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## Understanding Embedded - FPGAs (Field Programmable Gate Array)

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 | 339620 |
| Number of Logic Elements/Cells | 900000 |
| Total RAM Bits | 59234304 |
| Number of I/O | 624 |
| Number of Gates | - |
| Voltage - Supply | 0.87V ~ 0.93V |
| Mounting Type | Surface Mount |
| Operating Temperature | -40°C ~ 100°C (TJ) |
| Package / Case | 1932-BBGA, FCBGA |
| Supplier Device Package | 1932-FCBGA (45x45) |
| Purchase URL | https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/10ax090s4f45i3sg |

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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<br>• 60% higher performance than the previous generation of mid-range FPGAs<br>• 15% higher performance than the fastest previous-generation FPGA |
| High-bandwidth integrated transceivers | • Short-reach rates up to 25.8 Gigabits per second (Gbps)<br>• Backplane capability up to 12.5 Gbps<br>• Integrated 10GBASE-KR and 40GBASE-KR4 Forward Error Correction (FEC) |
| Improved logic integration and hard IP blocks | • 8-input adaptive logic module (ALM)<br>• Up to 65.6 megabits (Mb) of embedded memory<br>• Variable-precision digital signal processing (DSP) blocks<br>• Fractional synthesis phase-locked loops (PLLs)<br>• Hard PCI Express Gen3 IP blocks<br>• 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)<br>• 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<br>• Power-optimized MultiTrack routing and core architecture<br>• Up to 40% lower power compared to previous generation of mid-range FPGAs<br>• Up to 60% lower power compared to previous generation of high-end FPGAs |

# Summary of Intel Arria 10 Features

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

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

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(1) Contact Intel for availability.

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

### Related Information

Intel Arria 10 Transceiver PHY Overview
Provides details on Intel Arria 10 transceivers.

## Intel Arria 10 Device Variants and Packages

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

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

## Intel Arria 10 GX

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

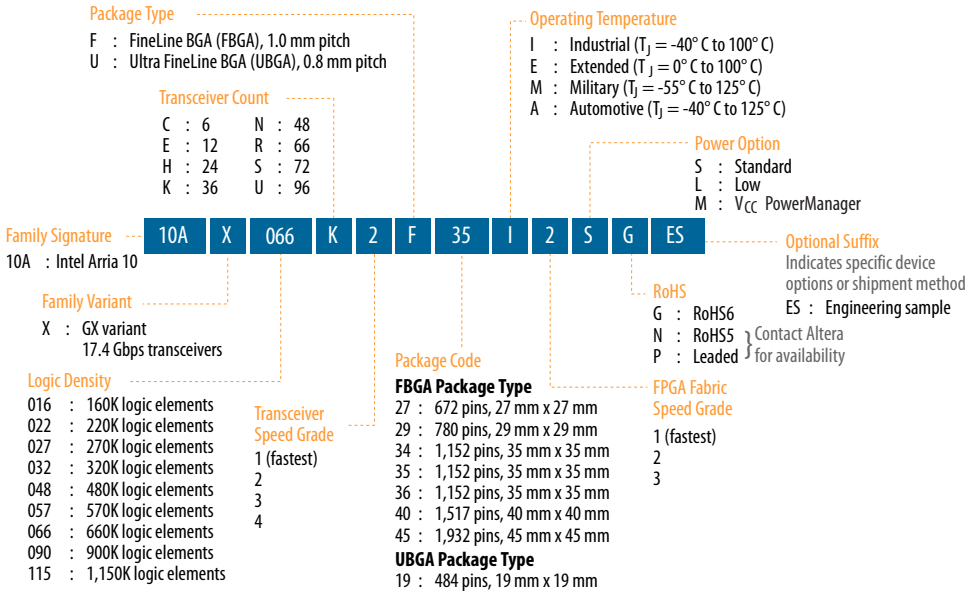
The information in this section is correct at the time of publication. For the latest information and to get more details, refer to the Intel FPGA Product Selector.

### Related Information

Intel FPGA Product Selector
Provides the latest information on Intel products.

## Available Options

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




### Related Information

Transceiver Performance for Intel Arria 10 GX/SX Devices
Provides more information about the transceiver speed grade.

## Maximum Resources

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

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

(3) 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.

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

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

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

## Maximum Resources

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

| Resource | | 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 Multiplier | | 312 | 384 | 1,660 | 1,970 | 2,736 | 3,046 | 3,374 |
| PLL | Fractional Synthesis | 6 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 16 |
| | I/O | 6 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 16 |
| 17.4 Gbps Transceiver | | 12 | 12 | 24 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 48 |
| GPIO (8) | | 288 | 288 | 384 | 384 | 492 | 696 | 696 |
| LVDS Pair (9) | | 120 | 120 | 168 | 168 | 174 | 324 | 324 |
| PCIe Hard IP 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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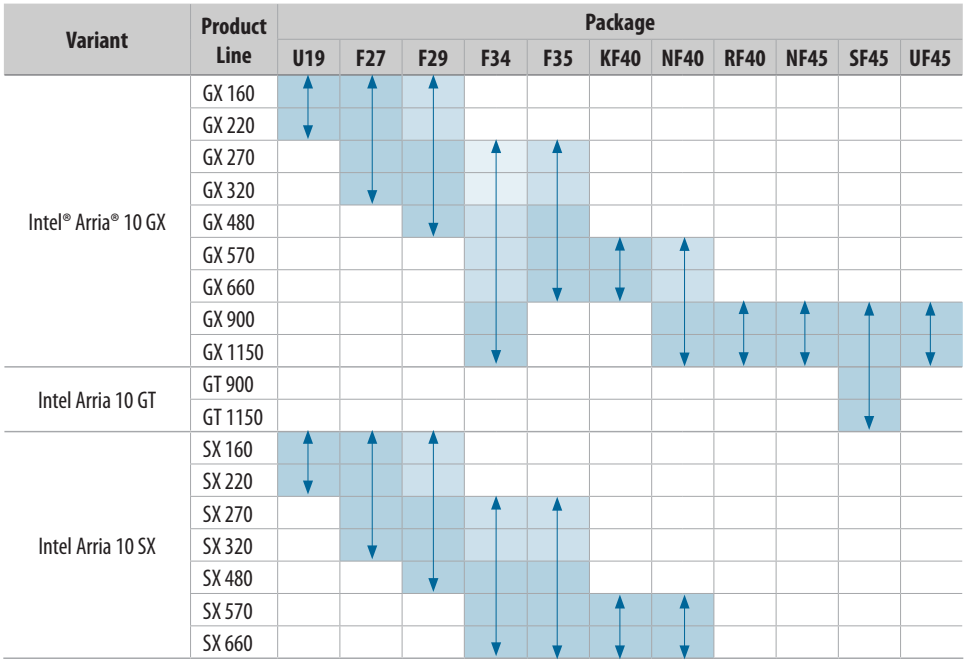
(8) The number of GPIOs does not include transceiver I/Os. In the Intel Quartus Prime software, the number of user I/Os includes transceiver I/Os.

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

# 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**.




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

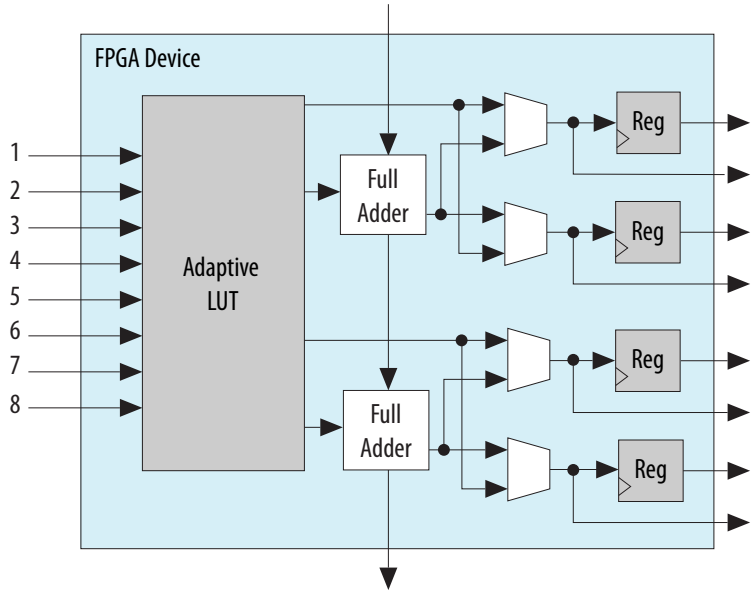
# Adaptive Logic Module

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

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 | | |
| AIntel 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.

The fractional synthesis PLLs support the following features:

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

### I/O PLLs

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

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

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

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

## FPGA General Purpose I/O

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

The following list describes the features of the GPIOs:

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

- 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.

**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.

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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.

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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.

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

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

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

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## Low Power Serial Transceivers

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

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

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

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

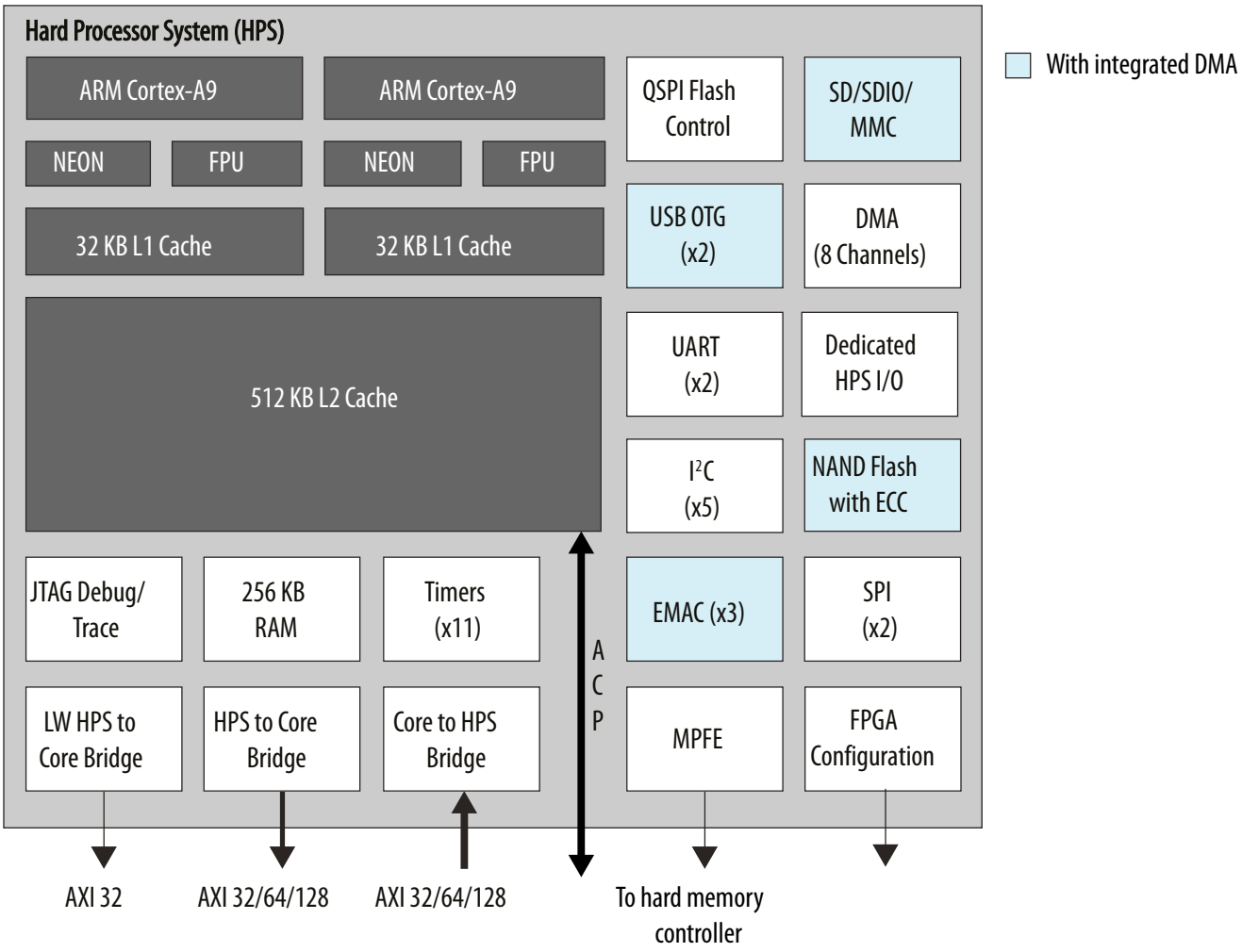
- Chip-to-chip and chip-to-module applications—from 1 Gbps up to 25.8 Gbps
- Long reach and backplane applications—from 1 Gbps up to 12.5 with advanced adaptive equalization
- Critical power sensitive applications—from 1 Gbps up to 11.3 Gbps using lower power modes

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

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

**Figure 9. HPS Block Diagram**

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




## Key Advantages of 20-nm HPS

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

## Table 24. Improvements in 20 nm HPS

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

| Advantages/ Improvements | Description |
|---|---|
| Increased performance and overdrive capability | While the nominal processor frequency is 1.2 GHz, the 20 nm HPS offers an "overdrive" feature which enables a higher processor operating frequency. This requires a higher supply voltage value that is unique to the HPS and may require a separate regulator. |
| Increased processor memory bandwidth and DDR4 support | Up to 64-bit DDR4 memory at 2,400 Mbps support is available for the processor. The hard memory controller for the HPS comprises a multi-port front end that manages connections to a single port memory controller. The multi-port front end allows logic core and the HPS to share ports and thereby the available bandwidth of the memory controller. |
| Flexible I/O sharing | An advanced I/O pin muxing scheme allows improved sharing of I/O between the HPS and the core logic. The following types of I/O are available for SoC:<br>• 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.<br>• 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.<br>• Standard (shared) I/O—all standard I/Os can be shared by the HPS peripherals and any logic within the core. For designs where more than 48 I/Os are required to fully use all the peripherals in the HPS, these I/Os can be connected through the core logic. |
| 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 $I^2C$ 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.<br>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). |

Instead of placing all device functions in the FPGA fabric, you can store some functions that do not run simultaneously in external memory and load them only when required. This capability increases the effective logic density of the device, and lowers cost and power consumption.

In the Intel solution, you do not have to worry about intricate device architecture to perform a partial reconfiguration. The partial reconfiguration capability is built into the Intel Quartus Prime design software, making such time-intensive task simple.

Intel Arria 10 devices support partial reconfiguration in the following configuration options:

- Using an internal host:
  - All supported configuration modes where the FPGA has access to external memory devices such as serial and parallel flash memory.
  - Configuration via Protocol [CvP (PCIe)]
- Using an external host—passive serial (PS), fast passive parallel (FPP) x8, FPP x16, and FPP x32 I/O interface.

## Enhanced Configuration and Configuration via Protocol

### Table 25. Configuration Schemes and Features of Intel Arria 10 Devices

Intel Arria 10 devices support 1.8 V programming voltage and several configuration schemes.

| Scheme | Data Width | Max Clock Rate (MHz) | Max Data Rate (Mbps) (13) | Decompression | Design Security (14) | Partial Reconfiguration (15) | Remote System Update |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| JTAG | 1 bit | 33 | 33 | — | — | Yes(16) | — |
| Active Serial (AS) through the EPCQ-L configuration device | 1 bit, 4 bits | 100 | 400 | Yes | Yes | Yes(16) | Yes |
| Passive serial (PS) through CPLD or external microcontroller | 1 bit | 100 | 100 | Yes | Yes | Yes(16) | Parallel Flash Loader (PFL) IP core |

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(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.

(16) Partial configuration can be performed only when it is configured as internal host.

| 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.