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# **Stratix IV FPGA and HardCopy IV ASIC @ 40 nm**

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# New 40-nm FPGA and ASIC

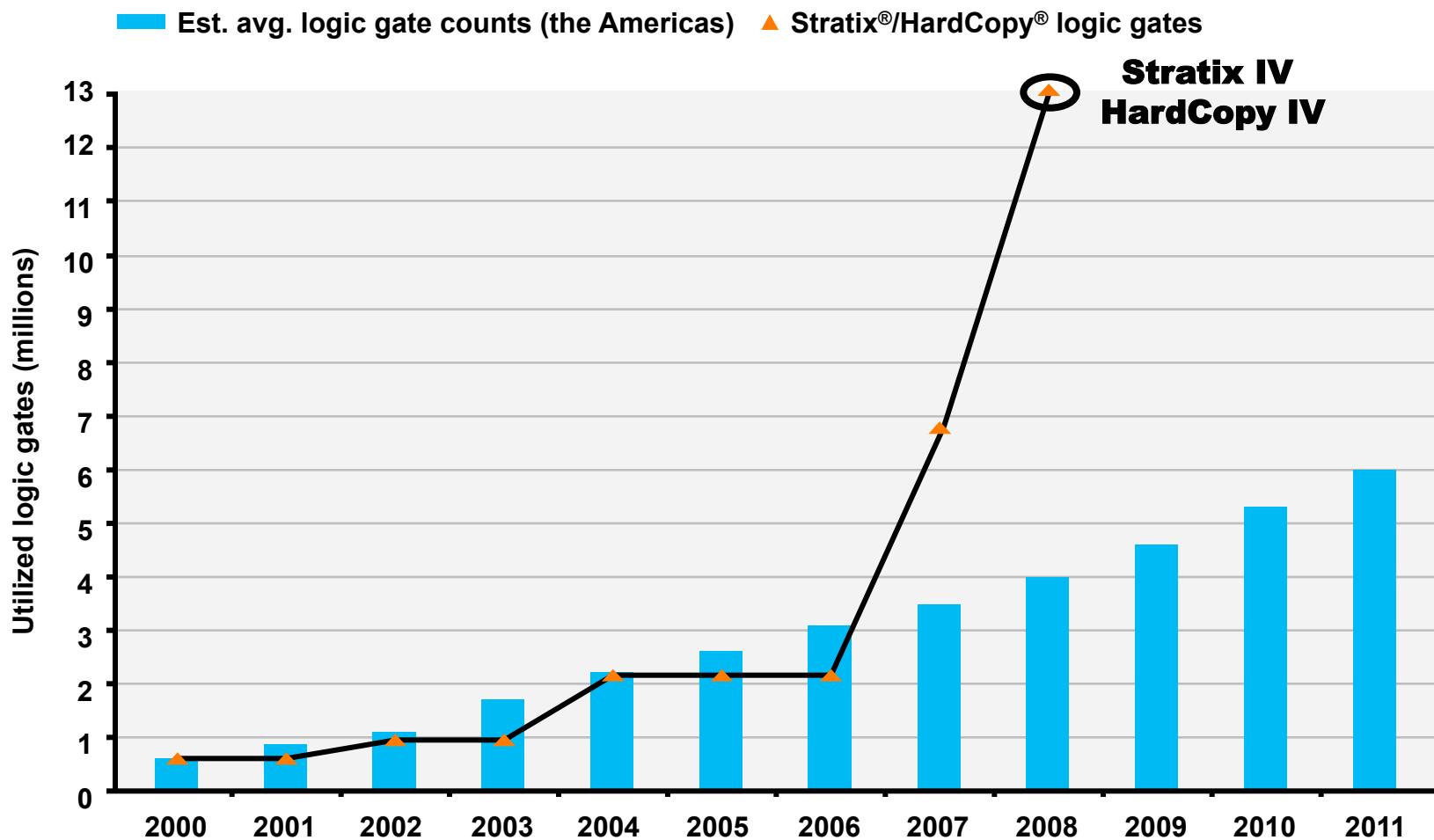


# Stratix IV FPGAs

- 2X logic density
  - Up to 680K logic elements (LEs)
  - Up to 22.4-Mbits internal RAM
  - Up to 1,360 18x18 multipliers
- More performance and 2X bandwidth
  - Up to 48 transceivers operating up to 8.5 Gbps
  - Up to 4 x8 hard intellectual property (IP) blocks for PCI Express Gen1 and Gen2
  - Up to 748 GMACS
- Half the power
  - Programmable Power Technology
  - Quartus® II PowerPlay technology
  - 40-nm process benefits including 0.9V core voltage



# Significant Increase in Capability



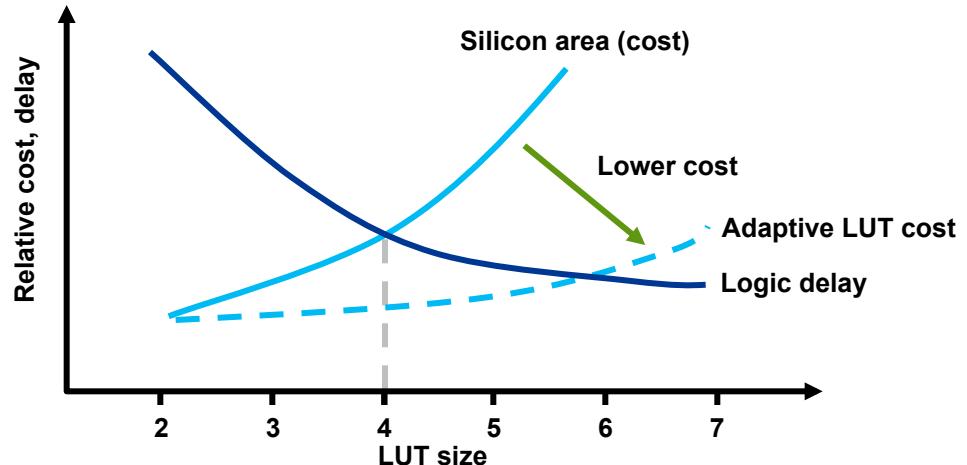
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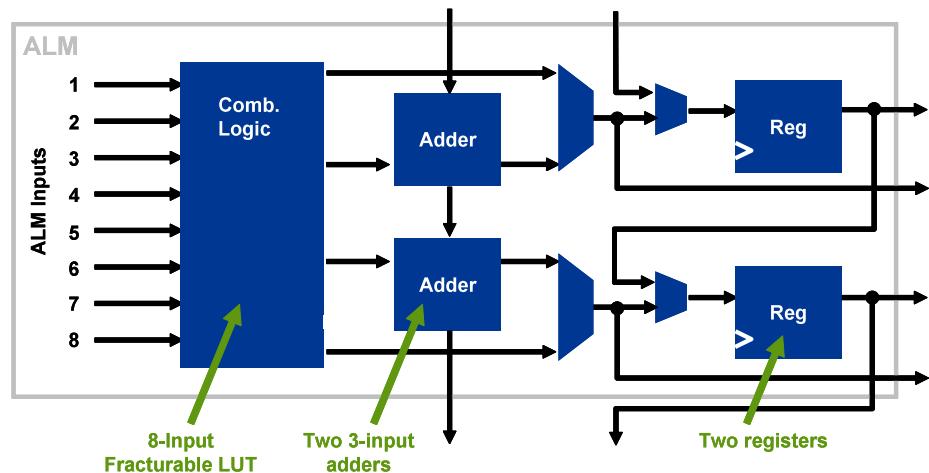
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# Logic Architecture

**Why adaptive logic module (ALM)?**

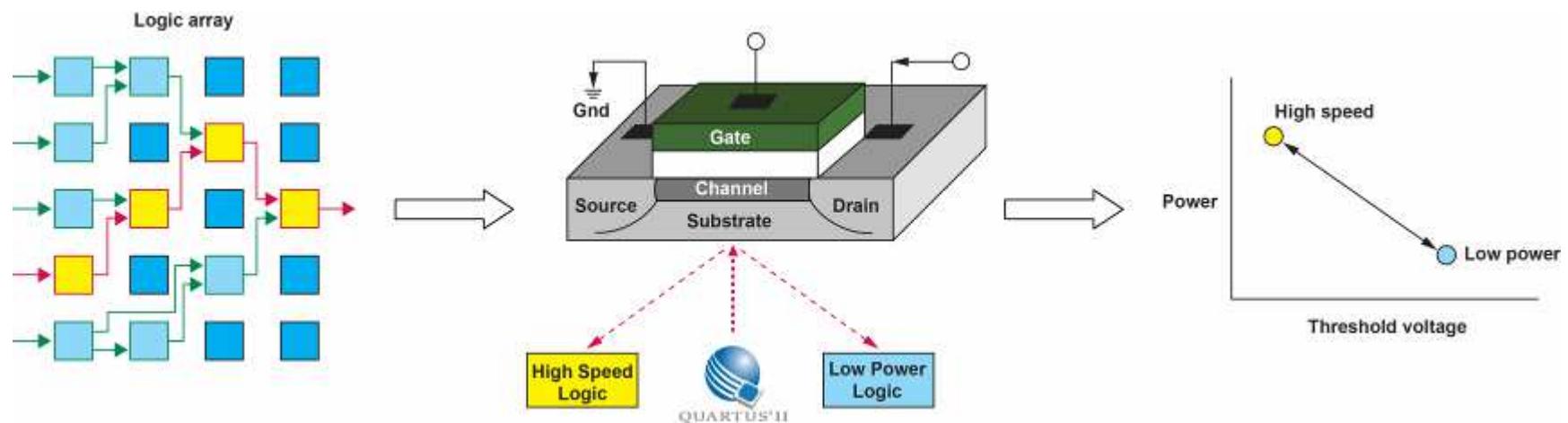


**What is ALM?**

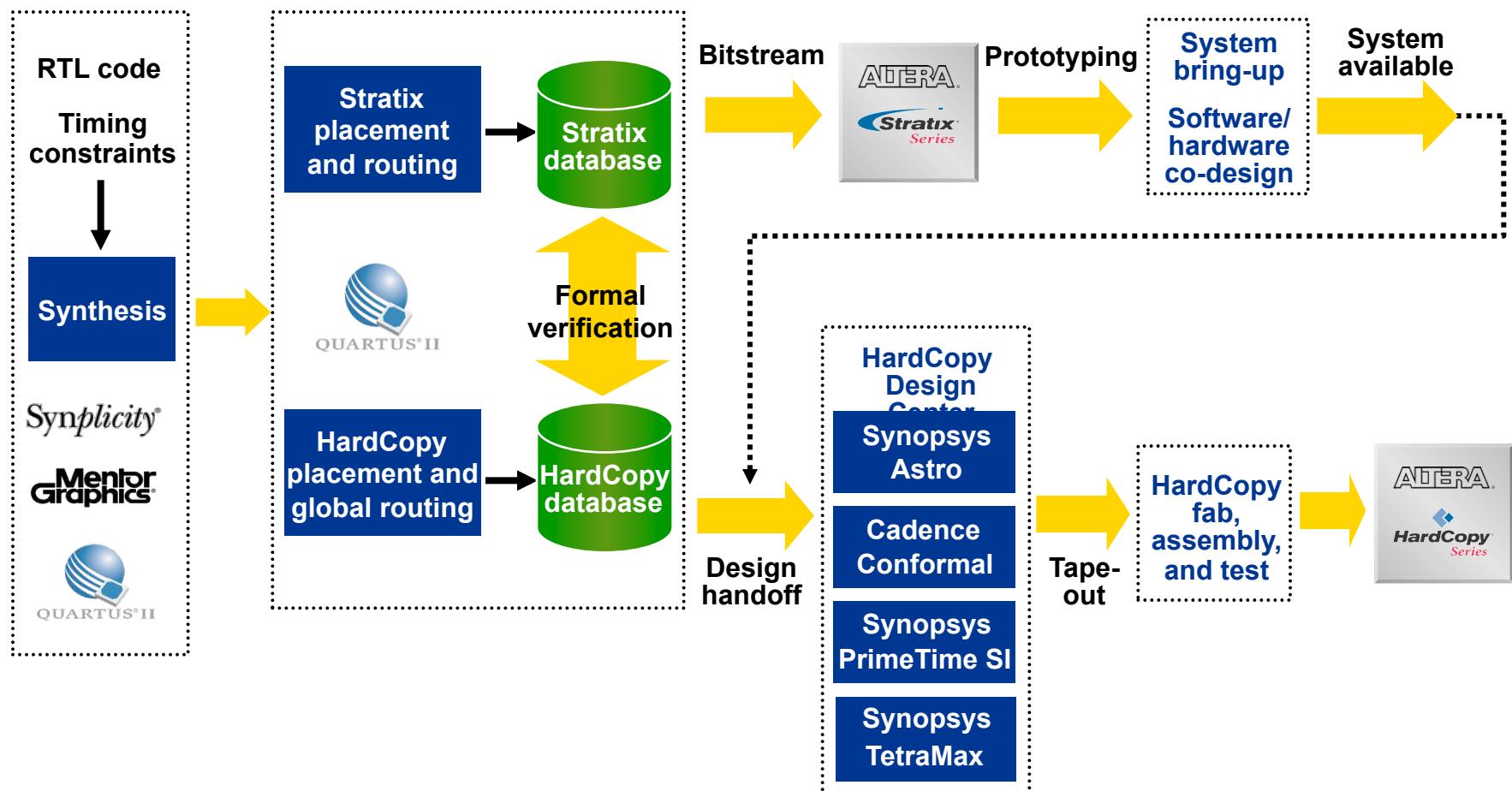


# Programmable Power Technology

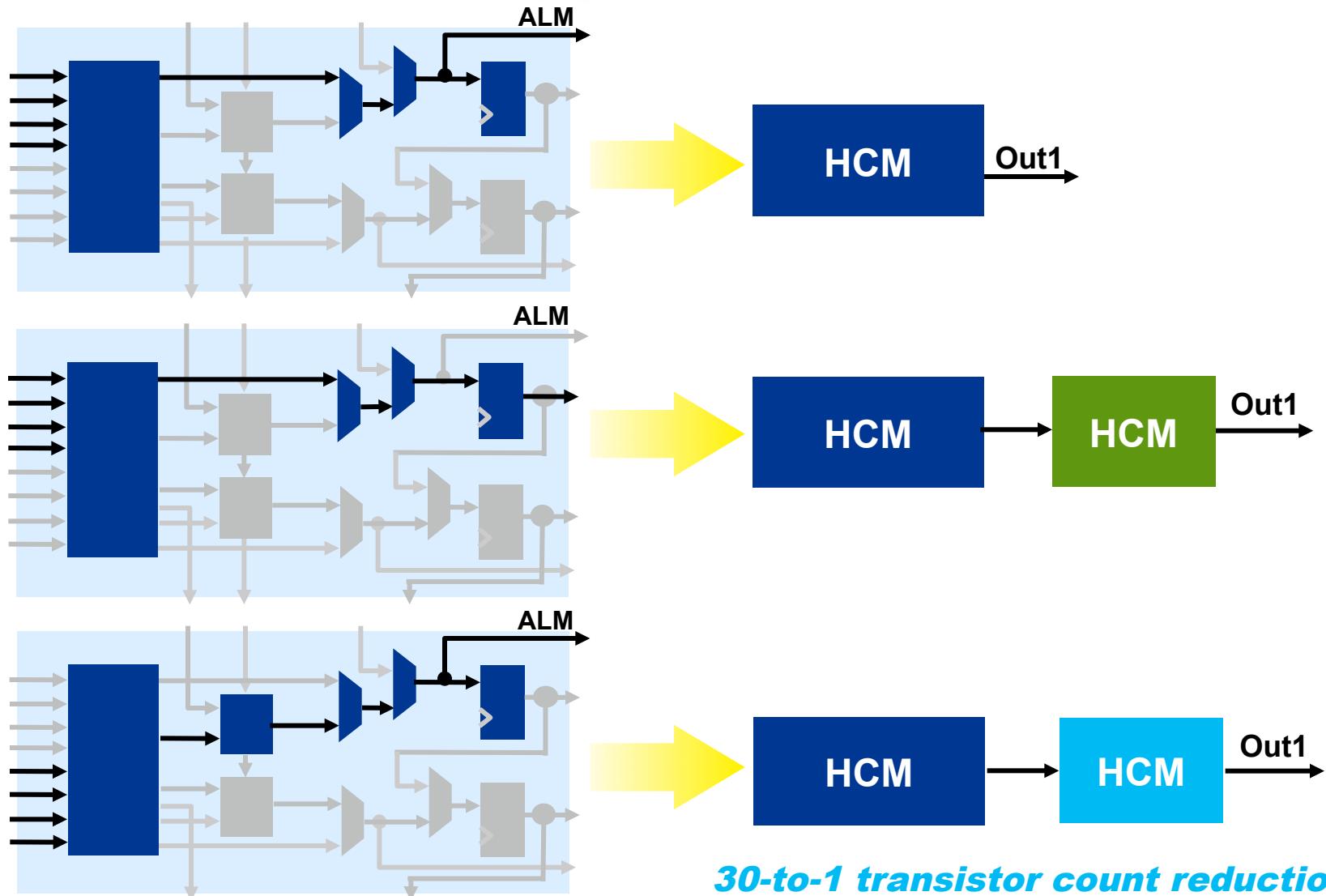
- 40-nm process benefits
  - Triple-oxide, lower, and multiple core voltages...
- FPGA specific: design specific and adaptive



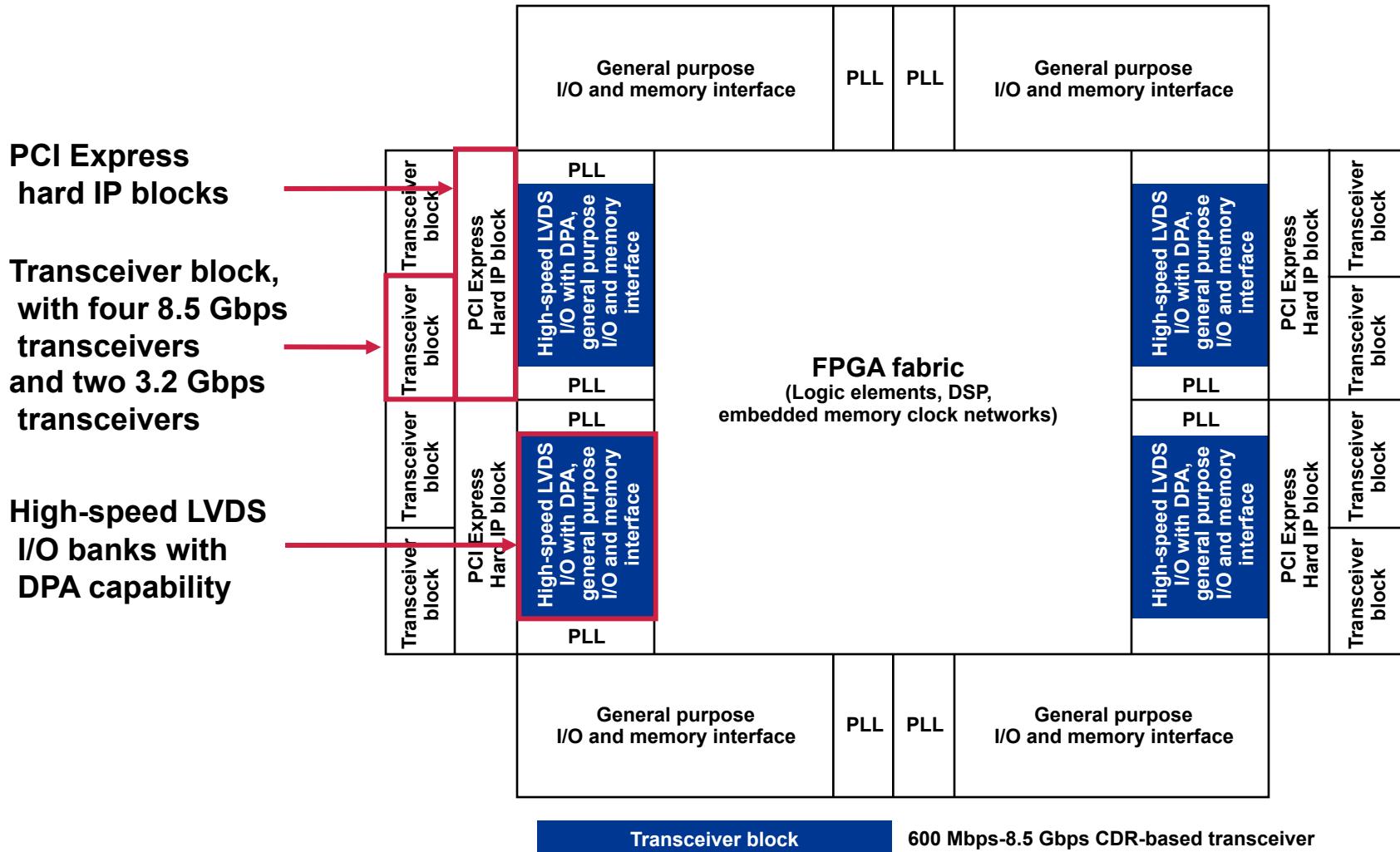
# HardCopy/Stratix Design Flow



# FPGA to HardCopy ASIC



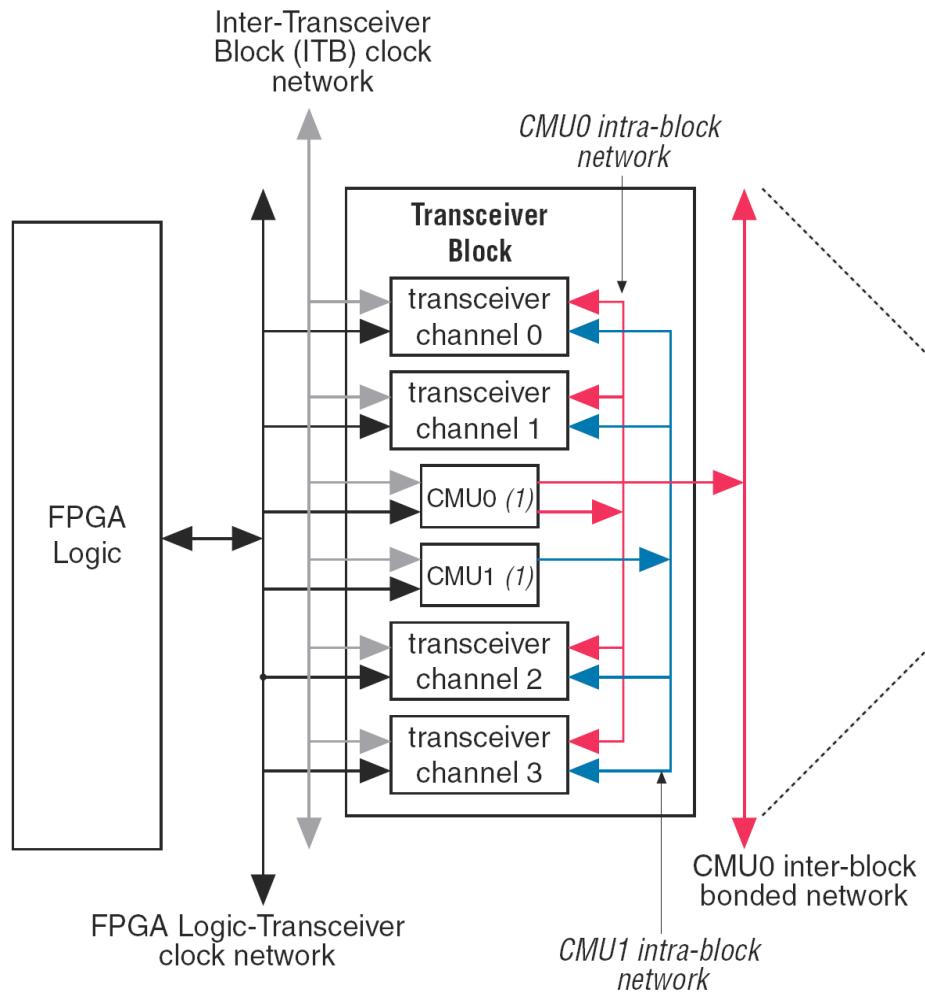
# Transceivers and User I/O



# Transceiver Protocols

Protocol	HardCopy IV ASICs	Stratix IV FPGAs
<b>3G Protocols</b>		
PCI Express Gen1 (x1, x2, x4, x8), PCI Express Cable	✓	✓
Serial RapidIO® (1x, 4x)	✓	✓
Gigabit Ethernet, XAUI (IEEE 802.3ae), HiGig+	✓	✓
3G Basic (proprietary), 3G SerialLite II	✓	✓
CPRI v3.0, OBSAI v2.0/RP3-01 v4.0	✓	✓
SONET OC-3/12/48, GPON	✓	✓
SATA, SAS	✓	✓
SD, HD, and 3G SDI, ASI	✓	✓
Serial Data Converter (JESD204)	✓	✓
SFI 5.1	Up to 8 channels	✓
HyperTransport 3.0	Up to 8 channels	✓
<b>6G Protocols</b>		
PCI Express Gen2 (x1, x2, x4, x8)	✓	✓
HiGig2, CEI 6G (SR/LR), Interlaken, DDR-XAUI, SPAUI	✓	✓
6G basic (proprietary), 6G SerialLite II	✓	✓
6G CPRI/OBSAI	✓	✓
Fibre Channel (FC1/FC2/FC4)	✓	✓

# Transceiver

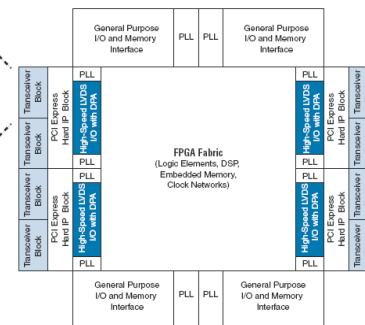


## **Terms:**

## **PMA = Physical medium attachment**

**PCS = Physical coding sublayer**

## **CMU = Clock management unit**



**(1) The CMU can be configured as a transceiver channel with PMA only**

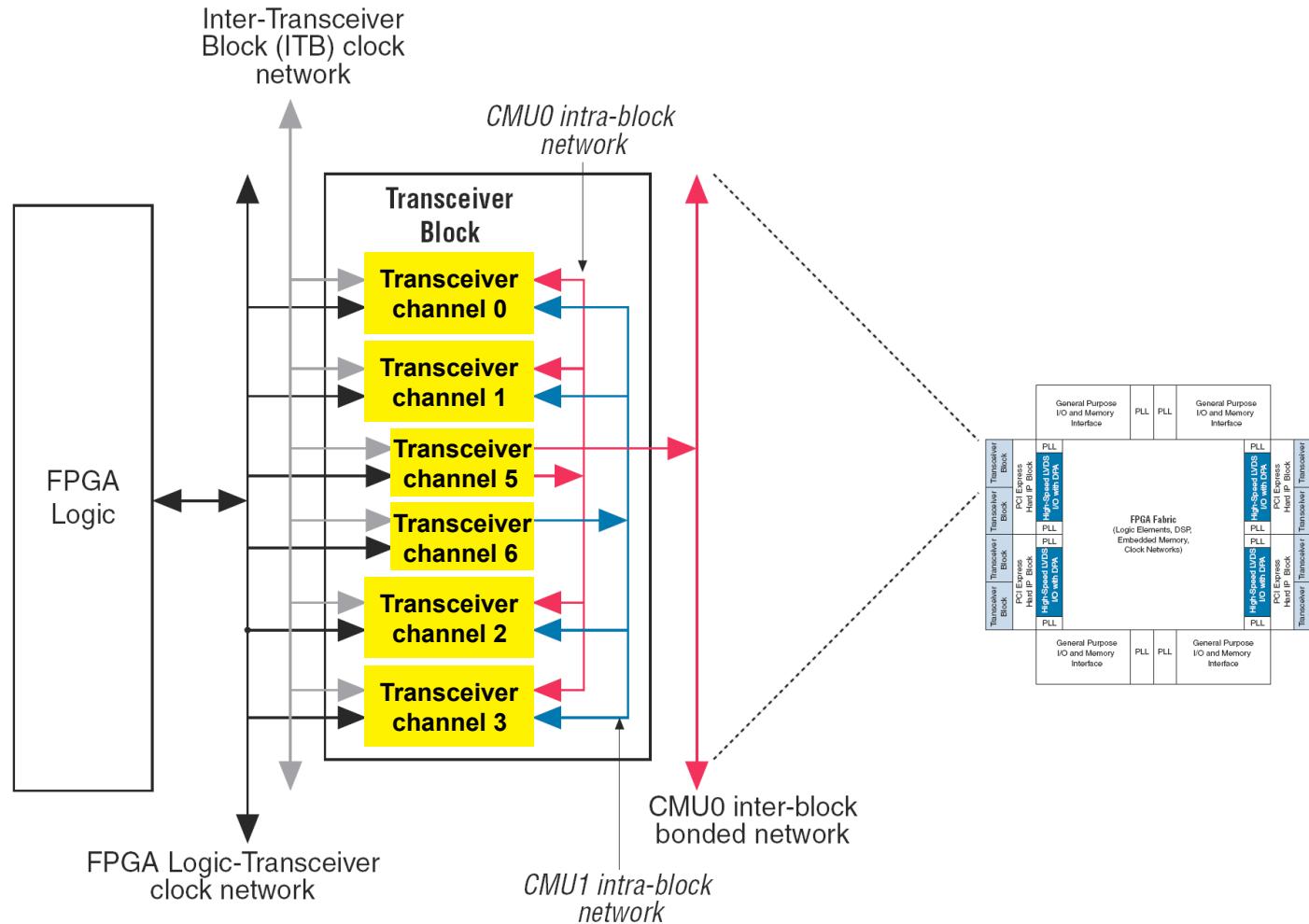
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# 6-Channels Configuration Example



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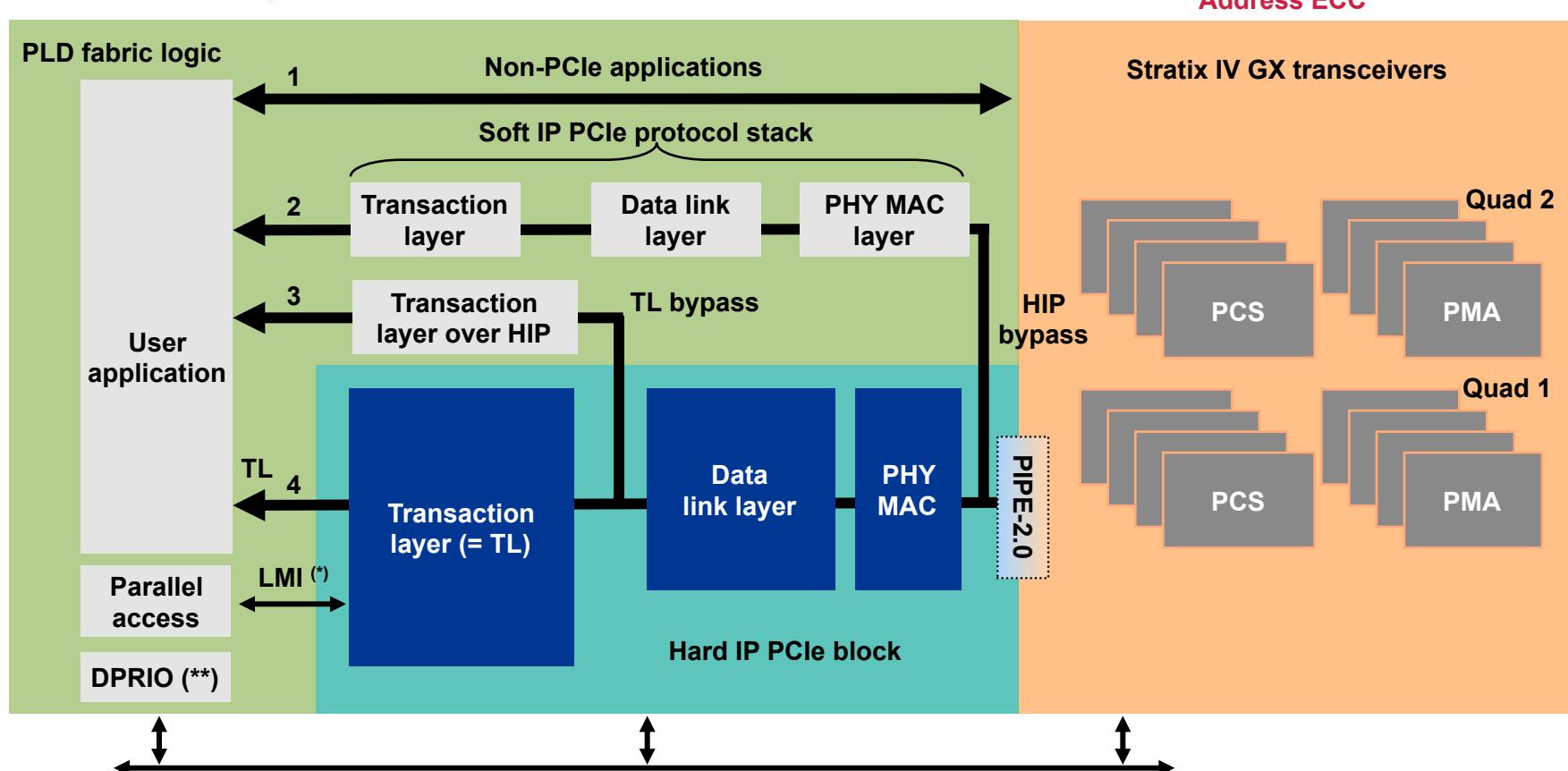
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# PCI Express Architecture



1. Non-PCI Express cores (XAUI, GbE, SRIO, etc...)
2. Soft PCI Express IP protocol stack
3. Soft PCI Express IP transaction layer over hard IP DL and PHY MAC
4. Hard Gen1/Gen2 x8, x4, x1 EP/RP hard IP (HIP) protocol stack

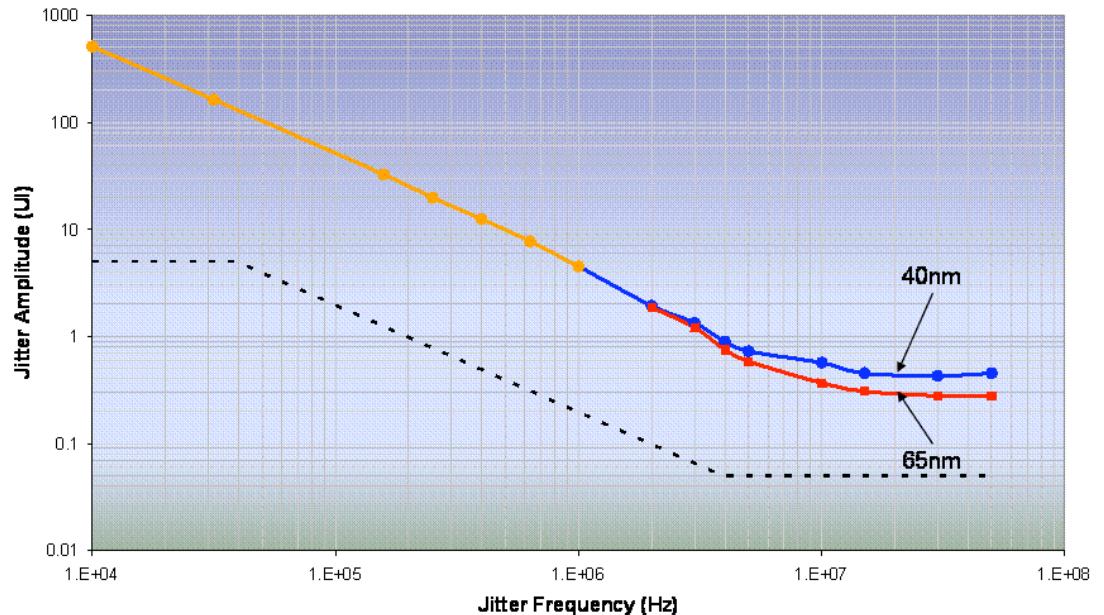
(\*) LMI- Local Management Interface

(\*\*) DPRIO- Dynamic Partial Reconfigurable Input/Output

- Soft logic:** Green box
- PCIe hard IP:** Light blue box
- PCS/PMA:** Orange box

# Transceiver Results

- Transceiver results
  - Pattern: PRBS 7
  - $V_{od}$ : 600 mV
  - DJ: 10.3 ps
  - RJ (RMS): 1.23 ps
- Jitter compliance for PCI Express, CEI-6, and SONET/synchronous digital hierarchy (SDH) with margin
- Ability to drive 50" of FR-4 backplane at 6.375 Gbps with built-in pre-emphasis and equalization
- Plug & Play Signal Integrity
  - Monitors and optimizes receive equalization over process, voltage, and temperature (PVT)
  - Supports hot swapping of transceivers
- Watch the demo videos:
  - [www.altera.com/b/40-nm-stratix-iv-video.html](http://www.altera.com/b/40-nm-stratix-iv-video.html)
  - [www.altera.com/plugandplay](http://www.altera.com/plugandplay)



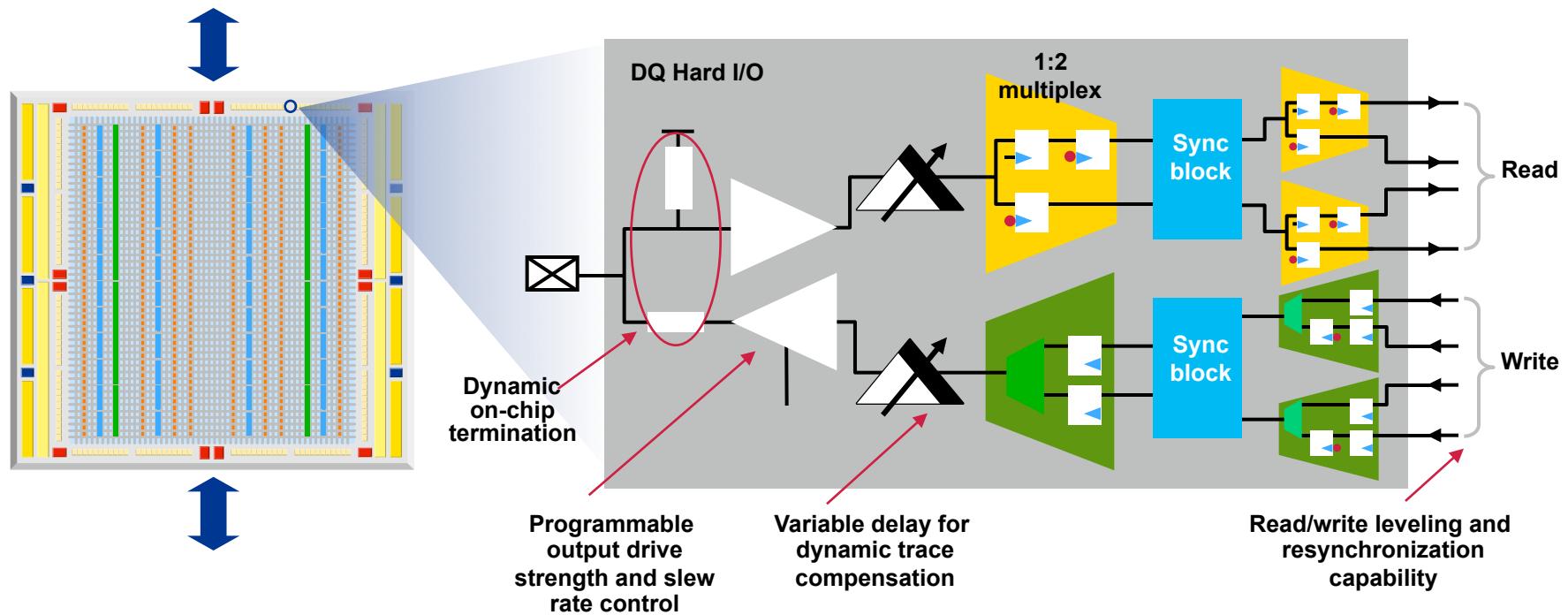
# Memory Interconnect

Stratix III/IV FPGAs	
Interconnect	Performance
DDR3	533 MHz/ 1,067 Mbps
DDR2	400 MHz/800 Mbps
QDR II	350 MHz
QDR II+	400 MHz
RDRAM II	400 MHz
LVDS	1.6 Gbps

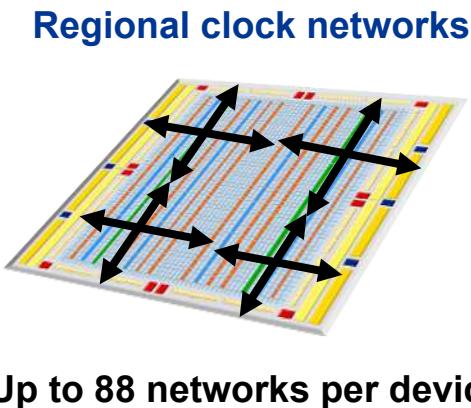
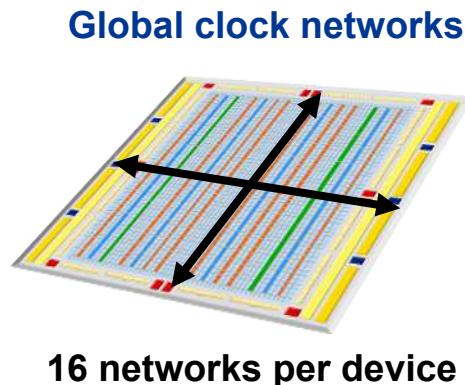
I/O feature	Stratix III/IV FPGAs	Benefit
Dynamic on-chip termination	✓	Saves power
DDR3 read/write leveling	✓	DIMM support
Variable I/O delay	✓	Allows signal de-skew

# Memory Interconnect Architecture

- Dynamic on-chip termination significantly saves power
  - Example: 1.0W on a 72-bit interface with a 50/50 read/write cycle
- Self compensating for PVT, trace, and resynchronization
- Read/write leveling



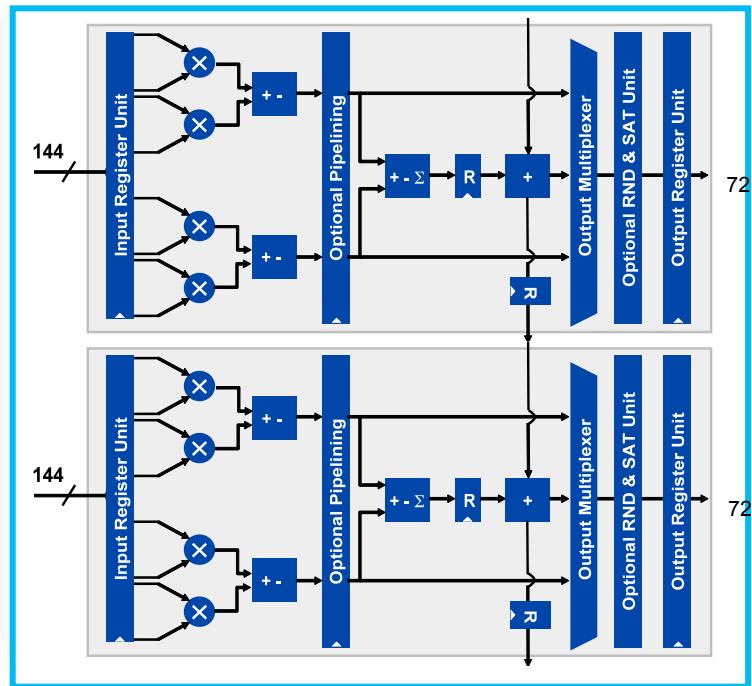
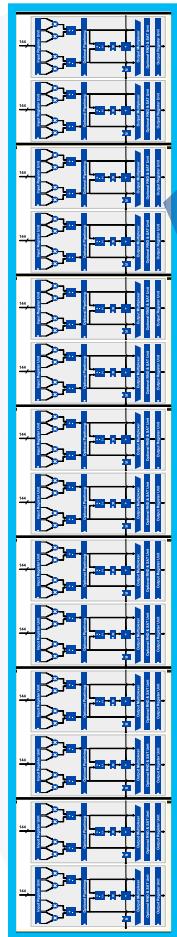
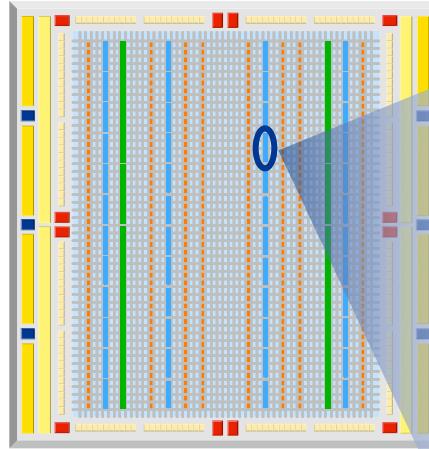
# Clocking Resources



- 200+ clock routing resources
  - 16 global clock networks (GCLK),
  - Up to 88 quadrant clock networks (QCLK),
  - Up to 132 periphery clock networks (PCLK)
  - Global clock routing can also be used for global signals
  - Powered down when not in use

- 12 low-jitter PLLs
  - 10 programmable outputs per PLL
  - Both frequency and phase can be dynamically changed
  - Cascadable to allow broader frequency generation

# DSP Performance Through Parallelism



- Optimal DSP/memory/logic ratio
- Resources per 18 x 18 multiplier
  - 400 registers
  - 17 Kbit embedded memory
  - 500 LEs

Total 18 x 18 multipliers = 1,360  
Maximum clock frequency = 550 MHz  
DSP performance =  $1,360 * 550 \text{ MHz} =$

**748 GMACS**

# Enhanced TriMatrix Memory

Memory functions	Stratix III devices	Stratix IV/HardCopy IV devices <sup>(1)</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Processor code storage</li><li>■ Packet buffers</li><li>■ Video frame buffers</li></ul>	M144K  144K bits	M144K  144K bits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ General purpose memory</li></ul>	M9K  9K bits	M9K  9K bits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Shift registers</li><li>■ Small FIFO buffers</li><li>■ Filter delay lines</li></ul>	MLAB  640 bits	MLAB  640 bits

***Optimized block size for maximum efficiency***

Note: (1) HardCopy ASICs implement memory logic array blocks (MLABs) in HCells

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# Stratix IV Family

	Device	LEs	Transceivers	Memory (Mbits)	Multipliers (18x18)
Stratix IV GX devices	<b>EP4SGX70</b>	<b>70K</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>384</b>
	<b>EP4SGX110</b>	<b>110K</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>512</b>
	<b>EP4SGX230</b>	<b>230K</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>1288</b>
	<b>EP4SGX290</b>	<b>290K</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>832</b>
	<b>EP4SGX360</b>	<b>360K</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>1040</b>
	<b>EP4SGX530</b>	<b>530K</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>1024</b>
Stratix IV E devices	<b>EP4SE110</b>	<b>110K</b>	-	<b>8.1</b>	<b>512</b>
	<b>EP4SE230</b>	<b>230K</b>	-	<b>13.9</b>	<b>1288</b>
	<b>EP4SE290</b>	<b>290K</b>	-	<b>13.3</b>	<b>832</b>
	<b>EP4SE360</b>	<b>360K</b>	-	<b>17.7</b>	<b>1040</b>
	<b>EP4SE530</b>	<b>530K</b>	-	<b>20.3</b>	<b>1024</b>
	<b>EP4SE680</b>	<b>680K</b>	-	<b>22.4</b>	<b>1360</b>

# HardCopy IV Family

	Device	Gates	Transceivers	Memory (Mbits)	Multipliers (18x18)
HardCopy IV GX devices	HC4GX1	2.8M	8	6.3	384
	HC4GX2	3.9M	16	8.1	512
	HC4GX3	9.2M	24	12.2	1288
	HC4GX4	7.6M	24	12.7	832
	HC4GX5	9.5M	24	13.3	1040
	HC4GX6	11.5M	24	13.3	1024
HardCopy IV E devices	HC4E2	3.9M	-	8.1	512
	HC4E3	9.2M	-	10.7	1288
	HC4E4	7.6M	-	13.3	832
	HC4E5	9.5M	-	16.8	1040
	HC4E6	11.5M	-	16.8	1024
	HC4E7	13.3M	-	16.8	1024

# Conclusion

- Significant logic and memory density
  - – 680K LEs (10+ Mgates) and 22 Mbits
- Innovations in performance, power, and cost
  - ALM, Programmable Power, HardCopy ASIC
- Bandwidth and flexible I/Os
  - 48 transceivers and 1100 user I/Os at 1 Gbit/pin