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Details

Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	360
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	2880
Total RAM Bits	40960
Number of I/O	249
Number of Gates	199000
Voltage - Supply	2.375V ~ 2.625V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 70°C (TA)
Package / Case	484-BBGA
Supplier Device Package	484-FBGA (23x23)
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...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, Synplcity, 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

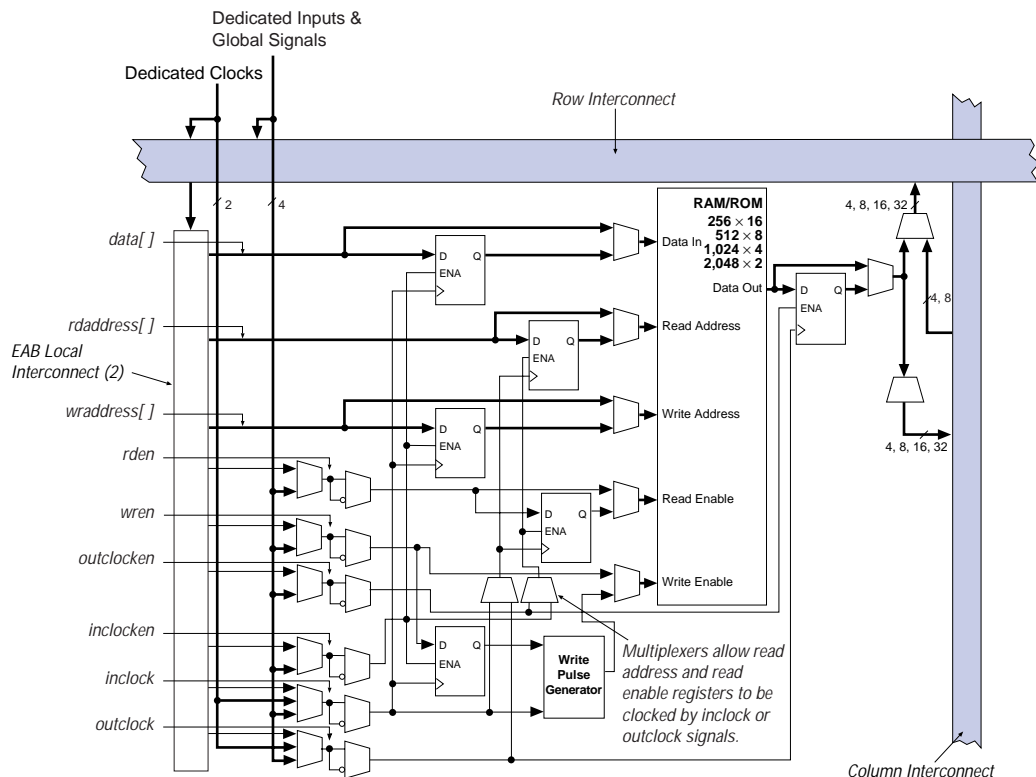
Notes:

- (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

Figure 2. ACEX 1K Device in Dual-Port RAM Mode *Note (1)*



Notes:

- (1) All registers can be asynchronously cleared by EAB local interconnect signals, global signals, or the chip-wide reset.
- (2) EP1K10, EP1K30, and EP1K50 devices have 88 EAB local interconnect channels; EP1K100 devices have 104 EAB local interconnect channels.

The EAB can use Altera megafunctions to implement dual-port RAM applications where both ports can read or write, as shown in Figure 3. The ACEX 1K EAB can also be used in a single-port mode (see Figure 4).

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 software automatically combines EABs to meet a designer's RAM specifications.

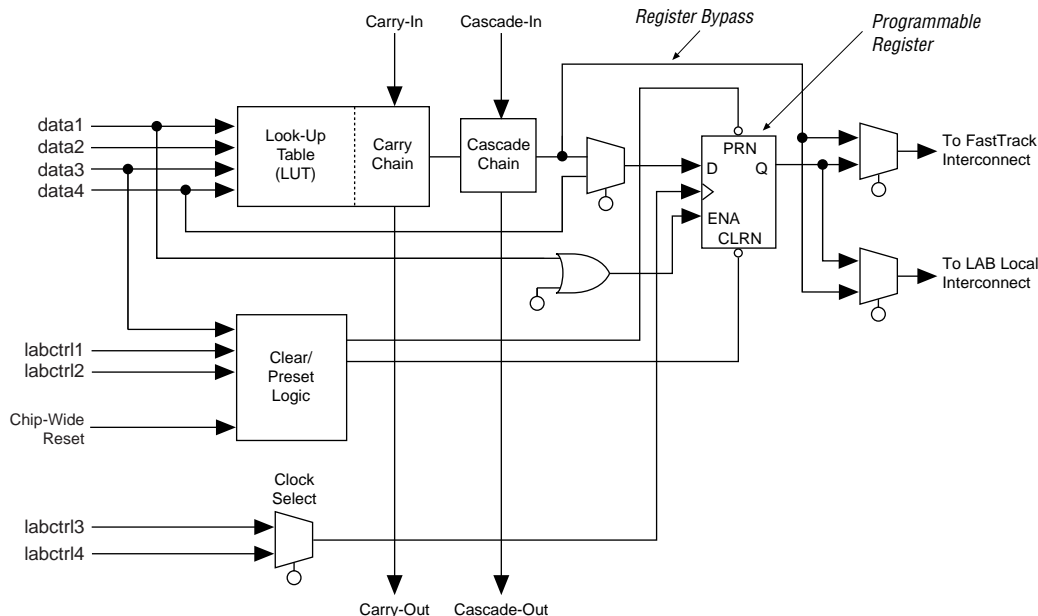
EABs provide flexible options for driving and controlling clock signals. Different clocks and clock enables can be used for reading and writing to the EAB. Registers can be independently inserted on the data input, EAB output, write address, write enable signals, read address, and read enable signals. The global signals and the EAB local interconnect can drive write-enable, read-enable, and clock-enable signals. 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 write-enable, read-enable, clear, clock, and clock-enable signals.

An 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 [Figures 2 and 4](#)). The column interconnect, which is adjacent to the EAB, has twice as many channels as other columns in the device.

Logic Array Block

An LAB consists of eight LEs, their associated carry and cascade chains, LAB control signals, and the LAB local interconnect. The LAB provides the coarse-grained structure to the ACEX 1K architecture, facilitating efficient routing with optimum device utilization and high performance. [Figure 7](#) shows the ACEX 1K LAB.

Figure 8. ACEX 1K Logic Element



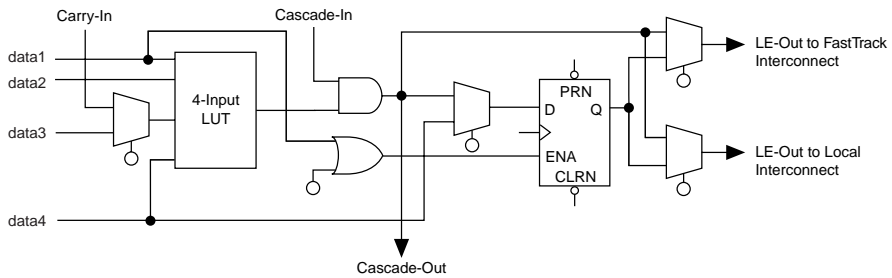
The programmable flipflop in the LE can be configured for D, T, JK, or SR operation. The clock, clear, and preset control signals on the flipflop can be driven by global signals, general-purpose I/O pins, or any internal logic. For combinational functions, the flipflop is bypassed and the LUT's output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

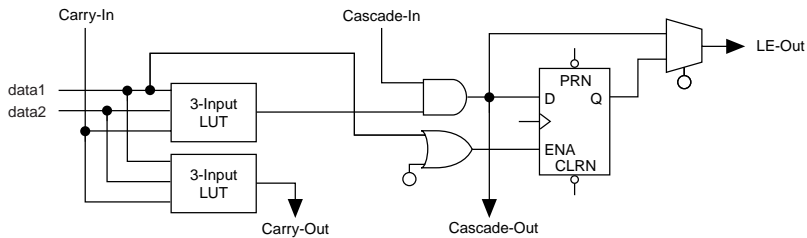
The ACEX 1K architecture provides two types of dedicated high-speed data paths that connect adjacent LEs without using local interconnect paths: carry chains and cascade chains. The carry chain supports high-speed counters and adders, and the cascade chain implements wide-input functions with minimum 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.

Figure 11. ACEX 1K LE Operating Modes

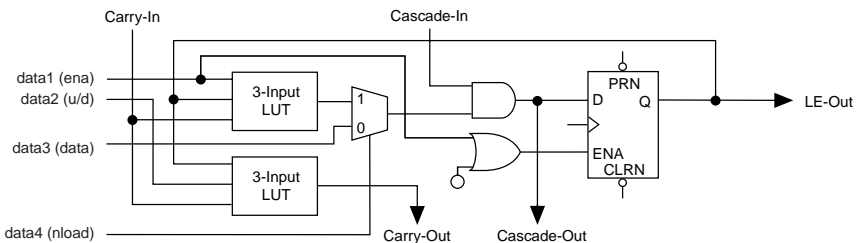
Normal Mode



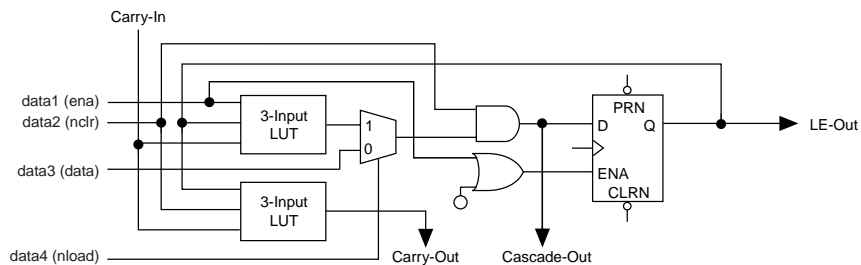
Arithmetic Mode



Up/Down Counter Mode



Clearable Counter Mode



Clearable Counter Mode

The clearable counter mode is similar to the up/down counter mode, but it supports a synchronous clear instead of the up/down control. The clear function is substituted for the cascade-in signal in the up/down counter mode. Two 3-input LUTs are used; one generates the counter data, and the other generates the fast carry bit. Synchronous loading is provided by a 2-to-1 multiplexer. The output of this multiplexer is ANDed with a synchronous clear signal.

Internal Tri-State Emulation

Internal tri-state emulation provides internal tri-states without the limitations of a physical tri-state bus. In a physical tri-state bus, the tri-state buffers' output enable (OE) signals select which signal drives the bus. However, if multiple OE signals are active, contending signals can be driven onto the bus. Conversely, if no OE signals are active, the bus will float. Internal tri-state emulation resolves contending tri-state buffers to a low value and floating buses to a high value, thereby eliminating these problems. The Altera software automatically implements tri-state bus functionality with a multiplexer.

Clear & Preset Logic Control

Logic for the programmable register's clear and preset functions is controlled by the DATA3, LABCTRL1, and LABCTRL2 inputs to the LE. The clear and preset control structure of the LE asynchronously loads signals into a register. Either LABCTRL1 or LABCTRL2 can control the asynchronous clear. Alternatively, the register can be set up so that LABCTRL1 implements an asynchronous load. The data to be loaded is driven to DATA3; when LABCTRL1 is asserted, DATA3 is loaded into the register.

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



For more information, search for “SameFrame” in MAX+PLUS II Help.

Table 10. ACEX 1K SameFrame Pin-Out Support

Device	256-Pin FineLine BGA	484-Pin FineLine BGA
EP1K10	✓	(1)
EP1K30	✓	(1)
EP1K50	✓	✓
EP1K100	✓	✓

Note:

- (1) This option is supported with a 256-pin FineLine BGA package and SameFrame migration.

ClockLock & ClockBoost Features

To support high-speed designs, -1 and -2 speed grade ACEX 1K devices offer ClockLock and ClockBoost circuitry containing a phase-locked loop (PLL) that is used to increase design speed and reduce resource usage. The ClockLock circuitry uses a synchronizing PLL that reduces the clock delay and skew within a device. This reduction minimizes clock-to-output and setup times while maintaining zero hold times. The ClockBoost circuitry, which provides a clock multiplier, allows the designer to enhance device area efficiency by sharing resources within the device. The ClockBoost feature allows the designer to distribute a low-speed clock and multiply that clock on-device. Combined, the ClockLock and ClockBoost features provide significant improvements in system performance and bandwidth.

The ClockLock and ClockBoost features in ACEX 1K devices are enabled through the Altera software. External devices are not required to use these features. The output of the ClockLock and ClockBoost circuits is not available at any of the device pins.

The ClockLock and ClockBoost circuitry lock onto the rising edge of the incoming clock. The circuit output can drive the clock inputs of registers only; the generated clock cannot be gated or inverted.

The dedicated clock pin (GCLK1) supplies the clock to the ClockLock and ClockBoost circuitry. When the dedicated clock pin is driving the ClockLock or ClockBoost circuitry, it cannot drive elsewhere in the device.

Table 20. ACEX 1K Device DC Operating Conditions (Part 2 of 2) Notes (6), (7)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V_{OL}	3.3-V low-level TTL output voltage	$I_{OL} = 12 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 3.00 \text{ V}$ (10)			0.45	V
	3.3-V low-level CMOS output voltage	$I_{OL} = 0.1 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 3.00 \text{ V}$ (10)			0.2	V
	3.3-V low-level PCI output voltage	$I_{OL} = 1.5 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 3.00 \text{ to } 3.60 \text{ V}$ (10)			$0.1 \times V_{CCIO}$	V
	2.5-V low-level output voltage	$I_{OL} = 0.1 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 2.375 \text{ V}$ (10)			0.2	V
		$I_{OL} = 1 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 2.375 \text{ V}$ (10)			0.4	V
		$I_{OL} = 2 \text{ mA DC}$, $V_{CCIO} = 2.375 \text{ V}$ (10)			0.7	V
I_I	Input pin leakage current	$V_I = 5.3 \text{ to } -0.3 \text{ V}$ (11)	-10		10	μA
I_{OZ}	Tri-stated I/O pin leakage current	$V_O = 5.3 \text{ to } -0.3 \text{ V}$ (11)	-10		10	μA
I_{CC0}	V_{CC} supply current (standby)	$V_I = \text{ground}$, no load, no toggling inputs		5		mA
		$V_I = \text{ground}$, no load, no toggling inputs (12)		10		mA
R_{CONF}	Value of I/O pin pull-up resistor before and during configuration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0 \text{ V}$ (13)	20		50	$\text{k}\Omega$
		$V_{CCIO} = 2.375 \text{ V}$ (13)	30		80	$\text{k}\Omega$

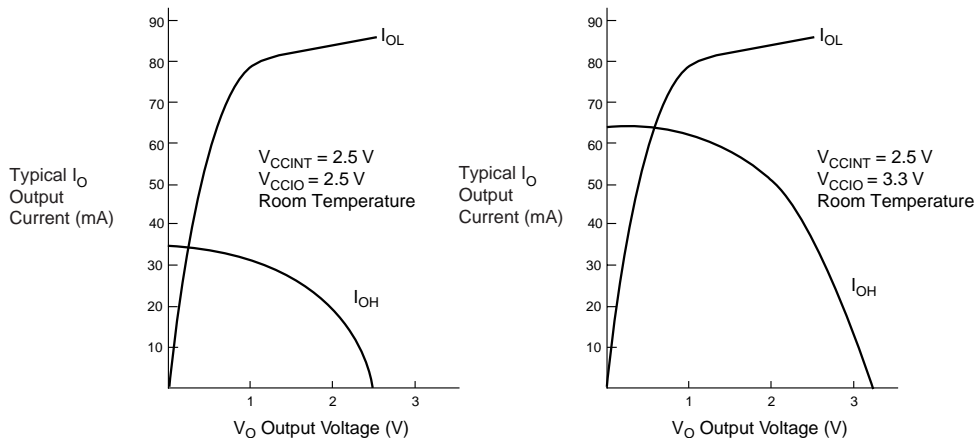
Table 21. ACEX 1K Device Capacitance *Note (14)*

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
C _{IN}	Input capacitance	V _{IN} = 0 V, f = 1.0 MHz		10	pF
C _{INCLK}	Input capacitance on dedicated clock pin	V _{IN} = 0 V, f = 1.0 MHz		12	pF
C _{OUT}	Output capacitance	V _{OUT} = 0 V, f = 1.0 MHz		10	pF

Notes to tables:

- (1) See the *Operating Requirements for Altera Devices Data Sheet*.
- (2) Minimum DC input voltage is -0.5 V. During transitions, the inputs may undershoot to -2.0 V for input currents less than 100 mA and periods shorter than 20 ns.
- (3) Numbers in parentheses are for industrial- and extended-temperature-range devices.
- (4) Maximum V_{CC} rise time is 100 ms, and V_{CC} must rise monotonically.
- (5) All pins, including dedicated inputs, clock, I/O, and JTAG pins, may be driven before V_{CCINT} and V_{CCIO} are powered.
- (6) Typical values are for T_A = 25° C, V_{CCINT} = 2.5 V, and V_{CCIO} = 2.5 V or 3.3 V.
- (7) These values are specified under the ACEX 1K Recommended Operating Conditions shown in Table 19 on page 46.
- (8) The ACEX 1K input buffers are compatible with 2.5-V, 3.3-V (LVTTTL and LVCMOS), and 5.0-V TTL and CMOS signals. Additionally, the input buffers are 3.3-V PCI compliant when V_{CCIO} and V_{CCINT} meet the relationship shown in Figure 22.
- (9) The I_{OH} parameter refers to high-level TTL, PCI, or CMOS output current.
- (10) The I_{OL} parameter refers to low-level TTL, PCI, or CMOS output current. This parameter applies to open-drain pins as well as output pins.
- (11) This value is specified for normal device operation. The value may vary during power-up.
- (12) This parameter applies to -1 speed grade commercial temperature devices and -2 speed grade industrial and extended temperature devices.
- (13) Pin pull-up resistance values will be lower if the pin is driven higher than V_{CCIO} by an external source.
- (14) Capacitance is sample-tested only.

Figure 23. Output Drive Characteristics of ACEX 1K Devices



Timing Model

The continuous, high-performance FastTrack Interconnect routing resources ensure accurate simulation and timing analysis as well as predictable performance. This predictable performance contrasts with that of FPGAs, which use a segmented connection scheme and, therefore, have an unpredictable performance.

Device performance can be estimated by following the signal path from a source, through the interconnect, to the destination. For example, the registered performance between two LEs on the same row can be calculated by adding the following parameters:

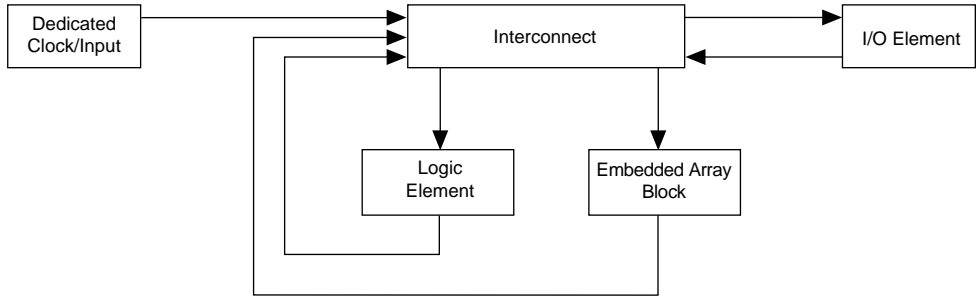
- LE register clock-to-output delay (t_{CO})
- Interconnect delay ($t_{S\text{AMEROW}}$)
- LE look-up table delay (t_{LUT})
- LE register setup time (t_{SU})

The routing delay depends on the placement of the source and destination LEs. A more complex registered path may involve multiple combinatorial LEs between the source and destination LEs.

Timing simulation and delay prediction are available with the simulator and Timing Analyzer, or with industry-standard EDA tools. The Simulator offers both pre-synthesis functional simulation to evaluate logic design accuracy and post-synthesis timing simulation with 0.1-ns resolution. The Timing Analyzer provides point-to-point timing delay information, setup and hold time analysis, and device-wide performance analysis.

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

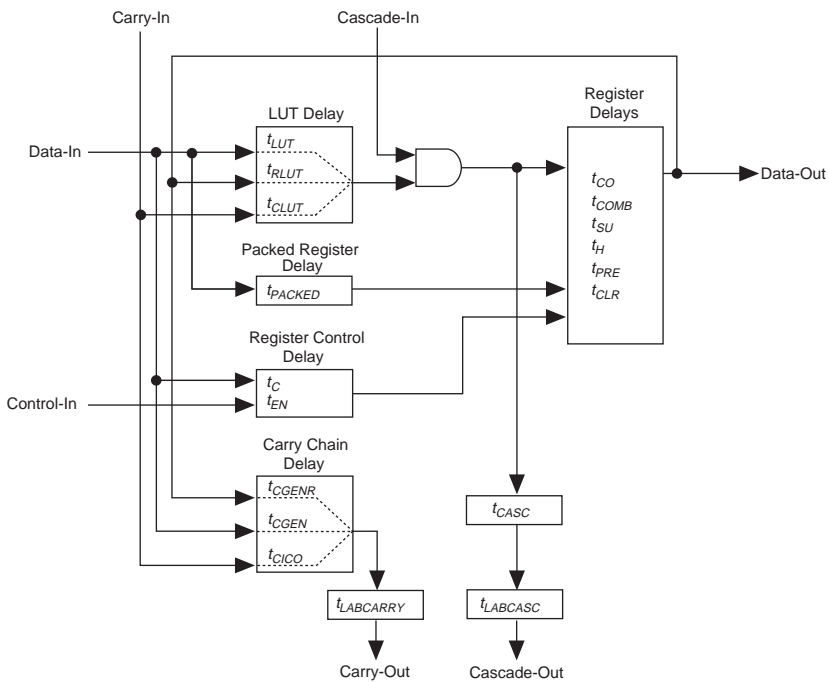


Table 36. EP1K10 External Bidirectional Timing Parameters *Notes (1), (3)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t _{INSUBIDIR} (2)	2.2		2.3		3.2		ns
t _{INHBIDIR} (2)	0.0		0.0		0.0		ns
t _{OUTCOBIDIR} (2)	2.0	6.6	2.0	7.8	2.0	9.6	ns
t _{XZBIDIR} (2)		8.8		11.2		14.0	ns
t _{ZXBIDIR} (2)		8.8		11.2		14.0	ns
t _{INSUBIDIR} (4)	3.1		3.3		–	–	
t _{INHBIDIR} (4)	0.0		0.0		–		
t _{OUTCOBIDIR} (4)	0.5	5.1	0.5	6.4	–	–	ns
t _{XZBIDIR} (4)		7.3		9.2		–	ns
t _{ZXBIDIR} (4)		7.3		9.2		–	ns

Notes to tables:

- (1) All timing parameters are described in Tables 22 through 29 in this data sheet.
 (2) This parameter is measured without the use of the ClockLock or ClockBoost circuits.
 (3) These parameters are specified by characterization.
 (4) This parameter is measured with the use of the ClockLock or ClockBoost circuits.

Tables 37 through 43 show EP1K30 device internal and external timing parameters.

Table 37. EP1K30 Device LE Timing Microparameters (Part 1 of 2) *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{LUT}		0.7		0.8		1.1	ns
t_{CLUT}		0.5		0.6		0.8	ns
t_{RLUT}		0.6		0.7		1.0	ns
t_{PACKED}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{EN}		0.6		0.8		1.0	ns
t_{CICO}		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
t_{CGEN}		0.4		0.5		0.7	ns
t_{CGENR}		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
t_{CASC}		0.6		0.8		1.0	ns
t_C		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{CO}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns

Table 44. EP1K50 Device LE Timing Microparameters (Part 2 of 2) *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{CO}		0.6		0.6		0.7	ns
t_{COMB}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{SU}	0.5		0.6		0.7		ns
t_H	0.5		0.6		0.8		ns
t_{PRE}		0.4		0.5		0.7	ns
t_{CLR}		0.8		1.0		1.2	ns
t_{CH}	2.0		2.5		3.0		ns
t_{CL}	2.0		2.5		3.0		ns

Table 45. EP1K50 Device IOE Timing Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{IOD}		1.3		1.3		1.9	ns
t_{IOC}		0.3		0.4		0.4	ns
t_{IOCO}		1.7		2.1		2.6	ns
t_{IOCOMB}		0.5		0.6		0.8	ns
t_{IOSU}	0.8		1.0		1.3		ns
t_{IOH}	0.4		0.5		0.6		ns
t_{IOCLR}		0.2		0.2		0.4	ns
t_{OD1}		1.2		1.2		1.9	ns
t_{OD2}		0.7		0.8		1.7	ns
t_{OD3}		2.7		3.0		4.3	ns
t_{XZ}		4.7		5.7		7.5	ns
t_{ZX1}		4.7		5.7		7.5	ns
t_{ZX2}		4.2		5.3		7.3	ns
t_{ZX3}		6.2		7.5		9.9	ns
t_{INREG}		3.5		4.2		5.6	ns
t_{IOFD}		1.1		1.3		1.8	ns
t_{INCOMB}		1.1		1.3		1.8	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

Table 53. EP1K100 Device EAB Internal Microparameters *Note (1)*

Symbol	Speed Grade						Unit
	-1		-2		-3		
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
$t_{EABDATA1}$		1.5		2.0		2.6	ns
$t_{EABDATA1}$		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{EABWE1}		1.5		2.0		2.6	ns
t_{EABWE2}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{EABRE1}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
t_{EABRE2}		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{EABCLK}		0.0		0.0		0.0	ns
t_{EABCO}		0.3		0.4		0.5	ns
$t_{EABYPASS}$		0.1		0.1		0.2	ns
t_{EABSU}	0.8		1.0		1.4		ns
t_{EABH}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{EABCLR}	0.3		0.4		0.5		ns
t_{AA}		4.0		5.1		6.6	ns
t_{WP}	2.7		3.5		4.7		ns
t_{RP}	1.0		1.3		1.7		ns
t_{WDSU}	1.0		1.3		1.7		ns
t_{WDH}	0.2		0.2		0.3		ns
t_{WASU}	1.6		2.1		2.8		ns
t_{WAH}	1.6		2.1		2.8		ns
t_{RASU}	3.0		3.9		5.2		ns
t_{RAH}	0.1		0.1		0.2		ns
t_{WO}		1.5		2.0		2.6	ns
t_{DD}		1.5		2.0		2.6	ns
t_{EABOUT}		0.2		0.3		0.3	ns
t_{EABCH}	1.5		2.0		2.5		ns
t_{EABCL}	2.7		3.5		4.7		ns

The $I_{CCACTIVE}$ value can be calculated with the following equation:

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

Where:

- f_{MAX} = Maximum operating frequency in MHz
- N = Total number of LEs used in the device
- tog_{LC} = Average percent of LEs toggling at each clock (typically 12.5%)
- K = Constant

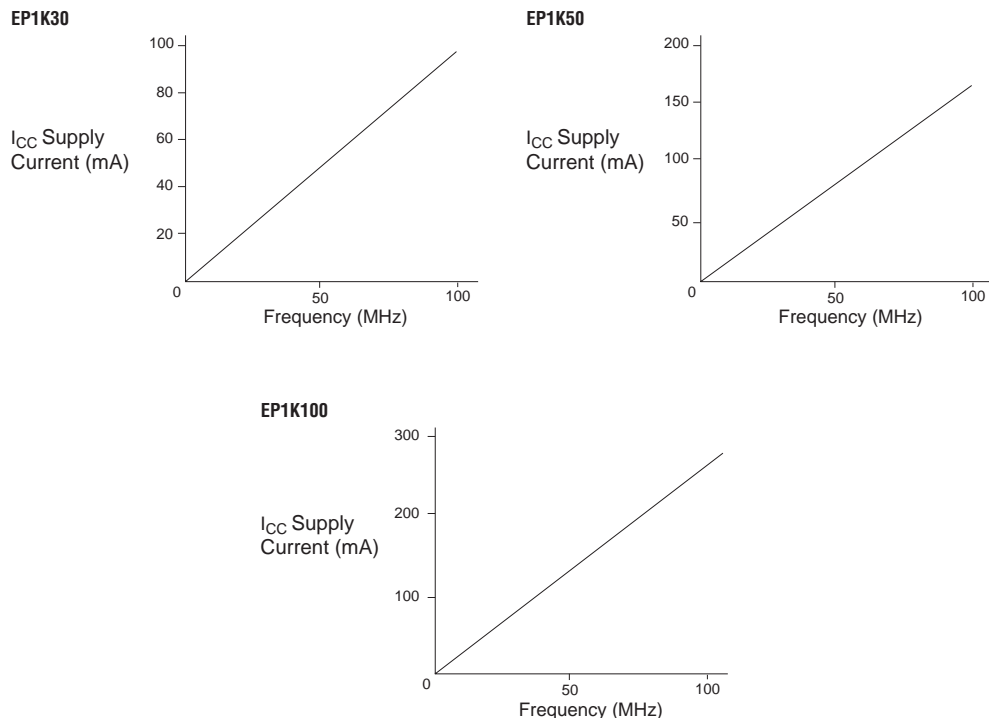
Table 58 provides the constant (K) values for ACEX 1K devices.

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.

Figure 31. ACEX 1K $I_{CCACTIVE}$ vs. Operating Frequency

Configuration & Operation

The ACEX 1K architecture supports several configuration schemes. This section summarizes the device operating modes and available device configuration schemes.

Operating Modes

The ACEX 1K architecture uses SRAM configuration elements that require configuration data to be loaded every time the circuit powers up. The process of physically loading the SRAM data into the device is called *configuration*. Before configuration, as V_{CC} rises, the device initiates a Power-On Reset (POR). This POR event clears the device and prepares it for configuration. The ACEX 1K POR time does not exceed 50 μ s.



When configuring with a configuration device, refer to the relevant configuration device data sheet for POR timing information.

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.



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