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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

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| 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 ² C, MMC/SD/SDIO, SPI, UART/USART, USB OTG |
| Speed | 1.5GHz |
| Primary Attributes | FPGA - 570K Logic Elements |
| Operating Temperature | 0°C ~ 100°C (TJ) |
| Package / Case | 1517-BBGA, FCBGA |
| Supplier Device Package | 1517-FCBGA (40x40) |
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| Feature | Description | |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Embedded Hard IP blocks | Variable-precision DSP | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10GBASE-KR/40GBASE-KR4 Forward Error Correction (FEC)• PCS hard IPs that support:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— 10-Gbps Ethernet (10GbE)— PCIe PIPE interface— Interlaken— Gbps Ethernet (GbE)— Common Public Radio Interface (CPRI) with deterministic latency support— Gigabit-capable passive optical network (GPON) with fast lock-time support• 13.5G JESD204b• 8B/10B, 64B/66B, 64B/67B encoders and decoders• Custom mode support for proprietary protocols |
| Core clock networks | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to 800 MHz fabric clocking, depending on the application:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— 667 MHz external memory interface clocking with 2,400 Mbps DDR4 interface— 800 MHz LVDS interface clocking with 1,600 Mbps LVDS interface• Global, regional, and peripheral clock networks• Clock networks that are not used can be gated to reduce dynamic power | |
| Phase-locked loops (PLLs) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High-resolution fractional synthesis PLLs:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— Precision clock synthesis, clock delay compensation, and zero delay buffering (ZDB)— Support integer mode and fractional mode— Fractional mode support with third-order delta-sigma modulation• Integer PLLs:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— Adjacent to general purpose I/Os— Support external memory and LVDS interfaces | |
| FPGA General-purpose I/Os (GPIOs) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.6 Gbps LVDS—every pair can be configured as receiver or transmitter• On-chip termination (OCT)• 1.2 V to 3.0 V single-ended LVTTTL/LVCMOS interfacing | |
| External Memory Interface | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hard memory controller— DDR4, DDR3, and DDR3L support<ul style="list-style-type: none">— DDR4—speeds up to 1,200 MHz/2,400 Mbps— DDR3—speeds up to 1,067 MHz/2,133 Mbps• Soft memory controller—provides support for RLDRAM 3⁽²⁾, QDR IV⁽²⁾, and QDR II+ | |
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| Feature | Description |
|---|---|
| Low-power serial transceivers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Continuous operating range:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Intel Arria 10 GX—1 Gbps to 17.4 GbpsIntel Arria 10 GT—1 Gbps to 25.8 GbpsBackplane support:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Intel Arria 10 GX—up to 12.5Intel Arria 10 GT—up to 12.5Extended range down to 125 Mbps with oversamplingATX transmit PLLs with user-configurable fractional synthesis capabilityElectronic Dispersion Compensation (EDC) support for XFP, SFP+, QSFP, and CFP optical moduleAdaptive linear and decision feedback equalizationTransmitter pre-emphasis and de-emphasisDynamic partial reconfiguration of individual transceiver channels |
| HPS (Intel Arria 10 SX devices only) | Processor and system <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor—1.2 GHz CPU with 1.5 GHz overdrive capability256 KB on-chip RAM and 64 KB on-chip ROMSystem peripherals—general-purpose timers, watchdog timers, direct memory access (DMA) controller, FPGA configuration manager, and clock and reset managersSecurity features—anti-tamper, secure boot, Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) and authentication (SHA)ARM CoreSight* JTAG debug access port, trace port, and on-chip trace storage |
| | External interfaces <ul style="list-style-type: none">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) controllerCommunication interface— 10/100/1000 Ethernet media access control (MAC), USB On-The-Go (OTG) controllers, I²C controllers, UART 16550, serial peripheral interface (SPI), and up to 62 HPS GPIO interfaces (48 direct-share I/Os) |
| | Interconnects to core <ul style="list-style-type: none">High-performance ARM AMBA* AXI bus bridges that support simultaneous read and writeHPS-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 versaConfiguration bridge that allows HPS configuration manager to configure the core logic via dedicated 32-bit configuration portFPGA-to-HPS SDRAM controller bridge—provides configuration interfaces for the multiport front end (MPFE) of the HPS SDRAM controller |
| Configuration | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tamper protection—comprehensive design protection to protect your valuable IP investmentsEnhanced 256-bit advanced encryption standard (AES) design security with authenticationConfiguration via protocol (CvP) using PCIe Gen1, Gen2, or Gen3 |
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(2) 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.



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 ⁽³⁾ | | 696 | 696 | 768 | 768 |
| LVDS Pair ⁽⁴⁾ | | 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 |



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.



Features for floating-point arithmetic:

- A completely hardened architecture that supports multiplication, addition, subtraction, multiply-add, and multiply-subtract
- Multiplication with accumulation capability and a dynamic accumulator reset control
- Multiplication with cascade summation capability
- Multiplication with cascade subtraction capability
- Complex multiplication
- Direct vector dot product
- Systolic FIR filter

Table 15. Variable-Precision DSP Block Configurations for Intel Arria 10 Devices

| Usage Example | Multiplier Size (Bit) | DSP Block Resources |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Medium precision fixed point | Two 18 x 19 | 1 |
| High precision fixed or Single precision floating point | One 27 x 27 | 1 |
| Fixed point FFTs | One 19 x 36 with external adder | 1 |
| Very high precision fixed point | One 36 x 36 with external adder | 2 |
| Double precision floating point | One 54 x 54 with external adder | 4 |

Table 16. Resources for Fixed-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 | 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 | | |
| Intel Arria 10 GX | GX 160 | 156 | 312 | 156 | 156 | 156 |
| | GX 220 | 192 | 384 | 192 | 192 | 192 |
| | GX 270 | 830 | 1,660 | 830 | 830 | 830 |
| | GX 320 | 984 | 1,968 | 984 | 984 | 984 |
| | GX 480 | 1,368 | 2,736 | 1,368 | 1,368 | 1,368 |
| | GX 570 | 1,523 | 3,046 | 1,523 | 1,523 | 1,523 |
| | GX 660 | 1,687 | 3,374 | 1,687 | 1,687 | 1,687 |
| | GX 900 | 1,518 | 3,036 | 1,518 | 1,518 | 1,518 |
| | GX 1150 | 1,518 | 3,036 | 1,518 | 1,518 | 1,518 |
| Intel Arria 10 GT | GT 900 | 1,518 | 3,036 | 1,518 | 1,518 | 1,518 |
| | GT 1150 | 1,518 | 3,036 | 1,518 | 1,518 | 1,518 |
| Intel Arria 10 SX | SX 160 | 156 | 312 | 156 | 156 | 156 |
| | SX 220 | 192 | 384 | 192 | 192 | 192 |
| | SX 270 | 830 | 1,660 | 830 | 830 | 830 |

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| 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.

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.



- Series (R_S) and parallel (R_T) on-chip termination (OCT) for all I/O banks with OCT calibration to limit the termination impedance variation
- On-chip dynamic termination that has the ability to swap between series and parallel termination, depending on whether there is read or write on a common bus for signal integrity
- Easy timing closure support using the hard read FIFO in the input register path, and delay-locked loop (DLL) delay chain with fine and coarse architecture

External Memory Interface

Intel Arria 10 devices offer massive external memory bandwidth, with up to seven 32-bit DDR4 memory interfaces running at up to 2,400 Mbps. This bandwidth provides additional ease of design, lower power, and resource efficiencies of hardened high-performance memory controllers.

The memory interface within Intel Arria 10 FPGAs and SoCs delivers the highest performance and ease of use. You can configure up to a maximum width of 144 bits when using the hard or soft memory controllers. If required, you can bypass the hard memory controller and use a soft controller implemented in the user logic.

Each I/O contains a hardened DDR read/write path (PHY) capable of performing key memory interface functionality such as read/write leveling, FIFO buffering to lower latency and improve margin, timing calibration, and on-chip termination.

The timing calibration is aided by the inclusion of hard microcontrollers based on Intel's Nios® II technology, specifically tailored to control the calibration of multiple memory interfaces. This calibration allows the Intel Arria 10 device to compensate for any changes in process, voltage, or temperature either within the Intel Arria 10 device itself, or within the external memory device. The advanced calibration algorithms ensure maximum bandwidth and robust timing margin across all operating conditions.

In addition to parallel memory interfaces, Intel Arria 10 devices support serial memory technologies such as the Hybrid Memory Cube (HMC). The HMC is supported by the Intel Arria 10 high-speed serial transceivers which connect up to four HMC links, with each link running at data rates up to 15 Gbps.

Related Information

[External Memory Interface Spec Estimator](#)

Provides a parametric tool that allows you to find and compare the performance of the supported external memory interfaces in IntelFPGAs.

Memory Standards Supported by Intel Arria 10 Devices

The I/Os are designed to provide high performance support for existing and emerging external memory standards.

**Table 20. Memory Standards Supported by the Hard Memory Controller**

This table lists the overall capability of the hard memory controller. For specific details, refer to the External Memory Interface Spec Estimator and Intel Arria 10 Device Datasheet.

| Memory Standard | Rate Support | Ping Pong PHY Support | Maximum Frequency (MHz) |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| DDR4 SDRAM | Quarter rate | Yes | 1,067 |
| | | — | 1,200 |
| DDR3 SDRAM | Half rate | Yes | 533 |
| | | — | 667 |
| | Quarter rate | Yes | 1,067 |
| | | — | 1,067 |
| DDR3L SDRAM | Half rate | Yes | 533 |
| | | — | 667 |
| | Quarter rate | Yes | 933 |
| | | — | 933 |
| LPDDR3 SDRAM | Half rate | — | 533 |
| | Quarter rate | — | 800 |

Table 21. Memory Standards Supported by the Soft Memory Controller

| Memory Standard | Rate Support | Maximum Frequency (MHz) |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| RLDRAM 3 ⁽¹¹⁾ | Quarter rate | 1,200 |
| QDR IV SRAM ⁽¹¹⁾ | Quarter rate | 1,067 |
| QDR II SRAM | Full rate | 333 |
| | Half rate | 633 |
| QDR II+ SRAM | Full rate | 333 |
| | Half rate | 633 |
| QDR II+ Xtreme SRAM | Full rate | 333 |
| | Half rate | 633 |

Table 22. Memory Standards Supported by the HPS Hard Memory Controller

The hard processor system (HPS) is available in Intel Arria 10 SoC devices only.

| Memory Standard | Rate Support | Maximum Frequency (MHz) |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| DDR4 SDRAM | Half rate | 1,200 |
| DDR3 SDRAM | Half rate | 1,067 |
| DDR3L SDRAM | Half rate | 933 |

⁽¹¹⁾ Intel Arria 10 devices support this external memory interface using hard PHY with soft memory controller.



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

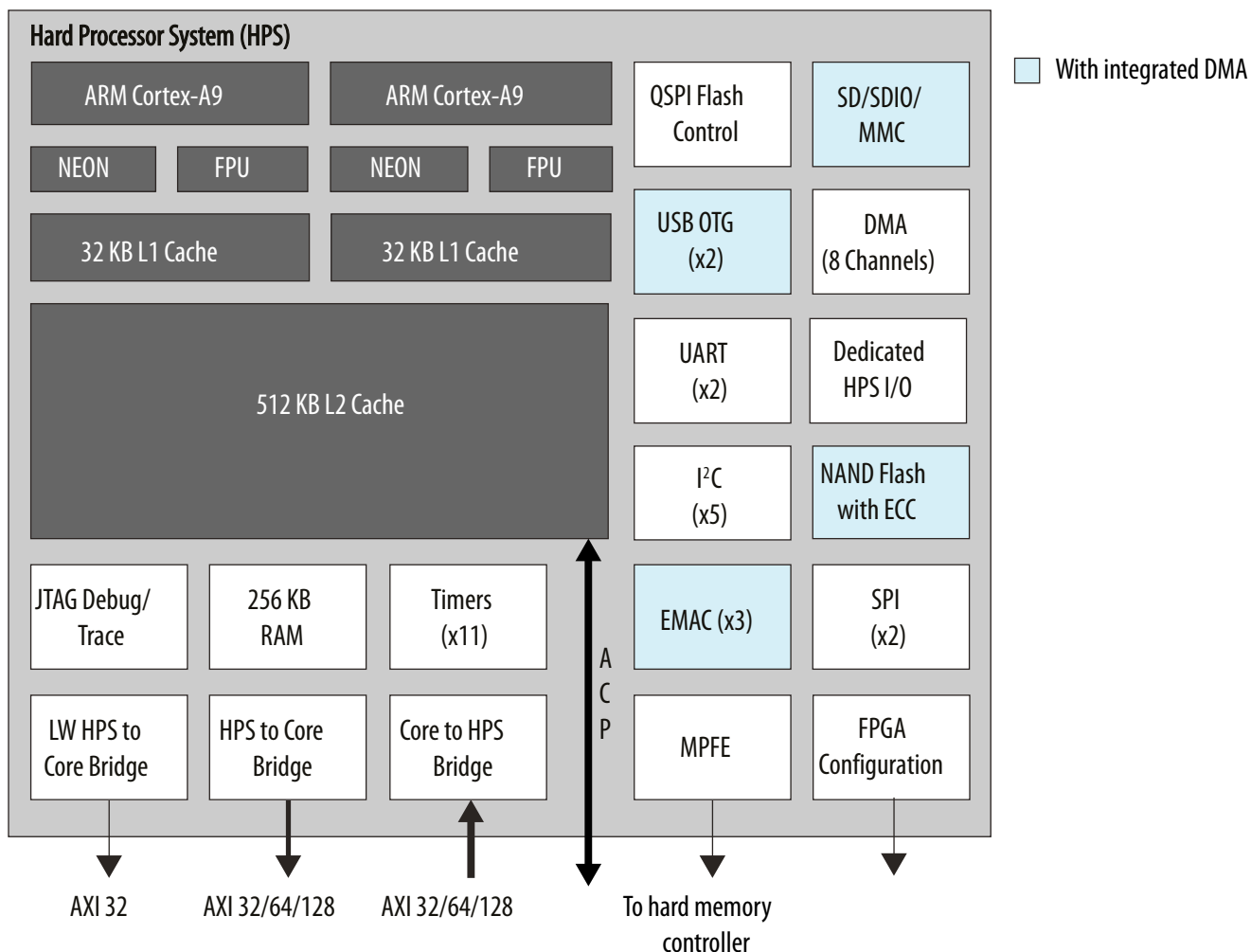
Each SoC device combines an FPGA fabric and a hard processor system (HPS) in a single device. This combination delivers the flexibility of programmable logic with the power and cost savings of hard IP in these ways:

- 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.

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) ⁽¹³⁾ | Decompression | Design Security ⁽¹⁴⁾ | Partial Reconfiguration ⁽¹⁵⁾ | Remote System Update |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| Fast passive parallel (FPP) through CPLD or external microcontroller | 8 bits | 100 | 3200 | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁷⁾ | PFL IP core |
| | 16 bits | | | Yes | Yes | | |
| | 32 bits | | | Yes | Yes | | |
| Configuration via HPS | 16 bits | 100 | 3200 | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁷⁾ | — |
| | 32 bits | | | Yes | Yes | | |
| Configuration via Protocol [CvP (PCIe*)] | x1, x2, x4, x8 lanes | — | 8000 | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁶⁾ | — |

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.

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

⁽¹⁴⁾ Encryption and compression cannot be used simultaneously.

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

⁽¹⁷⁾ Supported at a maximum clock rate of 100 MHz.



The optional power reduction techniques in Intel Arria 10 devices include:

- **SmartVID**—a code is programmed into each device during manufacturing that allows a smart regulator to operate the device at lower core V_{CC} while maintaining performance
- **Programmable Power Technology**—non-critical timing paths are identified by the Intel Quartus Prime software and the logic in these paths is biased for low power instead of high performance
- **Low Static Power Options**—devices are available with either standard static power or low static power while maintaining performance

Furthermore, Intel Arria 10 devices feature Intel's industry-leading low power transceivers and include a number of hard IP blocks that not only reduce logic resources but also deliver substantial power savings compared to soft implementations. In general, hard IP blocks consume up to 90% less power than the equivalent soft logic implementations.

Incremental Compilation

The Intel Quartus Prime software incremental compilation feature reduces compilation time and helps preserve performance to ease timing closure. The incremental compilation feature enables the partial reconfiguration flow for Intel Arria 10 devices.

Incremental compilation supports top-down, bottom-up, and team-based design flows. This feature facilitates modular, hierarchical, and team-based design flows where different designers compile their respective design sections in parallel. Furthermore, different designers or IP providers can develop and optimize different blocks of the design independently. These blocks can then be imported into the top level project.

Document Revision History for Intel Arria 10 Device Overview

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