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# Understanding <u>Embedded - FPGAs (Field Programmable Gate Array)</u>

Embedded - FPGAs, or Field Programmable Gate Arrays, are advanced integrated circuits that offer unparalleled flexibility and performance for digital systems. Unlike traditional fixed-function logic devices, FPGAs can be programmed and reprogrammed to execute a wide array of logical operations, enabling customized functionality tailored to specific applications. This reprogrammability allows developers to iterate designs quickly and implement complex functions without the need for custom hardware.

### **Applications of Embedded - FPGAs**

The versatility of Embedded - FPGAs makes them indispensable in numerous fields. In telecommunications.

Details	
Product Status	Active
Number of LABs/CLBs	183590
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	480000
Total RAM Bits	5664768
Number of I/O	492
Number of Gates	-
Voltage - Supply	0.87V ~ 0.93V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 100°C (TJ)
Package / Case	1152-BBGA, FCBGA
Supplier Device Package	1152-FBGA, FC (35x35)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/10ax048h3f34e2sg

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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**

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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	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 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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#### **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	48,460	54,260	
	MLAB	9,386	12,984	
Variable-precision DSP Block		1,518	1,518	
18 x 19 Multiplier		3,036	3,036	
PLL	Fractional Synthesis	32	32	
	I/O	16	16	
Transceiver	17.4 Gbps	72 <sup>(5)</sup>	72 <sup>(5)</sup>	
	25.8 Gbps	6	6	
GPIO <sup>(6)</sup>		624	624	
LVDS Pair <sup>(7)</sup>		312	312	
PCIe Hard IP Block		4	4	
Hard Memory Controller		16	16	

#### **Related Information**

Intel Arria 10 GT Channel Usage

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

### **Package Plan**

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

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

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

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

<sup>(6)</sup> The number of GPIOs does not include transceiver I/Os. In the Intel Quartus Prime software, the number of user I/Os includes transceiver I/Os.

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



#### **Related Information**

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

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

### **Intel Arria 10 SX**

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

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#### **Related Information**

Intel FPGA Product Selector

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### **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.



#### **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-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-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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 $<sup>^{(8)}</sup>$  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.



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	M2	20K	ML	.AB	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.



- Series (R<sub>S</sub>) and parallel (R<sub>T</sub>) 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 <sup>(11)</sup>	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

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



#### **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**

PCS Features on page 30

### **10 Gbps Ethernet Support**

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







### **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.



#### 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.



### **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.

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September 2017  July 2017  July 2017  May 2017	2017.09.20 2017.07.13 2017.07.06 2017.05.08	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Updated short reach transceiver rate for Intel Arria 10 GT devices to 25.8 Gbps.</li> <li>Removed On-Die Instrumentation — EyeQ and Jitter Margin Tool support from PMA Features of the Transceivers in Intel Arria 10 Devices table.</li> <li>Updated the maximum speed of the DDR4 external memory interface from 1,333 MHz/2,666 Mbps to 1,200 MHz/2,400 Mbps.</li> <li>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".</li> <li>Added automotive temperature option to Intel Arria 10 GX device family.</li> </ul>
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May 2017	2017.05.08	
		<ul> <li>Corrected protocol names with "1588" to "IEEE 1588v2".</li> <li>Updated the vertical migration table to remove vertical migration between Intel Arria 10 GX and Intel Arria 10 SX device variants.</li> <li>Removed all "Preliminary" marks.</li> </ul>
March 2017	2017.03.15	<ul> <li>Removed the topic about migration from Intel Arria 10 to Intel Stratix 10 devices.</li> <li>Rebranded as Intel.</li> </ul>
October 2016	2016.10.31	<ul> <li>Removed package F36 from Intel Arria 10 GX devices.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
May 2016	2016.05.02	<ul> <li>Updated the FPGA Configuration and HPS Booting topic.</li> <li>Remove V<sub>CC</sub> 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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Removed transceiver speed grade 5 from the Device Variants and Packages topic for Arria 10 GX and SX devices.</li> </ul>
February 2016	2016.02.11	<ul> <li>Changed the maximum Arria 10 GT datarate to 25.8 Gbps and the minimum datarate to 1 Gbps globally.</li> <li>Revised the state for Core clock networks in the Summary of Features topic.</li> <li>Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Summary of Features for Arria 10 Devices" table.</li> <li>Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Maximum Resource Counts for Arria 10 GT Devices" table.</li> <li>Changed the package availability for GT devices in the "Package Plan for Arria 10 GT Devices" table.</li> <li>Changed the package configurations for GT devices in the "Migration Capability Across Arria 10 Product Lines" figure.</li> <li>Changed transceiver parameters in the "Low Power Serial Transceivers" section.</li> <li>Changed the transceiver descriptions in the "Device Variants for the Arria 10 Device Family" table.</li> <li>Changed the "Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Arria 10 GT Devices" figure.</li> <li>Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PMA Features" section.</li> <li>Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PCS Features" section.</li> </ul>



Date	Version	Changes
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 <b>Number of Multipliers in Intel Arria 10 Devices</b> table.
		<ul> <li>Updated the available options for Arria 10 GX, GT, and SX.</li> <li>Changed instances of <i>Quartus II</i> to <i>Quartus Prime</i>.</li> </ul>
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.
		<ul> <li>Removed support for DDR3U, LPDDR3 SDRAM, RLDRAM 2, and DDR2.</li> <li>Moved RLDRAM 3 support from hard memory controller to soft memory controller. RLDRAM 3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller.</li> </ul>
		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.
		continued