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Product Status	Discontinued at Digi-Key
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 ² C, MMC/SD/SDIO, SPI, UART/USART, USB OTG
Speed	1.5GHz
Primary Attributes	FPGA - 270K Logic Elements
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 100°C (TJ)
Package / Case	1152-BBGA, FCBGA
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Key Advantages of Intel Arria 10 Devices

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

Advantage	Supporting Feature
Enhanced core architecture	Built on TSMC's 20 nm process technology 60% higher performance than the previous generation of mid-range FPGAs 15% higher performance than the fastest previous-generation FPGA
High-bandwidth integrated transceivers	 Short-reach rates up to 25.8 Gigabits per second (Gbps) Backplane capability up to 12.5 Gbps Integrated 10GBASE-KR and 40GBASE-KR4 Forward Error Correction (FEC)
Improved logic integration and hard IP blocks	8-input adaptive logic module (ALM) Up to 65.6 megabits (Mb) of embedded memory Variable-precision digital signal processing (DSP) blocks Fractional synthesis phase-locked loops (PLLs) Hard PCI Express Gen3 IP blocks Hard memory controllers and PHY up to 2,400 Megabits per second (Mbps)
Second generation 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 Intel Arria 10 system-on-a-chip (SoC) Supports over 128 Gbps peak bandwidth with integrated data coherency between the processor and the FPGA fabric
Advanced power savings	Comprehensive set of advanced power saving features Power-optimized MultiTrack routing and core architecture Up to 40% lower power compared to previous generation of mid-range FPGAs Up to 60% lower power compared to previous generation of high-end FPGAs

Summary of Intel Arria 10 Features

 Table 3.
 Summary of Features for Intel Arria 10 Devices

Feature	Description
Technology	 TSMC's 20-nm SoC process technology Allows operation at a lower V_{CC} level of 0.82 V instead of the 0.9 V standard V_{CC} core voltage
Packaging	 1.0 mm ball-pitch Fineline BGA packaging 0.8 mm ball-pitch Ultra Fineline BGA packaging Multiple devices with identical package footprints for seamless migration between different FPGA densities Devices with compatible package footprints allow migration to next generation high-end Stratix® 10 devices RoHS, leaded⁽¹⁾, and lead-free (Pb-free) options
High-performance FPGA fabric	 Enhanced 8-input ALM with four registers Improved multi-track routing architecture to reduce congestion and improve compilation time Hierarchical core clocking architecture Fine-grained partial reconfiguration
Internal memory blocks	M20K—20-Kb memory blocks with hard error correction code (ECC) Memory logic array block (MLAB)—640-bit memory
	continued

⁽¹⁾ Contact Intel for availability.



Feature		Description
Embedded Hard IP blocks	Variable-precision DSP	 Native support for signal processing precision levels from 18 x 19 to 54 x 54 Native support for 27 x 27 multiplier mode 64-bit accumulator and cascade for systolic finite impulse responses (FIRs) Internal coefficient memory banks Preadder/subtractor for improved efficiency Additional pipeline register to increase performance and reduce power Supports floating point arithmetic: Perform multiplication, addition, subtraction, multiply-add, multiply-subtract, and complex multiplication. Supports multiplication with accumulation capability, cascade summation, and cascade subtraction capability. Dynamic accumulator reset control. Support direct vector dot and complex multiplication chaining multiply floating point DSP blocks.
	Memory controller	DDR4, DDR3, and DDR3L
	PCI Express*	PCI Express (PCIe*) Gen3 (x1, x2, x4, or x8), Gen2 (x1, x2, x4, or x8) and Gen1 (x1, x2, x4, or x8) hard IP with complete protocol stack, endpoint, and root port
	Transceiver I/O	10GBASE-KR/40GBASE-KR4 Forward Error Correction (FEC) PCS hard IPs that support:
Core clock networks	 667 MHz externa 800 MHz LVDS in Global, regional, and 	c clocking, depending on the application: I memory interface clocking with 2,400 Mbps DDR4 interface terface clocking with 1,600 Mbps LVDS interface I peripheral clock networks are not used can be gated to reduce dynamic power
Phase-locked loops (PLLs)	 Support integer r Fractional mode s Integer PLLs: Adjacent to gene 	rnthesis, clock delay compensation, and zero delay buffering (ZDB) mode and fractional mode support with third-order delta-sigma modulation
FPGA General-purpose I/Os (GPIOs)	On-chip termination	ry pair can be configured as receiver or transmitter (OCT) -ended LVTTL/LVCMOS interfacing
External Memory Interface	DDR4—speeds upDDR3—speeds up	oller— DDR4, DDR3, and DDR3L support to 1,200 MHz/2,400 Mbps to 1,067 MHz/2,133 Mbps to 1,067 MHz/2,133 Mbps to 1,067 MHz/2,134 Mhz/2,134 Mbps to 1,067 Mhz/2,134



Feature	Description
	 Dynamic reconfiguration of the transceivers and PLLs Fine-grained partial reconfiguration of the core fabric Active Serial x4 Interface
Power management	SmartVID Low static power device options Programmable Power Technology Intel Quartus Prime integrated power analysis
Software and tools	 Intel Quartus Prime design suite Transceiver toolkit Platform Designer system integration tool DSP Builder for Intel FPGAs OpenCL™ support Intel SoC FPGA Embedded Design Suite (EDS)

Related Information

Intel Arria 10 Transceiver PHY Overview

Provides details on Intel Arria 10 transceivers.

Intel Arria 10 Device Variants and Packages

Table 4. **Device Variants for the Intel Arria 10 Device Family**

Variant	Description
Intel Arria 10 GX	FPGA featuring 17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability.
Intel Arria 10 GT	 FPGA featuring: 17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability. 25.8 Gbps transceivers for supporting CAUI-4 and CEI-25G applications with CFP2 and CFP4 modules.
Intel Arria 10 SX	SoC integrating ARM-based HPS and FPGA featuring 17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability.

Intel Arria 10 GX

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



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

Re	source		Produc	t Line		
		GX 570	GX 660	GX 900	GX 1150	
Logic Elements	s (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-precis	sion DSP Block	1,523	1,687	1,518	1,518	
18 x 19 Multip	lier	3,046	3,374	3,036	3,036	
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	16	16	32	32	
	I/O	16	16	16	16	
17.4 Gbps Trai	nsceiver	48	48	96	96	
GPIO (3)	696		696	768	768	
LVDS Pair (4)		324	324	384 384		
PCIe Hard IP E	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 mm × 27 n 72-pin FBG/		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	



Maximum Resources

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

Reso	ource	Produc	ct 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	900 1,150 339,620 427,200 1,358,480 1,708,800 48,460 54,260 9,386 12,984 1,518 1,518 3,036 3,036 thesis 32 32 16 16 16 5 72 (5) 72 (5)	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 ⁽⁵⁾	72 ⁽⁵⁾	
	25.8 Gbps	6	6	
GPIO ⁽⁶⁾		624	624	
LVDS Pair ⁽⁷⁾		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 × 45 mm, 1932-pin FBGA)					
	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR			
GT 900	_	624	72			
GT 1150	_	624	72			

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

⁽⁶⁾ 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.

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



Maximum Resources

Table 12. Maximum Resource Counts for Intel Arria 10 SX Devices

Reso	ource			I	Product Line			
		SX 160	SX 220	SX 270	SX 320	SX 480	SX 570	SX 660
Logic Elements	s (LE) (K)	160	220	270	320	480	570	660
ALM		61,510	80,330	101,620	119,900	183,590	217,080	251,680
Register		246,040	321,320	406,480	479,600	734,360	868,320	1,006,720
Memory (Kb)	M20K	8,800	11,740	15,000	17,820	28,620	36,000	42,620
	MLAB	1,050	1,690	2,452	2,727	4,164	5,096	5,788
Variable-precis	recision DSP Block 156 192 830 985 1,368		1,368	1,523	1,687			
18 x 19 Multip	lier	312	384	1,660	1,970	2,736	3,046	3,374
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	6	6	8	8	12	16	16
	I/O	6	6	8	8	12	16	16
17.4 Gbps Transceiver		12	12	24	24	36	48	48
GPIO (8)		288	288	384	384	492	696	696
LVDS Pair (9)		120	120	168	168	174	324	324
PCIe Hard IP E	Block	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
Hard Memory Controller		6	6	8	8	12	16	16
ARM Cortex-As	9 MPCore	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Package Plan

Table 13. Package Plan for Intel Arria 10 SX Devices (U19, F27, F29, and F34)

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)			F34 (35 mm × 35 mm, 1152-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	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR
SX 160	48	144	6	48	192	12	48	240	12	_	_	_
SX 220	48	144	6	48	192	12	48	240	12	_	_	_
SX 270	_	_	_	48	192	12	48	312	12	48	336	24
SX 320	_	_	_	48	192	12	48	312	12	48	336	24
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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⁾ Each LVDS I/O pair can be used as differential input or output.



Types of Embedded Memory

The Intel Arria 10 devices contain two types of memory blocks:

- 20 Kb M20K blocks—blocks of dedicated memory resources. The M20K 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 and shallow FIFO buffers, and filter delay lines. Each MLAB is made up of ten adaptive logic modules (ALMs). In the Intel Arria 10 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 Intel Arria 10 Devices

Table 18. Embedded Memory Capacity and Distribution in Intel Arria 10 Devices

Variant	Product	M20K		MLAB		Total RAM Bit
	Line	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	(Kb)
Intel Arria 10 GX	GX 160	440	8,800	1,680	1,050	9,850
	GX 220	587	11,740	2,703	1,690	13,430
	GX 270	750	15,000	3,922	2,452	17,452
	GX 320	891	17,820	4,363	2,727	20,547
	GX 480	1,431	28,620	6,662	4,164	32,784
	GX 570	1,800	36,000	8,153	5,096	41,096
	GX 660	2,131	42,620	9,260	5,788	48,408
	GX 900	2,423	48,460	15,017	9,386	57,846
	GX 1150	2,713	54,260	20,774	12,984	67,244
Intel Arria 10 GT	GT 900	2,423	48,460	15,017	9,386	57,846
	GT 1150	2,713	54,260	20,774	12,984	67,244
Intel Arria 10 SX	SX 160	440	8,800	1,680	1,050	9,850
	SX 220	587	11,740	2,703	1,690	13,430
	SX 270	750	15,000	3,922	2,452	17,452
	SX 320	891	17,820	4,363	2,727	20,547
	SX 480	1,431	28,620	6,662	4,164	32,784
	SX 570	1,800	36,000	8,153	5,096	41,096
	SX 660	2,131	42,620	9,260	5,788	48,408



Embedded Memory Configurations for Single-port Mode

Table 19. Single-port Embedded Memory Configurations for Intel Arria 10 Devices

This table lists the maximum configurations supported for single-port RAM and ROM modes.

Memory Block	Depth (bits)	Programmable Width
MLAB	32	x16, x18, or x20
	64 (10)	x8, x9, x10
M20K	512	x40, x32
	1K	x20, x16
	2K	x10, x8
	4K	x5, x4
	8K	x2
	16K	x1

Clock Networks and PLL Clock Sources

The clock network architecture is based on Intel's global, regional, and peripheral clock structure. This clock structure is supported by dedicated clock input pins, fractional clock synthesis PLLs, and integer I/O PLLs.

Clock Networks

The Intel Arria 10 core clock networks are capable of up to 800 MHz fabric operation across the full industrial temperature range. For the external memory interface, the clock network supports the hard memory controller with speeds up to 2,400 Mbps in a quarter-rate transfer.

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

Fractional Synthesis and I/O PLLs

Intel Arria 10 devices contain up to 32 fractional synthesis PLLs and up to 16 I/O PLLs that are available for both specific and general purpose uses in the core:

- Fractional synthesis PLLs—located in the column adjacent to the transceiver blocks
- I/O PLLs-located in each bank of the 48 I/Os

Fractional Synthesis PLLs

You can use the fractional synthesis PLLs to:

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

⁽¹⁰⁾ Supported through software emulation and consumes additional MLAB blocks.



The fractional synthesis PLLs support the following features:

- Reference clock frequency synthesis for transceiver CMU and Advanced Transmit (ATX) PLLs
- Clock network delay compensation
- Zero-delay buffering
- Direct transmit clocking for transceivers
- Independently configurable into two modes:
 - Conventional integer mode equivalent to the general purpose PLL
 - Enhanced fractional mode with third order delta-sigma modulation
- PLL cascading

I/O PLLs

The integer mode I/O PLLs are located in each bank of 48 I/Os. You can use the I/O PLLs to simplify the design of external memory and high-speed LVDS interfaces.

In each I/O bank, the I/O PLLs are adjacent to the hard memory controllers and LVDS SERDES. Because these PLLs are tightly coupled with the I/Os that need to use them, it makes it easier to close timing.

You can use the I/O PLLs for general purpose applications in the core such as clock network delay compensation and zero-delay buffering.

Intel Arria 10 devices support PLL-to-PLL cascading.

FPGA General Purpose I/O

Intel Arria 10 devices offer highly configurable GPIOs. Each I/O bank contains 48 general purpose I/Os and a high-efficiency hard memory controller.

The following list describes the features of the GPIOs:

- Consist of 3 V I/Os for high-voltage application and LVDS I/Os for differential signaling
 - $-\$ Up to two 3 V I/O banks, available in some devices, that support up to 3 V I/O standards
 - LVDS I/O banks that support up to 1.8 V I/O standards
- Support a wide range of single-ended and differential I/O interfaces
- LVDS speeds up to 1.6 Gbps
- Each LVDS pair of pins has differential input and output buffers, allowing you to configure the LVDS direction for each pair.
- Programmable bus hold and weak pull-up
- Programmable differential output voltage (V_{OD}) and programmable pre-emphasis



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

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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







Transceiver Channels

All transceiver channels feature a dedicated Physical Medium Attachment (PMA) and a hardened Physical Coding Sublayer (PCS).

- The PMA provides primary interfacing capabilities to physical channels.
- The PCS typically handles encoding/decoding, word alignment, and other preprocessing functions before transferring data to the FPGA core fabric.

A transceiver channel consists of a PMA and a PCS block. Most transceiver banks have 6 channels. There are some transceiver banks that contain only 3 channels.

A wide variety of bonded and non-bonded data rate configurations is possible using a highly configurable clock distribution network. Up to 80 independent transceiver data rates can be configured.

The following figures are graphical representations of top views of the silicon die, which correspond to reverse views for flip chip packages. Different Intel Arria 10 devices may have different floorplans than the ones shown in the figures.



Figure 7. Device Chip Overview for Intel Arria 10 GX and GT Devices



Figure 8. Device Chip Overview for Intel Arria 10 SX Devices



PMA Features

Intel Arria 10 transceivers provide exceptional signal integrity at data rates up to 25.8 Gbps. Clocking options include ultra-low jitter ATX PLLs (LC tank based), clock multiplier unit (CMU) PLLs, and fractional PLLs.



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 ⁽¹²⁾ 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

⁽¹²⁾ 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: 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. 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. Standard (shared) I/O—all standard I/Os can be shared by the PPS 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.
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 ² 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).



September 2017 July 2017 July 2017 May 2017	2017.09.20 2017.07.13 2017.07.06 2017.05.08	 Removed package code 40, low static power, SmartVID, industrial, and military operating temperature support from Sample Ordering Core and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 GT Devices figure. Updated short reach transceiver rate for Intel Arria 10 GT devices to 25.8 Gbps. Removed On-Die Instrumentation — EyeQ and Jitter Margin Tool support from PMA Features of the Transceivers in Intel Arria 10 Devices table. Updated the maximum speed of the DDR4 external memory interface from 1,333 MHz/2,666 Mbps to 1,200 MHz/2,400 Mbps. Corrected the automotive temperature range in the figure showing the available options for the Intel Arria 10 GX devices from "-40°C to 100°C" to "-40°C to 125°C". Added automotive temperature option to Intel Arria 10 GX device family.
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May 2017	2017.05.08	
		 Corrected protocol names with "1588" to "IEEE 1588v2". Updated the vertical migration table to remove vertical migration between Intel Arria 10 GX and Intel Arria 10 SX device variants. Removed all "Preliminary" marks.
March 2017	2017.03.15	 Removed the topic about migration from Intel Arria 10 to Intel Stratix 10 devices. Rebranded as Intel.
October 2016	2016.10.31	 Removed package F36 from Intel Arria 10 GX devices. Updated Intel Arria 10 GT sample ordering code and maximum GX transceiver count. Intel Arria 10 GT devices are available only in the SF45 package option with a maximum of 72 transceivers.
May 2016	2016.05.02	 Updated the FPGA Configuration and HPS Booting topic. Remove V_{CC} PowerManager from the Summary of Features, Power Management and Arria 10 Device Variants and packages topics. This feature is no longer supported in Arria 10 devices. Removed LPDDR3 from the Memory Standards Supported by the HPS Hard Memory Controller table in the Memory Standards Supported by Intel Arria 10 Devices topic. This standard is only supported by the FPGA. Removed transceiver speed grade 5 from the Device Variants and Packages topic for Arria 10 GX and SX devices.
February 2016	2016.02.11	 Changed the maximum Arria 10 GT datarate to 25.8 Gbps and the minimum datarate to 1 Gbps globally. Revised the state for Core clock networks in the Summary of Features topic. Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Summary of Features for Arria 10 Devices" table. Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Maximum Resource Counts for Arria 10 GT Devices" table. Changed the package availability for GT devices in the "Package Plan for Arria 10 GT Devices" table. Changed the package configurations for GT devices in the "Migration Capability Across Arria 10 Product Lines" figure. Changed transceiver parameters in the "Low Power Serial Transceivers" section. Changed the transceiver descriptions in the "Device Variants for the Arria 10 Device Family" table. Changed the "Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Arria 10 GT Devices" figure. Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PMA Features" section. Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PCS Features" section.



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December 2015	2015.12.14	Updated the number of M20K memory blocks for Arria 10 GX 660 from 2133 to 2131 and corrected the total RAM bit from 48,448 Kb to 48,408 Kb.
		Corrected the number of DSP blocks for Arria 10 GX 660 from 1688 to 1687 in the table listing floating-point arithmetic resources.
November 2015	2015.11.02	• Updated the maximum resources for Arria 10 GX 220, GX 320, GX 480, GX 660, SX 220, SX 320, SX 480, and SX 660.
		Updated resource count for Arria 10 GX 320, GX 480, GX 660, SX 320, SX 480, a SX 660 devices in Number of Multipliers in Intel Arria 10 Devices table.
		 Updated the available options for Arria 10 GX, GT, and SX. Changed instances of <i>Quartus II</i> to <i>Quartus Prime</i>.
June 2015	2015.06.15	Corrected label for Intel Arria 10 GT product lines in the vertical migration figure.
May 2015	2015.05.15	Corrected the DDR3 half rate and quarter rate maximum frequencies in the table that lists the memory standards supported by the Intel Arria 10 hard memory controller.
May 2015	2015.05.04	Added support for 13.5G JESD204b in the Summary of Features table. Added support for 13.5G JESD204b in the Summary of Features table.
		Added a link to Arria 10 GT Channel Usage in the Arria 10 GT Package Plan topic.
		Added a note to the table, Maximum Resource Counts for Arria 10 GT devices.
		Updated the power requirements of the transceivers in the Low Power Serial Transceivers topic.
January 2015	2015.01.23	Added floating point arithmetic features in the Summary of Features table.
		Updated the total embedded memory from 38.38 megabits (Mb) to 65.6 Mb.
		Updated the table that lists the memory standards supported by Intel Arria 10 devices.
		 Removed support for DDR3U, LPDDR3 SDRAM, RLDRAM 2, and DDR2. Moved RLDRAM 3 support from hard memory controller to soft memory controller. RLDRAM 3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller.
		Added soft memory controller support for QDR IV.
		Updated the maximum resource count table to include the number of hard memory controllers available in each device variant.
		Updated the transceiver PCS data rate from 12.5 Gbps to 12 Gbps.
		Updated the max clock rate of PS, FPP x8, FPP x16, and Configuration via HPS from 125 MHz to 100 MHz.
		Added a feature for fractional synthesis PLLs: PLL cascading.
		Updated the HPS programmable general-purpose I/Os from 54 to 62.
September 2014	2014.09.30	Corrected the 3 V I/O and LVDS I/O counts for F35 and F36 packages of Arria 10 GX.
		Corrected the 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and transceiver counts for the NF40 package of the Arria GX 570 and 660.
		Removed 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and transceiver counts for the NF40 package of the Arria GX 900 and 1150. The NF40 package is not available for Arria 10 GX 900 and 1150.
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August 2014	2014.08.18	Updated Memory (Kb) M20K maximum resources for Arria 10 GX 660 devices from 42,660 to 42,620.
		Added GPIO columns consisting of LVDS I/O Bank and 3V I/O Bank in the Package Plan table.
		Added how to use memory interface clock frequency higher than 533 MHz in the I/O vertical migration.
		Added information to clarify that RLDRAM3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller.
		Added variable precision DSP blocks support for floating-point arithmetic.
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	Updated the HPS memory standards support from LPDDR2 to LPDDR3. 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 .
December 2013	2013.12.02	Initial release.