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Product Status	Obsolete
Number of LABs/CLBs	4964
Number of Logic Elements/Cells	118143
Total RAM Bits	8315904
Number of I/O	372
Number of Gates	-
Voltage - Supply	0.87V ~ 0.93V
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Operating Temperature	0°C ~ 85°C (TJ)
Package / Case	780-BBGA, FCBGA
Supplier Device Package	780-FBGA (29x29)
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Conditions beyond those listed in [Table 1-1](#) and [Table 1-2](#) may cause permanent damage to the device. Additionally, device operation at the absolute maximum ratings for extended periods of time may have adverse effects on the device.

[Table 1-1](#) lists the absolute maximum ratings for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-1. Absolute Maximum Ratings for Arria II GX Devices

Symbol	Description	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
V_{CC}	Supplies power to the core, periphery, I/O registers, PCI Express® (PIPE) (PCIe) HIP block, and transceiver PCS	-0.5	1.35	V
V_{CCCB}	Supplies power for the configuration RAM bits	-0.5	1.8	V
V_{CCBAT}	Battery back-up power supply for design security volatile key register	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCPD}	Supplies power to the I/O pre-drivers, differential input buffers, and MSEL circuitry	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCIO}	Supplies power to the I/O banks	-0.5	3.9	V
V_{CCD_PLL}	Supplies power to the digital portions of the PLL	-0.5	1.35	V
V_{CCA_PLL}	Supplies power to the analog portions of the PLL and device-wide power management circuitry	-0.5	3.75	V
V_I	DC input voltage	-0.5	4.0	V
I_{OUT}	DC output current, per pin	-25	40	mA
V_{CCA}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA regulator	—	3.75	V
V_{CCL_GXB}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA TX, PMA RX, and clocking	—	1.21	V
V_{CCH_GXB}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA output (TX) buffer	—	1.8	V
T_J	Operating junction temperature	-55	125	°C
T_{STG}	Storage temperature (no bias)	-65	150	°C

[Table 1-2](#) lists the absolute maximum ratings for Arria II GZ devices.

Table 1-2. Absolute Maximum Ratings for Arria II GZ Devices (Part 1 of 2)

Symbol	Description	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
V_{CC}	Supplies power to the core, periphery, I/O registers, PCIe HIP block, and transceiver PCS	-0.5	1.35	V
V_{CCCB}	Power supply to the configuration RAM bits	-0.5	1.8	V
V_{CCPGM}	Supplies power to the configuration pins	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCAUX}	Auxiliary supply	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCBAT}	Supplies battery back-up power for design security volatile key register	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCPD}	Supplies power to the I/O pre-drivers, differential input buffers, and MSEL circuitry	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCIO}	Supplies power to the I/O banks	-0.5	3.9	V
V_{CC_CLKIN}	Supplies power to the differential clock input	-0.5	3.75	V
V_{CCD_PLL}	Supplies power to the digital portions of the PLL	-0.5	1.35	V
V_{CCA_PLL}	Supplies power to the analog portions of the PLL and device-wide power management circuitry	-0.5	3.75	V
V_I	DC input voltage	-0.5	4.0	V
I_{OUT}	DC output current, per pin	-25	40	mA

Table 1–11. OCT With and Without Calibration Specification for Arria II GX Device I/Os (*Note 1*) (Part 2 of 2)

Symbol	Description	Conditions (V)	Calibration Accuracy		Unit
			Commercial	Industrial	
50- Ω R_S 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	50- Ω series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0, 2.5,$ 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	± 10	± 10	%
100- Ω R_D 2.5	100- Ω differential OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 2.5$	± 30	± 30	%

Note to Table 1–11:

- (1) OCT with calibration accuracy is valid at the time of calibration only.

Table 1–12 lists the OCT termination calibration accuracy specifications for Arria II GZ devices.

Table 1–12. OCT with Calibration Accuracy Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (*Note 1*)

Symbol	Description	Conditions (V)	Calibration Accuracy			Unit
			C2	C3,I3	C4,I4	
25- Ω R_S 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2 (2)	25- Ω series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0, 2.5,$ 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	± 8	± 8	± 8	%
50- Ω R_S 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	50- Ω internal series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0, 2.5,$ 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	± 8	± 8	± 8	%
50- Ω R_T 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	50- Ω internal parallel OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 2.5, 1.8,$ 1.5, 1.2	± 10	± 10	± 10	%
20- Ω , 40- Ω , and 60- Ω R_S 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2 (3)	20- Ω , 40- Ω and 60- Ω R_S expanded range for internal series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0, 2.5,$ 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	± 10	± 10	± 10	%
25- Ω $R_{S_left_shift}$ 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	25- Ω $R_{S_left_shift}$ internal left shift series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0, 2.5,$ 1.8, 1.5, 1.2	± 10	± 10	± 10	%

Notes to Table 1–12:

- (1) OCT calibration accuracy is valid at the time of calibration only.
(2) 25- Ω R_S is not supported for 1.5 V and 1.2 V in Row I/O.
(3) 20- Ω R_S is not supported for 1.5 V and 1.2 V in Row I/O.

Switching Characteristics

This section provides performance characteristics of the Arria II GX and GZ core and periphery blocks for commercial grade devices. The following tables are considered final and are based on actual silicon characterization and testing. These numbers reflect the actual performance of the device under worst-case silicon process, voltage, and junction temperature conditions.

Transceiver Performance Specifications

Table 1–34 lists the Arria II GX transceiver specifications.

Table 1–34. Transceiver Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Note 1) (Part 1 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Condition	I3			C4			C5 and I5			C6			Unit	
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max		
Reference Clock															
Supported I/O Standards	1.2-V PCML, 1.5-V PCML, 2.5-V PCML, Differential LVPECL, LVDS, and HCSL														
Input frequency from REFCLK input pins	—	50	—	622.08	50	—	622.08	50	—	622.08	50	—	622.08	MHz	
Input frequency from PLD input	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	MHz	
Absolute V_{MAX} for a REFCLK pin	—	—	—	2.2	—	—	2.2	—	—	2.2	—	—	2.2	V	
Absolute V_{MIN} for a REFCLK pin	—	-0.3	—	—	-0.3	—	—	-0.3	—	—	-0.3	—	—	V	
Rise/fall time (2)	—	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	UI	
Duty cycle	—	45	—	55	45	—	55	45	—	55	45	—	55	%	
Peak-to-peak differential input voltage	—	200	—	2000	200	—	2000	200	—	2000	200	—	2000	mV	
Spread-spectrum modulating clock frequency	PCIe	30	—	33	30	—	33	30	—	33	30	—	33	kHz	

Table 1–34. Transceiver Specifications for Arria II GX Devices **(Note 1)** (Part 3 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Condition	I3			C4			C5 and I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max										
fixedclk clock frequency	PCIe Receiver Detect	—	125	—	—	125	—	—	125	—	—	125	—	MHz
reconfig_clk clock frequency	Dynamic reconfig. clock frequency	2.5/ 37.5 <i>(4)</i>	—	50	MHz									
Delta time between reconfig_clks <i>(5)</i>	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	2	ms
Transceiver block minimum power-down pulse width	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	μs
Receiver														
Supported I/O Standards	1.4-V PCML, 1.5-V PCML, 2.5-V PCML, 2.5-V PCML, LVPECL, and LVDS													
Data rate <i>(13)</i>	—	600	—	6375	600	—	3750	600	—	3750	600	—	3125	Mbps
Absolute V _{MAX} for a receiver pin <i>(6)</i>	—	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.5	V
Absolute V _{MIN} for a receiver pin	—	-0.4	—	—	-0.4	—	—	-0.4	—	—	-0.4	—	—	V
Maximum peak-to-peak differential input voltage V _{ID} (diff p-p)	V _{ICM} = 0.82 V setting	—	—	2.7	—	—	2.7	—	—	2.7	—	—	2.7	V
	V _{ICM} = 1.1 V setting <i>(7)</i>	—	—	1.6	—	—	1.6	—	—	1.6	—	—	1.6	V

Table 1–34. Transceiver Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Note 1) (Part 4 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Condition	I3			C4			C5 and I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Minimum peak-to-peak differential input voltage V_{ID} (diff p-p)	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	mV
V_{ICM}	$V_{ICM} = 0.82\text{ V}$ setting	—	820	—	—	820	—	—	820	—	—	820	—	mV
	$V_{ICM} = 1.1\text{ V}$ setting (7)	—	1100	—	—	1100	—	—	1100	—	—	1100	—	mV
Differential on-chip termination resistors	100- Ω setting	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	Ω
Return loss differential mode	PCIe	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -10dB												
	XAUI	100 MHz to 2.5 GHz: -10dB												
Return loss common mode	PCIe	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -6dB												
	XAUI	100 MHz to 2.5 GHz: -6dB												
Programmable PPM detector (8)	—	$\pm 62.5, 100, 125, 200,$ $250, 300, 500, 1000$												ppm
Run length	—	—	80	—	—	80	—	—	80	—	—	80	—	UI
Programmable equalization	—	—	—	7	—	—	7	—	—	7	—	—	7	dB
Signal detect/loss threshold	PCIe Mode	65	—	175	65	—	175	65	—	175	65	—	175	mV
CDR LTR time (9)	—	—	—	75	—	—	75	—	—	75	—	—	75	μs
CDR minimum T1b (10)	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	μs

Table 1–34. Transceiver Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (*Note 1*) (Part 5 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Condition	I3			C4			C5 and I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
LTD lock time (11)	—	0	100	4000	0	100	4000	0	100	4000	0	100	4000	ns
Data lock time from rx_ freqlocked (12)	—	—	—	4000	—	—	4000	—	—	4000	—	—	4000	ns
Programmable DC gain	DC Gain Setting = 0	—	0	—	—	0	—	—	0	—	—	0	—	dB
	DC Gain Setting = 1	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	dB
	DC Gain Setting = 2	—	6	—	—	6	—	—	6	—	—	6	—	dB
Transmitter														
Supported I/O Standards	1.5-V PCML													
Data rate	—	600	—	6375	600	—	3750	600	—	3750	600	—	3125	Mbps
V _{OCM}	0.65 V setting	—	650	—	—	650	—	—	650	—	—	650	—	mV
Differential on-chip termination resistors	100-Ω setting	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	Ω
Return loss differential mode	PCIe	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -10dB												
	XAUl	312 MHz to 625 MHz: -10dB 625 MHz to 3.125 GHz: -10dB/decade slope												
Return loss common mode	PCIe	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -6dB												
Rise time (2)	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	ps
Fall time	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	ps

Table 1–34. Transceiver Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (*Note 1*) (Part 7 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Condition	I3			C4			C5 and I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Digital reset pulse width	—	Minimum is 2 parallel clock cycles												

Notes to Table 1–34:

- (1) For AC-coupled links, the on-chip biasing circuit is switched off before and during configuration. Ensure that input specifications are not violated during this period.
- (2) The rise/fall time is specified from 20% to 80%.
- (3) To calculate the REFCLK rms phase jitter requirement at reference clock frequencies other than 100 MHz, use the following formula:

$$\text{REFCLK rms phase jitter at } f \text{ (MHz)} = \text{REFCLK rms phase jitter at 100 MHz} * 100/f.$$
- (4) The minimum reconfig_clk frequency is 2.5 MHz if the transceiver channel is configured in **Transmitter only** mode. The minimum reconfig_clk frequency is 37.5 MHz if the transceiver channel is configured in **Receiver only** or **Receiver and Transmitter** mode. For more information, refer to [AN 558: Implementing Dynamic Reconfiguration in Arria II Devices](#).
- (5) If your design uses more than one dynamic reconfiguration controller instances (altgx_reconfig) to control the transceiver channels (altgx) physically located on the same side of the device, and if you use different reconfig_clk sources for these altgx_reconfig instances, the delta time between any two of these reconfig_clk sources becoming stable must not exceed the maximum specification listed.
- (6) The device cannot tolerate prolonged operation at this absolute maximum.
- (7) You must use the 1.1-V RX V_{ICM} setting if the input serial data standard is LVDS and the link is DC-coupled.
- (8) The rate matcher supports only up to ± 300 parts per million (ppm).
- (9) Time taken to rx_pll_locked goes high from rx_analogreset de-assertion. Refer to [Figure 1–1](#).
- (10) The time in which the CDR must be kept in lock-to-reference mode after rx_pll_locked goes high and before rx_locktodata is asserted in manual mode. Refer to [Figure 1–1](#).
- (11) The time taken to recover valid data after the rx_locktodata signal is asserted in manual mode. Refer to [Figure 1–1](#).
- (12) The time taken to recover valid data after the rx_freqlocked signal goes high in automatic mode. Refer to [Figure 1–2](#).
- (13) To support data rates lower than the minimum specification through oversampling, use the CDR in LTR mode only.

Table 1–39. Transmitter Pre-Emphasis Levels for Arria II GZ Devices (Part 2 of 2)

Pre- Emphasis 1st Post-Tap Setting	V _{OD} Setting							
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
29	N/A	N/A	N/A	12.5	9.6	7.7	6.3	4.3
30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11.4	9	7.4	N/A
31	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12.9	10	8.2	N/A

Table 1–40 lists the transceiver jitter specifications for all supported protocols for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–40. Transceiver Block Jitter Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Note 1) (Part 1 of 10)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	I3			C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max										
SONET/SDH Transmit Jitter Generation (2)														
Peak-to-peak jitter at 622.08 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS15	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	UI
RMS jitter at 622.08 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS15	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	UI
Peak-to-peak jitter at 2488.32 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS15	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	UI
RMS jitter at 2488.32 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS15	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	UI
SONET/SDH Receiver Jitter Tolerance (2)														
Jitter tolerance at 622.08 Mbps	Jitter frequency = 0.03 KHz Pattern = PRBS15	> 15			> 15			> 15			> 15			UI
	Jitter frequency = 25 KHZ Pattern = PRBS15	> 1.5			> 1.5			> 1.5			> 1.5			UI
	Jitter frequency = 250 KHz Pattern = PRBS15	> 0.15			> 0.15			> 0.15			> 0.15			UI

Table 1–41. Transceiver Block Jitter Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2) (Part 2 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	–C3 and –I3			–C4 and –I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Jitter tolerance at 2488.32 Mbps	Jitter frequency = 0.06 KHz Pattern = PRBS15	> 15		> 15		> 15		UI
	Jitter frequency = 100 KHZ Pattern = PRBS15	> 1.5		> 1.5		> 1.5		UI
	Jitter frequency = 1 MHz Pattern = PRBS15	> 0.15		> 0.15		> 0.15		UI
	Jitter frequency = 10 MHz Pattern = PRBS15	> 0.15		> 0.15		> 0.15		UI
Fibre Channel Transmit Jitter Generation (4), (5)								
Total jitter FC-1	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.23	—	—	0.23	UI
Deterministic jitter FC-1	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.11	—	—	0.11	UI
Total jitter FC-2	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.33	—	—	0.33	UI
Deterministic jitter FC-2	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	UI
Total jitter FC-4	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.52	—	—	0.52	UI
Deterministic jitter FC-4	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.33	—	—	0.33	UI
Fibre Channel Receiver Jitter Tolerance (4), (6)								
Deterministic jitter FC-1	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.37		> 0.37		> 0.37		UI
Random jitter FC-1	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.31		> 0.31		> 0.31		UI
Sinusoidal jitter FC-1	Fc/25000	> 1.5		> 1.5		> 1.5		UI
	Fc/1667	> 0.1		> 0.1		> 0.1		UI
Deterministic jitter FC-2	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.33		> 0.33		> 0.33		UI
Random jitter FC-2	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.29		> 0.29		> 0.29		UI
Sinusoidal jitter FC-2	Fc/25000	> 1.5		> 1.5		> 1.5		UI
	Fc/1667	> 0.1		> 0.1		> 0.1		UI
Deterministic jitter FC-4	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.33		> 0.33		> 0.33		UI
Random jitter FC-4	Pattern = CJTPAT	> 0.29		> 0.29		> 0.29		UI
Sinusoidal jitter FC-4	Fc/25000	> 1.5		> 1.5		> 1.5		UI
	Fc/1667	> 0.1		> 0.1		> 0.1		UI
XAU1 Transmit Jitter Generation (7)								
Total jitter at 3.125 Gbps	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3	UI
Deterministic jitter at 3.125 Gbps	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.17	—	—	0.17	UI
XAU1 Receiver Jitter Tolerance (7)								
Total jitter	—	> 0.65		> 0.65		> 0.65		UI
Deterministic jitter	—	> 0.37		> 0.37		> 0.37		UI

Table 1–41. Transceiver Block Jitter Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2) (Part 3 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	–C3 and –I3			–C4 and –I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Peak-to-peak jitter	Jitter frequency = 22.1 KHz	> 8.5		> 8.5		> 8.5		UI
Peak-to-peak jitter	Jitter frequency = 1.875 MHz	> 0.1		> 0.1		> 0.1		UI
Peak-to-peak jitter	Jitter frequency = 20 MHz	> 0.1		> 0.1		> 0.1		UI
PCIe Transmit Jitter Generation (8)								
Total jitter at 2.5 Gbps (Gen1)—x1, x4, and x8	Compliance pattern	—	—	0.25	—	—	0.25	UI
Total jitter at 5 Gbps (Gen2)—x1, x4, and x8	Compliance pattern	—	—	0.25	—	—	—	UI
PCIe Receiver Jitter Tolerance (8)								
Total jitter at 2.5 Gbps (Gen1)	Compliance pattern	> 0.6		> 0.6		UI		UI
Total jitter at 5 Gbps (Gen2)	Compliance pattern	Not supported		Not supported		UI		UI
PCIe (Gen 1) Electrical Idle Detect Threshold								
V _{RX-IDLE-DETDIFFp-p} (9)	Compliance pattern	65	—	175	65	—	175	UI
SRIO Transmit Jitter Generation (10)								
Deterministic jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.17	—	—	0.17	UI
Total jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.35	—	—	0.35	UI
SRIO Receiver Jitter Tolerance (10)								
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.37		> 0.37		UI		UI
Combined deterministic and random jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.55		> 0.55		UI		UI
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter frequency = 22.1 KHz Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 8.5		> 8.5		UI		UI
	Jitter frequency = 1.875 MHz Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1		> 0.1		UI		UI
	Jitter frequency = 20 MHz Data rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1		> 0.1		UI		UI
GIGE Transmit Jitter Generation (11)								
Deterministic jitter (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.14	—	—	0.14	UI
Total jitter (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.279	—	—	0.279	UI

Table 1–41. Transceiver Block Jitter Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2) (Part 4 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	–C3 and –I3			–C4 and –I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
GIGE Receiver Jitter Tolerance (11)								
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.4			> 0.4	UI
Combined deterministic and random jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.66			> 0.66	UI
HiGig Transmit Jitter Generation								
Deterministic jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.17	—	—	—	UI
Total jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.35	—	—	—	UI
HiGig Receiver Jitter Tolerance								
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.37	—	—	—	UI
Combined deterministic and random jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.65	—	—	—	UI
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter frequency = 22.1 KHz Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT			> 8.5	—	—	—	UI
	Jitter frequency = 22.1 KHz Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.1	—	—	—	UI
	Jitter frequency = 22.1 KHz Data rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT			> 0.1	—	—	—	UI
(OIF) CEI Transmitter Jitter Generation								
Total jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS15 BER = 10^{-12}	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3	UI
(OIF) CEI Receiver Jitter Tolerance								
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS31 BER = 10^{-12}			> 0.675	—	—	—	UI
Combined deterministic and random jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS31 BER = 10^{-12}			> 0.988	—	—	—	UI

Table 1–41. Transceiver Block Jitter Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2) (Part 5 of 7)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	–C3 and –I3			–C4 and –I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter Frequency = 38.2 KHz Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS31 BER = 10^{-12}	> 0.5			—	—	—	UI
	Jitter Frequency = 3.82 MHz Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS31 BER = 10^{-12}	> 0.05			—	—	—	UI
	Jitter Frequency = 20 MHz Data rate = 6.375 Gbps Pattern = PRBS31 BER = 10^{-12}	> 0.05			—	—	—	UI
SDI Transmitter Jitter Generation (12)								
Alignment jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = color bar Low-frequency roll-off = 100 KHz	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	UI
	Data rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = color bar Low-frequency roll-off = 100 KHz	0.3	—	—	0.3	—	—	UI
SDI Receiver Jitter Tolerance (12)								
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter frequency = 15 KHz Data rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = single line scramble color bar	> 2			> 2			UI
	Jitter frequency = 100 KHz Data rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = single line scramble color bar	> 0.3			> 0.3			UI
	Jitter frequency = 148.5 MHz Data rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = single line scramble color bar	> 0.3			> 0.3			UI
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter frequency = 20 KHz Data rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) pattern = 75% color bar	> 1			> 1			UI
	Jitter frequency = 100 KHz Data rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = 75% color bar	> 0.2			> 0.2			UI
	Jitter frequency = 148.5 MHz Data rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = 75% color bar	> 0.2			> 0.2			UI
SAS Transmit Jitter Generation (13)								
Total jitter at 1.5 Gbps (G1)	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.55	—	—	0.55	UI
Deterministic jitter at 1.5 Gbps (G1)	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.35	—	—	0.35	UI
Total jitter at 3.0 Gbps (G2)	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.55	—	—	0.55	UI

DSP Block Specifications

Table 1–46 lists the DSP block performance specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–46. DSP Block Performance Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Note 1)

Mode	Resources Used	Performance				Unit
	Number of Multipliers	C4	I3	C5,I5	C6	
9 × 9-bit multiplier	1	380	310	300	250	MHz
12 × 12-bit multiplier	1	380	310	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiplier	1	380	310	300	250	MHz
36 × 36-bit multiplier	1	350	270	270	220	MHz
18 × 36-bit high-precision multiplier adder mode	1	350	270	270	220	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply accumulator	4	380	310	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder	4	380	310	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder-signed full precision	2	380	310	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder with loopback (2)	2	275	220	220	180	MHz
36-bit shift (32-bit data)	1	350	270	270	220	MHz
Double mode	1	350	270	270	220	MHz

Notes to Table 1–46:

- (1) Maximum is for a fully-pipelined block with **Round** and **Saturation** disabled.
- (2) Maximum is for loopback input registers disabled, **Round** and **Saturation** disabled, pipeline and output registers enabled.

Table 1–47 lists the DSP block performance specifications for Arria II GZ devices.

Table 1–47. DSP Block Performance Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1) (Part 1 of 2)

Mode	Resources Used	Performance		Unit
	Number of Multipliers	-3	-4	
9 × 9-bit multiplier	1	460	400	MHz
12 × 12-bit multiplier	1	500	440	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiplier	1	550	480	MHz
36 × 36-bit multiplier	1	440	380	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply accumulator	4	440	380	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder	4	470	410	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder-signed full precision	2	450	390	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder with loopback (2)	2	350	310	MHz
36-bit shift (32-bit data)	1	440	380	MHz

Configuration

Table 1–50 lists the configuration mode specifications for Arria II GX and GZ devices.

Table 1–50. Configuration Mode Specifications for Arria II Devices

Programming Mode	DCLK Frequency			Unit
	Min	Typ	Max	
Passive serial	—	—	125	MHz
Fast passive parallel	—	—	125	MHz
Fast active serial (fast clock)	17	26	40	MHz
Fast active serial (slow clock)	8.5	13	20	MHz
Remote update only in fast AS mode	—	—	10	MHz

JTAG Specifications

Table 1–51 lists the JTAG timing parameters and values for Arria II GX and GZ devices.

Table 1–51. JTAG Timing Parameters and Values for Arria II Devices

Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Unit
t_{JCP}	TCK clock period	30	—	ns
t_{JCH}	TCK clock high time	14	—	ns
t_{JCL}	TCK clock low time	14	—	ns
t_{JPSU} (TDI)	TDI JTAG port setup time	1	—	ns
t_{JPSU} (TMS)	TMS JTAG port setup time	3	—	ns
t_{JPH}	JTAG port hold time	5	—	ns
t_{JPCO}	JTAG port clock to output	—	11	ns
t_{JPZX}	JTAG port high impedance to valid output	—	14	ns
t_{JPXZ}	JTAG port valid output to high impedance	—	14	ns

Chip-Wide Reset (Dev_CLRn) Specifications

Table 1–52 lists the specifications for the chip-wide reset (Dev_CLRn) for Arria II GX and GZ devices.

Table 1–52. Chip-Wide Reset (Dev_CLRn) Specifications for Arria II Devices

Description	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Dev_CLRn	500	—	—	μs

Periphery Performance

This section describes periphery performance, including high-speed I/O, external memory interface, and IOE programmable delay.

I/O performance supports several system interfaces, for example the high-speed I/O interface, external memory interface, and the PCI/PCI-X bus interface. I/O using SSTL-18 Class I termination standard can achieve up to the stated DDR2 SDRAM interfacing speed with typical DDR2 SDRAM memory interface setup. I/O using general purpose I/O (GPIO) standards such as 3.0, 2.5, 1.8, or 1.5 LVTT/LVCMOS are capable of typical 200 MHz interfacing frequency with 10pF load.



Actual achievable frequency depends on design- and system-specific factors. You should perform HSPICE/IBIS simulations based on your specific design and system setup to determine the maximum achievable frequency in your system.

High-Speed I/O Specification

Table 1–53 lists the high-speed I/O timing for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–53. High-Speed I/O Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Part 1 of 4)

Symbol	Conditions	I3		C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Clock										
f_{HSCLK_IN} (input clock frequency)—Row I/O	Clock boost factor, W = 1 to 40 (1)	5	670	5	670	5	622	5	500	MHz
f_{HSCLK_IN} (input clock frequency)—Column I/O	Clock boost factor, W = 1 to 40 (1)	5	500	5	500	5	472.5	5	472.5	MHz
f_{HSCLK_OUT} (output clock frequency)—Row I/O	—	5	670	5	670	5	622	5	500	MHz
f_{HSCLK_OUT} (output clock frequency)—Column I/O	—	5	500	5	500	5	472.5	5	472.5	MHz

Table 1–53. High-Speed I/O Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Part 3 of 4)

Symbol	Conditions	I3		C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
t_{TX_JITTER} (4)	True LVDS with dedicated SERDES (data rate 600–1,250 Mbps)	—	175	—	175	—	225	—	300	ps
	True LVDS with dedicated SERDES (data rate < 600 Mbps)	—	0.105	—	0.105	—	0.135	—	0.18	UI
	True LVDS and emulated LVDS_E_3R with logic elements as SERDES (data rate 600 – 945 Mbps)	—	260	—	260	—	300	—	350	ps
	True LVDS and emulated LVDS_E_3R with logic elements as SERDES (data rate < 600 Mbps)	—	0.16	—	0.16	—	0.18	—	0.21	UI
t_{TX_DCD}	True LVDS and emulated LVDS_E_3R	45	55	45	55	45	55	45	55	%
t_{RISE} and t_{FALL}	True LVDS and emulated LVDS_E_3R	—	200	—	200	—	225	—	250	ps
TCCS	True LVDS (5)	—	150	—	150	—	175	—	200	ps
	Emulated LVDS_E_3R	—	200	—	200	—	250	—	300	ps
Receiver (6)										
True differential I/O standards - $f_{HSDRDPA}$ (data rate)	SERDES factor J = 3 to 10	150	1250	150	1250	150	1050	150	840	Mbps

Table 1–53. High-Speed I/O Specifications for Arria II GX Devices (Part 4 of 4)

Symbol	Conditions	I3		C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
f_{HSDR} (data rate)	SERDES factor J = 3 to 10	(3)	945 (7)	(3)	945 (7)	(3)	740 (7)	(3)	640 (7)	Mbps
	SERDES factor J = 2 (using DDR registers)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	Mbps
	SERDES factor J = 1 (using SDR registers)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	(3)	(7)	Mbps
Soft-CDR PPM tolerance	Soft-CDR mode	—	300	—	300	—	300	—	300	±PPM
DPA run length	DPA mode	—	10,000	—	10,000	—	10,000	—	10,000	UI
Sampling window (SW)	Non-DPA mode (5)	—	300	—	300	—	350	—	400	ps

Notes to Table 1–53:

- (1) $f_{HSCLK_IN} = f_{HSDR} / W$. Use W to determine the supported selection of input reference clock frequencies for the desired data rate.
- (2) Applicable for interfacing with DPA receivers only. For interfacing with non-DPA receivers, you must calculate the leftover timing margin in the receiver by performing link timing closure analysis. For Arria II GX transmitter to Arria II GX non-DPA receiver, the maximum supported data rate is 945 Mbps. For data rates above 840 Mbps, perform PCB trace compensation by adjusting the PCB trace length for LVDS channels to improve channel-to-channel skews.
- (3) The minimum and maximum specification depends on the clock source (for example, PLL and clock pin) and the clock routing resource you use (global, regional, or local). The I/O differential buffer and input register do not have a minimum toggle rate.
- (4) The specification is only applicable under the influence of core noise.
- (5) Applicable for true LVDS using dedicated SERDES only.
- (6) Dedicated SERDES and DPA features are only available on the right banks.
- (7) You must calculate the leftover timing margin in the receiver by performing link timing closure analysis. You must consider the board skew margin, transmitter channel-to-channel skew, and the receiver sampling margin to determine the leftover timing margin.

Table 1–54 lists the high-speed I/O timing for Arria II GZ devices.

Table 1–54. High-Speed I/O Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2), (10) (Part 1 of 3)

Symbol	Conditions	C3, I3			C4, I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Clock								
f_{HSCLK_in} (input clock frequency) true differential I/O standards	Clock boost factor W = 1 to 40 (3)	5	—	717	5	—	717	MHz
f_{HSCLK_in} (input clock frequency) single ended I/O standards (9)	Clock boost factor W = 1 to 40 (3)	5	—	717	5	—	717	MHz
f_{HSCLK_in} (input clock frequency) single ended I/O standards (10)	Clock boost factor W = 1 to 40 (3)	5	—	420	5	—	420	MHz

Table 1–54. High-Speed I/O Specifications for Arria II GZ Devices (Note 1), (2), (10) (Part 3 of 3)

Symbol	Conditions	C3, I3			C4, I4			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
t_{RISE} & t_{FALL}	True differential I/O standards	—	—	200	—	—	200	ps
	Emulated differential I/O standards with three external output resistor networks	—	—	250	—	—	300	ps
	Emulated differential I/O standards with one external output resistor	—	—	500	—	—	500	ps
TCCS	True LVDS	—	—	100	—	—	100	ps
	Emulated LVDS_E_3R	—	—	250	—	—	250	ps
Receiver								
True differential I/O standards - $f_{HSDRDPA}$ (data rate)	SERDES factor J = 3 to 10	150	—	1250	150	—	1250	Mbps
f_{HSDR} (data rate)	SERDES factor J = 3 to 10	(4)	—	(6)	(4)	—	(6)	Mbps
	SERDES factor J = 2, uses DDR registers	(4)	—	(5)	(4)	—	(5)	Mbps
	SERDES factor J = 1, uses an SDR register	(4)	—	(5)	(4)	—	(5)	Mbps
DPA run length	DPA mode	—	—	10000	—	—	10000	UI
Soft-CDR PPM tolerance	Soft-CDR mode	—	—	300	—	—	300	± PPM
Sampling Window (SW)	Non-DPA mode	—	—	300	—	—	300	ps

Notes to Table 1–54:

- (1) When J = 3 to 10, use the SERDES block.
- (2) When J = 1 or 2, bypass the SERDES block.
- (3) Clock Boost Factor (W) is the ratio between input data rate to the input clock rate.
- (4) The minimum specification depends on the clock source (for example, the PLL and clock pin) and the clock routing resource (global, regional, or local) that you use. The I/O differential buffer and input register do not have a minimum toggle rate.
- (5) You must calculate the leftover timing margin in the receiver by performing link timing closure analysis. You must consider the board skew margin, transmitter channel-to-channel skew, and receiver sampling margin to determine leftover timing margin.
- (6) You can estimate the achievable maximum data rate for non-DPA mode by performing link timing closure analysis. You must consider the board skew margin, transmitter delay margin, and the receiver sampling margin to determine the maximum data rate supported.
- (7) This is achieved by using the LVDS and DPA clock network.
- (8) If the receiver with DPA enabled and transmitter are using shared PLLs, the minimum data rate is 150 Mbps.
- (9) This only applies to DPA and soft-CDR modes.
- (10) This only applies to LVDS source synchronous mode.

Table 1–55 lists DPA lock time specifications for Arria II GX and GZ devices.

I/O Timing

Altera offers two ways to determine I/O timing:

- Using the Microsoft Excel-based I/O Timing.
- Using the Quartus II Timing Analyzer.

The Microsoft Excel-based I/O Timing provides pin timing performance for each device density and speed grade. The data is typically used prior to designing the FPGA to get an estimate of the timing budget as part of the link timing analysis. The Quartus II timing analyzer provides a more accurate and precise I/O timing data based on the specifics of the design after place-and-route is complete.



The Microsoft Excel-based I/O Timing spreadsheet is downloadable from the [Literature: Arria II Devices](#) web page.

Table 1–69. Document Revision History (Part 2 of 2)

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June 2009	1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated Table 1–1, Table 1–3, Table 1–7, Table 1–8, Table 1–18, Table 1–23, Table 1–25, Table 1–26, Table 1–29, Table 1–30, Table 1–31, Table 1–32, and Table 1–33. ■ Added Table 1–32. ■ Updated Equation 1–1.
March 2009	1.1	Added “I/O Timing” section.
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