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Quartus® Prime Design Software

The Quartus® Prime Software is revolutionary in performance and productivity for FPGA, CPLD, and SoC designs, providing a fast path to convert your concept into reality. The Quartus Prime Software also supports many third-party tools for synthesis, static timing analysis, board-level simulation, signal integrity analysis, and formal verification.

| INTEL QUARTUS PRIME DESIGN SOFTWARE | | | AVAILABILITY | | |
|--|--|-------------|---|---|------------------------------|
| | | | PRO EDITION (\$) | STANDARD EDITION (\$) | LITE EDITION (FREE) |
| Device Support | Intel® Agilex™ series | | ✓ | | |
| | Intel® Stratix® series | IV, V 10 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Intel® Arria® series | II | | | ✓ ¹ |
| | | II, V 10 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Intel® Cyclone® series | IV, V | | ✓ | ✓ |
| | | 10 LP | | ✓ | ✓ |
| | | 10 GX | ✓ ² | | |
| Intel® MAX® series | II, V, 10 | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Design Flow | Partial reconfiguration | | ✓ | ✓ ³ | |
| | Block-based design | | ✓ | | |
| | Incremental optimization | | ✓ | | |
| Design Entry/Planning | IP Base Suite | | ✓ | ✓ | Available for purchase |
| | Intel® HLS Compiler | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Platform Designer (Standard) | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Platform Designer (Pro) | | ✓ | | |
| | Design Partition Planner | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Chip Planner | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Interface Planner | | ✓ | | |
| | Logic Lock regions | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | VHDL | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Verilog | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | SystemVerilog | | ✓ | ✓ ⁴ | ✓ ⁴ |
| Functional Simulation | VHDL-2008 | | ✓ | ✓ ⁴ | |
| | Questa*-Intel® FPGA Starter Edition software | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Compilation (Synthesis & Place and Route) | Questa*-Intel® FPGA Edition software | | ✓ ⁵ | ✓ ⁵ | ✓ ^{6,5} |
| | Fitter (Place and Route) | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Early placement | | ✓ | | |
| | Register retiming | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Fractal synthesis | | ✓ | | |
| Timing and Power Verification | Multiprocessor support | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Timing Analyzer | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Design Space Explorer II | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Power Analyzer | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Power and Thermal Calculator | | ✓ ⁶ | | |
| In-System Debug | Signal Tap Logic Analyzer | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Transceiver toolkit | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| | Intel Advanced Link Analyzer | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Operating System (OS) Support | Windows/Linux 64 bit support | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Price | | | Buy Fixed - \$3,995 Float - \$4,995 | Buy Fixed - \$2,995 Float - \$3,995 | Free |
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Notes:

- The only Arria II FPGA supported is the EP2AGX45 device.
- The Intel Cyclone 10 GX device support is available for free in the Pro Edition software.
- Available for Cyclone V and Stratix V devices only and requires a partial reconfiguration license.
- Limited language support.
- Requires an additional license.
- Integrated in the Intel Quartus Prime Software and available as a standalone tool. Only supports Intel Agilex and Intel Stratix 10 devices.

ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT TOOLS

| TOOLS | DESCRIPTION |
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| Intel® FPGA SDK for OpenCL™ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional licenses are required. Supported with the Intel Quartus Prime Pro/Standard Edition Software. The software installation file includes the Intel Quartus Prime Pro/Standard Edition Software and the OpenCL software. |
| Intel HLS Compiler | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional license required. Now available as a separate download. Supported with the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition Software. |
| DSP Builder for Intel® FPGAs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional licenses are required. DSP Builder for Intel FPGAs (Advanced Blockset only) is supported with the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition Software for Intel Agilex, Intel Stratix 10, Intel Arria 10, and Intel Cyclone 10 GX devices. |
| Nios® II Embedded Design Suite | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional licenses are required. Supported with all editions of the Intel Quartus Prime Software. Includes Nios II software development tools and libraries. |
| Intel® SoC FPGA Embedded Development Suite (SoC EDS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires additional licenses for Arm* Development Studio for Intel® SoC FPGA (Arm* DS for Intel® SoC FPGA). The SoC EDS Standard Edition is supported with the Intel Quartus Prime Lite/Standard Edition Software and the SoC EDS Pro Edition is supported with the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition Software. |

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INTEL QUARTUS PRIME DESIGN SOFTWARE FEATURES SUMMARY

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| Interface Planner | Enables you to quickly create your I/O design using real time legality checks. |
| Pin planner | Eases the process of assigning and managing pin assignments for high-density and high-pin-count designs. |
| Platform Designer | Accelerates system development by integrating IP functions and subsystems (collection of IP functions) using a hierarchical approach and a high-performance interconnect based on a network-on-a-chip architecture. |
| Off-the-shelf IP cores | Lets you construct your system-level design using IP cores from Intel and from Intel's third-party IP partners. |
| Synthesis | Provides expanded language support for System Verilog and VHDL 2008. |
| Scripting support | Supports command-line operation and Tcl scripting. |
| Incremental optimization | Offers a faster methodology to converge to design sign-off. The traditional fitter stage is divided into finer stages for more control over the design flow. |
| Partial reconfiguration | Creates a physical region on the FPGA that can be reconfigured to execute different functions. Synthesize, place, route, close timing, and generate configuration bitstreams for the functions implemented in the region. |
| Block-based design flows | Provides flexibility of reusing timing-closed modules or design blocks across projects and teams. |
| Intel® Hyperflex™ FPGA Architecture | Provides increased core performance and power efficiency for Intel Agilex and Intel Stratix 10 devices. |
| Physical synthesis | Uses post placement and routing delay knowledge of a design to improve performance. |
| Design space explorer (DSE) | Increases performance by automatically iterating through combinations of Intel Quartus Prime Software settings to find optimal results. |
| Extensive cross-probing | Provides support for cross-probing between verification tools and design source files. |
| Optimization advisors | Provides design-specific advice to improve performance, resource usage, and power consumption. |
| Chip planner | Reduces verification time while maintaining timing closure by enabling small, post-placement and routing design changes to be implemented in minutes. |
| Timing Analyzer | Provides native Synopsys Design Constraint (SDC) support and allows you to create, manage, and analyze complex timing constraints and quickly perform advanced timing verification. |
| Signal Tap logic analyzer | Supports the most channels, fastest clock speeds, largest sample depths, and most advanced triggering capabilities available in an embedded logic analyzer. |
| System Console | Enables you to easily debug your FPGA in real time using read and write transactions. It also enables you to quickly create a GUI to help monitor and send data into your FPGA. |
| Power Analyzer | Enables you to analyze and optimize both dynamic and static power consumption accurately. |
| Design Assistant | A design rules checking tool that allows you to get to design closure faster by reducing the number of iterations needed and by enabling faster iterations with targeted guidance provided by the tool at various stages of compilation. |
| Fractal synthesis | Enables the Intel Quartus Prime Software to efficiently pack arithmetic operations in FPGA's logic resources resulting in significantly improved performance. |
| EDA partners | Offers EDA software support for synthesis, functional and timing simulation, static timing analysis, board-level simulation, signal integrity analysis, and formal verification. To see a complete list of partners, visit www.intel.com/fpgaedapartners . |

Getting Started Steps

Step 1: Download the free Intel Quartus Prime Lite Edition Software

www.intel.com/quartus

Step 2: Get oriented with the Intel Quartus Prime Software interactive tutorial

After installation, open the interactive tutorial on the welcome screen.

Step 3: Sign up for training

www.intel.com/fpgatraining

