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Embedded - System On Chip (SoC): The Heart of Modern Embedded Systems

Embedded - System On Chip (SoC) refers to an integrated circuit that consolidates all the essential components of a computer system into a single chip. This includes a microprocessor, memory, and other peripherals, all packed into one compact and efficient package. SoCs are designed to provide a complete computing solution, optimizing both space and power consumption, making them ideal for a wide range of embedded applications.

What are **Embedded - System On Chip (SoC)**?

System On Chip (SoC) integrates multiple functions of a computer or electronic system onto a single chip. Unlike traditional multi-chip solutions. SoCs combine a central

Details	
Product Status	Obsolete
Architecture	MCU, FPGA
Core Processor	Dual ARM® Cortex®-A9 MPCore™ with CoreSight™
Flash Size	-
RAM Size	64KB
Peripherals	DMA, POR, WDT
Connectivity	EBI/EMI, Ethernet, I ² C, MMC/SD/SDIO, SPI, UART/USART, USB OTG
Speed	700MHz
Primary Attributes	FPGA - 462K Logic Elements
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	1517-BBGA, FCBGA
Supplier Device Package	1517-FBGA, FC (40x40)
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Feature	Description						
FPGA General- purpose I/Os (GPIOs)	 1.6 Gbps LVDS receiver and transmitter 800 MHz/1.6 Gbps external memory interface On-chip termination (OCT) 3.3 V support (2) 						
External Memory Interface	Memory interfaces with low latency: Hard memory controller-up to 1.066 Gbps Soft memory controller-up to 1.6 Gbps						
Low-power high- speed serial interface	 600 Mbps to 12.5 Gbps integrated transceiver speed Less than 105 mW per channel at 6 Gbps, less than 165 mW per channel at 10 Gbps, and less than 170 mW per channel at 12.5 Gbps Transmit pre-emphasis and receiver equalization Dynamic partial reconfiguration of individual channels Physical medium attachment (PMA) with soft PCS that supports 9.8304 Gbps CPRI (Arria V GT and ST only) PMA with hard PCS that supports up to 9.8 Gbps CPRI (Arria V GZ only) Hard PCS that supports 10GBASE-R and 10GBASE-KR (Arria V GZ only) 						
HPS (Arria V SX and ST devices only)	 Dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor—up to 1.05 GHz maximum frequency with support for symmetric and asymmetric multiprocessing Interface peripherals—10/100/1000 Ethernet media access control (EMAC), USB 2.0 On-The-GO (OTG) controller, quad serial peripheral interface (QSPI) flash controller, NAND flash controller, Secure Digital/MultiMediaCard (SD/MMC) controller, UART, serial peripheral interface (SPI), I2C interface, and up to 85 HPS GPIO interfaces System peripherals—general-purpose timers, watchdog timers, direct memory access (DMA) controller, FPGA configuration manager, and clock and reset managers On-chip RAM and boot ROM 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 FPGA-to-HPS SDRAM controller subsystem—provides a configurable interface to the multiport front end (MPFE) of the HPS SDRAM controller ARM CoreSight™ JTAG debug access port, trace port, and on-chip trace storage 						



 $^{^{(2)}~{\}rm Arria~V~GZ}$ devices support 3.3 V with a 3.0 V ${\rm V}_{\rm CCIO}.$

Feature	Description
Configuration	 Tamper protection-comprehensive design protection to protect your valuable IP investments Enhanced advanced encryption standard (AES) design security features CvP Partial and dynamic reconfiguration of the FPGA Active serial (AS) x1 and x4, passive serial (PS), JTAG, and fast passive parallel (FPP) x8, x16, and x32 (Arria V GZ) configuration options Remote system upgrade

Arria V Device Variants and Packages

Table 3: Device Variants for the Arria V Device Family

Variant	Description
Arria V GX	FPGA with integrated 6.5536 Gbps transceivers that provides bandwidth, cost, and power levels that are optimized for high-volume data and signal-processing applications
Arria V GT	FPGA with integrated 10.3125 Gbps transceivers that provides enhanced high-speed serial I/O bandwidth for cost-sensitive data and signal processing applications
Arria V GZ	FPGA with integrated 12.5 Gbps transceivers that provides enhanced high-speed serial I/O bandwidth for high-performance and cost-sensitive data and signal processing applications
Arria V SX	SoC with integrated ARM-based HPS and 6.5536 Gbps transceivers
Arria V ST	SoC with integrated ARM-based HPS and 10.3125 Gbps transceivers

Arria V GX

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Arria V 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 Altera Product Selector.

Related Information

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Resource		Member Code								
nesc	Juice	A1	А3	A 5	A7	B1	В3	B5	В7	
6 Gbps Transceiver		9	9	24	24	24	24	36	36	
GPIO ⁽	GPIO ⁽³⁾		416	544	544	704	704	704	704	
LVD S	Transmi tter	67	67	120	120	160	160	160	160	
3	Receiver	80	80	136	136	176	176	176	176	
PCIe I Block	Hard IP	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	
Hard I Contro	Hard Memory Controller		2	4	4	4	4	4	4	

Related Information

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

Provides the number of LVDS channels in each device package.

Package Plan

Table 5: Package Plan for Arria V GX Devices

Member Code		72 mm)	F8 (31)	96 mm)	F1152 (35 mm)		F1517 (40 mm)	
	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR	GPIO	XCVR
A1	336	9	416	9	_	_	_	_
A3	336	9	416	9	_	_	_	_
A5	336	9	384	18	544	24	_	_
A7	336	9	384	18	544	24	_	_
B1	_	_	384	18	544	24	704	24
В3	_	_	384	18	544	24	704	24
B5	_	_	_	_	544	24	704	36
В7	_	_	_	_	544	24	704	36

Arria V GT

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



⁽³⁾ The number of GPIOs does not include transceiver I/Os. In the Quartus[®] Prime software, the number of user I/Os includes transceiver I/Os.

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and eighteen 10-Gbps, twelve 6-Gbps and sixteen 10-Gbps, fifteen 6-Gbps and fourteen 10-Gbps, or up to thirty-six 6-Gbps with no 10-Gbps channels.

Arria V GZ

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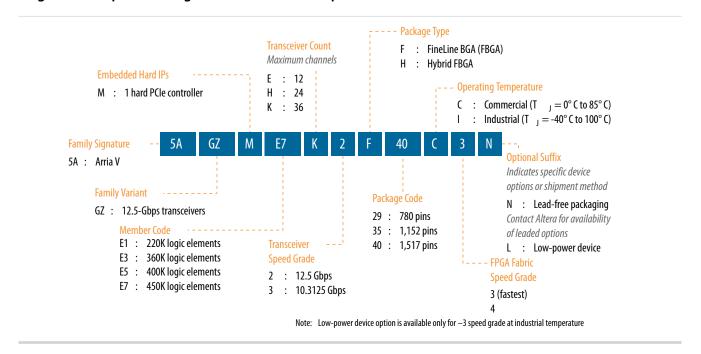
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Available Options

Figure 3: Sample Ordering Code and Available Options for Arria V GZ Devices



Maximum Resources

Table 8: Maximum Resource Counts for Arria V GZ Devices

Resource	Member Code						
nesource	E1	E 3	E 5	E 7			
Logic Elements (LE) (K)	220	360	400	450			
ALM	83,020	135,840	150,960	169,800			
Register	332,080	543,360	603,840	679,200			



Poss	ource	Member Code			
neso	ruice	В3	B5		
FPGA PLL		14	14		
HPS PLL		3	3		
6 Gbps Transceiver		30	30		
FPGA GPIO ⁽⁸⁾		540	540		
HPS I/O		208	208		
LVDS	Transmitter	120	120		
LVDS	Receiver	136	136		
PCIe Hard IP Block		2	2		
FPGA Hard Memory	Controller	3	3		
HPS Hard Memory C	Controller	1	1		
ARM Cortex-A9 MP	Core Processor	Dual-core	Dual-core		

Related Information

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

Provides the number of LVDS channels in each device package.

Package Plan

Table 11: Package Plan for Arria V SX Devices

The HPS I/O counts are the number of I/Os in the HPS and does not correlate with the number of HPS-specific I/O pins in the FPGA. Each HPS-specific pin in the FPGA may be mapped to several HPS I/Os.

	F896		F1152			F1517			
Member Code	(31 mm)		(35 mm)			(40 mm)			
Code	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR	FPGA GPIO	HPS I/O	XCVR
В3	250	208	12	385	208	18	540	208	30
B5	250	208	12	385	208	18	540	208	30

Arria V ST

This section provides the available options, maximum resource counts, and package plan for the Arria V ST devices.

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Related Information

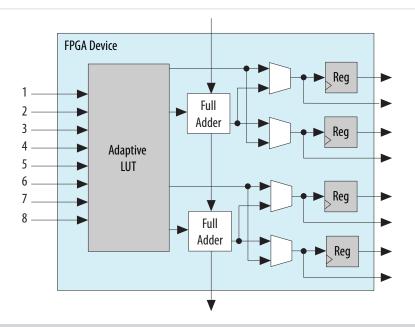
- Managing Device I/O Pins chapter, Quartus Prime Handbook Provides more information about vertical I/O migrations.
- Power Management in Arria V Devices
 Describes the power-up sequence required for Arria V GX and GT devices.

Adaptive Logic Module

Arria V devices use a 28 nm ALM as the basic building block of the logic fabric.

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 previous generations.

Figure 7: ALM for Arria V Devices



You can configure up to 50% of the ALMs in the Arria V devices as distributed memory using MLABs.

Related Information

Embedded Memory Capacity in Arria V Devices on page 20

Lists the embedded memory capacity for each device.



Table 15: Number of Multipliers in Arria V Devices

The table lists the variable-precision DSP resources by bit precision for each Arria V device.

Variant	Mem ber	Variable- precision	Independ	ent Input and Ope	18 x 18 Multiplier	18 x 18 Multiplier Adder Summed			
Variant	Code		9 x 9 Multiplier	18 x 18 Multiplier	27 x 27 Multiplier	36 x 36 Multiplier	Adder Mode	with 36 bit Input	
	A1	240	720	480	240	_	240	240	
	A3	396	1,188	792	396	_	396	396	
	A5	600	1,800	1,200	600	_	600	600	
Arria V	A7	800	2,400	1,600	800	_	800	800	
GX	B1	920	2,760	1,840	920	_	920	920	
	В3	1,045	3,135	2,090	1,045	_	1,045	1,045	
	B5	1,092	3,276	2,184	1,092	_	1,092	1,092	
	B7	1,156	3,468	2,312	1,156	_	1,156	1,156	
	C3	396	1,188	792	396	_	396	396	
Arria V	C7	800	2,400	1,600	800	_	800	800	
GT	D3	1,045	3,135	2,090	1,045	_	1,045	1,045	
	D7	1,156	3,468	2,312	1,156	_	1,156	1,156	
	E1	800	2,400	1,600	800	400	800	800	
Arria V	E3	1,044	3,132	2,088	1,044	522	1,044	1,044	
GZ	E5	1,092	3,276	2,184	1,092	546	1,092	1,092	
	E7	1,139	3,417	2,278	1,139	569	1,139	1,139	
Arria V	В3	809	2,427	1,618	809	_	809	809	
SX	B5	1,090	3,270	2,180	1,090	_	1,090	1,090	
Arria V	D3	809	2,427	1,618	809	_	809	809	
ST	D5	1,090	3,270	2,180	1,090	_	1,090	1,090	

Embedded Memory Blocks

The embedded memory blocks in the devices are flexible and designed to provide an optimal amount of small- and large-sized memory arrays to fit your design requirements.



		M20K		M10K		MLAB		
Variant	Membe r Code	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Block	RAM Bit (Kb)	Total RAM Bit (Kb)
Arria V ST	D3	_	_	1,729	17,290	3223	2,014	19,304
Allia V 31	D5	_	_	2,282	22,820	4253	2,658	25,478

Embedded Memory Configurations

Table 17: Supported Embedded Memory Block Configurations for Arria V Devices

This table lists the maximum configurations supported for the embedded memory blocks. The information is applicable only to the single-port RAM and ROM modes.

Memory Block	Depth (bits)	Programmable Width		
MLAB	32	x16, x18, or x20		
MLAD	64 ⁽¹¹⁾	x10		
	512	x40		
	1K	x20		
M20K	2K	x10		
WIZOK	4K	x5		
	8K	x2		
	16K	x1		
	256	x40 or x32		
	512	x20 or x16		
M10K	1K	x10 or x8		
WHOK	2K	x5 or x4		
	4K	x2		
	8K	x1		

Clock Networks and PLL Clock Sources

650 MHz Arria V devices have 16 global clock networks capable of up to operation. The clock network architecture is based on Altera's global, quadrant, and peripheral clock structure. This clock structure is supported by dedicated clock input pins and fractional PLLs.

Note: To reduce power consumption, the Quartus Prime software identifies all unused sections of the clock network and powers them down.



⁽¹¹⁾ Available for Arria V GZ devices only.

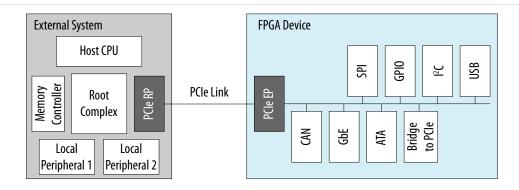
PCIe Gen1, Gen2, and Gen 3 Hard IP

Arria V devices contain PCIe hard IP that is designed for performance and ease-of-use. The PCIe hard IP consists of the MAC, data link, and transaction layers.

The PCIe hard IP supports PCIe Gen3, Gen 2, and Gen 1 end point and root port for up to x8 lane configuration.

The PCIe endpoint support includes multifunction support for up to eight functions, as shown in the following figure. The integrated multifunction support reduces the FPGA logic requirements by up to 20,000 LEs for PCIe designs that require multiple peripherals.

Figure 8: PCIe Multifunction for Arria V Devices



The Arria V PCIe hard IP operates independently from the core logic. This independent operation allows the PCIe link to wake up and complete link training in less than 100 ms while the Arria V device completes loading the programming file for the rest of the device.

In addition, the PCIe hard IP in the Arria V device provides improved end-to-end datapath protection using ECC.

External Memory Interface

This section provides an overview of the external memory interface in Arria V devices.

Hard and Soft Memory Controllers

Arria V GX,GT, SX, and ST devices support up to four hard memory controllers for DDR3 and DDR2 SDRAM devices. Each controller supports 8 to 32 bit components of up to 4 gigabits (Gb) in density with two chip selects and optional ECC. For the Arria V SoC devices, an additional hard memory controller in the HPS supports DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 SDRAM devices.

All Arria V devices support soft memory controllers for DDR3, DDR2, and LPDDR2 SDRAM devices, QDR II+, QDR II, and DDR II+ SRAM devices, and RLDRAM II devices for maximum flexibility.

Note: DDR3 SDRAM leveling is supported only in Arria V GZ devices.



Related Information

External Memory Interface Spec Estimator

For the latest information and to estimate the external memory system performance specification, use Altera's External Memory Interface Spec Estimator tool.

Low-Power Serial Transceivers

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

- 12.5 Gbps transceivers at less than 170 mW
- 10 Gbps transceivers at less than 165 mW
- 6 Gbps transceivers at less than 105 mW

Arria V transceivers are designed to be compliant with a wide range of protocols and data rates.

Transceiver Channels

The transceivers are positioned on the left and right outer edges of the device. The transceiver channels consist of the physical medium attachment (PMA), physical coding sublayer (PCS), and clock networks.

The following figures are graphical representations of a top view of the silicon die, which corresponds to a reverse view for flip chip packages. Different Arria V devices may have different floorplans than the ones shown in the figures.



Figure 9: Device Chip Overview for Arria V GX and GT Devices

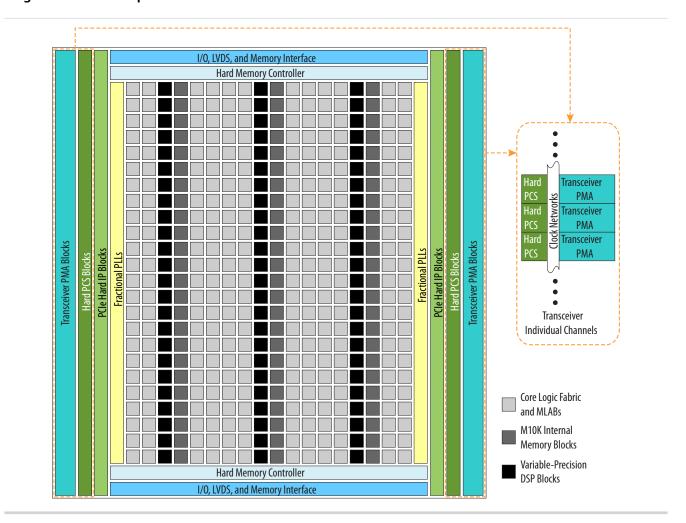
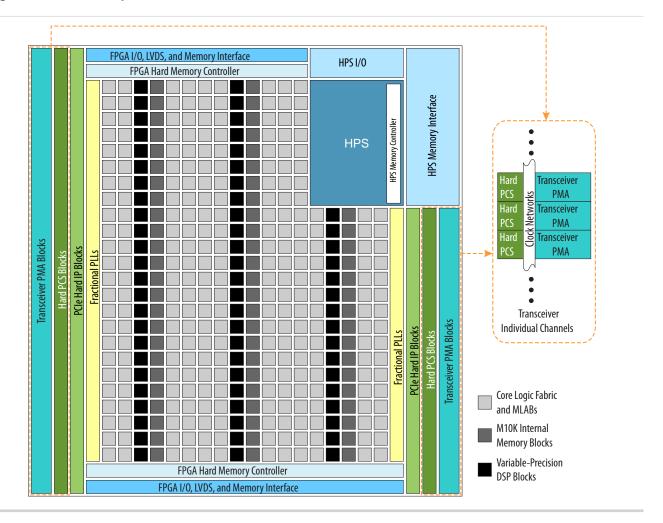




Figure 11: Device Chip Overview for Arria V SX and ST Devices



PMA Features

To prevent core and I/O noise from coupling into the transceivers, the PMA block is isolated from the rest of the chip—ensuring optimal signal integrity. For the transceivers, you can use the channel PLL of an unused receiver PMA as an additional transmit PLL.

Table 20: PMA Features of the Transceivers in Arria V Devices

Features	Capability
Backplane support	 Arria V GX, GT, SX, and ST devices—Driving capability at 6.5536 Gbps with up to 25 dB channel loss Arria V GZ devices—Driving capability at 12.5 Gbps with up to 16 dB channel loss
Chip-to-chip support	 Arria V GX, GT, SX, and ST devices—Up to 10.3125 Gbps Arria V GZ devices—Up to 12.5 Gbps



Features	Capability	
PLL-based clock recovery	Superior jitter tolerance	
Programmable serializer and deserializer (SERDES)	Flexible SERDES width	
Equalization and pre-emphasis	 Arria V GX, GT, SX, and ST devices—Up to 14.37 dB of pre-emphasis and up to 4.7 dB of equalization Arria V GZ devices—4-tap pre-emphasis and de-emphasis 	
Ring oscillator transmit PLLs	611 Mbps to 10.3125 Gbps	
LC oscillator ATX transmit PLLs (Arria V GZ devices only)	600 Mbps to 12.5 Gbps	
Input reference clock range	27 MHz to 710 MHz	
Transceiver dynamic reconfiguration	Allows the reconfiguration of a single channel without affecting the operation of other channels	

PCS Features

The Arria V core logic connects to the PCS through an 8, 10, 16, 20, 32, 40, 64, 66, or 67 bit interface, depending on the transceiver data rate and protocol. Arria V devices contain PCS hard IP to support PCIe Gen1, Gen2, and Gen3, GbE, Serial RapidIO (SRIO), GPON, and CPRI.

All other standard and proprietary protocols within the following speed ranges are also supported:

- 611 Mbps to 6.5536 Gbps—supported through the custom double-width mode (up to 6.5536 Gbps) and custom single-width mode (up to 3.75 Gbps) of the transceiver PCS hard IP.
- 6.5536 Gbps to 10.3125 Gbps—supported through dedicated 80 or 64 bit interface that bypass the PCS hard IP and connects the PMA directly to the core logic. In Arria V GZ, this is supported in the transceiver PCS hard IP.

Table 21: Transceiver PCS Features for Arria V GX, GT, ST, and SX Devices

PCS Support ⁽¹³⁾	Data Rates (Gbps)	Transmitter Data Path Feature	Receiver Data Path Feature
Custom single- and double-width modes	0.611 to ~6.5536	Phase compensation FIFO	Word aligner8B/10B decoder
SRIO	1.25 to 6.25	Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder	Byte deserializer
Serial ATA	1.5, 3.0, 6.0	ob, rob encoder	Phase compensation FIFO



 $^{^{(13)}}$ Data rates above 6.5536 Gbps up to 10.3125 Gbps, such as 10GBASE-R, are supported through the soft PCS.

PCS Support ⁽¹³⁾	Data Rates (Gbps)	Transmitter Data Path Feature	Receiver Data Path Feature
PCIe Gen1 (x1, x2, x4, x8) PCIe Gen2 ⁽¹⁴⁾ (x1, x2, x4)	2.5 and 5.0	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder PIPE 2.0 interface to the core logic 	 Word aligner 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Phase compensation FIFO Rate match FIFO PIPE 2.0 interface to the core logic
GbE	1.25	Phase compensation FIFOByte serializer8B/10B encoder	 Word aligner 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Phase compensation FIFO Rate match FIFO
XAUI ⁽¹⁵⁾	3.125	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder XAUI state machine for bonding four channels 	 Word aligner 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Phase compensation FIFO XAUI state machine for realigning four channels Deskew FIFO circuitry
SDI	0.27 ⁽¹⁶⁾ , 1.485, 2.97	Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer	Byte deserializerPhase compensation FIFO
GPON ⁽¹⁷⁾	1.25 and 2.5	byte serializer	1 mase compensation in O
CPRI ⁽¹⁸⁾	0.6144 to 6.144	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder TX deterministic latency 	 Word aligner 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Phase compensation FIFO RX deterministic latency



⁽¹³⁾ Data rates above 6.5536 Gbps up to 10.3125 Gbps, such as 10GBASE-R, are supported through the soft PCS.

PCIe Gen2 is supported only through the PCIe hard IP.

⁽¹⁵⁾ XAUI is supported through the soft PCS.

⁽¹⁶⁾ The 0.27 Gbps data rate is supported using oversampling user logic that you must implement in the FPGA fabric.

 $^{^{\}left(17\right) }$ The GPON standard does not support burst mode.

⁽¹⁸⁾ CPRI data rates above 6.5536 Gbps, such as 9.8304 Gbps, are supported through the soft PCS.

Protocol	Data Rates (Gbps)	Transmitter Data Path Features	Receiver Data Path Features
40GBASE-R Ethernet 100GBASE-R Ethernet	4 x 10.3125 10 x 10.3125	 TX FIFO 64B/66B encoder Scrambler Alignment marker insertion Gearbox Block stripper 	 RX FIFO 64B/66B decoder Descrambler Lane reorder Deskew Alignment marker lock Block synchronization Gear box Destripper
40G and 100G OTN	(4+1) x 11.3 (10+1) x 11.3	 TX FIFO Channel bonding Byte serializer	RX FIFOLane deskewByte deserializer
GbE	1.25	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder Bit-slip Channel bonding GbE state machine 	 Word aligner Deskew FIFO Rate match FIFO 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Byte ordering GbE state machine
XAUI	3.125 to 4.25	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder Bit-slip Channel bonding XAUI state machine for bonding four channels 	 Word aligner Deskew FIFO Rate match FIFO 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Byte ordering XAUI state machine for realigning four channels
SRIO	1.25 to 6.25	 Phase compensation FIFO Byte serializer 8B/10B encoder Bit-slip Channel bonding SRIO V2.1-compliant x2 and x4 channel bonding 	 Word aligner Deskew FIFO Rate match FIFO 8B/10B decoder Byte deserializer Byte ordering SRIO V2.1-compliant x2 and x4 deskew state machine



SoC with HPS

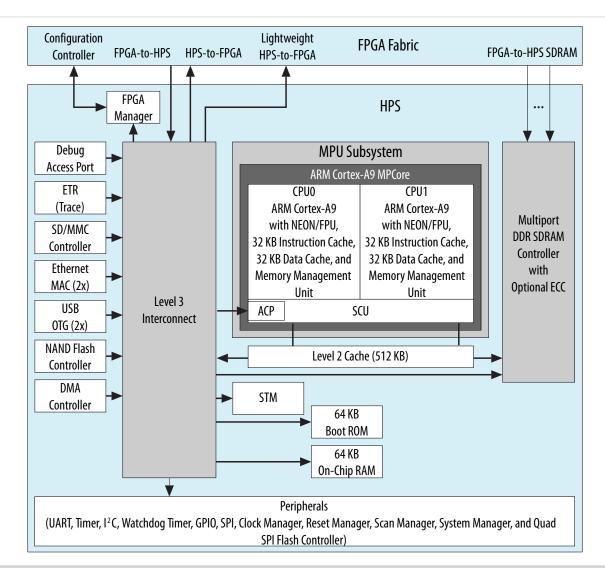
Each SoC combines an FPGA fabric and an HPS in a single device. This combination delivers the flexibility of programmable logic with the power and cost savings of hard IP in these ways:

- 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

HPS Features

The HPS consists of a dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor, a rich set of peripherals, and a shared multiport SDRAM memory controller, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 12: HPS with Dual-Core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore Processor





You can configure the FPGA fabric and boot the HPS independently, in any order, 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.
- You can power up both the HPS and the FPGA fabric together, configure the FPGA fabric first, and then boot the HPS from memory accessible to the FPGA fabric.

Note: Although the FPGA fabric and HPS are on separate power domains, the HPS must remain powered up during operation while the FPGA fabric can be powered up or down as required.

Related Information

- Arria V GT, GX, ST, and SX Device Family Pin Connection Guidelines
 Provides detailed information about power supply pin connection guidelines and power regulator sharing.
- Arria V GZ Device Family Pin Connection Guidelines
 Provides detailed information about power supply pin connection guidelines and power regulator sharing.

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 Qsys system integration tool in the Quartus Prime software.

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

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

Related Information

Altera Worldwide Sales Support

Dynamic and Partial Reconfiguration

The Arria V devices support dynamic reconfiguration and partial reconfiguration.

Dynamic Reconfiguration

The dynamic reconfiguration feature allows you to dynamically change the transceiver data rates, PMA settings, or protocols of a channel, without affecting data transfer on adjacent channels. This feature is ideal for applications that require on-the-fly multiprotocol or multirate support. You can reconfigure the PMA, PCS, and PCIe hard IP blocks with dynamic reconfiguration.



Partial Reconfiguration

Note: Partial reconfiguration is an advanced feature of the device family. If you are interested in using partial reconfiguration, contact Altera for support.

Partial reconfiguration allows you to reconfigure part of the device while other sections of the device remain operational. This capability is important in systems with critical uptime requirements because it allows you to make updates or adjust functionality without disrupting services.

Apart from lowering cost and power consumption, partial reconfiguration increases the effective logic density of the device because placing device functions that do not operate simultaneously is not necessary. Instead, you can store these functions in external memory and load them whenever the functions are required. This capability reduces the size of the device because it allows multiple applications on a single device—saving the board space and reducing the power consumption.

Altera simplifies the time-intensive task of partial reconfiguration by building this capability on top of the proven incremental compile and design flow in the Quartus Prime design software. With the Altera solution, you do not need to know all the intricate device architecture details to perform a partial reconfiguration.

Partial reconfiguration is supported through the FPP x16 configuration interface. You can seamlessly use partial reconfiguration in tandem with dynamic reconfiguration to enable simultaneous partial reconfiguration of both the device core and transceivers.

Enhanced Configuration and Configuration via Protocol

Table 23: Configuration Modes and Features of Arria V Devices

Arria V devices support 1.8 V, 2.5 V, 3.0 V, and 3.3 V⁽¹⁹⁾ programming voltages and several configuration modes.

Mode	Data Width	Max Clock Rate (MHz)	Max Datal Rate (Mbps)	Decompression		Partial econfiguratio (20)	Remote System Update
AS through the EPCS and EPCQ serial configuration device	1 bit, 4 bits	100	_	Yes	Yes	_	Yes
PS through CPLD or external microcontroller	1 bit	125	125	Yes	Yes	_	_



⁽¹⁹⁾ Arria V GZ does not support 3.3 V.

⁽²⁰⁾ Partial reconfiguration is an advanced feature of the device family. If you are interested in using partial reconfiguration, contact Altera for support.

Document Revision History

Date	Version	Changes
December 2015	2015.12.21	 Updated RoHS and optional suffix information in sample ordering code and available options diagrams for Arria V GX and GT devices. Changed instances of <i>Quartus II</i> to <i>Quartus Prime</i>.
January 2015	2015.01.23	 Updated package dimension for Arria V GZ H780 package from 29 mm to 33 mm. Updated dual-core ARM Cortex-A9 MPCore processor maximum frequency from 800 MHz to 1.05 GHz.
December 2013	2013.12.26	 10-Gbps Ethernet (10GbE) PCS and Interlaken PCS are for Arria V GZ only. Removed "Preliminary" texts from Ordering Code figures, Maximum Resources, Package Plan and I/O Vertical Migration tables. Added link to Altera Product Selector for each device variant. Added leaded package options. Removed the note "The number of PLLs includes general-purpose fractional PLLs and transceiver fractional PLLs." for all PLLs in the Maximum Resource Counts table. Corrected FPGA GPIO for Arria V SX B3 and B5 as well as Arria V ST D3 and D5 F896 package from 170 to 250. Corrected FPGA GPIO for Arria V SX B3 and B5 as well as Arria V ST D3 and D5 F1152 package from 350 to 385. Corrected FPGA GPIO for Arria V SX B3 and B5 as well as Arria V ST D3 and D5 F1517 package from 528 to 540. Corrected LVDS Transmitter for Arria V SX B3 and B5 as well as Arria V ST D3 and D5 devices from 121 to 120. Added links to Altera's External Memory Spec Estimator tool to the topics listing the external memory interface performance. Added x2 for PCIe Gen3, Gen 2, and Gen 1.
August 2013	2013.08.19	 Removed the note about the PCIe hard IP on the right side of the device in the F896 package of the Arria V GX variant. These devices do not have PCIe hard IP on the right side. Added transceiver speed grade 6 to the available options of the Arria V SX variant. Corrected the maximum LVDS transmitter channel counts for the Arria V GX A1 and A3 devices from 68 to 67. Corrected the maximum FPGA GPIO count for Arria V ST D5 devices from 540 to 528.



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July 2012	2.1	 Added –I3 speed grade to Figure 1 for Arria V GX devices. Updated the 6-Gbps transceiver speed from 6.553 Gbps to 6.5536 Gbps in Figure 3 and Figure 1.
June 2012	2.0	 Restructured the document. Added the "Embedded Memory Capacity" and "Embedded Memory Configurations" sections. Added Table 1, Table 3, Table 12, Table 15, and Table 16. Updated Table 2, Table 4, Table 5, Table 6, Table 7, Table 8, Table 9, Table 10, Table 11, Table 13, Table 14, and Table 19. Updated Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3, Figure 4, and Figure 8. Updated the "FPGA Configuration and Processor Booting" and "Hardware and Software Development" sections. Text edits throughout the document.
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