

Memory Applications with Xilinx FPGAs

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What happens to the FPGA after power up?

- FPGAs are volatile by design
- FPGAs needs to receive "configuration data" that defines the specific resources and interconnect used for a design
 - The FPGA can actively obtain its data from a memory device or
 - The FPGA can be sent data from a microprocessor or similar source
- FPGA configuration data is often stored in flash memory
- Once all configuration data is received, a short startup sequence in the FPGA makes the device operational



What is memory used for after configuration?



Multiple uses for flash even after initial configuration

Fast Configuration and Instant-ON Applications

- PCIe applications require FPGA to load in <100ms</p>
- CAN Network application require FPGA to load in <100ms
- Handheld and consumer applications require fast start-up
- High speed flash, QSPI and burst Parallel NOR help FPGAs meet fast start up requirements



High speed flash: QSPI and burst Parallel NOR help FPGAs meet fast start up requirements



Partial Reconfiguration

- Partial Reconfiguration dynamically modifies logic blocks while the remaining logic operates without interruption
- Store partial bit files in flash memory
- SWAP (<u>Size</u>, <u>W</u>eight, <u>and</u>, <u>P</u>ower)
- Perform multiple tasks on fewer or smaller FPGAs
- Power Reduction
 - Via smaller or/and fewer devices
 - Swap out power-hungry tasks





Unique Xilinx FPGA feature brings flexibility, cost, and power reduction



Complete ARM[®]-based Processing System

- Dual ARM Cortex[™]-A9 MPCore[™], processor centric
- Integrated memory controllers & peripherals
- Fully autonomous to the Programmable Logic

Tightly Integrated Programmable Logic

- Used to extend Processing System
- Scalable density and performance
- Over 3000 internal interconnects

Flexible Array of I/O

- Wide range of external multi-standard I/O
- High performance integrated serial transceivers
- Analog-to-Digital Converter inputs



Flash memory utilized for XIP with embedded processors in the FPGA

7 Series FPGA Family Highlights



High Performance

ARTIX.7

Lowest Power

and Cost

Computing

Next Gen Wired Communications Next Gen Wireless Communications



Consumer

Audio Video

Broadcast



VIRTEX.

Industry's Highest System Performance and Capacity

- · Portable/handheld ultrasound
- 3D cameras & camcorders
- D-SLR still cameras
- Software defined radio
- 3DTV
- Portable eReaders
- Automotive Infotainment
- Multifunction printers

Wireless LTE infrastructure

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Industry's Best

Price-Performance

- 10G PON OLT line card
- LED backlit & 3D video displays
- Video-over-IP bridge
- Cellular radio
- Medical & Avionics imaging
- Set top boxes
- Motor control

- 400G & 100G line cards
- 300G Interlaken bridge
- Terabit switch fabric
- 100G OTN
- MUXPONDER
- RADAR
- ASIC emulation
- Test & Measurement



Test & Measurement



Medical Imaging



7 Series FPGAs and Zynq-7000 **Family Configuration Solution**

- SPI x1, x2, and x4 interfaces
- Parallel NOR interface with burst modes
- NAND Interface
- Configuration via PCIe
 - Host reads flash and sends to FPGA
- Configuration via Ethernet
 - Host reads flash and sends to FPGA
- Supports configuration from processor
 - Processor reads from flash and sends to FPGA
- AES-256 bit Encryption
- Partial Reconfiguration

Xilinx gives you more flexibility with configuration solutions for all applications





Thank You

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