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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

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| Product Status | Discontinued at Digi-Key |
| Number of LABs/CLBs | 427200 |
| Number of Logic Elements/Cells | 1150000 |
| Total RAM Bits | 68857856 |
| Number of I/O | 480 |
| 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/10ax115u3f45i2sges |



| Feature | Description | |
|---|---|--|
| Low-power serial transceivers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continuous operating range:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— Intel Arria 10 GX—1 Gbps to 17.4 Gbps— Intel Arria 10 GT—1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps• Backplane support:<ul style="list-style-type: none">— Intel Arria 10 GX—up to 12.5— Intel Arria 10 GT—up to 12.5• Extended range down to 125 Mbps with oversampling• ATX transmit PLLs with user-configurable fractional synthesis capability• Electronic Dispersion Compensation (EDC) support for XFP, SFP+, QSFP, and CFP optical module• Adaptive linear and decision feedback equalization• Transmitter pre-emphasis and de-emphasis• Dynamic partial reconfiguration of individual transceiver channels | |
| HPS (Intel Arria 10 SX devices only) | Processor and system | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor—1.2 GHz CPU with 1.5 GHz overdrive capability• 256 KB on-chip RAM and 64 KB on-chip ROM• System peripherals—general-purpose timers, watchdog timers, direct memory access (DMA) controller, FPGA configuration manager, and clock and reset managers• Security features—anti-tamper, secure boot, Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) and authentication (SHA)• ARM CoreSight* JTAG debug access port, trace port, and on-chip trace storage |
| | External interfaces | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hard memory interface—Hard memory controller (2,400 Mbps DDR4, and 2,133 Mbps DDR3), Quad serial peripheral interface (QSPI) flash controller, NAND flash controller, direct memory access (DMA) controller, Secure Digital/MultiMediaCard (SD/MMC) controller• Communication interface— 10/100/1000 Ethernet media access control (MAC), USB On-The-Go (OTG) controllers, I²C controllers, UART 16550, serial peripheral interface (SPI), and up to 62 HPS GPIO interfaces (48 direct-share I/Os) |
| | Interconnects to core | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High-performance ARM AMBA* AXI bus bridges that support simultaneous read and write• HPS-FPGA bridges—include the FPGA-to-HPS, HPS-to-FPGA, and lightweight HPS-to-FPGA bridges that allow the FPGA fabric to issue transactions to slaves in the HPS, and vice versa• Configuration bridge that allows HPS configuration manager to configure the core logic via dedicated 32-bit configuration port• FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM controller bridge—provides configuration interfaces for the multiport front end (MPFE) of the HPS SDRAM controller |
| Configuration | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tamper protection—comprehensive design protection to protect your valuable IP investments• Enhanced 256-bit advanced encryption standard (AES) design security with authentication• Configuration via protocol (CvP) using PCIe Gen1, Gen2, or Gen3 | |
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⁽²⁾ Intel Arria 10 devices support this external memory interface using hard PHY with soft memory controller.



| Feature | Description |
|--------------------|---|
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dynamic reconfiguration of the transceivers and PLLsFine-grained partial reconfiguration of the core fabricActive Serial x4 Interface |
| Power management | <ul style="list-style-type: none">SmartVIDLow static power device optionsProgrammable Power TechnologyIntel Quartus Prime integrated power analysis |
| Software and tools | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Intel Quartus Prime design suiteTransceiver toolkitPlatform Designer system integration toolDSP Builder for Intel FPGAsOpenCL™ supportIntel 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability.25.8 Gbps transceivers for supporting CAUI-4 and CEI-25G applications with CFP2 and CFP4 modules. |
| Intel Arria 10 SX | SoC integrating ARM-based HPS and FPGA featuring 17.4 Gbps transceivers for short reach applications with 12.5 backplane driving capability. |

Intel Arria 10 GX

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

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

Related Information

[Intel FPGA Product Selector](#)

Provides the latest information on Intel products.



Available Options

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



Related Information

Transceiver Performance for Intel Arria 10 GX/SX Devices

Provides more information about the transceiver speed grade.



Available Options

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





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 Line | Package | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | U19 | F27 | F29 | F34 | F35 | KF40 | NF40 | RF40 | NF45 | SF45 | UF45 |
| Intel® Arria® 10 GX | GX 160 | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | | | |
| | GX 220 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | | | | | | | | |
| | GX 270 | | ↓ | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | GX 320 | | ↓ | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | GX 480 | | | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | GX 570 | | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | |
| | GX 660 | | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ |
| | GX 900 | | | | ↑ | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ |
| | GX 1150 | | | | ↑ | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ |
| | GT 900 | | | | | | | | | | ↑ | ↑ |
| | GT 1150 | | | | | | | | | | ↑ | ↑ |
| Intel Arria 10 SX | SX 160 | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | | | |
| | SX 220 | ↓ | ↓ | ↓ | | | | | | | | |
| | SX 270 | | ↓ | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | SX 320 | | ↓ | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | SX 480 | | | ↓ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | | | |
| | SX 570 | | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | |
| | SX 660 | | | | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | ↑ | | | | |
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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

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.

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

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

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

Table 21. Memory Standards Supported by the Soft Memory Controller

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

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

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

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

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



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

[PCS Features](#) on page 30

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.

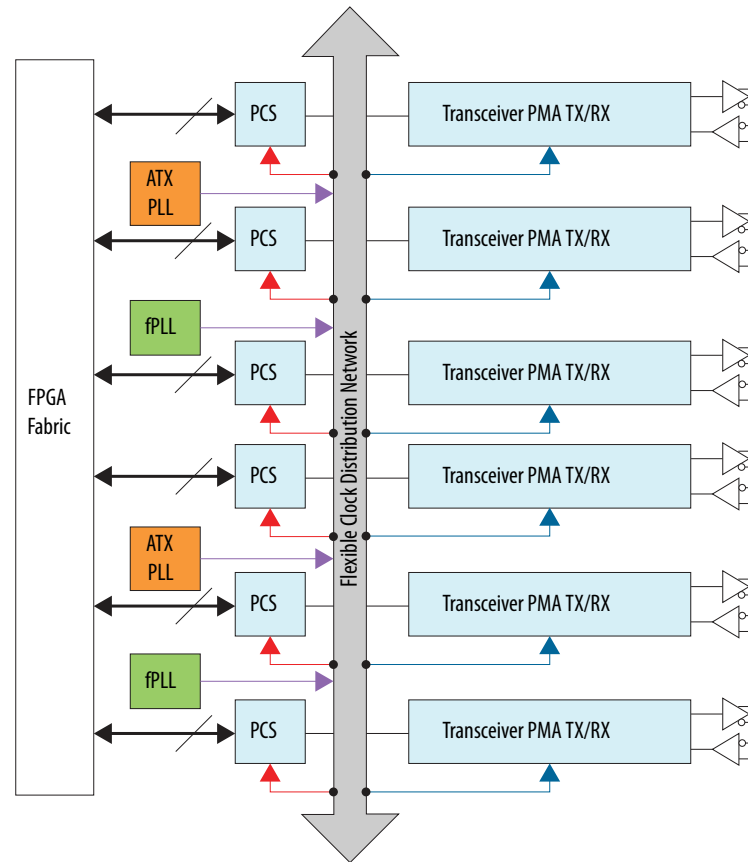
Related Information

[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.

Figure 6. Intel Arria 10 Transceiver Block Architecture



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 pre-processing functions before transferring data to the FPGA core fabric.

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

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

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



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

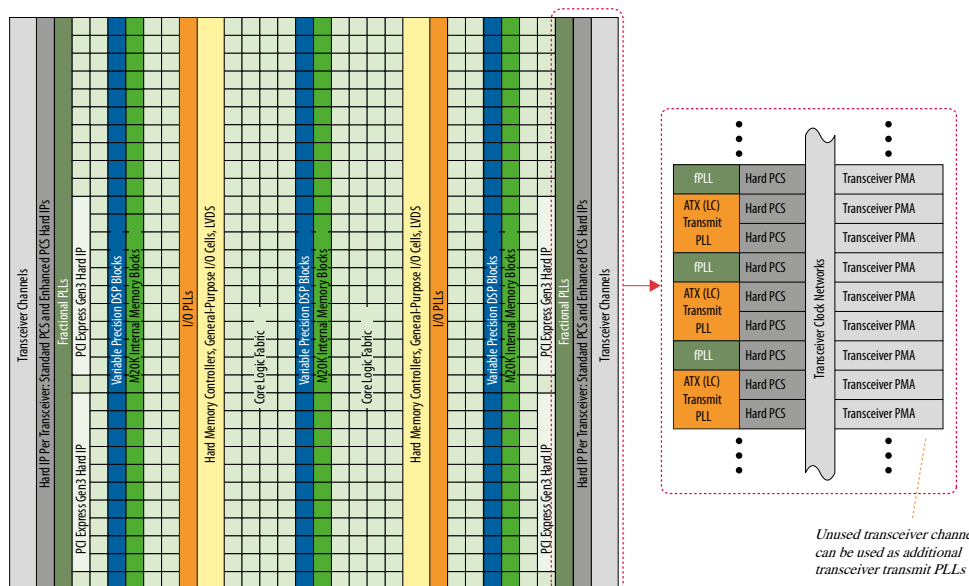
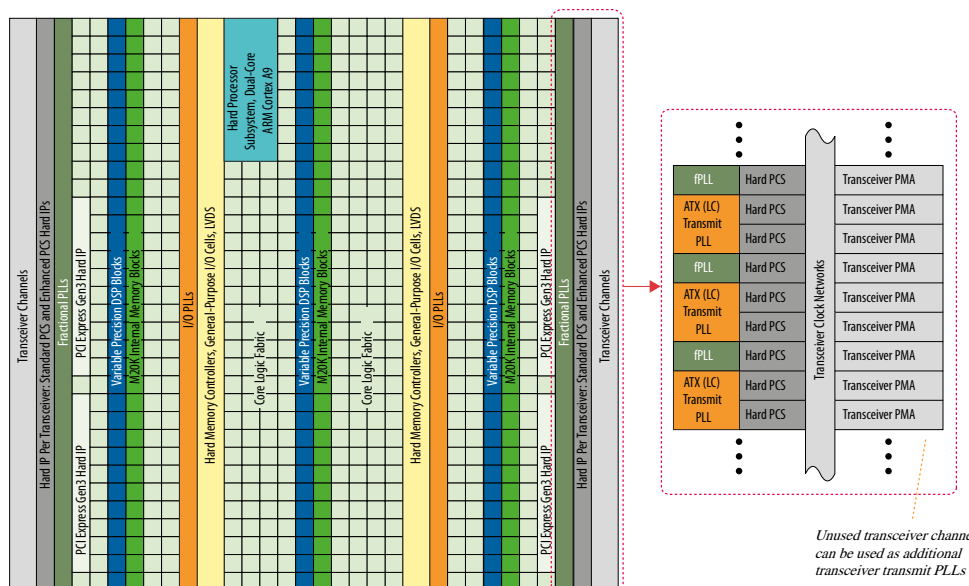


Figure 8. Device Chip Overview for Intel Arria 10 SX Devices



PMA Features

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



Each transceiver channel contains a channel PLL that can be used as the CMU PLL or clock data recovery (CDR) PLL. In CDR mode, the channel PLL recovers the receiver clock and data in the transceiver channel. Up to 80 independent data rates can be configured on a single Intel Arria 10 device.

Table 23. PMA Features of the Transceivers in Intel Arria 10 Devices

| Feature | Capability |
|---|--|
| Chip-to-Chip Data Rates | 1 Gbps to 17.4 Gbps (Intel Arria 10 GX devices) 1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps (Intel Arria 10 GT devices) |
| Backplane Support | Drive backplanes at data rates up to 12.5 Gbps |
| Optical Module Support | SFP+/SFP, XFP, CXP, QSFP/QSFP28, CFP/CFP2/CFP4 |
| Cable Driving Support | SFP+ Direct Attach, PCI Express over cable, eSATA |
| Transmit Pre-Emphasis | 4-tap transmit pre-emphasis and de-emphasis to compensate for system channel loss |
| Continuous Time Linear Equalizer (CTLE) | Dual mode, high-gain, and high-data rate, linear receive equalization to compensate for system channel loss |
| Decision Feedback Equalizer (DFE) | 7-fixed and 4-floating tap DFE to equalize backplane channel loss in the presence of crosstalk and noisy environments |
| Variable Gain Amplifier | Optimizes the signal amplitude prior to the CDR sampling and operates in fixed and adaptive modes |
| Altera Digital Adaptive Parametric Tuning (ADAPT) | Fully digital adaptation engine to automatically adjust all link equalization parameters—including CTLE, DFE, and variable gain amplifier blocks—that provide optimal link margin without intervention from user logic |
| Precision Signal Integrity Calibration Engine (PreSICE) | Hardened calibration controller to quickly calibrate all transceiver control parameters on power-up, which provides the optimal signal integrity and jitter performance |
| Advanced Transmit (ATX) PLL | Low jitter ATX (LC tank based) PLLs with continuous tuning range to cover a wide range of standard and proprietary protocols |
| Fractional PLLs | On-chip fractional frequency synthesizers to replace on-board crystal oscillators and reduce system cost |
| Digitally Assisted Analog CDR | Superior jitter tolerance with fast lock time |
| Dynamic Partial Reconfiguration | Allows independent control of the Avalon memory-mapped interface of each transceiver channel for the highest transceiver flexibility |
| Multiple PCS-PMA and PCS-PLD interface widths | 8-, 10-, 16-, 20-, 32-, 40-, or 64-bit interface widths for flexibility of deserialization width, encoding, and reduced latency |

PCS Features

This table summarizes the Intel Arria 10 transceiver PCS features. You can use the transceiver PCS to support a wide range of protocols ranging from 1 Gbps to 25.8 Gbps.



| Protocol | Data Rate (Gbps) | Transceiver IP | PCS Support |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| CPRI 6.0 (64B/66B) | 0.6144 to 10.1376 | Native PHY | Enhanced PCS |
| CPRI 4.2 (8B/10B) | 0.6144 to 9.8304 | Native PHY | Standard PCS |
| OBSAI RP3 v4.2 | 0.6144 to 6.144 | Native PHY | Standard PCS |
| SD-SDI/HD-SDI/3G-SDI | 0.143 ⁽¹²⁾ to 2.97 | Native PHY | Standard PCS |

Related Information

[Intel Arria 10 Transceiver PHY User Guide](#)

Provides more information about the supported transceiver protocols and PHY IP, the PMA architecture, and the standard, enhanced, and PCIe Gen3 PCS architecture.

SoC with Hard Processor System

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

- Reduces board space, system power, and bill of materials cost by eliminating a discrete embedded processor
- Allows you to differentiate the end product in both hardware and software, and to support virtually any interface standard
- Extends the product life and revenue through in-field hardware and software updates

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

System Peripherals and Debug Access Port

Each Ethernet MAC, USB OTG, NAND flash controller, and SD/MMC controller module has an integrated DMA controller. For modules without an integrated DMA controller, an additional DMA controller module provides up to eight channels of high-bandwidth data transfers. Peripherals that communicate off-chip are multiplexed with other peripherals at the HPS pin level. This allows you to choose which peripherals interface with other devices on your PCB.

The debug access port provides interfaces to industry standard JTAG debug probes and supports ARM CoreSight debug and core traces to facilitate software development.

HPS-FPGA AXI Bridges

The HPS-FPGA bridges, which support the Advanced Microcontroller Bus Architecture (AMBA) Advanced eXtensible Interface (AXI™) specifications, consist of the following bridges:

- FPGA-to-HPS AMBA AXI bridge—a high-performance bus supporting 32, 64, and 128 bit data widths that allows the FPGA fabric to issue transactions to slaves in the HPS.
- HPS-to-FPGA Avalon/AMBA AXI bridge—a high-performance bus supporting 32, 64, and 128 bit data widths that allows the HPS to issue transactions to slaves in the FPGA fabric.
- Lightweight HPS-to-FPGA AXI bridge—a lower latency 32 bit width bus that allows the HPS to issue transactions to soft peripherals in the FPGA fabric. This bridge is primarily used for control and status register (CSR) accesses to peripherals in the FPGA fabric.

The HPS-FPGA AXI bridges allow masters in the FPGA fabric to communicate with slaves in the HPS logic, and vice versa. For example, the HPS-to-FPGA AXI bridge allows you to share memories instantiated in the FPGA fabric with one or both microprocessors in the HPS, while the FPGA-to-HPS AXI bridge allows logic in the FPGA fabric to access the memory and peripherals in the HPS.

Each HPS-FPGA bridge also provides asynchronous clock crossing for data transferred between the FPGA fabric and the HPS.

HPS SDRAM Controller Subsystem

The HPS SDRAM controller subsystem contains a multiport SDRAM controller and DDR PHY that are shared between the FPGA fabric (through the FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM interface), the level 2 (L2) cache, and the level 3 (L3) system interconnect. The FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM interface supports AMBA AXI and Avalon® Memory-Mapped (Avalon-MM) interface standards, and provides up to six individual ports for access by masters implemented in the FPGA fabric.

The HPS SDRAM controller supports up to 3 masters (command ports), 3x 64-bit read data ports and 3x 64-bit write data ports.

To maximize memory performance, the SDRAM controller subsystem supports command and data reordering, deficit round-robin arbitration with aging, and high-priority bypass features.



FPGA Configuration and HPS Booting

The FPGA fabric and HPS in the SoC FPGA must be powered at the same time. You can reduce the clock frequencies or gate the clocks to reduce dynamic power.

Once powered, the FPGA fabric and HPS can be configured independently thus providing you with more design flexibility:

- You can boot the HPS independently. After the HPS is running, the HPS can fully or partially reconfigure the FPGA fabric at any time under software control. The HPS can also configure other FPGAs on the board through the FPGA configuration controller.
- Configure the FPGA fabric first, and then boot the HPS from memory accessible to the FPGA fabric.

Hardware and Software Development

For hardware development, you can configure the HPS and connect your soft logic in the FPGA fabric to the HPS interfaces using the Platform Designer system integration tool in the Intel Quartus Prime software.

For software development, the ARM-based SoC FPGA devices inherit the rich software development ecosystem available for the ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor. The software development process for Intel SoC FPGAs follows the same steps as those for other SoC devices from other manufacturers. Support for Linux*, VxWorks*, and other operating systems are available for the SoC FPGAs. For more information on the operating systems support availability, contact the Intel FPGA sales team.

You can begin device-specific firmware and software development on the Intel SoC FPGA Virtual Target. The Virtual Target is a fast PC-based functional simulation of a target development system—a model of a complete development board. The Virtual Target enables the development of device-specific production software that can run unmodified on actual hardware.

Dynamic and Partial Reconfiguration

The Intel Arria 10 devices support dynamic and partial reconfiguration. You can use dynamic and partial reconfiguration simultaneously to enable seamless reconfiguration of both the device core and transceivers.

Dynamic Reconfiguration

You can reconfigure the PMA and PCS blocks while the device continues to operate. This feature allows you to change the data rates, protocol, and analog settings of a channel in a transceiver bank without affecting on-going data transfer in other transceiver banks. This feature is ideal for applications that require dynamic multiprotocol or multirate support.

Partial Reconfiguration

Using partial reconfiguration, you can reconfigure some parts of the device while keeping the device in operation.



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.



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

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

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

Incremental Compilation

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

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

Document Revision History for Intel Arria 10 Device Overview

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| 2018.04.09 | Updated the lowest V_{CC} from 0.83 V to 0.82 V in the topic listing a summary of the device features. |

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| January 2018 | 2018.01.17 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Updated the maximum data rate for HPS (Intel Arria 10 SX devices external memory interface DDR3 controller from 2,166 Mbps to 2,133 Mbps.• Updated maximum frequency supported for half rate QDR II and QDR II + SRAM to 633 MHz in <i>Memory Standards Supported by the Soft Memory Controller</i> table.• Updated transceiver backplane capability to 12.5 Gbps.• Removed transceiver speed grade 5 in <i>Sample Ordering Core and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 GX Devices</i> figure. |
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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removed package code 40, low static power, SmartVID, industrial, and military operating temperature support from <i>Sample Ordering Core and Available Options for Intel Arria 10 GT Devices</i> figure. Updated short reach transceiver rate for Intel Arria 10 GT devices to 25.8 Gbps. Removed On-Die Instrumentation — EyeQ and Jitter Margin Tool support from <i>PMA Features of the Transceivers in Intel Arria 10 Devices</i> table. |
| September 2017 | 2017.09.20 | Updated the maximum speed of the DDR4 external memory interface from 1,333 MHz/2,666 Mbps to 1,200 MHz/2,400 Mbps. |
| July 2017 | 2017.07.13 | 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". |
| July 2017 | 2017.07.06 | Added automotive temperature option to Intel Arria 10 GX device family. |
| May 2017 | 2017.05.08 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corrected protocol names with "1588" to "IEEE 1588v2". Updated the vertical migration table to remove vertical migration between Intel Arria 10 GX and Intel Arria 10 SX device variants. Removed all "Preliminary" marks. |
| March 2017 | 2017.03.15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removed the topic about migration from Intel Arria 10 to Intel Stratix 10 devices. Rebranded as Intel. |
| October 2016 | 2016.10.31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removed package F36 from Intel Arria 10 GX devices. Updated Intel Arria 10 GT sample ordering code and maximum GX transceiver count. Intel Arria 10 GT devices are available only in the SF45 package option with a maximum of 72 transceivers. |
| May 2016 | 2016.05.02 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated the FPGA Configuration and HPS Booting topic. Remove V_{CC} PowerManager from the Summary of Features, Power Management and Arria 10 Device Variants and packages topics. This feature is no longer supported in Arria 10 devices. Removed LPDDR3 from the Memory Standards Supported by the HPS Hard Memory Controller table in the Memory Standards Supported by Intel Arria 10 Devices topic. This standard is only supported by the FPGA. Removed transceiver speed grade 5 from the Device Variants and Packages topic for Arria 10 GX and SX devices. |
| February 2016 | 2016.02.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changed the maximum Arria 10 GT datarate to 25.8 Gbps and the minimum datarate to 1 Gbps globally. Revised the state for Core clock networks in the Summary of Features topic. Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Summary of Features for Arria 10 Devices" table. Changed the transceiver parameters in the "Maximum Resource Counts for Arria 10 GT Devices" table. Changed the package availability for GT devices in the "Package Plan for Arria 10 GT Devices" table. Changed the package configurations for GT devices in the "Migration Capability Across Arria 10 Product Lines" figure. Changed transceiver parameters in the "Low Power Serial Transceivers" section. Changed the transceiver descriptions in the "Device Variants for the Arria 10 Device Family" table. Changed the "Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Arria 10 GT Devices" figure. Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PMA Features" section. Changed the datarates for GT devices in the "PCS Features" section. |
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| December 2015 | 2015.12.14 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated the maximum resources for Arria 10 GX 220, GX 320, GX 480, GX 660, SX 220, SX 320, SX 480, and SX 660. Updated resource count for Arria 10 GX 320, GX 480, GX 660, SX 320, SX 480, a SX 660 devices in Number of Multipliers in Intel Arria 10 Devices table. Updated the available options for Arria 10 GX, GT, and SX. Changed instances of <i>Quartus II</i> to <i>Quartus Prime</i>. |
| June 2015 | 2015.06.15 | Corrected label for Intel Arria 10 GT product lines in the vertical migration figure. |
| May 2015 | 2015.05.15 | Corrected the DDR3 half rate and quarter rate maximum frequencies in the table that lists the memory standards supported by the Intel Arria 10 hard memory controller. |
| May 2015 | 2015.05.04 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added floating point arithmetic features in the Summary of Features table. Updated the total embedded memory from 38.38 megabits (Mb) to 65.6 Mb. Updated the table that lists the memory standards supported by Intel Arria 10 devices. Removed support for DDR3U, LPDDR3 SDRAM, RLDRAM 2, and DDR2. Moved RLDRAM 3 support from hard memory controller to soft memory controller. RLDRAM 3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller. Added soft memory controller support for QDR IV. Updated the maximum resource count table to include the number of hard memory controllers available in each device variant. Updated the transceiver PCS data rate from 12.5 Gbps to 12 Gbps. Updated the max clock rate of PS, FPP x8, FPP x16, and Configuration via HPS from 125 MHz to 100 MHz. Added a feature for fractional synthesis PLLs: PLL cascading. Updated the HPS programmable general-purpose I/Os from 54 to 62. |
| September 2014 | 2014.09.30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corrected the 3 V I/O and LVDS I/O counts for F35 and F36 packages of Arria 10 GX. Corrected the 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and transceiver counts for the NF40 package of the Arria GX 570 and 660. Removed 3 V I/O, LVDS I/O, and transceiver counts for the NF40 package of the Arria GX 900 and 1150. The NF40 package is not available for Arria 10 GX 900 and 1150. |
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| August 2014 | 2014.08.18 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated Memory (Kb) M20K maximum resources for Arria 10 GX 660 devices from 42,660 to 42,620. Added GPIO columns consisting of LVDS I/O Bank and 3V I/O Bank in the Package Plan table. Added how to use memory interface clock frequency higher than 533 MHz in the I/O vertical migration. Added information to clarify that RLDRAM3 support uses hard PHY with soft memory controller. Added variable precision DSP blocks support for floating-point arithmetic. |
| June 2014 | 2014.06.19 | Updated number of dedicated I/Os in the HPS block to 17. |
| February 2014 | 2014.02.21 | Updated transceiver speed grade options for GT devices in Figure 2. |
| February 2014 | 2014.02.06 | Updated data rate for Arria 10 GT devices from 28.1 Gbps to 28.3 Gbps. |
| December 2013 | 2013.12.10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated the HPS memory standards support from LPDDR2 to LPDDR3. Updated HPS block diagram to include dedicated HPS I/O and FPGA Configuration blocks as well as repositioned SD/SDIO/MMC, DMA, SPI and NAND Flash with ECC blocks . |
| December 2013 | 2013.12.02 | Initial release. |