic and partial reconfiguration. You can use dynamic and partial reconfiguration simultaneously to enable seamless reconfiguration of both the device core and transceivers.

### Dynamic Reconfiguration

You can reconfigure the PMA and PCS blocks while the device continues to operate. This feature allows you to change the data rates, protocol, and analog settings of a channel in a transceiver bank without affecting on-going data transfer in other transceiver banks. This feature is ideal for applications that require dynamic multiprotocol or multirate support.

### Partial Reconfiguration

Using partial reconfiguration, you can reconfigure some parts of the device while keeping the device in operation.



Scheme	Data Width	Max Clock Rate (MHz)	Max Data Rate (Mbps) <sup>(13)</sup>	Decompression	Design Security <sup>(14)</sup>	Partial Reconfiguration <sup>(15)</sup>	Remote System Update
Fast passive parallel (FPP) through CPLD or external microcontroller	8 bits	100	3200	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>(17)</sup>	PFL IP core
	16 bits			Yes	Yes		
	32 bits			Yes	Yes		
Configuration via HPS	16 bits	100	3200	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>(17)</sup>	—
	32 bits			Yes	Yes		
Configuration via Protocol [CvP (PCIe*)]	x1, x2, x4, x8 lanes	—	8000	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>(16)</sup>	—

You can configure Intel Arria 10 devices through PCIe using Configuration via Protocol (CvP). The Intel Arria 10 CvP implementation conforms to the PCIe 100 ms power-up-to-active time requirement.

## SEU Error Detection and Correction

Intel Arria 10 devices offer robust and easy-to-use single-event upset (SEU) error detection and correction circuitry.

The detection and correction circuitry includes protection for Configuration RAM (CRAM) programming bits and user memories. The CRAM is protected by a continuously running CRC error detection circuit with integrated ECC that automatically corrects one or two errors and detects higher order multi-bit errors. When more than two errors occur, correction is available through reloading of the core programming file, providing a complete design refresh while the FPGA continues to operate.

The physical layout of the Intel Arria 10 CRAM array is optimized to make the majority of multi-bit upsets appear as independent single-bit or double-bit errors which are automatically corrected by the integrated CRAM ECC circuitry. In addition to the CRAM protection, the M20K memory blocks also include integrated ECC circuitry and are layout-optimized for error detection and correction. The MLAB does not have ECC.

## Power Management

Intel Arria 10 devices leverage the advanced 20 nm process technology, a low 0.9 V core power supply, an enhanced core architecture, and several optional power reduction techniques to reduce total power consumption by as much as 40% compared to Arria V devices and as much as 60% compared to Stratix V devices.

<sup>(13)</sup> Enabling either compression or design security features affects the maximum data rate. Refer to the Intel Arria 10 Device Datasheet for more information.

<sup>(14)</sup> Encryption and compression cannot be used simultaneously.

<sup>(15)</sup> Partial reconfiguration is an advanced feature of the device family. If you are interested in using partial reconfiguration, contact Intel for support.

<sup>(17)</sup> Supported at a maximum clock rate of 100 MHz.



Date	Version	Changes
August 2014	2014.08.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated Memory (Kb) M20K maximum resources for Arria 10 GX 660 devices from 42,660 to 42,620.</li> <li>Added GPIO columns consisting of LVDS I/O Bank and 3V I/O Bank in the Package Plan table.</li> <li>Added how to use memory interface clock frequency higher than 533 MHz in the I/O vertical migration.</li> <li>Added information to clarify that RLDRAM3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller.</li> <li>Added variable precision DSP blocks support for floating-point arithmetic.</li> </ul>
June 2014	2014.06.19	Updated number of dedicated I/Os in the HPS block to 17.
February 2014	2014.02.21	Updated transceiver speed grade options for GT devices in Figure 2.
February 2014	2014.02.06	Updated data rate for Arria 10 GT devices from 28.1 Gbps to 28.3 Gbps.
December 2013	2013.12.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updated the HPS memory standards support from LPDDR2 to LPDDR3.</li> <li>Updated HPS block diagram to include dedicated HPS I/O and FPGA Configuration blocks as well as repositioned SD/SDIO/MMC, DMA, SPI and NAND Flash with ECC blocks .</li> </ul>
December 2013	2013.12.02	Initial release.