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Details

Product Status	Active
Number of LABs/CLBs	612
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	5508
Total RAM Bits	221184
Number of I/O	66
Number of Gates	250000
Voltage - Supply	1.14V ~ 1.26V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	-40°C ~ 125°C (TJ)
Package / Case	100-TQFP
Supplier Device Package	100-VQFP (14x14)
Purchase URL	https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/xilinx/xa3s250e-4vqg100q

Key Feature Differences from Commercial XC Devices

- AEC-Q100 device qualification and full production part approval process (PPAP) documentation support available in both extended temperature I- and Q-Grades
- Guaranteed to meet full electrical specification over the $T_J = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$ temperature range (Q-Grade)
- XA Spartan-3E devices are available in the -4 speed grade only.
- PCI-66 is not supported in the XA Spartan-3E FPGA product line.
- The readback feature is not supported in the XA Spartan-3E FPGA product line.
- XA Spartan-3E devices are available in Step 1 only.
- JTAG configuration frequency reduced from 30 MHz to 25 MHz.
- Platform Flash is not supported within the XA family.
- XA Spartan-3E devices are available in Pb-free packaging only.
- MultiBoot is not supported in XA versions of this product.
- The XA Spartan-3E device must be power cycled prior to reconfiguration.

Table 1: Summary of XA Spartan-3E FPGA Attributes

Device	System Gates	Equivalent Logic Cells	CLB Array (One CLB = Four Slices)				Distributed RAM bits ⁽¹⁾	Block RAM bits ⁽¹⁾	Dedicated Multipliers	DCMs	Maximum User I/O	Maximum Differential I/O Pairs
			Rows	Columns	Total CLBs	Total Slices						
XA3S100E	100K	2,160	22	16	240	960	15K	72K	4	2	108	40
XA3S250E	250K	5,508	34	26	612	2,448	38K	216K	12	4	172	68
XA3S500E	500K	10,476	46	34	1,164	4,656	73K	360K	20	4	190	77
XA3S1200E	1200K	19,512	60	46	2,168	8,672	136K	504K	28	8	304	124
XA3S1600E	1600K	33,192	76	58	3,688	14,752	231K	648K	36	8	376	156

Notes:

1. By convention, one Kb is equivalent to 1,024 bits.

Architectural Overview

The XA Spartan-3E family architecture consists of five fundamental programmable functional elements:

- **Configurable Logic Blocks (CLBs)** contain flexible Look-Up Tables (LUTs) that implement logic plus storage elements used as flip-flops or latches. CLBs perform a wide variety of logical functions as well as store data.
- **Input/Output Blocks (IOBs)** control the flow of data between the I/O pins and the internal logic of the device. Each IOB supports bidirectional data flow plus 3-state operation. Supports a variety of signal standards, including four high-performance differential standards. Double Data-Rate (DDR) registers are included.
- **Block RAM** provides data storage in the form of 18-Kbit dual-port blocks.
- **Multiplier Blocks** accept two 18-bit binary numbers as inputs and calculate the product.

- **Digital Clock Manager (DCM) Blocks** provide self-calibrating, fully digital solutions for distributing, delaying, multiplying, dividing, and phase-shifting clock signals.

These elements are organized as shown in [Figure 1](#). A ring of IOBs surrounds a regular array of CLBs. Each device has two columns of block RAM except for the XA3S100E, which has one column. Each RAM column consists of several 18-Kbit RAM blocks. Each block RAM is associated with a dedicated multiplier. The DCMs are positioned in the center with two at the top and two at the bottom of the device. The XA3S100E has only one DCM at the top and bottom, while the XA3S1200E and XA3S1600E add two DCMs in the middle of the left and right sides.

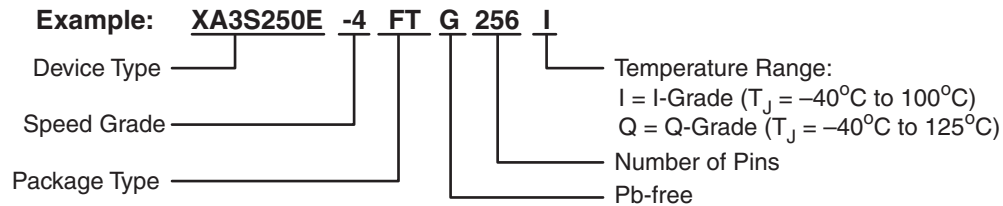
The XA Spartan-3E family features a rich network of traces that interconnect all five functional elements, transmitting signals among them. Each functional element has an associated switch matrix that permits multiple connections to the routing.

Ordering Information

XA Spartan-3E FPGAs are available in Pb-free packaging options for all device/package combinations. All devices are in Pb-free packages only, with a “G” character to the ordering code. All devices are available in either I-Grade or

Q-Grade temperature ranges. Only the -4 speed grade is available for the XA Spartan-3E family. See [Table 2](#) for valid device/package combinations.

Pb-Free Packaging



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Device	Speed Grade		Package Type / Number of Pins		Temperature Range (T_J)	
XA3S100E	-4	Only	VQG100	100-pin Very Thin Quad Flat Pack (VQFP)	I	I-Grade (-40°C to 100°C)
XA3S250E			CPG132	132-ball Chip-Scale Package (CSP)	Q	Q-Grade (-40°C to 125°C)
XA3S500E			TQG144	144-pin Thin Quad Flat Pack (TQFP)		
XA3S1200E			PQG208	208-pin Plastic Quad Flat Pack (PQFP)		
XA3S1600E			FTG256	256-ball Fine-Pitch Thin Ball Grid Array (FTBGA)		
			FGG400	400-ball Fine-Pitch Ball Grid Array (FBGA)		
			FGG484	484-ball Fine-Pitch Ball Grid Array (FBGA)		

DC Specifications

Table 6: General Recommended Operating Conditions

Symbol	Description		Min	Nominal	Max	Units
T_J	Junction temperature	I-Grade	-40	25	100	°C
		Q-Grade	-40	25	125	°C
V_{CCINT}	Internal supply voltage		1.140	1.200	1.260	V
$V_{CCO}^{(1)}$	Output driver supply voltage		1.100	-	3.465	V
V_{CCAUX}	Auxiliary supply voltage		2.375	2.500	2.625	V
$\Delta V_{CCAUX}^{(2)}$	Voltage variance on V_{CCAUX} when using a DCM		-	-	10	mV/ms
$V_{IN}^{(3,4,5,6)}$	Input voltage extremes to avoid turning on I/O protection diodes	I/O, Input-only, and Dual-Purpose pins ⁽³⁾	-0.5	-	$V_{CCO} + 0.5$	V
		Dedicated pins ⁽⁴⁾	-0.5	-	$V_{CCAUX} + 0.5$	V
T_{IN}	Input signal transition time ⁽⁷⁾		-	-	500	ns

Notes:

1. This V_{CCO} range spans the lowest and highest operating voltages for all supported I/O standards. Table 9 lists the recommended V_{CCO} range specific to each of the single-ended I/O standards, and Table 11 lists that specific to the differential standards.
2. Only during DCM operation is it recommended that the rate of change of V_{CCAUX} not exceed 10 mV/ms.
3. Each of the User I/O and Dual-Purpose pins is associated with one of the four banks' V_{CCO} rails. Meeting the V_{IN} limit ensures that the internal diode junctions that exist between these pins and their associated V_{CCO} and GND rails do not turn on. See Absolute Maximum Ratings in DS312.
4. All Dedicated pins (PROG_B, DONE, TCK, TDI, TDO, and TMS) draw power from the V_{CCAUX} rail (2.5V). Meeting the V_{IN} max limit ensures that the internal diode junctions that exist between each of these pins and the V_{CCAUX} and GND rails do not turn on.
5. Input voltages outside the recommended range is permissible provided that the I_{IK} input clamp diode rating is met and no more than 100 pins exceed the range simultaneously. See Absolute Maximum Ratings in DS312.
6. See XAPP459, "Eliminating I/O Coupling Effects when Interfacing Large-Swing Single-Ended Signals to User I/O Pins."
7. Measured between 10% and 90% V_{CCO} . Follow Signal Integrity recommendations.

General DC Characteristics for I/O Pins

Table 7: General DC Characteristics of User I/O, Dual-Purpose, and Dedicated Pins

Symbol	Description	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
I_L	Leakage current at User I/O, Input-only, Dual-Purpose, and Dedicated pins	Driver is in a high-impedance state, $V_{IN} = 0V$ or V_{CCO} max, sample-tested	-10	-	+10	μA
$I_{RPU}^{(2)}$	Current through pull-up resistor at User I/O, Dual-Purpose, Input-only, and Dedicated pins	$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 3.3V$	-0.36	-	-1.24	mA
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 2.5V$	-0.22	-	-0.80	mA
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.8V$	-0.10	-	-0.42	mA
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.5V$	-0.06	-	-0.27	mA
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.2V$	-0.04	-	-0.22	mA
$R_{PU}^{(2)}$	Equivalent pull-up resistor value at User I/O, Dual-Purpose, Input-only, and Dedicated pins (based on I_{RPU} per Note 2)	$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 3.0V$ to $3.465V$	2.4	-	10.8	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 2.3V$ to $2.7V$	2.7	-	11.8	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.7V$ to $1.9V$	4.3	-	20.2	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.4V$ to $1.6V$	5.0	-	25.9	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = 0V, V_{CCO} = 1.14V$ to $1.26V$	5.5	-	32.0	k Ω

Table 7: General DC Characteristics of User I/O, Dual-Purpose, and Dedicated Pins (Continued)

Symbol	Description	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
$I_{RPD}^{(2)}$	Current through pull-down resistor at User I/O, Dual-Purpose, Input-only, and Dedicated pins	$V_{IN} = V_{CCO}$	0.10	–	0.75	mA
$R_{PD}^{(2)}$	Equivalent pull-down resistor value at User I/O, Dual-Purpose, Input-only, and Dedicated pins (based on I_{RPD} per Note 2)	$V_{IN} = V_{CCO} = 3.0V$ to 3.45V	4.0	–	34.5	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = V_{CCO} = 2.3V$ to 2.7V	3.0	–	27.0	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = V_{CCO} = 1.7V$ to 1.9V	2.3	–	19.0	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = V_{CCO} = 1.4V$ to 1.6V	1.8	–	16.0	k Ω
		$V_{IN} = V_{CCO} = 1.14V$ to 1.26V	1.5	–	12.6	k Ω
I_{REF}	V_{REF} current per pin	All V_{CCO} levels	–10	–	+10	μA
C_{IN}	Input capacitance	-	–	–	10	pF
R_{DT}	Resistance of optional differential termination circuit within a differential I/O pair. Not available on Input-only pairs.	$V_{OCM} \text{ Min} \leq V_{ICM} \leq V_{OCM} \text{ Max}$ $V_{OD} \text{ Min} \leq V_{ID} \leq V_{OD} \text{ Max}$ $V_{CCO} = 2.5V$	–	120	–	Ω

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the conditions set forth in Table 6.
2. This parameter is based on characterization. The pull-up resistance $R_{PU} = V_{CCO} / I_{RPD}$. The pull-down resistance $R_{PD} = V_{IN} / I_{RPD}$.

Table 8: Quiescent Supply Current Characteristics

Symbol	Description	Device	I-Grade Maximum	Q-Grade Maximum	Units
I_{CCINTQ}	Quiescent V_{CCINT} supply current	XA3S100E	36	58	mA
		XA3S250E	104	158	mA
		XA3S500E	145	300	mA
		XA3S1200E	324	500	mA
		XA3S1600E	457	750	mA
I_{CCOQ}	Quiescent V_{CCO} supply current	XA3S100E	1.5	2.0	mA
		XA3S250E	1.5	3.0	mA
		XA3S500E	1.5	3.0	mA
		XA3S1200E	2.5	4.0	mA
		XA3S1600E	2.5	4.0	mA

Table 8: Quiescent Supply Current Characteristics (Continued)

Symbol	Description	Device	I-Grade Maximum	Q-Grade Maximum	Units
I_{CCAUXQ}	Quiescent V_{CCAUX} supply current	XA3S100E	13	22	mA
		XA3S250E	26	43	mA
		XA3S500E	34	63	mA
		XA3S1200E	59	100	mA
		XA3S1600E	86	150	mA

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the conditions set forth in [Table 6](#).
2. Quiescent supply current is measured with all I/O drivers in a high-impedance state and with all pull-up/pull-down resistors at the I/O pads disabled. Typical values are characterized using typical devices at room temperature (T_J of 25°C at $V_{CCINT} = 1.2$ V, $V_{CCO} = 3.3$ V, and $V_{CCAUX} = 2.5$ V). The maximum limits are tested for each device at the respective maximum specified junction temperature and at maximum voltage limits with $V_{CCINT} = 1.26$ V, $V_{CCO} = 3.465$ V, and $V_{CCAUX} = 2.625$ V. The FPGA is programmed with a “blank” configuration data file (i.e., a design with no functional elements instantiated). For conditions other than those described above, (e.g., a design including functional elements), measured quiescent current levels may be different than the values in the table. For more accurate estimates for a specific design, use the Xilinx XPower tools.
3. There are two recommended ways to estimate the total power consumption (quiescent plus dynamic) for a specific design: a) The [Spartan-3E XPower Estimator](#) provides quick, approximate, typical estimates, and does not require a netlist of the design. b) XPower Analyzer uses a netlist as input to provide maximum estimates as well as more accurate typical estimates.
4. The maximum numbers in this table indicate the minimum current each power rail requires in order for the FPGA to power-on successfully.

Single-Ended I/O Standards

Table 9: Recommended Operating Conditions for User I/Os Using Single-Ended Standards

IOSTANDARD Attribute	V _{CCO} for Drivers ⁽²⁾			V _{REF}			V _{IL}	V _{IH}
	Min (V)	Nom (V)	Max (V)	Min (V)	Nom (V)	Max (V)	Max (V)	Min (V)
LVTTL	3.0	3.3	3.465	V _{REF} is not used for these I/O standards			0.8	2.0
LVC MOS33 ⁽⁴⁾	3.0	3.3	3.465				0.8	2.0
LVC MOS25 ^(4,5)	2.3	2.5	2.7				0.7	1.7
LVC MOS18	1.65	1.8	1.95				0.4	0.8
LVC MOS15	1.4	1.5	1.6				0.4	0.8
LVC MOS12	1.1	1.2	1.3				0.4	0.7
PCI33_3	3.0	3.3	3.465				0.3 * V _{CCO}	0.5 * V _{CCO}
HSTL_I_18	1.7	1.8	1.9	0.8	0.9	1.1	V _{REF} - 0.1	V _{REF} + 0.1
HSTL_III_18	1.7	1.8	1.9	-	1.1	-	V _{REF} - 0.1	V _{REF} + 0.1
SSTL18_I	1.7	1.8	1.9	0.833	0.900	0.969	V _{REF} - 0.125	V _{REF} + 0.125
SSTL2_I	2.3	2.5	2.7	1.15	1.25	1.35	V _{REF} - 0.125	V _{REF} + 0.125

Notes:

- Descriptions of the symbols used in this table are as follows:
V_{CCO} – the supply voltage for output drivers
V_{REF} – the reference voltage for setting the input switching threshold
V_{IL} – the input voltage that indicates a Low logic level
V_{IH} – the input voltage that indicates a High logic level
- The V_{CCO} rails supply only output drivers, not input circuits.
- For device operation, the maximum signal voltage (V_{IH} max) may be as high as V_{IN} max. See Table 72 in DS312.
- There is approximately 100 mV of hysteresis on inputs using LVC MOS33 and LVC MOS25 I/O standards.
- All Dedicated pins (PROG_B, DONE, TCK, TDI, TDO, and TMS) use the LVC MOS25 standard and draw power from the V_{CCAUX} rail (2.5V). The Dual-Purpose configuration pins use the LVC MOS standard before the User mode. When using these pins as part of a standard 2.5V configuration interface, apply 2.5V to the V_{CCO} lines of Banks 0, 1, and 2 at power-on as well as throughout configuration.
- For information on PCI IP solutions, see www.xilinx.com/pci.

Table 19: Test Methods for Timing Measurement at I/Os

Signal Standard (IOSTANDARD)	Inputs			Outputs		Inputs and Outputs
	V_{REF} (V)	V_L (V)	V_H (V)	R_T (Ω)	V_T (V)	V_M (V)
Single-Ended						
LVTTTL	-	0	3.3	1M	0	1.4
LVCNOS33	-	0	3.3	1M	0	1.65
LVCNOS25	-	0	2.5	1M	0	1.25
LVCNOS18	-	0	1.8	1M	0	0.9
LVCNOS15	-	0	1.5	1M	0	0.75
LVCNOS12	-	0	1.2	1M	0	0.6
PCI33_3	Rising	Note 3	Note 3	25	0	0.94
	Falling			25	3.3	2.03
HSTL_I_18	0.9	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	0.9	V_{REF}
HSTL_III_18	1.1	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	1.8	V_{REF}
SSTL18_I	0.9	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	0.9	V_{REF}
SSTL2_I	1.25	$V_{REF} - 0.75$	$V_{REF} + 0.75$	50	1.25	V_{REF}
Differential						
LVDS_25	-	$V_{ICM} - 0.125$	$V_{ICM} + 0.125$	50	1.2	V_{ICM}
BLVDS_25	-	$V_{ICM} - 0.125$	$V_{ICM} + 0.125$	1M	0	V_{ICM}
MINI_LVDS_25	-	$V_{ICM} - 0.125$	$V_{ICM} + 0.125$	50	1.2	V_{ICM}
LVPECL_25	-	$V_{ICM} - 0.3$	$V_{ICM} + 0.3$	1M	0	V_{ICM}
RSDS_25	-	$V_{ICM} - 0.1$	$V_{ICM} + 0.1$	50	1.2	V_{ICM}
DIFF_HSTL_I_18	-	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	0.9	V_{ICM}
DIFF_HSTL_III_18	-	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	1.8	V_{ICM}
DIFF_SSTL18_I	-	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	0.9	V_{ICM}
DIFF_SSTL2_I	-	$V_{REF} - 0.5$	$V_{REF} + 0.5$	50	1.25	V_{ICM}

Notes:

- Descriptions of the relevant symbols are as follows:
 V_{REF} – The reference voltage for setting the input switching threshold
 V_{ICM} – The common mode input voltage
 V_M – Voltage of measurement point on signal transition
 V_L – Low-level test voltage at Input pin
 V_H – High-level test voltage at Input pin
 R_T – Effective termination resistance, which takes on a value of 1M Ω when no parallel termination is required
 V_T – Termination voltage
- The load capacitance (C_L) at the Output pin is 0 pF for all signal standards.
- According to the PCI specification.

Configurable Logic Block Timing

Table 20: CLB (SLICEM) Timing

Symbol	Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units
		Min	Max	
Clock-to-Output Times				
T_{CKO}	When reading from the FFX (FFY) Flip-Flop, the time from the active transition at the CLK input to data appearing at the XQ (YQ) output	-	0.60	ns
Setup Times				
T_{AS}	Time from the setup of data at the F or G input to the active transition at the CLK input of the CLB	0.52	-	ns
T_{DICK}	Time from the setup of data at the BX or BY input to the active transition at the CLK input of the CLB	1.81	-	ns
Hold Times				
T_{AH}	Time from the active transition at the CLK input to the point where data is last held at the F or G input	0	-	ns
T_{CKDI}	Time from the active transition at the CLK input to the point where data is last held at the BX or BY input	0	-	ns
Clock Timing				
T_{CH}	The High pulse width of the CLB's CLK signal	0.80	-	ns
T_{CL}	The Low pulse width of the CLK signal	0.80	-	ns
F_{TOG}	Toggle frequency (for export control)	0	572	MHz
Propagation Times				
T_{ILO}	The time it takes for data to travel from the CLB's F (G) input to the X (Y) output	-	0.76	ns
Set/Reset Pulse Width				
T_{RPW_CLB}	The minimum allowable pulse width, High or Low, to the CLB's SR input	1.80	-	ns

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in [Table 6](#).

Table 21: CLB Distributed RAM Switching Characteristics

Symbol	Description	-4		Units
		Min	Max	
Clock-to-Output Times				
T_{SHCKO}	Time from the active edge at the CLK input to data appearing on the distributed RAM output	-	2.35	ns
Setup Times				
T_{DS}	Setup time of data at the BX or BY input before the active transition at the CLK input of the distributed RAM	0.46	-	ns
T_{AS}	Setup time of the F/G address inputs before the active transition at the CLK input of the distributed RAM	0.52	-	ns
T_{WS}	Setup time of the write enable input before the active transition at the CLK input of the distributed RAM	0.40	-	ns
Hold Times				
T_{DH}	Hold time of the BX, BY data inputs after the active transition at the CLK input of the distributed RAM	0.15	-	ns
T_{AH}, T_{WH}	Hold time of the F/G address inputs or the write enable input after the active transition at the CLK input of the distributed RAM	0	-	ns
Clock Pulse Width				
T_{WPH}, T_{WPL}	Minimum High or Low pulse width at CLK input	1.01	-	ns

Table 22: CLB Shift Register Switching Characteristics

Symbol	Description	-4		Units
		Min	Max	
Clock-to-Output Times				
T_{REG}	Time from the active edge at the CLK input to data appearing on the shift register output	-	4.16	ns
Setup Times				
T_{SRLDS}	Setup time of data at the BX or BY input before the active transition at the CLK input of the shift register	0.46	-	ns
Hold Times				
T_{SRLDH}	Hold time of the BX or BY data input after the active transition at the CLK input of the shift register	0.16	-	ns
Clock Pulse Width				
T_{WPH}, T_{WPL}	Minimum High or Low pulse width at CLK input	1.01	-	ns

Table 25: Block RAM Timing (Continued)

Symbol	Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units
		Min	Max	
Clock Timing				
T_{BPWH}	High pulse width of the CLK signal	1.59	-	ns
T_{BPWL}	Low pulse width of the CLK signal	1.59	-	ns
Clock Frequency				
F_{BRAM}	Block RAM clock frequency. RAM read output value written back into RAM, for shift registers and circular buffers. Write-only or read-only performance is faster.	0	230	MHz

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in [Table 6](#).

Digital Clock Manager Timing

For specification purposes, the DCM consists of three key components: the Delay-Locked Loop (DLL), the Digital Frequency Synthesizer (DFS), and the Phase Shifter (PS).

Aspects of DLL operation play a role in all DCM applications. All such applications inevitably use the CLKIN and the CLKFB inputs connected to either the CLK0 or the CLK2X feedback, respectively. Thus, specifications in the DLL tables ([Table 26](#) and [Table 27](#)) apply to any application that only employs the DLL component. When the DFS and/or the PS components are used together with the DLL, then the specifications listed in the DFS and PS tables ([Table 28](#) through [Table 31](#)) supersede any corresponding ones in the DLL tables. DLL specifications that do not change with the addition of DFS or PS functions are presented in [Table 26](#) and [Table 27](#).

Period jitter and cycle-cycle jitter are two of many different ways of specifying clock jitter. Both specifications describe statistical variation from a mean value.

Period jitter is the worst-case deviation from the ideal clock period over a collection of millions of samples. In a histogram of period jitter, the mean value is the clock period.

Cycle-cycle jitter is the worst-case difference in clock period between adjacent clock cycles in the collection of clock periods sampled. In a histogram of cycle-cycle jitter, the mean value is zero.

Spread Spectrum

DCMs accept typical spread spectrum clocks as long as they meet the input requirements. The DLL will track the frequency changes created by the spread spectrum clock to drive the global clocks to the FPGA logic. See [XAPP469](#), *Spread-Spectrum Clocking Reception for Displays* for details.

Delay-Locked Loop

Table 26: Recommended Operating Conditions for the DLL

Symbol		Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units
			Min	Max	
Input Frequency Ranges					
F_{CLKIN}	CLKIN_FREQ_DLL	Frequency of the CLKIN clock input	5 ⁽²⁾	240 ⁽³⁾	MHz
Input Pulse Requirements					
CLKIN_PULSE	CLKIN pulse width as a percentage of the CLKIN period	$F_{\text{CLKIN}} \leq 150 \text{ MHz}$	40%	60%	-
		$F_{\text{CLKIN}} > 150 \text{ MHz}$	45%	55%	-
Input Clock Jitter Tolerance and Delay Path Variation⁽⁴⁾					
CLKIN_CYC_JITT_DLL_LF	Cycle-to-cycle jitter at the CLKIN input	$F_{\text{CLKIN}} \leq 150 \text{ MHz}$	-	±300	ps
CLKIN_CYC_JITT_DLL_HF		$F_{\text{CLKIN}} > 150 \text{ MHz}$	-	±150	ps
CLKIN_PER_JITT_DLL	Period jitter at the CLKIN input		-	±1	ns
CLKFB_DELAY_VAR_EXT	Allowable variation of off-chip feedback delay from the DCM output to the CLKFB input		-	±1	ns

Notes:

1. DLL specifications apply when any of the DLL outputs (CLK0, CLK90, CLK180, CLK270, CLK2X, CLK2X180, or CLKDV) are in use.
2. The DFS, when operating independently of the DLL, supports lower F_{CLKIN} frequencies. See [Table 28](#).
3. To support double the maximum effective F_{CLKIN} limit, set the CLKIN_DIVIDE_BY_2 attribute to TRUE. This attribute divides the incoming clock frequency by two as it enters the DCM. The CLK2X output reproduces the clock frequency provided on the CLKIN input.
4. CLKIN input jitter beyond these limits might cause the DCM to lose lock.

Table 27: Switching Characteristics for the DLL

Symbol		Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units
			Min	Max	
Output Frequency Ranges					
CLKOUT_FREQ_CLK0	Frequency for the CLK0 and CLK180 outputs		5	240	MHz
CLKOUT_FREQ_CLK90	Frequency for the CLK90 and CLK270 outputs		5	200	MHz
CLKOUT_FREQ_2X	Frequency for the CLK2X and CLK2X180 outputs		10	311	MHz
CLKOUT_FREQ_DV	Frequency for the CLKDV output		0.3125	160	MHz
Output Clock Jitter^(2,3,4)					
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_0	Period jitter at the CLK0 output		-	±100	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_90	Period jitter at the CLK90 output		-	±150	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_180	Period jitter at the CLK180 output		-	±150	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_270	Period jitter at the CLK270 output		-	±150	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_2X	Period jitter at the CLK2X and CLK2X180 outputs		-	±[1% of CLKIN period + 150]	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_DV1	Period jitter at the CLKDV output when performing integer division		-	±150	ps
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_DV2	Period jitter at the CLKDV output when performing non-integer division		-	±[1% of CLKIN period + 200]	ps

Table 27: Switching Characteristics for the DLL (Continued)

Symbol	Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units	
		Min	Max		
Duty Cycle⁽⁴⁾					
CLKOUT_DUTY_CYCLE_DLL	Duty cycle variation for the CLK0, CLK90, CLK180, CLK270, CLK2X, CLK2X180, and CLKDV outputs, including the BUFGMUX and clock tree duty-cycle distortion	-	±[1% of CLKIN period + 400]	ps	
Phase Alignment⁽⁴⁾					
CLKIN_CLKFB_PHASE	Phase offset between the CLKIN and CLKFB inputs	-	±200	ps	
CLKOUT_PHASE_DLL	Phase offset between DLL outputs	CLK0 to CLK2X (not CLK2X180)	±[1% of CLKIN period + 100]	ps	
		All others	±[1% of CLKIN period + 200]	ps	
Lock Time					
LOCK_DLL ⁽³⁾	When using the DLL alone: The time from deassertion at the DCM's Reset input to the rising transition at its LOCKED output. When the DCM is locked, the CLKIN and CLKFB signals are in phase	$5 \text{ MHz} \leq F_{\text{CLKIN}} \leq 15 \text{ MHz}$	-	5	ms
		$F_{\text{CLKIN}} > 15 \text{ MHz}$	-	600	µs
Delay Lines					
DCM_DELAY_STEP	Finest delay resolution	20	40	ps	

Notes:

- The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in Table 6 and Table 26.
- Indicates the maximum amount of output jitter that the DCM adds to the jitter on the CLKIN input.
- For optimal jitter tolerance and faster lock time, use the CLKIN_PERIOD attribute.
- Some jitter and duty-cycle specifications include 1% of input clock period or 0.01 UI. **Example:** The data sheet specifies a maximum jitter of “±[1% of CLKIN period + 150]”. Assume the CLKIN frequency is 100 MHz. The equivalent CLKIN period is 10 ns and 1% of 10 ns is 0.1 ns or 100 ps. According to the data sheet, the maximum jitter is ±[100 ps + 150 ps] = ±250ps.

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Table 28: Recommended Operating Conditions for the DFS

Symbol	Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units	
		Min	Max		
Input Frequency Ranges⁽²⁾					
F_{CLKIN}	CLKIN_FREQ_FX	Frequency for the CLKIN input	0.200	333 ⁽⁴⁾	MHz
Input Clock Jitter Tolerance⁽³⁾					
CLKIN_CYC_JITT_FX_LF	Cycle-to-cycle jitter at the CLKIN input, based on CLKFX output frequency	$F_{\text{CLKFX}} \leq 150 \text{ MHz}$	-	±300	ps
CLKIN_CYC_JITT_FX_HF		$F_{\text{CLKFX}} > 150 \text{ MHz}$	-	±150	ps
CLKIN_PER_JITT_FX	Period jitter at the CLKIN input	-	±1	ns	

Notes:

- DFS specifications apply when either of the DFS outputs (CLKFX or CLKFX180) are used.
- If both DFS and DLL outputs are used on the same DCM, follow the more restrictive CLKIN_FREQ_DLL specifications in Table 26.
- CLKIN input jitter beyond these limits may cause the DCM to lose lock.
- To support double the maximum effective F_{CLKIN} limit, set the CLKIN_DIVIDE_BY_2 attribute to TRUE. This attribute divides the incoming clock frequency by two as it enters the DCM.

Table 29: Switching Characteristics for the DFS

Symbol	Description	Device	-4 Speed Grade		Units	
			Min	Max		
Output Frequency Ranges						
CLKOUT_FREQ_FX	Frequency for the CLKFX and CLKFX180 outputs	All	5	311	MHz	
Output Clock Jitter^(2,3)						
CLKOUT_PER_JITT_FX	Period jitter at the CLKFX and CLKFX180 outputs	All	Typ	Max		
			CLKIN ≤ 20 MHz	See Note 4		ps
			CLKIN > 20 MHz	±[1% of CLKFX period + 100]	±[1% of CLKFX period + 200]	ps
Duty Cycle^(5,6)						
CLKOUT_DUTY_CYCLE_FX	Duty cycle precision for the CLKFX and CLKFX180 outputs, including the BUFGMUX and clock tree duty-cycle distortion	All	-	±[1% of CLKFX period + 400]	ps	
Phase Alignment⁽⁶⁾						
CLKOUT_PHASE_FX	Phase offset between the DFS CLKFX output and the DLL CLK0 output when both the DFS and DLL are used	All	-	±200	ps	
CLKOUT_PHASE_FX180	Phase offset between the DFS CLKFX180 output and the DLL CLK0 output when both the DFS and DLL are used	All	-	±[1% of CLKFX period + 300]	ps	
Lock Time						
LOCK_FX ⁽²⁾	The time from deassertion at the DCM's Reset input to the rising transition at its LOCKED output. The DFS asserts LOCKED when the CLKFX and CLKFX180 signals are valid. If using both the DLL and the DFS, use the longer locking time.	All	5 MHz ≤ F _{CLKIN} ≤ 15 MHz	5	ms	
			F _{CLKIN} > 15 MHz	-	450	µs

Notes:

- The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in Table 6 and Table 28.
- For optimal jitter tolerance and faster lock time, use the CLKIN_PERIOD attribute.
- Maximum output jitter is characterized within a reasonable noise environment (150 ps input period jitter, 40 SSOs and 25% CLB switching). Output jitter strongly depends on the environment, including the number of SSOs, the output drive strength, CLB utilization, CLB switching activities, switching frequency, power supply and PCB design. The actual maximum output jitter depends on the system application.
- Use the Spartan-3A Jitter Calculator (www.xilinx.com/support/documentation/data_sheets/s3a_jitter_calc.zip) to estimate DFS output jitter. Use the Clocking Wizard to determine jitter for a specific design.
- The CLKFX and CLKFX180 outputs always have an approximate 50% duty cycle.
- Some duty-cycle and alignment specifications include 1% of the CLKFX output period or 0.01 UI. **Example:** The data sheet specifies a maximum jitter of “±[1% of CLKFX period + 300]”. Assume the CLKFX output frequency is 100 MHz. The equivalent CLKFX period is 10 ns and 1% of 10 ns is 0.1 ns or 100 ps. According to the data sheet, the maximum jitter is ±[100 ps + 300 ps] = ±400 ps.

Phase Shifter

Table 30: Recommended Operating Conditions for the PS in Variable Phase Mode

Symbol	Description	-4 Speed Grade		Units
		Min	Max	
Operating Frequency Ranges				
PSCLK_FREQ (F _{PSCLK})	Frequency for the PSCLK input	1	167	MHz
Input Pulse Requirements				
PSCLK_PULSE	PSCLK pulse width as a percentage of the PSCLK period	40%	60%	-

Table 31: Switching Characteristics for the PS in Variable Phase Mode

Symbol	Description		Units	
Phase Shifting Range				
MAX_STEPS ⁽²⁾	Maximum allowed number of DCM_DELAY_STEP steps for a given CLKIN clock period, where T = CLKIN clock period in ns. If using CLKIN_DIVIDE_BY_2 = TRUE, double the clock effective clock period.	CLKIN < 60 MHz	$\pm \lceil \text{INTEGER}(10 \bullet (T_{\text{CLKIN}} - 3 \text{ ns})) \rceil$	steps
		CLKIN \geq 60 MHz	$\pm \lceil \text{INTEGER}(15 \bullet (T_{\text{CLKIN}} - 3 \text{ ns})) \rceil$	steps
FINE_SHIFT_RANGE_MIN	Minimum guaranteed delay for variable phase shifting	$\pm \lceil \text{MAX_STEPS} \bullet \text{DCM_DELAY_STEP_MIN} \rceil$		ns
FINE_SHIFT_RANGE_MAX	Maximum guaranteed delay for variable phase shifting	$\pm \lceil \text{MAX_STEPS} \bullet \text{DCM_DELAY_STEP_MAX} \rceil$		ns

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in [Table 6](#) and [Table 30](#).
2. The maximum variable phase shift range, MAX_STEPS, is only valid when the DCM is has no initial fixed phase shifting, i.e., the PHASE_SHIFT attribute is set to 0.
3. The DCM_DELAY_STEP values are provided at the bottom of [Table 27](#).

Miscellaneous DCM Timing

Table 32: Miscellaneous DCM Timing

Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Units
DCM_RST_PW_MIN ⁽¹⁾	Minimum duration of a RST pulse width	3	-	CLKIN cycles
DCM_RST_PW_MAX ⁽²⁾	Maximum duration of a RST pulse width	N/A	N/A	seconds
		N/A	N/A	seconds
DCM_CONFIG_LAG_TIME ⁽³⁾	Maximum duration from V _{CCINT} applied to FPGA configuration successfully completed (DONE pin goes High) and clocks applied to DCM DLL	N/A	N/A	minutes
		N/A	N/A	minutes

Notes:

1. This limit only applies to applications that use the DCM DLL outputs (CLK0, CLK90, CLK180, CLK270, CLK2X, CLK2X180, and CLKDV). The DCM DFS outputs (CLKFX, CLKFX180) are unaffected.
2. This specification is equivalent to the Virtex-4 DCM_RESET specification. This specification does not apply for Spartan-3E FPGAs.
3. This specification is equivalent to the Virtex-4 TCONFIG specification. This specification does not apply for Spartan-3E FPGAs.

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Table 33: Power-On Timing and the Beginning of Configuration

Symbol	Description	Device	-4 Speed Grade		Units
			Min	Max	
$T_{POR}^{(2)}$	The time from the application of V_{CCINT} , V_{CCAUX} , and V_{CCO} Bank 2 supply voltage ramps (whichever occurs last) to the rising transition of the INIT_B pin	XA3S100E	-	5	ms
		XA3S250E	-	5	ms
		XA3S500E	-	5	ms
		XA3S1200E	-	5	ms
		XA3S1600E	-	7	ms
T_{PROG}	The width of the low-going pulse on the PROG_B pin	All	0.5	-	μ s
$T_{PL}^{(2)}$	The time from the rising edge of the PROG_B pin to the rising transition on the INIT_B pin	XA3S100E	-	0.5	ms
		XA3S250E	-	0.5	ms
		XA3S500E	-	1	ms
		XA3S1200E	-	2	ms
		XA3S1600E	-	2	ms
T_{INIT}	Minimum Low pulse width on INIT_B output	All	250	-	ns
$T_{ICCK}^{(3)}$	The time from the rising edge of the INIT_B pin to the generation of the configuration clock signal at the CCLK output pin	All	0.5	4.0	μ s

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in Table 6. This means power must be applied to all V_{CCINT} , V_{CCO} , and V_{CCAUX} lines.
2. Power-on reset and the clearing of configuration memory occurs during this period.
3. This specification applies only to the Master Serial, SPI, BPI-Up, and BPI-Down modes.

Configuration Clock (CCLK) Characteristics

Table 34: Master Mode CCLK Output Period by *ConfigRate* Option Setting

Symbol	Description	<i>ConfigRate</i> Setting	Temperature Range	Minimum	Maximum	Units
T _{CCLK1}	CCLK clock period by <i>ConfigRate</i> setting	1 (power-on value and default value)	I-Grade Q-Grade	485	1,250	ns
T _{CCLK3}		3	I-Grade Q-Grade	242	625	ns
T _{CCLK6}		6	I-Grade Q-Grade	121	313	ns
T _{CCLK12}		12	I-Grade Q-Grade	60.6	157	ns
T _{CCLK25}		25	I-Grade Q-Grade	30.3	78.2	ns
T _{CCLK50}		50	I-Grade Q-Grade	15.1	39.1	ns

Notes:

1. Set the *ConfigRate* option value when generating a configuration bitstream. See Bitstream Generator (BitGen) Options in [DS312](#), Module 2.

Table 35: Master Mode CCLK Output Frequency by *ConfigRate* Option Setting

Symbol	Description	<i>ConfigRate</i> Setting	Temperature Range	Minimum	Maximum	Units
F _{CCLK1}	Equivalent CCLK clock frequency by <i>ConfigRate</i> setting	1 (power-on value and default value)	I-Grade Q-Grade	0.8	2.1	MHz
F _{CCLK3}		3	I-Grade Q-Grade	1.6	4.2	MHz
F _{CCLK6}		6	I-Grade Q-Grade	3.2	8.3	MHz
F _{CCLK12}		12	I-Grade Q-Grade	6.4	16.5	MHz
F _{CCLK25}		25	I-Grade Q-Grade	12.8	33.0	MHz
F _{CCLK50}		50	I-Grade Q-Grade	25.6	66.0	MHz

Table 36: Master Mode CCLK Output Minimum Low and High Time

Symbol	Description		<i>ConfigRate</i> Setting						Units
			1	3	6	12	25	50	
T _{MCCL} , T _{MCCH}	Master mode CCLK minimum Low and High time	I-Grade Q-Grade	235	117	58	29.3	14.5	7.3	ns

Table 37: Slave Mode CCLK Input Low and High Time

Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Units
T _{SCCL} , T _{SCCH}	CCLK Low and High time	5	∞	ns

Master Serial and Slave Serial Mode Timing

Table 38: Timing for the Master Serial and Slave Serial Configuration Modes

Symbol	Description	Slave/ Master	-4 Speed Grade		Units	
			Min	Max		
Clock-to-Output Times						
T_{CCO}	The time from the falling transition on the CCLK pin to data appearing at the DOUT pin	Both	1.5	10.0	ns	
Setup Times						
T_{DCC}	The time from the setup of data at the DIN pin to the active edge of the CCLK pin	Both	11.0	-	ns	
Hold Times						
T_{CCD}	The time from the active edge of the CCLK pin to the point when data is last held at the DIN pin	Both	0	-	ns	
Clock Timing						
T_{CCH}	High pulse width at the CCLK input pin	Master	See Table 36			
		Slave	See Table 37			
T_{CCL}	Low pulse width at the CCLK input pin	Master	See Table 36			
		Slave	See Table 37			
F_{CCSER}	Frequency of the clock signal at the CCLK input pin	Slave	No bitstream compression	0	66 ⁽²⁾	MHz
			With bitstream compression	0	20	MHz

Notes:

1. The numbers in this table are based on the operating conditions set forth in [Table 6](#).
2. For serial configuration with a daisy-chain of multiple FPGAs, the maximum limit is 25 MHz.

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Table 40: Timing for SPI Configuration Mode

Symbol	Description	Minimum	Maximum	Units
T_{CCLK1}	Initial CCLK clock period	(see Table 34)		
T_{CCLKn}	CCLK clock period after FPGA loads ConfigRate setting	(see Table 34)		
T_{MINIT}	Setup time on VS[2:0] and M[2:0] mode pins before the rising edge of INIT_B	50	-	ns
T_{INITM}	Hold time on VS[2:0] and M[2:0] mode pins after the rising edge of INIT_B	0	-	ns
T_{CCO}	MOSI output valid after CCLK edge	See Table 38		
T_{DCC}	Setup time on DIN data input before CCLK edge	See Table 38		
T_{CCD}	Hold time on DIN data input after CCLK edge	See Table 38		

Table 41: Configuration Timing Requirements for Attached SPI Serial Flash

Symbol	Description	Requirement	Units
T_{CCS}	SPI serial Flash PROM chip-select time	$T_{CCS} \leq T_{MCCL1} - T_{CCO}$	ns
T_{DSU}	SPI serial Flash PROM data input setup time	$T_{DSU} \leq T_{MCCL1} - T_{CCO}$	ns
T_{DH}	SPI serial Flash PROM data input hold time	$T_{DH} \leq T_{MCCH1}$	ns
T_V	SPI serial Flash PROM data clock-to-output time	$T_V \leq T_{MCCLn} - T_{DCC}$	ns
f_C or f_R	Maximum SPI serial Flash PROM clock frequency (also depends on specific read command used)	$f_C \geq \frac{1}{T_{CCLKn(\min)}}$	MHz

Notes:

1. These requirements are for successful FPGA configuration in SPI mode, where the FPGA provides the CCLK frequency. The post configuration timing can be different to support the specific needs of the application loaded into the FPGA and the resulting clock source.
2. Subtract additional printed circuit board routing delay as required by the application.

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Table 42: Timing for BPI Configuration Mode

Symbol	Description	Minimum	Maximum	Units	
T_{CCLK1}	Initial CCLK clock period	(see Table 34)			
T_{CCLKn}	CCLK clock period after FPGA loads ConfigRate setting	(see Table 34)			
T_{MINIT}	Setup time on CSI_B, RDWR_B, and M[2:0] mode pins before the rising edge of INIT_B	50	-	ns	
T_{INITM}	Hold time on CSI_B, RDWR_B, and M[2:0] mode pins after the rising edge of INIT_B	0	-	ns	
$T_{INITADDR}$	Minimum period of initial A[23:0] address cycle; LDC[2:0] and HDC are asserted and valid	BPI-UP: (M[2:0]=<0:1:0>)	5	5	T_{CCLK1} cycles
		BPI-DN: (M[2:0]=<0:1:1>)	2	2	
T_{CCO}	Address A[23:0] outputs valid after CCLK falling edge	See Table 38			
T_{DCC}	Setup time on D[7:0] data inputs before CCLK rising edge	See Table 38			
T_{CCD}	Hold time on D[7:0] data inputs after CCLK rising edge	See Table 38			

Table 43: Configuration Timing Requirements for Attached Parallel NOR Flash

Symbol	Description	Requirement	Units
T_{CE} (t_{ELQV})	Parallel NOR Flash PROM chip-select time	$T_{CE} \leq T_{INITADDR}$	ns
T_{OE} (t_{GLQV})	Parallel NOR Flash PROM output-enable time	$T_{OE} \leq T_{INITADDR}$	ns
T_{ACC} (t_{AVQV})	Parallel NOR Flash PROM read access time	$T_{ACC} \leq 0.5T_{CCLKn(\min)} - T_{CCO} - T_{DCC} - PCB$	ns
T_{BYTE} (t_{FLQV} , t_{FHQV})	For x8/x16 PROMs only: BYTE# to output valid time ⁽³⁾	$T_{BYTE} \leq T_{INITADDR}$	ns

Notes:

1. These requirements are for successful FPGA configuration in BPI mode, where the FPGA provides the CCLK frequency. The post configuration timing can be different to support the specific needs of the application loaded into the FPGA and the resulting clock source.
2. Subtract additional printed circuit board routing delay as required by the application.
3. The initial BYTE# timing can be extended using an external, appropriately sized pull-down resistor on the FPGA's LDC2 pin. The resistor value also depends on whether the FPGA's HSWAP pin is High or Low.

Revision History

The following table shows the revision history for this document.

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01/20/09	1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated "Key Feature Differences from Commercial XC Devices." Updated T_{ACC} requirement in Table 43. Updated description of T_{DCC} and T_{CCD} in Table 42. Removed Table 45: MultiBoot Trigger Timing.
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