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## **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	24576
Number of I/O	147
Number of Gates	119000
Voltage - Supply	2.375V ~ 2.625V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 70°C (TA)
Package / Case	208-BFQFP
Supplier Device Package	208-PQFP (28x28)
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For more information on the configuration of ACEX 1K devices, see the following documents:

- Configuration Devices for ACEX, APEX, FLEX, & Mercury Devices Data Sheet
- MasterBlaster Serial/USB Communications Cable Data Sheet
- ByteBlasterMV Parallel Port Download Cable Data Sheet
- BitBlaster Serial Download Cable Data Sheet

ACEX 1K devices are supported by Altera development systems, which are integrated packages that offer schematic, text (including AHDL), and waveform design entry, compilation and logic synthesis, full simulation and worst-case timing analysis, and device configuration. The software provides EDIF 2 0 0 and 3 0 0, LPM, VHDL, Verilog HDL, and other interfaces for additional design entry and simulation support from other industry-standard PC- and UNIX workstation-based EDA tools.

The Altera software works easily with common gate array EDA tools for synthesis and simulation. For example, the Altera software can generate Verilog HDL files for simulation with tools such as Cadence Verilog-XL. Additionally, the Altera software contains EDA libraries that use device-specific features such as carry chains, which are used for fast counter and arithmetic functions. For instance, the Synopsys Design Compiler library supplied with the Altera development system includes DesignWare functions that are optimized for the ACEX 1K device architecture.

The Altera development systems run on Windows-based PCs and Sun SPARCstation, and HP 9000 Series 700/800 workstations.



For more information, see the MAX+PLUS II Programmable Logic Development System & Software Data Sheet and the Quartus Programmable Logic Development System & Software Data Sheet.

# Functional Description

Each ACEX 1K device contains an enhanced embedded array that implements memory and specialized logic functions, and a logic array that implements general logic.

The embedded array consists of a series of EABs. When implementing memory functions, each EAB provides 4,096 bits, which can be used to create RAM, ROM, dual-port RAM, or first-in first-out (FIFO) functions. When implementing logic, each EAB can contribute 100 to 600 gates towards complex logic functions such as multipliers, microcontrollers, state machines, and DSP functions. EABs can be used independently, or multiple EABs can be combined to implement larger functions.

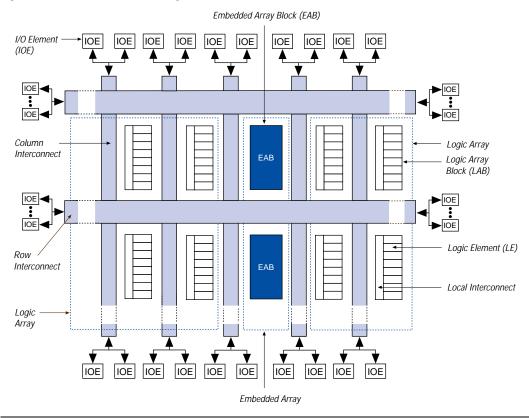
The logic array consists of logic array blocks (LABs). Each LAB contains eight LEs and a local interconnect. An LE consists of a 4-input LUT, a programmable flipflop, and dedicated signal paths for carry and cascade functions. The eight LEs can be used to create medium-sized blocks of logic—such as 8-bit counters, address decoders, or state machines—or combined across LABs to create larger logic blocks. Each LAB represents about 96 usable logic gates.

Signal interconnections within ACEX 1K devices (as well as to and from device pins) are provided by the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure, which is a series of fast, continuous row and column channels that run the entire length and width of the device.

Each I/O pin is fed by an I/O element (IOE) located at the end of each row and column of the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure. Each IOE contains a bidirectional I/O buffer and a flipflop that can be used as either an output or input register to feed input, output, or bidirectional signals. When used with a dedicated clock pin, these registers provide exceptional performance. As inputs, they provide setup times as low as 1.1 ns and hold times of 0 ns. As outputs, these registers provide clock-to-output times as low as 2.5 ns. IOEs provide a variety of features, such as JTAG BST support, slew-rate control, tri-state buffers, and open-drain outputs.

Figure 1 shows a block diagram of the ACEX 1K device architecture. Each group of LEs is combined into an LAB; groups of LABs are arranged into rows and columns. Each row also contains a single EAB. The LABs and EABs are interconnected by the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure. IOEs are located at the end of each row and column of the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure.

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.

## **Embedded Array Block**

The EAB is a flexible block of RAM, with registers on the input and output ports, that is used to implement common gate array megafunctions. Because it is large and flexible, the EAB is suitable for functions such as multipliers, vector scalars, and error correction circuits. These functions can be combined in applications such as digital filters and microcontrollers.

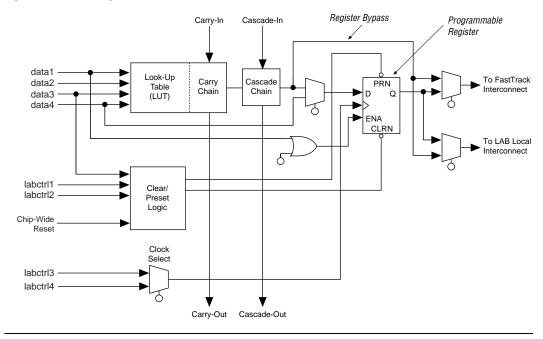
Logic functions are implemented by programming the EAB with a read-only pattern during configuration, thereby creating a large LUT. With LUTs, combinatorial functions are implemented by looking up the results rather than by computing them. This implementation of combinatorial functions can be faster 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 a single 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 any function with 8 inputs and 16 outputs. Parameterized functions, such as LPM functions, can take advantage of the EAB automatically.

The ACEX 1K enhanced EAB supports dual-port RAM. The dual-port structure is ideal for FIFO buffers with one or two clocks. The ACEX 1K EAB can also support up to 16-bit-wide RAM blocks. The ACEX 1K EAB can act in dual-port or single-port mode. When in dual-port mode, separate clocks may be used for EAB read and write sections, allowing the EAB to be written and read at different rates. It also has separate synchronous clock enable signals for the EAB read and write sections, which allow independent control of these sections.

The EAB can also be used for bidirectional, dual-port memory applications where two ports read or write simultaneously. To implement this type of dual-port memory, two EABs are used to support two simultaneous reads or writes.

Alternatively, one clock and clock enable can be used to control the input registers of the EAB, while a different clock and clock enable control the output registers (see Figure 2).

Figure 8. ACEX 1K Logic Element



The programmable flipflop in the LE can be configured for D, T, JK, or SR operation. The clock, clear, and preset control signals on the flipflop can be driven by global signals, general-purpose I/O pins, or any internal logic. For combinatorial functions, the flipflop is bypassed and the LUT's output drives the LE's output.

The LE has two outputs that drive the interconnect: one drives the local interconnect, and the other drives either the row or column FastTrack Interconnect routing structure. The two outputs can be controlled independently. For example, the LUT can drive one output while the register drives the other output. This feature, called register packing, can improve LE utilization because the register and the LUT can be used for unrelated functions.

The ACEX 1K architecture provides two types of dedicated high-speed data paths that connect adjacent LEs without using local interconnect paths: carry chains and cascade chains. The carry chain supports high-speed counters and adders, and the cascade chain implements wide-input functions with minimum delay. Carry and cascade chains connect all LEs in a LAB and all LABs in the same row. Intensive use of carry and cascade chains can reduce routing flexibility. Therefore, the use of these chains should be limited to speed-critical portions of a design.

For improved routing, the row interconnect consists of a combination of full-length and half-length channels. The full-length channels connect to all LABs in a row; the half-length channels connect to the LABs in half of the row. The EAB can be driven by the half-length channels in the left half of the row and by the full-length channels. The EAB drives out to the full-length channels. In addition to providing a predictable, row-wide interconnect, this architecture provides increased routing resources. Two neighboring LABs can be connected using a half-row channel, thereby saving the other half of the channel for the other half of the row.

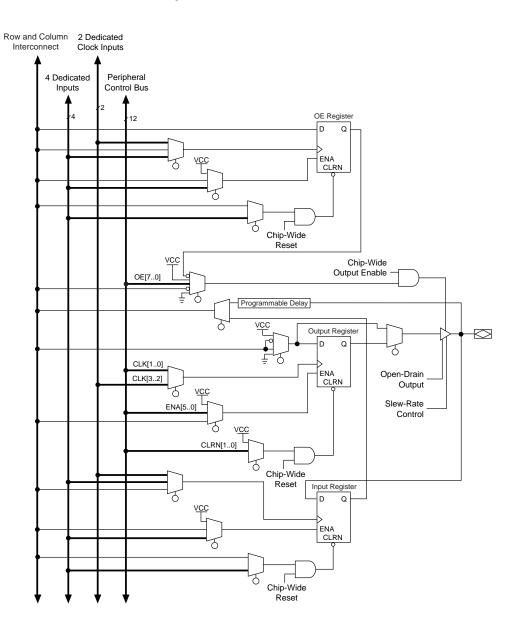
Table 6 summarizes the FastTrack Interconnect routing structure resources available in each ACEX 1K device.

Table 6. ACEX 1	Table 6. ACEX 1K FastTrack Interconnect Resources							
Device	Rows	Channels per Row	Columns	Channels per Column				
EP1K10	3	144	24	24				
EP1K30	6	216	36	24				
EP1K50	10	216	36	24				
EP1K100	12	312	52	24				

In addition to general-purpose I/O pins, ACEX 1K devices have six dedicated input pins that provide low-skew signal distribution across the device. These six inputs can be used for global clock, clear, preset, and peripheral output-enable and clock-enable control signals. These signals are available as control signals for all LABs and IOEs in the device. The dedicated inputs can also be used as general-purpose data inputs because they can feed the local interconnect of each LAB in the device.

Figure 14 shows the interconnection of adjacent LABs and EABs, with row, column, and local interconnects, as well as the associated cascade and carry chains. Each LAB is labeled according to its location: a letter represents the row and a number represents the column. For example, LAB B3 is in row B, column 3.

Figure 15. ACEX 1K Bidirectional I/O Registers



The VCCINT pins must always be connected to a 2.5-V power supply. With a 2.5-V  $V_{\rm CCINT}$  level, input voltages are compatible with 2.5-V, 3.3-V, and 5.0-V inputs. The VCCIO pins can be connected to either a 2.5-V or 3.3-V power supply, depending on the output requirements. When the VCCIO pins are connected to a 2.5-V power supply, the output levels are compatible with 2.5-V systems. When the VCCIO pins are connected to a 3.3-V power supply, the output high is at 3.3 V and is therefore compatible with 3.3-V or 5.0-V systems. Devices operating with  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  levels higher than 3.0 V achieve a faster timing delay of  $t_{OD2}$  instead of  $t_{OD1}$ .

Table 13 summarizes ACEX 1K MultiVolt I/O support.

Table 13. ACEX 1	K MultiVo	It I/O Supp	oort			
V <sub>CCIO</sub> (V)	Inp	out Signal	(V)	Out	put Signal	(V)
	2.5	3.3	5.0	2.5	3.3	5.0
2.5	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (1)	<b>√</b> (1)	✓		
3.3	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b> (1)	<b>√</b> (2)	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>

#### Notes:

- (1) The PCI clamping diode must be disabled on an input which is driven with a voltage higher than  $V_{\rm CCIO}$ .
- (2) When  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  = 3.3 V, an ACEX 1K device can drive a 2.5-V device that has 3.3-V tolerant inputs.

Open-drain output pins on ACEX 1K devices (with a pull-up resistor to the 5.0-V supply) can drive 5.0-V CMOS input pins that require a higher  $V_{IH}$  than LVTTL. When the open-drain pin is active, it will drive low. When the pin is inactive, the resistor will pull up the trace to 5.0 V, thereby meeting the CMOS  $V_{OH}$  requirement. The open-drain pin will only drive low or tri-state; it will never drive high. The rise time is dependent on the value of the pull-up resistor and load impedance. The  $I_{OL}$  current specification should be considered when selecting a pull-up resistor.

# Power Sequencing & Hot-Socketing

Because ACEX 1K devices can be used in a mixed-voltage environment, they have been designed specifically to tolerate any possible power-up sequence. The  $V_{\rm CCIO}$  and  $V_{\rm CCINT}$  power planes can be powered in any order.

Signals can be driven into ACEX 1K devices before and during power up without damaging the device. Additionally, ACEX 1K devices do not drive out during power up. Once operating conditions are reached, ACEX 1K devices operate as specified by the user.

Table 16. 32-Bit I	DCODE for ACE	X 1K Devices Note (1)		
Device		IDCODE (32	Bits)	
	Version (4 Bits)	Part Number (16 Bits)	Manufacturer's Identity (11 Bits)	1 (1 Bit) (2)
EP1K10	0001	0001 0000 0001 0000	00001101110	1
EP1K30	0001	0001 0000 0011 0000	00001101110	1
EP1K50	0001	0001 0000 0101 0000	00001101110	1
EP1K100	0010	0000 0001 0000 0000	00001101110	1

#### Notes to tables:

- (1) The most significant bit (MSB) is on the left.
- (2) The least significant bit (LSB) for all JTAG IDCODEs is 1.

ACEX 1K devices include weak pull-up resistors on the JTAG pins.



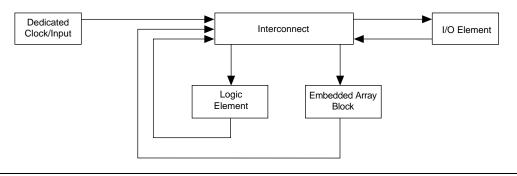
For more information, see the following documents:

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

Figure 20 shows the timing requirements for the JTAG signals.

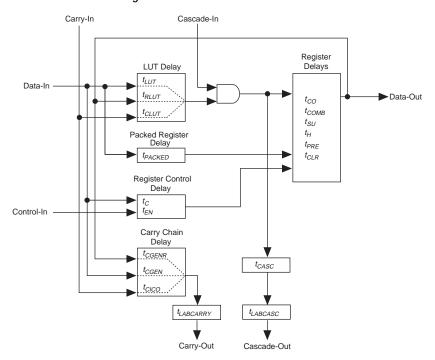
Figure 24 shows the overall timing model, which maps the possible paths to and from the various elements of the ACEX 1K device.

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



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

Table 27. Exte	ernal Reference Timing Parameters Note (1)	
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t <sub>DRR</sub>	Register-to-register delay via four LEs, three row interconnects, and four local interconnects	(2)

Table 28. Ex	ternal Timing Parameters	
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t <sub>INSU</sub>	Setup time with global clock at IOE register	(3)
t <sub>INH</sub>	Hold time with global clock at IOE register	(3)
tоитсо	Clock-to-output delay with global clock at IOE register	(3)
t <sub>PCISU</sub>	Setup time with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	(3), (4)
t <sub>PCIH</sub>	Hold time with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	(3), (4)
t <sub>PCICO</sub>	Clock-to-output delay with global clock for registers used in PCI designs	(3), (4)

Table 29. Ext	ternal Bidirectional Timing Parameters Note (3)	
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions
t <sub>INSUBIDIR</sub>	Setup time for bidirectional pins with global clock at same-row or same-column LE register	
t <sub>INHBIDIR</sub>	Hold time for bidirectional pins with global clock at same-row or same-column LE register	
t <sub>OUTCOBIDIR</sub>	Clock-to-output delay for bidirectional pins with global clock at IOE register	CI = 35 pF
t <sub>XZBIDIR</sub>	Synchronous IOE output buffer disable delay	CI = 35 pF
t <sub>ZXBIDIR</sub>	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.*

Symbol	Speed Grade						
	_	1	_	-2		3	
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t <sub>EABDATA1</sub>		1.7		2.0		2.3	ns
t <sub>EABDATA1</sub>		0.6		0.7		0.8	ns
t <sub>EABWE1</sub>		1.1		1.3		1.4	ns
t <sub>EABWE2</sub>		0.4		0.4		0.5	ns
t <sub>EABRE1</sub>		0.8		0.9		1.0	ns
t <sub>EABRE2</sub>		0.4		0.4		0.5	ns
t <sub>EABCLK</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>EABCO</sub>		0.3		0.3		0.4	ns
t <sub>EABBYPASS</sub>		0.5		0.6		0.7	ns
t <sub>EABSU</sub>	0.9		1.0		1.2		ns
t <sub>EABH</sub>	0.4		0.4		0.5		ns
t <sub>EABCLR</sub>	0.3		0.3		0.3		ns
$t_{AA}$		3.2		3.8		4.4	ns
$t_{WP}$	2.5		2.9		3.3		ns
$t_{RP}$	0.9		1.1		1.2		ns
t <sub>WDSU</sub>	0.9		1.0		1.1		ns
$t_{WDH}$	0.1		0.1		0.1		ns
t <sub>WASU</sub>	1.7		2.0		2.3		ns
t <sub>WAH</sub>	1.8		2.1		2.4		ns
t <sub>RASU</sub>	3.1		3.7		4.2		ns
t <sub>RAH</sub>	0.2		0.2		0.2		ns
$t_{WO}$		2.5		2.9		3.3	ns
$t_{DD}$		2.5		2.9		3.3	ns
t <sub>EABOUT</sub>		0.5		0.6		0.7	ns
t <sub>EABCH</sub>	1.5		2.0		2.3		ns
t <sub>EABCL</sub>	2.5		2.9		3.3		ns

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Symbol			Speed	l Grade			Unit
	-	1	-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t <sub>EABAA</sub>		6.4		7.6		8.8	ns
t <sub>EABRCOMB</sub>	6.4		7.6		8.8		ns
t <sub>EABRCREG</sub>	4.4		5.1		6.0		ns
t <sub>EABWP</sub>	2.5		2.9		3.3		ns
t <sub>EABWCOMB</sub>	6.0		7.0		8.0		ns
t <sub>EABWCREG</sub>	6.8		7.8		9.0		ns
t <sub>EABDD</sub>		5.7		6.7		7.7	ns
t <sub>EABDATA</sub> CO		0.8		0.9		1.1	ns
t <sub>EABDATASU</sub>	1.5		1.7		2.0		ns
t <sub>EABDATAH</sub>	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t <sub>EABWESU</sub>	1.3		1.4		1.7		ns
t <sub>EABWEH</sub>	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t <sub>EABWDSU</sub>	1.5		1.7		2.0		ns
t <sub>EABWDH</sub>	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t <sub>EABWASU</sub>	3.0		3.6		4.3		ns
t <sub>EABWAH</sub>	0.5		0.5		0.4		ns
t <sub>EABWO</sub>		5.1		6.0		6.8	ns

Symbol	Speed Grade						
	_	1	-	2	-	3	
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t <sub>EABDATA1</sub>		1.7		2.4		3.2	ns
t <sub>EABDATA2</sub>		0.4		0.6		0.8	ns
t <sub>EABWE1</sub>		1.0		1.4		1.9	ns
t <sub>EABWE2</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>EABRE1</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	
t <sub>EABRE2</sub>		0.4		0.6		0.8	-
t <sub>EABCLK</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>EABCO</sub>		0.8		1.1		1.5	ns
t <sub>EABBYPASS</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>EABSU</sub>	0.7		1.0		1.3		ns
t <sub>EABH</sub>	0.4		0.6		0.8		ns
t <sub>EABCLR</sub>	0.8		1.1		1.5		
$t_{AA}$		2.0		2.8		3.8	ns
$t_{WP}$	2.0		2.8		3.8		ns
t <sub>RP</sub>	1.0		1.4		1.9		
t <sub>WDSU</sub>	0.5		0.7		0.9		ns
t <sub>WDH</sub>	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t <sub>WASU</sub>	1.0		1.4		1.9		ns
t <sub>WAH</sub>	1.5		2.1		2.9		ns
t <sub>RASU</sub>	1.5		2.1		2.8		
t <sub>RAH</sub>	0.1		0.1		0.2		
$t_{WO}$		2.1		2.9		4.0	ns
t <sub>DD</sub>		2.1		2.9		4.0	ns
t <sub>EABOUT</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>EABCH</sub>	1.5		2.0		2.5		ns
t <sub>EABCL</sub>	1.5		2.0		2.5		ns

Tables 51 through 57 show EP1K100 device internal and external timing parameters.

Symbol			Speed	Grade			Unit
	-	1	-	2	-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{LUT}$		0.7		1.0		1.5	ns
t <sub>CLUT</sub>		0.5		0.7		0.9	ns
t <sub>RLUT</sub>		0.6		0.8		1.1	ns
t <sub>PACKED</sub>		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
t <sub>EN</sub>		0.2		0.3		0.3	ns
t <sub>CICO</sub>		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
t <sub>CGEN</sub>		0.4		0.5		0.7	ns
t <sub>CGENR</sub>		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
t <sub>CASC</sub>		0.6		0.9		1.2	ns
$t_{C}$		0.8		1.0		1.4	ns
t <sub>CO</sub>		0.6		0.8		1.1	ns
t <sub>COMB</sub>		0.4		0.5		0.7	ns
t <sub>SU</sub>	0.4		0.6		0.7		ns
$t_H$	0.5		0.7		0.9		ns
t <sub>PRE</sub>		0.8		1.0		1.4	ns
t <sub>CLR</sub>		0.8		1.0		1.4	ns
t <sub>CH</sub>	1.5		2.0		2.5		ns
t <sub>CL</sub>	1.5		2.0		2.5		ns

Symbol			Speed	Grade			Unit
	_	1	-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{IOD}$		1.7		2.0		2.6	ns
t <sub>IOC</sub>		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t <sub>IOCO</sub>		1.4		1.6		2.1	ns
t <sub>IOCOMB</sub>		0.5		0.7		0.9	ns
t <sub>IOSU</sub>	0.8		1.0		1.3		ns
t <sub>IOH</sub>	0.7		0.9		1.2		ns
t <sub>IOCLR</sub>		0.5		0.7		0.9	ns
t <sub>OD1</sub>		3.0		4.2		5.6	ns
t <sub>OD2</sub>		3.0		4.2		5.6	ns
t <sub>OD3</sub>		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 <sub>INREG</sub>		2.0		2.6		3.5	ns
t <sub>IOFD</sub>		0.5		0.8		1.2	ns
t <sub>INCOMB</sub>		0.5		0.8		1.2	ns

The I<sub>CCACTIVE</sub> value can be calculated with the following equation:

$$I_{CCACTIVE} = K \times f_{MAX} \times N \times tog_{LC} (\mu A)$$

Where:

**f**<sub>MAX</sub> = Maximum operating frequency in MHz N = Total number of LEs used in the device

tog<sub>LC</sub> = Average percent of LEs toggling at each clock

(typically 12.5%)

K = Constant

Table 58 provides the constant (K) values for ACEX 1K devices.

Table 58. ACEX 1K Constant Values	
Device	K Value
EP1K10	4.5
EP1K30	4.5
EP1K50	4.5
EP1K100	4.5

This supply power 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 ACEX 1K devices assumes that LEs drive FastTrack Interconnect channels. In contrast, the power model of segmented FPGAs assumes that all LEs drive only one short interconnect segment. This assumption may lead to inaccurate results when compared to measured power consumption for actual designs in segmented FPGAs.

Figure 31 shows the relationship between the current and operating frequency of ACEX 1K devices. For information on other ACEX 1K devices, contact Altera Applications at (800) 800-EPLD.

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

The information contained in the *ACEX 1K Programmable Logic Device Family Data Sheet* version 3.4 supersedes information published in previous versions.

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