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

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

Applications of Embedded - FPGAs

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

Details	
Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	216
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	1728
Total RAM Bits	12288
Number of I/O	147
Number of Gates	69000
Voltage - Supply	3V ~ 3.6V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 70°C (TA)
Package / Case	208-BFQFP
Supplier Device Package	208-PQFP (28x28)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/epf10k30aqc208-3n

Table 2. FLEX 10K Device Features

Feature	EPF10K70	EPF10K100 EPF10K100A	EPF10K130V	EPF10K250A
Typical gates (logic and RAM) *(1)*	70,000	100,000	130,000	250,000
Maximum system gates	118,000	158,000	211,000	310,000
LEs	3,744	4,992	6,656	12,160
LABs	468	624	832	1,520
EABs	9	12	16	20
Total RAM bits	18,432	24,576	32,768	40,960
Maximum user I/O pins	358	406	470	470

Note to tables:

(1)   The embedded IEEE Std. 1149.1 JTAG circuitry adds up to 31,250 gates in addition to the listed typical or maximum system gates.

...and More Features

– Devices are fabricated on advanced processes and operate with a 3.3-V or 5.0-V supply voltage (see Table 3
– In-circuit reconfigurability (ICR) via external configuration device, intelligent controller, or JTAG port
– ClockLock™ and ClockBoost™ options for reduced clock delay/skew and clock multiplication
– Built-in low-skew clock distribution trees
– 100% functional testing of all devices; test vectors or scan chains are not required

Table 3. Supply Voltages for FLEX 10K & FLEX 10KA Devices

5.0-V Devices	3.3-V Devices
EPF10K10	EPF10K10A
EPF10K20	EPF10K30A
EPF10K30	EPF10K50V
EPF10K40	EPF10K100A
EPF10K50	EPF10K130V
EPF10K70	EPF10K250A
EPF10K100	

The FLEX 10K architecture is similar to that of embedded gate arrays, the fastest-growing segment of the gate array market. As with standard gate arrays, embedded gate arrays implement general logic in a conventional "sea-of-gates" architecture. In addition, embedded gate arrays have dedicated die areas for implementing large, specialized functions. By embedding functions in silicon, embedded gate arrays provide reduced die area and increased speed compared to standard gate arrays. However, embedded megafunctions typically cannot be customized, limiting the designer's options. In contrast, FLEX 10K devices are programmable, providing the designer with full control over embedded megafunctions and general logic while facilitating iterative design changes during debugging.

Each FLEX 10K device contains an embedded array and a logic array. The embedded array is used to implement a variety of memory functions or complex logic functions, such as digital signal processing (DSP), microcontroller, wide-data-path manipulation, and data-transformation functions. The logic array performs the same function as the sea-of-gates in the gate array: it is used to implement general logic, such as counters, adders, state machines, and multiplexers. The combination of embedded and logic arrays provides the high performance and high density of embedded gate arrays, enabling designers to implement an entire system on a single device.

FLEX 10K devices are configured at system power-up with data stored in an Altera serial configuration device or provided by a system controller. Altera offers the EPC1, EPC2, EPC16, and EPC1441 configuration devices, which configure FLEX 10K devices via a serial data stream. Configuration data can also be downloaded from system RAM or from Altera's BitBlaster™ serial download cable or ByteBlasterMV™ parallel port download cable. After a FLEX 10K device has been configured, it can be reconfigured in-circuit by resetting the device and loading new data. Because reconfiguration requires less than 320 ms, real-time changes can be made during system operation.

FLEX 10K devices contain an optimized interface that permits microprocessors to configure FLEX 10K devices serially or in parallel, and synchronously or asynchronously. The interface also enables microprocessors to treat a FLEX 10K device as memory and configure the device by writing to a virtual memory location, making it very easy for the designer to reconfigure the device.

Logic functions are implemented by programming the EAB with a read-only pattern during configuration, creating a large LUT. With LUTs, combinatorial functions are implemented by looking up the results, rather than by computing them. This implementation of combinatorial functions can be faster than using algorithms implemented in general logic, a performance advantage that is further enhanced by the fast access times of EABs. The large capacity of EABs enables designers to implement complex functions in one logic level without the routing delays associated with linked LEs or field-programmable gate array (FPGA) RAM blocks. For example, a single EAB can implement a 4×4 multiplier with eight inputs and eight outputs. Parameterized functions such as LPM functions can automatically take advantage of the EAB.

The EAB provides advantages over FPGAs, which implement on-board RAM as arrays of small, distributed RAM blocks. These FPGA RAM blocks contain delays that are less predictable as the size of the RAM increases. In addition, FPGA RAM blocks are prone to routing problems because small blocks of RAM must be connected together to make larger blocks. In contrast, EABs can be used to implement large, dedicated blocks of RAM that eliminate these timing and routing concerns.

EABs can be used to implement synchronous RAM, which is easier to use than asynchronous RAM. A circuit using asynchronous RAM must generate the RAM write enable (WE) signal, while ensuring that its data and address signals meet setup and hold time specifications relative to the WE signal. In contrast, the EAB's synchronous RAM generates its own WE signal and is self-timed with respect to the global clock. A circuit using the EAB's self-timed RAM need only meet the setup and hold time specifications of the global clock.

When used as RAM, each EAB can be configured in any of the following sizes: 256×8, 512×4, $1,024 \times 2$, or $2,048 \times 1$. See Figure 2.

Figure 2. EAB Memory Configurations

| 256×8 | 512×4 | $1,024 \times 2$ | $2,048 \times 1$ |

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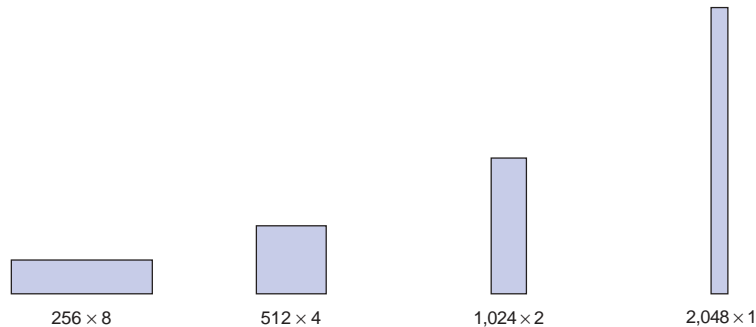
Larger blocks of RAM are created by combining multiple EABs. For example, two 256×8 RAM blocks can be combined to form a 256×16 RAM block; two 512×4 blocks of RAM can be combined to form a 512×8 RAM block. See Figure 3.

Figure 3. Examples of Combining EABs
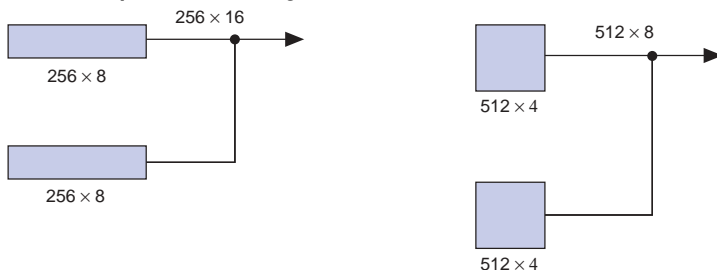
If necessary, all EABs in a device can be cascaded to form a single RAM block. EABs can be cascaded to form RAM blocks of up to 2,048 words without impacting timing. Altera's software automatically combines EABs to meet a designer's RAM specifications.

EABs provide flexible options for driving and controlling clock signals. Different clocks can be used for the EAB inputs and outputs. Registers can be independently inserted on the data input, EAB output, or the address and WE inputs. The global signals and the EAB local interconnect can drive the WE signal. The global signals, dedicated clock pins, and EAB local interconnect can drive the EAB clock signals. Because the LEs drive the EAB local interconnect, the LEs can control the WE signal or the EAB clock signals.

Each EAB is fed by a row interconnect and can drive out to row and column interconnects. Each EAB output can drive up to two row channels and up to two column channels; the unused row channel can be driven by other LEs. This feature increases the routing resources available for EAB outputs. See Figure 4.

During compilation, the Compiler automatically selects the best control signal implementation. Because the clear and preset functions are active-low, the Compiler automatically assigns a logic high to an unused clear or preset.

The clear and preset logic is implemented in one of the following six modes chosen during design entry:

- Asynchronous clear
- Asynchronous preset
- Asynchronous clear and preset
- Asynchronous load with clear
- Asynchronous load with preset
- Asynchronous load without clear or preset

In addition to the six clear and preset modes, FLEX 10K devices provide a chip-wide reset pin that can reset all registers in the device. Use of this feature is set during design entry. In any of the clear and preset modes, the chip-wide reset overrides all other signals. Registers with asynchronous presets may be preset when the chip-wide reset is asserted. Inversion can be used to implement the asynchronous preset. Figure 10 shows examples of how to enter a section of a design for the desired functionality.

I/O Element

An I/O element (IOE) contains a bidirectional I/O buffer and a register that can be used either as an input register for external data that requires a fast setup time, or as an output register for data that requires fast clock-to-output performance. In some cases, using an LE register for an input register will result in a faster setup time than using an IOE register. IOEs can be used as input, output, or bidirectional pins. For bidirectional registered I/O implementation, the output register should be in the IOE and, the data input and output enable register should be LE registers placed adjacent to the bidirectional pin. The Compiler uses the programmable inversion option to invert signals from the row and column interconnect automatically where appropriate. Figure 13 shows the bidirectional I/O registers.

Table 15. 32-Bit FLEX 10K Device IDCODE   *Note (1)*

Device	IDCODE (32 Bits)			
	Version (4 Bits)	Part Number (16 Bits)	Manufacturer's Identity (11 Bits)	1 (1 Bit) (2)
EPF10K10, EPF10K10A	0000	0001 0000 0001 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K20	0000	0001 0000 0010 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K30, EPF10K30A	0000	0001 0000 0011 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K40	0000	0001 0000 0100 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K50, EPF10K50V	0000	0001 0000 0101 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K70	0000	0001 0000 0111 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K100, EPF10K100A	0000	0000 0001 0000 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K130V	0000	0000 0001 0011 0000	00001101110	1
EPF10K250A	0000	0000 0010 0101 0000	00001101110	1

Notes:

(1)   The most significant bit (MSB) is on the left.

(2)   The least significant bit (LSB) for all JTAG IDCODEs is 1.

FLEX 10K devices include weak pull-ups on JTAG pins.

For more information, see the following documents:

- *Application Note 39 (IEEE 1149.1 (JTAG) Boundary-Scan Testing in Altera Devices)*
- *BitBlaster Serial Download Cable Data Sheet*
- *ByteBlasterMV Parallel Port Download Cable Data Sheet*
- *Jam Programming & Test Language Specification*

Table 35. EAB Timing Macroparameters   Notes (1), (6)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t_{EABAA}	EAB address access delay	
$t_{EABRCCOMB}$	EAB asynchronous read cycle time	
$t_{EABRCREG}$	EAB synchronous read cycle time	
t_{EABWP}	EAB write pulse width	
$t_{EABWCCOMB}$	EAB asynchronous write cycle time	
$t_{EABWCREG}$	EAB synchronous write cycle time	
t_{EABDD}	EAB data-in to data-out valid delay	
$t_{EABDATACO}$	EAB clock-to-output delay when using output registers	
$t_{EABDATASU}$	EAB data/address setup time before clock when using input register	
$t_{EABDATAH}$	EAB data/address hold time after clock when using input register	
$t_{EABWESU}$	EAB WE setup time before clock when using input register	
t_{EABWEH}	EAB WE hold time after clock when using input register	
$t_{EABWDSU}$	EAB data setup time before falling edge of write pulse when not using input registers	
t_{EABWDH}	EAB data hold time after falling edge of write pulse when not using input registers	
$t_{EABWASU}$	EAB address setup time before rising edge of write pulse when not using input registers	
t_{EABWAH}	EAB address hold time after falling edge of write pulse when not using input registers	
t_{EABWO}	EAB write enable to data output valid delay	

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Table 36. Interconnect Timing Microparameters   *Note (1)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
$t_{DIN2IOE}$	Delay from dedicated input pin to IOE control input	*(7)*
$t_{DCLK2LE}$	Delay from dedicated clock pin to LE or EAB clock	*(7)*
$t_{DIN2DATA}$	Delay from dedicated input or clock to LE or EAB data	*(7)*
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$	Delay from dedicated clock pin to IOE clock	*(7)*
t_{DIN2LE}	Delay from dedicated input pin to LE or EAB control input	*(7)*
$t_{SAMELAB}$	Routing delay for an LE driving another LE in the same LAB	
$t_{SAMEROW}$	Routing delay for a row IOE, LE, or EAB driving a row IOE, LE, or EAB in the same row	*(7)*
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$	Routing delay for an LE driving an IOE in the same column	*(7)*
$t_{DIFFROW}$	Routing delay for a column IOE, LE, or EAB driving an LE or EAB in a different row	*(7)*
$t_{TWOROWS}$	Routing delay for a row IOE or EAB driving an LE or EAB in a different row	*(7)*
$t_{LEPERIPH}$	Routing delay for an LE driving a control signal of an IOE via the peripheral control bus	*(7)*
$t_{LABCARRY}$	Routing delay for the carry-out signal of an LE driving the carry-in signal of a different LE in a different LAB	
$t_{LABCASC}$	Routing delay for the cascade-out signal of an LE driving the cascade-in signal of a different LE in a different LAB	

Table 37. External Timing Parameters   *Notes (8), (10)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t_{DRR}	Register-to-register delay via four LEs, three row interconnects, and four local interconnects	*(9)*
t_{INSU}	Setup time with global clock at IOE register	
t_{INH}	Hold time with global clock at IOE register	
t_{OUTCO}	Clock-to-output delay with global clock at IOE register	

Table 38. External Bidirectional Timing Parameters   *Note (10)*

Symbol	Parameter	Condition
$t_{INSUBIDIR}$	Setup time for bidirectional pins with global clock at adjacent LE register	
$t_{INHBIDIR}$	Hold time for bidirectional pins with global clock at adjacent LE register	
$t_{OUTCOBIDIR}$	Clock-to-output delay for bidirectional pins with global clock at IOE register	
$t_{XZBIDIR}$	Synchronous IOE output buffer disable delay	
$t_{ZXBIDIR}$	Synchronous IOE output buffer enable delay, slow slew rate = off	

Symbol	-3 Speed Grade		-4 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{IOD}		0.4		0.6	ns
t_{IOC}		0.5		0.9	ns
t_{IOCO}		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{IOCOMB}		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{IOSU}	3.1		3.5		ns
t_{IOH}	1.0		1.9		ns
t_{IOCLR}		1.0		1.2	ns
t_{OD1}		3.3		3.6	ns
t_{OD2}		5.6		6.5	ns
t_{OD3}		7.0		8.3	ns
t_{XZ}		5.2		5.5	ns
t_{ZX1}		5.2		5.5	ns
t_{ZX2}		7.5		8.4	ns
t_{ZX3}		8.9		10.2	ns
t_{INREG}		7.7		10.0	ns
t_{IOFD}		3.3		4.0	ns
t_{INCOMB}		3.3		4.0	ns

Table 49. EPF10K30, EPF10K40 & EPF10K50 Device IOE Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Notes to tables:

(1) All timing parameters are described in Tables 32 through 38 in this data sheet.
(2) Using an LE to register the signal may provide a lower setup time.
(3) This parameter is specified by characterization.

Tables 64 through 70 show EPF10K100 device internal and external timing parameters.

Table 64. EPF10K100 Device LE Timing Microparameters   *Note (1)*

Symbol	-3DX Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		-4 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{LUT}		1.5		1.5		2.0	ns
t_{CLUT}		0.4		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{RLUT}		1.6		1.6		2.0	ns
t_{PACKED}		0.9		0.9		1.3	ns
t_{EN}		0.9		0.9		1.2	ns
t_{CICO}		0.2		0.2		0.3	ns
t_{CGEN}		1.1		1.1		1.4	ns
t_{CGENR}		1.2		1.2		1.5	ns
t_{CASC}		1.1		1.1		1.3	ns
t_C		0.8		0.8		1.0	ns
t_{CO}		1.0		1.0		1.4	ns
t_{COMB}		0.5		0.5		0.7	ns
t_{SU}	2.1		2.1		2.6		ns
t_H	2.3		2.3		3.1		ns
t_{PRE}		1.0		1.0		1.4	ns
t_{CLR}		1.0		1.0		1.4	ns
t_{CH}	4.0		4.0		4.0		ns
t_{CL}	4.0		4.0		4.0		ns

Table 68. EPF10K100 Device Interconnect Timing Microparameters   Note (1)

Symbol	-3DX Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		-4 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{DIN2IOE}$		10.3		10.3		12.2	ns
t_{DIN2LE}		4.8		4.8		6.0	ns
$t_{DIN2DATA}$		7.3		7.3		11.0	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$ without ClockLock or ClockBoost circuitry		6.2		6.2		7.7	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$ with ClockLock or ClockBoost circuitry		2.3		–		–	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$ without ClockLock or ClockBoost circuitry		4.8		4.8		6.0	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$ with ClockLock or ClockBoost circuitry		2.3		–		–	ns
$t_{SAMELAB}$		0.4		0.4		0.5	ns
$t_{SAMEROW}$		4.9		4.9		5.5	ns
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$		5.1		5.1		5.4	ns
$t_{DIFFROW}$		10.0		10.0		10.9	ns
$t_{TWOROWS}$		14.9		14.9		16.4	ns
$t_{LEPERIPH}$		6.9		6.9		8.1	ns
$t_{LABCARRY}$		0.9		0.9		1.1	ns
$t_{LABCASC}$		3.0		3.0		3.2	ns

Table 80. EPF10K130V Device EAB Internal Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		-4 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{EABDATA1}$		1.9		2.4		2.4	ns
$t_{EABDATA2}$		3.7		4.7		4.7	ns
t_{EABWE1}		1.9		2.4		2.4	ns
t_{EABWE2}		3.7		4.7		4.7	ns
t_{EABCLK}		0.7		0.9		0.9	ns
t_{EABCO}		0.5		0.6		0.6	ns
$t_{EABBYPASS}$		0.6		0.8		0.8	ns
t_{EABSU}	1.4		1.8		1.8		ns
t_{EABH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{AA}		5.6		7.1		7.1	ns
t_{WP}	3.7		4.7		4.7		ns
t_{WDSU}	4.6		5.9		5.9		ns
t_{WDH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{WASU}	3.9		5.0		5.0		ns
t_{WAH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{WO}		5.6		7.1		7.1	ns
t_{DD}		5.6		7.1		7.1	ns
t_{EABOUT}		2.4		3.1		3.1	ns
t_{EABCH}	4.0		4.0		4.0		ns
t_{EABCL}	4.0		4.7		4.7		ns

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Table 88. EPF10K10A Device EAB Internal Timing Macroparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{EABAA}		8.1		9.8		13.1	ns
$t_{EABRCCOMB}$	8.1		9.8		13.1		ns
$t_{EABRCREG}$	5.8		6.9		9.3		ns
t_{EABWP}	2.0		2.4		3.2		ns
$t_{EABWCCOMB}$	3.5		4.2		5.6		ns
$t_{EABWCREG}$	9.4		11.2		14.8		ns
t_{EABDD}		6.9		8.3		11.0	ns
$t_{EABDATACO}$		1.3		1.5		2.0	ns
$t_{EABDATASU}$	2.4		3.0		3.9		ns
$t_{EABDATAH}$	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{EABWESU}$	4.1		4.9		6.5		ns
t_{EABWEH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{EABWDSU}$	1.4		1.6		2.2		ns
t_{EABWDH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{EABWASU}$	2.5		3.0		4.1		ns
t_{EABWAH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{EABWO}		6.2		7.5		9.9	ns

Table 94. EPF10K30A Device EAB Internal Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{EABDATA1}$		5.5		6.5		8.5	ns
$t_{EABDATA2}$		1.1		1.3		1.8	ns
t_{EABWE1}		2.4		2.8		3.7	ns
t_{EABWE2}		2.1		2.5		3.2	ns
t_{EABCLK}		0.0		0.0		0.2	ns
t_{EABCO}		1.7		2.0		2.6	ns
$t_{EABBYPASS}$		0.0		0.0		0.3	ns
t_{EABSU}	1.2		1.4		1.9		ns
t_{EABH}	0.1		0.1		0.3		ns
t_{AA}		4.2		5.0		6.5	ns
t_{WP}	3.8		4.5		5.9		ns
t_{WDSU}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{WDH}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{WASU}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{WAH}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{WO}		3.7		4.4		6.4	ns
t_{DD}		3.7		4.4		6.4	ns
t_{EABOUT}		0.0		0.1		0.6	ns
t_{EABCH}	3.0		3.5		4.0		ns
t_{EABCL}	3.8		4.5		5.9		ns

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Table 96. EPF10K30A Device Interconnect Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{DIN2IOE}$		3.9		4.4		5.1	ns
t_{DIN2LE}		1.2		1.5		1.9	ns
$t_{DIN2DATA}$		3.2		3.6		4.5	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$		3.0		3.5		4.6	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$		1.2		1.5		1.9	ns
$t_{SAMELAB}$		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
$t_{SAMEROW}$		2.3		2.4		2.7	ns
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$		1.3		1.4		1.9	ns
$t_{DIFFROW}$		3.6		3.8		4.6	ns
$t_{TWOROWS}$		5.9		6.2		7.3	ns
$t_{LEPERIPH}$		3.5		3.8		4.1	ns
$t_{LABCARRY}$		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
$t_{LABCASC}$		0.9		1.1		1.4	ns

Table 97. EPF10K30A External Reference Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{DRR}		11.0		13.0		17.0	ns
t_{INSU} *(2), (3)*	2.5		3.1		3.9		ns
t_{INH} *(3)*	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(3)*	2.0	5.4	2.0	6.2	2.0	8.3	ns

Table 98. EPF10K30A Device External Bidirectional Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{INSUBIDIR}	4.2		4.9		6.8		ns
t_{INHBIDIR}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{OUTCOBIDIR}	2.0	5.4	2.0	6.2	2.0	8.3	ns
t_{XZBIDIR}		6.2		7.5		9.8	ns
t_{ZXBIDIR}		6.2		7.5		9.8	ns

Table 101. EPF10K100A Device EAB Internal Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{EABDATA1}$		1.8		2.1		2.4	ns
$t_{EABDATA2}$		3.2		3.7		4.4	ns
t_{EABWE1}		0.8		0.9		1.1	ns
t_{EABWE2}		2.3		2.7		3.1	ns
t_{EABCLK}		0.8		0.9		1.1	ns
t_{EABCO}		1.0		1.1		1.4	ns
$t_{EABBYPASS}$		0.3		0.3		0.4	ns
t_{EABSU}	1.3		1.5		1.8		ns
t_{EABH}	0.4		0.5		0.5		ns
t_{AA}		4.1		4.8		5.6	ns
t_{WP}	3.2		3.7		4.4		ns
t_{WDSU}	2.4		2.8		3.3		ns
t_{WDH}	0.2		0.2		0.3		ns
t_{WASU}	0.2		0.2		0.3		ns
t_{WAH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{WO}		3.4		3.9		4.6	ns
t_{DD}		3.4		3.9		4.6	ns
t_{EABOUT}		0.3		0.3		0.4	ns
t_{EABCH}	2.5		3.5		4.0		ns
t_{EABCL}	3.2		3.7		4.4		ns

Table 103. EPF10K100A Device Interconnect Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{DIN2IOE}$		4.8		5.4		6.0	ns
t_{DIN2LE}		2.0		2.4		2.7	ns
$t_{DIN2DATA}$		2.4		2.7		2.9	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$		2.6		3.0		3.5	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$		2.0		2.4		2.7	ns
$t_{SAMELAB}$		0.1		0.1		0.1	ns
$t_{SAMEROW}$		1.5		1.7		1.9	ns
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$		5.5		6.5		7.4	ns
$t_{DIFFROW}$		7.0		8.2		9.3	ns
$t_{TWOROWS}$		8.5		9.9		11.2	ns
$t_{LEPERIPH}$		3.9		4.2		4.5	ns
$t_{LABCARRY}$		0.2		0.2		0.3	ns
$t_{LABCASC}$		0.4		0.5		0.6	ns

Table 104. EPF10K100A Device External Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{DRR}		12.5		14.5		17.0	ns
t_{INSU} *(2)*, *(3)*	3.7		4.5		5.1		ns
t_{INH} *(3)*	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(3)*	2.0	5.3	2.0	6.1	2.0	7.2	ns

Table 105. EPF10K100A Device External Bidirectional Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	-1 Speed Grade		-2 Speed Grade		-3 Speed Grade		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{INSUBIDIR}$	4.9		5.8		6.8		ns
$t_{INHBIDIR}$	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{OUTCOBIDIR}$	2.0	5.3	2.0	6.1	2.0	7.2	ns
$t_{XZBIDIR}$		7.4		8.6		10.1	ns
$t_{ZXBIDIR}$		7.4		8.6		10.1	ns

f_{MAX} = Maximum operating frequency in MHz

N = Total number of logic cells used in the device

tog_{LC} = Average percent of logic cells toggling at each clock (typically 12.5%)

K = Constant, shown in Tables 114 and 115

Table 114. FLEX 10K K Constant Values	
Device	**K Value**
EPF10K10	82
EPF10K20	89
EPF10K30	88
EPF10K40	92
EPF10K50	95
EPF10K70	85
EPF10K100	88

Table 115. FLEX 10KA K Constant Values	
Device	**K Value**
EPF10K10A	17
EPF10K30A	17
EPF10K50V	19
EPF10K100A	19
EPF10K130V	22
EPF10K250A	23

This calculation provides an I_{CC} estimate based on typical conditions with no output load. The actual I_{CC} should be verified during operation because this measurement is sensitive to the actual pattern in the device and the environmental operating conditions.

To better reflect actual designs, the power model (and the constant K in the power calculation equations) for continuous interconnect FLEX devices assumes that logic cells drive FastTrack Interconnect channels. In contrast, the power model of segmented FPGAs assumes that all logic cells drive only one short interconnect segment. This assumption may lead to inaccurate results, compared to measured power consumption for an actual design in a segmented interconnect FPGA.

Figure 32 shows the relationship between the current and operating frequency of FLEX 10K devices.

SRAM configuration elements allow FLEX 10K devices to be reconfigured in-circuit by loading new configuration data into the device. Real-time reconfiguration is performed by forcing the device into command mode with a device pin, loading different configuration data, reinitializing the device, and resuming user-mode operation.

The entire reconfiguration process may be completed in less than 320 ms using an EPF10K250A device with a DCLK frequency of 10 MHz. This process can be used to reconfigure an entire system dynamically. In-field upgrades can be performed by distributing new configuration files.

☞ Refer to the configuration device data sheet to obtain the POR delay when using a configuration device method.

Programming Files

Despite being function- and pin-compatible, FLEX 10KA and FLEX 10KE devices are not programming- or configuration-file compatible with FLEX 10K devices. A design should be recompiled before it is transferred from a FLEX 10K device to an equivalent FLEX 10KA or FLEX 10KE device. This recompilation should be performed to create a new programming or configuration file and to check design timing on the faster FLEX 10KA or FLEX 10KE device. The programming or configuration files for EPF10K50 devices can program or configure an EPF10K50V device. However, Altera recommends recompiling a design for the EPF10K50V device when transferring it from the EPF10K50 device.

Configuration Schemes

The configuration data for a FLEX 10K device can be loaded with one of five configuration schemes (see Table 116), chosen on the basis of the target application. An EPC1, EPC2, EPC16, or EPC1441 configuration device, intelligent controller, or the JTAG port can be used to control the configuration of a FLEX 10K device, allowing automatic configuration on system power-up.