These release notes cover v. 13.0 through v. 14.1 of the Altera® Arria® V system on a chip (SoC) hard processor system (HPS).

These release notes describe the following topics:

- Features supported by the Arria V SoC HPS
- Intellectual property (IP) for the Arria V SoC HPS, including the Arria V SoC HPS component
- Embedded software for the Arria V SoC HPS
- Known issues and Errata

**Related Information**

Quartus II Software and Device Support Release Notes Version 14.0
## Product Revision History

### Table 1: SoC HPS Revision History

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- New `arm-altera-eabi-gcc` 4.9.1 toochain.  
- Cygwin upgraded to version 1.7.32  
  - Fixed the shellshock bug  
  - Improvements to the Minimal Preloader (MPL):  
    - New Feature:  
      - Added support for the GCC compiler.  
    - Enhancements:  
      - Updated MPL Readme.txt documentation file.  
      - Increased SD/MMC load speed to greater than 10 MB/s.  
      - MPL fix to re-enable `mkpimage` binary generation.  
      - MPL Readme file update.  
    - Bug fixes:  
      - Compile error fix when MPL loads an FPGA image based on README.txt.  
      - PLL fix for MPL.  
      - Fix for MPL failure to handoff to QNX™.  
      - Fix for MPL not being able to compile with handoff files from the quartus compilation of GHRD.  
      - Fix MPL compilation looking for a file that is not provided.  
      - Fix MPL CRC calculation performance issue.  
  - Improvements to the Device Tree Generator:  
    - Device tree compiler (dtc) is an added feature.  
  - Improvements to the Hardware Library:  
    - Fixed the typo that was in `alt_spi.c`.  
    - Fixed the issue of using an uninitialized global variable before it is initialized. |
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<td>- Includes Development Studio 5 Altera Edition 5.19.2 with the following included:&lt;br&gt;  - Updated End User License Agreement (EULA) included.&lt;br&gt;  - ARM Compiler 5 included with DS-5 Altera Edition (AE).&lt;br&gt;  - Updated the DS-5 Altera Edition download page with a License Upgrade Notification&lt;br&gt;      - Ability to refer to License Update Instructions on the documentation tab to obtain a no-cost upgrade to DS-5 Altera Edition v5.19.2 that includes ARM Compiler 5. This is possible if your previously purchased license is still valid (within one year) or if you are purchasing a new SoCEDS license.&lt;br&gt;  - Improvements to the Preloader:&lt;br&gt;      - SDRAM controller no longer fails when accessing non-existent memory.&lt;br&gt;      - Supports SDRAM self refresh preservation.&lt;br&gt;      - Fixed U-boot initialization code from accessing BSS section before relocation happens.</td>
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<td>- Includes Development Studio 5 Altera Edition version 5.19.1.&lt;br&gt;  - SoC EDS now supports Angstrom and LTSI 3.10.&lt;br&gt;  - GHRD build is now based on ACDS 14.0.1.&lt;br&gt;  - Improvements to the Device Tree Generator:&lt;br&gt;      - <code>sopc2dts</code> no longer generates incorrect USB node for newer device driver.&lt;br&gt;      - Fixed the issue with the dangling reference to a non-existent clock so that the DTG successfully compiles.&lt;br&gt;  - Improvements to the Hardware LIBs:&lt;br&gt;      - Changes to the new tool chains such as compiler, linker, and loader.&lt;br&gt;      - Added the capability to support memory sizes larger than 32 GB when setting the bus width in a 64 GB Micro SD card.&lt;br&gt;      - Fixed the compilation failure when using Altera-SoCFPGA-HardwareLib-FPGA-CV-GNU.&lt;br&gt;      - Added functionality for the SD/MMC to flush and invalidate the buffers and descriptors for the SD card DMA.&lt;br&gt;      - Fixed the issue that did not allow SD write in non DMA mode.</td>
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|         |      | - Fixed the Input and Output ID error in `alt_address_space.c`.
<p>|         |      | - Improvements to the SD/MMC. |
|         |      | | - New features. |
|         |      | | | - Added <code>dprintf</code> on failure code paths. |
|         |      | | | - Enabled SDSC/SDXC support with access up to 4GB. |
|         |      | | | - Enabled query of capacity, high speed and supported bus widths. |
|         |      | | | - Simplified API to set SD/MMC clock. |
|         |      | | | - Enable high-speed 50 MHz support. |
|         |      | - Bug fixes. |
|         |      | | - Increased SD/MMC speed setting. |
|         |      | | - Corrected definition of FIFO full status to prevent writes in non-DMA mode failing. |
|         |      | | - SD/MMC no longer fails if DMA is enabled before enumeration. |
|         |      | | - Build no longer breaks in <code>dprintf</code> with armcc compiler. |
|         |      | | | <code>smplsel</code> and <code>devsel</code> are set to non-zero when <code>use_hold_reg</code> is set per the IP’s datasheet. |
|         |      | | - Removed response query code on commands that do not send a response. |
|         |      | | - Fixed the issue of receiving a failure when accessing some SanDisk cards. |
|         |      | | - Fixed various HWLIB issues that pertain to various IPs, such as QSPI and UART. |
|         |      | Improvements to the Preloader: |
|         |      | | - Added the DWC2 OTG USB driver to fix the incompatible issue that the default USB driver was having with the Arria V and Cyclone V devices. |
|         |      | | - Fixed the issue where the MAC address registers clear after executing a <code>ping</code> command. |
|         |      | | - Fixed clock divider calculation error for bypass mode. |
|         |      | | - Added a workaround for HPS PLL lock issue after power-on reset. |</p>
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- Improved bare metal flow with GCC.  
- Improvements to the SoC EDS  
  - Supports a 64-bit install  
  - Added ability to create a bare metal project from scratch.  
  - Added Altera boot disk utility `alt-boot-disk-util.exe`.  
  - Added ability to set clock for preloader generation flow from Qsys.  
  - HPS component upgraded to support the new IP Catalog. For more information about the IP Catalog, refer to *IP Catalog and Parameter Editor* in *Introduction to Altera IP Cores*.  
  
*Note:* 32-bit host systems are no longer supported. |
| 13.1    | November 2013 | - Introduces the SoC HPS Embedded Design Suite (EDS) which supports a 32-bit install  
- Introduces the Golden System Reference Design for the Arria V SoC  
- Arria V SoC devices available as engineering samples  
- Improved pin MUX interface in the HPS component parameter editor  
- Improved timings models and customizations in the PowerPlay Early Power Estimator  
- HPS component verified with the Quartus II software v13.1 |
| 13.0 SP1 | July 2013  | HPS component verified with the Quartus II software v13.0 SP1 |
| 13.0    | May 2013   | - HPS component verified with the Quartus II software v13.0  
- The 10GBASE-R PHY IP core adds device support for the Arria V SoC |

**Related Information**

- **Quartus II Software and Device Support Release Notes**
  For more information about the IP Catalog, refer to *IP Catalog and Parameter Editor* in *Introduction to Altera IP Cores*.

- **FPGA-Adaptive Software Debug and Performance Analysis**
  For more information about what is new in the SoC EDS, refer to the FPGA-Adaptive Software Debug and Performance Analysis document.
What's New in 14.1

What's New in the Arria V SoC EDS for 14.1

The Arria V SoC v14.1 provides the following enhancements:

- New `arm-altera-eabi-gcc` 4.9.1 toochain.
- MPL features:
  - Added support for the GCC compiler and renamed the project to a descriptive name.
  - Updated the build documentation.
  - Increased SD/MMC load speed to greater than 10 MB/s.
  - MPL fix to re-enable `mkimage` binary generation.
  - Updated MPL Readme.txt documentation file.
- Device Tree Generator features:
  - Device tree compiler (dtc) was added.

What's New in 14.0.2

What's New in Arria V SoC EDS for 14.0.2

The Arria V SoC v14.0.2 provides the following enhancements:

- DS-5 Altera Edition with ARM DS-5 v5.19.2, including:
  - Updated EULA-End User License Agreement.
  - Support for additional tools, such as: ARM® Compiler 5 and 6, providing the only build tool chains specifically designed to optimize software for Cortex™-A9 and Cortex-A53 processors in Altera's SoC portfolio.
  - ARM Compiler 5 included with DS-5 Altera Edition (AE).
  - Ability to refer to License Update Instructions on the documentation tab to obtain a no-cost upgrade to DS-5 Altera Edition v5.19.2 that includes ARM Compiler 5. This is possible if your previously purchased license is still valid or if you are purchasing a new SoCEDS license.
What's New in 14.0.1

What's New in the Arria V SoC EDS for 14.0.1

The Arria V SoC v14.0.1 provides the following enhancements:

- SoC EDS Hardware Library added new APIs and design examples:
  - New APIs:
    - QSPI - to read and write the QSPI flash
    - I²C - to help use the I²C serial interface
    - SPI - to read and write the serial SPI interface
    - NAND - to access NAND-based Flash non-volatile memory
    - SD/MMC - for SD/MMC removable Flash media
    - ECC - to help use the Error Correction Code (ECC) hardware (excluding SD/MMC and NAND Flash memory)
  - New design examples:
    - SPI read/write from/to an EEPROM example with armcc compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-SPI-RW-CV-ARMCC>
    - SPI read/write from/to an EEPROM example with gnu compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-SPI-RW-CV-GNU>
    - ECC L2 example with armcc compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-ECCl2-CV-ARMCC>
    - ECC L2 example with gnu compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-ECCl2-CV-GNU>
    - FPGA example with armcc compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-FPGA-CV-ARMCC>
    - FPGA example with gnu compiler: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-FPGA-CV-GNU>
  - Note: Each of the above design examples also support semihosted and non-semihosted configurations. You must make the choice in the Makefile.
  - Preloader added new design examples - Minimal Preloader (MPL) example: <Altera-SocFPGA-HardwareLib-MPL-CV-ARMCC>
  - Note: Only ARMCC version is released. Effort for a GNU version release is still to come.

What's New in 14.0
What's New in the Arria V SoC EDS for 14.0

The Arria V SoC v14.0 provides the following enhancements:

- DS-5 Altera Edition with ARM DS-5 v5.18.0, including:
  - Improved bare metal flow with GCC
  - Ability to create a bare metal project from scratch
- SoC Hardware Library support including:
  - APIs for I²C, SPI, ECC, and memory coherency
  - Support for system manager
  - Flash memory interface for NAND, QSPI, and SD/MMC
  - SoC Hardware Library compiler support
  - New example designs to cover every API that can be run stand-alone without semihosting
  - Improved visibility of hardware libraries
- Preloader Features:
  - Improved integration between Qsys and preloader with regards to clocks.
  - Preloader generator tool enhancements for peripheral clock configuration.
  - PLL configuration in preloader generator.
- HPS component upgraded to support the new IP Catalog. For more information about the IP Catalog, refer to IP Catalog and Parameter Editor in Introduction to Altera IP Cores.

Related Information

- Quartus II Software and Device Support Release Notes
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What's New in 13.1

What's New in Arria V SoC Silicon Support for v13.1

The Arria V SoC device family is available as engineering samples. These devices are not yet fully characterized. Refer to Arria V SoC device errata in the Altera Knowledge Base for details.

Related Information

SoC HPS errata in KB

What's New in the HPS Component for v13.1

The HPS component parameter editor has been updated to make it easier to create valid pin assignments.
The Peripheral Pin Multiplexing tab has been enhanced with the following features:

- MUX values clearly shown in table
- Preview of available pin locations for each peripheral
- Components color-coded in pin table
- Selected pins shown in pin table with bolding and borders
- Faster GPIO and Loaner I/O selection
- Row with pin conflicts shown in red

What's New in the Arria V SoC EDS for v13.1

The Arria V SoC v13.1 introduces the Altera system on a chip (SoC) Embedded Design Suite (EDS), with the following features:

- DS-5 Altera Edition with ARM DS-5 v5.15.0, including:
  - Official Gator/Streamline support for SoC Linux 3.9
  - ThreadX and uC/OS III kernel awareness
- Quartus II Standalone Programmer, including USB-Blaster II driver and binaries
- FTDi USB-to-UART drivers, used with Arria V development boards
- SoC Hardware Library support including:
  - APIs for Cache, MMU
  - Support for UART, GPIO, DMA, Int Ctrl
  - Validated with ARMCC
  - Support for Linux kernel 3.9, including drivers for FPGA bridges, DMA, QSPI, Watchdog
  - GHRY is pre-signal tapped
  - Device tree generator support for Linux 3.9
  - v2013.01.01 U-Boot Code Base
- Preloader Features
  - SD/MMC uses DMA to transfer data
  - UART baud rate 115200
  - QSPI auto calibration
  - Software support for SDRAM ECC—single-bit error (SBE) recovery is enabled in the Preloader. For setup and usage information, refer to the SoC Linux Community Portal.
  - Device tree generator—Linux Device Tree generation is enabled for proper initialization of Linux device drivers. Device Tree generation includes the complete flow, from the SOPC Information File (.sopcinfo) input to the device tree blob (.dtb) file output.
  - FPGA-to-SDRAM interface support—the Preloader supports soft IP access to the HPS SDRAM, through the FPGA-to-SDRAM interface

Related Information

Rocketboards

What's New in Arria 10 SoC PowerPlay Support for v13.1

Altera's Web-based PowerPlay Early Power Estimator (EPE) is updated to provide more user customizations and more accurate timing models for the Arria 10 SoC device family. Refer to the PowerPlay EPE for more information.
## Known Issues and Errata

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- 241357 - `u-boot-spl` must properly clean up interrupts before handoff.  
- 242853 - `armcc` does not work from the SoCEDS command line with the new Altera Edition license. |
| 14.0.1  | September 2014| - 181269 - Add Mentor Bare-Metal Tool Support for Altera boards.  
- 199644 - SoC EDS: Add link to Bare-Metal Compiler Getting Started Guide.  
- 203309 - The GHRD tgz files contain intermediate files that may not be useful.  
- 226737 - Linking error occurs because a 32-bit cross-compiler is shipped with the 64-bit version of SoCEDS instead of a 64-bit gcc cross-compiler.  
- 227197 - Add more documentation on how to run the HelloWorld example designs.  
- 229396 - When BSEL is set to 0, all regression tests using preloader and then uboot fail in soceds/14.0.1/234 and soceds/14.1/143. |

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