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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 - 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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### **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	<ul> <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	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	<ul> <li>TSMC's 20-nm SoC process technology</li> <li>Allows operation at a lower V<sub>CC</sub> level of 0.82 V instead of the 0.9 V standard V<sub>CC</sub> core voltage</li> </ul>
Packaging	<ul> <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> <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	M20K—20-Kb memory blocks with hard error correction code (ECC)     Memory logic array block (MLAB)—640-bit memory
	continued

<sup>(1)</sup> Contact Intel for availability.



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

#### **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	<ul> <li>FPGA featuring:</li> <li>17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability.</li> <li>25.8 Gbps transceivers for supporting CAUI-4 and CEI-25G applications with CFP2 and CFP4 modules.</li> </ul>
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

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### Table 8. Package Plan for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices (F34, F35, NF40, and KF40)

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	F34 (35 mm × 35 mm, 1152-pin FBGA)			F35 (35 mm × 35 mm, 1152-pin FBGA)			KF40 (40 mm × 40 mm, 1517-pin FBGA)			NF40 (40 mm × 40 mm, 1517-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
GX 270	48	336	24	48	336	24	_	_	_	_	_	_
GX 320	48	336	24	48	336	24	_	_	_	_	_	_
GX 480	48	444	24	48	348	36	_	_	_	_	_	-
GX 570	48	444	24	48	348	36	96	600	36	48	540	48
GX 660	48	444	24	48	348	36	96	600	36	48	540	48
GX 900	_	504	24	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	600	48
GX 1150	_	504	24	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	600	48

### Table 9. Package Plan for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices (RF40, NF45, SF45, and UF45)

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	RF40 (40 mm × 40 mm, 1517-pin FBGA)			NF45 (45 mm × 45 mm) 1932-pin FBGA)			SF45 (45 mm × 45 mm) 1932-pin FBGA)			UF45 (45 mm × 45 mm) 1932-pin FBGA)		
	3 V I/O	LVDS I/O	XCVR									
GX 900	_	342	66	_	768	48	-	624	72	_	480	96
GX 1150	_	342	66	_	768	48	ı	624	72	ı	480	96

#### **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 GT**

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

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### **Available Options**

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





#### **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 (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-precision DSP Block		156	192	830	985	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 Tra	nsceiver	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-A9 MPCore Processor		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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 $<sup>^{(8)}</sup>$  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>(9)</sup> Each LVDS I/O pair can be used as differential input or output.



### I/O Vertical Migration for Intel Arria 10 Devices

#### Figure 4. Migration Capability Across Intel Arria 10 Product Lines

- The arrows indicate the migration paths. The devices included in each vertical migration path are shaded. Devices with fewer resources in the same path have lighter shades.
- To achieve the full I/O migration across product lines in the same migration path, restrict I/Os and transceivers usage to match the product line with the lowest I/O and transceiver counts.
- An LVDS I/O bank in the source device may be mapped to a 3 V I/O bank in the target device. To use
  memory interface clock frequency higher than 533 MHz, assign external memory interface pins only to
  banks that are LVDS I/O in both devices.
- There may be nominal 0.15 mm package height difference between some product lines in the same package type.
- Some migration paths are not shown in the Intel Quartus Prime software Pin Migration View.

Variant	Product						Package	e				
variant	Line	U19	F27	F29	F34	F35	KF40	NF40	RF40	NF45	SF45	UF45
	GX 160	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>								
	GX 220	<b>+</b>										
	GX 270				1	<b>1</b>						
	GX 320		<b>V</b>									
Intel® Arria® 10 GX	GX 480			<b>V</b>								
	GX 570						<b>1</b>	1				
	GX 660					<b>V</b>	<b>\</b>					
	GX 900								1	1	<b></b>	1
	GX 1150				<b>V</b>			<b>+</b>	+	+		<b>+</b>
Intel Arria 10 GT	GT 900											
intel Afria 10 G1	GT 1150										<b>V</b>	
	SX 160	1	1	1								
	SX 220	+										
	SX 270				1	<b>†</b>						
Intel Arria 10 SX	SX 320		<b>V</b>									
	SX 480			<b>V</b>								
	SX 570						<b>†</b>	<b>†</b>				
	SX 660				<b>*</b>							

Note:

To verify the pin migration compatibility, use the **Pin Migration View** window in the Intel Quartus Prime software Pin Planner.

### **Adaptive Logic Module**

Intel Arria 10 devices use a 20 nm ALM as the basic building block of the logic fabric.

The ALM architecture is the same as the previous generation FPGAs, allowing for efficient implementation of logic functions and easy conversion of IP between the device generations.

The ALM, as shown in following figure, uses an 8-input fracturable look-up table (LUT) with four dedicated registers to help improve timing closure in register-rich designs and achieve an even higher design packing capability than the traditional two-register per LUT architecture.



Figure 5. ALM for Intel Arria 10 Devices



The Intel Quartus Prime software optimizes your design according to the ALM logic structure and automatically maps legacy designs into the Intel Arria 10 ALM architecture.

### **Variable-Precision DSP Block**

The Intel Arria 10 variable precision DSP blocks support fixed-point arithmetic and floating-point arithmetic.

Features for fixed-point arithmetic:

- · High-performance, power-optimized, and fully registered multiplication operations
- 18-bit and 27-bit word lengths
- Two 18 x 19 multipliers or one 27 x 27 multiplier per DSP block
- Built-in addition, subtraction, and 64-bit double accumulation register to combine multiplication results
- Cascading 19-bit or 27-bit when pre-adder is disabled and cascading 18-bit when pre-adder is used to form the tap-delay line for filtering applications
- Cascading 64-bit output bus to propagate output results from one block to the next block without external logic support
- Hard pre-adder supported in 19-bit and 27-bit modes for symmetric filters
- Internal coefficient register bank in both 18-bit and 27-bit modes for filter implementation
- 18-bit and 27-bit systolic finite impulse response (FIR) filters with distributed output adder
- Biased rounding support

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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	<b>Product Line</b>	Variable- precision DSP Block		nput and Output ons Operator	18 x 19 Multiplier Adder Sum	18 x 18 Multiplier Adder
		DSP BIOCK	18 x 19 Multiplier	27 x 27 Multiplier	Mode Mode	Summed with 36 bit Input
AIntel Arria 10	GX 160	156	312	156	156	156
GX	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
GI	GT 1150	1,518	3,036	1,518	1,518	1,518
Intel Arria 10	SX 160	156	312	156	156	156
SX	SX 220	192	384	192 192		192
	SX 270	830	1,660	830	830	830
						continued



### **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

	Product	M20K		ML	Total RAM Bit	
Variant	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

<sup>(10)</sup> Supported through software emulation and consumes additional MLAB blocks.

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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<sub>OD</sub>) and programmable pre-emphasis



#### **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**

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### **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**

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#### **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.







#### **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 <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

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



#### 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	<ul> <li>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:</li> <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 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.</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 $^{\text{\tiny M}}$ ) 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.



Scheme	Data Width	Max Clock Rate (MHz)	Max Data Rate (Mbps)	Decompression	Design Security <sup>(1</sup> 4)	Partial Reconfiguration (15)	Remote System Update
Fast passive	8 bits	100	3200	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>(17)</sup>	PFL IP
parallel (FPP) through CPLD or	16 bits			Yes	Yes		core
external microcontroller	32 bits			Yes	Yes		
Configuration via	16 bits	100	3200	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>(17)</sup>	_
HPS	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.



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<sub>CC</sub> 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.

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