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This section provides information about the Arria® II GX device data sheet and addendum. This section includes the following chapters:

- [Chapter 1, Arria II GX Devices Data Sheet](#)
- [Chapter 2, Addendum to the Arria II GX Device Handbook](#)

Revision History

Refer to each chapter for its own specific revision history. For information on when each chapter was updated, refer to the Chapter Revision Dates section, which appears in this volume.

This chapter describes the electrical and switching characteristics of the Arria® II GX device family.

This chapter contains the following sections:

- “Electrical Characteristics” on page 1–1
- “Switching Characteristics” on page 1–13
- “Glossary” on page 1–34

Electrical Characteristics

The following sections describe the electrical characteristics.

Operating Conditions

When Arria II GX devices are implemented in a system, they are rated according to a set of defined parameters. To maintain the highest possible performance and reliability of Arria II GX devices, system designers must consider the operating requirements in this chapter.

Arria II GX devices are offered in both commercial and industrial grades. Commercial devices are offered in –4 (fastest), –5, and –6 (slowest) speed grades. Industrial device is only offered in –5 speed grade.



In this chapter, a prefix associated with the operating temperature range is attached to the speed grades; commercial with the “C” prefix, and industrial with the “I” prefix. Commercial devices are therefore indicated as C4, C5, and C6 speed grade respectively, while the industrial device is indicated as I5.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Absolute maximum ratings define the maximum operating conditions for Arria II GX devices. The values are based on experiments conducted with the device and theoretical modeling of breakdown and damage mechanisms. The functional operation of the device is not implied under these conditions. [Table 1–1](#) lists the absolute maximum ratings for Arria II GX devices.



Conditions beyond those listed in [Table 1–1](#) 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. Arria II GX Device Absolute Maximum Ratings (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}	Supplies power to the configuration RAM bits	–0.5	1.8	V

Table 1-1. Arria II GX Device Absolute Maximum Ratings (Part 2 of 2)

Symbol	Description	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
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	—	2.625	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

Maximum Allowed Overshoot and Undershoot Voltage

During transitions, input signals may overshoot to the voltage shown in [Table 1-2](#) and undershoot to -2.0 V for magnitude of currents less than 100 mA and periods shorter than 20 ns.

[Table 1-2](#) lists the maximum allowed input overshoot voltage and the duration of the overshoot voltage as a percentage over the device lifetime. The maximum allowed overshoot duration is specified as a percentage of high-time over the lifetime of the device. A DC signal is equivalent to 100% duty cycle. For example, a signal that overshoots to 4.3 V can only be at 4.3 V for 5.41% over the lifetime of the device: for a device lifetime of 10 years, this amounts to 5.41/10ths of a year.

Table 1-2. Maximum Allowed Overshoot During Transitions

Symbol	Description	Condition	Overshoot Duration as % of High Time	Unit
V _I (AC)	AC Input Voltage	4.0 V	100.000	%
		4.05 V	79.330	%
		4.1 V	46.270	%
		4.15 V	27.030	%
		4.2 V	15.800	%
		4.25 V	9.240	%
		4.3 V	5.410	%
		4.35 V	3.160	%
		4.4 V	1.850	%
		4.45 V	1.080	%
		4.5 V	0.630	%
		4.55 V	0.370	%
		4.6 V	0.220	%

Maximum Allowed I/O Operating Frequency

Table 1-3 lists the maximum allowed I/O operating frequency for I/Os using the specified I/O standards to ensure device reliability.

Table 1-3. Maximum Allowed I/O Operating Frequency

I/O Standard	I/O Frequency (MHz)
HSTL-18, HSTL-15	333
SSTL -15	400
SSTL-18	333
2.5-V LVCMOS	260
3.3-V and 3.0-V LVTTTL	250
3.3-V, 3.0-V, 1.8-V, 1.5-V LVCMOS	
PCI and PCI-X	
SSTL-2	
1.2-V LVCMOS HSTL-12	200

Recommended Operating Conditions

This section lists the functional operation limits for AC and DC parameters for Arria II GX devices. The steady-state voltage and current values expected from Arria II GX devices are listed in Table 1-4. All supplies are required to monotonically reach their full-rail values without plateaus within t_{RAMP} .

Table 1-4 lists the recommended operating conditions for Arria II GX device.

Table 1-4. Arria II GX Device Recommended Operating Conditions (Note 1)

Symbol	Description	Condition	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Unit
V_{CC}	Supplies power to the core, periphery, I/O registers, PCIe HIP block, and transceiver PCS	—	0.87	0.90	0.93	V
V_{CCCB}	Supplies power to the configuration RAM bits	—	1.425	1.50	1.575	V
V_{CCBAT} (2)	Battery back-up power supply for design security volatile key registers	—	1.2	—	3.3	V
V_{CCPD} (3)	Supplies power to the I/O pre-drivers, differential input buffers, and MSEL circuitry	—	3.135	3.3	3.465	V
		—	2.85	3.0	3.15	V
		—	2.375	2.5	2.625	V
V_{CCIO}	Supplies power to the I/O banks (4)	—	3.135	3.3	3.465	V
		—	2.85	3.0	3.15	V
		—	2.375	2.5	2.625	V
		—	1.71	1.8	1.89	V
		—	1.425	1.5	1.575	V
		—	1.14	1.2	1.26	V
V_{CCD_PLL}	Supplies power to the digital portions of the PLL	—	0.87	0.90	0.93	V
V_{CCA_PLL}	Supplies power to the analog portions of the PLL and device-wide power management circuitry	—	2.375	2.5	2.625	V
V_I	DC Input voltage	—	-0.5	—	3.6	V
V_O	Output voltage	—	0	—	V_{CCIO}	V
V_{CCA}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA regulator	—	2.375	2.5	2.625	V
V_{CCL_GXB}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA TX, PMA RX, and clocking	—	1.045	1.1	1.155	V
V_{CCH_GXB}	Supplies power to the transceiver PMA output (TX) buffer	—	1.425	1.5	1.575	V
T_J	Operating junction temperature	Commercial	0	—	85	C
		Industrial	-40	—	100	C
t_{RAMP}	Power Supply Ramp time	Normal POR	0.05	—	100	ms
		Fast POR	0.05	—	4	ms

Notes to Table 1-4:

- (1) For more information about supply pin connection details, refer to the [Arria II GX Device Family Pin Connection Guidelines](#).
- (2) Altera recommends a 3.0-V nominal battery voltage when connecting V_{CCBAT} to a battery for volatile key backup. If you do not use the volatile security key, you may connect the V_{CCBAT} to either GND or a 3.0-V power supply.
- (3) V_{CCPD} must be 2.5-V for I/O banks with 2.5-V and lower V_{CCIO} ; 3.0-V for 3.0-V V_{CCIO} , and 3.3-V for 3.3-V V_{CCIO} .
- (4) V_{CCIO} for 3C and 8C I/O banks where the configuration pins reside only supports 3.3-, 3.0-, 2.5-, or 1.8-V voltage levels.

DC Characteristics

This section lists the supply current, I/O pin leakage current, on-chip termination (OCT) accuracy and variation, input pin capacitance, internal weak pull-up and pull-down resistance, hot socketing, and Schmitt trigger input specifications.

Supply Current

Standby current is the current the device draws after the device is configured with no inputs or outputs toggling and no activity in the device. Since these currents vary largely with resources used, use the Excel-based Early Power Estimator (EPE) to get supply current estimates for your design.



For more information about power estimation tools, refer to the [Arria II GX EPE User Guide](#) and the [PowerPlay Power Analysis](#) chapter.

I/O Pin Leakage Current

Table 1-5 lists the Arria II GX I/O pin leakage current specifications.

Table 1-5. Arria II GX I/O Pin Leakage Current

Symbol	Description	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_i	Input pin	$V_i = 0\text{ V to }V_{CCIOMAX}$	-10	—	10	μA
I_{oz}	Tri-stated I/O pin	$V_o = 0\text{ V to }V_{CCIOMAX}$	-10	—	10	μA

Bus Hold

Bus hold retains the last valid logic state after the source driving it either enters the high impedance state or is removed. Each I/O pin has an option to enable bus hold in user mode. Bus hold is always disabled in configuration mode.

Table 1-6 lists bus hold specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-6. Arria II GX Devices Bus Hold Parameter (Part 1 of 2) (Note 1)

Parameter	Condition	V_{CCIO} (V)												Unit
		1.2		1.5		1.8		2.5		3.0		3.3		
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Bus-hold low, sustaining current	$V_{IN} > V_{IL}$ (maximum)	8	—	12	—	30	—	50	—	70	—	70	—	μA
Bus-hold high, sustaining current	$V_{IN} < V_{IL}$ (minimum)	-8	—	-12	—	-30	—	-50	—	-70	—	-70	—	μA
Bus-hold low, overdrive current	$0\text{ V} < V_{IN} < V_{CCIO}$	—	125	—	175	—	200	—	300	—	500	—	500	μA

Table 1-6. Arria II GX Devices Bus Hold Parameter (Part 2 of 2) (Note 1)

Parameter	Condition	V_{CCIO} (V)												Unit
		1.2		1.5		1.8		2.5		3.0		3.3		
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Bus-hold high, overdrive current	$0 V < V_{IN} < V_{CCIO}$	—	-125	—	-175	—	-200	—	-300	—	-500	—	-500	μA
Bus-hold trip point	—	0.3	0.9	0.375	1.125	0.68	1.07	0.7	1.7	0.8	2	0.8	2	V

Note to Table 1-6:

(1) The bus-hold trip points are based on calculated input voltages from the JEDEC standard.

OCT Specifications

Table 1-7 lists the Arria II GX series and differential OCT with and without calibration accuracy.

Table 1-7. OCT With and Without Calibration Specification for I/Os (Note 1)

Symbol	Description	Conditions	Calibration Accuracy		Unit
			Commercial	Industrial	
25- Ω R_S 3.0/2.5	25- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0/2.5 V$	± 30	± 40	%
50- Ω R_S 3.0/2.5	50- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0/2.5 V$	± 30	± 40	%
25- Ω R_S 1.8	25- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 1.8 V$	± 40	± 50	%
50- Ω R_S 1.8	50- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 1.8 V$	± 40	± 50	%
25- Ω R_S 1.5/1.2	25- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 1.5/1.2 V$	± 50	± 50	%
50- Ω R_S 1.5/1.2	50- Ω series OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 1.5/1.2 V$	± 50	± 50	%
25- Ω R_S 3.0/2.5/1.8/1.5/1.2	25- Ω series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0/2.5/1.8/1.5/1.2 V$	± 10	± 10	%
50- Ω R_S 3.0/2.5/1.8/1.5/1.2	50- Ω series OCT with calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 3.0/2.5/1.8/1.5/1.2 V$	± 10	± 10	%
100- Ω R_D 2.5	100- Ω differential OCT without calibration	$V_{CCIO} = 2.5 V$	± 30	± 30	%

Note to Table 1-7:

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

OCT calibration is automatically performed at power up for OCT-enabled I/Os. When voltage and temperature conditions change after calibration, the resistance may change. Use Equation 1-1 and Table 1-8 to determine the OCT variation when voltage and temperature vary after power-up calibration.

Equation 1-1. OCT Variation (Note 1)

$$R_{OCT} = R_{SCAL} \left(1 + \left\langle \frac{dR}{dT} \times \Delta T \right\rangle \pm \left\langle \frac{dR}{dV} \times \Delta V \right\rangle \right)$$

Notes to Equation 1-1:

- (1) R_{OCT} value calculated from Equation 1-1 shows the range of OCT resistance with the variation of temperature and V_{CCIO} .
- (2) R_{SCAL} is the OCT resistance value at power up.
- (3) ΔT is the variation of temperature with respect to the temperature at power up.
- (4) ΔV is the variation of voltage with respect to the V_{CCIO} at power up.
- (5) dR/dT is the percentage change of R_{SCAL} with temperature.
- (6) dR/dV is the percentage change of R_{SCAL} with voltage.

Table 1-8 lists OCT variation with temperature and voltage after power-up calibration.

Table 1-8. OCT Variation after Power-up Calibration

Nominal Voltage	dR/dT (%/°C)	dR/dV(%/mV)
3.0	0.262	0.035
2.5	0.234	0.039
1.8	0.219	0.086
1.5	0.199	0.136
1.2	0.161	0.288

Pin Capacitance

Table 1-9 lists the Arria II GX devices pin capacitance.

Table 1-9. Arria II GX Device Capacitance

Symbol	Description	Typical	Unit
C_{IO}	Input capacitance on I/O pins, dual-purpose pins (differential I/O, clock, R_{up} , R_{dn}), and dedicated clock input pins	7	pF

Internal Weak Pull-Up and Weak Pull-Down Resistors

Table 1-10 lists the Arria II GX devices weak pull-up and pull-down resistor values.

Table 1-10. Arria II GX Internal Weak Pull-up and Weak Pull-Down Resistors (Note 1)

Symbol	Description	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
R _{PU}	Value of I/O pin pull-up resistor before and during configuration, as well as user mode if the programmable pull-up resistor option is enabled.	V _{CCIO} = 3.3 V ±5% (2)	7	25	41	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 3.0 V ±5% (2)	7	28	47	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 2.5 V ±5% (2)	8	35	61	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 1.8 V ±5% (2)	10	57	108	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 1.5 V ±5% (2)	13	82	163	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 1.2 V ±5% (2)	19	143	351	kΩ
R _{PD}	Value of TCK pin pull-down resistor	V _{CCIO} = 3.3 V ±5%	6	19	29	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 3.0 V ±5%	6	22	32	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 2.5 V ±5%	6	25	42	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 1.8 V ±5%	7	35	70	kΩ
		V _{CCIO} = 1.5 V ±5%	8	50	112	kΩ

Notes to Table 1-10:

- All I/O pins have an option to enable weak pull-up except configuration, test, and JTAG pins. The weak pull-down feature is only available for JTAG TCK.
- Pin pull-up resistance values may be lower if an external source drives the pin higher than V_{CCIO}.

Hot Socketing

Table 1-11 lists the hot-socketing specification for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-11. Arria II GX Hot Socketing Specifications

Symbol	Description	Maximum
I _{IOPIN(DC)}	DC current per I/O pin	300 μA
I _{IOPIN(AC)}	AC current per I/O pin	8 mA (1)
I _{XCVRTX(DC)}	DC current per transceiver TX pin	100 mA
I _{XCVRRX(DC)}	DC current per transceiver RX pin	50 mA

Note to Table 1-11:

- The I/O ramp rate is 10 ns or more. For ramp rates faster than 10 ns, |I_{IOPIN}| = C dv/dt, in which “C” is I/O pin capacitance and “dv/dt” is slew rate.

Schmitt Trigger Input

The Arria II GX device supports Schmitt trigger input on TDI, TMS, TCK, nSTATUS, nCONFIG, nCE, CONF_DONE, and DCLK pins. A Schmitt trigger feature introduces hysteresis to the input signal for improved noise immunity, especially for signals with slow edge rates. Table 1-12 lists the hysteresis specifications across the supported V_{CCIO} range for Schmitt trigger inputs in Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-12. Arria II GX Schmitt Trigger Input Hysteresis Specifications

Symbol	Description	Condition	Minimum	Unit
$V_{Schmitt}$	Hysteresis for Schmitt trigger input	$V_{CCIO} = 3.3\text{ V}$	220	mV
		$V_{CCIO} = 2.5\text{ V}$	180	mV
		$V_{CCIO} = 1.8\text{ V}$	110	mV
		$V_{CCIO} = 1.5\text{ V}$	70	mV

I/O Standard Specifications

Table 1-13 through Table 1-18 list input voltage (V_{IH} and V_{IL}), output voltage (V_{OH} and V_{OL}), and current drive characteristics (I_{OH} and I_{OL}) for various I/O standards supported by Arria II GX devices. They also show the Arria II GX device family I/O standard specifications. V_{OL} and V_{OH} values are valid at the corresponding I_{OH} and I_{OL} , respectively.



For an explanation of terms used in Table 1-13 through Table 1-18, refer to “Glossary” on page 1-34.

Table 1-13 lists the Arria II GX single-ended I/O standards.

Table 1-13. Single-Ended I/O Standards (Part 1 of 2)

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			V_{IL} (V)		V_{IH} (V)		V_{OL} (V)	V_{OH} (V)	I_{OL} (mA)	I_{OH} (mA)
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min		
3.3 V LVTTTL	3.135	3.3	3.465	-0.3	0.8	1.7	3.6	0.45	2.4	4	-4
3.3 V LVCMOS	3.135	3.3	3.465	-0.3	0.8	1.7	3.6	0.2	$V_{CCIO} - 0.2$	2	-2
3.0 V LVTTTL	2.85	3	3.15	-0.3	0.8	1.7	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	0.45	2.4	4	-4
3.0 V LVCMOS	2.85	3	3.15	-0.3	0.8	1.7	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	0.2	$V_{CCIO} - 0.2$	0.1	-0.1
2.5 V LVCMOS	2.375	2.5	2.625	-0.3	0.7	1.7	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	0.4	2	1	-1
1.8 V LVCMOS	1.71	1.8	1.89	-0.3	$0.35 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.65 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	0.45	$V_{CCIO} - 0.45$	2	-2
1.5 V LVCMOS	1.425	1.5	1.575	-0.3	$0.35 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.65 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$0.25 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.75 \times V_{CCIO}$	2	-2
1.2 V LVCMOS	1.14	1.2	1.26	-0.3	$0.35 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.65 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$0.25 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.75 \times V_{CCIO}$	2	-2

Table 1-13. Single-Ended I/O Standards (Part 2 of 2)

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			V_{IL} (V)		V_{IH} (V)		V_{OL} (V)	V_{OH} (V)	I_{OL} (mA)	I_{OH} (mA)
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min		
3.0-V PCI	2.85	3	3.15	—	$0.3 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$0.1 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.9 \times V_{CCIO}$	1.5	-0.5
3.0-V PCI-X	2.85	3	3.15	—	$0.35 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$0.1 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.9 \times V_{CCIO}$	1.5	-0.5

Table 1-14 lists the Arria II GX single-ended SSTL and HSTL I/O reference voltage specifications.

Table 1-14. Single-Ended SSTL and HSTL I/O Reference Voltage Specifications

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			V_{REF} (V)			V_{TT} (V)		
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max
SSTL-2 Class I, II	2.375	2.5	2.625	$0.49 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.51 \times V_{CCIO}$	$V_{REF} - 0.04$	V_{REF}	$V_{REF} + 0.04$
SSTL-18 Class I, II	1.71	1.8	1.89	0.833	0.9	0.969	$V_{REF} - 0.04$	V_{REF}	$V_{REF} + 0.04$
SSTL-15 Class I, II	1.425	1.5	1.575	$0.47 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.53 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.47 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.53 \times V_{CCIO}$
HSTL-18 Class I, II	1.71	1.8	1.89	0.85	0.9	0.95	0.85	0.9	0.95
HSTL-15 Class I, II	1.425	1.5	1.575	0.71	0.75	0.79	0.71	0.75	0.79
HSTL-12 Class I, II	1.14	1.2	1.26	$0.48 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.52 \times V_{CCIO}$	—	$V_{CCIO}/2$	—

Table 1-15 lists the Arria II GX single-ended SSTL and HSTL I/O standard signal specifications.

Table 1-15. Single-Ended SSTL and HSTL I/O Standard Signal Specifications (Part 1 of 2)

I/O Standard	$V_{IL(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{IH(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{IL(AC)}$ (V)	$V_{IH(AC)}$ (V)	V_{OL} (V)	V_{OH} (V)	I_{OL} (mA)	I_{OH} (mA)
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Min		
SSTL-2 Class I	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.18$	$V_{REF} + 0.18$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.35$	$V_{REF} + 0.35$	$V_{TT} - 0.57$	$V_{TT} + 0.57$	8.1	-8.1
SSTL-2 Class II	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.18$	$V_{REF} + 0.18$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.35$	$V_{REF} + 0.35$	$V_{TT} - 0.76$	$V_{TT} + 0.76$	16.4	-16.4
SSTL-18 Class I	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.125$	$V_{REF} + 0.125$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.25$	$V_{REF} + 0.25$	$V_{TT} - 0.475$	$V_{TT} + 0.475$	6.7	-6.7
SSTL-18 Class II	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.125$	$V_{REF} + 0.125$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.25$	$V_{REF} + 0.25$	0.28	$V_{CCIO} - 0.28$	13.4	-13.4
SSTL-15 Class I	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.175$	$V_{REF} + 0.175$	$0.2 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.8 \times V_{CCIO}$	8	-8
SSTL-15 Class II	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.175$	$V_{REF} + 0.175$	$0.2 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.8 \times V_{CCIO}$	16	-16
HSTL-18 Class I	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.2$	$V_{REF} + 0.2$	0.4	$V_{CCIO} - 0.4$	8	-8

Table 1-15. Single-Ended SSTL and HSTL I/O Standard Signal Specifications (Part 2 of 2)

I/O Standard	$V_{IL(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{IH(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{IL(AC)}$ (V)	$V_{IH(AC)}$ (V)	V_{OL} (V)	V_{OH} (V)	I_{OL} (mA)	I_{OH} (mA)
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Max	Min	Max	Min		
HSTL-18 Class II	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.2$	$V_{REF} + 0.2$	0.4	$V_{CCIO} - 0.4$	16	-16
HSTL-15 Class I	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.2$	$V_{REF} + 0.2$	0.4	$V_{CCIO} - 0.4$	8	-8
HSTL-15 Class II	-0.3	$V_{REF} - 0.1$	$V_{REF} + 0.1$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.3$	$V_{REF} - 0.2$	$V_{REF} + 0.2$	0.4	$V_{CCIO} - 0.4$	16	-16
HSTL-12 Class I	-0.15	$V_{REF} - 0.08$	$V_{REF} + 0.08$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.15$	$V_{REF} - 0.15$	$V_{REF} + 0.15$	$0.25 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.75 \times V_{CCIO}$	8	-8
HSTL-12 Class II	-0.15	$V_{REF} - 0.08$	$V_{REF} + 0.08$	$V_{CCIO} + 0.15$	$V_{REF} - 0.15$	$V_{REF} + 0.15$	$0.25 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.75 \times V_{CCIO}$	14	-14

Table 1-16 lists the Arria II GX differential SSTL I/O standards.

Table 1-16. Differential SSTL I/O Standards (Note 1)

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			$V_{SWING(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{X(AC)}$ (V)			$V_{SWING(AC)}$ (V)		$V_{OX(AC)}$ (V)		
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max	Min	Typ	Max
SSTL-2 Class I, II	2.375	2.5	2.625	0.36	V_{CCIO}	$V_{CCIO}/2 - 0.2$	—	$V_{CCIO}/2 + 0.2$	0.7	V_{CCIO}	$V_{CCIO}/2 - 0.15$	—	$V_{CCIO}/2 + 0.15$
SSTL-18 Class I, II	1.71	1.8	1.89	0.25	V_{CCIO}	$V_{CCIO}/2 - 0.175$	—	$V_{CCIO}/2 + 0.175$	0.5	V_{CCIO}	$V_{CCIO}/2 - 0.125$	—	$V_{CCIO}/2 + 0.125$
SSTL-15 Class I, II	1.425	1.5	1.575	0.2	—	—	$V_{CCIO}/2$	—	0.35	—	—	$V_{CCIO}/2$	—

Note to Table 1-16:

(1) Pending silicon characterization.

Table 1-17 lists the Arria II GX HSTL I/O standards.

Table 1-17. Differential HSTL I/O Standards

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			$V_{DIF(DC)}$ (V)		$V_{X(AC)}$ (V)			$V_{CM(DC)}$ (V)			$V_{DIF(AC)}$ (V)	
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Max
HSTL-18 Class I	1.71	1.8	1.89	0.2	—	0.85	—	0.95	0.88	—	0.95	0.4	—
HSTL-15 Class I, II	1.425	1.5	1.575	0.2	—	0.71	—	0.79	0.71	—	0.79	0.4	—
HSTL-12 Class I, II	1.14	1.2	1.26	0.16	—	—	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	—	$0.48 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.5 \times V_{CCIO}$	$0.52 \times V_{CCIO}$	0.3	—

Table 1-18 lists the Arria II GX differential I/O standard specifications.

Table 1-18. Differential I/O Standard Specifications (Note 1)

I/O Standard	V_{CCIO} (V)			V_{TH} (mV)			V_{ICM} (V) (2)			V_{OD} (V) (3)			V_{OS} (V)		
	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Cond.	Max	Min	Cond.	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max
2.5V LVDS	2.375	2.5	2.625	100	$V_{CM} = 1.25$ V	—	0.05	$D_{max} \leq 700$ Mbps	1.80	0.247	—	0.6	1.125	1.25	1.375
						—	1.05	$D_{max} > 700$ Mbps	1.55						
RSDS (4)	2.375	2.5	2.625	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.5	1.2	1.4
Mini-LVDS (4)	2.375	2.5	2.625	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.25	—	0.6	1	1.2	1.4
LVPECL (5)	2.375	2.5	2.625	300	—	—	0.6	$D_{max} \leq 700$ Mbps	1.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
							1.0	$D_{max} > 700$ Mbps	1.6						

Notes to Table 1-18:

- (1) 1.5 V PCML transceiver I/O standard specifications are described in “Transceiver Performance Specifications” on page 1-13.
- (2) V_{IN} range: $0 \leq V_{IN} \leq 1.85$ V.
- (3) R_L range: $90 \leq R_L \leq 110 \Omega$.
- (4) RSDS and mini-LVDS I/O standards are only supported for differential outputs.
- (5) LVPECL input standard is supported at the dedicated clock input pins (GCLK) only.

Power Consumption for Arria II GX Devices

Altera offers two ways to estimate power for a design:

- the Excel-based Early Power Estimator.
- the Quartus® II PowerPlay Power Analyzer feature.

The interactive Excel-based Early Power Estimator is typically used prior to designing the FPGA in order to get a magnitude estimate of the device power. The Quartus II PowerPlay Power Analyzer provides better quality estimates based on the specifics of the design after place-and-route is complete. The PowerPlay Power Analyzer can apply a combination of user-entered, simulation-derived, and estimated signal activities which, when combined with detailed circuit models, can yield very accurate power estimates.



For more information about power estimation tools, refer to the *Arria II GX EPE User Guide* and the *PowerPlay Power Analysis* chapter.

Switching Characteristics

This section provides performance characteristics of the Arria II GX core and peripheral blocks for commercial grade devices.

These characteristics can be designated as Preliminary or Final. Preliminary characteristics are created using simulation results, process data, and other known parameters. Final characteristics 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.



The table title shows the designations as “Preliminary” for each table with preliminary characteristics.

Transceiver Performance Specifications

Table 1-19 lists the Arria II GX transceiver specifications.

Table 1-19. Arria II GX Transceiver Specification (Part 1 of 4)—Preliminary (Note 1)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Reference Clock											
Input frequency from REFCLK input pins	—	50	—	622.08	50	—	622.08	50	—	622.08	MHz
Input frequency from PLD input	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	MHz
Absolute V_{MAX} for a REFCLK pin	—	—	—	2.2	—	—	2.2	—	—	2.2	V
Absolute V_{MIN} for a REFCLK pin	—	-0.3	—	—	-0.3	—	—	-0.3	—	—	V
Rise/fall time (9)	—	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	UI
Duty cycle	—	45	—	55	45	—	55	45	—	55	%
Peak-to-peak differential input voltage	—	200	—	2000	200	—	2000	200	—	2000	mV
Spread-spectrum modulating clock frequency	PCI Express	30	—	33	30	—	33	30	—	33	kHz
Spread-spectrum downspread	PCI Express	—	0 to -0.5%	—	—	0 to -0.5%	—	—	0 to -0.5%	—	—
On-chip termination resistors	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	Ω
V_{ICM} (AC coupled)	—	1100 \pm 5%			1100 \pm 5%			1100 \pm 5%			mV
V_{ICM} (DC coupled)	HCSL I/O standard for PCI Express reference clock	250	—	550	250	—	550	250	—	550	mV

Table 1-19. Arria II GX Transceiver Specification (Part 2 of 4)—Preliminary (Note 1)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions		C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
			Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
R _{ref}	—	—	—	2000 ± 1%	—	—	2000 ± 1%	—	—	2000 ± 1%	—	Ω
Transceiver Clocks												
Calibration block clock frequency	—	—	10	—	125	10	—	125	10	—	125	MHz
fixedclk clock frequency	PCI Express Receiver Detect	—	—	125	—	—	125	—	—	125	—	MHz
reconfig_clk clock frequency	Dynamic reconfiguration clock frequency	—	2.5/ 37.5 (10)	—	50	2.5/ 37.5 (10)	—	50	2.5/ 37.5 (10)	—	50	—
Delta time between reconfig_clks (11)	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	2	ms
Transceiver block minimum power-down pulse width	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	μs
Receiver												
Data rate	—	—	600	—	3750	600	—	3750	600	—	3125	Mbps
Absolute V _{MAX} for a receiver pin (2)	—	—	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.5	—	—	1.5	V
Absolute V _{MIN} for a receiver pin	—	—	-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	V
	V _{ICM} = 1.1 V setting (3)	—	—	—	1.6	—	—	1.6	—	—	1.6	V
Minimum peak-to-peak differential input voltage V _{ID} (diff p-p)	Data Rate = 600 Mbps to 3.75 Gbps.	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	mV
V _{ICM}	V _{ICM} = 0.82 V setting	—	—	820	—	—	820	—	—	820	—	mV
	V _{ICM} = 1.1 V setting (3)	—	—	1100	—	—	1100	—	—	1100	—	mV
Differential on-chip termination resistors	100-Ω setting	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	Ω
Return loss differential mode	PCI Express	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -10dB										
	XAUI	100 MHz to 2.5 GHz: -10dB										
Return loss common mode	PCI Express	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -6dB										
	XAUI	100 MHz to 2.5 GHz: -6dB										
Programmable PPM detector (4)	—	± 62.5, 100, 125, 200, 250, 300, 500, 1000										ppm

Table 1-19. Arria II GX Transceiver Specification (Part 3 of 4)—Preliminary (Note 1)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Run length	—	—	80	—	—	80	—	—	80	—	UI
Programmable equalization	—	—	—	7	—	—	7	—	—	7	dB
Signal detect/loss threshold	PCI Express (PIPE) Mode	65	—	175	65	—	175	65	—	175	mV
CDR LTR time (5)	—	—	—	75	—	—	75	—	—	75	μs
CDR minimum T1b (6)	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	μs
LTD lock time (7)	—	0	100	4000	0	100	4000	0	100	4000	ns
Data lock time from rx_freqlocked (8)	—	—	—	4000	—	—	4000	—	—	4000	ns
Programmable DC gain	DC Gain Setting = 0	—	0	—	—	0	—	—	0	—	dB
	DC Gain Setting = 1	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	dB
	DC Gain Setting = 2	—	6	—	—	6	—	—	6	—	dB
Transmitter											
Data rate	—	600	—	3750	600	—	3750	600	—	3125	Mbps
V _{OCM}	0.65 V setting	—	650	—	—	650	—	—	650	—	mV
Differential on-chip termination resistors	100-Ω setting	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	Ω
Return loss differential mode	PCI Express	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -10dB									
	XAUI	312 MHz to 625 MHz: -10dB 625 MHz to 3.125 GHz: -10dB/decade slope									
Return loss common mode	PCI Express	50 MHz to 1.25 GHz: -6dB									
Rise time (9)	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	ps
Fall time	—	50	—	200	50	—	200	50	—	200	ps
Intra-differential pair skew	—	—	—	15	—	—	15	—	—	15	ps
Intra-transceiver block skew	PCI Express (PIPE) ×4	—	—	120	—	—	120	—	—	120	ps
Inter-transceiver block skew	PCI Express (PIPE) ×8	—	—	300	—	—	300	—	—	300	ps
CMU PLL0 and CMU PLL1											
CMU PLL lock time from CMUPLL_reset deassertion	—	—	—	100	—	—	100	—	—	100	μs

Table 1-19. Arria II GX Transceiver Specification (Part 4 of 4)—Preliminary (*Note 1*)

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
PLD-Transceiver Interface											
Interface speed	—	25	—	200	25	—	200	25	—	200	MHz
Digital reset pulse width	—	Minimum is 2 parallel clock cycles									

Notes to Table 1-19:

- (1) For AC-coupled links, the on-chip biasing circuit is switched off before and during configuration. Make sure that input specifications are not violated during this period.
- (2) The device cannot tolerate prolonged operation at this absolute maximum.
- (3) The 1.1-V RX V_{ICM} setting must be used if the input serial data standard is LVDS and the link is DC-coupled.
- (4) The rate matcher supports only up to +/-300 parts per million (ppm).
- (5) Time taken to `rx_pll_locked` goes high from `rx_analogreset` deassertion. Refer to [Figure 1-1](#).
- (6) Time for 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](#).
- (7) Time taken to recover valid data after the `rx_locktodata` signal is asserted in manual mode. Refer to [Figure 1-1](#).
- (8) Time taken to recover valid data after the `rx_freqlocked` signal goes high in automatic mode. Refer to [Figure 1-2](#).
- (9) Rise/fall time is specified from 20% to 80%.
- (10) 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 GX Devices](#).
- (11) If your design uses more than one dynamic reconfiguration controller (`altgx_reconfig`) instances to control the transceiver (`altgx`) channels 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.

Figure 1-1 shows the lock time parameters in manual mode.


 LTD = lock-to-data. LTR = lock-to-reference.

Figure 1-1. Lock Time Parameters for Manual Mode

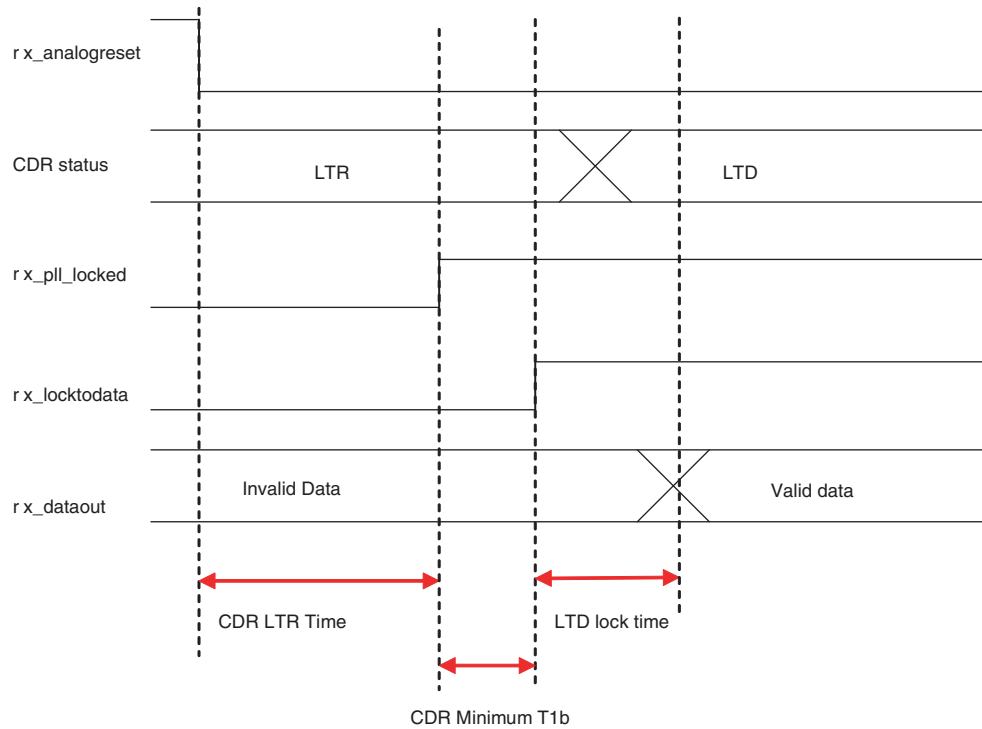


Figure 1-2 shows the lock time parameters in automatic mode.

Figure 1-2. Lock Time Parameters for Automatic Mode

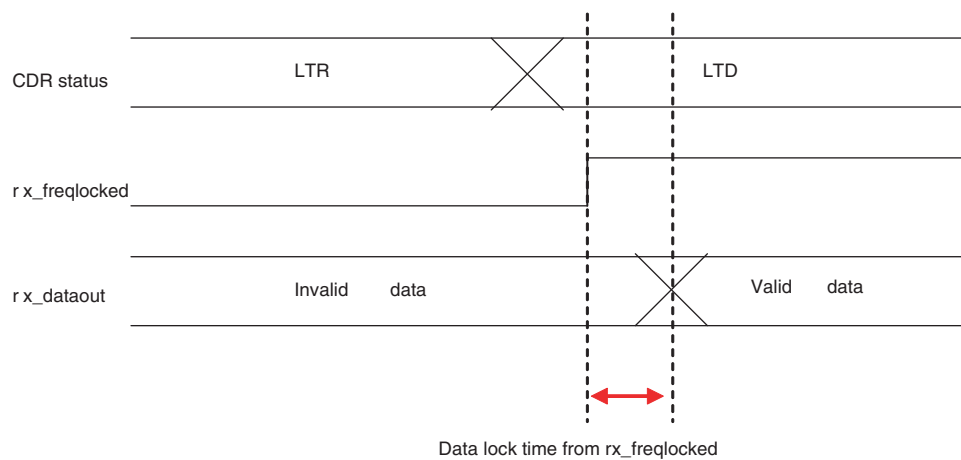


Figure 1-3 shows the differential receiver input waveform.

Figure 1-3. Receiver Input Waveform

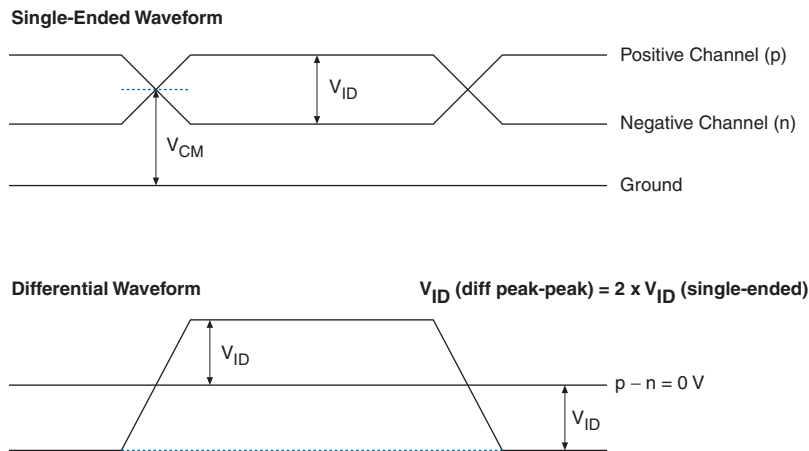


Figure 1-4 shows the transmitter output waveform.

Figure 1-4. Transmitter Output Waveform—Preliminary

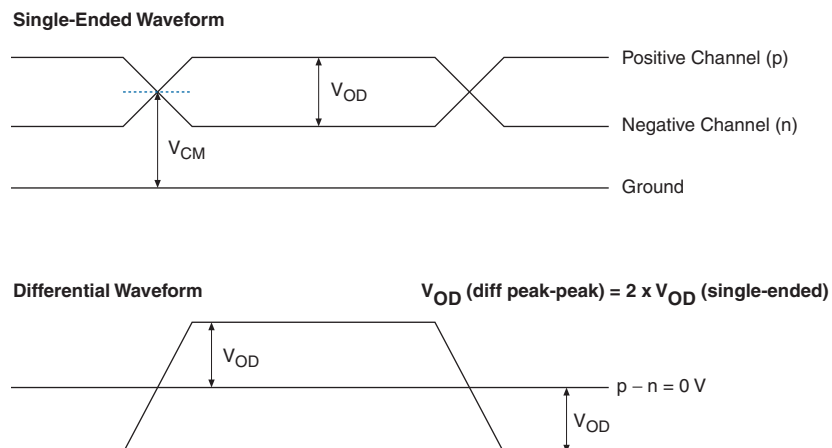


Table 1-20 lists the typical V_{OD} for TX term that equals 100Ω .

Table 1-20. Typical V_{OD} Setting, TX Termination = 100Ω

Quartus II Setting	V_{OD} Setting (mV)
1	400
2	600
4	800
5	900
6	1000
7	1200

Table 1-21 lists the Arria II GX transceiver block AC specifications.

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 1 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
SONET/SDH Transmit Jitter Generation											
Peak-to-peak jitter at 622.08 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS23	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	UI
RMS jitter at 622.08 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS23	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	UI
Peak-to-peak jitter at 2488.32 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS23	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	UI
RMS jitter at 2488.32 Mbps	Pattern = PRBS23	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	UI
SONET/SDH Receiver Jitter Tolerance											
Jitter tolerance at 622.08 Mbps	Jitter frequency = 0.03 KHz Pattern = PRBS23	> 15			> 15			> 15			UI
	Jitter frequency = 25 KHZ Pattern = PRBS23	> 1.5			> 1.5			> 1.5			UI
	Jitter frequency = 250 KHz Pattern = PRBS23	> 0.15			> 0.15			> 0.15			UI
Jitter tolerance at 2488.32 Mbps	Jitter frequency = 0.06 KHz Pattern = PRBS23	> 15			> 15			> 15			UI
	Jitter frequency = 100 KHZ Pattern = PRBS23	> 1.5			> 1.5			> 1.5			UI
	Jitter frequency = 1 MHz Pattern = PRBS23	> 0.15			> 0.15			> 0.15			UI
	Jitter frequency = 10 MHz Pattern = PRBS23	> 0.15			> 0.15			> 0.15			UI
Fibre Channel Transmit Jitter Generation (3), (10)											
Total jitter FC-1	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.23	—	—	0.23	—	—	0.23	UI
Deterministic jitter FC-1	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.11	—	—	0.11	—	—	0.11	UI
Total jitter FC-2	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.33	—	—	0.33	—	—	0.33	UI
Deterministic jitter FC-2	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	UI

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 2 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Fibre Channel Receiver Jitter Tolerance (3), (11)											
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
XAUI Transmit Jitter Generation (4)											
Total jitter at 3.125 Gbps	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3	UI
Deterministic jitter at 3.125 Gbps	Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.17	—	—	0.17	—	—	0.17	UI
XAUI Receiver Jitter Tolerance (4)											
Total jitter		> 0.65			> 0.65			> 0.65			UI
Deterministic jitter		> 0.37			> 0.37			> 0.37			UI
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
PCI Express Transmit Jitter Generation (5)											
Total jitter at 2.5 Gbps (Gen1)	Compliance pattern	—	—	0.25	—	—	0.25	—	—	0.25	UI
PCI Express Receiver Jitter Tolerance (5)											
Total jitter at 2.5 Gbps (Gen1)	Compliance pattern	> 0.6			> 0.6			> 0.6			UI
Serial RapidIO Transmit Jitter Generation (6)											
Deterministic jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data Rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	—	—	0.17	—	—	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	—	—	0.35	UI

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 3 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Serial RapidIO Receiver Jitter Tolerance (6)											
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Data Rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.37			> 0.37			> 0.37			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			> 0.55			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			> 8.5			UI
	Jitter Frequency = 1.875 MHz Data Rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1			> 0.1			> 0.1			UI
	Jitter Frequency = 20 MHz Data Rate = 1.25, 2.5, 3.125 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1			> 0.1			> 0.1			UI
GIGE Transmit Jitter Generation (7)											
Deterministic jitter (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.14	—	—	0.14	—	—	0.14	UI
Total jitter (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CRPAT	—	—	0.279	—	—	0.279	—	—	0.279	UI
GIGE Receiver Jitter Tolerance (7)											
Deterministic jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.4			> 0.4			> 0.4			UI
Combined deterministic and random jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.66			> 0.66			> 0.66			UI
HiGig Transmit Jitter Generation (8)											
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

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 4 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
HiGig Receiver Jitter Tolerance (8)											
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 = 1.875MHz Data Rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	UI
	Jitter Frequency = 20 MHz Data Rate = 3.75 Gbps Pattern = CJPAT	> 0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	UI
SDI Transmitter Jitter Generation (9)											
Alignment jitter (peak-to-peak)	Data Rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = Color Bar Low-Frequency Roll-Off = 100 KHz	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	0.2	—	—	UI
	Data Rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = Color Bar Low-Frequency Roll-Off = 100 KHz	0.3	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3	—	—	UI

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 5 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
SDI Receiver Jitter Tolerance (9)											
Sinusoidal jitter tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter Frequency = 15 KHz Data Rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = Single Line Scramble Color Bar		> 2			> 2			> 2		UI
	Jitter Frequency = 100 KHz Data Rate = 2.97 Gbps (3G) Pattern = Single Line Scramble Color Bar		> 0.3			> 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			> 0.3		UI

Table 1-21. Arria II GX Transceiver Block AC Specification (Note 1), (2) (Part 6 of 6)—Preliminary

Symbol/ Description	Conditions	C4			C5, I5			C6			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Sinusoidal Jitter Tolerance (peak-to-peak)	Jitter Frequency = 20 KHz Data Rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = 75% Color Bar		> 1			> 1			> 1		UI
	Jitter Frequency = 100 KHz Data Rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern = 75% Color Bar		> 0.2			> 0.2			> 0.2		UI
	Jitter Frequency = 148.5 MHz Data Rate = 1.485 Gbps (HD) Pattern =75% Color Bar		> 0.2			> 0.2			> 0.2		UI

Notes to Table 1-21:

- (1) Dedicated `refclk` pins were used to drive the input reference clocks.
- (2) The jitter numbers specified are valid for the stated conditions only.
- (3) The jitter numbers for Fibre Channel are compliant to the FC-PI-4 Specification revision 6.10.
- (4) The jitter numbers for XAUI are compliant to the IEEE802.3ae-2002 Specification.
- (5) The jitter numbers for PCI Express (PIPE) are compliant to the PCIe Base Specification 2.0.
- (6) The jitter numbers for Serial RapidIO are compliant to the RapidIO Specification 1.3.
- (7) The jitter numbers for GIGE are compliant to the IEEE802.3-2002 Specification.
- (8) The jitter numbers for HiGig are compliant to the IEEE802.3ae-2002 Specification.
- (9) The HD-SDI and 3G-SDI jitter numbers are compliant to the SMPTE292M and SMPTE424M Specifications.
- (10) The Fibre Channel transmitter jitter generation numbers are compliant to the specification at δ_T inter operability point.
- (11) The Fibre Channel receiver jitter tolerance numbers are compliant to the specification at δ_R interpretability point.

Core Performance Specifications for Arria II GX Devices

This section describes the clock tree, phase-locked loop (PLL), digital signal processing (DSP), embedded memory, configuration, and JTAG specifications.

Clock Tree Specifications

Table 1-22 lists the clock tree specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-22. Arria II GX Clock Tree Performance —Preliminary

Clock Network	Performance			Unit
	C4	C5,I5	C6	
GCLK and RCLK	500	500	400	MHz
PCLK	420	350	280	MHz

PLL Specifications

Table 1–23 lists the PLL specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–23. Arria II GX PLL Specifications (Part 1 of 2)—Preliminary

Symbol	Description	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
f_{IN}	Input clock frequency (from clock input pins residing in right/top/bottom banks) (–4 Speed Grade)	5	—	670 (1)	MHz
	Input clock frequency (from clock input pins residing in right/top/bottom banks) (–5 Speed Grade)	5	—	622 (1)	MHz
	Input clock frequency (from clock input pins residing in right/top/bottom banks) (–6 Speed Grade)	5	—	500 (1)	MHz
f_{INPFD}	Input frequency to the PFD	5	—	325	MHz
f_{VCO}	PLL VCO operating Range (2)	600	—	1,300	MHz
f_{INDUTY}	Input clock duty cycle	40	—	60	%
$f_{EINDUTY}$	External feedback clock input duty cycle	40	—	60	%
t_{INCCJ} (3)	Input clock cycle-to-cycle jitter (Frequency \geq 100 MHz)	—	—	0.15	UI (p–p)
	Input clock cycle-to-cycle jitter (Frequency \leq 100 MHz)	—	—	± 750	ps (p–p)
f_{OUT}	Output frequency for internal global or regional clock (–4 Speed Grade)	—	—	500	MHz
	Output frequency for internal global or regional clock (–5 Speed Grade)	—	—	500	MHz
	Output frequency for internal global or regional clock (–6 Speed Grade)	—	—	400	MHz
f_{OUT_EXT}	Output frequency for external clock output (–4 Speed Grade)	—	—	670 (4)	MHz
	Output frequency for external clock output (–5 Speed Grade)	—	—	622 (4)	MHz
	Output frequency for external clock output (–6 Speed Grade)	—	—	500 (4)	MHz
$t_{OUTDUTY}$	Duty cycle for external clock output (when set to 50%)	45	50	55	%
t_{OUTPJ_DC}	Dedicated clock output period jitter ($f_{OUT} \geq$ 100 MHz)	—	—	300	ps (p–p)
	Dedicated clock output period jitter ($f_{OUT} <$ 100 MHz)	—	—	30	mUI (p–p)
t_{OUTCCJ_DC}	Dedicated clock output cycle-to-cycle jitter ($f_{OUT} \geq$ 100 MHz)	—	—	300	ps (p–p)
	Dedicated clock output cycle-to-cycle jitter ($f_{OUT} <$ 100 MHz)	—	—	30	mUI (p–p)
f_{OUTPJ_IO}	Regular I/O clock output period jitter ($f_{OUT} \geq$ 100 MHz)	—	—	650	ps (p–p)
	Regular I/O clock output period jitter ($f_{OUT} <$ 100 MHz)	—	—	65	mUI (p–p)
f_{OUTCCJ_IO}	Regular I/O clock output cycle-to-cycle jitter ($f_{OUT} \geq$ 100 MHz)	—	—	650	ps (p–p)
	Regular I/O clock output cycle-to-cycle jitter ($f_{OUT} <$ 100 MHz)	—	—	65	mUI (p–p)
$t_{CONFIGPLL}$	Time required to reconfigure PLL scan chains	—	3.5	—	SCANCLK cycles
$t_{CONFIGPHASE}$	Time required to reconfigure phase shift	—	1	—	SCANCLK cycles
$f_{SCANCLK}$	SCANCLK frequency	—	—	100	MHz
t_{LOCK}	Time required to lock from end of device configuration	—	—	1	ms
t_{DLOCK}	Time required to lock dynamically (after switchover or reconfiguring any non-post-scale counters/delays)	—	—	1	ms

Table 1-23. Arria II GX PLL Specifications (Part 2 of 2)—Preliminary

Symbol	Description	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$f_{CL\ BW}$	PLL closed-loop low bandwidth	—	0.3	—	MHz
	PLL closed-loop medium bandwidth	—	1.5	—	MHz
	PLL closed-loop high bandwidth	—	4	—	MHz
t_{PLL_PSERR}	Accuracy of PLL phase shift	—	—	±50	ps
t_{ARESET}	Minimum pulse width on areset signal	10	—	—	ns

Notes to Table 1-23:

- (1) f_{IN} is limited by I/O f_{MAX} .
- (2) The VCO frequency reported by the Quartus II software in the PLL summary section of the compilation report takes into consideration the VCO post-scale counter K value. Therefore, if the counter K has a value of 2, the frequency reported can be lower than the f_{VCO} specification.
- (3) A high-input jitter directly affects the PLL output jitter. To have low PLL output clock jitter, you must provide a clean-clock source, which is less than 200 ps.
- (4) This specification is limited by the lower of the two: I/O f_{MAX} or f_{OUT} of the PLL.

DSP Block Specifications

Table 1-24 lists the Arria II GX DSP block performance specifications.

Table 1-24. Arria II GX DSP Block Performance Specifications (Note 1)—Preliminary

Mode	Resources Used	Performance			Unit
	Number of Multipliers	C4	C5,15	C6	
9 × 9-bit multiplier	1	380	300	250	MHz
12 × 12-bit multiplier	1	380	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiplier	1	380	300	250	MHz
36 × 36-bit multiplier	1	350	270	220	MHz
18 × 36-bit high-precision multiplier adder mode	1	350	270	220	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply accumulator	4	380	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder	4	380	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder-signed full precision	2	380	300	250	MHz
18 × 18-bit multiply adder with loopback (2)	2	275	220	180	MHz
36-bit shift (32-bit data)	1	350	270	220	MHz
Double mode	1	350	270	220	MHz

Notes to Table 1-24:

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

Embedded Memory Block Specifications

Table 1–25 lists the Arria II GX embedded memory block specifications.

Table 1–25. Arria II GX Embedded Memory Block Performance Specifications —Preliminary

Memory	Mode	Resources Used		Performance			Unit
		ALUTs	Embedded Memory	C4	C5,I5	C6	
Memory Logic Array Block (MLAB)	Single port 64 × 10	0	1	500	450	378	MHz
	Simple dual-port 32 × 20 single clock	0	1	500	450	378	MHz
	Simple dual-port 64 × 10 single clock	0	1	500	450	378	MHz
M9K Block	Single-port 256 × 36	0	1	400	360	310	MHz
	Single-port 256 × 36, with the read-during-write option set to Old Data	0	1	280	250	210	MHz
	Simple dual-port 256 × 36 single CLK	0	1	400	360	310	MHz
	Single-port 256 × 36 single CLK, with the read-during-write option set to Old Data	0	1	280	250	210	MHz
	True dual port 512 × 18 single CLK	0	1	400	360	310	MHz
	True dual-port 512 × 18 single CLK, with the read-during-write option set to Old Data	0	1	280	250	210	MHz

Configuration

Table 1–26 lists the Arria II GX configuration mode specifications.

Table 1–26. Arria II GX Configuration Mode Specifications—Preliminary

Programming Mode	DCLK F _{MAX}	Unit
Passive Serial	125	MHz
Fast Passive Parallel	125	MHz
Fast Active Serial	40	MHz
Remote Update only in Fast AS mode	10	MHz

JTAG Specifications

Table 1–27 lists the JTAG timing parameters and values for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–27. Arria II GX JTAG Timing Parameters and Values—Preliminary (Part 1 of 2)

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 (1)	ns

Table 1-27. Arria II GX JTAG Timing Parameters and Values—Preliminary (Part 2 of 2)

Symbol	Description	Min	Max	Unit
t_{JPZX}	JTAG port high impedance to valid output	—	14 (1)	ns
t_{JPXZ}	JTAG port valid output to high impedance	—	14 (1)	ns

Note to Table 1-27:

(1) A 1-ns adder is required for each V_{CCIO} voltage step down from 3.3 V. For example, $t_{JPXZ} = 12$ ns if V_{CCIO} of the TDO I/O bank = 2.5 V, or 13 ns if it equals to 1.8 V.

Peripheral Performance

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

I/O performance supports several system interfacing, 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 LVTTTL/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 1-28 lists the high-speed I/O timing for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-28. High-Speed I/O Specifications (Part 1 of 3)—Preliminary

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

Table 1-28. High-Speed I/O Specifications (Part 2 of 3)—Preliminary

Symbol	Conditions	C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Transmitter								
$f_{\text{HSDR_TX}}$ (true LVDS output data rate)	SERDES factor, J = 3 to 10 (using dedicated SERDES)	150	1,250 (2)	150	1,050 (2)	150	840	Mbps
$f_{\text{HSDR_TX}}$ (true LVDS output data rate)	SERDES factor, J = 4 to 10 (using logic elements as SERDES)	(3)	945	(3)	840	(3)	740	Mbps
	SERDES factor, J = 2 (using DDR registers) and J = 1 (using SDR register)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	Mbps
$f_{\text{HSDR_TX_E3R}}$ (emulated LVDS_E_3R output data rate) (7)	SERDES factor, J = 4 to 10	(3)	945	(3)	840	(3)	740	Mbps
$t_{\text{TX_JITTER}}$ (4)	True LVDS with dedicated SERDES (data rate 600–1,250 Mbps)	—	175	—	225	—	300	ps
	True LVDS with dedicated SERDES (data rate < 600 Mbps)	—	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	—	300	—	350	ps
	True LVDS and Emulated LVDS_E_3R with logic elements as SERDES (data rate < 600 Mbps)	—	0.16	—	0.18	—	0.21	UI
$t_{\text{TX_DCD}}$	True LVDS and Emulated LVDS_E_3R	45	55	45	55	45	55	%
$t_{\text{RISE}} \& t_{\text{FALL}}$	True LVDS and Emulated LVDS_E_3R	—	200	—	225	—	250	ps
TCCS	True LVDS (5)	—	150	—	175	—	200	ps
	Emulated LVDS_E_3R	—	200	—	250	—	300	ps

Table 1-28. High-Speed I/O Specifications (Part 3 of 3)—Preliminary

Symbol	Conditions	C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Receiver (6)								
$f_{\text{HSDR_RX}}$	DPA mode (6)	150	1,250	150	1,050	150	840	Mbps
	Non-DPA mode (7)	(3)	945 (6)	(3)	740	(3)	640	Mbps
Soft-CDR PPM tolerance	Soft-CDR mode	—	300	—	300	—	300	±PPM
DPA run length	DPA mode	—	10,000	—	10,000	—	10,000	UI
SW	Non-DPA mode (5)	—	300	—	350	—	400	ps

Notes to Table 1-28:

- (1) $f_{\text{HSDR_RX}} = f_{\text{HSDR}} / W$. Use W to determine the supported selection of input reference clock frequencies for the desired data rate.
- (2) This applies to interfacing with DPA receivers. For interfacing with non-DPA receivers, maximum supported data rate is 945 Mbps. Beyond 840 Mbps, PCB trace compensation is required. PCB trace compensation refers to the adjustment of PCB trace length for LVDS channels to improve channel-to-channel skews, and is required to support data rate beyond 840 Mbps.
- (3) The minimum and maximum specification is dependent 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) Specification is only applicable for true LVDS using dedicated SERDES.
- (6) Dedicated SERDES and DPA features are only available on right banks.
- (7) You are required to calculate the left over timing margin in the receiver by performing the link timing closure analysis. You must consider the board skew margin, transmitter channel-to-channel skew and the receiver sampling margin to determine the left over timing margin.

Table 1-29 lists DPA lock time specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1-29. DPA Lock Time Specifications (Note 1), (2), (3)

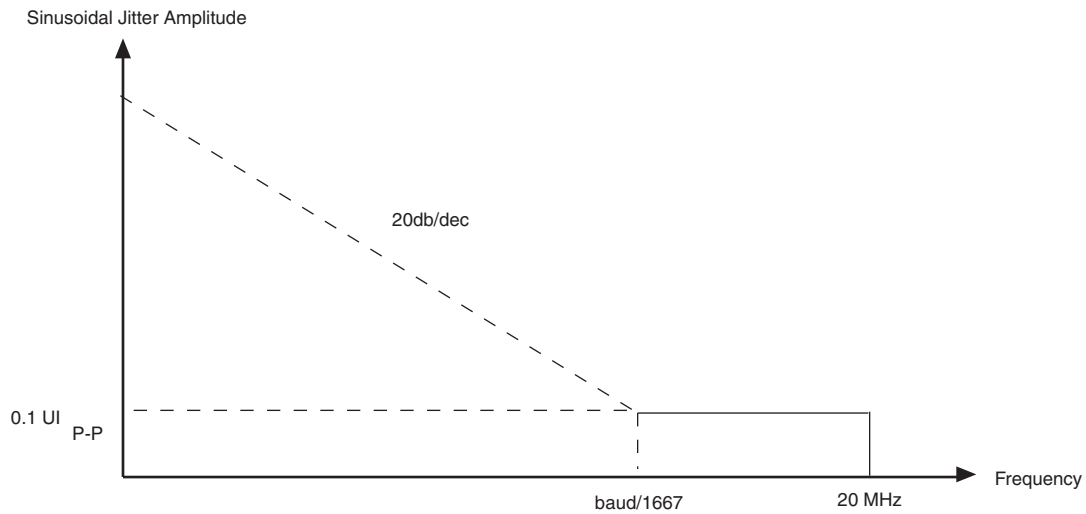
Standard	Training Pattern	Number of Data Transitions in One Repetition of the Training Pattern	Number of Repetitions per 256 Data Transitions (4)	Maximum
SPI-4	000000000111111111	2	128	640 data transitions
Parallel Rapid I/O	00001111	2	128	640 data transitions
	10010000	4	64	640 data transitions
Miscellaneous	10101010	8	32	640 data transitions
	01010101	8	32	640 data transitions

Notes to Table 1-29:

- (1) The DPA lock time is for one channel.
- (2) One data transition is defined as a 0-to-1 or 1-to-0 transition.
- (3) The DPA lock time stated in the table applies to both commercial and industrial grade.
- (4) This is the number of repetitions for the stated training pattern to achieve the 256 data transitions.

Figure 1–5 shows the LVDS soft-CDR/DPA sinusoidal jitter tolerance specification.

Figure 1–5. LVDS Soft-CDR/DPA Sinusoidal Jitter Tolerance Specification



External Memory Interface Specifications

 For the maximum clock rate supported for Arria II GX device family, refer to the *External Memory Interface System Specifications*.

Table 1–30 lists DLL frequency range specifications for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–30. Arria II GX DLL Frequency Range Specifications—Preliminary

Frequency Mode	Frequency Range (MHz)			Resolution (°)
	C4	C5,I5	C6	
0	60–140	60–130	60–110	22.5
1	80–180	80–170	80–150	30
2	100–220	100–210	100–180	36
3	120–270	120–260	120–220	45
4	160–340	160–310	160–270	30
5	190–410	190–380	190–320	36

Table 1–31 lists the DQS phase offset delay per stage for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–31. DQS Phase Offset Delay Per Setting (Note 1), (2), (3)—Preliminary

Speed Grade	Min	Max	Unit
C4	7.0	13.0	ps
C5, I5	7.0	15.0	ps
C6	8.5	18.0	ps

Notes to Table 1–31:

- (1) The valid settings for phase offset are -64 to +63 for frequency modes 0 to 3 and -32 to +31 for frequency modes 4 to 5.
- (2) The typical value equals the average of the minimum and maximum values.
- (3) Delay settings are linear.

Duty Cycle Distortion (DCD) Specifications

Table 1–32 lists the worst-case DCD for Arria II GX devices.

Table 1–32. Duty Cycle Distortion on Arria II GX I/O Pins—Preliminary (Note 1)

Symbol	C4		C5,I5		C6		Unit
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
Output Duty Cycle	45	55	45	55	45	55	%

Note to Table 1–32:

- (1) DCD specification applies to clock outputs from PLL, global clock tree, and IOE driving dedicated as well as general purpose I/O pins.

IOE Programmable Delay

Table 1–33 lists the delay associated with each supported IOE programmable delay chain.

Table 1–33. Arria II GX IOE Programmable Delay

Parameter	Available Settings (1)	Minimum Offset (2)	Maximum Offset						Unit
			Fast Model		Slow Model				
			Industrial	Commercial	C4	C5	C6	I5	
Output Enable Pin delay	7	0	0.413	0.442	0.713	0.796	0.873	0.801	ns
Delay from Output Register to Output pin	7	0	0.339	0.362	0.585	0.654	0.722	0.661	ns
Input Delay form Pin to Internal Cell	52	0	1.494	1.607	2.521	2.732	2.943	2.775	ns
Input Delay form Pin to Input Register	52	0	1.494	1.607	2.520	2.733	2.944	2.775	ns
DQS Bus to Input Register Delay	4	0	0.074	0.076	0.124	0.147	0.167	0.147	ns

Notes to Table 1–33:

- (1) The available setting for every delay chain starts from zero and end with the specified maximum numbers of setting.
- (2) The minimum offset represented in the table does not include the intrinsic delay.

I/O Timing

Altera offers two ways to determine I/O timing:

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

The 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 Excel-based I/O Timing spreadsheet is downloadable from the [Arria II GX Devices Literature](#) webpage.

Glossary

Table 1-34 shows the glossary for this chapter.

Table 1-34. Glossary (Part 1 of 4)

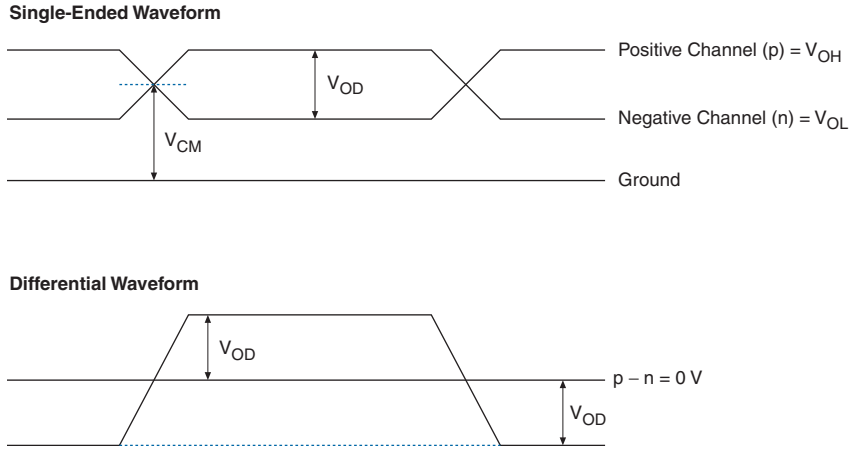
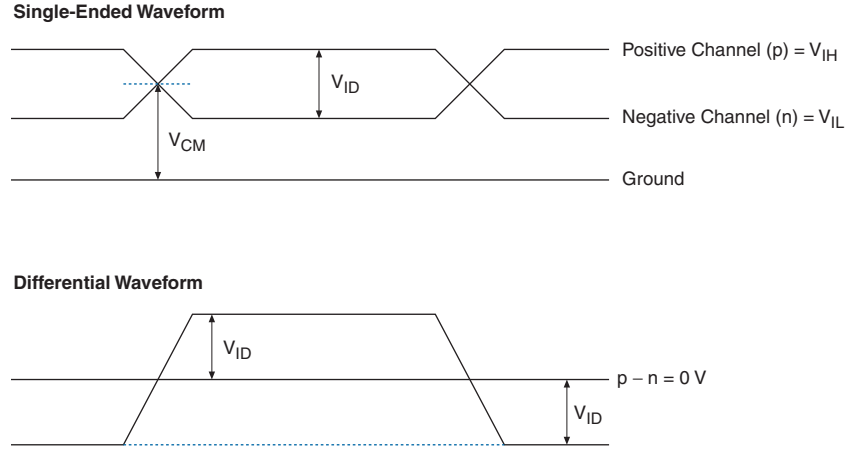
Letter	Subject	Definitions	
A	—	—	
B	—	—	
C	—	—	
D	Differential I/O Standards	<p><i>Receiver Input Waveforms</i></p>  <p>The receiver input waveforms section contains two diagrams. The first is a 'Single-Ended Waveform' showing two signal lines crossing at a central point. The vertical distance from the ground line to this crossing point is labeled V_{CM}. The vertical distance between the two signal lines at their peak is labeled V_{OD}. The top signal line is labeled 'Positive Channel (p) = V_{OH}' and the bottom is 'Negative Channel (n) = V_{OL}'. The second diagram is a 'Differential Waveform' showing two signal lines that are mirror images of each other. The vertical distance between the two lines at their peak is labeled V_{OD}. The horizontal line between the two lines is labeled 'p - n = 0 V'. The vertical distance from the ground line to the bottom line at its trough is labeled V_{OD}.</p>	
		<p><i>Transmitter Output Waveforms</i></p>  <p>The transmitter output waveforms section contains two diagrams. The first is a 'Single-Ended Waveform' showing two signal lines crossing at a central point. The vertical distance from the ground line to this crossing point is labeled V_{CM}. The vertical distance between the two signal lines at their peak is labeled V_{ID}. The top signal line is labeled 'Positive Channel (p) = V_{IH}' and the bottom is 'Negative Channel (n) = V_{IL}'. The second diagram is a 'Differential Waveform' showing two signal lines that are mirror images of each other. The vertical distance between the two lines at their peak is labeled V_{ID}. The horizontal line between the two lines is labeled 'p - n = 0 V'. The vertical distance from the ground line to the bottom line at its trough is labeled V_{ID}.</p>	
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F	f_{HSCLK}	Left/Right PLL input clock frequency.	
	f_{HSDR}	High-Speed I/O Block: Maximum/minimum LVDS data transfer rate ($f_{HSDR} = 1/T_{UI}$), non-DPA.	
	$f_{HSDRDPA}$	High-Speed I/O Block: Maximum/minimum LVDS data transfer rate ($f_{HSDRDPA} = 1/T_{UI}$), DPA.	

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Letter	Subject	Definitions
G	—	—
H	—	—
I	—	—
J	JTAG Timing Specifications	<p>High-Speed I/O Block: Deserialization factor (width of parallel data bus).</p> <p>JTAG Timing Specifications are in the following figure:</p> <p>The diagram shows four signals: TMS, TDI, TCK, and TDO. TMS and TDI are shown as a sequence of pulses. TCK is a clock signal. TDO is a data bus signal. Various timing parameters are indicated with arrows and labels: t_{JCP} (capture delay), t_{JCH} (hold delay), t_{JCL} (setup delay), t_{JPSU} (setup delay), t_{JPH} (hold delay), t_{JPZX} (output delay), t_{JPZO} (output delay), and t_{JPXZ} (output delay).</p>
K	—	—
L	—	—
M	—	—
N	—	—
O	—	—
P	PLL Specifications	<p>The block diagram shown in the following figure highlights the PLL Specification parameters:</p> <p>Diagram of PLL Specifications (1)</p> <p>The diagram shows a PLL block diagram. It starts with a Core Clock input that can be switched to CLK. The signal passes through a Switchover block to a divider block with gain N, producing frequency f_N. This is followed by a PFD (Phase-Frequency Detector) block, a CP (Charge Pump) block, an LF (Loop Filter) block, a VCO (Voltage-Controlled Oscillator) block with gain K, and a divider block with gain M, producing frequency f_{VCO}. The output f_{VCO} is fed back to the PFD and also passes through Counters Co. C9 to produce fOUT. fOUT is then divided to produce GCLK and RCLK. CLKOUT Pins are also shown, with fOUT_EXT as an external output. A Key indicates that shaded blocks (CP, LF, VCO, K, M) are reconfigurable in user mode. External Feedback is also shown.</p> <p>Note: (1) CoreClock can only be fed by dedicated clock input pins or PLL outputs.</p>
Q	—	—
R	R_L	Receiver differential input discrete resistor (external to the Arria II GX device).

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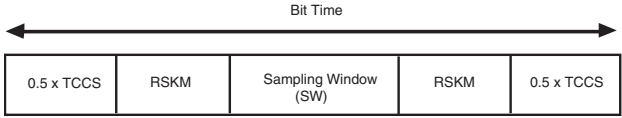
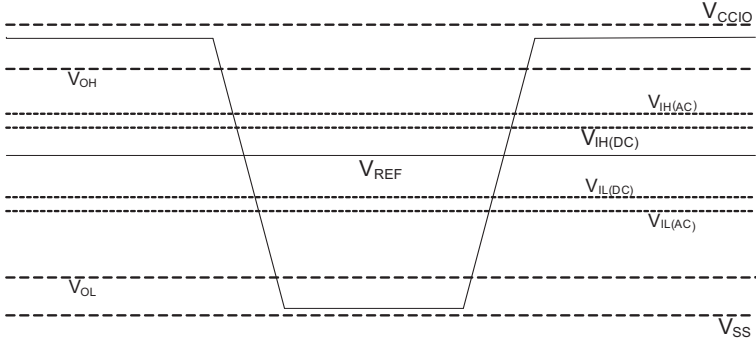
Letter	Subject	Definitions
S	SW (sampling window)	<p>The period of time during which the data must be valid in order to capture it correctly. The setup and hold times determine the ideal strobe position within the sampling window:</p> <p><i>Timing Diagram</i></p> 
	Single-ended Voltage Referenced I/O Standard	<p>The JEDEC standard for SSTL and HSTL I/O standards define both the AC and DC input signal values. The AC values indicate the voltage levels at which the receiver must meet its timing specifications. The DC values indicate the voltage levels at which the final logic state of the receiver is unambiguously defined. Once the receiver input has crossed the AC value, the receiver changes to the new logic state.</p> <p>The new logic state is then maintained as long as the input stays beyond the AC threshold. This approach is intended to provide predictable receiver timing in the presence of input waveform ringing:</p> <p><i>Single-Ended Voltage Referenced I/O Standard</i></p> 
T	t_c	High-speed receiver and transmitter input and output clock period.
	TCCS (channel-to-channel-skew)	The timing difference between the fastest and slowest output edges, including t_{c0} variation and clock skew, across channels driven by the same PLL. The clock is included in the TCCS measurement (refer to the <i>Timing Diagram</i> figure under S in this table).
	t_{DUTY}	High-speed I/O Block: Duty cycle on high-speed transmitter output clock. Timing Unit Interval (TUI) The timing budget allowed for skew, propagation delays, and data sampling window. (TUI = $1/(\text{Receiver Input Clock Frequency Multiplication Factor}) = t_c/w$)
	t_{FALL}	Signal high-to-low transition time (80-20%)
	t_{NCCJ}	Cycle-to-cycle jitter tolerance on PLL clock input
	t_{OUTPJ_IO}	Period jitter on general purpose I/O driven by a PLL
	t_{OUTPJ_DC}	Period jitter on dedicated clock output driven by a PLL
t_{RISE}	Signal low-to-high transition time (20-80%)	
U	—	—

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Letter	Subject	Definitions
V	$V_{CM(DC)}$	DC Common Mode Input Voltage.
	V_{ICM}	Input Common Mode Voltage: The common mode of the differential signal at the receiver.
	V_{ID}	Input differential Voltage Swing: The difference in voltage between the positive and complementary conductors of a differential transmission at the receiver.
	$V_{DIF(AC)}$	AC differential Input Voltage: Minimum AC input differential voltage required for switching.
	$V_{DIF(DC)}$	DC differential Input Voltage: Minimum DC input differential voltage required for switching.
	V_{IH}	Voltage Input High: The minimum positive voltage applied to the input which is accepted by the device as a logic high.
	$V_{IH(AC)}$	High-level AC input voltage
	$V_{IH(DC)}$	High-level DC input voltage
	V_{IL}	Voltage Input Low: The maximum positive voltage applied to the input which is accepted by the device as a logic low.
	$V_{IL(AC)}$	Low-level AC input voltage
	$V_{IL(DC)}$	Low-level DC input voltage
	V_{OCM}	Output Common Mode Voltage: The common mode of the differential signal at the transmitter.
V_{OD}	Output differential Voltage Swing: The difference in voltage between the positive and complementary conductors of a differential transmission at the transmitter.	
W	W	High-Speed I/O BLOCK: Clock Boost Factor
X	—	—
Y	—	—
Z	—	—

Document Revision History

Table 1-35 lists the revision history for this chapter.

Table 1-35. Document Revision History (Part 1 of 2)

Date	Version	Changes Made
March 2010	2.3	Updated for the Quartus II version 9.1 SP2 release: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated Table 1-3, Table 1-7, Table 1-19, Table 1-21, Table 1-22, Table 1-24, Table 1-25 and Table 1-33. ■ Updated “Recommended Operating Conditions” section. ■ Minor text edits.
February 2010	2.2	Updated Table 1-19.
February 2010	2.1	Updated for Arria II GX v9.1 SP1 release: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated Table 1-19, Table 1-23, Table 1-28, Table 1-30, and Table 1-33. ■ Added Figure 1-5. ■ Minor text edits.

Table 1-35. Document Revision History (Part 2 of 2)


Date	Version	Changes Made
November 2009	2.0	Updated for Arria II GX v9.1 release: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated Table 1-1, Table 1-4, Table 1-13, Table 1-14, Table 1-19, Table 1-15, Table 1-22, Table 1-24, and Table 1-28. ■ Added Table 1-6 and Table 1-33. ■ Added “Bus Hold” on page 1-5. ■ Added “IOE Programmable Delay” section. ■ Minor text edit.
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.
February 2009	1.0	Initial release.

This chapter describes changes to the published version of the *Arria II GX Device Handbook*. It describes the new maximum data rate for high-speed LVDS I/O with serializer/deserializer (SERDES) and dynamic phase alignment (DPA) circuitry, an additional device feature highlight, the emulated LVDS output buffers, external memory interface maximum performance, and guidelines for connecting serial configuration device to Arria® II GX device family on active serial (AS) interface.

Table 2–1 lists the changes and chapter described in this addendum.

Table 2–1. Changes to the Arria II GX Device Handbook

Change	Chapter
“Highlights”	<i>Arria II GX Device Family Overview</i>
“High-Speed LVDS I/O with DPA and Soft CDR”	<i>Arria II GX Device Family Overview</i>
“Auto-Calibrating External Memory Interfaces”	<i>Arria II GX Device Family Overview</i>
“Guidelines for Connecting Serial Configuration Device to Arria II GX Device Family on AS Interface”	<i>Configuration, Design Security, and Remote System Upgrades in Arria II GX Devices</i>

 Any information not contained in this addendum is considered the same as the information contained in the published version of the *Arria II GX Device Handbook*.

Highlights

A new Arria II GX device feature highlight is the emulated LVDS output support with a data rate of up to 945 Mbps.

The maximum data rate for high-speed LVDS I/O with serializer/deserializer (SERDES) and dynamic phase alignment (DPA) circuitry changed to 1.25 Gbps.


The affected section is the “Highlights” section in the *Arria II GX Device Family Overview* chapter.

High-Speed LVDS I/O with DPA and Soft CDR

Dedicated circuitry for implementing LVDS interfaces at speeds from 150 Mbps to 1.25Gbps. DPA circuitry and soft-CDR circuitry at the receiver automatically compensates for channel-to-channel and channel-to-clock skew in source-synchronous interfaces and allows for implementation of asynchronous serial interfaces with embedded clocks at data rates from 150 Mbps to 1.25 Gbps.

The emulated LVDS output buffers use two single-ended output buffers with an external resistor network to support LVDS, mini-LVDS, and RSDS standards.

The affected section is the “High-Speed LVDS I/O with DPA and Soft CDR” in the *Arria II GX Device Family Overview* chapter.

 When this revision is included in the *Arria II GX Device Family Overview* chapter, the “High-Speed LVDS I/O with DPA and Soft CDR” section title will be changed to the “High-Speed LVDS I/O and DPA”.

Auto-Calibrating External Memory Interfaces

Table 2–2 lists the changes to the external memory interface maximum performance for Arria II GX devices. The memory maximum performance in Table 2–2 is pending device characterization.

 All external memory interface specifications not contained in this addendum remain the same as in “Table 1-7: Arria II GX Device External Memory Interface Maximum Performance” of the *Arria II GX Device Family Overview* chapter.

Table 2–2. Arria II GX Device External Memory Interface Maximum Performance

Memory Type	Maximum Performance
DDR2 SDRAM	333 MHz
DDR3 SDRAM	400 MHz


Guidelines for Connecting Serial Configuration Device to Arria II GX Device Family on AS Interface

For single- and multi-device AS configurations, the board trace length and loading between the supported serial configuration device and Arria II GX device family must follow the recommendations listed in Table 2–3.

Table 2–3. Maximum Trace Length and Loading for the AS Configuration

Arria II GX Device Family AS Pins	Maximum Board Trace Length from the Arria II GX Device Family to the Serial Configuration Devices (Inches)	Maximum Board Load (pF)
DCLK	10	15
DATA [0]	10	30
nCS0	10	30
ASDO	10	30

The affected section is the “Active Serial Configuration (Serial Configuration Devices)” in the *Configuration, Design Security, and Remote System Upgrades in Arria II GX Devices* chapter.

 When this revision is included in the *Configuration, Design Security, and Remote System Upgrades in Arria II GX Devices* chapter, the “Guidelines for Connecting Serial Configuration Device to Arria II GX Device Family on AS Interface” section will be positioned before the “Estimating Active Serial Configuration Time” section.

Document Revision History

Table 2-4 lists the revision history for this chapter.

Table 2-4. Document Revision History

Date	Document Version	Changes Made
March 2010	1.1	Added "Guidelines for Connecting Serial Configuration Device to Arria II GX Device Family on AS Interface"
February 2010	1.0	Initial release.

About this Handbook

This handbook provides comprehensive information about the Altera Arria II GX family of devices.

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Visual Cue	Meaning
Bold Type with Initial Capital Letters	Indicates command names and dialog box titles. For example, Save As dialog box.
bold type	Indicates directory names, project names, disk drive names, file names, file name extensions, dialog box options, software utility names, and other GUI labels. For example, \qdesigns directory, d: drive, and chiptrip.gdf file.
<i>Italic Type with Initial Capital Letters</i>	Indicates document titles. For example, <i>AN 519: Stratix IV Design Guidelines</i> .
<i>Italic type</i>	Indicates variables. For example, $n + 1$. Variable names are enclosed in angle brackets (< >). For example, <file name> and <project name>.pot file.
Initial Capital Letters	Indicates keyboard keys and menu names. For example, Delete key and the Options menu.
"Subheading Title"	Quotation marks indicate references to sections within a document and titles of Quartus II Help topics. For example, "Typographic Conventions."

Visual Cue	Meaning
Courier type	<p>Indicates signal, port, register, bit, block, and primitive names. For example, <code>data1</code>, <code>t di</code>, and <code>input</code>. Active-low signals are denoted by suffix <code>n</code>. For example, <code>resetn</code>.</p> <p>Indicates command line commands and anything that must be typed exactly as it appears. For example, <code>c:\qdesigns\tutorial\chiptrip.gdf</code>.</p> <p>Also indicates sections of an actual file, such as a Report File, references to parts of files (for example, the AHDL keyword <code>SUBDESIGN</code>), and logic function names (for example, <code>TRI</code>).</p>
1., 2., 3., and a., b., c., and so on.	Numbered steps indicate a list of items when the sequence of the items is important, such as the steps listed in a procedure.
■ ■	Bullets indicate a list of items when the sequence of the items is not important.
	The hand points to information that requires special attention.
	A caution calls attention to a condition or possible situation that can damage or destroy the product or your work.
	A warning calls attention to a condition or possible situation that can cause you injury.
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