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Details	
Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	72
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	576
Total RAM Bits	12288
Number of I/O	92
Number of Gates	56000
Voltage - Supply	2.375V ~ 2.625V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 70°C (TA)
Package / Case	144-LQFP
Supplier Device Package	144-TQFP (20x20)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/intel/ep1k10tc144-2n

…and More Features

  - -1 speed grade devices are compliant with ***PCI Local Bus Specification, Revision 2.2*** for 5.0-V operation
  - Built-in Joint Test Action Group (JTAG) boundary-scan test (BST) circuitry compliant with IEEE Std. 1149.1-1990, available without consuming additional device logic.
  - Operate with a 2.5-V internal supply voltage
  - In-circuit reconfigurability (ICR) via external configuration devices, intelligent controller, or JTAG port
  - ClockLock™ and ClockBoost™ options for reduced clock delay, clock 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
  - Pull-up on I/O pins before and during configuration
- Flexible interconnect
  - FastTrack® Interconnect continuous routing structure for fast, predictable interconnect delays
  - Dedicated carry chain that implements arithmetic functions such as fast adders, counters, and comparators (automatically used by software tools and megafunctions)
  - Dedicated cascade chain that implements high-speed, high-fan-in logic functions (automatically used by software tools and megafunctions)
  - Tri-state emulation that implements internal tri-state buses
  - Up to six global clock signals and four global clear signals
- Powerful I/O pins
  - Individual tri-state output enable control for each pin
  - Open-drain option on each I/O pin
  - Programmable output slew-rate control to reduce switching noise
  - Clamp to V_{CCIO} user-selectable on a pin-by-pin basis
  - Supports hot-socketing

- Software design support and automatic place-and-route provided by Altera development systems for Windows-based PCs and Sun SPARCstation, and HP 9000 Series 700/800 workstations
- Flexible package options are available in 100 to 484 pins, including the innovative FineLine BGA™ packages (see Tables 2 and 3)
- Additional design entry and simulation support provided by EDIF 2 0 0 and 3 0 0 netlist files, library of parameterized modules (LPM), DesignWare components, Verilog HDL, VHDL, and other interfaces to popular EDA tools from manufacturers such as Cadence, Exemplar Logic, Mentor Graphics, OrCAD, Synopsys, Synplicity, VeriBest, and Viewlogic

Table 2. ACEX 1K Package Options & I/O Pin Count *Notes (1), (2)*

Device	100-Pin TQFP	144-Pin TQFP	208-Pin PQFP	256-Pin FineLine BGA	484-Pin FineLine BGA
EP1K10	66	92	120	136	136 *(3)*
EP1K30		102	147	171	171 *(3)*
EP1K50		102	147	186	249
EP1K100			147	186	333

Notes:

(1) ACEX 1K device package types include thin quad flat pack (TQFP), plastic quad flat pack (PQFP), and FineLine BGA packages.

(2) Devices in the same package are pin-compatible, although some devices have more I/O pins than others. When planning device migration, use the I/O pins that are common to all devices.

(3) This option is supported with a 256-pin FineLine BGA package. By using SameFrame™ pin migration, all FineLine BGA packages are pin-compatible. For example, a board can be designed to support 256-pin and 484-pin FineLine BGA packages.

Table 3. ACEX 1K Package Sizes

Device	100-Pin TQFP	144-Pin TQFP	208-Pin PQFP	256-Pin FineLine BGA	484-Pin FineLine BGA
Pitch (mm)	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.0	1.0
Area (mm^2)	256	484	936	289	529
Length × width (mm × mm)	16 × 16	22 × 22	30.6 × 30.6	17 × 17	23 × 23

General Description

Altera® ACEX 1K devices provide a die-efficient, low-cost architecture by combining look-up table (LUT) architecture with EABs. LUT-based logic provides optimized performance and efficiency for data-path, register intensive, mathematical, or digital signal processing (DSP) designs, while EABs implement RAM, ROM, dual-port RAM, or first-in first-out (FIFO) functions. These elements make ACEX 1K suitable for complex logic functions and memory functions such as digital signal processing, wide data-path manipulation, data transformation and microcontrollers, as required in high-performance communications applications. Based on reconfigurable CMOS SRAM elements, the ACEX 1K architecture incorporates all features necessary to implement common gate array megafunctions, along with a high pin count to enable an effective interface with system components. The advanced process and the low voltage requirement of the 2.5-V core allow ACEX 1K devices to meet the requirements of low-cost, high-volume applications ranging from DSL modems to low-cost switches.

The ability to reconfigure ACEX 1K devices enables complete testing prior to shipment and allows the designer to focus on simulation and design verification. ACEX 1K device reconfigurability eliminates inventory management for gate array designs and test vector generation for fault coverage.

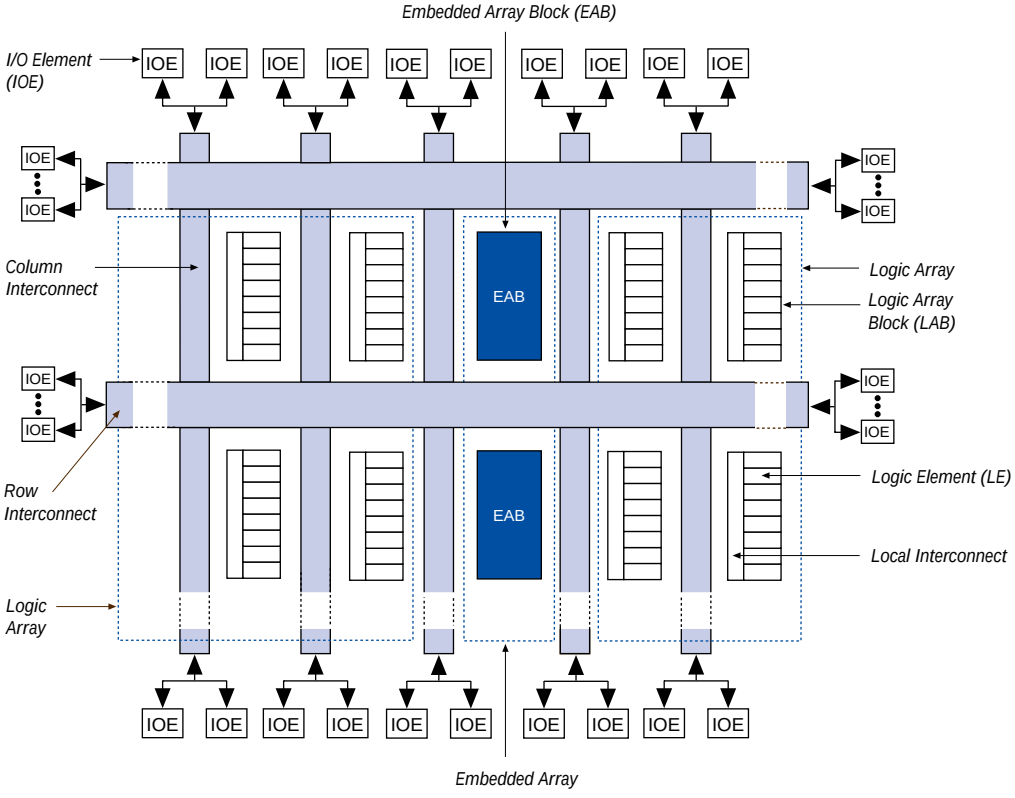
Table 4 shows ACEX 1K device performance for some common designs. All performance results were obtained with Synopsys DesignWare or LPM functions. Special design techniques are not required to implement the applications; the designer simply infers or instantiates a function in a Verilog HDL, VHDL, Altera Hardware Description Language (AHDL), or schematic design file.

Table 4. ACEX 1K Device Performance

Application	Resources Used		Performance			
	LEs	EABs	Speed Grade			Units
			-1	-2	-3	
16-bit loadable counter	16	0	285	232	185	MHz
16-bit accumulator	16	0	285	232	185	MHz
16-to-1 multiplexer *(1)*	10	0	3.5	4.5	6.6	ns
16-bit multiplier with 3-stage pipeline*(2)*	592	0	156	131	93	MHz
256 × 16 RAM read cycle speed *(2)*	0	1	278	196	143	MHz
256 × 16 RAM write cycle speed *(2)*	0	1	185	143	111	MHz

Notes:
(1) This application uses combinatorial inputs and outputs.
(2) This application uses registered inputs and outputs.

Figure 1. ACEX 1K Device Block Diagram



ACEX 1K devices provide six dedicated inputs that drive the flipflops' control inputs and ensure the efficient distribution of high-speed, low-skew (less than 1.0 ns) control signals. These signals use dedicated routing channels that provide shorter delays and lower skews than the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure. Four of the dedicated inputs drive four global signals. These four global signals can also be driven by internal logic, providing an ideal solution for a clock divider or an internally generated asynchronous clear signal that clears many registers in the device.

Figure 3. ACEX 1K EAB in Dual-Port RAM Mode

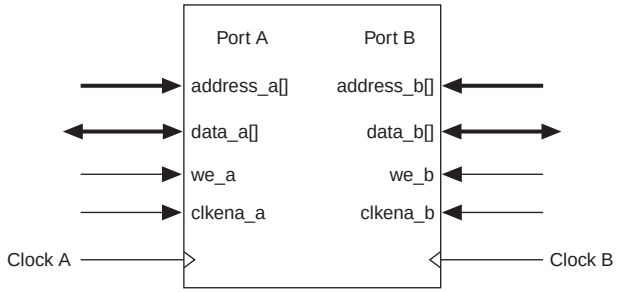
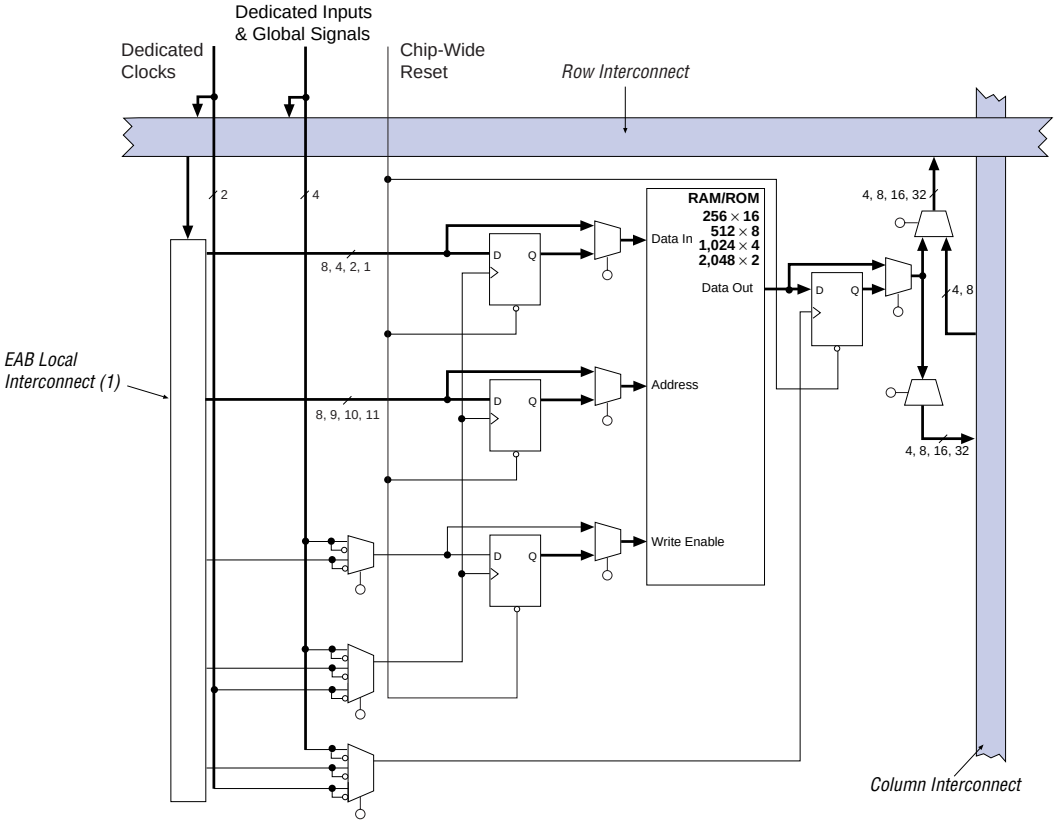


Figure 4. ACEX 1K Device in Single-Port RAM Mode



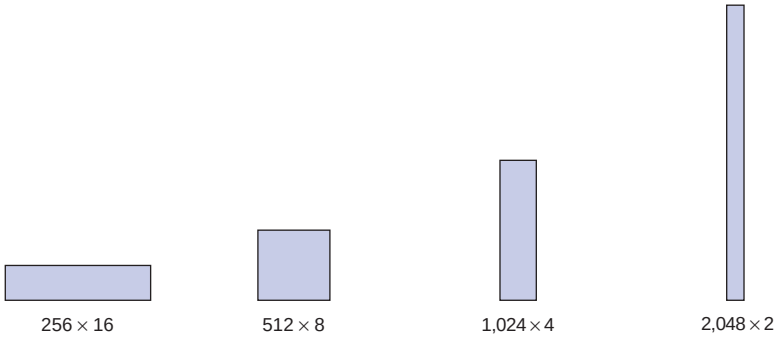
Note:

(1) EP1K10, EP1K30, and EP1K50 devices have 88 EAB local interconnect channels; EP1K100 devices have 104 EAB local interconnect channels.

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 signal, while ensuring that its data and address signals meet setup and hold time specifications relative to the write enable signal. In contrast, the EAB's synchronous RAM generates its own write enable signal and is self-timed with respect to the input or write clock. A circuit using the EAB's self-timed RAM must only meet the setup and hold time specifications of the global clock.

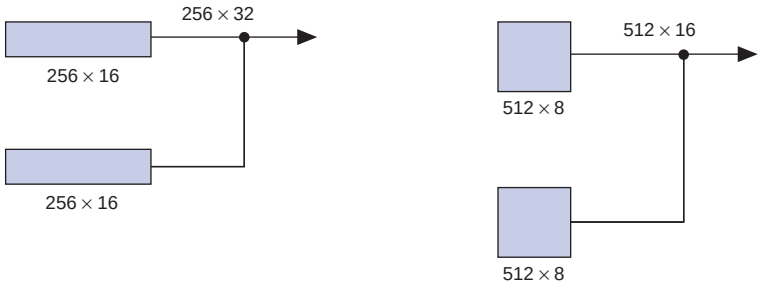
When used as RAM, each EAB can be configured in any of the following sizes: 256 × 16; 512 × 8; 1,024 × 4; or 2,048 × 2. Figure 5 shows the ACEX 1K EAB memory configurations.

Figure 5. ACEX 1K EAB Memory Configurations



Larger blocks of RAM are created by combining multiple EABs. For example, two 256 × 16 RAM blocks can be combined to form a 256 × 32 block, and two 512 × 8 RAM blocks can be combined to form a 512 × 16 block. Figure 6 shows examples of multiple EAB combination.

Figure 6. Examples of Combining ACEX 1K EABs



Cascade Chain

With the cascade chain, the ACEX 1K architecture can implement functions that have a very wide fan-in. Adjacent LUTs can be used to compute portions of the function in parallel; the cascade chain serially connects the intermediate values. The cascade chain can use a logical AND or logical OR (via De Morgan's inversion) to connect the outputs of adjacent LEs. With a delay as low as 0.6 ns per LE, each additional LE provides four more inputs to the effective width of a function. Cascade chain logic can be created automatically by the compiler during design processing, or manually by the designer during design entry.

Cascade chains longer than eight bits are implemented automatically by linking several LABs together. For easier routing, a long cascade chain skips every other LAB in a row. A cascade chain longer than one LAB skips either from even-numbered LAB to even-numbered LAB, or from odd-numbered LAB to odd-numbered LAB (e.g., the last LE of the first LAB in a row cascades to the first LE of the third LAB). The cascade chain does not cross the center of the row (e.g., in the EP1K50 device, the cascade chain stops at the eighteenth LAB, and a new one begins at the nineteenth LAB). This break is due to the EAB's placement in the middle of the row.

Figure 10 shows how the cascade function can connect adjacent LEs to form functions with a wide fan-in. These examples show functions of 4*n* variables implemented with *n* LEs. The LE delay is 1.3 ns; the cascade chain delay is 0.6 ns. With the cascade chain, decoding a 16-bit address requires 3.1 ns.

Figure 10. ACEX 1K Cascade Chain Operation

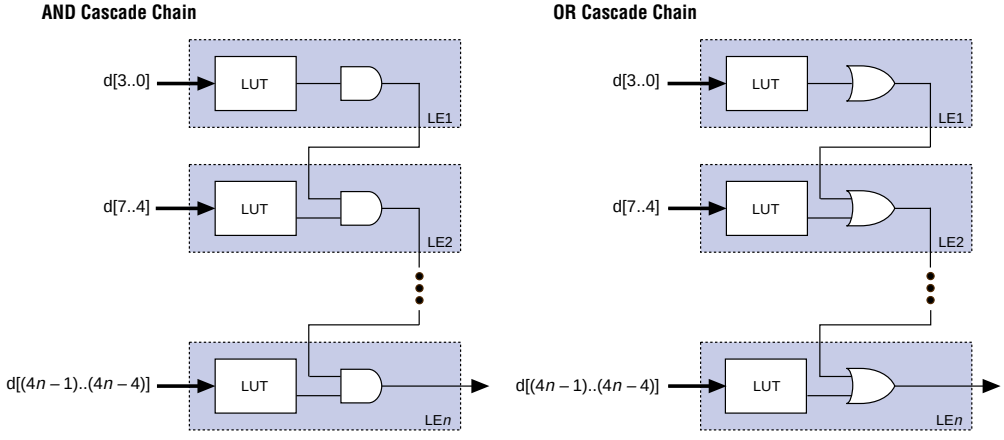


Figure 13. ACEX 1K LAB Connections to Row & Column Interconnect

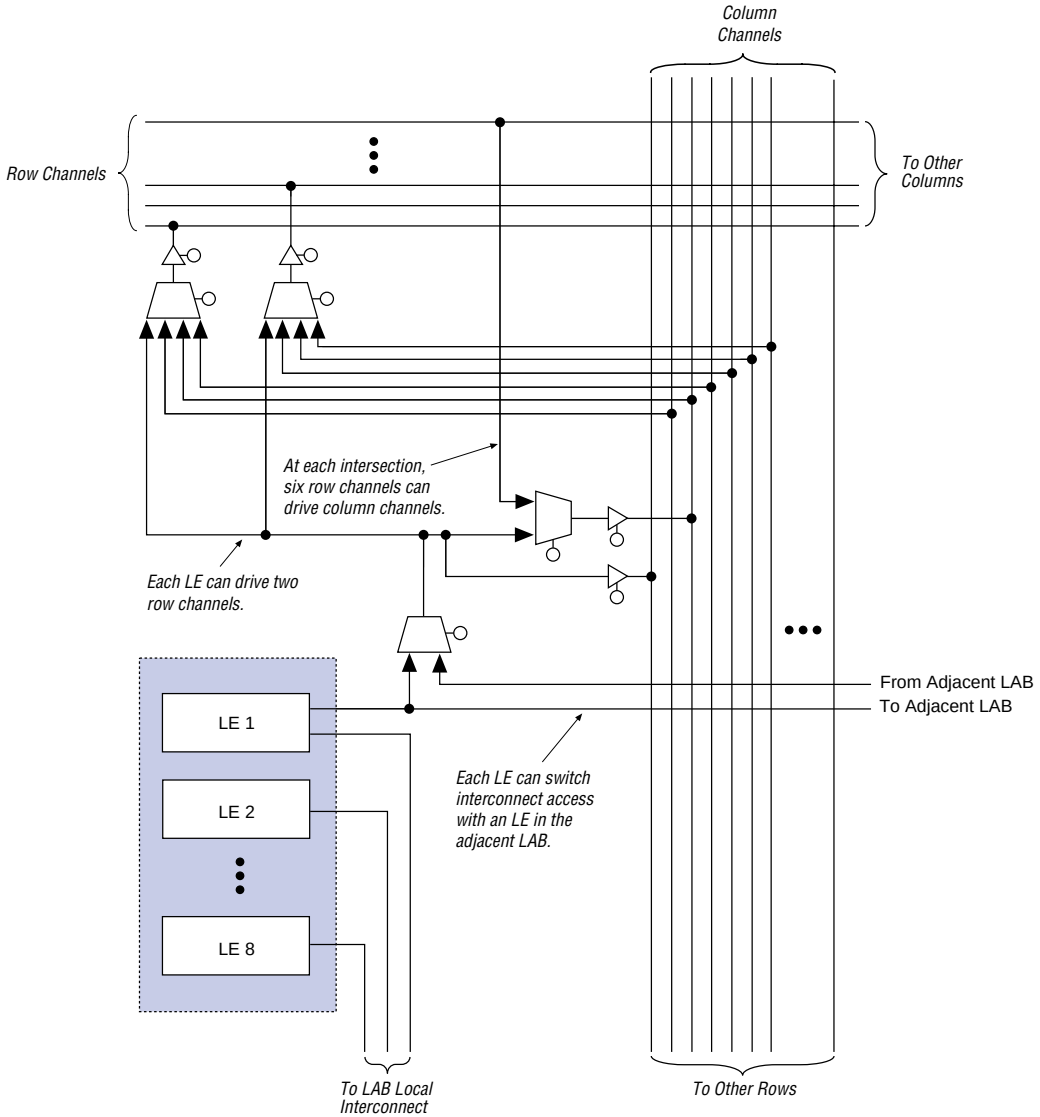
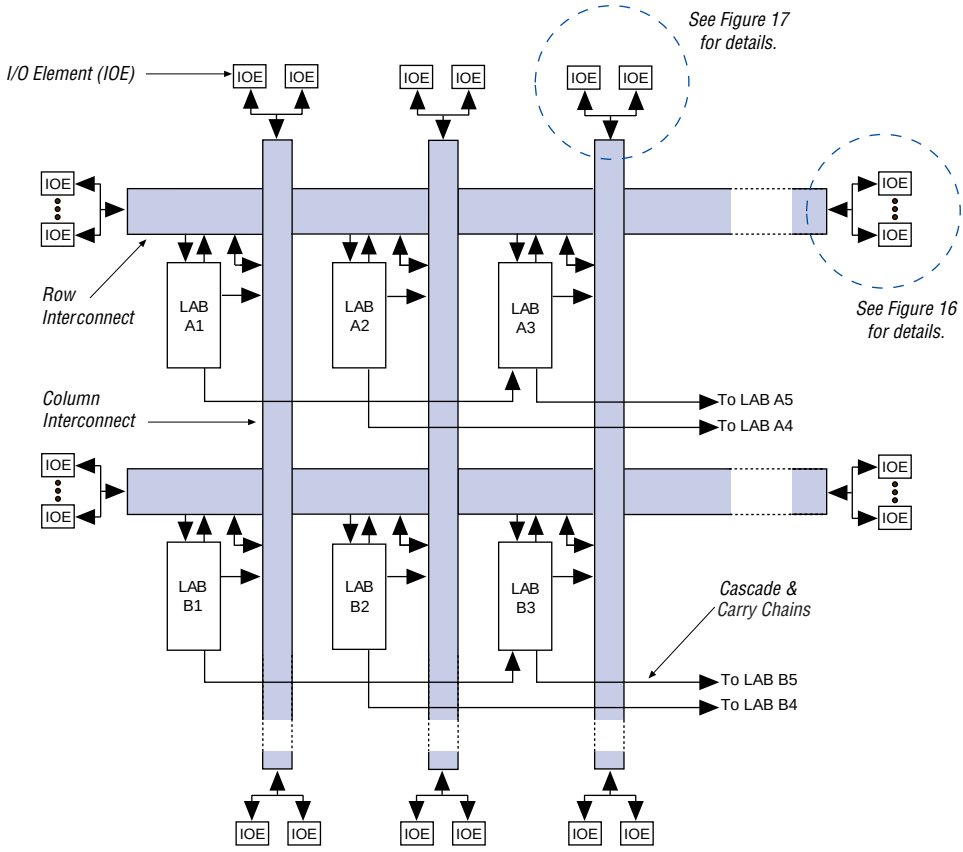


Figure 14. ACEX 1K Interconnect Resources



I/O Element

An 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. The compiler uses the programmable inversion option to invert signals from the row and column interconnect automatically where appropriate. For bidirectional registered I/O implementation, the output register should be in the IOE and the data input and output enable registers should be LE registers placed adjacent to the bidirectional pin. Figure 15 shows the bidirectional I/O registers.

IEEE Std. 1149.1 (JTAG) Boundary-Scan Support

All ACEX 1K devices provide JTAG BST circuitry that complies with the IEEE Std. 1149.1-1990 specification. ACEX 1K devices can also be configured using the JTAG pins through the ByteBlasterMV or BitBlaster download cable, or via hardware that uses the Jam™ Standard Test and Programming Language (STAPL), JEDEC standard JESD-71. JTAG boundary-scan testing can be performed before or after configuration, but not during configuration. ACEX 1K devices support the JTAG instructions shown in Table 14.

Table 14. ACEX 1K JTAG Instructions

JTAG Instruction	Description
SAMPLE/PRELOAD	Allows a snapshot of signals at the device pins to be captured and examined during normal device operation and permits an initial data pattern to be output at the device pins.
EXTEST	Allows the external circuitry and board-level interconnections to be tested by forcing a test pattern at the output pins and capturing test results at the input pins.
BYPASS	Places the 1-bit bypass register between the TDI and TDO pins, allowing the BST data to pass synchronously through a selected device to adjacent devices during normal operation.
USERCODE	Selects the user electronic signature (USERCODE) register and places it between the TDI and TDO pins, allowing the USERCODE to be serially shifted out of TDO.
IDCODE	Selects the IDCODE register and places it between TDI and TDO, allowing the IDCODE to be serially shifted out of TDO.
ICR Instructions	These instructions are used when configuring an ACEX 1K device via JTAG ports using a MasterBlaster, ByteBlasterMV, or BitBlaster download cable, or a Jam File (**.jam**) or Jam Byte-Code File (**.jbc**) via an embedded processor.

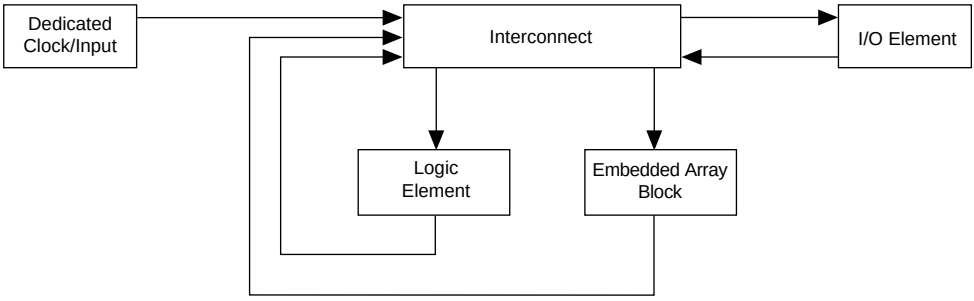
The instruction register length of ACEX 1K devices is 10 bits. The USERCODE register length in ACEX 1K devices is 32 bits; 7 bits are determined by the user, and 25 bits are pre-determined. Tables 15 and 16 show the boundary-scan register length and device IDCODE information for ACEX 1K devices.

Table 15. ACEX 1K Boundary-Scan Register Length

Device	Boundary-Scan Register Length
EP1K10	438
EP1K30	690
EP1K50	798
EP1K100	1,050

Figure 24 shows the overall timing model, which maps the possible paths to and from the various elements of the ACEX 1K device.

Figure 24. ACEX 1K Device Timing Model



Figures 25 through 28 show the delays that correspond to various paths and functions within the LE, IOE, EAB, and bidirectional timing models.

Figure 25. ACEX 1K Device LE Timing Model

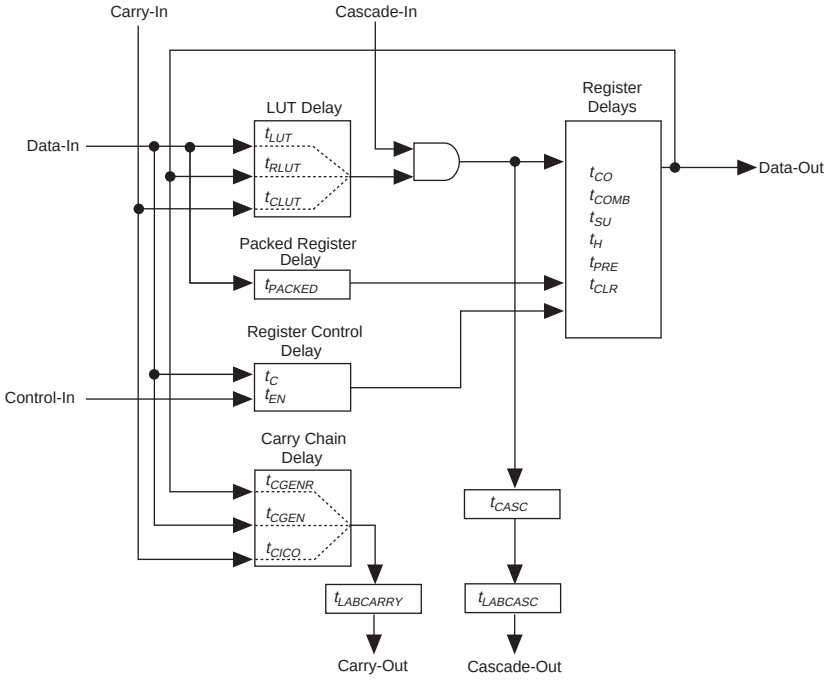


Table 22. LE Timing Microparameters (Part 2 of 2) *Note (1)*		
Symbol	**Parameter**	**Conditions**
t_{CASC}	Cascade-in to cascade-out delay	
t_{C}	LE register control signal delay	
t_{CO}	LE register clock-to-output delay	
t_{COMB}	Combinatorial delay	
t_{SU}	LE register setup time for data and enable signals before clock; LE register recovery time after asynchronous clear, preset, or load	
t_{H}	LE register hold time for data and enable signals after clock	
t_{PRE}	LE register preset delay	
t_{CLR}	LE register clear delay	
t_{CH}	Minimum clock high time from clock pin	
t_{CL}	Minimum clock low time from clock pin	

Table 23. IOE Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*		
Symbol	**Parameter**	**Conditions**
t_{IOD}	IOE data delay	
t_{IOC}	IOE register control signal delay	
t_{IOCO}	IOE register clock-to-output delay	
t_{IOCOMB}	IOE combinatorial delay	
t_{IOSU}	IOE register setup time for data and enable signals before clock; IOE register recovery time after asynchronous clear	
t_{IOH}	IOE register hold time for data and enable signals after clock	
t_{IOCLR}	IOE register clear time	
t_{OD1}	Output buffer and pad delay, slow slew rate = off, V_{CCIO} = 3.3 V	C1 = 35 pF *(2)*
t_{OD2}	Output buffer and pad delay, slow slew rate = off, V_{CCIO} = 2.5 V	C1 = 35 pF *(3)*
t_{OD3}	Output buffer and pad delay, slow slew rate = on	C1 = 35 pF *(4)*
t_{XZ}	IOE output buffer disable delay	
t_{ZX1}	IOE output buffer enable delay, slow slew rate = off, V_{CCIO} = 3.3 V	C1 = 35 pF *(2)*
t_{ZX2}	IOE output buffer enable delay, slow slew rate = off, V_{CCIO} = 2.5 V	C1 = 35 pF *(3)*
t_{ZX3}	IOE output buffer enable delay, slow slew rate = on	C1 = 35 pF *(4)*
t_{INREG}	IOE input pad and buffer to IOE register delay	
t_{IOFD}	IOE register feedback delay	
t_{INCOMB}	IOE input pad and buffer to FastTrack Interconnect delay	

Table 24. EAB Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*		
Symbol	**Parameter**	**Conditions**
$t_{EABDATA1}$	Data or address delay to EAB for combinatorial input	
$t_{EABDATA2}$	Data or address delay to EAB for registered input	
t_{EABWE1}	Write enable delay to EAB for combinatorial input	
t_{EABWE2}	Write enable delay to EAB for registered input	
t_{EABRE1}	Read enable delay to EAB for combinatorial input	
t_{EABRE2}	Read enable delay to EAB for registered input	
t_{EABCLK}	EAB register clock delay	
t_{EABCO}	EAB register clock-to-output delay	
$t_{EABBYPASS}$	Bypass register delay	
t_{EABSU}	EAB register setup time before clock	
t_{EABH}	EAB register hold time after clock	
t_{EABCLR}	EAB register asynchronous clear time to output delay	
t_{AA}	Address access delay (including the read enable to output delay)	
t_{WP}	Write pulse width	
t_{RP}	Read pulse width	
t_{WDSU}	Data setup time before falling edge of write pulse	*(5)*
t_{WDH}	Data hold time after falling edge of write pulse	*(5)*
t_{WASU}	Address setup time before rising edge of write pulse	*(5)*
t_{WAH}	Address hold time after falling edge of write pulse	*(5)*
t_{RASU}	Address setup time before rising edge of read pulse	
t_{RAH}	Address hold time after falling edge of read pulse	
t_{WO}	Write enable to data output valid delay	
t_{DD}	Data-in to data-out valid delay	
t_{EABOUT}	Data-out delay	
t_{EABCH}	Clock high time	
t_{EABCL}	Clock low time	

Tables 27 through 29 describe the ACEX 1K external timing parameters and their symbols.

Table 27. External Reference Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t_{DRR}	Register-to-register delay via four LEs, three row interconnects, and four local interconnects	*(2)*

Table 28. External Timing Parameters

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t_{INSU}	Setup time with global clock at IOE register	*(3)*
t_{INH}	Hold time with global clock at IOE register	*(3)*
t_{OUTCO}	Clock-to-output delay with global clock at IOE register	*(3)*
t_{PCISU}	Setup time with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	*(3)*, *(4)*
t_{PCIH}	Hold time with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	*(3)*, *(4)*
t_{PCICO}	Clock-to-output delay with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	*(3)*, *(4)*

Table 29. External Bidirectional Timing Parameters *Note (3)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
$t_{INSUBIDIR}$	Setup time for bidirectional pins with global clock at same-row or same-column LE register	
$t_{INHBIDIR}$	Hold time for bidirectional pins with global clock at same-row or same-column LE register	
$t_{OUTCOBIDIR}$	Clock-to-output delay for bidirectional pins with global clock at IOE register	CI = 35 pF
$t_{XZBIDIR}$	Synchronous IOE output buffer disable delay	CI = 35 pF
$t_{ZXBIDIR}$	Synchronous IOE output buffer enable delay, slow slew rate = off	CI = 35 pF

Notes to tables:

(1) External reference timing parameters are factory-tested, worst-case values specified by Altera. A representative subset of signal paths is tested to approximate typical device applications.
(2) Contact Altera Applications for test circuit specifications and test conditions.
(3) These timing parameters are sample-tested only.
(4) This parameter is measured with the measurement and test conditions, including load, specified in the ***PCI Local Bus Specification, Revision 2.2.***

Table 41. EP1K30 Device Interconnect Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{DIN2IOE}$		1.8		2.4		2.9	ns
t_{DIN2LE}		1.5		1.8		2.4	ns
$t_{DIN2DATA}$		1.5		1.8		2.2	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$		2.2		2.6		3.0	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$		1.5		1.8		2.4	ns
$t_{SAMELAB}$		0.1		0.2		0.3	ns
$t_{SAMEROW}$		2.0		2.4		2.7	ns
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$		0.7		1.0		0.8	ns
$t_{DIFFROW}$		2.7		3.4		3.5	ns
$t_{TWOROWS}$		4.7		5.8		6.2	ns
$t_{LEPERIPH}$		2.7		3.4		3.8	ns
$t_{LABCARRY}$		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
$t_{LABCASC}$		0.8		0.8		1.1	ns

Table 42. EP1K30 External Timing Parameters *Notes (1), (2)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{DRR}		8.0		9.5		12.5	ns
t_{INSU} *(3)*	2.1		2.5		3.9		ns
t_{INH} *(3)*	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(3)*	2.0	4.9	2.0	5.9	2.0	7.6	ns
t_{INSU} *(4)*	1.1		1.5		–		ns
t_{INH} *(4)*	0.0		0.0		–		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(4)*	0.5	3.9	0.5	4.9	–	–	ns
t_{PCISU}	3.0		4.2		–		ns
t_{PCIH}	0.0		0.0		–		ns
t_{PCICO}	2.0	6.0	2.0	7.5	–	–	ns

Table 47. EP1K50 Device EAB Internal Timing Macroparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{EABAA}		3.7		5.2		7.0	ns
$t_{EABRCCOMB}$	3.7		5.2		7.0		ns
$t_{EABRCREG}$	3.5		4.9		6.6		ns
t_{EABWP}	2.0		2.8		3.8		ns
$t_{EABWCCOMB}$	4.5		6.3		8.6		ns
$t_{EABWCREG}$	5.6		7.8		10.6		ns
t_{EABDD}		3.8		5.3		7.2	ns
$t_{EABDATACO}$		0.8		1.1		1.5	ns
$t_{EABDATASU}$	1.1		1.6		2.1		ns
$t_{EABDATAH}$	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{EABWESU}$	0.7		1.0		1.3		ns
t_{EABWEH}	0.4		0.6		0.8		ns
$t_{EABWDSU}$	1.2		1.7		2.2		ns
t_{EABWDH}	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
$t_{EABWASU}$	1.6		2.3		3.0		ns
t_{EABWAH}	0.9		1.2		1.8		ns
t_{EABWO}		3.1		4.3		5.9	ns

Table 48. EP1K50 Device Interconnect Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{DIN2IOE}$		3.1		3.7		4.6	ns
t_{DIN2LE}		1.7		2.1		2.7	ns
$t_{DIN2DATA}$		2.7		3.1		5.1	ns
$t_{DCLK2IOE}$		1.6		1.9		2.6	ns
$t_{DCLK2LE}$		1.7		2.1		2.7	ns
$t_{SAMELAB}$		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
$t_{SAMEROW}$		1.5		1.7		2.4	ns
$t_{SAMECOLUMN}$		1.0		1.3		2.1	ns
$t_{DIFFROW}$		2.5		3.0		4.5	ns
$t_{TWOROWS}$		4.0		4.7		6.9	ns
$t_{LEPERIPH}$		2.6		2.9		3.4	ns
$t_{LABCARRY}$		0.1		0.2		0.2	ns
$t_{LABCASC}$		0.8		1.0		1.3	ns

Table 49. EP1K50 External Timing Parameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{DRR}		8.0		9.5		12.5	ns
t_{INSU} *(2)*	2.4		2.9		3.9		ns
t_{INH} *(2)*	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(2)*	2.0	4.3	2.0	5.2	2.0	7.3	ns
t_{INSU} *(3)*	2.4		2.9		–		ns
t_{INH} *(3)*	0.0		0.0		–		ns
t_{OUTCO} *(3)*	0.5	3.3	0.5	4.1	–	–	ns
t_{PCISU}	2.4		2.9		–		ns
t_{PCIH}	0.0		0.0		–		ns
t_{PCICO}	2.0	6.0	2.0	7.7	–	–	ns

Table 52. EP1K100 Device IOE Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*							
Symbol	**Speed Grade**						**Unit**
	-1		**-2**		**-3**		
	Min	**Max**	**Min**	**Max**	**Min**	**Max**	
t_{IOD}		1.7		2.0		2.6	ns
t_{IOC}		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{IOCO}		1.4		1.6		2.1	ns
t_{IOCOMB}		0.5		0.7		0.9	ns
t_{IOSU}	0.8		1.0		1.3		ns
t_{IOH}	0.7		0.9		1.2		ns
t_{IOCLR}		0.5		0.7		0.9	ns
t_{OD1}		3.0		4.2		5.6	ns
t_{OD2}		3.0		4.2		5.6	ns
t_{OD3}		4.0		5.5		7.3	ns
t_{XZ}		3.5		4.6		6.1	ns
t_{ZX1}		3.5		4.6		6.1	ns
t_{ZX2}		3.5		4.6		6.1	ns
t_{ZX3}		4.5		5.9		7.8	ns
t_{INREG}		2.0		2.6		3.5	ns
t_{IOFD}		0.5		0.8		1.2	ns
t_{INCOMB}		0.5		0.8		1.2	ns

During initialization, which occurs immediately after configuration, the device resets registers, enables I/O pins, and begins to operate as a logic device. Before and during configuration, all I/O pins (except dedicated inputs, clock, or configuration pins) are pulled high by a weak pull-up resistor. Together, the configuration and initialization processes are called *command mode*; normal device operation is called *user mode*.

SRAM configuration elements allow ACEX 1K 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, re-initializing the device, and resuming user-mode operation. The entire reconfiguration process requires less than 40 ms and can be used to reconfigure an entire system dynamically. In-field upgrades can be performed by distributing new configuration files.

Configuration Schemes

The configuration data for an ACEX 1K device can be loaded with one of five configuration schemes (see Table 59), chosen on the basis of the target application. An EPC16, EPC2, EPC1, or EPC1441 configuration device, intelligent controller, or the JTAG port can be used to control the configuration of a ACEX 1K device, allowing automatic configuration on system power-up.

Multiple ACEX 1K devices can be configured in any of the five configuration schemes by connecting the configuration enable (nCE) and configuration enable output (nCEO) pins on each device. Additional APEX 20K, APEX 20KE, FLEX 10K, FLEX 10KA, FLEX 10KE, ACEX 1K, and FLEX 6000 devices can be configured in the same serial chain.

Table 59. Data Sources for ACEX 1K Configuration

Configuration Scheme	Data Source
Configuration device	EPC16, EPC2, EPC1, or EPC1441 configuration device
Passive serial (PS)	BitBlaster or ByteBlasterMV download cables, or serial data source
Passive parallel asynchronous (PPA)	Parallel data source
Passive parallel synchronous (PPS)	Parallel data source
JTAG	BitBlaster or ByteBlasterMV download cables, or microprocessor with a Jam STAPL File or JBC File

Device Pin-Outs

See the Altera web site (**http://www.altera.com**) or the ***Altera Documentation Library*** for pin-out information.

Revision History

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