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Details

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| Product Status | Obsolete |
| Number of LABs/CLBs | 1600 |
| Number of Logic Elements/Cells | 3800 |
| Total RAM Bits | 51200 |
| Number of I/O | 320 |
| Number of Gates | 44000 |
| Voltage - Supply | 3V ~ 3.6V |
| Mounting Type | Surface Mount |
| Operating Temperature | 0°C ~ 85°C (TJ) |
| Package / Case | 432-LBGA Exposed Pad, Metal |
| Supplier Device Package | 432-MBGA (40x40) |
| Purchase URL | https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/xilinx/xc4044xl-3bg432c |

XC4000E and XC4000X Series Compared to the XC4000

For readers already familiar with the XC4000 family of Xilinx Field Programmable Gate Arrays, the major new features in the XC4000 Series devices are listed in this section. The biggest advantages of XC4000E and XC4000X devices are significantly increased system speed, greater capacity, and new architectural features, particularly Select-RAM memory. The XC4000X devices also offer many new routing features, including special high-speed clock buffers that can be used to capture input data with minimal delay.

Any XC4000E device is pinout- and bitstream-compatible with the corresponding XC4000 device. An existing XC4000 bitstream can be used to program an XC4000E device. However, since the XC4000E includes many new features, an XC4000E bitstream cannot be loaded into an XC4000 device.

XC4000X Series devices are not bitstream-compatible with equivalent array size devices in the XC4000 or XC4000E families. However, equivalent array size devices, such as the XC4025, XC4025E, XC4028EX, and XC4028XL, are pinout-compatible.

Improvements in XC4000E and XC4000X

Increased System Speed

XC4000E and XC4000X devices can run at synchronous system clock rates of up to 80 MHz, and internal performance can exceed 150 MHz. This increase in performance over the previous families stems from improvements in both device processing and system architecture. XC4000 Series devices use a sub-micron multi-layer metal process. In addition, many architectural improvements have been made, as described below.

The XC4000XL family is a high performance 3.3V family based on 0.35 μ SRAM technology and supports system speeds to 80 MHz.

PCI Compliance

XC4000 Series -2 and faster speed grades are fully PCI compliant. XC4000E and XC4000X devices can be used to implement a one-chip PCI solution.

Carry Logic

The speed of the carry logic chain has increased dramatically. Some parameters, such as the delay on the carry chain through a single CLB (T_{BYP}), have improved by as

much as 50% from XC4000 values. See “Fast Carry Logic” on page 18 for more information.

Select-RAM Memory: Edge-Triggered, Synchronous RAM Modes

The RAM in any CLB can be configured for synchronous, edge-triggered, write operation. The read operation is not affected by this change to an edge-triggered write.

Dual-Port RAM

A separate option converts the 16x2 RAM in any CLB into a 16x1 dual-port RAM with simultaneous Read/Write.

The function generators in each CLB can be configured as either level-sensitive (asynchronous) single-port RAM, edge-triggered (synchronous) single-port RAM, edge-triggered (synchronous) dual-port RAM, or as combinatorial logic.

Configurable RAM Content

The RAM content can now be loaded at configuration time, so that the RAM starts up with user-defined data.

H Function Generator

In current XC4000 Series devices, the H function generator is more versatile than in the original XC4000. Its inputs can come not only from the F and G function generators but also from up to three of the four control input lines. The H function generator can thus be totally or partially independent of the other two function generators, increasing the maximum capacity of the device.

IOB Clock Enable

The two flip-flops in each IOB have a common clock enable input, which through configuration can be activated individually for the input or output flip-flop or both. This clock enable operates exactly like the EC pin on the XC4000 CLB. This new feature makes the IOBs more versatile, and avoids the need for clock gating.

Output Drivers

The output pull-up structure defaults to a TTL-like totem-pole. This driver is an n-channel pull-up transistor, pulling to a voltage one transistor threshold below V_{cc}, just like the XC4000 family outputs. Alternatively, XC4000 Series devices can be globally configured with CMOS outputs, with p-channel pull-up transistors pulling to V_{cc}. Also, the configurable pull-up resistor in the XC4000 Series is a p-channel transistor that pulls to V_{cc}, whereas in the original XC4000 family it is an n-channel transistor that pulls to a voltage one transistor threshold below V_{cc}.

Table 1: XC4000E and XC4000X Series Field Programmable Gate Arrays

| Device | Logic Cells | Max Logic Gates (No RAM) | Max. RAM Bits (No Logic) | Typical Gate Range (Logic and RAM)* | CLB Matrix | Total CLBs | Number of Flip-Flops | Max. User I/O |
|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|---------------|
| XC4002XL | 152 | 1,600 | 2,048 | 1,000 - 3,000 | 8 x 8 | 64 | 256 | 64 |
| XC4003E | 238 | 3,000 | 3,200 | 2,000 - 5,000 | 10 x 10 | 100 | 360 | 80 |
| XC4005E/XL | 466 | 5,000 | 6,272 | 3,000 - 9,000 | 14 x 14 | 196 | 616 | 112 |
| XC4006E | 608 | 6,000 | 8,192 | 4,000 - 12,000 | 16 x 16 | 256 | 768 | 128 |
| XC4008E | 770 | 8,000 | 10,368 | 6,000 - 15,000 | 18 x 18 | 324 | 936 | 144 |
| XC4010E/XL | 950 | 10,000 | 12,800 | 7,000 - 20,000 | 20 x 20 | 400 | 1,120 | 160 |
| XC4013E/XL | 1368 | 13,000 | 18,432 | 10,000 - 30,000 | 24 x 24 | 576 | 1,536 | 192 |
| XC4020E/XL | 1862 | 20,000 | 25,088 | 13,000 - 40,000 | 28 x 28 | 784 | 2,016 | 224 |
| XC4025E | 2432 | 25,000 | 32,768 | 15,000 - 45,000 | 32 x 32 | 1,024 | 2,560 | 256 |
| XC4028EX/XL | 2432 | 28,000 | 32,768 | 18,000 - 50,000 | 32 x 32 | 1,024 | 2,560 | 256 |
| XC4036EX/XL | 3078 | 36,000 | 41,472 | 22,000 - 65,000 | 36 x 36 | 1,296 | 3,168 | 288 |
| XC4044XL | 3800 | 44,000 | 51,200 | 27,000 - 80,000 | 40 x 40 | 1,600 | 3,840 | 320 |
| XC4052XL | 4598 | 52,000 | 61,952 | 33,000 - 100,000 | 44 x 44 | 1,936 | 4,576 | 352 |
| XC4062XL | 5472 | 62,000 | 73,728 | 40,000 - 130,000 | 48 x 48 | 2,304 | 5,376 | 384 |
| XC4085XL | 7448 | 85,000 | 100,352 | 55,000 - 180,000 | 56 x 56 | 3,136 | 7,168 | 448 |

* Max values of Typical Gate Range include 20-30% of CLBs used as RAM.

Note: All functionality in low-voltage families is the same as in the corresponding 5-Volt family, except where numerical references are made to timing or power.

Description

XC4000 Series devices are implemented with a regular, flexible, programmable architecture of Configurable Logic Blocks (CLBs), interconnected by a powerful hierarchy of versatile routing resources, and surrounded by a perimeter of programmable Input/Output Blocks (IOBs). They have generous routing resources to accommodate the most complex interconnect patterns.

The devices are customized by loading configuration data into internal memory cells. The FPGA can either actively read its configuration data from an external serial or byte-parallel PROM (master modes), or the configuration data can be written into the FPGA from an external device (slave and peripheral modes).

XC4000 Series FPGAs are supported by powerful and sophisticated software, covering every aspect of design from schematic or behavioral entry, floor planning, simulation, automatic block placement and routing of interconnects, to the creation, downloading, and readback of the configuration bit stream.

Because Xilinx FPGAs can be reprogrammed an unlimited number of times, they can be used in innovative designs

where hardware is changed dynamically, or where hardware must be adapted to different user applications. FPGAs are ideal for shortening design and development cycles, and also offer a cost-effective solution for production rates well beyond 5,000 systems per month.

Taking Advantage of Re-configuration

FPGA devices can be re-configured to change logic function while resident in the system. This capability gives the system designer a new degree of freedom not available with any other type of logic.

Hardware can be changed as easily as software. Design updates or modifications are easy, and can be made to products already in the field. An FPGA can even be re-configured dynamically to perform different functions at different times.

Re-configurable logic can be used to implement system self-diagnostics, create systems capable of being re-configured for different environments or operations, or implement multi-purpose hardware for a given application. As an added benefit, using re-configurable FPGA devices simplifies hardware design and debugging and shortens product time-to-market.

tions of the CLB, with the exception of the redefinition of the control signals. In 16x2 and 16x1 modes, the H' function generator can be used to implement Boolean functions of F', G', and D1, and the D flip-flops can latch the F', G', H', or D0 signals.

Single-Port Edge-Triggered Mode

Edge-triggered (synchronous) RAM simplifies timing requirements. XC4000 Series edge-triggered RAM timing operates like writing to a data register. Data and address are presented. The register is enabled for writing by a logic High on the write enable input, WE. Then a rising or falling clock edge loads the data into the register, as shown in Figure 3.

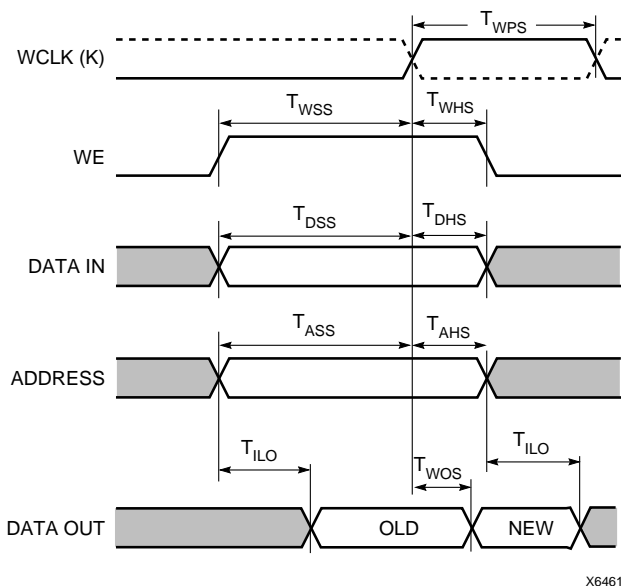


Figure 3: Edge-Triggered RAM Write Timing

Complex timing relationships between address, data, and write enable signals are not required, and the external write enable pulse becomes a simple clock enable. The active edge of WCLK latches the address, input data, and WE sig-

nals. An internal write pulse is generated that performs the write. See Figure 4 and Figure 5 for block diagrams of a CLB configured as 16x2 and 32x1 edge-triggered, single-port RAM.

The relationships between CLB pins and RAM inputs and outputs for single-port, edge-triggered mode are shown in Table 5.

The Write Clock input (WCLK) can be configured as active on either the rising edge (default) or the falling edge. It uses the same CLB pin (K) used to clock the CLB flip-flops, but it can be independently inverted. Consequently, the RAM output can optionally be registered within the same CLB either by the same clock edge as the RAM, or by the opposite edge of this clock. The sense of WCLK applies to both function generators in the CLB when both are configured as RAM.

The WE pin is active-High and is not invertible within the CLB.

Note: The pulse following the active edge of WCLK (T_{WPS} in Figure 3) must be less than one millisecond wide. For most applications, this requirement is not overly restrictive; however, it must not be forgotten. Stopping WCLK at this point in the write cycle could result in excessive current and even damage to the larger devices if many CLBs are configured as edge-triggered RAM.

Table 5: Single-Port Edge-Triggered RAM Signals

| RAM Signal | CLB Pin | Function |
|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| D | D0 or D1 (16x2, 16x1), D0 (32x1) | Data In |
| A[3:0] | F1-F4 or G1-G4 | Address |
| A[4] | D1 (32x1) | Address |
| WE | WE | Write Enable |
| WCLK | K | Clock |
| SPO (Data Out) | F' or G' | Single Port Out (Data Out) |

Fast Carry Logic

Each CLB F and G function generator contains dedicated arithmetic logic for the fast generation of carry and borrow signals. This extra output is passed on to the function generator in the adjacent CLB. The carry chain is independent of normal routing resources.

Dedicated fast carry logic greatly increases the efficiency and performance of adders, subtractors, accumulators, comparators and counters. It also opens the door to many new applications involving arithmetic operation, where the previous generations of FPGAs were not fast enough or too inefficient. High-speed address offset calculations in micro-processor or graphics systems, and high-speed addition in digital signal processing are two typical applications.

The two 4-input function generators can be configured as a 2-bit adder with built-in hidden carry that can be expanded to any length. This dedicated carry circuitry is so fast and efficient that conventional speed-up methods like carry generate/propagate are meaningless even at the 16-bit level, and of marginal benefit at the 32-bit level.

This fast carry logic is one of the more significant features of the XC4000 Series, speeding up arithmetic and counting into the 70 MHz range.

The carry chain in XC4000E devices can run either up or down. At the top and bottom of the columns where there are no CLBs above or below, the carry is propagated to the right. (See Figure 11.) In order to improve speed in the high-capacity XC4000X devices, which can potentially have very long carry chains, the carry chain travels upward only, as shown in Figure 12. Additionally, standard interconnect can be used to route a carry signal in the downward direction.

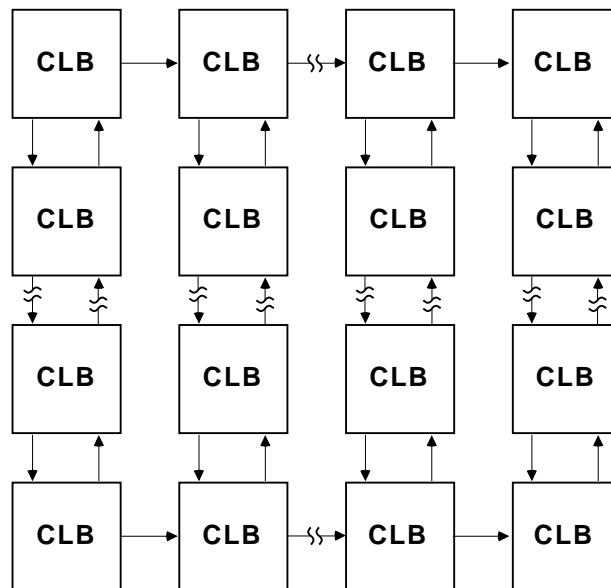
Figure 13 on page 19 shows an XC4000E CLB with dedicated fast carry logic. The carry logic in the XC4000X is similar, except that COUT exits at the top only, and the signal CINDOWN does not exist. As shown in Figure 13, the carry logic shares operand and control inputs with the function generators. The carry outputs connect to the function generators, where they are combined with the operands to form the sums.

Figure 14 on page 20 shows the details of the carry logic for the XC4000E. This diagram shows the contents of the box labeled "CARRY LOGIC" in Figure 13. The XC4000X carry logic is very similar, but a multiplexer on the pass-through carry chain has been eliminated to reduce delay. Additionally, in the XC4000X the multiplexer on the G4 path has a memory-programmable 0 input, which permits G4 to directly connect to COUT. G4 thus becomes an additional high-speed initialization path for carry-in.

The dedicated carry logic is discussed in detail in Xilinx document XAPP 013: "Using the Dedicated Carry Logic in

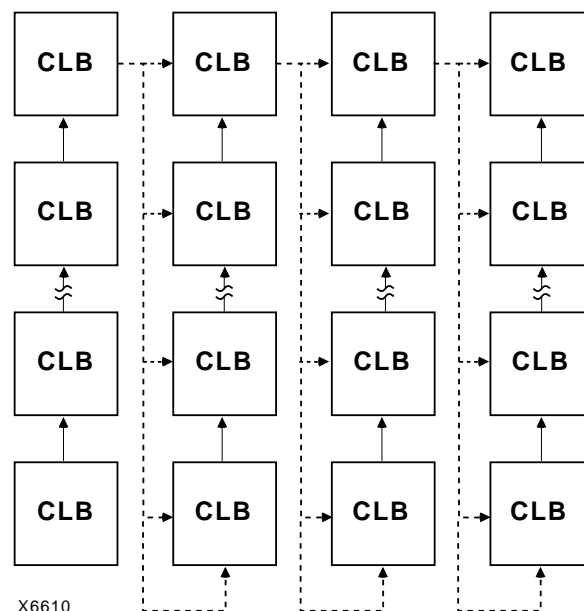
XC4000." This discussion also applies to XC4000E devices, and to XC4000X devices when the minor logic changes are taken into account.

The fast carry logic can be accessed by placing special library symbols, or by using Xilinx Relationally Placed Macros (RPMs) that already include these symbols.



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Figure 11: Available XC4000E Carry Propagation Paths



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Figure 12: Available XC4000X Carry Propagation Paths (dotted lines use general interconnect)

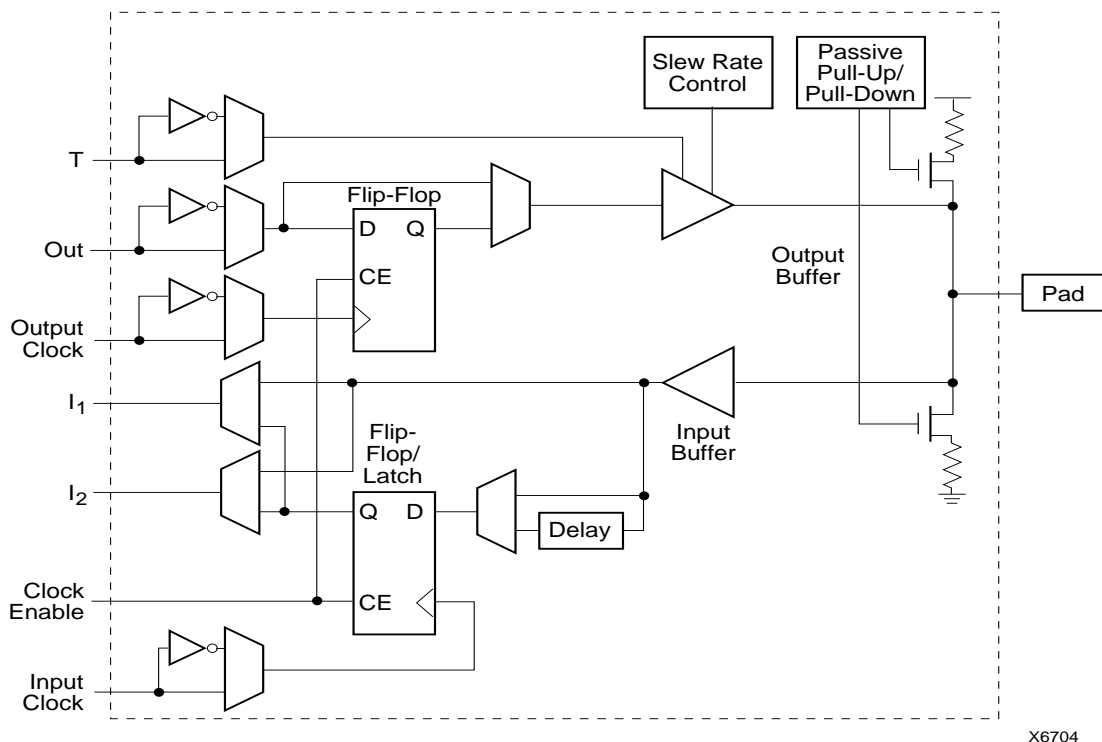


Figure 15: Simplified Block Diagram of XC4000E IOB

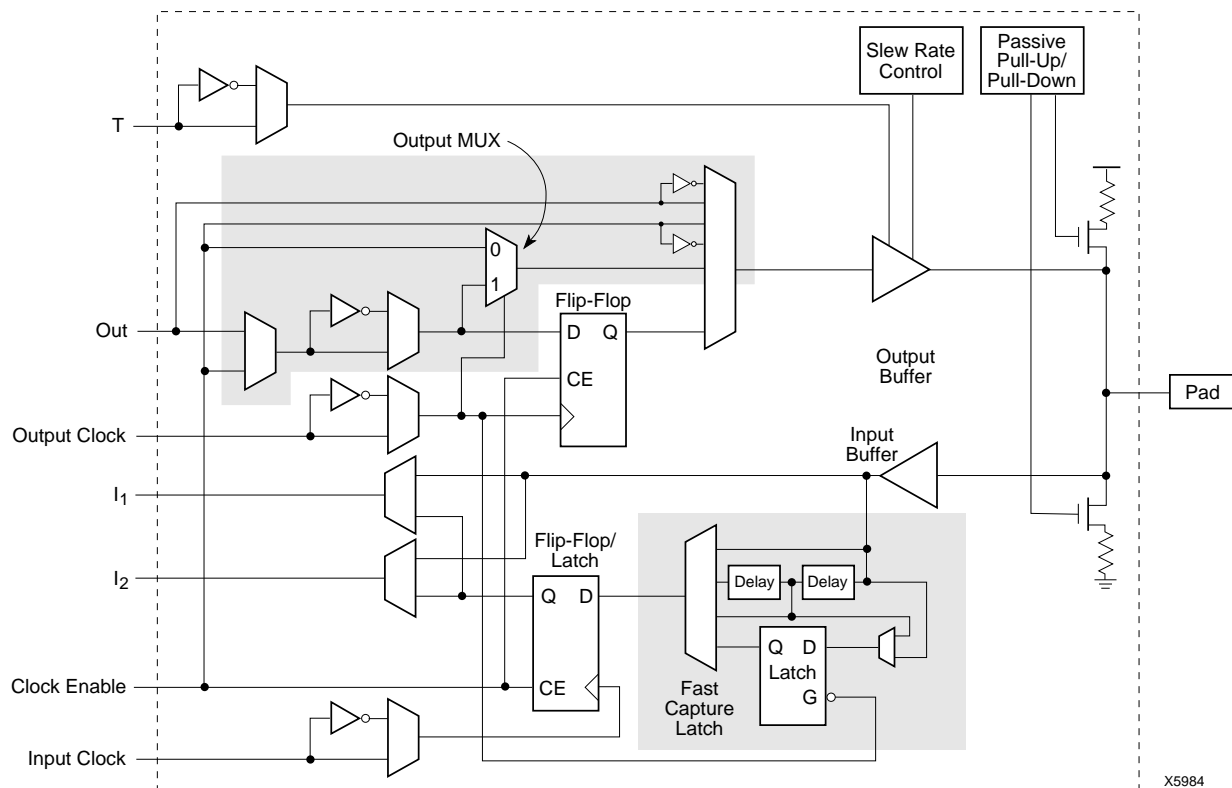


Figure 16: Simplified Block Diagram of XC4000X IOB (shaded areas indicate differences from XC4000E)

Any XC4000 Series 5-Volt device with its outputs configured in TTL mode can drive the inputs of any typical 3.3-Volt device. (For a detailed discussion of how to interface between 5 V and 3.3 V devices, see the 3V Products section of *The Programmable Logic Data Book*.)

Supported destinations for XC4000 Series device outputs are shown in [Table 12](#).

An output can be configured as open-drain (open-collector) by placing an OBUFT symbol in a schematic or HDL code, then tying the 3-state pin (T) to the output signal, and the input pin (I) to Ground. (See [Figure 18](#).)

Table 12: Supported Destinations for XC4000 Series Outputs

| Destination | XC4000 Series Outputs | | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|-------------------|
| | 3.3 V, CMOS | 5 V, TTL | 5 V, CMOS |
| Any typical device, Vcc = 3.3 V, CMOS-threshold inputs | ✓ | ✓ | some ¹ |
| Any device, Vcc = 5 V, TTL-threshold inputs | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Any device, Vcc = 5 V, CMOS-threshold inputs | Unreliable Data | | ✓ |

1. Only if destination device has 5-V tolerant inputs

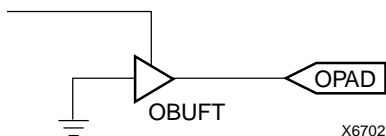


Figure 18: Open-Drain Output

Output Slew Rate

The slew rate of each output buffer is, by default, reduced, to minimize power bus transients when switching non-critical signals. For critical signals, attach a FAST attribute or property to the output buffer or flip-flop.

For XC4000E devices, maximum total capacitive load for simultaneous fast mode switching in the same direction is 200 pF for all package pins between each Power/Ground pin pair. For XC4000X devices, additional internal

Power/Ground pin pairs are connected to special Power and Ground planes within the packages, to reduce ground bounce. Therefore, the maximum total capacitive load is 300 pF between each external Power/Ground pin pair. Maximum loading may vary for the low-voltage devices.

For slew-rate limited outputs this total is two times larger for each device type: 400 pF for XC4000E devices and 600 pF for XC4000X devices. This maximum capacitive load should not be exceeded, as it can result in ground bounce of greater than 1.5 V amplitude and more than 5 ns duration. This level of ground bounce may cause undesired transient behavior on an output, or in the internal logic. This restriction is common to all high-speed digital ICs, and is not particular to Xilinx or the XC4000 Series.

XC4000 Series devices have a feature called “Soft Start-up,” designed to reduce ground bounce when all outputs are turned on simultaneously at the end of configuration. When the configuration process is finished and the device starts up, the first activation of the outputs is automatically slew-rate limited. Immediately following the initial activation of the I/O, the slew rate of the individual outputs is determined by the individual configuration option for each IOB.

Global Three-State

A separate Global 3-State line (not shown in [Figure 15](#) or [Figure 16](#)) forces all FPGA outputs to the high-impedance state, unless boundary scan is enabled and is executing an EXTEST instruction. This global net (GTS) does not compete with other routing resources; it uses a dedicated distribution network.

GTS can be driven from any user-programmable pin as a global 3-state input. To use this global net, place an input pad and input buffer in the schematic or HDL code, driving the GTS pin of the STARTUP symbol. A specific pin location can be assigned to this input using a LOC attribute or property, just as with any other user-programmable pad. An inverter can optionally be inserted after the input buffer to invert the sense of the Global 3-State signal. Using GTS is similar to GSR. See [Figure 2 on page 11](#) for details.

Alternatively, GTS can be driven from any internal node.

Output Multiplexer/2-Input Function Generator (XC4000X only)

As shown in [Figure 16 on page 21](#), the output path in the XC4000X IOB contains an additional multiplexer not available in the XC4000E IOB. The multiplexer can also be configured as a 2-input function generator, implementing a pass-gate, AND-gate, OR-gate, or XOR-gate, with 0, 1, or 2 inverted inputs. The logic used to implement these functions is shown in the upper gray area of [Figure 16](#).

When configured as a multiplexer, this feature allows two output signals to time-share the same output pad; effectively doubling the number of device outputs without requiring a larger, more expensive package.

When the MUX is configured as a 2-input function generator, logic can be implemented within the IOB itself. Combined with a Global Early buffer, this arrangement allows very high-speed gating of a single signal. For example, a wide decoder can be implemented in CLBs, and its output gated with a Read or Write Strobe Driven by a BUFGE buffer, as shown in [Figure 19](#). The critical-path pin-to-pin delay of this circuit is less than 6 nanoseconds.

As shown in [Figure 16](#), the IOB input pins Out, Output Clock, and Clock Enable have different delays and different flexibilities regarding polarity. Additionally, Output Clock sources are more limited than the other inputs. Therefore, the Xilinx software does not move logic into the IOB function generators unless explicitly directed to do so.

The user can specify that the IOB function generator be used, by placing special library symbols beginning with the letter "O." For example, a 2-input AND-gate in the IOB function generator is called OAND2. Use the symbol input pin labelled "F" for the signal on the critical path. This signal is placed on the OK pin — the IOB input with the shortest delay to the function generator. Two examples are shown in [Figure 20](#).

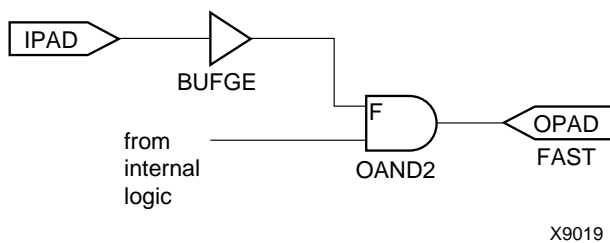


Figure 19: Fast Pin-to-Pin Path in XC4000X



Figure 20: AND & MUX Symbols in XC4000X IOB

Other IOB Options

There are a number of other programmable options in the XC4000 Series IOB.

Pull-up and Pull-down Resistors

Programmable pull-up and pull-down resistors are useful for tying unused pins to Vcc or Ground to minimize power consumption and reduce noise sensitivity. The configurable pull-up resistor is a p-channel transistor that pulls to Vcc. The configurable pull-down resistor is an n-channel transistor that pulls to Ground.

The value of these resistors is 50 kΩ – 100 kΩ. This high value makes them unsuitable as wired-AND pull-up resistors.

The pull-up resistors for most user-programmable IOBs are active during the configuration process. See [Table 22 on page 58](#) for a list of pins with pull-ups active before and during configuration.

After configuration, voltage levels of unused pads, bonded or un-bonded, must be valid logic levels, to reduce noise sensitivity and avoid excess current. Therefore, by default, unused pads are configured with the internal pull-up resistor active. Alternatively, they can be individually configured with the pull-down resistor, or as a driven output, or to be driven by an external source. To activate the internal pull-up, attach the PULLUP library component to the net attached to the pad. To activate the internal pull-down, attach the PULLDOWN library component to the net attached to the pad.

Independent Clocks

Separate clock signals are provided for the input and output flip-flops. The clock can be independently inverted for each flip-flop within the IOB, generating either falling-edge or rising-edge triggered flip-flops. The clock inputs for each IOB are independent, except that in the XC4000X, the Fast Capture latch shares an IOB input with the output clock pin.

Early Clock for IOBs (XC4000X only)

Special early clocks are available for IOBs. These clocks are sourced by the same sources as the Global Low-Skew buffers, but are separately buffered. They have fewer loads and therefore less delay. The early clock can drive either the IOB output clock or the IOB input clock, or both. The early clock allows fast capture of input data, and fast clock-to-output on output data. The Global Early buffers that drive these clocks are described in ["Global Nets and Buffers \(XC4000X only\)" on page 37](#).

Global Set/Reset

As with the CLB registers, the Global Set/Reset signal (GSR) can be used to set or clear the input and output registers, depending on the value of the INIT attribute or property. The two flip-flops can be individually configured to set

or clear on reset and after configuration. Other than the global GSR net, no user-controlled set/reset signal is available to the I/O flip-flops. The choice of set or clear applies to both the initial state of the flip-flop and the response to the Global Set/Reset pulse. See [“Global Set/Reset” on page 11](#) for a description of how to use GSR.

JTAG Support

Embedded logic attached to the IOBs contains test structures compatible with IEEE Standard 1149.1 for boundary scan testing, permitting easy chip and board-level testing. More information is provided in [“Boundary Scan” on page 42](#).

Three-State Buffers

A pair of 3-state buffers is associated with each CLB in the array. (See [Figure 27 on page 30](#).) These 3-state buffers can be used to drive signals onto the nearest horizontal longlines above and below the CLB. They can therefore be used to implement multiplexed or bidirectional buses on the horizontal longlines, saving logic resources. Programmable pull-up resistors attached to these longlines help to implement a wide wired-AND function.

The buffer enable is an active-High 3-state (i.e. an active-Low enable), as shown in [Table 13](#).

Another 3-state buffer with similar access is located near each I/O block along the right and left edges of the array. (See [Figure 33 on page 34](#).)

The horizontal longlines driven by the 3-state buffers have a weak keeper at each end. This circuit prevents undefined floating levels. However, it is overridden by any driver, even a pull-up resistor.

Special longlines running along the perimeter of the array can be used to wire-AND signals coming from nearby IOBs or from internal longlines. These longlines form the wide edge decoders discussed in [“Wide Edge Decoders” on page 27](#).

Three-State Buffer Modes

The 3-state buffers can be configured in three modes:

- Standard 3-state buffer
- Wired-AND with input on the I pin
- Wired OR-AND

Standard 3-State Buffer

All three pins are used. Place the library element BUFT. Connect the input to the I pin and the output to the O pin. The T pin is an active-High 3-state (i.e. an active-Low enable). Tie the T pin to Ground to implement a standard buffer.

Wired-AND with Input on the I Pin

The buffer can be used as a Wired-AND. Use the WAND1 library symbol, which is essentially an open-drain buffer. WAND4, WAND8, and WAND16 are also available. See the *XACT Libraries Guide* for further information.

The T pin is internally tied to the I pin. Connect the input to the I pin and the output to the O pin. Connect the outputs of all the WAND1s together and attach a PULLUP symbol.

Wired OR-AND

The buffer can be configured as a Wired OR-AND. A High level on either input turns off the output. Use the WOR2AND library symbol, which is essentially an open-drain 2-input OR gate. The two input pins are functionally equivalent. Attach the two inputs to the I0 and I1 pins and tie the output to the O pin. Tie the outputs of all the WOR2ANDs together and attach a PULLUP symbol.

Three-State Buffer Examples

[Figure 21](#) shows how to use the 3-state buffers to implement a wired-AND function. When all the buffer inputs are High, the pull-up resistor(s) provide the High output.

[Figure 22](#) shows how to use the 3-state buffers to implement a multiplexer. The selection is accomplished by the buffer 3-state signal.

Pay particular attention to the polarity of the T pin when using these buffers in a design. Active-High 3-state (T) is identical to an active-Low output enable, as shown in [Table 13](#).

Table 13: Three-State Buffer Functionality

| IN | T | OUT |
|----|---|-----|
| X | 1 | Z |
| IN | 0 | IN |

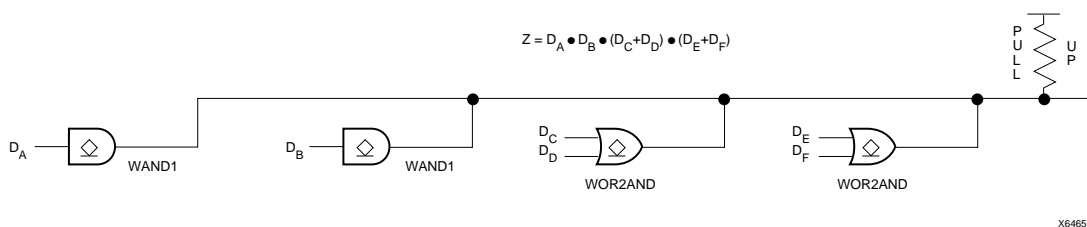


Figure 21: Open-Drain Buffers Implement a Wired-AND Function

circuit prevents undefined floating levels. However, it is overridden by any driver, even a pull-up resistor.

Each XC4000E longline has a programmable splitter switch at its center, as does each XC4000X longline driven by TBUFs. This switch can separate the line into two independent routing channels, each running half the width or height of the array.

Each XC4000X longline not driven by TBUFs has a buffered programmable splitter switch at the 1/4, 1/2, and 3/4 points of the array. Due to the buffering, XC4000X longline performance does not deteriorate with the larger array sizes. If the longline is split, the resulting partial longlines are independent.

Routing connectivity of the longlines is shown in [Figure 27 on page 30](#).

Direct Interconnect (XC4000X only)

The XC4000X offers two direct, efficient and fast connections between adjacent CLBs. These nets facilitate a data flow from the left to the right side of the device, or from the top to the bottom, as shown in [Figure 30](#). Signals routed on the direct interconnect exhibit minimum interconnect propagation delay and use no general routing resources.

The direct interconnect is also present between CLBs and adjacent IOBs. Each IOB on the left and top device edges has a direct path to the nearest CLB. Each CLB on the right and bottom edges of the array has a direct path to the nearest two IOBs, since there are two IOBs for each row or column of CLBs.

The place and route software uses direct interconnect whenever possible, to maximize routing resources and minimize interconnect delays.

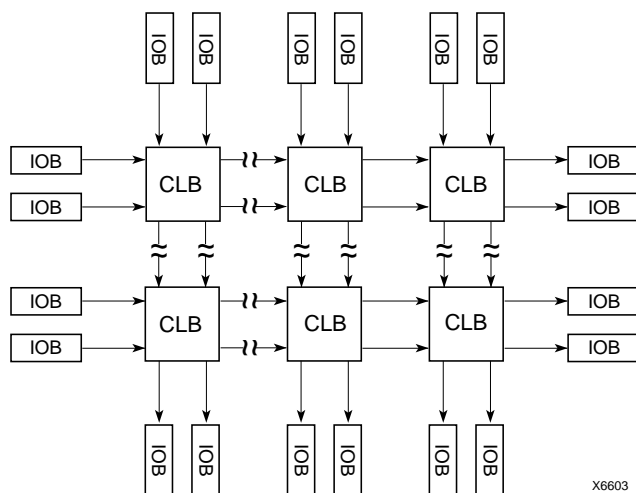


Figure 30: XC4000X Direct Interconnect

I/O Routing

XC4000 Series devices have additional routing around the IOB ring. This routing is called a VersaRing. The VersaRing facilitates pin-swapping and redesign without affecting board layout. Included are eight double-length lines spanning two CLBs (four IOBs), and four longlines. Global lines and Wide Edge Decoder lines are provided. XC4000X devices also include eight octal lines.

A high-level diagram of the VersaRing is shown in [Figure 31](#). The shaded arrows represent routing present only in XC4000X devices.

[Figure 33 on page 34](#) is a detailed diagram of the XC4000E and XC4000X VersaRing. The area shown includes two IOBs. There are two IOBs per CLB row or column, therefore this diagram corresponds to the CLB routing diagram shown in [Figure 27 on page 30](#). The shaded areas represent routing and routing connections present only in XC4000X devices.

Octal I/O Routing (XC4000X only)

Between the XC4000X CLB array and the pad ring, eight interconnect tracks provide for versatility in pin assignment and fixed pinout flexibility. (See [Figure 32 on page 33](#).)

These routing tracks are called octals, because they can be broken every eight CLBs (sixteen IOBs) by a programmable buffer that also functions as a splitter switch. The buffers are staggered, so each line goes through a buffer at every eighth CLB location around the device edge.

The octal lines bend around the corners of the device. The lines cross at the corners in such a way that the segment most recently buffered before the turn has the farthest distance to travel before the next buffer, as shown in [Figure 32](#).

IOB inputs and outputs interface with the octal lines via the single-length interconnect lines. Single-length lines are also used for communication between the octals and double-length lines, quads, and longlines within the CLB array.

Segmentation into buffered octals was found to be optimal for distributing signals over long distances around the device.

Global Nets and Buffers

Both the XC4000E and the XC4000X have dedicated global networks. These networks are designed to distribute clocks and other high fanout control signals throughout the devices with minimal skew. The global buffers are described in detail in the following sections. The text descriptions and diagrams are summarized in [Table 15](#). The table shows which CLB and IOB clock pins can be sourced by which global buffers.

In both XC4000E and XC4000X devices, placement of a library symbol called BUFG results in the software choosing the appropriate clock buffer, based on the timing requirements of the design. The detailed information in these sections is included only for reference.

Global Nets and Buffers (XC4000E only)

Four vertical longlines in each CLB column are driven exclusively by special global buffers. These longlines are in addition to the vertical longlines used for standard interconnect. The four global lines can be driven by either of two types of global buffers. The clock pins of every CLB and IOB can also be sourced from local interconnect.

Two different types of clock buffers are available in the XC4000E:

- Primary Global Buffers (BUFGP)
- Secondary Global Buffers (BUFGS)

Four Primary Global buffers offer the shortest delay and negligible skew. Four Secondary Global buffers have slightly longer delay and slightly more skew due to potentially heavier loading, but offer greater flexibility when used to drive non-clock CLB inputs.

The Primary Global buffers must be driven by the semi-dedicated pads. The Secondary Global buffers can be sourced by either semi-dedicated pads or internal nets.

Each CLB column has four dedicated vertical Global lines. Each of these lines can be accessed by one particular Primary Global buffer, or by any of the Secondary Global buffers, as shown in [Figure 34](#). Each corner of the device has one Primary buffer and one Secondary buffer.

IOBs along the left and right edges have four vertical global longlines. Top and bottom IOBs can be clocked from the global lines in the adjacent CLB column.

A global buffer should be specified for all timing-sensitive global signal distribution. To use a global buffer, place a BUFGP (primary buffer), BUFGS (secondary buffer), or BUFG (either primary or secondary buffer) element in a schematic or in HDL code. If desired, attach a LOC attribute or property to direct placement to the designated location. For example, attach a LOC=L attribute or property to a BUFGS symbol to direct that a buffer be placed in one of the two Secondary Global buffers on the left edge of the device, or a LOC=BL to indicate the Secondary Global buffer on the bottom edge of the device, on the left.

Table 15: Clock Pin Access

| | XC4000E | | XC4000X | | | Local Inter-connect |
|---|---------|-------|---------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| | BUFGP | BUFGS | BUFGLS | L & R BUFGE | T & B BUFGE | |
| All CLBs in Quadrant | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ |
| All CLBs in Device | √ | √ | √ | | | √ |
| IOBs on Adjacent Vertical Half Edge | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ |
| IOBs on Adjacent Vertical Full Edge | √ | √ | √ | √ | | √ |
| IOBs on Adjacent Horizontal Half Edge (Direct) | | | | √ | | √ |
| IOBs on Adjacent Horizontal Half Edge (through CLB globals) | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ | √ |
| IOBs on Adjacent Horizontal Full Edge (through CLB globals) | √ | √ | √ | | | √ |

L = Left, R = Right, T = Top, B = Bottom

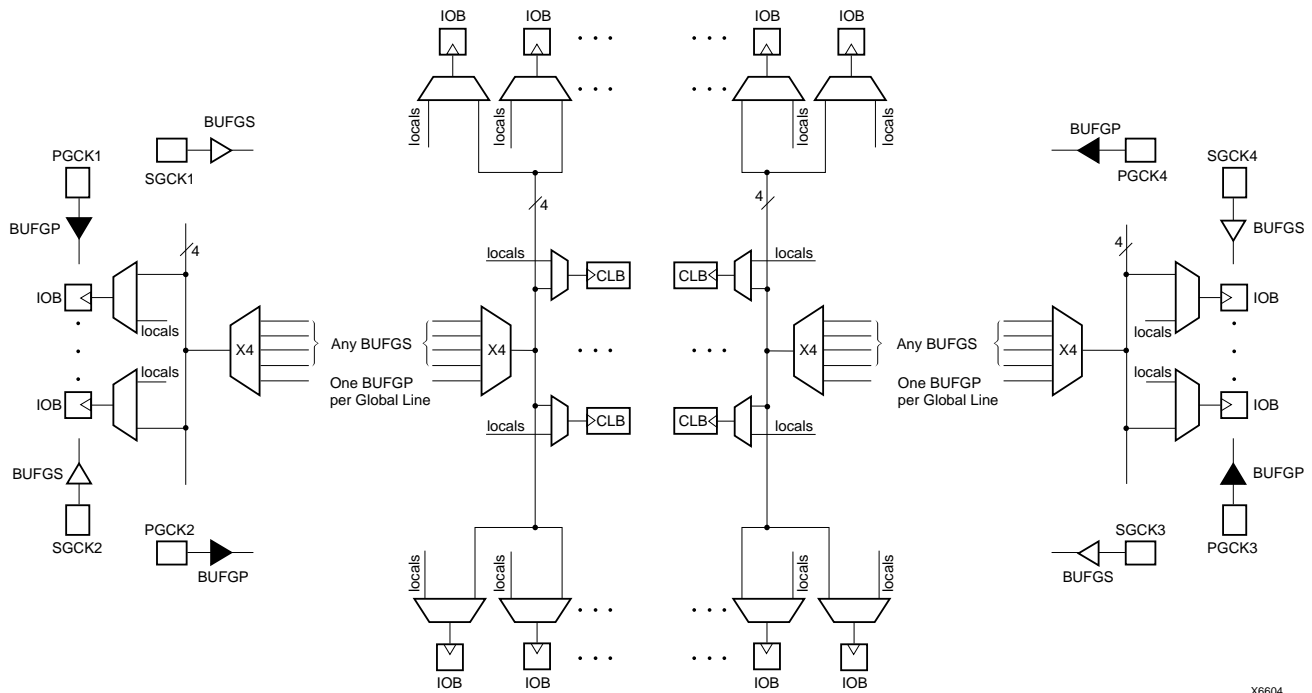


Figure 34: XC4000E Global Net Distribution

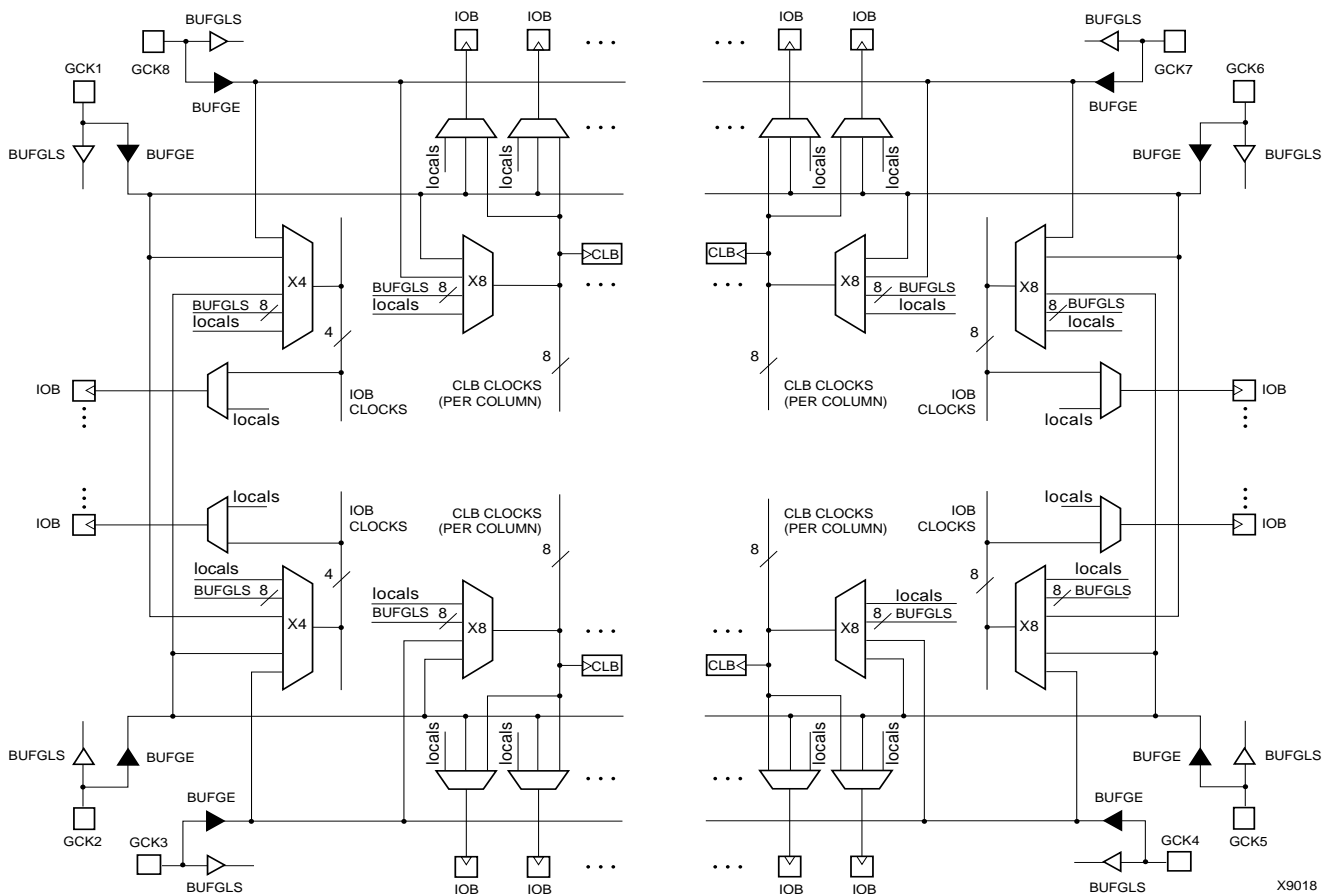


Figure 35: XC4000X Global Net Distribution

Table 16: Pin Descriptions (Continued)

| Pin Name | I/O During Config. | I/O After Config. | Pin Description |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| TDI, TCK, TMS | I | I/O or I (JTAG) | If boundary scan is used, these pins are Test Data In, Test Clock, and Test Mode Select inputs respectively. They come directly from the pads, bypassing the IOBs. These pins can also be used as inputs to the CLB logic after configuration is completed. If the BSCAN symbol is not placed in the design, all boundary scan functions are inhibited once configuration is completed, and these pins become user-programmable I/O. The pins can be used automatically or user-constrained. To use them, use "LOC=" or place the library components TDI, TCK, and TMS instead of the usual pad symbols. Input or output buffers must still be used. |
| HDC | O | I/O | High During Configuration (HDC) is driven High until the I/O go active. It is available as a control output indicating that configuration is not yet completed. After configuration, HDC is a user-programmable I/O pin. |
| $\overline{\text{LDC}}$ | O | I/O | Low During Configuration ($\overline{\text{LDC}}$) is driven Low until the I/O go active. It is available as a control output indicating that configuration is not yet completed. After configuration, $\overline{\text{LDC}}$ is a user-programmable I/O pin. |
| $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ | I/O | I/O | Before and during configuration, $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ is a bidirectional signal. A 1 k Ω - 10 k Ω external pull-up resistor is recommended. As an active-Low open-drain output, $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ is held Low during the power stabilization and internal clearing of the configuration memory. As an active-Low input, it can be used to hold the FPGA in the internal WAIT state before the start of configuration. Master mode devices stay in a WAIT state an additional 30 to 300 μs after $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ has gone High. During configuration, a Low on this output indicates that a configuration data error has occurred. After the I/O go active, $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ is a user-programmable I/O pin. |
| PGCK1 - PGCK4 (XC4000E only) | Weak Pull-up | I or I/O | Four Primary Global inputs each drive a dedicated internal global net with short delay and minimal skew. If not used to drive a global buffer, any of these pins is a user-programmable I/O. The PGCK1-PGCK4 pins drive the four Primary Global Buffers. Any input pad symbol connected directly to the input of a BUFGP symbol is automatically placed on one of these pins. |
| SGCK1 - SGCK4 (XC4000E only) | Weak Pull-up | I or I/O | Four Secondary Global inputs each drive a dedicated internal global net with short delay and minimal skew. These internal global nets can also be driven from internal logic. If not used to drive a global net, any of these pins is a user-programmable I/O pin. The SGCK1-SGCK4 pins provide the shortest path to the four Secondary Global Buffers. Any input pad symbol connected directly to the input of a BUFGE symbol is automatically placed on one of these pins. |
| GCK1 - GCK8 (XC4000X only) | Weak Pull-up | I or I/O | Eight inputs can each drive a Global Low-Skew buffer. In addition, each can drive a Global Early buffer. Each pair of global buffers can also be driven from internal logic, but must share an input signal. If not used to drive a global buffer, any of these pins is a user-programmable I/O. Any input pad symbol connected directly to the input of a BUFGS or BUFG symbol is automatically placed on one of these pins. |
| FCLK1 - FCLK4 (XC4000XLA and XC4000XV only) | Weak Pull-up | I or I/O | Four inputs can each drive a Fast Clock (FCLK) buffer which can deliver a clock signal to any IOB clock input in the octant of the die served by the Fast Clock buffer. Two Fast Clock buffers serve the two IOB octants on the left side of the die and the other two Fast Clock buffers serve the two IOB octants on the right side of the die. On each side of the die, one Fast Clock buffer serves the upper octant and the other serves the lower octant. If not used to drive a Fast Clock buffer, any of these pins is a user-programmable I/O. |

Table 16: Pin Descriptions (Continued)

| Pin Name | I/O During Config. | I/O After Config. | Pin Description |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| $\overline{CS0}$, CS1, \overline{WS} , \overline{RS} | I | I/O | These four inputs are used in Asynchronous Peripheral mode. The chip is selected when $\overline{CS0}$ is Low and CS1 is High. While the chip is selected, a Low on Write Strobe (\overline{WS}) loads the data present on the D0 - D7 inputs into the internal data buffer. A Low on Read Strobe (\overline{RS}) changes D7 into a status output — High if Ready, Low if Busy — and drives D0 - D6 High. In Express mode, CS1 is used as a serial-enable signal for daisy-chaining. \overline{WS} and \overline{RS} should be mutually exclusive, but if both are Low simultaneously, the Write Strobe overrides. After configuration, these are user-programmable I/O pins. |
| A0 - A17 | O | I/O | During Master Parallel configuration, these 18 output pins address the configuration EPROM. After configuration, they are user-programmable I/O pins. |
| A18 - A21 (XC4003XL to XC4085XL) | O | I/O | During Master Parallel configuration with an XC4000X master, these 4 output pins add 4 more bits to address the configuration EPROM. After configuration, they are user-programmable I/O pins. (See Master Parallel Configuration section for additional details.) |
| D0 - D7 | I | I/O | During Master Parallel and Peripheral configuration, these eight input pins receive configuration data. After configuration, they are user-programmable I/O pins. |
| DIN | I | I/O | During Slave Serial or Master Serial configuration, DIN is the serial configuration data input receiving data on the rising edge of CCLK. During Parallel configuration, DIN is the D0 input. After configuration, DIN is a user-programmable I/O pin. |
| DOUT | O | I/O | During configuration in any mode but Express mode, DOUT is the serial configuration data output that can drive the DIN of daisy-chained slave FPGAs. DOUT data changes on the falling edge of CCLK, one-and-a-half CCLK periods after it was received at the DIN input. In Express mode for XC4000E and XC4000X only, DOUT is the status output that can drive the CS1 of daisy-chained FPGAs, to enable and disable downstream devices. After configuration, DOUT is a user-programmable I/O pin. |
| Unrestricted User-Programmable I/O Pins | | | |
| I/O | Weak Pull-up | I/O | These pins can be configured to be input and/or output after configuration is completed. Before configuration is completed, these pins have an internal high-value pull-up resistor (25 k Ω - 100 k Ω) that defines the logic level as High. |

Boundary Scan

The 'bed of nails' has been the traditional method of testing electronic assemblies. This approach has become less appropriate, due to closer pin spacing and more sophisticated assembly methods like surface-mount technology and multi-layer boards. The IEEE Boundary Scan Standard 1149.1 was developed to facilitate board-level testing of electronic assemblies. Design and test engineers can imbed a standard test logic structure in their device to achieve high fault coverage for I/O and internal logic. This structure is easily implemented with a four-pin interface on any boundary scan-compatible IC. IEEE 1149.1-compatible devices may be serial daisy-chained together, connected in parallel, or a combination of the two.

The XC4000 Series implements IEEE 1149.1-compatible BYPASS, PRELOAD/SAMPLE and EXTEST boundary scan instructions. When the boundary scan configuration option is selected, three normal user I/O pins become dedicated inputs for these functions. Another user output pin becomes the dedicated boundary scan output. The details

of how to enable this circuitry are covered later in this section.

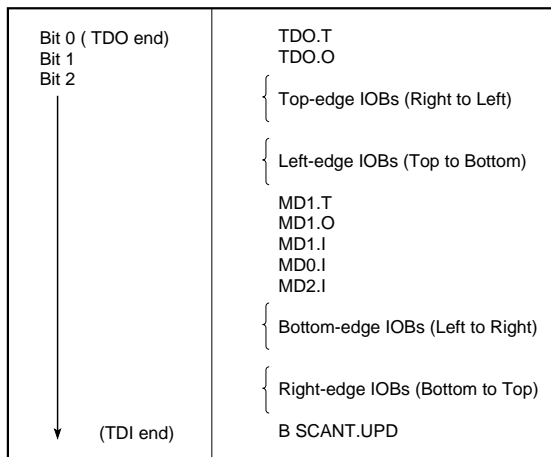
By exercising these input signals, the user can serially load commands and data into these devices to control the driving of their outputs and to examine their inputs. This method is an improvement over bed-of-nails testing. It avoids the need to over-drive device outputs, and it reduces the user interface to four pins. An optional fifth pin, a reset for the control logic, is described in the standard but is not implemented in Xilinx devices.

The dedicated on-chip logic implementing the IEEE 1149.1 functions includes a 16-state machine, an instruction register and a number of data registers. The functional details can be found in the IEEE 1149.1 specification and are also discussed in the Xilinx application note XAPP 017: "*Boundary Scan in XC4000 Devices*."

Figure 40 on page 43 shows a simplified block diagram of the XC4000E Input/Output Block with boundary scan implemented. XC4000X boundary scan logic is identical.

Table 17: Boundary Scan Instructions

| Instruction | I1 | I2 | I0 | Test Selected | TDO Source | I/O Data Source |
|-------------|----|----|----|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | EXTEST | DR | DR |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | SAMPLE/PR ELOAD | DR | Pin/Logic |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | USER 1 | BSCAN. TDO1 | User Logic |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | USER 2 | BSCAN. TDO2 | User Logic |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | READBACK | Readback Data | Pin/Logic |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | CONFIGURE | DOUT | Disabled |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Reserved | — | — |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | BYPASS | Bypass Register | — |



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Figure 42: Boundary Scan Bit Sequence

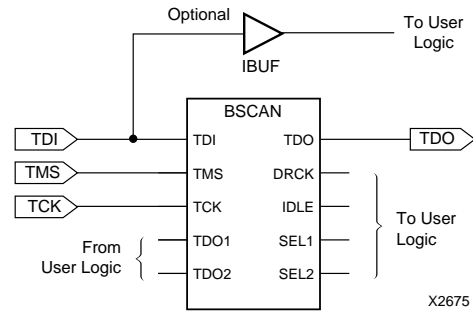
Avoiding Inadvertent Boundary Scan

If TMS or TCK is used as user I/O, care must be taken to ensure that at least one of these pins is held constant during configuration. In some applications, a situation may occur where TMS or TCK is driven during configuration. This may cause the device to go into boundary scan mode and disrupt the configuration process.

To prevent activation of boundary scan during configuration, do either of the following:

- TMS: Tie High to put the Test Access Port controller in a benign RESET state
- TCK: Tie High or Low—don't toggle this clock input.

For more information regarding boundary scan, refer to the Xilinx Application Note XAPP 017.001, "Boundary Scan in XC4000E Devices."



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Figure 43: Boundary Scan Schematic Example

Configuration

Configuration is the process of loading design-specific programming data into one or more FPGAs to define the functional operation of the internal blocks and their interconnections. This is somewhat like loading the command registers of a programmable peripheral chip. XC4000 Series devices use several hundred bits of configuration data per CLB and its associated interconnects. Each configuration bit defines the state of a static memory cell that controls either a function look-up table bit, a multiplexer input, or an interconnect pass transistor. The XACT^{step} development system translates the design into a netlist file. It automatically partitions, places and routes the logic and generates the configuration data in PROM format.

Special Purpose Pins

Three configuration mode pins (M2, M1, M0) are sampled prior to configuration to determine the configuration mode. After configuration, these pins can be used as auxiliary connections. M2 and M0 can be used as inputs, and M1 can be used as an output. The XACT^{step} development system does not use these resources unless they are explicitly specified in the design entry. This is done by placing a special pad symbol called MD2, MD1, or MD0 instead of the input or output pad symbol.

In XC4000 Series devices, the mode pins have weak pull-up resistors during configuration. With all three mode pins High, Slave Serial mode is selected, which is the most popular configuration mode. Therefore, for the most common configuration mode, the mode pins can be left unconnected. (Note, however, that the internal pull-up resistor value can be as high as 100 kΩ.) After configuration, these pins can individually have weak pull-up or pull-down resistors, as specified in the design. A pull-down resistor value of 4.7 kΩ is recommended.

These pins are located in the lower left chip corner and are near the readback nets. This location allows convenient routing if compatibility with the XC2000 and XC3000 family conventions of M0/RT, M1/RD is desired.

Setting CCLK Frequency

For Master modes, CCLK can be generated in either of two frequencies. In the default slow mode, the frequency ranges from 0.5 MHz to 1.25 MHz for XC4000E and XC4000EX devices and from 0.6 MHz to 1.8 MHz for XC4000XL devices. In fast CCLK mode, the frequency ranges from 4 MHz to 10 MHz for XC4000E/EX devices and from 5 MHz to 15 MHz for XC4000XL devices. The frequency is selected by an option when running the bitstream generation software. If an XC4000 Series Master is driving an XC3000- or XC2000-family slave, slow CCLK mode must be used. In addition, an XC4000XL device driving a XC4000E or XC4000EX should use slow mode. Slow mode is the default.

Table 19: XC4000 Series Data Stream Formats

| Data Type | All Other Modes (D0...) |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Fill Byte | 11111111b |
| Preamble Code | 0010b |
| Length Count | COUNT(23:0) |
| Fill Bits | 1111b |
| Start Field | 0b |
| Data Frame | DATA(n-1:0) |
| CRC or Constant Field Check | xxxx (CRC) or 0110b |
| Extend Write Cycle | — |
| Postamble | 01111111b |
| Start-Up Bytes | xxh |
| Legend: | |
| Not shaded | Once per bitstream |
| Light | Once per data frame |
| Dark | Once per device |

Data Stream Format

The data stream (“bitstream”) format is identical for all configuration modes.

The data stream formats are shown in [Table 19](#). Bit-serial data is read from left to right, and byte-parallel data is effectively assembled from this serial bitstream, with the first bit in each byte assigned to D0.

The configuration data stream begins with a string of eight ones, a preamble code, followed by a 24-bit length count and a separator field of ones. This header is followed by the actual configuration data in frames. The length and number of frames depends on the device type (see [Table 20](#) and [Table 21](#)). Each frame begins with a start field and ends with an error check. A postamble code is required to signal the end of data for a single device. In all cases, additional start-up bytes of data are required to provide four clocks for the startup sequence at the end of configuration. Long daisy chains require additional startup bytes to shift the last data through the chain. All startup bytes are don't-cares; these bytes are not included in bitstreams created by the Xilinx software.

A selection of CRC or non-CRC error checking is allowed by the bitstream generation software. The non-CRC error checking tests for a designated end-of-frame field for each frame. For CRC error checking, the software calculates a running CRC and inserts a unique four-bit partial check at the end of each frame. The 11-bit CRC check of the last frame of an FPGA includes the last seven data bits.

Detection of an error results in the suspension of data loading and the pulling down of the $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ pin. In Master modes, CCLK and address signals continue to operate externally. The user must detect $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ and initialize a new configuration by pulsing the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ pin Low or cycling Vcc.

Low. During this time delay, or as long as the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ input is asserted, the configuration logic is held in a Configuration Memory Clear state. The configuration-memory frames are consecutively initialized, using the internal oscillator.

At the end of each complete pass through the frame addressing, the power-on time-out delay circuitry and the level of the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ pin are tested. If neither is asserted, the logic initiates one additional clearing of the configuration frames and then tests the $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ input.

Initialization

During initialization and configuration, user pins HDC , $\overline{\text{LDC}}$, $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ and DONE provide status outputs for the system interface. The outputs $\overline{\text{LDC}}$, $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ and DONE are held Low and HDC is held High starting at the initial application of power.

The open drain $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ pin is released after the final initialization pass through the frame addresses. There is a deliberate delay of 50 to 250 μs (up to 10% longer for low-voltage devices) before a Master-mode device recognizes an inactive $\overline{\text{INIT}}$. Two internal clocks after the $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ pin is recognized as High, the FPGA samples the three mode lines to determine the configuration mode. The appropriate interface lines become active and the configuration preamble and data can be loaded. Configuration

The 0010 preamble code indicates that the following 24 bits represent the length count. The length count is the total number of configuration clocks needed to load the complete configuration data. (Four additional configuration clocks are required to complete the configuration process, as discussed below.) After the preamble and the length count have been passed through to all devices in the daisy chain, DOUT is held High to prevent frame start bits from reaching any daisy-chained devices.

A specific configuration bit, early in the first frame of a master device, controls the configuration-clock rate and can increase it by a factor of eight. Therefore, if a fast configuration clock is selected by the bitstream, the slower clock rate is used until this configuration bit is detected.

Each frame has a start field followed by the frame-configuration data bits and a frame error field. If a frame data error is detected, the FPGA halts loading, and signals the error by pulling the open-drain $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ pin Low. After all configuration frames have been loaded into an FPGA, DOUT again follows the input data so that the remaining data is passed on to the next device.

Delaying Configuration After Power-Up

There are two methods of delaying configuration after power-up: put a logic Low on the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ input, or pull the bidirectional $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ pin Low, using an open-collector (open-drain) driver. (See [Figure 46 on page 50](#).)

A Low on the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ input is the more radical approach, and is recommended when the power-supply

rise time is excessive or poorly defined. As long as $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ is Low, the FPGA keeps clearing its configuration memory. When $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ goes High, the configuration memory is cleared one more time, followed by the beginning of configuration, provided the $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ input is not externally held Low. Note that a Low on the $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ input automatically forces a Low on the $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ output. The XC4000 Series $\overline{\text{PROGRAM}}$ pin has a permanent weak pull-up.

Using an open-collector or open-drain driver to hold $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ Low before the beginning of configuration causes the FPGA to wait after completing the configuration memory clear operation. When $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ is no longer held Low externally, the device determines its configuration mode by capturing its mode pins, and is ready to start the configuration process. A master device waits up to an additional 250 μs to make sure that any slaves in the optional daisy chain have seen that $\overline{\text{INIT}}$ is High.

Start-Up

Start-up is the transition from the configuration process to the intended user operation. This transition involves a change from one clock source to another, and a change from interfacing parallel or serial configuration data where most outputs are 3-stated, to normal operation with I/O pins active in the user-system. Start-up must make sure that the user-logic 'wakes up' gracefully, that the outputs become active without causing contention with the configuration signals, and that the internal flip-flops are released from the global Reset or Set at the right time.

[Figure 47](#) describes start-up timing for the three Xilinx families in detail. The configuration modes can use any of the four timing sequences.

To access the internal start-up signals, place the STARTUP library symbol.

Start-up Timing

Different FPGA families have different start-up sequences.

The XC2000 family goes through a fixed sequence. DONE goes High and the internal global Reset is de-activated one CCLK period after the I/O become active.

The XC3000A family offers some flexibility. DONE can be programmed to go High one CCLK period before or after the I/O become active. Independent of DONE , the internal global Reset is de-activated one CCLK period before or after the I/O become active.

The XC4000 Series offers additional flexibility. The three events — DONE going High, the internal Set/Reset being de-activated, and the user I/O going active — can all occur in any arbitrary sequence. Each of them can occur one CCLK period before or after, or simultaneous with, any of the others. This relative timing is selected by means of software options in the bitstream generation software.

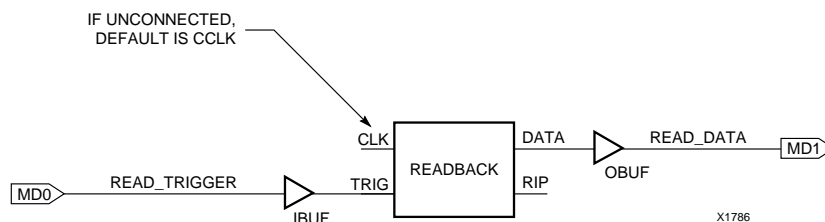


Figure 49: Readback Schematic Example

Readback Options

Readback options are: Read Capture, Read Abort, and Clock Select. They are set with the bitstream generation software.

Read Capture

When the Read Capture option is selected, the readback data stream includes sampled values of CLB and IOB signals. The rising edge of RDBK.TRIG latches the inverted values of the four CLB outputs, the IOB output flip-flops and the input signals I1 and I2. Note that while the bits describing configuration (interconnect, function generators, and RAM content) are *not* inverted, the CLB and IOB output signals *are* inverted.

When the Read Capture option is not selected, the values of the capture bits reflect the configuration data originally written to those memory locations.

If the RAM capability of the CLBs is used, RAM data are available in readback, since they directly overwrite the F and G function-table configuration of the CLB.

RDBK.TRIG is located in the lower-left corner of the device, as shown in [Figure 50](#).

Read Abort

When the Read Abort option is selected, a High-to-Low transition on RDBK.TRIG terminates the readback operation and prepares the logic to accept another trigger.

After an aborted readback, additional clocks (up to one readback clock per configuration frame) may be required to re-initialize the control logic. The status of readback is indicated by the output control net RDBK.RIP. RDBK.RIP is High whenever a readback is in progress.

Clock Select

CCLK is the default clock. However, the user can insert another clock on RDBK.CLK. Readback control and data are clocked on rising edges of RDBK.CLK. If readback must be inhibited for security reasons, the readback control nets are simply not connected.

RDBK.CLK is located in the lower right chip corner, as shown in [Figure 50](#).

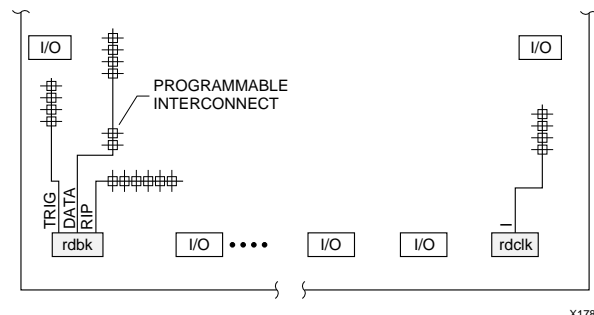


Figure 50: READBACK Symbol in Graphical Editor

Violating the Maximum High and Low Time Specification for the Readback Clock

The readback clock has a maximum High and Low time specification. In some cases, this specification cannot be met. For example, if a processor is controlling readback, an interrupt may force it to stop in the middle of a readback. This necessitates stopping the clock, and thus violating the specification.

The specification is mandatory only on clocking data at the end of a frame prior to the next start bit. The transfer mechanism will load the data to a shift register during the last six clock cycles of the frame, prior to the start bit of the following frame. This loading process is dynamic, and is the source of the maximum High and Low time requirements.

Therefore, the specification only applies to the six clock cycles prior to and including any start bit, including the clocks before the first start bit in the readback data stream. At other times, the frame data is already in the register and the register is not dynamic. Thus, it can be shifted out just like a regular shift register.

The user must precisely calculate the location of the readback data relative to the frame. The system must keep track of the position within a data frame, and disable interrupts before frame boundaries. Frame lengths and data formats are listed in [Table 19](#), [Table 20](#) and [Table 21](#).

Readback with the XChecker Cable

The XChecker Universal Download/Readback Cable and Logic Probe uses the readback feature for bitstream verification. It can also display selected internal signals on the PC or workstation screen, functioning as a low-cost in-circuit emulator.

Table 23: Pin Functions During Configuration

| CONFIGURATION MODE <M2:M1:M0> | | | | | | USER OPERATION |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| SLAVE SERIAL <1:1:1> | MASTER SERIAL <0:0:0> | SYNCH. PERIPHERAL <0:1:1> | ASYNCH. PERIPHERAL <1:0:1> | MASTER PARALLEL DOWN <1:1:0> | MASTER PARALLEL UP <1:0:0> | |
| M2(HIGH) (I) | M2(LOW) (I) | M2(LOW) (I) | M2(HIGH) (I) | M2(HIGH) (I) | M2(HIGH) (I) | (I) |
| M1(HIGH) (I) | M1(LOW) (I) | M1(HIGH) (I) | M1(LOW) (I) | M1(HIGH) (I) | M1(LOW) (I) | (O) |
| M0(HIGH) (I) | M0(LOW) (I) | M0(HIGH) (I) | M0(HIGH) (I) | M0(LOW) (I) | M0(LOW) (I) | (I) |
| HDC (HIGH) | HDC (HIGH) | HDC (HIGH) | HDC (HIGH) | HDC (HIGH) | HDC (HIGH) | I/O |
| LDC (LOW) | LDC (LOW) | LDC (LOW) | LDC (LOW) | LDC (LOW) | LDC (LOW) | I/O |
| INIT | INIT | INIT | INIT | INIT | INIT | I/O |
| DONE | DONE | DONE | DONE | DONE | DONE | DONE |
| PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM (I) | PROGRAM |
| CCLK (I) | CCLK (O) | CCLK (I) | CCLK (O) | CCLK (O) | CCLK (O) | CCLK (I) |
| | | RDY/BUSY (O) | RDY/BUSY (O) | RCLK (O) | RCLK (O) | I/O |
| | | | RS (I) | | | I/O |
| | | | CS0 (I) | | | I/O |
| | | DATA 7 (I) | DATA 7 (I) | DATA 7 (I) | DATA 7 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 6 (I) | DATA 6 (I) | DATA 6 (I) | DATA 6 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 5 (I) | DATA 5 (I) | DATA 5 (I) | DATA 5 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 4 (I) | DATA 4 (I) | DATA 4 (I) | DATA 4 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 3 (I) | DATA 3 (I) | DATA 3 (I) | DATA 3 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 2 (I) | DATA 2 (I) | DATA 2 (I) | DATA 2 (I) | I/O |
| | | DATA 1 (I) | DATA 1 (I) | DATA 1 (I) | DATA 1 (I) | I/O |
| DIN (I) | DIN (I) | DATA 0 (I) | DATA 0 (I) | DATA 0 (I) | DATA 0 (I) | I/O |
| DOUT | DOUT | DOUT | DOUT | DOUT | DOUT | SGCK4-GCK6-I/O |
| TDI | TDI | TDI | TDI | TDI | TDI | TDI-I/O |
| TCK | TCK | TCK | TCK | TCK | TCK | TCK-I/O |
| TMS | TMS | TMS | TMS | TMS | TMS | TMS-I/O |
| TDO | TDO | TDO | TDO | TDO | TDO | TDO-(O) |
| | | | WS (I) | A0 | A0 | I/O |
| | | | | A1 | A1 | PGCK4-GCK7-I/O |
| | | | CS1 | A2 | A2 | I/O |
| | | | | A3 | A3 | I/O |
| | | | | A4 | A4 | I/O |
| | | | | A5 | A5 | I/O |
| | | | | A6 | A6 | I/O |
| | | | | A7 | A7 | I/O |
| | | | | A8 | A8 | I/O |
| | | | | A9 | A9 | I/O |
| | | | | A10 | A10 | I/O |
| | | | | A11 | A11 | I/O |
| | | | | A12 | A12 | I/O |
| | | | | A13 | A13 | I/O |
| | | | | A14 | A14 | I/O |
| | | | | A15 | A15 | SGCK1-GCK8-I/O |
| | | | | A16 | A16 | PGCK1-GCK1-I/O |
| | | | | A17 | A17 | I/O |
| | | | | A18* | A18* | I/O |
| | | | | A19* | A19* | I/O |
| | | | | A20* | A20* | I/O |
| | | | | A21* | A21* | I/O |
| | | | | | | ALL OTHERS |

* XC4000X only

- Notes
1. A shaded table cell represents a 50 kΩ - 100 kΩ pull-up before and during configuration.
 2. (I) represents an input; (O) represents an output.
 3. INIT is an open-drain output during configuration.

Asynchronous Peripheral Mode

Write to FPGA

Asynchronous Peripheral mode uses the trailing edge of the logic AND condition of \overline{WS} and $\overline{CS0}$ being Low and \overline{RS} and $\overline{CS1}$ being High to accept byte-wide data from a microprocessor bus. In the lead FPGA, this data is loaded into a double-buffered UART-like parallel-to-serial converter and is serially shifted into the internal logic.

The lead FPGA presents the preamble data (and all data that overflows the lead device) on its DOUT pin. The RDY/BUSY output from the lead FPGA acts as a handshake signal to the microprocessor. RDY/BUSY goes Low when a byte has been received, and goes High again when the byte-wide input buffer has transferred its information into the shift register, and the buffer is ready to receive new data. A new write may be started immediately, as soon as the RDY/BUSY output has gone Low, acknowledging receipt of the previous data. Write may not be terminated until RDY/BUSY is High again for one CCLK period. Note that RDY/BUSY is pulled High with a high-impedance pull-up prior to \overline{INIT} going High.

The length of the \overline{BUSY} signal depends on the activity in the UART. If the shift register was empty when the new byte was received, the \overline{BUSY} signal lasts for only two CCLK periods. If the shift register was still full when the new byte was received, the \overline{BUSY} signal can be as long as nine CCLK periods.

Note that after the last byte has been entered, only seven of its bits are shifted out. CCLK remains High with DOUT equal to bit 6 (the next-to-last bit) of the last byte entered.

The RDY/ \overline{BUSY} handshake can be ignored if the delay from any one Write to the end of the next Write is guaranteed to be longer than 10 CCLK periods.

Status Read

The logic AND condition of the $\overline{CS0}$, $\overline{CS1}$ and \overline{RS} inputs puts the device status on the Data bus.

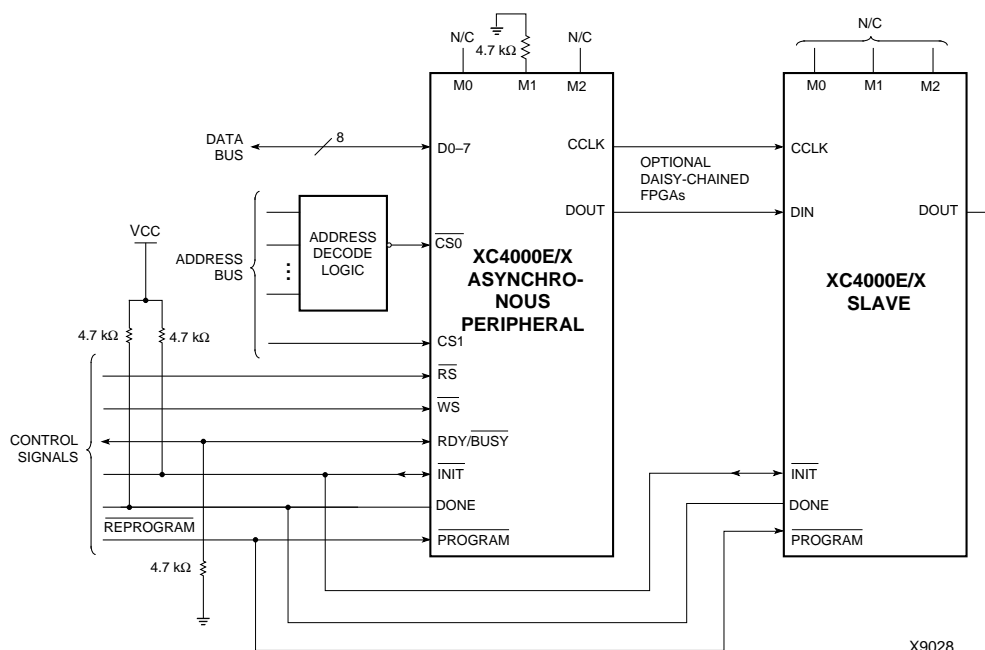
- D7 High indicates Ready
- D7 Low indicates Busy
- D0 through D6 go unconditionally High

It is mandatory that the whole start-up sequence be started and completed by one byte-wide input. Otherwise, the pins used as Write Strobe or Chip Enable might become active outputs and interfere with the final byte transfer. If this transfer does not occur, the start-up sequence is not completed all the way to the finish (point F in [Figure 47 on page 53](#)).

In this case, at worst, the internal reset is not released. At best, Readback and Boundary Scan are inhibited. The length-count value, as generated by the XACTstep software, ensures that these problems never occur.

Although RDY/ \overline{BUSY} is brought out as a separate signal, microprocessors can more easily read this information on one of the data lines. For this purpose, D7 represents the RDY/ \overline{BUSY} status when \overline{RS} is Low, \overline{WS} is High, and the two chip select lines are both active.

Asynchronous Peripheral mode is selected by a <101> on the mode pins (M2, M1, M0).



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Figure 58: Asynchronous Peripheral Mode Circuit Diagram

User I/O Per Package

Table 27, Table 28, and Table 29 show the number of user I/Os available in each package for XC4000-Series devices. Call your local sales office for the latest availability information, or see the Xilinx website at <http://www.xilinx.com> for the latest revision of the specifications.

Table 27: User I/O Chart for XC4000XL FPGAs

| Device | Max I/O | Maximum User Accessible I/O by Package Type | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|---------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | PC84 | PQ100 | VQ100 | TQ144 | HT144 | HQ160 | PQ160 | TQ176 | HT176 | HQ208 | PQ208 | HQ240 | PQ240 | BG256 | PG299 | HQ304 | BG352 | PG411 | BG432 | PG475 | PG559 | BG560 |
| XC4002XL | 64 | 61 | 64 | 64 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XC4005XL | 112 | 61 | 77 | 77 | 112 | | | 112 | | | | 112 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XC4010XL | 160 | 61 | 77 | | 113 | | | 129 | 145 | | | 160 | | | 160 | | | | | | | | |
| XC4013XL | 192 | | | | | 113 | | 129 | | 145 | | 160 | | 192 | 192 | | | | | | | | |
| XC4020XL | 224 | | | | | 113 | | 129 | | 145 | | 160 | | 192 | 205 | | | | | | | | |
| XC4028XL | 256 | | | | | | 129 | | | | 160 | | 193 | | 205 | 256 | 256 | 256 | | | | | |
| XC4036XL | 288 | | | | | | 129 | | | | 160 | | 193 | | | | 256 | 288 | 288 | 288 | | | |
| XC4044XL | 320 | | | | | | 129 | | | | 160 | | 193 | | | | 256 | 289 | 320 | 320 | | | |
| XC4052XL | 352 | | | | | | | | | | | | 193 | | | | 256 | | 352 | 352 | | | 352 |
| XC4062XL | 384 | | | | | | | | | | | | 193 | | | | 256 | | | 352 | 384 | | 384 |
| XC4085XL | 448 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 352 | | 448 | 448 |

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Table 28: User I/O Chart for XC4000E FPGAs

| Device | Max I/O | Maximum User Accessible I/O by Package Type | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | PC84 | PQ100 | VQ100 | PG120 | TQ144 | PG156 | PQ160 | PG191 | HQ208 | PQ208 | PG223 | BG225 | HQ240 | PQ240 | PG299 | HQ304 |
| XC4003E | 80 | 61 | 77 | 77 | 80 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XC4005E | 112 | 61 | 77 | | | 112 | 112 | 112 | | 112 | | | | | | | |
| XC4006E | 128 | 61 | | | | 113 | 125 | 128 | | 128 | | | | | | | |
| XC4008E | 144 | 61 | | | | | | 129 | 144 | 144 | | | | | | | |
| XC4010E | 160 | 61 | | | | | | 129 | 160 | 160 | 160 | | 160 | | | | |
| XC4013E | 192 | | | | | | | 129 | | 160 | 160 | 192 | 192 | 192 | 192 | | |
| XC4020E | 224 | | | | | | | | | 160 | | 192 | | 193 | | | |
| XC4025E | 256 | | | | | | | | | | | 192 | | 193 | | 256 | 256 |

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Table 29: User I/O Chart for XC4000EX FPGAs

| Device | Max I/O | Maximum User Accessible I/O by Package Type | | | | | | |
|----------|---------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | HQ208 | HQ240 | PG299 | HQ304 | BG352 | PG411 | BG432 |
| XC4028EX | 256 | 160 | 193 | 256 | 256 | 256 | | |
| XC4036EX | 288 | | 193 | | 256 | 288 | 288 | 288 |

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